



"Fishin Tales" III

July 2024



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Speakers Captain Mark Williams and First mate Bo Waite (Silver Addiction) Ludington. While Captain Mark is networking with other Captains to get up-to-date information on fish location, First mate Bo Waite is working through the early morning Silver Addiction set up. Spoon selection, divers, paddles, and secret weapons were discussed. Speed, reading bubbles, direction-of-troll, and advise on how to blend each different trolling method for maximum effectiveness were demonstrated. If you are serious about Salmon fishing out in Lake Michigan from Ludington, you should have been here to listen. DAS has several Lake Michigan SOTY tournaments coming up where this valuable information could help you to successfully compete.

Other Meeting Features: Info & results on any recent and upcoming AOTY Outings, fishing reports from the floor, tackle raffles, 50-50 Raffle & every member present Drawing.

NOTICE BEGINNING JANUARY 2024: Any guest 18 yrs. and older, can join the DAS at a meeting for the special introductory rate of \$20 for the year. That's \$15 less than The normal adult membership fee of \$35.

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July 30, 2024 DAS Member Meeting—Featured Speaker Ed Eisch

News-Herald, June 2024, story by Sara Lapshan, senior communications advisor, Michigan DNR.

“Ed Eisch knows fish. After 30-plus years working in the state’s fish production program – doing just about every job from technician to hatchery biologist, and now overseeing the entire effort – Eisch understands even the smallest details of what it takes to keep the state’s six fish hatcheries humming.”

2024 SKIPPER OF THE YEAR (SOTY) TOURNAMENTS

DATE	Port	Port Captain	Times
June 29	Pentwater	Allen Devoll	5:30 am – 1 pm
July 13	Presque Isle	Blaise Pewinski	5:30 am – 1 pm
July 27	Ludington	TBD	6 am – 1 pm
August 10	Manistee	Nate Case	6 am – 1 pm

Chairman Bob Feisel (248-765-2504). We look forward to seeing you on the water!

Harbor Beach 6/21/2024

Before I summarize our club tournament, I want to give a shout out to the Thumb Chapter Michigan Steelheaders for putting on the Veterans Fishing Outing on June 14 th out of Harbor Beach. Fred Chartier invited me to be his First Mate for this event. Three of our Captains volunteered their boats and time to host some of the Vets. Joe Delisi, Allen DeVoll, and Fred.

This event has been conducted since 2012 with attendance growing every year. Captains were provided one night's slip, up to \$100 gas, ice, an American flag w/pole, and a t-shirt. The Vets were also given gifts. A hot lunch was provided for all. I was impressed with how smoothly this event was run.

The weather started off really nice with calm winds, but a slight drizzle developed when it was time to head back to port. There were some nice boxes of fish with some really big Steelhead and big Lakers caught. A10s out of Selfridge flew overhead and put on a nice display. I'm considering volunteering as a Captain next year. Besides honoring our Vets, it would be a good way to pre-fish our club tournament. I encourage our members to participate either as a Captain, Vet, or both.

For our club tournament, the forecast called for 5-10 mph winds out of the NE. When we arrived at the Marina around 4:30 am, the wind was howling. 5-10 my ass. Per Bob Fiesel, the winds were even stronger overnight. Ten Captains had registered, but two dropped out due to the conditions. Three boats poked out of the Pierheads to asses the conditions and concluded that it was fishable, especially since it was supposed to improve as the morning progressed. No one was going to run 20 miles but you could motor out and set up. It wasn't bad trolling with the waves and it eventually improved enough that you could troll in any direction.

We started a few miles north and set up going with the waves. We had three fish in the first hour and a half. Two on a low diver at 150, with an eight inch white glow Spinductor and Spin n Glo and one on a 200 copper with a Mag Spoon. At first fish call, we had three fish, four boats had one each and three boats had zero. We had two or three more bites but still only had three at the second fish call, while Blue Star had three, Moonshot and Miss Adventure with two each. Everyone else had one.

