



JUG & MUG SKI CLUB



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GENERAL MEETINGS are held the third Tuesday of each month. The next general meeting will be September 15 at **Tripper's, 350 Frandor Avenue, Lansing**. Social hour begins at 6:30 pm, with the meeting starting at 7:30 pm. You are invited to stay after the meeting for drinks and socializing.

COUNCIL MEETINGS are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm. This month, the meeting will be September 8 at 410 South Cedar Street, Lansing. Contact Bilky Joda-Miller at least three 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

WARREN MILLER MOVIE COMMITTEE **CHASING SHADOWS, SEPTEMBER 8**

The Jug & Mug WME Committee will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, September 8 at 8 pm, immediately following the Council meeting at the Jim Blair building, 410 South Cedar, the southwest corner of Kalamazoo and Cedar. The agenda will include assignments for publicity, sponsor contacts, tickets and other strategies for the big event. We will be partners with the Okemos HS Ski team in this endeavor, just like last year. The auditorium is reserved for **Friday, December 4, 2015**, and hopefully we will have no conflicts with any other events. If you want to help the ski community in Lansing, please attend the meeting. If you cannot be in attendance, contact the Committee chair Rich Rybicki, phone 517.663.1854 or email, richrybick@yahoo.com. Hope to see many of you at the meeting so we can have another successful Warren Miller movie event.

DINNER AND RIVERWALK THEATRE, SEPTEMBER 12 Join us to see **Dirty Rotten Scoundrels** at the Riverwalk Theatre. Based on the 1988 MGM film, the musical takes us to the French Riviera for high jinks and hilarity in this sexy and irreverent farce. The tickets are \$22 each, \$20 for seniors 55 and older. Unsold tickets must be returned by September 3; sign up by then to sit with the group. If you

are interested in joining us, we will be having dinner at Clara's or Troppo's prior to the play. Contact Joanne Creede or Bilky Joda-Miller or contact Joanne at kayjoe@comcast.net or 285-4795 Bilky at 256-6596 or bilkyj@yahoo.com with any questions.

ZODIAC PARTY, SEPTEMBER 19 Mark down Saturday, September 19, for the 3rd annual zodiac party at Tom McRae's house. The party starts at 4:00 pm at 1175 Buckingham Road in Haslett. Bring a dish to pass and BYOB. Remember a dollar or two for the kitty.

Tom is fully recovered from his bus "flight" and promises to lead a 'no-rules' badminton contest. Please phone Tom at 517-899-1768 if you plan on attending. Additional details will be provided at the August general meeting.

LAST FEW WEEKS TO SIGN UP FOR THE FALL OUTING! OCTOBER 2-4, 2015 Our Fall Outing will be at our favorite YMCA Camp at Lake Pendarouan on the west coast of Michigan, at Montague, near Lake Michigan. Expect a great, fun weekend with our favorite DJ, Tom Beckner, playing the tunes both Friday and Saturday nights. Meals will be provided, and there will be many, many things to do, both with the group and on your own. This is usually a nice (weather-wise) weekend, and if the weather does cooperate, we will have lots of outdoor activities

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Council Column

Dear Jug & Mug Members:

The last few days of cooler weather are a harbinger, but summer is not ready to give up the ghost yet. There is still time to pick bountiful tomatoes, peaches, and green beans before fall descends. But fall is approaching and Jug & Mug has a variety of activities for you.

Coming up in September is a Riverwalk Theater outing (organized by Bilky and Joanne) to see the hilarious Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, and then a Zodiac party at Tom McRae's the following week.

My absolute favorite activity of the year is the Fall Outing. Sometimes it's been hot (in the 80's), and sometimes it's been cold and wet (50 degrees and pouring), but I've never failed to have a great time. Being out in the woods, hiking, kayaking, star-gazing (if it's clear), communal cooking with all your friends, sitting on the dock and watching the lake, not to mention dancing the night away with the tunes of Tom Beckner, what more do you need for a perfect weekend? Cindy Picklo is doing a great job of organizing this. If she asks you to assist by cooking or washing dishes, say yes.

