



A Ski Club... And A Whole Lot More!

NEWS

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CONGRATULATIONS to our newly-elected club officers:

PRESIDENT: Stan Sawicki

VICE-PRESIDENT: Joe Yoblonski

SECRETARY: Stella Moulton

TREASURER: Dan Boyd

Your service and dedication to helping the club is greatly appreciated. Thank you!



28th Annual Trek

Saturday, May 16 • 8:30am

We'll meet at **Vivio's Restaurant** at 8:30am, 2460 Market St, Detroit (313-393-1711).

To start the morning right we will begin with double Bloody Mary's and beer chasers, Mimosa's, or a really good coffee drink.

Afterwards we'll walk through the historic Farmer's Market. It'll be **Flower Day**, one of the largest flower shows in the country. Also enjoy great selections of fruits, veggies, homemade jams, maple syrup or local specialty foods. Later we will consider a BBQ, a sail, or relaxing on the dock. On the way there we will stop at the **Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Open House**.

Start the summer with fun! Cost: Your tab.

YOUR RSVP IS NEEDED!

For more info contact: Les Skrzycki,
248-877-1794, skiorsail9@gmail.com



The "Some Like It Hot" Musical

Saturday, May 9 • 8:00pm

\$17 Adult, \$12 Seniors

Richmond Community Theater

69619 Parker St, Richmond, MI

FEATURING GM SKI CLUB MEMBERS

**Marc Arel, Karen Arel, Jan Burrows
& Darrell Ahlberg**

Based on the hit film, "Some Like It Hot," this play chronicles of zany lives of two prohibition era musicians who witness a gang slaying. Forced to disguise themselves as women, they join an all-female orchestra and the games begin. Musical numbers include "Penniless Bums," "The Beauty That Drives Men Mad," and many more. This show is both outrageous and touching.

Specially for this show, the theater will be decked out like a prohibition era speakeasy. They obtained a temporary liquor license so you will be able to order your favorite adult beverage. GM Members attending will be seated together.

Gathering and seating at 7pm, show at 8pm.

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

**Full Performance Schedule: April 24-May 10,
Fri/Sat: 8:00pm and Sun: 2:00pm**

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SPORTS & SKI INSTRUCTION: Open

MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 03 Jim St. Miklosi
Patricia Nault

May 04 Debra Lawson

May 05 Philip Ross

May 08 Stella Moulton

May 11 Mary Zalewski

May 19 Dave Duvali

May 20 Karen Stewart

May 23 Ken Colden



FROM THE EDITOR

**Deadline for the June 2015 Issue
is Tuesday, May 26.** Send info to

Sherry at: newsletter@gmskiclub.org



**Metropolitan
Detroit
Ski
Council**

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

Did You Know?



Your can earn your membership:

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!

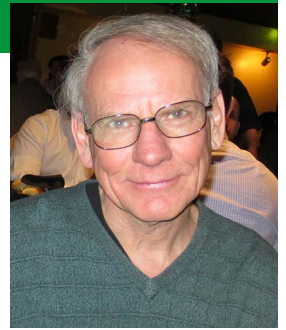
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I am sitting here writing this address it has been snowing lightly off and on for two days. I sure hope that I am not being too optimistic in scheduling our outside activities. On May 3rd and on May 24th we have our first bike rides of the year which will be held on the Paint Creek Trail. As is our custom we will celebrate Cinco de Mayo on the 4th 'Cuatro.' So show up on the fourth where you will have a lot of room and time to eat at the Casa Real Restaurant. Our club has many talented people, four of them (Darrell Ahlberg, Jan Burrows, Mark and Karen Arel) are in the Musical 'Sugar,' which the club will be seeing on the 9th. I am sure that they will be giving an excellent performance. Remember on the 14th our meetings will be held outside at the River Woods Park in Auburn Hills. Later on the 16th we are having our annual Eastern Market Outing where we start out early in the morning drinking Bloody Mary's or Mimosas and end up possibly sailing at the end of the day, with a lot done in between. On the 24th we will experience a taste of the Caribbean at the Bahama Breeze Restaurant. We finish the month going regular golfing or soccer golf at the Myth course. In June, right now we have more bike rides scheduled, glow bowling, and a Tiger Outing. I believe there are still openings for the July Erie Islands Camp-Out.



I want to thank those members that came out and voted in last April's election. I also want to thank our outgoing Vice-President Don Phillips on a job well done. Congratulations are also due for our new VP, Joe Yoblonski and Secretary, Stella Moulton. I am looking forward to another good year, especially with the board that I have had the enjoyment to work with.

It is on a sad note that I have to mention the passing of our club secretary Kay Sheere. Kay has assisted in the past in running events for the club and in taking notes for our board meetings. In knowing her I was always impressed with her quiet, friendly and helpful manner. She always had a quick smile and an eagerness to help. It was a pleasure to be around her. I know that many club members also share these sentiments. She will be sorely missed by her friends and family.

– Stan Sawicki, President GM Ski Club

Cuatro de Mayo

Monday, May 4

6:30pm

Casa Real



31313 Dequindre Rd, Madison Hts

Join us as we celebrate Cinco de Mayo a day early – smaller crowds, more fun!

