



November 2011	A Year-Around Recreation Club Since 1971	Vol. 40 Issue 11
<p><b>Nordic Calendar</b></p> <p><b>NOVEMBER -</b>  <b>5 Lapham Peak Trail Clearing</b>            Anresa Tekus 414-769-0061</p> <p><b>6 Local Hike</b>            Paul Keber 262-547-4827</p> <p><b>12 Chicago Art Institute Trip</b>            Sandy Bialek 847-767-4376</p> <p><b>13 Local Hike</b>            Mike Craig 414-552-5011</p> <p><b>16 Ski Waxing Clinic</b>            Carol Doebler 262-424-2924</p> <p><b>18 Monthly Meeting</b>            Greenfield Park Pavilion</p> <p><b>DECEMBER -</b>  <b>3 Old World Christmas Market Trip</b>            Rita Ekers            414-486-3710</p> <p><b>3 Holiday Party</b>            Renee Couture 262-827-1180</p> <p><b>9 - 11 ABR Ski Trip</b>            Rita Ekers 414-486-3710</p>	<p><b>Monthly Meeting And Events -</b>  <a href="#">Download 4-Month Calendar</a></p> <p><b>Reminder - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME</b>            Begins at 2 am on <i>Sunday, November 6, 2011</i></p> <p><b>November Monthly Meeting</b>            Friday November 18 - <a href="#">Link to Event</a></p> <p><b>Location:</b> Greenfield Park Pavilion, 2028 S. 124th St., Greenfield, WI 53227</p> <p><b>Times:</b>            6:30 pm - Socializing            7:30 pm - Club announcements            8:00 pm - Cross Country Ski Fitness Program</p> <p>Snacks and beverages will be provided. This meeting is free and open to everyone.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Winter Ski Trip Sign-Ups</b></p> <p>Sign-ups went very well at the October meeting. It was great to see so many people there! Spots are still available on all trips. There are several options to register -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. As always, fill out the Nordic Trip Flyer and mail to the trip leaders with your deposit.</li> <li>2. Fill out the form online and mail the check to the trip leader.</li> <li>3. For your convenience, you may register online and make payment through a PayPal account. You may also use PayPal as a "Guest" and use your credit card to make your trip payment.</li> </ol> <p><i>Looking forward to seeing you on the snow!</i></p> <hr/> <p><b>Lapham Peak Trail Clearing &amp; Chili Dump</b>  <i>Saturday, November 5, 2011 - <a href="#">Link To Event</a></i>            The Nordic Ski Club will be working with the Friends of Lapham Peak to help clear the trails in preparation for the winter ski season. We will start at 9am at the shop: (Directions to the shop: After the entrance office continue straight about a quarter mile. The shop is the first road to the left.) Tools will be provided by the park rangers. You may want to bring your own work gloves. After the clearing, around noon, we will participate in a chili dump. Bring a dessert, bread or another item to share.</p>	<p><b>Short Notes</b></p> <p><b>Volunteers</b>            The Club still needs a newsletter editor and treasurer. Beth Donnelly and Becky Yakes have been doing a fantastic job but are ready to step down. Call Beth, Becky or Katie Bivens if you are interested in learning more.</p> <p><b>Club Membership</b>            Membership Renewal due Oct. 1. Must be an current member to sign up for ski trips. Renew online and mail check or pay through PayPal. Dues - Individual \$25 Household \$35 Yes, they increased slightly. It's been about 10 years since the last increase.</p>

**13, 20, 27  
NSCM Ski at Lapham Peak**  
John McCarthy 262-549-3604

**DEC. 30 - JAN. 2  
Keweenaw Peninsula Ski Trip**  
Stan Rosenstiel 262-694-2206

**JANUARY -  
3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
NSCM Ski at Lapham Peak**  
John McCarthy  
262-549-3604

**6 Coffee House Music Night**  
Al Burrill  
414-327-3257

**7 Lapham Peak Lessons**  
Carol Doeblner  
262-424-2924

**7 Lapham Peak Winter Picnic and Monthly Meeting**  
Rita Keber  
262-547-4827

**14 Local Snowshoe Outing**  
Barb Johnson  
262-385-8102

**15 Local Ski Outing**  
Paula Brookmire  
414-527-0040

**18 Exploring Cuisines Restaurant**  
Cindy Witorek  
414-483-5912

**20 - 22 Minocqua Winterpark Ski Trip**  
John McCarthy  
262-549-3604

**Directions:** To get to Lapham Peak, go west on I-94 and take the Delafield, Cty Hwy C (south) exit. Proceed south for one mile on Cty C, the park entrance is on the left (east) side of Hwy C. For more information about this event, please contact Anresa Tekus at (414) 769-0061.

