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Club Meetings- Held at 7:30pm on the second Tuesday of each month, at the Thomas Twp. Fire Station on the corner of Dice and Thomas.



## This Meeting- 8<sup>th</sup>



Didn't happen March pool swim

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*\$\$ Reconciled!*

*New SCOOP Format*

*also selected short subjects*

**YOU MAY BE A WINNER!**



(English Language Version)

***Remember Our Troops!***

## Breaking News!...

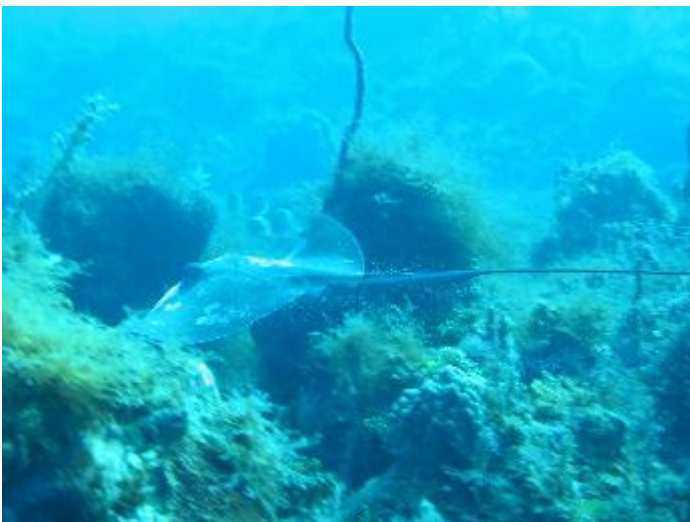
The facilities at the Bay City YWCA were broken; that is the official reason the March pool swim was cancelled. The swim has been rescheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup> of this month, the Sunday after the meeting. At Scoop press time, this is still a go. Please watch your e/m for any last-minute changes. And bring a friend.

## Dive News

While the rest of us sat around here waiting for the release of winter, Tony Piazza and Greg Prenzler skipped away from the ice and went diving in warmer areas. Tony made a big jump to Jamaica, and Greg made a shorter one to Oklahoma. Here are their accounts- (photos by the actors)

### Tony: DIVING IN NEGRIL

"I never thought that Jamaica would be one of my choices for a diving destination, but after my days down there this past month, all I can say is "no problem mon." Water temperature averaged 80 degrees -- beats the cold waters of the Great Lakes anytime! We stayed at the Couples resort in Negril. I dove off the resort's 36' Newton "Bubbles" into water with visibility of 100+' every day. The first day we were escorted out of Bloody Bay by a family of dolphin which hung around for some good photos. After five days of seeing dolphin, stingray, shark and more, I must say that Jamaica is a great diving destination which Carol and I hope to return to soon."



Jamaican Stingray



Jamaican Polyp?



Jamaican Brain Coral



Jamaican Flounder

Good camera work, Tony; you are getting pretty good at it. The clarity is fantastic! What happened to those dolphins? (One more photo on back)

**Greg** went west, to Oklahoma. Temps were at least better than Michigan... Here's Greg:

"Lake Murray (near Ardmore OK) is south of where I am (Norman, OK) I have been there before, around 2 years ago by myself. I was looking for a site on the internet and chose a dive there. This spill way is an area of the lake that flows over the road to a creek on the other side. All the lakes here are dammed rivers. As for what I have been told, Oklahoma has no real lakes; they are man made or dammed rivers.



OK dive site

Well, the day started off 60 degrees with a slight mist. After getting to Lake Murray's Marietta Landing I joined Oklahoma Scuba ( [www.okscuba.com](http://www.okscuba.com)), Alan Hughes for some diving. Alan had two divers that were starting their open water certificate. We had about 6 to 10 feet of vis.



Entry point; the cove

The cove that we did our dives has two platforms , some boats and a motorcycle. I did three dives with Alan and the students did two of the open water dives. The water temp was 57 degrees. A couple of sunfish came out to play with me, they keep looking at me and were not scared of me at all. After the dive Alan

said they usually feed them hot dogs and that they were waiting for some food.



Lake Murray

I have been with Oklahoma Scuba for their Sunday dives here for some years now as I come out here for work training. If you happen to be in the area for a dive, stop by and see them. (Tell'em Greg sent you)



Greg, sporting a new suit(?)

-Sounds like some good dives, Greg. Especially when you can mix them up with work! This reminds me of what the scuba diver said when he ran into a concrete wall- DAM! (sorry; ed.)

### Treasury Reconciled!

Good news! There doesn't appear to be any missing funds in the SUE treasury. New treasurer Sommers went all the way back to '98, and started calculating line by line. He found "numerous errors", and "incredibly bad accounting" through the years. The full report will be available at the meeting; Dave will provide details. Dave has done a super job working through this; the club owes him at least a big THANKS! (What do you drink, Dave?)

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## S.U.E. '08 Event Planner

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



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