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The Sitzmark News

sitz-märk: An impression left in the snow by the backward fall of a skier.

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***Have an idea for an event, or a special club adventure?
Contact Jean Bronson, our new Social Director at
Social@Sitzmark.org***

We can help you plan and schedule the activity, and get the word out to our membership through email and the newsletter.

The Outgoing Board at the Year End Party



Blue Jeans and Bling

The Board of Director's Meetings are @ 7pm, 3rd Tuesday of each month throughout the year. Contact board@sitzmark.org for the next meeting location.

Calendar of Upcoming Events and Deadlines

| JUNE | | | | | | |
|-----------------|---|---|---|----|------------------------------------|----|
| | | 1 | | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| | | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | | | |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August Golf @ Lincoln Park | | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | | |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August | Golf League @ Whitnal Park | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August | Signup Deadline for Peninsula Camping | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | Wildcat Mt State Park Camping Trip | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | |
| Wildcat Camping | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August | Golf League @ Greenfield Park | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | | |

| JULY | | | | | | |
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| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August | | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August | Golf League @ Oakwood Park | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | | |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August | Golf League @ Currie Park | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | Peninsula State Park Camping Trip | | Lombardi Walk/Run @ Festa Italiana |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| Peninsula State Park Camping Trip | | Golf League @ Lincoln Park | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | | |

| August | | | | | | |
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| | | 1 | | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| | | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August | | Golf League @ Whitnall Park | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August | Golf League @ Grant Park | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | | |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August | Golf League @ Greenfield Park | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | | |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| | Monday Night Bike Rides w/Ron August | | Wednesday Night Bike Rides Volleyball @ Rainbow Park | | | |
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THOUGHTS OF THE MONTH FROM TOM

For 2016-17 we will emphasize growing membership, cultivating leadership, and creating satisfying activities.

MEMBERSHIP: Increased membership should not only come from renewal of existing members, but in encouraging past members to rejoin. In addition, we will be contacting organizations and individuals outside Sitzmark to let them know what a great club we have here! THINK ABOUT IT, if you were told there was a group that went skiing to Idaho, Colorado, Utah and Canada, to name a few, wouldn't you want to get in on the adventure? Further, if you were a skier that had limited time/funds and were told you could take bus trips to ski throughout Wisconsin and Northern Michigan on weekends and participate in one day trips at a reasonable cost wouldn't you want to know more? Finally, to be part of a social club that had year-round activities including monthly activities along with seasonal activities such as biking, camping, kayaking, volleyball and weekend bus tours wouldn't you want in on the action? I'd say we just need to get the word out and we'll have people pounding on our door to join. Growing membership is everyone's job, so let's get the word out to individuals that you know including friends, co-worker and even your adult children (over 21 years old). You might even consider organizations that you are already part of such as churches, schools and companies who can use our activities to enrich, but not replace, the activities they already have planned. SO LET'S SPREAD THE WORD!!

LEADERSHIP: Our club needs to cultivate leadership. This not only relates to filling the current open Director positions, but giving members an opportunity to give back to the club in a variety of ways that their time allows. If you would like to talk about how you could give back to the club, big or small, please contact me or one of the Club Officers or Directors.

ACTIVITIES: The club has a wide variety of activities. We recently e-mailed out a short SURVEY on the morning of May 6th. We need to know where your areas of enthusiasm are for club activities for 2016-17. Check your in-box or spam for this survey and return it with your responses promptly.

We have some incoming and outgoing leaders to recognize as the club begins its 2016-17 year. THANK YOU: I wish to sincerely thank outgoing 2015-16 Officers and Directors for their service to the club this past year. They include Dawn Peterman-Harris (President), Edie Schaezlein (Vice President), Rich Best (Treasurer), Janice Wachs (Secretary), Audrey Wissmann (Membership) and Megan Reilly (Past-President).

WELCOME/WELCOME BACK: The club welcomes some new/returning Officers and Directors for 2016-17. Those 2015-16 leaders returning to serve club for at least another year are Mark Harris (Western Trips), John Heinzl (Newsletter), Joyce Katona (Treasurer), Dawn Peterman-Harris (Past-President), Laura Thornton (Vice President) and Dave Wherry (Promotions). In addition, we also welcome new board members

Jeff Borchardt (Northern Trips), Jean Bronson (Social Events), Jennifer Campbell (Secretary), and Jim Reilly (Membership).

CONGRATULATIONS: At the Year End event held May 13th, we recognized service to the club on multiple levels. Director of the Year was given to Mark Harris, Sitzmark of the Year was awarded to Jim Reilly and the Roger Yindra award for Lifetime Service was presented to Audrey Wissmann. All were well deserving recipients.

I look forward to your suggestions and working with all of you during the 2016-17 year.

