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Membership Information

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MEETING	DATE/TIME	LOCATION	PRESENTER/ TOPIC
Board Meeting	November 1 6:30 p.m.	Foster Community Center 200 N. Foster St. Lansing, MI	Members are welcome to attend all board meetings to express their concerns. Due to time constraints, if you have a specific item to be brought before the board, please contact the President one week prior to the meeting and ask for add'l agenda item.
Membership Meeting	November 17 7:00 p.m. December 8 Christmas Party	Foster Community Center, 200 N. Foster St. Lansing, MI	Member meeting is the last Thursday of the month, 7:00 p.m. November : Josh DeBruyn, MDOT. Josh is the bicycle and pedestrian coordinator with MDOT December : Christmas Party Country Creek Reception Hall, Dimondale
TCBA Advocacy Committee	November 9 6-7:30 p.m.	Conference Room A Neighborhood Empow- erment Center 600 W. Maple St. Lansing, MI	2nd Wednesday of the month Everyone is welcome to attend! http://advocacy.biketcba.org/

Chainwheel Deadlines

	Please send items to Patricia Mead, via e-mail, chainwheelchatter@
November 9	<u>biketcba.org</u> by the indicated deadline.

RIDE CALENDAR

Rides are no longer listed in the Chainwheel Chatter. Go to: biketcba.org, Event Calendar. If you want a ride listed on the Event Calendar e-mail:

Ridecoordinator@biketcba.org

TCBA 2016 Holiday Party

The TCBA Holiday Party will be held Thursday, December 8th at the Country Creek Reception Hall, 5859 North Michigan Rd, (M99), Dimondale, MI 48821. The hall is located 1 mile south of I-96 at Exit 101 (ML King BLVD/M-99). Turn south as you exit the freeway, toward Eaton Rapids, the venue is just beyond Waverly Road on the right-hand side of MLK across from Hammond Farms.

Social hour begins at 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. with appetizers (BBQ meatballs, spinach/artichoke dip, a cheese platter and a vegetable tray.) There will be a cash bar. A buffet meal will be served at 7:00. Meal choices will be boneless lemon garlic chicken, savory roast beef, or vegetable lasagna. Salad, rolls, cheesy potatoes and green beans almandine will accompany the meal. Dessert will be assorted mini pastries. The only count needed is for the Vegetable Lasagna.

The price is \$10.00 for members and \$20.00 for non-members. You may sign up at club meetings or call Bill Smith at 517-648-0019. The deadline for signing up is November 28th. Register online at https://tcba.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?

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It's never too early to plan and we look forward to celebrating with you!



DALMAC® Volunteers Needed

DALMAC®~ Volunteer Positions are available:

- Volunteer Coordinator transition helper
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 - Coordinate all of the volunteers to ensure readiness of all aspects of DALMAC®
- Purchasing Committee

Help to make selections for T-shirts, hats, sweatshirts, jerseys, and other swag for DALMAC®

Send a note to **volunteer@dal**mac.org if you would like further info on these opportunities...

TCBA Phone Change

The TCBA phone system has changed. The phone number is the same, but "rides" are no longer listed on this line. All rides will now be listed on the Event Calendar at www.biketcba.org.

If you want to submit a ride, please e-mail these rides to bikerides@comcast.net. If you want to submit recurring rides for an entire month, please e-mail these to tcbamonthlyrides@aol.com by the deadline stated in the Chainwheel Chatter.

Again, the TCBA phone line message will no longer contain ride information. Go to the Event Calendar at www.biketcba.org to view all rides.

DALMAC® News

Big Thanks to all DALMAC Riders, Supporters, and Volunteers for making DALMAC 2016 so Awesome!

"Highlights"

* greatest weather in last 10 years

* fewest accident reports in past 10 years

* smoothest registration and campsite management

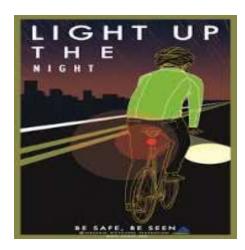
* highest number of school and community service groups involved

2017 is in the planning stages, don't forget the survey!

2016 TCBA Calendar / Events

Month	Board Meeting	Member Meeting	
November	1	17	
December	6	Holiday Party	

Holiday Party	December 8
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Ride Leaders - Please note!

Effective October 1st, all rides, recurring and called-in, will be submitted to the Ride Coordinator at <u>RideCoordina-tor@biketcba.org</u>.

Recurring rides need to be submitted no later than 4 days prior to the end of month. Example, recurring rides for December need to be submitted by November 27.

