



JUG & MUG SKI CLUB



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GENERAL MEETINGS are held the third Tuesday of each month. The next general meeting will be June 17 at **Tripper's, 350 Frandor Avenue, Lansing**. Social hour begins at 6:30 pm, with the meeting starting at 7:30 pm. Feel free to stay after the meeting for drinks and socializing.

COUNCIL MEETINGS are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. This month, the meeting will be June 10 at 410 South Cedar Street, on the corner of Cedar and Kalamazoo. Contact Sharon Roberts at least two days before the meeting if you have an agenda item for the council. Members are welcome at any meeting; feel free to see your council at work.

Upcoming Activities

JUG & MUG ROAD TRIP!



JUNE 12-14 The road only goes to Aldado Park in Downtown Lansing. Three days of fun, fishin' and music at the Grand American Fish Rodeo, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with a beer tent and more. See the web site for the official list of events; <http://grandamericanfishrodeo.com/2014/04/15/schedule-of-events/>. Hope to see everyone downtown for the first of many road trips this summer. Contact Rich Rybicki (see page 2 for contact information) with any questions.

THE BOOK OF MORMON, JUNE 13

It's almost here! All seats for the performance are sold out. We have a waiting list in case someone in our group can't use their ticket. If you are interested in being placed on the waiting list, contact Kurt Mertins at 886-4061 or kmertins@hotmail.com or Barbara Tanaka at barbtanaka@yahoo.com or 899-5835. We will meet at the Hannah Plaza parking lot on Hagadorn in East Lansing at 7:00 pm. See you there!

PRESIDENT'S PICNIC, JUNE 22

This year's president's picnic will be held at the Portland Community Lake Park. You still have

time to sign up at the June 17 general meeting. The cost is only \$4 for members and children, \$8 for non-members. If you have not renewed your membership, you can do so at the picnic. The picnic will then cost you \$4 instead of \$8. Meat and buns will be provided. Dave Panetta, as usual, will be grilling, serving around 3:00 pm. Bring your own beverage and a dish to share. Portland is the city of two rivers, so you are welcome to bring a canoe or kayak to enjoy the rivers. If you put in at the Howe Road bridge, it is about a 2½ to 3 hour paddle to the park. There is also a beautiful river trail for walking and biking to work off some extra calories if we overeat. Bring a volleyball game or other game as there is plenty of room for play. Shelter 2 in the park is reserved for the day and we plan to start around noon. Directions: Take I-96 west. Turn at the first Portland, exit 77. Turn right on Grand River. Go less than a block and turn right on Rowe Street. Between Independent Bank and Burger King. Go about 2 blocks to the Community Lake Park sign and turn down the gravel road to the second shelter. Look for the Jug & Mug sign.

JUDY'S 4TH ANNUAL MACKINAC ISLAND TRIP, JULY 18 - 20 LAKE VIEW HOTEL, MACKINAC ISLAND

Trip Includes:

- Two night stay on Mackinac Island at Lake View Hotel.
- Continental Breakfast at Hotel Saturday and Sunday mornings.

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President's Column

Greetings Everyone,

The warm weather with sunshine and blue skies has finally arrived. Perfect for the Memorial Day Holiday weekend to take in celebrations to honor our Veterans and to gather with family and friends. One of my likes is planting annuals in my patio garden to enjoy for the season.

On a more serious note, June 30 is the last day you can renew your membership for \$30. If you mail in your application, it needs to be postmarked by June 30. After June 30, your cost will be at the new membership rate of \$36 since you will then be considered a new member. Membership renewals will be taken at June's General Meeting and President's Picnic on June 22.

Diane Fawley and Dave Howe are hosting the President's picnic this year at Community Lake Park in Portland. Dave Panetta will again grill. Be sure to sign up and pay at June's general meeting. More information can be found on Page 1 and Page 6.