Later in the month, you can dance (in your spooky costume) at the Halloween party in Don Theis's barn.

In December, we've got a huge event taking place – hosting the annual Warren Miller movie. Watch extreme skiers ski down mountain-sides only accessible by helicopter, do all sorts of jumps, turns, and acrobatic stunts. (I must admit this is something I would far rather watch in a comfortable theater than do). Many thanks to Rich Rybicki and all the members of the WME committee working on this.

Activities, trips, and parties are the very lifeblood of the club, and we can always use more. (Activities that is, not blood!) Think about a city or place you've always wanted to visit; why not chair a club trip to go there? Or maybe there's an activity you've always wanted to try out; there are probably other club members that would enjoy it also. Jug & Mug Council members are eager to hear your ideas and help you turn them into reality.

They have information to help you plan and budget anything from a weeklong ski trip out west to a one-day trip to Grand Rapids. They also can help you track activity signups and afterwards help you submit an income and expense report (known as a "trip closeout") to council. It all seems intimidating, but we can help you set up that trip or activity that you've always wanted to do. Where would you like to go?

I hope to see input and participation from everyone; I know you've got some fresh new ideas and we'd love to try them!

Helen Ross
Secretary

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ONGOING EVENTS

TGIF — The club happy hours for September will be at two places so please check with your calendar each week.

- * September 4 and 11, we will be at the Waterfront Bar and Grill, 325 City Market Drive, Lansing. There is no reserved table so the first person there, please grab a table.
- * September 18 and 25, our happy hour will be at the Spartan Hall of Fame, 1601 West Lake Lansing Road, East Lansing. We were able to reserve a table.
- * October 2 and 9 at Art's Bar, 809 East Kalamazoo Street, Lansing
- * October 16, 23, and 30 at La Señorita, 2706 Lake Lansing Road, Lansing.

The happy hours have been well attended even with summer vacations. If you haven't joined in, you are missing the fun conversation and camaraderie that the club offers. Please put these dates on your calendar and join us in September.

Linda Lillie is our happy hour coordinator. If you have any suggestions, contact Linda at LMLillie@gmail.com or 290-0189.

Singing at Burcham Hills — We will be singing at Burcham Hills on Sunday, September 27, downstairs in the Whitehouse Room, at 7:00 pm. Join us; we sing familiar songs and music sheets are 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.

Sing A Long — Join us on September 22 at the home of Don Johnson, 1306 Chartwell Dual Carriage Drive, East Lansing, for an uplifting song fest. Arrive anytime after 7:30 pm. You are encouraged, but not required, to bring a beverage and a snack to share. Don't forget your singing voice. Plan on a relaxed "good for the soul" evening filled with music. Contact Don at 351-4997 with any questions. To volunteer your home for a future Sing A Long, contact Diane West, at westdance@att.net or 810-687-7007.

Social Tennis — The Jug & Mug members are playing at Lett's Center tennis courts, located on Kalamazoo just west of Martin Luther King Boulevard. Play starts between 5 pm and 5:30 pm on Thursday evenings. We can play outdoors through September. As the fall weather approaches, we will move indoors to the

MSU Tennis Facility. After tennis, rehydration takes place at Harry's Bar. If you wish to be on the email list for regular updates, contact Oren Christmas at christmaso@comcast.net or Rich Rybicki at richrybick@yahoo.com.

Jug & Mug Book Club -- The Jug & Mug Book Club is a friendly group who get together every six weeks or so to discuss the book we chose at the previous meeting. The book we are currently reading is ***The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks***, by Rebecca Skloot. The book is widely available new and used and in local libraries.

Rebecca Skloot writes of Henrietta's background and legacy, going from the "colored" ward of Johns Hopkins Hospital in the 1950s to stark white laboratories full of HeLa cells, from Henrietta's small hometown of Clover, Virginia — a land of wooden slave quarters, faith healings, and voodoo — to East Baltimore today where her children and grandchildren live.

The date of our next meeting has not yet been decided. If you are interested in being included on the book club notification list, please contact Helen Ross at 332-5595 or hall_family@hotmail.com.

