

SCHUSSBOOMER

September 2011

Presidents' Message

We are very excited about the 2011-2012 season and the great ski destinations selected by the club's board of directors. In addition to the ski destinations we will be starting the season with the fall picnic, a fall bike ride and the Lift-Off Dinner. Please check out the details regarding this year's trips and our other activities which are all presented in this issue of the Schussboomer. As always we encourage you to invite others to attend our club events as non members and guests are welcome.

This years trip offerings include one of our most popular ski destinations Snowmass, Colorado which will be visited by our club for the 6th consecutive year. In February the club offers a trip to Steamboat, Colorado and in March, Telluride, a world-class ski resort. In addition to these major trips the club will be offering the very popular 4-day weekend trip to Lutsen, Minnesota in February.



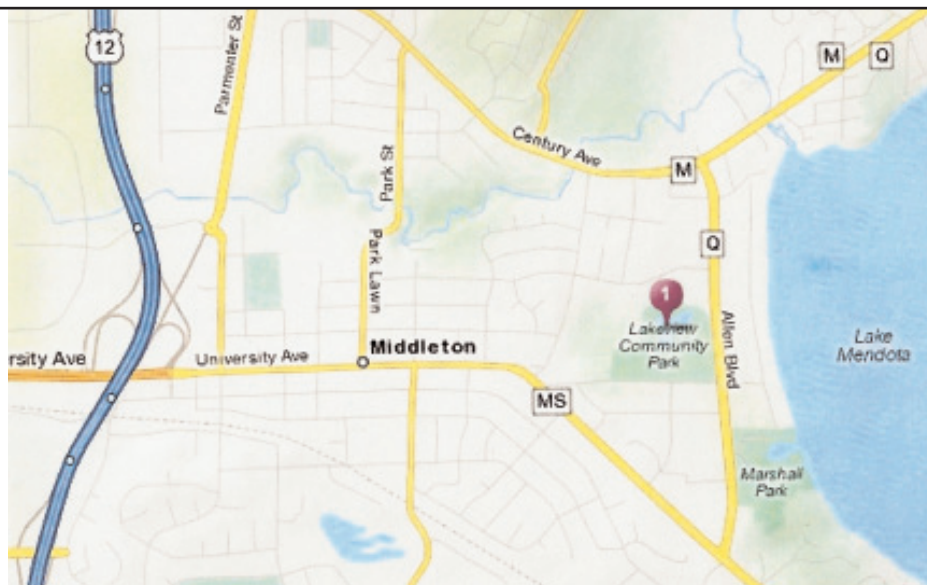
Detailed information and registration instructions for all trips are provided with this issue and we encourage you to make your reservations early to avoid disappointment. We have received a lot of interest in our trip offerings and anticipate that some will be filling up. Please consider signing up and submitting your deposits so you don't miss out on the trip of your choice.

We thank Steve and Ellen Wickland, our past presidents, for their leadership in guiding us through a great year. Steve and Ellen truly succeeded in maintaining the club traditions while serving the members and for that we commend them. We will do our best as your new presidents to maintain our Club's long history and to serve our members.

George and Lavora Baird

ALERT: Do you have an * attached to your last name - if so this is your last Schussboomer unless you go to page 6 and renew your membership.

1: Lakeview Community Park at 6300 Mendota Ave



**Madison Ski Club Picnic
Sunday, September 11,
4:00 pm
Lakeview Park in
Middleton
Allen Blvd. & Mendota
Ave.**

Join in the celebration of Madison Ski Club's 49th year at the annual Fall picnic! Help kick off the 2011-12 ski season by joining us for the first event of the year.

**Note new location!
See details on page 6.**



STEAMBOAT, COLORADO

Sat. Feb. 4 - Fri. Feb. 10, 2012

It's "steamy" in Steamboat, but not the kind associated with the hot and humid summer we've had in Madison! We're talking about the vim and vigor you will get from skiing Steamboat's world famous "Champagne Snow" – 70% drier, 70% fluffier, 100% **fun**. Spread over 2965 acres, there are 165 trails to explore – 14% easiest, 42% intermediate, and 44% advanced. Its runs have produced more Winter Olympians (69) than any other resort in North America. You may even have a chance to ski with Billy Kidd, who still makes Steamboat his home.

Located 7000 feet up in the Colorado Rockies, Steamboat Springs is a bona fide ski town, nestled in one of the most beautiful valleys below one of the largest ski mountains in North America. With its 100 year heritage, Steamboat is self-described as "No Gritz, No Flash" – a shining example of what a ski resort should be. Its western heritage extends beyond the ski slopes. A stroll through Downtown Steamboat Springs reveals buildings dating back to the late 1800's and one of the area's more than 150 mineral springs. It offers a small town friendliness and hospitality with over 40 restaurants, 90 shops and galleries plus an historic walking tour. In addition, sleigh rides, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, snowmobile rides, dog sledding, hot springs and spa services, concerts, mountain dining, and more provide plenty to do off the slopes.

