



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Fellow Tritons;

The Board of Education just completed the fall session of Open Water Classes held at Wheeling High School. There will be another session in January or February, if you know of anyone interested in learning to dive let them know.

Come to the October Meeting and you will be able to enjoy some luscious treats provided by Lea Hotton and Angi McKeon. Cupcakes, brownies, candies – what will it be, maybe all three?

The Events Committee has put together the 2016 Events Calendar. Look it over and pick an event to run. Haven't done it before, not a problem, the committee can provide you with all the information you will need.

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Your Board of Directors have the plans set for the Holiday Party. Reserve the date of Saturday, December 5th. We will have all the details at the October meeting.

Mike Leibovitz, President
WA9EVF@comcast.net
773-465-0981

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT October, 2015

Our current membership stand at:

66 full members 0 Associates
Total Membership 66

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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CONDOLENCES

I am saddened to report the passing of Renee Tobias' Mother on Tuesday, October 20th. If you could please send her a card or note to:

Renee Tobias
400 Popular Drive
Wheeling, IL 60090

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2015 TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

October, 2015

Saturday, 10/24	Brewery Tour	Leticia Huerta l.siguenza@comcast.net
Tuesday, 10/27	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

November, 2015

Saturday, 11/7	Community Service	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 11/10	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Sunday, 11/15	Shedd Aquarium Outing	Mary Van Houten vanhouten.mary@gmail.com
Tuesday, 11/24	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

December, 2015

Saturday, 12/5	Holiday Party	Board of Directors
Saturday, 12/12	Community Service GCFD Repack Food	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Sunday, 12/13	Zoo Lights	Chris Demski
Thursday, 12/31	New Year's Eve Bowling	Dave O'Malley

2016 TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

January, 2016

Saturday, 1/12	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Sunday, 1/17	Community Service Sandwich Making	Margo Miller margommiller@sprynet.com
Tuesday, 1/26	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
Saturday, 1/30	Pizza Get Together	TIC NEEDED

February, 2016

Tuesday, 2/9	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 2/20	Wolves Hockey	Adolph Habich
Tuesday, 2/23	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
F,S,Sn 2/26-28	Our World Underwater Dive Show	Stephens Convention Center, Tickets: www.ourworldunderwater.com
Saturday, 2/27	OWU Dinner	TIC NEEDED

March, 2016

Saturday, 3/5	Penrose Brewery Tour Geneva, IL	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Tuesday, 3/8	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 3/19	Chicago History Museum	TIC NEEDED
Tuesday, 2/23	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

2016 TICS

Have a new Event? Join in the fun, we have drafted a calendar for 2016. See what you might like to run.
Contact Pam Romund promund@gmail.com, thanks!

REPORT FROM LAKE GENEVA DIVE

On a blustery October 3rd six hearty Tritons and one guest (Dorothy, recruited by Steve, and hopefully a future Triton) dove the north shore of beautiful Lake Geneva. The northeast wind made the north shore the best dive site. I am told the diving was quite good (the old TIC remains unable to dive). We were joined on the good ship Divers Delight by 4 other divers from Ralph Ripple's dive club. Glad to have them. All Tritons but one came to the house after and huddled over pasta, dessert, and drinks. I think that's always the favorite part of the event for me. There isn't a more relaxing charter dive on the calendar, so let's do it up again big next year. I promise warmer weather in 2016. A big thanks to Ron Levin for promoting the dive and taking signups at the meetings I was unable to attend.

TIC: Jim Hynan

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SHEDD AQUARIUM VISIT

We will be visiting the **Shedd Aquarium** on **Sunday, November 15th**. Time and type of pass to be determined. We need at least 15 people for the group prices. If we don't qualify for the group price, see the normal price in parentheses.

Total Experience Pass \$26 (\$37.95)

The Total Experience Pass includes access to all of Shedd's exhibits and experiences, including:

- [Amazon Rising](#)
- [Wild Reef](#)
- [Waters of the World](#)
- [At Home on the Great Lakes](#)
- [Polar Play Zone](#)
- [The aquatic show](#)
- [A 4-D movie experience](#)
- [Amphibians special exhibit](#)
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Group Plus Pass \$24 (\$35.95)

The Group Plus Pass includes all of the above except the 4-D movie experience.

