



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Tritons,

Fall is here, even if it doesn't feel like it yet. Hope everyone had good summers!

Winner of last month's election to fill the remaining term of Director Letcia Heurta was won by Milt Levenberg.. Many thanks to Adolph Habich and Joe Leibovitz who also agreed to run for the position.

Though it is meteorological fall already, there are still three Triton dives left this year. The Lake Geneva Dive on Saturday, 10-6-2018, The Warm Water Trip from 10-13 to 10-20, and finally the Chamber dive on Sunday, 11-18.

Something very special has happened.

One of our long time members, Lorraine Colwell, remembered the Triton Scuba Club with a cash bequest in her will. This gift has now been dispersed to the Tritons by Lorraine's executor. In our most recent Board of

Directors meeting, the Board members thought that the first use of some of this gift should be something for all our current active members.

So, the Board has decided to use part of the monies received to give our members a reduction of their 2019 membership dues. The Board authorizes a onetime reduction of membership fees by 50% for all members who are active as of 9/30/2018. The 2019 dues notice you will be receiving from Adolph Habich will be the amount of your current dues, reflecting the discount. If you have any questions regarding this gift, please contact one of the Board members. Many thanks to Lorraine!

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

Scott Reimer, President
streimer1@comcast.net

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

September, 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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.BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President – Scott Reimer

Vice-President – Randy Skiba

Secretary – Joan Chibe

Treasurer – Lea Hotton

First Director Milt Levenberg

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

Web Site – Milt Levenberg

Director of Training – Rich Schak

Editor of the Trib – Pam Romund

Illinois Council Delegates – Chuck
& Margo Miller

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2018 TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

September, 2018

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 2019 is included with this newsletter.. We review this at the September meeting, Many thanks to Joan Chibe, Adolph Habich, Harriette Leibovitz, Steve Leibovitz, and Scott Reimer for their help.

Pam Romund promund@gmail.com

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 **UPDATE YOUR ROSTERS**

Be sure to keep us informed of any change in e-mail, phone or address. Thanks!

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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 (suggested \$10). Meet at 11:00 at the front gate, parking on Rose Street just to the east of the cemetery.. We will head for lunch once the tour is complete.

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

**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: Sunday November 18, 2018, 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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**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.

Sign up at September meeting, we'd love to have ya join us. There are 8 signups so far, assuming these 8 pay we have room for 2 or 3 more.

Jim Hynan 847-559-9014 jhynan74@gmail.

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The following article is reprinted from Undercurrent On-Line, September, 2018t
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DOLPHIN MURDERS ON THE RISE

Frustrated fishermen have been taking it out on dolphins that approach their boats to snatch catches . In a disturbing trend, another dead dolphin has been found on a Mississippi beach, with a bullet through its blowhole . In an added blow, the necropsy revealed she had been pregnant with a full-term calf, which also died . From Florida to Texas, 21 dolphins have been found dead with gunshot wounds since 2002, according to data from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN

Centuries after Blackbeard's cannons fell silent and the Jolly Roger flag was driven out of the rum ports, the southern Caribbean is confronting a not-so-romantic resurgence of pirates. This is due mainly to the economic hardships in Venezuela these days.

The nonprofit Oceans Beyond Piracy studied the incidents recorded by a Trinidad and Tobago Coast Guard vessel between Trinidad and Venezuela's northeast coast, and noted 71 major incidents during 2017, including hijacking and robbery of merchant vessels and private yachts. The pirates simply wait for the Coast Guard vessel to vanish over the horizon before acting.

In April, masked men boarded four fishing boats from neighboring Guyana and murdered 15 of the 20-man crew. A Trinidad fisherman was held hostage by Spanish-speaking pirates, who contacted his brother to pay \$500 ransom. There have been piracy reports over the past 18 months off the coasts of Honduras, Haiti and St. Lucia. In Venezuela, the country's Coast Guard officers have boarded anchored vessels and demanded money and food.

So far, divers should have no concern because they rarely frequent areas where pirates have been active -- though Venezuela's Los Roques is a good diving destination -- but it's something we'll keep an eye on for you. However, it does seem as if the waters around Venezuela are becoming as risky as those around Somalia.

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IS YOUR MOUTHPIECE CAUSING YOU PAIN?

Do you get pain in the jaw joint or ears after a long dive? Do you suffer clicking or grinding noises in the jaw joint, or sometimes suffer difficulty opening or closing your mouth? Do you suffer discomfort while chewing, or sometimes find difficulty in clearing your ears? If you yawn carelessly, can you find that your jaw gets stuck? Worse still, do any of those symptoms combine with a feeling of nausea or dizziness?

The temporomandibular joint (TMJ), or jaw joint, is a hinged and gliding joint, and is the most constantly used joint in the body. Positioned as it is forward of the ear, you can feel it by putting a finger against it and moving your jaw up and down or side to side

Temporomandibular dysfunction (TMD) is not specifically associated with diving, but some scientific studies have shown that the prevalence is likely to be exacerbated by use of a traditional scuba mouthpiece for long periods, and that women are more likely to suffer with TMD than men. The harder you grip the regulator mouthpiece with your teeth, the more likely you are to encounter problems, because the jaw is open and pushed forward, and a twisting intermediate hose can add further grief. Do you find that you chew your way through regulator mouthpieces?

So, what's a solution? Instead of using a traditional regulator mouthpiece that you need to bite, swap your mouthpiece for one that you don't. Aqua Lung has a Comfobite mouthpiece (around \$12) that hangs on the front teeth instead of being gripped by the molars. If you don't consider your front teeth resilient enough, what about one of those moldable Mares Jax mouthpieces (around \$24) that you heat up and fit to suit your teeth, almost like a gum shield, so that you don't really need to bite down on it? It's the same idea as the SeaCure Custom Mouthpiece, which was created by an orthodontist and recently lost its patent.

Although TMD in diving has been studied over the years, it is not generally known about by divers, and not taught as a diving disorder. However, we should try to make our diving experiences as comfortable as possible and avoid this possible painful result of using an inappropriate mouthpiece. Your local dive store will be able to help.

-- Condensed version of an article in the British magazine *Scuba*

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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 H2O

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

CHICAGOLAND SCUBA

890A 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
708-442-43883

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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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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PLASTIC WASTE: IT GETS WORSE

After 18 months testing different types of plastic in Hawaii, oceanographer Sarah-Jeanne Royer found that the material used to make shopping bags produces the greatest amount of methane, a climate-warming gas. After 212 days in the sun, it emitted 176 times more methane than it did at the start.



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See you Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at 7:30 PM

TAP HOUSE GRILL

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

Off Miner Street (Route 14) turn north on to Lee Street and then right into the Market Place parking lot. On your left is a large parking garage (free) or circle the lot, park and come on in.