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Flakes from the Ski-E-O,

With the coming of August, and the quick passing of June and July, we are rapidly approaching the end of a long hot summer. We've had lots of fun at the last meetings and the "Taste of Aurora". This last Saturday, we had a great time at our annual picnic at the Cheshire Club in Prestbury. Last year we got off to a late start in planning for a picnic so it just didn't happen. But this year it did and it did not disappoint. We had a lively group of 40 members and the Cheshire Club was a great place to come together. The weather was perfect and the food from "Bones and Brew BBQ" (even though it was late) was every bit as good as you see on the BBQ cook offs on TV. Our "Pit Master" was late in arriving with the food as he got stopped by Sugar Grove's finest for going through a yellow light. Be careful on Rt. 47 as they are always there waiting.

Some of the members remember having been to a ski club party at the Cheshire Club before. We had the place to ourselves, with no interruptions and the ability to do everything ourselves kept the overall cost down. Thanks to Gary Ahasic, Joe Hopp and Barb Atwell in helping to set up the clubhouse. Special thanks to everyone who brought an appetizer, a salad or a dessert. We had a lot of compliments and it was mentioned that we consider the Cheshire Club for our Christmas Party. We will bring this up at the next meeting on Monday, August 20th. It certainly is worth considering and the cost will definitely be a lot less.

Signups for the ski trips still have openings for February and March. After the last meeting in July, we filled the Austrian trip with 40 of us now going. If you're still interested, put yourself on the wait list. A lot of us are planning on taking some day trips while in Austria. Barb and I and my brothers and sisters will try to go to Slovenia to visit where our Fathers parents came from. This area in Bled, Slovenia is only about 3 hours from Zell am See. There are many other possibilities as Salzburg is only an hour away. Don't forget trip insurance whether going abroad or right here in the States. Never say it won't happen to you as I can attest to a few injuries too many times now. Better to be safe and no worries.

Also, congratulations to my daughter, Jacqueline and, her husband, Brian on the birth of their daughter, Caroline Palmer Neal, on July 12th!

Your Pre-Ski-dent, *Leo*



Social Section

No events scheduled for August – Stay cool!!

Pat Quetsch

Social Director

Membership

We currently have 83 paid members. If you haven't already renewed your \$30.00 membership fee, please do so either by mail to the P.O. Box or at the next meeting. Also, please make sure your online membership information is up to date. Thank you.

Membership payments can be mailed to:
Snowdrifters Ski Club
P.O. Box 697
Batavia, IL 60510

Sue Stanciu

Membership

***Look at FRANK'S
BIG FISH
31 INCHES!!!***

See back page for details



You go Frank!!

Zell am See & Malta

(see July newsletter for details)

January 25 – February 5, 2019

Sold out but a waiting list is established

Payment Schedule (per person):

- August \$400
- September \$400
- October \$400
- November \$315
- December Full Payment Due

In order to protect your investment in this trip, the Snowdrifters Ski Club strongly recommends that you consider purchasing travel insurance. Trip cancellation happens for a variety of reasons. After certain dates the Club will be assessed penalties and will not be able to recover all or any of your deposit or final payment. You could lose your entire deposit or entire total payment depending on the date of cancellation. But trip cancellation is not the only reason for considering travel insurance. A good policy will also cover you during the trip for items including emergency medical treatment and transportation, and lost, stolen or damaged baggage.



You can purchase a policy any time prior to starting the trip, but additional benefits such as coverage of pre-existing conditions are available if you purchase within a certain time limit after you make the trip deposit to the Snowdrifters Ski Club. **So you should make a decision as soon as possible.** And remember that by clicking on the Snowdrifters' web page: <https://fvssc.wildapricot.org>, then to "Our Trips" and "Insurance" and clicking the special link for Travel Guard, you can access a special policy available to ski club members at a price of 7% of the trip cost, regardless of your age. Please review Certificate of Insurance for detail coverage.

❖ Travel Insurance Info: All Seasons Travel Plan

Tour Operator: Snow Tours

Airline: United Airlines

Booking Trip Cost: 1 person: \$2,315 = Premium - \$162.05

2 person: \$4,630 = Premium - \$324.10

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***February 20-25, 2018-DEER VALLEY-
SUNDANCE-PARK CITY
Five Nights, Four days Skiing with Air-COST:
\$1,350***

***Plenty of openings left – come to
the August meeting for more
details – Let’s sell this out!!***



Our February western trip will be to Utah, February 20th to February 25th, 2019. We will stay at the Zermatt Resort and Spa in 2bed/2 bath Condos. This elegant, 4-star European themed resort features Swiss-style architecture and décor and is 46 miles from Salt Lake City. They provide complimentary ski shuttles to Park City and Deer Valley - Deer Valley gondola is the closest lift 11 minutes door to door - they also provide complimentary shuttles to restaurants and activities and bars in Midway and the Heber Valley until 11pm. For our Sundance ski day, the shuttle is a 20 minute drive – groups loved Sundance!