We started out running a custom painted orange, (Steelie Candy), Thin Fin from Docs Custom Crank Baits. I would normally run it on a high line but decided to go with a two color because it was so rough. After it didn't go for the first few hours, I took it off. With conditions improving, I put it out on a high line the last hour. It wasn't down for more than ten minutes when it took a Steelie. Put it back out and again within ten minutes it went again. We saw the Steelie doing cartwheels behind the boat but it spit the hook. This lure on a high line consistently took one or two Steelhead each time out last year. I highly recommend it.

At the weigh-in, our lunch included broasted chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, coleslaw, and potato salad provided by Ricky J's.

Moonshot took first place with four weighable fish, Miss Adventure took second with three fish, and Sloppy Joe took third with three fish. We had a fourth fish, (Pink), that was just a half inch shy of the 19 inches. I don't remember a Pink Salmon ever qualifying in our previous tournaments so this was a good size one. Also, I found it odd that Miss Adventure took second place at Harbor Beach without any Lake Trout. All three of their fish were Steelhead. I think next year I'll run two of those Thin Fins. Moonshot took the big Salmon prize of \$90 with a Coho, with big Steelhead going to Miss Adventure and big Laker to Sloppy Joe. Anyway, it was tough fishing but everyone caught fish, and almost everyone seemed to enjoy the outing. I say almost everyone because one of my crew was seasick all day but toughed it out. Joe von Grabe, Sloppy Joe".

Well I gotta brag. Moonshot pulled out a 1st place at the [Detroit Area Steelheaders](#) Harbor Beach Angler-of-the-Year outing. The fishing was tough, fish were small, mixed bag, waves were rough (sporty), the crew ([Donald Jasman](#) [James Anderson](#) aka Monroe Tony Steele) performed flawlessly, pulling lines and going for breakfast was considered often but we persevered and through sheer talent we pulled in 1 more fish for the win. Including big salmon (I think it was a 3lb coho no one caught a bigger salmon). Been a nice few days of friends, good food, and of course bragging rights...show me the money and Fear the Moonshot. Brad Walton.

Harbor Beach Standings														6/15/2024		
Place	Boat Name	Skipper	Status	# of Fish Weigh	Catch by Species & Weight				Best 5 Total	Best 5 Total Pt	Best 4 Total	Deduction Code	Points Deducte	Total Points	Place	
1	Moonshot	Brad Walton	M	4	L 7.00	S 4.70	C 3.40	C 3.15	-----	18.25	38.25	18.25	NONE	0.00	38.25	1
2	Miss Adventure	Allen Devoll	M	3	S 7.15	S 5.25	S 4.90	-----	-----	17.30	32.30	17.30	NONE	0.00	32.30	2
3	Sloppy Joe	Joe Von Grabe	M	3	L 7.30	S 4.45	L 2.95	-----	-----	14.70	29.70	14.70	NONE	0.00	29.70	3
4	Blue Star	Stan Bilek	M	3	S 6.65	L 3.80	L 3.45	-----	-----	13.90	28.90	13.90	NONE	0.00	28.90	4
5	Down Under	David Deronge	M	2	C 3.25	L 3.05	-----	-----	-----	6.30	16.30	6.30	NONE	0.00	16.30	5
6	Wonder	Joe Delisi	M	1	L 6.55	-----	-----	-----	-----	6.55	11.55	6.55	NONE	0.00	11.55	6
7	Lake Buzzard	Fred Chartier	M	1	L 6.35	-----	-----	-----	-----	6.35	11.35	6.35	NONE	0.00	11.35	7
8	Vicki's Seacret	Bob Feisel	M	1	L 3.95	-----	-----	-----	-----	3.95	8.95	3.95	NONE	0.00	8.95	8
9	-	-	-	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	9
10	-	-	-	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	10
11	-	-	-	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	11
12	-	-	-	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	12
13	-	-	-	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	13
14	-	-	-	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	14
15	-	-	-	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	0.00	0.00	0.00	NONE	0.00	1.00	15

