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**Friday, March 2-4th**

**Valley Spur Ski Trip**

Stan Rosenstiel

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Join the Nordics for lively folk music on Saturday, Jan. 6, from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm at Milwaukee's Vintage Coffee House which is located in a church at [1905 W. Wisconsin Ave](#), Milwaukee. Use the lighted front door (inside church) to enter the coffee house. Doors open at 7:30pm. Meet inside at 7:45 pm at the reserved round table listed under "Nordic".

The theme for the night's music is a tribute to musicians who passed in 2017. Suggested Donation \$5 plus 2 non-perishable food items for the food pantry.

We will eat before the event at 6:15pm at [Miss Katies Diner](#), 1900 W. Clybourn Ave, Milwaukee which is two blocks south of the coffee house. Please RSVP to Carol Limbach at [carolalimbach@gmail.com](mailto:carolalimbach@gmail.com) if you plan to attend one or both events.

I'll be able to accommodate a few last-minute folks by phone at 414-514-7639.

**Let's Ski Our Namesake Trail - Local Ski Trip**

*Sunday, January 21, 12:45pm*

Nordics, let's ski the Nordic Trail! If there's lots of snow in the Southern Unit of the Kettle Moraine State Forest on Jan. 21, we'll cross-country ski on the Nordic Ski Club of Milwaukee's namesake trail. Meet at 12:45 p.m. (ski at 1 p.m.) at the shelter off the parking lot to the Nordic Trail.

This scenic system of cross-country ski trails is less than an hour's drive from Milwaukee. Designed in the 1970s by David Harrison, a president of the Nordic Ski Club, the trail system has options for beginners to expert skiers. The shelter is heated and there's a separate building for restrooms. The nearby store at LaGrange is definitely worth a stop for homemade food and supplies.

If there's too little snow in that area, we may go to Lapham Peak State Forest, which makes snow, or even to the Northern Unit of the Kettle Moraine, at Greenbush. Look for an update email a day or two before. But definitely call Paula Brookmire at (414) 527-0040 Saturday evening or between 9 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday to confirm the ski location (and let her know you're coming).

By meeting up before everyone starts skiing, you may be able to find a ski partner. If there's no snow at all, we'll consider a hike along

**Add Photos To The Nordic Website**

As a member of the Nordics, you may upload photos to your personal photo album or to the public albums. Simply log-in so all member privileges are available. Then the upload and edit buttons are visible for you to add to the fun. Need help? [katiebivens@gmail.com](mailto:katiebivens@gmail.com)

Next Month, Look For:

**Local Ski Trip February 4th**  
Paul Keber

**Minoqua Winter Park Ski Trip February 9th-11th**  
John McCarthy

**Monthly Meeting - Fish Fry February 16th**  
Board

**Exploring Cuisines February 18th**  
Cindy Wiktorek

**Board Games Night February 24th**  
Bob & Katie Bivens

**Nordic Night at Lapham Peak Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27**  
John McCarthy

**ABR Ski Trip March 2nd-4th**  
Stan Rosenstiel

If you are interested in leading a Nordic Event, or have a great idea for a

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### **ABR Ski Trip**

*Friday, January 26th - Sunday, January 28th*

Join the Nordics Enjoy some great skiing at [ABR \(Active Backwoods Retreats\)](#) from January 26th to the 28th.

The bus leaves Friday morning at 8 am. On Friday, we will likely ski at [Nine Mile Forest](#) near Wausau. Nine Mile Forest, which is the home of the Badger State Winter Games, has about 30 km of trails, groomed for striding and skating, and suitable for all abilities. There is a nice chalet with ski rentals.

We plan to ski both Saturday and Sunday at ABR on 73 km of scenic trails that are family owned and meticulously groomed. There also are 10 km of snowshoe trails. The chalet has a ski shop, and ski and snowshoe rentals. Hot pasties will be available on Saturday. ABR Trails has both skating and striding trails for all skiing abilities. Both Nine Mile Forest and ABR Trails have extensive networks of designated snowshoe trails.

Cost Includes: Motor coach transportation, trail fees, and two nights accommodations at the Americinn in Ironwood with swimming pool, whirlpool, sauna, free continental breakfast, and microwave and refrigerator in each room. Restaurants are within walking distance. An optional Saturday group dinner will be offered. Contact trip leader Greg Wyder at 414-477-9016 or [wyder@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wyder@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

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### **Nordic Night at Lapham Peak**

*Tuesday, January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 6:30pm*

Lapham Peak is the premiere location for cross country skiing in Southeast Wisconsin for many reasons, including 5 kilometers of lighted trails, of which 1.2 kilometers are served by snowmaking. Weeknights at the Peak are alive with activity, with the Peak Nordic Kids on Monday, and adult and high school racing on Wednesday.

This year, we are once again designating Tuesdays as NSCM Night. The event is very informal. Just show up when you feel like. Meet your friends in the Evergreen Shelter, head out and stride or skate a couple of loops around the lighted or snowmaking trails, and then around

member event, please contact a member of the Program Committee or Paul Keber, [pkeber@milwpc.com](mailto:pkeber@milwpc.com)

8:00, come back to the Evergreen shelter building to have refreshments with the group. Bring something simple to share – your beverage of choice, and an easy snack. No advanced sign-up is required, but if you have questions or suggestions, contact John McCarthy at 414-412-0331 - but you should expect to leave a message, because he'll probably be out at Lapham, skiing.

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### **"If There's Snow, We'll Go" Leaders Needed**

*January, February, March*

Would you like to ski for a day (or several days) with your NSCM friends if there's snow?

**VOLUNTEER TRIP LEADERS ARE NEEDED** to arrange skiing day-trips and longer excursions on open dates in January, February, and March--weather dependent, of course. Last-minute outings are possible.

These "ITSWG" events will not involve much effort by the organizer. In conjunction with the Program Committee chairperson (Paul Keber), you'll decide where to ski, eat, and stay overnight (if applicable) and write a brief paragraph describing the details that will then be emailed to club members. Participants will be responsible for their own expenses.

Are you interested in volunteering? Please contact Paul Keber at [pkeber@milwpc.com](mailto:pkeber@milwpc.com) or 262-547-4827 with your date and destination ideas.

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### **Minocqua Winter Park Ski Trip**

*Friday, February 9th - Sunday, February 11th*

Join us for some great skiing at [Minocqua Winter Park](#). There is currently plenty of room on the bus. We will leave Friday morning at 8 am and stop to ski at Nine Mile Forest ski trails near Wausau with 30 km of trails. We plan to ski Saturday and Sunday at Minocqua Winter Park which has 90 km of beautifully groomed trails as well as 11 km of snowshoe trails.

Accommodations are at the Best Western Plus Concord Inn in Minocqua with swimming pool, whirlpool, bar, free continental breakfast, and a microwave and refrigerator in each room. Because of room renovations being done during our stay there, only 14 rooms will

be available for trip participants. After those rooms have been filled, all other trip participants will stay at rooms that have been reserved at the Americinn in downtown Minocqua with swimming pool, whirlpool, sauna, free continental breakfast, and microwave and refrigerator in each room.

Contact trip leader John McCarthy at 414-412-0331 or [johnnymac1952@gmail.com](mailto:johnnymac1952@gmail.com) for more information.

If you are unable to join us on the Friday morning bus, there may be an opportunity for you to reserve a room at the Americinn and drive or carpool to Minocqua on your own. Stay tuned for more information in a future newsletter or email blast.

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### **Valley Spur Ski Trip**

*Friday, March 2nd - Sunday, March 4th*

Join us for our popular ski trip to [Valley Spur](#) near Munising, MI. Our trip is nearly full, so don't wait to sign up. Contact Stan to get on the waiting list if there are no openings.

We will leave Friday morning at 8 am and will ski at [Brown County Reforestation Camp](#) near Green Bay (30 km of ski trails and chalet) or at Valley Spur.

We plan to ski Saturday and Sunday at Valley Spur Ski Trail with 45 km of both skating and striding trails that are some of the most scenic to be found anywhere. Valley Spur Ski Trail is in the Hiawatha National Forest outside of Munising MI. Picturesque, 3-km snowshoe trails are also available, and a cozy log cabin.

The highlight of the weekend is on Saturday with the annual "Taste and Glide" event (included in the trip price) that benefits Valley Spur. Lots of delicious food and beverages will be 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, free continental breakfast, and microwave and refrigerator in each room.

Cost Includes: Motor coach transportation, trail fees, and two nights' accommodations at the Holiday Inn Express.

For more information contact Stan Rosenstiel at 262-694-2206 or [mrstanmr@yahoo.com](mailto:mrstanmr@yahoo.com).

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