



#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Fellow Tritons,

Don't forget we have a new address: PO Box1260, Des Plaines, IL 60017. Since we are no longer teaching we downsized the PO Box. Make a note of the new address.

The 2026 Events Calendar has been approved. There are some old favorites as well as some that are new to the Club. Check out the Calendar on the next page to see what you might be interested in running, contact a member of the Events Committee with any questions.

We are enjoying our new home - North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025. If you haven't yet made it to a meeting this year come and check it out. We have a room all to ourselves and North Branch has great food!

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

President – Brian Clarke
Vice-President – Scott Reimer
Secretary – Rose Cammarata
Treasurer – Jim Hynan
First Director - Dennis Stephens
Second Director – Steve Leibovitz

#### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Audit – Diana Skiba
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Equipment & Safety – P. Romund
Events – Pam Romund
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Web Site – Milt Levenberg
Editor of the Trib – Pam Romund

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Hope to see you at the meeting.
Brian Clarke
President

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#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

November 2025

At this month's meeting we will be voting associate member, lan Espiritu, as a full member:

Attended two meeting 8/26/25 and 10/28/25. Diving Mermet Springs with Rose Cammarata Diving Pearl Lake with Pete Kloga

Currently we have 45 members including one associate.

Anyone needing a roster please let me know, I will get one out to you.

Adolph Habich Membership Chair

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## BUSINESS MEETING TUESDAY November 25, 2025, 7:30 pm

Our November 25, 2025 meeting will be held in person and over ZOOM. We will be **meeting at North Branch, 4520 W. Lake, Glenview, IL 60025.** This is located at the just east of the corner of Euclid/Lake and Milwaukee. Come on out early and join us for dinner.

To join the Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88063880581?pwd=Z1Z6Ni82WVRhaytzUUFKWjFKSjRoZz09

Meeting ID: 880 6388 0581 Password: 999424

One tap mobile +13126266799,,88063880581#,,,,0#,,999424# US (Chicago)

Find your local number: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdXTsyuWb3">https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdXTsyuWb3</a>

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|                   | 720 G 2020 TI         | NOVEMBER, 2025                                     |
| Tue, 11/25        | Business Meeting      | North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025 |
| 146, 11/25        | Business Meeting      | DECEMBER, 2025                                     |
|                   |                       | DECEMBER, 2023                                     |
| Sat, 12/6         | Holiday Party         | Board of Directors                                 |
|                   | Moretti's Restaurant  |  |
| T 10/0            | Mt. Prospect, IL      | D D 1770 704 0440                                  |
| Tue, 12/9         | Triton Trib Deadline  | Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com         |
|                   |                       | JANUARY, 2026                                      |
| Tue, 1/13         | Triton Trib Deadline  | Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com         |
| Sat, 1/24 *       | Pizza Get Together    | Ron Levin 630-202-6252 snappyron@sbsglobal.net     |
| Tue, 1/27         | Business Meeting      | North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025 |
| 140, 1/21         | Business Meeting      |  |
|                   |                       | FEBRUARY, 2026                                     |
| Tue, 1/10         | Triton Trib Deadline  | Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com         |
| Sun, 2/15         | Lunar New Year Dinner | NEEDS TIC  |
| Tue, 2/24         | Business Meeting      | North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025 |
|                   |                       | MARCH, 2026  |
| Sat & Sun 3/6&3/7 | Ghost Ships Festival  | Manitowoc, WI                                      |
| Tue, 3/10         | Triton Trib Deadline  | Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com         |
| Sat, 3/21         | Wine Tasting          | NEEDS TIC  |
| Tue, 3/24         | Business Meeting      | North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025 |
|                   |                       | APRIL, 2026  |
| Sat, 4/11         | Anniversary Party     | Board of Directors                                 |
| Tue, 4/14         | Triton Trib Deadline  | Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com         |
| Wed-Wed, 4/22-    | St. Croix, US Virgin  | TIC: Randy Skiba rskiba13@comcast.net              |
| 29                | Islands               |  |
| Tue 4/28          | Business Meeting      | North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025 |
|                   |                       | MAY, 2026  |
| Sun 5/3           | Cheney Mansion Tour   | NEEDS TIC  |
| 3411 0/0          | Oak Park, IL          |  |
| Tue 5/12          | Triton Trib Deadline  | Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com         |
| Sun 5/24          | Bike Ride Walk & Eat  | Milt & Margey Levenberg                            |
| Tue 5/26          | Business Meeting      | North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025 |
|                   |                       | JUNE, 2026   |
| Tue 6/9           | Triton Trib Deadline  | Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com         |
| Sat 6/13          | Season Opener         | NEEDS TIC  |
| Tue 6/23          | Business Meeting      | North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025 |
| Sun 6/28          | Charter Dive          | NEEDS TIC  |
|                   |                       | JULY, 2026   |
| Sun 7/12          | Johnson Wax Building  | NEEDS TIC  |
|                   | Tour, Racine, WI      |  |
| Tue 7/14          | Triton Trib Deadline  | Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com         |
| Sat 7/25          | Charter Dive          | NEEDS TIC  |
| Tue 7/28          | Business Meeting      | North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025 |

