



# LOCKHEED MARTIN DIVE CLUB

## News

November 2006



### November Meeting

## Annual Photo Contest Results

The night for the photo contest is upon us!

Come see the 'best of our best' photographers at our November 14th meeting. Mike McCleskey, our Photo Contest committee leader, will show us who shot what and announce the results of the judging.

Fifteen members submitted 75 photos for your viewing pleasure. Several new members tested the water with 'first-time entries.'

This year the judging was done by the famous underwater photographer Stephen Frink ([www.stephenfrink.com](http://www.stephenfrink.com)). Stephen Frink is the most widely published underwater photographer. With a career spanning over two decades, his photos have appeared in a wide variety of dive journals and magazines world-wide, and he has provided stunning imagery for hundreds of promotional campaigns.

This year's photos are stunning. The 75 entries filled all nine categories. We received helpful input from Stephen on what he liked about the photos, and how some could have been made better. Every single person that entered received an award for one or more of their photos!

Mark your calendar and plan to come out to see the beautiful photos and congratulate the talented winners on Tuesday, the 14th.



*Stephen Frink . . .  
on location*



*Stephen Frink . . . at work*



We'll be gathering and mingling at around 6:30 p.m., with the evening's presentation beginning at 7:00 p.m. Afterwards, at about 7:30, we hold our "formal" meeting covering **Club** business and member trip reports, followed by our great door prizes.



The meeting will be at Joe's Crab Shack, which is located at 4601 South Semoran Boulevard in Orlando [phone (407) 658-9299]. It's south of SR 408 (the East-West Expressway) on the east side of SR 436, between Pershing and Gatlin.

## President's Column

Hello fellow divers!

Our October meeting featured a presentation by Torey McCleskey and Phil Hampton on Bonaire. Torey showed us slides of Bonaire above water, and Phil showed us slides of Bonaire below water. Torey's knowledge of Bonaire's town, culture, salt industry, things to do, and places to go was impressive coming from a young man of 14. I think he's been there a couple times. Phil's presentation on diving Bonaire was amazing. Phil's in-depth knowledge of reefs and reef fish and his photography skills are a testament to his 30+ years of diving. Maybe we can get Phil and Torey to do a presentation on their dive locations annually.

October is our month to be crazy. I can't wait till the November meeting to hear stories from Fantasy Fest. Fantasy Fest was the only event we had scheduled in October. November, however, is going to be a busy month. We have a late-scheduled training opportunity planned for Sunday, November 12, to Lake Denton. Our esteemed Vice President Barbara Shurman has graciously offered to lead an introductory dive rescue session to members for a cost of only \$15. There are still openings for this trip. More details are available in this edition. Trip

cost includes lunch but you have to provide your own tank.

November also includes a trip to the Tampa Bay area aquariums. This is sure to be a relaxing, fun-filled, and educational weekend. If you've never been to these aquariums, this is your chance to see two in one weekend.

November is a busy month for everyone with Thanksgiving and Christmas just around the corner, but we are already planning our dives for next year. We're planning to meet in December specifically to discuss next year's schedule, and all members who are interested in having input to our 2007 activities are welcome.

This month's meeting is a very special meeting as we learn who gets bragging rights from the annual photo contest. Please plan on attending our November meeting to see all the wonderful photos our members take during the year. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at Joe's Crab Shack on SR 436 (Semoran Blvd.). We'll be gathering Tuesday, November 14, about 6:30 pm, so please join us and enjoy the company of your fellow divers and see some great photographs.

Till next month, dive, dive, dive!!

*Phil Carter*

## Your Officers and Staff

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# Aquarium Tour of Tampa Bay Area

November 18- 19

## Mote Marine Aquarium and Florida Aquarium



From its humble beginnings in a tiny shed in a small Florida town, Mote Marine Laboratory has expanded to include a 10.5-acre campus in Sarasota, Fla., with field stations and public exhibits in Key West and field stations in Summerland Key and Charlotte Harbor. From the original focus on sharks, Mote research has expanded to include seven major areas of concentration, organized into seven research centers. Check it out at: [www.mote.org](http://www.mote.org)

The Florida Aquarium, dedicated to public entertainment, education and conservation, astounds visitors with the beauty and fragility of our ecosystem. The facility is home to over 10,000 aquatic plants and animals from 1,340 species from Florida and all over the world. Opened in March 1995, the Aquarium has provided cultural enrichment experiences to nearly 6 million visitors, including 250,000 school students and teachers. See more at: [www.flaquarium.org](http://www.flaquarium.org)



Price includes: admission to Mote Aquarium in Sarasota on Saturday and Florida Aquarium in Tampa on Sunday, one night in Eckerd College Lodge ([www.eckerd.edu/confcenter](http://www.eckerd.edu/confcenter)) in St. Petersburg, and breakfast on Sunday morning.

