



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Tritons,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I hope you all had a wonderful Holiday Season. The cold weather has set into the Chicago area so do your best to stay warm and healthy. We don't have many things planned for this month but if you feel like venturing out into the cold take a look at the calendar to see what is being offered by the club. If you feel like doing a good deed, you can call Chris Demski about the sandwich making program with the local veterans group and then consider join Dave O'Malley and the gang for some smash mouth Roller Derby excitement.

And, don't forget that next month is Our World Underwater. This is your chance to talk with the various scuba gear suppliers and dive operators face to face to find out what is new and exciting in the world of scuba diving as well as updating your scuba knowledge at the various seminars. You can also be a volunteer at the show either with the Council of Skin and Scuba Divers or perhaps with the show itself. So, start making your plans to attend this once a year show.

Good diving to all, Randy

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

January, 2013

Up for vote at the January meeting will be Joan Chibe
Dives:

Pam Romund Sea of Cortez 9/17/12
Joe Leibovitz Haigh Quarry 10/23/12

Many meetings & social events including:
9/25/12 10/21/12 10/23/12

Our current membership stands at:

67 full members 2 Associates

TOTAL 69 members

Adolph Habich - Membership Committee.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

The new year is upon us and we have a need for TICs to run some of the events. It isn't difficult and we are happy to help. Please contact me if you see an event that would be of interest. Or if you have come across something that you think would be a good fit, we can always swap out something for another or add it on to the calendar.

Thanks for your help!

Pam Romund, Events Committee
847-698-5490 promund@kraftfoods.com

TRITON 2013 EVENTS CALENDAR

January, 2013

Sunday, 1/20	Sandwich Making Community Service	Chris Demski 630-698-9410 cdemski@sbcglobal.net
Tuesday, 1/22	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
*Saturday, 1/26	Roller Derby – UIC Windy City Rollers	Dave O'Malley 847-724-6878 djo2362@msn.com

February, 2013

Tuesday, 2/12	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 847-698-5490, promund@kraftfoods.com
F-S, 2/15-17	Our World Underwater Stephens Conv Ctr	Midwest's Largest Dive Show - For more information and Tickets go to: www.ourworldunderwater.com
Saturday, 2/16	OWU Dinner TICs Choice	Margo Miller margommiller@sprynet.com
Tuesday, 2/26	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

March, 2013

Saturday, 3/2	Intelligentsia Coffee Factory Tour, Chicago	Pam Romund 847-698-5490, promund@kraftfoods.com
Saturday, 3/9	Wolves Hockey Allstate Arena Rosemont	Adolph Habich AHabich@aol.com
*Tuesday, 3/5	Triton Trib Deadline Note Earlier Deadline	Pam Romund 847-698-5490, promund@kraftfoods.com
Saturday, 3/23	Pizza Get-Together	Angie McKeon ammckeon@sbcglobal.net
Tuesday, 3/26	Business Meeting / General Elections	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

April, 2013

Tuesday, 4/9	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 847-698-5490, promund@kraftfoods.com
Saturday, 4/13	Anniversary Party	Need TIC
Tuesday, 4/23	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
Saturday, 4/27	Cooking for Charity	Pam Romund 847-698-5490, promund@kraftfoods.com

May, 2013

Sunday, 5/5	Road Rally	Need TIC
Saturday, 5/11	Dinner and a Show	Pam Romund 847-698-5490, promund@kraftfoods.com
Tuesday, 5/14	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 847-698-5490, promund@kraftfoods.com
Saturday, 5/18	Quarry Dive & Picnic	Reimer, Scott streimer1@comcast.net
Sunday, 5/26	Memorial Day Bike, Walk and Eat!	Margy & Milt Levenberg margyspec@comcast.net or milspec@comcast.net
Tuesday, 5/28	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

June, 2013

Saturday, 6/1	Comedy Club Outing	Need TIC
Sunday, 6/9	Wreck Dive – Chicago or Milwaukee, TIC Choice	Need TIC
Tuesday, 6/11	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 847-698-5490, promund@kraftfoods.com
S&S, 6/22/23	Training Weekend	Board of Education

*Date or Event change

WINDY CITY ROLLERS ROLLER DERBY AT THE UIC PAVILION



It's the middle of winter. You're fed-up with the lame sporting events on television. Your knees and ankles are hurting from snow skiing and ice skating.

YOU NEED TO VENT YOUR ANGER AND VANQUISH YOUR WINTERTIME BOREDOM!

