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**Club Meetings-**  
7:30pm on the 2d Tues  
of each month. Held at  
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**Club Dues-**  
\$25 per year

**next meeting: Apr 11**

**This Meeting- 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Inside....**

*Election Results  
Pool Swim  
St Croix Dive*

*also selected short  
subjects*

***Remember Our Troops!***

## New Administration Takes The Helm

As of this writing, a new cadre of officers officially plan the course for the Saginaw Underwater Explorer's 2006 year. Many campaign promises were again made; it's now up to you the members to see that they are kept. At the same time, the officers seek your support and ideas. As always, your officer's names and telephone numbers can be found in the fine print on the cover of the Scoop. If you have an idea or comment, give them a call. For the convenience of those of you that may be new, here are some recognition assistance devices:



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## Feb Pool Swim

Cold Day! Maybe the outside temperatures were really discouraging, but for those club members hearty enough to get out, the pool was (as always) comfortable and enjoyable.



Charles enjoying the warm and comfortable YWCA pool

Editor and General Manager of the SCOOP Don brought his USCG float suit for guests to try. It's impossible to go under with this suit on; try it by falling in. Another bonus for the Feb pool swim was the addition of the Young Women's Life Guard team, who came in to practice. We had a lot of room in the pool, so we thought it would be the right thing to do to have them join us.



Don; completely relaxed in the float suit. It'll be at the March pool swim also for anyone interested.

But wait; you don't believe the lifeguards were there, do you...



YWCA lifeguards enhancing the pool swim  
FYI, our former lifeguard Elizabeth is seated to the right

## Compressor News-

It appears that our compressor site transfer to Thomas Township is continuing without any problems. New Pres Cunningham has been working with the township, and plans are in place for the modifications to their building to be completed. When the transfer date is actually decided upon, the SCOOP will send out the notice. In the meantime, call as usual.

## Warm Water Dive-

Tony Piazza has recently made a jaunt to St. Croix, and contributes the following story with fine pictures. (Tony; I assume these pics were taken by you and not off a post card...)

### DIVING ST. CROIX

With Cozumel in questionable condition, Carol and I decided to take our annual February trip to a territory of the United States, namely St. Croix in the Virgin Islands. The resort offered all the amenities you could wish for including an on-site dive shop. Cane Bay Dive Shop has four locations around the island, with its newest one located right on site.

After a day of snorkeling at Buck Island, my first day of scuba diving was from the resort, on the southeastern corner of the island at Grapetree Bay. There was excellent visibility - 80'-100' -- and lots of tropical fish. With rumors of sharks at Grassy Point, I loaded my camera; however, no such creatures were seen.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, Hal, the owner of Cane Bay Dive Shop, picked me up at the resort for a 40-minute drive across the island to Cane Bay on the northwest part of the island. This is a very popular area for divers and snorkelers alike. Shallow depths offer shore diving and the boat trips are only 5-10 minutes to "The Wall." Locations I dove were Northstar, Twin Palms, Pavillions and Captain Morgans. All offered 80'-100' visibility and water temperatures of 78 degrees in 60'-80' depths. Lots of tropical fish, sea turtles, lobster and sponges. "The Wall" itself is only a short distance off shore and drops from 60' to 3200'. This is one dive location worth visiting. Think Summer - let's go diving!

-Tony Piazza



Photos by Tony-

### S.U.E. '06 Event Planner

Mar	14	Club Meeting
	19	Pool swim
	TBA-	Awards Dinner?
Apr	11	Club Meeting
May	9	Club Meeting; VIPs
Jun	13	Club Meeting
Jul	11	Club Meeting; party?

Aug	8	Club Mtg
Sep	12	Club Mtg
Oct	10	Club Mtg
	TBA-	Pumpkin Carve
Nov	14	Club Mtg
Dec	12	Club Mtg
	TBA	Christmas Party

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### NOTE-

North American Shipwreck and Dive Show  
3-18-06; <http://www.shipwreckshow.com/>

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Call Mike Kowalski, 892 2028

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### Wanted

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

Full wet suit; suitable for wind surfing. (36 stout?)  
Frank Smeeker; 573 0690 or [cdifrank@charter.net](mailto:cdifrank@charter.net)

Regulator set; 1<sup>st</sup> & 2d stages, gauge console, computer.  
Contact Mike Fabish; [mmvan@chartermi.net](mailto:mmvan@chartermi.net)

Good BC. I need an XL, probably. Call 695-9509 or cell @ 573-0003. Briscoe Ellett II

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