



We Have A NEW General Meeting Location!

The GMSC Board has listened to your comments and changed the location of our March and April meetings to Joe Kool's in Troy. An eclectic joint that caters to all, they offer daily and monthly specials. We have our own private room (after entering just turn left and walk to the back).

Joe Kool's is located on the north side of Big Beaver Rd. between Rochester and John R Rds.

Go Green Contest at March Meeting!

Wear lots of Irish green to get a chance to win a free drink!

Join us for dinner, fun & friends to learn about upcoming trips and activities.



MARCH 12 & APRIL 9

Joe Kool's • 6:30pm

1835 E Big Beaver Rd, Troy (just West of John R)



Rosie O'Grady's
Friday, March 27

5:30pm Meet & Greet • 6:30pm Dinner

36759 Mound Rd, Sterling Heights
We will welcome home the snow skiers from the Colorado Ski Trip by extending the St. Patrick's Day celebration one week. Join us around 5:30pm for Happy Hour specials: \$1 Off drafts, \$2.50 domestic bottles. A band will begin at 9pm so we can stay and dance the night away. \$3 shots will be available after the band starts.
Please RSVP if you are coming for dinner!

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

EUCHRE PARTY



Sat, March 28 • 6pm
Sharon Rose's House
28359 Aline Dr, Warren

All levels of abilities are welcome. There will be cash prizes, and food will be provided. BYOB.

People may come for just the party.

Card playing starts promptly at 6:30pm.

Cost: \$15 for Euchre, \$5 for Party only.

RSVP by March 22.

Make checks out to Sharon Rose, if paying at the door, cash is preferred.

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

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Mar 10 Robert Nelson

Mar 11 Steven Ahlberg

Mar 13 Darwin Tuttle

Mar 16 Paul (Gary) Barden

Mar 19 Julie Pawlos

Mar 23 Carol Stanek

Mar 25 Larry Yurgil

Mar 26 Jim Hartwig

Mar 31 Marta Acheson



FROM THE EDITOR

Deadline for the Apr 2015 Issue

is Sunday, March 22. Send info to
Sherry at: newsletter@gmskiclub.org



**Metropolitan
Detroit
Ski
Council**

Promoting Sports & Social Activities

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.

www.mdscski.org

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MEMBERSHIP

Build the club & help yourself too!

Simply recruit three new members to the club and you will receive one year's membership FREE.

Have the new members designate you as the referring member on their membership application when they sign-up – EASY!

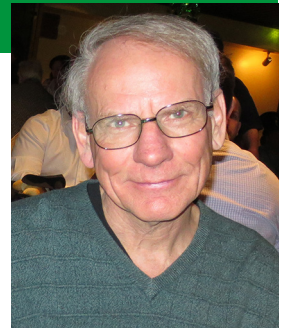
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We will be having our club meeting at a new place this March and April: Joe Kool's on 16 Mile in Troy. They offered us a better set up so we decided to go there. At the March meeting we are having our **Go Green Contest**. Wear Irish green and get a chance to win a free drink. On the 14th we have our ski trip to Snowmass which is sold out. On March 17th we are seeing Blackthorn at O'Mara's Restaurant and there are still some openings for that event. A bunch of our events are back loaded at the end of March. On the 27th we are going to Rosie O'Grady's for dinner and singing. Please remember to RSVP that you are coming and also if you have to cancel. It is unfair to force the leader to guess as to who will be there and who will not. The next day Sharon Rose is having a Euchre party at her house. You do not need to be that good in order to play, just want to have a nice time. That following Sunday we are going to Mt. Clemens to go Feather Bowling at the Bath City Bistro. It is a fun easy game that anyone can play. You can just bowl or also eat an excellent dinner beforehand.



Please remember that we have elections coming up in April. If you've enjoyed being in the club and would like to keep it going, please seriously consider running for office or volunteering to be on the board. Our club can only be as good as you members make it.

GO GREEN!

– Stan Sawicki, President GM Ski Club

One of our members Ron Weishaupt passed away recently and our hearts and condolences go out to his family and friends. He will be missed.



Only \$1,425
(GMSC or MDSC Members)
Non-members \$1445
SOLD OUT!