Tom



**Sitzmark Board
of Directors**

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| PROMOTIONS — Dave Wherry | 414-530-2212 | promotions@sitzmark.org |

Social Events / Meet-Me-Ats

Monday Night Bike Rides

Rides will continue into the fall as daylight and weather allows. Usually we keep going every Monday until October. Rides are usually at 6pm and are in Waukesha County Lake Country, Holy Hill, Menomonee Falls, etc. Ride Distances are between 10 and 30 miles and usually at a pace between 15 – 30 mph. Pick your distance and pace and ride with

the person/s of similar ability. Thanks! Ron August.
ron.august@t-mobile.com
Cell #262-271-0012

A weekly update including ride location and time is sent. To join this distribution list send a blank e-mail from the address you want added to the list to:

sitzmark_bikers-subscribe@yahoogroups.com



(note: It takes a day or two to become active.)

Wednesday Night Biking



Come and JOIN IN THE FUN of Biking Wednesday Nights.

We will meet just before 6:00 PM and START AT 6:00 PM from Greenfield Park (parking lot just off of 124th and Lincoln) and bike either North or South or East or West on the Oak Leaf Trail/ New Berlin Trail/Henry Aaron Trail: (usually to Whitnal Park, Elm Grove, Waukesha or Miller Park and return.)

Hope to see you there,
George Vogt— SkierED@ATT.Net

WEDNESDAY CO-ED VOLLEYBALL @ Rainbow Park

Volleyball at Rainbow Park at 6:10 PM every Wednesday. 117th & Washington

Park is located 2 blocks north of Greenfield on 117th Street. Open play, mixed recreational. All skill levels are welcome. Nominal fee (25 cents members & 50 cents nonmembers) to help over equip-

ment maintenance, Etc. We go to the Pallas Restaurant's Aris Sports Bar afterwards for food and drinks.

Contact Bob Bluemner at:
414-545-0376
Call cell 414-791-3923 night of Volleyball only.



Golf League

League is Tuesdays, 9 holes walk-



ing, with first tee time of 5:20pm. Carts available at the courses (except for Lincoln) for an additional fee. Limit of 12 golfers and application deadline was April 28, 2016. For [Signup form and league details click here](#)

Total league cost is \$210 for all 12 outings. League members must be at the course by the first tee time to avoid losing our

slots. You must sign up for a minimum of 6 outings to be in the league. Please note: there are no pull or motorized carts at Lincoln due to the lateness of our tee time.

If you are interested in being a sub, or participating in next year's league, please contact Rob Hermann at :
rob.hermann@hotmail.com
414-640-4003 I will get you the

Camping and Social Events



Wildcat Mountain Camping Trip Friday June 24 - Sunday June 26

\$15 for Members, \$20 nonmembers
Hosted by : Laura Kletti & Sue Czarniak
Join us for a weekend camping trip at one of Wisconsin's most popular and scenic state parks.

- We'll enjoy Canoeing/Kayaking on the Kickapoo River
- Biking on the Elroy-Sparta Trail (flat with fun rail-road tunnels)
- 20 Miles of Hiking Trails in the Park
- Saturday Pot Luck Dinner

There is only room for 20 people on the group campsite so don't wait too long to sign up. [Click Here to download the sign-up form](#)



July Birthday Meet-Me-At Tuesday, July 19th at Barnacle Buds 5:30 pm until ???

Your Hosts: Nancy Woltzen and Mike Mueller
Join us for summertime fun on the Milwaukee River!



Tuesday Night Specials:

BBQ Ribs with slaw and French fries or onion-rings - Half rack \$9.95, Full rack \$14.95

Oysters \$1.50 each. Great apps, seafood and drinks and live music with Jimmi T

Barnacle Buds - 1955 S. Hilbert Street - Milwaukee, WI 53207.

[Click here for directions](#)

Peninsula State Park—Door County Camping Thursday, July 21 - Monday July 25, 2016

We have the Lakeshore group site reserved! This is the trip of the summer, just ask anyone who has joined us in the past. Don't miss it!

Organized events: Friday: fish fry @ Sister Bay Bowl, Saturday: potluck breakfast (prepare your favorite dish to share) & group kayak excursion and Sunday: Sixth Annual Door County Tennis Open Round Robin tennis tournament. Hiking, biking, kayaking, boating, party island, awesome bonfires, wine tasting and treats throughout the weekend. Kayak and bike rentals available at Nicolet Beach.

The cost is \$35 before June 21, 2016 and \$40 after until the trip is full. Includes: campsite and all events above except fish fry and rentals.

For more information contact Nancy Woltzen at 414-559-0508 or nancywoltzen@gmail.com. Mail your check, payable to Sitzmark Ski Club, to Nancy to reserve your spot: 3145 S New York Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53207.

Please include your email, day of arrival and whether you will be attending the fish fry. Also, let Nancy know if you will be participating in the tennis competition.



End of Year Party Blue Jeans & Bling

The Sitzmark Ski Club Blue Jeans and Bling End of Year ("EOY") Party on Friday the 13th was anything other than unlucky. If you didn't have fun or you didn't attend, you cannot blame the awesome Sitzmarkers who turned out in full bling and jeans for a fabulous buffet, dancing, and swearing in of the new Board at the Brookfield Suites.

