



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

NEWS

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SUNSET PADDLE

Tuesday, August 1 • 6pm

[Stony Creek MetroPark](#)

Meet at the boat rental in Mt. Vernon Picnic area. We'll paddle for 60-90 minutes. Afterwards we'll do patio dining at Brown Iron Brewhouse located at 57695 Van Dyke, 1/2 mile north of 26 Mile. Cost: MetroPark Pass or \$10 entry fee. Boat rental is \$10/hr. Free if you bring your own boat (use the boat launch).

MOVIE NIGHT

Sunday, August 6 • 5pm
Oppenheimer

[AMC Forum 30, 44681 Mound Rd, Sterling Heights](#)

Most modern movie-goers weren't even born when theoretical physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer led the charge in creating the first weapon of mass destruction. This summer, director Christopher Nolan will unleash the paranoid, high-stakes world of war into theaters with his first biopic, starring Cillian Murphy and a whole host of A-list talent. But it's not just the film genre that marks a Nolan first; **"Oppenheimer"** will also feature black-and-white IMAX film, which Kodak invented especially for this summer blockbuster. The all-star cast includes: Emily Blunt playing Oppenheimer's wife, Matt Damon portraying Manhattan Project director Lt Leslie Groves Jr, Florence Pugh playing Oppenheimer's ex-fiancee and Robert Downey Jr as Lewis Strauss chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Meet at Art & Jakes by 3:30pm for dinner and/or drinks. If there's any interest in Apres Movie socialization, we can return to Art & Jakes.

Movie is at 5pm (tentatively) in the IMAX Cinema Auditorium. Cost: \$12.49 for Seniors, \$13.49

Contact: Darrell Ahlberg 586-899-8203 (call or text)
dahlberg7@comcast.net

MUSIC AT SHAIN PARK

Wednesday, August 2 • 6pm

[Shain Park, 270 W Merrill St, Birmingham](#)

Join us for **The Boss Review**: Bruce Springsteen tribute band. Concert starts at 7pm. Park in nearby Birmingham structure (first 2 hours are free). Come early and bring chairs, picnic food and beverages (no glass). Look for GM Ski Club lawn signs.

JIMMY JOHNS BASEBALL

Thursday, August 10 • 7:05pm

[Jimmy John's Field, 7171 Auburn Rd, Utica](#)

Beer discounts and 90s music will be featured. Purple Backstop tickets in Section 106 are \$12 and may be purchased in advance. Pregame dinner at UNO's in Sterling Heights (M-59 & Mound) from 5:15pm to 6:30pm.



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

TWILIGHT GOLF

Friday, Aug 11 • 4:45pm
Stony Creek MetroPark Golf Course

[5140 Main Parkway, Shelby Twp](#)

Scheduled tee offs are 5:04pm thru 5:36pm, best ball format. Arrive by 4:45pm to pay the Course and form our groups. Limit 20. Afterwards join us at Buffalo Wild Wings on 26 Mile, east of Van Dyke (just beyond Meijers). Ask to be seated in the covered patio section.

Cost: \$22 for 9 holes, or \$27 until 8:30pm (55+), Annual MetroPark Pass or \$10 metropark entry fee.

RSVP on [Meetup.com](https://www.meetup.com) -
Metro Detroit Fun n Fitness for 49's+



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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Aug 1 Jan Byszkowski

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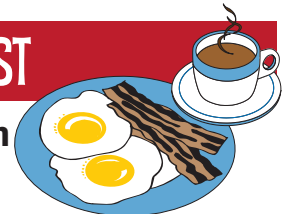
YOUR TICKET TO FREE MEMBERSHIP:



Recruit 3 new members to the club.
Have them designate you as the referring member
when they sign-up – **It's that EASY!**

SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Every Sunday • 10:00am
Leo's Coney Island



[1858 E. Big Beaver Rd., Troy](#)

All Are welcome. No need for
reservations. Just show up
and we'll make room for you.



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

GM SKI CLUB

CLUB PICNIC

Sunday, August 27 • 12pm-7pm
River Bends Park - Hickory Grove Pavilion

[5700 22 Mile Road, Shelby Twp](#)

VOLLEYBALL • BIKE RIDE
PIE EATING CONTEST • BALLOON TOSS CONTEST

12pm Social & Games • 1:30pm Bike Ride • 3pm Food Served

Chicken Shack chicken & sides, grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, separately bagged snacks, fruits, sides, pop and water. BYOB beer and wine.