ASPEN SNOWMASS®

Colorado Ski Trip Vacation

March 14 - 21, 2015

- 7 day trip • 5 day lift tickets at 4 different ski areas
- 2 bedroom/2 bath luxury ski-in/ski-out condominium lodging
- Airfare & Bus Transportation included

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

A small illustration of a skier in a yellow and blue suit, wearing goggles and holding poles, in a dynamic pose as if skiing down a slope.

Mixed Bowling League

Mondays at 7pm • Jan-April • Classic Lanes • \$10 per night

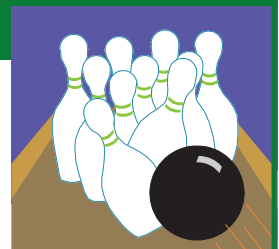
Fun mixed team of bowlers for half a season. Located on Crooks off M-59.

You do not have to bowl every Monday – SUBS ARE WELCOME.

There are many bowlers with low 100's average in this league.

Cost includes three games and two mystery game draws.

Please email kenphillips@mail.com if you are interested in participating.



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 Ireland.

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

FEATHER BOWLING & DINNER

Sunday, March 29

Dinner: 3:30pm • Bowling: 5:30pm

BATH CITY BISTRO

75 Macomb Place, Mt Clemens

A unique dining and diversion experience centered on the Belgian sport of feather bowling. This fun activity is best described as a cross between bocci ball and shuffle board. Participants try their best to roll wooden discs at a pigeon feather at the other end of a trough shaped lane.

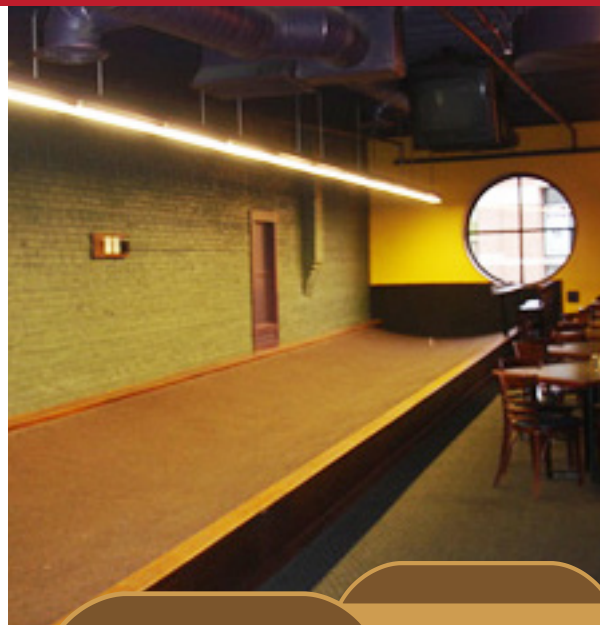
Dinner Includes: Choice of Mussels, Potato Encrusted Chicken, or Tender Sliced Sirloin, served with soup or salad and choice of starch. Price includes tax & tip. *Beverages are not included. Free parking all day Sunday in front and rear.*

Cost: \$19 Members, \$20 Non-Members,
Feather Bowling Only: \$6 Members, \$7 Non-Members

Full payment & dinner choice due at signup.

Make check payable to GM Ski Club and mail to
Chris Luhrs, 23210 Harrellson St., Macomb, MI 48042

Contact: Chris Luhrs, 586-949-2531, chris.luhrs@juno.com



GM SKI & TRAVEL CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

EVERY SUNDAY

10am • 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

MONDAY NIGHTS - 6:55pm-9:15pm • MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE – Classic Lanes

2145 Avon Industrial Drive, Rochester Hills (off Crooks, just north of M-59) Cost: \$10 - all skill levels are welcome. Subs or regulars needed. Contact: Ken Phillips, Kenphillips@mail.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

FULL CALENDAR AVAILABLE AT WWW.GMSKICLUB.ORG



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Time: 6:30pm, Cost: Your Tab. Contact: Greg Ronan, riverdanceiii@yahoo.com

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

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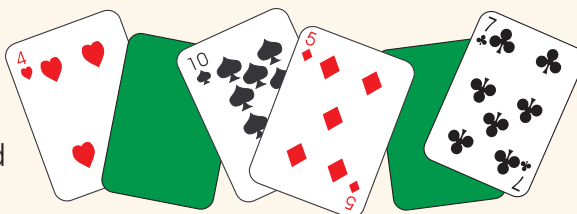
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Thu, Apr 9 • GMSC Meeting & ELECTION NIGHT - Joe Kool's - 1835 E Big Beaver Rd, Troy. Time: 6:30pm, Cost: Your Tab. Contact: Greg Ronan, riverdanceiii@yahoo.com

