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Club Meetings- Held at 7:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month, at the Thomas Twp. Fire Station on the corner of Dice and Thomas.

This meeting- 8th (AT UWA!)



Inside.... (note- contains graphic material)

Nov Mtg in Midland!

STFD Tank Dive

Haithco Club Dive

Zoo Boo Too Dive

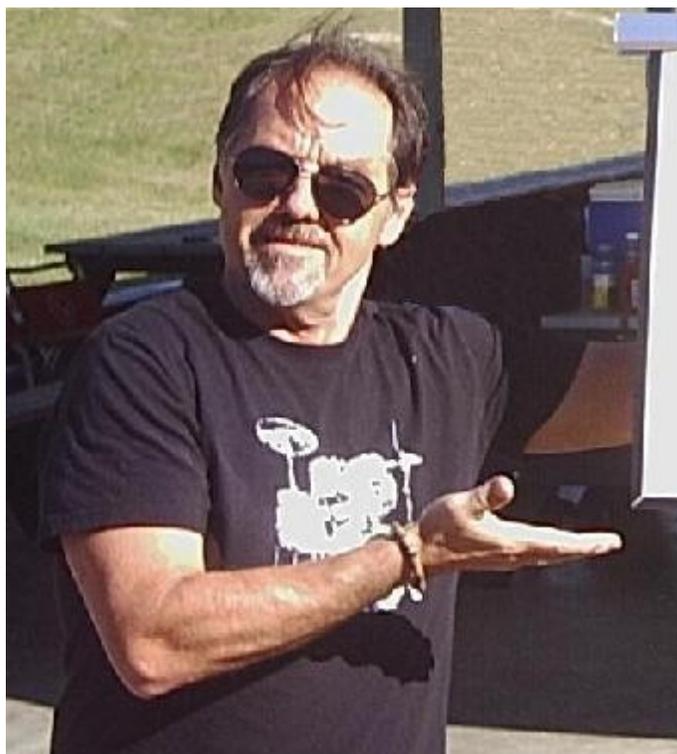
Munising Dive

Carribean Dive

also selected short subjects



Congratulations Alex Prenzler; first uw pumpkin carve!
(I think Greg wrote his name in Mandarin...)



Coming to a dive shop near you! (see more inside)

Remember Our Troops!

October Meeting



Oct meeting turnout- some old; some new...

Greeting Divers, Here are the minutes for the October meeting.

Treasury report read by M. Fabish. Motion passed.

The water was very clear at the zoo window cleaning today.

The zoo boo starts this weekend and the windows were good. The bubblers in the water likely cleared it up and a northern pike and tiger Muskie were discovered.

The pumpkins carving contest is scheduled for October 22 at 2:00 at the Saginaw Children's Zoo. We'll have the club dive tank there to promote diving. If you're going to carve a pumpkin, please let Mike Fabish know so that we have a rough estimate of how many divers there will be. His email is mfabish@os-op.com.

The rules are as follow:

Pumpkins need to be cleaned out prior to the contest

No pre-designed or drawings allowed on the pumpkin

No artificial props such as googly eyes, hats, etc, are allowed

Organic props such as olives for eyes, onion for pearls, etc are permitted

Any kind of knives and tools are allowed (dive knife, pumpkin carving knife, scrapper, etc)

Don Cunningham said that he fixed the check and pressure valves on the compressor. The pressure valve is worn and will likely need to be replaced soon. The compressor is now functioning. Thank you Don for all your hard work.

Our final fun dive is set for Oct 18 at Haithco Park around 6:00. This dive will turn into a night dive with the sun setting sooner and sooner so be sure to bring some dive lights.

The zoo window cleaning schedule went very smooth this year.

