

SCHUSSBOOMER

September 2010

**YES, IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR
AGAIN!!!!**

**HELP US KICK OFF THE UPCOMING SKI
SEASON BY JOINING US FOR THE FIRST
EVENT OF THE YEAR.**

**MADISON SKI CLUB PICNIC
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH 4PM**

NEW LOCATION AT HOYT PARK IN MADISON

Welcome current members, new members, prospective members and guests. This is an opportunity to visit and obtain information about the exciting trips lined up for this ski season. The Club will be providing brats, barbecues, beer, wine, soda, and water along with condiments, plates, cups and utensils. Bring a dish to pass based on the first letter of your last name.

- A - F Desserts
- G - K Hot dish, veggies, or fresh fruit
- L - R Appetizers, snacks
- S - Z Salads

Remember we are at a new location: Hoyt Park in Madison (See Map on page 2)

**Looking forward to seeing everyone September 12th
*George and Lavora Baird***



Presidents' Message

The Madison Ski Club begins its 48th year and the club has planned a varied and exciting schedule of events for the year. In September, the Annual Picnic, followed a week later by the Fall Bike Ride, and the Lift-off Dinner in November, all bring new and current members together to share our enthusiasm as we anticipate the coming season. If you haven't had a chance to ski Snowmass or Northstar at Tahoe, we're "goin' back" by popular demand! New this year is a trip to The Canyons at Park City, Utah. Skiing is great in the Midwest, too. The UP and Lutsen Mountain trips offer nearby week-end getaways. Further highlights of these trips and reservation forms are included inside the newsletter. The Madison Ski Club's long history is a reflection of our members – active, social people who enjoy time together on and off the slopes. Add to this first-class destinations and lodging, it's a special experience. We look forward to seeing you at our events and on our trips.

Steven and Ellen Wickland

Mark your calendars:

Bike Ride starting at Pacific Cycle, Sept 19th at 10:00 am. See article on page 5.

Lift-Off Party at Avenue Bar, Nov 6, at 6 pm.

Great food, great conversations, great door prizes. More details in the next Schussboomer.

Map of 3902 Regent St, Madison, WI 53705



Join us on one or more of these ski trips

Sat Dec 11 – Fri Dec 17, 2010	Snowmass Ski Trip in CO	Pg 3
Fri Jan 14 – Sun Jan 16, 2011	UP – Indianhead/BlackJack	Pg 6
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 6
Sat Mar 5 – Fri Mar 11, 2011	Northstar at Lake Tahoe, CA	Pg 5

SNOWMASS DELIVERS!

Saturday, December 11, 2010 – Friday, December 17, 2010

If you haven't had a chance to ski Snowmass, your opportunity is **NOW** and at a **\$100 savings** off last year's cost. For a fifth consecutive year, Madison Ski Club returns to experience some of the finest skiing in North America. With a vertical rise of 4406 feet and 3132 acres of terrain, Snowmass is the second largest ski area in the country. Best known for wide-open, groomed cruising via 21 lifts and 91 trails, Snowmass is rated the #1 best overall resort in the Rocky Mountains by the readers of onthesnow.com. Snowmass is one of the "Power of Four" – four peaks: Aspen Highlands, Aspen Mountain, Buttermilk and Snowmass – all accessible via free shuttle bus **AND** included on your lift ticket.

The Snowmass Mountain Chalet will again be our "home" for the week – a true Colorado ski lodge with convenient ski-in/ski-out access to the slopes. Start each day with a complimentary full hot breakfast overlooking the slope-side deck and enjoy a lunch time break with complimentary soups, rolls, fruit, and cookies. At the end of the day, relax in the spacious outdoor hot tub or large heated pool, before gathering around the fireplace and Christmas tree in the Living Room for nightly cocktail parties. Gather a group or venture out on your own for dinner at one of the many restaurants within walking distance at Snowmass Village. Or catch a free shuttle to Aspen for many other dining options – a 10-mile ride away.

And there are many other activities found in the area such as: snowshoeing and cross-country skiing on the no-fee, groomed 40-mile Aspen/Snowmass Nordic Trail System, which links Snowmass and Aspen, and meanders through meadows, wooded areas, and crosses 3 distinct valleys; the Wapiti Wildlife Center, with free 45 minute nature tours; The Anderson Ranch Arts Center, originally a working ranch, now converted to an informal artists' collective. The Mountain Chalet is conveniently located next to the Snowmass Village Mall, with great shops and just 15 minutes away, via free shuttle, is Aspen, where you can enjoy many cultural activities and some of the best shopping in Colorado.

Cost details: \$1549 per person, based on 2 persons sharing a room (\$400 single supplement)
Less \$50 early signing discount if \$300 prepaid deposit received by Sept. 15th, **cost then becomes \$1499 (\$100 less than last year)**
Rail by Amtrak available, pricing subject to availability

Includes: round trip air, Madison – Aspen; van transfer to Snowmass Village; 6 nights lodging at Snowmass Mountain Chalet; hot breakfast and lunch daily; club parties in lobby; baggage handling and room attendant gratuities; all room and air taxes

Not included: Meals other than those listed above, personal expenses, lift tickets (Madison Ski Club special lift ticket prices TBA)

We invite you to join us for this tradition of fantastic skiing and fun times with great friends, old and new! To be guaranteed a spot, fill out the reservation form found in the newsletter. Note: one male looking for a roommate.

