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Dear John,

I hope this Labor Day weekend is busy for your museum. Thank you to all of you out there who are working so your museum can be open while everyone else is taking the holiday weekend.

With barely two weeks left, planning for this year's HNSA symposium in San Diego hosted by USS *Midway* from September 16-19 is proceeding at a feverish pace. Registration is still live a little longer so be sure to make your plans while there is still time.

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Queenie of USS Texas Wins HNSA's Mascot Bracket

Congratulations to Queenie USS *Texas* and her pups for being the goodest girl and wining this year's

Mascot Bracket.

Soogie of USCGC Taney came in second place. Thank you to everyone who participated by voting and submitting pictures of their mascots.

Remember to join HNSA's Facebook page to participate in more brackets like this in the future.

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Does Your Ship 3D Print Missing Parts Yet?

A growing number of museum ships are 3D printing missing parts. It is becoming harder to find parts as we get further and further from the active periods of our ship's careers. Especially for ships that are too far from a reserve fleet to regularly participate in open house "strip trips" 3D printing is the most effective alternative.

Some museums like Battleship Cove are doing this in house. Others like USS *North Carolina* are getting help from partner organizations to make their ship more complete. Check out the article about what North Carolina is doing.

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USS *Edson* Hires a New Director

HNSA welcomes CDR Jason Stewart USN (Ret.) as the director of the Saginaw Valley Naval Ship Museum.

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USS *Bowfin* Wins NHHC Curatorial Excellence Award

While the recipients of this year's annual NHHC Excellence Awards will not receive their pennants until the banquet at the HNSA symposium later this month the winners have already been announced.

Congratulations to The Pacific Fleet Submarine Museum which is bringing home the curatorial pennant for their work on the modern collections storage facilities and exhibits that are part of the museum.

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PTF-26 Arrives is Welcomed to her New Home

PTF-26 arrived in Golconda, IL after 8 years of work. Maritime Pastoral Training Foundation Ltd. is operating her as the first maritime training ship on the Inland Waterways.

With some historic ships still looking for home ports it is good to see "Two Six Boat" start her new career after so much work.

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NS Savannah is Looking for a New Home Port

MARAD is nearing the end of a year's long process of decommissioning *Savannah's* nuclear capabilities enough to satisfy the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

That means she will soon be available for conveyance, or transfer of ownership, to another entity which will see to the long-term preservation of the ship.

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SS *United States'* Future is Being Decided

While the Conservancy is doing everything they can to preserve *SS United States* so she can open to guests, it is looking more and more like that means turning her into an artificial reef.

A court ruling requires the Conservancy to have a plan in place to move her from her current pier in Philadelphia by the middle of this month.

Unless a new pier is found that can accommodate her it looks like there will soon be one less historic ship afloat.

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2024 Symposium Update

The symposium will be held at the Wyndham San Diego Bayside, 1355 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101. Discounted rooms are sold out but there are other rooms available and still a little over a week left to register for the conference.

We are always looking for more content for future Fleet News and Anchor Watch publications. Feel free to reach out to me at executivedirector@hnsa.org with proposals. In particular I'd like to include a few sentences about what your museum is doing. Please shoot me three sentences or a link to a recent article about your hard work and I'll include it in future Fleet News blasts.

See you in San Diego,
Ryan

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