

January General Meeting WEDNESDAY, JAN. 5

New Berlin Banquet Center • 16000 W. Cleveland Ave.
(Meeting rooms on east side of building)

6 pm: Doors open and check-in at Welcome Area begins
Socializing & event sign-ups

7 pm: General Meeting

7:30 pm: More socializing & event sign-ups

8-10:30 pm: Dancing to the music of Danny Moore & the Boogie Woogie Flu

Guests welcome – \$10 admission

Sign up in advance

- ◆ To help us plan, please register for the meeting online (an event announcement will be sent via email)

- or -

- ◆ Contact Membership Director **Jan Breitbach** at (414) 732-9749 or Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com.

Reminders

- ◆ Wear your Vagabond name tag.
- ◆ Park on either side of the building.
- ◆ If you have renewed your membership online, you may update your name tag at this meeting.

Dinner ideas

- ◆ For a meal beforehand, we suggest the New Berlin Ale House (on the west side of the building).
- ◆ No food or beverages may be carried into the meeting rooms.

Danny Moore & the Boogie Woogie Flu



THIS MONTH'S MUSIC: Born in Janesville, Danny Moore knew at an early age that he was meant to play piano. After years of studying classical, pop and jazz styles, he discovered the wonderful world of rockabilly and blues piano. Performing in the styles of Jerry Lee Lewis, Ray Charles, Dr. John and Fats Domino, Danny has made a name for himself as the Milwaukee area's only boogie woogie rock-and-roll pianist.

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Happy New Year to you, your family and your friends! I hope you enjoyed the December holidays however you celebrate them.

At the beginning of each year, many of us make resolutions to lead a better and healthier life. We resolve to exercise more, to eat better and even to be more considerate and thoughtful to others.

Your club can act as a conduit for many of these resolutions: We offer a variety of indoor and outdoor physical activities to keep our bodies strong and healthy. Through the social aspects of these activities and events, we have the opportunity to interact with a variety of people and even to make lifelong friendships. And all these actions can support us in keeping our bodies, minds and souls in good working order.

As I (and other Board Members) have been talking and writing about, for the club to continue with its high level of activity, we need YOU. This club is only as successful as our member volunteers. There are several ways for you to help: at our meetings, as an event leader and as a member of our Board. The most critical need right now is to fill the open positions on the Board. May I suggest that you make volunteering for the club one of your New Year's resolutions?

Last month, we included a description of the duties for the Racquet Sports Director. If you play tennis, pickleball and/or PTball, and are willing to devote time to your club, which offers you so many things, please contact me.

This month, we are including a description for the Public Relations Director. This position is the liaison between the club and the public. It's an excellent position for that creative person who has experience in marketing.

Although each Board position is different, some requirements are the same:

- Passion and devotion to the club
- Time and energy
- Good planning, organizing and follow-up skills
- Willingness to learn new things

Does this sound like you? We invite members who are interested to attend a Board meeting to get an idea of what it is all about.

I hope to see you Jan. 5. Enjoy Danny Moore and the Boogie Woogie Flu.

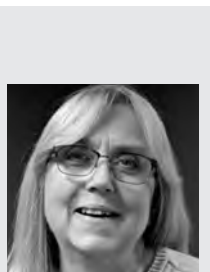
Regards, Joyce

WELCOME NEW OR RETURNING MEMBERS:

(Up-to-date information is available in the online directory.)

**Matthew Francois • John & Jeannie Heindel
Kenneth Hopson • Mike Migilano • Jon Sarver
Matthew Sarver • Erica Schlimbach • Terry Van Treock**

New members of the 80/30 Club



**Membership
Jan Breitbach**



From the Vice President
Linda Horn

International trips



Los Cabos, Mexico

Feb. 18-25

Wait list available

Sign up online (wait list only) or call **Sue** at (414) 421-6248 for details. **Total price is \$2,032 per person**, double occupancy with ocean view.



Greek Isles/Rome

May 31 - June 15

Additional space opens up Feb. 1

- We obtained some additional outside and inside cabins for our phenomenal
- upcoming trip to the Greek Isles and Rome, departing May 31 and returning June 15.
- Trip includes nonstop air both ways, three nights in Athens, a seven-night cruise to
- the fascinating islands of Rhodes, Crete, Santorini, Milos and Mykonos, and then a
- four-night stay in romantic Rome.
- Complete trip details coming in next month's *Life*. Sign up will be online or by
- postmarked check starting **Feb. 1**. Cancel-for-any-reason insurance will be required.
- Trip leader is **Bob Spindell**, (414) 276-6331.

