

March General Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

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 Hit-Men

Guests welcome – \$10 admission

Sign up in advance

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

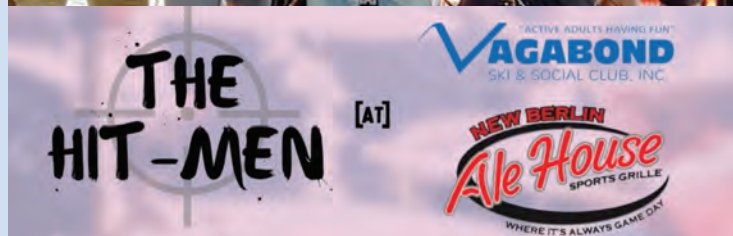
Reminders

- ◆ 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 brought into the meeting room.

THIS MONTH'S MUSIC



The Hit-Men will bring you to your feet,
and you won't want to leave the dance floor.

Next month: Dirty Boogie

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From the President
Mary Beth Braun

As I was thinking of a topic to discuss this month, I decided to reflect on what we have talked about in the past couple of months. In October, it was a big “thank you” to all those who were event leaders all through the summer, and to our board of directors, who are helping all year. All of these people keep the club moving forward.

In November, I asked all of you to be grateful for what we have in all aspects of our lives.

In December, I asked everyone to give of their time and help someone else; to think of others. It was the season of giving.

In January, we asked anyone with leadership qualifications to step up and help our club because we have open officer positions that need to be filled in the May elections.

In February, I asked you to be aware of so many opportunities in your life and in the club where you can grow and help; make new friends. Take advantage of wonderful opportunities.

So, what’s my point? I’m seeing a common thread of ‘giving’ and helping where we can. We give of ourselves constantly to our loved ones, our families, organizations, clubs and neighbors, and it’s a good thing. We feel satisfaction, accomplishment, happiness. So again, we are asking people with the qualifications to join the board, please step up. If you have a background in being organized and can type in Word, you could be our secretary. If you have a background as a bookkeeper or are a CPA, you could be our treasurer. If you are an organized leader and like people, please come join our board. Let’s not forget that some positions on the board have been vacant for a while, such as Public Relations and Finance/Bylaws. If you are interested, please contact a board member.

Now please read this March issue, as it is full of events through Spring and Summer coming your way *from your Vagabond Club!*



International Travel
Linda Horn

Japan Cruise

Aug. 21 to Sept. 4 • \$5,194

We still have a few spots available for our trip to Japan this summer. Departing Aug. 21, we will spend three nights in Tokyo, followed by a 10-day cruise. An optional extension to Seoul will be Sept. 4-8.

Call **Bob** at (414) 276-6331 for availability and details.





Sporting Activities
Mary Beth Braun

Sunday Hikes

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

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

Join us for Sunday hikes at area parks and urban locales. Please note that hikes begin promptly at the time indicated; late arrivals will not be accommodated.

We welcome volunteers to lead hikes in future months. 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.**

March 2 – Lake Park to UWM and back to Lake Park:

Meet at Lake Park Bistro, 3133 E. Newberry Blvd., Milwaukee. We will hike from Lake Park to Downers Woods and return to Lake Park (4+ miles). Dinner afterward at Cafe Hollander, 2608 N. Downer Ave. Hike Leaders: **Jay** and **Terese Zinn**, (414) 708-1663.

March 9 – Monches section of the Ice Age Trail: Use Google Maps and search on “Ice Age Trail Monches Section.” Location is 5MV3+6C Hartland, Wisconsin. Take County Line Road (Hwy Q) west past Monches to the intersection of Hwy Q, Hwy K and Hwy E. This is a beautiful part of the Ice Age Trail, through old-growth forests. The trail winds through glacial formations along the Oconomowoc River. Dinner afterward at Ox and Cats Sports Bar. **Hike Leader needed!**

March 16 – 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 the street. Hike from 1:45 to 3:45, then to Michael’s Italian Restaurant, 1400 S Grand Ave. in Waukesha, to eat and drink. County sticker or park entrance fee is required for parking. Hike leader is **Betty Riley**, (262) 888-9978.



