



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Tritons,

Elections will be held at this month's business meeting. If you are unable to attend please send your proxy to someone you trust and copy the Secretary Joan Chibe on the request. See the full directions on Page 4.

Upcoming is the White Fence Farm outing, you may still get in on this, email or call Lea Hotton to get your space at the table. April 6 is Bacon Fest, you can contact me for a ticket. On the 13th of April is the Anniversary Party, contact Ed Littel and then at the end of April (27) is the Dinner and a Show - 9 to 5 the Musical is the play, contact Pam Romund to reserve your ticket.

Also included with this newsletter are the Ballots for Triton of the Year and Dive Event and Social Event of the Year. 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.

Hope to see you at the next meeting on 26th.

Scott Reimer, President
(847)-561-2272
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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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MEMBERSHIP REPORT March, 2019

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.

UPDATE YOUR ROSTERS

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

2019 EVENTS CALENDAR

The 2019 Events Calendar was approved at the September meeting. Take a look to see what event you might like to TIC.

Pam Romund, Events Chair

2019 TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

March, 2019

Saturday, 3/23	White Fence Farm	Lea Hotton laehotton@att.net , 630 917-3165
Tuesday, 3/26	Business Meeting - General Elections	Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines - 7:30 PM

April, 2019

Saturday, 4/6	Bacon Fest, Chicago	Scott Reimer (847)-561-2272 streimer1@comcast.net
Tuesday, 4/9	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 4/13	Anniversary Party Continental Restaurant	Ed Littel ee2littel@sbcglobal.net
Tuesday, 4/23	Business Meeting	Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines - 7:30 PM
Saturday, 4/27	Dinner & Show - 9 to 5, the Musical	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com

May, 2019

Sunday, 5/5	Cinco de Mayo Dinner at Mexican Rest	Leticia Huerta
Tuesday, 5/14	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Saturday, 5/18	Bus Tour - North Side	NEED TIC
Sunday, 5/26	Memorial Day Bike, Walk & Eat	Milt & Margy Levenberg
Tuesday, 5/28	Business Meeting	Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines - 7:30 PM

June, 2019

Saturday, 6/8	Season Opener	NEED TIC
Tuesday, 6/11	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Tuesday, 6/25	Business Meeting Open House	Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines - 7:30 PM
Saturday, 6/29	Chicago Riverwalk Tour	NEED TIC

July, 2019

Tuesday, 7/9	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Wednesday, 7/10	Mid Week Dive	NEED TIC
Saturday, 7/13	Willy Dive	Steve Leibovitz
Tuesday, 7/23	Business Meeting	Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines - 7:30 PM
Sunday, July 28	Baseball Game Rosemont	NEED TIC

August, 2019

Saturday, 8/3	Howard/Etherton Day Pearl Lake, South Beloit	Board of Education
Saturday, 8/10	Wine Tasting - TBD	NEED TIC
Tuesday, 8/13	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Sunday, 8/18	TIC	Pam Romund & ????
Saturday, 8/24	Charter Dive TIC Choice	NEED TIC
Tuesday, 8/27	Business Meeting	Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines - 7:30 PM

Our Calendar for 2019 was approved at the September meeting, Many thanks to Joan Chibe, Adolph Habich, Harriette Leibovitz, Steve Leibovitz, and Scott Reimer for their help.

The Tritons

Go To



<https://baconfestchicago.com>

Baconfest Chicago 2019

Saturday April 6, 2019 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM
at the UIC Dorin Forum (725 W. Roosevelt)

\$60 for Bacon Only / \$85 for Bacon and 7 drink tickets
plus Universe.com Service Fee \$6.75 and UIC Facility Fee \$1.00
(actual cost: \$67.75 or \$92.75)

My thought is we can each buy our own tickets / they do go fast so if you think you want to go buy now.

*****Pam Romund has purchased 4 tickets, fees included \$67.75*****

*****Three are taken and Only One is still available*****

TIC: Scott Reimer (streimer1@comcast.net / 847-561-2272)

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WINNER, WINNER, CHICKEN DINNER!!

On Saturday, March 23, come on down the road a piece and join the Tritons for a delicious Chicken Dinner (yes, they have other things as well) at the **Original White Fence Farm** location: 1376 Joliet Road, in Romeoville.

Arrive at 4:00, when the restaurant opens, and browse through the museum of old cars and other cool stuff for 30-45 minutes. **Dinner reservations are for 4:45**. Check out their website for more information: <http://whitefencefarm-il.com/> . Lea highly recommends the *corn fritters!*

If you didn't sign up, there is still time - just give Lea a call at **630 917-3165** or send her an email at laehotton@att.net. Hope to see you there!

