

October 2024

# **October General Meeting**

## WEDNESDAY, OCT. 2

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 Advance Classic Rock and Roll

Guests welcome – \$5 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 brought into the meeting room.



Advance Classic Rock and Roll features Vagabond member and webmaster Nick Pumilia strumming the guitar as deftly as he works the computer keyboard for the club. Advance performs rock-and-roll classics you will instantly recognize and enjoy.

The band's repertoire includes songs by artists such as Van Morrison, the Beatles, Eric Clapton, the Gin Blossoms, Bob Seeger, Bruce Springsteen, Johnny Cash, the Bodeans, Bob Dylan, Tom Petty, the Rolling Stones, Third Eye Blind, Pink Floyd and Elvis.

Next month: Advance Classic Rock, again!

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## Vagabond Oktoberfest

We have a fun night planned Oct. 2; let's call it an **Oktoberfest with Prizes**. When you arrive, you will get a ticket, and if we call your number, you'll win a prize. Make sure you also bring your Vagabond friends who haven't come for a while. See you at the meeting!

Remember: October is the month for many Vagabonds to renew their membership. You can renew online or at the Oct. 2 meeting.

We've had a wonderful and successful summer of events. Thank you to all the summer event leaders who were available to us every week: Cheryl Jaeger, Diana Schneider, Jim Stephens, Pat Hummer, Sherry Dobson, Suzanne Wiedner, Gordy Weiss, Jean Dueling, Lynn Kozlowski, Jae Hartnell.

Thank you to all those who led special events: Bob Spindell, Nancy Drolshagen, Cathy Faust, Lavonne Grenlie, Cindy Hummer, Dan Heidemann, Denise Kremel, Greg Larson, Pam Cole, Joyce Szulc, Sandy Schroeder, Don James and Sue Cummings. Plus, we had volunteers lead bike rides and walks.

Thank you to John Podsedly, *Life* editor; to Nick Pumilia, website editor; and to Jennifer Rueth, *Life* designer.

Lastly, thank you to the board of directors who work for the club constantly: Les Radtke, Carol Thomson, Jan Breitbach, Sally DeVriend, Denise Kremel and Greg Larson, along with technical support Linda Horn and ski activities coordinator Joyce Szulc.

All of these leaders appreciate our members for taking part in all of the events. We look forward now to a beautiful fall in Wisconsin and even more events to come.

Mary Beth



Cyclists set out from Petrifying Springs Park and followed a route through Kenosha County. The club's final ride of the year will start at 1:45 p.m. Sept. 29 at Sunset Park in Waukesha. The following week, group biking is replaced with group hiking. **See Page 3**.



Sporting Activities Mary Beth Braun

### Bowling

Our fun, monthly Vagabond Bowling League started Sept. 20 at New Berlin Bowl. After the season opener, we we bowl on the second Friday of each month. **Registration is still open**. Sign up online or at a general meeting. You can sign up as a four-member team or as a couple or individual to join a team, or as a substitute. You may pre-bowl if you need to miss a date, or you can arrange to have a substitute take your place.

Practice will begin at 2 p.m., with games starting at 2:10.

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

Our league secretary is **Dee Hollstein-Pizur**, (262) 227-6322).

### **Sunday Hikes**

#### Meet at 1:30, hike from 1:45 to 3:45 p.m. Hike for the Fun – or Just for the Health – of It!

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

**Oct. 6 – Nashotah Park:** Meet at Hwy 16 & Hwy C Park and Ride. Arrive at 1:30 p.m. in the parking lot. We'll hike from 1:45 to 3:45, and please wear proper hiking shoes. Hike rain or shine. We'll head to Revere's Wells Street Tavern at 505 Wells St in Delafield for chili and drinks afterward.

Hike Leader is Gary Kovach, (414) 712-3897.

**Oct. 13 – Bender Park and Beach, Oak Creek:** Tucked away along Lake Michigan in Oak Creek, Bender Park connects to Lake Vista Park for a hike along the beach and a paved trail. Meet at 1:30 p.m., with the hike starting at 1:45. Our hike will be about 4 miles. The address for some CPS is 4502 Fast Pare.

about 4 miles. The address for your GPS is 4503 East Ryan Road, Oak Creek, WI 53154. We will meet in the parking lot located at the Beachfront Marina. On some smartphones, a search for BENDER BEACH will guide you directly to the lakefront beach parking lot. Otherwise, follow the winding road down to the beach.

Afterward, those who wish will gather for food and beverages at Water Street Brewery, 140 West Town Square Way, Oak Creek (southwest corner of Drexel & Hwy 38 (Howell Ave).

Hike Leaders are **Jim Stephens** and **Joyce Szulc.** Questions? Contact Jim at (262) 237-0864.

**Oct. 20 – 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 the 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.

**Oct. 27 – 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 That's Amore! at 5080 108th St. in Hales Corners.

Hike Leader is Jean Dueling, (414) 321-0258.

### **Thursday walks**

Details on our Thursday Walks appear in At-a-Glance weekly emails. We welcome volunteers to lead one-hour walks in our metro area. Contact Sherry at (262) 498-4067. Guests are welcome to join us. **Walks start at 11 a.m.,** followed by an optional lunch at noon.