Why not join your fellow Tritons for Roller Derby at the UIC Pavilion on **Saturday January 26th** to see the mayhem on wheels as the Windy City Rollers battle some hapless opponent? Relax and enjoy the action as the lovely ladies beat each other to a pulp. You won't see this action in golf. The worst Tiger ever does is fling his golf club.

The UIC Pavilion is located at the corner of S. Racine Ave. and W. Harrison St. The **cost is \$21.50** but we may qualify for a group discount if we have more than 10 people. The event will start at **7:00 PM**. We will go to a local restaurant for dinner before the event.

If you have any questions, Call Dave O'Malley at 847-724-6878.
Dave O'Malley TIC

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COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENT FEED THE HOMELESS VETERANS

When: **Sunday January 20th, 2013**

Time: **12:00 PM** - until we finish

We will go somewhere for libations afterwards.

Where: **900 Ridge Rd.** (North Ave. 2 blocks west of Main St.) **Lombard, IL.**

***We will be making sandwiches (about 1200), and/or perhaps soup, chili, hamburgers. Whatever they have on hand that has been donated is what we will use. This food then gets transported by truck into the city to feed the homeless veterans.

*** If you have any **VERY LARGE T-SHIRTS, hats, coats, jackets, socks etc.** bring those with to donate to the cause. Also blankets, comforters, sleeping bags are welcomed and appreciated. We may be donating some food as well. More information as I receive it.

TIC: Chris Demski – 630-698-9410

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CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSETS?



As you make the changeover from your summer to winter wardrobe and you find warm coats, jackets, boots, hats, gloves, scarves that you no long want/need. Why not give them new life? We will take the items to the Homeless Vets to ensure they have items to keep them warm all winter. Don't just chuck them, recycle and help to keep a vet warm.

If you find any blankets, comforters, throws, sleeping bags we will take those also. Perhaps they don't look as good as you would like any longer but they can keep someone warm. Bring the items to any business meeting or call OR we can make arrangements to pick them up.



Thanks!

Chris Demski 630-698-9410



February 15, 16 & 17, 2013

OW-U runs over 3 days offering informative Workshops, Seminars & Exhibitors from all over the world. There are seminars on wreck diving, photography, videography, editing, dive medicine, dive resorts. The show will be held at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont. Contact: www.ourworldunderwater.com for tickets.

Don't miss the Midwest's largest dive, travel and adventure show - displays of the latest in equipment, travel destinations, technology, dive retailers, photographers & filmmakers and more. This is your chance to see it all under one roof!

Interested in attending Our World Underwater – the Club will have a drawing for FREE exhibit floor tickets at the January business meeting.

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Presented by the Ford Seahorses in conjunction with the Dossin Great Lakes Museum
A festival celebrating underwater exploration of our Great Lakes maritime history

THE GREAT LAKES SHIPWRECK FESTIVAL

32ND GREAT LAKES SHIPWRECK FESTIVAL
SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2013

Washtenaw Community College – Morris Lawrence Building
4800 E. Huron Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105

Multiple Presentations, Recreational through Technical Diving and Exhibits

The programs run from 9am–5pm, featuring a wide variety of sessions on Great Lakes shipwrecks, exotic dive locations from around the world and education/technical sessions. In the Exhibit area, there will be book signings, exhibits from local maritime artists, the Dossin Great Lakes Museum, dive equipment manufacturers, diver charter operations and dive travel agencies. A number of local dive shops will be represented as well as underwater marine sanctuaries, and local quarries.

Shipwrecks are always the theme of this event and this year is no exception. The Festival has three venues, including presentations on Great Lakes shipwrecks, exotic saltwater destinations and Educational/Technical topics.

The Ford Seahorses Scuba Dive Club, established in 1957, is one of the most active dive clubs in Michigan. The club is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the enjoyment and advancement of the sport of scuba diving.

Tickets for the event are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.
Visit their web page for more information: <http://www.shipwreckfestival.org/>

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WINTER SCUBA CLASSES

EXPLORE THE UNDERWATER WORLD



To become an accomplished scuba diver, you must first learn the fundamentals of diving and then build on the basic skills.

During these five sessions you will master all of the skills necessary to become a certified scuba diver. The training offered is the PADI, Professional Association of Diving Instructors, system of training, the most popular in the world. Upon completion of your performance based training you will be eligible to attend your open water certification dives with *The Tritons*, one of the oldest and most successful scuba organizations in the Chicago area.

Make sure you have your swimsuit, towel, mask, snorkel, fins, and boots and be prepared to have some fun! Students 12-18 are also welcome but must be approved by a parent or guardian.

