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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- 14<sup>th</sup>



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

**Feb Mtg Notes**  
**Elections Results**  
**Polar Plunge 2017**  
**More Michaels**

also selected short subjects



Stand clear!



Archived Mike

**Remember Our Troops!**



(Feb weather was so agreeable that members could meet in parking lot)

### Feb Few Minutes-

The March meeting began with a conference call; which has given UrEd some ideas- to be shared down the page\*...

Meeting called to order by UrEd at 1906.  
Pledge of Allegiance presented to U.S. Flag.  
Infrequent visitor, Cora, was welcomed by all.  
Topics of old business were thoughtfully brought up.  
Motion was made for refreshments; coffee was catered in by McDs . Written off as misc.  
New business began with annual election of officers. не ругаясь без посторонней фальсификации выборов... I mean, by unanimous absence of objections, all members holding office were granted extensions of their current positions. Salaries increased 10%.  
Photo Ids will be asked for at next year's elections.  
Cora agreed to debriefing.  
UWA invited the members to the special presentation on Lake Huron's Blue Hole. (Feb 17)  
Meeting adjourned.

\* Thought- Understanding there are times when members are unable to attend a club meeting, why don't we live-cast the meeting out to anyone interested? I have it on good information that this could be done on Face Book Live. By the power vested in me, I hereby appoint Ben Boyle in charge.

### *In Memorium*



The SCOOP is sorry to post the passing of  
**RENAE PAVLOVICH,**  
beloved wife of Lew Pavlovich.  
On behalf of all Saginaw Underwater Explorers,  
we send our sincere condolences. Please see

<http://www.afcfcare.com/obits/obituaries.php/obitID/377441>

### **Atkins Presentation- Blue Hole, plus bonus**

UnderWater Antics was packed for their Feb offering; Bill Atkins presenting a show from a past dive to a 'Blue Hole' outside Alpena. UrEd usually doesn't admit to these things, but I never knew they even existed in Michigan. Like all the 'holes', base rock is eaten away underground, and the top collapses.



Bill introduced to full house by Cheryl



Let me just point these in the right direction...

## Part II; “You in a Heap a trouble, Boy!”

Bill followed up with a 2d presentation, a tongue-in-cheek show on pirating shipwrecks. This is pretty well known and popular; Bill has shown it at numerous dive shows. UrEd can't recall the name of the star, but imagine someone taking a shopping cart to collect artifacts.



Bill's Pirate

Another great show; but Bill still wasn't finished! He spent the next 10 mins passing out prizes, and explaining many things related to them.



On with the show! Lake Huron's Blue Hole!

Bill dove the hole with Lew Pavlovich and Dale Purchase. There was a lot of planning involved, and they had apparently scouted it out previously. Oddly enough, they had to traverse very shallow water to get to it. This was a real exploration! Dale had his camera assembly, and took numerous photos of odd formations. Dale found a spot where water was coming in from the bottom. So he stuck his foot in it. Then he stuck his head in it. Yes; Bill had the photos. The hole is about 100' deep; top and bottom being about an acre in area. Sides were pretty vertical. Bill did an excellent job describing this! He also noted that there are still spots down there that they haven't seen. SUE was represented in the audience at least 10x. John Garner was present, and he added that he has dove it.



Going Once; Going Twice...

**Thanks; Bill! And Tim and Cheryl!**



## Polar Plunge 2017

SUE members have been invited before to help in this worthwhile event; you would've really enjoyed it this year. The polar plunge raises money for special olympics, and features jumpers willing to jump into icy waters of a frozen lake. Except this year they replaced the lake with a swimming pool, and filled it with tap water! Instead of brisk cold February winds whipping the jumpers, they picked a balmy sunny spring-like day for the occasion. It was like polar plunge in Florida! But it was a success; lots of jumpers and good contributions for the cause.



Jump in the back; climb out the ladder...



Dave Sommers and Jay Pansing checking water temp



Always a good idea to start with cuties (photos by Prenzler)



PP Grand Marshall Ahmed Bajjey (ch 25 tv)



This guy caught the football in his jump!



## Michaels' Archives



Matt B., faithful competitor!



The receiving end; Tim, Jay, Brian, and UrEd



CORA with her new March Briefs

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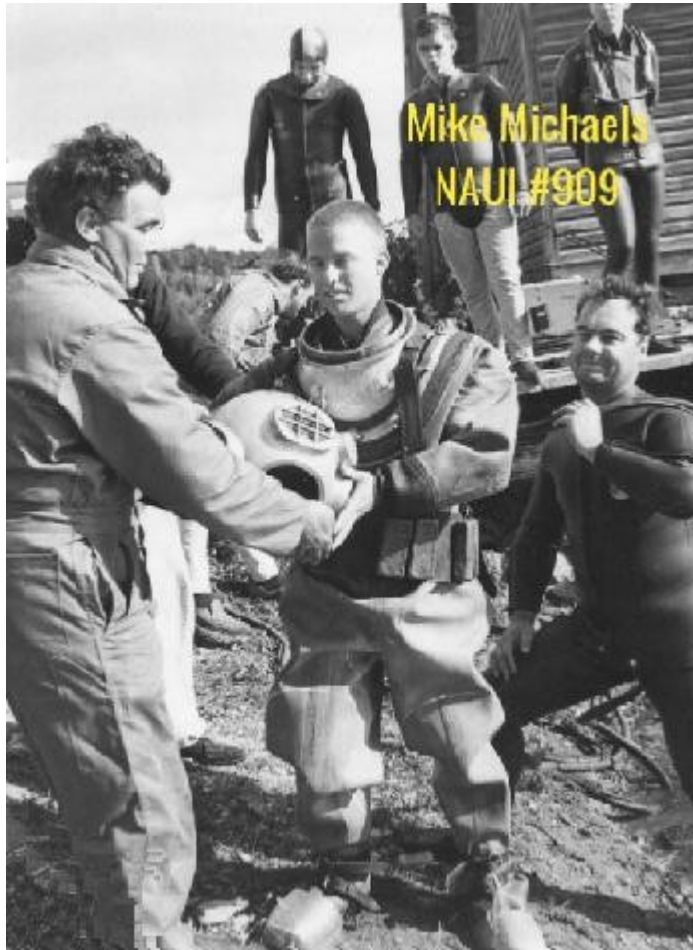
Mike in The Slot(?) in CA. -1968. photo by Rod Anton  
(This photo made the cover of Skin Diver magazine.)

