

December 2021 V63 N12

# **December General Meeting WEDNESDAY, DEC. 1**

#### 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

**6-7**: Socializing & event sign-ups

7 pm: 80/30 Ceremony and General Meeting

7:30: More socializing & event sign-ups

**8-10:30:** Dancing to the music of Advance Classic Rock & Roll

Guests welcome – \$5 admission

#### 80/30 Ceremony

◆ We will introduce inductees into the 80/30 Club.

#### 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

- Remember to wear your Vagabond name tag.
- ♦ Parking is available on both the east and west sides 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.









Nick Pumilia Lead Guitar, Keyboard,

Mark Sallmann Acoustic Guitar, Bass, Vocals

Ron Buchek

#### THIS MONTH'S MUSIC:

Vagabond member Nick Pumilia and his group. Advance, perform rock-and-roll classics: songs you will instantly recognize and enjoy! Be prepared for blues, jazz, country and folk. The group's repertoire includes songs by artists such as Van Morrison, the Beatles, Eric Clapton, Bruce Springsteen, Johnny Cash, Bob Dylan, the Bodeans, Tom Petty, the Rolling Stones, Pink Floyd and Elvis.

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At our General Meeting this month, we recognize new members of the 80/30 Club for 2020 and 2021. A complete list is on Page 3.

As I have been talking and writing about, your club is only as successful as our volunteers. There are several ways for you to help: at

our meetings, as an event leader and as a member of our board. As I told you at the November general meeting, the club has 12 board positions, and only eight of those are filled. As a result, some board members are performing multiple duties. The board is stretched pretty thin in some areas right now, and unless we can fill some of these open positions soon, expect reductions in what the club offers.

Although the next election is not until May, we would like to fill the open positions before then. This will give new board members the opportunity to train with current members. In addition, of the eight current board members, four of those have terms expiring in May. And at this point, none of these four have committed to running for re-election. It is important that members, like you, stand up and volunteer.

We will be describing open positions in the next few issues of the *Life*. Take a look and see if you are a good match for what your club needs.

What are we looking for in a board member? Someone who is a good planner and good organizer and also good at follow-up. Someone with the time and energy to devote to the club. Someone who is willing to learn new things. If you have questions, please contact me. We invite members to attend a board meeting to get an idea of what it is all about. Remember: You are the solution to this quandary.

Entertainment this month is from Advance Classic Rock and Roll, a group led by Vagabond member Nick Pumilia. Expect a good time; I hope to see you at the Dec. 1 meeting.

Enjoy the December holidays!

Regards, Joze



### Fish Fry • Friday, Dec. 3 • \$21.50 Clifford's Supper Club

10418 W. Forest Home Ave., Hales Corners

Come join us Friday, Dec. 3, for our first Vagabond Fish Fry since March 2020! This is an all-you-can-eat fish fry with French fries, rye bread, rolls and coleslaw. The fish is hand-breaded fried cod; no substitutions. Price: **\$21.50**, includes tax and tip.

We will **meet in the bar at 5 p.m.** and will be seated at **reserved Vagabond tables at 5:45** in the Banquet Hall. Sign-ups start online Nov. 28 and continue through the Dec. 1 general meeting.

Questions? Call or text **Cindy** at (262) 894-1383.





#### **WELCOME NEW OR RETURNING MEMBERS:**

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

Margaret Brennan • Terry Buck • Greg Kressin
Paul Ophus • Sara Pumilia • Eric Regal • Mark Regal
Karita Sandberg • Maureen Voss

# Welcome and Congratulations to the new members of the 80/30 Club 2020

Alan Carlson • Karen Ann Johnson • Eveline Kehlert
Kern Konley • Maureen Konley • Donna Richer
Richard Ziccarelli

#### 2021

Joanne Becker • Geri Harris • Bonnie Johnson

Mary Kelling • Robert Kluwin • John Langmesser

Dean Pennebecker • Ken Walker • Judy Wiliamson

Dave Zarse • Carrie Zimmer

The club is looking for friendly and smiling faces to assist at the Welcome Desk on meeting nights. Call (414) 732-9749 or email Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com.



#### **Membership Directory**

As soon as details are completed, information about ordering the 2022 membership list will be communicated.



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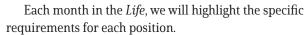
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Your club is run by members who volunteer to work at the monthly meetings, lead events and serve on the board of directors. We urgently need more directors. The three open positions on the board are:

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- **✗** Finance/Bylaws
- **✗** Public Relations
- **X** Racquet Sports



## Racquet Sports director

(formerly Tennis/Pickleball director)

The ideal candidate for this position participates in our Tennis, Pickleball or PTball programs and is familiar with the rules and etiquette for each sport. This director oversees the summer tennis and pickleball leagues, along with indoor tennis and pickleball parties. The director also will work with the new PTball committee to establish the sport within our club.