We will fly Madison to Steamboat with a short transfer to the Ptarmigan Inn, our "home" for the week. It is one of the best in the area, with ski in, ski out access located at the Gondola. It is a full service

hotel, with in-room refrigerators, coffee makers, remote color cable televisions with VCRs and high speed Internet access, outdoor heated pool, hot tub and sauna, and complimentary valet ski storage. The Sportstalker Ski Shop is located at the Inn, for rental, equipment, and apparel needs. The Snowbird Restaurant and Lounge, located slope side in the hotel, allows you to dine while you watch the skiers go by. Après ski in the lounge with daily happy hour. For those trips into town, the Steamboat Springs city bus stop is located 100 yards from the Inn. A daily breakfast buffet is included in the price of the trip.

Price includes: round trip air (Madison – Hayden Field at Steamboat); airport shuttle to the hotel; 6 nights lodging (based on 2 sharing a room); 6 morning buffet breakfasts, tax & gratuities; in/out baggage handling and gratuities; all room and air taxes and maid gratuities. Not included are lift tickets (special Madison Ski Club prices to be announced), meals other than those listed above, and personal expenses.

PRICE: \$1577 per person, based on 2 persons sharing a room. A discount of \$50 will be given if a \$300 per person deposit is received by November 15. This special Madison Ski Club discount brings the price down to only **\$1527!** Single supplement is an additional \$945. Reservation form on page 7.

We are excited about hosting this trip to "Ski Town, U.S.A.". We hope you will join us for a spectacular ski adventure!

Steven and Ellen Wickland
elwickland@yahoo.com

TELLURIDE, COLORADO

Sat. Mar. 3 - Fri. Mar. 9, 2012

We invite you to join us for a premier Madison Ski Club trip to Telluride Ski Resort - a world-class ski resort located in the San Juan Mountains in Telluride, Colorado.

The resort has expanded by over 300 acres in the last few years, offering some of the most stunning skiing and riding on the planet. This is your chance to experience unrivaled scenery and terrain, stay at a world-class hotel with spa, access to unique shopping and an opportunity to discover why Telluride is unmatched in North America.

The Telluride ski experience offers a genuine mountain experience for all levels of skiers, from refined groomed runs to challenging moguls and more difficult terrain. Novice skiers and even non-skiers can ride to some of the highest points on the mountain to enjoy the terrain and views. Telluride has been called, "The most beautiful place you'll ever ski."

Averaging more than 300 inches of snow and 300 days of sunshine each year, odds are great that we will have perfect weather to enjoy Telluride's 1,700 skiable acres. Telluride's lifts remain uncrowded and the trails are never packed which will make your visit even more enjoyable.

We will be staying at the Hotel Madeline located in the heart of Mountain Village, a mid-mountain resort community. Hotel Madeline is the perfect escape surrounded by 13,000 foot peaks, the soaring majesty

of the San Juan Mountains. Inside Hotel Madeline, an inspired vision of European alpine architecture is rendered with native Colorado stone and warm timbers from the forest beyond. Hotel Madeline Telluride represents the pinnacle of the Colorado resort experience with ski-in and ski-out access.

The departure date for this fantastic trip will be Saturday, March 3, departing from Madison by air to Montrose Colorado with bus transfer from Montrose to Telluride. The return will be on Friday, March 9, by bus from Telluride to Montrose and by air from Montrose back to Madison. Included with the trip is all transportation costs including taxes, 6 nights at the Hotel Madeline, 6 breakfasts, all hotel taxes and gratuities, in/out baggage handling on a trip you will not want to miss. Lift tickets, personal expenses and meals other than breakfasts will be at your expense. Optional special ski lift ticket prices will be available, but price is yet to be determined.

The trip is priced at \$1,999.00, with a \$50.00 discount available if a \$300.00 deposit is received prior to November 15, 2011, making it a very good value for a first class experience at \$1,949.00 per person. We hope you can join us and we know you will have a wonderful time on this trip to a World Class Destination. Please take advantage of the discount and sign up now - reservation form on page.7.

George and Lavora Baird, your trip hosts
glbaird@charter.net





Obituary for Joseph E. Donny

Joseph E. Donny, age 74, died Thursday, July 7, 2011, at the Monroe Clinic Hospital, surrounded by his family.

