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Celebrating 30 Years

Christmas Meeting December 14

The Christmas meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 14, 2004. This is a very special meeting where all family members (wives and all the little Steelheaders) are encouraged to attend. As always, the meeting takes place at 7:30 P.M. in the hall at 6177 Chicago Rd. (east of Mound Rd., North of 13 Mile Rd.)- Warren, Michigan.



Special Christmas activities will take place focusing on the entire family and acknowledgment of accomplishments of various members during the year.

The highlight of the night is the anticipated appearance of **Salmon Claus**. Mr. Claus always shows up with a special gift for all the little Steelheaders attending the meeting. (Bring your camera)

Other activities for the night include presentations of the "Member of the Year" and "Director of the Year" and the drawing for the Cooler of Cheer. The lucky winner will receive **a 100-quart cooler full of cheer, a big assortment of party snacks and \$100 in cash.**

The overall top ticket seller for the cooler raffle will win a \$150 gift certificate from Bass Pro.

If you need a last minute Christmas gift for a Skipper or Crew Mate, be sure to see Ty Voigt or Bill Stanley and get information on the very cool, new **club jackets** and windbreakers at the meeting.

The Detroit Area Steelheaders club is celebrating its 30th year of promoting and protecting our Great Lakes fishery (and going fishing & having fun). To commemorate this event we have had

Wolverine Tackle make up custom 30th Anniversary Silver Streak spoons.

These spoons come with our club name & 30th Anniversary overlaid on Wolverine's best colors in regular and magnum sizes.

This continues the tradition of having had anniversary spoons made for our 15th and 25th years.

The club has decided to give one of these spoons, free as a gift to each paid member (1/family) who is in attendance at the Christmas meeting. That's just another reason to be a member and attend the December meeting.

These spoons will also be available for sale at our membership meetings beginning in December for a limited time at 3 for \$10, the same price our 25th year spoons cost five years ago.



Elections

Elections will take place in December at the meeting. There are 7 positions up for election for the Board of Directors. Ballots will be available at the door so be sure to vote for the people

you want to direct the future of your club.

Announced candidates at press time are:
Joe Von Grabe
Bob Jones
Bob Fiesel
Tom Moores
Nick Amicone
Bill Stanley
Mark Bevens

SIXTH ANNUAL SPORTSMEN'S DINNER

The Detroit Area Steelheaders will be hosting our Sixth Sportsmen's Dinner on Saturday, March 5, 2005. We will be at the same location as last year's highly acclaimed dinner, at the Salt River Golf Club Banquet Center at 33633 23 Mile Road, New Baltimore, 2.4 miles east of I94 (Exit #243). Mark your calendar! This event sells out fast. Tom Moores is the contact person for Wild Game Dinner tickets. His cell phone is 248-866-0663.

Member Drawing

Douglas Franklin of Dearborn Mi - sorry to say we missed you at the November membership meeting. Your name was drawn and you missed out on \$60.00. Hope to see you in December; the membership drawing pot will grow to \$70.



2005 Boat Trolling Tournaments
April 23 - St. Joe
April 30 - Salmon Stakes
May 21 - Grand Haven 2 Day
June 4th - Pt. Austin Team Doubles
June 18 - Special People
June 25 - Frankfort
July 16 - BFQ
August 6 - Ludington Ladies Day
August 13 - Ludington
August 27 - Manistee
September 10 - Grand Haven

River & Ice OUTINGS

The DAS River Rats had an outing on the Big Manistee on November 6. Tom Theda won with a beautiful 9.6 pound steelhead. Special thanks to Dave Stachniak who filled in last minute to run the event and also to all of the guys who participated.

A Lake St. Clair Ice Outing is tentatively planned for January. A Higgins Lake Ice Outing is planned for February.

Stay tuned to the meetings or the web site for further information and confirmation the ice is safe.

HOLIDAY RECIPES

Blackened 'N Grilled Salmon

- 1 tsp. blackened or Cajun seasoning mix
- 1/2 tsp. garlic salt
- 1/4 tsp. onion powder
- 1/8 tsp. black pepper
- 1/8 tsp. cayenne pepper
- 1/2 cup olive or canola oil
- 4 (4 to 6 oz.) salmon steaks or filets

Blend all seasonings with oil and pour into gallon size zip-lock plastic bag. Add salmon, turning over to coat on all sides. Refrigerate salmon while heating grill. Heat heavy duty skillet or range top. Sear seafood, about 15 to 30 seconds on each side. Remove to platter. Transfer seafood to oiled hot grill. Turn once, basting with remaining marinade; cook about 6 to 12 minutes per inch of thickness. Do not overcook.

Makes 4 servings.

King Salmon Bake With Pecan Crunch Coating

- 2 tbsp. Dijon-style mustard
- 2 tbsp. melted butter
- 4 tsp. honey
- 1/4 cup fresh bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup finely chopped pecans
- 2 tsp. chopped parsley
- 4 (4 to 6 oz. each) Salmon filets or steaks
- salt & black pepper
- lemon wedges

Mix together mustard, butter and honey in a small bowl; set aside. Mix together breadcrumbs, pecans and parsley in a small bowl; set aside. Season each salmon filet or steak with salt and pepper. Place on a lightly greased baking sheet or broiling pan. Brush each filet or steak with mustard-honey mixture. Pat top of each filet or steak with breadcrumb mixture. Bake at 400 degrees Fahrenheit for 10 minutes per inch of thickness, measure at thickest part, or until salmon just flakes when tested with a fork. Serve with lemon wedges. Makes 4 servings.

Dinner Dance January 29

Mary Karakas has announced that the Annual Dinner Dance will take place at the K of C Hall on January 29. The theme for this year's extravaganza is "Music of the 60's/70's/80's."

See Mary at the Christmas meeting for more details and tickets. This is a wonderful event and a lot of fun. In addition to DJ music, there will be a wonderful dinner and the usual raffle with a wide variety of prizes.

New DAS Web Site

The new DAS website is up and running.

www.detroitsteelheaders.org

Be sure to sign up for the message board so you can get and participate in sharing information.

You need to do this as here is where you will get important last minute, up to date information regarding the club.

Stay in touch with friends. Get insider information on where the fish are biting (or not). Ask for an opinion on a new tackle or electronics item before you spend the bucks. This is the place where it happens. Sign up today.

Ultimate Fishing Show

There is a new fishing show planned for January 13-16 at the Novi Expo Center. Watch for more details from Bill Nutting.

Check Your Label

Did you know that your mailing label includes the date your membership expires? The month and year your membership expires is below your name. If it's marked yellow, you are expired (no; just your membership!) Don't be disqualified from a tournament because you forgot to re-up.

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MEETING NOTICE – PLEASE DO NOT DELAY

See Tom Moores at the regular meeting or send your check to the club post office box 1255 listed below. Regular memberships are still \$25, Senior \$10 and Lifetime \$150. How about a lifetime for a Christmas Gift?

Final Thoughts

On behalf of the Board of Directors, let me take this space to say we've had another great year and in fact another great decade as we close our 30th year with the Detroit Area



Steelheaders. Have a great holiday season, spend time with your family and friends. Be safe, respectful and may God Bless you and your family.



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