Cost: Your Tab.



Please RSVP: Les, 248-877-1794,
skiorsail9@gmail.com



RESTAURANT OF THE MONTH

Friday, May 22

6:30pm

539 E Big Beaver Rd, Troy

Dine Tropical style. You'll find all your favorites:

Seafood, chicken, and steak, inspired by the colorful and flavorful ingredients of the islands.

Cost: Your Tab. You must RSVP!

Contact: Dave Duvali, 586-754-8151,
daveduvali@wowway.com



MDSC Travel Expo

Thursday, May 7 • 7:00pm

Doubletree Hotel

Meet and mingle with representatives from ski and golf resorts, ski tour operators & local ski shops. Includes appetizers, beverages and door prizes.

Location: 5801 Southfield Rd, Dearborn

Contact: MDSC Rep Christine Luhrs,
chris.luhrs@juno.com



GM Bike Rides

Paint Creek Trail

Sun, May 3 & Sun, May 24 • 1:00pm

500 Olde Towne Rd, Rochester

Meet at the Rochester Hills Library.

All levels welcome. We will eat afterwards.

Contact: Stan Sawicki, 586-808-3406

Harsen's Island

Sunday, June 14 • 1:00pm



2600 Pointe Tremble Rd, Algonac

Meet at the Kroger Store parking lot on Pointe Tremble Rd in Algonac, which is 1/2 mile past the ferry landing. We can bicycle to the landing and take the ferry over to the island - at no charge if you have a bike. We will stop to eat at the Sans Souci Bar on the way back. This will be leisurely ride of about 10 to 12 miles.

Contact: Stan Sawicki, ssawicki@comcast.net



Hamburg Bike Ride

Saturday, June 27 • 4:00pm

Hamburg Pub, 10668 Hamburg Road, Hamburg

We'll meet at the Hamburg Pub, pick up the Lakelands Bike Trail, head northwest about 10 miles. On the way back, we'll stop at the Zukey Lake Tavern, then finish the ride back to the Hamburg Pub where we'll stop for a brew and some karaoke. Bike ride and Zukey Lake stop should take 4 to 4-1/2 hours. Cost: Your tab.

Contact: Jan Burrows, 734-645-7964 (call/text)
jan_burrows55@hotmail.com



PUB & GRUB

Duffy's Pub

Friday, June 19 • 6:30pm

3320 Auburn Rd, Auburn Hills

Duffy's offers the typical American fare and carry many specialty beers. Happy hour ends at 7pm.

Please RSVP (sooner is always better).

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

Golf Scramble/Foot Golf

Sunday, May 31 • 1:00pm

At The Myth on Stoney Creek Rd. in Oakland Twp. **There are three options:** **1)** A traditional 9-hole scramble with cart for \$18. **2)** Foot Golf with soccer ball for \$7. **3)** Both for \$24.

We will eat afterwards. Bring a soccer ball (so you won't have to rent one). RSVP by May 22. Get more info about foot golf here: littlemyth.vargogolf.com

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

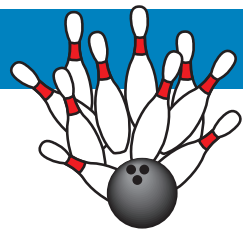


Glo Bowling

Sat, June 6 • 9:30pm

Thunderbird Lanes

400 W Maple Rd, Troy



Glo Bowling will be held at Thunderbird Lanes in Troy. It will cost only \$9 for three games and includes shoe rental. There will be a 50/50 raffle in which half the proceeds will go towards multiple sclerosis. There will be an MS Walk the following week.

Contact: Carol Stanek, 248-362-1660,
carolbarrel1@yahoo.com



Tiger Game

Sun, June 28 • 1pm

Tigers vs. White Sox

\$24 Members

\$26 Non-Members

Carpools leave 11:30am from Jimmy's Coney Island at Dequindre & Metro Pkwy. Park for free at the Greektown Casino Garage (we did last year).

It is only a ten minute walk to the ballpark.

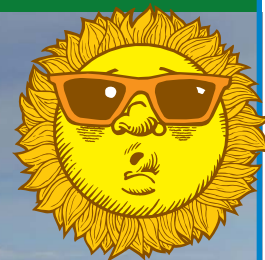
Our seats are upper deck along right field.

Only 15 tickets available. After the game, we will walk to the Harbor House near Greektown. They offer a full menu and \$2 domestic beer pints.

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

GMSC 2015 Camp-Out: Erie Islands, Ohio

WELCOME TO THE ISLANDS!



Thursday-Sunday, July 23 - 26 • East Harbor State Park

\$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.

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

Kelley's Island

ORGANIZED BIKE RIDE:

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



South Bass (Put-In-Bay)

Dollar Estate, South Bass Lighthouse, Perry's Cave, Butterfly House, Crystal Cave, Heineman Winery, Tour train, parasailing, kayaking, The Benson Ford Ship House, Birdhouse & Wildlife Museum, Perry's Monument, Beer Barrel Saloon, DeRivera Park, Put-In-Bay Winery

Catawbaw (Mainland)

Dock's Beach House, Marblehead Lighthouse, African Safari Wildlife Park, Soak City Water Park, Cedar Point Lighthouse & Amusement Park, Mon Ami Winery & much more!



