



BUBBLES IN HISTORY

The History of Diving Museum

Summer 2010 Newsletter



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Museum Holds Volunteer Appreciation Dinner



On April 23, 2010, The Museum held its annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner as part of National Volunteer Week. Each volunteer was honored with a certificate of appreciation and treated to dinner at Outback Steakhouse. Our volunteers had a chance to visit with one another and share their experiences volunteering at the History of Diving Museum. The Museum benefits from an incredible group of dedicated volunteers, who come from Key West to Key Largo - and everywhere in between! Please let us know if you are interested in volunteer opportunities at the Museum - we would love to have you!

Carl Fismer Brings Record Crowd



answers to all of their questions - and more! Fismer (pictured on left), who has salvaged treasure from shipwrecks around the world, was honored at the end of the program with the Mel Fisher Lifetime Achievement Award, presented by Pat Clyne (pictured on right). Capt. Fizz was thrilled! Thanks to all who attended!

On May 19th, the Museum welcomed Capt. Carl Fismer as he presented "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Shipwrecks," part of our *Immerse Yourself!* monthly program series. Capt. "Fizz" recounted his personal experiences as a treasure salvor and shipwreck historian, and provided the audience with

EVENTS

June 20th
FATHER'S DAY
FREE Admission for Dads

July 12th, 3-5:30pm
Blood Drive at the Museum

July 21st, 7pm:
"Coral Reef SOS"
FREE program by Lauri McLaughlin

August 18th, 7pm:
FREE program
Topic and speaker TBA

Summer Programs

Dive Into History Camp
June 30th or July 8th

Boat Smart/Eco-Mariner Camp
August 10th

Call 305-664-9737 to register!



An Operation Appreciation initiative from
Blue Star Families in partnership with
the National Endowment for the Arts
www.arts.gov/bluestarmuseums

The Museum is taking part in Blue Star Museums, a national program in association with the National Endowment for the Arts. This program provides free admission for military personnel and their families from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Help spread the word!

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

<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Helmet	\$25	Basic benefits for one adult
<input type="checkbox"/> Copper Helmet	\$45	Basic benefits for two adults
<input type="checkbox"/> Brass Helmet	\$150	Add annual passes for children for \$10
		Basic benefits for 2 adults & all children in immediate family
		2 Free Admit Cards
		50% off meeting room rental
		Access to staff & research resources
<input type="checkbox"/> 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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Join Online!

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Museum Wish List

The Museum depends on the generosity of individuals and sponsors to keep our operations going. Here are some things that we are currently in need of:

- 6 ft. tables
- Moveable scenario walls for changing exhibits (\$5,100)
- Design and production for new Museum introductory video (\$2,000)

If you would like to make a monetary or in-kind contribution, please call Debra Illes at 305-644-9737.

COLLECTION HIGHLIGHT



Nicknamed the "Rum Runner," this unique helmet was used to recover contraband whiskey dropped off by Canadians in the Detroit River as a smuggling operation during Prohibition. Crafted by hand in the 1920's, it is featured in the museum along with dozens of other homemade helmets.