The Hamden Education Foundation is excited about the Hamden Middle School's new Navigator Program, a project-based learning program designed around the construction of a 17-foot-long Glen-L sailboat. Working with Mystic Seaport, Hamden Middle School educators have integrated the 8th-grade curriculum around the construction of the boat. Through the use of hands-on construction that applies the learning of the classroom, they hope to better meet the needs of 25 students for whom the traditional classroom has not led to success while igniting in them a passion for learning. As part of the program, the students are required to give back to the community. For more information about the program, please www.thenavigatorproject.com.

People wishing to donate in support of this exciting educational partnership can send their donations to Hamden Education Foundation P.O. Box 185783 Hamden, CT 06518-5783.

Checks should be made payable to Hamden Education Foundation. If you wish to direct your donation to support of the Navigator Program, please write "Navigator" in the memo line. The Hamden Education Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization.