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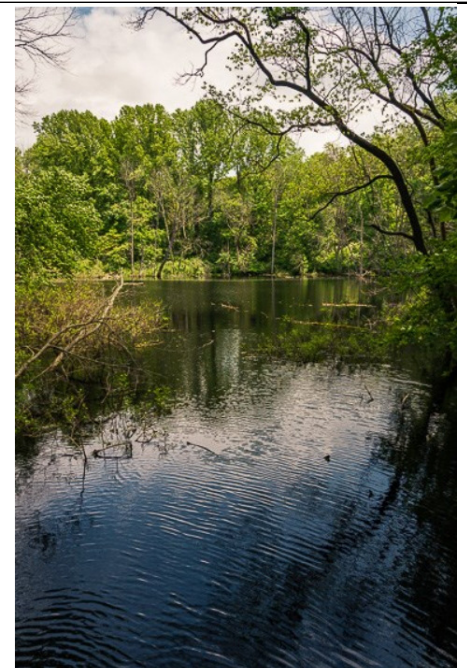
June Social Events | Trip Updates



**Hey, Folks! Let's
enjoy the
"Duneland" in
Duneland Ski Club!**

We live in an area of extraordinary natural beauty. Our weekly Bike Rides and monthly Hikes give us an opportunity to enjoy our surroundings. But it's all there for you to experience any time.

**It's summer!
Get out there!**



Secluded wetland on the Pinhook Upland trail.

June-at-a-Glance

Weekly Bike Rides are back!

We meet each Wednesday, beginning at 6:00 PM, at Countryside Park North in Portage for a pleasant 10-mile ride on the Prairie Duneland Trail, followed by dinner out. **See Page 4**

RailCats Baseball Game - June 19

As American as apple pie – a night out for minor league baseball is a great DSC summer tradition. Tickets are still available! **See Page 2**

DSC Hike at Cowles Bog - June 23

President's Corner

The great ski experiences that keep people coming back to Duneland Ski Club can't happen without you! We still have few openings for our **2027 DSC Western Trip to Sun Valley, Idaho, and CMSC Chicago Week 2027 to Big Sky, Montana!** A \$100 deposit will secure your spot. **See Page 6.**

Then you can focus on enjoying our great summer activities. June, July, and August are packed – and we are always ready for new ideas – like local live theater, outdoor concerts, and blueberry picking! Spend a little time on **Pages 3, 4, and 5** and you will see! Plan ahead with the Club Calendar at our website.

Let's put the Duneland in DSC and explore our own backyard!

Jerry Mansell

Join our next hike and see the diverse habitats that helped “Save the Dunes” for State and National Parks. **See Page 4**

Sign up NOW for the Pine River Trip

Still a few spots open for this fantastic weekend of fun and float! Don’t miss out! **See Page 2**



**Take me out to the Ball Game!
RailCats game on June 19**

We're back in the Suites! We will occupy Suites 9, 10, and 11, located through the double glass doors on the west side of the stadium. Parking is available on the east side of the Stadium.

The game starts at 6:45pm and the gates open at 5:45pm. There will be a stadium style buffet with a few additional sides from 5:45 to 7:15.

On the main level of the stadium there is a gift shop and other vendors. Throughout the evening the crowd has a chance to partake in fun activities such as The Chicken Dance, T-Shirt Toss, and a Ball Toss at the end of the game. Baseballs for the toss can be purchased in the gift shop for a chance to play and win! Lastly, there will be a wonderful fireworks show to enjoy before heading home.

Tickets are \$50 per person; limited tickets are available. Contact Dian Berryman (219) 406-1186 for tickets. (Pay by Zelle, cash, or checks payable to Duneland Ski Club).



Get wet! Get wild! Join the Annual DSC Canoe & Camping Trip!

Our annual **National Wild & Scenic Pine River** canoe/kayak/camping trip in beautiful Central Michigan is set for **July 10-12, 2026**.

Get ready for two nights of camping, delicious catered meals included, and even a packed lunch for the day on the river! Bring your own tent or RV and decide if you want to enjoy the beauty of the Pine River in a canoe or on a kayak.



Go to <https://skiduneland.com> and look for the sign-up in the green box or under the Trips & Events menu. **Oh, heck - just call Dian!**

Our Weekly Bike, Hike and Blade make Wednesdays fun!

Wednesday, June 3, 10, 17, and 24 at 6:00 PM

Join us for a 10-mile bike ride on the Prairie Duneland Trail. Bike at your own pace, walk, jog, even rollerblade. We meet at Countryside Park North, just north of Route 6 (opposite Wilshire Drive) in Portage. We follow the good exercise with a casual dinner or drink at various local restaurants.



DSC Blueberry Picking and Family Picnic!

Mark your Calendar for Saturday, July 18

We will meet at **Bonnell Blueberry Farm** (3655 S 750 W, San Pierre, IN) at 10:00 AM to pick-your-own blueberries or buy pre-picked. They are delicious! (To pre-order, call Bonnell's at 574-896-5365.)

Then **Barry and Susie Matzat will host a Family Picnic at the South Farm Hut Club in Winamac**. Bring a side or dessert, and drinks to go with Barry's famous pork chops! Also bring a folding chair so you can sit and soak it all in. This will be a fun day for the whole family, so bring the kids and grandkids! Bring your swimwear if you want to dip in the lake, or bring your own fishing gear.

Directions to the South Farm Hunt Club and Pond: put 9032 W 700 N, Winamac, IN 46996 in your GPS. Look for the green South Farm Hunt Club signs across from Kersting's Cycle Center, then drive on through the gate and follow the gravel road back to the pond. Susie says the road curves a couple of times, but you can't get lost.

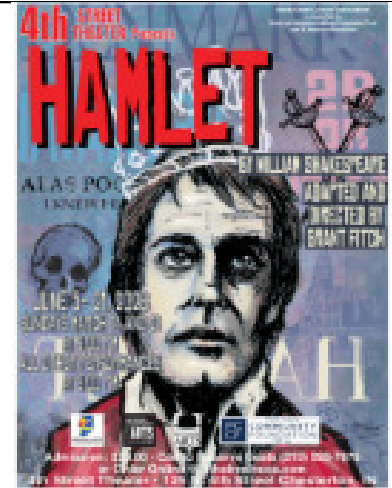


For questions or clarifications on directions call Susie at 574-249-2050.

And now, for something completely different!

Our area has several great **live theater** options, and the 4th Street Theater in Chesterton is one of the best! See **our own Maggie Reister** in this updated production of the Shakespeare classic play **Hamlet**.

Performances on June 5-6, 12-14, and 18-21.
Check the show times and buy your tickets online at [Upcoming Events – 4th Street Theater](#).



**Free Concert in the Park?
Yes, please!**

Enjoy live music with fellow Dunelanders on a beautiful summer evening in Three Oaks, Michigan on **Saturday, July 25!** Relax under the big oak trees at Dewey Cannon Park to hear **Quite Frank Lee** perform in the gazebo. Bring your picnic, beverages, and lawn chairs. Check out the complete schedule at the Harbor Arts website:
[Music in the Park — Harbor Arts](#)



Quite Frank Lee

IDNP Cowles Bog Hike on June 23!

The Cowles Bog Trail highlights an area of such outstanding plant diversity that it was designated as a National Natural Landmark in 1965. Explore several distinct habitats including ponds, marshes, swamps, black oak savannas, and beaches. This location, where Dr. Henry Cowles conducted much of his early work in plant ecology and succession in the early 1900s, remains an important focus for scientific study. Depending on our pace, we can hike 3.5 or 4.5 miles - overlooking Lake Michigan.

Meet at the **Main (North) Lot, 1450 Mineral Springs Road, Dunes Acres, IN, at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, June 23.**

(Look for the gravel entrance road on the right, just before the town guardhouse.) Note, National Park passes are required.

As always, dress for the weather and bring your own hydration. This time of year, ticks are still active and mosquitos are possible, so be prepared. There is one portable toilet at the parking lot.



"Comin' in ..."

After the hike, we can drive to **Wagner's Ribs** in Porter for good barbeque and refreshing beverages!

So June and July look great – what's coming in August? Glad you asked!

Saturday, August 15 – 10th Annual Pool Party at Wytovicz's
Saturday, August 22 – Gary Air Show at Miller Beach
Saturday, August 29 – CMSC Picnic at Norge Ski Jump

Check the Calendar on our website for more information!



10th Annual Duneland Ski Club Pool Party & Barbeque

Destination:

The Wytovicz Residence...Cheryl & Joe

4918 Sandy Beach Dr.
Crown Point, IN 46307
Lakes of the Four Seasons
[219-213-2676/Residence](tel:219-213-2676)

Date/Time:

August 15th, 2026 from 2 till?

What to bring:

Bathing suits/towel/a dish to share/a cooler if beverages other than tea...lemonade or water are desired/Fishing Gear if you wish

You are cordially invited...to Duneland's 10th Annual barbeque at the Wytovicz Residence Swimming/ Water Volleyball/Canoe/Paddle boating/Fishing (bring your fishing gear)/Barbeque and Socializing

There is lots of shade for those who prefer to stay out of the sun or the water
If you are new to the club, please join us so that we can all get to know each other better!
If you know someone thinking of joining or just interested in coming, bring them along.

We ask those attending to bring a dish to share and your own coolers w/alcohol or other if desired

~Lemonade, Ice Tea & Appetizers will be served at 2:30~

We (Duneland) will provide Burgers & dogs served at dinner time approx. 6:30

Later.....a fire...in the evening weather permitting
Hope to see you there!

Please RSVP to Your Hosts Cheryl & Joe Wytovicz

ajfluff@gmail.com or 219-213-2676/Res or 219-796-7860/Cheryl Cell

(We just need a preliminary count if you decide at the last minute to attend...you are still

Ski Trips are GREAT! So let's do it again!

Register NOW for these outstanding Western Trip destinations!

Sun Valley, Idaho, is a "bucket list" ski destination!

Registration and deposits for the 2027 DSC Western Trip NOW OPEN.

Base package includes:

- * Airfare on United Airlines (RT O'Hare - Sun Valley)
- **ONLY 29 direct flight seats available; other flights will be one-stop**
- * Bus transfers (RT Sun Valley Airport - Lodging)
- * 7 nights lodging at Sun Valley Lodge Apartments
- **LIMITED single accommodations (first come, first choice)**

See the Trip Flyer for further information and links to Sun Valley amenities.

Follow this link: <https://skiduneland.com>

Look for this trip on the Home Page. Online registration and payment of the deposit (refundable until June 30, 2026) will secure your spot on this trip. Full package pricing will be published after the airfare rates and itinerary are confirmed.



CMSC Chicago Week is a blast!

For 2027, DSC has booked 26 spots for a favorite destination: Big Sky Montana.

Registration and deposits NOW OPEN!

Base package includes airfare (RT from O'Hare), bus transfers (RT Bozeman Airport - Lodging), and 7 nights lodging at Big Sky. See the Trip Flyer for further information and links to Big Sky amenities.

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Look for this trip on the Home Page. Online registration and payment of the deposit (refundable before June 30, 2026) will secure your spot on this trip. Full package pricing will be published after the airfare rates and itinerary are confirmed by CMSC.



CMSC is already looking ahead to 2027 and beyond!

