

April General Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

New Berlin Banquet Center • 16000 W. Cleveland Ave.

(Meeting rooms on east side of building)

6 pm: Check-in at Welcome Area begins

6:30 pm: Socializing and event sign-ups

7 pm: General Meeting

7:45 pm: Dancing to the music of American Graffiti

Guests welcome – \$10 admission

Sign up in advance

- ◆ Please register for the meeting online, call (414) 732-9749 or email 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 carried into the meeting rooms.

THIS MONTH'S MUSIC



The American Graffiti Band takes you back to the 50's & 60's Sock Hop favorites we all know and love! Sure to keep you dancing all night. So don't be square and join us for a groovy good time!



Next month: Our House

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From the President
Mary Beth Braun

Happy Spring! Here we are with spring and all the anticipation of so many activities in our Club. One of the distinctive occasions of spring is always Easter, and it seems that the calendar is a little out of sync this year with the early Easter date. As you read this, the Easter celebration is with us, March 31. Your board and I wish everyone the blessings and hope that the Easter season brings.

Let's get some "spring in our step" with all the activities coming up in this issue:

Hiking, tennis, pickleball, golf, walks, dinner, games, entertainment (Tina Turner show April 28). And something new has been added – golf practice on simulators. Don't hesitate on any of your favorite activities. **Sign up!**

In anticipation of election of officers in May, I'd like you to reread the article "Call for Candidates" in the March *Life*. You'll see that there's much to do to fill responsibilities and keep our club moving forward. We are looking for people to fill a couple of board positions this year. Talk to any board member for more information.

Regards,

Mary Beth



Ski Activities
Joyce Szulc

2025 SKI TRIPS

◆ **Vail**

Jan. 11-17 (Saturday-Friday) • Lodging at Manor Vail

◆ **Heavenly**

Feb. 9-15 (Sunday-Saturday) • Lodging at Harrah's

Both are Epic Pass properties and avoid any blackout dates. There are many options for the Epic Pass. Go to EpicPass.com and choose what is appropriate for you. Note: There are no group lift ticket options for these locations.

Watch upcoming issues of the *Life*, the club website and your email inbox for details as they become available. Questions? Contact **Joyce** at jszulc@wi.rr.com or (262) 902-3248.

Ski racing awards banquet

May 11 (Saturday) • Heiliger Huegel Ski Club in Hubertus

4 pm cocktails, 5:30 pm dinner, 7 pm awards

\$10 includes hamburgers; proceeds go to the HH Educational Foundations. Please bring a dish to pass. **Deadline to sign up: April 27**

Mail check to: Carolyn Murphy; 8715 Glenwood Dr, Greendale, WI 53129 or Venmo @carolynmurphy559. **Contact Carolyn at (414) 559-6335 or carolynmurphy559@yahoo.com or email JohnPodsedly@gmail.com.**



Racquet Sports
Linda Horn

Summer Tennis League

June 3 to Aug. 19 • 6-7:30 pm
(Every Monday)

Registration deadline: **May 10**



Come and join other enthusiastic individuals and enjoy a game of tennis on Monday nights. The tennis league is for all skill levels. The matches are social, mixed doubles, with teams paired up according to ratings. Plan to get out and play, enjoy some exercise and have some fun.

An indoor/outdoor venue where players can gather after tennis for beverages, food and social time is being planned.

The one-time fee is \$35 to play tennis for the entire season. You may sign up as a **substitute player instead for \$20.**

Register online and pay by credit card at VagabondSkiClub.com or

download and print the registration form there and mail it with your check.

Event organizers: **Cheryl Jaeger** (262) 510-9676 and **Diana Schneider** (414) 491-2217.



Summer Pickleball League

Thursdays, June 6 - Aug. 29
6-8 p.m.

Banting Park, Waukesha



Join the Vagabond Summer Pickleball league. All levels welcome, including beginners who need lessons. After

pickleball, we will adjourn to a nearby location for food and drinks (not included in fee) and socializing, a

favorite of the Vagabonds! The fee is **\$50 for the entire 12-week**

season. Online sign-up preferred. Event coordinator: **Pat Hummer**, (262) 894-3375.



PLEASE SIGN UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SPOTS ARE LIMITED!

Monday Night Summer Tennis • June 3 to Aug. 19

Event organizers: **Cheryl Jaeger** (262) 510-9676 and **Diana Schneider** (414) 491-2217.

