



The Rebel Yell



October 2018 🌀 "Celebrating Our 60th Anniversary as a Dive Club!"

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<http://www.divingrebels.org/>

or send an email with your question(s) and/or comments to:

info@divingrebels.org



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MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday – October 3, 2018

J. Gilligans, 400 E. Abrams St. Arlington, TX 76010

6:30 pm Social 7:15 pm Meeting

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October Meeting Program

In addition to accepting nominations for members of the Diving Rebels Scuba Club's 2019 Board of Directors, our October membership meeting will feature Ms. Jennifer Idol, who last visited us in June 2016. Jennifer is an award-winning underwater photographer, graphic designer, public speaker, and author who shares compelling narratives of the natural world. The following is a description of her program, "Warm Times in Cold Places": "From Iceland to Alaska, cold places surprise us. Discover an abundance of life above and below the waterline with larger-than-life landscapes and a diverse ecosystem that includes mysterious salmon sharks, sea otters, fields of plumose anemones, and immense moon jelly blooms."

Don't miss your chance to hear from this renowned diver, the first woman to dive all 50 states in the US!

Upcoming Events Calendar

- Oct 12 Restaurant of the Month: Tio Carlos, Colleyville
- Oct 17 Board of Directors Meeting: 7:00 pm, Ted E's Kitchen, Bedford
- Oct 27-28 Lake Hawkins Outing

Nominations for 2019 Board of Directors

The Diving Rebels Scuba Club will be accepting nominations for members of the club's 2019 Board of Directors during the October membership meeting. Please be thinking about who you would like to see in those important leadership positions, and, equally important, please consider running for a position on the board yourself or volunteering to serve the club in a nonelected capacity, e.g., Outing or Meal Share Coordinator.

See the article in this newsletter detailing the duties of each elected position on the Board of Directors.

The Diving Rebels Scuba Club is one of the most active dive clubs in Texas—let's all do what we can to maintain its great tradition!

Welcome to Our Visitors

The Diving Rebels were happy to welcome **Steven Buchert** and **Shelley Incardiba** to our September membership meeting! Thank you for visiting with us! We hope that you come again soon. We'd love to see you join the Diving Rebels Scuba Club and share some great diving experiences with us!

We'd also like to welcome new member **Herb Shaver** to the Diving Rebels' family. Thanks for joining us during our 60th Anniversary year!

Birthdays



Oct 14 Dale Romack
Oct 19 Becky Marak
Oct 22 Kristen Ames
Oct 22 Robert Umpleby
Oct 23 Bill Davidson

Anniversaries



Oct 30 Bob and Pam Munger

Did we miss/make an error with your special date? If so, it's either not included or incorrect in our database.

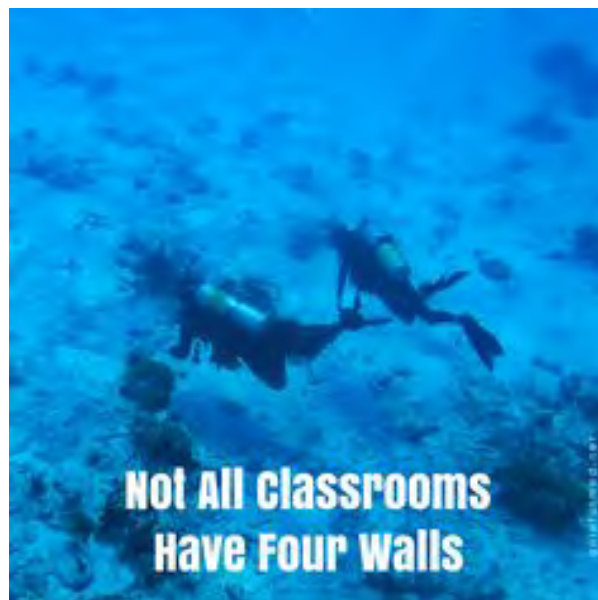
Contact **Vice President Dale Romack** to update/correct your information!

Early Bird Membership Renewals!

Discounts to Club Membership Dues Are Now Available.

See Details in This Newsletter!

Why We Dive . . .



President's Letter

Good morning!

