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GMSC Family Fun Fest Summer Picnic

Saturday, August 17 • 12pm-? • Dodge Park 40620 Utica Road, Sterling Heights, MI 48313

BRING ALL YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS!

Everyone admitted for the same price. Kids Free! (12 & under paid by Aug 8)

Fun Games For Kids & Adults Lots of Prizes • Music • Dancing Good Food • Beer, Wine, & Soft Drinks

Excellent Biking & Hiking Trails. BRING: Chairs, Sunscreen, Bug Spray, Bikes

- SIGN UP EARLY AND SAVE! -

EARLY BIRD PRICE ONLY GOOD UNTIL AUGUST 8: Adults \$10 (Over 12) • Kids Free (12 & Under)

AFTER AUG 8: Adults \$15 (Over 12) • Kids \$5 (12 & Under) DAY OF EVENT: Adults \$20 (Over 12) • Kids \$10 (12 & Under)

Make checks payable to GM Ski Club and mail to: Kay Sheere, 11318 Jacqueline Dr., Sterling Heights, MI 48313 Contact: Kay Sheere, 586-939-9817, ktmc1014@wowway.com

GMSC Gives Back To Members Bigtime With a Professionally Catered Family Fun Fest

This year, the GMSC board is hoping to make the Annual Summer Picnic the biggest event in recent memory.

SMOKED BBQ MENU - ON SITE / CATERED MEAL Championship Pulled Pork Applewood Smoked Chicken Breast Fresh Smoked Kielbasa, Italian Sausage Chicago Style Jumbo Hot Dogs Fresh Baked Rolls / Buns Loaded Potato Salad Loaded Meat & Cheese Pasta Salad Northern Woods Smoked Baked Beans Beer, Wine, Water, Soft Drinks Served in the Dodge Park Pavillion

We are offering this extraordinary value to the membership with a subsidy from the club treasury. That's right, we're offering this year's picnic at below cost. Moreover, we're offering an opportunity for you to bring your family and friends for the same price.

We will be featuring games for adults as well as the kids. Prizes will be awarded! You can sign-up for games as you arrive and teams will be assigned. It will be great fun and a great way to mix and mingle with fellow club members, invited family and guests.

Please sign-up as soon as possible! It is important for us to know how many will be coming to coordinate with the caterer and plan the games and prizes. The early bird sign-up price expires at the August 8 General Meeting. With the early bird price you'll not only save yourself a few dollars, you'll also be making it easier on the planning committee. We hope to see you all there!

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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

August 07	Carol Ingall	
August 11	Shannon Duke	
August 13	John LeGros	
August 23	Connie Barnes	
August 30	Bill Given	
August 31	Darrell Ahlberg Kathy O'Driscoll	

TREASURER'\$ REPORT

Our current balance is \$19,138.31

FROM THE EDITOR

Deadline for the Sept. 2013 Issue is Saturday, August 24th

Send to Sherry at: newsletter@gmskiclub.org



Help build the club & help yourself at the same time! Simply recruit three new members and get a one year

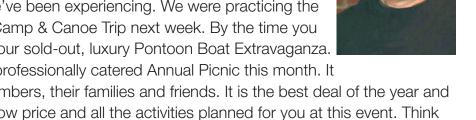
membership for free. Just have the new members designate you as the referring member on their membership form when they sign-up. EASY!



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone!

I hope you are enjoying the summer. I just got back from Maine and Quebec and really enjoyed the beautiful weather we've been experiencing. We were practicing the "camping thing" for our GM Ski Club Camp & Canoe Trip next week. By the time you read this, we will have just completed our sold-out, luxury Pontoon Boat Extravaganza. I hope you are planning to attend the professionally catered Annual Picnic this month. It



is another low price special for our members, their families and friends. It is the best deal of the year and we hope you benefit from the special low price and all the activities planned for you at this event. Think about our Stratford weekend in September before it sells out. What a whirlwind of activities, I'm getting dizzy... See you soon!

– Dave Norkus, President GM Ski Club

Summer Fun - Outdoor Meetings at the Park

Our August 8th Meeting theme is **GM Drive Event** – featuring Classic Rock music

We will have several General Motors cars on hand for you to observe and test drive. There will be reps from GM to answer questions and provide other information.



River Woods Park - 300 N Squirrel Rd, Auburn Hills Time: 6:00pm, Cost: \$4 Members, \$6 Non-Members (All in attendance must pay fee.) Includes hotdogs, chips & assorted beverages.



