



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Tritons,

Leticia Huerta has informed the Board that she will be resigning her Director position on the Triton Board. She cites work demands and personal issues as taking all her time. We will discuss this further at the August meeting, if you are interested in joining the Board for six months or so please let one of us know.

The summer is going by very quickly, as it always seems to do. There is still time get some diving in. We have a dive scheduled for Saturday, September 15, but are still looking for someone to run it. It doesn't have to be a charter dive either. There is also the Lake Geneva dive coming up, Saturday, October 6th, please talk to Jim Hynan if you are interested.

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Last month's open house went great! We had more guests than we have in several years.

The Howard/Etherton Day at Pearl Lake was great, as always we had way too much good food!

The Dive on the Willie to re-dedicate the Jim Etherton Plaque, almost happened, Four divers and Carol Etherton were on the boat, we made it out to the dive site, but the line broke as we were trying to tie up. There were 2 to 4 footers so the captain called the dive.

The Illinois Railroad Museum is much larger than I had realized and we had our own Sam Polonetzky as our tour guide, so we got to see a lot more than a regular visitor would get to.

This month's question is about three SCUBA related words. What are the meanings of the following three words: "abaft", "anadromous" and "catadromous". First three people to send me the correct answer to streimer1@comcast.net get a \$5 gift card to The Tap House.

Hope to see everyone at the next meeting.

Steve Lebovitz did a yeoman's job running the training. Thanks Steve!

Scott Reimer, President
streimer1@comcast.net

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

August, 2018

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

Our current membership stands at:
59 full members 1 Associate Total Membership 60

Adolph Habich - Membership Committee.

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2018 TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

August, 2018

Sunday, 8/26	Architectural River Tour	Leticia Huerta
Tuesday, 8/28	Business Meeting	Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines - 7:30 PM

September, 2018

Tuesday, 9/11	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 9/15	Charter Dive - Chicago or Milwaukee	TIC NEEDED
Saturday, 9/22	Cemetery Tour	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Tuesday, 9/25	Business Meeting	Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines - 7:30 PM

October, 2018

Saturday, 10/6	Lake Geneva Dive	Jim Hynan 847-559-9014 jhynan74@gmail.com
Tuesday, 10/9	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Sat-Sun, 10/13-20	Salt Water Trip - Little Cayman	Randy Skiba
Tuesday, 10/23	Business Meeting	Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines - 7:30 PM

November, 2018

Saturday, 11/3	Distillery Tour	TIC NEEDED
Tuesday, 11/13	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 11/17	Go Karting	TIC NEEDED
Sunday, 11/18	Chamber Dive, Lutheran General Hospital	Scott Reimer
Tuesday, 11/27	Business Meeting	Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines - 7:30 PM

December, 2018

Saturday 12/1	Holiday Party TBD	Board of Directors
Saturday, 12/15	Holidays Lights TBD	TIC NEEDED
Sunday, 12/31	New Year's Eve Bowling - TBD	TIC NEEDED

Our Calendar for 2018 was approved at the September, 2017 meeting. Look it over, some new events and plenty of old favorites, the entire calendar is posted on the Triton web site. Many thanks to Joan Chibe, Adolph Habich, Scott Reimer and Randy Skiba for their help.

Pam Romund promund@gmail.com

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CEMETERY TOUR

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 11:00 AM

MAINE TOWNSHIP CEMETERY - DEE ROAD AND TOUHY AVE, PARK RIDGE

Join us for a walking tour of Maine Township Cemetery, the second oldest in Cook County. Local pioneers and notables have been buried here, the oldest grave belongs to James Watts is dated 1811 (before Illinois was a state).. There will be some folks reenacting the lives of some of the folks buried there. There is no charge for this event but the Historical Society would appreciate a donation.

TIC: Pam Romund 847-791-3142 promund@gmail.com

WILLIE DIVE - SATURDAY AUGUST 18, 2018

On Friday the weather report predicted 2'-4' waves. By nightfall the prediction was 1'-2' waves. On Saturday it went back to 2'-4' waves.

Four Tritons and one bubble watcher, Carol Etherton, made the journey to Milwaukee. We boarded the Lady Jane and headed out to the Willie. As we left the harbor the waves were more like 1'-3's. We arrived at the Willie and attempted to tie up to the buoy. During this time the waves went back to 2'-4's, mostly 4's. During the tie up the line parted, and Andrew cancelled the dive.



We stayed at the Willie for a few minutes, and then headed back in. As we did, we saw the waves continuing to build and whitecaps forming.

On shore we went to the Smoke Shack for an early lunch, and bemoaned the fact that we were not able to replace the plaque for Jim Etherton on the wreck. This was our third or fourth attempt over the last two years. To be continued.