DSC already has spots for Chicago Week 2027 and 2028

CMSC UPCOMING TRIPS



CHICAGO WEEK 2027
FEB. 27-MAR. 6, 2027
 FROM \$1649 PER PERSON PLUS AIR AND LIFTS*

TRIP INCLUDES:

- 7 NIGHTS LODGING
- GROUND/BUS TRANSPORTATION
- WELCOME RECEPTION
- MOUNTAIN TOUR
- MOUNTAIN LUNCH, RACE
- PUB CRAWL
- TWO (2) APRÈS SKI PARTIES
- DINNER BANQUET WITH MUSIC AND DANCING
- CMSC EVENT CREDENTIAL

*AIR AND LIFT TICKET PRICING WILL BE AVAILABLE THE SPRING/SUMMER OF 2026.

AVAILABLE OPTIONS:

- TRAVEL INSURANCE
- 6TH DAY LIFT, SENIOR LIFT DISCOUNT

IKON PASS HONORED

Located in southwest Montana (approximately 50 miles south of Bozeman and an hour north of West Yellowstone), Big Sky Resort is a popular winter destination known for its vast skiable terrain, consistently receiving an average of over 400 inches of snow annually. The resort boasts over 5,850 acres of diverse terrain, making it one of the largest ski resorts in the US. With a vertical drop of 4,350 feet, it's also one of the longest in the country.

The resort is also the basecamp to Yellowstone National Park and provides daily shuttles to Yellowstone's west entrance.



SPRING FLING 2027



APRIL 4-9, 2027

\$1352 PER PERSON PLUS AIR*

TRIP INCLUDES:

- 5 NIGHTS LODGING AT THE CAMBRIA HOTEL
ONLY A SHORT WALK TO EAGLE LIFT
- 4 DAY LIFT TICKET
- GROUND/BUS TRANSPORTATION

*AIR FARE PRICING WILL BE AVAILABLE SPRING/SUMMER OF 2026.

AVAILABLE OPTION:

- TRAVEL INSURANCE

IKON PASS HONORED

Copper Mountain is located in Summit County, Colorado, about 75 miles west of Denver. It features over 2,500 acres of terrain and offers a variety of activities for both winter sports enthusiasts and summer visitors. The resort is known for its naturally divided terrain, which allows skiers to explore different levels of difficulty, from gentle groomers to advanced terrain parks. Copper Mountain also hosts various events, including the Stifel Copper Cup, showcasing top alpine skiers.

Copper Mountain facilities are divided into three villages: East Village, The Village at Copper (Center Village), and West Village. The ski area is most notable as being designated by the National Forest Service as having the most organized skier layout of any ski resort.

CHICAGO WEEK 2028



FEB. 26-MAR. 4, 2028
 FROM \$2367 PER PERSON PLUS AIR*

TRIP INCLUDES:

- 7 NIGHTS LODGING
- 5 DAY LIFT TICKET
- GROUND/BUS TRANSPORTATION
- WELCOME RECEPTION
- MOUNTAIN LUNCH, RACE
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Steamboat is known for its exceptional skiing, particularly the Champagne Powder snow. The resort spans over 2,965 acres and features a variety of trails suitable for all skill levels, including beginner, intermediate, and advanced options.

Steamboat is celebrated for its family-friendly atmosphere, with activities ranging from skiing to exploring the town's vibrant downtown and hot springs. The resort also offers a range of dining experiences and a lively après-ski scene, making it a comprehensive destination for winter sports enthusiasts.

Welcome our newest members:

- Fred Lebensorger
- John Murdoch
- Ken Glucksberg
- Fred Pajak (returning)
- Jim Quebbeman

We look forward to seeing you soon!



Check out the updates to the CMSC website!

Spend a few minutes at [Welcome to CMSC](#) for information on upcoming CMSC events like the Summer Picnic, Trip Seminar, and Travel and Adventure Show.

And as a member of a CMSC club, you can see where other clubs are planning trips – ski or boarding, paddles, cruises, and more! Got a ski destination on your bucket list? Chances are a CMSC club is getting ready to go!



Let your Board know what's on your mind:

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