4/11 Maritime History Lecture: Operation Pedestal

WWII Operation Pedestal: Tanker SS Ohio & the Relief of Malta

Thursday, April 11th at 7pm

The SS Ohio was an oil tanker built for the Texas Oil Company, (now Texaco). The ship was launched on 20 April 1940, and was later requisitioned by allied forces to re-supply the island fortress of Malta, during the Second World War.

The tanker played a fundamental role in Operation Pedestal, which was one of the fiercest and most heavily contested of the Malta Convoys, in August 1942. Although the Ohio reached Malta successfully, she was so badly damaged that she had to be effectively scuttled in order to offload her cargo, and never sailed again. The tanker is fondly remembered in Malta, where to this day she is considered to be the saviour of the beleaguered island.

Join the Houston Maritime Museum as Laurence shares the true story of the ship and the people - civilians, soldiers, sailors and airmen - who fought with desperation to save the ship from repeated attack so that it and others might arrive at Malta with their cargos in order to save the island and its inhabitants. Admission is free, thanks to UTC Project, Inc, and includes access to the museum's exhibits!

Miss our last lecture?
If so, CLICK HERE to watch "Reflections on the Attack on Pearl Harbor"
To view videos of other past lectures CLICK HERE!

4/18 - Maritime Career Lecture

"Charting a Successful Maritime Career"

Thursday, April 18th 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 4th lecture of this series will be on

Thursday, April 18th
from 7:00-8:15pm

Featuring:
Scott Birtle, Senior Ship Broker
Clarkson Shipping Services USA

&

Maria Burns, Maritime Transportation Professor
(Former Chemical Tankers Operator & Broker)
Texas Southern University

Admission & refreshments are complimentary thanks to
our sponsors, the Houston Pilots!

Join us on April 18th 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!

6/23 - Maritime Festival

1st Annual
Houston Maritime Museum Festival

Sunday, June 23rd from 2-5pm

You and your family are cordially invited to the 1st Annual Houston Maritime Museum Festival at the site of our new museum!

Your donation includes:
All you can eat buffet of Fried fish & chicken with all the trimmings
Maritime Moonwalk
Nautical Instrument & Ship-in-a-Bottle Demonstrations
Nautical Face Painting
Family Maritime Photos
Educational Tours on the M/V Sam Houston
Views of the Port of Houston Fireboat
....and MUCH, MUCH More!!!!

Tickets Prior to June 20th:
Adults- $25; Kids 12 & Under- $15
$70 for a Family of Four
Tickets at Door:
Adults- $20; Kids 12 & Under- $20
$75 for a Family of Four

A raffle will also be held at the event with
FOUR INCREDIBLE PRIZES!
Four hour Cruise for Ten on Clear Lake and Galveston Bay on private Yacht Sky Brown. Day or night cruise with meal included.

Four Hour Sunset Cruise for Ten on the Houston Ship Channel aboard an official Houston Pilot Boat with appetizers and wine! Date must be a time agreed upon by both parties and booked in advance to insure availability.

Stateroom for two on the Debut Princess Cruise sailing from the Port of Houston Cruise Terminal on November 5 - 9, 2013.

Two President Seat Tickets at the Houston Dynamo vs. Settle at 8 pm on August 17th with VIP Parking and Dinner for two in the President's Club

DRAWING TO BE HELD June 23rd at the Houston Maritime Museum Festival. Need NOT be Present to WIN

Tickets $25 each or 5 for $100 DONATION

All proceeds will help support the daily operations of the museum, helping us further our goal of being a prime source of education to the public recognizing the port and the related maritime industries for the tremendous economic benefits they provide to the region and state!

Maritime Miniature Update

New Addition to the Planned Gallery of Maritime Miniatures!

Opening at the New Museum

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 for our upcoming Gallery of Maritime Miniatures planned to debut at our new location on the Ship Channel.
We are proud to pay tribute to the art of miniaturization and would like to announce that we have commitments from talented artists around the world for over 30 extraordinary pieces for the gallery!

The beautiful piece depicted below was created by Wally Schramm from New Zealand. As you can see from the picture, miniatures can not only feature ships-in-bottles but people-in-bottles as well!

![The Model Shipwright by Wally Schramm](image)

We will keep you updated as we receive new additions!

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.

**Special Thanks to Our Corporate Partners:**

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*Intercontinental Terminals Company*  
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*Courtland Building Company*

Interested in becoming a Corporate Partner? [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about the program’s many benefits.

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 May 11th!