



BIG SKY- Montana 2008



Welcome to Chet Huntley's dream. When the former NBC News anchorman first set eyes on "Lone Peak" he knew this was one of God's great creations, and it was his vision that led to the development of Big Sky Ski Resort. Although Chet never lived long enough to see his dream become reality, the Red Eyes have come to appreciate Chet's vision through their spectacular 2008 trip to BIG SKY.

While we rolled into Big Sky under the cover of midnight darkness, the moonlight provided a tease of what lie ahead for us a daybreak. Take a look at this shot...



What a view to wake up to every morning from the bedroom window of our Big Horn Condominiums! The skiing was spectacular everyday, and two of our four ski days were "blue bird" skies just like you see!!!



With the weather co-operating and the vast terrain of both Big Sky and adjacent Moonlight Basin Resort, the task at hand was to ski it all. I can't speak for the entire group, but I can tell you that I left plenty of unexplored territory for the next visit J! The incredibly convenient poma lift, just across the street from our condos, made for little wasted time in making first tracks each morning. Likewise the ski-in ski-out access made the 4 o'clock return to our Big Horn condos a breeze, skiing down "Silver Knife" right to our back door.

Even though the skiing was spectacular, we are fortunate to have Red Eye ski club trip leaders that had the foresight to realize that there is more to a ski trip than just skiing!



While the always under control trip leader “Mr. Big” contemplates the final run of the day, co-trip leader and Social Mistress Amy “The Queen of Lutsen” Wieczorek is already staking out another Après Ski opportunity! Amy always had a plan. Sometimes she forgot what the plan was, but nonetheless, it was a plan...

One of the particularly popular Après occurred at Chet’s Bar, in the Huntley Lodge, where many Red Eyes demonstrated a multitude of previously unknown musical talents during the “Famous Austrian Brothers” show.



With the aid of large quantities of disinfectant (actually Peppermint Schnapps and Jack Daniels Whiskey) Carol Figi left little doubt that she could clearly “blow” better than any of the women that Montana had ever seen, and Diane Bergh proved to be particularly adept at playing the popular “Pecker Teaser”...

While most of the really daring Red Eye Après events occurred at a local watering hole called Whiskey Jack’s, unfortunately those photos were confiscated by Montana authorities and were being reviewed by the local D.A.s office for possible charges...



Fortunately I was able to charm this good looking Bozeman Montana Correctional Officer, on the dance floor, eventually convincing her that I was Dick Cheney, and that the mischievous Red Eye's at Big Sky (including Manfred "Twinkle Toes" Deutsch, Carol "Bad Girl of the North" Figi, "Lightning Linda" Johnson, Tom "Wild Man" Wilson, and Maggie "Green Machine" Smith – all seen in this photo) were actually CIA operatives trying to uncover a ring of Canadian terrorists posing as Red Eye imposters...

We clearly exceeded the legal limit for laughs and good times on this trip! If you missed it, it was your loss!

Sincerely, "Mr. Big Dick" Cheney