COST: Early Bird - \$15 for members
\$20 for non-members (by Monday, Aug 21).

After Aug 21, add \$5. Add another \$5 for paying the day of the event.

Pay online via Paypal at mfunluvr@yahoo.com or Venmo @dahlb.
Be sure and say you're sending to a friend to avoid service charges.

OR Mail check made out to "GM Ski Club" to
Stan Sawicki, 35767 Hatherly Place, Sterling Hts, MI 48310.

Contact: Stan, 586-808-3406 (call or text) for more information

NOTE: Club Picnic doubles as the
August General Meeting,



SUPER KICKER RODEO

Friday, Aug 18 • 5:20pm • Armada Fair

[74280 Fair St., Armada](#)

Rodeo starts at 7pm. We will meet outside the Grandstands around 5:20pm. Bring a coat or top to save some seats for later arrivals. It is best to take seats 5:30pm-5:45pm in order to be closest to the action. We suggest arriving 2:45pm-3pm to leave time to tour the prized animal and agricultural displays, watch a contest, hear a local band, and/or get a meal from one of the numerous food trucks.

Cost: \$10 adult admission and \$10 for parking.

RSVP: Kenphillips@mail.com or text 586 242-2003

GOLF BEST BALL



Sunday, Aug 20 • 1:10pm
Springdale Golf Course

[316 Strathmore Rd, Bloomfield Hills](#)

Nine holes plus cart - best ball format. First tee time is 1:30pm. Arrive by 1:10pm to pay the golf course directly and form groups. Cost: \$22.50. Afterwards we will eat at Grand Tavern, 1317 Coolidge, just south of Maple Rd in Troy, dine outside if the weather permits.

[RSVP on Meetup.com -](#)

[Metro Detroit Fun n Fitness for 49's+](#)

PADDLE THE CLINTON RIVER

Saturday, Aug 19 • 9:30am



Clinton River Canoe & Kayak Rentals

[37328 Utica Rd, Sterling Heights](#)

We will paddle the Upper Clinton River. Meet at the takeout at 37328 Utica Rd at 9:30am for check in and waiver signing (bus leaves at 10am). We will be shuttled to the put-in at North Clinton River Park and paddle two hours back.

We will have at least one break about half way through, bring a snack and/or beverage. The event happens rain or shine. Limit 25 rentals. Apre-Paddle outing to the Great Baraboo for a bite and a brew.

For those bringing their own boat, you need to arrange your own logistics. Park in Rotary Park (right next to the livery). The livery will not let you use their parking lot.

Put-in is at North Clinton River Park
(Off Riverland about 1/4 mile east of Van Dyke).

COST: \$40 (GMSC Members get \$5 off).
Advance payment is required. No walkups.

Mail check payable to Darrell Ahlberg to
40377 Kraft Dr. Sterling Heights, MI 48310
Be sure to contact that a check is in the mail.

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or dahlberg7@comcast.net

UPPER PENINSULA EXCURSION WITH DARRELL

Thursday, Sept 7 - Monday, Sept 11 • Indian Lake State Park, Manistique

WANTED: People to join me (Darrell Ahlberg) at Indian Lake in the Upper Peninsula. If you haven't spent much time in the UP, now's your chance. If you have spent time in the UP, I'll bet you have some experiences/memories to share with us. The agenda is uncertain, but there is so much to do, having a great experience is a "can't miss." One quick spoiler alert – the UP is famous for gorgeous waterfalls.

I chose the location and the dates for several reasons. First and foremost, I like the song "[Indian Lake](#)" by [The Cowsills](#). In my book, that counts. Second, at Indian Lake, the beach is gorgeous – you'll definitely enjoy spending the day in this paradise. Third, at this time of year, the UP water should be about as warm as it gets.

RSVP'ing does not get you a campsite or other accommodations – you need to do that on your own. Once you've done that, please email me with your campsite number or other accommodations so I'll know what everyone is doing. The sites are pretty roomy, so be sure to indicate if you'd like to share your site and split costs.

I have reservations for myself from Thursday, Sept 7 – Monday, Sept 11 on campsite #10. You can make yours for whatever availability you have. I chose that site because, at this writing, there are several available around me so we can huddle up and establish some common areas for food and campfire.

