

## October General Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1**

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

6 pm: Check-in

6:30 pm: Socializing and event sign-ups

7 pm: General Meeting

7:45 pm: Dancing to the music of The Hitmen

*Guests welcome – \$10 admission*

### Sign up in advance

- ◆ Please register for the meeting online, call (414) 732-9749 or email [Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com](mailto:Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com).

### Reminders

- ◆ Wear your Vagabond name tag.
- ◆ Park on either side of the building.
- ◆ Update your name tag at the meeting if you renewed your membership online.

### Dinner plans?

- ◆ For a meal beforehand, you might try the New Berlin Ale House (in the same building as our meeting but on the west side).
- ◆ No food or beverages may be brought into the meeting room.

### THIS MONTH'S MUSIC



The Hitmen will be playing and will hit your heart with the music of the past.

Next month: Close Enuf

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From the  
President  
**Mary Beth Braun**

Everyone celebrates Oktoberfest in their own way and different ways. In the past two years, our club has celebrated with fun raffles of gifts and prizes at our October meeting. We will do this again at our Oct. 1 meeting. Every member who attends the meeting will receive a ticket, and at the end of the meeting, the lucky numbers will be drawn. Come to the meeting!

Our spring and summer activities are complete, so we must thank all of our event leaders who make things happen week after week. We have wonderful volunteers! Thank you to Cheryl Jaeger, Diana Schneider, Suzanne Wiedner, Jean Dueling, Judy Cimbalknik, Pat Hummer, Gary Kovach, Connie Sandell, Jae Hartnell, Lynn Koslowski, Sherry Dobson, Greg Larson, and Dan Heidemann.

Thank you to all those who led special events this summer: Nancy Drolshagen and Cathy Faust (Fish Fry nights and Over the Hump Wednesdays), Pam Cole (Supper Club outings), Denise Kremel (Baseball game and weekend Bike Trip) along with Dan Heidemann, and Bob Spindell (Japan cruise and touring).

Shout out to our new members: Did you join in any of the summer activities?

Will you join in the fall and winter activities? Do you come to the monthly general meeting? It's awesome if you have done these. We want all members to join in the fun, get acquainted with new friends, and perhaps become a volunteer to keep the club active.

We'll see you at the Oct. 1 meeting!

Mary Beth

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Membership  
**Jan Breitbach**

**WELCOME NEW or RETURNING MEMBERS**

See the online directory at [VagabondSkiClub.com](http://VagabondSkiClub.com) for an up-to-date list of current members.

**Kathy Abbott • Jim Carey • Diane Chapman • David Georgenson  
Barbara Jansen • James Roemer • Phil Tome**

The club is looking for friendly and smiling faces to help at the Welcome Desk on meeting nights. Assistance is also needed with membership renewal.

Email [JanBreitbach@gmail.com](mailto:JanBreitbach@gmail.com) or call (414) 732-9749.



Cyclists rode from Southport Marina to Winthrop Harbor and back. The club's final ride of the season will be Sept. 28 on the Glacial Drumlin State Trail. The following week, hiking season starts – at Minooka County Park. See Page 3.





## Sporting Activities Mary Beth Braun



At the Forest Exploration Center in Wauwatosa

### Sunday Hikes

*Hike for the Fun – or Just for the Health – of It!*

Meet at 1:30 p.m., hike from 1:45 to 3:45

We welcome volunteers to lead hikes in the future months. Please contact **Robert Patzwald** at (414) 791-8775 or email **Betty**, [betty.riley1947@gmail.com](mailto:betty.riley1947@gmail.com) to have your questions answered. Scheduled hikes without leaders will be canceled.

**Oct. 5 – Minooka County Park:** Meet at 1:30 p.m. in the parking lot on Sunset Drive in Waukesha, just west of Hwy. Y (Racine Avenue) and just east of Hwys. 164 and 59. A county sticker for park entrance fee is required to enter with a vehicle and park within the park. Optional parking is just outside the park entrance on a side street. Hike from 1:45 to 3:45, then to Michael's Restaurant, 1400 S. Grand Ave. in Waukesha, to eat and drink. Hike Leader: **Betty Riley**, (262) 888-9978.

**Oct. 12 – Nashotah County Park:** Meet at 1:30 p.m. at the Park and Ride Lot at Hwy. 16 and Cty. C, Exit 179. We will shuttle in from the Park and Ride lot with individuals who have park permits, to the main parking lot/restrooms just west of the dog park. Bathrooms are open. Wear proper hiking shoes.

