

UP AND DOWN THE ANCHOR LINE

KEYSTONE DIVERS ASSOCIATION



Volume 253

October 2007

Next KDA Meeting:

Wednesday, October 3, 2007

Dinner @ 7 PM, Meeting @ 8 PM

Barnaby's, 15 South High Street

(Top floor) West Chester, PA

Tom Saylor

Dive Safety Officer

Adventure Aquarium, Camden, NJ

Tom Saylor has been a diver for over 15 years and an instructor for 12. He has over 1200 logged dives and many more that never made it to the log book: (Most of his professional diving background has been in the Pacific Northwest and the Florida Keys where he was an instructor and the Scuba Director for Newfound Harbor Marine Institute at Seacamp. Born and raised in Philadelphia, he and his wife relocated to Camden with their first child in November of 2006 when he became the Dive Safety Officer at *Adventure Aquarium*. He oversees the Volunteer Diver Program on a daily basis by coordinating and managing Volunteer Divers activities and diving safety in the 760,000 gallon Ocean Realm and the 550,000 gallon Shark Realm. He trains new volunteers in all of the diving activities & is in the process of developing training plans to train all the volunteer divers in basic rescue techniques to be used at the aquarium. In addition to working with the Husbandry staff on coordinating their diving activities, he chairs the Dive Safety Committee that oversees the policies and procedures for safe diving for all exhibits at *Adventure Aquarium*! Check out: www.AdventureAquarium.com *Maybe we can plan a future KDA group adventure there this winter!*



Buster says...

Don't forget to jot down your latest dive report so you can share it with the membership in the NEXT newsletter!

Last KDA Meeting: Sept 5, 2007!

In 2001, back when high-def was brand new, **David G. Con-cannon** of Explorer Consulting, LLC, participated in the **Atlantic Sands Expedition**, deeper than the *Titanic* (which he presented to us last year) and the *Bismark*, which he refers to as "the coolest expedition that you've never heard about!" Made up entirely of veterans of the *Titanic* Expedition, they set out to prove that a mere blip on the side scan sonar in the middle of the Sargasso Sea while on a mission to find Gus Grissom's space capsule, Liberty Bell 7 in 1999, *could* be a Spanish Galleon! Not even in the traditional shipping lanes or the Gulf Stream, they would persevere to discover the nearly intact remains of the world's deepest wooden shipwreck – an American slave trader made of southern cedar with copper sheathing made for speed and long distance – lying three miles deep in the heart of the Bermuda Triangle. Two days south of Bermuda aboard the Russian *Akademik mstislav Keldysh*, the worlds largest research vessel, they were launched untethered in the tiny 6' x 6' *Mir* submersible acting like a rebreather with scrubbers, to fly like helicopters across the bottom of the sea in absolute pitch darkness between 60-foot sand dunes with 3 days supply of air to a mystery ship nearly two hundred years old. When they climbed up between the dunes, they hit a ripping current! The skillful Russian found the ship after 9 hours on the 2nd day – it wasn't the treasure they were hoping for, but some serious history instead! They couldn't retrieve all they wanted as the current would take them directly into the wreck of they weren't careful! Predating the sextant of 1830 there was an octant found in the debris field which made its way to the *Mir* recovery basket along with pieces of 8 in excellent condition wrapped in a fully legible newspaper dated 1809; the Spanish silver coins worth about \$10,000 dated 1750-1810 were not matted together and the indigo dye on the silk was still present – ALL after nearly 200 years of soaking in salt water 16,000 feet down! There was some serious deep sea life down there eating the historic cargo of coconuts! Now remains of this 4th deepest wreck EVER sunk in a June 1810 hurricane are in long-term conservation at a museum in Florida. **Another Boyko (Steve, this time) won the 50-50! The KDA has moved to Barnaby's of America, 15 South High Street in West Chester, PA (610) 696-1400.**

Go to Dudas Diving website: www.dudasdiving.com
and see the amazing whale shark swim around the deco
divers on the latest Moorehead City, NC DDD adventure!



Sunday, December 2

The KDA Christmas Dinner!

▲ Cocktails @ 4:30; ▲ Dinner @ 5

The Concordville Inn PLEASE call the shop and register – We need 50 people ASAP to get the good room! All money due by Monday, November 26!

Do you believe.....

It's almost time for the Holiday Dinner!!??

**❁ Sunday, December 2
The Concordville Inn**



▲ Cocktails @ 4:30 ▲ Dinner @ 5

\$50/person includes tax & gratuity!

