



Local Skiing

Mt. Holly

10:30am

Saturday, Jan 3

13536 Dixie Hwy. Holly

Pine Knob

10:30am

Sunday, February 1

7778 Sashabaw Rd., Clarkston

Let's do some skiing! Meet up with GMSC / Skiwis and friends. Skiing cost: \$42.

Join us for lunch at 1:00pm. Cost: your tab.

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

Club 54

Gary Greenfelder Orchestra

Thu, Jan 15 • 6:30pm

37722 Van Dyke, Sterling Hts

Gary Greenfelder presents an energetic 17 piece orchestra swirling with the Big Band sounds of Benny Goodman, Harry James, Woody Herman, and Tommy Dorsey. Starring vocalists Jennifer Jones, Pete Tocco and Paul Vennedetti. The performance is 7pm-10pm. Dancers are welcome (East Coast/ West Coast Swing, Waltz, Night Club 2 Step, and Cha-Cha). Typical cash bar / food available.



Cost: \$5 cover charge plus your tab.

Contact: Tom Scott, 586-739-5199,
 tescott99@yahoo.com



Great Baraboo Brewing Company

Friday, January 2 • 6:30pm

35905 Utica Rd, Clinton Twp.

After resting for a day after our New Year's party, we will meet at the Great Baraboo Brewing Company. Offering a wide selection of appetizers, salads, burgers, pita's and entrees to satisfy your appetite. \$4 Long Islands (on Fridays). Cost: Your Tab.

Please RSVP to Dennis Dembiec, 248-318-1491
 or dennis4179@gmail.com



Peabody's Restaurant

Friday, Jan 30

5:30pm Happy Hour

6:30pm Dinner

8:00pm Music & Dancing

34965 Woodward, Birmingham (extra parking across the street in parking structure)

A landmark in Birmingham, enjoy American fare from oven roasted prime rib to house made soups. Happy Hour: \$4 wine and well drinks, \$3 pints, plus appetizer specials. Cost: Your Tab. Please respond by Thursday as they will be full!

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Jan 2 Sherry Letavis

Jan 5 John Hudak

Jan 6 Barbara Phillips

Jan 8 Ray Jones

Jan 9 Onita Fitz

Jan 11 Robert Dennis
Joe Yoblonski

Jan 13 Gelene Pigott

Jan 15 Charlie Pullum

Jan 17 Bob Schutter

Jan 20 Ilona Hawk
Carla Hicks

Jan 21 Michael Nalley
Stan Sawicki

Jan 22 Diane Bobcean

Jan 26 Richard Whitmore

Jan 28 Andy Burg-Kushim

Jan 30 Cheryl Sussman



Deadline for the Feb 2015 Issue

is Saturday, January 24. Send info to
Sherry at: newsletter@gmskiclub.org



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The GMSC is a member of the MDSC. As such we are allowed to attend other MDSC Clubs' advertised trips at their member fee. There are also discounts and many other benefits.

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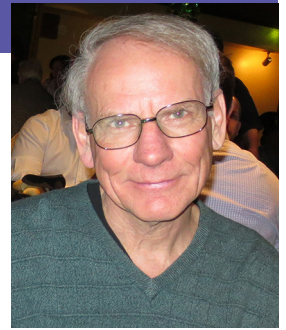
3 to 5 FREE

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!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope that everybody had a safe and happy holiday. Looking forward to our coming year which promises to be a good one, we have many things planned. Starting on January 2nd we are going to the Great Baraboo Brewing Co. This should be a nice outing especially for the beer aficionados. The next day we are planning to go skiing at Mt. Holly in a joint outing with the Skiwi Ski Club. Some people think that the local area's vertical is not high enough to go skiing there, but it is still skiing and it offers a chance to improve one's skills, get some exercise and meet with one's friends, which to me is a pretty good bargain for a close ski area. We are also planning on doing some local cross country skiing this winter. However, since one can't be sure when the snow will fall, we will offer these outings on a pop up basis. So after a large snowfall please look to our website to see if any cross country skiing is advertised there.



