



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Tritons,

We have a very busy March meeting ahead of us with the election of officers on the agenda. If you are unable to attend please vote by Proxy, the instructions on how to do this are elsewhere in the Trib. Sometimes these elections can be quite entertaining.

Don't forget that Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup> is our Anniversary party. If you haven't signed up yet you still can at the meeting next Tuesday. Beside the Dinner and Auction there will be a DJ for your listening and dancing pleasure. And if you have donations for the raffle we will be happy to accept them. This worked very well at the holiday party and we would like to do it again.

This coming Sunday is the Illinois Council Under Water Competition at the Elk Grove Pavillion Pool Complex. It is my understanding they can use some helpers (Judges?) and more participants. If you can, please give Chuck and Margo a hand.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President – Mike Leibovitz

Vice-President – Ron Levin

Secretary – Dave O'Malley

Treasurer – Ed Littel

First Director – Scott Reimer

Second Director – Mary VanHouten

### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Audit – Diana Skiba

By Laws & Rules – Gary Duszak

Entertainment – Dave Vemmer

Equipment & Safety – S. Leibovitz

Events – Pam Romund

Membership – Adolph Habich

Merchandise – Brian Clarke

Nominating – Steve Leibovitz

Publicity/Web Site – Adolph Habich  
/ Milt Levenberg

Director of Training – Rich Schak

Editor of the Trib – Pam Romund

Illinois Council Delegates – Chuck  
& Margo Miller

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See you next Tuesday,

Mike Leibovitz

[WA9EVF@comcast.net](mailto:WA9EVF@comcast.net) 773-465-0981

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## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

March, 2015

Our current membership stands at:

65 full members

1 Associate

I have made up a new roster, members please let me know if you want me to e-mail a copy to you.

Adolph Habich - Membership Committee.

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## UPDATE YOUR ROSTERS

Bud Memhardt

New Cell: 1 630 250 1573

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## DUE DATE CHANGE FOR APRIL TRIB

Due to the vacation plans of the editor anyone wishing to place an ad in the April Triton Trib will need to have it to the editor no later than Monday, April 13 at 5:00 PM.

Thank you!

Pam Romund [promund@kraftfoods.com](mailto:promund@kraftfoods.com)

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# TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

## March, 2015

Saturday, 3/21	Koval Distillery Tour	Leticia Huerta L.Siguenza@Comcast.net
Tuesday, 3/24	Business Meeting – <b>General Elections</b>	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
Saturday, 3/28	Anniversary Party	Ed Littel and Mike Leibovitz <a href="mailto:EE2littel@sbcglobal.net">EE2littel@sbcglobal.net</a> or wa9evf@comcast.net
Monday, 3/30	OW Classes Begin	Wheeling High School – Triton Board of Education

## April, 2015

Sunday, 4/12	Comedy Club Outing	Mary VanHouten mary_vanhouten@yahoo.com
<b>*Monday, 4/13</b>	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@kraftfoods.com">promund@kraftfoods.com</a>
Sat-Sat 4/18-25	Cozumel, Mexico Trip	Randy Skiba [r_skiba@comcast.net]
Tuesday, 4/28	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

## May, 2015

Saturday, 5/2	Dinner & Show – <b>HAIR</b>	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@kraftfoods.com">promund@kraftfoods.com</a>
Tuesday, 5/12	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@kraftfoods.com">promund@kraftfoods.com</a>
Saturday, 5/16	Fisher House Cooking	Jan O'Malley 847 724-6878 <a href="mailto:jannybug2362@yahoo.com">jannybug2362@yahoo.com</a>
Sunday, 5/24	Memorial Day Bike, Walk & Eat!	Milt & Margy Levenberg 847-680-1223 (Margy home) 847-858-1271 (Milt cell phone)
Tuesday, 5/26	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

## June, 2015

Monday, 6/1	OW Classes Begin	Wheeling High School – Triton Board of Education
Sunday, 6/7	Dive & Picnic – Haigh	Brian Clarke & Lea Ann Hotton
Tuesday, 6/9	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@kraftfoods.com">promund@kraftfoods.com</a>
Saturday, 6/13	Neighborhood Tour	Chris Demski (cdemski@sbcglobal.net)
Tuesday, 6/23	Business Meeting – <b>OPEN HOUSE</b>	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
S & S 6/27-28	Training Weeked	Board of Education

## July, 2015

Saturday, 7/4	Extended Dive Trip TBD	<b>Need TIC</b>
Sunday, 7/12	Charter Milw or Chicago	<b>Need TIC</b>
Tuesday, 7/14	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@kraftfoods.com">promund@kraftfoods.com</a>
Saturday, 7/25	Minor League Baseball	Angi McKeon ( <a href="mailto:ammckeon@sbcglobal.net">ammckeon@sbcglobal.net</a> )
Tuesday, 7/28	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

## August, 2015

Saturday, 8/1	Howard/Etherton Day	Pearl Lake/Board of Education
Saturday, 8/8	Charter Milw or Chicago	<b>Need TIC</b>
S&S, 8/15 & 16	Training Weekend	Board of Education

\* Note: Date Change

## **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

The nominating committee met and developed the following slate for the March election of the Board of Directors. We thank these members for agreeing to step up and run for office:

Vice President  
Ron Levin (incumbent)  
Brian Clarke

Treasurer  
Lea Anne Hotton

Director  
Scott Reimer (incumbent)  
Janice O'Malley

We will be happy to add your name to this list. Please remember that this is a volunteer organization, and we all need to participate. If you are not going to be at the March meeting you may vote by proxy. See below for instructions on casting your vote by proxy, remember you must copy Dave O'Malley djo2362@msn.com

Many thanks to all who volunteered to run – we do appreciate your participation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Leibovitz, Chair  
Brian Clarke, Jim Hynan, Pam Romund, Rosana Vemmer  
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## **IF YOU PLAN TO VOTE BY PROXY**

- i. A proxy is a power of attorney given by one person to another to vote in his stead. The proxy document designates the full Triton member being given the right to vote for the officers and directors, signed by the full member granting the proxy.
- ii. The proxy can be printed or written with signature, a fax copy with signature, or an email copy. A proxy by email to the member voting the proxy must also be sent to the Secretary no less than 3 days prior to the election by email from the voting member's email address that is on file with the Club to allow verification of its authenticity by the Secretary.
- iii. Any proxy sent by email less than 3 days prior to the election can only be accepted by the Club Secretary and must be received no later than 3:00 p.m. local (Central) time on the day of the election, and will be assigned to one of the Board of Directors. These proxies will be assigned in the following order: Second Director, First Director, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice-President and President.

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## **TOY AND EVENTS BALLOTS**

Enclosed with this month's Trib are the ballots for Triton of the Year and Events of the Year. It is very important that you complete these and return them at the meeting or send to the name and address on the ballot. These must be received no later than Tuesday, March 24.

Each year the TRITONS honor one of their members with an award for outstanding service to the Club. The recipient of the award is the "TRITON OF THE YEAR" and is presented with that honor at the annual Anniversary Party. Every TRITON member should vote for the TRITON OF THE YEAR. It is your way of saying "thank you" to the person whom you believe has made an outstanding contribution to the Club this past year and/or years.

For the Events ballot vote for **one dive** event and **one social** event. Again a way to say thanks to those who did a great job in making the Tritons the outstanding club that it is.

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## **WANTED TICS**

Many thanks to everyone who has stepped up to run an event this year. However we still have need for a few more to complete the remainder of our calendar.

July 4<sup>th</sup> Weekend – Extended Dive Trip

July 12, Sunday – Charter Dive – Milwaukee or Chicago, TIC Choice

August 8, Saturday – Charter Dive – Milwaukee or Chicago, TIC Choice

Contact Pam Romund [promund@krafffoods.com](mailto:promund@krafffoods.com) ,thanks!



# TRITON ANNIVERSARY PARTY

## SATURDAY, MARCH 28

### CONTINENTAL RESTAURANT

DUNDEE POINT SHOPPING CENTER,

788 SOUTH BUFFALO GROVE RD, BUFFALO GROVE, IL 60089

Plans are underway for another fantastic, fun-filled evening. We will again be at the Continental Restaurant in Buffalo Grove (the scene of last year's event). Contact Ed Littel or Mike Leibovitz for ticket and choice of entree.

- APPETIZERS** BBQ Meatballs, Egg Rolls, BBQ Ribs
- SALADS** House Salad choice of Ranch, Thousand Island, Balsamic Vinaigrette
- SOUP** Minestrone
- ENTREES** Your Choice of Chicken Breast Marsala, Salmon [Broiled] or Roast Prime Rib
- POTATO** Baked
- DESSERT** Assortment MINI PASTRIES [mini éclairs, mini cannoli's, mini cheesecake, carrot cake, mini yellow cake, Greek baklava]
- BEVERAGES** FREE Soft Drinks, Coffee, Iced or Hot Teas, Juice, Pink Lemonade and Cash Bar
- DANCING** DJ BOOGIE NIGHTS – will be playing all the tunes for your dancing pleasure.



Bottom Line [tax, gratuity included] **\$35.00 p/p**

Contact Ed Littel and Mike Leibovitz [EE2littel@sbcglobal.net](mailto:EE2littel@sbcglobal.net) or [wa9evf@comcast.net](mailto:wa9evf@comcast.net)

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## COOKING FOR CHARITY, SATURDAY, MAY 16 FISHER HOUSE, HINES, IL



Fisher House is “a home away from home” for family members, caregivers or loved ones of patients receiving medical care at major military and VA medical centers. It is a temporary residence and is not a treatment facility, hospice or counseling center. By law, there is no charge for any family to stay at a Fisher House operated by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The house has 20 bedroom suites to accommodate guests and features a fully stocked

kitchen, spacious dining room and several common living room areas for families to gather and offer each other support and friendship while their loved ones are hospitalized at Hines. We will be cooking dinner for the residents and staff. We will bring the food and cook it on premise. We also hope to provide items for their pantry and wish list. Space is limited for this event so if you are interested please sign up quickly. Cost will be \$25.00 per person to enable us to purchase food for the dinner.

TIC: Jan O'Malley 847 724-6878 [jannybug2362@yahoo.com](mailto:jannybug2362@yahoo.com)

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# CHICAGO PEDWAY HISTORY TOUR

Saturday, March 7



It was the first nice day in months and we took advantage of the great weather to venture downtown to take the Pedway History Tour. Everyone found the starting point, 111 E. Wacker, lower lobby. There were 10 Tritons and guests and we were joined by a group of women who all went to Crystal Lake High School together, it was a fun group. Our tour guide, Rick, was wonderful – very knowledgeable on everything Chicago. We wandered along the Pedway learning all about the founding of Chicago and many of the famous names – Joliet, DuSable, and more. Rick made it interesting by asking us questions about the history and gave out Starbuck’s and Panera gift cards as prizes. We visited the Chicago Cultural Center to see the world’s largest Tiffany Glass Dome, absolutely spectacular. We went through train stations, shopping areas, where we each received a bag of Chicago popcorn (cheese and caramel mixed together) and the original Marshall Field building, where we saw the world’s largest Tiffany glass ceiling and all received a Frango Mint. But all good things must come to an end as did the tour. We bid Rick adieu and began heading back to where we all parked looking for somewhere to eat.

We passed many fine dining establishments on the return to 111 E. Wacker but ended up at The Emerald on Michigan Avenue just south of Wacker. We enjoyed \$4 Miller Lites (dye Green), Guinness as well as burgers, salads, fried cod and more. The Emerald is gearing up for St. Paddy’s Day and they were featuring many of the tastes of Ireland, although it is an Irish bar so I would guess they have many already.

Many thanks to all who came on out, a fantastic day to be out and about downtown, and I think we all learned a bit more about the city and it’s past.

Pam Romund, TIC

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## **BEWARE MOSQUITOS IN THE PACIFIC.**

If you’re traveling to a Pacific dive destination, take every measure to avoid mosquito bites, as travelers returning from there with dengue fever or chikungunya is on the rise. Both viral illnesses are transmitted by mosquitoes and have similar symptoms, including high fever, severe headaches and vomiting. Last year, 68 cases of dengue fever were reported in Fiji. Last month, Tonga declared an official dengue fever outbreak, and there are also cases of travelers returning from Indonesia, the Cook Islands and French Polynesia. There is no vaccine for either virus, and as one doctor told the *New Zealand Herald*, “The only thing people can do is to protect themselves from getting bitten from mosquitoes. Apply insect repellent containing DEET at all times, and wear protective clothing and shoes.”

**CHECK YOUR CALENDAR - THIS YEAR'S BIKE RIDE  
IS SUNDAY!!!!!!**

**MEMORIAL DAY BIKE RIDE**

**ON SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2015**

**MEET AT MILT & MARGY'S HOUSE AT 10 AM FOR DONUTS**



Join the Tritons for a bicycle ride, walk, or just lots of food. Bring your bicycle or feet, \$5, and a dish to share. We will take a short drive to access the Des Plaines River Trail, a great, crushed-gravel bike and hike trail.

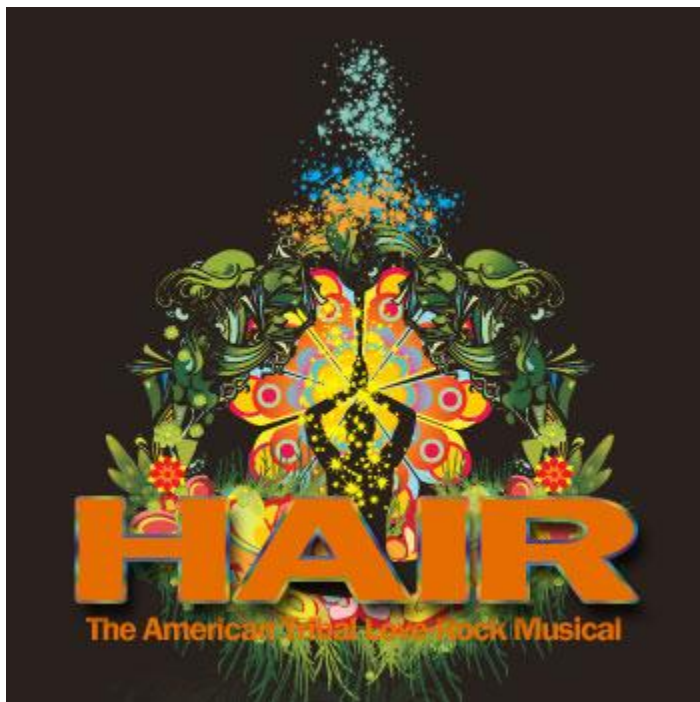
Address, phone, & directions for  
Milt and Margy Levenberg's house:  
31057 Prairie Ridge Road, Libertyville  
(really it's Green Oaks)

847-680-1223 (Margy at home) 847-858-1271 (Milt on cell phone)

***I-294 North to I-94 North to Route 137 (turn left/west on Buckley Road)  
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to Prairie Ridge Road (turn right/north). Veer left on the circle  
to 31057 on the left. Park only on the left side of the street.***

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**DINNER AND A SHOW**

**Saturday, May 2, 2015**

**8:00 PM - \$28/per person**

**Prairie Lakes Theatre**

*Hair* is a stage work in two acts. It tells the story of a "tribe" of passionate, politically active "hippies" who confront the Vietnam War, free love, racism, societal values and their place in the world of the turbulent '60s.

The show will be at Prairie Lakes Theatre 515 E. Thacker Street Des Plaines, IL 60016 at 8:00 PM, Saturday, 2 at 8:00 PM.

Tickets are approximately \$28 per person. If we have 15 or more we qualify for a group discount. For anyone interested we will go out for a bite and/or beverage before the play.

TIC: Pam Romund [promund@kraftfoods.com](mailto:promund@kraftfoods.com)

Cell: 773-791-3142

# KOVAL *DISTILLERY TOUR*

## *SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 3:00 PM*

Established in 2008, KOVAL produces organic whiskey, liqueurs and specialty spirits in Chicago's first distillery since the mid-1800s. Embracing the grain-to-bottle mentality, each step of the spirit-making process is thoughtfully monitored: beginning with contracting local farmers to grow the grain, to on-site milling and mashing, to finally distilling, bottling, and packaging. After numerous international awards for the burgeoning craft industry, KOVAL has grown to be one of America's leading small batch, independent spirit manufacturers.

All of KOVAL's whiskies are "single barrel" expressions and aged in 30 gallon charred barrels (113,55 Liters). Their staff will explain the differences between white and aged whiskey, the subtle intricacies of distillation, and the delicious beauty of small-batch spirits. See where each and every step of the process takes place. Tasting of numerous spirits is just one of the perks! And there is a store on site if you like what you taste!



**KOVAL Tour**                      March 21 - 3:00pm  
**Location:**                      5121 North Ravenswood Ave, Chicago. IL 60640  
    (two blocks west of Ashland, one block south of Foster)  
**Cost:**                              \$10.00  
**TIC:**                                Leticia Huerta - [L.Siquenza@Comcast.net](mailto:L.Siquenza@Comcast.net)

After the tour, for those interested, we will head over to HOPLEAF for dinner. Hopleaf features creative Belgian-focused eats paired with loads of brews. They were just awarded **Michelin's Bib Gourmand** (good cuisine for a reasonable price) for 2015! You can check out their menu at [www.hopleafbar.com](http://www.hopleafbar.com)

**Hopleaf Address:** 5148 N Clark St, Chicago, IL 60640 (Foster and Clark)

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## **COMEDY CLUB EVENT**

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH**

### **AT CHICAGO IMPROV IN SCHAUMBURG**



Please join us for a fun night of dining and comedy at **5:00 pm at the Chicago Improv on Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> located at the Woodfield Mall in Schaumburg. Dinner and show including tax and tip is \$48.00 per person.** We will meet for Dinner at the club at 5:00 pm. The menu is as follows:

Tossed Salad with Dressing  
 Choice of Entrée:            Prime Rib Sandwich  
    Asiago Crusted Chicken,  
    Vodka Di'Lucca (Vegetarian Option)  
    Shrimp Fettuccini Alfredo  
 Choice of Dessert:        Carrot Cake or Chocolate Truffle Cheese Cake

The show begins at 7:00 pm and the featured entertainer that evening is Ian Bagg. It promises to be a great show with a yummy dinner, lots of laughs, and a really fun evening for the Tritons all for only \$48.00 (beverages not

included). Please join us.

Chicago Improv, 5 Woodfield Rd, Woodfield Mall Store K120B Schaumburg, IL 60173.  
 Upper Level, Between Sears and Lord & Taylor, near PF Chang and Texas de Brazil

Any questions please contact TIC Mary Van Houten, 413-668-4845 [vanhouten.mary@gmail.com](mailto:vanhouten.mary@gmail.com).

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## **MICROSOFT CO-FOUNDER: I FOUND SUNKEN JAPAN BATTLESHIP**

A research team led by Microsoft co-founder and philanthropist Paul Allen has located a Japanese battleship that was considered one of the world's largest and most technologically advanced warships when it was sunk off the Philippines during World War II, according to the expedition's website

Using an underwater vehicle, the team aboard Allen's superyacht M/Y Octopus found the Musashi on Sunday in the Sibuyan Sea.

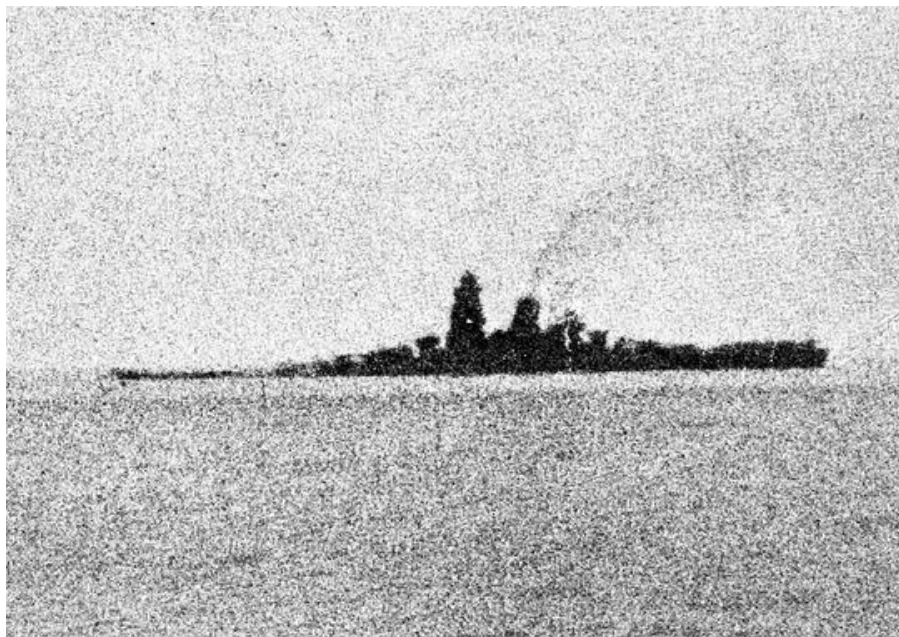
The search vehicle, using high-resolution cameras, spotted the 73,000-ton battleship on its third dive, [the statement said](#).

