

2891 E Big Beaver, Troy (at Dequindre)
Our annual Mexican celebration will be held the day after Cinco de Mayo, as we have for several years. Bring your Mexican taste buds and join us!
We will meet promptly at 6:30pm.

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



GM Bike Rides

Paint Creek Trail • 1:00pm Sunday, May 15 & Sunday, May 29

500 Olde Towne Rd, Rochester
Meet at the Rochester Hills Library. All levels are
welcome to join us. We will eat afterwards.

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

Stony Creek Hike

Sunday, May 22 • 1:00pm

4300 Main Park Dr, Shelby Twp

Meet at the Nature Center. This will

be a moderately paced hike of about 4 to 5 miles.
There is a park entrance fee. We'll go to the
Stony Creek Roadhouse afterwards.

Contact: Bonnie, 248-589-2251

Ithousebon@aol.com



29th Annual Trek

Saturday, May 21 • 8:30am Vivio's Restaurant

2460 Market St, Detroit

We'll start the day at Vivio's Restaurant— 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 will be a stop at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club for an open house.

Start the summer with fun!

Cost: Your Tab. You must RSVP! Contact: Les Skrzycki, 248-877-1794, skiorsail9@gmail.com

Bike Ride - Apres Eastern Market Belle Isle

Sat, May 21 • 11am • Vivio's

After the breakfast at Vivio's we'll meet for a bike ride to Belle Isle. We'll start with the Dequindre cut, then go down to the Detroit Riverwalk and over the Belle Isle Bridge, culminating with a stop at the Detroit Boat Club. Please RSVP if you plan to ride so we'll look for you.

Contact: Marie Weiner, 248-642-6897, weinermarie@yahoo.com

CONGRATULATIONS to our newly-elected club officers:

PRESIDENT: Darrell Ahlberg
VICE-PRESIDENT: Joe Yoblonski
SECRETARY: June Siehda
TREASURER: Dan Boyd

Their service and dedication to helping the club is greatly appreciated.

Photo: Greg, Hospitality; June, Secretary; Dan, Treasurer; Joe, Vice President; Darrell, President; Stan, Past President; Chris, MDSC Rep; Dave, Trips Coordinator



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

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ACTIVITIES: Open

SPORTS & SKI INSTRUCTION: Open

MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 3 Patricia Nault
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May 5 Philip Ross
May 8 Stella Moulton
May 11 Mary Zalewski
May 19 Dave Duvali

May 23 Ken Colden





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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have a lot of activities coming up for the month of May. The MDSC Travel Expo is scheduled for Thursday, May 5th. This is where our Ski Committee gets trip ideas for the coming year. The next day we will have our annual Seis de Mayo Pub & Grub on the 6th. It is actually supposed to be on the 5th – but why not – who's counting? Please RSVP to Dennis and come on down to the El Patio Restaurant in Troy for some nice Mexican food. Later in the month there will be a couple of bike rides on the Paint Creek Trail. They are scheduled for the 15th and 29th of May.



On Saturday the 21st the club is having our Annual Trek To Eastern Market hosted by Les Skrzycki. It is a fun day starting with breakfast and drinks at Vivio's Restaurant in the market. Later there will be a bike ride, with a final excursion at Jefferson Beach Marina with the boaters. At the end of the month the club will have a golf outing at one of the local courses.

I would like to congratulate our new officers for the coming year. They are Darrell Ahlberg who will be our new President, Joe Yoblonski who will continue on as Vice-President, Dan Boyd who also will continue on as Treasurer, and June Siehda as our new Secretary. I wish them well for the coming year. I also want to thank everybody for all the support I got as President these last two years. We have a great club and with everyone's support I am sure it will stay that way.

- Stanley Sawicki, Past President of the GM Ski Club





2015-2016 Board Members pictured left to right: Greg, Dave, Chris, Joe, Stan, Dan, Ken

MDSC Ski Travel Expo 2016

Thursday, May 5 • 6pm-9pm • Doubletree Hotel, Dearborn

5801 Southfield Service Drive, Detroit • 313-336-3340

You are encouraged to attend! This event is open to all MDSC club members and invited guest. Hors d'oeuvres served with cash bar from 6:00pm-8:30pm. Resorts, retailers and

tour providers from the United States, Canada, Europe, and other ski destinations have been invited. Special invitations have been offered to local metro ski areas and ski shops. All will provide door prizes. Door prizes will be drawn from 8:30pm-9:00pm, you must be present to win.

For more info contact: Ron Glowzinski, ronglow65@comcast.com

Golf Scramble at Blackheath



Includes 9 holes plus cart. Located on 3311 Rochester Rd., (4 miles north of Tienken). Pay at the course. Tee-offs start at 1:12pm. We will eat afterwards at the Rochester Tap Room. All abilities welcome. Please RSVP by May 25th.

Contact: Ken Phillips, kenphillips@mail.com



Clinton River Paddle

Saturday, June 18 • 9:30am • Riverbends - Heritage Park

This 2 hour trip offers a steady current and several turns, along with great beaches, swimming, and plenty of park areas. A great trip for all skill levels. After the paddle we'll gather for lunch at the Old Stone Bar & Grille, 60730 Van Dyke, Washington.

