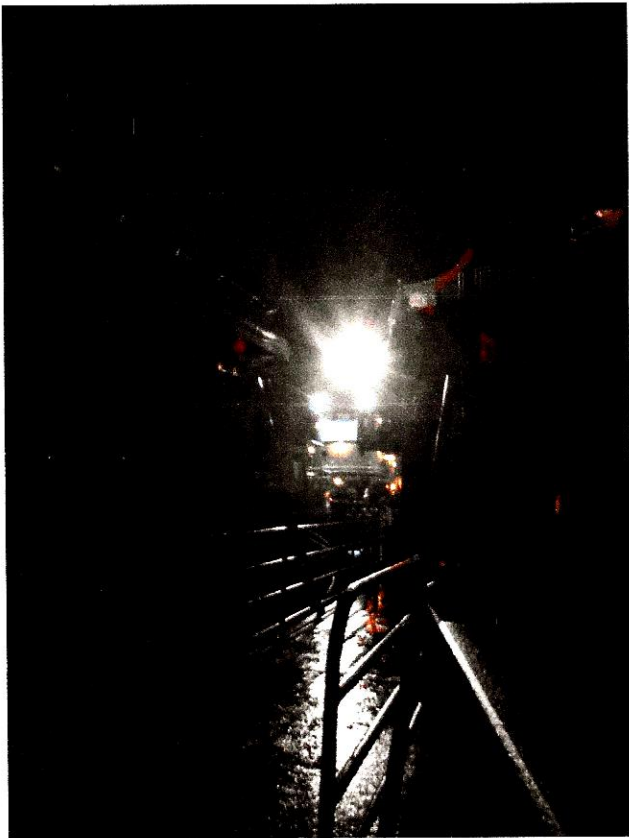




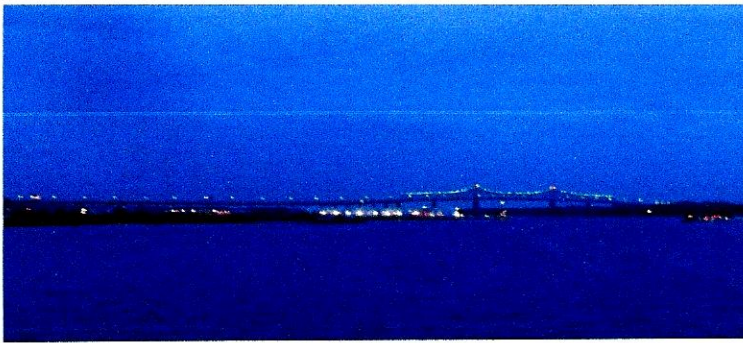
To make a 06:00 departure, the crew of the *Liz Vinik* left home at 02:30. The crew already aboard, passengers were ready to go, some to their first Tug Boat Race.



Predawn light greeted us as we got underway and passed through the railroad swing bridge.





