



JUG & MUG SKI CLUB



The Journal

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GENERAL MEETINGS are held the third Tuesday of each month. The next general meeting will be February 16 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 February 9 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

DINNER AND A MOVIE, FEBRUARY 13

Get the jump on Valentine's Day and join your Jug & Mug friends for dinner at Ruby Tuesday, 1982 West Grand River, Okemos. Meet at Ruby Tuesday (inside Meridian Mall) at 6:30 pm. Over dinner, we will decide what movie to watch at Studio C! Contact Bilky Joda-Miller at 256-6596 or bilkyj@yahoo.com by noon on February 11 if you plan to attend. She needs a count to make reservations at Ruby Tuesday.

UP NORTH WEEKEND, FEB 18-21 We will be staying at the Crooked River Lodge, Alanson. It is a short drive to Petoskey, Harbor Springs, Boyne Highland, Nubs Nob and Petoskey State Park for downhill and cross-country skiing.

Reserved rooms are now released to the public but if you still want to go, call the Crooked River Lodge at 866-548-0700 for room availability. A standard room with 2 queen beds and a standard room with a king bed is \$109 Thursday and \$119 Friday and Saturday for up to 4 in a room. Complimentary breakfast included. Inform the staff you are with the Jug & Mug Ski Club and let Sharon know you reserved a room and if someone is sharing the room with you so chairs know how many are going.

A trip attendee list, ski rental and trail cost



spreadsheets, and Friday Night Welcome Party details will be e-mailed to those attending in February. Contact Lisa if you want her to e-mail you ski information.

Trip Coordinators are:

Rooms/Reservations, Sharon Roberts, 517-230-5357 or sharonann48@hotmail.com

Downhill and XC skiing, Lisa Martin, 517-749-3222 or asila190659@gmail.com

Friday's Welcome Party and Saturday's dinner, Tom Sarra, 419-376-8744, tsar@rescuemhs.com.

ZODIAC PARTY, FEBRUARY 27 Come chase away the winter blahs with friends at a fun party hosted by Joyce Hensley. Merriment begins at 6:00 pm. Joyce will provide sloppy joes (or another gastronomic delight) and you bring a dish to pass and your own beverage. We will have games and cards, too; bring a game to share, if you like. Remember a \$1 for the kitty! The address is 1232 Farwood Drive, East Lansing. Directions: From Saginaw Street, just east of Frandor, go north on Coolidge to Farwood. It's about the sixth street on the right, after Fair Oaks and across from apartments. From Lake Lansing Road, go south on Coolidge. Farwood is on the left, after Shaarie Zedek Synagogue. Contact Joyce at 614-4878 with any questions. Hope to see you there!

CEDAR BEND, MARCH 4-6, 2016 Join us for a fun-filled weekend in a lovely rustic lodge in Mancelona at Cedar Bend Farms. Enjoy cross-country skiing, snow-shoeing and tubing on the property, or at Cedar River by Schuss/Shanty Creek

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Council Column

Dear Jug & Mug Members.

I am one of the few elders in this great club, a member since 1976. I was out for four years, but I came back. In my 30 plus years in our club, I have chaired many Mackinac Island and Mackinaw City trips, canoe trips on various rivers, a Cedar Point day of fun, Cosmic Bowling in the Dark, golf day, outings to watch the Detroit Tigers play ball, ski trips, a night at the harness races, and helped at many house parties. I organized fun coed softball teams for several years, helped chair a weekend at Grand Haven for volleyball and sun, promoted tennis for several years at MSU and had 3 courts every week. I have been doing a salmon fishing trip for the last couple of years. What I am saying is that there are many activities to do; we need ideas and volunteers.

For the most part, I have seen many people meet, get married and be still married years later. We had couples dating each other and chairing fun activities over the years. We have lost and miss some very good active members who gave their heart and soul to help this Club, may they rest in peace. Getting to the issues: we have wonderful people in our club, some that do much more than others to set up fun activities. There are trips, parties and fun activities that are not costly. We need people to come to our council with suggestions. For several years, myself and a few others have served many times on council because not very many people want the responsibility. It is not hard, it only takes a few hours a month to participate. Chairing an activity is gratifying; it makes you feel good to see people having fun and socializing. So step up, fellow members. Let this year and others be fun.

Dave Panetta
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ONGOING EVENTS

TGIF — Join us for happy hour every Friday from 5 to 7 pm. Attendance has been high, with 20 people at Jimmy's Pub a few weeks ago.