Milwaukee Lakefront

March 23 – 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 Tavern, 5871 S. 108th St. in Hales Corners, for food and drinks. **Hike Leader needed!**

March 30 – Menomonee Park: Meet in the parking lot at Lannon Village Park, located on N. Lannon Road (Hwy Y), about a quarter-mile north of Good Hope Road. Hike from 1:45 to 3:45 p.m. Wear proper hiking shoes, as conditions may be muddy. Trails are mostly grass, mulch and packed gravel and easy for intermediate-level hikers. Afterward, meet for food and beverage at Rumors Sports Bar & Grill, W232 N6368 Waukesha Ave., Sussex. Hike Leader: **Gary Kovach**, (414) 712-3897.

Thursday Walks

Our weekly, one-hour walks begin again March 20 at the McCarty Park parking lot, 82nd St. and Cleveland Ave.

Every Thursday morning from 11 to noon, we will walk at various parks and other area locations.

Watch for weekly emails (Friday mornings) for details and directions. The event organizer is **Sherry Dobson**, (262) 498-4067, and she welcomes volunteers to lead a walk.



Bowling

We bowl at 2 p.m. on the second Friday of each month at New Berlin Bowl. To be a substitute bowler, contact league secretary **Dee Holstein-Pizur**, (262) 227-6322.



A beautiful day at Bong. The hike leaders were Jim and Joyce and the photo by Jim.

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GOLF LEAGUES

Wednesdays at Songbird

W259 N8700 Hwy 164, Hartland

June 4 to Aug. 27

Songbird Hills is a beautiful golf course just south of County Line Road in Hartland.

Tee times start at 1:30 p.m.

Fee: \$200 for 9 holes each week for 13 weeks; includes an end-of-summer party and prizes.

If you wish, play 18 holes for a higher fee. Cart rental is \$10 per rider weekly.

Experienced golfers can sign up as a single, twosome or foursome. Foursomes will be put together and you will play with the same foursome each week. Contact Suzanne if you have specific requests for your foursome.

Substitutes pay \$6 to sign up and \$12 to the person they are playing for. The end-of-summer party will be an additional \$25 for subs if they wish to attend. Guests are also welcome to attend the party for \$25.

Sign-ups start April 1. Call or text league captain **Suzanne Wiedner** at (262) 305-8444.

Fridays at Sunny Slope

5285 S. Sunny Slope Road, New Berlin

June 6 to Aug. 29

(No golf July 4; two rain dates in September.)

Fee: \$180 for the weekly golfer who **walks**; includes the end-of-season pizza party. Cart rental is \$9 per person weekly.

A second, all-in-one payment option includes the golf fee, cart rental and party for **\$276**.

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 get to play with everyone. If you would like to be paired with a particular partner, please specify their name on the registration form.

Substitutes pay \$20 to sign up, which includes the party, and then \$13 or \$21 for each round of golf paid directly to the person they are playing for.

Sign-ups start April 1. We play READY Golf; players need to be alert and ready to strike the ball!

Call, text or email league captain **Jean Duelling** at (414) 321-0258 or duellingj@gmail.com.

Weekend Bike Trip

Root River

June 19-22

Back by popular demand. ... Our annual weekend bike trip this summer will be on the Root River trail in Minnesota's Driftless Region. We will stay at the Country Trails Inn and Suites in Preston, Minn. Root River is a paved trail through quaint towns, with the famous Aroma Pie Shop along the way. There is also golf, canoeing, shopping and tennis nearby.

Transportation will be on your own.

Breakfast is provided by the hotel. Dinners will be on your own. After you arrive, bring your own beverages for a Thursday-night pizza party. There will be a group dinner Saturday night, if you wish to attend. Friday night will be on your own.

Price is \$285 per person, double occupancy. Sign up on Wild Apricot.

Contact **Dan Heidemann** at (414) 416-1678 or **Denise Kremel** at (262) 524-1023.

Bike and Barge Trip

France

Sept. 6-13

Tour the South of France by boat and bike Sept. 6-13.

Price: \$2,000 per person.

