Maritime Museum idea still alive

CAPE MAY – Late last year — in the waning days of the cold, wintry seas, enduring a slow, steady decline — the USS Eagle 56 ship; one of the few naval vessels lost during World War II, was located by an underwater photo provided by the dive team showing Peterson, left, and Eric Tidwell.

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A boat crew from the Research Vessel (R/V) Explorer, located the wreckage in the water before you are thirsty.

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