L A R G E S T	Boat Name	Species	Wgt.	Number Caught	8	Total Boats	
	Moonshot	Salmon	3.40				
	Moonshot	Pool Salmon	3.40				\$80
		King	0.00	0			
		Pool King	0.00				
	Moonshot	Coho	3.40	3			
	Moonshot	Pool Coho	3.40				
	Sloppy Joe	Lake Trout	7.30	9			
	Sloppy Joe	Pool LT	7.30				\$40
	Miss Adventure	Steelhead	7.15	6			
	Miss Adventure	Pool Steelhead	7.15				\$40
		Brown	0.00	0			
	Atlantic	0.00	0				
	Pool Atlantic	0.00					
	Pink	0.00	0				
	Pool Pink	0.00					
	Total		18				

Deduction Code LEGEND	
LTWI	= Late To Weigh-In
FARC	= Failure to Answer Role Call
UCC	= Unauthorized Crew Chg.
DQ	= Disqualified
G	= Guest

WHEN: Saturday June 29, 2024

WHERE: Pentwater Municipal Marina 231-869-7028 or <https://pentwatervillage.org/marina.php>

TOURNAMENT START: 5:30 a.m. (Honor System Start – Roll Call will be taken by Port Captain within 1 hour after start) FISH CALLS: Channel 72 at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

PULL LINES: 1:00 p.m.

WEIGH-IN: 2:00 p.m. (must be in line by) Pentwater Municipal Marina

Luncheon will be provided courtesy of Port Captain Allen DeVoll (Miss Adventure) (616) 460-0724 (cell). It will be held at the Gazebo on the south end of the Municipal Marina. Port Captain (Allen) must know the names and number of people on each boat by Wednesday or sooner so an adequate amount of food can be provided. DAS SOTY entry form or text is preferred.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: Bob Feisel (Vicki's Seacret) 248-765-2504 Cell

PORT CAPTIAN: Allen DeVoll (Miss Adventure) 616-460-0724 Cell

ENTRY FEE: \$15/person (no boat fee)

Entry Forms available @ <https://detroitsteelheaders.com/soty-entry-form>

BIG FISH POOL (Optional): \$20 per boat

Big Fish payout:

\$10 for largest Salmon – \$5 for largest Steelhead—\$5 for largest Lake Trout

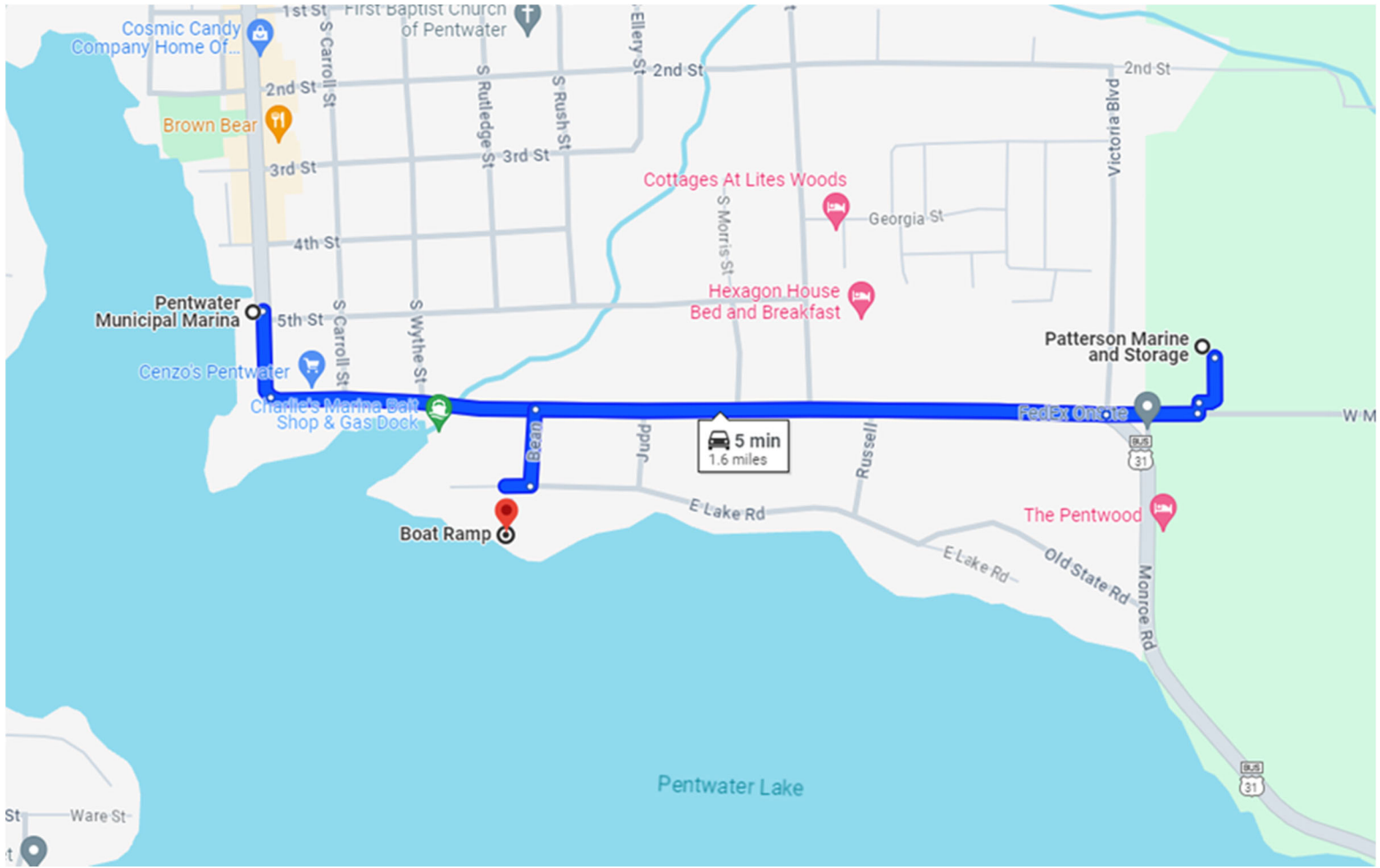
REMINDERS: Lake Trout- Size 15" minimum, Creel limit (3).