This is our second month highlighting a specific Board position. Each Board position has different technical requirements, but one thing is constant: Board members are eager to spend the time and energy to move the club forward.



Public Relations Director

The main duties of this position are to promote and to market the club in a variety of cost-effective ways to attract new members, to retain current members and to grow the Vagabond brand.

This director:

- ✓ Oversees the publication of the monthly Life newsletter and works closely with the editor and other directors.
- ✓ Directs the activities of the club Ambassadors
- ✓ Works with the VagabondSkiClub.com webmaster to ensure that the website is attractive, up-to-date and easy to navigate.

Qualifications:

- ✓ A strong background in marketing is required.
- ✓ Working knowledge of social media, including (but not limited to) Facebook and Meetup. This director regularly updates the club's social media.

- ✓ Must have good planning, organizational and creative skills to work on multiple projects at the same time.
- ✓ Good verbal and written communication skills to interact with club members, event leaders, directors and the general public.

- ✓ Constantly look for opportunities to promote the club and for partnerships (with other ski clubs and organizations, for example).
- ✓ Attend monthly Board meetings and monthly General meetings.
- ✓ General knowledge of Vagabond processes (including Wild Apricot) is a plus. Working knowledge of Microsoft Word is a must and Excel a plus.

As Public Relations Director, you can have a big impact on the future of the club. Someone who is creative, is a self-starter and is up to date on current marketing practices is ideal.

What's in it for you?

Taking on a critical position like this will enable you to be fully engaged with your club, meet and interact with a number of club members and keep the club growing.



Ski Activities
Joyce Szulc

Weekend Bus Ski Trip Big Snow Resort, Wakefield, MI Feb. 25-27 • **New Deadline - January 15**

\$380 per person, double occupancy

\$485, single

\$295, Lodging only, double occupancy

\$395, Lodging only, single

You have procrastinated long enough! But there is still time and room for you to join us for a weekend bus trip to Indian-head Mountain and Blackjack Mountain. Ski 56 trails with 15 lifts and over 400 skiable acres. We are partnering with the Sitzmark Ski Club to fill the bus! This is a great trip for all skiers, including those who have not skied in a while or even for someone who has never skied before. Also available is snowshoeing (right out the back door of the lodge) and cross-country skiing (about a half-hour away by bus). Check out BigSnow.com.

The bus will leave from Goerke's Corners Park & Ride (N. Barker Rd & I-94) at 2 p.m. Friday and return Sunday evening. This event is open to guests as well as Vagabond members. Registration closes **Jan. 15**. Trip Leader: **Carol Gavigan**, (262) 632-1922, cjgavigan177@gmail.com.

Western Trips

Vagabond skiers are counting down the days to our ski season and checking the snow report each day. All trips are filled, but we are accepting waitlist registrations.

Ski racing

Team Captain Al Lemke has recruited 32 skiers this year! Come out on a Saturday or Sunday to cheer on your Vagabond Ski Team to another winning season. Watch this spot to see race results.

Last season, the Vagabonds finished No. 1 overall.

All MMSCSR clubs practice from **7-9 p.m. Wednesday** nights at **Little Switzerland** and **Friday nights at Sunburst**.

We are looking for more men and women to join us. We have fun practicing and racing plus whatever else always comes after the skiing.

For more information, contact **Al Lemke** at (414) 688-2938 or aklemke2993@gmail.com or visit MMSCSR.com

MMSC Senior Race Schedule

Time/Date	Location	Race Type	Comments
Jan 2, 10:30 am	Sunburst	GS/GS	
Jan 8, 10:30 am	Sunburst	SL/SL	CMSC race
Jan 9, 10:30 am	Sunburst	SL/SL	
Jan 15, 10 am	Holy Hill	SL/SL	
Jan 23, 10 am	Little Switzerland	SL/SL	
Jan 29, 10 am	Holy Hill	GS/GS	
Feb 6, 10:30 am	Sunburst	SL/GS	

Questions about anything related to the
Vagabond ski program?
Contact Joyce at jszulc@wi.rr.com or (262) 886-9328

Tech Tip by Linda Horn

Add The Wild Apricot App To Your Smartphone

Benefits of the Wild Apricot App:

- You have access to the always up-to-date Vagabond Member Directory.
- You can view and register for events using your smartphone.
- View the events you are registered for using the 'My Tickets' tag
- View and update your profile page.

