



GAMMA *Rays*

AUGUST 2011



Wanna Bear Hug?

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It may not be quite what you had in mind, but we not only have bears, but critters & campfires, lakes & loons, forests & fireflies, and all that nature can provide. Thanks to Bryan D. and Dan L. we have two adventurous camping events for August. There is still time to sign up. So get out that tent and those marshmallows and come out and enjoy the great outdoors.

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Luna Lake Nicolet National Forest Camping

This campground is located between Luna and White Deer lakes and has two unnamed loops. The larger loop offers lakefront sites under a canopy of mixed woods, including maple, birch and pine providing ample shade and excellent privacy. The smaller loop is compact but has excellent privacy between sites with no views of the lakes. The lakes are small and no motors are permitted, adding to the tranquil feel of the campground. Loons and other wildlife provide viewing opportunities. White Deer Lake is 62 acres with a sandy swimming beach. Luna Lake is 67 acres. Hiking: Luna-White Deer Trail (loop) - 4 miles. The elevation is 1,480 ft. Possible day trips to Eagle River and Vilas County Fair (open that weekend). Cost is \$15/day (shared).

Contact Bryan D. for more information or to book your spot. Reservation deadline is August 7th.

<http://www.forestcamping.com/dow/eastern/niccmp.htm> (scroll to Luna Lake)

Directions Link: http://maps.google.com/maps/mm?source=s_q&hl=en&geocode=&q=Watersmeet,+MI&aq=0&sl=45.96714,-89.599686&sspn=0.186372,0.413017&ie=UTF8&hq=&hnear=Watersmeet,+Gogebic,+Michigan&ll=45.904285,-88.964195&spn=0.046646,0.103254&z=14

August 11th-14th

Devils Lake Camping

Devil's Lake State Park in Baraboo is often referred to as the Midwest's "Yellowstone" and it's easy to see why. The park features amazing rock formations and endless vistas, miles of nature trails, mountain biking, rock climbing, kayaking, 3 wonderful campgrounds, large beaches and so much more!

Come on out and enjoy camping with Dan and your other GAMMA friends. The cost is \$14. Interested parties should send their check made out to GAMMA to Dan ASAP. We have only TWO sites this year but space is available.

Deadline is August 8th.

August 18th to 21st
<http://www.devilslakewisconsin.com/>





**GAMMA
HAPPY HOUR**
"THE ROOM"
Friday, Aug 12th
6-8 PM

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

AUGUST

- 4th Steven Y
- 6th Michael H
- 8th Michael B
Aniruddh C
- 13th Allie M
- 14th Tom R
- 15th Paul S
- 16th Dan H
- 18th Douglas L
- 21st Ian M
- 28th Mark O
- 31st Bob H



Many Thanks!

John S	Saturday Run/Walk
Tod T	Video Night
James N & Brian S	July 4th/Monthly Party
Reed M & Timm S	GAMMA Happy Hour
Michael M	Okauchee Lake Party
Mark O	Sheepshead
Bill M	Dining Out

REMINDER

Remember to renew your membership if you haven't already done so. As noted on the back cover this newsletter will be the last newsletter for those who have not renewed. Renewals can be done by mailing a check or online. See website for details.

August Dining Out

TROCADERO GASTROBAR

Come on out to Milwaukee's east side for a fun dining experience at Trocadero. Not only are they known for great Bloody Marys, their menu has a plethora of choices to satisfy most every taste including fine salads, burgers, tacos, sandwiches, lobster & fish entrees among others. The prices are reasonable varying between \$10 to \$20. Check out the website for more information. The weather should be great. The plan is to dine alfresco as space permits. Contact Todd S. for more information or to make your reservation.



Friday, Aug 19th, 7pm
<http://www.ztrocadero.com/>



GAMMA CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED- PARTY PLANNERS, DECORATORS, GENERAL HELP



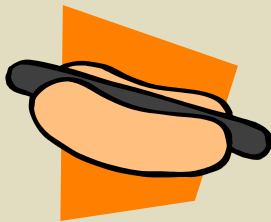
GAMMA Halloween Party on October 29th at the Milwaukee Gay Arts Center needs volunteers to manage and help with the event. No experience necessary. Pay \$0.00 per hour. Need helpers in the following areas.

- **organizing event**
- **setup**
- **decorating**

If you are available please let any board member know your interest

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HELP WANTED- FALL PICNIC



The Fall Picnic will take place Sunday, September 11th and we are in need of volunteers to help manage and help with the event. Need helpers in the

following areas.

- **organizing event**
- **setup**
- **clean up**

If you are available please let any board member know your interest.

GAMMA NEEDS YOU!

GAMMA is looking for volunteers to be involved in upcoming events such as the September picnic, Halloween party, and annual banquet. We have already procured places for these events but we are still in need of people to actively participate in organizing and helping out with other aspects. Without your participation these events may not take place.

We are also actively looking for members willing to fill board positions for the coming year.

If you have any interest in being involved please contact any GAMMA board member. Your help is greatly appreciated.

HELP WANTED- BOARD MEMBERS



Milwaukee GAMMA is looking for a few good people to fill the GAMMA board for the coming year. Several spots are being vacated so we will be looking for members to take their place. Modest time commitment. Positions assigned

based on interest.

If you would like to apply let any GAMMA board member know as soon as possible. Deadline November 2011.

AUGUST EVENTS

FRONTRUNNERS MILWAUKEE RUN/WALK SATURDAY MORNINGS

TIME: 9 am (Saturdays)
PLACE: Start from water tower at east end of North Ave
FM: John S
Rain or shine, each Saturday we meet in friendship for some exercise. All are welcome to join in. Breakfast afterward.