Name _____ Phone (_____) _____

Email _____

Weekly Tennis Player (6-7:30 pm) – **\$35** Rating _____

Substitute Player – **\$20** _____ I will fill out foursomes _____ Do not schedule me

Dates I cannot play: June 3 June 10 June 17 June 24 July 1 July 8 July 15

July 22 July 29 Aug. 5 Aug. 12 Aug. 19 I can play all dates

Schedules will be posted at VagabondSkiClub.com

I acknowledge that, as a condition of participating in this event:

- I accept all risks of personal injury, death and loss of or damage to property that may be incurred by me during my participation.
- I assume all liability for injury to or damage incurred by others as a result of my conduct in this event.
- I release the club and its agents, officers and directors from liability for injury, death or property damage incurred by me during this event.

Registration deadline May 10

Sign up online or return this form to:

Diana Schneider

S75 W20101 Ridge Road

Muskego, WI 53150

Signature _____ Date _____



International
Trip
Linda Horn

Vagabond Ski & Social Club's Spectacular 15-Day Enchanting Croatia – Slovenia – Croatia Coastline Boat Trip Oct. 5-19 • \$5,944*

Response to the trip has been exceptional, and it is full at this time. If you are interested in going on this trip, contact **Bob Spindell** and ask to be placed on the wait list. His contact information is at the end of this article. When cancellations occur, those on the wait list will be contacted to fill the openings. Also, the possibility of expanding the number of participants is being investigated.

We will visit the exciting cities of Dubrovnik, Slano, Mljet, Korcula, Vis, Bisevo (Blue cave)/Hvar, Bol, Split and Zagreb, followed by three nights in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Please note: The docking facilities in these small towns are not equipped to accommodate people with physical limitations.



- Cruise meals: breakfast, lunch and some dinners on board, with wine/beer/soft drinks, internet, amenities, shore excursion at several ports.
- Five-star hotels with breakfast, three nights in Dubrovnik and three nights in Ljubljana.
- Tours: Sightseeing – City panoramic tours of Dubrovnik and Ljubljana
- Parties: As usual, several parties, dinners and surprises.



NOT INCLUDED

- Travel Insurance. Trip Cancellation and Interruption Insurance, not included in the overall package price but required by Vagabond board of directors, \$383. Or purchase Cancel for Any Reason insurance; contact Bob for details.
- Some optional ports of call tours, additional city/outside of area tours & possible entry fees to some attractions.
- Tips and meals not indicated above and possible exchange rate increases, airline and boat supplemental fuel charges.
- Taxes, tips, and port charges.

ITINERARY

- Lv: by bus MKE to O'Hare, then fly to Dubrovnik, with one stop
- Dubrovnik – three nights at the five-star Hilton Imperial
- Lv: Dubrovnik by boat – Katarina MV Markan – for seven nights to: (1) Slano, (2) Mljet, (3) Korcula, (4) Vis – Bisevo (Blue Cave/Hvar), (5) Bol, (6) Split
- Lv: Split to Zagreb by bus for panoramic tour
- Lv: Zagreb by bus to Ljubljana, Slovenia, for three nights at the five-star Intercontinental
- Lv: Ljubljana to ORD – one stop

INCLUDES

- Air: O'Hare to Dubrovnik + return to O'Hare from Ljubljana.
- Bus: To and from O'Hare & from airports/hotels/cruise.
- Seven-night luxurious boat cruise: fixed window (porthole) stateroom. (Port Charges not included.) For balcony stateroom, add \$654* per person.

To be added to the wait list send an Event Coupon, indicating your cabin choice [fixed window (porthole) or balcony] to Trip Leader **Bob Spindell**, 1626 N. Prospect Ave., #2210, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Questions – Call (414) 276-6331. Payment schedule by credit card or check: Second Payment of **\$2,500 due May 1. Final payment due July 9.**





Sporting Activities
Mary Beth Braun

Sunday Hikes

Walk 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. Contact **Dan Heidemann** at danmark@gmail.com or (414) 416-1678 if you know you can be a leader.

Hikes without leaders will be canceled.

April 7 – Whitnall Park: Meet at the golf course parking lot along S. 92nd St. (south of College Ave.). Hike from 1:45 to 3:45 p.m., then head to Bosch Food Tavern, 5871 108th St., Hales Corners. Hike Leader is **Betty Riley**, (262) 888-9978.