Website Update: At the May Council, per recommendation of the committee, it was approved to hire Connections Graphics to design our new website. Our current website lends to little changes because of its outdated, coded design. The new website will have many options that can be added in addition to links, photos, calendars, etc. We plan to add a membership only tab and each member will have a login to get specific information, so please renew ASAP. We are looking at options to signup and pay online for trips, membership and Warren Miller...but the committee is being very cautious here. In the meantime, Rich, Helen, and I will be very busy preparing text and information for the new website. Since we are just beginning to work with the designer, more information and discussion will be at the June meetings. If you have any questions or a thought of what you would like to find on the website, contact Helen Ross, Rich Rybicki, or me. This is your chance to have a "voice."

Most importantly we are here to get out and have fun with fellow Jug & Mug Club friends. I, personally, have found wonderful people in the Club who I like spending time with and wished I had more time to do so. Let's be inclusive and not exclusive. Consider bringing friends with you. Singles are the No.1 growing population.

Sharon Roberts, President

Appetizers Served at the June General Meeting.

"We are most effective as a team when we compliment each other without embarrassment and disagree without fear." Author Unknown

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ONGOING EVENTS

TGIF — The June happy hours will be in downtown East Lansing. With the students on summer break, this is an opportunity for us to try something new. On June 6 and 13 we will be at Hop Cat on Grove Street which features over 100 draft beers on tap. They also have a burger and beer special for \$6 if you order before 6 pm.

Then June 20 and 27 we will be at Harper's on Albert Avenue. The exciting thing about the 20th is that the Summer Solstice Jazz Festival is that evening so we can also enjoy the music during and after happy hour since it is right across the street. Remember that Happy Hour is from 5:00 to 7:00 pm on Fridays.

The month of July has only 3 weeks for happy hour on Friday because the Fourth of July is the first Friday of the month. Since it is a holiday there will be NO happy hour, but the rest of the month we will be at Smitty's Place in Dimondale. They have reserved a large outdoor area for us every Friday offering good prices for food and drinks in a very relaxed atmosphere.

Contact Linda Lillie at LMLillie@gmail.com or 517-290-0189 with your suggestions for future happy hour locations.

Social Tennis — Social Tennis is in full swing outdoors at the Letts Center, a Lansing city park on Kalamazoo just west of Martin Luther King Boulevard. Play begins at 5:15 pm and all skill levels are welcome. The email list is the contact point. If you wish to be on the email list, contact Oren Christmas at christmaso@comcast.net or Rich Rybicki at richrybick@yahoo.com. Feel free to also join us at Harry's Bar on Verlinden for rehydration around 7 PM.

Jug & Mug Book Club — The Jug & Mug Book Club gets together every six weeks or so to chit-chat, discuss a chosen book, eat snacks, and drink a beverage or two. Our next book is *The Discovery and Conquest of Mexico* by Bernal Díaz del Castillo. This is a historical account, written in the 1500s, by a member of Cortés's crew. Bernal Díaz del Castillo (1495-1584) served under Cortés through the entire Mexican campaign. He saw Cortés sink his own ships (to prevent desertion) as soon as they landed on Mexican soil and watched Montezuma become a prisoner in his own palace.

Our next meeting will be at Helen Ross's house, 1401 Somerset Close, East Lansing, on June 9, 6:30 pm. If you are interested in joining our club, please contact Helen Ross at 332-5595 or hall_family@hotmail.com.

Sing A Long — The June Sing A Long will be hosted at the home of JoAnn Kalemkiewicz on June 24. Join the singers at 2422 Park Street, Lansing, anytime after 7:00 pm. Bring a snack to share, if you want, a beverage, and your singing voice. A great voice is not required, only enthusiasm and participation. Call JoAnn at 322-0331 (evening) or 335-4126 (day) with any questions.

Singing at Burcham Hills — We will be singing at Burcham Hills on Sunday, June 8 and 22, downstairs in the Whitehouse Room at 7:00 pm. Join us; we sing familiar songs and music is provided. It is a pleasant hour and the senior residents love our participation. It is a great opportunity to feel good about helping others. For more information, contact our music coordinator, Diane West, at westdance@att.net or 810-687-7007.

Walking the River Trail — We are going back to our old walking path! Parking is getting crowded at our new place so we are going back to 410 South Cedar, Lansing. Meet at 6:15 for a walk on the River Trail. Get some beneficial exercise that is important for your well being and physical health. Walking is a weight-bearing, low-impact exercise with numerous health benefits. Walk with us, laugh with us, and enjoy the outdoors. Call Joanne Creede at 285-4795 or Bonnie Mernitz at 449-6368 with any questions.