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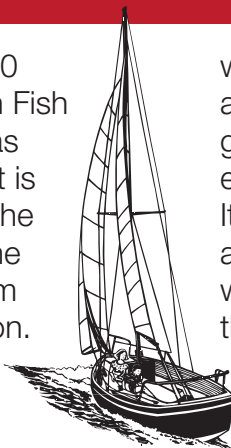
Tin Fish Dinner & Full Moon Event

Friday, July 31 • 6:30pm



Located at the Jefferson Marina (24420 Jefferson Ave, St Clair Shores), the Tin Fish has a wide variety of seafood as well as many other tasty items on the menu. It is important that you arrive promptly as the restaurant fills up on Friday nights in the summer. If you do not arrive by 6:45pm you may be seated in a different section.

After dinner we will assemble at the Gazebo located on the pier. Last year



we had perfect sailing weather and some of the club's boat owners generously invited us out for a boat ride. We enjoyed a beautiful sunset before the full moon. It was a night to remember. Please bring snacks and beverages to share with the boat owners. If weather is not good we will enjoy the ambiance of the evening at the Gazebo. Please RSVP.

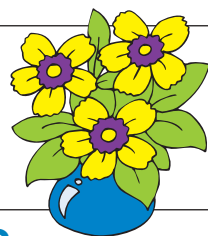
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GM SKI & TRAVEL CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

EVERY SUNDAY - 10am • BREAKFAST CLUB – Jimmy's Coney Grill,
37246 Dequindre, Sterling Hts. *No RSVP needed, just show up!*

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



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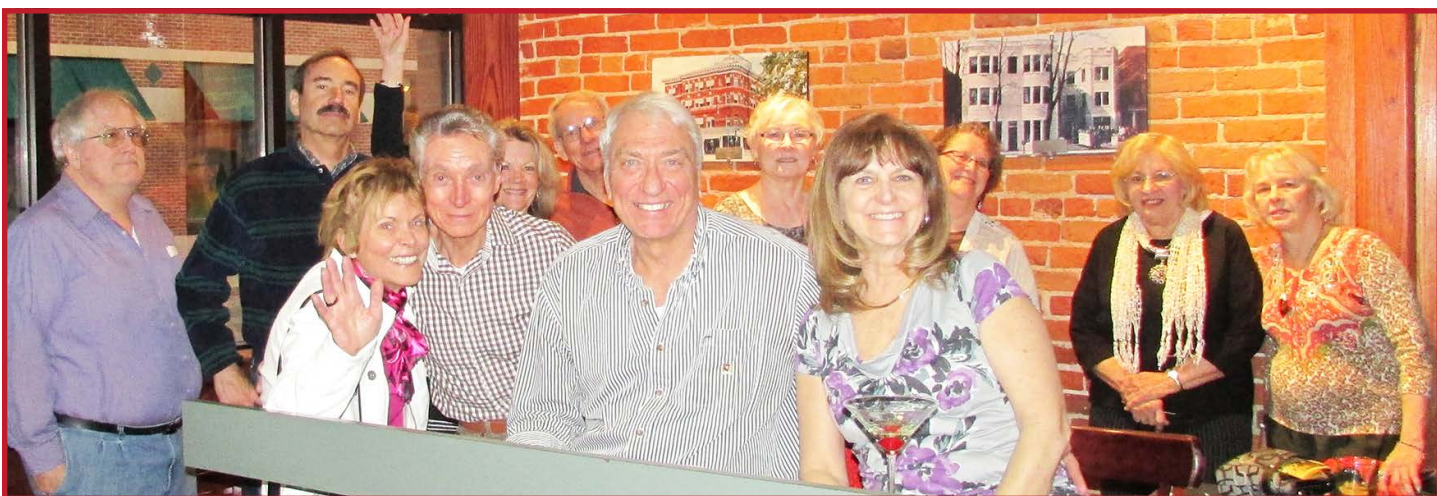
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Feather Bowling

It was a great Sunday afternoon at Bath City Bistro. Food was fabulous with more than enough to eat. There was fierce, friendly competition playing feather bowling. And yes, there really is a feather on the alley. If you weren't there, you missed a fun day.

– Chris Luhrs





Feather Bowling



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May 14th Meeting

Our first outdoor meeting will celebrate **Mother's Month**. (Yes moms, you deserve the full month, not just a day.) Ladies in attendance will receive a flower. Members are encouraged to bring friends.

We have a pavilion, so join us – rain or shine.

Although food and beverage is provided, we always appreciate you bringing a dessert or side dish to share. We will acknowledge your contribution during the meeting announcements.

SUMMER MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL:
 Only \$10 through September 30th.

General Meetings

2nd Thursday of every month

River Woods Park • 6:00pm

300 N Squirrel Rd, Auburn Hills

Cost: \$5 Members, \$7 Non-Members

Includes grilled hotdogs & assorted beverages.