You must call (channel 72), the Port Captain or Tournament Director when you return to port at the end of the tournament. Also, you must call if you return to port at any time during the tournament or return to the water.

Notes on Pentwater:

Pentwaters boat ramp is not a DNR ramp and has a launch fee of \$10. For those needing to park a boat trailer, the municipal marina has an agreement with Patterson Marine (231) 869-6411 for trailer storage. Storage is \$7 per day and can be paid at the marina or at Patterson marine. Please note that they only accept cash for trailer parking when paying. See the map below for locations of the boat ramp, Patterson Marine and the municipal marina. For those unfamiliar with Pentwater, it is located approximately 11 miles south of Ludington. Little point sable is 10 miles to the south and to the north is big point sable light is 19.5 miles to the north. I do not have a current fishing report for Pentwater but will post one later in the week on WhatsApp. For those not on WhatsApp contact my cell. If you need assistance launching or need any assistance at all, please feel free to contact my cell and I can give you a hand as long as I am not on the water.

Tight lines and we will see you in Pentwater! Allen DeVoll (Miss Adventure)



DAS SOTY Presque Isle July 13, 2024

On July 13 2024 . The DAS boat trollers will be heading back to that little piece of heaven in north east lake Huron called Presque Isle. Over the last few years this port has produced a variety of species for the DAS teams to catch. Hope we will see it again this year. Lake trout have been the go to fish for points. Followed by a few kings , Steelhead, coho and the rare Atlantic salmon. Tournament starts at 5:30 am. We will pull lines at 1:00pm. With lunch served after weighing at 2pm. Lunch supplied by the Portage deli across from the boat harbor. Entry fee is \$15 per angler with \$20 per boat big fish pool. The boat captain must register the boat and each person in the boat so the port captain (Blaise) knows how many mouths to feed. Boat captain must also choose for the boat to be “in” the voluntary big fish pool or opt out.

A few places to stay: .Fireside inn 989 595 6369 Parker house 989 595 6484

See ya there. SEA HAG

DAS is a sponsor of the City of Auburn Hills Kids Fishing Derby at River Bend Park in Auburn Hills. DAS organizer Carl Ventimiglia and his crew represented our club by staffing a booth on the walkway offering bait, tackle, encouragement, and advice as the kids had a great time fishing the Clinton River for recently stocked Rainbow Trout.