Today (September 29) is National Coffee Day. Vrrrooom vrrrooom! I don't know that I need another cup. I started using a French Press last week instead of the Keurig. Oh man, I'm making that camping type of coffee that will crawl out of the cup and kick your butt into waking up with a good buzz. I made it so strong the other morning that I could have lapped Forest Gump! This weekend is the new time for our Lake Travis outing at Windy Point Park, which, sadly, I couldn't attend because I have an Induction Ceremony that I must go to with a student group I advise. Starting off the day with a really good coffee and a campfire would have been awesome. Come to think of it, that's a great way to charge up your wetsuit heating system . . . if you know what I mean.

If you're pondering what you could do to help out the great Diving Rebels Scuba Club organization, I have the solution for you. Become involved in club leadership and continue to help build community within the club and the sport of diving. During the October meeting, we will be taking nominations for all of the elected positions, with exception of Senior Board Member since the Junior Board Member moves into that slot automatically. If you become a new board member, don't worry—any past board member would be happy to support you to help ensure your success!

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at this very important club meeting on Wednesday!

Kevin

Early Bird Membership Renewals

In past years, the Diving Rebels Scuba Club's Board of Directors has provided discounted memberships for the upcoming year if those memberships were renewed prior to the club's Christmas Party. Two years ago, we offered a deeper discount if membership dues were paid prior to the November membership meeting. Last year, we sweetened the deal by continuing to offer the deep discount until prior to the Christmas Party. The following table outlines the schedule and payments (cash discount) for Diving Rebels Scuba Club membership dues.

	Single Diver – Regular Member	Each Additional Diver – Family Member in Same Household
Renew Before Christmas Party	\$25.00	\$15.00
Renew After Christmas Party	\$30.00	\$20.00

Note that membership dues will not be accepted at the Christmas Party.

Remember that you can pay your Diving Rebels membership dues via cash/check, credit card, Chase QuickPaySM, or another current updated electronic method. For more details on Chase Quick Pay, see the article in the January 2018 issue of *The Rebel Yell* ([January 2018 Rebel Yell](#)), or contact **Kevin Schuck** at president@divingrebels.org for a mailing address.

60th Anniversary T-Shirts

Linda Magnuson

You can still order our limited edition Diving Rebels' 60th Anniversary T-shirts, but time is running out—you need to place your order soon.

These 60th Anniversary T-shirts can be printed only in batches of 12 or more, so if you would like to have one, please follow the instructions below:

1. Log on to the following website:

www.catalogactivewear.com/suburbanscreenprinting

2. Place your cursor on the **SHOP PRODUCTS** tab, then click on **T-SHIRTS**.
3. Determine your shirt color and size.

If you want a woman's T-shirt, scroll to the bottom of the page, and click on the G200L selection. Note that fewer colors are available in this style, which features shorter sleeves and a smaller neckline. G500 and G200 have more color choices, and other styles are available but will cost more.

4. Send an e-mail containing your T-shirt order information to **Jim Magnuson** at magnuson.tx@gmail.com. **If he's received 12 orders by October 12, he'll place the order with the company. Note:** Your simplest option is to order the standard grey men's T-shirt; you'll just need to indicate the size. Also, you won't be able to place an order directly with the business.
5. When you receive your shirt, please give your payment to **Club Treasurer Allen Bothwell**. Shirts are \$15.00 each (\$17.00 for size 2XL and larger).



Nominations for the 2019 Board of Directors



Each year at the October membership meeting, which this year is on **October 3**, nominations for the various Diving Rebels Scuba Club Board of Director positions are accepted. Club members are urged to participate by running for a position and thereby provide valuable input into the continued growth and excellence that the Diving Rebels Scuba Club has come to represent.

Listed below are the board positions and a brief summary of the duties of each position. Per the club by-laws, to be eligible to serve on the Board of Directors, a member must have been a member in good standing and have attended at least three (3) meetings and three (3) club dive outings between January 1 and the October meeting, inclusive.

Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm, but the meeting time or date may be changed if a quorum cannot be present at the originally scheduled meeting. Though serving on the Board of Directors does require a little extra time each month, service can be very rewarding and is invaluable to the Diving Rebels Scuba Club as a whole.

The Board of Directors consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer corporate officers; the Activities Director; and two General Directors (the Junior and Senior Board Members).