For details, go to [Sitzmark.org/event-5665633](https://www.sitzmark.org/event-5665633). Contact Trip Leader **John Graff** at jgraff1809@gmail.com or (414) 403-3478.



A huge turnout at Nashotah. Thanks to Gary Kovach for leading and to Jim Stephens for the photo.



On the snow shore.



Ski Activities Joyce Szulc

A Heavenly Trip

We arrived at Lake Tahoe just in time to watch the Super Bowl on TV – in our high-rise hotel rooms, at the Harrah’s casino or elsewhere.

After a few beautiful days of bright, blue skies, a winter whiteout brought 2 feet of snow. So, once some of the lifts reopened, some of the more intrepid skiers got to finish the week in fresh powder.

Where do we go from here?

For next winter, the club will make just one Western trip – to Snowmass in February – unless someone helps organize a second outing. It could be to another Ikon location: Copper Mountain, Mammoth, Mount Bachelor, Banff, Jackson Hole, Snowbird, Steamboat, Sun Valley, Taos. ... Think about it.

HELP

Your club has been hosting a variety of ski trips for over 60 years. To continue, the club needs people to lead ski trips and also to join the board as Ski Activities Director.

Ski trip leaders need to be well-organized and need to be able to use common word processing software such as Word. Knowledge of Excel is also a plus.

Joining the board as a director is a two-year commitment and does involve a good deal of time and energy. In addition, both volunteer positions offer you the opportunity to learn the club management system, Wild Apricot.

To get started, contact Joyce Szulc at (262) 902-3248 or jszulc@wi.rr.com.

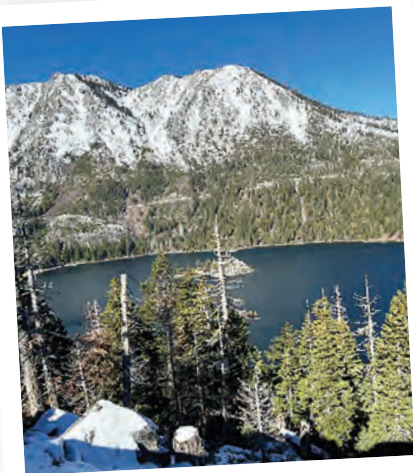
CMSC's 2026 European trip

The Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council is organizing a trip to Madonna di Campiglio, Italy, from **Jan. 23-31, 2026**. There will be an extension, but the destination has not yet been determined.

Details should be available by late April. Contact **Randy Baustert** at (847) 254-9396 or SkiWithRandy@aol.com.

Questions? Contact Ski Activities Coordinator Joyce Szulc, 262-902-3248 or jszulc@wi.rr.com

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Social Activities
Denise Kremel

Spring Style Show

May 8

Okauchee

The Oconomowoc Memorial Auxiliary's annual fashion show will be Thursday, May 8, at the **Golden Mast Inn** on Okauchee Lake, W349 N5293 Lacys Lane, Okauchee.

The schedule:

11 a.m. -- Social Hour and Gift Box Boutique

Noon -- Luncheon

1 p.m. -- Style Show

Tickets are \$57.

Registration opens March 1. Sign up by April 15 on

Wild Apricot or by credit card at a general meeting.

Luncheon menu:

Cobb salad

Tenderloin and two shrimp with three-cheese risotto, carrots and asparagus

Cheesecake with strawberry topping

If you have any questions, call **Lavonne Grenlie** at (262) 542-2004.

Milwaukee Milkmen Baseball

6:35 p.m. May 15

Franklin

Cheer on two local baseball teams at 6:35 p.m. Thursday, May 15: the Milwaukee Milkmen vs. the Lake Country DockHounds, at Franklin Field, 7035 S. Ballpark Drive, near 76th and Rawson.

Price: \$46, which includes game ticket, food and drinks.

The all-inclusive menu at Leinenkugel's Hop Yard: burgers, bratwurst, hot dogs, cookies, chips, popcorn, soda, water and draft beer (Miller Lite, Coors Lite, Miller High Life, Leinenkugel's Summer Shandy, Angry Orchard, Lakefront IPA).

Sign up online beginning March 1. Pay by credit card on Wild Apricot or at the monthly meeting.

