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## October Meeting

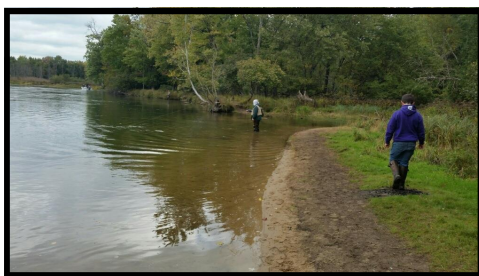
- **When:**  
Tuesday, October 25, 2016 7:30pm
- **Where:**  
American Polish Cultural Center  
NW corner, 15 Mile Rd. & Dequindre
- **Featured Guest Speaker :**  
DAS Member & Director **Bob Paradise**  
Fall River & Pier Fishing Methods
- **Other Happenings:**  
Outing info., Tackle raffles, 50/50 raffle, Every Member Drawing
- **DAS website:** [www.detroitsteelheaders.com](http://www.detroitsteelheaders.com)
- **Be sure to check out**  
The DAS Message Board on the website for the most up-to-date club news and information



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## River, Surf & Pier Schedule gets into full swing this month



We have one upcoming outing and 2 tournaments: October 22nd out of Manistee (outing), November 5th out of Manistee (Lakeshore Hotel), fish-off versus Metro West (tournament), and November 12th out of Ludington at Michaels Bar and Grill (tournament).

**October 22nd**, starting at 5:00 a.m., depending on the conditions, the pier will be decided that morning. It will be run by Bob Paradise (586-457-4073)/Tom Thieda (586-206-5902). There will be a luncheon around 1:00 p.m.

**November 5th / Lakeshore Hotel/ Fish-off versus Metro West (Tournament).** Starting time is 6:00 a.m. and fishing will be until 3:00 p.m. Weigh in is at the Lakeshore Hotel at 3:00 p.m./Rainbow Bend at 5:00 p.m. for Metro West. \$30.00 hotel fee (luncheon included). Boundaries are from the Tippy Dam down to Lake Michigan (no boats in Lake Michigan).

**Saturday, November 12th / The Ninth Annual Big Tom Memorial Steelhead Tournament** will be held on out of Ludington (Michael's Bar and Grill Tournament). Starting time is 12:00 a.m. and fishing will be until 4:30 p.m. Weigh in is between 4:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. on November 12th. The awards ceremony and dinner will take place at Michael's at 129 W. U.S. 10 in downtown Ludington. The entry fee is \$25 per person and must be paid before 7:00 p.m. November 11th. This fee will include eligibility for all door prizes as well as dinner after the Tournament, compliments of Michael's Bar and Grille.

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## Jackets Added As Part of SOTY and AOY Awards

The DAS Board of Directors, in an effort to hopefully increase participation in DAS tournaments and outings, voted to make high-quality embroidered jackets part of the Skipper of the Year (SOTY) and Angler of the Year (AOY) awards.

Both awards currently honor the winners of these awards with a special plaque. This will continue to

be the case for both awards with the jackets adding a touch-of-class.

This goes into effect for this year's awardees. As a side note, the two directors, one for certain to win the SOTY award, the other almost certain for the AOY award, refrained from the vote.

## November Meeting Features Annual Pot Luck Snack Night

Now each year, Members look forward to this very successful evening



It's that time of year for Pot Luck Snack night at the November membership meeting. It's become a tradition, so bring your favorite home-made snack item to share with your fellow DAS fishin' buddies

We're not talking a full blown meal but something more along the lines of an hors d'oeuvres or appetizer. Maybe you have a secret recipe or just a simple quick-to-throw-together snack, just bring it to the November meeting. Even something that would be considered a desert like

brownies or cookies would be just fine. The pictures are meant to give you an idea of what we are talking about. We are hoping to get a great mix of snacks. The last two years this was a tremendous success and the BOD has decided to make it an annual event.

This will be in addition to our featured guest speaker. So don't be a party pooper, bring a little something to share. Hope to see everyone there!



**MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

Currently: **155 Members**

**New Memberships Welcome!**

JAMES LORENZETTI

**Re-Newed Memberships**

GABE MCDougall      JOEL PIATEK      BRAD WALTON

**Memberships Expired**

**2 mo. Ago Last Reminder:** GEORGE VIDUSIC

**1 Mo. Ago First Reminder:** KIM BENBOW      JOEL GARINGER      DENNIS HOLOWAY      JIM ZANKE  
 CHARLES EDDY      LANCE HINATSU      MARK McCLUTCHEY

**This Month:** JOSE D. ANGELES      RICK COUGHLIN      MIKE LOLLI      CHRIS TURAK  
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**Detroit Area Steelheaders is on Facebook**



**Tackle Matters**

The club trolling season is over for 2016 but as you know, that won't stop us from fishing. DAS has plenty of river, surf & pier outings schedule. (See schedule at right)

I will be shopping for some decent buys on pier rods/reels for the tackle raffle table as well as ice fishing equipment for this winter and fly fishing equipment for all seasons. I don't have pictures available to include in this newsletter article because I have not bought the stuff yet but that is the direction I will be going with the next few months Tackle Raffle offerings. Thank Marl Carlson for the idea of including fly fishing equipment. He brought that to my attention during the August member meeting and I agree, that is an important part of our club and should not be ignored. If you know of items that should be included in our Tackle Raffles please let me know.

Thank you all for supporting the raffles as well as you do. With your continued support we can keep the ball rolling with really good raffle prizes.

**Dan Chisholm**

**FALL RIVER, SURF & PIER  
 TOURNAMENT/OUTING SCHEDULE**

**Sat., Oct. 22 Manistee Outing  
 Manistee River Shed**

Contact Tom Theida (586)206-5902

**Sat., Nov. 5 @Manistee  
 Lakeshore Motel Tournament**

Contact Bob Paradise (586)781-2543

**Sat., Nov. 12 @Ludington  
 Michael's Bar & Grill Tournament**

Contact Tom Theida (586)206-5902

**Sat., Dec. 3 @Caseville  
 Lake Trout Outing**

Contact Blaise Pewinski (248)343-8397

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Membership Application

New Member - \$35 Yearly

Renewal - \$35 Yearly

NAME		DATE	
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 Special People

## 2016 DAS Board of Director Elections

DAS By-Laws call for Board of Directors election at the annual meeting each year. This year's annual meeting will occur on Tuesday, December 27, 2016 at our normal meeting location, the American Polish Cultural Center (APCC) located on 15 Mile Road at Dequindre.

Any dues paying member or officer can place a nomination. A nomination should be submitted at least 20 days before the December election date. It should be in writing and signed. If you wish to become involved in the operation of the DAS you are welcome to run for election to the Board of Directors (BOD). New people bring new ideas, different perspective, and enthusiasm. Your club needs you. Please consider placing yourself in nomination for a club BOD position.

To submit a name for this year's ballot:

Mail it - email it - or write it up and give it to me at any membership meeting. Include the person's name and contact information. Have the nominated person sign it so we all know he/she is willing to serve if elected.

Dan Chisholm  
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The officers of the club consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These four officer positions are selected from among the at-large members during the first board meeting each year. At large board members are elected for a three year term and are assigned or volunteer to serve on one of the ten "standing committees":

Fund Raising	Boat Tournaments
Publicity	River Tournaments
Speakers and Education	Shows
Membership	Political Action (Coalition)
Newsletter	Special Events

The board meets at 7:00 pm at the APCC two Tuesday's prior to the general membership meeting each Month. Food and beverages are provided. The board does not meet in August so there are 11 board meetings each year.

Dan Chisholm  
Election Chairman

## Perch Fishing Lake Erie

Perch fishing in Lake Erie can be phenomenal! Although perch can be caught year round, I prefer to start perch fishing after Labor Day and it often continues into mid-November. Right after salmon boat season ends. Starting out in Sterling State Park, head out into Breast Bay. Prime fishing areas are off of Stony Point (identified by Fermi's towers) or around the buoys marking the channel into the Raisin River. Pretty much the entire bay has fish! Just look for the groups of boats and the fish will be there.

Typically it's not difficult to catch your limit, or close to it. Although the Lake Erie are not jumbo size, they are in a respectable 8 to 10 inch class. Still great eating! A few larger ones show up occasionally and the smaller ones are generally returned to water to finish growing up.

Special equipment isn't required. Any 5 to 6 foot rod and reel will work. Perch or crappie spreaders work best, keeping one bait on the bottom and the other up about 8 inches. Shiners are the bait of preference, but any minnows will work. A heavier action rod helps feel the light bites. Sometimes when the action is slow, a bite can be enticed by gently raising line off the bottom and teasing the fish into action.

