

August General Meeting

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 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

7:30 pm: Dancing to the music of the 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



Our band for August is the Hit-Men. They play the hits you know and remember. Come and enjoy the music.

Next month: Dirty Boogie, Sept. 2

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From the
President
Greg Larson

Great time to enjoy the days ahead. We offer you many ways to get out and enjoy the weather with fellow Vagabonds. New trips, new people is our goal.

Keep reading the *Life* and *Week at a Glance* for events that are coming up or for any changes..

Event leaders can always use suggestions about an event that is of interest to you and fellow Vagabonds.

Our communities have a lot of outdoor and indoor activities you can go to.

Let us all get outside while the good weather is here. I am out and about and see a lot of you enjoying events. Keep it up!

Greg



Pausing on a Thursday-morning walk at the 1908 dolphin urn sculpture in the parking lot of the Ronald McDonald House, overlooking Sanctuary Woods in Wauwatosa. For the schedule of upcoming walks, see Page 4.



Membership
Jan Breitbach

WELCOME NEW OR RETURNING MEMBERS

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

Deena Brown • Joan Coufal • Jeff Jacobs

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



Sporting Activities
Dave Nelsen

Labor Day Weekend Picnic

Sept. 6

at Whitnall Park

The Vagabonds will have Area No. 5 at Whitnall Park available for our annual picnic get-together on Sunday, Sept 6. We have the area starting at 10 a.m. if you would like to set up a game or socialize. The weekly bike ride will start at 12:30 p.m., followed by the picnic at 2 p.m. Parking is just across the road from Area 5, and restrooms are nearby. Guests are invited. Please bring your own food and drink (adult beverages are allowed in the picnic area with our permit). Bring fruits or sweets to share if you wish. Plates and utensils will be provided.

Sunday bike rides

Arrive by 1:30 p.m. each week, and be ready to ride at 1:45.

Aug. 2 – Brown Deer Park to the Lakefront on the Oak

Leaf Trail: Meet in the Disc Golf parking lot at Brown Deer Park, east of North Teutonia Avenue, north of Good Hope Road and south of Brown Deer Road.

From Teutonia, turn east onto Calumet Road and into the park. The Thirsty Fox is at the corner where you turn in (7586 N Teutonia Ave., Milwaukee). The parking lot is 0.2 of a mile north of Calumet Road. Make left turns upon entering the park, with the parking lot on your left.

Route details: The ride follows the Oak Leaf Trail down to Lake Michigan by McKinley Marina. The entire trail is on an asphalt surface, crossing some city streets. Total length less than 20 miles on old railroad line and grading.

Dinner will be at Cafe Corazon, 4102 W Bradley Road, Brown Deer, a very nice, casual Mexican restaurant.

Ride leader: **Dave Nelsen**, (414) 350-1433.



Elgin weekend trip.



Relaxing at Steny's after a bike ride on the Ozaukee Interurban Trail from Mequon to Cedarburg and back.

Aug. 9 – Oak Leaf Trail from South Shore Yacht Club

to Grant Park Beach: Meet at South Shore Yacht Club parking lot (2300 E. Nock St.). We will head south on the Oak Leaf Trail to the Grant Park beach and return (about 16 miles). The path is all on an asphalt surface. There may be a one-mile detour because of construction near the Warnimont Golf Course clubhouse. There are bathrooms at South Shore, Warnimont clubhouse (halfway) and Grant Park.

We will meet after the ride at South Shore Terrace Kitchen and Beer Garden, 2900 S. Shore Drive, with indoor and outdoor dining available.

Ride leader: **Harvey Vollriede**, (414) 416-7270; Sweep: Bonnie Weidert

Aug. 16 – Hank Aaron Trail: Milwaukee to West Allis:

Meet in front of the Twisted Fisherman Restaurant, 1200 W. Canal St., Milwaukee. Park on either side of Canal Street just west of the restaurant. Watch out for "No Parking" sign areas if you go too far west. Do not park in the restaurant lot during the ride.

Ride from 1:45 to 3:45 p.m. on a mostly asphalt path with some hills. We will ride west to Rainbow Park, crossing some city streets, via some sidewalks. Ride is 17 miles long. After the ride, meet for food and drinks at the Twisted Fisherman; indoor and outdoor dining available.

Ride Leader: **Gary Kovach**, (414) 712-3897. Sweep: Connie Sandell.

Aug. 23 – Hank Aaron Trail downtown to MKE River

Trail to Milwaukee River: Meet at Milwaukee Pierhead

Lighthouse (painted red) located south of American Family Insurance Amphitheater, 100 N Harbor Dr, Milwaukee, which is at the end of Erie Street on the lakefront. Parking is available along the Milwaukee River. Meet under 5 Maple Trees closest to Lighthouse. We will bike north on the Hank Aaron Trail toward Veterans Park and then take the MKE River Trail north and cross the Milwaukee River at Lincoln Park. Then turn around and stop at Estabrook park for a beer. Then back on the trail to Lake Park (restroom available) for a picture at North Point Lighthouse. Then return to downtown. The trail covers 19 miles on railroad-grade asphalt paths and lightly used boulevards. Meet afterwards at: Milwaukee Sail Loft, 649 E. Erie St., which has seating inside and also outside by the river.