So far, there are 7 of us signed up. Lea, Pam, Jan, Joan, Leticia plus guest, and me! I hope some more of you can join us. You know it will be fun and educational and of course we will eat after.

TIC: Mary Vanhouten vanhouten.mary@gmail.com

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COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENT FOOD REPACK - GREATER CHICAGO FOOD DEPOSITORY

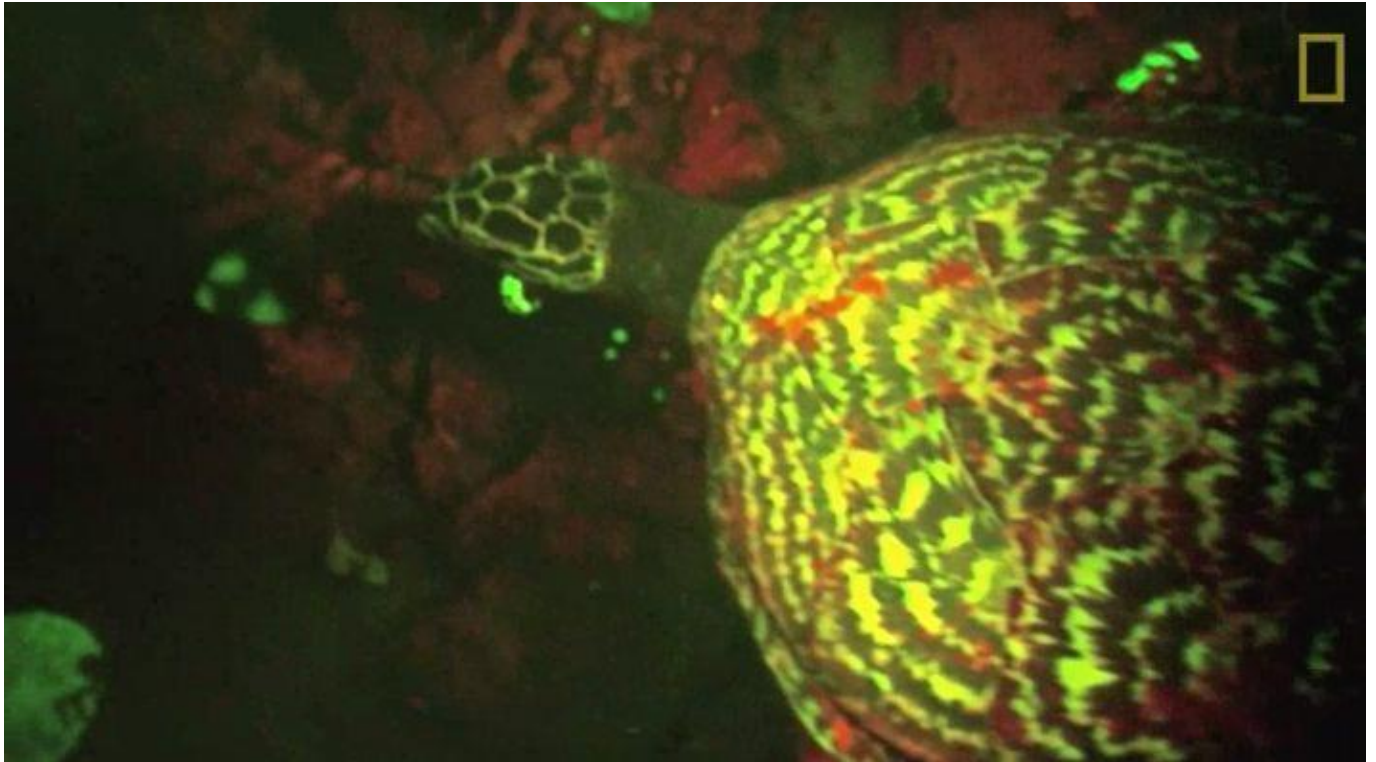
It has been couple of years since we have been at the Food Depository so it is time for a return visit. On **Saturday, December 12th** from **1:00 pm to 3:45 pm**, we will head on down to 45th and Pulaski to repack food. What will it be: shoveling cereal or pasta, packaging emergency boxes, personal items? The possibilities are endless and we have experience in all of these and more. Space is limited so if you are interested please let me know quickly. We will be heading out to eat afterward. Please bring some non-perishable items with you so that we can add to their inventory. Thanks!