He was born Oct. 10, 1936, in Monroe WI, the son of Melchior and Hedwig (Aberhard) Donny. He was a 1954 graduate from Monroe High School and a 1955 graduate of the University of Wisconsin farm short course. Joe and Marcia Heuer were married on Aug. 3, 1957, in Monroe.

He farmed on the home farm prior to owning and operating the Alphorn Lounge, J.D.'s White Elephant, B. J.'s Penthouse and Wally Gators, a teen dance club. He was also instrumental in the development of Hillside Acres. He was a member of St. Clare of Assisi Parish, a life member of the Monroe Lion's Club and along with Marcia a member of the Madison Ski Club for 20 years. We lost a dear friend.

<p>Madison Ski Club Picnic cont. from pg. 1 Madison Ski Club welcomes current members, new members, prospective members and guests. The Fall picnic is a great time to reconnect with longtime friends, meet new skiers, and obtain information about the exciting trips lined up for this ski season. The Club will be providing meat options, beer, wine, soda, and water, and will provide condiments, plates, cups and utensils. Please bring a dish to pass, based on</p>	<p>the first letter of your last name. A – F Salads G – K Desserts L – R Appetizers, Snacks S – Z Hot dish, veggies, or fresh fruit</p> <p>Remember, we're at a new location this year: Lakeview Park in Middleton (6300 Mendota Blvd, between Allen Blvd and University Ave). See map, page 1. <i>Bruce and Cherie Olsen</i></p>
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Calendar of Events for Madison Ski Club 2011 - 2012

<u>2011</u>		<u>2012</u>	
Sunday Sept. 11	Picnic at Lakeview Park	Sat Feb 4 - Fri Feb 10	Steamboat, CO trip
Sunday Sept. 25	Bike Ride begins Pacific Cycle	Thurs Feb 23 - Sun Feb 26	Lutsen Ski Resort
Saturday Oct. 29	Lift-Off Party at Avenue Bar	Sat Mar 3 - Fri Mar 9	Telluride, CO trip
Sat. Dec 10 - Fri. Dec 16	Snowmass, CO trip		

Madison Ski Club Membership for 2011 - 2012

Name _____ Membership rate:(circle one)

Street _____ Family \$40.00

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Single \$30.00

Phone _____ (cell) _____ email _____

Please send my newsletter (The 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

SNOWMASS COLORADO

Saturday Dec 10 - Friday Dec 16, 2011



Snowmass, a Madison Ski Club Favorite, Filling Fast!

Popular demand has made 2011 the sixth consecutive year that Madison Ski Club has made Snowmass the first trip of the season. **Save \$50 on the trip cost by sending your \$300 per-person deposit by September 15, 2011.**

Snowmass is the second-largest ski area in the United States—3132 acres, with 91 trails serviced by 21 lifts. 50% of Snowmass's runs are wide, groomed, intermediate cruisers—perfect for those first days of the new season. 6% of Snowmass's slopes 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. 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 and fireplace 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.

Enjoy five days of great snow and uncrowded slopes, or take advantage of the area's many other activities. Enjoy the quieter side of nature on the Aspen/Snowmass Nordic System's 40 miles of no-fee groomed trails for individual or guided cross-

country skiing or snowshoeing. Visit the Wapiti Wildlife Center, which offers free 45 minute nature tours. Check out the Anderson Ranch Arts Center, a working ranch now converted to an informal artists' collective.

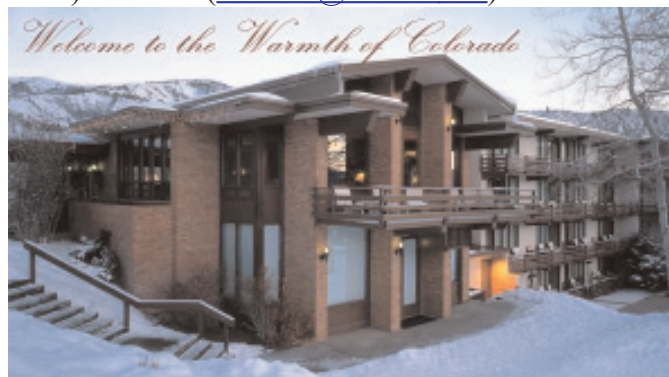
Cost: \$1586 per person, based on double-occupancy (\$400 single supplement), after September 15, 2011. **Save \$50 per person by sending your \$300 per-person pre-payment before September 15, 2011.** Discount price is **\$1536.** (Price subject to airline fuel surcharge.)

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 lobby. 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.

An Amtrak rail option is also available. Pricing is subject to availability. Rail travel departs on December 9 and returns on December 17. Please contact Larry Hurley (608-271-0457) if you are interested in this option.

