

NEW Meeting Location!

Starting this month we will be starting our indoor meetings at our new venue:

Champps

301 W. Big Beaver Rd. in Troy
 (on south side, east of I-75)

Thursday, October 10 • 6:30pm

Contact: Barb 248-217-0866

bjp21@wowway.com or

Jan 734-645-7964

jan_burrows55@hotmail.com



Dakota Inn, Rathskeller

**Friday, October 18
6:30 pm**

\$30 Member / \$35 Non-Member

17324 John R , (N. of McNichols,) Detroit
 313-867-9722 (Phone for Directions Only)

Join us for a fun filled night of German food, beer & great entertainment by Tommy Schober & the Sound of Sorgenbrecher.

FAMILY-STYLE DINNER INCLUDES:
 Tossed salad with hot bacon dressing, breadsticks, knackwurst, bratwurst, schnitzel, German meatballs and potato salad, sauerkraut, red kraut, apple strudel, coffee, your tip & admission cost.

Reserve your spot asap! Limited spots will go fast. Sign-up Deadline is Mon., Oct 14.

Make checks to "Gm Ski Club" and mail to:
 Dennis Dembiec, 4056 Brookfield Blvd.,
 Sterling Heights, 48310

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



Club 54

"Big Band Night"

Thursday, Oct 3 • 6:30pm

37722 Van Dyke Ave., Sterling Heights

Thursdays, guests enjoy a Polish food menu in addition to traditional bar fare while entertained by an 18-piece orchestra.

Cost: \$5 Cover plus your tab.

Contact:
 Dennis Dembiec,
 248-318-1491



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Lance Englund

Oct 06 Kathleen Anderson

Oct 07 Anne Demres

Oct 09 Mindy Biglin

Oct 10 Edward Durant

Oct 12 Christine Rollins

Oct 14 Kay Sheere

Oct 15 Martin Wunsch

Oct 18 Edward Musser

Oct 23 Stuart Saxalby

Oct 24 Allan Sleeman

Oct 27 Gwen Moore
Connie Casey

Oct 31 Dale Goolsby



FROM THE EDITOR

**Deadline for the Nov 2013 Issue
is Thursday, October 24th.**

Send info to Sherry at: newsletter@gmskiclub.org

Treasurer's Report can be found online in the member's area.



3 to 5 FREE

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!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am thinking about our new location for the indoor meetings and it is exciting to know that Champps in Troy will be the one. We will be able to check out their menu items and beverages. I have been there a few times in the past and was never disappointed. Get there before 6pm and you get special drink prices and appetizer discounts.

Our Ski trip to Park City sold out on the first night. We had to increase the size of the trip by 10, so we have 42 people attending this spectacular extravaganza. Teaming up with the DTE ski group allows us to have more people to ski with and join in on the activities. Get ready to party and ski in the best skiing location in the USA.

We have other activities planned for the rest of the year but we need your help on Wednesday, October 16th, to choose the rest of our activities for this year and next year. Food and beverages are provided so, join in on the activity night at Darrell's to create a list of possible events.

This is an example of the continued effort to give you the best value possible for your membership. I hope you will continue to frequent our events and trips.

– Dave Norkus, President GM Ski Club



Bald Mountain Indoor Camping Weekend

October 25-27

3pm Friday - 1pm Sunday

Let's have a last fling of warm Fall nights, cold drinks, rock & roll music and your favorite games. There will be a bonfire and a canoe or two to paddle around the lake. Located on Tamarack Lake within the Bald Mt Recreation area, the bunkhouse-style cabin is rustic, with no electricity (nor indoor plumbing), so bring flashlights, a lantern, sleeping bag and pillow.



Also bring camp chair, camera, games, cards, laughter and good times.

Cost is \$25 per person for two nights, \$20 for one night, \$30 for non-members.

This includes hotdogs Friday evening, sandwich lunch and stew/chili dinner on Saturday.

Bring all your own beverages (& ice), snacks & "sides to share."

If you just want to stop by and enjoy our company, take a hike through the trails or have a sandwich, a \$5 donation is requested. You must RSVP so we can plan accordingly.

Make checks out to GM Ski Club and Mail to:
Les Skrzycki 160 Manitou Lane 3B. Lake Orion, MI 48362

For more information contact: Les Skrzycki, 248 238-0675, skiorsail9@gmail.com.

GMSC Bike Rides

Sunday, Oct 6 • 1pm

800 Olde Towne Rd, Rochester.



Meet at the Rochester Hills Public Library. All levels welcome. We will eat halfway at the Sagebrush Cantina in Lake Orion (around 2pm). Non-riders feel free to meet us for lunch!

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

Activities CORNER

– Darrell Ahlberg,
Activities Chair

2013 is winding down and its time to start planning for 2014. Once again, we'll have an "Activities Planning Meeting" at my house.

Have you ever wondered, "why don't they do this or that?" Well, now is the time to bring your ideas to the table so we can get them scheduled to our calendar.

As usual, we will keep it light and festive. The club will supply pizza and soft drinks and you're free to bring anything else you'd like. Fair warning: I had a flood in my basement so don't be too shocked that my basement is still "unfinished." I look forward to seeing everybody there.