**We get the larger room next door at the Best Western
if we get 50 of you to sign up by the next meeting!!!**

**So PLEASE call the shop
(610) 436-0176!**

Or email: dudas@erols.com

AND SIGN UP!!!!!

*(You can always cancel up to
Two weeks before the dinner!)*

KDA Holiday Dinner Reservation!

Sunday, December 2, 2007

The Concordville Inn – Cocktails @ 4:30; Dinner @ 5 – \$50/person

of dinners @ \$50/dinner: _____

Name: _____

Phone Day: _____

Name: _____

Phone Nite: _____

Email Address: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

**Return this coupon with your money to Dudas Diving Duds, 104 Bartram's Lane, West
Chester, PA 19382 on or BEFORE Monday, November 26!**

CALL (610) 436-0176 OR (888) 436-0176 A.S.A.P. TO LET US KNOW YOU ARE COMING!

upcoming KDA events & special stuff

Come one, come all to the Next KDA Event...

Wednesday, October 3 at 8 PM!

*** Tom Saylor, Dive Safety Officer**
Adventure Aquarium, Camden, NJ
Barnaby's of America Restaurant,
15 S. High Street, West Chester, PA!

MEET THE SPEAKER DINNER @ 7 PM!

Our 2007 KDA officers:

President Michael Richardson
Vice President Kathy Ondrasik
Treasurer Noreen Brown
Secretary empty – you wanna apply?
Membership Director Jenn Washco
Newsletter Coordinator Katie Ondrasik
Newsletter Editor Jayne Revid

*(DON'T FORGET TO CONGRATULATE THEM –
OR YOU, TOO, COULD BE ELECTED!)*

➤ **KDA Email address:**
dudas@erols.com

➤ **The official KDA Web address:**
www.dudasdiving.com/kda.html



THERE ARE PLACES IN THE WORLD WHERE THE SEAS ARE CALM & BALMY...

Let Dudas Diving Duds take you there!

Sign up NOW for a trip to some place WET & WARM!

Please contact Dudas' Diving Duds (610) 436-0176

or email us at dudas@erols.com

GREAT NEWS MEMBERS: FREE AIR (air only) as long as you are a current KDA member. Come by Dudas Diving Duds and ask about all of the TERRIFIC KDA Member Specials on selected diving gear and accessories!

Meeting Place: BARNABY'S OF AMERICA

15 South High Street, West Chester, PA

(610) 696-1400

Parking is free after 6 PM in the garage across High Street! Follow Rt. 3 into town (Market St.), turn left when you get to High Street & you're there on the left! Or Follow Rt. 202 North from DE and go straight when it becomes High Street – go up about 6 blocks and it's on the right (BEFORE you get to Gay St!)

Keystone Divers Association 2007 Membership Application

New Member

Renewal Member

(\$25/ea. - \$40 couple)

Name: _____

Phone Day: _____

Birthdate _____

Address: _____

Phone Nite: _____

Customer# _____

Certifying Agency: _____

When? _____

Occupation: _____

Certification Level: _____

Where? _____

E-Mail Address (for newsletter): _____

The KDA now meets at Barnaby's of America (top floor) the FIRST Wednesday of the month at 8 P.M
15 South High Street, West Chester, PA (610) 696-1400. A greet the speaker dinner is at 7 P.M.

Wednesday, October 3, 2007 Barnaby's – Meeting @ 8 PM! Tom Saylor, Dive Safety Officer,
Adventure Aquarium, Camden, NJ! *Meet the Speaker dinner @ 7!*

Wednesday, November 7, 2007 Barnaby's – Meeting @ 8 PM! *Meet the Speaker dinner @ 7* Marvin E.
Gozum MD, Director, Primary Care Diving Medicine @ Thomas Jefferson & DAN referral physician for the regional area

Sunday, December 2, 2007 – The KDA Holiday Party @ The Concordville Inn!! Cocktails @ 4:30!

DIVER'S ED

Scubadiver (SUNDAYS) Oct. 14@ West Chester YMCA @ \$250).....@ 10 AM – 2 PM
Scubadiver (Tuesdays Oct.23 @ West Chester YMCA @ \$250)..... @ 7 – 10 PM
Scubadiver (Mondays @ Nov.12 @ Upper Main Line YMCA @\$250).....@ 7 – 10 PM
Scubadiver (Tuesdays Dec. 4 @ West Chester YMCA@\$250).....@ 7 – 10PM
Nitrox Thursday Oct 18 @DDD.....@ 6 – 10PM
CPR Tuesday Oct. 23 @DDD.....@6 - 10PM
Dutch Springs Saturday Oct.20
❖ Other Specialty Diver Classes being scheduled – call DDD (610) 436-0176! Private & semi-private lessons upon request!