Trip leaders – Steven and Ellen Wickland, 608-274-1754 or elwickland@yahoo.com



**Come Join Us At
The Ultimate Winter Playland
The Canyons Resort at Park City Utah
Saturday February 5 – Friday February 11**

The Canyons Ski Resort delights guests with spectacular terrain for skiing and boarding, amazing scenery, a full service spa, and overall supreme elegance. Although there's really no place like it, we all need places like The Canyons Resort. The perfect, hassle-free ski getaway lies within a mere 30-minutes from the Salt lake City International Airport. Once you're at the Canyons you'll find everything needed to round out the perfect ski and snowboard vacation and a whole lot more without ever having to leave the resort.

We invite you to join us this ski season on our trip to The Canyons Resort at Park City Utah. We are very excited to be hosting this trip to a world class resort offering many options for activities both on and off the mountain. We will be staying at The Canyons Grand Summit Hotel, which is an AAA Four Diamond Resort. In addition to including breakfasts and giving you the room choice of two queen or one king beds, everyone will have access to Grand Summit Spa & Health club. You will also enjoy the ski-in/ski-out features of the hotel with a ground level ski room just steps from the nearby gondolas. If you're looking to improve your on-mountain technique, you can take a private or group lesson with one of the award-winning ski and snowboard instructors.

The Canyons is Utah's largest resort with 3,700 skiable acres; 3,190 vertical feet; summit elevation 9,990 feet; 350 annual inches snowfall; over 165 runs with many lifts, and with eight canyons and six peaks there is plenty of skiing for all skill levels. If that isn't enough Deer Valley and Park City ski resorts are close by with shuttles running to and from them every 20 minutes. Your Canyons lift tickets are also good at Park City, but you will need to purchase separate tickets for Deer Valley if choosing to go there. The shuttles also run between the Canyons Resort and Park City for dining and shopping if your desires include venturing beyond the Canyons Resort.

Please join us on this great trip departing by air from Madison, February 5, 2011 and returning February 11, 2011. Rail by Amtrak available, pricing subject to availability; Please fill out the registration form on page 7 to reserve your place and mail it with your initial deposit of \$300.00 per person; space will be limited. A discount of \$50.00 per person off the total trip cost of \$1,929.00 will be available for all reservations received and accepted until November 15, 2010, for a **trip cost of only \$1,879.00**. If you have questions or would like additional information please contact us:

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

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

Many described their vacation at Northstar last February as the ski trip of a lifetime. We are able to offer this trip for \$150 less than last year. **Early bird signing makes the price \$2,148/person.** Cost of the trip is \$2,198/person based on 2 persons sharing a room. You receive a \$50 discount/person for early signing with a \$300 per person deposit before Nov. 15. Single supplement is an additional \$1245. If you are a single who would like to sign up, we have a man and a woman looking for a roommate.

The Ritz-Carleton Highlands is brand new (opened last Christmas, 2009); a world class 5 star hotel that is ski in, ski out and located mid-mountain. With the opening of the new expert area called Lookout Mountain the amount of expert runs doubled. We are returning for our second year because the skiing was excellent for all abilities. There is plentiful powder, corduroy groomed runs, wide tree-lined slopes, lots of California sunshine and temperatures usually in the 30's. While you will find it very convenient to ski Northstar from the Ritz Carleton you will have options to ski nearby Squaw Valley, Alpine Meadows or Sugar Bowl.

Madison Ski Club ski lift ticket prices have not yet been determined. Last season senior lift tickets cost only \$17/day. The resort also offered discounted multi-day tickets and special 4 day packages for under age 70. Included in your package is a luxury room with gas fireplace & a wall of windows giving you an awesome view of the mountains. Complimentary food and drinks are served on the Club Level. You will enjoy 4 food presentations a day: - a hot breakfast 7 - 10pm - lunch of soup, salads and sandwiches - Noon - 1:30pm (everyone came in for lunch with friends) - hors d'oeuvres & cocktail hour - 5:30 - 7pm - chocolates & cordials- 8:30 - 9:30pm.

Besides the great skiing every day, you are invited to a wonderful party Tuesday March 8 at Russ & Heidi Wilbert's vacation home at Northstar for food and drinks after skiing. It is a fun evening with a sing-along with Heidi at the piano. Russ & Heidi have skied all over the world and they feel Northstar is the best. They look forward to showing you their mountain.

Your Northstar package includes round trip air from Madison to Sacramento; chartered bus Sacramento to Northstar (104 miles); or Amtrak train to Truckee, CA (6miles away). The Club Lounge is our private lobby and living room. This is the large gathering place on the Club Floor where everyone enjoys meals, drinks, homemade cookies, conversation, and playing cards every evening. There will be activities for non-skiers. Last Feb. we had 14 non-skiers out of 46 participants. New this year will be a bus tour on Sunday to show you what there is to do in this vacation area.