#### **Oualifications:**

- ✓ Must have good planning, organizational and follow-up skills to work on several projects at the same time.
- ✓ Effective communication skills needed to interact with event leaders, park district personnel and tennis club staff.
- ✓ Provide a monthly article for publication in the *Life* newsletter.
- ✔ Recruit event leaders.
- ✓ Attend monthly board meetings and general meetings.
- ✓ Knowledge of Vagabond processes helpful (how to price an event or submit a check request, for example) plus good working knowledge of Wild Apricot. (Training provided.) Experience with Microsoft Word is a must and Excel a plus.

This is one of the most important board positions and requires a self-starter who can dedicate the necessary time and energy. Onthe-job training with other board members will bring you up-to-speed quickly.

What's in it for you? Serving on the board gives you a chance to learn more about the club, meet more members and make friendships that last. Taking on a key role such as this will enable you to be more fully engaged with your club, to meet and interact with many members, and to keep the club growing in this popular area of racquet sports.

#### Visit us on Facebook @ Vagabond Ski & Social Club

You can also post pictures from club events.



#### **Sunday Hikes**

Meet at 1:30 pm • Hike 1:45-3:45 pm

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

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

**Nov. 28 – 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.

**Dec. 5 – Glacier Hills Park near Holy Hill:** Head north on 41/45 to Hwy. 167 West (Holy Hill Road), west to road for Fox & Hounds, south to park entrance. Hike from 1:45 to 3:45, then to local establishment for early dinner at 4. Please note that a \$5 park entrance fee may be required. Leader: **Gary Kovach**, (414) 712-3897.

**Dec. 12 – Minooka Park:** Meet at 1:30 in the parking lot on Sunset Drive in Waukesha, just west of Hwy. Y (Racine Ave.) and just east of Hwys. 164 and 59 or park on street. Hike from 1:45 to 3:45, then to Raised Grain to eat and drink. Sticker or park entrance fee is required to park vehicle within park. Leader is **Dan Heidemann**, (414) 416-1678.



Dec. 19 – Richard Bong State Recreation Area, 26313 Burlington Rd (Hwy 142), Kansasville (west of Hwy 75). Meet at Trailhead B parking lot (past the entrance station to the left). Hike 1:45-3:45 pm. Afterward, for those who wish, food and beverages at the Dover Inn, 1909 N Beaumont Ave (Hwy 20 & 75), Kansasville. Hike Leaders: Joyce Szulc and Jim Stephens. Questions? Call Joyce at (262) 902-3248.

**Dec. 26 – Lapham Peak State Park:** Take I-94 west to Hwy. C, then turn left to park entrance. Meet in first parking lot that is past the ranger's check-in booth and turn right to that parking lot. Hike from 1:45 to 3:45, then to Wells Street Tavern in Delafield for food and drink. Leader is **Dave Nelsen**, (414) 350-1433.



#### Candy Cane Lane Holiday Walk/Drive

This neighborhood holiday light display starts Nov. 26 and shines until Dec. 26: 6-9 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 6-10 p.m. Friday, 5-10 p.m. Saturday and 5-9 p.m. Sunday. Donations are collected, with benefits going to the MACC Fund. The display is between 92nd and 96th streets in West Allis, from Oklahoma to Montana avenues. CandyCaneLaneWI.com This is a delightful outing for walking or carpooling.

#### **Wednesday Walks**

As long as we have volunteer leaders and people interested to follow in this exercise, we will continue. We walk from **11 am to noon every Wednesday**, and 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. Looking for leaders in December.

#### 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.

# 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.



#### Ski racing season starts Dec. 18

Your Vagabond Ski Team begins the race season at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, at Alpine Valley with two giant-slalom races (four runs total). Spectators are encouraged to come out and watch the team in action, along with a trophy presentation after the race. Several people have joined our club after experiencing a race day.

Metropolitan Milwaukee Ski Council Senior Racing has 14 races scheduled over seven dates this winter. About 40 skiers compete at each race in one of eight non-gender classes depending on skill level. Two different courses are run for each race and the times are combined. Awards are presented in each class at each race. Awards are also given in each class at the end of the season. To qualify for a year-end award, racers must have at least six starts with a minimum of two slaloms and two giant slaloms. The Vagabonds will again compete against three other teams, with only the fastest four men and two women counting for each team. 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.

All Vagabond skiers intermediate or better are invited to try running race gates with us. Fill out and bring a waiver from the website (mmscsr.com), show up and identify yourself. Skiing down a course at practice, whether starting from the top or halfway down, is a way to make local skiing exciting and fun. Try it, you'll get hooked! We help each other improve our skiing, have fun, and race at a level that is appropriate.

We are always 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 Team Captain **Al Lemke** at (414) 688-2938 or aklemke2993@gmail.com or visit MMSCSR. com

MMSC Senior Race Schedule					
Time/Date	Location	Race Type	Comments		
Dec 18,10 am	Alpine Valley	GS/GS			
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			



#### Weekend Bus Ski Trip Big Snow Resort, Wakefield, MI • Feb. 25-27

\$380 per person, double occupancy

\$485 -- single

\$295 -- Lodging only, double occupancy

\$395 -- Lodging only, single

Join us for a weekend of skiing at Indianhead Mountain and Blackjack Mountain in the Upper Peninsula, with 56 trails, 15 lifts and over 400 skiable acres. Once again, we are partnering with the Sitzmark Ski Club to fill the bus.