To add the App to your phone:

- Go to the app store you use (Apple app store, google play, etc.) Search for "Wild Apricot – Member" and download it.
- Open the Wild Apricot app and log in to Wild Apricot using the email and password you established previously.
 - ❖ If you have not yet established a password, you will need to do so using a different device **OR**
 - ❖ Call **Linda Horn** at 262-707-1450 for assistance.

Once you have the app on your phone and you have logged in, click "remember me" so that you do not need to enter your password each time. To access the online directory:

- With an iPhone: The options appear at the bottom of the screen. With an android phone, swipe the screen to see the options.
- Tap "Members" to see the member directory. Tap the search box at the top of the screen to search for a specific member.
 - ❖ Type in a few characters of the last name, or a few characters of the first name.
 - ❖ Then tap Search or Go or Enter (it varies with the type of phone being used.)
 - ❖ Tap the name of the person you are looking for to see their information, including their phone number, email address, etc.



**Racquet Sports
Linda Horn**

TENNIS, TENNIS, TENNIS & MORE FUN TENNIS!

Four Indoor Tennis Parties

Saturdays, Jan. 29, Feb. 26, March 26, April 30

Sign up soon! ... The January event is filling up quickly.

More fun tennis! More great food! More fun socializing with Vagabond friends, and the nicest tennis players in the world.

Elite Brookfield (aka Highlander Elite) Tennis Club

13825 W. Burleigh Road

4 pm – Check in

4:30 pm – Tennis matches begin

6 pm – Food and social time

Bottled water is provided. The tennis club will have a selection of beer and wine available for purchase. (You may bring in your own soda but no alcoholic beverages.)



Matches are arranged according to your tennis rating. We will rotate partners and courts after 45 minutes to add to the fun.

Fee: \$31 per person

Includes 90 minutes of tennis, balls, food, dessert, bottled water, and social time.

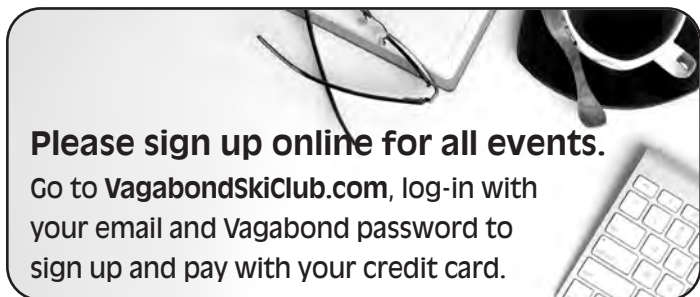
Social participants are welcome, too. **Fee of \$14** includes everything except tennis.

Payment Options:

- Online – Look for *Tennis Party – January 29, Tennis Party – February 26*, etc.
- Pay by credit card or check at a general meeting. Event Coupon required. Or mail your event coupon and check to Linda Horn, 2311 Emslie Drive, Waukesha, WI 53188.

Questions? Contact **Linda** at Linda.Horn1@gmail.com or (262) 707-1450.

Note: Tennis Players – The January PTball event is immediately prior to the Jan. 29 Tennis Party. You can extend your fun and play PTball for an hour before tennis. **Fee is only \$6.** See the PTball article for more details.



Please sign up online for all events.
Go to VagabondSkiClub.com, log-in with your email and Vagabond password to sign up and pay with your credit card.

PTball

Try it, Learn More About It!

Saturday, Jan. 29

Elite Brookfield Tennis Club • 13825 W. Burleigh Road

3 pm – Check In & Brief Instruction

3:30 pm – PTball matches begin



PTball is a relatively new sport, first introduced to the Vagabonds a few years ago. It is a fun game, somewhat like tennis, somewhat like pickleball, played on a pickleball court with a 21-inch tennis racquet and a 50% compression tennis ball. It is easy to learn even if you have never played a racquet sport before. If you have played pickleball or tennis before, you will find the natural transition to PTball especially easy. Join us for some Vagabond fun and exercise!



Fee: \$6, includes instruction, tennis balls, use of a racquet and bottled water.