July 23-26 • GMSC Campout, Erie Islands, Ohio - \$45 pp Members, \$55 pp Non-Members, quad occupancy tent camping. Includes 3 nights camping, continental breakfast. See article for details. Contact: Darrell Ahlberg, 586-899-8203, dalhlberg7@comcast.net

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

GMSC 2015 Campout - Welcome to the Islands. Erie Islands, Ohio



Camping - East Harbor State Park

July 23 - 26

\$45 pp Members

\$55 pp Non-Members

Quad occupancy
tent camping

PRICE INCLUDES:

- **3 Nights Camping**
- **Continental Breakfast**

- All Ferry Fees are extra
- Suggested to bring bike or plan to rent golf cart

- Maximum 32 campers

Please get reservations in early!

Contact: Darrell Ahlberg,
586-899-8203,

dahlberg7@comcast.net

Kelley's Island

ORGANIZED BIKE
RIDE SITES:

- Winery
- Municipal Airport
- East Quarry Trail & Horseshoe Lake
- North Pond Preserve
- Limestone Quarry
- Brewery (Lakefront, fantastic views)

OTHER ATTRACTIONS:

- Downtown nightlife
- North Pond Nature Preserve
- North Shore Alvar Nature Preserve

South Bass (Put-In-Bay)

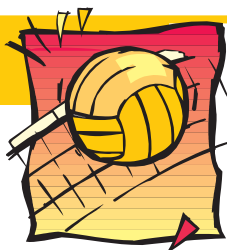
- South Bass Lighthouse
- Perry's Cave
- Butterfly House
- Crystal Cave
- Heineman Winery
- Tour train, parasailing, kayaking
- The Benson Ford Ship House
- Dollar Estate - Tour the home of one of Put-In-Bay's wealthiest and most influential citizens, Valentine Doll
- Birdhouse and Wildlife Museum
- Perry's Monument
- Beer Barrel Saloon - Home of the world's longest bar - 405 ft, 10 in long
- DeRivera Park (Put-In-Bay)
- Put-In-Bay Winery

Mainland - Catawba

- Dock's Beach House (pictured above), Erie Island's best beach and most scenic restaurant
- Marblehead Lighthouse
- African Safari Wildlife Park
- Cedar Point Amusement Park
- Soak City Water Park
- Historic Mon Ami Winery
- Cedar Point Lighthouse

Wallyball

Sundays • 12:30pm
Warren Raquetball & Fitness



29901 South Civic Center Blvd, Warren
Contact: Michael, sundaywallyball@yahoo.com

Work off that Sunday breakfast! Ours isn't a serious competition, we play for fun and exercise. Co-ed all the way and beginners are welcome. We play for two hours, then go to a nearby restaurant at 3:00pm.

Cost: Usually \$5 or \$6 (the \$40 court fee is divided by the number of us on the court).



**Lake Ann
Cross-Country Ski &
Snowshoe Trip**





Lake Ann Cross-Country Ski & Snowshoe Trip



It's Time For Club Officer **ELECTIONS**

PLEASE COME OUT AND VOTE!

Thursday, April 9 • 6:30pm

Officer elections will take place at the April General Meeting. Please submit nominations for officer positions to support the club. Other non-elected board positions are available as well. Get involved today!

Current Nominees are:

PRESIDENT: – Open –
VICE-PRESIDENT: – Open –
SECRETARY: – Open –
TREASURER: – Open –

If you are interested in helping out or have any questions, contact: Stan Sawicki, 586-808-3406, ssawicki@comcast.net

P&G: The Gathering Place

Friday, April 17
5:30pm Meet & Greet
6:30pm Dinner

3985 John R Rd, Troy



"Good Food Served With Good Spirits"

We will meet at the bar at 5:30pm for Happy Hour: Pitchers start at \$7, Draughts \$3. Dinner will be in the back room at 6:30pm. Offering soups, salads, burgers, sandwiches and pizza in a casual, but welcoming atmosphere.

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

Breakfast Club

Every Sunday • 10am
Jimmy's Coney Grill

37246 Dequindre (at 16 Mile), Sterling Hts.

