Support HMM at WGMA's Day at the Dynamo Season Opener - March 26, 2016

Houston Dynamo vs. New England Revolution
Opening Day | Sunday, March 6, 2016
1:45 PM - 3:45 PM

Support the Houston Maritime Museum by purchasing your ticket to WGMA's Day at the Dynamo Season Opener on March 6, 2016. Your $30 ticket purchase includes a beer garden pass and a ticket to see the season opener for the Houston Dynamo as they take the New England Revolution. Beer garden passes include two free beers, and all ages are allowed into the beer garden. A portion of every ticket sold will be donated to the Houston Maritime Museum. Tickets are expected to sell out early, so make sure you order yours today to watch the Dynamo, your favorite MLS team!

To purchase tickets contact Jared Sanders at 713-276-7576 or by email.
Your Opinion Matters: Help Us Plan New Exhibits

Throughout the next month we are asking visitors to let us know what you think! We are rolling out a new labeling format for all of our models and displays. A short label survey is by the new USS Houston display case and features our new label mock-up. Please share your thoughts on our early demo! We are also very excited to announce a remodeling of our Port of Houston Room. To help us make the best exhibition possible we are asking visitors to leave their comments on a short questionnaire near the Port Vision station. We hope to see you at HMM soon!

FROM THE COLLECTIONS HOLD:

Navigating the Seas with the National Geographic Society

This map cabinet, containing 19 roll-out maps, was gifted to Capt. James B. Sykes, USN in 1944 while in command of the USS Bennington (CV-20). The Essex-class aircraft carrier was a member of the United States Navy’s Pacific Fleet, and earned three (3) Battle Stars during its service for its role in American actions against Imperial Japanese vessels during World War II.

Brazoria County Historical Museum acquired the map cabinet in 1996, and transferred custody to the Houston Maritime Museum. The National Geographic Society presented cabinets like this one to dignitaries. This a unique piece in the Museum’s collection, and after many years on display, has been moved to storage for conservation purposes.

NAMEPA Visits HMM During Visit to Houston
The North American Marine Environment Protection Association (NAMEPA) hosted a dinner for board members guests at the Houston Maritime Museum on February 4, 2016. Attendees explored the museum with a tour of the collection, and learned more about our vision for our new home.

NAMEPA is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating the public about the need to protect global ocean resources through sound environmental practices. In the coming months, HMM will partner with NAMEPA to present environmental education programs, so stay tuned for upcoming programs and announcements!
Hello, everyone! My name is Daniel van Vliet.
I am from Rotterdam, the Netherlands, and I will be working on our social media accounts and our (new) digital communication initiatives over the next three months. During my first few weeks, I have enjoyed exploring the museum and meeting the staff and volunteers, who all have their own personal connection to the maritime world. I look forward to sharing these maritime stories and other fun events on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

Summer Internship at HMM for College Students

We are seeking applicants for our ExxonMobil Community Summer Jobs Program. In partnership with Volunteer Houston, ExxonMobil awarded a funded internship to the museum for Summer 2016. Interested persons need to be a currently enrolled, undergraduate student who is returning to college as a full-time sophomore, junior, or senior for the 2016 fall semester. Proof of enrollment is required as well as a resume and cover letter. For complete information on the internship opportunity please visit our website.

Volunteer Aboard the Houston Maritime Museum!

If you are interested in being a valued volunteer at the museum we are interested in having you! Current opportunities include: library labeling, archival scanning, office data entry, and being a tour docent! Please contact Emma Sundberg, or visit our website, if you would like to be a part of the family!

"Lighting up the imagination of young and old about sea history is a unique way to spend several pleasurable hours."
- Edwin Christensen, Docent

Sharing the Maritime World: Destinations Galore and Group Tours

HMM participated in Destinations Galore Travel Show, sponsored by Harris County Precinct 4's Senior Adult Program. Museum staff and volunteers promoted our tour programs to senior
adult group tour coordinators. HMM schedules docent-guided tours of our collections for groups of 8+ people, and tours last between one hour to one and a half hours.

Did you miss us at Destinations Galore or are you interested in bringing a group to HMM? Visit our Group Tours page, or contact Emma at 713.666.1910.

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