Leader: **Jay Zinn**, (414) 708-1663. Sweep: Terese Zinn

Aug. 30 – Petrifying Springs Park, Kenosha: Meet us at the parking lot near Shelter No. 5 at Petrifying Springs Park, 5555 7th St. in Kenosha. This park is near the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. Please be ready to ride at 1:45 p.m. This paved bike trail travels east and south through Kenosha County. We will pass UW-Parkside.

We will then continue south through Kenosha County to 35th Street and then return. Total ride is about 18 miles on a mostly flat pathway. Afterwards, we will go to the Petrifying Springs Biergarten (964 Petrifying Springs Road, Kenosha), which is adjacent to the park. You are welcome to either bring your own food and picnic outside the Biergarten or purchase food and drink inside the Biergarten.

Ride Leaders: **Joyce Szulc** and **Jim Stephens**. Questions? Call Jim at (262) 237-0864 or email jstephens3@wi.rr.com.

One-hour Midweek walks

Our one-hour walks are every Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon at parks and other locations. Meet at 10:50 a.m. Lunch afterward is optional. The organizer is **Sherry Dobson**, (262) 498-4067; she welcomes volunteers to lead a walk.

All walks are geared for an hour of walking. Lunch options will be discussed after each walk.

If anyone has suggestions of new locations, please let me know. I have a few ideas but need to verify the easiest directions first. Hope to see you on our walks!

Aug. 6 – Frame Park, Waukesha: Meet at the children's area off the Barstow Street parking lot. We will walk around the river.

Aug. 13 – Oak Leaf Trail, Greenfield: Meet in the parking lot off Highway 100 and Coldspring Road.

Aug. 20 – Hart Park, Wauwatosa: Meet in the parking lot off 70th Street near the Women's Club building. We will walk to the east this time.

Aug. 27 – Hidden Lake, Brookfield: Meet in the parking lot off Lilly Road. We will walk up the hill to the end of the park and through part of the surrounding subdivision.



Sanctuary Woods walk

GOLF LEAGUES

Wednesdays at Songbird Hills

Tee times begin at 1:30 p.m.

Call or text coordinator **Suzanne Wiedner** at (262) 305-8444.

Fridays at Sunny Slope

New Berlin

Tee times begin at 1 p.m.

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



Nearly 40 Vagabonds prepare to climb aboard to explore the harbor and go out on Lake Michigan as part of the club's Gold Coast tour. The day began with a visit to the Villa Terrace Museum and lunch at Sobelmans.



Ski Activities
Sally Borchardt

Ski trips

Vail, Colorado • Jan. 17-23

Park City, Utah • Feb. 7-13



Thank each and every one of you for signing up for Vail or Park City, or for both of them – **WOW!**

We are full with a waiting list, but don't despair! In the month of September, if no one has dropped out or hurt themselves we are looking to add another condo.

Also for Vail, you have until September 15th to get your second payment (and final) for Vail. If I have not received the second payment, I will send you a reminder. We will look at adding an additional condo at that time, since we have such a very nice waiting list and would like to get them to come along. Our broker has been notified of this as well. So hang on, at this point, it's a wait-and-see.

For Park City we are also blessed with having a full group, but once again, we also have a great waiting list, and will do with this trip as we are doing with Vail, and our broker is once again in agreement with this plan.

Questions? Call or text **Sally** at (414) 349-9359 or email sjborch27@aol.com.



International
Travel
Linda Horn

Jamaica

Feb. 10-17 (Wednesday-Wednesday)

Let's have fun in February at the Princess Senses – The Mangrove is a 5-star, adults-only, all-inclusive, beachfront resort on Jamaica's west coast, just north of Negril. Rooms are ocean-view suites.

There are eight themed restaurants, three buffets and over 10 bars. We will also have access to the Princess Grand next door, which adds 14 restaurants and 15 bars. There are five swimming pools, spa, fitness center, nightclub, 24-hour coffee shop, live entertainment and more.

Located near the famous Rick's Café offering cliff-jumping and sunsets.

This package includes round-trip air Milwaukee to Montego Bay, shuttle to and from airport.

\$2,756 per person double occupancy.

Must have a valid passport.

To reserve a spot, **deposit \$100** online by Sept.15.

First payment to travel agent: \$1,000 plus insurance (\$235) by **Oct. 2**. Final payment due **Dec. 1**.

Call **Sue** with questions, (414) 421-6248.