This is a great trip for all skiers, including those who may have not skied in a while or even for someone who has not skied before. 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 Feb. 4. Trip Leader: **Carol Gavigan**, (262) 632-1922, cjgavigan177@gmail.com.

#### **Western Ski Trips**

Our three weeklong trips (Big Sky, Aspen/Snowmass and Banff) are filled. However, we are still accepting waitlist registrations.

If you made a deposit, your final payment for **Big Sky** was due **Nov. 15**. For **Aspen/Snowmass** and **Banff**, your final payments are due **Dec. 15**.

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



Racquet Sports
Linda Horn

# TENNIS, TENNIS, TENNIS & MORE FUN TENNIS! Four Indoor Tennis Parties

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

Elite Brookfield Tennis Club • 13825 W. Burleigh Road

4 pm – Check in • 4:30 pm – Tennis matches begin

6 pm – Food and social time

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

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 Jan. 29, Tennis Party – Feb. 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 or **Pat Ellingson** at pelling1947@gmail.com or (414) 719-9503.

#### Ready to serve?

Do you play tennis or pickleball or even PTball? You could also play a role in sustaining or expanding these Vagabond activities. The club needs ambitious individuals so it can continue to offer members what they enjoy. To find out more, see Page 3.

# 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.

Sign up online or at a general meeting or mail an event coupon and check to Linda Horn, 2311 Emslie Drive, Waukesha, WI 53188. Contact **Linda** for questions: linda.horn1@gmail.com or (262) 707-1450.

#### **Pickleball**

We have opportunities for pickleball parties this winter. But event coordinators are needed. Can you step up to plan an event? For more information, contact **Linda Horn** at linda.hornl@gmail.com or 262-707-1450.





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. For more trip information visit VagabondSkiClub.com under the **TRAVEL** tab.

#### Greek Isles/Rome

May 31 - June 15

Our phenomenal trip to the Greek Isles and Rome will depart May 31 and return June 15, 2022. There may be room for a few more travelers in addition to the 54 already registered. More details to come in the January *Life*. Contact **Bob** at (414) 276-6331 for availability. For more information, consult VagabondSkiClub.com and click on the **TRAVEL** tab.



#### **Packer Parties**

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 parties will take place only when the Packers are playing in the afternoon.

#### **Upcoming parties:**

Nov. 28 vs. Rams • 3:25 pm Dec. 19 vs. Ravens • noon

#### Scrabble

Tuesday, Dec. 7 & 21 @ 1-4 pm New Berlin Ale House

We meet to play Scrabble every other Tuesdays



from 1-4 p.m. at the New Berlin Ale House. Every player contributes \$1 toward the bartender tip and agrees to buy a beverage, either alcoholic or non-alcoholic. Food is

also available for purchase.

Our meetings this month are Dec. 7 and 21. Non-members are welcome.

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

#### Have an Idea?

If you would like to do something this fall or 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

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

# Game Night • Tuesdays, Dec. 7 & 21 @ 6-9 pm New Berlin Ale House

It's not just Sheepshead and Dominoes anymore. We are expanding our Tuesday-evening game

gatherings at the New Berlin Ale House We now play Cribbage and

Mahjong also.

Whatever the game, some rules are the same: Each person contributes \$1 for the bartender/waitstaff tip, along with the pur-

chase of a beverage, either alcoholic or non-alcoholic. Food also is available for purchase. Non-members are encouraged to attend. All levels of play are welcome! We play from 6-9 p.m.

The next Game Nights are Dec. 7 and Dec. 21.

Contact Jae Hartnell at

(608) 712-7440 for questions in general or for Sheepshead and Dominoes. For Cribbage, call **Mike Yanko** at (414) 526-6320. Contact **Cindy Hum** at (414) 573-6783 for Mahjong.



#### Tripoli Shriner's New Year's Eve • 3000 W. Wisconsin Ave.



The Shriners will again host a formal New Year's Eve party this year.

The price of \$75 per person will include cocktails, open bar, appetizers,

dinner and 11 p.m. snack bar. And dancing to the Dick Strauss Orchestra. Send checks payable to Tripoli Shrine to **Diane Zarse** at 11810 W. Coldspring Road, Greenfield, WI 53228.

Questions? Call Diane at (414) 327-2572.



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#### **Stay Informed**

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

FUTURE	EVENTS
NATIONAL RIGHTS	
Jan. 8-15 Jan. 29 Jan. 29 Feb. 12-19 Feb. 18-25 Feb. 25-27	PTball Tennis Snowmass Los Cabos
Feb. 26 Mar. 12-19 March 26 April 30	Banff Tennis
	gays

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Hike Packer party	29	30	Walk General mtg	2	Fish fry	4
5 Hike	6	7 Scrabble Game Night	<b>8</b> Walk	9	Bowling 10	11
12 Hike	13	14	Walk	16	17	Ski race
Hike Packer party	20	21 Scrabble Game Night	<b>22</b> Walk	23	24	25 Christmas
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