



BUBBLES IN HISTORY

The History of Diving Museum

Spring 2010 Newsletter

EVENTS

April 21st, 7pm:

"The Preservation of Florida Bay"
FREE program by Rob Clift

April 23rd, 6pm:

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

May 9th, 1-4pm:

Mother's Day / Blood Drive
FREE Admission for Moms

May 19th, 7pm:

"A Legacy of Treasure"
FREE program by Carl Fismer

June 16th, 7pm:

*"Halley's Diving Bell and the
Unexpected Pressures of
History and Science"*
FREE program by Chris Dutton

Did you know...

Commercial diving affects your life everyday! The next time you brush your teeth, drive your car over a bridge, or even turn on a light - remember that it's all made possible by commercial divers.

New Exhibit Explores Commercial Diving and Pays Tribute to its Heroes

The History of Diving Museum opened a new exhibit on March 15th to explore the commercial diving industry and pay tribute to all the vital work they do. "A Tribute to Commercial Diving" is centered around the Association of Diving Contractors International (ADCI) Commercial Diving Hall of Fame Monument. The new gallery was unveiled with a ribbon cutting ceremony and reception with Hall of Fame inductees and Museum co-founder, Dr. Sally E. Bauer in attendance. This marks the Museum's first temporary exhibit, which will be on display for the next 24 months.



holding his breath, Croft became known as the father of American freediving, a sport that is rising in popularity.

Record Setting Freediver Visits Museum

Bob Croft Shares Stories from his Fascinating Career

On March 25th, three time world record setting freediver Bob Croft presented a program at the Museum on his life and career as a freediver and US Navy research subject.

Croft discussed how he became involved in the sport of freediving and how he turned a childhood hobby of "air packing" into a career. As the first man to dive below 200 feet while

Museum Awarded \$1,000 Grant from AASLH to Fund Summer Intern

The History of Diving Museum has received a \$1,000 award from the American Association of State and Local History to help fund a summer intern. The Museum was one of only three museums to receive this generous grant this year.

The Intern will be working in the Collections Department to help the Museum accession, catalog, photograph, inventory, and assess the condition of our unique and precious collection.

Take a virtual tour
of the Museum at
www.DivingMuseum.org

Share it with your
family, friends, and
dive buddies!

We'd love to hear from YOU!

What others are saying...

*"Very unique museum. **A must-do** for any diver."*

*"One **must see** this museum to appreciate diving."*

*"Wonderful and ::gasp:: **educational!**"*

*"**So impressive** – we really enjoyed the museum."*

*"Very interesting. **Best time spent in the Keys.**"*



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS! **Become our Dive Buddy.**

Basic Dive Buddy Benefits include:

- Free admission for one year
- 10% discount on most regularly priced items in the Store
- Free admission to seminars and special events
- Purchase additional museum admissions at a 25% discount.
- Subscription to 'Bubbles in History' newsletter
- 1/2 Price Admission to Mote Aquarium in Sarasota, Florida
- Personalized membership card

____ Iron Helmet	\$25	Basic benefits for one adult
____ Copper Helmet	\$45	Basic benefits for two adults Add annual passes for children for \$10
____ Brass Helmet	\$150	Basic benefits for 2 adults & all children in immediate family 2 Free Admit Cards 50% off meeting room rental Access to staff & research resources
____ Corporate Sponsor	\$600	Brass Helmet benefits plus: 6 Free Admit Cards Business name on website Business name on newsletter Private tour for 10 during regular hours

____ Additional Contributions are welcome!

Enclosed is my total contribution in the amount of \$ _____
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Or you can
Join Online!

The History of Diving Museum, Inc., is 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization dedicated to collecting, preserving, displaying and interpreting artifacts, books, documents, photographs and oral history relative to the History of Diving. We also celebrate the special role that South Florida and the Florida Keys played in this untold story.



ARTIFACT INQUIRY



History of Diving Museum Facebook fan Tony Creed of Cardiff Wales UK sent us an inquiry via Facebook regarding identification of a hard-hat diving knife he recently acquired. With the help of our Museum co-founder, Dr. Sally E. Bauer, we were able to tell from its style that it is German made, however, the markings have us stumped. If you have any information, please let us know!

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