How to sign up: Fill out the reservation form on page 7. Send in by September 15th. Any questions call trip leaders **Cherie and Bruce Olsen** (608-274-6299) or email (olsenba@charter.net).



It was 90 degrees outside today. How can I possibly be writing an article for a ski trip? The reason is that it is that time of the year already.

Think SNOW, bright blue skies and the backdrop of Lake Superior. Stretching out in front of you is a mile-long groomed run down Moose Mt. This can be your time, place and experience on February 23, 24, 25 and 26, 2012. This is the date of our next Lutsen Ski Trip.

We will repeat our format from last year because we think it was well received. This means that we leave the Dutch Mill Park & Ride at 2 pm on Thursday, Feb. 23. We continue our bus traditions (more detail on that in later articles) and arrive at the Mt. Inn at Lutsen about 10 pm that evening. We ski Lutsen all day Friday and Saturday and until noon on Sunday. We will leave

Lutsen about 1:30 pm on Sunday and be back in Madison by about 10 pm Sunday night, Feb. 26.

We do not know pricing yet but we have been told that Mt. Inn will not be increasing their prices and that is good news. We still have to negotiate our contracts for tickets and the bus. I am optimistic that our prices will not change dramatically and of course we will tell you what they are as soon as we know them.

This is a great family ski weekend and we hope that we will see you again if you have skied with us before and we hope to see you for the first time if you have not done this trip before. This is a great time for kids and adults.

If you have questions call 271-2378 or send an email to: abyquilts@charter.net

Jerry & Carol McAdow



Bike Ride

Sun. Sept 25 beginning at 10:00 am



Mark your calendars for 10 am on Sunday, September 25, 2011. This year we will ride the **Badger State Trail beginning at the parking lot of Pacific Cycle (4902 Hammersley Rd, Madison)**. Our objective is to reach the village park at Belleville where we plan to have lunch. This trip is 14 miles each way for a total of 28 miles (roughly the same as past years). The benefit of this trip on this route is that if you decide at any time that you have expended half your energy, you can turn around and return to our Point of Beginning. Understand however, that this is NOT a race. It is a journey and we take our time to enjoy the ride.

The first 7 miles of this trip are paved. The paving stops at Purcell Rd. and it becomes a "standard" crushed limestone surface the rest of the way. Carol and I biked it on July 31 of this year and the surface is in good condition. This trail does require either an annual or daily trail pass which can be purchased while on the trail.

The scenery is vintage Wisconsin farm lands and animals and crops. At several points, there are rock outcroppings where blasting was done to maintain the grade for steam engines which used to run this trail on rails. As a result of this

being a converted trail, there are no serious hills but rather gentle upgrades and downgrades. For those with "extra" energy after lunch, the main tunnel is about 6 miles south of Belleville. This would, of course, add 12 miles to the total trip but the tunnel is very interesting. If you think you might do that, be sure to bring a flashlight.

Regarding lunch, you could bring your own OR, as we come into Belleville, there is a "TownMart" just off the trail which caters to bikers. We can stop there to get sandwiches, something to drink, etc. to take to the park which is about half a mile from the store. As usual, Carol and I will provide a trail-mix of some sort for snacking along the way. We will, of course provide a map for each biker. Carol and I will each be on a bike (not our usual tandem) so we will be able to lead and help anyone who wants or needs it.

This is a "rain or shine" event and we have no delay date. It is either this date or we ride next year. So ... make your plans now, do a little practice riding and hope for good weather.

We really enjoy this event and the fun we have with each of the riders every year. If you have questions, do not hesitate to call us at 271-2378 or email: abyquilts@charter.net. *Jerry & Carol McAdow*

Do you know your MSC Board members?

Vice-Presidents

Bruce & Cherie Olsen



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Reservation Form: Snowmass, CO (Hosts Bruce & Cherie Olsen) 12/10-16/2011
Send reservation form and \$300 per person deposit to WTA, Larry Hurley, 5009 Barton Rd, Madison 53711. Checks should be made out to WTA. Discount through Sept. 15th.

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: Steamboat, CO (Hosts Steven & Ellen Wickland) 02/04-10/2012
Send reservation form and \$300 per person deposit to WTA, Larry Hurley, 5009 Barton Rd, Madison 53711. Checks should be made out to WTA. Discount through Nov. 15th.

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

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ **email** _____

Birthdate(s) _____

Reservation Form: Telluride, CO (Hosts George & Lavora Baird) 03/03-09/2012
Send reservation form and \$300 per person deposit to WTA, Larry Hurley, 5009 Barton Rd, Madison 53711. Checks should be made out to WTA. Discount through Nov. 15th.

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

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ **email** _____

Birthdate(s) _____

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