Duties of Officers and Board of Directors

1. The President shall be the principle executive officer of the Corporation and shall preside at all the meetings of the membership and the Board of Directors. He may sign, with the signature of any other Officer of the Corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, any contracts or instruments that the Board of Directors may authorize him.
2. The Vice-President shall serve in the place of the President in his inability, absence, or refusal to act. He shall also serve as New Member Coordinator and is responsible for furnishing new members with such materials that are provided for by the initiation fee.
3. The Treasurer keeps an accurate record of the Club's financial affairs and make reports to the membership and the Board of Directors when called upon to do so.
4. The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings of the membership and the Board of Directors in books provided for that purpose; shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; shall be the custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the Corporation and see that the seal of the Corporation is affixed to such documents as necessary and perform such other duties as assigned to him by the President of the Board of Directors.
5. The Activities Director will have the following duties and responsibilities: Be aware of all Club activities so that members can have a source of information. Attend Club and board meetings. Organize dive outing coordinators. With the Officers, organize committees necessary for Club activities. Maintain and inventory Club-owned equipment and be responsible for keeping track of members' use of the equipment.

6. The General Directors (Junior and Senior Board Members) shall attend meetings of the Board of Directors representing the general membership of the Club and provide continuity. The Junior Board Member is responsible for the 50/50 Raffle and collecting the fine from members not wearing Rebel Wear at the membership meeting along with other duties, which may be assigned by the Board. The Senior Board member is not an elected position, but one to which the Junior Board Member rolls. This was designed to keep at least one Board Member from the previous board if an entirely new board were to be elected. The Senior Board Member is responsible for Rebel Wear sales and ordering and for tracking points earned in the DRIFT points program.

The Diving Rebels Scuba Club belongs to its members, and the Board of Directors is the voice of the membership. The board can assist with directing the club and steering it toward continued growth and prosperity, but the members are who make it strong. The Diving Rebels have become known throughout the United States and particularly in Texas as a very active dive club, and that is because of the dedication and passion for scuba diving of its members. If you are interested in one of the board positions or have any questions about what serving on the board involves, please feel free to contact any current member of the Board of Directors.

It's time to
VOTE!

Lessons Learned: What If It Happened to You?

Jim Magnuson

The following discussion is **NOT** a class. It's not intended to be authoritative but is instead designed to remind us all that while diving is easy, struggling to get into wetsuits notwithstanding, we still have to think about what we are doing, prepare for adverse situations that might occur, and show respect for issues that might cause us harm. To get started, I suggest that you read the following scenarios, which we can briefly discuss during our October membership meeting.

Situation #1

Setup: On an ocean dive trip in a fairly crowded boat, 12 divers are split into two groups, one port and one starboard. To start the dive, 2 divers on each side synchronously back roll into the water while the captain puts the boat in reverse and thrusts backward a bit just as the divers hit the water, thus moving the propeller away from the divers and putting them in front of the boat to clear a new space for the next group. During entry, one diver at the stern of the boat has her fins spread wide apart instead of tightly together, and one fin catches on the seat as she back rolls off the boat. This twists her toward the stern of the boat instead of the bow, and she ends up under the boat very close to the propeller.

Diligently monitoring the diver's back roll, the dive master shouts, and the captain puts the boat in neutral. As the diver surfaces, her head touches the propeller an instant after it had stopped. If she had hit it while it was turning, there could have been a tragedy.

Cause:

- ☞ The diver didn't keep her fins together during her back roll into the water.
- ☞ If during a back roll a diver doesn't tuck tight enough or untucks too soon, he/she could end up toward the stern of the boat.
- ☞ Being too buoyant can cause a diver to pop up too quickly, again possibly running into the boat.

Situation #2

Setup: On an ocean trip where there is a slight current and 10 divers in the water, the dive operator is using a dinghy and a rope to collect divers and to tow them back to the "mother ship." At the conclusion of one dive, several divers surface, and the dinghy begins to collect them. Another diver leaves the bottom and heads toward the surface where the other divers are being picked up. At the end of the dive, the diver's buoyancy has become positive despite the fact that he has dumped all his air, and he surfaces under the dinghy. Fortunately, he avoids injury because he is able to push off from the bottom of the dinghy and because the dinghy is traveling just above idle. If he had hit the propeller even while it was idling, of course, he could have been cut, and if the dinghy had been going faster, a collision could have yielded a horrific injury.

