



Saginaw Club General Information

The Saginaw Club has been the premier club in the Great Lakes Bay Region since its inception in 1889. Its richness in tradition and history has been cultivated by the leaders of the community that are our members. The excellence of the services we provide our members, combined with the gracious elegance that draws us to a gentler time, is heralded by the club's motto: "We Leave the Burden of Our Toil Outside the Friendly Door."

Business Benefits

The club's long history of being the place to conduct business is reflected in the services it provides. From breakfast meetings to office Christmas parties, the club has the audio/visual equipment, pianos, podiums and other amenities that ensure a smooth, productive and enjoyable function.

Club Governance

The club is owned by the members. A nine-member Board of Managers (elected by Resident and Senior members and serve three year terms) administer the affairs of the club. Several standing committees are then appointed by the Board to oversee various aspects of club operations.

Location

The Saginaw Club is conveniently located in downtown Saginaw on the corner of Johnson and North Washington streets, adjacent to the beautiful and historic Temple Theatre. The Dow Event Center, which houses Wendler Arena and the Heritage Theater, is slightly east on Johnson Street. The First Merit Event Park is directly across from The Dow.

General Staff

- General Manager & Executive Chef: Mark Frank, CEC
- Assistant Manager: Cheryl Westphal
- Membership Director: Laureen Lutenski
- Dining Room Manager: Diana Bommarito
- Receptionist: Liz Fenner



Parking

Parking is never a problem at the club. The Saginaw Club offers a supervised lot and there is a city parking ramp directly across from the club for overflow parking on those rare occasions the club's lot is full. The club can also provide valet service, at a small fee, for your event if you require.

Members may use the parking lot any time they are at the club. Parking stickers are available at the club office. Guests of members may use the parking lot when they are attending a function at the club sponsored by a member.

Club Entrances and Area Access

Members may access the club by using the main front entrance, side or rear parking lot entrance any time the club is open by using their door key card. The white side of the card must be facing out from the unit with the arrow pointing into the unit. If you do not have your card, you can use the side entrance and the office staff will let you in.

Members have access to all areas of the club. They may entertain guests on the first floor in the Reading Room, and the second and third floors of the club. The Members' Bar, Card and Grill Rooms are for member use only except for special parties or other occasions as designated. A member may have a guest with him or her in this area during normal hours of operation.

Hours of Operation

- **Members' Grill** – Open for lunch Monday through Friday from 11:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. No reservations are required unless you would like to sit in a specific area.
- **Members' Bar** – Open from 4 pm until the club closes Monday through Friday. The club cannot serve alcoholic beverages after 2 a.m.
- **CLUB BISTRO** – Thursday & Friday nights from 5:30pm-8pm on the first floor. Casual attire. Live entertainment Fridays. Reservations appreciated but not necessary.
- **Second Floor**
 - **Lunch** – Open Monday through Friday from 11:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. Reservations are helpful, particularly if you would like a special seating arrangement or a private room.
 - **Dinner** – Open Friday nights from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for dinner if a minimum of one reservation is received by 2 pm. The club is also open for dinner before symphony and choral society events.



Rooms and Areas of the Club

First Floor

- **Members' Reading Room** – Features the periodicals table laden with the latest newspapers and magazines and comfortable overstuffed chairs in the true club spirit.
- **Members' Grill** – In the true club spirit a truly casual dining experience where members sit at communal tables and fill out their own orders.
- **Private Grill Room** – Adjacent to the Grill Room, this room provides a casual but private atmosphere overlooking the Saginaw River and seating up to 14 comfortably.
- **Card Room** – Open and comfortable, a perfect venue for casual cocktail parties and card playing.
- **Members' Bar** – As Victorian as the members who built the club, the Member's Bar is for members only. It hosts the Five O'clock Club, where our members indulge in fine spirits and discussion as they address the issues of the day.

Second Floor

- **Centennial Room** – The club's most popular formal dining room, which overlooks the Saginaw River.
- **Founders Room** – Adjacent to the Centennial Room, this room is used for overflow during the club's busy dining times and as a private room for lunch or dinner meetings.
- **President's Room** – A perfect room for meetings and planning sessions of 18 or fewer, or an intimate room for family gatherings over a graciously served meal.
- **Main Dining Room** – A very popular room with civic groups that meet at the club. It easily accommodates 50 people for a sit-down meal, is bright and cheery, and can be closed off for privacy.
- **Living Room** – With its high ceilings, soft furniture, beautiful artwork and fireplace, this room epitomizes the graciousness of the Saginaw Club. It is available for cocktail parties or intimate dining, and promises to wrap members in its comfort.

Third Floor

- **Ballroom** – The ballroom echoes with the sounds of grand events of the past. It accommodates 200 for gatherings such as reunions, or fewer with an area for a dance floor. The ballroom has a full bar, band stage, conversation alcove, bridal lounge and restrooms. From its soaring ceilings with flowing drapery to its polished wood floors, the Ballroom makes every occasion special.



Dress Code

Generally, the first floor is casual attire. The second floor is business attire. For dinner, men wear sport coats and women wear appropriate pants, skirts, pantsuits or dresses. For Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend, the dress is casual on both floors. The detailed dress code is stated in the House Rules.

Dining

The Saginaw Club accommodates both formal and casual dining for lunch and dinner. It also offers private rooms for dining and meetings, and can accommodate 200 people in its ballroom on the third floor.

Event Information

The club is always available for private business meetings or social parties for all those special occasions of members' lives- birthdays, weddings, rehearsal dinners, graduations and anniversaries. The club's staff can tailor any event to members' specific needs to make the occasion truly memorable. Menu packets and event information are available at the club office.

Member Application Process

Prospective members must submit an application for membership containing two resident member sponsors. Following a 10-day posting period, all member applicants are submitted to the Board of Managers for review.