*Rod and I went on to become best friends ... and remain so to this day. The attached image was taken with a Nikon underwater camera with a flash bulb attachment at a place called "The Slot" just off of Carmel, CA in the late 1960's ... circa 1968 ... while diving with Rod. The image was later featured on the cover of Skin Diver Magazine a year or so later. I still have that copy of Skin Diver.*

*What cool memories captured in this history. Lots of images from early NAUI, the Manitoulan Island trip looking for La Salle's Le Griffon, numerous info on the early SUE fish shelter deployments, and much more.*

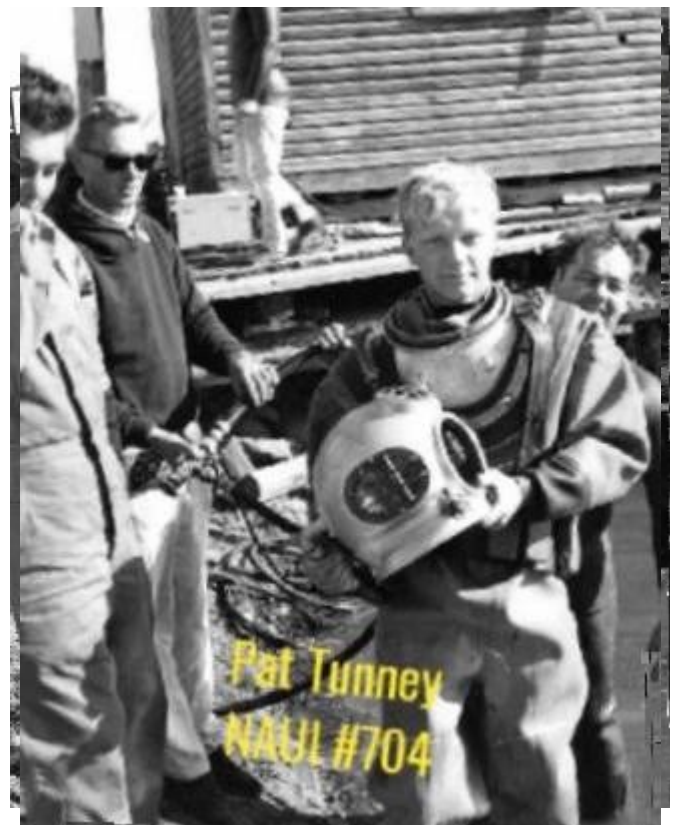
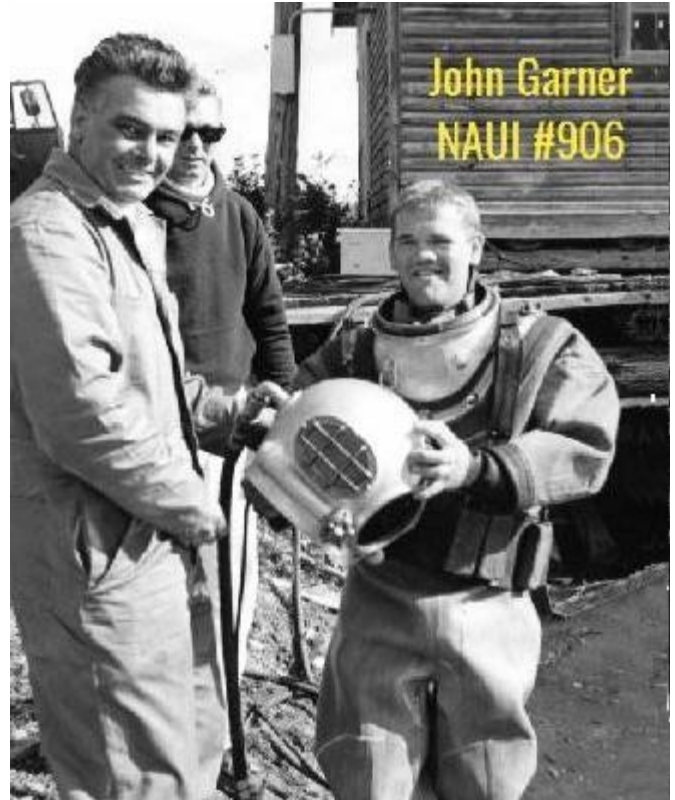
-Mike

Manitoulin Island (Gore Bay?) August 1965  
La Salle's Le Griffon Archaeology Expedition  
&  
NAUI Workshop & Seminar



Anyone have an ID on this guy? ^

THANKS to Pat, Dale, & John for all of the material  
(& I've added some of mine as well for the CD's).  
Thanks to SUE for the Don McClellan binder.





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