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

Radium Girls

April 12 • 7 p.m.

Oconomowoc Arts Center

In 1926, radium was a miracle cure, Madame Curie was an international celebrity, and luminous watches were the latest rage -- until the girls who painted them began to fall ill with a mysterious disease. Inspired by a true story, Radium Girls traces the efforts of Grace, Irene and Kathryn as they fight for their day in court against the U.S. Radium Corp.

Called a "powerful" and "engrossing" drama by critics, the



Social Activities
Denise Kremel



play offers an unflinching look at health and wealth, the power of the underdog, and the injustice laborers have faced.

Join other Vagabonds at the April 12 evening performance of Radium Girls at Oconomowoc High School, 641 E. Forest St.

Sign up on Wild Apricot or by credit card at a general meeting. Tickets are **\$16**. Contact **Denise Kremel** at (262) 524-1023.

Friday Fish Fry

March 7

Thunder Bay Grille, Pewaukee

Please join us for our next fish fry, on Friday, March 7, at Thunder Bay Grille, N14 W24130 Tower Place, Pewaukee.

5 p.m. for drinks and 5:30 p.m. for dinner.

Price: \$27.50, which includes the salad bar. Please bring cash. Separate checks will be available.

Sign up on Wild Apricot. This fish fry is limited to 20 people.

Questions, call **Sherry Dobson** at (262) 498-4067.

Over the Hump

March 19

at Crawdaddy's

Join us for our next Over the Hump gathering, March 19 at Crawdaddy's, 9427 W. Greenfield Ave., West Allis. No sign-up needed, just show up between 4 and 7 p.m.

Questions, call **Sherry Dobson** at (262) 498-4067.

Scrabble

1-4 pm Tuesday, March 4 and 18

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

March 4 and 18. Food is also available for purchase. Non-members are welcome.

Call **Lynn Kozlowski**, (414) 539-8114.

Sheepshead

6-9 pm Tuesday, March 11 and 25

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 gatherings will be **Tuesday, March 11 and 25**. 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.

Nashville Road Trip

with Diamond Tours

Oct. 6-11

Kick it up in the home of Country Music! Our trip will include motorcoach transportation.

Five nights lodging, including three consecutive nights in the Nashville area.

Eight meals: five breakfasts and three dinners.

Two great shows: Grand Ole Opry and Nashville Nightlife Dinner Theater.

Guided tours of Nashville and the Belle Meade Historic Site and Winery.

Admission to the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum.

A behind-the-scenes tour of the Grand Ole Opry House or the Ryman Auditorium.

Price: \$975 double occupancy or \$1,215 single occupancy, not including trip insurance, which is highly recommended.

The trip will open March 1 online; a \$75 deposit is due upon sign-up. Balance due July 30. All payments must be made in Wild Apricot or at the monthly meeting via credit card.

Any questions, call **Denise Kremel** at (262) 524-1023.

Festival City Symphony

The Vagabond Ski and Social Club continues a long tradition of promoting the Festival City Symphony to our members. Purchase tickets in advance at FestivalCitySymphony.org/order-Saturday-Classics-Tickets, or on the day of the concert at the Bradley Symphony Center box office, 212 W. Wisconsin Ave. The requested donation is \$8 for seniors.

Concerts are at 2 p.m. Saturdays

Schedule

March 8 -- Harmonies of the Heartland

April 12 -- Spanish Dreams and Dances

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

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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 February 28

FUTURE EVENTS	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
April 12 Symphony April 12 Radium Girls May 8 Fashion show May 15 Milkmen baseball Aug. 21 Japan Sept. 6 France Oct. 6 Nashville	23	24	25	26	27	28	1
	2 Hike	3	4 Scrabble	5 General mtg	6	7 Japan ski trip Thunder Bay Grille	8 Festival City Symphony
	9 Hike	10	11 Sheepshead	12	13	14 Bowling	15
	16 Hike	17	18 Scrabble	19 Crawdaddy's	20 Walk	21	22
	23 Hike	24	25	26	27	28	29
	30 Hike	31	Sheepshead	Board mtg	Walk		



Monday, March 17

March