Walking the River Trail — Join us every Monday and Wednesday at 410 South Cedar, Lansing, at 6:15 pm for a walk on the River Trail. We walk four miles, to Potter Park Zoo and back. You get beneficial exercise and it may help you shed a few of those excess pounds. We consistently see rabbits, deer, geese, and ducks along the way. Summer is slipping away! Put on your walking shoes and join 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. Vote for your choice via email and Joanne will send out an email on Wednesday stating the movie choice and the time. We often go out for a meal after the movie. The cost of the movie is \$5; everything else is optional. Contact Joanne at kayjoe@comcast.net to get on the email listing. If you don't have email, you can still attend the movies with us. Call Joanne after 8:00 pm on Wednesday at 285-4795 to find out the selected movie and viewing time.

SEPTEMBER 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 River Walk	3 Tennis Movie Matinee	4 TGIF, <i>Waterfront</i>	5
6	7 Labor Day	8 Council Meeting WME Committee	9 River Walk	10 Tennis Movie Matinee	11 TGIF, <i>Waterfront</i>	12 Riverwalk Theatre
13	14 River Walk	15 General Meeting	16 River Walk	17 Tennis Movie Matinee	18 TGIF, Spartan Hall of Fame	19 Zodiac Party
20	21 River Walk	22 Sing A Long	23 River Walk	24 Tennis Movie Matinee	25 TGIF, Spartan Hall of Fame	26
27 Burcham Hills	28 River Walk	29	30 River Walk			

October 2015

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11	12 River Walk	13 General Meeting	14 River Walk	15 Movie Matinee	16 TGIF, La Señorita	17 Dinner & Movie
18	19 River Walk	20 Sing A Long	21 River Walk	22 Movie Matinee	23 TGIF, La Señorita	24 Halloween Barn Party
25 Burcham Hills	26 River Walk	27	28 River Walk	29 Movie Matinee	30 TGIF, La Señorita	31 Halloween

Upcoming Activities

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such as stand-up paddle board, kayaking, canoe races, fishing, beach volleyball, hiking, nighttime campfires, and games. For an extra cost, there are other activities right at the camp, such as a high ropes course, a rock wall, and a zip line. Other activities you can do nearby would be golf, horseback riding, and shopping. If you are interested, on Saturday a group watch the MSU vs Purdue game at Club 111 in Whitehall. Everyone is looking forward to a huge turnout and participation! The cost is \$80 per member, \$85 for a non-member. For more information, pick up a flyer at the September General Meeting or the Jug & Mug web site or call the chair, Cindee Picklo, at 381-8881, or see co-chairs: Rich Rybicki, Tom McRae, Janice Pierce, or Jo Moening.

DINNER AND A MOVIE, OCTOBER 17

Don't stay home on a Saturday night. Enjoy dinner at the UKAI Hibachi Grill and Sushi Bar, 754 Delta Commerce Drive, Lansing. We'll meet at 6:30 pm and be entertained as our meal is prepared at the table. Between courses, we will decide what movie to watch at Regal Cinema, 5330 West Saginaw Highway, Lansing. Bilky Joda-Miller will be taking sign ups at the September General Meeting or contact her at bilkyj@yahoo.com or 256-6596.

HALLOWEEN PARTY, OCTOBER 24

Don Theis is hosting the Halloween Party again this year. Costumes are optional but dress for the weather as the barn is not heated. The party starts at 7:00 pm with dance music by Tom Beckner. Bring your own beverage and a snack to share. Sloppy Joes will be provided. Admission is \$7 at the door. The address is 10565 West Price Road, Fowler 48835. Volunteers are needed to collect the entrance fee, apply wrist bands, coordinate some food, and clean up. Please contact Teri Miller at 699-2969 or tmclocks@hotmail.com to offer your much needed help.