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

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Many thanks to Pete Kloga for sending this to our attention. For full story and video go to:
<http://www.grindtv.com/wildlife/glowing-sea-turtle-is-first-biofluorescent-reptile-ever-recorded/#sFrpcA0ereSgDvPd.97>

'GLOWING' SEA TURTLE IS FIRST BIOFLUORESCENT REPTILE EVER RECORDED



A glowing hawksbill sea turtle surprised researchers, who weren't expecting biofluorescence in a marine reptile. Marine biologists made a shocking discovery while filming biofluorescence in small sharks and coral reefs around the Solomon Islands recently. Out of nowhere, a "glowing" sea turtle came swimming by. The critically endangered hawksbill sea turtle, glowing in neon green and red, is the first reptile scientists have seen exhibiting biofluorescence, [National Geographic reported Monday](#). David Gruber of the City University of New York and his team made the discovery in late July, saying it looked like a big alien spaceship gliding into view. Details and video of the sea turtle were released for the first time Monday:

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PAVING PARADISE IN GRAND CAYMAN

The Caymanian government has confirmed plans to build a massive cruise ship dock in Grand Cayman's Georgetown harbor, which environmentalists claim will have a devastating impact on the island's reefs. The reason for the dock, besides getting more ships, is so passengers don't have to deal with the five-minute tender transfer across the harbor. But per an environmental impact report released in June, the dredging process will destroy 15 acres of coral reef and likely harm another 20 acres, home to two critically endangered coral species and four threatened ones. "It is a sad day for the country," Keith Sahm, a leader of the Save Cayman anti-port campaign told Yahoo News. "Once they do this, there is no turning back." To see how you can help their efforts, go to www.facebook.com/SaveCayman?fref=ts)

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THE "SHOCKING" WAY TO CURE SEASICKNESS

Scientists at Imperial College in London believe that The "Shocking" Way to Cure Seasickness. being given a mild electric shock to the scalp before you get on a boat will prevent nausea. They're developing a gadget that will plug into a smartphone and deliver a short shock to the head via electrodes. The mild electrical current dampens activity in the part of the brain that processes motion signals, reducing the impact of confusing inputs received, and preventing symptoms of motion sickness. Study leader Qadeer Arshad told the Daily Mail, "We are confident that within five to 10 years, people will be able to walk into a drugstore and buy an anti-seasickness device." activity in the part of the brain that processes motion signals, reducing the impact of confusing inputs received, and preventing symptoms of motion sickness. Study leader Qadeer Arshad told the Daily Mail, "We are confident that within five to 10 years, people will be able to walk drugstore and buy an anti-seasickness device."

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TOYS FOR TOTS

Remember to bring your unwrapped **Toys for Tots to the Presidents' Night dinner Saturday, October 24th**. They cannot accept stuffed animals, toy guns or knives. Sports equipment and board games are need for the tweens and teenagers. If you are giving a gift that uses batteries please supply plenty along with the gift. These children are from underprivileged homes and money for batteries is not easy to come by.

The mission of U.S. Marines Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is to collect new, unwrapped toys during October, November and December each year, and distribute those toys as holiday gifts to needy children in the community. The primary objective is to deliver a message of hope to needy youngsters and to unite all members of local communities in a common cause; and to contribute to better communities in the future.

Not able to attend Presidents' Night, bring with you to the Triton Holiday Party, December 5th.

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WHERE ARE THE TRAINED SHARKS?

Outside magazine reports that a tourist in Yellowstone National Park recently filled out a comment sheet to complain that, "Our visit was wonderful, but we never saw any bears. Please train your bears to be where guests can see them. This was an expensive trip to not get to see bears." At least divers don't make the same request about sharks (we hope).

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The following is a recap of several Tritons and a friend's journey to Dominica, a beautiful volcanic island in the Caribbean, located near Martinique and Guadeloupe. Tropical Storm Erika hit Dominica hard late in August – 31 people died and 20 were reported missing. As one would expect there was quite a bit of damage, the airport only reopened 10 days before we were due to arrive. There were roads and bridges also washed away – the guardrails were gone with yellow police tape draped where they used to be. I don't think this would stop a bike much less a car, truck or bus.

DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY UNDERWEAR I CAN BORROW?

