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July 2013

Presidents' Message

Summer greetings to all of our Madison Ski Club members! Snowfall will be many months from now, but it is still time to plan for our two upcoming trips for this winter. Let's make a big effort this year to fill the Snowmass and Whitefish trips (see info in this newsletter). The Board is also looking into some more local type day or weekend "ski meet-ups" for this winter.

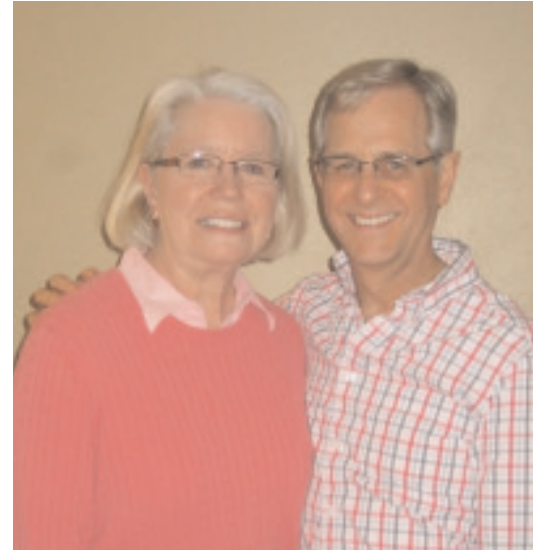
The Club will celebrate 50 years of a long and special tradition of skiing, friendships and travel. We are appreciative of John Wall's contribution to provide a lovely venue for our pot luck party at the John Wall Family Pavilion at Tenney Park. (please see page 2 of this Schussboomer). At the party, we will get together with the friends from this year's past trips and share stories. We will gather with long time ski buddies, and we will look to the future with renewed energy and enthusiasm! Celebrating 50 years is a joy for all of us—even we newer members as we reflect on those who have paved the way.

Some dates to put on your calendar:

July 18, 5:00 pm	50th anniversary potluck, Tenney Park
August 1	Snowmass initial deposit
Until July 31	Membership renewal early bird discount
October 5	Lift-off party, Avenue Bar
October 10	Whitefish initial deposit

When Bruce and I agreed to lead the Club, I really knew very few people from the Club. During these past 3 years, it has been my pleasure to meet many new friends. We have agreed with the Board to extend our Presidency for a second year as we look for new vice presidents (the Luedtkes have resigned). We thank them for their help with the 50th celebration. We appreciate all of the support of the Board during this time of transitioning. Cherie Olsen

Renew your membership before July 31 for a member discount. See form on page 5.



Co-presidents Cherie & Bruce Olsen

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Come Celebrate!

Please join the Madison Ski Club at our annual summer potluck picnic and celebrate 50 wonderful years of skiing.

Thursday, July 18, 2013

At the John Wall Family Pavilion
Tenney Park
300 N. Thornton Avenue • Madison, WI

Bring a dish to pass:
A-G Desserts
H-R Side Dishes or Salads
S-Z Appetizers

This event is also the host party for the 2012-2013 trip reunions.

Please RSVP to Cindy Stiles by July 10

c.stiles@att.net
608-222-6418

Members/Non-Members - All are welcome!

• **Madison Ski Club** •

A community of people and a world of skiing.

Snowmass, a Madison Ski Club Favorite, Returns for its 8th Year! Wednesday, December 11 – Tuesday, December 17, 2013

By popular acclaim, 2013 will mark the eighth consecutive year that Snowmass and the Mountain Chalet will be Madison Ski Club's first trip of the ski season. Even sweeter, we expect that the 2013 trip will cost \$188 LESS than the 2012 price: \$1400 per person, double occupancy (\$400 single supplement); initial \$500 payment due by **August 1**; \$900 balance due by **September 15, 2013**.

50% of Snowmass runs are wide, groomed, intermediate cruisers—perfect for those first days of the new season. 6% of the slopes at Snowmass are beginner runs, and 44% are challenging expert slopes (with more than 4400 vertical feet of drop). A Snowmass lift ticket also entitles skiers to a free short shuttle ride for ski days at Aspen Highlands, Aspen Mountain and Buttermilk.

Our “home” for the week will be the Snowmass Mountain Chalet. Enjoy five days of great snow and uncrowded and wide open slopes. Start each morning with a complimentary full hot breakfast overlooking a slope-side deck. Take advantage of the ski-in/ski-out convenience to return for a complimentary lunch each day. The Living Room offers a lounge, fireplace and decorated Christmas tree for nightly cocktail parties, cards, games, and reading. Warm your toes and soothe your muscles at the end of the day in the outdoor hot tub and pool. Enjoy dining—and finish your holiday shopping—at the Village Mall nearby, or take a 15-minute free shuttle ride to picturesque Aspen Village, with its many shops, galleries and dining spots. Check out the Anderson Ranch Arts Center just down the hill from Snowmass Village, a working ranch now converted to an informal artists’

collective. With all this to offer, it is easy to see why non-skiing spouses and partners enjoy coming along on this trip.

