

# The Scuba Scoop

VOLUME 43, ISSUE 2

FEBRUARY 2001

The Official Newsletter  
of the  
**Saginaw  
Underwater  
Explorers**  
Serving the Tri-Cities  
since 1958

**President:**  
Mike Kowalski 892-2028  
**Vice President:**  
Dale Purchase 791-1707  
**Treasurer:**  
Val Geidans 781-1552  
**Secretary:**  
Tom VanDenBoom  
686-3176  
**Board Member at  
Large:**  
Don Cunningham  
799-4365  
**Compressor Chair:**  
Terry Lisk 777-1956  
**Dive Coordinator:**  
Tom Fritz 793-1332  
**Editor:**  
Sandy Schwan 692-0236

**Club Dues**  
\$20.00 per Year  
due in January

**Meetings**  
7:30pm on the  
2nd Tuesday  
of each Month  
at the  
Saginaw Twp. Fire  
Station No. 1  
on Shattuck Rd.

**Next Meeting**  
13 February 2001

## News from the January Meeting

Happy New Year! It's a great year to dive.

Terry Lisk reported that everything was fine with the compressor, however, it has been idle. Tom Fritz is on second shift and is willing to pump for anyone who needs air.

The season's first pool swim was scheduled for Sunday, January 14 from 6pm - 7:30pm at Essexville Garber High School. The next **Pool Swim is scheduled for Sunday, February 18**, same place and time.

It was reported that Ron Burkhard that at a dive show he attended one of the best programs was about the *Wexford*. The *Wexford* is the new wreck found in August off the Canadian side of Lake Huron. It is upright and in fair condition in about 75' of water. The numbers should be out on the wreck later this winter. Ron would like to sponsor a

dive on the *Wexford* this summer.

It was agreed that the club should subscribe to *Undercurrent Magazine*. This subscription will be sent to the Club Editor for use in the *Scoop* and will also be available to the members.

**Important news about our dues.** It was decided that since the December meeting was cancelled, dues will be accepted until the February meeting before they are considered late. Send dues to:

Val Geidans  
3180 S. River Rd.  
Saginaw, MI 48609

For those of you who may not have heard, the club has decided not to invest in VIP-Plus certification as the equipment cost is prohibitive and down the road liability for the club may become an issue.

*(continued on page 2)*

(continued from page 1)

The election of the club officers will be held at our February meeting.

The Annual Board Audit of the club's accounts was conducted and everything is okay.

The **Annual Club Banquet** will be held on **Saturday, March 17** at the Lindon Hof in Bay City. Cocktails will be at 6pm with dinner at 7pm.

The Ford Seahorses Dive Show has been cancelled this year.

## **Dive Club Friends!**

**Please join us to celebrate  
Bill Atkins and Linda's Wedding  
Saturday, February 17, 2001  
at 7:30pm**

**Zion Lutheran Church, Bay City  
Reception immediately following  
the ceremony.**

**For directions and R.S.V.P.  
please call 684-5847 or  
batkins22@home.com**

# **Congratulations**

## **Bill and Linda**

**Dive show update.** Delta College wanted too much money so Matt Crews checked into SVSU. We are tentatively looking at April 28, 2001. We can get SVSU for about \$500 to \$700, but they are trying to get an even better rate. Several club members and people associated with the club have

agreed to donate their services for the show. We are looking into getting sponsors to help cover the cost as well as tying into an organization with federal tax exemption status. There was discussion about making the show larger with the possible inclusion of a divers' forum. A committee was formed to work out the details. Their first meeting was held on Tuesday, January 23 at 7pm at Bill Atkins' house. Let Mike Kowalski know if you are interested in helping.

**Welcome new member Fred La-Clair, II.**

There will be a Ghost Ship Festival in Milwaukee on March 23-24. For more information check out:

[www.ghost-ships.org](http://www.ghost-ships.org)

**Refreshments** next month will be provided by Don Cunningham.

### **Address and E-mail Changes and Additions:**

Ron & Judy Burkhard  
4010 Green Isle Way  
Apt. #6  
Saginaw, MI 48603

Fred & Wendy LaClair, II  
4035 Old King  
Saginaw, MI 48601  
(517)777-8318

Mike Kowalski  
baydiver1@netzero.net

Bill Atkins  
batkins22@home.com

## Calendar of Events 2001

<b>February</b>	<b>13</b>	Club Meeting 7:30pm
	<b>17</b>	Bill & Linda's Wedding Zion Lutheran Church, Bay City 7:30pm
	<b>18</b>	Pool Swim Essexville Garber High School, 6pm
<b>March</b>	<b>13</b>	Club Meeting 7:30pm
	<b>17</b>	Club Banquet Linden Hof, Bay City 6pm
	<b>18</b>	Pool Swim (tentative)
	<b>23-24</b>	Ghost Ship Festival, Milwaukee
<b>April</b>	<b>10</b>	Club Meeting 7:30pm
	<b>?</b>	Pool Swim (15th is Easter)
	<b>28</b>	Dive Show (tentative)
<b>April/May</b>		Terry Lisk, North Carolina
<b>May</b>	<b>8</b>	Club Meeting 7:30om
<b>Summer</b>		Ron Burkhard, <i>Wexford</i>
<b>June</b>	<b>12</b>	Club Meeting 7:30pm
<b>July</b>	<b>10</b>	Picnic Club Meeting
<b>August</b>	<b>3-5 or 10-12</b>	Terry Lisk, Manitou Island
	<b>14</b>	Picnic Club Meeting
	<b>24-26</b>	Mike Kowalski, Mackinaw
<b>September</b>	<b>11</b>	Club Meeting 7:30pm
<b>October</b>	<b>9</b>	Club Meeting 7:30pm
	<b>?</b>	Pumpkin Dive (tentative)
<b>November</b>	<b>13</b>	Club Meeting 7:30pm
<b>December</b>	<b>11</b>	Club Meeting 7:30pm
	<b>?</b>	Christmas Party (tentative)

# The Scuba Scoop

Sandy Schwan  
9595 Midland Rd.  
Freeland, MI 48623

PM  
FEB  
2001



## THE SCUBA SCOOP



Tom Fritz (793-1332) has a 22' Islander for sale. Includes: swim/dive platform and ladder, 165 I.O., tandem trailer with four new tires, S.S. radio, depth finder, new upholstery and carpeting, tank racks, ground tackle (rope, chain, anchor), dock chains, bumpers, and lifejackets. \$5,500.00

Tim Campbell (893-1568) has a commercial dry suit (off shore) with two sets of insulation (light/heavy), hood, boots, finger gloves, SAS regulators with Tekna Computek dive computer, Atpac B.C., fins, 2 tanks - 72s, twin tank bands, yoke, misc. items. Excellent condition. All for \$2000.00

Michele Whitaker (686-3267) has two small women's wetsuits that 5' 2"- 5' 5", 110 - 120 lbs. One Fathom, 1 SAS; includes jacket and farmer janes for both. Very good condition. \$25.00 for both.



Val Geidans (781-1552) is looking for tank valves for 72s and 80s, regulators, counsels, and a large or extra large b.c.

Bill Atkins is looking for a small pair of lady's fins.

**Note:** Unless contacted by those people placing ads, I will continue to include them each month.