The Musashi, built under strict secrecy and commissioned in 1942, was sunk by U.S. forces during the lead up to the Battle of Leyte Gulf on Oct. 24, 1944.

Nearly half of its crew of 2,399, including Commander Vice Admiral Toshihira Inoguchi, lost their lives when the ship went down under a barrage by 19 torpedoes and 17 bombs.

Allen said he respects the area as a war grave and plans to work with the Japanese government "to ensure the site is treated respectfully and in accordance with Japanese traditions."

An organization that supports Japanese navy veterans and conducts research on maritime defense said that if the discovery is confirmed, a memorial service could be held at the site, according to the Associated Press.



This picture taken on October 24, 1944 shows Japanese battleship Musashi which sank in the Sibuyan Sea in the Philippines after coming under blistering US air raids. (Photo: JIJI PRESS, AFP/Getty Images)

The Musashi, and her sister ship Yamato, were the heaviest and most powerfully armed battleships ever built, [Allen said](#). The Musashi featured 18-inch armor plating and was armed with nine 18-inch guns, the largest ever mounted on a warship.

The research team began looking for the ship more than eight years ago, drawing upon historical records from four countries, detailed undersea topographical data and advanced technology aboard the yacht.

"Since my youth, I have been fascinated with World War II history, inspired by my father's service in the U.S. Army," Allen said. "The Musashi is truly an engineering marvel and, as an engineer at heart, I have a deep appreciation for the technology and effort that went into its construction. I am honored to play a part in finding this key vessel in naval history and honoring the memory of the incredible bravery of the men who served aboard her."



## A big *Triton* THANK YOU!

The following businesses support our organization and we thank them for the generosity. The next time you stop in mention you are a Triton & personally thank them for their support.

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554 S. Route 59  
Naperville, IL 60540  
630-820-2531

### **CHICAGOLAND SCUBA**

463a South Rand Road  
Lake Zurich, IL 60047  
847-540-7211

### **DJ'S SCUBA LOCKER**

9301 W. Ogden Ave.  
Brookfield, IL 60513  
708-442-4388

### **HAIGH QUARRY**

2738 E 2000 North Road  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
815-939-7797

### **PIRATE'S COVE DIVING**

1103 West Oklahoma Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53215  
414-482-1430

### **TOUCAN DIVE CENTER**

756 Frontage Road  
Lake Villa, IL 60046  
847-356-7826

### **BERRY DIVE CENTER**

3402 N. Milwaukee  
Northbrook, IL  
847-358-3848

### **DD DIVE SHOP**

1039 Waukegan Road  
Glenview, IL 60025  
847-657-3483

### **ENTERPRISE MARINE**

420 Michael Court  
Des Plaines, IL 60016  
847-640-8113

### **PEARL LAKE RESORT**

Highway 251  
South Beloit, IL 61080  
815-389-1479

### **SCUBA EMPORIUM**

16336 S. 104th Avenue  
Orland Park, IL 60467  
708-226-1614

### **UNDERSEAS SCUBA CENTER**

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

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## **AQUA LUNG IS RECALLING ALL SURELOCK II WEIGHT POCKET HANDLES**



In the April 2013 issue, we reported that Aqua Lung was doing its second recall of BCDs with SureLock II weight pocket handles. It recalled 110,000 of them because the company received more than 200 reports of the rubber handles detaching from the pockets. (Its first recall was in fall 2012). Now there's a third recall, and Aqua Lung has expanded it to cover all SureLock II handles, because it received 50 more complaints from divers of detached weight pockets. The handles are grey rubber, measure

about 2 inches tall by 4 inches wide and extend from the forward end of the ditchable weight pockets. The recall is for BCDs sold since September 2008.

Whether you have an original rubber handle or one of the revised rubber handles from the previous recall, Aqua wants to replace it with the latest generation handle. Bring it to your dive shop for an on-site replacement. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission notice [lists the BCD models affected](#), and you can call Aqua Lung for more information at (855) 355-7170.



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## *The Tritons*

**See you Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 7:30 PM**  
**General Elections will be held.** If you can't make it send  
your proxy to someone who will be there. Make your  
voice heard!!

## *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