



# TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

## June, 2015

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 Weekend	Board of Education

## July, 2015

Sunday, 7/12	Milwaukee Dive – Willie!	Ron Levin <a href="mailto:snappyron@sbcglobal.net">snappyron@sbcglobal.net</a>
Tuesday, 7/14	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@gmail.com">promund@gmail.com</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	Ron Levin <a href="mailto:snappyron@sbcglobal.net">snappyron@sbcglobal.net</a>
Tuesday, 8/11	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@gmail.com">promund@gmail.com</a>
S&S, 8/15 & 16	Training Weekend	Board of Education
Sunday, 8/23	Concours Classic Car Show	Dave O'Malley 847 209-1738 and <a href="mailto:djo2362@msn.com">djo2362@msn.com</a>
Tuesday, 8/25	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

## September, 2015

Saturday, 9/5	Segway Tour	<b>Need TIC</b>
Tuesday, 9/8	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@gmail.com">promund@gmail.com</a>
Sunday, 9/13	Charter Milw or Chicago	<b>Need TIC</b>
Tuesday, 9/22	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
Sunday, 9/26	Oktoberfest	<b>Need TIC</b>

## October, 2015

Saturday, 10/3	Lake Geneva Dive	<b>Need TIC</b>
Sunday, 10/4	UW Pumpkin Carving	Hosted by Atlantis Divers & Illinois Council Scuba Clubs
Tuesday, 10/13	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@gmail.com">promund@gmail.com</a>
Saturday, 10/17	Terror Train	Sam Polonetsky
Saturday, 10/25	Brewery Tour	<b>Need TIC</b>
Tuesday, 10/27	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

\* Note: Date Change

## 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.

**9/5/15** Saturday - Segway Tour You Pick      **9/13/15** - Sunday Milwaukee or Chicago Dive You Pick  
**9/26/15** Sunday - Oktoberfest Your Choice of Where

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

**DIVE THE WILLY AND DREDGE**  
**SUNDAY, JULY 12TH**  
**1:00 PM AT JERRY'S DOCK IN MILWAUKEE**

THE "WILLIE" IS THE MOST POPULAR SHIPWRECK IN THE AREA. SHE IS LAYING ON HER STARBOARD SIDE AT A DEPTH OF 45 to 110FT. THIS STEEL CARGO SHIP IS 258FT LONG AND SANK IN 1954.

THE DREDGE #6 OR #906 IS ANOTHER POPULAR AND UNIQUE SHIPWRECK. SHE LIES AT A DEPTH OF 30 to 70FT. SHE IS 120FT LONG AND SANK IN 1956. SHE IS LAYING UPSIDE DOWN ON HER STRUCTURE AND YOU CAN SWIM EASILY BENEATH THE DECK.



I have booked A&J dive Charters out of Milwaukee. We have the 1:pm Afternoon dive for 6. This is a fast boat that accommodates 6 divers, leaving from the same dock as the Lender. I have chosen the Prinz Wilhelm and the Dredge, however this is flexible and open for discussion. Fee is \$85.00 per person BYO air tanks. Their website is [ajdivecharters.com](http://ajdivecharters.com), check it out there is information on all the shipwrecks in the Milwaukee area. Their boat, the Sarah Jane is a 35 ft. Owens Concorde. She was built in 1971 but don't let her age fool you, she has been re-powered with twin 454 Mercruiser engines and has a top speed of 35 MPH make her one of the fastest Scuba charter boats in the Milwaukee area. I will need a \$25.00 per person deposit to hold your spot.

TIC: Ron Levin [snappyron@sbcglobal.net](mailto:snappyron@sbcglobal.net)

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**MEMORIAL DAY BIKE RIDE**  
**SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2015**



Margy and Milt Levenberg would like to report on a very successful Memorial Day Sunday Bike Ride, Walk, and Eat, despite threatening rain, rain, and drizzle. Since it was raining lightly before everyone came, the tables for eating lunch were set up in the garage, and the donuts were under a canopy in the back yard. The rain backed off enough for the bikers and walkers to set out. Most didn't get too wet, and all had a good ride or walk. For the first time, the bikers accessed the Des Plaines River Trail from the Levenberg's house, and rode to Old School Forest Preserve, making a slightly shorter bike trip this year.

There were 33 participants who enjoyed the feast provided by all the Tritons, making the Eat portion of the event important, as always. Scott made the day with a wonderful

Tuxedo chocolate cake, and everyone pigged out on Key Lime Pie. Yum, yum. All agreed that the enormous selection of desserts was a highlight, and no one can say that the Tritons aren't winners in the eating category!