Please RSVP if you plan to come so I can get an idea how many to expect. Contact me if you need directions: 586-899-8203 or dahlberg7@comcast.net

NEW EVENTS:

Oct 5 Don Thomas Sporthaus Women's Workshop Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are provided and the cost is FREE. Contact Don Thomas for more info: 248-220-1999

Nov 8 Restaurant Of The Month at Steel House Tavern in Troy

CHANGED EVENTS:

Oct 6 Bike Ride This time we will ride the full 9 miles from Rochester to Lake Orion and have lunch at the Sagebrush Cantina. Non-riders can join us around 2pm if you'd like.

Don Thomas Sporthaus Women's Workshop

Saturday, Oct 5 • 9:45am - 6:45pm

690 South Old Woodward, Birmingham

A fun filled day on how to get ready for the ski season with pro skiers Pip Hunt and Rebecca Selig. They will have breakfast, lunch, appetizers and refreshments. No charge for the event, but there is a fundraiser for Lynsey Dyer's new all female movie "Pretty Faces."

ONLY 60 SEATS AVAILABLE RSVP ONLY.

Just call the store to get your seat:
Don Thomas 248-220-1999

Painting With A Twist



**Friday, Nov 1st
6:30pm • \$35**

200 W. Nine Mile Rd.
Ferndale

Paint, canvas, and brushes are provided, as is an experienced and enthusiastic local artist who can 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 or beverage to enjoy during the class. Limited to 20. Must sign up by Oct. 17.

You Can Pay online at <http://www.paint-with-a-twist.com/events/viewEvent.aspx?eventID=145247> Password: "gmski"
Or turn in a check to Jan Burrows payable to Painting With a Twist.

Contact: Jan Burrows, 734-645-7964,
jan_burrows55@hotmail.com

**See our website gallery for more photos
of our latest events! gmskiclub.org**

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 - 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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Time: 6:30pm, Cost: \$5 Cover Charge Plus Your Tab. Contact: Dennis Dembiec, 248-318-1491

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Fri, Nov 8 • ROM: Steel House Tavern - 1129 East Long Lake Rd, Troy. Time: 6:30 Cost: Your Tab Contact: Darrell Ahlberg, dahlberg7@comcast.net, 586-899-8203

Utah Ski Vacation

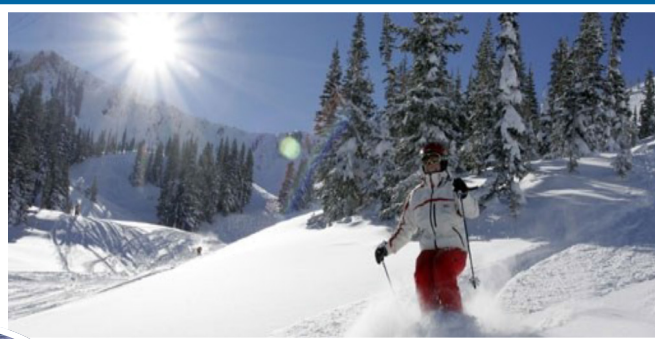
March 1-8, 2014

Non-Members: \$1305

Only \$1,280

GMSC/MDSC Members

- 7 Day Trip
- 5 Day Lift Tickets: 2 days Park City, 2 days Deer Valley, 1 day Canyons
- 2 Bedroom/2 Bath Condo Lodging (Park City)
- Non-Stop Delta Flight
- Transportation



SOLD OUT!

Sign-up for the Wait-List

Make checks payable to: GM Ski Club.
Mail to: Dave Norkus, 6514 Crest Dr.,
Waterford, MI 48329

Contact: Dave, dnorkus@comcast.net

Friends, Fun, Food & Plays on the Stratford Weekend!

Seven of us went on a lovely Stratford weekend, and stayed in the Bristol House, formerly Bon Brae. The new proprietors redecorated the house, filling it with antique treasures from around the world as well as our host Janice's beautiful original artwork! Steve, a British car enthusiast, shared his 1969 Rolls Royce Silver Shadow with us! We dined at new places and had a grand time biking around the town. We enjoyed festivities of the Dragon Races on the beautiful Avon River. The Avon River is also home to the rare Black Swan. The play, *Waiting For Godot* – though really well done – left us all puzzled, and determined to become playwrights ourselves! *Fiddler*, *Tommy*, *Othello*, and other plays were magnificent. We shopped in the boutiques, ate ice cream, enjoyed desserts, and each others' company! Thanks to everyone, we had a grand time.





Square Dance Recap

It was a perfect night for a barn dance and bonfire. We started with pizza and salad to boost our energy. Then boot scootin' GMSC members had lots of fun square dancing in the Pfannes barn. There were lots of do-se-dos and alemon lefts. And we learned that "face your corner" doesn't mean you are in "time out." Many relaxed by the fire after the dance and others went inside to play pinball, shoot pool or chat indoors. It was a night of laughing with some exercise thrown in.





Renaissance Festival



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Activities Planning Mtg

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General Meetings

2nd Thursday of every month

Champps • 6:30pm

301 W. Big Beaver, Troy (btwn I-75 & Livernois)

