



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.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

 We are back and are conducting a few outdoor events! The Clean Up Dive will be held September 17 at Greenwood Beach in Evanston.

The Underwater Pumpkin Carving will be held this Saturday, October 8, see the ad on the next page for all the information. Remember to bring a couple of extra pounds of weight to hold down your pumpkin.

Everyone stay well.

Wishing You Safe Diving,
Chuck Miller

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DEMPSTER/GREENWOOD BEACH CLEANUP ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF SKIN AND SCUBA DIVERS

Saturday, September 17, 2022

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM CDT

[Greenwood St. Beach](#)

[Greenwood Street at 1401 Sheridan Road - Evanston, IL](#)

How to find us

Illinois Council of Skin and Scuba Divers will have their banner up

We will start at 9:00. Although the beach will be officially closed, restrooms will be open. We will do shore cleanup. Although this is a cleanup, what we really do is collect data on the changing conditions along this coastline in terms of trash pollution of all types. Data is collected on the type and quantity of trash collected and compared to data that is collected from previous years. This is important work.

This event is part of the Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup program and is sponsored locally by the Alliance for the Great Lakes. The Illinois Council of Skin and Scuba Divers will be doing our part this year. In 2019, more than 6,800 September Adopt-a-Beach™ volunteers cleaned up debris and recorded what they found at 260 sites around the Great Lakes. You can help make this year's event even bigger. This is a great late season event that is fun, and also contributes to a better environment. Hope to see you

WHAT TO BRING

- Bring Your Own bucket, gloves and reusable water bottle. Help us cut down our waste.
- Wear closed-toed shoes, sunscreen and a hat. Bring an extra layer, like a sweater or jacket, in case it is cold. Sometimes the wind coming off the lake can be chilly.

UnderWater PUMPKIN CARVING

Saturday, October 8, 2022

Haigh Quarry, Kankakee, *IL 10:30 AM Start

Quarry entrance fee is \$20.00 per Diver

(Please - No pets or non-diving children under the age of 12)

Illinois Council of Skin & Scuba Divers invite you to join them to join them for a fun filled day of Diving, Picnicking, and Underwater Pumpkin Carving

Come enjoy a relaxing day at Haigh Quarry, "*The Caribbean of the Midwest.*" Let your imagination run wild - Try your hand at Underwater Pumpkin Carving!

Prizes will be awarded based on the number of votes received from attendees (Divers and Non-Divers may vote). After carving your pumpkin, simply place on the **judging table no later than 1:00**. You will need to clean out your pumpkin before you take it underwater, the top may be left on shore. Judging will take place at 1:30 P.M.

Pumpkins will be provided courtesy of Haigh Quarry (or bring your own.) Don't forget tools to carve your pumpkins. If you are going to picnic, bring a dish to share and your non-alcoholic beverage of choice, we will have plenty of water on hand. You will need to bring a complete set of dive equipment (rentals are available. Contact Haigh for reservations.) Also be sure to bring your certification card. www.haighquarry.com

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COMMUNITY SERVICE COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

NOTE: The Council decided to cancel Presidents' Night for this year due to last year's lack of diving due to Covid.

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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