



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From the presidents Computer...

It's a busy month March. The trip to Curacao is coming up on the 18th. Elections for half of your board be on the 28th. If you cannot attend please send in your Proxy, Even better... run for office. Instructions are in this Trib.

Our World Underwater has come and gone. I attended two instructor updates while at OWU, one for PADI and one for DAN. PADI is pushing eLearning very hard and DAN has adopted eLearning as the only way to do classroom teaching. Don't get too excited, there is still the practical hands on training that has to be done in the classroom.

We are planning on doing the DEMP (Dive Emergency Management Provider) class sometime in the spring. This is the class that combines BLS (Basic Life Support) that is the covers the same material as

Emergency First Responder, O2 Provider, Onsite Neurological Assessment, and Hazardous Marine Life First Aid. Good news is you don't have to buy books. Better news you don't have to pay for the online portion. You download all the material from the internet, including the knowledge review tools. The videos are included in the course material. When you are done we meet and the Practical portion, CPR-AED, O2 Provision, First Aid and Neurological assessments. You can get a jump on this right away, just send me your email address and I can send you an invite with the information. If you just want the CPR/AED.

It's a busy month March. The trip to Curacao is coming up on the 18th. Elections for half of your board will I can sign you up for just that portion. CPR/AED cost \$25, DEMP \$50.

I hope to see you at the elections.

Mike Leibovitz, President

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

March, 2017

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:

61 full members 1 Associate Total Membership 62

Adolph Habich - Membership Committee.

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UPDATE YOUR ROSTERS

David Gross 9001 W. Golf Road Des Plaines, IL 60016
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President – Mike Leibovitz

Vice-President – Ron Levin

Secretary – Joan Chibe

Treasurer – Lea Hotton

First Director – Scott Reimer

Second Director – Brian Clarke

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 – Margy Levenberg

Publicity/Web Site – Adolph Habich
/ Milt Levenberg

Director of Training – Rich Schak

Editor of the Trib – Pam Romund

Illinois Council Delegates – Chuck
& Margy Miller

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2017 TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

March, 2017

Sat-Sat 3/18-25	Curacao Dive Trip	Randy Skiba r_skiba@comcast.net
Tuesday, 3/28	Business Meeting General Elections	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

April, 2017

Saturday, 4/8	Sixtieth Anniversary Party	Ed Littel ee2littel@sbcglobal.net
Tuesday, 4/11	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 4/22	Brewery Tour	Mary Van Houten vanhouten.mary@gmail.com
Tuesday, 4/25	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
Saturday, 4/29	Chamber Dive	Scott Reimer 847-561-2272 streimer1@comcast.net

May, 2017

Saturday, 5/6	Cinco de Mayo	Rosana Vemmer RVMexicana@hotmail.com
Saturday, 5/20	Ballpark Tour	TIC NEEDED
Tuesday, 5/23	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016
Sunday, 5/28	Bike Ride, Walk & Eat	Milt & Margy Levenberg 847-680-1223 (Margy home) 847-858-1271 (Milt cell phone)

June, 2017

Saturday, 6/3	Dive Season Opener	TIC NEEDED
Sunday, 6/11	Volo Car Museum & Antique Mall	TIC NEEDED
Tuesday, 6/13	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 6/17	Gold Coast Art Fair	TIC NEEDED
Sunday, 6/25	San Filippo Estate Tour	TIC NEEDED
Tuesday, 6/27	Business Meeting OPEN HOUSE	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

July, 2017

Sat-Tue, 7/1-4	Dive Trip - TIC Choice	TIC NEEDED
Sat, 7/8	Chicago Neighborhood Tour by Bus	TIC NEEDED
Wed, 7/12	Mid Week Dive	TIC NEEDED
Sun, 7/16	Milwaukee Charter Dive Willy Plaque Reinstall	Steve Leibovitz
Sat, 7/22	Navy Pier Ferris Wheel Ride and Tour	TIC NEEDED
Tue, 7/25	Business Meeting	Giuseppe's Restaurant - 7:30 PM 1062 Lee St, Des Plaines, Illinois, 60016

Sign up now for the event of your choice. Contact Pam Romund promund@gmail.com ,thanks!

ELECTION SLATE

General Elections will be conducted at the March business meeting. We are pleased to present the slate:

Vice President: Scott Reimer
Treasurer: Lea Hotton
Director: Leticia Huerta Ed Littel

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 Joan Chibe joanchibe@comcast.net.

Respectfully submitted,
Triton Nominating Committee for 2017
Margy Levenberg (Chair), Joan Chibe, Harriette Leibovitz

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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 28.

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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NEW WWW.THETRITONS.COM WEBSITE

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.