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**REMINDER: RENEW TODAY**

A valuable benefit of paid-up membership is discounted rates for ski trips. The new club year begins on October 1; so current members and life members, it's time to renew your membership. Go to [www.nordicskiclub.org](http://www.nordicskiclub.org) and log-in to your profile. The Login is in the upper right-hand corner. You may renew via PayPal or print and mail the form along with your check to Betty Schraith.

Future members, become a member today! Fill out the [Online Form](#). Pay via credit card on PayPal or print return your completed, two-sided membership form and dues as soon as possible to Membership Chair Betty Schraith.

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**Southern Kettle Ice Age Trail Hike**

*Sunday, November 6 - [Link To Event](#)*

Join other Nordics for a scenic hike on the hills of the Ice Age Trail in the Southern Kettle Moraine State Forest. The hike will begin at 10:30am from the Scuppernong Trails parking lot and will proceed south along the Ice Age Trail. We will hike about 3 ½ miles to Brady's Rocks before returning back to where we started for a total distance of 7 miles. After the hike we will stop somewhere for refreshments. The Scuppernong Trails parking lot is located north of Eagle. **DIRECTIONS:** Take I-94 West to HWY 67 South to Co. Hwy ZZ south of Dousman. Turn left (east) and go ½ mile to the parking lot on the north side of ZZ. Call Paul Keber at [\(262\) 547-4827](tel:2625474827) if you have any questions or to let him know you are coming. Don't forget that DST ends at 2 am, so don't show up an hour early!

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**Chicago Art Institute Trip**

*Saturday, November 12 - [Link To Event](#)*

Take in a bit of culture on Saturday, November 12 as we head to downtown Chicago and visit the Art Institute. The museum is a visual treat for first timers and repeat visitors alike. Even if you've been here before, there are lots of new additions to the museum. The Modern Wing, which houses the museum's world-renowned collections of modern European painting and sculpture, contemporary art, architecture, design and photography, has recently opened. The addition makes the Art Institute the second largest art museum in the United States! After a five-year absence during the construction of the Modern Wing, the famous Chagall windows have been re-installed. Come see your old favorites, such as "American Gothic," Van Gogh's self-portrait, and Monet's Water Lilies. Admission is \$18. Purchase tickets on your own, either online at [http://www.artic.edu/aic/visitor\\_info/geninfo.html#tickets](http://www.artic.edu/aic/visitor_info/geninfo.html#tickets) or in person. We'll meet at the Grand Staircase in the first floor lobby at 11am. From there, we will tour the museum in smaller groups.

For those interested in having lunch at the museum, there are several options. The 2010 "Best of Chicago" Award winner, Terzo Piano, is located in the Modern Wing. Menu selections range from pasta to salads and sandwiches, with prices averaging about \$17. <http://www.terzopianochicago.com/> Reservations have been made at 1pm for 8 people. Let Sandy know if you're interested in this option so she can book accordingly. You can also lunch on your own at the two other cafes in

Must be a current member to book ski trips at member rate.

**Web Tips**

*Add Events to your calendar - Click the "**Add To My Calendar**" Link in the upper RH corner of an event. Open the .ics file and then save the event.*

*Did you know that by clicking the **RSS link** on an event, forum or blog page, you will get updates forwarded to your Google Reader or any other reader?*

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**Program Committee**

Here's a look at next winter's ski trip schedule. After Oct. 21, you may sign-up online

**ABR Trails**

Fri., Dec. 9 – Sun., Dec. 11

**Keweenaw Peninsula**

Fri., Dec. 30 – Mon., Jan. 2

**Minocqua Winter Park**

Fri., Jan. 20 – Sun., Jan. 22

**Medford Car Pool Trip**

**27 - 29 Medford  
Carpool Ski Trip**

Mary Lucas  
414-232-4196

**FEBRUARY -  
4 Local Ski Outing**

Paul Erspamer  
414-963-4081

**7, 14, 21, 28  
NSCM Ski at Lapham  
Peak**

John McCarthy  
262-549-3604

**10 - 12 Marquette  
Ski Trip**

Greg Wyder  
414-477-9016

**17 Monthly Meeting**  
Greenfield Park Pavilion

**18 Board Games  
Night**

Bob & Katie Bivens  
414-321-5487

**24 - 26 Waupaca Bed  
& Breakfast Car Pool  
Ski Trip**

Sally Heuer  
262-786-8731

**MARCH -  
2 - 4 Valley Spur Ski  
Trip (Munising, MI)**

Jane Stolz  
414-226-5076

**16 Monthly Meeting**  
Greenfield Park Pavilion

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For membership  
information, call  
Betty Schraith (414)  
453-2350

the museum or venture out to one of the many restaurants on Michigan Avenue.