Called-in rides need to be submitted by noon on Monday and Thursday each week, March through November, and by noon on Monday, December through February.

Please check the Event Calendar periodically to be sure that all of your ride information is posted correctly. Contact the Ride Coordinator if you find any mistakes.

Thank you for being a valued TCBA Volunteer!!

Chainwheel

Want to receive your Chainwheel faster? Simply opt for receiving an email instead of U.S. Mail. This option is available when you renew your membership.

Getting the newsletter via email is almost two weeks faster than U.S. mail.

Website: BikeTCBA.org

Patricia Mead, Editor

TCBA Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2016, Foster Community Center, Lansing, Michigan

President Patrick Kelley called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Deb Traxinger, Bill Smith, Steve Leiby and Ken Hendrick Joane Gruizenga and Mike Unsworth were present. Ken Schwartz was absent. Also present was Dan Stockwell. The meeting agenda and September board minutes were approved.

Correspondence received: The board received two thank you notes from the TART Trails director regarding our \$1500 donations to both the Sleeping Bear Heritage Trail and the Leelanau Trail.

Board Reports

Presidents: Patrick Kelley

Dan Stockwell gave an update on the progress with Club Express.

The newly formed Financial Committee will meet quarterly to review the club finances.

The DALMAC Fund Committee officially recognized Ginger Royston, Mike Unsworth, and Ken Schwartz as new appointees to the committee.

A motion was made by Steve Leiby to research the possibility of getting the DALMAC Fund a 501 c3 designation so contributions

to the DALMAC Fund can be tax deductible. 2nd by Ken Hendrick Motion approved.

Vice Presidents: Bill Smith – The holiday party will be December 8. Members may now sign up online on the TCBA website.

Secretary: Deb Traxinger - no report

Treasurer: Steve Leiby

Steve submitted the financial report and budget. Motion to approve as written by Ken Hendrick 2nd Deb Traxinger. Motion approved.

Events Director: Ken Hendrick - Ken Hendrick gave a report on the DALMAC 2016 wrap up.

At Large Directors: no report

Advocacy Committee: Mike Unsworth submitted his report by

New Business: none

Old Business: A motion was made by Steve Leiby to discontinue the WOW ride. 2nd by Ken Hendrick. Motion approved.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted by Deb Traxinger, Secretary TCBA Board of Directors.

TCBA's Ride Incentive Program

Have you heard of the Ride Incentive Program that TCBA provides? Wonder what the Ride Incentive Program is?

If you are a TCBA member and ride any of the TCBA sponsored Rides (T-Shirt, NorthWest Tour, SummerTour or DALMAC) or any "Member Led Rides" you are eligible for a Ride Incentive! These Ride Incentives vary from year to year, and are based on the number of miles you ride with the TCBA Club. The mission of our club is get members to ride together!

The Level 5 award is for riding up to 500 miles on TCBA sponsored rides.

The Level 4 award is 501-1000 miles

The Level 3 award is 1001 – 1500 miles

The Level 4 award is 1501 to 2015 miles (Level 2 goes up to the current year)

The Level 1 award is for over 2016 (the current year) miles in a riding year (December 1 to November 30)

Typically, TCBA spends \$20, \$40, \$60, \$80, and \$100 respectively, toward the 1-5 Level awards for each Ride Incentive. (A good bargain for your \$10/year membership dues!)

The Ride Incentive Committee (2 Board at Large and at least one other club officer) decide on these awards. Clothing and bicycling safety items are typically what is considered for these awards. (Tax laws prevent TCBA from providing Gift Certificates direct to members in this quantity, and requires the Incentives be

"advertising", i.e., the Club logo.)

In 2015, over 200 TCBA members qualified for the Level 1-5 awards; Last year TCBA provided safety lights to all of the people who earned a Ride Incentive. For the Level 1-4 awards, TCBA also provided SmartWool shirts to about 170 members!

How do can I become eligible for a Ride Incentive? Ride with the club on "Member Led Rides" (go to the biketcba.org website>Event Calendar) to see all the rides listed by TCBA member Ride Leaders. Sign-in on the "Rider Mileage Report" that the Ride Leader provides.

How do I become a Ride Leader? Please go to biketcba.org
website, sign into your site, go to "Member Led Rides" and click on the document "Ride Leader and Incentive Program Information" and read this. You will need a "Rider Mileage Report", commonly known as the Rider Sign-in Sheet. Make a route, insure your route is ride-able (many Ride Leaders drive or ride their routes prior), and make cue sheets of the route turns. Make sure that your Ride is publicized on the Event Calendar, by contacting the "Ride Coordinator" (see the Chainwheel Chatter for this e-mail address).

