



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Fellow Tritons,

Spring is here!! At least we are hoping it is here to stay. Coming up this weekend is the annual Triton Bike, Walk and Eat at Milt and Margy's. All the details can be found on page 3. And next month is the Season Opener. We will be back at Pearl Lake

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 come and check it out. We have a room all to ourselves and North Branch has great food!

Hope to see you at the meeting,  
Brian Clarke  
President

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## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

May, 2026

We welcome a new member this month:

Marshall [Pat] Dillard  
521 Stonegate Place  
Brentwood TN 32027  
Cell: 615-430-1529  
Email: MVDillard@outlook.com  
PADI Master Diver  
Spouse: Cindy

Currently we have 46 members and 1 associate.

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

May 26, 2026, 7:30 pm

Our May 26, 2026 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 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

One tap mobile +13126266799,,88063880581#,,,0#,,999424# US (Chicago)

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88063880581?pwd=Z1Z6Ni82WVRhaytzUUFKWjFKSjRoZz09>

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### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- President – Brian Clarke
- Vice-President – Scott Reimer
- Secretary – Rose Cammarata
- Treasurer – Jim Hynan
- First Director – Mike Bazan
- Second Director – Steve Leibovitz

### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Audit – Diana Skiba
- By Laws & Rules – Gary Duszak
- Equipment & Safety – P. Romund
- Events – Pam Romund
- Membership – Adolph Habich
- Merchandise – Brian Clarke
- Nominating – Margy Levenberg
- Web Site – Milt Leenberg
- Editor of the Trib – Pam Romund

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# 2026 TRITON EVENTS CALENDAR

## MAY, 2026

Sun 5/24	Bike Ride Walk & Eat Chez Levenberg	Milt & Margy Levenberg 847-858-1274 (Margy) 847-858-1271 (Milt)
Tue 5/26	Business Meeting	North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025

## JUNE, 2026

Tue 6/9	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@gmail.com">promund@gmail.com</a>
*Sat 6/20	Season Opener	Rose Cammarata, Steve Leibovitz, Harriette Leibovitz
Tue 6/23	Business Meeting	North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025
Sun 6/28	Charter Dive	<b>NEEDS TIC</b>

## JULY, 2026

Sun 7/12	Johnson Wax Building Tour, Racine, WI	<b>NEEDS TIC</b>
Tue 7/14	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@gmail.com">promund@gmail.com</a>
Sat 7/25	Charter Dive	<b>NEEDS TIC</b>
Tue 7/28	Business Meeting	North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025

## AUGUST, 2026

Sat 8/8	Chicago River Tour	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@gmail.com">promund@gmail.com</a>
Tue 8/11	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@gmail.com">promund@gmail.com</a>
Sun 8/16	Charter Dive	<b>NEEDS TIC</b>
Tue 8/25	Business Meeting	North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025

## SEPTEMBER, 2026

Tue, 9/8	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@gmail.com">promund@gmail.com</a>
Sat, 9/18	Oktoberfest	<b>NEEDS TIC</b>
Tue, 9/22	Business Meeting	North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025
Wed, 9/30	Community Service	<b>NEEDS TIC</b>

## OCTOBER, 2026

Sat, 10/3	Lake Geneva Dive	Jim Hynan
Tue, 10/13	Triton Trib Deadline	Pam Romund 773-791-3142, <a href="mailto:promund@gmail.com">promund@gmail.com</a>
Sat, 10/17	Wisconsin Supper Club	<b>NEEDS TIC</b>
Tue, 10/27	Business Meeting	North Branch, 4520 W. Lake Ave. Glenview, IL 60025

**\*Denotes Date Change**

**TICs needed to run events in 2026. Please contact the Events Committee**

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

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## 70<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Planning

Next year, 2027, The Tritons will turn 70!! We have begun to plan for the big day, however I am looking for some help with some of the logistics. We have the venue nailed down but I am looking for assistance with the following:

- History – old pictures, equipment, Triton T-shirts, jackets, hats, etc.
- Catering – I have three volunteers for this, thank you!

If you have any of the above items let me know. I will make arrangements to pick them up. If you have photos of Triton trips or training, I welcome them also. If you would like them to be returned, please let me know when you send them and I will do so. One interesting item I have is a poster for Jacques Yves Cousteau's A World Without Sun at Niles West High School in December, 1966 Cost is \$1 for adults!

Pam Romund 773-791-3142 [promund@gmail.com](mailto:promund@gmail.com)



# MEMORIAL DAY BIKE RIDE

ON SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026

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)

847-858-1274 (Margy) 847-858-1271 (Milt)

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.

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

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Article by Timothy A. Schuler

## CORALS: A CRITICAL ECOSYSTEM

Corals are marine invertebrates that often live in colonies in warm-water environments. In reef-building species known as "hard" corals, what we think of is actually made up of two different organisms: a polyp and a type of single-celled, plant-like algae known as zooxanthellae. The zooxanthellae use photosynthesis to produce oxygen for the corals while the corals protect and provide other nutrients to the algae. When water temperatures rise above a certain threshold, the algae's ability to photosynthesize malfunctions, toxic by-products build up, and the coral expels the algae that once gave it color. This is known as bleaching.