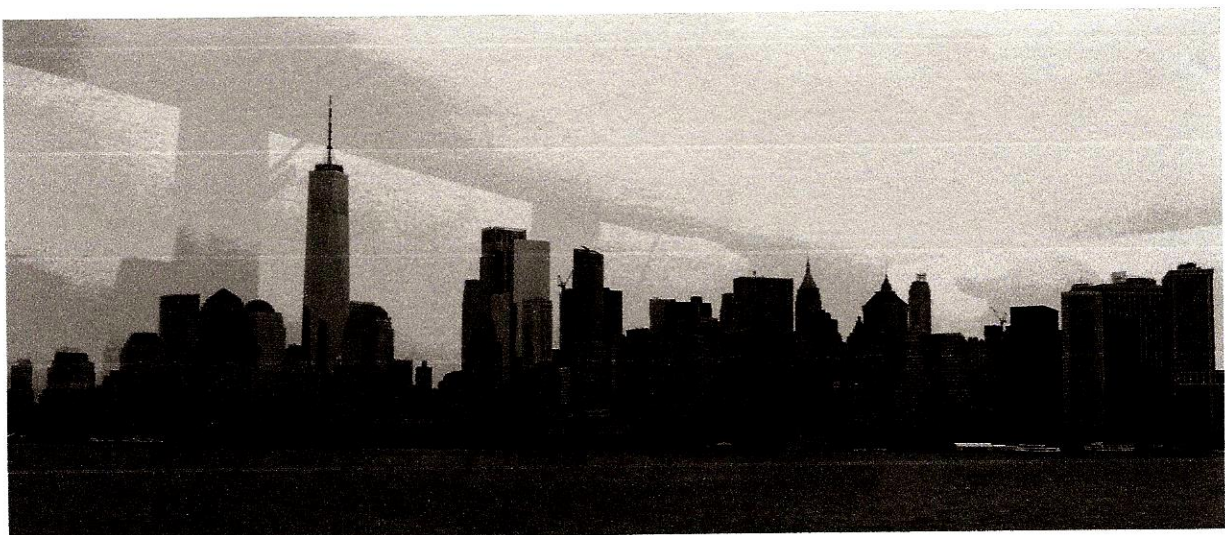
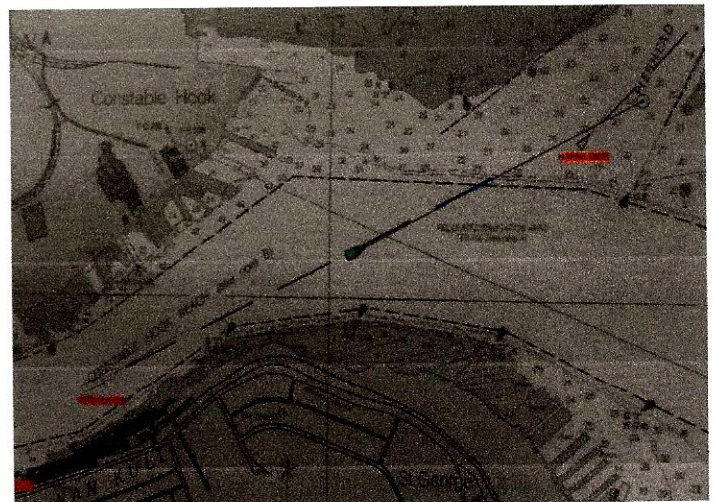


We head past Perth Amboy, up Arthur Kill and north toward Outerbridge.



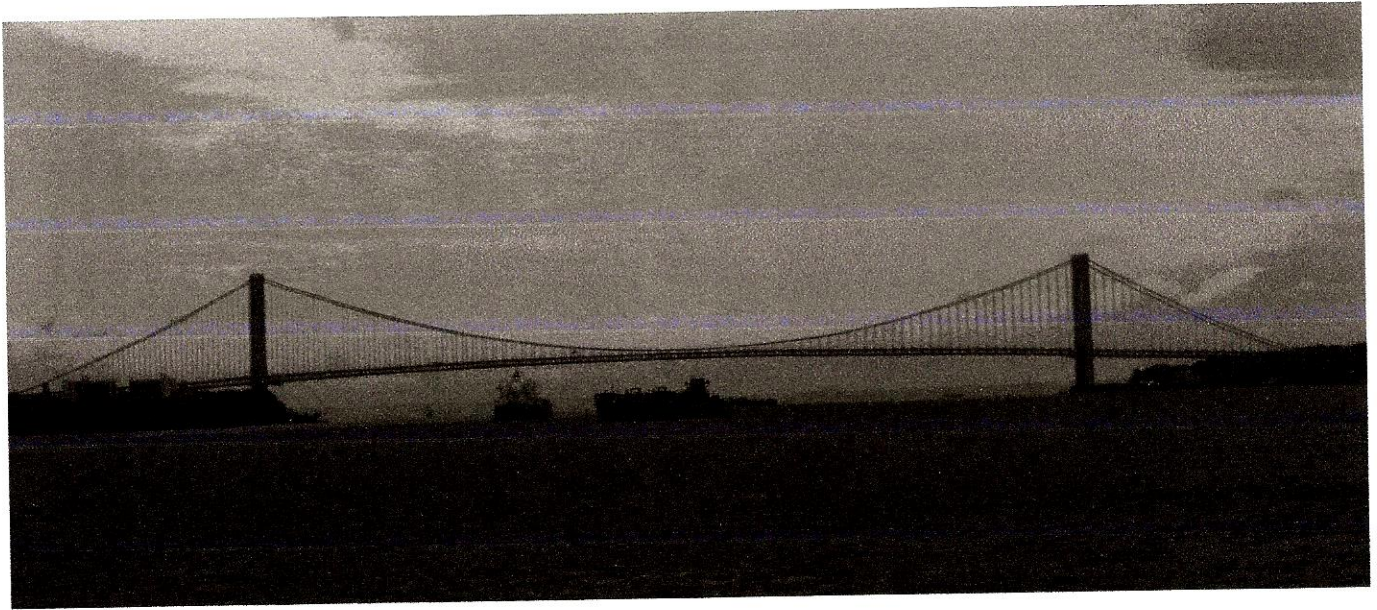
North of that the Dorothy Elizabeth and the Charles Oxman are visible just east of Isle of Meadows.

