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Presidents' Message

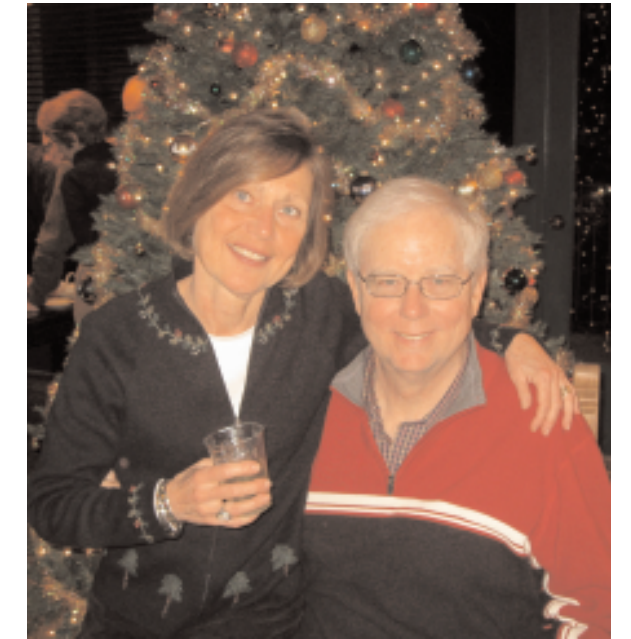
Snow has begun to fall in the West. Ski season can't be far behind! If you haven't signed up for a ski trip yet, time is getting short. Our Snowmass trip is all set to go Saturday, December 11. The weeklong trips to Canyons at Park City and Northstar at Tahoe are still open, as are the weekend trips to the UP and Lutsen Mountain. These are great trips and offer great skiing, great accommodations and off-slope activities for all. You will find information and reservation forms inside the newsletter.

A great time was had by 67 ski club members and guests at the Annual Lift-Off Party on Saturday, November 6th at the Avenue Bar. We welcomed new members and look forward to having them join us on our trips. Thanks to Pat Bruden for putting together a successful evening of dinner, door prizes, and socializing.

Once again, our ski club "ambassadors" will be at Devils Head on Tuesday and Thursday starting in January to join you for skiing – and lunch in the lodge. John Newman, Marty Deignan and Betty Ragotzkie will be wearing their red ski club bandanas – be sure to wear yours! If you don't yet have one, John Newman has a limited number for sale. They are great for identifying fellow ski club members on the slopes – and for publicizing our club. Also, check out the new Glacial Express – a variable-speed, 4 person chairlift located in front of the Cliffhaus. Don't forget – skiers age 66 and over ski FREE!

It's not too late to become a member of our club or sign up for trips. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please encourage them to visit our website or contact any of the Board members. The more the merrier! Happy Holidays to all and see you on the slopes!

Steven and Ellen Wickland, Presidents



Where are we going this year?

- Sat Dec 11 - Fri Dec 17, 2010
Snowmass Ski Trip in CO
see the article on shipping skis pg 4
- Fri Jan 14 - Sun Jan 16, 2011
UP - Indianhead/BlackJack pg 2
- Sat Feb 5 - Fri Feb 11, 2011
The Canyons at Park City, UT pg 4
- Thurs Feb 24 - Sun Feb 27, 2011
Lutsen Ski Resort in MN pg 3
- Sat Mar 5 - Fri Mar 11, 2011
Northstar at Lake Tahoe, CA pg 5



And don't forget Tuesdays and Thursdays at Devils Head. Look for the bandanas and ski with friends.