**Getting there:** Come for the day, or make a weekend of it and stay overnight at one of the city's fine hotels for some early holiday shopping. The Metra train leaves Kenosha at 8:49am and arrives downtown at Olgilvie Transportation Center at 10:30am. The Kenosha Metra station is at 5414 13th Avenue, and the parking lot is at 54th Street and 13th Avenue. Daily parking passes cost \$2.50 and are purchased in the station cafe. Weekend Metra train passes are \$7.

[http://metrarail.com/metra/en/home/maps\\_schedules/metra\\_system\\_map\\_up-n/schedule.full.html](http://metrarail.com/metra/en/home/maps_schedules/metra_system_map_up-n/schedule.full.html). From Olgilvie, it's an easy 11-block walk east on Washington Street (Madison Street at Wacker Drive is closed due to construction) to Michigan Avenue and south to the museum at Adams Street. If you're driving down, park across the street at the Millennium Park Garage (approx. \$23 fee).

**Contact** Sandy Bialek at (847) 767-4376 or [sbialek@wowway.com](mailto:sbialek@wowway.com) so she knows who's coming and to reserve a spot at Terzo Piano. If you would like to carpool to Kenosha or Chicago, please let Sandy know so she can connect you with others who are interested.

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**Lake Geneva Hike**

*Sunday, November 13 - [Link To Event](#)*

Join members Nordics and members from the Bay View Bike Club for a nice autumn hike on the trail along the north end of Lake Geneva. Meet at the library in Lake Geneva by 10am where cars will be shuttled to the destination before returning to Lake Geneva where the one-way hike begins. The hike will head toward Fontana (a distance of 12 miles) or somewhere along the way depending on the distance everyone wishes to hike. Bring water and snacks to eat along the way since there are no stops along the way until you reach Williams Bay. After the hike we will get a bite to eat at a local restaurant. People who live in Milwaukee may wish to carpool from the north lot of the Watertown Plank Rd Park & Ride at Hwy 45 and Watertown Plank Rd. Plan to leave the Park & Ride by 9am. Call Mike Craig at (414) 552-5011 with any questions and for details on where to meet.

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**Ski Waxing Clinic And Discount Night - [Link To Event](#)**

*Wednesday, November 16 - [Link To Event](#)*

Stride into the Wax Barn at Lapham Peak with your cross-country skis on Wednesday, November 16th, 6:15pm. Protect and wax your skis in 10 minutes or less. Mary Eloranta, of Peak Nordic, will demonstrate this technique. Everyone will have the opportunity of using a Peak Nordic wax bench, iron and scraping tool and Wheel & Sprocket supplied wax on their skis. This event will be held in the "Wax Barn / Ski Rental Barn" on Lapham Peak Property, located between the park entrance and the Evergreen Shelter parking lot. **DIRECTIONS:** To get to Lapham Peak, go west on I-94 and take the Delafield, Cty Hwy C (south) exit. Proceed south for one mile on Cty C, the park entrance is on the left (east) side of Hwy C. After the entrance office, continue straight about a quarter mile. The shop is the first road on the left. Annual State Park Sticker required.

After waxing, you are encouraged to drive approximately one mile north for the NSCM discount night at WHEEL & SPROCKET, 528 Wells St., Delafield,



Fri., Jan. 27 –  
Sun., Jan. 29

**Marquette, MI**

Fri., Feb. 10 –  
Sun., Feb. 12

**Waupaca B&B  
Car Pool**

Fri., Feb. 24 –  
Sun., Feb. 26

**Valley Spur**

Fri., Mar. 2 –  
Sun., Mar. 4

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**Old World Christmas Market Trip At The Osthoff Resort**

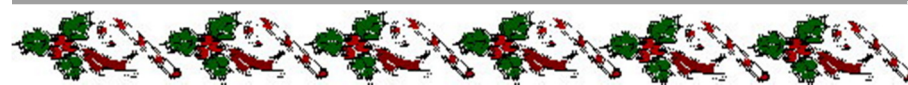
*Saturday, December 3 - [Link To Event](#)*

