



**“A ski and travel club...
and a whole lot more”**

January at a glance

- Every Sun.** Breakfast Club 10 a.m. at Anton's Island Grill, 16 Mile and Dequindre. No RSVP needed. We'll make room for you.
- Every Sun.** Wallyball is back! 1:00 p.m. at Warren Racquet and Fitness Club, one block east of Van Dyke at 12 1/2 Mile Road. 2 hours.
- 10 Thur. General Meeting – Joe Kool's, 1835 E. Big Beaver Rd., Troy. 7:00 p.m.,
- 15 Tues. Board Meeting. –17th Street Grille, 7:00 p.m., Contact: Darrell, 586-899-8203
- 18 Friday **Deadline** to sign up for dinner at Wolfgang Puck Grille, **5:00 p.m.**
- 25 Friday Restaurant of the month—Wolfgang Puck's Grille at the MGM Grand. Reservations are for 7:00 p.m.

**GM SKI and TRAVEL CLUB
Website:**

www.gmskiclub.org
(recent photos, upcoming events, membership applications, bylaws, forms, and fun music)

MDSC Website: www.mdscski.org

Deadline

The deadline for articles or pictures submitted for inclusion in this newsletter is 5 p.m. sharp on the 20th of the preceding month.

Late submissions will be held for the following issue or discarded.



SKI and TRAVEL

JANUARY 2008

WEBSITE: www.gmskiclub.org

GM CLUB: FOUNDED 1957 VOLUME LII, ISSUE I

Volunteer opportunity of the month:

Saturday, January 12, 2008 – 12 p.m. – 3p.m.

**Gleaners Oakland
Distribution Center**

The event is inside the warehouse—
separating and packaging dry food goods.

**LET'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE and start off
the New Year giving**

Did you go hungry in 2007?
Want to help those who did?
Sign-up information is inside.

Restaurant of the Month—

Followed by a new tradition—

Gambling of the year!

Friday, January 25, 7:00 p.m.

Wolfgang Puck Grille

at the MGM Grand Casino

Wolfgang Puck is the celebrity chef to the stars; and, on January 25th, that means US! Most entrees fall within the \$25-40 range. Dinner will be followed by gambling, for all who are willing.

Deadline to sign up is January 18th at 5 p.m.



First Class Mail

40377 Kraft Dr.
Sterling Heights, MI 48310
c/o Darrell Ahlberg



**GENERAL MEETING
Thursday, January 10**

Joe Kool's

1835 E. Big Beaver Rd., Troy.
Meeting starts at 7:00 pm. Announcements at 8:00 p.m.
Come early for dinner!

Celebrating our 50th year of bringing people together.

GM SKI and TRAVEL CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: (day) _____ (Evening) _____
 Date of Birth _____
 Email address _____

NEW MEMBERSHIP \$30 RENEWAL \$25

In consideration for me being able to join the GM Ski and Travel Club, I agree to abide by the GM SKI and TRAVEL Club's by-Laws and constitution. Membership runs October 1 through September 30.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

How did you hear about the GM Ski and Travel Club?

Friend Newspaper Racing Event (list) _____

Skiing Interest:	Skiing Ability:	I'd like to help:
<input type="checkbox"/> Downhill	<input type="checkbox"/> Beginner	<input type="checkbox"/> Ski Trips
<input type="checkbox"/> Racing	<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate	<input type="checkbox"/> Publicity
<input type="checkbox"/> X-country	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced	<input type="checkbox"/> Meetings
<input type="checkbox"/> Snowboard		<input type="checkbox"/> Activities
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (list) _____

Referral: I am a new member and was referred to the GM Ski and Travel Club by:
 Referring Members Name: _____

Payment made by: Cash Check Check # _____
 I like the club so much I wish to make an additional contribution of \$ _____

GM Ski and Travel Club Board of Directors

President: Les Skrzycki 248-693-1794 **MDSC Rep:** Debbie Cooke 248-689-7167
Vice President: Denise Korzetz 248-343-0111 **Newsletter:** Michael Bourke 586-776-7685
Treasurer: Alan Toomey 248-391-5180 **Publicity:** Denise Korzetz 248-343-0111
Secretary: Darrell Ahlberg, 586-899-8203 **Ski Trips:** Dave Duvali 586-754-8151
Activities: Brian De Leo 248-626-6192 **Webmaster:** Alan Toomey 248-391-5180
Hospitality: Greg Ronan 586-979-9512
Membership: Darrell Ahlberg 586-899-8203

The board meets once a month, the week after the General Meeting

TO JOIN THE GM SKI and TRAVEL CLUB:

Please send completed application at the left along with check (payable to "GM Ski Club") to:

GM Ski and Travel Club
40377 Kraft Dr.
Sterling Heights, MI 48310

Or bring the completed application with you to our General Meeting.

Membership runs Oct. through Sept.

Mail changes of address to the above.

