




Illinois Council of Skin and SCUBA Divers, Inc

is a state-wide coalition of skin and scuba diving clubs and individuals with interests in the sport of skin and/or scuba diving or interest in the prudent preservation and conservation of our marine environment.

October, 2018

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

 Many thanks to everyone for coming out to International Beach Clean Up Day and the Underwater Pumpkin Carving. We are grateful for your continued support for the Council. A special thanks to Atlantis Divers for hosting the event.

This month we will be hosting President's Night. The winners of the Diver, Club and Humanitarian awards will be announced and the giant raffle will take place. Don't forget your Toys for Tots.

Wishing You Safe Diving,
Chuck Miller

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PUMPKIN CARVING DIVE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6




2018 EVENTS CALENDAR

Meetings: Usually third Thursday of every month is the Illinois Council Business Meeting. Until further notice all will be held at Mr. Beef and Pizza in Mount Prospect. Exit I-90 (Northwest Tollway) at Elmhurst Road (Illinois 83) northbound. Go north 2 lights. Meetings begin promptly at **7:30 PM (Note time change)**. Directions can be found on the last page of the newsletter.

October* November* December* *No meeting

October 20 **PRESIDENTS; NIGHT** - Mack's Golden Pheasant Restaurant, 668 W. North Ave., Elmhurst Annual dinner and awards presented to the Club, Diver & Humanitarian of the Year. We will be collecting Toys for Tots to help ensure that underprivileged kids receive a toy for the Holidays. Fantastic raffle throughout the evening featuring trips, gear & more! This is always a fun evening and most go home with a prize!!

 Any comments or items you would like to include in the next newsletter send to the editor by **November 2nd, 2018**.

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PRESIDENTS' NIGHT

Saturday, October 20, 2018

Cocktails (cash bar) 6:00 PM, Dinner 7:00 PM

**Mack's
Golden Pheasant
Restaurant**

668 W. North Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126
(630)-279-8544
www.macksgoldenpheasant.com



- **A buffet-style dinner.** Package price \$35.
- **Awards for Diver, Club, and Humanitarian of the Year**
- **Giant Raffle!!** – Over One Hundred Prizes
- **Toys for Tots** – The Illinois Council supports this program. Please bring a toy to donate at the dinner. They should be unwrapped and non-violent. The Marines can no longer accept stuffed animals.

This is always a great, fun evening.

Your club reps have tickets.

Or you can mail a check made out to "ICSSD" to the Treasurer,
Claire Gadbois, 2650 N. Lakeview, #2008, Chicago, IL 60614-1820.

Tickets will be held at the door.

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

September 20, 2018

CLUBS AND PEOPLE PRESENT:

People	Clubs
*Chuck & *Margo Miller	Tritons, CASA, UASC
*Claire Gadbois	UASC, CSM, Atlantis
*Scott Reimer	UASC, CSM, CASA, Tritons
*Dean Nolan	CSM, UASC

(Note: * denotes Board member.)

CLUBS NOT PRESENT: Windy City Seals.

The August minutes were unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Dean Nolan reported that he posted International Beach Cleanup had about 15 participants. Two divers swam out to the Morley; there was 6-foot visibility. They took off about 13 pounds of trash off the wreck consisting mainly of golf balls, some plastic bags, and bottles and cans.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Claire Gadbois reported no activity; the balance remains at \$3744.18. Margo told Claire that the Windy City Seals dues is being mailed to Claire's home. Margo also submitted receipts to Claire for the cleanup.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

PUMPKIN CARVING DIVE-----Oct 6th, Haigh Quarry

Claire said Atlantis Divers would co-host this event. Claire also said she received the prizes. She will be bringing Presidents' Night tickets to Atlantis Divers at this event.

PRESIDENTS' NIGHT-----Oct. 20, 2018

At Mack's Golden Pheasant Restaurant. **668 West North Avenue, Elmhurst, IL**

Chuck noted things were coming along for this event.

BOARD BUDGET MEETING-----7:30 pm, Nov. 5, Mr. Beef & Pizza, Mt. Prospect.

This is on Monday due to mid-term elections.

OWU-----Feb 16-17, 2019

O'Hare Hilton
10000 West O'Hare Avenue
Chicago 60666

CLUB REPORTS:

Atlantis Divers:

They are part of MeetUp.

Chicago Aquanauts Scuba Association (CASA):

Meetings 2nd Wednesdays at 7:30pm at Mr. Beef & Pizza, Mt. Prospect

No information available at this time.

Chicago SCUBA Meetup:

Next meeting is Monday, October 8th at the Atlantic Bar and Grill, 5062 North Lincoln in Chicago. Cristina Zenato (shark lady) is the speaker.

Diveheart:

Go to www.diveheart.org for a full list of events, places and times.