Get in the mood for the club's Christmas party in the evening by joining me for an afternoon Holiday adventure to the Old World Christmas Market at the Osthoff Resort in Elkhart Lake, WI on Saturday, December 3. You will stroll through heated tents bedecked with fragrant boughs of fresh evergreens and the tantalizing scents of roasted almonds and Nüremberg bratwurst. Browse for unique and specialty items among international and regional artisans. Examples are hand carved nutcrackers, glass ornaments, gingerbread houses, apparel, photography, paintings and prints, European specialty foods, jewelry, and much more!



The Old World Food Court offers shoppers delectable German fare, such as Nüremberg bratwurst, hot glühwein, sauerbraten, dumplings, wiener schnitzel, potato pancakes, red cabbage, pulled pork and apple strudel. And Father Christmas will be there for children of all ages ... bring your children and grandchildren and a camera! For more complete information about the location of this event, please visit:

<http://www.christmasmarketatosthoff.com/index.html>. As the event approaches, I will determine a Park n Ride that is convenient for participants with plans to meet at 9am. Upon arrival we will browse/eat at our leisure and meet later at the Food Court for 1pm departure to home. Plenty of time to get ready for the club Christmas Party! For more information, please contact Rita Ekers at [ekers@tds.net](mailto:ekers@tds.net) or (414) 486-3710.

**Holiday Party**

*Saturday, December 3 - [Link To Event](#)*

This year's festive setting for our big annual Holiday Party will be held at Klemmer's Banquet Center on Oklahoma Ave. just east of Hwy 100. We have reserved the "Governor's Room" which will be decorated for the holidays and will be quite roomy for us, plus there's a nice bar and lounge area as well. Socializing and cash bar will begin at 6pm with dinner at 7pm. Choose from four tasty entrees. Please see the website for details. Looking forward to seeing all of you there for a jolly ol time reconnecting with good friends! A special \$10 discount is available for members who are new to the club since the last Holiday Party. Discount does not apply to renewed or former members. Mail your check to arrive no later than Wednesday, November 23rd - No exceptions! Please contact Renee Couture at (262) 391-2361 with questions or if you would like to volunteer to help with this fun and very popular annual event!

**ABR Trails Ski Trip (Ironwood, MI)**

*Friday, December 9 (6pm) - Sunday, December 11 - [Link To Event](#)*

Start the winter ski season with some great skiing at ABR Trails. The bus leaves Friday evening at 6pm. We plan to ski both Saturday and Sunday at ABR Trails on 60km of scenic trails that are family owned and meticulously groomed. There also are 10km of snowshoe trails. Accommodations are at the Americinn in Ironwood, MI with swimming pool, whirlpool, sauna, and free continental breakfast. Contact trip leader Rita Ekers at (414) 486-3710

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for more information.

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**Keweenaw Peninsula Ski Trip** (Houghton, MI)

*Friday, December 30 (8am) - Monday, January 2 - [Link To Event](#)*

Celebrate the New Year in the Keweenaw Peninsula of Upper Michigan. We will leave Friday morning at 8am and stop to ski at Green Bay Reforestation Camp with 30km of trails. Swedetown has 30km of groomed trails and a ski chalet with snack bar. Michigan Tech University has 35km of superbly groomed trails that are very wide, and there is a small warming hut as well as a chalet. Both areas have snowshoe trails. Chassell Trails and Maasto Hiito are other possible ski areas with scenic, striding-only trails. Accommodations are at the Super 8 Motel in Houghton, MI with swimming pool, whirlpool, sauna, and free continental breakfast. Contact trip leader Stan Rosenstiel at (262) 694-2206 for more information.

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**Minocqua Winter Park Ski Trip** (Minocqua, WI)

*Friday, January 20 (8am) - Sunday, January 22 - [Link To Event](#)*

Join us for some great skiing at Minocqua Winter Park. We will leave Friday morning at 8am and stop to ski at Nine Mile Forest ski trails near Wausau with 30km of trails. We plan to ski Saturday and Sunday at Minocqua Winter Park that has 75km of beautifully groomed trails as well as snowshoe trails. Accommodations are at the Americinn in Minocqua with swimming pool, whirlpool, and free continental breakfast. Contact trip leader John McCarthy at (262) 549-3604 for more information.