ALASKAN CRUISE, MAY 29-JUNE 5,

2016 Sign up for a seven nights cruise to see some of the most extraordinary stops along Alaska's Inside Passage and coastline. You'll see glaciers flowing into the sea, forests rising up from the shoreline, and bald eagles soaring gracefully overhead. A naturalist will guide you through the exhilarating natural wonders. Onboard, enjoy spa inspired staterooms and custom blended bath products to help you feel restored and renewed. Complimentary access to the relaxing Persian Garden and exclusive access to the Blu restaurant serving breakfast and dinner. The cruise starts in Vancouver, British Columbia (make sure you have a current passport), sails through the Inside Passage, with stops at Icy Strait Point, Juneau, and Ketchikan, including



a cruise past the Hubbard Glacier. The double occupancy cost is \$870 for an inside stateroom, \$1,270 for an Oceanview stateroom, or \$1,670 for a Veranda stateroom. We were able to add a few of the popular Oceanview and Veranda staterooms but when those are gone, we won't be able to add any at this price so sign up soon. Taxes, fees, and port expenses are included. Airline flights, gratuities and optional port excursions are extra. Some of us are interested in spending a couple days exploring Vancouver prior to the cruise. Information on accommodations for the optional stay in Vancouver and air flights will be communicated to all participants. If you want to go on the cruise but don't know what may happen in your life between now and May 2016, you will get all your money back minus a \$30 cancellation fee as long as you cancel by January 19, 2016. Contact Bilky Joda-Miller at 256-6596 or bilkyj@yahoo.com or Joanne Creede at 285-4795 or kayjoe@comcast.net to sign up or with any questions.

Past Activities

DINNER AND A MOVIE, AUGUST 15 A few of us met at Olive Garden and ate a pleasant meal. even if the soup took almost until after dinner to arrive. We walked across the parking lot and watched *The Man From U.N.C.L.E.* which was fun and over the top. Join us September 12 for *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* at the Riverwalk Theatre with dinner downtown.

Bilky Joda-Miller

TIGER BASEBALL, AUGUST 22 The weather was perfect, the pizza and pudding shots were yummy, the bus was comfy as 33 folks headed to Detroit to watch the Tigers and the Texas Rangers play baseball. Our bus parked with dozens of other buses on Brush Street and we had a beautiful night to walk to Comerica Park. We joined thousands of Kenny Chesney fans headed to a Ford Field concert. What a night to be in the Motor City! Yes, the Tigers lost again, 5-3, but the after-game fireworks were fantastic! And for several folks in the group, it was a first look at Comerica Park; next time we'll arrive earlier and ride the baseball Ferris wheel and the Tiger carousel!!



Tina Lonski for Kurt Mertins

CHARTERED FISHING TRIP, AUG 29

The day was rainy but successful. We never had to brave thunderstorms and there were a number of boats on the lake with us. One of our boats took five fish and the other boat took four fish, which is as good or better than most boats. Keith Hines reeled in a 16 pound salmon and Carolyn Tody took one almost as large. We went out for some food after we returned to the docks and shared our fish stories. A good time was enjoyed by all.

Dave Panetta

CMSC and MDSC

The acronyms CMSC and MDSC are for Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council (CMSC) and Metro Detroit Ski Council (MDSC). These two organizations are the umbrella organizations for various ski and social clubs in their respective geographic areas.

Now the good news: Jug & Mug Ski Club is now a member of both of these Councils. We have access to over 100 clubs to attend their activities and trips at regular member prices. We can also advertise our activities on their web sites.

Visit the web sites of each organization to see what they have to offer:

Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council (CDMS)

<http://www.skicmsc.com/>

Metro Detroit Ski Council (MDSC)

<http://www.mdscski.org/welcome.html>

All of the Clubs and Councils are dedicated to promoting, supporting and furthering the general interest in skiing, snowboarding and summer sports and to develop camaraderie within the sports. We now have that opportunity in both an east and west direction.

Jug & Mug September Birthdays

9/01	Carol Bray
9/08	Mary Ann Poma
9/26	Marjie Evarian
9/26	Mary Stephens

Free birthday deals: Check it out!

<http://dealseekingmom.com/birthday-freebies-clubs-specials/>



September 2015 Singles Dance Events



Carolyn Tody 402-3224 or carley1t@sbcglobal.net

Ballroom, Swing, and Nightclub

Swingin' To The Blues Party ~ Saturday, September 5.