Cause:

- ☞ The dive operator was trying to pick up some divers while others were unaccounted for.
- ☞ The diver who surfaced under the dinghy was underweighted.

What can be done to make both scenarios safer?

Restaurant of the Month ~ October



Where: Tio Carlos
Address: 4843 Colleyville Blvd. #330, Colleyville, TX 76034
When: Friday, October 12, 7:00 pm
Phone: (682) 325-4397
Web: <https://www.tiocarlos.com/location/colleyville/>
Email: Elizabeth Neumann at social@divingrebels.org



For the Diving Rebels' October Restaurant of the Month (RoM) outing, we'll congregate at **Tio Carlos Mexican-Latin Grill**, located at **4843 Colleyville Blvd. #330, Colleyville, TX 76034**, on **Friday, October 12, at 7:00 pm** for an evening of fellowship and fine Mexican food!

A Diving Rebels "foodie" recommended this restaurant to me, saying that it was one of his favorites, so I thought that the Diving Rebels should check it out. I hear that Tio Carlos has great salsas, outstanding street tacos, and yuca frita (French fries made from the root of the cassava plant). They also offer a variety of

tamale dinners, and other treats, including seafood and steaks!

Please let me know if you are planning to attend the October RoM by signing up for the event at the October 3 membership meeting; by accepting your invitation to the event on the club's Facebook page

(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/96073813073/>); or by contacting me at social@divingrebels.org or calling me at (817) 995-4677.



Elizabeth Neumann
Social Coordinator

* Please always check the Diving Rebels' Facebook page or website (<http://www.divingrebels.org/>) to verify the RoM's date and location.

Lake Hawkins Outing

Jim Magnuson



On **October 27–28**, the Diving Rebels will gather at the **Lake Hawkins RV Park, 156 County Road 3455, Hawkins, TX 75765** (www.mywoodcounty.com/default.aspx?name=RVPark) for a weekend at the lake! Located on Little Sandy Creek, a tributary of the Sabine River, in Wood County four miles northwest of Hawkins, Lake Hawkins is a little north of Tyler State Park on Highway 80. Unlike Lake Tyler, however, Hawkins is a real lake, small enough to

avoid a ton of boating but big enough that there is some depth near the dam.

I haven't dived there for a long time, and frankly I think we are way overdue going back. In my experience, visibility has been about like what we get at The Scuba Ranch, but, as usual with Texas lakes, it can vary based on rainfall, vegetation, and other factors. **Calvis Hawes**, one of our Lifetime Members, has a lake house there, and he has recommended that we give this pretty lake a return visit. By the way, if you teach scuba classes, you might want to check Lake Hawkins out as a possible training location.

Lake Hawkins RV Park features 41 RV sites and tent camping; it's a family friendly site (pets are allowed) that offers a boat ramp, sandy beach, and a pavilion. If you're going to camp, the Lake Hawkins outing would be a great time to bring out that old Airstream. And if you're not a camper, paying a day use fee (last posted as \$3.00 per person (6 years and older) allows you use of the beach area, picnic area, boat ramp, fishing pier, volleyball courts, and shower facilities. The camp sites do have electricity.

Location: Lake Hawkins RV Park, 156 County Road 3455, Hawkins, TX 75765

Web site: www.mywoodcounty.com/default.aspx?name=RVPark

Phone number: (903) 769-4545

While we're at Lake Hawkins, we'll hold our traditional **Underwater Pumpkin Carving Contest**, so bring a pumpkin to carve!! We'll clean out their craniums on shore, then carve the pumpkins underwater. I suggest using "kid safe" carvers, but if you do bring knives, consider wearing gloves, and be extra careful. Props are OK, but please keep them reasonable and family friendly. We'll be awarding prizes in two categories: "Scariest" and "Most Creative." **Please, don't mark your pumpkins for carving in advance of the contest.** If you haven't participated in our Underwater Pumpkin Carving Contest before, it's actually a lot of fun, so give it a try!



I'll be providing a brisket, corn on the cob, and baked potatoes for Saturday dinner, **but you must let me know that you're going to attend no later than October 19** if you want to eat dinner with us. I also need to know if you are coming so that we can book camp sites. You can contact me at activities@divingrebels.org or call me at (469) 426-6319. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to send me a message, give me a call, or see me at the October membership meeting.



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