

September 2020 V62 N9

# Combination Zoom/Phone-in plus in-person General Meeting WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Considering the success of our "combo" meeting in August, we will continue the format for September. ...

#### **Option 1**

- **a. Zoom:** Join the meeting via Zoom video using your computer, tablet or smartphone. Watch the speakers as they present their events. You will receive an email with a link and instructions to connect to the meeting. Be sure to turn on the video portion so your Vagabond friends can see you!
- **b. Dial In:** Call in to join the meeting by phone (land line or cell phone) and hear the latest updates about Vagabond events, activities and trips.

Call (312) 626-6799 ... Meeting ID 837 3356 215 ... Password 8242 2663

Zoom and phone-in participants will hear the Roundtable and the General Meeting. New this time: We will keep the Zoom meeting open so Zoom participants can hear (and see) the band until its first break.

#### Option 2

**In person:** Serb Hall, 5101 W. Oklahoma Ave., Milwaukee

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We will follow the same timetable as last month:

6-7 pm - Meal • 6:45 pm Roundtable • 7:15 pm General meeting • 8 pm - Band: Do Wa Wa

Bring your Vagabond nametag and sign in at the welcome area. Register in advance online (and choose your meal) or sign up by emailing Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com or calling (414) 732-9749. Member walk-ins and guests are welcome on the day of the meeting. Tables farther apart, with fewer people at each table. The club will follow City of Milwaukee guidance regarding masks. Physical distancing is recommended.

#### Meal choices (Includes tax and gratuity):

Spaghetti and meatballs with garlic bread, \$8.65 • Angus burger and fries, \$8.65

Pay for food at cashier. You'll receive a ticket, and a server will bring your order to you.



# Roundtable **Coronavirus: Fact vs. Fiction**

**D**r. Don Lee, who has treated COVID-19 patients in Milwaukee, will share his firsthand knowledge involving the pandemic. His presentation will update us on the latest coronavirus research, studies and literature, and will include a brief question-and-answer session. Dr. Lee is an internal medicine hospitalist and physician advisor for Ascension Columbia St. Mary's and is on the board of the Harvard Club of Wisconsin. He also is a longtime friend of Vagabond member Bob Spindell, who helped arrange this visit.



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From the President Joyce Szulc We had a successful combination remote Zoom and in-person meeting Aug. 5 at Serb Hall. For the Sept. 2 meeting, we will use the same combination format, with some enhancements to the Zoom portion. And we have a knowledgeable speaker bringing us up to

date on COVID-19 based upon his personal experience. Be sure to attend via Zoom or in-person: whatever is right for you.

If you plan to attend in person, please register in advance (and choose your meal preference). You may register online or by phone or email. Everyone attending in person is required to check-in. Please remember to bring your Vagabond nametag. Meeting signup will be available about one week before the meeting. Walk-ins and guests are welcome. See Page 1 for more details.

It is membership renewal time for many of us. The preferred method of renewal is by credit card online. You may wish to mail your payment and renewal application to our membership director. Update any of your information that has changed and sign and date the form.

**Vagabond Tennis Players:** Have you checked out the video Tennis Tips provided by member Gene O'Kelly? Gene, who has been running the popular tennis drill program for the past few summers, is putting together a series of 10 tips on how to improve your serve. Many of those tips already are on the Members Only site.

Another benefit of being a Vagabond!





## Greek Isles & Italy: May 4-19, 2021 Approx. \$5,494 (Outside Cabin)

We will depart from Athens (two nights) and travel through the Greek Islands by cruise ship (seven nights). We will be on the same ship we enjoyed so much on our cruise around Cuba. From Athens, we are off to Rome for a five-day, four-night Italian adventure. As usual, we will stay at 4- and 5-star hotels both in

Athens and Rome, with many parties and dinners.

Contact **Bob Spindell** at RSpindell@Gottesman-Company.com or (414) 276-6331.

#### **Help Wanted!**

Club events are possible only because of member volunteers. We currently are looking for that special individual with organizational and planning skills who enjoys our in-person meetings. Would you like to be the new Meetings Director? Don't be shy. It's fun and rewarding, you meet a lot of people, and your fellow Vagabonds will appreciate your efforts. Call **Joyce** at (262) 886-9328.