Social Dance Studio, 4335 Lake Michigan Drive NW, Grand Rapids. Free Intro Lesson 6 pm, Dance 8-10:30, \$15. Info: DANCEgr06@yahoo.com.

Tomliandance.com ~ 2nd Saturday, September 12

~ Lansing Christian Church, 6300 S. Aurelius ~ 7 pm Lesson \$5, Dance 8-10:30 pm. \$12. Info: (517) 655-3611, tomliandance.com.

USA Monthly Ballroom & Swing Dance ~ 3rd Saturday, September 19,

at Central United Methodist Church. Lesson 7, Dance -10 pm. \$15. Info: usa-dance2037.org.

Steve Reynolds Studio ~ Saturday, September 26.

Swing and More, Clio, Michigan. Information: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Steve-Reynolds-Studio-110/133514196669455>.

Wild Spurs/Jammin' at the Jewel ~ Mondays at 6 pm,

5270 Perry Rd, Grand Blanc; lessons & other dance parties. Info: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Jewel-Of-Grand-Blanc/226835440661812>.

Great Lakes Swing Association ~ Wednesdays

at Rollhaven of Flushing east of Flint, 3464 Ann Drive off Pierson Road - west of I-75 just east of Elms Road. Lesson 6 pm, Dance 7-10. Nightly rate & membership: \$30. Info/map: <http://www.glsdc.org/>.

Lansing Eagles Capitol Area Sunday Swing ~ Most Sundays

at the Eagles Club, 4700 North Grand River. 6 pm lessons, 7-10 pm dance. Admission \$8 or \$10 with lesson. Dances are subject to occasional cancellation. Info: Mike (517) 490-7838, or Joann (810) 691-2719.

Freestyle & Ballroom

TGIF Nite Life ~ (Now closed) Details: <http://tgif.party/>

Greenville Casual Singles Dance ~ Most Fridays 7 pm-12 at the Greenville American Legion: \$7

Country

Ten Pound Fiddle Contra & Square Dance ~ Saturday, October 3. 6:30 pm lesson, Dance 7-10. \$10.

<http://TenPoundFiddle.org>

Looking Glass Music & Arts ~ Saturday, September 19. Info: <http://lgmaa.org/>

Group Lessons (Private Lessons also available)

Parkwood YMCA ~ Classes start September 16. Register: (517) 827-9680.

Dewitt YMCA ~ Classes start September 18. 13161 Schavey Rd, DeWitt. Registration: (517) 827-9660

Michigan Athletic Club ~ Classes start September 21. Register: Concierge 364-8800.

Lansing Parks & Recreation ~ Info: 483-4277 or

www.lansingmi.gov/parks/actprog/dance_classes.jsp

Lansing Eagles Club ~ Lessons precede dance. Info: Mike (517) 490-7838

Further Information on dance venues:

Lansing ~

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/140480982080/>

Ann Arbor ~

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1391767727753582/>

Howell ~

www.sharkclubhowell.com/entertainment

Flint American Dance Center ~

<http://www.danceaway.com/>

Membership Contest

Starting in September and extending for an undetermined period of time, the Jug & Mug Ski Club is offering a voucher program to encourage club members to bring new guests to general meetings. For every new guest that might be interested in joining the club, the member who brings that guest will receive a \$5 voucher. The voucher(s) are good for any event that is run through the club and in which money is paid to the club. Vouchers are good for one year from the time the person receives them. When you bring a guest to a meeting, introduce him or her to the person working the welcome desk. After verification that the guest is new, the club member will receive their voucher. If you have questions, feel free to contact Orestes Mavromatis or any council member. Contact information is on page 2.

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Upcoming Events

September 8	WME Committee Meeting
September 12	Dinner/Riverwalk Theatre
September 19	Zodiac Party
October 2-4	Fall Outing
October 17	Dinner & a Movie
October 24	Halloween Party
December 4	Warren Miller Film
May 29-June 5	Alaskan Cruise

Join us for the General Meeting at
Trippers
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