

# NEWSLETTER

November 2012

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**GM CLUB: FOUNDED 1957** 

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### Resta<u>urant of</u> the Month

Kona Grille 30 E. Big Beaver Rd Troy, MI

Friday November 16th 6:30 pm

Cost: Your tab

Contact: Dave Duvali daveduvali@wowway.com

# Pub and Grub of the Month

Malone's Tavern 32350 Van Dyke Ave. Warren, MI

Friday November 9th 6:30 PM

Cost: Your tab

Contact: Al Sleeman

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#### **Editor's Notes**

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If your newsletter is coming to the wrong address, it means your information is incorrect in our files. Contact: June Siehda at membership@gmskiclub.org.

Treasurer's Report:

\$18,206.24

Alan Toomey. Treasurer

Adjusted balance



### **November Birthdays**

Denise Sheppard	11/1
Gloria Hart	11/3
Nancy Prall	11/4
Kathy & Tom Richardson	11/5
Dennis Dembiec	11/8
Shirley Hathaway	11/8
Jim Drysdale	11/9
Jim Walsh	11/14
Christian Johnson	11/16
Marc Arel	11/17
Gail Selaty	11/18
John & Mary Zalewski	11/18
Mary Konicki	11/27`
Joe Portera	11/27
Alan Toomey	11/28

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### **GM Ski and Travel Club Board of Directors**

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### From the President

By Dave Norkus



It was a wonderful summer with a bunch of activities and trips available through the GM Ski Club. Now that fall is upon us, don't miss out on our events planned for the rest of the year. I just attended the activities meeting for next year's activities and there are some promising trips and events planned for your enjoyment, so stay tuned. If you have any ideas or would like a run an event or trip for next year, contact Darrell Ahlberg, our activities chair or Dave Duvali, our trip leader chair. I would like to thank all the people who attended the activities meeting with your great ideas for next year. We appreciate the big turnout, your time and creative fun activities for our members.

Our first indoor general meeting at Marinelli's in Troy was a great success with more room, good service and excellent food offered to our group. I heard good responses from everyone I talked to about the meeting place. The restaurant manager wants us to make this our home during our indoor meetings and is offering the GM Ski Club special prices on all the domestic draft beers next time, in addition to the food specials offered that night. So come hungry and thirsty my friends and enjoy the camaraderie of the club attendees and activities planned.

Be sure to welcome our new Membership Chair Person June Siehda, June thank you for taking on this responsibility and welcome to the Board!

THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF A NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR, I'M ADDING PICTURES THROUGHOUT THE NEWSLETTER TO SHOW NEW MEMBERS WHAT THEY CAN EXPECT AND A REMINDER TO EXISTING MEMBERS WHAT THEY ENJOYED OR MISSED...



Tigers Game



Caribbean Cruise



Eastern Market





Caseville Jimmy Buffet Cheeseburger Festival Camping Weekend

Lake Ann X-Country Ski Weekend





A little bit of paint, a little bit of wine, and a whole lotta fun!!

### Sat 11/3/2012 Painting With A Twist 320 West 9 Mile Road Ferndale, MI 48220

### Provided:

Paint, canvas, and brushes

An experienced and enthusiastic local artist who will lead you step by step through the process of recreating the featured artwork.

At the end of the evening, you'll have a one-of-a-kind creation and a newfound talent you'll want to explore.

This is not your average art class, this is art entertainment. The "twist" is you can bring your favorite bottle of wine, beverage and food to enjoy during the class.

LIMITED TO 20 People. Our featured painting will be "Dusk at the Pier" shown in this ad

Time: Arrive 1:30. Class starts at 2:00 pm

Cost: \$35 Two Ways to pay:

online at http://www.paintingwithatwist.com/events/viewEvent.aspx?eventID=81164 Pass-

word: "gmski"

Turn in a check to Jan Burrows payable to Painting With a Twist. Contact: Jan Burrows 734-645-7964 jan burrows55@hotmail.com



Fri, 11/9/2012 P&G Malone's Tavern 32350 Van Dyke Avenue Warren, MI A great place for GM Ski Club people to gather in good spirits, relax and share the news of the upcoming Holiday Season. All the ambience of a terrific neighborhood watering hole. Great pours, a nice selection of draft beer, and a kitchen that can turn out a great meal. Over 45 TVs, with a variety of programming and flexibility. Catch the game of the night, enjoy a delicious meal and have a ice cold beverage.

Time: 6:30 Cost: Your Tab Contact: Al Sleeman allan.sleeman@ameritech.net



### Fri Nov 16, 2012, RoM Kona Grille 30 E. Big Beaver Rd, Troy, MI

An escape from everyday dining. Sensational modern American cuisine - prepared in our scratch kitchen. Stunningly fresh sushi, prepared at our full sushi bar, with fresh fish flown in daily. Always offering fresh ingredients and entrees made from scratch with passion by executive chefs and their teams. Designer cocktails, served in an energetic bar and lounge and a casually-sophisticated environment that provides the perfect backdrop for a night out with the GM Ski Club.