Includes: Round-trip airfare, Madison—Denver—Aspen; van transfer to Snowmass Village. 6 nights lodging at Mountain Chalet. Hot breakfast and lunch daily. Club parties in the Living Room. Price includes all baggage handling and room attendant gratuities, all room and air taxes.

Not included: Dinners, lift tickets, personal expenses. Special MSC ticket prices announced later.

Changes in the airline industry have made group travel more challenging than it once was, and those changes require the Club to make modifications in how it handles trip bookings. Airlines require full payment for group travel earlier and earlier. For that reason, **the deadline for full payment of this trip is September 15, 2013**. One of the principal benefits of group ski travel is group pricing on airfare and lift tickets. Snowmass requires 20 separate individuals to purchase a lift ticket (one day or longer) to get group pricing. **20 individuals must commit to the trip if the Club is to offer it.** It is possible that some Snowmass non-skiers will need to purchase a 1-day lift ticket in order to reach the essential 20-ticket minimum.

Questions? Contact Club co-presidents Cherie and Bruce Olsen (608-274-6299) or email (olsens.madison@gmail.com).

Reservation Form for Snowmass, CO Dec 11 - 17, 2013

Send this form and \$500 per person deposit to Daluge Travel, 5321 Fairway Dr, Madison 53711 by **August 1**. See article [this page](#).

Name must be legal name that appears on passport/drivers license

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Let us know if you need a room-mate _____

Ski Whitefish, Montana

Tuesday, February 25 to Monday, March 3, 2014 (air option)
Monday, February 24 to Tuesday, March 4, 2014 (train option)

“What is in a name?” Shakespeare wrote. “A rose by any other name would smell as sweet.” The ski resort formerly known as “Big Mountain,” presumably because it is situated on a big mountain (3000+ acres), underwent a name change since March 2007, when Madison Ski Club last visited this spectacular ski venue. When the Club returns in February 2014, the experience will be just as sweet as it was in 2007. Whitefish has 98 marked trails; 15% beginner, 35% intermediate, 40% advanced, and 10% expert. Base elevation: 4464 ft; summit elevation: 6817 ft. Lifts: 3 high-speed quads, 2 quads, 6 triples, 2 T-bars.

Although final pricing details are still being worked out, here are the tantalizing particulars we can tell you now.

The air option is from Madison to Kalispell, and ground transportation to Whitefish Mountain Resort. The train option is from Columbus, Wisconsin straight to Whitefish, and a shuttle to the resort.

Lodging for our six nights at Whitefish will be at the Kandahar Lodge, where the Club stayed in 2007. The Kandahar is ski-in and 50 yards to ski-out, with a great lobby and an on-site restaurant. Continental breakfast is offered each morning. We’ll have a welcome reception, and a hospitality suite for apres-ski socializing. The Kandahar is 7 miles and a ski bus shuttle ride to the dining and shopping opportunities in downtown Whitefish. We’re exploring the options for cross-country skiing and snowshoeing as well.

Lift tickets? A bargain at \$49/day for ages under 64; \$40/day for ages 65-69; and FREE for skiers over 70.

More information will be available at the July 18 50th Anniversary pot luck, and in the next edition of the Schussboomer. Watch for it!

Kandahar Lodge



Snow Ghosts at Whitefish

Did you know?

The Madison Ski Club is actively seeking new members. To help make that happen we are offering a couple of special deals. Any current member who signs up a new member for 2013-14 will receive a rebate of his or her 2013-14 membership dues. Also, any new member who goes on one of the upcoming western ski trips will have their membership dues rebated. New members are defined as anyone who has never been a member of the Madison Ski Club in the past.

Early Renewal of Madison Ski Club Membership for 2013-2014

Name(s) _____

**Membership rate
(good until July 31)**

Street _____

(circle one)

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

**Family \$30
Single \$20**

Phone _____ cell _____

email _____

Please send my newsletter (Schussboomer) by email.

Yes No

Members of family included: _____

Mail this application with your check, payable to Madison Ski Club, to Cindy Stiles 4317 Shore Acres Rd, Monona, WI 53716.

Any questions call Cindy at 608-222-6418

Sadly we say good-bye to another long time member. Elaine Haag passed away Friday, June 7th, 2013. Elaine and her husband Fran were members of the Madison Ski Club for many years. They participated in and hosted MSC trips to the UP. She will be remembered as a bubbly, positive person by many of our members. In recent years, Fran and Elaine lived in Merrimac during the summer and spent winters in Arizona. Elaine was a skilled seamstress and taught sewing classes for many years in Baraboo. She will be missed by all who knew her. Memorials for Elaine can be made to the Carbone Cancer Center at UW Hospital, Madison.



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