



Quote:

The salt cleanses us & the sun
embraces us in its warmth. The
ocean heals the heart, mind and the
soul.

Author unknown

HUPS Presents:
Beata Lerman- Diving in the Gulf Of Eilat in Israel's part of the Red Sea

Join us at Bayland Community Center at 7:00 p.m. as we are treated to a talk from Beata Lerman and her adventures in the Gulf Of Eilat. In Beata's own words:

"I will talk about diving in the gulf of Eilat in the Israel's part of the Red sea. I first was introduced to diving there in 2004, and got certified there in 2005. I will talk about my experience being certified as a diver in Israel, about my first underwater photography experience, and my time diving there. Last summer (2014) my husband and I went back there to dive for just 3 days, We ran into some dolphins which hanged out with us through the duration of the dive. My presentation will be the combination of still pictures and video clips put together to show everyone that amazing experience."

I am sure this is one presentation you do not want to miss. Come early for set up and socializing.



HUPS' PRESIDENT'S PAGE- THOUGHTS FROM THE DENTAL CHAIR

Submitted by Russell Ramsey

I want to encourage all of you to attend our May 4, 2015 meeting as the program will be presented by Beata Lerman and pertains to the "Gulf Of Eilat in Israel's part of the Red Sea. Sure to be very entertaining.

The photographs are being submitted and reviewed for the Moody Gardens Aquarium Wall Hanging Project which we hope will begin in the next few months. Those club members interested in assisting in the removal and rehang of photos at Moody Gardens in the next couple of month or so please contact Dennis, Tom, Bess, Debbie or Kandace. A reminder that our second workshop entitled **Video Editing and Presentation** is scheduled for June 20th and the **Pro Show Gold** workshop is scheduled for August 22nd. The Nature Walk scheduled to be held at Brazos Bend Saturday April 21st was washed out which seems strange that an underwater photography club function could be rained out. Please mark your calendars for these remaining worthwhile workshops.

As a point of information, there will be a new Jean Michel Cousteau film premiering @ Wortham Giant Screen Theatre at the Houston Museum of Natural Science on May 22nd entitled **SECRET OCEAN 3D**.

There will also be a Distinguished Lecture and Film Screening entitled "**SUSTAINABLE SEAS: THE VISION, THE REALITY**" by Sylvia Earle, Ph. D., on Tuesday May 26, 2015 beginning at 7pm. Tickets are \$44 for non- members and \$10 less for HMNS Members. For those of you who will be in town it may be something you wish to attend as the movie mentioned above will also be shown. A description of both events received from the HMNS is also attached.

The **HUPS Spring BVI and USVI trip** still has one opening and if you or someone you know, preferably a male, wishes to go, please contact Russell as quickly as possible. The group is to meet in Virgin Gorda, BVI on Saturday May 16th to begin the festivities. If you are going and have not submitted your **HUPS Waiver** for this trip, please do so before the trip begins. There was also a **Preference List** requested to be completed and returned to Russell or Dive BVI to make the trip more enjoyable for all. If you have not completed your **Dive BVI Preference List**, please try and submit it before the trip begins to make things easier on the Dive BVI shop. The **HUPS Fall trip to Bonaire** is scheduled for October 15-25th, 2015. Please contact Jim or Debbie Mensay if you are interested in going and have not signed up or paid your deposits as time is growing short for making your deposits and final payments for this trip.

This past week I was sitting in a dental chair awaiting work to begin on an implant. What I was contemplating was not pleasant until the oral surgeon, who had been a diver, told me to think pleasant thoughts such as diving or HUPS which I had described to him. He asked more about the club, its officers and how we selected its officers and board members to keep this underwater photography club viable. When he asked me that question, I started thinking back about an earlier President's Page which discussed volunteerism and the need for same to keep HUPS running smoothly. I then began thinking of our elections in December. While said elections are still 7 months away, I wanted the club's members to seriously begin thinking about election of new officers and their Board of Directors. We have had several new members join in the last several years who have shown an interest in the club. I would like all of you to begin thinking about who you would like to lead HUPS next year and thereafter. We certainly do not want our club to go the way of so many other volunteer organizations which did not have someone to step forward and lead a club. While it may be work to step into a leadership role with HUPS, it will reward you.