If you send us your email address we will send you pictures of the Ritz Carlton and the couples and singles that enjoyed skiing Northstar in 2010. We don't hesitate to recommend this trip. We can't wait to go back next March. For more information contact **trip leaders: Ernie & Joan Horinek, 608-235-3550** joanhorinek@sbcglobal.net



Pump up those tires - we are going for a bike ride. Meet at Pacific Cycle, 4902 Hammersley Rd on Sunday September 19th for a tour of some of our great bicycle paths in Madison. Join John Newman and Carol McAdow for a beautiful fall ride - be ready to ride by 10:00 am. We will break for lunch at Willy St Coop if anyone wants to join us - sorry, we can't tell you exactly when we will get there. Questions? - you can call John (246-8661) or Carol (271-2378) or Carol's cell 608-444-1532.



Rosemarie H. Koch, of Baraboo, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2010 at St. Clare Hospital in Baraboo.

Rosemarie was born on August 19, 1939 in Cologne, Germany, the daughter of Ernst and Rose (Stoffel) Nosper. She was united in marriage to Rockne Edward Koch on Aug. 23, 1961 in Milwaukee.

Survivors include her husband, Rockne, of Baraboo.

Many of you remember Rosemarie – she and Rockne joined us for several local events as well as week-long trips. Rosemarie is a Messmer High School graduate; memorials in her memory may be given to Messmer H.S. Foundation, 742 West Capital Drive, Milwaukee, WI. 53206-3327. Our condolences go out to Rockne and their family. Rockne, we too will miss this sweet lady.

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

**LUTSEN SKI RESORT, MN
FEBRUARY 24-27, 2011**

Tom & I are looking ahead to winter and the ski season. We both love skiing with the Madison Ski Club and one of our favorite trips is the UP. If you are looking for a weekend getaway, just sign up for the trip and leave the rest to us. We will greet you on the bus which picks up at the Dutch Mill Park N Ride on the southeast side of Madison and also stops at the Petro near Portage. We will ride a Motor Coach straight to The Days Inn of Hurley (which offers a continental breakfast, whirlpool, swimming pool). We will ski two days, one at Blackjack and the other day at Indianhead. Your price will include the motorcoach, two days of lift tickets, 2 continental breakfasts, two nights lodging, a wine and cheese party and Sat dinner. This trip is great for singles or families. We offer pricing for seniors, juniors, and children. Send your \$50.00 per person down payment to the address below. There is a minimum of 20 people for the trip to run. Hope to see you all on the slopes.

**Tom & Mary Schmitt
N1809 Kroncke Rd
Poynette, WI 53955**

Make the check out to the Madison Ski Club.

This year will be a little different. We will not ski at Spirit Mt in Duluth - instead we will ski at Lutsen 2 1/2 days. This is an experiment which many of you had suggested - so the time to try is this year. We will leave for Lutsen "as usual" about 2 pm on Thursday, February 24th, arriving at Mountain Inn for our lodging about 10 pm that night. Mountain Inn provides continental breakfasts and Saturday dinner will be included in the package. We will ski Lutsen all day Friday and Saturday and Sunday morning, leaving Lutsen about 2 pm Sunday afternoon, the 27th. We will travel back to Petro and Madison with appropriate stops for food and stretching. Carol and I predict that the skiing will be *excellent as usual* and we hope all of our regulars plus many more will join us for what is always a great ski adventure. More details later as we get closer to the date.

We encourage families to sign on to this trip- the 2011 SWEIO Convention is scheduled for Friday, February 25th so schools will be off. A great time to plan a family outing! **Jerry & Carol McAdow
608-271-2378 or email abyquilts@charter.net**

Reservation Form: Snowmass, CO (Hosts Steven & Ellen Wickland) 12/11-12/17, 2010
 Send reservation form and \$300 per person deposit to WTA, Larry Hurley, 5009 Barton Rd,
 Madison 53711 by Sept. 15th. 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 if interested in Amtrak option: _____

Reservation Form: Canyons, UT (Hosts George & Lavora Baird) 02/05-02/11, 2011
 Send reservation form and \$300 per person deposit to WTA, Larry Hurley, 5009 Barton Rd,
 Madison 53711 by Nov. 15th. Checks should be made out to WTA.
 Name must be legal name that appears on passport/drivers license
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Reservation Form: Northstar/Lake Tahoe (Hosts Ernie & Joan Horinek) 03/05-03/11, 2011
 Send reservation form and \$300 per person deposit to WTA, Larry Hurley, 5009 Barton Rd,
 Madison 53711 by Nov. 15th. Checks should be made out to WTA.
 Name must be legal name that appears on passport/drivers license
 Name (s) _____
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 Phone _____ email _____
 Check here if interested in Amtrak option: _____

Madison Ski Club Membership for 2010-2011

Name _____	Membership rate:
	(circle)
Street _____	Family \$40.00
City _____ State _____ Zip _____	Single \$30.00
Phone _____ (cell) _____	email _____

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

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