Madison, WI 53711
5518 Dorsett Drive





INDIANHEAD SKI RESORT

**MICHIGAN'S
UPPER PENINSULA
JANUARY 14-16, 2011**



Hope you are all starting to think about skiing. It is getting closer. It is a reason to appreciate winter. The UP is a great winter weekend getaway. It is a way to meet new friends and reacquaint us with the old friends we have made on previous trips. Board the Bus at either the Dutch Mill Park & Ride or the Petro near Portage. Our plan is to ski Indianhead and Blackjack. Your price will include the motor coach, lift tickets for Sat. & Sun, lodging for two nights, 2 continental breakfasts, a wine & cheese party and dinner at the very special Petrusha's supper club. If you have not been there, it has a quaint atmosphere, great service and George & Jean; the owners have been serving us wonderful food for 5 years. We encourage you to bring the family & the grandchildren. We have special pricing for seniors, juniors & children. The price for double occupancy is 310.00 (adult), 302.00 (Sr), 180.00 (Jr. 13-17), 155.00 (Jr.10-12), 125.00 (child 9 and under). For single occupancy, add 98.35. We would hope you would enjoy this trip as much as we have for many years. Tell all of your friends about this trip. There is a minimum of 20 adult participants. To be guaranteed a spot, fill out the reservation form on pg 7 and send in your \$50 deposit by Nov 30 and think snow!!!!!! Your final payment will be due by December 12. email goldenquilts@centurytel.net or call Mary @ 608-576-5472. *Tom & Mary Schmitt*

**We remember our friend Ron Houser -
too soon he left us.
Sept. 24, 1932 - Nov. 3, 2010**



Ronald D. Houser, age 78, of McFarland, passed away peacefully at the Don and Marilyn Anderson HospiceCare Center in Fitchburg on Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2010.

Ronald was preceded in death by his first love and wife of 53 years, Mary Ellen. He is survived by his second love, Pat Bruden; children, Connie (Mike) Matheson, Steve (Marlene) and Terrie (Rick) Thorstad; and six grandchildren, Brianna and Alex Matheson, Lucas and Trevor Houser, Samantha and Max Thorstad.

Memorials may be made to HospiceCare Inc. and Bethel Horizons.

When Ron met Pat Bruden, he also met her many friends in the Madison Ski Club. We soon became his friends also. Ron and Pat have been active in the ski club. Our condolences to Pat and her family and to Ron's family.

Reservation Form: Indianhead/Blackjack (Hosts Tom & Mary Schmitt) 1/14-1/16, 2011
Send reservation form and \$50 per person deposit to Tom & Mary Schmitt, N1809 Kroncke Rd, Poynette 53955 by Nov 30th. Checks should be made out to Madison Ski Club.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Reservation Form: Canyons, UT (Hosts George & Lavora Baird) 02/05-02/11, 2011
Send reservation form and \$800 per person deposit to WTA, Larry Hurley, 5009 Barton Rd, Madison 53711 by Dec. 1st. Checks should be made out to WTA.
Name must be legal name that appears on passport/drivers license

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Birthdate(s) _____

Reservation Form: Northstar/Lake Tahoe (Hosts Ernie & Joan Horinek) 03/05-03/11, 2011
Send reservation form and \$800 per person deposit to WTA, Larry Hurley, 5009 Barton Rd, Madison 53711 by Dec. 1st. Checks should be made out to WTA.
Name must be legal name that appears on passport/drivers license

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Check here for Amtrak option: _____ Birthdate(s) _____

Reservation Form: Lutsen Mt (Hosts Jerry & Carol McAdow) 2/24-2/27, 2011
Send reservation form and \$50 per person deposit to Jerry & Carol McAdow, 5518 Dorsett Dr, Madison 53711 by Dec. 18th. Checks should be made out to Madison Ski Club.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Contributors to this years door prizes:

*Canyons Resort, Utah
Chalet Ski
Delaney's
Erehwon
Fontana
Fraboni's
Great Graphics! Inc
Indianhead Mountain
Jet Room
Mountain Chalet, Snowmass, CO
REI
Ritz Carlton Northstar
Tyrol Basin
Bruce & Cherie Olsen
Carol McAdow
John Newman
Larry Hurley
Lavora Baird
Pat Bruden*

Please thank these businesses and individuals for making our party a great success!