Trails are mulch, grass and/or gravel. They are a combination of flat, gradual and rolling terrain with a few steep but short hills. Food and beverages afterward at Revere's Well Street Tavern, 505 Wells St., Delafield. They can do separate checks. Hike Leader: **Gary Kovach**, (414) 712-3897.

**Oct. 19 – Whitnall Park:** Meet at the golf course parking lot along S. 92nd St. (south of College Avenue). Hike from 1:45

to 3:45 p.m., then head to Open Flame at 5081 108th St., Greenfield. Hike Leader: **Jean Dueling**, (414) 321-0258.

**Oct. 26 – Milwaukee Lakefront:** Meet at the Gift of Wings Kite Store, 1300 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive (inside Veterans Park on the lakefront). Route: We will hike 4-plus miles from the lakefront to Kilbourn Reservoir Park, by crossing Milwaukee River to Lakefront Brewery.

Dinner afterward at County Clare Irish Inn and Pub, 1234 N Astor St. Hike Leader: **Jay Zinn**, (414) 708-1663.

### One-hour walks

Meet at 10:50 a.m.; walks start at 11, followed by an optional lunch at noon.

Our one-hour walks are every Thursday morning from 11 to noon at various parks and other area locations. If you have a favorite place you would like to take us, please contact organizer and leader **Sherry Dobson** at (262) 498-4067.

**Oct. 2: The Sanctuary located in Wauwatosa on 87th Street:** Drive on Watertown Plank Rd to 87th Street and turn north (past Wisconsin Athletic Club, Eddie Martini's and Market City) to the end, about a half-mile. We will walk through parts of the former hospital area. This is not the same area we walked on Sept. 11.

**Oct. 9 – Fox River Trail on Sentry Drive, Waukesha:** Meet about 6 blocks north of Sunset Drive on Sentry Drive. We will park on the street. Unfortunately, this trail is not clearly marked, so look for a tall, gold building with a white top at approximately 901 Sentry Drive. Look for Sherry with a flag. We will walk west on a paved path, partly along the Fox River, to Sunset Drive farther west and back to our cars.



Honey Creek walk





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**Oct. 16 – McCarty Park in West Allis:** Park in the lot off of 84nd Street and Cleveland Avenue. We will gather in the parking lot near children's area. We will walk on paved surfaces.

**Oct. 23 – Village Park in Elm Grove:** Located at 13600 Juneau Boulevard, west of Legion Drive. Drive to the back of the parking lot and park near the tennis courts. We will walk on paved surfaces.

**Oct. 30 – Sharon Lynn Wilson Center in Mitchell Park, Brookfield:** Meet in the Wilson Center parking lot on Mitchell. We will walk west to Fox View Park.



Socializing after a Bugline bike ride.

## Bowling

Our fun, monthly bowling league started Sept. 19 at New Berlin Bowl. We bowl on the third Friday of each month from September through May.

Practice begins at 1:45 p.m. with games starting at 2 p.m.

Register online.

The fee is \$110 for the season, which includes bowling, prizes and the end-of-season party. Substitutes are encouraged to sign up also; they pay \$12 each time they bowl.

League secretary is **Dee Holstein-Pizur**, (262) 227-6322.



International  
Travel  
**Linda Horn**

## Winter Getaway

**Punta Cana** • Feb. 5-12



Have fun in the sun with other Vagabonds from Feb. 5-12 at Secrets Royal Beach Resort in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. This adults-only, all-inclusive resort offers unlimited dining, 12 restaurants, drinks, wi-fi, nightly entertainment, tennis courts, water aerobics, infinity pool, swim-up bar, long beach, and access to Dreams next door.

We were there in 2024 and enjoyed it so much that we are returning. Great food, entertainment, basically an excellent property.

If there are no spots open, you can join the waitlist --there are always cancellations.

This package includes round trip, nonstop flights between Milwaukee and Punta Cana, along with the shuttle to and from the resort.

Call **Sue** at (414) 421-6248 for information.

## TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR PROFILE

Have you reviewed your Profile in the Vagabond database recently? Have you moved, changed your phone number or email address? Is your emergency contact information correct? If you haven't looked at your profile lately, this might be a good time to review the information we have and update it if needed. Be sure to save it before you log out. If you need help, call our membership director at (414) 732-9749 or email [Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com](mailto:Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com).