We look forward to hearing from any of you who are interested in serving HUPS as an officer or on the Board of directors.

Keep on diving!

Russell Ramsey



JEAN-MICHEL COUSTEAU'S SECRET OCEAN 3D

SECRET OCEAN 3D

Premieres May 22

Narrated by renowned oceanographer Dr. Sylvia Earle, Jean-Michel Cousteau's *Secret Ocean 3D* offers a breakthrough look at a secret world within the ocean that is perhaps the biggest story of all—that the smallest life in the sea is the mightiest force on which we all depend. Alongside marine biologist Holly Lohuis, Jean-Michel Cousteau invites audiences to dive into this new world that will leave them in awe of the beauty and diversity of the oceans—the source of all life on our planet—and inspire an even stronger desire to protect what they have either seen for the first time or perhaps re-discovered along the journey.

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE AND FILM SCREENING

“Sustainable Seas: The Vision, The Reality”

Sylvia Earle, Ph.D.

Tuesday, May 26, 7 p.m.

Tickets \$44, Members \$34

Dr. Sylvia Earle, revered marine biologist and conservationist, will give a state of the seas address. The event will include a viewing of the new giant-screen film *Secret Ocean 3D* that features a narration by Dr. Earle and amazing imagery captured by director Jean-Michel Cousteau and his team.

Board Meeting on May 4th at 5:30 p.m. If you are on the board please plan to be there.

Upcoming workshops for 2015

Submitted by Lance Glowacki

Video Editing and presentation workshop – June 20th 1:00 p.m.— 3:00 p.m. Bayland Community Center

Monica Losey and Terry Moore will be conducting a work shop concerning video editing and presentation. This will include the software used, hints and ideas on how to present your video in the most positive light.

Proshow Gold Tips and Hints Workshop – August 22nd 1:00 p.m.— 3:00 p.m. Bayland Community Center

Dennis Deavenport will be hosting a work shop on how to use the slideshow creation software Proshow Gold.

If you would like to sign up for any of the workshops you can do this at the next few meetings or on [facebook](#).



2015 TGCC MEMORIAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

(In memory of Greg Grimes, Anne Millioud, John Petty and Michael Szewczyk)

The Texas Gulf Coast Council of Diving Clubs (TGCC) plans to award four College scholarships (1 @ \$2,000 and 1 @ \$1,000 and 2 @ \$500) during 2015. These scholarships are given in memory of Greg Grimes, Anne Millioud, John Petty and Michael Szewczyk, deceased members of our dive community. They are also awarded in recognition for support of the TGCC Scholarship Program by Alicia Grimes, the Houston Underwater Club, the Houston Underwater Photographic Society and Linda Petty. The purpose of these awards is to support the members who support the dive clubs in the Texas Gulf Coast area. The awards will be paid by TGCC directly to the college towards tuition.

Eligibility Rules:

1. Scholarship applicant must be a college undergraduate or graduate student attending college in 2015, or a high school senior that has been or will be accepted to college in 2015.
2. The applicant, the parent(s) (biological or through formal adoption), or the grandparent(s) of the applicant, must be an individual member of TGCC or a member of a TGCC member club with dues current in 2015 or on the HUC club roster in 2012.
3. Application (see other side) must be received by the TGCC Donations Committee prior to **June 30, 2015**. TGCC will review all completed applications on July 9, 2015.
4. Applicant shall have the high school/college furnish a transcript of grades, courses and class standing.