RSVP no later than June 15, space is limited. Cost: \$30 (\$35 if less than 12 signup). Includes kayak rental, parking, personal flotation device, drop off & pick up service. Free for those bringing their own kayak! Make checks out to "Clinton River Canoe & Kayak Rental" and send to Amy Skotzke, 31 West Breitmeyer Place, Mt Clemens, MI 48043

Contact: Amy Skotzke, 231-758-2198, amy.skotzke@gmail.com



Sun, June 5 • 1:10pm 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 (bring Club card if you have one). It is only a ten minute walk to the ballpark.

After the game, we will walk to the Harbor House near Greektown. They offer a full menu and \$2 domestic beer pints on game days, plus very good sandwiches. Tickets will be on sale at our May 12th outdoor meeting.

Contact: Ken Phillips, kenphillips@mail.com



Duffy's Pub & Summerfest

Friday, June 24 • 6:30pm
3320 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills

We've planned our June Pub & Grub to coincide with the **Auburn Hills Summerfest.** After dinner we can walk out and join the festivities. Activities include: Live music, games, an arts & craft fair, BBQ contests, karaoke, dancing, a car show & and more! Tell the parking attendants you want to park near Duffy's Pub.

Duffy's specializes in burgers and offers a variety of American fare.

Contact: Dennis 248-318-1491

dennis4179@gmail.com



Pool Party With BBQ & Campfire

Saturday, July 16 • 2:30pm

Enjoy outdoor games and cards along with the pool.

We'll have a campfire at dusk. Burgers, brats, all condiments and water provided. BYOB plus a dish or dessert to pass. Located at 16922 Mary Wood Drive, Macomb Twp (half mile north of 24 Mile, just west of Romeo Plank).

RSVP with dish to pass. Contact: Ken Phillips, kenphillips@mail.com

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!*

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

EVERY WEDNESDAY - 7:30pm • Beginner East Coast Swing Dance Lessons Club 54, 37722 Van Dyke, Sterling Hts. Cost: \$5. Contact: Tom Scott 586-739-5199

FULL CALENDAR AVAILABLE AT WWW.GMSKICLUB.ORG

Thu, May 5 • MDSC Ski Travel Expo - Doubletree Hotel-Dearborn, 5801 Southfield Service Drive, Detroit. Time: 6pm-9pm. Complimentary hors d'ouevres, cash bar, door prizes (must be present to win). Cost: Your Tab, Contact: Ron Glowzinski, ronglow65@comcast.com

Fri, May 6 • P&G: Seis de Mayo at El Patio - 2891 E Big Beaver, Troy. Time: 6:30pm, Cost: Your Tab. Contact Dennis: dennis4179@gmail.com, 248-318-1491

Thu, May 12 • GMSC Meeting - River Woods Park, 300 N Squirrel, Auburn Hills. Time: 6pm, Cost: \$5 Members, \$7 Non-Members. Contact: Greg Ronan, riverdanceiii@yahoo.com

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SAVE THE DATE! More information coming soon for these fun events:

Aug 9-13 • Erie Canal | Sat, Aug 20 • GMSC Annual Picnic | Sep 16-18 • Hawk Woods

Don't forget - there are a lot more great event photos on our website! www.gmskiclub.org





Hawaiian Karaoke Party

By all accounts and reviews, the Kumoniwannalaya (Come-on-i-wanna-lei-ya) Hawaiian Karaoke Party was a smash hit. The basement was transformed into the perfect replica of a Hawaiian island – complete with sunshine and palm trees. The event was crowded with people all dressed in extremely bright tropical attire.

As an added surprise to everyone, including yours truly, the party was attended by six members of the professional tribute show "Legends Live!" We had Dean Martin (Steve London). Barbara Streisand (Sherry Moutard), Patsy Cline (Bernie Walters), and Donna Summer (Wanda Suddeth). Also present was the owner and producer of Legends Live!, Sam Solomon. Each of these people were there just to enjoy the party while taking their turn in the karaoke rotation. And when it was their turn, it was truly something special. If you haven't seen their tribute show, I highly recommend seeing it.

In addition to the Legends Live! stars, we had a pretty steady rotation of about 15 singers. Between karaoke sets, we had several dance tunes from the Macarena to Bruno Mars "Uptown Funk" and everything in between. We also played some music and movie trivia. Winners of these events were treated to the best leis of the evening. Everyone wanted a quality lei.

In all, the party was attended by over sixty people. Many of these people were attending a GM Ski Club event for the first time. So hopefully we made a good impression and we'll see them all again. We did have one new member sign up during the evening, so to Bob Stewart, welcome to the club.

It goes without saying, putting on a party like this takes a lot of work. Not just the planning and decorating, but running it through the night. I was blessed with some great people to help out. Janet Blair spent several hours with me putting up decorations. Then during the party, we had a lot of kitchen help from Patty Dipuccio, Carol Burt, Les Skrzycki, Ken Phillips, Stan Sawicki, and Janet Blair. Special thanks to those people who contributed so much to the success. I particularly would like to thank Tom Scott who not only took great pictures of the evening, but also brought the Legends Live! group to the party.

It seems the idea of an island-themed party was a big hit, so we look forward to doing it again next year. I hope you will plan on attending.

Cheers!

- Darrell Ahlberg





















Summer Membership



New members can join for only \$10!

Valid now through Sept 30. Save \$2 each month on our Spring/Summer meetings.

Plus pay a reduced cost to attend any Club activity requiring advance payment. Download a membership application from our website and mail it in or sign up at any meeting or club event.

You Can Get A One Year Membership FREE!

Recruit three new members to the club. Have the new members designate you as the referring member on their membership application – EASY!

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.







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