Lucky winners of the door prizes:

*Bill Waterman
Carla Fox
Carol McAdow
Carol Wedekind
Chuck Stumpf
Dyan Kopitzke
Ernie Horinek
Jack Kundert
Joan Horinek
John Newman
John Olsen
Joy Newman
Judy Waterman
Marty Deignan
Mike Mollerus
Mike Peters
Rudy Clavadetscher
Sandy Schuette
Susan Paul
Tom Schmitt*

SKI LAKE SUPERIOR'S NORTH SHORE LUTSEN 2011

Our skiing dates for Lutsen this year are Feb. 24 through Feb. 27, 2011. MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PLAN TO JOIN US for a new experience when we ski Lutsen for 2 and ½ days with **NO** stop at Spirit Mt. in Duluth. We have also arranged for a late checkout at Mountain Inn (our lodging) so you can ski half a day on Sunday, return to your room and change clothes and clean up for a comfortable ride home on the bus. The following is our cost information:

\$455.00 per adult

This covers for each adult in a room/double occupancy:
Bus transportation
3 nights of lodging
3 continental breakfasts
2 and ½ days of lift tickets
Saturday night dinner

This cost is actually less than last year.

We must receive your \$50 deposit not later than Dec. 18, 2010. We will invoice you for the balance which must be received not later than January 18, 2011.

We strongly encourage children on this trip and we will provide cost information (reduced as compared with adult costs) upon request and as soon as we know the age of the children.

The bus will leave Dutch Mill Park & Ride at 2 pm on Thursday, Feb. 24, 2011. We will stop at Petro to pick up skiers there and we will stop someplace (probably Rice Lake) for an evening meal arriving at Mountain Inn before 10 pm.

Room assignments and tickets will be handed out shortly after we arrive so you can get a good night of sleep and decide for yourself when you want to hit the slopes Friday morning.

Dinner Friday night is on your own and most of us go to Lutsen Resort at the bottom of the hill on the main highway. We will provide transportation for all who want to go to the Resort for dinner.

Dinner Saturday night is a covered cost and we will arrange for that in a large room so we can all eat together Saturday night where we will tell ski stories to each other.

Ski as much or as little as you wish Sunday morning (Feb. 27) at Lutsen. You will need to leave the hill by noon so you can clean up, change clothes and be ready to leave with the bus not later than 2 pm Sunday afternoon.

We simply reverse our course on the way home, looking for supper about 5 pm and making stops at Petro and Dutch Mill Park & Ride before 10 pm Sunday night.

This is a fun trip ... relaxed ... easy on your nerves with excellent (usually) Midwest skiing (almost 1000' of vertical drop on Moose Mt.). Sign up and join us. **For more information, contact Carol or Jerry at: 608-271-2378 or abyquilts@charter.net**



2010

Lift-Off

Party



The Canyons Resort at Park City, Utah Saturday February 5 – Friday February 11, 2011

Last Chance..... The opportunity for discount pricing has been extended until December 1st.

We invite you to join us for this exciting trip to Utah. This is your chance to ski at one of the largest ski resorts in the U.S. The area includes nine mountain peaks, five bowls, and has added over 300 additional acres for a total of 4000 skiable acres. We'll be flying from Madison to Salt Lake City and taking a short deluxe motor coach ride to Canyons Resort.

Our lodging will be at the Grand Summit Hotel and will include hot breakfasts, outdoor heated pool and hot tub, full service spa, and ski in/ski out access to the new Orange Bubble Lift with heated seats. *(see photo below)*

Complimentary bus transportation runs day and evening to Park City and Deer Valley for skiing, shopping and dining. In addition there is also a wide range of cross country skiing available.

Don't miss out on the fun and join us by paying your deposit of \$800.00 by mailing it to Larry Hurley by December 1st to receive a \$50.00 discount for a total trip cost of only \$1,879.00. The cost after December 1st will increase to \$1,929.00.

This is an exceptional trip to a new location for The Madison Ski Club so please take this opportunity and join us.

*George and Lavora Baird at 608-592-5575
or by e-mail at glbaird@charter.net*



Attention Snowmass Skiers
Read carefully and if you decide to ship your skis do it on or about Dec. 1st.

Ship to:

Mountain Chalet
115 Daly Lane
Snowmass Village, CO 81615
\$35.10 each way

SHIPPING YOUR SKIS? Does it make sense? **Yes**, the airlines ARE continuing to charge baggage fees upon check-in, \$25 first bag and \$35 for a second bag each way, which would be \$60, total \$120 round trip for two bags. They emphasize that ski bags are for skis only -- and boot bags are for boots only. Skis and boots are considered one bag by the airlines. Remember the maximum weight is #50 per checked bag, and if it's over #50, it will cost an additional \$50.