By leading rides, you earn at least 50 miles extra toward your Ride Incentive award. **Questions?** Contact Pat Kelley at <a href="mailto:press-right-number-press-righ

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THREE CRITICAL DALMAC POSITIONS

DALMAC Treasurer: Detail oriented person needed to take over this function. Doesn't need to be an accountant, but should be detail oriented and computer literate. The current Treasurer has prepared complete documentation for this job. Training will be provided by either the current Treasurer or DALMAC Director.

Stops4U Coordinator: Develop a list of businesses along the DALMAC routes that might interest DALMAC riders (restaurants, grocery stores, pharmacies, bike shops, etc.) Obtain information for developing this list by contacting local chambers of commerce, DALMAC SAG drivers, DAL-MAC riders, etc. Organize the list by route and in the route sequence from beginning to end. Contact the businesses/ organizations, electronically if possible, prior to DALMAC to inform them that we are coming, what date, and the ap-

proximate time frame riders will be in their area so they know what to expect, and or serve.

Since this is a new function, anyone taking on this duty can develop the position as their imagination leads them.

Anyone interested or having questions should contact Ken Hendrick at director@dalmac.org or call 517-420-0849".



TCBA is on Facebook!! https://www.facebook.com/biketcba

Advocacy Committee Report

County Trails Millage Update

At our Sept. 14 monthly meeting Ingham County Commissioner Teri Banas & Parks Director Tim Morgan discussed several aspects.

In the first round of allocations were devoted to repairs, rehabilitation, and long-term maintenance (RR&M) projects. Funds came from the FY 2015 & FY 2016 millages. East Lansing, Lansing, Mason & Meridian Township submitted applications. \$5.5 million were allocated to asphalt repaving In late September the Committee passed the package and of 36 trail segments (\$788,000) [equaling 15 miles of trail]) and to 21 bridge projects (\$4.73 million).

The second Round will deal mainly with new construction, special projects, and RR&M. Funds will come from the FY 2017 millage. Applications will be available on Oct.1 and the due date is Nov. 28.

Bike Clinics: "Let's Pedal: How to Have Safe & Enjoyable Bicycling"

Due to some personnel re-assignments at the Retired Seniors Volunteer Program, this project has been pushed into 2017.

A working group is crafting a prototype presentation which will be shown to the TCBA Board at a future meeting.

Bike Safety Bills at the Michigan Legislature

The TCBA Board sent a letter to the Senate Judiciary Committee supporting a package of bills that would extend "vulnerable road user status" to bicyclists & pedestrians, establish a five foot passing distance, and incorporate bicycling portions to the Michigan driver education curriculum.

recommended that the full Senate pass it.



The TCBA Advocacy Committee (http:// advocacy.biketcba.org/) meets the second Wednesday of each month at Conference Room A of the Neighborhood Empowerment Center (600 W. Maple St., Lansing) from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Proposed TCBA Speaker's Bureau

Ride Calendar now at biketcba.org

Recurring rides are now on BikeTCBA.org. To view rides, go to the TCBA website, biketcba.org, Event Calendar.

If you want to lead a ride and list the ride on the Event Calendar, e-mail Ridecoordinator@biketcba.org

A special message from TCBA President Pat Kelley

Hope that your Fall riding is going well! Enjoy our group rides!

This year has been one of many changes for the TCBA, especially with the switch to ClubExpress, who provides our website hosting. More changes are due, as we continue to need our members to update their information, e-mail addresses and sign into our website.

Beginning with the January 2017, Chainwheel issue, we will only send a paper copy to those who have selected that delivery preference. So in order for you to receive the hard copy of the Chainwheel Chatter, you will have to log into this site, go to your "Profile" (top right hand side of the page) and select the preference to receive the Chainwheel Chatter by mail, otherwise, you will only be able to access the Chainwheel Chatter via the web page.

Please make sure that you have selected your preference to get the Chainwheel Chatter either by mail, or electronically, before January, 2017. If you have questions please contact me at president@biketcba.org or the webmaster@biketcba.org

In January 2017, the Chainwheel Chatter will only be mailed to those who have set the preference to postal mail.