We will be at Tequila Cowboy in the Lansing Mall in February. We can go to the movies one or two of the Fridays. All you with smart phones can check out the movie times. Tequila Cowboy is a very busy place on Fridays so there is not a reserved table and seats fill up fast; come early.

Happy hour in March will be at the Eastwood Mall. March 4 and 11 will be at Champps, and March 18 and 25 will be at the Claddagh Irish Pub. Linda Lillie is our happy hour coordinator. If you have any suggestions for happy hour locations, contact Linda at 290-0189 or LMLillie@gmail.com.

Jug & Mug Book Club — The Jug & Mug book club gets together every 6 weeks or so to discuss the book we have chosen at the previous meeting. We munch on a snack or two, have a glass of our favorite beverage, and chit-chat a bit before discussing the book.

We are currently reading **Brooklyn: A Novel** by Colm Tóibín. This book (recently made into a motion picture) is about a young Irish immigrant in Brooklyn in the early 1950s. Eilis Lacey has come of age in small-town Ireland in the hard years following World War II. When an Irish priest from Brooklyn offers to sponsor Eilis in America, she decides she must go. In Brooklyn, she gets a job in a department store, but grieves from homesickness when she receives letters from Ireland. The story tells about how she slowly changes and puts down roots in her new home.

The date of the next meeting is yet to be determined. 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.

Sing A Long — Joyce Davenport will be hosting the February 23 Sing A Long. Join the singers at the Community Room at 2790 Sirhal, East Lansing, for an uplifting song fest. Arrive anytime after 7:30 pm. Bring a beverage and/or a snack to share. Don't forget your singing voice. Plan on a relaxed "good for the soul" evening filled with music. Contact Joyce at 402-2488 with any questions. To volunteer your home for a future Sing A Long, contact Diane West at 810-687-7007 or westdance@att.net.

Singing at Burcham Hills — We will be singing at Burcham Hills on Sunday, February 21, 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.

Social Tennis — We are playing indoors on Wednesday evenings at the MSU Tennis Facility. If you wish to play at other times or days, please contact Rich Rybicki at richrybick@yahoo.com or Oren Christmas at christmaso@comcast.net. They can add you to the email list or answer your questions. The email list is the place to be for regular tennis updates.

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 bite to eat afterward and discuss the movie, and other subjects. 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.

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. It can be amazing to see the world in low light. Put on your walking shoes, hat, and mittens 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.

February 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 River Walk Tennis	4 Movie Matinee	5 TGIF, Tequila Cowboy	6
7	8 River Walk	9 Council Meeting	10 River Walk Tennis	11 Movie Matinee	12 TGIF, Tequila Cowboy	13 Dinner & a Movie
14 Valentine's Day	15 River Walk President's Day	16 General Meeting	17 River Walk Tennis	18 UpNorth Wknd Movie Matinee	19 UpNorth Wknd TGIF, Tequila CB	20 UpNorth Wknd
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28	29 River Walk					

March 2016

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13	14 River Walk	15 General Meeting	16 River Walk	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 TGIF, Claddagh	19 Dinner & a Movie
20 Burcham Hills	21 River Walk	22 Sing A Long	23 River Walk	24	25 TGIF, Claddagh	26
27 Easter	28 River Walk	29	30 River Walk	31		

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resort, and downhill skiing at Schuss/Shanty Creek, Boyne Mountain, or Boyne Highlands, all within a 20 minute drive. Casinos are also nearby. The trip will include two nights of lodging, Friday night welcome party, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, and Sunday breakfast. This is a very fun and relaxing weekend and you don't even have to ski. Bring board games, music, books, or anything relaxing you can think of. The cost is \$65.00 for members and \$75.00 for non-members.

The last possible date to sign up is at the February General Meeting. If you can't make the meeting, mail a check (made out to Jug & Mug) to Helen Ross, 1401 Somerset Close, East Lansing, 48823. Contact Helen Ross at 203-997-2275 or hall_family@hotmail.com if you have questions.

DETROIT RED WINGS HOCKEY,

MARCH 10 The Red Wings have won 11 Stanley Cup championships, the most of any National Hockey League franchise!! Here's your chance to see this winning team in action against the Winnipeg Jets at Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. Hockey fans will be transported by chartered bus that will leave from Dunham's parking lot, 3301 East Michigan Avenue, Lansing, near Frandor. No worries about driving and parking; just enjoy the ride with your friends! The cost is \$69 a person and includes your game ticket, the bus ride, pizza (on the bus) and other goodies. Contact Keith Hines, 517-712-5624, keith5522@aol.com or Kurt Mertins, 517-886-4061, kmertins@hotmail.com today, before all the tickets are gone.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY, MARCH 12

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with an Irish "Potato Party" at the home of Sharon Gaier, 5915 Patriots Way, East Lansing, MI 48823. Bring an unbaked potato (regular or sweet), a dish to pass, your own beverage, and a \$1 for the kitty. Sharon will provide a variety of tasty toppings to go with your potato. There will be Irish music, cards, games, good food and friendship with your Jug & Mug friends. Call Sharon at 316-6525 or 333-2624 with any questions.