April 14 – Downtown Racine and Lakefront: Meet in the parking lot one block WEST of the Racine Zoo, 2131 N. Main St. (Walton Avenue & North Wisconsin). Hike is about 5.5 miles: south along Lake Michigan and back up Main Street in Racine. Hike from 1:45 to 3:45 p.m. Guests welcome! After, for those who wish, food and drinks at Reefpoint Brew House, 2 Christopher Columbus Causeway, Racine. Hike Leaders: **Joyce Szulc** and **Jim Stephens**. Questions? Call Joyce at (262) 902-3248.

April 21 – 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. Be prepared for wet conditions with proper footwear and/or hiking poles. Hike from 1:45 to 3:45, then to Sawmill Inn & Pub in Richfield, 1729 Wolf Road, for early dinner at 4. Please note that a **\$6** park entrance fee may be required. Pay online or use mail-in envelopes provided at entrance. Hike leader: **Gary Kovach**, (414) 712-3897.

April 28 – Milwaukee Lakefront: Meet at the Gift of Wings Kite Store, 1300 N Lincoln Memorial Drive, Milwaukee (inside Veterans Park on the lakefront). We will hike 4-plus miles from Lakefront to Kilbourn Reservoir Park, past Brady Street, and the Lake Front Brewery. Dinner afterward at County Clare Irish Inn and Pub, 1234 N Astor St. Hike Leader is **Jay Zinn**, (414) 708-1663.

Midweek Walks Are Back

Every **Thursday morning from 11 to noon**, we will have our Vagabond midweek walks at various parks and locations in the area. Stay tuned to our weekly emailed announcements for the next location. A lunch stop afterward is optional. This event organizer is **Sherry Dobson** (262) 498-4067, and she welcomes volunteers to lead a walk.

Two special-event walks

Note the time and day changes.

Thursday, April 25

The walk will start downtown Milwaukee at **10:15**, and within the hour we head to MATC for the Cuisine lunch program at 11:30 a.m. You must preregister for this online in Wild Apricot. Seating is limited. Payment will be made at the luncheon (separate checks). Leader: **Jean Dueling**, (414) 321-0258. Jean will contact you for the specific meeting place.

Tuesday, April 30

The walk will be at Mitchell Park, Brookfield, 3140 Mitchell Park Drive, just off Capitol Drive). Meet at the pavilion. Walk from 10:30 to 11:30, and have lunch at WCTC Pewaukee Cuisine lunch at noon. You must pre-register for the lunch; seating is limited.

Payment will be made at the luncheon (separate checks). Leader is **Jean Dueling**, (414)321-0258.

GOLF LEAGUES

Tuesdays at Brookfield Hills

16075 Pinehurst Dr., Brookfield

June 4 to Aug. 27 (13 weeks of golf)

This is 9 holes, with tee times 1-1:30 p.m. Come play on this executive course.

Fee: \$193 Cart rental is **\$10 per person weekly**.

You can sign up as a single or as a twosome. Singles will be matched with a partner, and each week there will be a mix-up of twosomes so you will get to play with everyone. We will have an end-of-season pizza party. If you have a particular partner you would like to play with, list their name on the registration form. We will need **subs**; sign up for \$17, which includes the pizza party. Subs pay \$13.50 for each round of golf, paid directly to the person they sub for.

League captain is **Gordy Weiss**, GordyAndJeanne@hotmail.com or (262) 308-2703.

Wednesdays at Songbird Hills

W259 N8700 Hwy 164, Hartland

May 29 to Aug. 21 (13 weeks)

Songbird Hills is just south of County Line Road in Hartland. The cost for 9 holes is **\$200**. An option to play 18 holes is available at an extra cost for green and cart fees. Tee times start at 1:30 p.m. Golf carts are \$9 per rider for 9 holes. Cost includes 9 holes of golf, an end-of-summer party, buffet and prizes. Location of party to be determined. Guests are welcome to come to the party for **\$25**.

Golfers can sign up as a single or a twosome. You will play with the same foursome each week. Contact Suzanne if you have specific requests for your foursome.

The cost for subs to sign up will be **\$6**. Subs pay **\$12.50** to the

person subbing for. The end-of-year party will be an additional **\$25** for subs.

Call or text league captain **Suzanne Wiedner** at (262) 305-8444 with questions.

Fridays at Sunny Slope

4285 S. Sunny Slope Road, New Berlin

**June 7 to Aug. 30 (12 weeks) (No golf July 5)
9 holes of golf**

Fee: \$174 for players walking. Includes the end-of season party. Cart rental is **\$9** per person weekly.

Or a 2nd option— Include the cart rental in the total fee at the start of the season: **\$270**. Includes golf, cart rental and party.

