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October 2012

Presidents' Message

Madison Ski Club kicked off the start of its 50th year at the annual fall picnic, hosted by Club vice-presidents Pam and Jerry Luedtke, and held this year on a gorgeous late-summer afternoon at Lakeview Park in Middleton. Those who attended enjoyed great food and drink, renewed connections with long-time friends, and met skiers new to the Club. The 2012-13 season trip leaders and Rick and Peggy Daluge introduced this year's trips to Snowmass, Taos, Lutsen and Big Sky. Planners of the September Bike Outing and the November Lift-Off events offered highlights of those upcoming activities.

Turning the calendar page to October reminds us all that the deadlines for "early bird" discounts, trip deposits, and final payments will soon be upon us. Detailed information for the trips and the fall's upcoming events are provided within this Schussboomer, and are available on the Club's website, www.madisonskiclub.com, and the Club's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/MadisonSkiClub. We encourage you to submit your deposits so that you don't miss out on the trip or trips of your choice.

The Lift-Off Dinner is on Saturday, November 3, at the Avenue Bar. We hope to see you at the Club's events, and thank you for your continued support for your Madison Ski Club. *Cherie and Bruce*



Presidents Bruce & Cherie Olsen

NEW MEMBER BONUS

New members of the Madison Ski Club will receive a **rebate** of the 2012-13 annual dues if they take a major trip this year. (sorry Lutsen is not included)



MADISON SKI CLUB ANNUAL LIFT-OFF PARTY

SATURDAY, NOV. 3rd
at THE AVENUE BAR
1128 E Washington Ave,
Madison

cash bar at 6:00 pm
dinner at 7:00 pm

Celebrate the beginning of our ski season. Come meet new and old friends, win door prizes, hear about our ski trips (put your money down on one or two), and enjoy the atmosphere of this delightful Madison restaurant.

Reservations must be in to Pat Bruden by Thursday Oct. 25th. Each dinner is \$23.00 - this includes tax and tip. Choose from the following:

Pork Schnitzel
Roast Beef
Famous Fish Boil

Bring friends; you do not need to be a member to join us for this evening of fun.

Fill out the reservation form on page 5. Any questions call Pat Bruden (608) 246-1813 or email pbruden@charter.net

If you have donations for door prizes, please contact Pat.

SNOWMASS, CO

**Saturday, December 8 - Friday, December 14 or
Amtrak option December 7 - December 15**

Join us for Madison Ski Clubs seventh consecutive trip to Snowmass Colorado. This will be a very special trip honoring Larry and Goldie Hurley who will be leaving Madison Ski Club as our travel advisors after many years of service.

We will fly round trip Madison to Aspen with a short ride to Snowmass Village where we will again stay at the Snowmass Mountain Chalet, a ski in/ski out facility. Full breakfast and lunch is included daily. Snowmass Mountain Chalet is walking distance to Snowmass Village Mall for shopping and dining or just a short bus ride to Aspen with its many shops, galleries and dining. Snowmass has 91 trails serviced by 21 lifts, with many wide, groomed runs perfect for those first days of the new season. Your lift pass also allows for skiing at Aspen, Aspen Highlands and Buttermilk Mountains all just a short bus ride away. Aspen/Snowmass Nordic System also offers 40 miles of no fee groomed trails for individual or guided cross-country skiing or snowshoeing.

Cost of this trip is \$1,588 per person, based on double occupancy (\$400 single supplement). (Price is subject to airline fuel surcharge). Please call Larry Hurley to check availability- 271-2378.

Trip Includes round trip airfare, transfer to and from Mountain Chalet, 6 nights lodging at Snowmass Mountain Chalet, hot breakfast and lunch daily, club parties, baggage handling, room attendant gratuities, and all room and air taxes.

Not included are dinners, lift tickets, and personal expenses. Special group lift ticket prices will be announced later.

An Amtrak rail option is available. Pricing is subject to availability. Please contact Larry Hurley (608 271-0457) if you are interested in this option. Space is limited for this very special trip so don't delay. Fill out the reservation form at the end of this Schussboomer and mail along with your deposit.

Your trip hosts: George and Lavora Baird

BIKING WITH THE SKI CLUB

On Sunday, September 30, 9 members of our Ski Club met at the Pacific Cycle parking lot on Hammersley Road for our annual bike ride. Carol and I led it again (we think our 13th year), this year riding on our tandem. This was a journey and not a race so no one was left behind or lost.

It was 28 miles of sheer pleasure (including climbing several hills along the way). Our weather was text-book perfect with temperatures in the mid to upper 60s, light winds, not a cloud in the bright blue sky and with fall colors at or near their peak.

