



Local Ski Days



Meet-up with GMSC / Skiwis and ski with friends on Tuesdays for a discount. All skill levels welcome. We will gather for lunch at 1pm (Cost: Your tab).

Tuesday • 10:30am
January 3 & February 7
Mt. Holly - Lift Ticket: \$26

13536 Dixie Hwy, Holly

Tuesday • 10:30am
January 17 & February 21
Pine Knob - Lift Ticket: \$26

7778 Sashabaw Rd, Independence Twp

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

Let's Do Some Skiing!

Hike or X-Country Ski at Stony Creek

Sunday, Jan 15 • 1:00pm

Meet at the Stony Creek nature center. Depending on the weather conditions, we will either hike or cross-country ski. We will eat afterwards at Stony Creek Roadhouse. Cost: Park fee/your tab.



Contact: Bonnie,
 248-589-2251,
 lthousebon@aol.

Euchre Party



Saturday, Jan 14 • 6pm – 11pm
\$15 Euchre • \$5 Party only

Our parties are designed to be fun. All levels of abilities are welcome. Arrive at 6:00pm. Euchre starts promptly at 6:30pm. There will be cash prizes and food will be provided. Bring your own beverage. People can come for just the party.

RSVP before Jan 10. Pay cash at the door or send payment to: Amy Skotzke,
 31 W. Breitmeyer Place, Mt Clemens, MI 48043

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



Gus O'Conner's Public House

Friday, January 27 • 6:00pm

324 S Main St, Rochester

The largest authentic Irish Pub in North America. Authentic food, perfect pints, and a culture of good food, good drinks and friendly conversation. Happy hour goes until 6pm. Cost: Your tab.

RSVP to kenphillips@mail.com or
 via text to 586 242-2003

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Jan 6 Barbara Phillips

Jan 8 Ray Jones
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Jan 9 Onita Fitz

Jan 11 Robert Dennis
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Jan 13 Gelene Pigott

Jan 20 Ilona Hawk
Carla Hicks

Jan 21 Stan Sawicki

Jan 22 Diane Bobcean

Jan 26 Richard Whitmore

Jan 30 Cheryl Sussman



MDSC
Metropolitan
Detroit
Ski
Council

The MDSC has existed since 1955 and is the umbrella organization for twenty ski clubs located in the Metro Detroit area, Toledo Ohio, and from Grand Rapids to Windsor and Sarnia, Canada.

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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Bernie Stevens
VP of Special Events

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well the end of the year is upon us. It is a time of year most of us call Christmas. However, even for those of other faiths, it is the Holiday Season. Regardless of your faith, this is a very special time of year. The days are at their shortest, the night is at its longest. Its like it was planned for the purpose of forcing us to take a time out and reflect on our lives for a few weeks. And as we enter the New Year, the days gradually become longer and the light in our lives grows brighter day by day.

This, then becomes a time of reflection. We reflect on the gratitude we have for the special people in our lives. It is a time for remembering, a time to share the goodness of your heart with others, and for expressing with words and gifts what someone means to you. It is a chance to make wishes come true and to give something from your heart. It is a chance to give a message that will express love and caring to the ones we care about the most.

We reflect about the turns our lives have taken over the past year. About the new people and friendships, we've formed, about goals we've met and goals we missed. It is a time we plan our approach to the new year. It is a time we make resolutions as to how we will do things different and make life better for ourselves and our loved ones.

With these thoughts in mind I would like to give you the best wishes for this holiday. Enjoy the Holiday Season. And I wish you and yours all the best in the coming New Year.

Happy Holidays,

– **Darrell Ahlberg, President, GM Ski Club**



Sunday, February 5 • 3pm-11pm

Darrell's House

3pm - 5pm Music & Karaoke
5pm - 6:23pm Pre-Game Socializing
6:30pm Superbowl LI Kick-Off
Lady Gaga half-time show

Tailgate food will be provided (hot dogs / sides).

A dish-to-pass will be appreciated.

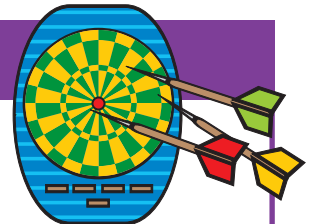
Bring your own beverages.

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



Game Night

Saturday, Feb 11
6:30pm - 11:30pm



16922 Mary Wood Dr, Macomb
(off Romeo Plank, north of 24 Mile)

Open to GM Ski Club members & their guests.

Play your favorite games on two levels!

**Pool, darts, euchre, hearts, pinochle,
Yahtzee & classic board games.**

Bottled water, chips & salsa
will be provided, BYOB.

Donations of a dish-to-pass
or dessert are desired.