You can sign up as a single or as a twosome; singles will be matched with a partner, and each week there will be a mix up of twosomes so we will get to play with everyone. We will have an end-of-season pizza party. If you have a particular partner you would like to play with, specify their name on the registration form. Subs sign up for \$18, which includes the party. Subs pay \$13 or \$21 for each round of golf, paid directly to the person they sub for.

League captain is **Jean Dueling**, dueling@gmail.com. Call or text her at (414) 321-0258.

Practice Golf on Simulators

We have golf practice events scheduled this spring at two simulator locations on four dates. Both of these places are very new facilities. You can choose one time, two times or all four times to get back into the “swing” of golf. Each simulator will be reserved for two hours, and we expect 4-5 people per sim. There will be practice and 9-hole play opportunities depending on what your group decides. Be prepared to have continuous play to use the time well. Arrive early to start promptly. Sign up for one or all four events. Food and beverages are available at each location. Event coordinator is **Gordy Weiss**, (262) 308-2703. Find a friend and carpool!

**Tuesdays, April 9 and 23
at Tap In Golf Sim, 2-4 p.m.**

Located at 2132 Silvernail Road, Pewaukee (which is really on the north side of Waukesha). Head west on I-94 to Hwy T exit, turn left/south onto Grandview to Silvernail Road (about a half-mile). Right on Silvernail to the first lights, turn right into a shopping strip mall. (You’ll see Metro Market as the dominant building.) Tap In is located in the far corner of this shopping strip. Fee of **\$20** for each play session at Tap In. Sign up at VagabondSkiClub.com.

**Thursdays, April 18 and May 2
at Birdie Boyz Indoor Golf, 2-4 p.m.**

Located at 407 Pilot Ct., Waukesha. Headwest on I-94, exit Hwy 164 south (left) which is Pewaukee Road, about a mile to Pilot Ct., turn right into a small business park. Birdie Boyz is in the circle at the dead end. Fee of **\$17** for each session at Birdie Boyz.

Weekend bike trip

Hillsboro

July 18-21

On our Weekend Bike Trip this summer, we will be mainly biking the 400 State Trail. This trail offers the beautiful scenery of the Wisconsin Driftless Area, bountiful wildlife, sandstone outcroppings and rolling farmland. It runs parallel to the Baraboo River. We will stay in Hillsboro, which connects to the 400 State Trail and the Elroy-Sparta Trail via the Hillsboro State Trail. Our stay at the Hotel Hillsboro includes continental breakfast, which includes freshly made cinnamon rolls and other light breakfast items. Sit-down dining is available at Beezers Bar and Grill for lunch and dinner, and breakfast on Saturday and Sunday. Other dining available in Hillsboro includes Hillsboro Brewing Company, Tabor Bar and Grill and Station 2 Pub.

We have 10 rooms reserved. Any questions, contact **Dan Heidemann** at (414) 416-1678 or **Denise Kremel** at (252) 524-1023.

Fee: **\$295 per person double occupancy**. You must sign up with a roommate. Signup on Wild Apricot will start **April 1**.

Weekly Bike Rides

We Need Leaders

The Vagabond bike-riding season starts Sunday, June 2.

Thank you to everybody who volunteered to lead a bike ride last year. We now need volunteer leaders for this year. We ride on Sunday afternoons and need leaders to map out routes of 15 to 25 miles. Along with the ride leader, we will have a sweeper to help monitor the group and assist in case of emergency. After each ride, we meet for food, drink and camaraderie. There will be no local ride scheduled July 21 because of the annual Weekend Bike Trip. To reserve your date, contact **Jim Stephens** at (262) 694-2115 or jstephens3@wi.rr.com.



Welcome New or Returning Members

See the online directory at VagabondSkiClub.com for an up-to-date list of current members.

**Anne Freyer • Meghan Kuecker • Renee LaFleur
Genie McCarthy • Robert Patzwald • Chris Skerven
Ron & Barb Thimm**

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



Social Activities Denise Kremel



Scrabble

1-4 pm Tuesday, April 2 and 16
New Berlin Ale House

We play Scrabble now on the first and third Tuesday 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 **April 2 and 16**. Food is also available for purchase. Non-members are welcome. Contact **Lynn Kozlowski**, (414) 539-8114.

Game Night!

6-9 pm Tuesdays,
April 9 and 23
New Berlin Ale House

The next Game Nights at New Berlin Ale House will be **April 9 and 23**. This is not just for Sheepshead and Dominoes. Whatever game you come for, the rules are the same. Bring your game and invite a few friends to come along. Non-members are encouraged to attend, and all levels of play are welcome!