Steve Lebovitz

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LAKE GENEVA DIVE! ***SATURDAY OCTOBER 6th*** ***\$45.00 for Tritons, \$50 for Guest divers***

The time is near for the last local dive of the year. This is a great way to cap off the season. For those who have never made this event (especially our newly certified members), it is the easiest dive from a charter boat that you will ever make. And with a gentle 10 AM start from the Williams Bay portion of the lake.

A whopping \$45 for a 2-tank dive (\$50 for guests). Rent your tanks from the boat charter (Ralph Ripple's Divers Delight) for just \$7 a tank. He will supply weights too. Pay Ralph directly for rentals on dive day.

Please pay in advance with checks payable to The Tritons. This includes dinner and non-adult libations at the house in Williams Bay after, as always. No sailboat moving this year.

Sign up at August and September meetings, we'd love to have ya join us.

Jim Hynan 847-559-9014

jhynan74@gmail.com

ALL ABOARD!

As scuba divers we train for many varied and different underwater experiences. Well, on Sunday August 19th, 6 Tritons and a guest engaged in a very different type of training. Our trainer was none other than our very own Triton member Sam Polonetzky. He took us down the tracks on a very different type of journey where one would be foolish to not be properly trained. If you think I'm just blowing a lot of smoke in your face coupled with a lot of double entendres and tooting my own horn, you should be able to turn the tables on me and see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Now here is the real story.

On August 19th, our intrepid little group was met at the entrance to the Illinois Railway Museum, in Union, Illinois by long time museum member and volunteer Sam Polonetzky. Sam, bedecked in a full railway conductor's uniform, took us on personal tour of the museum while also handling the duties of a conductor of some of the running equipment. The museum was founded back in the early 1950's by a group of railroad buffs who wanted to preserve the golden age of railroading that was already beginning to disappear. And, not only did they preserve railroad equipment and memorabilia but also mass transit and interurban railway equipment. In the 1990's they moved their quickly growing collection to some open land in Union that encompassed the Elgin and Belvedere interurban right of way. As all of the tracks and bridges had been sold for scrap when the line went bankrupt in 1932, these people started from scratch laying track by hand and building barns to house the equipment they would move to their new home. Through the work of the dedicated volunteers and many contributing associate members, the museum has grown to be one of the largest in the country with many pieces of rolling stock and many restoration projects in the works. Some of their equipment has been featured in movies such as A League of Our Own with filming being done at the museum.

So, getting back to our training excursion, we viewed several of the barns holding collections of rail cars from the 1800's to the 1980's. As there are currently more than 12 barns, we did not get to see them all. Included were many examples of city transportation such as the only existing and still in running condition Green Hornet from the CTA. Sam gave us so much information about the various pieces of equipment and the restoration processes they went through that I think I could probably write a whole novel about what we saw and also experienced. We also took a trip around the museum on the Green Hornet (with Sam as our conductor) plus we took a 12 mile roundtrip behind a 1917 vintage steam locomotive in 1930's era coaches with Sam once again as our conductor. After a long day of exploring and learning, we ended our journey at a local restaurant to enjoy a good meal and to reminisce about our railway journey back in time. I am looking forward to doing this event again and hope that many more of you will be able to join us as this is something your whole family would enjoy.

Meet you at the station at a quarter to 4.

Randy Skiba TIC

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HOWARD/ETHERTON DAY SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

Thirteen Tritons gathered to enjoy a gorgeous summer day at Pearl Lake, There was a beautiful breeze coming off the lake the entire day, it was just perfect.

Eight of the group dove and reported water temps in the 70's and new plumbing on the school bus, a toilet has been added!

We feasted on sweet Italian sausage and burgers with all the fixins, Caprese salad, three bean salad, chips and dip, mango salsa. And thanks to Scott, Megastuffed OREOs.

Many thanks to all those who attended, Shout out to Steve Leibovitz for bringing the canopy, Joe Leibovitz and Brian Clarke for carrying the extra picnic table over to the site. And to Louise Schuldts who brought mustard and pickles which I left at home. Look forward to doing this again next year.

TIC: Pam Romund

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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Kankakee, IL 60901
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Highway 251
South Beloit, IL 61080
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708-226-1614

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Lake Villa, IL 60046
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UNDERSEAS SCUBA CENTER

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

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NEW WWW.THETRITONS.COM

We now have a new Host for the "www.TheTritons.com" website. Our old web site was a Hodgepodge from many contributors and was well... a mess. Now is the time to clean this up. Milt is building a clean logical web site. Things that were not logically associated to data were not put on the new site. Milt transferred the web site and there may be a few broken links so if you find any please let Milt know at milspec@comcast.net. Be sure to check it out.

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See you Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 7:30 PM

TAP HOUSE GRILL

1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A
Des Plaines, IL 60016

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