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ANNIVERSARY PARTY **SATURDAY. APRIL 13** **CONTINENTAL RESTAURANT** **755 Buffalo Grove Rd.** **Buffalo Grove, Illinois 60089**

Our annual Anniversary Party will be held this year on **Saturday, April 13th**. 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. More details on the menu will be available at the February meeting. Cost is \$39 per person, TIC: Ed Littel ee2littel@sbcglobal.net

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The 2019 Triton Nominating Committee has put together the following slate:

Vice-President:

Brian Clarke, Steve Leibovitz

Treasurer

John Guennewig, Rosana Vemmer

Director:

Joe Leibovitz, Milt Levenberg, Pam Romund

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 2019
Margy Levenberg (Chair), Harriette Leibovitz, Renee Tobias

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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. For the Events ballot vote for **one dive** event and **one social** event. 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 26.

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

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SHARK FINS ARE BANNED IN 12 U.S. STATES BUT IT'S STILL ON THE MENU

If you're in Los Angeles and the mood strikes, you can easily order shark fin soup from China Gate Restaurant for \$16 .95 -- even though it's against the law. California is one of 12 states that bans the sale of shark fins -- but that hasn't stopped a lot of restaurants from catering to the still-significant demand for shark fin soup in the U .S.

Every year, the Washington D .C .-based nonprofit Animal Welfare Institute updates its list of restaurants that serve shark fin soup and notifies state enforcement agencies. But so far, the bans haven't stopped restaurants in at least 10 of the 12 states. During the past two years, at least five bills relating to the country's shark fin trade have been introduced in Congress. All five died, leaving the fate of sharks in the U .S. uncertain. (Two new bills were introduced last month.)

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Understaffed enforcement agencies in U.S. states that ban shark fin say cases can be hard to make. The shark fin trade tends to go underground; in addition, fines and jail sentences are generally light and have little deterrent effect. Peter Knights, CEO of the environmental group WildAid, says a U.S. ban on sales would send the message that selling and consuming shark fin isn't acceptable anymore. But, argues Robert Hueter, director of the Center for Shark Research at Mote Marine Laboratory, given how difficult it is for states to enforce their bans, a nationwide ban would just drive the shark fin market underground -- as it has done in San Francisco.

When the shark fin ban passed in California in 2013, San Francisco marine warden William O'Brien received a tip, and confiscated more than 2,000 pounds of shark fin, worth at least \$500,000, from a warehouse. The accused, a shark fin wholesaler who said his family had been in the business for four generations, pleaded no contest -- he spent 30 days in jail, paid a court fine and received three years' probation. Since then, the leads have dried up. O'Brien suspects restaurants and market owners are now storing their supplies off premises -- perhaps in their homes, which are off-limits without a search warrant. "Essentially, the market has gone underground that it requires more specialization than I have to dig it up," he says. In most other states, prison sentences are rare and usually don't exceed six months for a first offense. Fines are usually less than \$1,000. By contrast, a single pound of dried shark fin can sell for \$400, and shark fin soup can command anywhere from \$50 to \$200.

That's why Hueter is against a national shark fin ban. "The folks pushing the fin ban campaign want to That is so simplistic and so wrong." As an alternative, he helped draft the Sustainable Shark Fisheries and Trade Act, which Florida Congressman Daniel Webster plans to reintroduce this session. This bill would allow imports only from countries that prohibit finning and promote shark conservation.

But maybe good messaging and marketing is the better prevention method. In a recent advertisement, Chinese basketball star Yao Ming pushes a cup of shark fin soup across a table, while in a nearby aquarium tank, a bleeding computer-generated shark sinks to the bottom. "Remember," he says, "when the buying stops, the killing can too" Since 2011, consumption of shark fin soup in China has fallen by about 80 percent, both because of national bans on serving shark fin at government banquets and the effect of celebrity-backed awareness campaigns like Yao Ming's.

