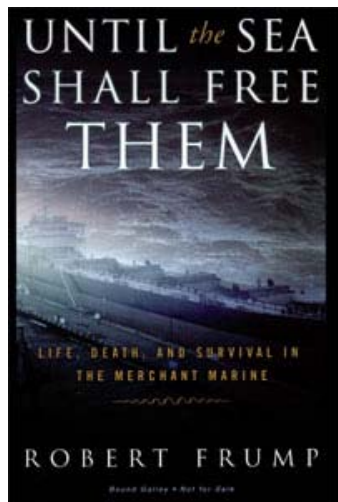


Speaking of....Shipwrecks!

Should Officers Once Again Be Masters of their Ships? Award winning maritime writer Robert Frump contends they are not now but should be. **Frump will speak at The California Maritime Academy on Thursday, April 8th.** The lecture is part of Cal Maritime's free community lecture series entitled "Speaking of..." A book signing will follow the lecture.



WHEN:

Thursday, April 8, 2004

TIME:

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

LOCATION:

Rizza Auditorium
The California Maritime Academy
200 Maritime Academy Dr., Vallejo

Frump will discuss the shipwreck of the Marine Electric, the merchant marine ship that sank off the coast of Virginia in 1983, and the plight of mariners and officers in today's complex world of oil spills, terrorism, and piracy. The shipwreck, which killed 31 of the 34 men onboard, was the inspiration for Frump's non-fiction book "Until the Sea Shall Free Them," which Disney has optioned for a film it describes as "The Perfect Storm" meets "A Civil Action."

About the Author:

Mr. Frump won the George Polk Award and also UCLA's Loeb Award for reporting on maritime affairs. He was also a part of a Pulitzer Prize winning team at the Philadelphia Inquirer and was nominated for Pulitzers three times. He writes for Lloyd's List and also served as managing editor of The Journal of Commerce.



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