Boston Sea Rovers March 7-9-2008
Beneath the Sea March 28-30-2008

Ginnie Springs, North Florida, Cave/Cavern Dive with Evelyn

Next Trip: Oct. 24-29, 2007

Call DDD (610) 436-0176 to go along!

Cave diving and open water diving and certification dives

SPECIAL: Two places now open on the Truk Lagoon Trip!!! Call shop now!

Key Largo..... Oct. 18-22,2007
Bonaire- Pre-Register Now! Jan 13– 20 , 2008
Bonaire (again).....March 15-23-2008
Vanuatu, Diving the President Coolidge April 6-16, 2008
Turks & Caicos Aggressor w/DDDMay 17-24, 2008
North Carolina Live aboard.....June 16-18,2008
North Carolina Midnight Express.....June 18-22,2008
Tawali Resort, Papua, New Guinea (3 days) with (8 days) on the *Spirit of Niugini* September 2008
Grenada.....Nov.,2008

THE 2007-08 TRIP SCHEDULE IS BEING UPDATED ALL THE TIME!

DDDIVE SCHEDULE IS ONLINE, TOO!

CHECK IT OUT @ WWW.DUDASDIVING.COM & SIGN UP 2 GO DIVING!!

The KDA – *IN DEPTH!*

It's Happened AGAIN! KDA Heroes Dan Perna and Mark Hennessey!

Another life has been saved by KDA members at Dutch Springs!

9/16/2007 Taken from the Log of **Marvin E. Gozum MD**, Director of Primary Care Diving Medicine, Division of Internal Medicine at Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia. **Dr. Gozum** is a *DAN* referral physician for the regional area.

“A middle aged [300# visual estimate] male surfaced complaining of difficulty breathing at depth. We was blue. He was not breathing and no pulse was noticed. He surfaced near the observation platform on the Peninsula side, a safety line was thrown and he was taken to shore. He was cut out of his gear. ***CPR was initiated by Mark Hennessey of Dudas Diving Duds and diver revived***, regained consciousness and color within a few minutes. Taken by EMS to ER, report is that he had pneumonia.

I was on the scene and interviewed the rescuers.”

(Note: Jim Llulier saved a man's life at Dutch Springs last month.)

Our Condolences to the Steve Reynolds Family

Our condolences to the Steve Reynolds' Family on the loss of their son, Chris Reynolds, 21, a student at Kutztown State, on Saturday, September 15.

Try Scuba

Have a family member, friend, co-worker or neighbor that finds it interesting that you scuba dive? Let us know who they are and we'll invite them to a "Try Scuba" event. “What is a ‘Try Scuba’ event?” you ask. "Try Scuba" is an opportunity for a non-diver to join **Dudas Diving Duds** at one of our pool sessions. The interested non-diver will get a brief equipment orientation, a brief "do and don't" orientation and then join one of our qualified dive masters for some hands on experience in the pool at one of our local training facilities. This is a free, no obligation event for the interested non-diver. The candidate will have to complete a short insurance waiver in order to participate. Minors must be accompanied by their parent or guardian. Space is limited and reservations are required.

Know of a local Pool

KDA & **Dudas Diving Duds** are looking for new pools to host DDD/KDA events. Are you a member of a swim club, country club? Does your local High School or private school have a pool? Let us know and we could be having the next open water course or equipment demonstration in your neighborhood.

Newsletter Content

We are always looking for additional content for the newsletter. Have any ideas? Been on a great dive trip? Want to recommend the dive operator from your most recent, or past, dive trip? Let us know about it, we'll add it to the news letter.

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} **Don't forget: [www.dudasdiving.com](http://www.dudasdiving.com) for the latest updates about diving, the KDA AND the online newsletter!**  
} **By the way – are YOUR dues paid up?????**  
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Keystone Divers' Association
c/o Dudas Diving Duds, Inc.
104 Bartram's Lane
West Chester, PA 19382
(610) 436-0176

FIRST CLASS

The Keystone Diver's Association presents:

Tom Saylor
Dive Safety Officer Adventure
Aquarium, Camden, NJ

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696-1400 (*FREE parking directly across the street in the parking garage!*)

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