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*An emergency arose when a USA member's uninvited guest snuck into the toilet and stuck to the wall. Knowing that the USA President is all knowing, a call was placed for amphibian removal. True to the Presidential code, she arrived and "rescued" the wayward traveler. Arrangements were made for residence in the member's yard and the President and her consort were rewarded with a scrumptious banquet.*

## March Meeting Program: Travels with Cousteau by Greg Galland

The program for March features Greg Galland who will give a presentation on three trips he took with the Cousteau family members. This slide presentation will give us insight into the Cousteau mystique and is also a fine travelogue. - - don't miss it!

Ray McAllister  
VP of Programs

## President's Waves



It's time to dive!!!. In this newsletter Larry Baum, our local dive V-P, will let you know about the first dive in 2005.

Kim Whaley is up to no good. She has lots of fun things planned already. Rumor has it St. Patrick's Day will be celebrated early and she will be serving corned beef and cabbage at the March meeting. She can always use help putting these things together so ask her if you can help. She is also planning our Awards Dinner for April 30th.

Larry and I received a call for help from Chary Lynn last month. A frog had made its way into a toilet. Photos are elsewhere in this newsletter. She had gloves ready for us when we walked in the door. After the rescue, she complained that he wasn't far enough away from her front door. He hasn't made his way back in as far as we know.

Your 2005 dues are due. They are still \$40.00. You can give them to Roger Styles at the meeting or mail them to him at 3861 Ottawa Lane, Cooper City, FL 33026. Your check should be made out to Under Sea Adventurers. If you have changed your address, phone number, e-mail, etc. let Roger know at that time, otherwise, update your information with Bob Weybrecht.

Check out the scrapbooks at the March meeting. Kay Chung, scrapbook/photographer, has done a great job cleaning up the old ones.

Nils is looking for three more people for Irian Jaya; Ann Stambaugh needs at least three more people for Cozumel; and Chary Lynn needs three people for Bimini. Where are those three people? Ronnie has openings for the camping trip.

Kudos to Ray McAllister on his programs. You could have heard a pin drop during Capt. Addario's presentation last month. We all enjoyed hearing about treasure almost in our backyards. Ray is always looking for suggestions. Actually we all are. Let us know what you would like to see at the meetings.

We still have hats and decals for sale plus you can order shirts with the club logo. See Carol Schurtz.

Our meeting is at the Pompano Beach Civic Center, 1801 NE 6th Street. Pompano Beach the first Thursday of the month. Social is at 7:00 p.m., meeting starts 7:30 ish. To get to the Civic Center you turn west at Jet's Pizza, which is on the NW corner of Federal and 6th St., and drive down a couple blocks. The Civic Center is on the North Side of the street and parking is available on the east and west sides of the building.

See you soon!

*Mary LePage*  
USA President for 2005

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# Local Diving

## with Larry B

Okay, enough of winter and enough of complaining about the (relative) cold.

I've scheduled our first local club dive with what I think is the best dive operation down here in South Florida, Captain Craig Smart and his StarFish Enterprise out of Lantana.  
<http://www.idivestarfish.com/> (561-212-2954)

I've scheduled the dive for **Saturday morning, April 23** (and 20 smacks with a wet star fish for the first person who complains about the conditions in April). Most of us have dove with Captain Craig before and his appeal--close proximity to the Gulf Stream with a 30 minute ride to the reefs in Lantana, Boynton, Delray--make him one of our most popular charters. Captain Craig has over 15 years of diving experience and he runs his boat with a rare combination of fun, professionalism, and safety. The Starfish is a 34 foot crusader certified to carry 22 divers, but she carries no more than 16 affording everyone ample room and comfort. With a wide beam, large dive platform, and a center rail to stabilize your movements, the Starfish is a perfect diver transport. And, the Starfish is easy to get to;

Get off of I-95 at the Lantana Rd exit #61 and turn east towards the ocean. At Dixie Hwy/US-1 make a right and proceed to Ocean Avenue. Make a left onto Ocean Avenue. The boat docks at the Tiki-Bar directly behind the Old Key Lime House. (Isn't that convenient?)

Here's the fine print;  
Saturday, April 23rd, 2005  
Load at 7:30am, leave at 8:00am  
Two REEF dives  
\$47 includes tip, trail mix, pineapple, and my wife's famous brownies.

\$5 per tank air, \$10 per tank Nitrox

Please let me know asap if you'll be going (and send me a check made out to the Club) so I can keep the records straight and the Captain informed of our numbers. As a courtesy to the boat, I need to have everyone's final payment and plans no later than Friday, April 15 (which will give you something to do after you pay your taxes).

If you're like me, even if you've dove sometime over the winter, you have got to be ready to get back in the water. April 23 is over 2 months away and (trust me) the air and water temperature will be perfect.

Let's see if we can "take over" the boat and make this a real Club dive.

Look forward to seeing you all then.

Larry Baum

VP Local Diving [lbaum@us.ibm.com](mailto:lbaum@us.ibm.com)

**Phone/Fax 866-614-5072**

**Mobile 561-702-6265**

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## Make a Note of the Date!