## **Life Advertising Rates**

- Business Card: \$25 for one month, \$75 for four months
- · Classifieds: 20 words/\$10 issue
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Email a copy of your ad to **Sue Cummings** at vag\_bylaws@yahoo.com. Questions? Call Sue at (414) 421-6248.

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From the Vice President Linda Horn

# Sept. 2 General Meeting Three Ways! HOW TO USE ZOOM

Vagabond general meetings are now accessible three ways: In-person at Serb Hall, via Zoom video to see and hear the meeting, or by dialing in using your phone to listen to the meeting. With three alternatives, club members can choose how they are most comfortable participating during the current pandemic.

To view the General Meeting using Zoom video:

- · Install the Zoom app on your device.
  - o Using a computer, go to www.zoom.us and download Zoom Meetings.
  - o Using a smartphone or tablet, go to the Apple Store or Google Play and download the Zoom Meetings app.
- When it is time for the meeting, click or tap the Zoom app.
  - o Fill in the Meeting ID: 837 3356 215 and Password: 8242 2663.
  - o Do not enter any spaces just the numbers.

#### — OR —

- On the device you will be using, access the email that Joyce Szulc will send a day or two before the meeting. It will contain a link to the meeting.
- Click or tap the link, and you will be taken directly to the meeting.

Call **Linda Horn** at (262) 707-1450 for help. She can set up a practice session so all the kinks are worked out beforehand. Contact her no later than **Sept. 1** for assistance, though; she is rather unavailable on the day of the meeting.



#### Tennis Round Robin Saturday, Sept. 26 @ 3 pm Registration fee: \$20. Elm Grove Village Park

Tennis for 90 minutes, followed by food and social time for 90 minutes. Gene O'Kelly will direct the tournament. Bring your own drinks and chairs. Tennis balls will be supplied. Event leaders: **Dee Hollstein-Pizur**, (262) 227-6322, and **Jean Dueling**, (414) 321-0258.

# Open Tennis Saturdays • 9 am-noon Mondays • 6-8 pm Elm Grove Village Park

Meet up and play tennis for no fee; just try to get on a court with players of similar ability. Call **Ron Sonntag** at (414) 788-4907.



Barb Figi and Harry Lewis, winners of Gene O'Kelly's tennis drill tournament in July.

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Mail this application, along with your check	(payable to Vagabond Ski & Social Club) – to: Jan Breitbach Vagabond Ski & Social Club, Inc Membershi 7809 W Mt Vernon Ave

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#### Racine/Kenosha Lunch Gathering in the Park Thursday, Sept. 3, 11:30 am @ Smolenski Park, 438 S. Stuart Rd, between Spring St and Washington Ave.

It has been awhile since we've been able to gather. After checking with our regulars, Carol Gavigan decided this was the best way to meet.

Bring your lunch and a lawn chair, and we can sit under the shady pavilion. It is a weekday, so the pavilion will not be reserved then. Questions? Call Carol at (262) 497-3072.

# Spirit of Peoria Riverboat rescheduled Sunday, Oct. 11-Tuesday, Oct. 13

Still interested? Call **Barb Schumacher** at (414) 305-1060. See VagabondSkiClub.com for the itinerary.

#### Joseph & The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat Rescheduled ... Date TBD Fireside Theater. Fort Atkinson

The telling of this biblical story of Joseph and his brothers is filled with great music, costumes, laughter, joy and heart. The styles of music range from pop/rock to country to musical comedy. Follow young Joseph's adversity and triumphs through his dreams. Written by Andrew Lloyd Weber and Tim Rice.

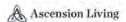
Date and details to come.



In light of the current pandemic, all events are subject to change.

#### Saturday Breakfast @ 8 am

Meet your Vagabond friends each Saturday at Maxim's, 18025 W. Capitol Drive, Brookfield Questions? Call Ron Sonntag, (414) 788-4907



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#### RENEWAL TIME

 $\mathbf{Y}$  ou may renew your membership online or by using the form on Page 4. Return the form by mail or in-person at the September meeting.

