



June, 2007
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Next meeting:
 Wednesday, June 27

Upcoming Events:

- Post-Bonaire Party– June 23rd
- AIM Meeting June 27
- Film Festival July 14th
- Cozumel 2008, Feb. 2-12

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This Month at AIM

- Be sure to come to the meeting to get your film-festival signup sheet (or check your email later).
- We will be debuting our new soundsystem, so bring your slide-show or video with sound to test it out!
- As always, we'll have a great 5-minute presentation, as well as other information from members!

Our meetings are normally held at 7:00 PM (social hour at 6:30) the 4th Wednesday of the month at RoundTable Pizza, on Madison and Greenback. New Members and guests are always welcome. Call 989-1133 to order in advance. Don't forget to ask for the AIM discount.

Last Month at AIM

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If you notice this article is a tad longer than usual, that's because Carol wrote up most of the notes. She is, shall we say, a bit more verbose than I am when it comes to notes!!
 ~~Kathy

If you weren't able to attend the May meeting; here's what you missed;

A brand new **media screen** hanging from the wall in the room at Round Table! Plus, Knobby figured out how to manually turn off some of the lights (he used the switch hanging down from the light – duh!).

Old Business:

- **Club Projector:** To loan or not to loan for individual members? We revisited this subject. "Rental/Use" guidelines to be established. Risk must be accepted and replacement parts provided while under member use. All agreed that the actual "lamp use" time would not wear out with occasional use. However, if the bulb were to fail, it will be assumed that the bulb was not properly cared for or accidentally bumped. The "renter/user" would accept replacement responsibility. Cost: replacement value at the time of damage. Est. up to as high as \$400. Any rental fee decided by the membership would be applied to a fund to eventually replace with a newer model when that time comes up. Consideration for discussion

at the June meeting re: if use would require a certain number of AIM members present or if individuals could have access. Any member who would accept such use/ rental will need to be orientated in this projectors use before checking it out. Demonstration of use can be made by setting up at any AIM function.

- **SPRING TRIP TO BONAIRE: A GREAT SUCCESS !!** 27 members joined the Spring get-away to BUDDY'S DIVE RESORT. One member of the planned group, Ken Martin, was unable to make the trip. Packed and ready to go he had to cancel at the last minute for Passport Issues.

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- **5th ANNUAL FILM FESTIVAL ON THE MOUNTAIN:** (SEE ATTACHED FLIER FOR FULL DETAILS...MAKE COPIES TO SPREAD THE WORD. Extend the invite to family, neighbors and co-workers.

SPRING TRIP FEBRUARY 2-12, 2008:** Plans are evolving to return to COZUMEL during CAR-NIVAL. There will be 2 options for this trip: Feb 2-12, 2008 are main dates. Anything is possible. Three clubs are involved this year and there is a team of 3 working out the details. Jack Millard, Margie Tomenko, and Carol Herrlie. Jack will be coordinating those interested in going to Hotel Cozumel and Carol Herrlie will be working with the Scuba Club arrangements. Margie will serve as the communicator with the Seahorses.

New Business:

- **AIM's option to purchase own computer:** Carol and Joe have been providing their computers for club use. It may be time for the club to have its own. We need one which is compatible with all media options, one which has enough memory to not fail during a show, one which is familiar to the membership so that anyone can operate it. Glenn and Ken offered to do some price checking. Memory and speak to run video and animated programs is needed. Anyone else who has access or knowledge to such a piece of equipment is encouraged to bring the details to June's meeting.

- **Speaker system:** Actually old business but a decision was made to proceed with a quality amplified sound system. Cayle Little did extensive research for a system for

DDC and found a wonderful system. This system has a speaker system compatible with the projector and also has a microphone. Cost \$399.99 including tax and delivery. An adapter needed for some uses is in addition. It was moved and seconded to authorize no more than \$450 to make this purchase. Cayle will coordinate the immediate purchase with our Treasurer, Sharon Bormann.

Dive Reports:

JOE HERRLIE Presented a sample of images put together by "the Men's Condo Group of: Dennis Wade, Craig Brookey, and Joe Herrlie". The images were 3 separate ProShow Gold programs with music and "humor" and wonderful underwater images. This served as a preview of more to come at the Post-Party.



Thanks Joe!

5 Minute Member(s) :
Marty Collins Shared digital images of Cabo Pulmo and Puerto Vallarta. His images were taken with a Sea&Sea DX80 with a single strobe. He shared his images with a verbal dialog to show this slightly south

of the border destination. Lots of fish, easy access by boat to key dive sites, 80+ degree water with dive profiles allowing endless drop-offs with well planned endings in 15-20 feet. A great time to visit this destination is November....after the threat of big storms and the water is warmer.

Glenn Marshall showed about 10 images from his first shots with his new D-200, dual strobe system. He and Peni took a trip to the Channel Island on *The Peace* to complete their "in water Nitrox Course" plus test out his new system. His wide angle images with the 10.5 fisheye provided wonderful 180 degree images with kelp, garibaldi and sunrays. He shared some nice simple editing techniques to do color adjust-

ments, darkening of the edges of the images to make subject pop, and cropping to bring critters to full frame images.

He also shared some of his professional work of a cosmetologist wanting an image for her advertisement.....ON A FULL SIZED BILLBOARD! Well done! Can the rest of us even imagine one of our images on a billboard? Wow!

On the Web

Tom M. Passes this along:

The replacement O ring specifications is in the “Care & Maintenance” section (last paragraph) of the website.

<http://www.ulcs.com/>

This is the website for Lisa who was “Dive Makai” on the Big Island (Kona) – mentioned it a the last meeting.

http://www.solomondiveadventures.com/Solomon_Dive_Adventures_Main_I/About_Solomon_Dive_Adventures/about_solomon_dive_adventures.html

Holger thought you might enjoy this:

Marine flatworms of the world: <http://www.rzuser.uni-heidelberg.de/~bu6/>

A Chance Meeting...

Tom & Kathy enjoyed a very short career as Continental airlines sky-caps on Sunday night, May 27. And guess who we ran into? Carol & Pam! They were quite surprised and wondered why we didn't have anything better to do on a Sunday night!! We wanted to climb in their luggage, but alas, even Continental Airlines has a weight limit.....While Carol & Pam were checking in; AIM member Ken Takata arrived to

check in (he was not trying to be a sky cap, but was actually going ON the trip.....). So after a week of the eco-tourism thing in Costa Rica, Joe will join them and they will motor out to the Cocos Island for some diving.

Sounds wonderful to me.....



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Cartoon by Jan Kocian