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SUE Semicentennial Year

Club Meetings-
7:30pm on the 2d Tues
of each month. Held at
Tms. Twp. Fire Station #1
On Dice and Thomas Rd

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Club Dues-
\$25 per year

next meeting?: Mar 11

This Meeting- 12th
(Note- Thomas Twp FS, corner of
Dice and Thomas Rd.)



roses are red, violets are blue
for Valentines day.,
From Bill Atkins to you!



Again, the stars- LE & LX

Inside....

Dive Team Demo
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Dive Reports

also selected short
subjects

(English Language Version)

Remember Our Troops!

Pool Swim Alert

You should be reading this a week before, not the day of the club meeting. Else, you might be missing the first pool swim of '08. Scheduling this year will be for the Sundays just prior to the meeting, so plan on being at the Bay City YWCA this coming Sunday, the 10th, at 3:00.

Remember this month's meeting is election of officers! See names that have been nominated on the back page. And it's not too late to get your name in....

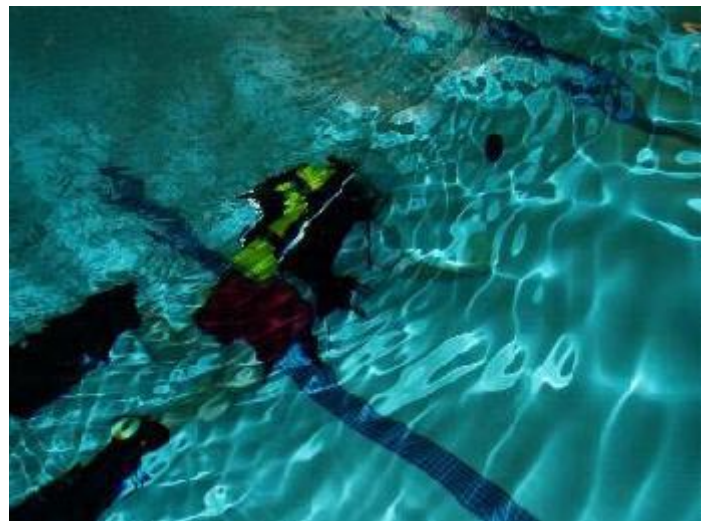
Dive Team School Demo

With the big overlap in membership between the Saginaw County Dive Team and the Saginaw Underwater Explorers, it's about impossible to have an event that doesn't include both. To be fair, the following was initiated by the dive team, but note the club members also involved. Greg Prenzler was asked by some of the staff at Sherwood Elementary if the DT would put on a demo for a number of classes- of course Greg agreed! Greg had spoken to and put on DT shows to classes there before, but for the first time this demo would be actual divers in the school pool. Before continuing any further, I have to say there's no better audience than eager young kids! Continuing, Greg knows how to work the crowd... With fireman Mark Laux(also well known to the kids), the two of them discussed water safety with the children. And that the dive team would prefer they'd stay safe, but the demo was what was done if somebody did get lost. Two divers, Mike Fabish and Jeff Millemon went in the water. Mike wore a black-out material over his mask to simulate the Saginaw river, he was supposed to search the bottom for an object. Both divers were roped, and the underwater comm unit was on. The kids got to tend the ropes, talk in the comm units; also check out a dry suit, Gumby suit, lift weights, breathe from a tank,... There wasn't enough time!

Greg starting things off....



...and Fireman Mark



Mike 'searching'



Fireman Mark and Teacher Toni Kern tending tenders...

The kids were in three groups; one group got to go along the pool edge at a time. The other groups would line up to try the equipment. All enthusiastic, this is the type of activity whose long-term effect is immeasurable.... (photos by staff member Carol Parcell)



Kids using the comm system; Teacher Tom Middlin with camera



“Hey; I can hear them!”



“Breathe; count to 5... Did you get air?”



Fashionable Gumby and dry suit exhibit



Muscle Girl...



The Crew: Prenzler, Storck, Laux, Pansing, Fabish, and Millemon

Other Dive Activities

Greg Prenzler made a recent dive that he’s not talking too much about... He was called to the sugar plant in Bay City to retrieve a prop that had fallen off some equipment into the waste pond (“blacker than the Saginaw river”), Greg came out somewhat stinky. Greg Prenzler and Mike Garner recovered a snowmobile through the ice at Albright Shores on Jan 28. Prenzler and Sommers recovered a snowmobile from Evergreen Lake in Tuscola County on Jan 29.

S.U.E. '08 Event Planner

Jan 8 Club Mtg(nominations) *Add your ideas*

Feb 12 Club Mtg(elections)
10 Pool swim

Mar 11 Club Mtg
9 Pool swim

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
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More Club News-

FYI, Tom Fritz is recovering very well from his open-heart surgery. He can't do anything foolish, but the Drs are impressed with his activity. He'd like visitors.

Current nominations for Feb Elections-

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|----------------------|-----------------|
| Pres- | Mike Fabish |
| VP- | Tony Piazza |
| Sec- | Jim Jesselaitis |
| Treasurer- | Dave Sommers |
| Member at Large- | Greg Prenzler |
| Compressor Chairman- | Tom VanDenBoom |

As it stands, these are the only nominees and the positions will be filled accordingly unless other nominations are submitted before the election. The SCOOP commends these individuals for their dedication to the club.

Welcome Aboard to new members Jim Jesselaitis and Mike Garner. For the record, Mike has been a previous member and has returned to the fold.

As of the Jan meeting, there have been 15 renewals. If you've been one of the procrastinators, dues (still the best deal around) are \$25. Contact Mike or Dave. The club website is up and running, thanks to the work of Dave and Greg. They are still working on some of its features; check it out and give them your ideas.

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Wanted

½" Tank valve .

Contact Mary Poma 771 3649

Zipper; for Harvey drysuit. Preferably waterproof. Don Storck dstorck@hotmail.com

Aspiring Models- Submit your favorite bikini photo to the SCOOP for publication. You will have a very good chance of becoming Miss France, but not Miss Universe...

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