*We never missed a week to clean the windows. Thank you for all those who helped cleaned the windows. **

*Next month's meeting will NOT be at the firestation since it will be Election Day. We will let members know where the next meeting will be. Stay tuned. ***

-Justin



Pres Fabish ends meeting with presentation on recent dive to Munising. (more below)

* Pres Fabish expressed a special thanks to those who assumed the zoo window cleaning this year:

Dave Sommers

Mark Laux

Kim Belchak

Ben Boyle

Mike Garner

Justin Fabish

Mike Fabish

Mark Russell

“It was a very smooth running cleaning season, and it could not have been done without all of them and their commitment and their efforts to “take care of business”. All of them were very reliable, and made the whole task of scheduling and knowing the windows would be cleaned the easiest it’s ever been!”
-Mike

** NOTE Nov Meeting Place Canceled

We will not be able to use the TTFD station for our next meeting Tue, Nov 8 due to the election. So, we have all been invited to **Underwater Antics** to use their shop as the meeting place and see their new place! We will have some refreshments and snacks for the group and guests, and be able to take a tour of the shop to see all the new dive gear AND the amazing collection of rocks and minerals Tim and Cheryl specialize in. If you have not been there yet, this is the perfect opportunity to take a peek, and support your

local Dive Shop! It will still be the 2nd Tue of the month as always, and still at 7:00 pm. The address is: 639 W Isabella Rd, Midland, MI 48640 and is less than a mile west of the M-30/M-20 intersection, south side of the road, next door to the BP gas station; very easy to find. I hope all of you take the time to come out for this special meeting! There will be more reminder(s) as we get closer to the date of the meeting.

Stay Wet! Stay Safe! - Mike

Busy Club Month; that October!

Tank Exhibit at STFD Open House

(all STFD photos by Mark Russell)



Flag is classy touch!



Lovely lady dares having picture taken



Mike taking turn recruiting kids...



Justin with Toy



Justin finds a talker...

Making of a Star!

Mark's son Ian has been around our tank display as much as the wheels. He has watched others climb in, and expressed an interest in it. So we fixed him up! On location at the STFD, we waited for a lull in the action and threw him in.



Well, first give him some air...



And he goes right in! (notice no suit...)



Relaxed mode

Last Fun Dive for 2016; Night at Haithco



Justin, Mike, Ben (UrEd somewhere)

Divers for a club splash dive gather about 6pm; this is late in the year and the sun was about to drop turning into a night dive Thanks to Mike and Justin for lighting up the bottom with their super lights. Speaking of bottom, notice how far out the water line is, exposing about 10' out.



Suiting up while getting dark...



Zoo opens, visitors start at 12:00....



In; looking for boat buoy



Under water pumpkin carve at 2:00

Culmination of October; ZOO BOO!



Mike & Justin have tank set up by 11:00



Our fans

The 2016 Zoo Boo was held over three weekends; we set up our pumpkin carve for the second weekend. Last year was rainy and cold and miserable. This year was warm and sunny and a great success! SUE got many TYs and photo spreads on Facebook, MLive, and even YouTube. Way too many to show in the SCOOP, but take the time to check these yourself:

From Pres Fabish-

Thank you all so much for making this year's Zoo Boo a huge success! I really appreciate all of you coming out to have fun and be with all the kids; we help make their visit to the Zoo a little more special.

Cheryl & Tim: please thank Steve and Casey for coming to be a part of the event! We had 228 people take the time to come to our booth and see all the pumpkins and pick their favorite! Last year's number was 115; that's almost twice as many people! It was an awesome day. My personal thanks you go out to Robin and the whole Zoo Crew that make us feel so welcome throughout the year when cleaning, and especially at the Zoo Boo! Also, thanks to the SFD for putting the water in our tank; we could not do any of that part without them. And special thanks to Don and Justin for coming out early to get the tank and tables set up with me, and Justin for helping to make the Cave windows sparkle for the carving viewers before they got there. It is an honor to be a part of the Saginaw Underwater Explorers and the way you all represent diving and diving safety to all those who stop by to "see what we are doing".

I'm already looking forward to next year! I think all of you had fun, and I hope you will be back!

I created a document with some of my pics to send out but it is too big, so you will have to click this link to see/share it:

<http://owncloud.bradysdns.com/index.php/s/X5wB0IPjIYtnhxT>

Thank you again for lending your skills and talents for a fun event! We will post some more pics on our site and I will have them on my laptop at the next SUE meeting on Nov 8, 7 pm at Underwater Antics.

