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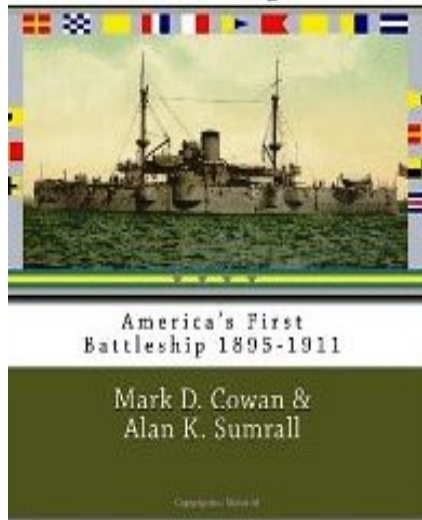
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## 1/15 Lecture/Book Signing: "Old Hoodoo"

### "Old Hoodoo" The Battleship Texas



**"Old Hoodoo" The Battleship Texas: America's 1st Battleship 1895-1911 with Author Alan Sumrall**

**Tuesday, January 15th at 7pm**

The Texas was early-on considered something of an ugly duckling in the Navy, often characterized as a clumsy "hoodoo", or jinxed ship. Her service in the Spanish American War proved her to be a late bloomer, an odd-looking ship that met the challenges of combat and served her nation well as a critical step in the development of the New Navy.

Perhaps being seen as the least valuable battleship in the Navy and therefore the most expendable, the Texas found herself in the enviable position of seeing more action than any other capital vessel in the US Fleet. Though clearly obsolete, few patriotic sailors would not have wanted to walk her powder and blood-stained decks. She sailed in the time before the US Navy had reached the renowned strength and professionalism it exhibited in WWI and II, but contributed immeasurably to this achievement.

Join the Houston Maritime Museum as Alan tells the story of America's first battleship and hero of the Spanish-American War! Admission is free and includes access to the museum's exhibits.

Miss our last lecture?

If so, [CLICK HERE](#) to watch "*The Galveston-Houston Packet: Steamboats on Buffalo Bayou*"



To view videos of other past lectures [CLICK HERE!](#)

## 1/24 New Maritime Career Lecture Series



### "Charting a Successful Maritime Career"

**Thursday, January 24th at 7pm**

HMM is proud to present a new lecture series sponsored by the Houston Pilots geared towards middle school students through college grads!

Hear the facts from young, successful mariners on:

- Selecting the maritime career that will make you LOVE your job
- The preparation/education necessary to get the job
- The financial and lifestyle benefits of the job
- What you can do NOW to develop the best resume

Each lecture will feature two different and exciting maritime careers. Attend every lecture to learn about all the opportunities waiting for YOU!

The first lecture will feature:

**Steve Nelson, Houston Pilot  
(Prior Tugboat Captain)**

**&**

**Jason Tieman, Director of Maritime Operations, PortVision  
(Prior U.S. Coast Guard Officer)**

Admission & refreshments are complimentary thanks to

our sponsors, the Houston Pilots!

Join us on January 24th for a lecture that could change YOUR life! We spend the majority of our adult life at our job-make sure you pick a job YOU LOVE!!

[CLICK HERE](#) to read more about our speakers!

## *Miniature Gallery Update*



### **New Additions to the Planned Gallery of Maritime Miniatures!**

**Opening November 2014**

As you know, HMM has BIG plans for the future. In order to set ourselves apart from other maritime museums, we are in the process of collecting pieces from around the world for our upcoming Gallery of Maritime Miniatures planned to debut at our new location on the Ship Channel in 2014. We are proud to pay tribute to the art of miniaturization and would like to announce that we have received another extraordinary addition to the gallery! The beautiful pieces depicted above were created by Henri Tixador from Saint-Michel-sur-Orge, a commune in the southern suburbs of Paris, France. As you can see from the picture, miniatures can be encased in all types of objects and can depict many different subject matters. Henri even uses one of his miniatures entitled "Fuel Pollution" to bring light to an important environmental issue. As always, we will keep you updated as we receive new additions and remember...

**GOOD THINGS COME IN SMALL PACKAGES!**



Henri's miniatures are welcomed additions to our current collection created by Terry Butler (3 tiered bottle, walnut shell, and small watch case), Joseph Ancona (large ship in jelly jar) and David Lavoie (large watch case).

***Free Student Admission!***





## **One Free Student Admission.**

Not valid for groups or field trips.  
**Houston Maritime Museum**  
2204 Dorrington, Houston, TX 77030  
(713) 666-1910  
[www.HoustonMaritimeMuseum.org](http://www.HoustonMaritimeMuseum.org)  
EXPIRES 02/01/13

## **Free Student Admission**

**Valid Through February 1st**

Looking for a way to entertain the kids during their winter break? Bring them in for a tour that's both educational AND fun! We offer rare insight into maritime history and the bustling industry at the Port of Houston that occurs right outside their front door!

Guided tours are given by our volunteer docents who are committed to bringing

maritime history and industry to life with lively stories and unique insights into our models that can be used to explain important topics in math, science, technology, history and geography!

We also have special activities for kids which include a scavenger hunt throughout the museum, opportunities to spell their names with signal flags, an area to try on uniforms from various maritime careers, and practice with knot tying and Morse Code.

Get on board with HMM to experience your maritime heritage!

[CLICK HERE](#) to print your coupon

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to your next visit to the museum! For more information on any of our events contact Heather Schiappa at (713) 666-1910.

# **Happy New Year!!**

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***Special thanks to Milt Rose, Charlie Cozewith, James Baker, & Thomas***

***Wilson for supporting HMM as a Benefactor Member!***

***This edition of our newsletter is dedicated to the memory of Jerry Nagel (11/27/1948-12/19/12). It has been said that Jerry had two great passions outside of family and the maritime industry, and those were maritime education and the Houston Maritime Museum. Words cannot express how sorry we are to have lost such an influential supporter of maritime education and a beloved friend.***

***For information on his memorial service [CLICK HERE](#)***

Interested in ship modeling? Join the **Gulf Coast Ship Modelers Society** on the second of Saturday every odd-numbered month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Houston Maritime Museum.

**Historic Vessel Builders: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.  
RC Control Vessel Builders: 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.**

The next meeting is **January 12th!**

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