



BUBBLES IN HISTORY

The History of Diving Museum

Fall 2010 Newsletter

Museum Receives Grant to Establish Research Library

This summer, the History of Diving Museum was awarded a \$74,000 grant by the Monroe County Tourist Development Council to create a world-class research library. The project will improve the interior of the current library and enhance the capabilities of the space, now serving as a meeting room. The grant will allow the museum to purchase archival quality bookshelves, document storage drawers and cabinets,



a fire suppression system, lighting fixtures, an art hanging system, movable walls, and new furnishings. Technological improvements will include teleconferencing capabilities, wireless internet, and audio-visual equipment to make it a more useful and marketable space for business meeting and events. The project will begin in October and will be completed in September 2011. The History of Diving Museum is constantly improving and updating its facilities and exhibits. We urge our guests to visit the museum frequently to take advantage of our ongoing growth and development!



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Open Daily 10am-5pm

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EVENTS

September 25th
Smithsonian Museum Day +
Founder's Day

FREE ADMISSION

10am-5pm

Fundraiser with live music

Ziggie & Mad Dog's

5-7pm

October 20th, 7pm

FREE PROGRAM

"The Atocha Odyssey"
by Pat Clyne

November 17th, 7pm

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Aquarius Team 2010

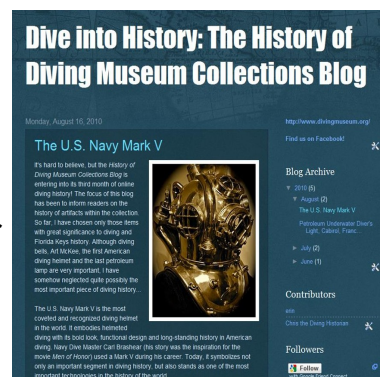
Museum Celebrates 4 Years of History

On Saturday, September 25th, The History of Diving Museum celebrated its fourth anniversary in conjunction with Smithsonian Magazine's Museum Day. The Museum offered free admission all day in addition to other events culminating in a fundraiser at Ziggie & Mad Dogs with live music by local musician Sam Milner. Thanks to everyone who participated!

Follow Our Blog!

In June, the museum launched the *History of Diving Museum Collections Blog*. This section is devoted to displaying, describing and interpreting the history of artifacts within the museum's collection through blogger.com. So far the blog has given the history of the Mark V, Art McKee, the first American diving helmet, and much more! The blog also shares accounts of the how the museum's founders, Drs. Joe and Sally Bauer, acquired the artifacts in the collection. Check in with us weekly, as we will offer a new bit of history and pictorials. The blog is coming to you free of charge from your friends here at the History of Diving Museum!

You can visit the blog through the History of Diving Museum website or at <http://historyofdivingmuseum.blogspot.com/>



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
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Sponsor	\$600	Basic benefits for 2 adults & all children in immediate family
		2 Free Admit Cards
		50% off meeting room rental
		Access to staff & research resources
		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 \$ _____
Please make checks payable to: History of Diving Museum

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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.



Proud Corporate Sponsors



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
- Design and production for new Museum introductory video (\$2,000)
- Postage Scale

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

COLLECTION HIGHLIGHT



Nicknamed the "Ice Crusher," this chrome-plated helmet has a reinforced crown on the top designed to pierce through the layer of ice that formed while the diver was underwater. This rare helmet is prominently displayed in the History of Diving Museum's hallmark exhibit, "The Parade of the Nations," representing the country of Canada.