CRIBBAGE THURSDAY, AUGUST 4TH

TIME: 7 pm
PLACE: Milwaukee
HOST: David S
BRING: \$1 plus beverage
RSVP: Recommended



MONTHLY PARTY SATURDAY, AUGUST 6TH

TIME: 7 pm
PLACE: Milwaukee
HOST: Reed M
BRING: Dish to pass and your favorite beverage.

LUNA LAKE CAMPING DEADLINE SUNDAY, AUGUST 7TH



DEVILS LAKE CAMPING DEADLINE MONDAY, AUGUST 8TH



BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 9TH

TIME: 7 to 10 pm
PLACE: Milwaukee
HOST: David S



LUNA LAKE NICOLET FOREST CAMPING THURS, AUG 11TH THRU SUNDAY, AUG 14TH

PLACE: Luna Lake/White Deer Lake Natl Forest Campground

EM: Bryan D
COST: \$15 per day (shared)
BRING: Camping gear, food, and beverages

RSVP: Required by August 7th
Info/Directions: US highway 45 from Milwaukee to Eagle River, Wisconsin (there are many other routes to Eagle River). In Eagle River at the intersection of State Rt. 70 and State 32/US Rt. 45, take Rt. 70 east 13.4 miles to National Forest Campground sign. Turn right after sign onto Divide Rd. (Forest Rt. 2176) and go 5.6 miles to campground sign. Turn right at sign onto Forest Rt. 2188 and go 0.7 miles to campground. (See links to maps pg 2)



GAMMA HAPPY HOUR FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

TIME: 6-8 pm
PLACE: The Room (on patio weather permitting) 625 S. 2nd St Milwaukee
EM: Reed M
RSVP: None
Directions: S 2nd St between Bruce and Pierce directly across from the Mobil station.



DEVILS LAKE CAMPING THURSDAY, AUGUST 18TH THRU SUNDAY, AUGUST 21ST

PLACE: Devils Lake State Park
EM: Dan L
COST: \$14
RSVP: Required by August 8th
Directions: from the south or east on Interstate Highway 90/94, take State Highway 33 west about 15 miles to Baraboo. Turn left (south) on State Highway 123 and go 3 miles to the park. Contact Dan for specific campsite information etc.



DINING OUT DEADLINE SUNDAY, AUGUST 14TH

DINING OUT FRIDAY, AUGUST 19TH

TIME: 7pm drinks, 7:30 dinner
PLACE: Trocadero Gastrobar 1758 N Water St, Milwaukee
EM: Todd S

RSVP: Required by Sunday 14th.
Directions: Take North Water St toward the east side passing under the trestle just before Holton/Van Buren. Park anywhere there. The restaurant is just past the trestle on the northeast corner of Water and Pearson.



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**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
SATURDAY, AUGUST 20TH**



**SHEEPSHEAD
TUESDAY, AUGUST 23RD
(4th Tues)**

TIME: 7 pm
PLACE: Shorewood
HOST: John H

BRING: Yourselfes.
John is providing a supper & beverages.

RSVP: Optional

GAMMA BOARD DIRECTORY

Richard G	President
Ned T	Vice President/Membership
Gerald O	Secretary/Outdoor & Sporting
Tom R	Treasurer
Reed M	Newsletter & Calendar
David S	Recreational & Monthly Parties
Kip S	Membership Recruitment & Marketing

ADDITIONAL MEMBER SUPPORT

John S	Front Runners
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Dan L	Mail & Camping Coordinator
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Tony S	Volleyball Coordinator
Bill M	Dining Out
Todd S	Dining Out

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Please notify the club of changes in mailing and/or email address. Proper addresses insure prompt delivery of the newsletter. Address change notifications by the postal service increase costs.

LIABILITY WAIVER:

Event participants should understand that some activities can be physically demanding and even dangerous. Neither GAMMA nor the organizers of an event assume liability for any injury which may result from participating in an activity. Participants assume all liability for their own conduct and safety.

The membership directory as well as the personal information listed in the newsletter is for the private use of our members ONLY and should not be distributed or shared.

GAMMA's membership year is from July 1 to June 30, but join any time during the year and the dues are pro-rated. Annual dues are \$36 for individuals, \$57 for two persons receiving one newsletter, or \$16 for out-of-state members. Dues are not tax deductible. Call Richard G at (414) 530-1886 for membership dues information.

GAMMA also maintains a web site complete with event information as well as digital copies of the newsletter. Please visit us on-line at www.milwaukeegamma.com.



Future Events...

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|-------------------------|----------------|
| September Monthly Party | September 3rd |
| Fall Picnic | September 11th |
| October Monthly Party | October 1st |
| Halloween Party | October 29th |

AUGUST 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 CRIBBAGE 7pm 	5	6 FRONTRUNNERS Run/Walk 9 am (repeats every Saturday) MONTHLY PARTY 7pm
7 LUNA LAKE CAMPING DEADLINE 	8 DEVILS LAKE CAMPING DEADLINE 	9 BOARD MEETING 7pm 	10	11 LUNA LAKE CAMPING 	12 LUNA LAKE CAMPING GAMMA HAPPY HOUR 7pm 	13 LUNA LAKE CAMPING
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21 DEVILS LAKE CAMPING	22	23 SHEEPSHEAD 7pm 	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE: This will be your last newsletter for members who have not renewed their GAMMA membership for 2011.