Contacts: Barb, 248-217-0866, bjp21@wowway.com or Jan, 734-645-7964, jan_burrows55@hotmail.com

Crews Inn Friday, Aug 2 6:30pm

. 31988 N River Rd, Harrison Twp. Whether you come by

land or by sea, dining at Crews Inn is an extraordinary experience. The menu features traditional and creative seafood, pasta and steak dishes served along side specialty cocktails from the fully stocked bar. The view of Anchor Bay from the wrap-around patio will inspire. There are 8 boat wells for docking. Cost: Your tab.

> Contact: Stan Sawicki, 586-808-3406, ssawicki@comcast.net



Roger's Roost Fri, Aug 23 • 6:30pm

33626 Schoenherr Rd, Sterling Heights

A local favorite, Roger's Roost offers fabulous food. But its niche and the first thing that people notice is the nostalgic décor that adorns the walls, ceilings and restrooms. It strikes a cord with young and old. Cost: Your tab.

Contact: Dennis Dembiec, 248-318-1491, dennis4179@gmail.com



GMSC/Skiwi Huron River Day Canoe Trip

Saturday, August 3

Village Canoe Rental, 1216 Garden Rd, Milford

Meet at 9:30am, Canoe

at 10am. Cost is \$24 per canoe (two per canoe). Single Kayaks are \$24. Price is based on a rental of 12 watercraft – if we don't get 12 rentals, the price will be slightly higher. Pay John Z. when you arrive and sign the release form. Please RSVP.

Paddle the Huron River from Milford to Proud Lake and back. (5 hours total.) If you have your own canoe or kayak – park your vehicle at Village Canoe for \$5. BYO: Food (lunch), drinks, toys, etc.

Contact: John Zalewski, 586-979-2392, johnzalewski@wowway.com

Camp & Canoe Trip



Single kayaks available for an additional \$8.50 each. RV's add \$4/person (pay extra fees to Old Log upon arrival). No pets allowed on this trip. Cabins are no longer available. Please Do NOT contact the Old Log directly – they are not organizing this event! Please direct all questions & concerns to trip leader Ken Colden.

Contact: Ken Colden, 248-494-0578, kenlee1083@yahoo.com. Make checks payable to the "GM Ski Club."

GMSC Bike Rides

Sunday, August 4 1:00pm



Polly Ann Trail. 530 Pontiac Rd, Oxford, Ml Meet at the Oxford Public Library. We will bike the Polly Ann Trail. All levels welcome. We will eat afterwards

Sunday, August 25 • 1:00pm

800 Olde Towne Rd, Rochester. Meet at the Rochester Hills Public Library. All levels welcome. We will eat at the Limelight Pub afterwards.

Sunday, September 15 • 1:00pm

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Golfing at the Boulder Point

Sunday, Sept 8 • 1:00pm

1 Champions Circle, Oxford. Meet at Golf Course for nine holes. Cost: \$20 including cart.

Contact: Stan Sawicki, 586-808-3406 or ssawicki@comcast.net.

Horseback Riding

Saturday, Sept 28

Pontiac Riding Stables

Contact: Carol carolbarrel1@yahoo.com



GMSC / SAILING SINGLES



Saturday, September 7 Arrive: 3:00pm • Dinner: 5:30pm

JoAnn Mok's Home: 53870 Fairchild Rd, Macomb

COST: \$12 Members • \$15 Non-Members

DINNER INCLUDES: Freshly picked and roasted corn, pulled pork, side dishes & dessert. Plates, flatware & condiments provided.

BRING YOUR OWN: Beverages, Snacks & Chair.

Reservation Deadline is August 31st!

Must pay in advance. Make checks payable to "Sailing Singles" and mail to: Ann Enghardt, 35403 Cathedral St., Sterling Heights, MI 48312. *Contact: Ann Enghardt 586-268-2027.*

Square Dance & Dinner



Saturday, September 21 7pm Dinner • 8pm Dancing

The Pfannes Barn – 5080 19 Mile (between Mound & Ryan), Sterling Heights

The STAR's annual square dance is coming! Jim Tait will be the caller and beginners are welcome. This is not an event of skill, it's a night of fun. Square dance attire is optional.

INCLUDES: Dinner, Beer, Wine, Limited Liquor, Pop, and Munchies.