Cost: \$70; deposit \$35 due November 14; rates are based on double occupancy.

Contact: Bill Paskert (407) 678-5311,  
[wpaskert@cfl.rr.com](mailto:wpaskert@cfl.rr.com)



**Martin  
Dive Club  
Holiday Party  
Sunday, December 3rd  
6:30 P.M. at  
Gleason's Grille**

Choice of 3 entrees, vegetable of the day, baked potato, soup or salad, hot Tuscan bread, beverage and dessert.

\$20 per Member

\$25 per Guest

Bring a wrapped, ocean- or fish-related \$10 gift per person for our Unbelievably Exciting Gift Exchange!

Send payment, made out to MDC, to

Wendy McCleskey

1814 Billingshurst Ct.

Orlando FL 32825-8437

Or bring it to the

November meeting



Gleason's Grille - 4270 Aloma Avenue, Winter Park, 32792 (407) 673-2342

# Disney's EPCOT DiveQuest

January 21, 2007

Prepare for a totally unique diving experience! The Living Seas features a 6-million-gallon indoor aquarium with more than 65 species of marine life including sharks, huge sea turtles, playful eagle rays, and schools of colorful tropical fish. With guaranteed calm seas, no current, and unlimited visibility, your quest for the dive of a lifetime ends here.



The aquarium is filled with 5.7 million gallons of salt water

The aquarium is 200 feet in diameter and 27 feet deep

The entire volume of the aquarium is filtered approximately every 2 hours

Duration: 3 hours with the in-water experience lasting 40 minutes

Cost: \$140 per guest (includes all gear and a limited-edition T-shirt)

Reservation Deadline: 12/14/06, need 10 divers to book this trip

Payment due in full at time of booking; please make checks payable to Cheryl Berry, Cheryl Berry, (407) 306-3041, [cheryl.berry@lmco.com](mailto:cheryl.berry@lmco.com)

\* Theme park admission neither required nor included for this event

\* Guests ages 10 and up welcome to participate and must have a SCUBA certification, guests between 10 and 14 must to be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian

\* All required equipment provided, including mask, fins, tank, buoyancy compensator, regulator, weightbelt, and a 2.5 mm shorty wetsuit

\* Comfortable changing rooms with showers are provided



# LITTLE CAYMAN BEACH RESORT

JUNE 2 -9, 2007

Plan ahead for this excellent trip run by the **Lockheed Martin Dive Club**.

The trip will include round-trip airfare, three gourmet meals per day, 17 boat dives per week on Newton boats, round trip transfers, and taxes. Many of us will be making our second, third, or fourth trip to this resort so you know it's a good one!

The price will be less than \$2000, based on double occupancy.

A \$125 fully refundable deposit will hold you a place on this trip. Airfare needs to be booked **now** for group rates. This trip is at risk of cancellation without additional participation by November 20th. We will keep you updated on a more exact cost, when more money is due, and when your deposit is no longer refundable.

For more information on the resort, check out:

[www.littlecayman.com](http://www.littlecayman.com)



Contact:

Wendy McCleskey (407) 273-6655

wendy@maid4u.net

1814 Billingshurst Court, Orlando FL  
32825



# *Cayman Aggressor Live-Aboard Trip*

*June 9 - 16, 2007*

*Plan ahead for your 2007 dive vacation. This trip is filling fast.*

*Make your \$500 deposit now to book your space. **Three** slots are still available.*

*Trip cost of \$2600 per person includes round-trip airfare from Tampa, all meals and beverages, up to five dives a day, taxes, and fuel surcharge.*