You don't have to work for General Motors to belong to the GM Ski and Travel Club! (but it's okay if you do).

January Birthdays

Elena Bankowski January 4
 John Hudak January 5
 Robert Dennis January 11

Treasurer's Report

The account balance is:

\$4,492.74

Alan Toomey,
Treasurer

Editor's Notes

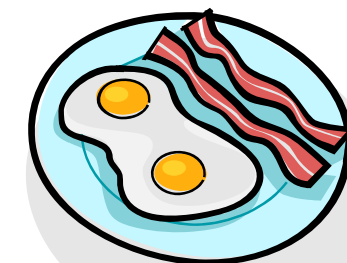
Submissions to this newsletter will be accepted in any visual, but not oral, form. Electronic transmissions are preferred. The deadline is 5:00 p.m. sharp on the 20th of the preceding month.

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 Eastpointe, MI 48021

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Calendar of Events

JANUARY



Every Sun. Breakfast Club starts at **10:00 a.m.** Anton's Island Grill, Big Beaver Rd. (16 Mile Rd.) and Dequindre, northwest corner. Phone: (248) 619-0016. No RSVP is needed. Just show up, and we'll make room for you.



Every Sun. Wallyball is back! Sunday is full now that we wander away from breakfast to play wallyball at 1:00 p.m. at Warren Racquet and Fitness Club, one block east of Van Dyke at 12 1/2 Mile Road. By 3:45, we're at Malone's, Van Dyke at 13 1/2 Mile, for food and drink.

- 1 Tuesday HAPPY NEW YEAR 2008
- 10 Thursday General Meeting - Joe Kool's, 1835 E. Big Beaver Rd., Troy. Meeting starts at 7:00 p.m., announcements at 8:00 p.m. Come early for dinner!
- 15 Tuesday Board Meeting. -17th Street Grille, 7:00 p.m., Contact: Darrell, 586-899-8203
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FEBRUARY

- 1-3 WKND Hartwick Pines Weekend Camping - Join us for a weekend in nature. Great for cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and hiking. Enjoy a card game, stroll the terrain with your camera, or just relax by the campfire. Cabin space is limited, so sign up early... Price will be \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. For more info, contact Darrell at 586-899-8203
- 14 Thursday General Meeting - Joe Kool's, 1835 E. Big Beaver Rd., Troy. Meeting starts at 7:00 p.m., announcements at 8:00 p.m. Come early for dinner! ... Happy Valentine's Day
- 19 Tuesday Board Meeting. -17th Street Grille, 7:00 p.m., Contact: Darrell, 586-899-8203

MARCH

- 13 Thursday General Meeting - Joe Kool's, 1835 E. Big Beaver Rd., Troy. Meeting starts at 7:00 p.m., announcements at 8:00 p.m. Come early for dinner! ...
- 18 Tuesday Board Meeting. -17th Street Grille, 7:00 p.m., Contact: Darrell, 586-899-8203
- 20 Thursday Spring begins—time to start thinking about boating.

ON THE HORIZON

Wine Tasting (GMSC style) - Surely an evening of fun, adventure, new friends ... and of course, WINE! This is a party you don't want to miss ... details are underway.

Watch your email for our up-to-the-minute E-Newsletter for last minute events and activities **If you're missing out because you're not on our list, send your e-dress to Darrell: dahlberg7@comcast.net**



Restaurant of the Month—Friday, January 25, 7:00 p.m.

Wolfgang Puck Grille at the MGM Grand Casino

America's culinary legend brings his innovative cuisine to Detroit at this signature, namesake restaurant.

This contemporary version of the classic "bar & grill" features modern American cuisine accentuating Puck's trademark standards for creating incomparable tastes using fresh, seasonal, all-natural and organic ingredients. The restaurant features casual as well as sophisticated fine dining in a spectacular setting.

WOLFGANG PUCK GRILLE dinner menu features creative salads, sandwiches and paninis, steaks, seafood, pastas and Puck's signature wood-oven baked pizzas.

Wolfgang Puck is the celebrity chef to the stars; and, on January 25th, that means US! Most entrees fall within the \$25-40 range. Dinner will be followed by gambling, for all who are willing.

Dinner entrees include:

- Almond-Ginger Crusted Salmon with Celery Root Puree and Red Wine Reduction
- Seafood Risotto with Gulf Shrimp, Maine Crab, Poached Lobster and Micro Basil
- Pan-Roasted Organic Chicken with Potato Puree, Glazed Carrots and Garlic Sauce
- Roasted Pork Chop & Pork Belly with Apples, Rapini and Goat Cheese Potatoes
- Braised Beef Short Ribs with Parsnip Puree, Gremolata and Roasted Root Vegetables
- Veal Wiener Schnitzel with Warm Potato Salad, Arugula and Pumpkin Seed Oil
- Colorado Lamb Chops with Escarole, Parmesan Polenta and Nicoise Olives
- Bone-In Rib Eye Steak with French Fries and Blue Cheese Hollandaise
- Prime New York Steak with Tuscan Potatoes and Green Peppercorn Sauce

The deadline to sign up is **Friday, January 18 at 5:00 p.m.** We'll arrange car-pooling for those who desire it.
Call Michael at 586-776-7685 to reserve your place.