It is still raining as we travel east past Bayonne toward the Upper Bay.





In the Upper Bay, the Verrazanno, the World Trade center, the Battery, and the Lady are all visible.  
And we're not even to the North River – the Hudson – yet!





# VINIK MARINE



2018 Working Harbor  
Great North River Tug Race  
& Competition

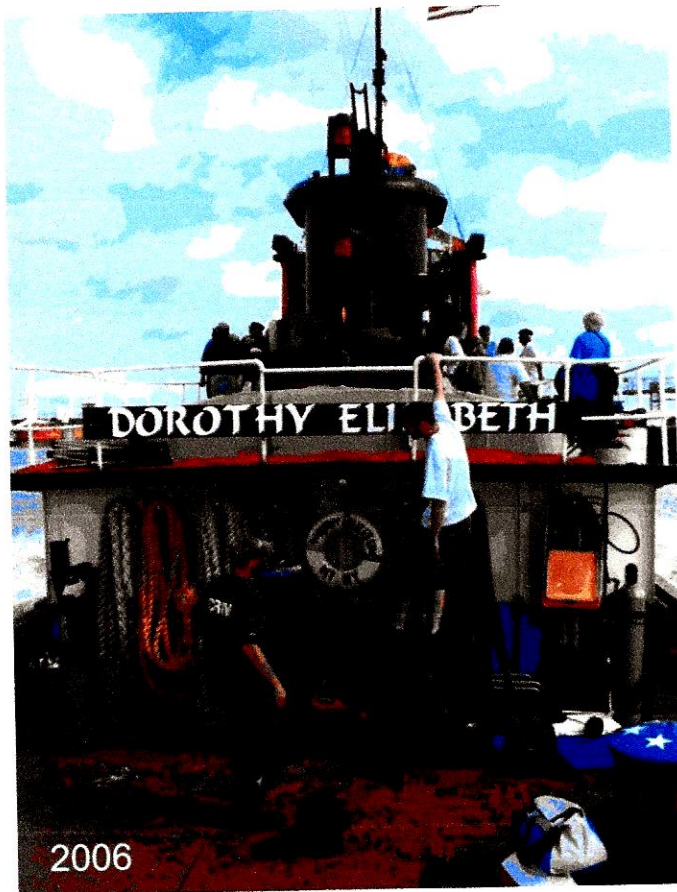
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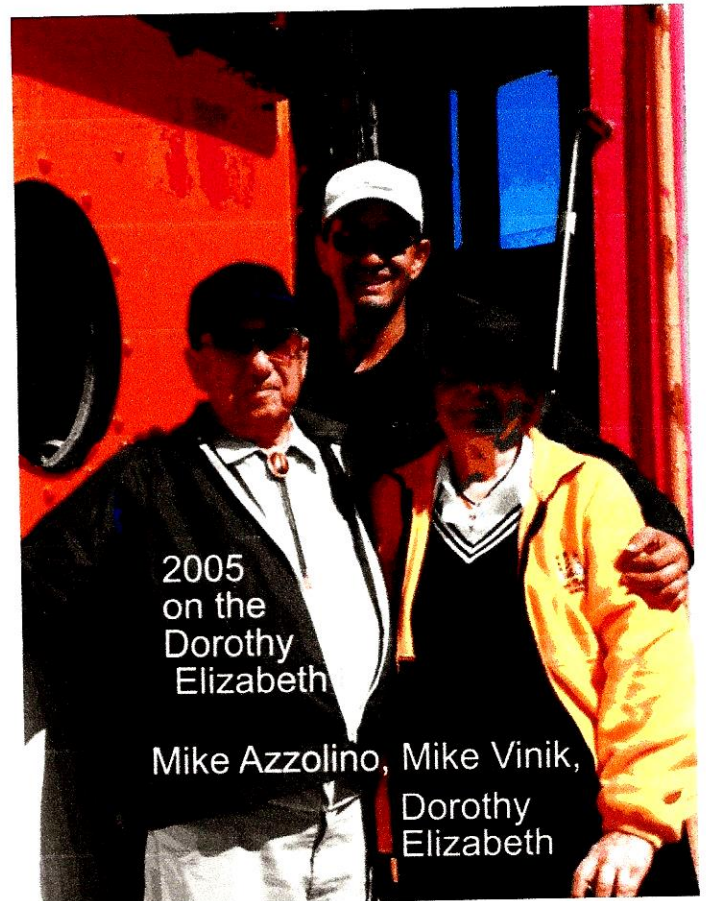
SOCONY 11  
then Mobil 11, March 1960 and 1951 to 1987, NY, NY