City of Auburn Hills: "We of-fish-ally had a great time at the 21st Annual River Day Fishing Derby! Big thanks to this years sponsors: Bass Pro Shops, Buffalo Wild Wings Foundation, Clinton River Watershed Council, **Detroit Area Steelheaders**, and Clinton Valley Trout Unlimited."



2024 Meeting Dates / Locations

July 16, 2024	BOD	Roger's Roost
July 30, 2024	Member Meeting	River Bends Park
August 2024	No Board Meeting	
August 27, 2024	Member Meeting (Pot-Luck)	River Bends Park
September 10, 2024	BOD	Roger's Roost
September 24, 2024	Member Meeting	Club 54
October 15, 2024	BOD	Roger's Roost
October 29, 2024	Member Meeting	Club 54
November 6, 2024 *	BOD (move to Wed)	Roger's Roost
November 26, 2024	Member Meeting	Club 54
December 3, 2024	BOD	Roger's Roost
December 17, 2024	Member Meeting	Club 54

2024 Angler of the Year Schedule (Details will Follow as Needed)

Date	Locatin/Species	Coordinator
September 14	Lake St. Clair/Perch	Gaspare Aragona
September 28	Manistee River/Salmon	James Anderson
October 5	AuSable River/Salmon	Gary Gross
October 26	Manistee/Steelhead	A Kulpa/M Wyrick
November 2	Manistee/Steelhead/Surf	Bob Paradise
December 7	Caseville/Lake Trout	Rob Pinskey

Detroit Steelheaders Corporate Mission**Origin of The Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc.:**

Originally formed as a chapter of the Michigan Steelheaders and Salmon Fishing Association (MSSFA) in Dec 1974. In Jan 1990 DAS withdrew from the MSSFA and became an independent organization. The official name became the Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc, a non-profit organization.

Our official corporate purpose is: "To teach, inform, and guide the public to respect and appreciate the Great Lakes, rivers, and land around us. To promote and protect the fisheries resources therein."

You are free to contact your Representative at any time to offer your opinions on pending legislation. To locate your Representative on-line, enter the Michigan House homepage (house. Mi.gov/AllRepresentatives) and follow the directions to identify your Representative and contact information. At this time House Bill 5108 and House Bill 5553 are both “referred to committee” so now is the time to make your opinion known.

**Michigan BHA (Backcountry Hunters & Anglers)
Position on State of Michigan House Bill 5108
(Reproduced From BHA Web-site)**

Sponsored by Rep. Jason Morgon (D-Ann Arbor), HB 5108 titled “The Protect Michigan Fishing Act” would allow for the commercial take of game fish including lake trout, smallmouth, panfish, walleye, perch, and various other game species severely risking our Michigan fishing heritage. Considering these species are managed through funds generated from fishing license fees and monies from the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fishing Act, this bill threatens the opportunities and access that recreational anglers have supported for decades while undermining the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation.

New legislation came out of the Michigan House on October 11th, risking the \$2.3 billion-dollar recreational fishing industry along with the immense access and opportunities that we all enjoy.

The Michigan BHA (Backcountry Hunters & Anglers) Chapter opposes HB 5108 and the threat it poses to the recreational fishing industry along with access and opportunities. Risking the impact on recreational fishing in Michigan is not something worth consideration and it is up to conservationists such as yourself to be the voice! Be the voice and click on the link below to contact your state senator along with the bill’s author and let them know that you oppose HB 5108.

On March 6, Rep. Amos O’Neal (D-Saginaw) introduced a stakeholder-backed modernization of Michigan’s commercial fishing statute.

[House Bill 5553](#), written over the past several months in partnership with MUCC, would modernize archaic regulations in the state’s commercial fishing statute, and keep gamefish out of commercial nets.

Michigan’s commercial fishing statute is decades old and an update is long overdue to protect the pristine Great Lakes fishery, said Amos O’Neal.