Lake Erie is a spectacular fishery only an hour drive away, easy to monitor weather conditions, and not over crowded. Good Luck Fishing!

Jim Zanke



### **Upcoming 2016 DAS Key Dates**

<b>Sat., Oct. 22, 2016</b>	<b>Manistee River, Surf &amp; Pier Outing</b> Manistee River Water Shed
<b>Tues., Oct. 25, 2016</b> 7:30pm	<b>Membership Meeting</b> American Polish Cultural Center
<b>Sat., Nov. 5, 2016</b>	<b>Lakeshore Motel Tournament</b> Manistee River Water Shed
<b>Tues., Nov. 8, 2016</b> 7:00pm	<b>BOD Meeting</b> American Polish Cultural Center
<b>Sat., Nov. 12, 2016</b>	<b>Michael's Bar &amp; Grille Tournament</b> Ludington
<b>Tues., Nov. 29, 2016</b> 7:30pm	<b>Membership Meeting</b> American Polish Cultural Center

### **2016 September Membership Meeting Facts**

<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>Featured Speaker:</b>	<b>Bill Rose Jr.</b> <b>Rose Marine Service, Algonac MI</b>
<b>50/50 Raffle Winner:</b>	<b>\$93 Fred Hynick</b>
<b>Every Member Draw:</b>	<b>\$0 Mark Luff</b> <b>(Not Present)</b>

### **Enjoy These Other Newsletters and Reports**

Here are some links to other newsletters and reports:

#### **Woods-N-Water News**

(<http://www.woods-n-waternews.com/>)

(Press the CTRL key + click on the link to open the link)

#### **Basin Report Newsletters**

(<http://www.great-lakes.org/basinreports/basinreports.html>)

(Press the CTRL key + click on the link to open the link)

Published by the Great Lakes Sportfishing Council

#### **Metro-West Steelheaders Newsletters**

(<http://www.metroweststeelheaders.org/newsletters.php>)

(Press the CTRL key + click on the link to open the link)

Newsletters of the Metro-West Steelheaders, a Chapter of the Michigan Steelhead and Salmon Fishing Association (MSSFA). From this page of their website you can also link to newsletters published by other chapters of MSSFA.

#### **What's Really Going On with Salmon in Lake Michigan**

(<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/MIDNR/bulletins/164c3e2>)

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## **Manistee River Fish Kill Part of Ongoing Sea Lamprey Battle**



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on Sept. 1, 2016 at 6:49 AM, updated September 01, 2016  
at 1:37 PM

WELLSTON, MI ô Mike Bright Jr. has been fishing the Manistee River for 32 years, the last seven as a guide. But he's not fishing the river this week.

Bright canceled his bookings until after Labor Day because the river, one of the most wild and scenic in Michigan, is running yellow with a poison that fishery managers say is vital to fighting the bloodsucking vampire of the Great Lakes.

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service began treating the Big Manistee River with lampricide this week. The semi-regular application kills the larvae of sea lamprey, a parasite that decimated indigenous fish populations in the 1930s and 1940s.

Unfortunately, the poison can also kill other fish in the river.

"They say it's the lesser of two evils," said Bright, who nonetheless struggles with seeing dead fish and the waters of his beloved Manistee run yellow.

According to USFWS biologists, collateral fish kill from the lamprey treatment on the Manistee River totaled about 180 fish this week. That number could rise a bit as final surveys check in, but not to a large degree.

The wildlife service treated the river, feeder streams and bayous below Tippy Dam near Wellson starting Monday, Aug. 29. The goal was to kill as many of the estimated 1.3 million lamprey larvae that inhabit the river.

The Manistee River below Tippy Dam is a large contributor to the invasive lamprey population in Lake Michigan, said Tim Sullivan, biologist and lamprey treatment supervisor with the USFWS in Ludington.

Sullivan's team travels all over the Great Lakes applying a lampricide called TFM (3-trifluoromethyl- 4'-nitrophenol), which the Great Lakes Fishery Commission says selectively kills lamprey larvae without significantly harming other plants or animals, or having long-term impact on the ecosystem when properly applied.

The chemical is approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. More than 1,000 five-gallon cans of TFM were used this week on the Manistee, a chemical load that cost more than \$500,000.

The last time the river was treated was in 2013.