Vinik Marine vessels have won the North River Tug Boat Race long before Vinik Marine existed. The Dorothy Elizabeth, ex. GOTHAM, ex SOCONY 11, built in 1951, was once the flagship of Mobil Oil's NYC Fleet and the fastest tug in the Harbor and a race winner.

This was a true achievement and matter of great pride. In those days the race was run from the Battery to the GW and competition was extreme.



2006



2005  
on the  
Dorothy  
Elizabeth

Mike Azzolino, Mike Vinik,  
Dorothy  
Elizabeth

Crews and vessels in the past and present have won trophies for speed, beauty, tattoos, and mascots.





2006 Tug Boat Race up the  
North River, NYC



Served  
aboard the Dorothy

Served  
aboard the  
Mobil 11

2006 Crews (Past &  
Present w/Trophies)

2007  
Winner



Gotham – Mascot on the  
Dorothy Elizabeth



2006  
Tattoo Winner  
- Crew Member  
on the  
Dorothy  
Elizabeth





2007

Dorothy Elizabeth  
& Mobil 11 Crew

2007 Captain John W. Doswell  
presents 1st Place to  
Capt. Mike Vinik of the  
*Dorothy  
Elizabeth*



The lives of the crews, and even the Race Committee, merge briefly on this special day of the year.

It is a chance to show off a vessel to the "world," bit more important, to family.

Crew family members and friends will people the vessels, like signal flags festooned for decoration. You'll see it this year in the Head-to-Head.

At Vinik Marine (as with many other companies), tugs are named for family and friends.

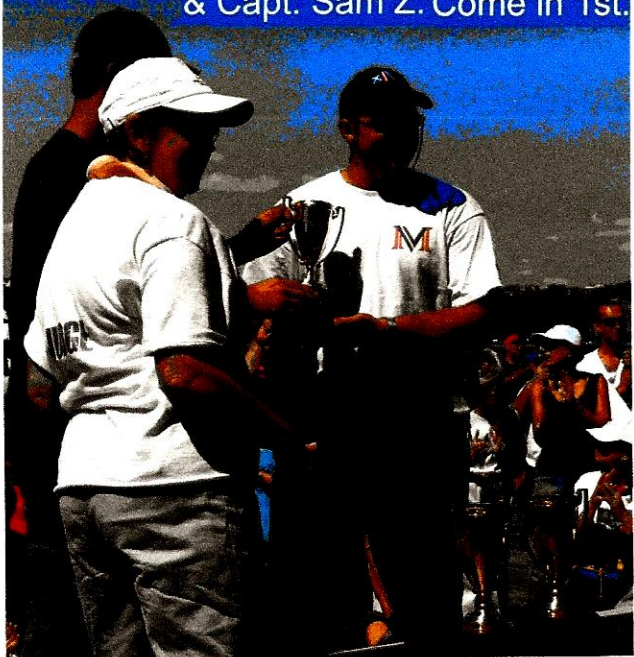
Mike's first tug was the Dorothy Elizabeth, named for this grandmother. Mike's 2nd tug was the Charles Oxman (Mike's dear friend).