Movie Matinee — Do you enjoy watching the latest movie release? Join an informal group to see all the newest shows on Thursday afternoons at NCG Theatre, Eastwood Towne Center. Joanne Creede will send out an email on Friday (sometimes later) listing the movies and the time, *usually* the last showing prior to 6:00 p.m. You vote for your favorite, via email, and Joanne will send out an email on Wednesday stating the movie choice and the time. Sometimes we go out for a meal after the movie. Cost of the movie is \$5; everything else is optional. Contact Joanne at kayjoe@comcast.net to get on the email listing.

June 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 River Trail	3	4 River Trail	5 Tennis	6 TGIF, Hop Cat	7
8 Burcham Hills	9 River Trail	10 General Meeting	11 River Trail	12 Tennis	13 Wharton TGIF, Hop Cat	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day	16 River Trail	17 Council Meeting	18 River Trail	19 Tennis	20 TGIF, Harper's	21
22 President's Picnic Burcham Hills	23 River Trail	24 Sing A Long	25 River Trail	26 Tennis	27 TGIF, Harper's	28
29	30 River Trail					

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 River Trail	3 Tennis	4 Independence Day	5
6	7 River Trail	8 General Mtg	9 River Trail	10 Tennis	11 TGIF, Smitty's	12
13 Burcham Hills	14 River Trail	15 Council Mtg	16 River Trail	17 Tennis	18 TGIF, Smitty's Mackinac Is.	19 Mackinac Is.
20 Mackinac Is.	21 River Trail	22 Sing A Long	23 River Trail	24 Tennis	25 TGIF, Smitty's	26
27 Burcham Hills	28 River Trail	29	30 River Trail	31 Tennis		

Upcoming Activities, continued

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- Roundtrip to Island from Mackinaw City and back with Star Line Ferry Company.

Star Line provides *free day and free secured overnight parking*. Bikes are an additional cost. Address: 711 South Huron Avenue, Mackinaw City.

Extra Night Available—Thursday July 17, up to 4 people per room for cost of \$145 plus tax.

Contact Judy for reservations on Thursday evening at Lake View!

Group Events Are Scheduled!!!

There are only two rooms left. To be assured a room, please contact Judy as soon as possible. The rooms will not be held later than June 30.

No refund unless an acceptable replacement is found for roommate(s). Cancellations may increase your room cost. Please let Judy know if you need a roommate.

Cost per number in room:

- 1/room = \$415 - \$75 at sign up.
6/10 balance due of \$340.
- 2/room = \$225 each - \$75 at sign up.
6/10 balance due of \$150 each.
- 3/room = \$165 each - \$75 at sign up.
6/10 balance due of \$90 each.
- 4/room = \$135 each - \$75 at sign up.
6/10 balance due of \$60 each.

**Make checks payable to: Judy Stafford
P.O. Box 158, DeWitt, MI 48820.**

Direct any questions to Judy at 420-1183 or jcsacct@hotmail.com.

TIGER BASEBALL, AUGUST 27 Join us to see the Detroit Tigers battle the New York Yankees. The bus leaves Dunham's parking lot promptly at 4:30 pm. The cost of the bus ride to Comerica Park and back and your ticket is only \$54. Note this is a Wednesday date. For more information or to reserve your seat, contact Kurt Mertins at 886-4061 or kmertins@hotmail.com.

Past Activities

ZODIAC PARTY AND PLANT EXCHANGE, MAY 17

Another fantastic party and plant exchange. The weather was a bit rainy early in the day. It was still raining at 2 PM so no one floated the Grand. When the guests began arriving around 3, the rain had left the area. There was a fair variety of plants to exchange. Good luck to all the gardeners.

Jo Moening, master mushroomer, and Char Morton wandered the property and returned with a bounty of morel mushrooms. Dinner was delayed while the 'shrooms were cooked up and served. For many it was a chance to remember the fine flavor. For a lot of the others, this was their first taste of Michigan's spring delight. As a side note, I found a few more the following day.

