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Club Meetings-
7:30pm on the 2d Tues
of each month. Held at
Sag. Twp. Fire Station #1
on Shattuck Rd

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Club Dues-
\$25 per year

next meeting: Jun 14

This Meeting- 9th
will be held at the compressor
site!

Inside....

Tank VIP starting @ 6
Trunk Sales
Pool Swim
Recall
Alpena Festival
Schedule

also selected short
subjects

Remember Our Troops!

Special Offer; Pre-meeting tank VIP and trunk sales

First, remember originally scheduled for this meeting, tank VIPs are due to start at **6:00 AT THE COMPRESSOR SITE!** The meeting will commence there also. To eliminate some of the standing-around time, at least one member is offering a trunk sale during this same time. Joe Jablonski will be offering a Nokia dry suit, a super pony tamer, BC with AT/PAC, fins, other misc items out of his trunk. Now is your chance to organize some of that extra equipment you have and offer it at the trunk sale. At the same time, bring your credit card to take back more than you brought...

Pool Swim

Inside word to the **SCOOP** is that there wasn't much activity at the April pool swim. Shamelessly, the SCOOP will just include a photo from the March swim.



Club's bean counter meditating the books

Special Olympics Involvement

The club has been asked to participate in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for the Special Olympics on two future dates. If you recall, we did this a couple of years back when we took the dive tank to Fashion Square Mall. The folks from the law enforcement community remembered us and thought we were a big draw. One of the members of the police will be bringing refreshments to this month's meeting. The two dates are June 4 and June 11. We'll need several club volunteers to handle the events. It will be great exposure for the club.

Lake Michigan Search

On June 23, 1950, Northwest Airlines flight 2501 with 58 people aboard, disappeared somewhere off South

Haven. For the next two weeks, debris including clothing and body parts washed ashore on the Allegan County coast. However, the actual wreckage was never found.

The plane was a DC-4. It left New York bound for Seattle, with a planned stopover in Minneapolis. The plane's last contact with an air traffic controller was over Battle Creek.

As debris began to wash up, the beach at South Haven was closed for 9 days to recover items. No whole bodies or large pieces of the airplane were ever found. Now, a local group, **Michigan Shipwreck Research Associates**, and an international organization, **National Underwater and Marine Agency**, have formed a partnership to reopen the search for the plane.

The Marine Agency was founded by Clive Cussler, an adventure author who has offered to fund the search. He has found dozens of shipwrecks, including the Confederate submarine USS Hunley. The sonar expert involved in that discovery, Ralph Wilbanks, will also be involved in this search.

They are planning on producing a documentary showing the search effort with hopefully a successful ending. The search is scheduled to coincide with the annual **Mysteries & Histories Beneath the Inland Seas** shipwreck film festival.

CPSC, Head USA Inc. Announce Recall of SCUBA Diving Computers

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 /PRNewswire/ -- The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed. (To access color photos of the following recalled products, see CPSC's Web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov/>.)

(Logo: <http://www.newscom.com/cgi-bin/prnh/20030904/USCSCLOGO>) Name of product: SCUBA Diving Computers Units: 181 Distributor: Head USA Inc., of Norwalk, Conn. Hazard: The dive computers were improperly calibrated, resulting in incorrect calculations. Diving with an improperly calibrated dive computer can provide inaccurate "No Decompression (no stop) Time," "Decompression Time," "Desaturation Time" and "No Fly Time." This could result in divers suffering serious injuries, including decompression sickness. Incidents/Injuries: Head USA received one report of a computer malfunction. No injuries were reported. Description:

The recall includes the Dacor Darwin Air dive computer with serial number 3265 through 3415, and the Dacor Darwin Console dive computer with serial numbers 8503 through 8592. The serial number will appear on the dive computer screen after removing and reinserting the batteries. The Darwin Air is a completely integrated dive computer and pressure gauge with "Dacor Darwin Air" written on the front. It is encased in gray on black heavy-duty plastic. The Darwin Console is a dive computer with a compact submersible pressure gauge bearing the word "Dacor" on the front. It is encased in black heavy-duty plastic. Sold at: Dive shops nationwide from March 2004 through December 2004 for about \$700 for the Darwin Air and \$400 for the Darwin Console. Manufactured in: Italy by HTM Sports S.p.A. Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using these recalled diving computers, and return the computers to an authorized Dacor dealer for a free repair. Consumer Contact: Call Head USA at (800) 874-3236 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at <http://www.divedacor.com/>.

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[Take a Test Dive on the Shipwrecks.](#)

[Shipwreck Tour for the Non-Diver.](#)

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Thunder Bay Shipwreck Festival

May 21 & 22, 2005

WHERE-

Alpena High School
Saturday 8am-6pm
Sunday 8am-2pm

This will be Alpena's first dive show and the only in-water dive show where you can see first hand what a dive site has to offer. So bring your gear and test the waters. We will be highlighting the shipwrecks of Thunder Bay but you will find information on services and dive sites from all of the Underwater Preserves within the Great Lakes.

If you're viewing this online, just click on the following-

[Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve](#)

[Dive Exhibits and Displays.](#)

[Saturday Film Festival](#)



S.U.E. '05 Event Planner

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| May | 10 | Club Meeting |
| Jun | 14 | Club Meeting |
| Jul | 12 | Club Meeting |
| | TBA | Picnic ? |
| Aug | 9 | Club Mtg |
| Sep | 13 | Club Mtg |
| Oct | 11 | Club Mtg |
| | TBA- | Pumpkin Carve |
| Nov | 8 | Club Mtg |
| Dec | 13 | Club Mtg |

Bill Atkins is trying to plan a trip to the Monrovia in August; 10 & 11.

The web site for more info is <http://www.greatlakesdivecharters.com/>
Please contact Bill ASAP if interested!

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For Sale

Nokia dry suit, wet suits, super pony tamer, BC, misc.
Call Joe at 893-7970, or visit him at the trunk sale.

Cargo carrier 20"X60" storage rack that fits 2" hitch receiver.
\$35.00

{Natural gas wall-mount space heater 18,000 BTU.
\$25.00}cancel this-gone to good home
Call Val 989-792-7077 or 781-1552

SMR 5 channel + Weather, hand held marine band radio with recharger. \$40
1/2 inch yellow poly rope. About 400 feet. \$25
(2) Lorance X1550 computer sonars. Very high resolution paper readout for the serious wreck searcher. Includes transducers, cables and extras. \$75 each
VHF marine antennae with ratchet mount. \$15
Windlass rope winch. 12 volt. powerful. \$25
Bill Atkins 989 684 5847

Wanted

Wanted:Wooden bows,arrows,quivers.
Call Val 989-792-7077 or 781-1552

Missing Member

The address (Atrium Dr) given in the last SCOOP for Mike Peterson is apparently incorrect. Mail sent to that address is returned "unknown". Does anyone have a correct address?

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