Dominica has been nicknamed the "Nature Isle of the Caribbean" for its unspoiled natural beauty. The island is volcanic and full of waterfalls, mountains and breathtaking scenery. The population of the island is just above 72,000 with the main industries, agriculture, financial services and soap (P&G has a large plant there). Dominica's terrain makes it an attractive eco-tourism destination.

We flew from Chicago to San Juan and after a bit of a layover we boarded a turboprop for the final leg of our journey to the island. We arrived just as the sun was setting. After going through Immigration we went to pick up our bags to go through Customs but no baggage – nada, none, zero – not one of us had any luggage show up. We had to complete some paperwork, and were assured they would locate our bags and get them to us as quickly as possible.

After all the paperwork was completed it was now dark as we began our journey to the hotel. We traveled from one end of the island (northeast corner where the airfield lies) to the southwest end to the capital of Roseau. It was up, over and around the mountains. We could see in the headlights some of the devastation, portions of roads washed away, bridges, homes and mudslides still on some of the road surfaces. A normal 45 minute journey took an hour and a half. We were all exhausted (most had been up since 3:30/4:00) and the Fort Young Hotel had some beverages (rum punch and bien vien) and a snack for us. It is actually an old fort turned into a hotel. We were given a short briefing and the key to our rooms on cute wooden cannon key chain. Whatever we needed they would help us get and the dive shop – Buddy's Dive (first location outside of Bonaire) sent a message that we could use their rental gear at no cost until our gear arrived.

It didn't long for everyone to drop off their carry-ons and gather in the hotel restaurant for dinner. The very next morning (Sunday) we all met again in the restaurant for the breakfast buffet, still in our same clothes. We all made jokes about our situation and were making the best of it. We then headed down to the dive shop and completed our paperwork. Most of us purchased a t-shirt (a clean shirt felt great!) Several of the group decided to dive and some decided to sit this one out and wait for their gear. Those diving reported on a good time, warm water (86 or 88, depending on whose instruments was being read) and wonderful sights to see – the reefs were healthy and lots of fish life.

We were all anxiously awaiting our luggage to arrive on Sunday evening but all our hopes were dashed, not one bag showed up on the daily flight to Dominica. We all were washing out the clothing we had and drying them on the porch attached to our rooms. We all vowed to pack our carry-ons differently for our next adventure (extra underwear, shorts and t-shirt to be included). We had dinner again dining using our very limited wardrobe. We were making jokes - talking about going commando, asking to borrow underwear and more.

Monday came and we all showed up in our same clothing (day three for most, some had their new T-shirts on). Most made the decision to go ahead and dive. All the rental gear was new. Neils, the manager went out of his way to make sure we got everything we needed. The boat had just come St. Maarten on Friday, their original boat was totaled once it broke from the mooring during the Tropical Storm. Every day we dove they made improvements to the boat. They were trying to get things back to normal for us.

Monday evening we had all gathered in the hotel bar to decide where to go eat when the manager came over to tell us luggage had arrived on today's flight – a cheer went up. It would take some time for them to get it from the airport to the hotel but it should be there when we returned from dinner. We were so happy to see clean shirts, shorts and underwear!!

Dominica is a great destination diving is good, lots of hiking, rappelling and the people were very welcoming. Just make sure to pack your carry-on with a complete change of clothes!

Pam Romund, Your Roving Reporter

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

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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IMPORTANT!!! PLEASE READ!

Due to circumstances beyond our control, we need to change restaurants for the Illinois Council **Presidents' Night this Saturday, October 24.** We were informed by phone yesterday (10/19) that Klas Restaurant has suddenly closed due to financial difficulties with the village of Cicero. We are frantically trying to find an alternate location.

We will be relocating to one of our old venues,

Sawa's Old Warsaw Restaurant
9200 W Cermak Rd,
Broadview, IL 60153
(708) 343-9040

Sawa's is located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Cermak and 17th avenue, a few blocks north of the Eisenhower expressway.



The Tritons

FOUNDED IN 1957

P. O. Box 1025
Des Plaines, IL 60017
October, 2015

Triton DIVE LINE: 847-394-0975

www. The Tritons.com

DAN Sponsor -# 29362

The Tritons

See you Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 7:30 PM
There will be goodies provided by Lea Hotton and Angi Mckeon.

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