When hard corals are healthy, though, their reefs – and the rock-like structures that form beneath them – are the foundation for thriving, hyper-diverse underwater ecosystems. Covering just 1% of the ocean floor, these ecosystems support up to a quarter of all marine life on earth. They've also been a persistent source for scientific discovery, especially in the medical field.

At least two dozen cancer drugs trace their development to marine organisms that thrive on coral reefs, along with compounds used to treat cardiovascular diseases, ulcers and more. Cytarabine, one of the first of these marine-derived drugs, comes from the nucleotides of a Caribbean Sea sponge.

Reefs today are considered a likely source of still more transformative products. Petra MacGowan, TNC's director of coral reef partnerships, says these ecosystems have much more to teach us. "The ocean in general is just full of secrets," she says.

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**TRITON'S SEASON OPENER**  
**Dive Pearl Lake!**  
**Saturday, June 20, 2026, 8:30 am**

Come join us for a fun day of diving and eating!

**The Diving:**

Everyone, Divers and Non-Divers, will have to sign a Liability Release. The forms are available on Pearl Lake's web site:

<https://pearllakebeach.com/scuba-diving/>

The forms are online. Pearl Lake prefers that we submit them online.

From the landing page above, scroll down until you see:

**Electronic Waivers & Documents: See below:**

- 1. INDIVIDUAL DIVER WAIVER** Everyone who is diving must complete this form
- 3. NON-DIVER GUEST WAIVER** Everyone who is not diving must complete this form.
- 5. DIVE SITE MAP & 7. PEARL LAKE DIVING BROCHURE** Optional – a full-page dive site map, and an informative brochure about Pearl Lake.

The Waiver process requires that you include your email address. The system will send you an email to confirm your email address. Once you do, another email will confirm that you have completed the process, and will include a link to download the document. Please download and print a copy, and bring it when you check in at the Lake.

When you arrive at the Lake, go to registration and sign in. You must bring your C Card, and a copy of the release. **The cost will be \$30 for divers and \$25 for non-divers – If you are not diving you must tell them that.** Cash, debit or credit card only. No checks.

Rose and I will arrive early and find a site. Look for the Triton's Signs.

**The Eating:**

We will have hot dogs, hamburgers, sausages, potato salad, coleslaw and chips. A dish to pass is always welcome, especially if it's chocolate. 😊

**Cost: \$5.00**

If you have any other questions, please call Steve 847-833-5379 Please be sure to leave a message.

TIC's: Rose, Steve & Harriette

Steve email: kb9caw@gmail.com

Steve's cell: 847-833-5379

# A BIG *Triton*

## THANK YOU!

The following businesses support our organization, and we thank them for their generosity. The next time you stop in mention you are a Triton & personally thank them for their support.

<b>BELOW H2O</b> 554 S. Route 59 Naperville, IL 60540 630-820-2531	<b>DJ'S SCUBA LOCKER</b> 9301 W. Ogden Ave. Brookfield, IL 60513 708-442-43883
<b>DIVE RIGHT IN SCUBA</b> 24222 W. Lockport St. Plainfield, IL 60544 815-617-8400	<b>ELMER'S WATER SPORTS</b> 1310 Oakton St. Evanston, IL 60202 847-475-7946
<b>HAIGH QUARRY</b> 2738 E 2000 North Road Kankakee, IL 60901 <b>815-939-7797</b>	<b>JERRY'S SILO MARINAS</b> 300 South 19 <sup>th</sup> Street Milwaukee, WI 53233 414-588-6764
<b>PEARL LAKE RESORT</b> Highway 251 South Beloit, IL 61080 815-389-1479	<b>SCUBA SENSATIONS</b> 2475 W. Pratt Blvd Chicago, IL 60645 <b>312-404-7785</b>
<b>SCUBA U</b> 7113 W. 79 <sup>th</sup> St. Burbank, IL 60459 708-599-2630	<b>UNDERWATER SAFARIS</b> 2950 N. Lincoln Ave. Chicago, IL 60657 773-348-3999
<b>UNDERSEAS SCUBA CENTER</b> 611 N. Addison Avenue Villa Park, IL 60181 <b>630-833-8383</b>	

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## CPSC Recalls 2800 SCUBAPRO Monorail BCs

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission says, "The D-ring handle that is used to unlock the weight pocket from the Buoyancy Compensation Device can detach during use." If this happens, you would not be able to ditch that weight pocket in an emergency. The recall covers BCs sold between November 2025 and April 2026. For information contact SCUBAPRO at 800-790-3757, by email at [mwpockets.@scubapro.com](mailto:mwpockets.@scubapro.com)

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*Our next meeting will be held Tuesday,  
May 26, 2026 at 7:30 PM*

***IS IN PERSON!!***

***North Branch***

***4520 W. Lake Avenue, Glenview, IL 60025***  
***Located just east of the corner of Milwaukee Ave. and***  
***Euclid/Lake on the north side of the street.***