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Over the past year, Strawberry Banke has achieved record attendance, solid financial growth and increased membership. Nearly 20,000 skaters enjoyed Labrie Family Skate at Puddle Dock Pond last season, boosting annual attendance for Strawberry Banke to nearly 100,000 for the first time.

The campus has never looked better as the Heritage House Program gets closer to completing the remaining buildings scheduled for rehabilitation. In July, the museum joined Piper Boatworks to celebrate the opening of the Boatshop at Strawberry Banke, bringing hands-on wooden boatbuilding programs back to the campus. Pontine Theatre, the resident theater company, is entering its second season of productions here. And Baby Animals: Heritage Breeds at the Banke is now an established annual event, welcoming thousands of young families.

The education department led 10,000 schoolchildren—20 percent of them receiving full tuition and transportation from the History Within Reach scholarship program—on adventures discovering the fun of the past. Summer interns offered a new collaborative camp with The Gundalow Company.

On July 4th 101 new citizens from 41 countries were naturalized in the moving annual ceremony, while the same day marked the 20th anniversary of the introduction of the Shapiro House and its stories to this “neighborhood of newcomers.” New horticulture programs, traditional crafts and additional costumed role-players also enriched the visitor experience, giving Strawberry Banke prime position in peer visitor reviews such as TripAdvisor.

Looking forward, the new Long-Range Interpretive Plan, funded by the Institute for Museum & Library Services, has the Strawberry Banke team looking at the future with anticipation, testing new programs and approaches to interpret the rich history of this neighborhood. Your Annual Fund gift supports new interpretive programs and educational initiatives that serve thousands each year and ensures Strawberry Banke is a place to learn, a place to gather and a sustainable resource for the community long into the future.

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