## Ski Activities Sally Borchardt



### Big Sky • Jan. 4-11

**\$2,700**

Space is still available on our first ski trip of 2026 – Jan. 4-11 to Big Sky. This is not just a ski trip, but a trip to Montana, where there are so many things to do aside from skiing. **There is dog sledding, ice skating, winter fishing, hiking, sleigh rides, snow shoeing, retail therapy, and even bowling in the picturesque city.**

The mountains alone are overwhelming, and there is a gondola that can take you to the top so you can see and feel the spectacular aura of the surroundings.

There are still a few full packages left for this lovely, seven-night stay at the great Huntley Lodge, a ski-in/ski-out

hotel with great accommodations and a cozy fireplace near the lobby.

#### Trip Includes:

- Round-trip bus transfers, including tips, from the Bozeman airport to Huntley Lodge
- 7 nights' lodging (two queen beds per room)
- Full daily breakfast buffet
- Midweek dinner party
- Price: \$2,700, double occupancy
- Flights: We are flying Delta; times will be posted in the November *Life*.

Sign up and pay by credit card at [VagabondSkiClub.com](http://VagabondSkiClub.com)

OR

To register by mail, send your check, a trip coupon and a copy of your Real ID (with a star in the upper right corner) or a copy of your passport to:

Sally Borchardt  
Vagabond Ski and Social Club  
W216N5531 Adamdale Drive  
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

**Lift tickets:** use your IKON pass, or Adult (3+ days): \$150/day; Seniors (3+ days): \$130/day

Questions? Call **Sally** at (262) 349-9359.

### Snowmass • Feb. 7-14

Join the waiting list



The club is still accepting waitlist registrations for the Feb. 7-14 ski trip to Aspen/Snowmass. No payment is required to sign up for the waitlist. All trip details are on the [club website](http://club website).

Questions? Contact **Joyce** at [jszulc@wi.rr.com](mailto:jszulc@wi.rr.com) or (262) 902-3248.

## Racquet Sports

### Drop-in Tennis

Saturday mornings

Monday evenings

Vagabonds meet to play tennis at 9:30 a.m. Saturdays at Nathan Hale High School and at 5:30 p.m. Mondays at Elm Grove Village Park. There is no fee, no sign-up is necessary, and non-members are welcome. Just show up and get on a court with others at your ability level.

Coordinator: **Greg Larson**, (414) 588-4998.

### Pickleball

Thursday evenings

Our pickleball "season" is over, but we will still play every Thursday at 6 p.m. at Banting Park in Waukesha as long as the weather permits.

Coordinator: **Pat Hummer**, (262) 894-3375.



## Social Activities Denise Kremel

### Fish Fry • Friday, Oct. 3 Mo's Irish Pub, Wauwatosa

Our next fish fry will be Friday, Oct. 3, at Mo's Irish Pub, 10842 W. Bluemound Road.

Meet at the bar any time after 4:30 p.m., dine at 5:30.

Mo's famous fish fry is beer-battered Atlantic cod, served with french fries, tartar sauce and cole slaw.

Price: \$20.50 with tax and tip.

Reserve your place online on Wild Apricot.

Questions: Call **Cathy Faust**, (414) 429-2384, or **Nancy Drolshagen**, (414) 491-3147. Kindly call to cancel if you are unable to attend.



September fish fry at the Machine Shed.

### Supper club outing • Oct. 30 • Hob Nob

Come join us for a supper club dinner on Thursday, Oct. 30, at the Hob Nob, 277 Sheridan Road, Racine. Cocktails will start at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 6:30.

#### Our menu choices:

Chicken Marsala, \$34

Pasta Primavera Alfredo, \$34

Stuffed Pork Chop, \$38

Whitefish Almondine, \$48

Filet Mignon, \$57

Choose your meal when you sign up online. Prices include tax and tip; bring cash for cocktails. Event leader: **Pam Cole**, (414) 750-6011.

### Over the Hump • Oct. 15

#### BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse • Brookfield

Our next Over the Hump gathering will be 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, at BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse, 17430 W. Bluemound Road, at Brookfield Crossing, in front of the Brownstones Shopping Center.

No need to sign up. Just show up and enjoy the happy hour.

Questions: Call **Cathy Faust**, (414) 429-2384, or

**Nancy Drolshagen**, (414) 491-3147.

### Scrabble

1-4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7 and 21

#### New Berlin Ale House



Now that our summer break is over, we will resume playing Scrabble on the first and third Tuesdays of the month from **1-4 p.m.** at New Berlin Ale House. The fee is \$1 per person for the server tip along with a purchase of one beverage, either alcoholic or non-alcoholic.

Food is also available for purchase.

This month's games are **Oct. 7** and **21**. Non-members are welcome.