There is an option: If you take your skis to Postal Connections at 200 E Verona Road in Verona, you can ship 2 sets of skis and poles in one bag (for example 78" X 12" X 7" which is approx. #30) at a better rate for each of our ski trips. Snowmass rate is

\$35.10 each way. **(Check in the January Schussboomer for the Canyons and Lake Tahoe rates.)**

If this makes sense to you and you want to ship your skis and poles and save \$\$\$, you should send them out about **10 days before the trip**, and they will be waiting for you. Combine your equipment with a friend's in a double bag, and save even more. **THINK ABOUT IT!** You can pre-purchase your return tags and bring them along to tag your equipment for shipping back. Postal Connections will call you when they arrive.

If you have any questions, call Larry Hurley at 608-271-0457 or e-mail wtaskis@tds.net

Northstar at N. Lake Tahoe, California Saturday Mar. 5 - Friday March 11, 2011

The early signing deadline & discount have been extended until Dec. 1 for the ski trips to Canyons & Northstar.

Currently we have 34 participants going to Northstar. We welcome you to join skiers from Denver & Golden. CO; Austin, TX; Green Brae, CA; Lake Forest, IL; Durham, NC; Bend, OR; Sussex, Menominee Falls, & Madison.

Here are the highlights of the Northstar trip! Cost is \$2,198/person after Dec. 1 based on 2 persons sharing a room. **Less \$50 early signing discount if \$800 deposit is in by Dec. 1, then only \$2,148.** The single supplement is \$1,245. Unbelievable - the price is \$150 less than last year.

The package includes: Round trip air, Madison - Sacramento or Amtrak train option to Truckee, CA (only 6 miles away) Chartered bus Sacramento – Northstar (96 miles)

Lodging at the Ritz Carlton Highlands – Club Level – Brand new \$350 million hotel.

Amenities - two heated pools, hot tubs, & unlimited access to spa with the newest equipment, fireplace in room, free use of computers & internet. It's ski in-ski out - located mid mountain. Gondola to the village below for shops, restaurants, & buses.

4 Food Presentations & beverages are available throughout the day. (1) Hot breakfast; (2) Lunch- soup, salads, sandwiches, & dessert; (3) Hors d'oeuvres - 5:30pm; (4) Chocolates & cordials - 8:30 pm. There is no need to purchase any meals or cocktails unless you want to go out for dinner at the local restaurants. The Club Lounge on the top floor is our private lobby with TV, fireplace & homemade cookies where we play cards, games, & socialize.



Possibility of skiing other Lake Tahoe Resorts: the famous Squaw Valley – the site of the Olympics, Alpine Meadows, Heavenly Valley, Kirkwood, Mt. Rose, and Sierra.

Russ & Heidi Wilbert have a vacation home at Northstar & invite you over after skiing on Tues. The party will include a social hour with wine & beer, a delicious buffet, & homemade desserts. We'll gather later for a sing-along with Heidi at the piano. They have skied all over the world & consider Northstar the best because of the abundant snowfall, temperatures in the 30's, California sunshine, & corduroy groomed runs. They look forward to showing you their mountain.

There is a new area called Lookout Mountain that doubled the expert runs. Skiing is excellent for all abilities with wide runs, tree skiing & wind protected slopes. The cross country ski & snowshoe center offers many activities for winter enthusiasts.

Super Senior Lift Tickets were only \$17/person last year for seniors over 70. There are also multi day tickets & special 4 day packages for adults under 70.

Non- skier activities include a bus tour of Lake Tahoe with a stop for lunch. We will show you what there is to do in the area – museums, shopping, recommended restaurants, casinos in Incline & Crystal Bay, photo opportunities of the snow covered Sierra Mountains & cobalt blue Lake Tahoe – North America's largest alpine lake.

We have a woman looking for a roommate.

Any questions? contact Ernie & Joan Horinek, 608-235-3550 joanhorinek@sbcglobal.net.

<----- *the view from our window last year*



membership form on the website