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New BlueView 3D Scanner Gives Researchers Powerful Tool for Viewing the Past

Seattle, Washington, August 16, 2010 – The Institute of Nautical Archaeology (INA) partnered with OceanGate and BlueView Technologies on an expedition to create 3D imagery of the A.J. Goddard, a famous sternwheeler “ghost shipwreck” in Lake Laberge, Yukon Territory, Canada. Recently designated as a Yukon Historic site, the frontier-era steamer disappeared in a winter storm in October 1901. Researchers and “citizen scientists” used the breakthrough technology to create the first high-resolution, 3D digital model of the perfectly preserved steamboat. The survey, which would have taken years to complete, took only days employing the new BV5000 3D scanning system provided by BlueView.

As demonstrated on the Goddard, the BV5000 represents a significant technological breakthrough for documenting underwater shipwrecks. The BV5000 is able to quickly scan a large target area from a stationary position, capturing millions of individual measurements in a matter of minutes. The final 3D images of the Goddard show the capabilities of this new technology and can be viewed at <http://opentheoceans.com/goddard/technology.htm>.

BlueView is the leader in 2D imaging and 3D scanning sonar technology with more than 450 installed systems worldwide. BlueView Technologies’ advanced sonar systems are currently deployed on AUVs, ROVs, surface vessels, fixed positions, and portable platforms, and have been adopted by leading manufacturers and service providers to support mission critical operations. BlueView customers enjoy a low cost of ownership with reliable operation, exceptional service, in-person training, extensive online information, and worldwide after-sale support.

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The Institute of Nautical Archaeology (INA) is a global leader in the field of underwater exploration and discovery. In the quest to uncover our collective past from one of the world’s most demanding environments, INA has pioneered technologies and fostered excellence in all aspects of nautical archaeology, from excavation and conservation through to preservation, analysis and publication. For more information visit: www.inadiscover.com.

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