There are/were also the Mike Azzolino (Mike's grandfather), Ken Vinik (Mike's brother), the Teri Lou was named for Mike's aunt, the Robin Kenneth was named for Mike's father, the Vinik No. 6 (formerly the "Penn 6" - Kirby), Nicholas Vinik (Mike's son), Agnes (Mike's mother), Liz Vinik (Mike's wife).



2008

The Charles Oxman  
& Capt. Sam Z. Come in 1st.



2008 The Charles Oxman

The Dorothy Elizabeth and the Charles Oxman  
have both raced under Vinik Marine colors, and, have  
both been winners in their class.



2008 Vinik Marine



In 2018, the Liz Vinik will carry the colors.



2018 LIZ VINIK

She's the ex "Maryland" owned by Kirby.

Her specks:

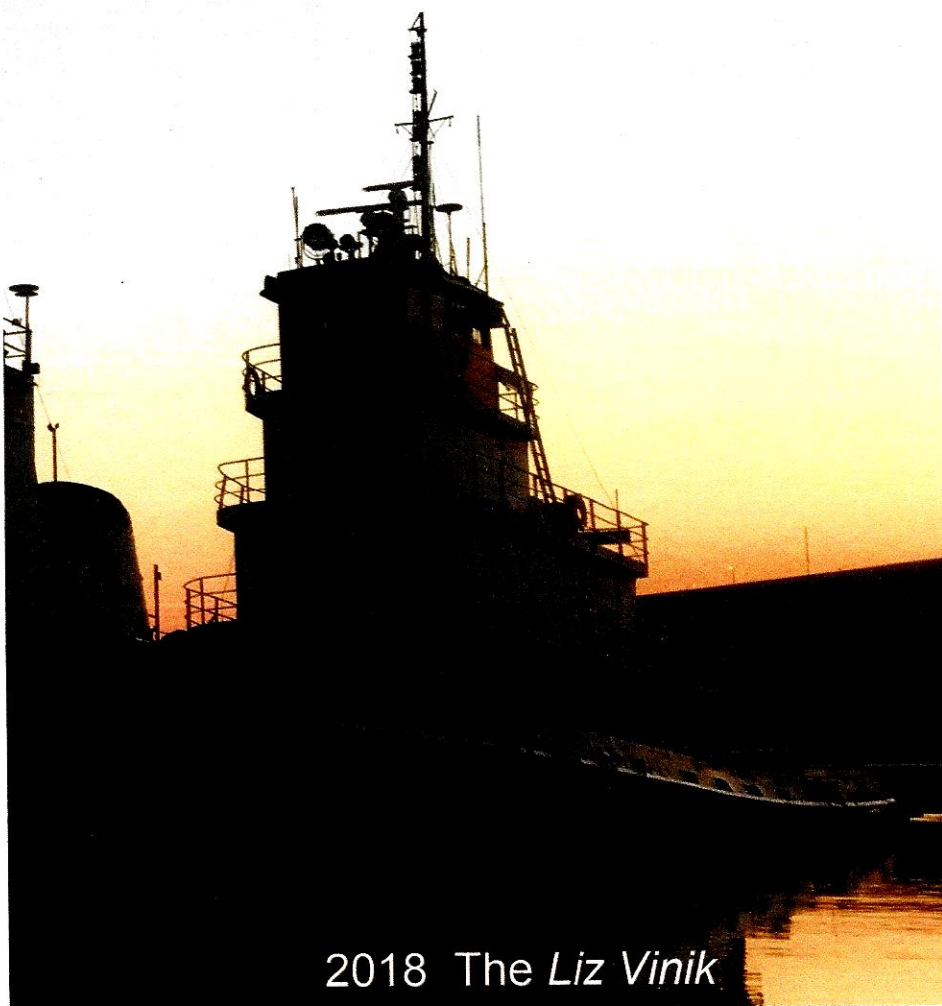
- \* Built in 1962, by Jakobson Shipyard Inc., Oyster Bay, NY
- \* 3,000 hp
- \* Height of Eye: 35 ft.
- \* Twin-screw, Model Bow, Flanking Rudders, Single Drum Towing Machine
- \* Bollard Pull: 82,775 pounds
- \* Length: 110 ft.
- \* Draft: 14 ft.
- \* Air Draft: 60 ft.
- \* Breadth: 28 ft.