Scholarship General Guidelines:

1. Scholarship decisions of TGCC are final.
2. Scholarship winner is expected to keep TGCC abreast with his/her progress in college.
3. TGCC reserves the right to not award a prize depending upon the number of entries and qualifications of the applicants.
4. A personal interview with members of the TGCC Scholarship Committee may be required prior to awarding this scholarship.
5. Confirmation will be by e-mail. Make sure phone and e-mail data provided is current.
6. TGCC is offering this scholarship as a reward to TGCC members, TGCC member and associate clubs or the children of these members to thank them for supporting TGCC's efforts in promoting safe sport diving. The committee will take into consideration the applicant or applicant's parents involvement in TGCC and member clubs and/or the diving community in general throughout the year.

Applications must be mailed to:

TGCC Donations Committee
c/o Frank Burek
8448 Grand Lake Estates Drive
Montgomery, TX 77316

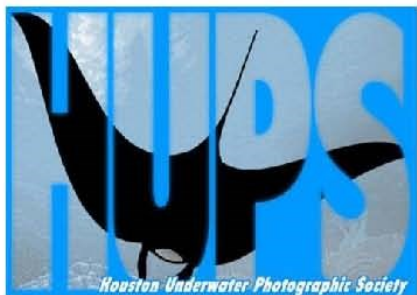


April Photo Contest Results



Novice	
1st	Martin Daniels
2nd	Kiki Moseley
3rd	David McCracken
Intermediate	
1st	Bess Bright
2nd	Monica Losey (2)
3rd	Joe Holden (2)
Advanced	
1st	Debbie Mensay
2nd	Debbie Mensay
3rd	Dennis Deavenport (2)
Video Contest	
1st	Kay Collier
2nd	Dennis Deavenport
3rd	Jim Babcock





Join Us for the HUPS Almost Annual Trip to Captain Don's Habitat, Bonaire October 17 – 25, 2015

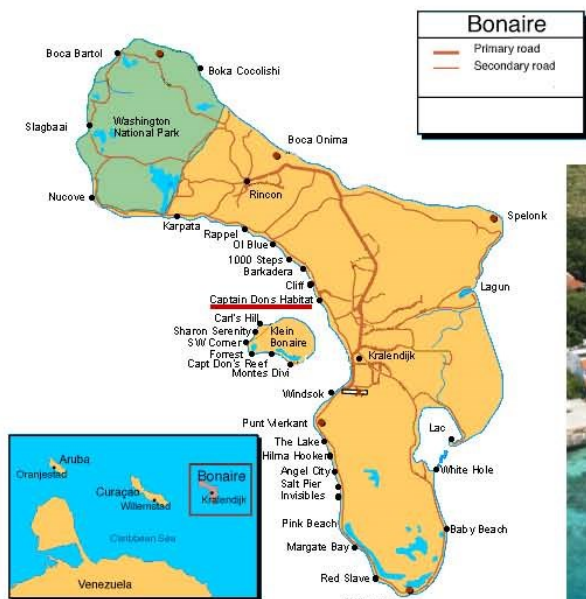
Depart Saturday, October 17 on United (5 hour direct), arriving in Bonaire in the evening (no more overnight flight!). Return to Houston on Sunday, October 25. Airfare is NOT included, but is currently available from United for around \$663 per person.

The package includes: 8 nights accommodations, daily breakfast, 12 boat dives, free Nitrox, 6 days unlimited shore diving, airport transfers, and taxes

- ** \$1061.00 per diver double occupancy (\$1745 single supplement) - Deluxe Oceanview Room (these are the rooms around the pool with two queen beds)
- ** \$1173.00 per diver double occupancy (\$1921 single supplement) - Ocean Front Deluxe Junior Suite (these are the rooms closest to the dive shop with one king bed)

Additional costs not included: marine park fee (\$25), other meals, vehicle rental (can be arranged individually for pick-up at the airport, or you can rent at the resort after we arrive)

A \$100 deposit pp is due now. The final payment will be due at the August meeting 8/3/15. No refunds after 8/3. Make check payable to HUPS. Mail to Jim Mensay at 1530 Goodnight Ct, Sugar Land, TX 77479. Specify your room preference.





