Underwater Archaeological Society of Chicago
Meeting Minutes 28 November 2007

General

- Approximately 20 members met at 6:30 at the 6th floor of the Helix Building, 310 S. Racine at Jackson.
- Tonight's meeting was run by Jim Jarecki.

Officer Reports

- **Treasury** – Bob Gadbois
  - Switching banks. Contact Bob for full details.
  - Dues are due, $45 individual, $60 family.
  - LOUP / UASC Christmas party $30 - Pay Bob tonight if possible. Bring credit cards to the party for cash bar. Parking may or may not cost $12.

- **ICSSD** – Claire Gadbois
  - General Meetings 3rd Thursday of the month, Mr. Beef and Pizza in Mt. Prospect.
  - **OWU** Feb 15-17. Volunteers needed for UASC, ICSSD, and OWU in general. Contact Chuck Miller for ICSSD and OWU positions.
  - Club Appreciation Night Feb 21st to honor all club officers, Cris Kohl speaker. Mr. Beef and Pizza Mt. Prospect Elmhurst Road and Oakton, 8:00. Free for all officers. Theme: Mardi Gras
  - UW competition March 30, Elk Grove Village. Raffle.
  - Jim Haigh Memorial Dive, Haigh Quarry, July 20
  - Sept 20 International Beach Cleanup
  - Oct 5 Pumpkin Carve, Haigh Quarry
  - Oct 11 President Night's Dinner

- **Membership** – Roger Brown
- **Newsletter** – Cheryl Wickstrom showed up!

Past Events

- Oct 20 - [Wisconsin UW Archaeology](#) and Maritime History Conference
- Oct 20 - [ICSSD](#) President's Night
- Oct. 27 - Lecture on great divers of the lakes in fact and fantasy.

Upcoming Events

- NO REGULAR MEETING IN DECEMBER
- January Meeting - Fred Neuschal again, with a new topic. (Not the Rouse Simmons.)

- Ideas wanted for future guest speakers. Contact Joan Forsberg.

- Possible New Years Eve Party, TBD
  - Dec. 1, LOUP-UASC Holiday Party!
  - SATURDAY December 1st

  - Burnham Park Yacht Club
  - 6:30 cocktails 7:45
  - dinner price TBD - somewhere between $30-$35. Not collecting yet - till the final price is verified. Should have the details by the Sunday meeting.
  - Same if not similar menu.
  - Drinks at the bar are Credit Cards only.
  - Parking - Will have to pay at the lot adjacent to the building OR details of a plan with alternative parking or shuttle or carpool suggestions will be available closer to the party.

- **OWU** - Early Bird Ticket weekend package ticket $65 -
  [http://www.ourworldunderwater.com/Products/Tickets/Early-Bird-Ticket/](http://www.ourworldunderwater.com/Products/Tickets/Early-Bird-Ticket/)
  - Feb 15-17, 2008 - Donald E. Stephens Convention Center Rosemont IL
- Chicago Maritime Festival - Saturday, Feb 23
  - This is an event that we need to work and take advantage of.
  - Prior week is outreach to schools, etc.
  - Contact Chris Kastle for more information or if you would like to help, (especially if you have suggestions for outreach schools or other targets.)

- Ford Seahorses - **Great Lakes Shipwreck Festival** - April 19, 2008, Detroit
- Ghost Ships Festival – Milwaukee, March 7th and 8th, 2008
- No current plans to present here - Contact officers if you feel strongly.

**UASC Officer Elections**

- President - Joan Forsberg
- Let's complete some surveys!
- Working with Valerie Van Heest on resurvey of Wells Burt.
- Material Service is almost done.
- Involve more membership on dive projects!
- Vice President - Dean Nolan
- Treasurer - Bob Gadbois
- Secretary - John Bell
- Newsletter Chair - Cris Kohl

New Business

- 608 pages, with the Chicago section increased from 16 to 31 pages.
- New Chapter on SCUBA Dive clubs.
- $20 for an autographed copy - Contact Cris for details.
- Eastland Disaster, Airplanes, Whalebacks, and other sidebars - 30 all together.

- The Dennis Sullivan out of Milwaukee, is shipping out and looking for deck hands.
- In February will be sailing for 5 days out of Key West with John Chatterton, to study Maritime History of the region. Contact Jim Jarecki for more information.

Guest Speaker

- Maritime Historian Tom Lutz gave a very interesting talk on a wide variety of topics related to local maritime history. Tom is a recipient of TWO Barkhausen Awards for original maritime research.

Other Business

- A number of UASC members adjourned to Riccobene's for further discussion.