Lime Kiln Parkway, Menomonee Falls

**Oct. 3 – Town of Brookfield Nature Preserve:** Meet in the parking lot of the Coffeeville Company, 2825 N. Brookfield Road. Walk on paved surfaces along a nature preserve just south of Mitchell Park in Brookfield.

**Oct. 10 – Elm Grove Village Park:** 13600 Juneau Ave., or enter the park on Legion Drive. Drive to the rear of the park and meet near the tennis courts. Walk on paved surfaces all around the park and through a woody area.

**Oct. 17 – Honey Creek Parkway, Wauwatosa:** Meet in the parking lot of the Women's Club, 7300 Chestnut Drive — just off State Street at 70th Street and Chestnut Drive.

**Oct. 24 – Al Stigler Nature Preserve:** 17400 W. Liberty Lane, New Berlin: Turn onto Liberty Lane off Calhoun Road, just north of Cleveland Avenue. The parking lot is small, but you can park along the road. Paths are mostly mulch-covered, although some are just dirt.

**Oct. 31 – Greenfield Park:** Meet in the parking lot off Lincoln Avenue, just east of 124th Street, West Allis. Walk on paved surfaces.



Ski Activities Joyce Szulc

### **Ski Trips**



### Heavenly

Feb. 9-15 (Sunday-Saturday) \$1,815

We are looking for a woman to room with another woman on our February trip to Lake Tahoe. See more details at <u>VagabondSkiClub.com</u>.

### ✦ Vail

Jan. 11-17 (Saturday-Friday) \$2,115 (double occupancy) Join the waitlist

Questions? Contact Trip Leader

Joyce Szulc, 262-902-3248 or jszulc@wi.rr.com

### Ski and Sightsee Japan

The Metropolitan Milwaukee Ski Council is hosting a trip to Japan. Departure date is March 7, with optional return dates. The tentative agenda includes three nights in Tokyo, seven nights in Hakuba and an optional three nights in Kyoto. Contact Mark Harris at <u>harris 53051@yahoo.com</u> or (414) 453-6914.





### Tennis

Saturday mornings & Monday evenings Wagabonds meet and play tennis at 10 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

Vagabonds meet and play pickleball at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays at Banting Park in Waukesha as long as the weather permits. All are welcome. No fee, and no sign-up needed.

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



### Credit card, please

The retailer Target recently announced it will no longer accept personal checks, and it's no wonder. Check-writing has been declining for the past 30 years. Consumers now use checks for only 3 percent of transactions, according to Bankrate.

"Adoption of mobile and electronic payments, which was accelerated by the pandemic, continues to grow and has driven a sharp decline in check usage," says Sarah Grano of the American Bankers Association. "With check fraud on the rise, we recommend consumers use electronic payments, rather than a paper check, whenever possible."

The Vagabond preferred method of payment for all transactions is credit card, using our club management software, Wild Apricot. Any board member or event leader can help you through the process. It is simple, easy and less prone to errors. (Excerpt from AARP)

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International Tripa **Linda Horn** 

### Winter Getaway: Hideaway at Royalton Riviera, Cancun

Adults-Only, All-Inclusive Resort Feb 12-19 (Wednesday to Wednesday)



E njoy a premium getaway in the sun, just south of Cancun. The luxury resort of Hideaway at Royalton Riviera offers 11 restaurants, 16 bars, afternoon hors d'oeuvres, high-speed Wi-Fi, satellite television, stocked minibar, reservation-free dining, tennis, pickleball, gym, casino, spa, kayaking, snorkeling, ping pong, yoga, cooking classes, dance classes, trivia games and access to neighboring Royalton Riviera Cancun. Flights are nonstop charters between Milwaukee and Cancun.

Call Sue at (414) 421-6248 for availability.



### **Welcome New or Returning Members**

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

Mary Ehrgood • Judi Garver • Sue Lovas

#### Virendra Misra • Wendy Pelsis • Marianne Skrobiak

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



#### **Fish Fry** Friday, Oct. 4 Mo's Irish Pub, Wauwatosa

Our next fish fry will be Friday, Oct. 4, at Mo's Irish Pub, 10842 W. Bluemound Road, Wauwatosa. Meet at the bar any time after 4 p.m., dine at 5:30 p.m.

Our menu choices:

- Mo's Famous Fish & Chips (beer-battered cod), \$20
- Glazed salmon, \$23

Separate checks will be available; please bring cash.

Questions: Call **Cathy Faust**, (414) 429-2384, or **Nancy Drolshagen**, (414) 491-3147. We are limited to 25 reservations. Kindly call to cancel if you are unable to attend.

### **Festival City Symphony**



The Vagabond Ski & Social Club is pleased to continue a long tradition of promoting the Festival City Symphony to our members. Obtain tickets directly from the symphony online at <u>festivalcitysymphony.org/order-saturday-classics-tickets</u>, or at the Bradley Symphony Center box office, 212 W. Wisconsin Ave., on the day of the concert. The requested donation is **\$8** for seniors.