Everyone who attends the meeting needs to check in upon arrival. If you have any questions or are willing to volunteer, email Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com or call (414) 732-9749.

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

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

Anthony Pazos Shannon Noonan & Craig Smith

Tech Tip by **Linda Horn** 

# Renew your membership online

Vagabond members whose membership renewal is due Oct. 1 will receive an email renewal reminder Sept. 1. The simplest way to renew during this pandemic is online. Click the button in the email and follow the instructions to renew online using a credit card. No paper application is required. Or, to renew directly (without the email and no paper application required):

- · Go to VagabondSkiClub.com
- Click "Members Only Access" on the right-hand side of the screen.
- Click the icon in the upper right-hand corner and log in using your email address and password.
- Click VIEW PROFILE on the blue menu bar and then click the RENEW TO button
- Update your profile information if you have any changes to make and then click UPDATE AND NEXT.
- Click PAY ONLINE. Enter your credit card information, name, address, etc. and click CONTINUE.
- Click the blue PAY button on the next screen.
- The green checkmark tells you that your payment is complete and your membership is renewed for another year.



#### **Travel Insurance?**

In these uncertain times, you may wish to consider trip insurance for your Vagabond ski trips. Travel Protectors is providing a group rate for us, with three options that vary widely in coverage and price. To learn more, contact Myra at myra@TravelProtectors.com or (703) 443-9055.

#### **Ski Season Payment Options**

For all three weeklong trips, the club is offering a \$50 Early Bird Discount for reservations made by Sept. 15 and paid in full in one payment.

Pick the payment option that works for you:

- 1. **Online** by credit card. Lift tickets may be purchased online as a separate transaction.
- 2. **In-person** with trip coupon and credit card or check.
- 3. **By mail**, send trip coupon with check to event leader.

#### **Big Snow details coming**

More information about the weekend bus trip to Indianhead will be available next month in the Life and on our website. In the meantime, mark your 2021 calendar for Feb. 26-28.

#### Vail

Jan. 9-16 • Signup deadline: Oct. 2 \$1,435 per person, double occupancy Early Bird Discount: \$1,385 if paid by Sept. 15

A legendary resort, Vail has it all: massive and varied terrain, a huge, modern lift system, classic après options, vibrant nightlife and a booming village. This quintessential worldclass ski area has nearly 5,300 skiable acres. Off-slope activities are numerous: sleigh rides, day spas, galleries, and shopping galore.

We will stay at Manor Vail Resort, at the base of Golden Peak, a five-minute walk from Gondola 1.

We will fly from Milwaukee to Denver on Southwest Airlines.

#### Lift Tickets

- Adult: 2 of 3 days: \$310; 3 of 5: \$432; 4 of 6: \$532; 5 of 7: \$620: 6 of 8: \$696
- **Senior Rate (65+):** 2 of 3 days: \$290; 3 of 5 days: \$402; 4 of 6: \$492; 5 of 7: \$570; 6 of 8: \$636
- Or use your Epic Pass!

#### **Payment Schedule**

- \$600 deposit due with reservation
- \$450 due Oct. 15
- \$385 (plus any lift tickets purchased) due Nov. 15

Trip Leader: **Joyce Szulc**, 1148 N Sunnyslope Drive, Unit 203, Mount Pleasant, WI 53406, (262) 886-9328, jszulc@wi.rr.com.

#### Breckenridge

Feb. 6-13 • Signup deadline: Nov. 20 \$1,255 per person, double occupancy Early Bird Discount: \$1,205 if paid by Sept. 15

Consistently ranked among the most popular ski areas in North America, Breckenridge is also a historic mining town full of character. A world-class resort, it maintains a friendly, casual atmosphere.

We will stay at the Village at Breckenridge, 50 yards from the Quicksilver chairlift at the base of Peak 9.

Transportation will be on Southwest Airlines from Milwaukee to Denver.