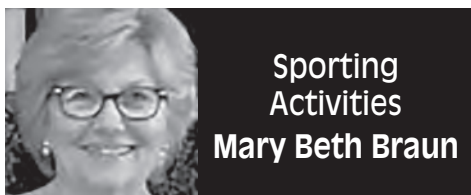
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Contact **Linda** for questions: (262) 707-1450 or linda.horn1@gmail.com.



Membership Directory

If you ordered the directory, it has been printed and mailed.



Sporting Activities
Mary Beth Braun

Sunday Hikes

Walk for the Fun – or Just for the Health – of It!

Meet at 1:30 pm • Hike 1:45-3:45 pm

We welcome volunteers to lead hikes. Please contact **Dan Heidemann** at danmark@gmail.com or (414) 416-1678 if you can be a leader. Hikes without leaders will be canceled.

Jan. 2 – Whitnall Park: Meet at the golf course parking lot along S. 92nd St. (south of College Ave.). Walk from 1:45 to 3:45, then head to Bosch Tavern, at Hwy. 100 and Janesville Road.

Hike Leaders: **Joyce Szulc** and **Jim Stephens**. Questions? Call **Joyce** at (262) 902-3248

Jan. 9 – Menomonee Park: Hwy Y entrance (on Lannon Road, a half-mile north of Good Hope, at the Lannon Village Park parking lot on the east side of the road). Hike 1:45 to 3:45 pm, then eat and drink at a location to be determined. **Hike Leader needed!**

Jan. 16 – Nashotah Park: Meet at Hwy 16 & C Park and Ride. Arrive at 1:30 in the parking lot. Hike 1:45 to 3:45, then head to Revere’s Wells Street Tavern for chili and drinks. Hike Leader is **Dan Heidemann**, (414) 416-1678.

Jan. 23 – Underwood Creek Parkway: Starting at the Hansen Park Golf course parking lot, 9800 Underwood Pkwy, Wauwatosa. Hike from 1:45 to 3:45 p.m. on mixed-surface pathways: wood chips, packed gravel, asphalt and grass. Be prepared for snow or ice, with proper footwear and hiking poles. Optional dining afterward at a local restaurant. Note: You can enter park from the east only, from Swan Blvd. Hike Leaders: **Gary Kovach** and **Connie Sandell**, (414) 712-3897.

Jan. 30 – Pike Lake State Park: Take I-41 to Hwy. 60 (or Hwy. 164), west about three miles to sign on left for park entrance (Kettle Moraine Drive), south into park to the beach parking lot, just past the check-in booth. Hike till 3:45, then to the Mine Shaft in Hartford for comfort food and sundaes for dessert. Hike Leader is **Dave Nelsen**, (414) 350-1433.

Think Snow ... Snowshoeing!

We are sure to get some snow this winter, so think about places nearby that would be good for snowshoeing. Here are a few ideas:

Milwaukee County: Whitnall Park; Havenwoods State Forest; Riveredge Nature Center; Greenfield Park, West Allis; McGovern Park; Kohl Park; Lakeshore State Park; Kletzsch Park; Grant Park; Kinnickinnic River Parkway.

Waukesha Country: Valley View Park, New Berlin (on Sunny Slope Rd, just south of Beloit); Park, Mitchell Park, Brookfield; Minooka Park, Waukesha; Retzer Nature Center, Waukesha; Menomonee Park, Menomonee Falls; Muskego Park, Muskego; Lapham Peak, Delafield; Fox River Park (SW Waukesha); Emma Carlin Trails, Kettle Moraine State Park (near Palmyra).

Some parks rent snowshoes only on weekends (Whitnall Park), others rent daily (Retzer Nature Center), and others have no facilities to rent snowshoes or cross-country skis.

Wednesday Walks

As long as we have volunteer leaders and people interested to follow in this exercise, **Wednesday walks will resume in February**. It’s easy; if you can comfortably walk your favorite trail/path, then you can lead others on it, too. We are looking for paved paths and generally flat terrain. Call **Mary Beth** at (262) 443-7291 to schedule.

BOWLING Friday afternoons at New Berlin Bowl

We bowl on the second Friday of the month, starting at **2 pm**, at New Berlin Bowl, 16000 W. Cleveland Ave.

To join a team or register as a substitute, contact league secretary **Judy Williamson** at (262) 691-9391.





Social Activities Cindy Hummer

Packer Party

Jan. 9 vs. Detroit @ noon

New Berlin Ale House

Watch the Green Bay Packers with your Vagabond friends at the New Berlin Ale House, 16000 W.