ALASKAN CRUISE, MAY 29-JUNE 5, 2016

Time is running out to sign up for a seven night cruise to see some of the most extraordinary stops along Alaska's Inside Passage and coastline. The cabins have to go back right after the February General Meeting. Don't miss the cruise that starts in Vancouver, British Columbia, 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 Ocean-view stateroom, or \$1,680 for a Veranda stateroom. Taxes, fees, and port expenses are included. Airline flights, gratuities and optional port excursions are extra. If you are interested in spending a couple days exploring Vancouver prior to the cruise, we have reservations at the Days Inn at the Vancouver Airport. To sign up or with any questions, contact Joanne Creede at 285-4795 or kayjoe@comcast.net or Bilkly Joda-Miller at 256-6596 or bilkyj@yahoo.com.



GOLF OUTING, AUGUST 15 - 17

A golf outing at Boyne Mountain is presented by Somerset Social, Ski, and Golf Club and Metropolitan Detroit Ski Council (MDSC). The package includes 2 nights lodging, 2 rounds of golf with cart, 9 a.m. modified shot gun starts Tuesday and Wednesday, unlimited range balls, free bag storage, one social get together with food, \$25 gaming voucher for Odawa Casino, and possible golf option on Monday (Aug. 15). The price is \$275 for members and \$315 for non-members (Jug & Mug members pay member price). A \$50 deposit is non-refundable. Trip Leaders: Jim South at sssgc@att.net or 248-229-9390, Bobbie Mathie at mathie@ameritech.net or 248-760-7778 and Ron Glowzinski at ronglow65@comcast.net or 248-320-1015. Visit www.sssgc.net (under Upcoming Events and Trips) or www.mdscski.org (golf outing) for more information and to sign up.

Past Activities

DINNER & A MOVIE, JANUARY 9 The first Jug & Mug event of 2016 was a rousing success! Everyone ate a delicious meal at Capital Prime Restaurant and were pleased with their choice. Afterward, we went to NCG Cinema to see **Concussion**, the true story of the forensic neuropathologist who first discovered CTE, a football related head trauma, and battled the NFL to make the truth known. The movie is a compelling drama anchored with a great lead performance by Will Smith as Dr. Benet Omalu. Join us next month at Ruby Tuesday.

Joanne Creede

SCHUSS MT RESORTS INTRODUCTORY WEEKEND, JANUARY 22-24

The Jug & Mug's first ski weekend was awesome. It was a gray day as we arrived at Schuss Mt Resorts, but it was easy to see that there was plenty of snow. A few runs were enjoyed on Friday afternoon. The welcome party was held at Cedar River in a newer building that had plenty of room to host the party. After the meet and greet, we headed over to Ivan's to listen to the band, **Brena** from Grand Rapids, a young band that plays music from the 50's to the current hits. Check out the website: <http://www.brenaband.com/>

Saturday, after a hearty breakfast, it was on to the slopes for our instructions. Our instructor, Dave, is a man who knows his skiing. After a full day of skiing in the sunshine, it was time for a few drinks as we got ready for the Saturday banquet.

As usual, the roast beef was rare, the chicken was grilled to perfection and lots of laughs were shared. The J&M table did well in the raffle with 6 of 8 people winning something, ranging from travel mugs to engraved goblets. Again it was back to Ivan's to close out the night.

Sunday was another cloudy day, but it did not stop the skiers. It was off to continue lessons or take a few runs to practice the newly learned techniques. A great time was had by all; be sure to consider this great weekend next year.

Membership Contest

The Jug & Mug Ski Club is offering a voucher program to any club member who brings a guest to the general meeting. For every new guest the member brings, the member will receive a \$5 voucher. The vouchers are good for any event that is run through the club and in which money is paid to the club. Introduce your guest to the officers at the welcome desk. After verification that the guest is new, the club member will receive their voucher. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Orestes Mavromatis or any council member. Contact information is on page 2.