Sea Deucers:

\Our meetings are held quarterly, the date will be determined and published in the newsletter and/or on our website. <http://www.seadeucersscuba.com/>

E-Mail Contact: seadeucersscubaclub@yahoo.com

Tritons:

Meetings 4th Tuesdays, 7:30pm, Tap House Grill, 1472 Market Street, Suite 103-A, Des Plaines, IL.

10/06/2018-----Lake Geneva Dive

10/13-20/2018-----Salt Water Trip-Little Cayman

10/23/2018-----Business Meeting
 11/3----- Distillery Tour
 11/17-----Go Karting
 11/18-----Chamber Dive, Lutheran General Hospital
 11/27-----Business Meeting

Underwater Archaeological Society of Chicago:

Meetings on the last Wednesday of the month, 7:00pm, at the Chicago Maritime Society Headquarters, 1200 W. 35th St, Suite OE 5010, free parking in back, enter back door & down the stairs. Special Thursday night charters for research purposes.

Windy City Seals:

Meetings every 3rd Saturday in odd months (Jan, March, May, etc.) at Carver Park Fieldhouse, 939 E. 132nd St. No new information available at this time.

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The following articles are reprinted from Undercurrent On-Line, September, 2018

USE T-SHIRTS INSTEAD

While the island of Dominica has now banned all single-use plastic and styrofoam, the Thai island Ko Tao has gone one step further by encouraging people to turn old T-shirts into eco-shopping bags . Thailand is among the top five consumers of single-use plastic, and a few cuts and a bit of stitching on an unwanted T-shirt can will replace endless plastic bags.

A DIVER’S MUST-HAVE BAG

Drybags come in an arrangement of sizes to accommodate different needs . Savvy liveaboard divers keep essential items, such as passports and credit cards, in a drybag and leave it for safe-keeping with the skipper in the wheelhouse . Should you have to abandon your boat, you don’t want to be searching for these items in cabins below decks.

LOST YOUR BALLS IN THE OCEAN?

There are so many golf courses facing the ocean, but who thinks about the lost golf balls that end up there? Alex Weber, 18, from Carmel, CA, has been diving to collect these lost balls for the last two years, and so far, the high school senior has recovered more than 50,000 . According to the New York Times, a U .S . golf course may go through 62,000 rounds of golf a year, with with three or four balls being lost each round . That means the famed Pebble Beach course, which Weber has dived regularly, can send more than 200,000 balls into the ocean annually.

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Don’t Forget to bring your Toys for Tots to President’s Night. Make an underprivileged child have a happy holiday. Thanks!



THANK YOU to the following businesses
for their support of the Illinois Council!

BELOW H20

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

CHICAGOLAND SCUBA

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

DIVE CHICAGO CHARTERS

586 E Waldron Dr
Chicago, IL
312-922-5090

DIVE RIGHT IN SCUBA

24222 W. Lockport St.
Plainfield, IL 60544
815-267-8400

ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF DIVING

245 W. Roosevelt Road, Bldg 2 Ste 8
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-469-3483

PIRATE'S COVE DIVING

1103 West Oklahoma Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53215
414-482-1430

SEA LION DIVE CENTER

422 Springsouth Road
Schaumburg, IL 60193
630-289-1680

BERRY DIVE CENTER

3042 N. Milwaukee
Northbrook, IL
847-358-3848

DD DIVE SHOP

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

DJ'S SCUBA LOCKER

9301 W. Ogden Avenue
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

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

COMMUNITY SERVICE COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

**Ongoing
Community
Service**

Toys for Tots – New Toys, non-violent, not gift wrapped and no stuffed animals
Council member clubs collect Toys for Tots throughout the year. We present them to the
U.S. Marine Reserve at the annual Presidents' Night Dinner. Ask your Membership bring a
new toy to an event – an easy way to collect a lot of toys for a worthy cause.

Pop-Top Pull Tab Collection

The clubs collect the pop-top pull tabs from aluminum cans. The tops are donated to the five Ronald
McDonald Houses in the Chicagoland area. The homes provide a supportive residence for families
while their child is being treated at a nearby hospital. The proceeds from the tabs go to the wish list
for the Houses.

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News from ICSSD
The Illinois Council of SCUBA Diving Clubs
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Villa Park, IL 60181

Check Out Our Website
www.illinoisscubacouncil.org

Directions

There will be no business meeting in October, we will be hosting **PRESIDENT'S NIGHT, October 20** at Mack's Golden Pheasant in Elmhurst. Annual dinner and awards presented to the Club, Diver & Humanitarian of the Year. Don't forget to bring your **Toys for Tots**. We will be collecting Toys for Tots to help ensure that underprivileged kids receive a toy for the Holidays. See inside for all the details.

The next regular business meeting will be held **November 15, 2018 at 7:30 PM at Mr. Beef and Pizza**. Directions to Mr. Beef and Pizza: Exit I-90 (Northwest Tollway) at Elmhurst Road (Illinois 83) northbound. Go north 2 lights. Mr. Beef is located just north of the intersection of Algonquin Road and Elmhurst Road on the left side. Hope to see everyone there!