TCBA Board Profiles

President Patrick Kelley: TCBA member 25+ years, I have enjoyed for many years the benefits of being a TCBA member. In 2014, I became a Board member to give back to our Club. I want to continue to insure that TCBA volunteers are taken care of, and encouraged to volunteer for our club activities/events. Being able to ride safely on group rides, and supporting the volunteers who are Ride Leaders, Ride Directors and staff for these Rides is my plan for next year's TCBA agenda.

Vice President Bill Smith: TCBA member 11 years, I have been club Vice-President since 2013 and would like to continue for another year. I enjoy finding speakers for our club meetings and have some lined up for 2017. Over the years I have found a lot of enjoyment in the club and made many friends. I'll be back on my bike by the end of October and hope to enjoy some riding the rest of the year.

Secretary Deb Traxinger: TCBA member 19 years, During that time I have participated in countless day club rides and have also done Northwest Tour and Summer Tour many times. I have also ridden DALMAC 4 times. I have always been impressed with the purpose and the people involved with TCBA. I am now retired and with more free time I decided to give back to the club for all it has given to me. I served as the club secretary for this past year and would be happy to continue on in 2017 in that position.

Member at Large Bob Noble: TCBA member 16+ years, I became a TCBA member in 2000 just before riding my first DAL-MAC. Since then have ridden 9 more DALMACs. Volunteered several years at DALMAC registration including this year in clothing sales. Ridden several SummerTours. Have been camp host twice for SummerTour and SAG driver for 2016 SummerTour. A member of the Executive Committee and Registrar for the 100,000 Metre T-Shirt Ride the last two years. Have been a ride leader for several years especially on rides leaving Oneida Township Hall and Oneida Gospel Church in the Grand Ledge Area. TCBA's membership is aging, including myself. If the club can't find ways to attract younger riders it will eventually die. I hope to develop and institute strategies to bring younger riders into TCBA.

Member at Large Ken Schwartz: TCBA member 35 years, I started communing by bike in 1975. When we moved to East Lansing in 1980, I evolved to a touring cyclist. DALMAC has become a yearly wonderful habit. I've enjoyed all of my 35 rides from Lansing to the bridge with the exception of some really bad rain days. I remain grateful to TCBA for organizing all these great rides. I believe that one of the great strengths of our club is that it is run by cyclists for cyclists. All of the organization, planning and administration is performed exclusively by volunteers. After 36 years of riding with the club it is time for me to give a little back by volunteering myself to serve as a member at large on the board. I have enjoyed serving on the board as an at large member and hope to be able to continue in this capacity for the coming year.

Helmets are required on all TCBA Rides!!!!

Rides: visit the web site: www.biketcba.org.

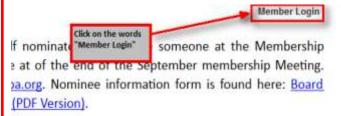
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Step 1

Go to the TCBA web site at: www.biketcba.org

Step 2

Once you are on the web site you will see in the upper right hand corner:



Step 3

The login box will appear, enter your username and password then click on login. If you have forgotten your username or password, click on the "Forgot My Username/Password" link below the login box and follow the instructions.



Forgot My Usemame/Password

Step 4

Once you have logged in you will see your name in the upper right hand corner of the page. Move your mouse over the circle – it will turn red...



Step 5

When the circle turns red it will cause a window to pop up where you will see your name and an icon of a person next to the word "Profile." Click on the word profile.



Step 6

After you click on "Profile" you will see a page called Member Profile, a box as shown below. Select "Contact Info."



Once the Contact Info page opens, review all the information and make corrections. You can make corrections to this information yourself.

Please be sure we have the correct email address for you.

After you have reviewed and corrected your contact information, scroll to the bottom of the page where you will see:



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November 2016 Sunrise/Sunset		1 Sunrise: 8:12am Sunset: 6:31pm	2 Sunrise: 8:13am Sunset: 6:30pm	3 Sunrise: 8:15am Sunset: 6:29pm	4 Sunrise: 8:16am Sunset: 6:28pm	5 Sunrise: 8:17am Sunset: 6:26pm
6 Sunrise: 7:19am Sunset: 5:25pm	7 Sunrise: 7:20am Sunset: 5:24pm	8 Sunrise: 7:21am Sunset: 5:23pm	9 Sunrise: 7:22am Sunset: 5:22pm	10 Sunrise: 7:24am Sunset: 5:21pm	11 Sunrise: 7:25am Sunset: 5:20pm	12 Sunrise: 7:26am Sunset: 5:19pm
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27 Sunrise: 7:44am Sunset: 5:07pm	28 Sunrise: 7:45am Sunset: 5:07pm	29 Sunrise: 7:47am Sunset: 5:06pm	30 Sunrise: 7:48am Sunset: 5:06pm			

