



**ATOCHA TREASURE ADVENTURES:
Sweat of the Sun, Tears of the Moon
by Capt. Syd Jones**

Atocha Treasure Adventures: Sweat of the Sun, Tears of the Moon is written by one of the very few people who worked for the Treasure Salvors organization, in the ‘trenches’, day after day for almost two decades. Syd Jones started out as a diver, worked his way up to captain of several Fisher salvage vessels, and ultimately took over as the operations manager of the company in later years. He and his wife, KT Budde-Jones, were both essential to the daily workings of Mel Fisher’s famous salvage company, headquartered in Key West, Florida. This book is a testament for all of us who labor at sea, be it in body or in mind, pursuing lost wealth. Readers will absorb themselves into the complex themes endemic to the relentless race for the ‘mother lode’ of the *Atocha*, the richest treasure wreck in the Western Hemisphere to date. This is a page-turner you won’t be able to put down! Contains dozens of previously unpublished photos and eight maps. Fully indexed. ISBN 978-1-4507-6523-7. Published by Signum Ops, Merritt Island, Florida. 2011. Paperback 6" x 9" format, 334 pages. **Lists at \$21.95** (plus postage). Available from: www.lulu.com. **Enter title or author in search window.** Signed copies are available directly from the author (**\$25.00 postpaid in the U.S.**) at: captkt@juno.com.

DAVE CROOKS’ (www.sunkentreasurebooks.com) **NOTE** to the **STLC**: “Once in a long while, a new book comes out that is so amazing and well written, that I have to interrupt you to tell you about it!!! As many of you know, I was vice president of Treasure Salvors (Mel Fisher’s company that salvaged the *Atocha*) back in the early days. The truth of what really went on during the *Atocha* salvage has never been written...until now. Syd Jones (an 18 year veteran of Treasure Salvors) has done an outstanding job of recording the peaks and valleys of the company, the trials and tribulations of fighting the State of Florida, and the long days of drudgery at sea. You’ve gotta read it if you have any interest in the *Atocha* or what treasure salvage is really like.”