The first 5 miles was a slight downhill grade on the SW Commuter Trail into Madison followed by miles of level biking, a tour past Monona Terrace and a picnic lunch at Fraboni's in Monona.

From there we completed our route around Lake Monona and intersected with the Capital City Trail heading down into Fitchburg. The CCT is about 11 miles of continuous trail which winds through open fields, wooded areas, prairies and limited residential areas. The bright fall colors were a real bonus adding to the enjoyment of the ride. (Yes, there were a few hills but everyone rode them into submission.)

We took some pictures and they have been posted to the MSC website and to our Facebook. Take a look at them and see what you missed.

We had such a good time that there was discussion of having one or more such rides in the spring and summer of next year. We are considering that and will keep you informed.

See you at the Lift-Off Dinner on November 3rd and on the ski hills in 2012-2013.

Carol and Jerry McAdow

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Taos Ski Adventure: NEW air available, so we're adding a day! NEW price reduction!
4 days of Taos skiing; 1 day of Santa Fe sightseeing
January 31 to February 5, 2013

If you act quickly, you can still reserve your spot for Madison Ski Club's extended weekend ski adventure to legendary **Taos, New Mexico, departing Madison on Thursday, January 31, and returning on Tuesday, February 5, 2013.** And now, more ski! More see! More snow! Less dough!

Our travel advisors, Daluge Travel, have just found a Madison/Santa Fe (not Albuquerque) flight that fits within our budget. By flying in/out of Santa Fe, we can eliminate a bus ride from Albuquerque and can add a day to the trip, returning late Tuesday, February 5. This allows us to add a 4th day of skiing followed by a 5th day of touristic pursuits in Santa Fe before returning home. What's more? **We're able to offer this 6-day trip for \$1289 per person, based on double occupancy** (\$325 single supplement). That's **\$100 less** than the price we were earlier able to offer for 3 ski days at Taos and 1 day of Santa Fe sightseeing! And—if you're a **new member** of Madison Ski Club—you'll receive a **rebate** of the 2012-13 annual dues if this is your first trip!

Lodging: In Taos, we'll be staying 4 nights at the **Columbine Inn & Conference Center**, a 20-room property that has been owned and operated by avid and knowledgeable Taos skiers Paul and Susie Geilenfeldt since 1999. Begin every morning with a hot and hearty buffet breakfast and a five-minute free shuttle ride to the base village shops, restaurants, and lifts. Not skiing? Take a 15 minute shuttle to Taos, to experience its many art venues, historic sites, and shops. End each day in the outdoor hot tub, or around the crackling fire in the lobby, or at the outdoor fireplace. In between, you'll enjoy the Southwest sun (300+ days per year) on Taos's 110 runs, spread out over nearly 1300 acres and 2600 vertical feet. With the extra 30 minutes of daylight you'll get compared

to Madison in January/February, you'll have plenty of time to explore the area's 26 green and 28 blue runs—and maybe even some of the 56 trails of advanced terrain. The snow? 300+ inches per year, plus 100% snowmaking coverage on all green and blue runs. At the end of the ski day on Monday, February 4, we'll travel back to Santa Fe.

In **Santa Fe**, we'll spend Monday evening at a hotel with free breakfast just off the town square and just a heartbeat away from Santa Fe's well-known restaurants, tourist shops and cultural arts museums. We'll have nearly all day Tuesday February 5 to explore them, before boarding our plane in the late afternoon to return to Madison.

Trip price includes: Round-trip airfare, Madison—Dallas—Santa Fe—Dallas—Madison; ground transfers between Santa Fe and Taos; 5 nights lodging; 5 breakfasts; welcome reception and one additional Club party in Taos; Taos hotel shuttle to/from mountain; baggage handling and room attendant and service gratuities. Not included: dinners, lunches, lift tickets, personal expenses. All pricing is subject to availability, fuel surcharges, and/or additional air taxes.

The "fine print": None—for those who act NOW! But seats are limited, and the airline will not offer forever the flight price that makes this trip so affordable, so don't delay!!

How to sign up: Complete the reservation form in the Schussboomer or online TODAY; return it ASAP with your \$1289 (or \$1614 for single) check payable to Daluge Travel to 5321 Fairway Drive, Madison, WI 53711. **Deadline is Nov. 10th, 2012!**

Questions?

Contact trip leaders Cherie & Bruce Olsen (608-274-6299), or olsenba@charter.net.

