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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 10

This Meeting- 13th



TWINKIES! Don & Mike, YWCA pool

Inside....

*Election of Officers
1st Pool Swim
St. Croix Dive
DT Ice Dive
Bonus e-page*

*also selected short
subjects*

Remember Our Troops!

(English Language Version)

ELECTIONS UPDATE

OK; This Meeting! We know that you didn't deliberately stay away from the Feb meeting to shirk the possibility of being elected to a position of power... It was no doubt the weather that kept attendance down to a handful. Elections are therefore planned for this March meeting. Please plan on being there to vote; maybe even accepting a post. Do your part to get the club on its feet again for this coming season.

Meeting Feature

Tony Piazza has just returned from a relaxing trip to St. Croix, where he did some warm water diving. Tony has numerous pictures of what he experienced, and he's offered to give a short talk and share the pictures at the meeting. Here's a sample from Tony-

MY DAYS IN PARADISE

Carol and I revisited the island of St. Croix this month and, as in the past, the diving was great. Once again, I chose the Cane Bay Dive Shop for air, weights and a short boat ride to several excellent dive sites. Cane Bay has four shops surrounding the island, with one at the Divi Carina Bay Resort, a great place to stay.

Air temperature was consistent during the day at 85 degrees with water temperatures at 90 feet around 78-79 degrees. Visibility was typically 80-100 feet, except for my first dive which was at the famous Wall at Cane Bay, a site referred to as The Jungle. After a quick entry, I found myself at 65', I think, with no computer (dead batteries). I found myself sucking my supply of air faster than normal and all of my pictures were somewhat blurred. My second dive that day was much more enjoyable. With new batteries in, I dove The Pavilions, a site I visited last year. There was excellent visibility and an abundance of marine life, including two mature seahorse.

My next diving day took me to the Salt River Bay, which is not really a river, but a cove leading into the Salt River Marina. This is the only documented site in the Americas on which Christopher Columbus landed. The water temperature and visibility were excellent and, again, the marine life and coral were brilliant. This area also provided a little more excitement, including several swim-throughs and a stingray.

I would recommend St. Croix and the Cane Bay area to

anyone looking for some warm water diving. If you go, let me know. I will certainly go back! -Tony Piazza

Pictures by Tony-



Rare Sea Horse



Rare Croix Fish ? (pun)



Rare Stingray (the one that got away from the croc hunter?)

Good Pics, Tony! Thanks!

Pool Swim!

Cold day; warm pool... typical for the 1st pool dive of the year. Just under 10 attendees, with one first-time guest. And, a number of interested observers in the bleachers. Story in pictures-



Mike and Justin gearing up



Deep end activity; identities unknown



Head observer



Bleacher observers

Next pool swim- March 18 @ 3pm

Dive Team Activities-

As a contrast to the warm pool waters, the dive team hosted two Feb activities at Haithco Park. The first was an ice dive class for some outside agencies, and the second was the Special Olympics 'Polar Plunge'. They picked the coldest days...



Fred heading in



Don and Don helping Al



Al; first breath underwater

Biker? (pedal type...)

I'm planing a bike trip to the Mackinaw bridge sometime this summer. Plans are still in the developing stage. If anyone is interested please contact me at:

donaldcunningham2000@yahoo.com or phone me at 989-799-4385 ThankYou Don Cunningham



OIC Dave Sommers sporting Don Storck's initials...

Bonus! E-Scoop subscribers get extra page →

Supplemental Pics- Ice Dive at Haithco..



The site; cold day in February...



Ch 25 news coverage; that's Josilyn Demming enticed in by Dave Sommers. "You're not cold, are you?"



Tents near hole provide some relief from wind and cold



Saginaw group: Tim, Dave, Kirk, Greg, Mike



Diver in; latched by rope to tender. (1tug-OK)



End of training; close off the hole

**Actually, the SCOOP still has a pound of pictures on this training. Yours free for the request via e/m ,
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Whitefish Bay property for sale on Whitefish Bay, 2 miles north of Paradise. Listed for \$109,900. L Michele Whitaker" <emwhitak@hotmail.com>

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Feb Pool Swim..

S.U.E. '07 Event Planner

Mar	13	Club Mtg (elections)
	18	Pool swim
Apr	11	Club Mtg
May	9	Club Mtg
Jun	13	Club Mtg
Jul	11	Club Mtg ; TBA Picnic ?
Aug	14	Club Mtg
Sep	12	Club Mtg
Oct	10	Club Mtg; TBA- Pumpkin Carve
Nov	14	Club Mtg
Dec	11	Club Mtg; TBA Christmas Party

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