HYPERBARIC CHAMBER DIVE "DIVE DRY" GIVEN BY OUR FAVORITE HYPERBARIC TECHNICIAN: DAN MAZZONLINI JR., RRT-ACCS



Where: Advocate Lutheran General Hospital
775 Dempster St, Park Ridge, IL 60068
When: Saturday April 29, 2017, 9:00am to 11:30am
Cost: Is still only \$20!

Get Educated and Saturated!!!

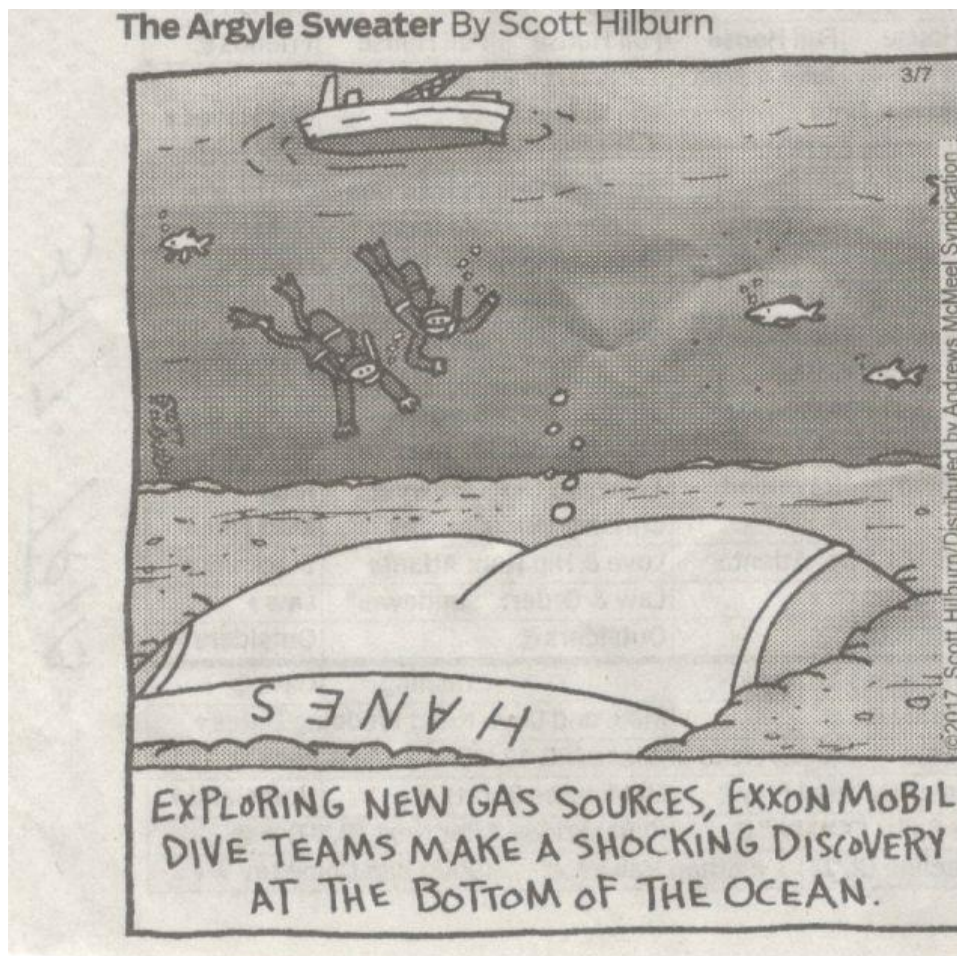
Dry Dive limited to a maximum of 13 divers. Must be a certified diver and you must bring your C-card. The chamber will be pressurized to an equivalent maximum depth of 130 ft. We will plan to go out and eat afterwards. If you have not been on one of these, please consider coming, you can safely experience narcosis and get to talk funny too!



We will meet at 9am in room 1064. Take the B elevators to the 10th floor.
TIC: Scott Reimer, Email: streimer1@comcast.net, Mobile: 847-561-2272

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TRITON ANNIVERSARY PARTY
Celebrating 60 Years!
Continental Restaurant
755 Buffalo Grove Rd.
Buffalo Grove, Illinois 60089
847-459-4095

Our annual Anniversary Party will be held this year on **Saturday, April 8th**. We will be thanking the outgoing Board of Directors and welcoming the new Board. We will also award the Dive and Social Events of the Year as well as recognizing our Triton of the Year. Please join us for a fun evening.

Time: 6:00pm till 10:00pm

Appetizers: BBQ Meat Balls, Egg Rolls, Chimichangas Rolls

Salad: House Salad, Dressings served at table, Ranch, Thousand Island, Italian

Soup: Minestrone

Entrees: Roast Prime Rib, Broiled Salmon, Chicken Picatta
Mixed Vegetables , Asparagus and Carrots , Baked Potatoes

Desserts: Cheesecake

Beverages: Coffee, Soft Drinks {Coke Products} Hot & Iced Teas

All above is all yours for just **\$39.00**. This includes the Tax and Gratuity!