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

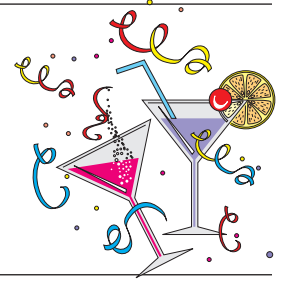


GM SKI & TRAVEL CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

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. \$6-\$8 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



FULL CALENDAR AVAILABLE AT WWW.GMSKICLUB.ORG

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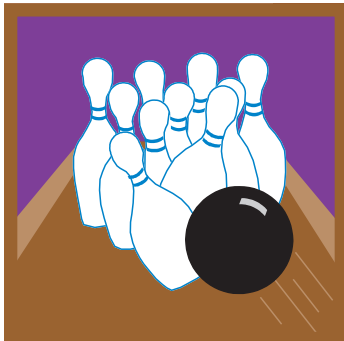
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Contact: Ken Phillips, 586 242-2003, kenphillips@mail.com

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Bowling League Subs Needed

Monday Nights • 6:55pm-9:30pm

Bowling subs needed on Monday night fun league at Classic Lanes, located just north of M-59 and west of Crooks on Avon-Industrial Drive.

Only \$10 for 3 games including 2 mystery game drawings.

Four per team, all levels, any combination of men or women.

Contact: Ken, kenphillips@mail.com



It was a party for the ages. From the start, it was clear people arrived psyched for having a good time. By the time the numbers came in, total attendance was nearing 80 people. It was a great crowd.

The evening started as the crowd gathered, the stereo played a Christmas music dance mix which got everybody in the mood. Eventually people started asking for some "entertainment." So we moved on to a mix of karaoke and dance tunes. And dancing, everybody did. For the next three or four hours, the place was rocking. The highlight was a Ken Phillips Lip Sync to a special rendition of Battle Hymn Of The Republic combined with a contemporary political parody. The performance was met with a standing ovation. Way-to-go Ken!

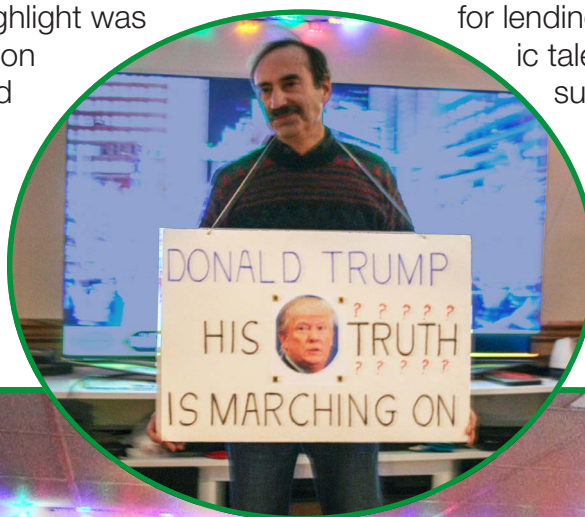
And then there was the food. So many people brought so much great food, there was no way to consume all of it. If it's variety, quality, and quantity you like, you were in the right place. I'd like to give a huge shout out of appreciation to everyone who brought a dish. It was dearly appreciated by all.

I'd also like to give a shout out to the following people who helped out through the course of the evening. Stan Sawicki, Dennis Dembiec, Linda Fressetto, Amy Skotzke, Ken Phillips, Les Skrzycki, and the irrepressible workhorse, Patty Dipuccio. Without their help, a party of this magnitude simply could not happen. And this is

not to leave out all the other people who chipped in throughout the night. Everybody's help is much appreciated.

In this newsletter you will find several photos commemorating the event. Attending any event and having a good time is always a good thing. But it is the pictures that allow us to preserve and relive the event for a lifetime. On behalf of all of us who enjoy them, I would like to thank John Zalewski, Tom Scott, and Chris Luhrs for lending their photographic talents in contributing such great photos.

I hope all that attended had a good time. If you couldn't make it, I hope to see you next time.





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Non-members add \$25

Contact: Dave Duvali, daveduvali@att.net, 586-754-8151, 27216 Dover, Warren, MI 48088

P&G: Parkside Tavern

Friday, February 17 • 6:30pm



3315 Auburn Rd, Auburn Hills

A Modern American Bistro featuring a large variety of sandwiches on artisan bread, chef designed burgers as well as classic and contemporary salads.

For dinner, there are steaks, free-range poultry, and seafood flown in daily. The bar offers a great selection of beer – 24 taps, 65 bottles – diverse wines and spirits. The entire selection is Michigan inspired. Cost: Your tab

Contact: Joe Yoblonski, 248-852-6561

General Meetings

2nd Thursday of every month

Bahama Breeze • 6:00pm

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(between Rochester & Livernois Roads)



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