The UNDERSEAS ADVENTURES ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET will be held on:

**SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH.**

The theme this year will be:

**Tuxedos & Tennis Shoes**

[ half formal - - half casual]

This is in keeping with our outdoorsy nature, but adding a little flair.

Please mark your calendars for that date.



## USA's Overseas Trips for 2005



Program:

- Cozumel: May 21-28 - **9 people going**
- Cayman Aggressor, June 18-25 – **Sold Out - waiting list only**
- West End Dolphin trip or Bimini, Cat Cay /Orange Cay, Easy Goin', July 24-30 - **4 slots open**
- Dry Tortugas, Playmate, Sept 8 (night)-12 - (roll-over from 2004) - **One spot open**
- Irian Jaya, Raja Ampat, Sorong (on Pelagian: boat dates: embark/disembark: Nov 1-12); 3 nights in Manado Lembeh Straits; dept Thursday Oct 27 – back Sunday Nov 13 - **Three slots open**
- o Plenty of options for extensions, such as arriving in Manado earlier, say 6 or 8 nights and/or returning via Bali ...

VP Overseas Diving: Nils Jacobsen

TGM349@email.mot.com 954-783-1667

## **Membership benefits**

If you plan on doing your own trip with one of our major providers, please call me first so you get the best deal ...

*VP Overseas Diving  
Nils Jacobsen*

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# **CAMPING APRIL 15, 16, 2005**

## **JONATHAN DICKINSON STATE PARK**

### **ONLY A DEPOSIT OF \$25.00 WILL HOLD YOUR SPOT**

### **Located 12 miles south of Stuart**

I have reserved "4" sites on the River. We can put Two tents on each site. The sites are paid for and there is a cancellation charge, so we need to have people. I can not give you a price yet, until I know how many people. We divide all sites between how many people sign up. One or as many as Eight could me on a site. Yes, there are also Cabins. Please let me know if you are interested and send me a \$25.00 deposit made payable to USA Dive Club. Everyone will be responsible for their own food and drinks.

If you plan on arriving after 5:00pm on Friday the 15th, you will need to call this number so that they can give you the code to get through the gate: 772-546-2771

Let me know how many will be in a Tent. Let me know if you will have your own car. (two cars per site)

CANOES- I have reserved Canoes. They are \$42.60 for each canoe for two people.

CABINS – If you want a cabin, please reserve them yourselves. They are a little on the high side. \$85.00-\$95.00.

BIKING- This park has nice trails for biking also.

We will try to have a group dinner on Saturday night.

Please send in your deposit of \$25.00 so that I can hold your spot. I can always add a camp site, but you may not be with the group if you sign up late. Sites that I have reserved are 92, 94, 96 and 97.

You can go on their web site [www.floridastateparks.org/jonathandickinson/default.asp](http://www.floridastateparks.org/jonathandickinson/default.asp)

Email me at [farrv@planetautomotive.com](mailto:farrv@planetautomotive.com)

## **Who's Going**

1. Ronnie Farr

2. Nils Jacobsen
3. Russ Manhold
4. Julie Manhold
5. Clare Anthon
6. Chary Lynn
7. Tony Anthon
8. Bob & Barb Moon

Phone#954-249-6797

Ronnie Farr  
4011 NE 24th Ave.  
Lighthouse Point, FL 33064

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## Sea Secrets

This is a program of the Rosenstiel School of Marine Science. The presentations are free and NOT to be missed. Talk to anyone who has been there and you will find an advocate for attendance.

March 16th – Sea Secrets – Mapping the Unseen High Tech Imaging of the Seafloor  
Rosenstiel School Auditorium 5:30

April 13th – Sea Secrets – Surprising Marine Life of the Seafloor's Sand, Muck and Rubble  
Rosenstiel School Auditorium 5:30

Be sure to come early and join other marine advocates for snacks and refreshments( free of course)

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## USA Calendar

- **Mar 3th, Thursday**

DINNER BEFORE THE MEETING:

In honor of St Patrick's Day, Mary LePage & I will be serving dinner before the meeting at:

**POMPANO BEACH CIVIC CENTER**

**USA MEETING ROOM**

**@ 6:45 PM**

**We will be serving Corned Beef & Cabbage & all the fixings.**

Please bring your appetites!!!

DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR GREEN TO GET IN.

WE WILL HAVE A SURPRISE FOR THE BEST LEPRECHAUN!

Can't wait to see you there in GREEN.

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- **Mar 16th, Wednesday**

- Sea secrets - - Rosenstiel School Auditorium 5:30

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- **April 13th, Wednesday**
  - Sea secrets - - Rosenstiel School Auditorium 5:30
- **May 21-28th**
  - [Cozumel - Trip Leader: Ann Stambaugh](#)
- **June 18 - 24th**
  - [Cayman Aggressor - Trip Leader Ronnie Farr.](#)
- **July 24 - 30th**
  - [Bimini - Trip Leader Chary Lynn](#)
- **Sept 8 - 12th**
  - [Dry Tortugas - Trip Leader Ronnie Farr](#)
- **Oct 27th - Nov 13**
  - [Irian Jaya - Trip Leader: Nils Jacobsen](#)
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