Many conservationists believe similar efforts in the U.S. would curb demand. People generally don't give much thought to what they're eating, says Susan Millward, director of the marine animal program at the Animal Welfare Institute. "It's just a lack of connecting the dots with where this product came from ... these animals are dying painfully, and their whole ecosystems are being affected -- for what?" -- condensed from an article by Rachel Fobar in National Geographic

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**DINNER AND A SHOW
SATURDAY, APRIL 27
9 TO 5, THE MUSICAL
Prairie Lakes Theater, 515 E. Thacker
Des Plaines, IL - 7:30 PM**

Pushed to the boiling point, three female coworkers navigating the corporate world of the late 1970s concoct a plan to get even with the sexist, egotistical, lying, hypocritical bigot they call their boss. In a hilarious turn of events, Violet, Judy and Doralee live out their wildest fantasy -- giving their boss the boot! Based on the seminal 1980 hit movie starring Dolly Parton, Jane Fonda, and Lily Tomlin.

The play begins at 7:30 PM but we will meet about 5 for dinner before the show (restaurant is TBD). Tickets are \$25 per person and dinner will be on your own,

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

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CHECK YOUR CALENDAR - THIS YEAR'S BIKE RIDE IS SUNDAY!!!!!!

MEMORIAL DAY BIKE RIDE

ON SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2019

MEET AT MILT & MARGY'S HOUSE AT 10 AM FOR DONUTS

Join the Tritons for a bicycle ride, walk, or just lots of food.

Bring your bicycle or feet, \$5, and a dish to share.

We will take a short drive to access the Des Plaines River Trail, a great, crushed-gravel bike and hike trail.

Address, phone, & directions for Milt and Margy Levenberg's house:

31057 Prairie Ridge Road, Libertyville (really it's Green Oaks)

847-680-1223 (Margy at home) 847-858-1271 (Milt on cell phone)

I-294 North to I-94 North to Route 137 (turn left/west on Buckley Road)

to O'Plaine Road (turn right/north) to Guerin Road (turn left/west)

to Prairie Ridge Road (turn right/north). Veer left on the circle

to 31057 on the left. Park only on the left side of the street.

<http://wizardcraft.net/map-to-levenberg.html>

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CHILLED, EXHAUSTED BUT TRIUMPHANT

William Trubridge, the Kiwi who currently holds the record for the deepest single-breath dive, has achieved another first: swimming underwater, like a dolphin, across New Zealand's treacherous Cook Strait. On February 15, Trubridge swam for 9 hours and 15 minutes, wearing a monofin, across the 20-mile -wide channel separating New Zealand's two main islands. His Suunto D6i Novo dive computer recorded him resurfacing an incredible 943 times to gasp another breath before swimming under the surface again into unpredictable currents and bracing 57-degree water temperatures. Emerging exhausted and hypothermic, Trubridge, who swam to raise awareness for the endangered Hector's and Maui's dolphins, says, "It was like being in a washing machine at times, but I still feel like I got off lightly. I'm feeling a lot of relief and jubilation to have made it."

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A PRETTY WEIRD POOP STORY

Scientists often get excited about the animal excrement they find . But one research team also got a surprise when they found a USB memory stick inside the frozen poop of a leopard seal on New Zealand's Oreti Beach. The poop was in good condition, so they decided to search for the owner with the help of social media and news outlets. That's how Amanda Nally, a selfproclaimed seal enthusiast, was shocked to see some of her footage of playful sea lion pups in nearby Porpoise Bay appear on the nightly news. The story gets even more bizarre --- turns out the memory stick was found enmeshed in feathers and bones, indicating it had been inside a seabird the leopard seal had preyed upon. Nally says she must have dropped the memory stick while beach walking.

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 H2O

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

DD DIVE SHOP

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

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

SCUBA SENSATIONS

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

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CHICAGOLAND SCUBA

890A South Rand Road
Lake Zurich, IL 60047
847-540-7211

DJ'S SCUBA LOCKER

9301 W. Ogden Ave.
Brookfield, IL 60513
708-442-43883

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

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. 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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KATE WINSLET HOLDS HER BREATH FOR AVATAR 2

The Oscar-winning actress has left many moviegoers breathless in her films, but it turns out Winslet has quite the pair of lungs. Director James Cameron says Winslet was the perfect pick for doing underwater scenes in his Avatar sequel (scheduled for release in December 2020). At her peak, she could hold her breath for an amazing seven-and-a-half minutes -- not only during actual filming, but during training too. Winslet was regularly doing two- or three-minute scenes underwater while both acting and swimming. Proof enough she deserves another Oscar

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Off Miner Street (Route 14) turn north on to Lee Street and then right into the

Market Place **Our next meeting:**

Tuesday, March, 26, 2019 at 7:30 PM

TAP HOUSE GRILL

1472 Market Place, Suite 103-A

parking lot. On your left is a large parking garage (free) or circle the lot, park and come on in.