-Mike, SUE Pres

From Robin; Zoo official-

Thank you all for helping make this weekend's Zoo Boo a success! Over the weekend we welcomed 2,134 people into the zoo! As always, the underwater pumpkin carving was a HUGE hit with the visitors, and we really appreciate everyone who was able to make it out for the event. If you haven't seen them already, be sure to check out the event pictures on our facebook page and feel free to share!

https://www.facebook.com/childrenszoo/photos/tab=album&album_id=10154622731727813

Everyone have a great week, and a fun and safe Halloween!

Robin Carey, Children's Zoo at Celebration Square

From Jason Shaw-

Something of interest also:

<http://s.mlive.com/61AAKhE>

Looks like it was a good time by all!

Jason Shaw, Seaquatics



Pride in craftsmanship...



Kids don't want to leave us...

Munising Dive-

UW Antics offered a charter dive to Munising last month; Mike Fabish made the trip and shared photos he took at the last Oct club meeting. Here are a few-



Divers Tim, Cheryl, Kyle, Steve, Casey, Mike



Chains on Bermuda



Selvick Pilot house



Steve through pilot house



Tim, Cheryl on the SmithMoore



Selvick prop,



Stairway



Deck of Manhattan



(feel free to use magnifying glass)



Selvick telegraph

While Rob Q Makes a Trip South...

Rob wanted it known he was down there just after the hurricane went through; vis was down to about 800-900 ft... Hold up your hand if you feel any pity for him. No titles, but good viewing!



Special Invitation-

The UnderWater Antics dive shop has a couple of must-attend presentations coming up in the next couple of months. On Nov 11 our own Bill Atkins is giving a show on Saginaw River Shipbuilders, and subsequent wrecks.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/873023246130737/>

On Dec 7 Dave Trotter is scheduled for a show on his discoveries.

[Dave Trotter - New Shipwreck Exploration & Discovery](https://www.facebook.com/UnderwaterAntics/?fref=ts)

UW Antics is requesting you RSVP if interested; see their FaceBook site:

<https://www.facebook.com/UnderwaterAntics/?fref=ts>

As a follow-up to these announcements, UW Antics has made it easier for you to find their shop while speeding down M20... Look for-



639 W. Isabella Rd; Midland

HUGE SALE-

Mike Kowalski has a new location in the Indoor Rummage shop; on Wilder in Bay City. Huge selection of gear; fins, suits, tanks, and many unique items.



Cora's Briefs-

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/adventure/activities/caving-and-canyoneering/deepest-underwater-cave-discovered/>

<http://www.9and10news.com/story/33428495/northern-michigan-in-focus-great-lakes-shipwreck-historical-society-discovery>

http://www.mlive.com/travel/index.ssf/2016/10/upper-peninsula_fall_color_lik.html

FOR SALE-

Debbie Houck called me yesterday to say she was selling her scuba gear. . It is her gear, sized for a woman (or maybe kids getting started) and includes a BC, reg set, gauges, 2 pr fins, and boots. She is hoping for \$175 for the whole thing, but is willing to talk. If interested, you can reach her direct at 989-737-5151.

-Mike



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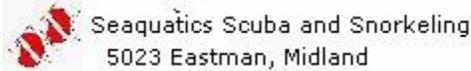
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<http://galefireprotection.com/>



TO: Preferred Customer

S.U.E. 2016 Planner

Nov 8 mtg At UWA

Dec 3? 10?- Christmas Party

Your club, your activities- Make suggestions!

NOTE- Mackinac Straits Island Charters will begin daily departures from St Ignace to Mackinac Island starting Friday 29th of September leaving our dock at 6:15am to the island and 7:00 am off Mackinac Island to St Ignace. Our evening schedule departs to the island at 5pm and leaving Mackinac Island at 6pm. We are located at 601 North State Street in St. Ignace across from the Driftwood. Cost is 20.00 dollars for a one way ticket. Call 906.298.0369 or 9893270043 to reserve a spot.

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