Call **Lynn Kozlowski** at (414) 545-2208.

### Sheepshead

6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14 and 28

#### New Berlin Ale House

We play Sheepshead from **6-9 p.m.** on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at New Berlin Ale House. The next games are **Oct. 14** and **28**. Non-members, members and all levels of play are welcome.



**Fee:** at least one food/beverage order (plus tip) plus \$1 per person; bring more money, and you may win or lose.

Questions: **Jae Hartnell**, (608) 712-7440.

### Festival City Symphony



The Vagabonds have a long tradition of promoting the Festival City Symphony to our members. Hear classical music on Saturday afternoons at the Bradley Symphony Center, 212 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee.

Order tickets online at [FestivalCitySymphony.org](http://FestivalCitySymphony.org).

The suggested donation for seniors is \$8.

Saturday Classics concerts begin at 2 p.m., preceded by "Unlocking the Score," an onstage presentation at 1:30.

#### Schedule

Oct. 18 -- Hope, Resilience and Copland's American Symphony

Jan. 24 -- Mendelssohn's Discovery

March 7 -- Pictures at an Exhibition

April 18 -- Faith, Persistence and Celebration



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## RENEWAL APPLICATION

Single \$27 | Married Couple \$39

**Today's Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse name (if member) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

If you wish to receive your membership sticker by mail, be sure to enclose a self-addressed *stamped* envelope.

**I would like to receive the LIFE Newsletter via email.    Yes**

**If you would like the newsletter delivered to you by U.S. mail, add \$20 to your renewal fee.**

***Complete this section only if information has changed.***

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Email \_\_\_\_\_ F\_\_ M\_\_

Are you retired? Yes / No    What was / is your career field? \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ F\_\_ M\_\_ Spouse Email \_\_\_\_\_

Are you retired? Yes / No    What was/is your career field? \_\_\_\_\_

Winter address \_\_\_\_\_ Dates - from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month and approximate date)

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

The personal information listed above **will be** published. (available to members only).    Except:

**EMERGENCY CONTACT:**    Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I am a past President; years served: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I am in the **80/30 Club** (Year enrolled \_\_\_\_\_) -OR- **Charter Member**

If checked above - Please fill out and sign this application form; no payment is necessary.

**I, as an undersigned, hereby acknowledge and agree that as a condition of being a member of the Vagabond Ski & Social Club of Milwaukee, Inc.**

\* I am at least twenty-one (21) years of age.

\* I accept and assume all risks of personal injury, death, and loss of or damage to property which may be incurred by me during my participation in club activities..

\* I assume all liability for injury to or damage incurred by others as a result of my conduct while participating in club activities.

\* I release the Vagabond Ski & Social Club of Milwaukee, Inc., and its agents, officers, and directors from any and all liability for personal injury, death, or property damage incurred by me during my participation on said event or in connection therewith, and waive any claim I have or may in the future have therefore.

\* I hereby indemnify and hold the Vagabond Ski & Social Club of Milwaukee, Inc., and its officers and directors harmless from any and all damages, costs, and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorney's fees) which may be incurred by them as a result of any action by me in asserting any claim against them.

**Mail this signed application with your check made out to Vagabond Ski & Social Club (VSSC) to:**

**Jan Breitbach  
Vagabond Ski & Social Club - Membership  
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Milwaukee, WI 53213**

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Help us find new members through Facebook: Click Like on the Vagabond Ski and Social Club page. To post pictures from club events, send them to [jszulc@wi.rr.com](mailto:jszulc@wi.rr.com).

### Stay Informed

For up-to-date information on club events and activities, including news and photos, visit [VagabondSkiClub.com](http://VagabondSkiClub.com).

### DATED MATERIAL

Deliver by September 29

FUTURE EVENTS		Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Jan. 4	Big Sky	28	29	30	1	2	3	4
Jan. 24	Italy				General mtg	Walk Pickleball	Mo's Irish Pub	Tennis
Feb. 5	Punta Cana							
Feb. 7	Snowmass							
April 8	Mt. Bachelor							
		5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Hike	Nashville Tennis	Scrabble	Style Show	Walk Pickleball		Tennis
		12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Hike	Tennis	Sheepshead	BJ's Brewhouse	Walk Pickleball	Bowling	Tennis Symphony
		19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		Hike	Tennis	Scrabble		Walk Pickleball		Tennis
		26	27	28	29	30	31	1
		Hike	Tennis	Sheepshead	Board meeting	Walk Hob Nob Pickleball		

**Happy Halloween**  
— TRICK OR TREAT —



Halloween • October 31