[www.aggressor.com](http://www.aggressor.com)



*The "Hilton Hotel" of Dive Boats -  
Not your father's live-aboard.*

*Contact:*

*Grace Hampton*

*(407) 737-8999*

*2330 Treymore Drive*

*Orlando FL 32825*

[gracphil@palmnet.net](mailto:gracphil@palmnet.net)

# Lockheed Martin Dive Club 2006 Activity Schedule

Date	Event	Contact	Deposit Amount	Cut-off Date	Total Cost
Nov 12 Sunday	<b>Rescue Familiarization Session</b> – Lake Denton – Expand your diving skills with an introduction to rescue techniques.	Barbara Shurman 407-380-2962 bbshurman@aol.com	\$15		\$15
Nov 18 - 19 Sat – Sun	<b>Tampa Area Aquariums</b> – 1 night in hotel, visit Mote Aquarium in Sarasota on Saturday & Florida Aquarium in Tampa on Sunday, breakfast Sunday	Bill Paskert 407-678-5311 wpaskert@cfl.rr.com	\$35	31 Oct	\$70
Dec 3 Sunday	<b>Holiday Party</b> – Gleason's Grille, Goldenrod - Brunch and gift exchange Price: \$20/member, \$25/guest	Wendy McCleskey 407-273-6655 wendy@maid4u.net	\$20, \$25	14 Nov	\$20, \$25
Dec 12 Tuesday	<b>Activities Planning Meeting</b> – Help put together the activities schedule for the coming year, Joe's Crab Shack.	George McGuire	none	none	none

## 2007 Activities in the Works

We're going to have an Activity Committee planning meeting in December. We don't usually have a general membership meeting in December, due to our Holiday party, but this year we're going to do something different and have one on our regular meeting night, the second Tuesday of the month, which is December 12th. We want everybody to come and offer their ideas about what they want the Club to do in the coming year. It's the best way to have your say in things.

For those of you who haven't sent me your survey responses, please do so at [geopatmcghsd@earthlink.net](mailto:geopatmcghsd@earthlink.net). Your responses will help shape the plans for what the Club will do, which means more fun for you.

### Concerning the schedule of coming events:

The planned New Year's Eve dive with the Weeki Watchi mermaids has been deleted. I'm

disappointed. Al says the shop with which he was planning it cancelled.

A trip has been added to dive the indoor sea at Epcot's Living Seas - tentatively scheduled for Sunday, January 21. There is more information about DiveQuest elsewhere in this newsletter. It is a diving experience that is suitable for ALL divers and one that shouldn't be missed by anyone. If you think you'd like to go on the trip, contact Cheryl Berry as soon as possible so she can firm up the date.

My Dominican Republic trip has been taken off the Club's schedule. I'm still going with a few dive buddies, but it won't be a Club trip.

Grace Hampton still has three spots left for the Cayman Aggressor trip, and the price has been reduced by \$200. If you want to go, contact Grace as soon as possible.

*George McGuire*

## Draft 2007 Activity Schedule

Date	Event	Contact	Deposit Amount	Cut-off Date	Total Cost
21 Jan Sunday	<b>Epcot DiveQuest</b> – Dive the tank at Epcot Living Seas	Cheryl Berry 407-306-3041 cheryl.berry@lmco.com	\$140	TBD	\$140
Feb	<b>Snorkel with the Manatees</b> <a href="mailto:mike.mccleskey@e-components.com">mike.mccleskey@e-components.com</a>	Mike McCleskey 407-808-6453	TBD	TBD	TBD
Apr	<b>Venice Beach</b> <a href="mailto:mike.mccleskey@e-components.com">mike.mccleskey@e-components.com</a>	Mike McCleskey 407-808-6453	TBD	TBD	TBD
Jun 2-9	<b>Little Cayman Island</b> – Stay at Little Cayman Beach Resort; includes round-trip airfare, all meals, 17 boat dives, transfers, and taxes. <u>Urgent: sign up now.</u>	Wendy McCleskey 407-273-6655 wendy@maid4u.net	\$125	20 Nov	Less than \$2,000 estimated
Jun 9-16	<b>Cayman Aggressor</b> – Live-aboard dive trip for 18 divers; 5 dives a day, all meals & beverages	Grace Hampton 407-737-8999 gracphil@palmnet.net	\$500	Only 3 spots left	\$2,600
Jun 29 – Jul 4	<b>Key Largo</b> – Five days of the best diving available in the 'Lower 48'	Phil Carter 386-426-0466 pcarter4@cfl.rr.com	TBD	TBD	\$600 estimated

## Last Month's Meeting

### Bonaire: Land and Sea, by Phil Hampton & Torey McCleskey

At our October 10th meeting, we saw and heard all about the classic dive destination of Bonaire. Phil and Torey shared their views of the land and sea sides of one of their favorite vacation sites.