LUTSEN 2013 With few exceptions, those MSC members who have made the Lutsen trip enjoy it so much that they sign up again and again. It is great Mid-West skiing! With that thought as our starting point, Carol and I are planning what we think is our 15th consecutive Lutsen ski trip. Our ski dates this year are February 21-24, 2013. The format will

be essentially the same as last year, **but on the bus we will discuss change recommendations from our survey.** We leave 2:00 pm Thurs. Feb. 21, ski Fri., Sat. and until noon on Sun. Then home on the bus. All breakfasts and dinner Sat. eve. plus your lift tickets are included. We do not have the pricing yet, but will have it at the Lutoff Dinner on Nov. 3 and in the Nov. Schussboomer. *Carol and Jerry McAdow*

BIG SKY, MT
 Sunday, March 10 – Saturday, March 16, 2013

DON'T DELAY. . . SIGN UP TODAY!!!

If you've been thinking about a ski trip this year, this is the one for you! 5500 skiable acres, 220 named runs, an average of 400 inches of dry powder snow, and virtually no lift lines. . . this is **Big Sky, Montana.**

Big Sky is known for its long, wide open groomers over 3 interconnected mountains. A new lift provides access to Moonlight Basin (previously accessible only by snowcat). Terrain is 15% beginner, 25% intermediate, 40% advanced, 20% expert.

We'll be staying at the historic **Huntley Lodge** in the heart of Big Sky's mountain village. In addition to ski in/ski out access, the lodge is part of a larger complex offering numerous amenities, including a full service health spa. We had the occasion to tour there recently and feel Huntley Lodge will be great for our group. We'll be enjoying comfortable, nicely appointed guest rooms; several inviting sitting areas, each with a huge fireplace; and, what we are told is, an outstanding full breakfast buffet. In addition to the bar and restaurant at the lodge, many other dining options and shops are located within easy walking distance in the village, as well as via shuttle in the town of Big Sky.

We'll depart Madison bright and early Sunday morning, **March 10, 2013** by chartered bus to Chicago, O'Hare, where we'll catch our direct flight to Bozeman. From there, a bus transfer through scenic countryside brings us into Big Sky by mid-afternoon. We reverse the itinerary for our return on Saturday, **March 16, 2013**, leaving Big Sky late morning to get back to Madison in the evening.

Trip Includes: round trip airfare and bus transfers, 6 nights lodging, 6 breakfasts, club parties, baggage handling, room attendant gratuities, and all room and air taxes. Not included: meals other than breakfast, lift tickets, personal expenses. Special group lift ticket pricing will be announced later.

Trip Price: \$1,690 per person for those "early birds" who submit their reservation and deposit by **November 15, 2012**. Thereafter, price is \$1,790. **Final deadline for sign-up is December 15, 2012.** Trip price is based on double occupancy (single supplement is available for \$555). A \$300 per person deposit is required with your reservation. A second payment of \$1,200 is due January 15, 2013; and final payment of remaining balance is due on February 15, 2013.

How to sign up? Complete and return the reservation form in the Schussboomer, page 5, and send along with a \$300 per person deposit to Daluge Travel, 5321 Fairway Drive, Madison, WI, 53711. *(New members of the Madison Ski Club will receive a rebate of the 2012-13 dues if this is their first trip.)*

Feel free to call or e-mail us with your questions. This promises to be a great trip and we are excited to host it. We would love to have you join us!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Reservation Form: Snowmass, CO 12/8-14/2012 hosts: George & Lavora Baird 608-592-5575

Limited availability both air and train! See article page 2.

Contact Larry Hurley about availability of this trip 271-0457.

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

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Amtrak option _____ YES to the train.

Reservation Form: Taos, NM 1/31-2/5/2013 hosts: Bruce & Cherie Olsen 608-274-6299

Send this reservation form and \$1289 per person less deposit to Daluge Travel, 5321 Fairway Dr, Madison 53711 by Nov. 10th, 2012. See article page 3.

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

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

Reservation Form: Big Sky, MT 3/10 -16/2013 hosts: Jerry & Pam Luedtke 608-798-0491

Send this reservation form and \$300 per person deposit to Daluge Travel, 5321 Fairway Dr, Madison 53711. \$100 discount if reservation received by Nov. 15th. See article page 4.

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

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

MADISON SKI CLUB Lift-Off Party Reservation due Thurs. Oct. 25th

Saturday November 3rd: cash bar at 6:00, dinner at 7:00

The Avenue Bar, 1128 E Washington Ave, Madison, WI

**Mail this form with your check made out to Madison Ski Club to Pat Bruden,
87 Golf Parkway #A, Madison, WI 53704**

Name(s) _____

Choice of dinner: Pork Schnitzel _____ (number of each)

Roast Beef _____ (number of each)

Fish Boil _____ (number of each)

Check enclosed for \$ _____ (\$23.00 per dinner)

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