At the end of the day, the remaining guests were treated to underwater videos of the Cozumel dive trip, courtesy of Joan Chibe and her amazing GoPro camera.

TICs: Milt & Margy Levenberg

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# WHO – WHAT – WHERE – WHEN?? SATURDAY, AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup> DIVE

In an effort to put together the best possible Lake Michigan dive, I would like to collect some opinions and preferences for the August 8, 2015 event.

1. Location:

A. Milwaukee car ferry

B. The Wisconsin , both 110-120' dives.

C. The Straits of Makinac 70'  
are shallow

D. Wrecks down near Gary,IN. Most

2. Would Sunday the 9th work better than Saturday the 8th.

3. How many divers are interested, this determines the boat size and or speed.

4. Please email me as soon as possible: [snappyron@sbcglobal.net](mailto:snappyron@sbcglobal.net)

5. The sooner I hear back, the better arrangement can be made. I also understand that we may be able to dive the Straits of Mac out of Belmont Harbor rather than Burnham.

Optional my cell# 630-202-6252. I would like to put together the best possible program. Thanks in advance.

Ron Levin [snappyron@sbcglobal.net](mailto:snappyron@sbcglobal.net)

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# JIM HAIGH MEMORIAL DAY DIVE SUNDAY, JULY 19 HAIGH QUARRY, KANKAKEE, IL

Get together with your fellow divers, enjoy some diving fun for a very good cause. There will be bands, raffles, and more! The Illinois Council will be in attendance, come on out and dive, or just hang out and enjoy the topside festivities. You won't be disappointed. Remember no non-divers under the age of 12 and no pets please. For more information you can go to: <http://www.haighquarry.com/> for additional details.



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# CONCERT IN THE PARK

Even though the weather didn't seem to promising six of us headed to Harmony Park in Arlington Heights Thursday evening, June 11, to listen to the Reunion Jazz Orchestra. It being a Triton event everyone brought something to share and we had more than enough food – chips, salsa, guacamole, crackers, cheeses, bread, strawberries, wine and more. The music was wonderful but was cut short by about 20 minutes due to the impending storm headed out way.

Thanks for coming out, it was a fantastic evening.

TIC: Pam Romund

## YOUNG SEA TURTLES ACTIVELY SWIM SOONER THAN THOUGHT



A green sea turtle comes up for air on Davis Reef in the Florida Keys

On a recent scuba dive, I saw a beautiful young green sea turtle slowly drifting towards the sky to get a breath of air — great photo opportunity.

The image came out nicely, and I didn't think much more about the turtle until I saw an April 9 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration press release entitled, "Ocean myth busted: 'Toddler' sea turtles are very active swimmers."

After hatching and scrambling to the water's edge, young sea turtles swim offshore and disperse, rarely observed during the next two to 10 years. Where exactly turtles travel in their first years of life, before returning to coastal areas as adults to forage and reproduce, has puzzled scientists for decades.

Studies suggested that the young turtles live among mats of seaweed, which provided shelter and habitat, while the turtles drift with the ocean currents.

The NOAA release summarizes a recent study, published in the journal *Current Biology* by Dr. Nathan Putman, sea turtle biologist with NOAA's Southeast Fisheries Science Center in Miami, and Dr. Kate Mansfield, director of the University of Central Florida's Marine Turtle Research Group.

The findings provide an important new clue in the sea turtle "lost years" mystery. Turns out that even at 6-18 months of age, sea turtles are active swimmers and don't just passively drift in ocean currents.

New technology helped solve the puzzle. Researchers now are able to track turtles with solar-powered tracking devices. This enabled the researchers to follow turtles and obtain the unexpected results.

After a long difficult task of collecting the sample turtles, the biologists placed specially designed solar-powered tags on 24 green and 20 Kemp's ridley sea turtles in the Gulf of Mexico.

The biologists also deployed small, carefully-weighted/passively-drifting surface buoys near the turtles.

The turtles and surface buoys were tracked by satellite.

After a few weeks, when the “drifter” tracks were compared to the sea turtles’ movements, the biologists discovered the turtles’ paths differed as much as 125 miles from those of the buoys.

In nearly every instance, the juvenile turtles swimming helped them reach or remain in favorable ocean habitats.

The researchers calculated the turtles’ swimming speed and found that the turtles had great determination to reach the directions they choose for themselves.

