The Triton Trib



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Fellow Tritons.

We have a new address: PO Box1260, Des Plaines, IL 60017. Since we are no longer teaching we downsized the PO Box. Make a note of the new address.

The proposed 2026 Events Calendar is included with this month's Trib. There are some old favorites as well as some that are new to the Club. This will be voted on by the Membership at the September Business Meeting.

We are enjoying our new home - North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025. If you haven't yet made it to a meeting this year come and check it out. We have a room to ourselves and North Branch has great food!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President – Brian Clarke
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Events – Pam Romund

Membership – Adolph Habich

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Nominating –Margy Levenberg

Web Site – Milt Levenberg

Editor of the Trib – Pam Romund

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Hope to see you at the meeting.

Brian Clarke

President

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

September, 2025

We welcome a new associate member:

Michael Bazan 3008 Royal Queens Court St Charles IL 60174 Phone 815-355-0554

E-mail michaelbazan@gmail.com

Currently we have 44 members including two associates.

Anyone needing a roster please let me know, I will get one out to you.

Adolph Habich Membership Chair

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BUSINESS MEETING TUESDAY September 23, 2025, 7:30 pm

Our September 23, 2025 meeting will be held in person and over ZOOM. We will be **meeting at North Branch**, **4520 W. Lake**, **Glenview**, **IL 60025**. This is located at the just east of the corner of Euclid/Lake and Milwaukee. Come on out early and join us for dinner.

To join the Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88063880581?pwd=Z1Z6Ni82WVRhaytzUUFKWjFKSjRoZz09

Meeting ID: 880 6388 0581 Password: 999424

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Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdXTsyuWb3

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2025 TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR		
		SEPTEMBER, 2025
Tue, 9/23	Business Meeting	North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025
*Sat, 9/27	Lake Geneva Dive	Jim Hynan 312-402-1506 jhynan74gmail.com
OCTOBER, 2025		
*Sat, 10/4	Corn Maze	NEEDS TIC
Tue, 10/14	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Sun, 10/19	Haunted Jail	NEEDS TIC
Tue, 10/28	Business Meeting	North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025
		NOVEMBER, 2025
Sun, 11/9	Pequod's Pizza 8620 Fernald Morton Grove	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Tue, 11/11	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com
Tue, 11/25	Business Meeting	North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025
DECEMBER, 2025		
Sat, 12/6	Holiday Party	Board of Directors
Tue, 12/9	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, promund@gmail.com

^{*}Denotes Date Change

TICs needed to run events in 2025. Please contact the Events Committee

Events - Pam Romund, Chris Demski, Adolph Habich, Scott Reimer.

Attached to this newsletter is the **Proposed 2026 Events Calendar**. Please review as this will be up for vote at the September Business Meeting.

ED LITTLEL February 18, 1929 - September 4, 2025

I am saddened to report the passing of long time Triton, Ed Littel. Ed passed away peacefully in his sleep. He joined the Tritons in 1987 and served on the Board for many years. He would attend OW training operating the boat, helping with check-in of the students, schlepping gear, whatever was needed. He and his wife, Elaine were fixtures at many of the social events. He and his dive buddy, Tom Atchison were the original AARP divers. (Showing up for a dive in matching Fathom wetsuits, black with red stripe. They said it was a special from AARP and were from then on labeled the AARP divers.). His obit hasn't been posted as yet so I don't have any details other than the date of the Memorial. And to note that Ed was a proud Marine - once a Marine always a Marine! I will forward his obit once it is posted.

Memorial Visitation Saturday, September 27, 2025 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home of Niles 8025 W. Golf Road Niles, IL 60714

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN



Friday Aug. 8, 9 Tritons ventured out to pack bags of vitamin powders and freeze-dried vegetables. We packed 58 boxes, 33,408 meals with a cost of \$9,688.32. These meals will be shipped to families in need.

After FMC we ventured to O'Tooles Restaurant in Libertyville. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed their meal. We did this last year, let's do it again next year.

TIC: Chris Demski

CAFÉ TOUCHÉ Sunday, September 14



 Eight hungry Tritons gathered at Café Touché, a French restaurant in Edison Park (Chicago), for dinner on a sunny, Sunday evening, September 14. We enjoyed French bread and hors d'oeuvres, which included escargots.

We dined on saumon de printemps (salmon), and a few poulet dishes (chicken) among other entrées. Most everyone enjoyed glasses of wine, but Adolph opted for a French/Canadian beer called La Fin du Monde (the end of the world).