Her crew is great.

She is truly a beautiful.

Who is she up against?

How will she do?







John Scerbo



Christina Marcellari



Ian Champlain

## 2018 North River Tug Boat Race Crew

aboard the *LIZ VINIK*



Capt. Mike Vinik



Jon McPherson

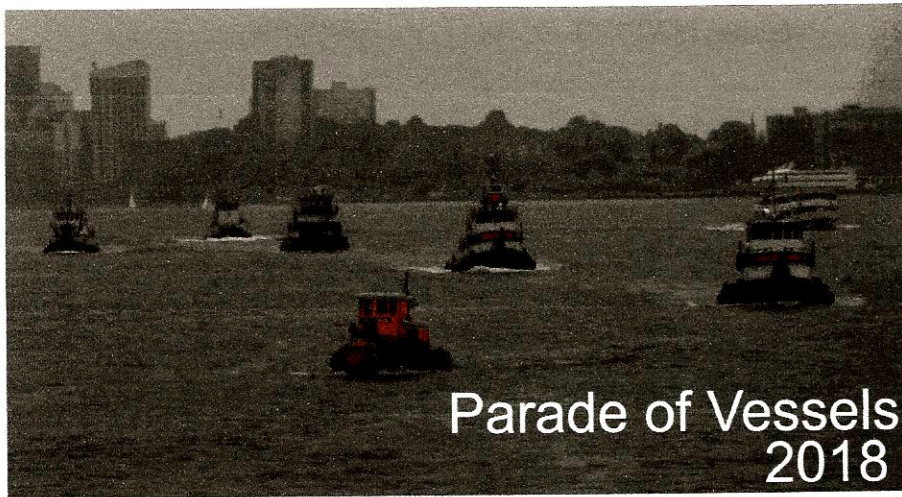


Damian Shea

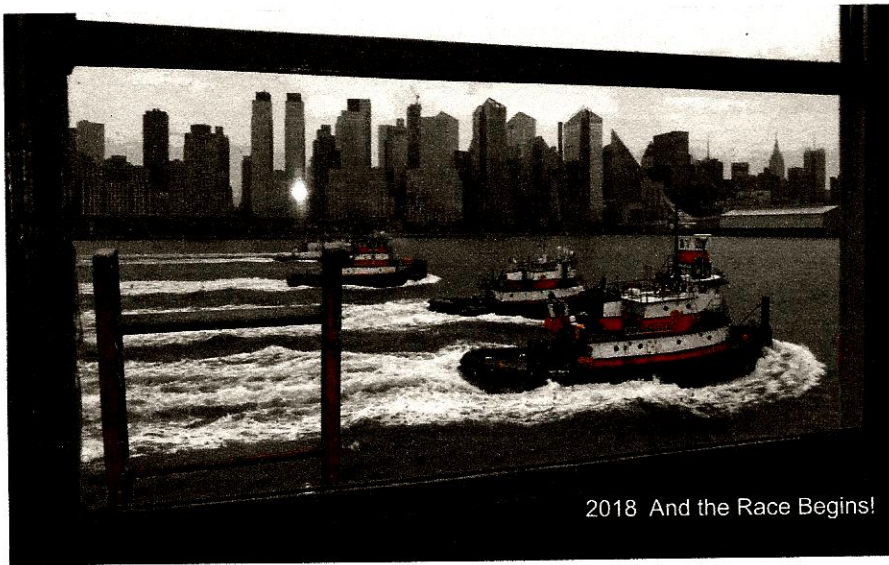


Matt Faraparan





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Awards Ceremony next.  
Then the trip back home.



# 2018 Race Winner!

Best Looking Tug

Dress ship!

Based on

paint job, signal flags,  
hull lines, and "attitude"

Class A- 1<sup>st</sup> place

Best Tattoo

Male and  
female winners



The Liz won the race! ... and the title of Best Looking.

Crew member Christine's tattoo of a female pirate won best female tattoo.

A guest on the Liz, who's father was an engineer on the Maryland (the Liz's former name), took best male tattoo for his tattoo of the Maryland.

Now back home.

Back home and on to the next job!



The Crew Ties Up  
The Liz

