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President's Message -

Friends:

Just returned from our Ski Club cruise around Cape Horn. It was quite a trip. For those who have become limited to the amount of skiing they can do I'd really like to thank Sue Crespan for her work in providing alternate venues in keeping with the Ski, Party Play theme of our Club. The day we rounded the Horn was calm enough to for the Captain to Turn around and have us go from Atlantic to Pacific the back from the Pacific to Atlantic. Two days prior to that we observed 90 knot wind gusts that caused the ship to lean while sailing the Chilean fiords. The wine in our glasses was horizontal but the glass wasn't 90 degrees vertical. Quite interesting. Did you all know that in 1905 a total of 58 ships sank trying to round the horn? My wife was very happy to be informed about that. We still need a Treasurer for next season which means someone will need to step up to the plate. I know you all enjoy the club but we can't have a club without directors and volunteers. This is not a backbreaking position but it is necessary. See you all at the TGIF!

Regards,



Social Calendar

<u>Events</u>

April 7th - TGIF 5 to 7 PM @ Bone Fish @ Fresh Market Shoppes

April 23rd - Golf Scramble 2 PM @ Bear Creek Country Club

May 12th - TGIF 5 to 7 PM @ Reilley's South End

May 21st - Picnic @ Spring Lake Pavilion

Upcoming Trips

2017 & 2018 Cruises (see p.5 for details)

2018

February 6th to 13th -

Snowmass Ski Trip (see p.4 for details)

Peter Zych



Membership Director's

Report -

We have 3 new members: Colin Moseley, John and Gwen Ludvigsen.

Please welcome them when you meet them.

Have a great April, and hope to see you on Friday.

Theresa Pleimling

Social Director's

Report -

Hello Members,

The Island is bubbling with activity and our Ski Club is part of it.

We had good attendance at our TGIF especially with this fantastic winter weather. Take note that our next TGIF is a week earlier this month due to the Heritage golf tournament.

See you all April 7th at Bonefish.

Nina Dunn

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Trip Highlights for April

2017 South American Cruise March 5th-25th:



Our cruise to South America was enjoyed by all. We did lots of sightseeing from Santiago Chile through Patagonia, around Cape Horn to Uruguay and on to Buenos Aires. Some of our amazing sights were the Iguassu Falls which were in full force for about two and one half miles. As we cruised through Patagonia there were many glaciers and pristine mountains. The Falkland Islands were lots of fun as we took a 4X4 bumping along across the Peat Bogs to see three different kinds of penguins. The King Penguins were all in a circle protecting their babies. Buenos Aires was modeled after Paris with the low architecture and castle appearance. No visit is complete without seeing the pink palace (our White House) and Eva Peron's grave.

Of course no trip is complete without partaking in the food at all of our destinations and enjoying the local beer and wine. The start of our trip was at Concho y Toro Winery where we did lots of wine tasting. Our final day in Buenos Aires was at a wonderful steak restaurant where we had the filet mignon and a bottle of the local Malbec.



2018 Snowmass Ski Trip February 6th- 13th

Registration for our trip to Snowmass should begin on May first. The website is currently under construction and will look much the same as last year. I will have instructions out for everyone by the end of the month.

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 a couple of three bedroom units at the Interlude Condos which is a ski in/ski out facility 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

2017 Cruises:



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

We have had additional people sign up for this cruise. There is still space if you would like to join us.

For those of us already signed up we have scheduled a couple of days in Old Montreal before our voyage. Currently Delta has a deal to fly to Montreal from Savannah for \$161.00.

This looks to be a fun cruise starting in the wonderful city of Montreal during leaf peeping season. 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.

Cruises for 2018:

July 8th-22nd: Roundtrip Amsterdam on the Koningsdam.

Currently we have 8 people signed up for our adventure through Norway. 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 \$3,199.00 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 each trip and you may signup now: To sign up please contact Grace Van Brunt at Valerie Wilson Travel 843-341-8911.