Our world did not end, and neither did our dinner until we enjoyed several desserts, including crème brulée, tartin citron (lemon pie), and a flourless cake, which Milt wasn't certain he liked, so he ordered a second one.

Our server, Jennifer, took very good care of us and even took our group picture after dinner. Lunch or dinner at Café Touché allows you to step into an authentic French restaurant, just like a bistro in Paris . I give it 5 ***** rating!

Triton-in-Charge: Judi Stephens

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LAKE GENEVA DIVE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH \$40 FOR CLUB MEMBERS

Yes, it's time to advertise the last club dive of the local season. We will have a fun dive in beautiful Lake Geneva. Dive the old Nash again and find what boaters have left over the years on the lake bottom. Meet at 9:30 AM in Williams Bay for a 10 AM departure, \$40 for a club member covers a 2-tank dive and dinner at the house after (all welcome, not just the divers). Should be a fun and relaxing day for all, we make shallow dives.

Club guests are welcome at \$50. And tank rental from our fine charter service (Ralph Ripple) is a mere \$7 per tank (beats lugging your own).

More details to come. We will take up to 10 divers. Do join the fun. Sign up early and often, \$40 for a member and \$50 for a guest will reserve your spot.

Jim Hynan Jhynan74@gmail.com 312-402-1506

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ST. CROIX IS CALLING YOU!

Here is the opportunity of your diving lifetime. OK, maybe that's a bit dramatic but you know you haven't been there or at least not recently and could use a good dive vacation next year. If this is you, then here is what you need to know about our next club trip.

Where: St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands

When: April 22-29, 2029 Resort: Cottages by the Sea

Dive Operator: Cane Bay Diver Shop

What's Included: 5 days of 2 tank boat dives

1 night dive off the Frederiksted cruise pier

Unlimited shore diving

7 nights at The Cottages by the Sea, Frederiksted, St. Croix

As Cottages by the Sea prices each room category they have available at different rates, the cost of the diver package and non-diver package varies. As of now I have only 2 rooms still available in the group I have reserved. Here are the choices.

- Chocolate with a diver price of \$1945.00 and non-diver price of \$1115.00.
- Cockle Shell with a diver price of \$1945.00 and non-dive price of \$1115.00.

Chocolate has 1 king bed and a kitchen area plus an ocean view.

Cockle Shell has a queen bed, a twin bed and a full kitchen with a property view.

You can review the resort and room categories at https://caribbeancottages.com/. If there is a different room you are interested in, I can check for availability and pricing. Also, if you are interested in a single, please contact me to discuss pricing.

Should you have any questions or like further information, please email me at rskiba13@comcast.net.

Hope to see you in St. Croix.

Randy Skiba



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

DIVE RIGHT IN SCUBA

24222 W. Lockport St. Plainfield, IL 60544 815-617-8400

ELMER'S WATER SPORTS

1310 Oakton St. Evanston, IL 60202 847-475-7946

JERRY'S SILO MARINAS

1103 West Oklahoma Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53215 414-588-9612

SEA LEVEL DIVING

269 Liberty Road Crystal Lake, IL 60014 815-479-0996

SCUBA U

7113 W. 79th St. Burbank, IL 60459 708-599-2630

DJ'S SCUBA LOCKER

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

DIVE RIGHT IN SCUBA

16336 S. 104th Avenue Orland Park, IL 60467 708-226-1614785

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*

SCUBA SENSATIONS

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

UNDERWATER SAFARIS

2950 N. Lincoln Ave. Chicago, IL 60657 773-348-3999

UNDERSEAS SCUBA CENTER

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

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F.J. KING SHIPWRECK FROM 1886 FOUND

After decades of scouring the bottom if Lake Michigan, searchers found the wreckage of the ship that sank during a storm almost 140 years ago off the Wisconsin coastline. The Wisconsin Historical Society and the Wisconsin Underwater Archeology Association announced on Monday (9/15) that a team led by researcher Brendon Baillod found the wreck of the F.J. King. According to the announcement, Baillod's team found the ship off Bailey's Harbor, a town of about 280 people on WI Door Peninsula. The F.J. King was a 144 foot, 3-masted schooner built in 1867 in Toledo, OH, to transport grain and iron ore. The ship is believed to have run into a gale off the Door Peninsula on 9/15/1886, hauling ore from MI.



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IS IN PERSON!!

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Located just east of the corner of Milwaukee Ave. and
Euclid/Lake on the north side of the street.