#### Lift Tickets

- **Adult:** 2 of 3 days: \$302; 3 of 5: \$399; 4 of 6: \$496; 5 of 7: \$585; 6 of 9: \$666
- **Senior Rate (65+):** 2 of 3 days: \$262; 3 of 5 days: \$369; 4 of 6: \$456; 5 of 7: \$535; 6 of 8: \$606
- Or use your Epic Pass!

#### **Payment Schedule**

- \$600 deposit due with reservation
- \$330 due Oct. 15
- \$325 (plus any lift tickets purchased) due Dec. 15

Trip Leader: **Diana Hrovatin**, S74 W19023 Bay Ct., Muskego, WI 53150, (414) 581-7191, DHrovatin@shorewest.com

#### Park City

March 6-13 • Signup deadline: Dec. 18 \$1,480 per person, double occupancy Early Bluebird Discount: \$1,430 if paid by Sept. 15

Connected with the Canyons, Park City is the largest ski area in the United States, with 7,300 skiable acres. It is known for its groomed intermediate runs, its efficient lift infrastructure and its high-quality snow. The cosmopolitan town offers many activities, with restaurants, shopping and nightlife. And at Utah Olympic Park, visitors can ride a bobsled.

We fly on Southwest Airlines from Milwaukee to Salt Lake City, with a stop in Denver. Lodging will be at the Snow Flower, in ski-in/ski-out condominiums at the base of Park City Mountain.

#### Lift Tickets

- Adult: 2 of 3 days, \$256; 3 of 5: \$363; 4 of 6: \$456; 5 of 7: \$535; 6 of 8: \$600
- Seniors (65+): 2 of 3 days, \$204; 3 of 5: \$291; 4 of 6: \$364; 5 of 7: \$430; 6 of 8: \$480
- Or use your Epic Pass!

#### **Payment Schedule**

- \$700 deposit due with reservation
- \$400 due Nov. 15
- \$380 (plus any lift tickets purchased) due Jan. 15

Trip Leaders: **John Podsedly**, 5336 W Wells St., Milwaukee, WI 53208, JohnPodsedly@gmail.com, (414) 369-4199, and Karen Bryant, (608) 571-9303, bryant55karen@gmail.com



Sporting Activities Mary Beth Braun

#### **Sunday Bike Rides**

**Sept. 6 –** Labor Day weekend, no local ride scheduled.

**Sept. 8-11 – Washington Island** during Door County trip.

Sept. 20 @ 1:30 p.m., New Berlin Trail to Greenfield Park, on to Whitnall Park – Meet in the parking lot at New Berlin Trail on Springdale Road, between Greenfield and Lincoln Roads. The NB trail is flat, and crosses three busy intersections on the way to Greenfield Park, where we'll regroup. It is 8 miles to this point, and there is an option to turn around here or continue to Whitnall Park via the Oak Leaf Trail, which is 10 more miles. This section is a combination of Root River Pkwy and bike trails, ending at the golf course club house. (Restrooms, water and light refreshments available.) Total round-trip distance is 36 miles.

Afterward, dinner at the Neighbors Bar & Grille, S166 W22255 Greenfield Ave. (also called Arcadian Ave. in Waukesha), less than a mile from the parking lot, with outdoor patio seating.

Questions? Contact **Bill Gaertner** at (414) 750-1316 or (262) 574-3648. Sweeps: Betty Riley and Lynn Kozlowski.

**Sept. 27, 1:30 p.m., Petrifying Springs Park, 5555 Seventh St., Kenosha –** Located on east side of Hwy 31 (Green Bay Road). Meet at Parking Area No. 5 (in the middle of the park). Be ready to ride at 1:30 p.m. This is a paved, mostly flat route. The distance is 14 miles or an optional 18.

Two choices after the ride: Bring your own picnic lunch and beverages or visit the Petrifying Springs Biergarten. (Please note: You cannot carry food and beverages into or out of the beer garden. Visit PetsBiergarten.com for more information.) Leader: **Joyce Szulc**, (262) 886-9328. Sweep: Jim Stephens.

#### **Door County Midweek Getaway**

Tuesday-Friday, Sept. 8-11

Come and enjoy Door County – a world away yet close to home. This year, we will stay at the Landmark condominium resort in Egg Harbor.