Cleveland Ave. Food and beverage

available for purchase. Contact

Tom Martini at (414) 276-0479 so enough tables can be reserved.



The Vagabond Packer Parties will take place only for the afternoon games. Last game

of the regular season is **Jan. 9 vs. Detroit at noon.**

Scrabble

Tuesday, Jan. 4 & 18 @ 1-4 pm

New Berlin Ale House



Scrabble is every other Tuesdays from 1-4 p.m. at the New Berlin Ale House.

Fee is \$1 per person for the server tip along with a purchase of one beverage either alcoholic or non-alcoholic. **Next games are Jan. 4 and Jan. 18.**

Food is also available for purchase. Non-members are invited.

Contact **Carol Palmert**, (262) 366-5080, or **Lynn Kozlowski**, (414) 545-2208, for questions.

Have an Idea?

If you would like to do something this winter that doesn't involve participating in a sport, please share your ideas and help make it happen with your fellow Vagabonds. We can't do it without you! Contact **cindy** at (262) 894-1383.

Like us on Facebook

Click "Like" on the Vagabond Ski & Social Club page where you can also post pictures from club events.

New schedule for Game Night

Tuesdays, Jan. 11 & 25 @ 6-9 pm

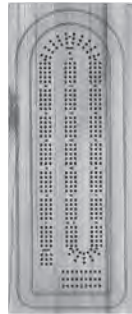
New Berlin Ale House



Starting in January, Game Nights will be the second and fourth Tuesday of

every month. This will make it easier for the New Berlin Ale

House and for everyone to set up their calendars ahead of time. This month's dates are **Jan. 11 and Jan. 25.**



This is not just for Sheepshead and Dominoes. Whatever game you come for; the rules are the same. **Fee is \$1 per**

person along with a purchase of one beverage either alcoholic or non-alcoholic. Food is available for purchase, and non-members are encouraged to attend. All levels of play are welcome!



Contact **Jae Hartnell**, (608) 712-7440, for questions in general or for **Sheepshead & Dominoes**. For **Cribbage**, please contact **Mike Yanko** at (414) 233-5073; for **Mahjong**, please contact **Cindy Hum**, (262) 573-6783.

Fish Fry

Friday, Jan. 7 @ 5 pm

The Silver Spur • 13275 Watertown Plank Road

Our next fish fry will be **Jan. 7** at the **Silver Spur in Elm Grove**. We will have three choices: **Baked Cod, \$15, Fried Cod, \$15, or Perch, \$20. Price includes tax and tip.** Meal includes coleslaw and French fries.

We will be **meeting in the bar at 5 p.m.** and will be **seated at tables of 6-8 at 6 p.m.** Plenty of parking in the back just west of the restaurant. Signups will start online Jan. 2 and continue through Wednesday at the Jan. 5 General Meeting.

Questions? Call or text **Jae** at (608) 712-7440.

Event Leaders Needed for the Festival City Symphony

There are two performances left of the City Symphony Season, on **Saturdays, March 5 and April 9**. An event leader will need to monitor those that signup online, add new registrants, send reminder email and be available at the meetings for those who wish to pay by credit card or check. Tickets will need to be distributed in the lobby at the concert. The only way we can offer these events is if we have someone to step forward for one or both shows. If you are interested, contact Cindy at (262) 894-1383.



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 Milwaukee, WI 53226

DATED MATERIAL

Deliver by December 27

Facebook Help Wanted

Help us find new members through Facebook: Click Like on the Vagabond Ski & Social Club page. You can also post pictures from club events.

Stay Informed

For up-to-date information on club events and activities, including news and photos, visit VagabondSkiClub.com.

FUTURE EVENTS	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
NATIONAL BLOOD DONOR MONTH							1
Feb. 6 Ski race							
Feb. 12-19 Snowmass	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Feb. 18-25 Los Cabos	Ski race Hike		Scrabble	General Meeting		Fish fry	Ski race Big Sky
Feb. 25-27 Big Snow							
Feb. 26 Tennis	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
March 5 Fest. City Symphony	Ski race Packer Fan Party Hike		Game Night			Bowling	Ski race
March 12-19 Banff							
March 26 Tennis	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
April 9 Fest. City Symphony	Hike		Scrabble				
April 30 Tennis							
May 31 Greece / Italy							
Happy New Year	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Ski race Hike		Game Night				Ski race
	30	31					
	Hike						