“We wanted to see the divergence you’d expect based purely on ocean circulation processes, compared to the difference you’d see based on that plus swimming behavior,” said Putman.

“The biggest surprise was, when you look at the tracks, they go completely different places. Drifters and turtles diverge quickly and have very different movement properties.”

“The green turtles, for instance, were really set on going east a lot of the time. And, the Kemp’s ridley turtles, over large portions of the tracked area, were very convinced that they should be swimming north.”

“All species of sea turtles are endangered or threatened under the Endangered Species Act; knowing their distribution is an essential part of protecting them. With a better understanding of swimming behavior in these yearlings we can make better predictions about where they go and what risks they might encounter,” added Putman.

“The results of our study have huge implications for better understanding early sea turtle survival and behavior, which may ultimately lead to new and innovative ways to further protect these imperiled animals,” said Mansfield.

Back to our friend the green sea turtle, named after the green color of the fat found beneath its shell, which spends much of its 80-year lifespan in the tropical and subtropical waters of the world’s oceans.

Green sea turtles can grow up to 5 feet in length and weigh almost 700 pounds.

Nesting sites can be found along the coast of Florida.

Adult Green sea turtles are strictly herbivores (an animal that eats plants), primarily feeding off sea grasses, seaweeds, algae and other forms of marine plant life. Juveniles eat a more varied diet including aquatic insects, worms, small crabs, jelly fish and grasses.

Scientists believe that rising sea levels from climate may submerge many of the beaches on which the green sea turtle relies.

Another potential problem is that temperature helps determine the gender of incubating eggs with higher temperatures shifting the balance toward female turtles — upsetting the gender balance.

Kemp’s ridleys primarily can be found in the Gulf of Mexico, but also as far north as Nova Scotia. They are among the smallest sea turtles, reaching only about 2 feet shell length and weighing up to 100 pounds.

The Kemp’s ridley turtle is the world’s most endangered sea turtle, with a worldwide female nesting population roughly estimated at just 1,000 turtles.

They prefer shallow waters, where they feed on crabs, their favorite food, and other shellfish. They also eat jellyfish, and occasionally munch on seaweed and sargassum.

Biologists believe Kemp’s ridley turtles may live to be 50 years old.

For more see: <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/species/turtles/> or  
<http://biology.cos.ucf.edu/marineturtlesearchgroup>

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Received this from Randy Skiba, if you looking for something to do this weekend!

## **CHICAGO HUNGER WALK – SATURDAY, JUNE 20TH**

The last couple of years we have assisted with the New Hope Community Pantry by collecting food during their Spring and Fall Food Drives. If any Tritons are doing this Hunger Walk on **6/20/15** and would like to support a group, they can use code **A01036** for the New Hope Community Food Pantry. Thanks to any that do it. If anyone would like further information, they can email John at the email shown below, likewise if you need directions or more information. John Beton [johnbeton@sbcglobal.net](mailto:johnbeton@sbcglobal.net)

## 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.

### **BELOW H20**

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

### **BERRY DIVE CENTER**

3402 N. Milwaukee  
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### **CHICAGOLAND SCUBA**

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

### **DD DIVE SHOP**

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

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

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

### **ENTERPRISE MARINE**

420 Michael Court  
Des Plaines, IL 60016  
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### **HAIGH QUARRY**

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

### **PEARL LAKE RESORT**

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

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

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

### **SCUBA EMPORIUM**

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

### **TOUCAN DIVE CENTER**

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

### **UNDERSEAS SCUBA CENTER**

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

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## **CHICAGO ARCHITECTURE RIVER TOUR** **SATURDAY, JUNE 13TH**

Six of us headed downtown to Michigan and Wacker for the Chicago's First Lady Cruise to check on the latest points of interest erected along the River. We last did this probably 10 or 12 years ago and there has been a big change, many new buildings, the new River Walk (south bank of the river) and more. The tour is run by the Chicago Architecture Foundation and the docents on board are very knowledgeable not only about the buildings but the history of the area. It only rained on us briefly, just enough to get the umbrellas we all had a bit damp.

After the cruise we headed over to the Emerald Pub (just south of Wacker on Wabash). Many in the group had eaten there after the PEDWAY tour and recommended it. It was an excellent choice, many fine Irish specialities, American classics and other great selections. Most of us took a doggie bag home for snacking later.

This was a great way to spend a Saturday - learn a bit more about the city and hang out with friends, what could be better

TIC: Chris Demski



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**See you Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at 7:30 PM**

**This will be our annual OPEN HOUSE, bring a friend!**

### ***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