



THE ANCHOR

The monthly newsletter of the Houston Maritime Museum

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HMM Membership Drive

Help keep Houston's maritime heritage alive by joining the Houston Maritime Museum! Members have the opportunity for great benefits including free admissions on every ticket year-round, discount on our events, and a 10% discount on purchases in the HMM shop. Get advanced notice of exciting upcoming events, such as our Lecture Series, along with special invitations to Member-Only previews and events. The packages range from individual and family to corporate level memberships.

HMM is a member of the Council of American Maritime Museums and North American Reciprocal Museum Association, and as an added BONUS, all of our members that are at the family level and above receive reciprocal memberships to all museums that are members of CAMM and NARM, which is over 150 museums worldwide!

Memberships also make great gifts for friends and family. Your

Model of the Month

Flying Cloud
Modeler Ken Marshall

By: Eric Young



The most famous of the extreme clipper ships built by Donald McKay, Flying Cloud was navigated by Eleanor Creesy, wife of the skipper Josiah Perkins Creesy on two sailing record setting voyages around the Horn from New York to San Francisco in 89 days and 8 hours. This historic route used by clippers during the

generous support helps the Museum present and maintain riveting exhibitions, sustain education and community outreach programs, build the collections, and enhance the maritime experience for all visitors.

Ready to Join?
Join online, or call us at 713-666-1910 and a representative will be happy to assist you.

gold rush of the mid and late 1800s is a difficult journey that takes sailors through a variety of severe weather, including the doldrums and the westerly gales at Cape Horn. The record stood for 135 years until challenged repeatedly by modern, high tech, racing yachts.

Warren Luhrs and Thursday's Child made the journey in 80 days and 20 hours in 1989.

Yves Parlier and Aquitaine Innovations cut it to 57 days and 3 hours in 1998.

Giovanna Soldini and crew in Maserati cut it 10 more days to 47 days and 42 minutes.

Sailing ship technology continues to improve, but even 160 years ago a woman with the right education, training and experience found a position (perhaps through marriage) and made an impact on global commerce that still shines today.

January Lecture Series

HMM has new nights for our Lecture Series! Please join us on the second Tuesday of every month for the History Lectures, and the third Tuesday of every month for the Career Lectures! We are making an exception for January for the Career Lecture to ensure that students have enough time from the winter break to plan to join us, where the Career Lecture will be on the fourth Tuesday, January 28, 2014.

HISTORY LECTURE

Lessons Learned from the Exxon Valdez
with Tom Gillette



**Tuesday
January
14th, 2014**

**7-8pm
Refreshments
Served**

Free
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On March 24, 1989, Exxon Valdez, an oil tanker bound for Long Beach, CA, struck Bligh Reef in Prince William Sound, Alaska at 12:04 a.m. local time, and spilled 260,000 barrels of crude oil in the first couple tides. Many consider it to be one of the most devastating human-caused environmental disasters in history. The Valdez spill was the largest ever in US waters in terms of volume released until 2010, with the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

Tom was the Exxon Shipping Company External Affairs Manager at the time of the spill, and thereafter acted as a litigation consultant. He will be sharing the lessons to be learned from the circumstances surrounding the grounding, and its subsequent events. He will also be presenting original investigation documentation and damage assessments, along with updates on her repairs and reassignments.

Join HMM as Tom shares his extensive knowledge on the grounding of the Exxon Valdez in anticipation of its 25th Anniversary. Admission is free and includes access to the museum's exhibits.



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In Case You Missed It

HMM Spotlight in A&E's Storage Wars: Texas

Gulf Coast Ship Modeling Society members and dedicated HMM docents, Burt Reckles and

Charlie Cozewith were highlighted as appraisers in A&E's Storage Wars: Texas, episode "Welcome to the World of Sonny Monday" on Tuesday, December 10, 2013 . The museum was also featured, so click the link below to see Charlie and Burt!

<http://www.aetv.com/storage-wars-texas/season-3/episode-22>



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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.

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