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President's Message -

Friends,

We had a very good board meeting in July. Our quest for a Treasurer went well with the appointment by the board of Jim Hughes as our new Treasurer.

We also extended our monthly calendar of TGIF's into January. We have also come to the conclusion that the treasury will provide subsidies for the Kickoff party and the Holiday party. The treasury was a bit flush and this is one way to return to the members some of the dues we have collected but not spent over the past few years. We will continue to monitor income and expenses so that all members should feel as though their dues are spent well and being part of the Ski Club family is a worthwhile experience.

Sue Crespan is busily planning ski trips and cruises. She is now exploring a summer (2018) ski trip to Chile. (Where it is winter).

Once again I implore the membership to feel free to come forward and become leaders of this great and long lasting club. Many board members will be stepping down come next May and will need to be replaced. It's now up to y'all to keep this club going.

Peter Zych



Social Calendar

Events

September 8th - 5:00 to 7:00 pm @ Captain Woody's South End

September 17th - Kickoff Party 5:00 to 7:00 pm @ Redfish Palmetto Bay Rd. (reservations due by September 1st)

October 12th - 5:00 to 7:00 pm @ Frosty Frog Coligny Plaza

Upcoming Trips

2017, 2018 and 2019 Cruises (see pp. 6 & 7 for details)

2018

February 6th to 13th -

Snowmass Ski Trip (see p.3 for details)

2nd week of August

Chile (see p. 4 for details)

2019

February 2nd - 9th

Breckenridge, CO (see p.5 for details)



Social Director's Report

Hello Dear Ski Club Members,

We will not have any TGIF in August since a lot of us are away.

Enjoy your summer with friends and family.

Nina Dunn

Membership Director's Report

Dear Members,

I wanted to thank all of those who have renewed already. So far we have about half finished out of 158.

We have some potential new members, and I hope they will be at the next TGIF which will be in September.

Thanks again and keep those renewals coming!

Theresa Pleimling

2016 - 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Nina Dunn Social Director

Sue Crespan Trip Director

Theresa Pleimling Membership Director

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Trip Highlights for August



2018 Snowmass Ski Trip February 6th-13th:

We currently have 51 people registered for the trip. Registration for the trip needs to be completed by September 1st, 2017. All of the condos have been reserved. If anyone needs another condo please let me know.

We will be either staying at the Stonebridge Inn or their condos at the Terrace House. The Stonebridge Inn just went under a complete renovation with modern hotel rooms in the style of a rustic lodge. It has a heated outdoor pool and hot tub, fitness room, sauna, internet access an onsite laundry, and ski lockers on site.. Rooms also have a refrigerator.

The location of the Inn and Condos is 150 feet from the slopes. We will be renting skis from Four Mountain Sports which has 5 locations at Snowmass. The closest one to us is in the Mall which is two minute walk or a shuttle ride from our lodging. The ski slope is just next to the rental location. We will be storing our skis each day at Four Mountain Sports so there will be no need to carry your skis. For those who want to ski multiple areas Four Mountain Sports will take your skis to the other areas as well.

We have obtained two three bedroom condo units at the Tamarack which is about a block away from the rest of the units and is managed by the same owners as the Stonebridge.

For those staying in the Stonebridge Inn a hot breakfast is included each morning. Those in the condos can add the breakfast for an additional charge.

Pricing which includes breakfast, transfers, 5-day lift tickets and room is as follows:

Stonebridge Inn- Seniors: \$1349.03 per person

All others: \$1471.25 per person

There may be some availability for those who would like a room with a view or a suite.

Senior Deluxe View: \$1408.66 per person-Others \$1530.88 per person

Senior King Suites: \$ 1536.41 per person-Others \$1658.63 per person

Terrace house: Seniors: \$1045.32 per person

All Others: \$1167.54 per person

Tamarack 2 bedroom Condos-Senior: \$1045.32 per person

All Others: \$1167.54 per person

Tamarack 3 Bedroom- Seniors: \$1043.66 per person

All Others: \$1165.88

2018 Ski Trip to Chile-August



Several Members of the club have expressed interest in skiing in Chile. I am currently getting pricing for Valle Nevado in the Andes for the second week in August. There are two major hotels: Hotel Valle Nevado and Hotel Puerto del Sol. The hotel pricing for both include most meals and lift tickets. Pricing for the airfare will not be available for about 60 days since the airlines do not release pricing until at least 330 days prior to their flights.

2019 Ski Trip to Breckenridge February 2nd-9th



I am currently getting pricing for the Villages, Beaver Run and the Doubletree at Breckenridge, Colorado. Based on the survey that went out we have gone to the top two places in the past two years. Breckenridge was third.

The Villages is located right in the town of Breckenridge and has either hotel or condo units with the ski slope directly behind the units. Beaver run is condo units located on the slope at Breckenridge and is a short walk to town or a shuttle runs continually. The Doubletree is across the street from the slopes and next door to Beaver Run. The Doubletree provides a service to take your skis across the street in the morning and when you return you ski to the drop off and they will take the skis back to the hotel.

We will probably go Saturday to Saturday since there is no difference in pricing for the rooms or airfare. We will fly into Denver and Transportation will be provided from Denver to Breckenridge.

2017 Cruises:

October 7th- 20th: Montreal to Fort Lauderdale on Holland America's ship the Veendam.

There may still be space on the ship; however our group space has now been recalled by Holland America.

The time for this cruise is fast approaching. There are six of us taking this cruise. We have already scheduled extra time in Old Montreal to partake of the city and the great restaurants.

I am looking forward to the fun city of Quebec which I have never visited. We spend two days in Quebec and cruise up the St. Lawrence Seaway. We visit Halifax, Prince Edward Island, Bar Harbor Maine, Boston, New York, Charleston and finally Fort Lauderdale.

This cruise should provide us lots of opportunity to imbibe on the local seafood- lobster, mussels and New England Clam Chowda'. Having not been in New York in about 15 years I hope to get to the World Trade center Memorial and go up the Empire State Building which I have never done in the tons of time I spent in New York for work.

Cruises for 2018



We are getting a great response for this trip. There are 16 people now signed up for our adventure to Norway. We also just got pleasant news the price has been reduced since we set this trip up.

This trip travels through the fjords of Norway to the Arctic Circle. A fun side trip is lobster fishing. This is Grace Van Brunt's favorite cruise. Pricing starts at \$3039.00 for this two week cruise. We have group pricing and you can sign up for this now.

Details of both cruises have been sent out and may also be viewed on our website www.hiltonheadskiclub.com. We have group pricing for the Norway trip. To sign up please contact Grace Van Brunt at Valerie Wilson Travel 843-341-891

Cruises for 2019

I have begun to investigate cruises for January 2019 so the non skiers as well as skiers have a fun trip for the winter. One possibility is San Diego through the Panama Canal to Fort Lauderdale shortly after New Year.

Pricing is not available yet although the cruise has been announced. I will keep you posted.