



Happy birthday Tug Urger,
New York's beloved
"teaching tug."
Erin M Tobin

Please save Tug Urger! It is
part of New York State and
Erie Canal history which
shouldn't be lost.
Ian Danic

This tug is part of the Erie
Canal Experience. If you
want people to use the canal
keep the canal intact!
Peter Henry

The urger is a connection to
our history in the Erie Canal.

We need her fit for sailing.
Dennis Murphy

I miss you and would like to see you back on the canal. You
are a very important part of our history and should be
honored by your restoration and return.
Virginia Houck

Happy birthday, you may be old but you
still have a young soul may we see you on
the water again, E-2&A CSO

Austyn Newberry

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Please save the Tug Urger,
a priceless treasure for
NYS and us all!
Nancy Solomon

Happy Birthday, Tug
Urger! I hope to see
you back in the
water and showing
people what you are
all about!
Shelley Carr

The Urger is such an important symbol for the Canal and its
history that I recently incorporated her into a tattoo
honoring my family's NYS and Canal roots. Tug Urger
deserves to be restored and to continue her legacy as a
working ambassador of the Canal.
Ashley Frament

Happy Birthday Tug Urger. Your 120 but not done yet!.
Looking forward to passing legislation some day
designating you as the official Tug of NYS!
John McDonald NYS 108th AD

Urger is an important, iconic, historic tug that is much beloved
by people all up and down the river! She has educated
thousands of children and opened the eyes on adults and kids
alike to the wonders of the Hudson. Putting her 'on the hard' as
a permanent land-based artifact will diminish her impact and
important to a devastating degree. Urger belongs on the river,
not on a lawn!
Renee Stanley, Fireboat John J. Harvey

Happy Anniversary and I wish
you and the people who are
looking after you best wishes
for the future.
Jan van der Doe

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND
LOOKING FORWARD TO
THE DAY YOU RETURN TO
TRAVELING THE CANAL
ONCE AGAIN. WE MISS
YOU.
CATHY WALSH**

**For years you have advocated for preserving our
historic canals history and now you want to destroy
one of the most important pieces of it's history.
Please rethink your ideas.
Eric and Doris Hooker**

I've ridden the canal end to end twice. The vessels working and along the canal add so much to the experience. Preserve Urger as an educational tool. Urger is an important part, and overlooked part of maritime history.

RICHARD W GASS

We need Urger in action to remind us how important the Erie Canal was in the past and how important it may be once again.

Lee Rust

Please save the Tug. She is important to our understanding of the importance of the NY canals

Juliet Alexander

I once saw tugboat urger in New York Harbor near where I live and I never forgot her. I've only seen a little bit of the Erie Canal. I love them both. Keep urger and the canal together to tell their stories!!!!

Terese Loeb Kreuzer

I appreciate the history behind Urger, and hope she brings the treasured story of the Erie Canal to another generation with a long future ahead!

Linda (Visscher) Roorda

Looking forward to seeing you again on the canal! We need you to remind all of the wonderful history of the canal and of the economic benefits the canal has brought to New York. And what better way to teach school children and adults than a hands-on living piece of that history.

Joan Roberts

The story of the Urger is part of the legacy of the historic Erie Canal. Let's save this treasure for generations to come.
Mayor Alysa Plummer Village of Pittsford

HAPPY BIRTHDAY OLD FRIEND.
MAY ALBANY DO WHAT IS
RIGHT AND RESTORE YOU TO
SERVICE. PLEASE DON'T
TRASH OR PAST.
CHERYL BENNETT

Great looking tug, much
nicer than some of the
new ones I've worked on.
Looking forward to
seeing her back in
service
Nate

Happy Birthday Erie Canal
Please restore the Urger
which still remains the main
floating icon of the canal
system.
Alice Tucker



Happy 120 to what USED
to be called NYS Canal
ambassador vessel . . .
Let's return that name and
function.
will van dorp

Tug Urger should be restored and again
demonstrate how it was a part of NYS history for all
these decades. I visited it several years ago when it
stopped in Rochester. This is a unique piece of NYS
history unavailable to most other states. Restore it -
what are we waiting for?
Al Isselhard

My office oversaw the addition to the Historic Register in
2001--this relic of NY's historic canal period needs to be
preserved!
Wendy Allen

We are so pleased to see the Urger is now 120 years old.
We miss seeing her on the canal as an Erie Canal
Educational School for students and adults alike.
Melissa Dunlap

Niagara County Historical-Erie Canal Discovery Center

It will be a real shame if we celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Erie Canal's completion and we have to ask "Where is the Urger?"

Ellen Edgerton

I wish our tug a Happy birthday I am willing to get into the Erie and friendly paint her again.

Rickie James

Let's get the Urger back on the water.

Canal New York members had the opportunity to see the new Lock 7 in Oswego.

A brand new new 70 foot pleasure craft built in Italy was making its maiden voyage to its owners in Canada, went through while we were there.

A salute from the old Urger to the new boat would have been a great photo.

Rick Rivers

Please keep Urger going strong

Tom 'jane goodwin

How wonderful it will be once you are travelling the canal again!

We sorely miss all the times over many years, navigating into so many canal towns B. to find the Urger on the wall.....kids, teachers and the crew having an experience which should have never died out. We are so much poorer since she's been mothballed.

Who needs history anyway ?

Dave & JoAnn Wahl

The mere sight of you tugs at my heart!