“Michigan is so beautiful with its lakes and streams, and one of my favorite pastimes in the summer is to fish,” said Rep. O’Neal. “I am proud to introduce a bill to modernize the state’s commercial fishing industry. House Bill 5553 makes a change to commercial fishing that has not taken place in over 50 years. These protections are long past due.”

According to MUCC Policy and Government Affairs Manager Justin Tomei, the current commercial fishing statute needs to be revised protecting the investment licensed anglers have made in the management of our sportfish.

“Currently we operate with an abhorrent patchwork of rules and regulations, many of them have not been updated since the 1970s,” said Tomei. “We must modernize this industry, create a single regulatory framework in statute, and keep gamefish out of commercial nets, protecting the investment licensed anglers have made managing and rearing these fish.”

The bill has been assigned to the House Committee on Natural Resources, Environment, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation.

HB 5553 starkly contrasts HB 5108, introduced by Rep. Jason Morgan (D-Ann Arbor) last fall. HB 5108 sets minimum quotas for gamefish to be caught by state-licensed commercial anglers, commercializing a resource held in the public trust.

MUCC opposes HB 5108 and started a call to action resulting in 85,000 emails being sent to legislative offices in opposition to the commercialization of Michigan’s game fish.

MUCC supports HB 5553 and looks forward to working with legislators to secure passage in 2024.

To ensure our natural resources remain protected and managed thoughtfully and our outdoor heritage defended, join Michigan United Conservation Clubs today: <http://bit.ly/JoinMUCC>.

Ingredients:

- 8 ounces linguine pasta
- 1 pound large shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes (optional)
- 1/4 cup white wine (such as Pinot Grigio or Sauvignon Blanc)
- 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
- Zest of 1 lemon
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 2 tablespoons fresh parsley, chopped
- Lemon slices for garnish
- Grated Parmesan cheese for serving

1. Cook the linguine pasta according to package instructions until al dente. Drain and set aside.
2. In a large skillet, melt the butter over medium heat. Add the minced garlic and red pepper flakes (if using) and cook for 1-2 minutes, or until fragrant.
3. Add the shrimp to the skillet and cook for 2-3 minutes on each side, or until pink and opaque.
4. Pour in the white wine and lemon juice, then add the lemon zest. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Cook for an additional 2-3 minutes, allowing the flavors to meld together.
5. Add the cooked linguine to the skillet and toss until evenly coated with the shrimp and sauce.
6. Remove from heat and garnish with chopped parsley and lemon slices.
7. Serve hot with grated Parmesan cheese on the side.

Prep Time: 10 minutes | Cooking Time: 15 minutes | Total Time: 25 minutes

DAS New Members Since 1/01/2024

1/31/2025	TROY	BOUDREAU
1/31/2025	GARY	BRAUN
1/31/2025	BOBBY	BRAUN
1/31/2025	AARON	CRIST
1/31/2025	PAUL	DEMARCO
1/31/2025	MICHAEL	DEMARCO
1/31/2025	MATTHEW	GRIFFIN
1/31/2025	CHRIS	GURAK
1/31/2025	MIKE	HAYNES
1/31/2025	KEN	LEE
1/31/2025	BEN	LEE
1/31/2025	MICHAEL	MURPHY
1/31/2025	ROBERT	NAIMY

1/31/2025	ROGER	PARADISE
1/31/2025	GABRIEL	SELESAN
1/31/2025	OLIVER	SIMPSON
1/31/2025	GERRY	TABLADA
1/31/2025	ROBERTO	TULE
1/31/2025	MICHAEL	ZAINEA
2/28/2025	EARL	GRIFFIN
3/31/2025	JORDAN	LOCKHART
4/30/2025	MERRICK	FIELDS
5/31/2025	DEREK	BROWN
5/31/2025	PAUL	McCANN
5/31/2025	TANISHA	MILLER
6/30/2025	JASON	SHERRILL

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Membership Expires:



Upcoming Dates

June 29	SOTY Pentwater
July 13	Presque Isle
July 16	BOD
July 27	Ludington
July 30	Member Meeting

**Its nice to be important, but its
more important to be nice!**