On the 15th we are going to Club 54 to hear the big band sound of Gary Greenfielder. For those that like to dance, it should be a treat, but as with our other events you won't need skill just enthusiasm. Later on the 30th Peabody's Restaurant in Birmingham is on our calendar. It is an excellent place and also offers dancing.

In February we have another joint outing at the Pine Knob Ski Area, this will be on the first. February 5th there is line dancing instruction offered at Coyote Joe's Club. As of this writing our Lake Ann Nordic ski weekend is full, but we are taking a waiting list. At our February club meeting we are offering a joke night, where a person telling a good joke can give a good laugh and get a small cash prize. So if you hear a good joke, please tell it to us at the February meeting. St. Patrick's Day may seem a ways off but we are offering tickets to see the Irish band Blackthorn on that day. They are on sale now due to the limited seating available.

LET IT SNOW! (At least on the ski areas.)

— **Stan Sawicki, President GM Ski Club**



Lake Ann Cross-Country Ski & Snowshoe Trip



Feb 13-15 • Sleeping Bear Resort

\$100 Members, \$110 Non-members

INCLUDES:

- **Two nights lodging**
- **Two days breakfast and lunch**
- **Potluck dinner Saturday**
- **Access to x-country trails & snowshoe areas**

Downhill skiing available at Crystal Mountain (Lift tickets at your cost)

SOLD OUT! WAIT LIST BEING TAKEN.

CONTACT: Kay, 586-939-9817, ktmc1014@wowway.com



**GET READY FOR
A FUN FILLED
WEEKEND!**

GM SKI & TRAVEL CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

EVERY SUNDAY

10:00am • BREAKFAST CLUB – Jimmy's Coney Grill
37246 Dequindre, Sterling Hts. *No RSVP needed!*

12:30pm • WALLYBALL - Warren Racquetball & Fitness. \$5-\$6 per person.
29901 S Civic Center Blvd, Warren. Contact: Michael, sundaywallyball@gmail.com

4TH WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH - 4:30pm • Grace Centers of Hope
35 E Huron St, Pontiac. Contact: Susan Walker, swneko@aol.com, 248-660-5329

Happy
New Year



FULL CALENDAR AVAILABLE AT WWW.GMSKICLUB.ORG

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Sun, Feb 1 • Pine Knob Skiing - 7778 Sashabaw Rd., Clarkston. Join with GMSC/Skiwi's and
meet up with friends and let's do some skiing. Time: 10:30am. Lunch 1:00 Cost: \$42. Contact Stan
Sawicki 586-808-3406 ssawicki@comcast.net

Thu, Feb 5 • Line Dancing Instruction at Coyote Joe's - 49440 Ryan Road, Shelby Twp.,
7:30pm, No cover before 8pm. Cost: Your Tab. Contact: Ken, 586 242-2003, kenphillips@mail.com

Thu, Feb 12 • GMSC Meeting / Joke Night - Champps, 301 W. Big Beaver, Troy. Time: 6:30pm,
Cost: Your Tab. Contact: Greg Ronan, riverdanceiii@yahoo.com

Feb 13-15 • Lake Ann Cross-Country Ski and Snowshoe Trip - 7770 N Reynolds Rd, Lake
Ann, MI. Cost: \$100 Members, \$110 Non-members. Contact: Kay Sheere at ktmc1014@wowway.com

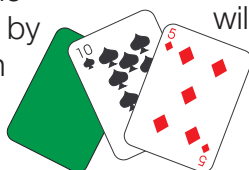
Thu, Mar 12 • GMSC Meeting - Champps, 301 W. Big Beaver, Troy. Time: 6:30pm, Cost: Your Tab.
Contact: Greg Ronan, riverdanceiii@yahoo.com

March 14-21, 2015 • Colorado Ski Trip Vacation - Aspen/Snowmass. Members: \$1,425,
Non-Members: \$1,445. SOLD-OUT. For Wait-List Contact: Dave Norkus dnorkus@comcast.net

Tue, Mar 17 • St. Patrick's Day at O'Mara's - 2555 12 Mile Road, Berkley. Featuring Irish Celtic
Band "Blackthorn" 8:30pm, Members: \$35 • Non-Members: \$40. Includes: Dinner buffet, tax, tip, cover
charge. RSVP by January 20. Contact: Tricia Lloyd, 586-419-7173.

