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**COVER PHOTO** – What is probably the largest and finest collection of antique and vintage funeral vehicles in America is on public view in the *National Museum Of Funeral History* in Houston, Texas. Opened 14 years ago, this truly fascinating museum is constantly adding to its huge collection of funeral service memorabilia. In addition to its impressive collection of hearses, casket wagons, carriages etc. the NMFH collection also includes coffins, caskets and all kinds of other related artifacts. When we visited the museum for the first time last year, staff were in the process of building a replica of 19<sup>th</sup> century casket makers' shop. Of special interest to PCS members are the more than 20 hearses on display, all in original or fully-restored condition. Because some of these cars are on loan, the vehicle exhibits are constantly changing. Should your travel plans take you anywhere near Houston, you *must* include this incredible museum in your plans.

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