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes Date Change

TICs needed to run events in 2026. Please contact the Events Committee Events - Pam Romund, Chris Demski, Adolph Habich, Scott Reimer.

# HOLIDAY PARTY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6 MORETTI'S RESTAURANT 1799 S. BUSSE ROAD MT. PROSPECT, IL 60056

Hard to believe it is almost time to celebrate the Holidays. This year we will celebrate at Moretti's in Mt. Prospect. There will be a buffet featuring:

Bruschetta

**Toasted Raviolis** 

Garden Salad with House Vinaigrette

Rosemary Lemon Chicken, Italian Roast Beef w/au jus and Italian bread, Penne Pasta w/Marina, Chef's Fresh Vegetable Medley.

Vanilla Ice Cream and Mini Cannolis.

There will be a cash bar but we do have 3 hours of free non-acholic drinks as part of our package. Your cost is \$38.00 per person. I will need to turn in the guarantee on Wednesday, November 26 so please let me know if you will be attending by the business meeting.

As always we will be collecting Toys for Tots - we can make the Holidays a bit brighter for those less fortunate.

Contact Pam Romund, promund@gmail.com, 773-791-3142

# PEQUOD'S PIZZA OUTING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

Thirteen Tritons gathered at the Pequod's in Morton Grove (the original location) to sample what YELP rates as the best pizza in Chlcago. We were seated in a back room which was quite cool when we arrived but the service team jumped into action, removing the air conditioner in the window and cranking up the heater located at the other end of the room. It soon was comfortable.

Most everyone sampled the pizzas – sausage seemed to be a favorite but mushrooms and pepperoni were very popular as was the plain cheese. There was also a couple of salads, an Italian Beef sandwich as well as an order of fries! Whatever floats your boat! Conversation was subdued while everyone was downing their order. Consensus was the pizza was very good but most did not think it was the best. The search continues.

TIC: Pam Romund

#### RICHARDSON FARM CORN MAZE

On October 3rd five Tritons headed north to Richardson's Adventure Farm in Spring Grove to test our

skills at navigating the huge 28 acre corn maze. The weather was a balmy 88 F, the ground was dry, and there was no mud to slip in. The corn maze theme for 2025 was "Back to 1985" since this is the 40th anniversary of the "Back to the Future" movie release. The maze was divided into 4 areas, each area a different theme from the movie. Our group entered the "guitar" maze which was about a one mile walk. We thought we were on the right track but when we encountered a young couple we found out we were in a different maze. The couple provided instructions on how to read the map and after that we confidently found our way out of the DeLorean maze.

Since it was so hot, we then took the relaxing covered wagon ride around the farm and saw the pumpkins growing in the field. Then we walked by the petting zoo which had goats, a long haired cow, a llama, chickens and rabbits. Finally we ducked into the dairy store and cooled off with an ice cream. On our way out of the parking lot we were allowed to pick sunflowers. A few of us are going to put the sunflowers out on our patio/balcony to provide tasty seeds to the birds in our backyards.



Overall, it was a beautiful day to be outside and close out the summer. We finished up with a delicious meal at Moretti's in Fox Lake before we headed home.

