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February 22nd and 23rd, 2003 Lake Murray Oklahoma. *Annual Wine and Cheese Tasting.*

Bar-B-Q, Bon-fire, camping and all-around great time. This is the Diving Rebels Club Fund Raiser. Tickets are \$7.00 and \$10.00 per person at the park. This year we have a real treat. DUI, WHITES, and DACOR will be on hand to try out Dry Suits. If you really want to test how great a Dry Suit is Lake Murray in February is THE place. Don't miss this one. This has been an annual favorite for over 10 years. Tickets will be available at the February meeting and will also be available at your local scuba club meetings throughout January and February. With an average attendance of over 150 people, divers and non-divers welcome. Kids, dogs, snakes, goats, and iguana will be there too. 🇺🇸

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL DIVE SHOP

It's a new year and it's time to throw away all your old stuff and buy new stuff. So go out and buy SCUBA gear your dive shop will love you for it.

Need a few other reasons? Well Ok, how about these:

February 2 Groundhog Day

What better way to celebrate more umm... weather than buying your groundhog a B.C.D?

February 14 Valentine's Day

I mean come on people were massacred for this holiday the least you could do is buy a new regulator.

February 17 President's Day

Now you must admit that Abe and George would both look great with matching wetsuits.

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Reminder that dues are due Jan 31 2003

From the Diving Rebels Historian

January 12, 2003

Hi Rebels,

I spoke to Jim and Linda Magnuson about volunteering for being the Club Historian as I am only doing the Website. I am an avid history nut and have had my eye on the job for quite awhile and was excited when Jim said yes and Linda volunteered to assist with the job. Last Wednesday after the Club meeting Jim had a whole carload of great STUFF! There are tons of photos, newsletters and other artifacts from the Diving Rebels history. Most of this weekend was spent pouring over all this cool stuff.

It is amazing to see what the Club has been doing over the past 30+ years.

Several things I have noticed are the number of members that have come and gone, some of the great activities and places the Rebels have been diving over the years. Some of the Rebels have participated in actual search and recovery efforts.

I am thrilled to be a part of this and look forward to sharing all



of the treasure I dig up throughout the year. So, look in your newsletters and at the meetings for historical events from the Diving Rebels History.

I am also entertaining the task of compiling all of this stuff on DVD (s). Since I have very little experience in creating DVD's we need someone who has this experience. If you would like to help with this project please contact me at the February meeting.

Also, if you have any stories, photos or artifacts related to the Club that you would like to include on the DVD let me know. 📧

Let's have a great year of diving and creating new history!

Doug Sheppard

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March 5 Ash Wednesday

I'm not real sure here but I think this day was invented for you to give up your old stuff. (And then buy all new stuff on Thursday)

March 17 St Patrick's Day

What can I say here but BUY GREEN!!!

April 1 April Fool's Day

Only a fool would miss this opportunity to buy some snazzy new booties. (Ya know I just like typing that word, snazzy booties.)

April 15 Tax Day

My very favorite day. This is the day that the government gives you free money to go out and spend on all kinds of dive gear. (Ok they don't actually give it to you, its sort of yours in the first place.) But they give it back. (Well unless you didn't give them enough in the first place.) All right let's just forget this one.

Any way you get my drift. (Get it "drift" "diving" boy, I crack me up.)



We will have the Dacor Dry Suit rep. as our guest speaker for the February meeting. 📧

February Celebrations

Carol Robinson
Birthday Feb 4th

Fay Danley
Birthday Feb 10th

Bill Lodal
Birthday Feb 25th

I would like to thank Arlington Scuba Center and Tucker's Dive Shop for their support of our Christmas party. Their generosity made it a great success. 🍷



SAN MARCOS, TEXAS JANUARY 18 & 19, 2003

Burr!!!! What a cold morning the Diving Rebels members had departing the DFW Metroplex for their journey taking them south on I-35 towards San Marcos, Texas! Diving Rebel members, Scott Jones, Randall Paden, Sr., Robert Dove, Dave Burleson, Doug Sheppard, Clyde Freeman, Tommy Engle, Vicky Albright (non-diver), Steve Ogden, Megan Bartulevicz and George Bartulevicz met at the Motel 6 which they departed at 11:30 am, Saturday morning, as scheduled for it's annual San Marcos River Dive and clean up. The divers were greeted with an outdoor temperature approaching 60 degrees as they prepared for the beginning of their dive into the clear and swift running water (70 degrees warm) of the San Marcos River. Steve Ogden used multiple mesh collection bags that were kept afloat with a second BC to collect this year's trash. Drifting with the river's swift current our members collected a variety of trash ranging from the normal (beer bottles and cans) along with two dive masks, one snorkel, shoes, shirts, one golf ball, a matchbox car, tire hub-cap, and a few crawfish which were later returned to their home. Members enjoyed dinner at the San Marcus River Pub and Grill and for met for Sunday breakfast at Herbert's Taco Hut (minus Clyde, Randall and Scott). Hope to see all Diving Rebel members and their families at our February outing at Lake Murray, OK.

CLEAR SPRINGS "POLAR BEAR" DIVE JANUARY 1, 2003

Tommy Engle, Keith Weber, Bill Lodal, Doug Sheppard and George Bartulevicz were among 57 divers who participated in Clear Springs Scuba Park's second annual "Polar Bear Dive". This years water temperature was 52 degrees with visibility between 5 – 15 feet. Participants didn't have to prepare for a thermal-cline on this dive. The weather cooperated giving us a mild sunny day. Pictures of the event are at www.geocities.com/clearspringsscubapark/polar03.html Diving Rebel members Doug Sheppard and Keith Weber are two bears who have participated in the 2002 and 2003 outing.

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