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Club Meetings-
7:30pm on the 2d Tues
of each month. Held at
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Club Dues-
\$20 per year
This Meeting:
September 11
Next Meeting:
October 9

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AUGUST CLUB PICNIC REPORT

Another great time with great food; the August club outing at Lake Geidans. And club business to boot! It was really a nice day to be outside, and the picnic was enjoyed by about 20 members. The lake was open for diving or swimming, but no one accepted. Fred did fish, and he keeps his reputation by catching one. Val topped off the meeting with a surprise drawing; raffling off a tee-shirt and some weights. Thank you, M&M Geidans!

SCUBA ON THE RADIO

Mike Kowalski has found an interesting website on scuba diving; www.scubaradio.com
The unique thing about this site is that it will allow you to listen to a radio program devoted to scuba diving, broadcast through various radio stations throughout the country on Saturdays from 3-5pm EST. The closest stations to us are in Wisconsin. If you'd care to try, put up a longwire antenna and tune in WPKV (Milwaukee) on 1470 kHz, or WRPN (Ripon) on 1600 kHz. (If you do pick up any of these, please report to the SCOOP). The program covers the current news in scuba diving; currently sharks. Trivia: Did you know last year there were 84 shark attacks worldwide? Compare that to 48 this year (so far). Beside the option of listening to the radio program, the web site offers many other items of interest. Be sure to also check out BUBAdiver.com on the web page.

(see also 'Other Web Sites' elsewhere in this paper)

BOARD NEWS -

The planning has begun for next year's club show; one site being considered is the State Theater in Bay City. It has been renovated, and hosts special events. Some other plans that were discussed was a possible club expo at Fashion Square mall using the huge water tank we have, a sport challenge to Art Neill, and a special meeting where Dale Purchase will show an Imax film (possibly Oct?). Another thought was to invite former divers to a club swim. It was also proposed that we order some T-shirts or sweatshirts with the SUE logo and the Ana Dobbins

pictured on them. We will put these, and caps, on sale for the membership.

The board would like to hear your thoughts on these ideas, and any other proposals you might make for the benefit of the club. Feedback!

The air compressor has had an oil change and a new filter installed; the old oil still looked good. This was done on a 40 hr/6 mo use maintenance schedule. Compressor Chair Don Cunningham would like you to be aware he has air cards available, and you can call him anytime at 799 4385

DIVE NEWS -

It is my understanding that the Mackinaw dive was very good this year, with exceptional visibility. Unfortunately, I have had no testimonials to publish...

A group recently dove the Wexford; this is the new one, and we'd like more info on what is there...

Dale Purchase is tentatively planning a dive to the thumb region this week yet; perhaps there will be a report at the club meeting.

Val Geidans and Mike Kowalski are planning a river dive over the 13,14,15, & 16.

Any others? We need your stories & pics...

CREDIT DUE-

Be advised that Mike Robertson is just the pen name for Mike Peterson... (sorry, Mike!)

E/M SCOOP

Your edition of the **Scuba Scoop** can now be sent to you via e-mail. To sign up, just send an e/m to dstorck@hotmail.com with the word 'subscribe' in the subject line.

If you'd like to be notified of other SUE happenings, send an e/m to the above address with the word 'notify' in the subject line.

SUE-SHIRTS...

Along with caps, the club is planning on a shirt sale. The question to the members is would you like sweatshirts, T-shirts, or both? They would have the club logo on the front, and a sketch of the Ana Dobbins on the back. We'll try to get a cost on a minimum order and find how many are interested. To prevent over-ordering, the plan will be paying when you place your order. If you have any other ideas, please offer them.

(OK; I would prefer a hooded sweatshirt w/ only the club logo)

OTHER WEB SITES...

Because the SCOOP shows no favoritism, here are a couple of other recommended sites on scuba diving- OLYMPUS hopes you had a good summer of diving, and wants you to know that the bottom temp has been 76 through the summer off NC. They want to offer some packages into the fall, and invite you to visit them at www.olympusdiving.com (sign up for their newsletter)

Another good website is sponsored by Rodale, the publisher of Scuba Diving magazine. The site has many items of interest, including news and tips. Check out www.scubadiving.com (Got your own favorite? Submit it here!)

NEWS ITEM; FL... R.I.P.

On a more somber note, the news media carried a story last month about the death of a cave diver in High Springs, Florida. He was an experienced cave diver, and he apparently made a small mistake that cost him his life. It was noted that he was found about 150 ft from a fresh air tank; he obviously lost his bearing. Not knowing the actual details, it would seem he took a chance on something that seemed routine to him. There's a message for all of us in this.

Write me at dwstorck@alpha.delta.edu , or the return address on the next page.

EVENT CALENDAR

September 11	Club Meeting
October 9	Club Meeting
TBD	Pumpkin Dive
November 13	Club Meeting
December 11	Club Meeting
TBD	Christmas Party
January?	



WANT TO DOUBLE YOUR MONEY?
-fold it in half.... (from Joe)
(he said don't use his last name)

CONTEST!

<p>SPECIAL RAFFLE TICKET</p> <p>A full bag (~1/2 bu) of sweet Paula Red apples will be won by the holder of the lucky ticket drawn at this month's SUE meeting. Please fill out, and place in special SUE cap at meeting</p> <p>NAME:.....</p> <p>VISA:.....</p> <p>OTHER PERSONAL DATA:</p> <p>MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN</p>
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For Sale

Tim Cambell (893 1568) has a commercial dry suit (off shore) with 2 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, and misc items.
Excellent condition. All for \$2000.

Dan Palmer (689 5197) has a Nikonos V, 2 lenses, close-up framers, 2 strobes & more; \$1350 or best! Blue plastic coated weights; \$.50/lb. 25lb Pro shot belt; \$20. Small dry suit w/ woolies; \$75. Large dry suit w/ woolies; \$250.

Wanted

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

Don Storck (642 8436) would like to find a source for hose connectors; specifically a flexible nut for a high pressure hose....

Policy and Disclaimer:

Items listed in For Sale/Wanted will continue to be listed for one year unless the "Scoop" is notified otherwise. Saginaw Underwater Explorers and "The Scuba Scoop" are not responsible for anything posted here.