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For Sale: 2007 Tour Easy. Med-Irg frame. Full fairing. \$1400 Jacque: 231-633-8343 For sale-New- Zero miles
Fulcrum racing S-Four wheel set 11 speed

Still in bags / QR's Price \$375 Contact:: jbskibike@gmail.com

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For Sale: Tesch S-22,in excellent condition. The size center to center is 53 cm and center to top is 55 cm. List price is \$900.Cindy at 517-202-6540 or drchollenbeck@aol.com



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For Sale: Saris roof rack, fits 2002-2007 Toyota Camry. Asking \$100 Contact Craig 517-290-3397 For Sale: 2001 Easy Racer Tour Easy, medium frame, racer back seat, body sock & frame, full fairing, trunk rack, computer.

Aero spoke front wheel \$900 or BO. Contact Kevin 517-285-7814 or email kevinmead@sbcglobal.net

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www.lmb.org League of Michigan Bicyclists

www.bikeleague.com League of American Bicyclists

www.adventurecycling.org Adventure Cycling

www.bikes.msu.edu Michigan State University (MSU) Bikes

www.walkbikelansing.com Lansing's Walking and Bicycling Network

www.capitalareasmartcommute.co

m Smart Commute Program

www.midmeac.org Mid-Michigan Environmental Action Council

www.bikems.org Various rides throughout the country

www.mmba.org Michigan Mountain Biking Association

www.railstotrails.org Rails to Trails Conservancy

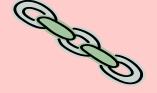
www.michigantrails.org Michigan Trails & Greenway Alliance

www.facebook.com TCBA is there as a group; check us out!

twitter.com Twitter

http://www.nhtsa.gov/Bicycles National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

http://www.aabts.org/ Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society



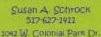
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DALMAC® Treasurer Needed!

Submitted: Diane Sherman

DALMAC® Volunteer Position:

An exciting volunteer opportunity awaits!! Here's a chance to see DALMAC from behind the scenes - and be the most popular person around! The DALMAC Treasurer job is open. Lots of perks, lots of nice people. The person with the money is always well loved!

I would like to "retire" after 6 years of doing this job. I will be very happy to train the next person and provide lots of support. I have very thorough procedures. It's mainly writing checks, processing refunds through the online registration system, and keeping the books. The busiest time is in September when the volunteers who worked on DALMAC send in their requests for reimbursement.

I plan on finishing out this year but it would be nice to begin briefing a new person. Please let me know if you are at all curious and I will provide some more information.

Diane Sherman dalmactreasurer@biketcba.org

Change of Address

Go to BikeTCBA.org. Select Member Login Once logged in, select profile Under Personal Info, select Contact Info, then complete your Primary Address.

It's that simple!

M-22 Challenge, Fall Colors = Special TCBA Rates Submitted by Scotty Seward

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As a recently joined TCBA Member, I noticed that you reported donations to The Sleeping Bear Heritage Trail.

We at Birch Shores Resort are Friends of Sleeping Bear Dunes and also Contributors and Sponsors of The Trail.

We have decided that the rest of the Membership could be interested in more information about biking and hiking The Sleeping Bear Heritage Trail, 2 miles north of our Guest cabins on Little Glen Lake. This paved, 10 feet wide nature and bike trail, is being expanded from the current 18 miles to about 39 miles, from Northport to Platte Lake. It parallels M-22 & M-109 at present and has few road crossings.

Click below for more detailed information:

http://friendsofsleepingbear.org/projects/sleeping-bear-heritage-trail/

This is the only bicycle trail in Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore. In winter it is groomed for cross-country skiing (both classic and skating styles) and snowshoeing. It is mostly paved, but has a short section of packed gravel through the Port Oneida Rural Historic District. The trail spans about 18 scenic miles between Empire and Basch Road, with the Dune Climb, historic Glen Haven and the town of Glen Arbor along its route.

The beautiful fall Color season is fast approaching and the M-22 stretch has been nationally ranked for the Fall color.

The Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore area was deemed "The Most Beautiful Place in America" by the TV show "Good Morning America" in 2013. See the Y-Tube video at:

http://abcnews.go.com/Travel/best_places_USA/sleeping-bear-dunes-michigan-voted-good-morning-americas/story?id=14319616#.TkwCRhETsqo.facebook

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