If I seem excited about this, that's because I am. I hope to find some equally enthusiastic people to help me plan a great weekend in Michigan's fabulous Upper Peninsula.

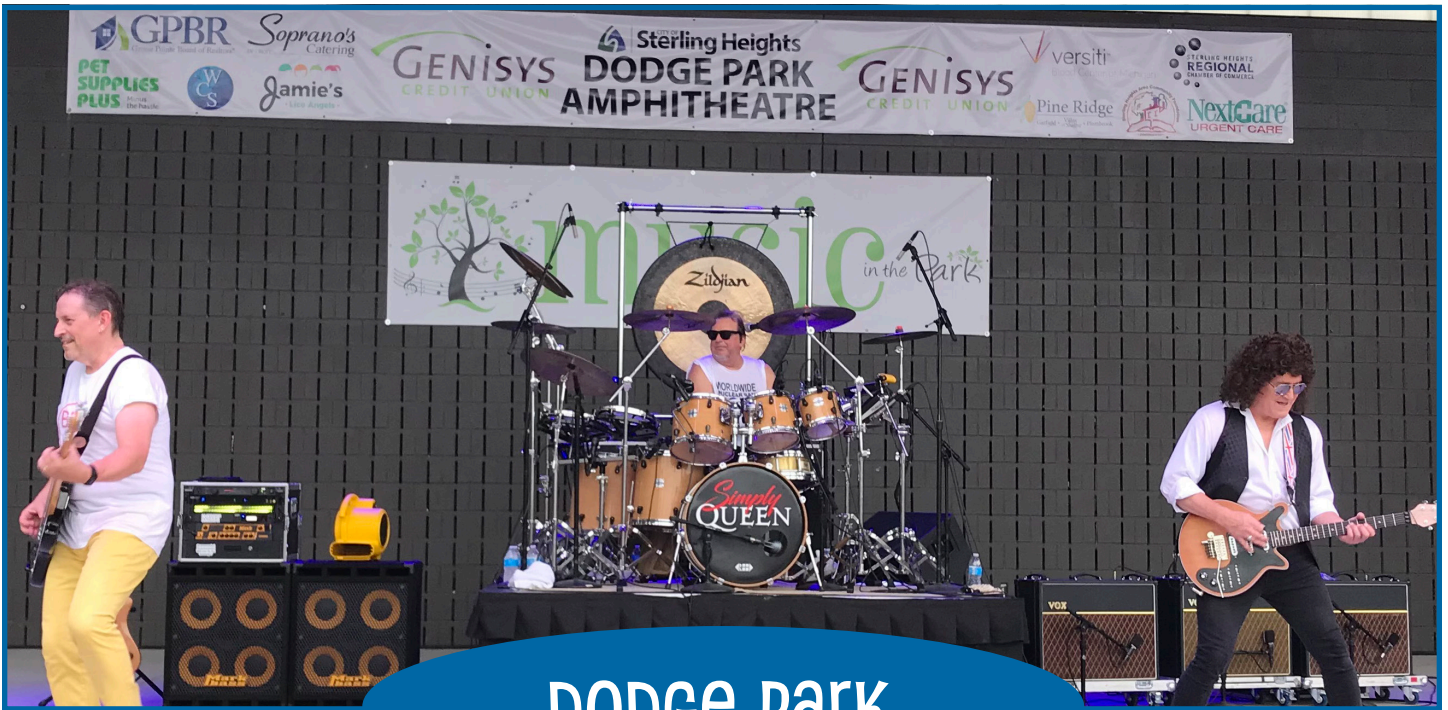
[Indian Lake State Park Campground - South](#)

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DODGE Park





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EUCHRE PARTY

Saturday, September 23 • 5pm

[44310 Nova Dr, Sterling Heights](#)

Located inside North Point Condominiums - just west of Ryan at 19-1/2 Mile.

Arrive at 5pm to sign-in and have some snacks. We will play two rounds before dinner, then 4 or 5 rounds after dinner, followed by the awarding of prize money.

Limit of 5 tables plus sit outs.

Chicken and pork sliders Italiano will be prepared by Chef Dori, our gracious hostess.

Condo parking is very tight; we advise using her driveway and carpooling where possible. You must be a GMSC member or member's guest. Cost: \$10 cash at the door, plus a dish to pass.