Then it was time for the Preakness race; the gamblers had two pools going. The race was won by the favorite, California Chrome. Congratulations to the winners. Your W-99's are in the mail.

The turkey came off the Weber and out of the smoker. A Thanksgiving feast in May.

A big thank you to all who brought a dish. A bigger thank you to Janice Pierce and Sharon Roberts for coordinating the KP duties.

The cool weather kept the mosquitoes away and a good reason for a campfire. Another side note; the mosquitoes are back. The fireworks were a hit as always. Used under adult supervision, another year and no injuries.

The card games kept people busy the remainder of the evening. Congratulations to Theresa D.; she arrived after working the afternoon EMS shift to join the festivities.

We had so much fun the plan is to repeat it again next year.

Rich Rybicki

Join us every third Tuesday at Trippers Sports Bar, 350 Frandor Avenue, Lansing. We have a private meeting room, just inside the front door. Social hour starts at 6:30 pm and the general meeting starts at 7:30 pm. Check it out on

June 17.

WE WANT YOU TO RENEW!!

Now more than ever, your Jug & Mug Ski Club needs you to renew your membership. Renewing members like you are the core of a successful club.

As you know, your membership expired May 31. You can renew at a discounted price of \$30 if payment is received before June 30. The membership fee is \$36 after June 30 and for new members.

Renewal applications will be taken at the June 17 General Meeting and at the President's Picnic on June 22. Applications can also be mailed to: Jug & Mug Ski Club, ATTN: Treasurer, P.O. Box 13153, Lansing, MI 48901.

To thank you for being a loyal Club member, free appetizers will be served at the June general meeting! If you have not yet renewed your membership, socialize with other Club members, enjoy some refreshments, and renew at the meeting!

The membership form has been revised with preprinted information for each member. For ease and simplicity, all you will have to do to re-up is verify your information and make any needed updates. Take a look at the list of activities on the membership form and let us know your interests so club leaders can plan activities that interest you.

Questions? Contact President Sharon Roberts, Vice President Linda Lillie, or any of the Membership Committee folks: Dave Howe, Diane Fawley, Suzanne DePeel, or Janice Pierce. Telephone numbers and emails are listed on page 2 of this newsletter.



June 2014 Singles DanceSports



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Ballroom, Swing, and Nightclub

Eagles Capitol Area Sunday Swing ~ Most Sundays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29. Opens 5:45, 6 pm *West Coast Swing* lessons, dance 7-10 pm. Eagles Club, 4700 North Grand River west of the Airport. Admission \$10 with lesson or \$8. Dances are subject to occasional cancellation. Info: (517) 490-7838 for Mike, or (810) 691-2719 for Joann.

'TGIF Dance til ya Drop Party' ~ 2nd Saturdays, June, July, and August at the Sparrow Michigan Athletic Club in East Lansing. Lesson 7-7:30, Dancing 7:30-10 pm. \$12 admission. Registration: Mac Concierge (517) 364-8800 or just come. Additional info: Mary Benjamin (517) 712-6674.

Great Lakes Swing Association ~ Wednesdays Lesson 6 pm, 7-10 pm dance at Rollhaven of Flushing east of Flint, 3464 Ann Drive off Pierson Rd - west of I-75 just east of Elms Road. \$30 membership. Info/map: <http://www.glsdc.org/>.

Freestyle & Ballroom

Howell Shark Club ~ Check before going ~ *Plenty of Fish Singles Dance*, 8 pm-1:30 am. 1140 S Michigan Ave, south of downtown Howell. Info: (517) 640-0300 www.sharkclubhowell.com/entertainment.

Singles TGIF Nite Life ~ Fridays at 7:30 pm on June 6 (Patio Bash begins), 13, 20, 27. Dance 8-12 with Hors d'oeuvres at 8:30. Admission \$12. Details: <http://singlestgif.com>.

Greenville Singles Dance ~ Most Fridays, 7 pm-12 Greenville American Legion, Casual dress. Admission \$7.

Lessons

Parkwood YMCA ~ Registration (517) 827-9680.

Michigan Athletic Center ~ Enrollment: MAC Concierge 364-8800.

