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SALMON CLAUS is Coming!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Don't forget to mark **December 19** on your calendar! It's the date of the Annual Christmas Party for The Detroit Area Steelheaders. The meeting will take place at St Pius K of C on old Chicago Rd. As always, there are lots of activities planned. First, there is a very strong rumor that Salmon Claus will make his annual appearance and that he will have goodies for all the little boy and little girl Steelheaders that are present. This is a family meeting.

One of the most important aspects of this meeting is the election of Directors for the coming year. Every member of The Detroit Area Steelheaders will have the opportunity to cast a vote.

Mark Stosiak will also announce the final standings and award the trophies for the 2000 Skipper of the Year competition. Other trophies will be awarded to the people who caught the biggest fish in a Detroit Area Steelheader

event (boat or river) in 2000. Doors open at 7 PM and the festivities start at 7:30.

Cooler of Cheer raffle!!!!

The Annual Christmas Cooler of Cheer is winding down. The lucky winning ticket will be drawn at the annual Christmas meeting on Dec. 19.

The lucky winner will receive a **128-quart cooler full of cheer, a big assortment of party snacks and \$100 in cash**; a prize well worth the one buck investment.

The overall top ticket seller will win a really nice Portable **hand-held radio**. (This is a great boat tool, so you may want to talk to your crew and pool your results.) I have plenty of extra tickets for everyone who needs extra tickets. Please feel free to call me or see me at the meetings. From our Board of Directors and myself, we say thank you for your support.

Rob Golaszewski(810) 367-2186

Board of Director Annual Elections

The annual election for the DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS Board of Directors will take place at the Christmas meeting. There are multiple openings for directors this year.

This is a chance to help direct our club and to give back some

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DIRECTOR ELECTIONS



Chris Nytko
Aquarius II



Ed Wilczek
Steelie Ed



Joe Von Grabe
Sloppy Joe



Ty Voight
Tyger



Bob Jones
Bobby's Toy

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Mark Bevens
In-Seine

Steve Hamilton
Dinner Chairman

**SECOND ANNUAL
SPORTSMEN'S DINNER**

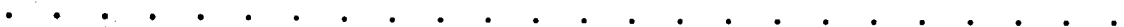
The Detroit Area Steelheaders will be hosting our second Sportsmen's Dinner on Saturday, March 10, 2001. The response from this past year's attendees was very positive especially regarding the great food. This year we have moved to a new, larger location, the Salt River Golf Club Banquet Center. It is conveniently located at 33633 23 Mile Road, New Baltimore, 2.4 miles east of I94 (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.



2001 Sport Shows

It may be hard to believe but it's only a few months until the 2001 show season hits the Detroit Area. This year however there is a change in the number of shows available to attend.

There are only two shows that the club will have its display booth at in 2001. Due to the cancellation of the Greater Detroit Sportfishing Expo at the Palace of Auburn Hills we will now have only the Pontiac Silverdome Boat, Sport and Fishing Show (January 31 to February 4, 2001) and M.U.C.C.'s Outdoorama in Novi (February 23 to March 4, 2001) as the main shows for the Detroit area.

As in the past we will need volunteers to man our booth at these shows. Sign up sheets will be available at the membership meetings from November through January. Working the club booth at the shows is a great way to meet people who share the same interests as you do, namely anything having to do with fishing and especially Trout and Salmon fishing. And it goes without saying that it provides an opportunity to see these two great shows and talk to the vendors, charter operators, etc. and to many old friends the club has made over the years.

Please see me (Ed Wilczek) at the meetings if you're interested in signing up to work at the shows.

This year we'll give every member who signs up to work our booth at the shows a small token of our appreciation: a new Detroit Area Steelheaders club hat (one per person only. Sorry, no additional hats for singing up for both shows or for multiple shifts. Hats to be obtained at the booth.).

For additional show information use the links found on our web site at: www.detroitsteelheaders.org/

DAS Smoked Salmon Dip
2 lbs. Smoked salmon
2 blocks of Philadelphia Cream Cheese
1 Tbl. Minced onion
4 drops Tabasco sauce
Combine all ingredients in a bowl.
Add your favorite crackers

WINTER TROLLING

Just because its Winter 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 you 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 resharpening. 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.

COMING EVENTS

MEMBER MEETINGS

Tuesday December 19 (Xmas)

Tuesday January 30

St. Pius K of C, Warren

RIVER TOURNAMENTS

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

MISCELLANEOUS

GLSFC Annual Meeting

Cabela's Dundee Jan 27

Dinner Dance Feb 10

Sportsmen's Dinner Mar 10

Silverdome show 1/31-2/4

Outdoorama 2/23 - 3/4

being a member.

Interested parties should contact any board member at the October meeting. All you have to do is to fill out a short form stating your interests and how you can help. The candidate's info. will appear in the November issue of Fishin' Tales.

DINNER DANCE

Tickets to the Annual Dinner Dance can be purchased at the Christmas meeting. The dance will take place on February 10 at the K of C hall. Tickets are regularly \$60 per couple. Plus, if you purchase a table of 8 before the end of the year you will also receive a special prize worth at least \$20.

The tickets are a real bargain when you consider they include food, open bar, dancing and a chance at the door prize. Be

sure to see Mary Karakas for tickets or call (248) 545-1181.

This has been a fun filled event. If you haven't decided if you want to go, ask someone who was there in the past. I guarantee they will tell you that it's a great time. We will have a sit down dinner followed by dancing.

As in the past, there will be raffles for the guys and for the gals. (although many gals win in the guys raffle, too.) We are still in need of donations for prizes. If you can contribute, please see Doug or Bob Mitchell. These prizes do not have to be fishing oriented. We have had people donate crafts, services and other things that make terrific raffle prizes. (Some wives just don't want to win a fishin' rod.) Don't miss this chance to show your spouse a good time. It could go a long way toward making it easier to go fishing next summer.

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