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ALPINE VALLEY: 10 miles east of Pontiac; 8775 E. Highland Road, Milford 48024. Downhill only; 23 slopes, 9 chair lifts, 25 rope tows, 230-foot vertical drop, night skiing. Instruction, rental equipment, restaurants, game room, lodging nearby. (313) 687-4183.

HEAVYNER CROSSCOUNTRY SKI CENTER: In Proud Lake area; 2775 Garden Road, Milford 48042. Cross country only; 9 miles of marked trails. Instruction, rental equipment, twilight guided tours, lodging and food service nearby. (313) 685-2379.

INDEPENDENCE OAKS: 2½ miles north of I-75; 9105 Sasshaw, Clarkston 48016. Cross country only; 10 miles marked, groomed trails for beginners to advanced. Warming shelter, concession area, lodging nearby. (313) 625-0877.

KENSINGTON METROPARK: 2240 West Buno Road, Milford 48024. Cross country only; over 15 miles of marked trails. Equipment rental, warming shelter. Vehicle entry permit required. (313) 685-1581.

MOUNT BRIGHTON SKI AREA: off I-96; 4141 Bauer Road, Brighton 48116. Downhill only; 22 runs, 6 chair lifts, 10 rope tows, 225-foot vertical drop, new advanced slope, night skiing. Instruction, rental equipment, restaurants. (313) 229-9581.

MOUNT HOLLY: 15 miles north of Pontiac; 13536 South Dixie Highway, Holly 48442. Downhill only; 13 slopes, 7 chair lifts, 6 rope tows, 327 foot vertical drop. Instruction, equipment rental, lodge, entertainment. (313) 634-8269.

PINE KNOB: 3 miles east of Clarkston; 7777 Pine Knob Road, Clarkston 48016. Downhill only; 8 slopes, 5 chair lifts, 7 rope tows, 264 foot vertical drop. Handicapped skiers program. Instruction, equipment rental, restaurants, night club. (313) 625-0800.

RIVERVIEW HIGHLANDS SKI AREA: 15015 Sibley Road, Riverview 48192. Downhill; 8 slopes, 2 chair lifts, 5 rope tows, 150 foot vertical drop, night skiing. Cross country; 4 miles of trails. Instruction, equipment rental, restaurants. (313) 479-2267.

SAUK VALLEY FARMS: In the Irish Hills; Prospect Hill Road, Brooklyn 49230. Cross country only; 1-, 2- and 4-mile marked trails. USSA instruction, equipment rental, lodging, food service, hot tubs. (517) 487-2061.

STONY CREEK METROPARK: at Eastwood Beach; 4300 Main Park Road, Washington 48034. Cross country only; 5 marked trails. Vehicle entry permit required. Rental equipment. (313) 781-4242.

WILLOW METROPARK: between New Dexton and Flat Rock; 17845 Savage, Belleville 48111. Cross country only; groomed trails. Equipment rentals. Vehicle entry permit required. (313) 697-9181.

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BAROTHY LODGE: P.O. Box 165, Waltham 49458. Cross country only; multiple trails on 300 acres. Resort, housekeeping units, catering, jacuzzis. 1-616-898-2240.

BINDER WINTER PARK INC.: off I-94; 11632 6½ Mile Road, Battle Creek 49015. Cross country only; 12 miles marked, groomed trails. Instruction, rental equipment, refreshments, tobogganing, lodging nearby. 1-616-979-4233.

BITTERSWEET SKI AREA: off M-89; 600 River Road, Olsego 49078. Downhill only; 9 runs, 3 chair lifts, 6 rope tows, 300 foot vertical drop. Rental equipment, instruction, restaurants, entertainment, lodging nearby. 1-616-694-2032.

BOYNE HIGHLANDS: Harbor Springs 49740. Downhill; 17 slopes, 7 chair lifts, T-bar, rope tow, 580-foot vertical drop. Cross country; 3- and 5-mile trails. GLM instruction, rental equipment, dining rooms, cocktail lounges, heated outdoor pool, saunas, skating rink, lodging. 1-616-526-2171.

BOYNE MOUNTAIN: Boyne Falls 49713. Downhill; 15 slopes, 9 chair lifts, rope tow, 500-foot vertical drop. Cross country; 42 kilometers of racing and touring trails. GLM instruction, rental equipment, dining rooms, cocktail lounges, heated pool, skating rink, lodging, paved airstrip on premises. 1-800-632-7174.

CABERFAE: on M-55; Rural Route 4, Cadillac 49601. Downhill; 37 ski runs, 3 chair lifts, 5 T-bars, 14 rope tows, 450 vertical drop. Cross country; 19 kilometers of trails, moonlight tours. Instruction, Bratzelasse, Alpine and cross-country rentals, restaurants and lodging, snowmobiling, sleigh rides. 1-616-862-3303.

CAMP PETOSEGA: on Pickerel Lake; 11000 Camp Petosega Road, Alanson 49706. Cross country only. Rental equipment, rustic cabins. 1-616-347-5649.

CANNONSBURG: 10 miles northeast of Grand Rapids; Box 14, Cannonsburg 49317. Downhill only; 32 ski runs, 3 chair lifts, 2 T-bars, 12 rope tows, 275-foot vertical drop, night skiing. PSIA ski school, equipment rental, cafeteria, handicapped ski program, nursery, lodging nearby. 1-616-874-6711.

COOL X-COUNTRY SKI TOURING CENTER: midway between Reed City and Cadillac; 5557 North 210th Ave., Leroy 49655. Cross country only; 50 kilometers of trails, novice to expert, groomed and marked. Instructions, equipment rental, race courses, guided tours, lodging and meals. 1-616-768-4624.

CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN: 36 miles northwest of Cadillac on M-115; Dept. M-83, M-115, Thompsonville 49683. Downhill; 20 slopes, 3 chair lifts, 2 rope tows, ski-by-the-hour prices. Cross country; 14 kilometers of groomed, marked trails. Instruction, child's program, rental equipment, NASTAR racing program, nursery, heated pool, motel room or townhouse lodging. Children 18 and under ski free midweek. 1-616-378-2911.

GRAND TRAVERSE RESORT: 7 miles north of Traverse City; P.O. Box 128, Acme 49810. Cross country only; marked groomed courses from 1 to 7 kilometers each. Instruction, rental equipment, night touring, indoor pool, saunas, jacuzzis and handball courts, lounge, food service. 1-800-632-4310.

HAYO-WENT-HAI: 4 miles west of Central Lake; Route 1 Box 30, Central Lake 49622. Cross country only; 10 miles of marked, groomed trails. Rentals, lessons, guided tours. 1-616-544-5915.

HILTON SHANTY CREEK: 2 miles south of Bellaire off M-88; 4253 Schoolcraft Road, Bellaire 49615. Downhill; 15 runs, 3 chair lifts, rope tow, 327-foot vertical drop. Cross country; 28 kilometers of trails. Alpine and Nordic instruction, equipment rental, restaurants, entertainment, indoor swimming pool, whirlpool, nursery, lodging. 1-800-632-7116.

MULLIGAN'S HOLLOW SKI BOWL: YMCA Drive, Grand Haven 49417. Downhill only; 3 slopes, 2 rope tows, T-bar, 130-foot vertical drop. Snacks, lodging nearby. 1-616-846-5590.

NATURE OUTFITTERS: P.O. Box 383, Bellaire 49615. Guided cross-country and overnight camping through Jordan River Valley. Naturalist guide. 1-616-533-8764.

NUBS NOB: 5 miles northeast of Harbor Springs; 4021 Nubs Nob Road, Harbor Springs 49740. Downhill; 20 runs, 5 chair lifts, poma lift, rope tow, 427-foot vertical drop, night skiing. Cross country; 2 trails. Instruction, children's program, Alpine and cross country rental equipment, cafeteria, country store. 1-616-526-2131.

PANDO SKI AREA: 12 miles northeast of Grand Rapids on M-44; 8076 Belding Road NE, Rockford 49341. Downhill; 7 runs, 6 rope tows, 125-foot vertical drop. Cross country; 6-mile trail. Alpine instruction, rental equipment, lodge. 1-616-874-8343.

PLATTE LAKE RESORT: 8483 Deadstream Road, Honor 49640. Cross country only; marked trails for all skills. Rental equipment, housekeeping units. 1-616-325-6723.

ROYAL VALLEY: 7 miles west of Niles between US-31½, I-94 and M-12; RR 1, Box 434, Buchanan 49107. Downhill only; 15 runs, 3 chair lifts, T-bar, 7 rope tows, night skiing. American, GLM and racing instruction, rental equipment, lodge, cafeteria. 1-616-695-5662.

RANCH RUDOLF: 15 miles southeast of Traverse City; P.O. Box 1729, Traverse City 49684. Cross country only; 15 miles of trails. Instruction, rental equipment, moonlight touring, lodging and meals. 1-616-947-9529.

SCHILL-HAUS: on M-22, south shore of Little Glen Lake; P.O. Box 76, Empire 49630. Cross country only; trails in Sleeping Bear Dunes. Rental equipment, housekeeping units. 1-616-334-3252.

SCHUSS MOUNTAIN: on M-88; Mancelona 49659. Downhill; 13 slopes, 3 chair lifts, T-bar, rope tow, 400-foot vertical drop. Cross country; 19 kilometers of marked, groomed trails. Instruction, equipment rentals, restaurants, entertainment, chalet and hotel accommodations, sleigh rides. Children 16 and under sleep and ski free midweek. 1-800-632-7170.

SHA-RO-CO FARM: 14804 Baldwin Street, Jones 49061. Cross country only; 15 miles of marked, groomed trails. Instruction, rental equipment, lodge, special weekday and ladies' rates. 1-616-476-2454.

SUGAR LOAF RESORT: 18 miles northwest of Traverse City; RR 1, Cedar 49621. Downhill; 24 runs, 5 chair lifts, 2 rope tows, T-bar, 600-foot vertical drop, night skiing. Cross country; 14 miles of trails. CPSIA instruction, equipment rentals, restaurants, heated outdoor pool, saunas, indoor tennis courts, babysitting, lodge rooms and townhouses, airstrip. Children under 18 ski and sleep free midweek. 1-616-228-5461.

SWISS VALLEY: 10 miles west of Three Rivers off M-60; Jones 49061. Downhill only; 11 slopes, 3 chair lifts, T-bar, poma lift, 4 rope tows, night skiing. NSPS and PSIA instruction, children's program, handicapped program for blind and physically impaired, equipment rentals, cafeteria and bar. 1-616-224-8016.

THE HOMESTEAD: off M-22; Glen Arbor 49636. Cross country only; 24 miles of marked, groomed trails, additional 40 miles at nearby Sleeping Bear Dunes. Instruction, rental equipment, guides, deluxe condominiums, food services, ice skating. Downhill only; 12 slopes, 2 chair lifts, rope tow, 400-foot vertical drop. GLM instruction, rental equipment, cafeteria. 1-616-549-2441.

TIMBERLEE MOUNTAIN: in Leelanau Peninsula; Timberlee Drive, Traverse City 49684. Downhill; 14 slopes, 2 chair lifts, 2

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