Beginning Bridge "Play & Learn"

In this Beginning Bridge Class, the card table will be our blackboard. You will learn bridge by playing cards. A handout summarizing each lesson will be distributed at the end of each class – *no note taking required.*



The bridge course will be taught by certified teacher, Jane Hall. GM Club Member Lori Briscoe will host classes in the fall if there is enough interest. Cost is \$12 for two hours, and will run from one to twelve weeks.
Contact: Lori Briscoe, 586-254-7167



Redford Theater

Line Dancing Instruction

Thursday, February 5 • 7:30pm
Coyote Joe's



49440 Ryan Road, Shelby Twp.

Featuring FREE Line Dancing Instruction from 8pm to 9pm, followed by non-stop dancing. This is also

Ladies Night. There is no

cover for men before 8pm, \$3 after 8pm. We will save a section for members. There is no food inside, but they offer a hotdog/sausage concession just outside, ala Home Depot. Arrive 7:30pm to 7:45pm. Cost: Your tab.

coyotejoes.com

Contact: Ken Phillips, 586 242-2003,
 kenphillips@mail.com

After a one year hiatus on this annual event, the GM Ski Club once again convened on the Redford Theater. This time to watch the screening of the Chevy Chase Christmas Classic, National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation. The hilarity of this movie cannot be exaggerated. Especially while watching it with a live theater audience.

As is its holiday tradition, the Redford was fully decorated for the Season and once again featured a live appearance by the Big Man from the North Pole himself. The stage was laid out in Dickens fashion with an four separate electric trains running through the town.

The whole event was sandwiched with stops at McVees before and after the show. First for dinner beforehand, and once again for an afterglow.

It was a great evening for all. If you missed it, we hope to see you next year.

Only \$1,425

(GMSC or MDSC Members)

Non-members \$1445

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- Airfare & Bus Transportation included

To be put on the waitlist, contact:
 Dave, dnorkus@comcast.net

St. Patrick's Day at O'Mara's Restaurant



March 17, 2015 • 8:30pm

2555 12 Mile Road, Berkley (248-399-6750)

8:30pm Dinner

9:00pm Show

You will not be seated until 8:30pm and must arrive on time. This event available to the first 20 people to sign-up.

\$35 Members • \$40 Non-Members

INCLUDES: Dinner Buffet:
Irish dishes, crab dip, salad,
potato, vegetable and dessert.

Tax, tip, cover charge.

Featuring Irish Celtic Band

Blackthorn



Blackthorn's lead performer was born in Dublin, Ireland. Enjoy a night of Irish songs and folk lore tales of the Emerald Isle.

This is a closed party and seats are only available through advance reservation.

Contact: Tricia Lloyd, 586-419-7173.



Celebrate St. Patrick's Day With Us!

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BEFORE JANUARY 20



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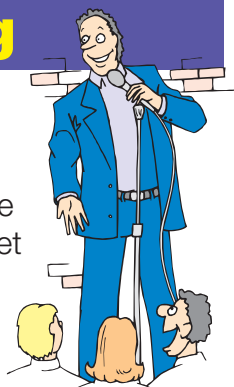
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JOIN US FOR OUR INAUGURAL
Joke Night Mtg

Thurs, Feb 12 • 6:30pm
Champps in Troy

Members are encouraged to come up and tell a tasteful joke. If you get plenty of laughs, and a majority of the judges agree, you will receive \$2.15 (being that it is the year 2015). Our club announcements will start at an earlier time to allow for jokes.



Please call or text Ken Phillips at 586 242-2003 the day of the meeting if you are participating.

General Meetings

2nd Thursday of every month

Champps • 6:30pm

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

