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MEETING LOCATION TO CHANGE FOR FEBRUARY

The February 27, 2001 Meeting will be held in a different location due to renovations going on at St. Pius K. of C. (our regular meeting location).

The February meeting will be held at Fr. Kramer Knights of Columbus Hall, 7400 Bernice in Centerline. This location is south of I-696 and west of Van Dyke (M-53). This is approximately 2.5 miles south of our regular meeting location. See the map and directions at: www.detroitsteelheaders.org/map.html. or call club President Doug Karakas (248) 545-1181 for additional information.

Captain Gary Gaw of G-Lynn Charters will be the guest speaker at our February 27th meeting. Gary will be speaking on the Port Austin fishery.

If you haven't fished Port Austin before, or if you just want to learn more about the tactics the local charter captains use in the tip of the thumb you'll want to hear Gary's presentation.

Also at this meeting we'll be updated on the 2001 Chuck Muer's River Crab Tournament which takes place on April 28th. See page 2 or our web site tournament schedule for more information on the River Crab.

SECOND ANNUAL SPORTSMEN'S DINNER

The Detroit Area Steelheaders will be hosting our second Sportsmen's Dinner on Saturday, March 10. 2001. The response from this past year's attendees was very positive especially regarding the great food. This year we have moved to a new, larger location, the Salt River Golf Club Banquet Center. It is conveniently located at 33633 23 Mile Road, New Baltimore, 2.4 miles east of 194 (Exit #243). The hall seats 350 and is finely decorated. The large windows provide a wonderful view of the golf course.

This will be a traditional sportsmen's dinner with a game menu, an impressive display of taxidermy, and raffles.

The same highly praised caterer, as the past year will cook the dinner. The food will include at least five wild game entrees such as pheasant, caribou, buffalo, etc.

This year's raffles will have more Great Lakes fishing gear, and yet still have some of the popular guns. We expect to have upwards of 90 raffle prizes. This will be one of our major fundraisers for 2001.

This past year we had over 220 people attend. This year we expect to sell out the 350 available seats. DO NOT BE LEFT OUT! To insure your spot buy your tickets right away. They are still the same price at \$30 per person and will be available at the Dec. meeting. Invite your friends and relatives.

Steve Hamilton Dinner Chairman

COMING EVENTS

MEMBER MEETINGS

Tuesday, February 27, 7:30 PM Tuesday, March 27, SWAP NIGHT -bring your stuff!

SPORTSMEN'S DINNER

Saturday March 10, 2000

RIVER TOURNAMENTS

For more information call Doug Karakas at (248) 545-1181

BOAT TOURNAMENTS

Lexington (outing)April 21 River Crab April 28 St. Joe May 5 Grand Haven May 19-20 Port Austin June 2 Special People June 16 Harrisville June 23 Erieau outing July 14 Frankfort July 28 Ludington August 11 Manistee August 25 Rogers City September 8

FISHING SHOWS

Outdoorama February 25 thru March 4

RIVER CRAB

This year's River Crab Salmon Stakes Tournament takes place on April 28. This will be the first tournament of the 2001 season.

Representatives of the Bluewater Sportfishing Assoc. will attend our Feb. meeting to talk about this year's tournament.

The Bluewater Mental Health and Child Guidance Clinic of Port Huron and seven other Michigan agencies benefited from the tournament last year.

Again this year, there is a \$5,000 prize for the club with the heaviest catch. The Board of Directors would like to see all of our club members try to participate in this tournament.

Let's make this tournament the number one tournament on your schedule and help the club win the \$5,000.

Entry tickets and dinner tickets will be available at future meetings. For any further questions regarding the River Crab, contact:

Mark Stosiak (810) 777-9833.

BOAT US MEMBERSHIP

Don't forget to renew your Boat US membership!!!

The Detroit Area Steelheaders is an affiliated club. As such, you get a significant saving on your Boat US dues.

Let them know you are a member and give them the club's code when you sign up. The number is: **GA 82750B**

WINTER-TIME TROLLING

Just because its February doesn't mean that you can't be doing things to get ready for next Spring and Summer's trolling season. A little organizing, sorting and cleaning will go a long way toward success.

First, now is the time to sort through all of your tackle. Make a list so you know what you have. (You may want to keep this where your wife won't see it!) With a list you won't buy unnecessary tackle at the shows. Also, note those items you need. Do you have an assortment of Bombers for Spring? Do you need more of those "Hot" spoons, dodgers, Dipseys? This list will be a real help at the shows where there are always bargains galore. You will be able to buy just the things you need.

