

Badger Buddy Line

The Official Newsletter of the Badger State Dive Club

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Next Club Meeting Tuesday, March 30th

The Badger State Dive Club invites all certified divers, Students currently enrolled in classes, and all those Interested in the sport of skin and scuba diving, to join us at our next meeting on Tuesday, **March 30th at 7:30pm at Edwardo's Natural Pizza**, Hwy 100 & Bluemound, Milwaukee. More information available on the Club website: www.badgerstatediveclub.org.

Club Officers for 2010

President – **Rich Laiacona**

Vice President – **Ben Prokash**

Treasurer – **Jonathan Taylor**

Dive Coordinator – **Jim Driver**

Secretary – **Carol Moralez**

Newsletter/Website Editor – **Lee Hintz**

Sgt.-at-Arms – **Mike Stupak**

Honorary Board – **Dick Klug**

Honorary Board – **Tom Ash**

Honorary Board – **Mike Wolf**

Members in attendance at 2/23/10 Meeting:

Dan Beck, Jim Driver, Dan Klink, Rich Laiacona, Bob Lijewski, Carol Moralez, Ben Prokash, Les Ratlieff, Bill Roehrs, Chris Schumann, Jonathan Taylor and Mike Wolf. Excused: Mike Stupak, Lee Hintz, Dick & Mary Klug

MEETING NOTES

by **Carol Moralez**

- ◆ The **February 23rd** meeting was called to order by President **Rich Laiacona**, at exactly 7:30 pm, with 12 members and no guests in attendance.

- ◆ Treasurer's current month's Report from **Jonathan Taylor** was as follows:

Checking Account Balance: \$230.87

Certificate of Deposit Balance: \$9,155.18

- ◆ The Club meets in the private upstairs meeting room of **Edwardo's Natural Pizza, Hwy 100 & Bluemound Road, Milwaukee**. Food and beverage options are available to the Club, at a cost to members and guests who choose to eat at the Club meeting, of \$5 per person. Those who choose not to eat will receive beer, and soda as in the past, at no cost. The Club pays the balance.

Old Business

- ◆ **Dues for 2010 are now due!** Dues are currently **\$25 per family membership** (covers all members living in the same household). You may send your dues to the Club P.O. Box 210046, Milwaukee, WI 53221, or bring them to the next meeting. Thanks for your support!
- ◆ **President Rich Laiacona** has created an internet online store at Café Press for our Club logo garment needs: <http://www.cafepress.com/bsdcstore>. You can also click the link on the Club's website to go to the online store. **Check it out and let's have that fashion show!**
- ◆ Thanks to **Rich Laiacona**, the Club has an account on **Facebook**. Check it out and **become a Fan!** We are also planning to update the Club's website using a Content Management System, in 2010. **Send any photos** that you would like on the site to: info@badgerstatediveclub.org.

New Business

- ◆ There was a discussion of possible printing jobs to meet the future needs of the Club. Dive Club stickers, logo design, waterproof tank decals, Club brochures and colored vinyl banners. It was discussed as to who had done the Club's printing in the past. (A printer on Greenfield Ave. West of Sunnyslope Road has done our letterhead, envelopes and brochures in the past.)

Past Dives

- ◆ **Bucaneers' Dive Club Ice Dive – Feb. 7th, Lake Nagawicka**. BSDC divers who participated included: **Bob Lijewski, Jim Driver and Carol Moralez**. The cost was \$15 including food.
- ◆ The first **Pool Dive of 2010** was held on **Friday, January 29th**, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm, at the Muskego High School Pool. There were approximately 25 in attendance, with about 18 divers in the water. Temperature was 80 degrees and visibility was 100 feet!

Future Dives

- ◆ The **Annual Ice Dive and Party** will again be held at **Lake Nagawicka, on Saturday, February 27th**. **Mike Wolf** will be coordinating the Dive and the Beach house is rented from **8:00 am to 3:30 pm**. **Much help** with the cutting of the hole, tending lines, hauling gear and preparing food and beverages **is needed! You will be**

reimbursed for major food item bills. Please contact Mike if you can help! 262-370-5899.

- ◆ **Pool Dive** at the **Muskego High School** on Friday, **March 12th** from **7:30 to 9:30 pm**. Enter from **Door 21** in back of the building. Bring your friends and family members for a swim and scuba experience!
- ◆ **Dive Coordinator Jim Driver** is leading the following **dive events for 2010**. **Bonne Terre Mine – March 20-21, Munising, Friday – Sunday, \$260 -4 dives per person.**
- ◆ **Green Lake – Saturday, May 8th** – Dive Wisconsin's deepest inland lake. Contact **Mike Wolf** for details.
- ◆ **Fortune Pond – Saturday, May 29th** – Experience clear water and fish life. Contact **Jim Driver** for details.
- ◆ **Lake Wazee – Sat. June 5th** – Dive the day or stay and dive the weekend. Contact **Jim Driver** for details.
- ◆ **Lake Michigan Charter – Saturday June 12th** – **Sheboygan** Two tank dive on the **Hetty Tailor** and the **Sella Chamberlain** with **Jitka** - \$85. Contact **Jim Driver** to see if any spots are left. **Bring your C-card!**
- ◆ **Munising Bay, UP Michigan – July 4th weekend.** Contact **Jim Driver** if you want to come up.
- ◆ **Lake Michigan Charter – Sunday July 18th** – **Port Washington** Two tank dive on the **Northerner** and the **Niagara**. Contact **Jim Driver** to see if any spots are left. **Bring your C-card!**

Past Social

- **Our World Underwater, February 19th – 21st, Rosemont, IL.** **Bob Lijewski** and **Jim Driver** enjoyed the event and **Bob** purchased a new Gear bag.

Future Social

- ◆ **Ghost Ships Festival, March 5th – 6th, Windham Airport Hotel & Conference Center**, across from Milwaukee Airport. Advance sale Advance is \$20, with the cost of \$25 at the door. See details of all of the presentations & events at: www.ghostships.org.
- ◆ **The Wisconsin Underwater Archeology Association (WUAA)** is holding a **workshop** on underwater site surveying, mapping and interpreting shipwrecks, using manual methods. The workshop takes place **during the Ghost Ships Festival**, at the **Windham Hotel & Conference Center** across from the **Milwaukee Airport**, from **9:30 am to noon**, and the cost is \$35. You can pre-register online at: www.wuaa.org.

Dive Related Items

- ◆ Jon Paul Van Harpen's book "Door Peninsula Shipwrecks" is available from Amazon.com for \$15.59.
- ◆ For Muck Divers and Bottle Collectors: <http://mrbottles.com>
- ◆ Wisconsin Underwater Archeology Association: <http://wuaa.org>
- ◆ Local Divers Discussion Forum: <http://wiscuba.com/yabbse/>