Half Off Membership Dues

If you have a friend, co-worker, or acquaintance who has been unsure if they want to join the Jug & Mug Ski Club, let them know that the dues to join are now half off. All applications accepted during the second half of the fiscal year (February through May) are reduced. See Article I of the Jug & Mug Bylaws for more information or any council member. We all love a bargain. Let your friends know about this one.

Jug & Mug February Birthdays

2/09	Bob Droste
2/11	Thomas Beckner
2/13	Joyce Hensley

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

View the JugandMug.org Website Using Your Smart Phone

The Jug & Mug website is designed to “populate” on a smart phone. The settings on your phone as well as your service plan determine what you can or cannot do on your phone.

Using your Internet browser/application, log on to jugandmug.org. Depending on your connection, the website may load slowly; give it a time to load.

The **Home** page contents are your first view. Scroll down through the text.

Featured Events will be after the text. Click on an event you may be interested in. This will take you to the event/calendar page for details, driving directions and more.

Click on **View All Events**, which will provide a list of the events on the calendar.

Below **Events** is the link to the Metropolitan Detroit Ski Council website. Check it out and see what MDSC and the other 30 ski club members are doing.

After the MDSC link is the icon for the **Jug and Mug Facebook page**. If you have never looked at the Club’s Facebook, check it out. Also “like” the page.

Keep scrolling down and you will find other links to the membership application, membership MiAccount login and more.

Upcoming Events are listed next followed by **News**.

Look for the word “**NAVIGATION**” and open to find additional links.

At the top of the page, above the Jug & Mug logo is a drop down list to **Select a Page**.

Have fun exploring and consider providing the committee feedback of your experiences.

Questions or concerns can be directed to Sharon Roberts. Her contact information is on page 2.

The Web Committee,
Sharon Roberts, Helen Ross, Rich Rybicki

February 2016 Singles Dance Events

Carolyn Tody 402-3224 or carley1t@sbcglobal.net

Ballroom, Swing & Nightclub

Tomlian Ballroom Dance ~ 2nd Saturday, February 13 ~

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

Wild Spurs/Jammin' at the Jewel ~ Mondays at 6 pm, 5270
Perry Road, 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 pm. 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 P. 810-691-2719.

USA Ballroom & Swing Dance ~ Saturday, February 20,
Central United Methodist Church, 3rd floor, 215 N. Capitol.
Dance 7-10 pm - \$15. Info: usadance2037.org.

Freestyle, Salsa, Country, Contra & Square

TGIF Party ~ Fridays nights at Hawk Hollow Golf Club. 8 pm-
midnight. \$13.

Greenville Casual Singles Dance ~ Saturday, January 6 &
20, 7 pm-12 at the Greenville American Legion: \$7.

Ten Pound Fiddle Contra & Square Dance ~ Saturday,
February 6. <http://TenPoundFiddle.org>.

Lincoln Country Club/Rivertown Singles – Sundays, 7-11
pm at 3485 Lake Michigan Drive NW Grand Rapids.
Phone (616) 453-6348.

Salsa Capital – Friday, February 12, AA Creative Corridor,
1133 South Washington Ave, Lansing, MI United States,
8:15 Intermediate Salsa, 8:45 Beginner Salsa, dance 9:15-
12. \$5. Info: Bryan G. at 517-230-9018,
www.facebook.com/groups/470309133043097.

Whiskey Barrel Saloon - Wednesday nights 7:30-9:30 pm
Beginner Line Dance Lessons. Info: 517-351-5690
www.whiskeybarrelsaloos.net.

Looking Glass Music & Arts ~ Saturday, February 20. Central
United Methodist Church, 215 North Capitol. Info: <http://lgmaa.org/>.

Group Lessons (Private Lessons also available)

Parkwood YMCA ~ Register: 517-827-9680.

Dewitt YMCA –13161 Schavey Rd, DeWitt. Registration:
517-827-9660.

Michigan Athletic Club ~ Register: Concierge 517-364-8800.

Lansing Parks & Recreation ~ Info: 517-483-4277 or
www.lansingmi.gov/parks/actprog/dance_classes.jsp

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

General Information

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

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

Howell ~ www.sharkclubhowell.com/entertainment

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

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Upcoming Events

February 13	Dinner and a Movie
February 18-29	UpNorth Weekend
February 27	Zodiac Party
March 4-6	Cedar Bend
March 10	Hockey Game
March 12	Zodiac Party
March 19	Dinner and a Movie
May 29-June 5	Alaskan Cruise
July 22-24	Mackinac Island
August 15-17	MDSC Golf Outing

Join us for the General Meeting at
Trippers
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