While you are at it, sort out those baits, reels, rods, etc. that you didn't use last year. They are good candidates for the swap table in March and will provide cash to buy the new lures you need.

Other lures should be separated into the "paint" pile. That off-color spoon vou bought last year may be a deadly lure if you paint and tape it a different scheme; and that's a lot cheaper than buying all new. Pay attention to hooks. Some will need replacing: all sharpening. Remember that one that the big king straightened out? Take the front hooks off your Bombers and they will hang up less on the bottom next Spring. Put bigger hooks on the tail if they are the small trebles.

Don't forget your rods and reels. Is there a guide on a rod that needs to be fixed. Take your reels apart and clean and oil them. Any reels that need repairing should be taken in now before the Spring rush. Finally, strip the old line off your reels. If you haven't bought new line, put it on your list. Don't wait until the last minute or you may never do it.

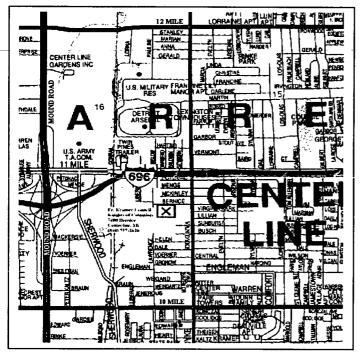
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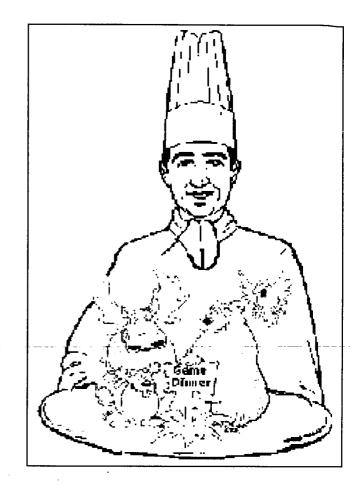
TO GET TO THE FEBRUARY 27, 2001 DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS MEETING:

Exit I-696 at Van Dyke and go approximately 1/4 mile SOUTH to BERNICE.

Turn RIGHT on BERNICE.

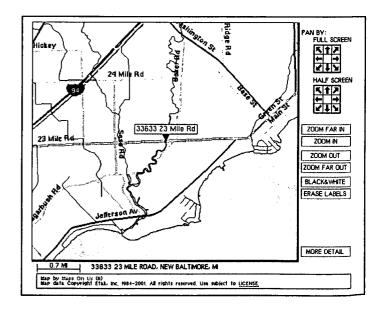
Fr. Kramer K of C hall is west of Van Dyke, South of I-696 on the left(south) side of Bernice - 7400 Bernice, Centerline. (810) 757-2626 This location is approximately 2.5 miles south of our regular meeting location (Chicago Rd.) in Warren.





To get to the Sportsmen's Dinner, take I-94 to 23 Mile Rd. Exit #243

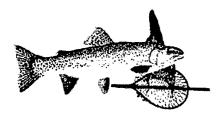
Head east on 23 mile for 2.4 miles.



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SHOWS CONTINUE

We still need help in manning the booth at fishing shows. The DAS will be at Outdoorama. Your help is needed and appreciated. If you can help, please call Ed Wilczek at (810) 757-7365.



For Sale:

15 hp 4-stroke Mercury; remote control & shifter \$2700Ez steer system \$100; Garlick engine bracket \$175; Teak swim platform \$100; Riviera Planer mast \$150; Ty Voigt (810) 247-9473 home (248-753-1685 work

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

MEETING NOTICE - PLEASE DO NOT DELAY

For Sale: Lexington mobile home (lot #16) 4203 Main, Lexington Mi. 48450

Lot is the northern most lot on the bluff, with a superior view of beach, Lake Huron and the Lexington DNR boat harbor. walkway down to beach. property is leased from the village of Lexington for \$236 per month. The mobile is a 1976 Hillcrest; 12' x 52'

city water; city sewer; stove, refrigerator, microwave, air conditioner, washer and dryer, cable, smoke alarm.

\$20,000 OBO -Ed Mooris

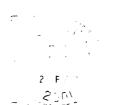
TOMORROW'S DREAMSportfishing Charters

Salmon & Trout 25 ft Pursuit

Capt. Mark Stosiak 21084 LaSalle Warren, Mi. 48089

(810) 777-9833 (810) 335-0599







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