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**Medford Car Pool Ski Trip** (Medford, WI)

*Friday, January 27 - Sunday, January 29 - [Link To Event](#)*

Let's explore a potential future club ski trip destination with a carpool ski trip to Medford, WI. This will be a "If there's snow, we'll go" trip. On Saturday, we will check out nearby Perkinstown Ski Trail which has about 20km of groomed trails. We will also explore 30km of groomed trails at beautiful Rib Lake Ski Trails. On Sunday afternoon, Camp Forest Spring will be open to the public. Both Perkinstown and Camp Forest Spring have chalets while Rib Lake does not. Nevertheless, the trails at Rib Lake are extensive and ambitious skiers can access the Timm's Hill Ski trails via Rib Lake. Please contact trip leader Mary Lucas for carpooling, hotel and trip details at [plomvorn@wi.rr.com](mailto:plomvorn@wi.rr.com)

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**Marquette Ski Trip** (Marquette, MI)

*Friday, February 10 (8am) - Sunday, February 12 - [Link To Event](#)*

Try something new this year and join us on the Marquette ski trip. We will leave Friday morning at 8am and stop to ski at Green Bay Reforestation Camp with 30km of trails. Skiing for Saturday and Sunday in the Marquette area will include the Lower Noquemanon Trail around Forestville consisting of 35km of trails including 15km of new loops around Forestville that has a heated shelter. Other possible ski areas include Saux Head, Big Bay, or Blueberry Ridge. Accommodations are at the Ramada Inn in downtown Marquette with sauna, whirlpool, swimming pool, sauna, restaurant, and lounge. Contact trip leader Greg Wyder at (414) 477-9016 for more information.

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**Waupaca Bed & Breakfast Car Pool Ski Trip** (Waupaca, MI)

*Friday, February 24 - Sunday, February 26 - [Link To Event](#)*

Give yourself a break with a mid-winter stay at Appletree Lane Bed &

Breakfast in Waupaca, WI. Join Sally Heuer and Steve Culver as the Nordics take over this beautifully restored Victorian farmhouse for the weekend. Located two hours northwest of Milwaukee, we'll be a few minutes east of Hartman Creek State Park Ski and snowshoe trails and 18 miles south of Iola Ski Trails. Choose your favorite roommate, your favorite board game to play and don't forget to bring your cross country skis and snowshoes. Take some quiet time by the Crystal River, just a short stroll up the road from the house. A list of local restaurants and a map of area attractions will be provided. To view photos and learn more about the Chain of Lakes area, visit [www.appletreelanebb.com](http://www.appletreelanebb.com). For more information please contact trip leader Sally Heuer at [smiles@comp911.com](mailto:smiles@comp911.com) or (262) 786-8731.

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**Valley Spur Ski Trip** (Munising, MI)

*Friday, March 2 (8am) - Sunday, March 4 - [Link To Event](#)*

Join us for our popular ski trip to Valley Spur near Munising, MI. We will leave Friday morning at 8am and stop to ski at Green Bay Reforestation Camp with 30km of trails. We plan to ski Saturday and Sunday at Valley Spur Ski Trail in the Hiawatha National Forest with 45km of trails that are some of the most scenic to be found anywhere. Saturday is the annual optional "Taste and Glide" event that benefits Valley Spur and features lots of delicious food, such as chocolate-covered strawberries, at several stops along a beginner trail as well as in the log cabin. Accommodations are at the Holiday Inn Express near Munising with sauna, whirlpool, swimming pool, and free continental breakfast. Contact trip leader Jane Stoltz at (414) 226-5076 for more information.

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**Notes of interest -**

**Blizzard Challenge Match**

*Through October 31*

The Lapham Peak Friends, in cooperation with the DNR and community businesses, have embarked on an ambitious project to bring snow-making capabilities to the ski trails at Lapham Peak. Donate by October 31 and double your money. Blizzard Donors are ready to match your funds. [For more information.](#)



**Peak Nordic Ski Swap**

Thursday Evening November 3rd - Drop off Used Equipment

Saturday November 12th – Open to the Public

The Peak Nordic Ski Club will again be helping its youthful skiers with used equipment. Put your stored items to good use and/or find your "new" treasure from someone else's storage. Bicycle Doctor Ski Shop, 105 N. Main St. Dousman, WI 53118 will again host this event. [CLICK HERE](#) for flyer with details.

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**[Nordic Ski Club of Milwaukee, Inc.](#)**

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