Time 6:30 Cost: Your Tab Contact: Dave Duvali daveduvali@wowway.com 586-754-8151



### Meanwhile Back on the Couch

November 17, 2012 Show Starts 8:00pm

By Jack Sharkey

Psychiatrist Victor Karleen desperately needs to keep up with his fiancee's expensive tastes. To ease his financial woes, he takes on a new patient who has dreamed up a torrid romance novel and gives the manuscript to Victor. The steamy story ends up with Victor's publisher, who believes it is Victor's work. While the big royalty check seems to be the end of his struggles with money, it is the beginning of a riotous comedy of errors.

We have reservations for dinner beforehand at Sangria Restaurant for 5:30. Please RSVP if you plan to join us for Dinner.

Cost: \$18 members, \$20 non-members. (Show only – Dinner not included)

Time: 5:30 for Dinner. 7:30 for show.

Send check made payable to GM Ski Club to:

Judy Heikkinen

34521 Lytle

Farmington Hills, MI 48335

If you have any questions call: 248-202-2361

### BIKE RIDING FROM SPETEMBER 23RD AND OCTOBER 14TH

Pictured are the biking groups from the last two GM bike outings - Sept. 23rd was the big group and Oct. 14 shows the five rainbraving cyclists at the Paint Creek cider mill. The biking is probably over for us for this year but it was a good year with good participation and a lot of fun as a result. Stan and I hope to see you regular attendees, along with new faces next season. 'Til then, take care... Dave.







### CORN MAZE AT WESTVIEW FARMS ON OCTOBER 7, 2012

Three intrepid adventurers showed up on Sunday, October 7 to try and conquer the corn maze at



Westview Farms. It was a little iffy at first, since we decided to try it on our own, spurning the map they gave us. We did go around in circles, meeting the same people over and over, who were just as turned around as we were (and they were using the map!). Eventually, we found out way to the end and then back to the beginning of the maze. It was fun for the three of us, but we thought it would be even more fun with more people. Michael and I also found the Black Hole--an indoor maze that we had to negotiate in the dark! Okay, there were a few strobe lights to guide us, but it didn't prevent us from bumping into a few walls along the way! We're hoping next year to get a big group to-



gether and, hopefully, in better weather!

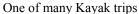




Vail Colorado Ski Trip

Bike Riding







Western Summer Weekend



Bocce Ball



# Copper Mountain

## **Colorado Ski Vacation**

### March 2 - 9 2013

- 7 day trip
- 5 day lift tickets at Copper Mountain
- Slope-side condominium lodging
- Non-stop airfare
- Transportation



### **All for only \$1,165**

(GMSC or MDSC Members) Non-members--\$1,190

On sale at the GMSC general meeting in August

Make checks payable to: **GM Ski Club** 

Mail to: Dave Norkus 4043 Lotus Dr. Waterford, MI 48329 Payments: August--\$400 September--\$400 October--\$365



Contact: Dave Norkus dnorkus@comcast.net



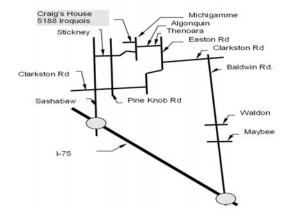
YOU MUST MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR BLACKTHORN, DROP INS NOT ACCEPTED. \$5.00 HOLDS YOUR SPOT!

# ANNUAL Holiday Party

Saturday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>
6:00 pm - ????
Craig Petku's House 5188 Iroquois Ct., Clarkston
248 - 394 - 0467
BYOB and a Dish to Pass

Map to Craig's Holiday Party

### Map to Craig's Holiday Party





# Upcoming Events

Every Sunday—Our "Breakfast Club" 10:00 am at Jimmy's Coney Grill, 37246 Dequindre, NE corner at 16 Mile. Just show up. We'll make room.

Every Sunday Wally ball 12:30 pm at Warren Racquetball, Van Dyke at 12 ½ Mile. RSVP to gmskiclub@yahoo.com

**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of Month —GM General Meeting NEW MEETING LOCATION** Marinelli's Restaurant 4924 Rochester Road, Troy, MI 48085 (south of Long Lake or 18 Mile). Contact Greg Ronan @ riverdanceiii@yahoo.com.