Vagabond 16-Day Land and Sea Trip

**Danube River cruise plus Sicily and Malta
Sept. 4-19**

**NEW: Medical, Air-Evac, baggage &
trip delay insurance included**

Be part of a phenomenal Vagabond trip to Sicily, Malta, and up the Danube River. Cruise the Danube River from Budapest to Bratislava, Slovakia; Vienna, Weissenkirchen and Linz, Austria; and Passau and Vilshofen, Germany. Then fly to Sicily, an island with unique geography, rich history, vibrant culture and complex character. And lastly, on to Malta, known for its stunning architecture, clear waters, diverse culture and blend of prehistoric, medieval and modern sites.

Price is **\$7,144** for Panoramic Window cabin or \$8,388 for Balcony cabin.

To see if there are any spots available, contact trip leader **Bob Spindell** at (414) 276-6331 or Bob@Spindell.com.

If you believe you qualify for the **80/30 Club** (80 years old and been a member of the club for 30 years), call (414) 732-9749 or email Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com

We will recognize new 80/30 members at the October general meeting.

Racquet Sports

Summer Tennis League

Monday nights

We need substitute players to fill in when needed for Monday-night tennis at Elm Grove Village Park. All skill levels are welcome. Matches start at 6 p.m.

and are social, mixed doubles.



After tennis each week, players gather at BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse in Brookfield.

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

Drop-in Tennis

Saturday mornings

Vagabonds meet to play tennis at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Nathan Hale High School in West Allis. There is no fee, and no sign-up is necessary. Just show up and get on a court with others at your ability level.

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

Pickleball League

Tuesdays nights

We play pickleball from 6-8 p.m. Tuesdays at Lowell Park in Waukesha. Afterward, we adjourn to a nearby location for food and drinks and socializing.

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



Social Activities
Mary Beth Braun

Relish Supper Club

Germantown • Aug. 20

Calling all supper club lovers to join us for dinner Thursday, Aug. 20, at Relish Supper Club, N116 W15841 Main St., Germantown.

Dinner will start at 5:30 p.m. Order anything on the menu. Prices range from \$21 to \$55. Salad bar is an additional \$5. Desserts and ice cream drinks will be available.

Separate checks. Limited to the first 25 people to sign up.

Call **Sue Bednarczyk** at (262) 781-7329.

Fish Fry

North Star Bistro, Brookfield • Aug. 7

Our next Fish Fry will be Friday, Aug. 7, at North Star Bistro, 19115 W. Capitol Dr., in the Towne Center, at the corner of Brookfield Road and Capitol Dr. Come early and meet at the bar. Dine at 5:30 p.m.

Dinner choices:

- Fried cod with potato pancakes and all the trimmings, \$17.50 plus tax and tip.
- Perch (\$19.00)
- Pan-seared cod.

Questions? Call **Nancy** at (414) 491-3147.

Over the Hump

Whitnall Park, Hales Corners • Aug. 19

Our next Over the Hump gathering will be an outdoor treat! We will be at the picnic tables from 4-7 p.m. Aug. 19 at the Whitnall Park Beer Garden, 8831 Root River Parkway. (Take 92nd Street to North Root River Parkway.) There will be several food trucks and over 30 different beers and other beverages.

(In case of inclement weather, we will relocate to a nearby restaurant.)

Questions? Call **Nancy** at (414) 491-3147.

Sheepshead

6-9 p.m. • Tuesday, Aug. 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 games are **Aug. 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: **Jaе Hartnell**, (608) 712-7440.

New Orleans road trip • Nov. 1-9

Travel aboard a fully escorted, round-trip motor coach tour between Milwaukee and New Orleans from

Nov. 1-9, with overnight stays along the way in St. Louis, Memphis and Biloxi. Sign-up deadline is **July 31**. Call **Pam Cole** at (414) 750-6011.



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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 _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

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
7809 W Mt Vernon Ave
Milwaukee, WI 53213**

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and Social Club page.

Stay Informed

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

DATED MATERIAL

Deliver by July 28

FUTURE EVENTS		Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sept. 2 General meeting		26	27	28	29	30	31	1
Sept. 4 Danube/Sicily/Malta								Tennis
Sept. 6 Picnic								
Nov. 1 New Orleans		2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Jan. 17 Vail		Bike ride	Tennis	Pickleball	Golf General mtg	Walk	Golf North Star Bistro	Tennis
Feb. 7 Park City								
Feb. 10 Jamaica		9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		Bike ride	Tennis	Sheepshead Pickleball	Golf	Walk	Golf	Tennis
		16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Bike ride	Tennis	Pickleball	Golf Whitnall Park	Walk Relish Supper Club	Golf	Tennis
		23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		Bike ride	Tennis	Sheepshead Pickleball	Golf Board mtg	Walk	Golf	Tennis
		30	31					
		Bike ride	Tennis					

Stay Cool!