MAP & DIRECTIONS

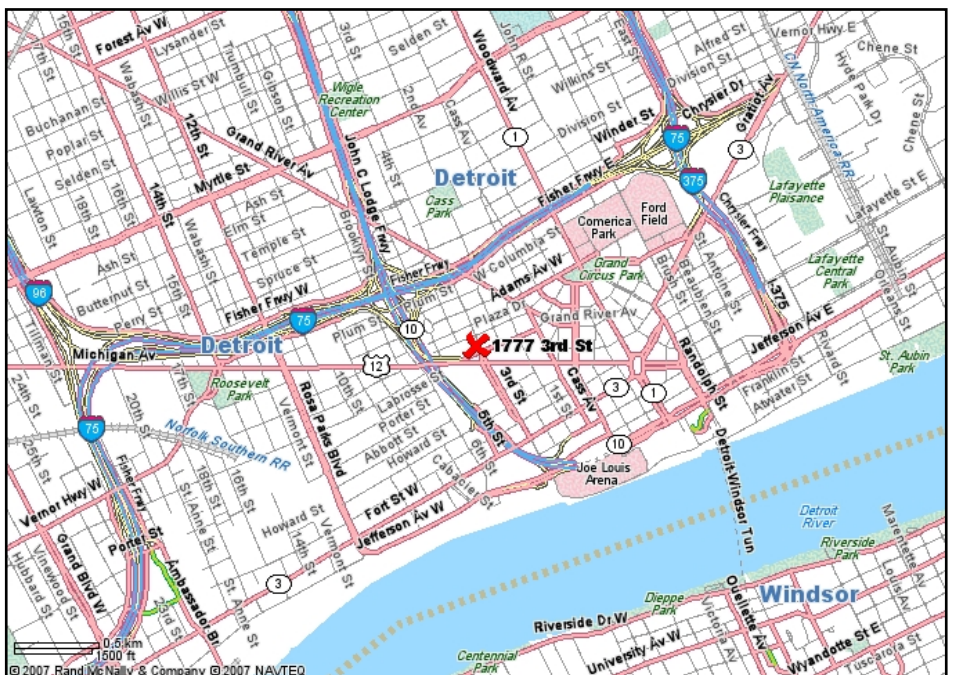
MGM Grand Detroit
1777 Third St
Detroit, MI 48226
1.877.888.2121

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From the North: Take I-75 South to the Grand River exit. Remain on the service drive and turn left on Third Street.

From the East: Take I-94 West to M-10 South. Exit left at Bagley Ave. Turn left on Third Street.

From the West: Take I-96 East, to I-94 East to M-10 South. Exit left at Bagley Ave. Turn left on Third Street.





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Saturday, January 12, 2008 – 12 p.m. – 3p.m.

! Defiance Testing Employees / GM Ski Club Members / Skiwi's Ski Club Members!

!YOU all are invited to participate and make a difference!

A dozen people so far are offering from Defiance...will GM and Skiwi's join in to make it TWO DOZEN? The event is inside the warehouse—separating and packaging dry food goods.

**Gleaners Oakland Distribution Center
(formerly Food Bank of Oakland County, FBOC)]**

120 East Columbia Avenue
Pontiac, MI 48340
1-866-GLEANER ext 402
Fax: (248) 332-7135
Contact: Lawrence Seay
E-mail: lseay@gcfb.org

Directions to Gleaners in Pontiac:

Gleaners is on E. Columbia Avenue, 1/10 mile east of Baldwin.
Take I-75 to Baldwin exit south. Take Baldwin south to Columbia Avenue, turn left (East). Gleaners is on the right just before the railroad tracks.



Carnival, March 7-9

Schuss/Shanty Creek is hosting Carnival again for the Chicago ski council. The costs are \$229 per person for a double-occupancy hotel room, and \$291 per person for four-person condos

Metropolitan Detroit Ski Council

Presents

(Austria & Italy at their best)

6 Days Skiing in Fantastic

Nassfeld "Austria" plus

Last Night in Mestre/Venice, Italy

Leave Friday, March 7th.

Stay through Sunday, March 16th 2008

Total Cost is \$2,386 plus Airport tax as of today.

Includes 6 day lift pass

Contact: Josh Lohmann

47676 Harbor Dr., New Baltimore, Mi., 48047.

MDSC is going to

**Crested Butte
February 2-9, 2008.**

They have 18 seats at \$1089.00 and 24 seats at \$1049.00. This includes air, lodging, ground transfers, and 5-day lift ticket.

The contact person is Janet Kangas and the flyer and sign-up sheet are on the MDSC website www.mdscski.org.