This is real family fun!

Scuba Diving 5 Sessions - \$135 *** Additional materials fee is approx. \$55**
Classes are offered in cooperation with Wheeling High School, Community Education,
and *The Tritons*.

Classes Begin Thursday, February 21, 2013, Wheeling School, 6:30-10:00 pm



Information on this and all of the community education programs is available at:
www.ce214.org. or 847-718-7700
Support their programs please!

Rich Schak - Director of Training
Rschak@hotmail.com or 312-608-4112

Be sure to let your family and friends know, sign them up today!!

13th Annual Great Lakes Regional MATE ROV Competition

hosted by *Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary*

Save the Date!

Saturday, April 20th, 2013

This year's challenge: Ocean Observing Systems!

The Marine Advanced Technology Education (MATE) Center coordinates an international student underwater robotics (remotely operated vehicle or ROV) competition and a network of 20 regional ROV contests that take place across the U.S. and in Canada, Hong Kong, Scotland, and Japan. Student teams from upper elementary, middle schools, high schools, home schools, community colleges, universities, and community organizations such as the Boys and Girls Club and 4-H, participate every year.

Team registration and 2013 mission specifications and rules will be released soon. Stand by for official announcements.



Need more information?

Contact Sarah Waters at 989-356-8805, x29 or sarah.a.waters@noaa.gov

Interested in volunteering as a judge or event support?

Contact Stephanie Gandulla at 989-356-8805, x38 or steph.gandulla@noaa.gov

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UNDERWATER COMPETITION

Sunday, March 10

**Pavilion Pool Complex
1000 Wellington Avenue
Elk Grove Village**

Doors Open at 11:30 AM

Competition Begins at 12:30 PM

The Pavilion Pool Complex in Elk Grove Village, this is at the corner of Wellington and Biesterfield Road. Exit Route 53 at Biesterfield, go east to Liechester Road. Turn south on Liechester, turn into large parking lot and go to the door that is behind the trailer parked by the building.

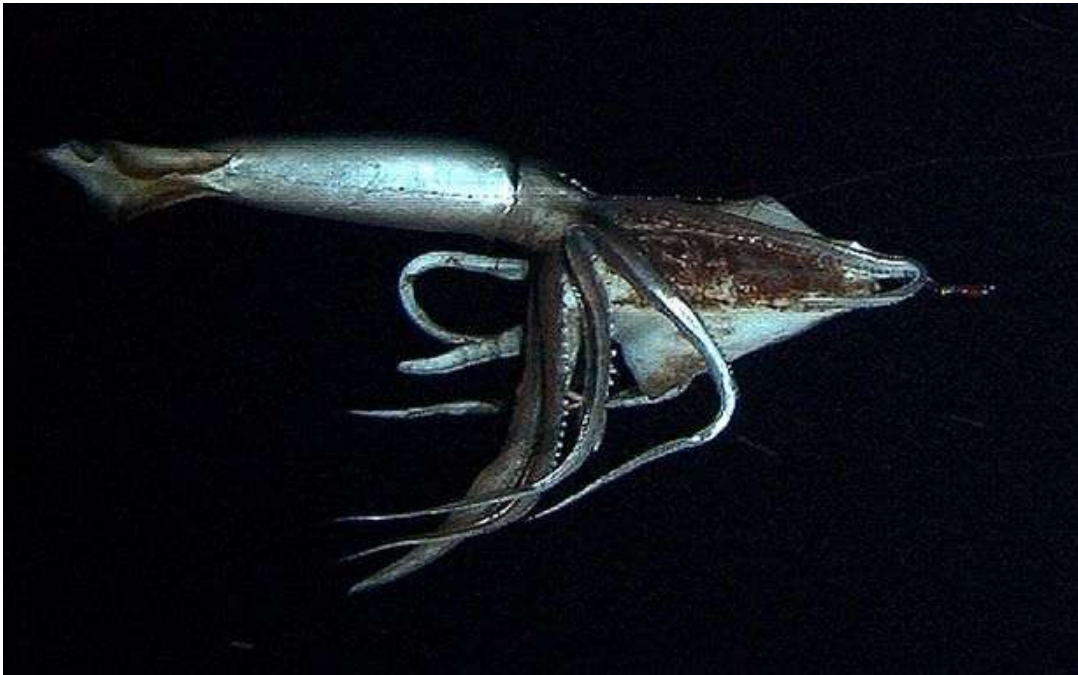
Come on, come all - all skill levels welcomed – whether you are a new diver or one well-seasoned, everyone is invited to **participate**. **Test your skills against the best of the best – the members of the Illinois Council of Skin and SCUBA Diving Clubs**. Start getting your team together. Don't have enough for a team? No problem there is room for everyone, we will get you matched up with others looking for the thrill of competition.