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

#### Concerts are at 2 p.m. Saturdays

#### Schedule

Oct. 26 -- Magical, Mischievous, and Majestic Music

Jan. 25 -- Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto and Beethoven's Eighth

March 8 -- Harmonies of the Heartland

April 12 -- Spanish Dreams and Dances

Visit <u>festivalcitysymphony.org/orchestra-concert-schedule</u> for descriptions of each concert.

### **The Addams Family: a New Musical** 7 p.m. Nov. 23 at Oconomowoc Arts Center



The Oconomowoc High School Players present the ghoulish comedy "**The Addams Family: a New Musical**," based on the Charles Addams cartoons that depicted a quirky family with an affinity for all things macabre. Don't miss this offbeat take on 19th-century Gothic featuring Gomez, Morticia, Uncle Fester, Wednesday, Pugsley and Lurch.

The Vagabonds have tickets for the 7 p.m. Nov. 23 presentation at Oconomowoc Arts Center, 641 E. Forest St.

**Tickets are \$16.** Questions? Call **Sandy Schroeder** at (414) 587-4701 or **Don James** at (262) 352-8825.

### **Branson Show Extravaganza**

Dec. 9-14 \$830



Take a group bus tour at Christmastime to the Live Music Show Capital of the World – Branson, Mo. The trip includes:

- Motorcoach transportation
- Five nights' lodging, including three nights in the Branson area
- Five breakfasts and three dinners
- Three morning shows: Daleno Ditto, Doug Gabriel, Neil Diamond tribute
- Three evening shows: the Haygoods, Hughes Brothers, Yakov Smirnoff

**Price:** First payment, **\$75** upon registration; **remainder due Oct. 2**. Sign up online. For information, email **Greg** at <u>htcGreg07@gmail</u> or text him at (414) 588-4998.

### Visit us on Facebook

@ Vagabond Ski & Social Club Email photos from club events to Joyce at<u>jszulc@wi.rr.com</u> to post.



#### Over the Hump Wednesday, Oct. 16 Bar Louie, Brookfield

**)** ur next Over the Hump gathering will be **4-7 p.m**. Wednesday, Oct. 16, at Bar Louie,

95 N. Moorland Road, in Brookfield Square Shopping Center. No need to sign up -- just show up and enjoy some great Happy Hour food.

Questions: Call **Cathy Faust**, (414) 429-2384, or **Nancy Drolshagen**, (414) 491-3147.

### **Packers game parties**

#### New Berlin Ale House

Tom Martini organizes Vagabond gatherings at New Berlin Ale House to watch Green Bay Packers games on TV. There is no need to sign up, just show up. Any questions, contact Tom at (414) 276-0479.



### Upcoming games:

Sept. 29 vs. Vikings, noon Oct. 6 at Rams, 3:25 p.m. Oct. 13 vs. Cardinals, noon Oct. 20 vs. Texans, noon Oct. 27 at Jaguars, noon

### Scrabble

1-4 pm Tuesday, Oct.1 & 15 New Berlin Ale House

We play Scrabble 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 **Oct. 1 and 15**. Food is also available for purchase. Non-members are welcome.

Contact Lynn Kozlowski, (414) 539-8114.

### Sheepshead

6-9 pm Tuesday, Oct. 8 & 22 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 Sheepshead nights are Oct. 8 and 22.



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.

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#### **RENEWAL APPLICATION** Single \$27 Married Couple \$39

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If you wish to receive your membership sticker by <b>mail</b> , be sure to enclose a self-addressed, <i>stamped</i> envelope.				

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□ I am a past President, list which year(s) served \_\_\_\_\_

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

If checked above – Please fill out this application form, sign and date, **no** payment 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 that may be incurred by me during my participation in club events or in connection therewith.
- 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 in club events or in connection therewith, and waive any claim I have or may in the future have thereof.
- I hereby indemnify and hold the Vagabond Ski & Social Club of Milwaukee 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 *completed and signed* application with a check payable to Vagabond Ski & Social Club, Inc., to:

Jan Breitbach • Vagabond Ski & Social Club, Inc. – Membership • 7809 W Mt Vernon Ave • Milwaukee, WI 53213



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#### **Stay Informed**

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

### DATED MATERIAL Deliver by September 29

<b>FUTURE EVENTS</b>	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Nov. 23 Addams Family Dec. 9 Branson Jan. 11 Vail	29	30	1 Scrabble	2 General mtg	<b>3</b> Walk Pickleball	<b>4</b> Mo's Irish Pub	5 Croatia Tennis
Jan. 24 Switzerland Feb. 9 Heavenly Feb. 12 Cancun	6 Packers Hike	<b>7</b> Tennis	8 Sheepshead	9 Style Show	10 Walk Pickleball	11 Bowling	12 Tennis
March 7 Japan	13 Packers	<b>14</b> Tennis	<b>15</b> Scrabble	<b>16</b> Bar Louie	Valk	18	19 Tennis
Halloween — TRICK OR TREAT	Hike 20 Packers	21 Tennis	22 Sheepshead	23	Pickleball 24 Walk	25	26 Tennis
	Hike 27	28	29	30	Pickleball 31	1	Festival City Symphony
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