

SANDY SLOPES

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President's Report:

Dear Members,

In just a few days we will be landing in Breckenridge.

I am looking forward to this trip because I have never been there and am told it is beautiful.

Mike is looking forward to skiing again. The temps are going to be cold and I believe there is snow in the forecast on a couple of days.

Sue has planned a great line-up of activities for us while we are there including a Welcome Party, several Apres' Ski Parties, a Pizza Party, and of course the Awards Dinner.

See you in Breckenridge!

Leslie Gilroy

Social Calendar:

2019 TGIF Events from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.:

February 15th - Street Meet @ Port Royal Plaza

March 8th - Mixx On Main (North end by the medical clinic)

March 24th - Scavenger Hunt (time and place TBD)

April 12th - Poseidon TGIF @ Shelter Cove

May 10th - British Open Pub @ Village of Wexford

<u>Ski Trip Report:</u>

February 2nd - 9th 2019 for -Breckenridge, CO (see p.3 below for details)

February 1st - 8th 2020 for -Fairmont Chateau Whistler British Columbia (see p 6. below for details)

Cruise:

March 26th - April 6th 2019 for -11 Day Authentic Cuba (see p.5 below for details)

Membership Director's Report:

Hello Members,

We have several new members - Susan Carnell, Harry and Ceil Meyers, Paul and Denise Nadeau, William Hasley and Kember Ottley. If you meet these new members, please give them a warm ski club greeting! Skiers have fun and we'll get together on the 3rd Friday in February.

Theresa Pleimling

Social Director's Report:

Dear Members,

The skiers of our Club are looking forward to leave for their ski trip in Breckenridge, CO on February 2nd.

Therefore our next TGIF has been postponed 1 week so we can tell you all about the ski trip.....although there is a saying "what happens in Breckenridge, stays in Breckenridge!"

We will be skiing at 12,000 feet altitude. I recommend taking some "effervescent electrolyte supplement tablets" (NUUN is one brand that you can get at Whole Foods or Walmart).

The weather forecast for next week will be between 26F and 38F. Sun protection is a must with every 3,000' increase in altitude, UV levels rise by 10%-12%. But there is still a lot of snow and more coming the week we will be there.

February 15th will be our next TGIF at the "STREET MEET TAVERN" in the Port Royal Plaza close to Bi-Lo.

See you then!

Nina Dunn



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Trip Report for February 2019

Cruise to the Caribbean January 2019



Much fun was had by all of our 23 travelers on our cruise thru the Panama Canal, Costa Rica, Panama, Curacao, Aruba and the Holland America private island. We had great weather and the ocean was warm. It was always time for happy hour and the entertainment onboard was great with dueling pianos, BB Kings Blues venue and the main stage with varying entertainment. Ron Farsetti and Sharon Webster renewed their wedding vows. They have been married for 23 years. 2019 Ski Trip to Breckenridge February 2nd-9th



As I am writing this I am in Vail. All plans are set for our trip with Happy hours and our Awards dinner. I am sorry to say we will sadly miss having Sylvia Goodrich and Jill and Bob Harrison with us due to surgeries.

Cruise for 2019:

11 Day Authentic Cuba:

March 26-April 6, 2019

Roundtrip from Fort Lauderdale aboard the Veendam:

The pricing for this cruise has been reduced significantly. Outside cabins begin at \$1130.00 per person Lanai cabins begin at \$1549.00 per person Mini Suites begin at \$1999.00 per person

Details of this cruise have been sent out.

This cruise will take us to the following ports of call: Cozumel, Mexico, Belize City, Belize Mahogany Bay, Roatan, Honduras, Cienfuegos, Cuba, Georgetown, Cayman Islands, Falmouth, Jamaica and Half Moon Cay.

Eight of us have signed up for this cruise already.

There is an onboard credit those who have 200 shares of Carnival stock. The credit is available for all the Holland America cruises. The number of travel days determines the size of the credit.

To sign up for this cruise, please contact Grace Van Brunt @ Valerie Wilson Travel 843-341-8911.

Ski Trip February 1-8th 2020 at Fairmont Chateau Whistler



Below is info from 2 different ski magazines. When we return from this trip I will put out all the information for our trip to Whistler.

Whistler-Blackcomb are two side-by-side ski giants. This is where 8100 plus seamlessly connected acres offer weeks of intermediate cruising, expansive kid zones, the continent's largest serving of true expert terrain, and a whole separate universe of tree skiing. Expect a big snowfall-over 450 inches annually- easy to manage altitude and its carefree center buzz and hum of internationalism, vitality and nonstop spirit of fun. Both the mountain and town are booming, with 2018 bringing a combined \$90 million in upgrades from Vail resorts, the town's hotels independent businesses and the municipality itself. In the summer of 2018 Vail invested \$52 million bringing a squadron of lift upgrades (including a new valley to mountaintop high capacity gondola on Blackcomb), two cantilevered viewing decks at different altitudes on Whistler, and completion of breathtaking Whistler Peak suspension bridge designed to be open year-round. And then there's Emma, Vail's new artificial intelligence system providing on demand mountain information via SMS.

The Village Stroll has no slow season now, buzzing as it does year-round with people of all ages from all over the globe. Nevertheless, up on Whistler Blackcomb's majestic expanse it's still possible to find oneself alone while gliding through a vast and snowy basin. There is nothing quite like it in the ski world. Rated the number one ski area.