Francisca A Sabađie

Looking forward to seeing The Urger come to Spencerport again!
Carol Coburn
(historian@ogdenny.com)

Happy Birthday 🎂🎈
Hope to see you on the waterways again soon !!
Kathy Blackburn

**TO THE CANAL SYSTEM'S
BEST LIVING
INTERPRETER, MANY
HAPPIER RETURNS!
GEORGE WARD**

Great to see a tug your age still going, we all need a little work on us once in awhile, i know I do.
Bob Darrow

Happy Birthday Tug Unger.
I hope to see you back on the canal as soon as possible.
Kurt Krauss
Albany, NY



Wishing you many happy voyages ahead!!
Marie 371



**WITH CAPT STEVE
WUNDER
SHARON LAVOIE**

**THANKS FOR KEEPING
THE HISTORY OF THE
CANAL AND ITS
COMMUNITIES ALIVE.
EDWARD RUSSELL**

*Happy Birthday
Unger! I remember
your visit to NYC
well!
Jay Holmes*



Please restore the Unger and keep her afloat.
It would mean a lot to us.

The Ver Duin family of Grand Haven,
Michigan

Keep Urger! That is a must. 30 years ago she was an inspiration to me, and I saw how kids and people resonded to her visits. I have been working in engine rooms since and will never forget the Urger as a NY State ambassador. She tugs at the heart strings, but more importantly she is a bright light for NYS and the Canal.

The Urger should be living history on the canal! Let's get her back in the water!
Brian Rickert

I had the privilege of polishing brass, painting & cleaning Tug Urger when I worked on the canal. What a great piece of history. Please don't destroy her. She's worth it. Happy Birthday Tug Urger!
Terri Rowley

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, URGER! I URGE YOU TO KEEP EVERYONE SMILING ALONG THE CANAL - HOPEFULLY I LOOK AS GOOD AS YOU WHEN I'M 120! 🌟
CHRISTINA HINGLE

Happy Birthday! Happy Anniversary! So very important to celebrate this because the Erie Canal is such a vivable resource.
Florence

Keep the Urger on the water and in good shape. She deserves that and is a great tool in teaching about the way of life that existed when tugboats were a major mode of transportation of goods.
William Paquette

Your presence on the canal is sorely missed!

Sal Larsen

Born, in 35 lived in Troy the entrance to both Erie canal west and Champaign canal north. Preserve our history for future generations.
George R. Hillje Sr.

Please consider reactivating the Tug Urger . Give her what she needs to again become our "States" ambassador.
Len Seney

Wanting to see you back on the water reminding us all of the NYS Barge Canal history and its importance for our state.
Stuart Miller

Had the honor to engineer the Urger, would love to again.

Mike Pelletier

Love to see you back in the water again
Tim Chase

For years the State has advocated that we should preserve our history. WHY CAN'T THEY PRACTICE WHAT THEY PREACH. RESTORE THE URGER TO RESENT THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

Eric Hooker

save the Urger as a working tug.
Harry T. Scholer

URGER IN OSWEGO... THE BOAT IS MISSED EVERYWHERE . . . PARROTECT@GMAIL.COM

I would always so look forward to the Urger's visits to Wayne County every summer. She's a grand boat and sorely missed ♡

M.A. Pelletier



**As an owner of a 1929 Elco yacht, I know what it takes to keep an old boat going. The Urger is also a part of our history and important to anyone interested in the NYS Canal. Let's keep it going
Doug Reicher**

I am a former middle school history teacher who loves, yes loves the Tug Urger. Why is it taking so long to SAVEIT?!

My Wife and I are in the process of saving the Chancellor tugboat which may have been auctioned for scrap by NYPA had we not bid. The Chancellor is on the National Register of Historic Places!

My grandfather captained the Chancellor and I rode with him on the tug when I was 8 and 9 years old.

Bob Graham

*Growing up on the Oneida River section of the Erie Canal, I've been a long time admirer of the Tugs and Barges- with waves and shouts of hello, they were a big part of my growing up. Happy Birthday Urger, and may you continue teaching young people for another 120 years!
-Stacy D*

Happy Birthday to the Urger - the little tug that could!
And who still could with some TLC. It's important to
invest in our history, for the sake of future generations.
Here's to seeing her out on the water again to welcome
learners of all ages! XOXO
Janna Rudler

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY - MAY
THE LOCKS ALWAYS BE IN
YOUR VIEW.
LYNN BRADLEY**

Please save Tug
Urger!
We NEED her!!
Rev Dr Tom

Save the Uger.
Robert R. MacDuffie

*we need to keep
history alive.
gilbert j giroux*

new york state canals are
part of our history. please
repair our ambassador and
reinstate the urger program
jack wright

We want you back
DeNearings

Happy Birthday, Tug urger, and
a happy restoration!
Susan Fowler

A Glorius Tug, long may she
part of our history
Liz and Dave Beebe

Ken Buettner

stay strong
john stiles

Stay afloat!
Paul Toledano

*Ahoy, Maties! Bon
Voyage
M Taylor*

Here is to another 120 years.
Mike Riley

Lisa Bracigliano Sal Genovesi

Bon Voyage!
M. Taylor

*Head to the Sea...
Jean Preece Doswell*

May you stay... forever
young!
peter

Happy birthday Tug Urger 🍷🎂
Cookie



Happy birthday!!!! You belong in the water!!!!
Kathy Polino

Tug URGER's statewide significance is unquestionable. As one of only 27 vessels listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Preservation League believes she deserves the maintenance and repair required for a 120-year-old vessel. We appreciate the consideration the NYS Canal Corporation is giving to URGER's future and look forward to continuing to work with NYS to celebrate her "long and historic association with the development of New York State's twentieth century canals" as well as its "representation of evolving twentieth century marine technology" called out in her National Register designation report.



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