What will it be this year? Underwater tricycle racing, three-finned race, underwater obstacle course, there are so many possibilities. You need to bring your C card and complete a liability release form. Also bring your own dive equipment, swim suit, and towel. You will need to arrive no later than 11:30 AM if you are planning to participate – there is paperwork to complete.

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Many thanks to Mike Leibovitz for sending this to our attention. Article by: Tuan C. Nguyen 1/9/13, Excerpted from: <http://www.smartplanet.com/blog/bulletin/how-the-giant-squid-was-finally-caught-on-film-video/9749?tag=nl.e660&cid=e660>

GIANT SQUID WAS FINALLY CAUGHT ON FILM



One of the main challenges for scientists who study animals in the wild is that the mere necessary act of observing can ruin everything. That's why zoologists use unobtrusive techniques like hidden cameras to document the candid behavior of elusive species, such as tigers or grizzly bears. In the case of the giant squid or Architeuthis, you've got a creature that appears to be not only extremely shy, but also happens to reside along some of the deepest depths of the ocean, as far down as 1,000 meters below sea level.

Sightings of the 60-foot long, one-ton behemoth are so rare that much of the public's understanding of it has been shaped by tales of folklore, which often depict the massive cephalopods as having tentacles powerful enough to wrestle sperm whales when in fact it's the whales that are known to hunt the squids as prey. In Herman Melville's classic novel Moby Dick, a glimpse of a giant squid even invoked a kind of terrifying superstition for whalers, since legend had it that few whaling ships ever returned safely after a chance encounter with the mythical beast.

Prior to the recent footage, imagery of a live giant squid has only been captured twice in 2004 and 2006, both times by Japanese zoologist Tsunemi Kubodera, who led the expedition to film the deep-sea monster in its natural state. This time around he enlisted the help of Florida-based oceanographer Edith Widder to build a bio-luminescent lure that can draw the cautious creature toward the camera. What she came up with was a decoy comprised of 16 blue lights that swirled like a pinwheel, a design meant to impersonate a deep-sea jellyfish. This was combined with the use of near-infrared light for unobtrusive search visibility since deep-sea creatures aren't able to detect its glow.

And after 55 dive attempts and hundreds of hours of research, Kubodera finally found what he was looking for this past summer. Here's his account, as reported by the Toronto Star.

In July, using a submersible equipped with the near-infrared beams, Kubodera sank below the surface. When a hazy outline appeared on the on-board camera, the crew risked turning on the bright white beams — and were able to film several minutes of an Architeuthis just metres away. "It was stunning. I couldn't have dreamt that it would be so beautiful," Kubodera, a zoologist, told Reuters.

The squid in question was spotted at about 900 meters below the surface and described as about 9 feet long, though missing its two longest tentacles. So far, Japan's broadcasting service NHK and the Discovery Channel, which funded the expedition, have only provided a few seconds of "sneak peak" footage of the magnificent specimen that possesses eyes as big as a person's head. The rest of the footage will be revealed on **Jan. 27 at 8 p.m on the Discovery Channel** as part of its special on the quest to find the legendary creature.

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UNDERSEAS SCUBA CENTER

611 N. Addison Avenue
Villa Park, IL 60181
630-833-8383

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GHOST SHIPS FESTIVAL 2013 **MARCH 15-16, 2013**

New Venue: Crowne Plaza Milwaukee Airport Hotel



This year we are excited to be hosting the event at the Crown Plaza Milwaukee Airport Hotel, conveniently located off I-94 just south of General Mitchell International Airport. The Ghost Ships Festival is Wisconsin's largest trade show devoted to Scuba Diving and Great Lakes Maritime History. Exhibits, workshops, and presentations cover just about every aspect of Great Lakes maritime history and scuba diving. You can purchase your tickets through our secure online ticketing page.

Visit our [web site](http://www.ghostships.org/) for more information. <http://www.ghostships.org/>



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January, 2013

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The Tritons

See you January 22, 2013 at 7:30 PM

Drawing for **FREE** Our World Underwater Tickets.

Giuseppe's

1062 Lee St Des Plaines, IL
(847) 824-4230

The restaurant is situated on Lee Street, north of Algonquin and south of Northwest Highway