Phil described the marine aspects of an island he knows quite a bit about. Torey showed and told us about his land-side adventures.

Phil Hampton started diving in 1968. His initial certification was by Los Angeles County in association with the YMCA, then NAUI (this was before PADI). At that time most divers were using the 'new' single-hose regulator design. Most boat operators required divers to use an inflatable airline vest. There were no octopus regulators and no submersible pressure gauges. He has logged 2,385 dives.



Phil's favorite land-based location is Bonaire, NA. His first trip to Bonaire was in 1977, and he has been there every year since 1982. Resorts he has visited there include Capt. Don's, Buddy's, Sand Dollar, Bonaire Beach Hotel (no longer exists), and his favorite, Divi Flamingo Beach.

Torey McCleskey, Phil's grandson, was born into an active diving family. He was certified at age 10 by our own **Club** member, Barbara Shurman, and received his Advanced Open Water certification at age 12. Torey has been to Bonaire 14 times in 13 years and has done many slide shows for his schools over the years. When he's not diving, Torey attends University High School, is active in Boy Scouts, and enjoys water skiing, geocaching, and computer gaming.



### Fish ID Author Opportunity

Ned and Anna DeLoach, editors of *Reef Fish*, *Reef Creatures*, and *Reef Coral Identification, Florida, Caribbean, and the Bahamas* will be the KSC Barracudas' guest speakers on Tuesday, December 12, at 7:00 p.m. The presentation will be "Indonesia: Diving in the Heart of Marine Biodiversity." The Barracudas have invited all **LMDC** members to attend this wonderful evening with world renowned divers and photographers at the Florida Solar Energy Center, 1679 Clearlake Road, Cocoa FL 32922. For more information contact Max Farley, (321) 452-1435 or [maxfarley@earthlink.net](mailto:maxfarley@earthlink.net).

#### LMDC Connections

We have a telephone voicemail account. Got a question about the **CLUB**? Want to let us know that you'll be attending a **CLUB** meeting? Just call (407) 306-5020 and leave a message!

Check out all the great dive information on our **CLUB** home page at: [www.martindiveclub.org](http://www.martindiveclub.org).

#### Editor's Corner

Thanks for all your help. You've been great at getting articles to me by the 15th of the month. Please get them to me in one of the following ways:

- Call me at (407) 356-2290 and sneaker-net your text and graphics on disk to me at MP-093
- E-mail at work: [william.paskert@lmco.com](mailto:william.paskert@lmco.com); or at home: [wpaskert@cfl.rr.com](mailto:wpaskert@cfl.rr.com)
- Fax (please call before sending) at work: (407) 356-4694; or at home: (407) 678-5311.

## Barbara's Rescue Familiarization Session

Our vice-president, Barbara Shurman, who's also a PADI instructor, is hosting a session to familiarize our members with water rescue techniques.

This will take place at Lake Denton, Florida, on November 12th. The cost is \$15, which includes lunch. Each participant is responsible for providing all their own personal gear. Please call Barbara to make your reservation at (407) 380-2962. This will be a great opportunity to hone your rescue skills, but will not result in a PADI certification.

## Our Crew at Fantasy Fest



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### Upcoming Events

- Nov 12 **Trip:** Water Rescue Techniques, Barbara Shurman
- Nov 14 **Meeting:** Photo Contest, Mike McCleskey
- Nov 18-19 **Trip:** Tampa Bay Aquariums, Bill Paskert
- Dec 3 **Holiday Party:** Gleason's Grille, Wendy McCleskey
- Dec 12 **Meeting:** 2007 Activities Planning, George McGuire