Lastly, a big thanks to Judi Stephens for sending me a coupon to get the tickets at a reduced price.

TIC: Joan Chibe

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# LAKE GENEVA DIVE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH

From Diver Ron:

Saturday morning, September 27 th We met at the boat launch at Willams Bay on Lake Geneva, Wi. Ron Levin and Mike Bazan from the Tritons and the Freitag-Wittstruck family. Ralph Ripple from Divers Delight was our boat captain. We did two dives. The first was the east side of Williams Bay. The second was the south shore of Lake Geneva. The family found a lot of lost articles. Fishing rods and boat anchors. Mike and I found an old wine bottle and some lures. The weather was unusually warm and sunny.

From non-diver (that day) and TIC Jim:

All came to the house after for libations, pasta, and dessert. Very glad the Freitag-Wittstruck Family and Dennis and Judi could make it. A perfect weather day for sitting on the front porch to eat and socialize. Many thanks for dinner embellishments from Judi (salad) and Ron (Sausage & meatballs).

Let's do it again next year.

TIC: Jim Hynan

#### ST. CROIX IS CALLING YOU!

Here is the opportunity of your diving lifetime. OK, maybe that's a bit dramatic but you know you haven't been there or at least not recently and could use a good dive vacation next year. If this is you, then here is what you need to know about our next club trip.

Where: St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands

When: April 22-29, 2029 Resort: Cottages by the Sea

Dive Operator: Cane Bay Diver Shop

What's Included: 5 days of 2 tank boat dives

1 night dive off the Frederiksted cruise pier

Unlimited shore diving

7 nights at The Cottages by the Sea, Frederiksted, St. Croix

As Cottages by the Sea prices each room category they have available at different rates, the cost of the diver package and non-diver package varies. As of now I have only 2 rooms still available in the group I have reserved. Here are the choices.

- Chocolate with a diver price of \$1945.00 and non-diver price of \$1115.00.

- Cockle Shell with a diver price of \$1945.00 and non-dive price of \$1115.00.

Chocolate has 1 king bed and a kitchen area plus an ocean view.

Cockle Shell has a queen bed, a twin bed and a full kitchen with a property view.

You can review the resort and room categories at <a href="https://caribbeancottages.com/">https://caribbeancottages.com/</a>. If there is a different room you are interested in, I can check for availability and pricing. Also, if you are interested in a single, please contact me to discuss pricing.

Should you have any questions or like further information, please email me at <a href="rskiba13@comcast.net">rskiba13@comcast.net</a>.

Hope to see you in St. Croix.

Randy Skiba

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### MR ZELLE HAS JOINED THE TRITONS

Yes, you can now use the Zelle feature attached to your personal checking account to pay Triton dues or make payments for any events (assuming your bank is in the Zelle network, most are). It is fairly simple to activate in your account, if you do online banking. Go to the "transfer funds" option and follow the prompts to activate Zelle. Simply send payment to the e-mail address that is listed in your dues notice and your friendly Treasurer will pick it up. We choose not to publish that address here, as hackers are everywhere. If you would like to get that e-mail address outside of your dues billing, simply call or e-mail Jim Hynan.



## THANK YOU!

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

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#### UNDERWATER SAFARIS

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#### UNDERSEAS SCUBA CENTER

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

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#### F. J. KING SHIPWRECK FROM 1886 FOUND

After decades of scouring the bottom of Lk Michigan, searchers found the wreckage of ship that sank during a storm almost 140 years ago. Researcher Brendon Baillod found the wreck off Bailey's Harbor, a town on Wisconsin's Door Peninsula. The *F.J. King* was a 144 foot, three-masted cargo schooner built in 1867 in Toledo, OH to transport grain and iron ore. The ship is believed to have run into gale off the Door on September 15, 1886, while moving iron ore from Escanaba, MI to Chicago.



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# The Tritons

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, November 25, 2025 at 7:30 PM

# *IS IN PERSON!!*

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4520 W. Lake Avenue, Glenview, IL 60025
Located just east of the corner of Milwaukee Ave. and
Euclid/Lake on the north side of the street.