Lansing Parks & Recreation ~ Info: 483-4277 or www.lansingmi.gov/parks/actprog/dance_classes.jsp.

Further Information on Dance Venues:

Dancing in Lansing ~ <https://www.facebook.com/groups/140480982080/>.

Dancing In Ann Arbor ~ <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1391767727753582/>.

Dancing in Flint ~ American Dance Center ~ Info: <http://www.danceaway.com/>.

Wanted: more photographers to take photos at the Jug & Mug Ski Club events. These photos are not only used for the slideshow at the general meetings but also serve the purpose of creating historical records for the Club. You do not need to be a photographer but photos taken and submitted should be done with discretion. If you take photos, be sure to send them to Rich Rybicki and/or Sharon Roberts. Contact Sharon for additional information and Rich to let him know you are sending photos. Contact information is on page 2.

Jug & Mug June Birthdays

6/04	Roberta Black
6/07	Sharon Roberts
6/07	William Hall
6/09	Dale Trew
6/10	Bobbie Emerson
6/11	Judy Winslow
6/19	Kay Luft
6/20	Kurt Mertins
6/21	Connie McAleer
6/23	Teri Miller
6/28	Jean Luttig
6/29	Beth Hubbell
6/29	Gary Studebaker
6/30	Sharon Gaier

Free birthday deals: Check it out!
<http://dealseekingmom.com/birthday-freebies-clubs-specials/>

Summer 2014 Events in the Lansing Area

The Lansing area offers many opportunities, often free or a donation, to enjoy music, plays, or other events. Some of them are listed here, but there are many more available. Tell us your plans on the Jug & Mug Facebook page or the Jug & Mug Yahoo Group list and others may join you.

Date	What	Detail	Time	Where
6/4	Lansing Concerts In The Park	Lansing Symphony Orchestra	7 pm	Riverfront Park
6/6	Lake Lansing Band Shell	Soulstice (Top 40)	7 pm	Lake Lansing Park South
6/11-6/14	Summer Circle Theatre	What I Did Last Summer	8 pm	MSU, behind Auditorium
6/13	E L Summer Concert Series	John Latini and the Flying Latina Brothers	7 pm	Ann Plaza, East Lansing
6/14	E L Summer Concert Series	Sea Cruisers	7 pm	Ann Plaza, East Lansing
6/18	Lansing Concerts In The Park	Mighty Medicine (soul rock)	7 pm	Reutter Park
6/18-6/21	Summer Circle Theatre	Detroit	8 pm	MSU, behind Auditorium
6/19	Grand Ledge Music In the Park	Root Doctor	7:30 pm	Maypole Park
6/20	Lake Lansing Band Shell	Lansing Concert Band	7 pm	Lake Lansing Park South
6/20-6/21	Summer Solstice Jazz Festival	www.eljazzfest.com/SSJFFullSchedule/tabid/119/Default.aspx		
6/25-6/28	Summer Circle Theater	Ruthless	8 pm	MSU, behind Auditorium
6/25	Lansing Concerts In The Park	Shawn Riley Band (classic rock)	7 pm	Quentin Park
6/26	Grand Ledge Music In the Park	Brian Lorente & The Usual Suspects	7:30 pm	Maypole Park
6/27	E L Summer Concert Series	Appleseed Collection	7 pm	Ann Plaza, East Lansing
6/28	E L Summer Concert Series	Rob Klajda Hopening Quartet	7 pm	Ann Plaza, East Lansing

Upcoming Events

June 13	The Book of Mormon
June 22	President's Picnic
July 18-20	Mackinac Island
August 27	Tiger Baseball

Metropolitan Detroit Ski & Snowboard Club

YOUR JUG & MUG MEMBERSHIP ENTITLES YOU TO THE BENEFITS OF MDSC AND OTHER SKI/SOCIAL CLUBS. THE WEB SITE (WWW.MDSCSKI.ORG) LISTS CURRENT EVENTS, AFFILIATED CLUBS, AND DISCOUNTS. CALL OUR MDSC REPRESENTATIVE, TERI MILLER, AT 517-699-2969 FOR MORE INFORMATION.



Join us for the General Meeting at
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