### 11/3/2012 Painting With A Twist 320 West 9 Mile Road Ferndale, MI 48220

Time: Arrive 1:30. Class starts at 2:00 pm Cost: \$35 Contact: Jan Burrows 734-645-7964 jan burrows55@hotmail.com

11/3/2012 Don Thomas Sporthaus Movie night - Superheros Of Stoke Birmingham 8 Movie Theater: 211 S. Old Woodward Ave, Birmingham, MI Advanced purchase required. Tickets not sold at the door. Time: 8:00pm. Cost: \$12 Contact: Don Thomas Sporthaus 248-220-1999

### 11/8/2012 GM Meeting: New Location. Marinelli's of Troy 4924 Rochester Road Troy, MI

Time 6.30 PM Cost Your Tab Contact Greg Ronan 586-979-9512 riverdanceiii@yahoo.com

### 11/9/2012 P&G Malone's Tavern 32350 Van Dyke Avenue Warren, MI

Time: 6:30 Cost: Your Tab Contact: Al Sleeman allan.sleeman@ameritech.net

### 11/11/2012 MDCS night at Don Thomas 690 South Old Woodward, Birmingham, MI

Time: 5:00 - 8:00 pm, Cost: No charge Contact: John. president@mdscski.org 248-478-4959

### 11/16/2012 RoM Kona Grille 30 E. Big Beaver Rd, Troy, MI

Time 6:30 Cost: Your Tab Contact: Dave Duvali daveduvali@wowway.com 586-754-8151

### 11/17/2012 Stagecrafters 415 South Lafayette Avenue Royal Oak, MI "Meanwhile Back on the Couch"

Cost: \$18 members, \$20 non-members. (Show only – Dinner not included) Time: 5:30 for Dinner. 7:30 for show.

Contact Judy Heikkinen womanatsea@yahoo.com 248-202-2361

11/28/2012 Grace Center of Hope 35 E Huron St, Pontiac, MI 48342 Doing our part in giving back to the community by serving meals to those on hard times. Arrive by 4:30 Contact: Susan Walker swneko@aol.com 248-660-5329

### 11/30/2012 Warren Miller Films at Royal Oak Music Theater. 318 West 4th Street Royal Oak, MI

Time: 6:30 & 9:30 pm Cost \$20. Contact: The music theater at 800-523-7117

### 12/8/2012 RoM O'Mara's of Berkley Featuring the music of Blackthorn 2555 12 Mile Rd Berkley, MI

Time: 8:30 Show starts 9:30. Limit: 20 People. Cost: \$5.00 Deposit will Cover the cover charge. Required One week in advance. No last minute walk ups. Contact: Cindy Hollister cindymhollister@gmail.com 810-444-3630

### 12/12/2012 MDSC Night @ Boyn Country Sports 27782 Novi Road, Novi Mi 48375

Cost: No Charge Time: 7:00 pm till closing Contact: Ron G. ronglow65@comcast.net 734-335-6946

### 12/13/2012 GM Meeting: New Location. Marinelli's of Troy 4924 Rochester Road Troy, MI

Time 6.30 PM Cost Your Tab Contact Greg Ronan 586-979-9512 riverdanceiii@yahoo.com

12/14/2012 Pub & Grub TBD Time: 6:30 Cost: Your Tab Contact: Al Sleeman allan.sleeman@ameritech.net

### 12/15/2012 Redford Theater - White Christmas 17360 Lahser Road Detroit, MI

Cost: \$4.00 per ticket Time: 5:00 Dinner beforehand (location TBD) Arrive at theater 7:30. Movie starts 8:00.

Contact: Darrell Ahlberg 586-899-8203 dahlberg7@comcast.net

### 12/22/2012 Craig Petku Christmas Party 5188 Iroquois Ct. Clarkston, mi

Time: 6"30 Contact Les Skrsycki skiorsail@yahoo.com

12/26/2012 Grace Center of Hope 35 E Huron St, Pontiac, MI 48342 Doing our part in giving back to the community by serving meals to those on hard times. Time: 4:30 pm Contact: Susan Walker swneko@aol.com 248-660-5329



# "A ski and travel club... and a whole lot more!"

### November at a glance

**Every Sunday** Our "**Breakfast Club**" starts at 10:00 a.m. At Jimmy's Coney Grill, 37246 Dequindre, NE corner at 16 Mile.

11/3	Painting with a Twist - Ferndale
11/3	Don Thomas Sporthaus Movie Night
11/8	GM General Meeting - Marinelli's of Troy
11/9	P & G Malone's Tavern - Warren
11/11	MDSC Night at Don Thomas - Birmingham
11/16	ROM Kona Grill - Troy
11/17	Stagecrafters - Royal Oak
11/28	Grace Center of Hope - Pontiac
11/30	Warren Miller Films - Royal Oak

# GM SKI and TRAVEL CLUB Website:

### www.gmskiclub.org

(recent photos, upcoming events, membership applications, bylaws, forms, and fun music)

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