BRING: A lawn chair for picnic dinner and afterglow: pinball, pool, bonfire (weather permitting)

RSVP to Tim or Jan Pfannes at 586-726-0033. Your payment will confirm your reservation.

Make checks payable to: "STAR Social Club" and mail to: The Pfannes', 5080 19 Mile, Sterling Heights, MI 48314



September 13-15, 2013 "Waiting for Godot"

starring film, stage, & TV star, **Brian Dennehy,** Saturday, Sept 14 • 8:00pm

Tom Patterson Theatre

an intimate venue which seats just 496! (Patterson is the founder of the Stratford Festival)

Members: \$245 • Non-members: \$270 Includes B&B accommodations & theatre ticket

This autumn, enjoy a weekend away in Ontario. Stroll along Stratford's Avon River, or bike its quaint streets. Shop the fruit & flower markets, and experience quality dining.

We'll return to **Dunn-Drae B&B,** our favorite Stratford home-away-from-home. Cozy comfort and private partying in our unique GM Ski Club manner, with friends, food, & fun!

Prior to our play, we'll dine at **The Parlour,** reserved by request, at your tab.

ABOUT THE PLAY: "Waiting for Godot" is an absurdist play by Samuel Beckett, in which two characters, Vladimir and Estragon, wait endlessly and in vain for the arrival of someone named Godot. Godot's absence, as well as numerous other aspects of the play, have led to many different interpretations since the play's premiere, 1940ish. It was voted "the most significant English language play of the 20th century."

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW! DEADLINE IS AUGUST 1ST

Contact: Sharon Rose, 586-899-6845, Rosesblooming@comcast.net

Please make checks payable to: GM Ski Club, and send to: Sharon Rose, 37399 Garfield, Clinton Township, MI 48036

GM SKI & TRAVEL CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

EVERY SUNDAY - Just show up! **10:00am • BREAKFAST CLUB –** Jimmy's Coney Grill, 37246 Dequindre (at 16 Mile).

ONE WEDNESDAY A MONTH

Grace Center of Hope • 4:30pm - Aug 28 / Sep 25 / Oct 23 / Nov 27 35 E Huron St, Pontiac. Contact: Susan Walker, swneko@aol.com, 248-660-5329

FULL CALENDAR AVAILABLE AT WWW.GMSKICLUB.ORG

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Aug 9-11 • Camp & Canoe Trip - Old Log Resort. \$55 Members, \$60 Non-Members (Tent Camping). Contact: Ken Colden, 248-494-0578, kenlee1083@yahoo.com

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Sat, Sep 7 • Corn Roast - 53870 Fairchild, Macomb, Arrive: 3pm, Dinner: 5pm, Cost: \$9. MUST SIGN-UP BY AUG 15. Contact Joann Mok, 586-749-3540, jmok11@comcast.net

Sun, Sep 8 • Golfing At The Boulder Point - 1 Champions Circle, Oxford. Meet at Golf Course for nine holes. Time: 1pm, Cost: \$20 includes cart. Contact: Stan, 586-808-3406, ssawicki@comcast.net

Thu, Sep 12 • GM Meeting: River Woods - 300 N Squirrel Rd, Auburn Hills, Jazz, Blues, & Boogie Theme, Time: 6:00pm Cost: \$4 Members, \$6 Non-Members. Grilled hotdogs, chips & beverages Contact Barb 248-217-0866 bjp21@wowway.com or Jan 734-645-7964 jan_burrows55@hotmail.com

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Thu, Sep 19 • P&G: 526 Main - Dueling Piano Bar, 526 Main St, Royal Oak, 5:30pm Meet & Greet, 6:30pm Dinner, 7pm Entertainment, Cost: Your tab. Contact: Dennis Dembiec, 248-318-1491

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Have a Great Idea for an fun event or exciting trip? Let us know!





















ROM: Island Bar & Grill







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Coming Attractions!

Stratford Festival Weekend Trip "Waiting for Godot" September 13-15

Restaurant of the Month: Joe Bolgna Friday, September 6 • 3:00pm

Annual Corn Roast Saturday, September 7 • 3:00pm

Golfing At The Boulder Point Sunday, September 8 • 1:00pm

General Meetings

2nd Thursday of every month River Woods Park • 6:00pm

300 N Squirrel Rd, Auburn Hills **Cost: \$4 Members, \$6 Non-Members** Includes hotdogs, chips & assorted beverages.