Bar Drinks: Beer, \$ 2.00 Bottle , Wine, \$4.00 per glass , Mixed Drinks, \$6.00.

Try to match these prices anyplace else.

Please bring your money to the February meeting.

Also bring your treasured gifts you no longer treasure for our famous "RAFFLE"

TIC: Ed Littel ee2littel@sbcglobal.net

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Submitted by Diana Skiba, reprinted from the Word Wildlife Fund Magazine, Spring, 2017.

CAN LED LIGHTS SAVE TURTLES?

Hundreds of thousands of sea turtles are accidentally killed by fishing gear—caught on dangling hooks or entangled in nets—every year. To reduce that risk, some experts have proposed modifying the design of fishing gear. But what if you could simply change the way turtles perceive it?

That was the question behind an illumination device developed by John Wang, an ecologist for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

He submitted the idea to the WWF International Smart Gear Competition, a challenge designed to identify innovative ideas for reducing bycatch in fisheries, in 2011.

“Turtles can see certain light wavelengths that a lot of fish species can’t,” says Mike Osmond, a senior program officer on WWF’s Oceans team. “Wang’s theory was that if you used a light with the right wavelength, you could help turtles see and avoid the nets while still catching fish.”

The device, which won a runner-up prize, started out using a glow stick. Through funding from WWF, Wang then switched to LED lights, testing the effects of various light colors at field sites in Mexico and Indonesia. Eventually he settled on green and ultraviolet.

The test results showed an up to 60% reduction in turtle bycatch—and at the Indonesian site, a 20% boost in the target catch for participating fishers. WWF and NOAA are now working with a small company to develop a better case for the light, and exploring the potential of testing it in the Philippines and Indonesia, key feeding sites for endangered leatherback turtles.

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The following articles on this page are reprinted from Undercurrent On-Line, March, 2017.

CHECKING THE INTERNET WHILE DIVING

If you’re sick of seeing people with their attention fixed on their phones, it could get worse! The Alltab underwater tablet is said to be fully operational underwater, and when connected to the outside world using Allhub, it’s possible to get Internet and GPS connection even while scuba diving. It’s said to bring data collection and underwater navigation into the 21st Century! That’s the promise made by the Finnish manufacturer Alleco, with sales to professional and military customers (including diving instructors) expected through Aqua Lung International. It features a maximum operating depth between 290 ft (90m) and 485 ft (150m) according to the specific model and includes an 8-inch Samsung Galaxy Tab S2. For underwater photography, they recommend the use of an external action camera that can be connected wirelessly underwater if placed close to the tablet. No price has yet been fixed, but by going to <http://allecoproducts.fi/buy> you can request a quote. It’s bound to be expensive. On the other hand, some of us might have taken up diving for some therapeutic peace and quiet!

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EXUMA’S FAMOUS SWIMMING PIGS POISONED

Being given the wrong food — maybe rum — by clueless tourists has possibly poisoned a third of the 21 pigs familiar to divers to the Exuma Cays in the Bahamas. The government has outlawed feeding of the surviving pigs on Big Major Cay, and will implement that law as soon as it is practical, they say.

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AN ILLEGAL REEF IN THE GULF OF MEXICO

Fishermen at an illegal man-made reef about 10 miles off Bonita Beach, said they have been fishing it for years, but no one knows who dumped the mound of concrete. It’s sitting in about 40 feet (12m) of water and rises to 20 feet (6m) from the surface. In early February, a dozen divers helped retrieve a huge shrimping net worth \$20,000 from the “reef,” noting that turtles will be arriving for mating season soon.

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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
Northbrook, IL
847-358-3848

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

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

SCUBA SENSATIONS

2475 W. Pratt Blvd
Chicago, IL 60645
312-404-7785

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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GOLIATH GROUPERS AT RISK

Off limits since 1990, as early as next year Florida might allow anglers to start catching Goliath groupers. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission is studying how a limited harvest of the species might work. Some divers and fishermen say the mammoth fish is hogging prized crabs, lobsters and fish, sometimes snatching catches right off fishing lines. Ecologists counter that Goliath grouper still face way too many threats to allow killing them. And they shouldn't be eaten; even a medium-sized specimen would have excessive mercury levels.

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WET DINING AND FLAT CHAMPAGNE?

Brussels' Nemo33 is a pool designed for training scuba divers and as such is 33m (107 feet) deep. Now, if you dive 16 feet (5m) below the surface, you'll find a 2m-wide (6.5 feet) sphere, which serves as a restaurant. For US\$106 per person, you may enjoy foie gras, lobster salad, and champagne, delivered in waterproof containers by scuba diving waiters. You'll need to don your scuba gear to swim down before surfacing inside the sphere, and we suspect the champagne will taste a little flat served at one-and-a half times normal air pressure.



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See you Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 7:30 PM

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