RSVP: mamboitaliano51@gmail.com

THE CHRISTMAS SCHOONER

Sunday, November 12 • 3pm • Riverbank Theatre

[358 S. Water Street, Marine City](#)

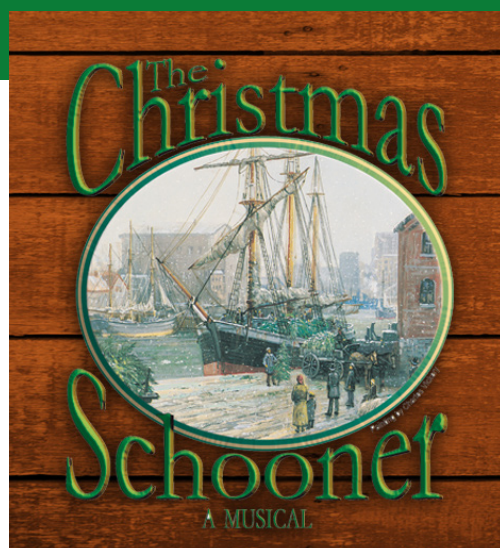
Discover the true spirit of Christmas in this heartwarming, true story. Take a ride on the historic Great Lakes voyages of Christmas tree ships during the late 1800's. It tells the true story of a Michigan shipping captain who braves the deadly winter to bring Christmas trees to Chicago for homesick German-American families. Filled with a wonderful score and traditional holiday favorites. We will go out to dinner after the play in Marine City.

A limited number of great seats have been reserved through October 10th.

Cost \$35 - If we sell 20 tickets, GMSC members will receive \$3 refund.

Mail check to: Christine Luhrs, 23210 Harrellson St, Macomb, MI 48042

Contact Christine Luhrs at chris.luhrs@juno.com or text 586-246-3436



CELTIC ANGELS CHRISTMAS

Friday, December 8 • 7:30pm

Macomb Center for the Performing Arts

[44575 Garfield Rd, Clinton Twp, MI 48038](#)

A joyous celebration from start to finish, encompassing vocal and instrumental holiday and Irish favorites. Paired with show-stopping, world-class champion Irish dancing and a fully live band, Celtic Angels Christmas is sure to awe and entertain. These dynamic divas enthrall and delight with their jaw-dropping performances and spine-tingling harmonies that ingeniously marry the old and the new worlds with traditional and contemporary Irish and holiday tunes.

For those interested meet us for dinner at 5:30pm at Big Boy Restaurant 16880 Hall Road, Clinton Township.

Afterward, we can socialize with beverages at a place to be determined.

A limited number of seats in row A and B reserved through November 4th

Cost: \$53 for GM Ski Club members, \$59 for guests.

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THE GREAT AMERICAN
TRAILER PARK MUSICAL





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PEDDLE BOAT

GENERAL MEETING - NO AUGUST MTG AT RIVER WOODS PARK

Thursday, September 14
6pm-8pm
River Woods Park

We have a spacious covered pavilion with attached restrooms. Nearby paved hiking and biking if you want to come early. We will offer grilled burgers, hotdogs, potato salad, coleslaw, chips, cookies, plus water and soda (beer is no longer served by order of the park).

Donations of sides, snacks and dessert items are always appreciated. Announcements around 7:15pm. Bring a chair if you want to sit outside the pavilion.

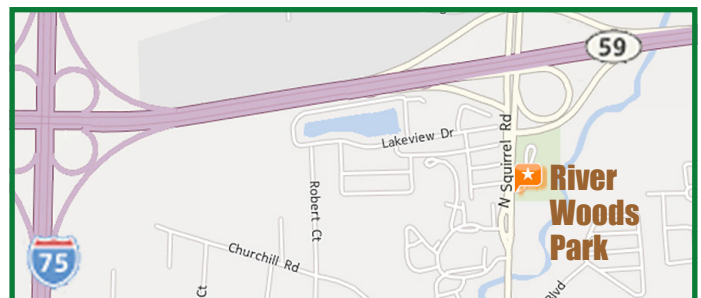
Cost: \$7 for GMSC members, \$10 for guests.

2ND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

River Woods Park • 6:00pm

300 River Woods Dr, Auburn Hills

(Squirrel Rd & M-59)



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