2015 Meetings

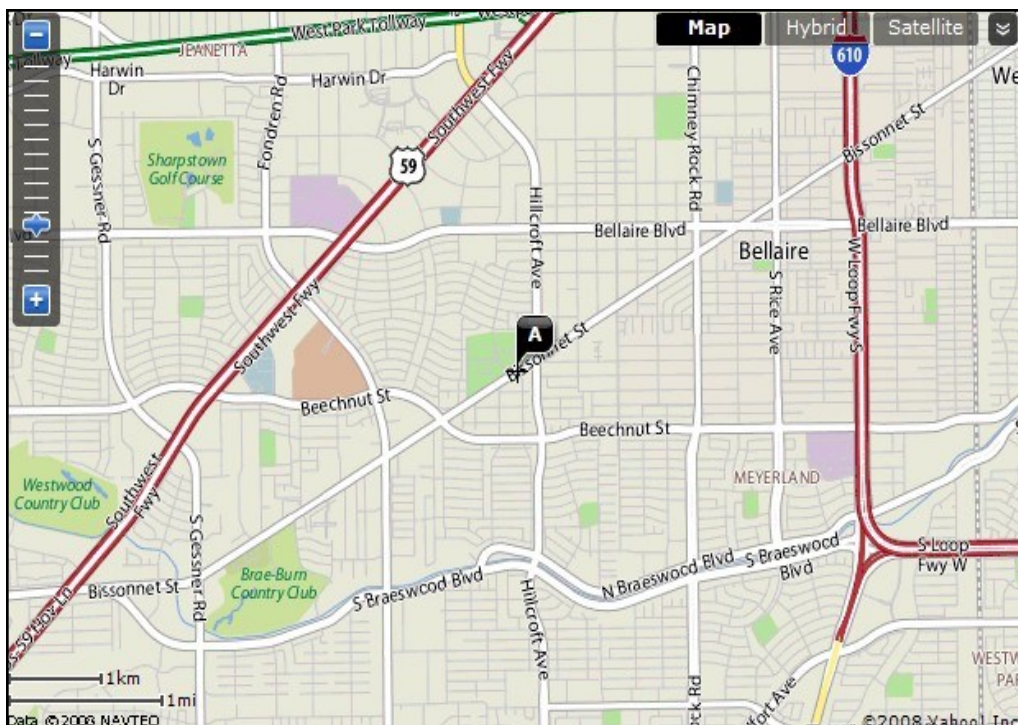
Meetings & Presentations

Month	Date	Presenter	Show Title & Synopsis	Contest Topic
January	5th	Dennis Deavenport	Costa Rica and Cocos Island (Okeanos Aggressor)	Two or More of a Kind
February	2nd	Tom & Kay Collier	Komodo	Toothy
March	2nd	Cecilia Clementi	Raja Ampat	Eels
April	6th	Bess Bright & Joe Holden	Underwater in the Bahamas	Gobies, Blennies, Jaw Fish, Triple Fins
May	4th	Beata Lerman	Gulf of Eilat	Long and Thin - Fish or Critters
June	1st	Mike Greuter	Mexico's Three Coasts	Patterns
July	6th	Ken Knezick	Don't just take photo's—compose your underwater images	Reef Scenes with Diver or Divers
August	3rd	Invited Members	My Best Shot's and Why I Like Them	Natural Light
September	7th		TBA	Unusual Shapes
October	5th	BVI participants	BVI Club Trip	Cephalopods
November	2nd		TBA	Night Life
December	7th	Christmas Party	Best of HUPS	Best of HUPS (monthly winners in Novice, Intermediate, & Advanced + Creative topics)



*The Houston Underwater Photographic Society meets at
the Bayland Community Center starting at 7:00 PM.
(Social time begins at 6:45)*

*(6400 Bissonnet, near the Hillcroft intersection)
Visitors are always welcome.*



2015 HUPS Officers

President:

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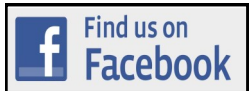
HUPS on the Web



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<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?%23/group.php?gid=174168478778>

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