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MRC Board Members: President-Dan Johnson; Vice President-Kelly Swift; Treasurer-Jeff Johnston; Secretary-Roger Lindstrom; Senior Trustee-Steve Dietz; Intermediate Trustee-Cam Atwood.; Junior Trustee-Lee Johnson; Sergeant at Arms-Rob Neiser.

MRC Member Meeting: Club members will meet on Wednesday, December 9th at 7:00PM.

MRC Application for Membership: When sponsoring a new member, our by-laws require the sponsor and applicant to attend the membership meeting so the new applicant can be voted on. If it's impossible for the applicant to attend, the sponsor attending may ask that the rule for the applicant's attendance be waived. The member that does not attend the meeting cannot vote a new member in solely because they filled out an application and paid dues. The vote is tabled until the next month's meeting. It is the sponsor's responsibility to follow through on their applicants. This is increasingly becoming more of an issue and is a time waster at the meetings. It is a disservice to anyone wanting to become a member. Please attend your membership meetings so that you can exercise your right to vote and express your opinions and ideas. It's your Club. It's also time to renew your 2016 membership.

MRC Auxiliary Board Members: President-Elizabeth Colligan; Vice President-Elaine Johnston; Treasurer-Gina Kittle; Secretary-Nikki Morgan; Sergeant at Arms-Janice Dutkiewicz; Social Director-Deborah Loyselle.

MRC Auxiliary Member Meeting: The Auxiliary meeting now starts at 6:30PM and will be held Thursday, December 10th. Remember, applicants need to be present with their sponsor at the meeting.

MRC New Member: Mandy VanDusen.

Volunteers: As the oldest private club in Michigan, we rely on our volunteers! Please be reminded that all new members MUST volunteer at the Club on two different occasions within the first 12 months of membership. We always need work done. Let's show our support by volunteering!

Men or women, if you volunteer, please add your name to the list on the Information Board. New members are excluded. Congratulations to Sandi Ferski for winning the monthly drawing.

Special Thanks: On behalf of Ed Slarf, thanks to all who entered the 2015 Fishing Contest. Out of 17 contestants, 9 turned in 26 fish. Rick Howard was the big winner. There were 6 First Places and 3 Second places. Tom Writz: 2 First Places. Morley Johnson 1 Second and 1 Third Place. Jim Wellise 3 Third Places. Bill Plunkett 1 Second and 2 Third Places. Tom Rubens 1 First & 1 Second Place. Jerry Lullrull 1 Second Place.

The "Chew and Screw" Wine Pairings and Small Plate presentation was very well received. A big thank you to all participants.

Thank you Jeff and Elaine Johnston for donating the pizza oven!

Hey, Bartender! Please remember that your bartenders work hard for you. Don't forget to tip them for their efforts. "Hump Day Special" every Wednesday all day \$1.50 beer and well drinks. Stop in on Monday's and meet our new bartender, **Alex**. Don't forget to check out our new selection of **micro brewed beers**.

MRC Events: The Auxiliary will have its X-Mas Party at the next meeting. The gift exchange limit is \$10. Pizza will be served.

New Year's Eve Party!! There will be a contest for "Best Homemade New Year's Eve Hat." Please bring Hors D'oeuvres or finger food. Starts at 7:00PM.

Fish Fry: the December fish fry will be Friday, December 4th and 18th. "Take Out" dinners start at 5:00PM. The cost is \$10.00; senior dinners cost \$8.00 (smaller portion). Each extra piece of fish is \$1.50 and Doo Drop Inn style onion rings are \$3.00. Sit-down dinners start at 5:30PM and everything is done by 7:30PM. Please use the sign-up sheet on the board at the Club if you can volunteer; your time is needed and greatly appreciated. The fish fry is a very important source of funds for the Club and a great opportunity for new members to volunteer.

In order to cover the additional costs for the women's lounge facility renovations, we are asking for **dessert donations** for a bake sale during each fish fry. Thanks for your continued dessert donations.

Social Media: The Club has an official FB page at www.facebook.com/#!/muskegonrecclub. Please "LIKE" us to keep up to date on events. The MRC website is now being maintained by Mike Dubault, our new Webmaster. Mike has not only established the new website but is also updating information at the Facebook page. The **new** website is www.muskegonrecclub.org. Please email pictures and event reminders you would like posted to the MRC Facebook page to Mike at msdubault@gmail.com. Thank you, Mike, for volunteering to maintain the website and update the Facebook posts.

TATTLER: You may now email information to tattler@imc-products.com. As always, you can also print information on a sheet of paper and place in the box behind the bar. Whether you send an email or use the box, include your name, phone number, and email address if you have one. In that way, if there are any questions, you can be contacted. The deadline for including anything in the January TATTLER is **Wednesday, December 16th**.

MRC Membership: Membership renewals will be \$45.00. New Members will be \$50.00 starting at the end of this year.

MRC Auxiliary Membership: Auxiliary member dues are \$25.00.

Need a place for a private party? Rent the back room of the Club, with or without use of the kitchen. Ask the bartender for the rental agreement. A deposit will be required to lock in the date on the calendar.

Other News: Please remember to update your e-mail address when you make a change. Send new email to tattler@imc-products.com so you don't miss out! Otherwise, you may pick up your Tattler at the Club. **Please PRINT clearly your name, phone number and current e-mail address.**

Congratulations Marley & Gary Johnson for winning the Halloween Best Costume contest.

Calendar of Events

MRC Meeting – Wednesday, December 9th at 7:00PM

Women's Auxiliary Meeting and X-Mas Party/Gift Exchange – Thursday, December 10th at 6:30PM

Fish Fry and Bake Sale – Friday, December 4th and 18th starting at 5:00PM

New Year's Eve Party and Homemade New Year's Eve Hat Contest – Thursday, December 31st at 7:00PM

MRC Hours: Monday – Thursday, 3:00PM to midnight. Friday, 3:00PM to close. Saturday - Sunday, noon to close, unless otherwise posted.