Everyone is responsible for ordering at least one item from the menu: a drink or something to eat, and include a tip. (The separate \$1 admission fee is not considered a tip.) Call **Jae Hartnell**, (608) 712-7440.



Fish Fry

Friday, April 5
Machine Shed
N14 W24145 Tower Place, Waukesha

Our next fish fry will be at the Machine Shed in Waukesha. Meet at 5 p.m. for drinks, with dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Family-style baked or fried cod, potato pancakes, French fries, green beans, German potato salad, apples and rolls. Also includes coffee, milk, soda or tea.

Price: **\$24**, which includes tax and tip. Separate checks will be available. **Sign up by April 3** on Wild Apricot.

Questions? Call **Denise Kremel** at (262) 524-1023.

Over the Hump

4-7 p.m. Wednesday, April 17
Bullwinkle's
18900 W. Bluemound Road, Brookfield

Our next Over the Hump gathering will be at **4 p.m. April 17** at Bullwinkle's in Brookfield.

Just show up; no sign-up is required.

Questions? Call **Cathy Faust**, (414) 429-2384.

Festival City Symphony

The final concert of the Festival City Symphony's Saturday Classics season will be at **2 p.m. April 27**, featuring the music of Sierra, Bernstein, Price and Copeland.

Order tickets at FestivalCitySymphony.org, or on the day of the concert at the Bradley Symphony Center box office, 212 W. Wisconsin Ave. The requested donation for seniors is **\$8**.

Please note: This event is not sponsored by the Vagabonds.

2 p.m. Saturday Classics concert schedule

April 27: Classical Echoes of American Life: Music of Sierra, Bernstein, Price and Copeland

For details, go to FestivalCitySymphony.org.

TINA – The Tina Turner Musical

1 p.m. Sunday, April 28
Marcus Center
Join the Wait-list



An uplifting comeback story like no other, **TINA – The Tina Turner Musical** is the inspiring journey of a woman from Nutbush, Tenn., who broke barriers and became the "Queen of Rock 'n' Roll." This stage musical tells the story of a woman who dared to defy the bounds of her age, race and gender.

The Vagabonds will have a group of seats in the center loge **April 28**. Tickets are **\$41**. For those interested in brunch before the show, we plan to meet at Oggie's, 411 E. Mason St.

Please sign up online or at a meeting. Any questions, email **Cindy Hummer** at cjhum1383@gmail.com or call or text (262) 894-1383.

The production includes loud music, strobe lighting, haze, gunshots, scenes depicting domestic violence, and strong language.

Spring Style Show

Thursday, May 9
Golden Mast Inn, W349 N5293 Lacy's Lane, Okauchee

The Oconomowoc Hospital Auxiliary's Spring Style Show will be Thursday, May 9, at Golden Mast Inn on Okauchee Lake.

Schedule

11 a.m. -- Social hour & Shopping @ Gift Box Boutique

11:45 -- End of raffle ticket sale

Noon – Luncheon (Spring Chop Salad, sauteed chicken breast, Chocolate Tuxedo Torte)

1 p.m. -- Style Show. 5 Boutiques will be modeling.

Tickets: \$57. We have reserved 30 tickets. **Deadline to register and pay is April 21.** All unsold tickets as of April 22 will be returned to the Auxiliary. No signups will be allowed after April 21.

Any questions, call **Lavonne Grenlie**, (262) 542-2004.

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 Milwaukee, WI 53213

Facebook Help Wanted

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.

Stay Informed

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

DATED MATERIAL
Deliver by March 30

FUTURE EVENTS	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
May 2 Golf simulator	31	1	2	3	4	5	6
May 9 Spring Style Show			Scrabble	General mtg	Walk	Machine Shed	
May 10 Bowling							
May 11 Ski racing banquet							
May 29 Wednesday golf	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
June 3 Tennis league	Hike		Golf simulator		Walk	Bowling	
June 4 Tuesday golf			Game night				
June 6 Pickleball league							
June 7 Friday golf	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
July 18 Hillsboro bike trip	Hike		Scrabble	Bullwinkle's	Golf simulator		
Oct. 5 Croatia					Walk		
Jan. 11 Vail							
Feb. 9 Heavenly							
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Hike		Golf simulator	Board meeting	Walk/Lunch		Festival City
			Game night				Symphony
	28	29	30	1	2	3	4
	Hike		Walk/lunch				



April 22
Earth Day

April