President Dawn Petermann-Harris swore in the New President, Tom Augustine, who gave a rousing speech worthy of a national convention. This year will surely be an awesome year with summer activities beginning and visions of pow pow ski trips forming in our skiers dreams.



Tom and Dawn introduced the past year's Board as well as your new Board members, so here they are if you missed it:



| Position | <u>Outgoing</u> | <u>New</u> |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Prez | Dawn Petermann-Harris | Tom Augustine |
| VP | Edie Schaetzlein | Laura Thornton |
| Secretary | Janice Wachs | Jennifer Campbell |
| Treasurer | Richard Best | Joyce Katona |
| Membership | Audrey Wissman | Jim Reilly |
| Promotions | Dave Wherry | |
| Special Events | Laura Thornton | Position open |
| Sports & Racing | Mike Mueller | Position open |
| Northern Trips | Tom Augustine | Jeff Borchard |
| Western Trips | Mark Harris | |
| Social | Jean Bronson | |
| Past Prez | Megan Reilly | Dawn Peterman Harris |
| Newsletter | John Heinzl | |

Jim Reilly was honored *Sitzmark of the Year*.
 Mark Harris was honored as *Director of the Year*.
 Audrey Wissman received the *Roger Yindra Lifetime Service Award*.

DJ Rockstar Productions spun great tunes so hope you took some turns on the dance floor.

I would like to personally thank Pam Koch, Dave Roffers, Jeff Lohman (loved the studded jeans!), Sue Czarniak, Chip Walter and Megan & Jim Reilly for helping with the door. Thanks to Laura Barry, Dave Wherry and Jean & Tom Bronson for being my emergency back-ups. You guys rocked and without your help, this would not have been a success.

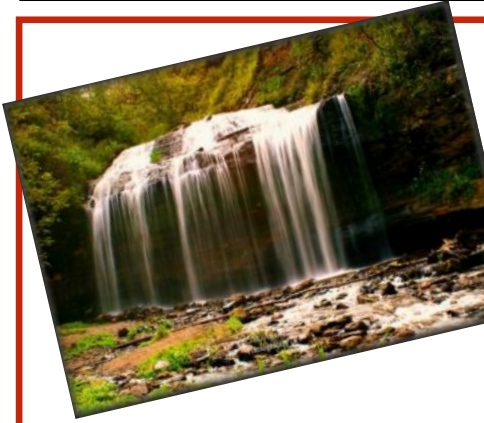
A special thank you to Jon Rydz for the photos!!!

I've enjoyed doing the Annual Charity Auction "Out of Bounds" on 11/14/14, the End of Year Reggae Party on Friday May 8, 2105 and of course The Blue Jeans and Bling End of Year Party on 5/15/16. The Director of Special Events is a fun position if planning the Year End Party and other activities is something you are interested in. Remember, your help is always needed and appreciated so if are interested in getting involved on the Board or in any other capacity, please see a Board Member or myself.



Laura Thornton, Director Special Events

Weekend Trip!



The Osceola & St Croix Valley Cascade Falls

Dinner Train

Landmark Center, St. Paul

Join us as we travel by motor coach to the northwestern part of Wisconsin and into Minnesota. Here are some of the highlights:

- ◇ **Cascade Falls** in Osceola, WI is located along the St. Croix River. Experience the rushing water falls as you descend a set of stairs of 156 steps leading you down into the gorge and to the base of the falls.
- ◇ Osceola- St. Croix Valley **Dinner Train** is a 90 minute picturesque excursion through the St. Croix Valley with a First Class Dinner of a USDA choice hanger steak set on a bed of garlic mashed potatoes and roasted vegetables. Dessert is strawberry cheesecake. (Gluten Free, Dairy Free and Vegan diets are available.)
- ◇ **Landmark Center**, St. Paul, MN –this historic architectural building once served as the Federal Court House in the 1930's for gangsters like John Dillinger, Ma Barker and Babyface Nelson. Public tours of the building are offered depending on availability, along with costumed gangster tours.
- ◇ 2-night stay in Hastings, MN – a drive-by to Welch Ski Village is on the list for the next day.
- ◇ **Coon Valley** – Amish country will be our scenic route on our way home.
- ◇ Fennimore, WI (outside of Madison) is our next stop – **Doll & Toy Museum** or the Fennimore **Railroad Historical Society Museum**.

Cost: \$295 per person - includes bus transportation, group tickets for dinner train, two-night stay in Hastings, MN with complimentary breakfasts, and food/beverages on the bus.

Depart: Friday, Sept. 23, 2016 at 3:30 pm; Arrival: Milwaukee – Sunday, Sept. 25th – 6:00 pm.

Bus pickup locations: Watertown Plank Rd Park N' Ride; Goerkes Corners Park N' Ride - Exit 297.

Limited rooms are blocked – bring your friends! SIGN-UPS due by 8/22/16

Contact: Jean Bronson (414-423-1495); Tom (414-940-8642) or tomjeanb@att.net.

[Click Here for the Sign-up Form](#)



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Our website for trip information and signups: www.sitzmark.org

Check out our group on Facebook to see what our members are up to:
www.facebook.com/groups/sitzmark/

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