The Landmark has tennis courts and indoor and outdoor pools. It is close to shopping, theaters, golf, hiking, sightseeing, art galleries and many restaurants. To find out more, go to DestinationDoorCounty.com.

Meals and beverages are self-pay, but you can cook in your condo or visit the onsite restaurant. Each night we will meet in the lodge for a cash bar and socializing.

A bike ride is planned on Washington Island; we will take the ferry from North Port Pier. The bike ride will mostly be on level, paved roads with limited car traffic. Adult fee: \$14 round trip. Bike fee is \$5.

Bike trip leader: **Gary Kovach**, GKovach45@icloud.com or (414) 712-3897. Sweep: Connie Sandell.

**Nightly lodging rates:** \$140 and up for one-bedroom suites; \$179 and up for two-bedroom suites. Each unit has a full kitchen, dining area, living room and sofa sleeper.

**For reservations**, call **Sonya** at (920) 868-5164. Then register at VagabondSkiClub.com.

Call **Jean Dueling** at (414) 321-0258 to coordinate roommates.

#### **Bowling League**

Sundays, once a month September through May Bluemound Bowl, 12935 W Bluemound Rd, Elm Grove

The season starts **Sept. 13** and we bowl the first Sunday of each month. We are looking for four-person teams (all women, all men or mixed). This is a fun, handicap, non-sanctioned league. You can join as a single, couple or full team.

Fee: **\$120** for the season, with parties and end-of-season prizes. Sign up on online or send a check payable to VSSC with event coupon and SASE to Michelle Dloogoff, 2810 W. Mill Road, Unit G, Glendale, WI 53209-3239. Substitutes are welcome, and you'll pay a minimal fee.

Questions? Call **Frank Berg** or **Michelle** at (414) 540-1411. Hope to see you on the alleys!

#### Lake Geneva Hike/Boat Ride

Friday, Sept. 18

Explore Lake Geneva either of two ways:

1. Hike 6-7 miles from Lake Geneva to Williams Bay, passing along gorgeous lakeshore homes, concluding with a BYO picnic lunch.

#### — OR —

2. Ride the cruise boat from Lake Geneva to Williams Bay, enjoying the sights and sounds, then picking up the hikers at 1:30.

Both groups ride the final 14 miles of the narrated tour on the boat, which includes a snack bar and cash bar. Space is limited, and signup **closes Sept. 16**.

**Hikers:** Drive independently or carpool from Hales Corners Park & Ride at 8 a.m. and arrive at the Lake Geneva library by 9 a.m., ready to hike.

**Boat riders only:** Carpool from Hales Corners Park & Ride at 11 a.m. and get to the boats by 12:30. The cruise director there will have your ticket and show you which boat to board.

The tour will end about 3 p.m., followed by an optional trip to a nearby ice cream shop.

The price is the same for everyone: **\$40** per ticket. Register online by credit card, or send a check payable to VSSC and an event coupon to **Ron Sonntag**, 9406 N. 107th St., Milwaukee, WI 53224.

Questions? **Call Ron** at (414) 788-4907.



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#### **Stay Informed**

For up-to-date information – and to find out which events and activities are being affected by the restrictions on social gatherings – visit VagabondSkiClub.com.

<b>FUTURE EVENTS</b>	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Oct. 11-13 Spirit of Peoria	30	31	1	2	Racine/Kenosha Lunch Gathering in Park	4	<b>5</b> Maxim's Brist Open Tennis
	6	<b>7</b> Open Tennis	Door County Trip/Bike Ride – Washington Island	9	10	11	Maxim's Brfst Open Tennis
	13 Bowling	<b>14</b> Open Tennis	15	16	17	18 Lk Geneva – Hike/Boat Ride	19 Maxim's Brfst Open Tennis
In light of the current pandemic, all events are subject to change.	<b>20</b> Bike Ride	21 Open Tennis	22	23	24	25	26 Maxim's Brfst Tennis Round Robin
	27 Bike Ride	<b>28</b> Open Tennis	29	30	AE		R