The resort has an indoor-outdoor pool, hot tubs, 2 restaurants, a bar and bakery all on site. Sports recreational activities available: Skiing/ Boarding, snowmobiling, ice castles, ice skating, snowshoeing, horseback riding, sleigh rides, Cross-Country Skiing, tubing, bowling and Scuba-Diving/Swimming in a Geo-Thermal Crater.

This "Crater" is one-of-a-kind geothermal spring, hidden within a 55' tall beehive-shaped limestone rock, offers swimming, scuba diving, snorkeling and even paddle board yoga classes. The hole at the top of the dome lets in sunlight and fresh air while the interior stays heated by the mineral water at a constant range of the mid 90s for a completely unique and therapeutic soak and swim. You do not have to get wet to have a one-of-a-kind experience inside The Crater. Many guests just enjoy the self-guided tour, which covers the history, geology and archaeology of this remarkable natural phenomenon. You needn't rappel through the top of the dome to enjoy all of the fun either. A tunnel was bored through the rock wall at ground level, lending easy access to custom-built decks and a soaking area where guests can enjoy the crystal-clear blue mineral water and the warmth of the crater, in or out of the water).



The Homestead Crater
Midway, Utah
Swim, Snorkel, Scuba Dive

For our first day, we will spend a wonderfully different day skiing and exploring at Sundance, the classic retro resort owned by Robert Redford. Take away a lasting memory with an art studio workshop in silversmithing, wheel-thrown pottery, soapmaking, or painting. Complete the unique day with a once-in-a-lifetime après ski at the famous Owl Bar. The restored 1890's bar, once frequented by Butch Cassidy's Hole in the Wall Gang.

The trip includes a 2 day lift ticket for Deer Valley - voted the #1 Ski Resort in North America in 2018 by the readers of SKI Magazine. Deer Valley Resort offers luxurious amenities such as: ski valets, groomed-to perfection slopes, and gourmet dining. Challenge yourself on the very runs skied by Olympians during the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Games. The trip also, includes a 1 day lift ticket to Park City/Canyon Resort which is the largest ski area in the United States with over 7,300 acres, 348 trails, 41 lifts, eight terrain parks, 13 bowls, one super pipe and one mini pipe.

Trip includes:

- Roundtrip Air on Delta Airline:

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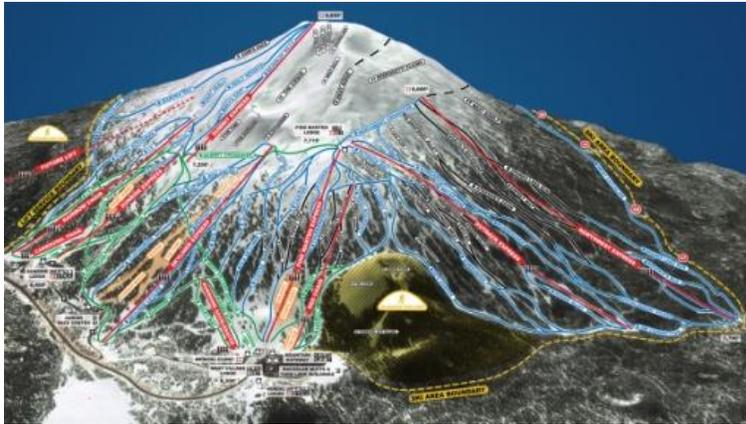
- Roundtrip bus transportation SLC Airport to the Zermatt Utah Resort & Spa
- 5 nights Condo Lodging at the Zermatt Utah Resort & Spa
- Free Ski Resort Shuttle
- Lift Tickets: 1-Sundance; 2 Deer Valley; 1 Park City Resort

Payment Schedule (per person):

- **Deposit - \$250**
- **August - \$250**
- **September - 250**
- **October - \$250**
- **November - \$250**
- **December -Full Payment Due**

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Mt. Bachelor, Oregon

Only a few openings left – "when they're gone – they are gone"

March 7 -12, 2019

TRIP COST

With Lift tickets: Adults - \$1,310; Senior (65-69) - \$1,260, (70+) - \$1,200

Without Lift Tickets: \$1,060

Come experience the best in the Pacific Northwest, Mt. Bachelor, Oregon! This Five-night trip departs Thursday on United at 11:30a.m from O'Hare Airport. A short 14 mile shuttle ride from Redmond to Bend will take us to the Riverhouse Hotel and Resort. The Riverhouse is widely considered Bend's premier hotel and resort and is located just 25 short minutes from Mt. Bachelor. In an effort to preserve an unspoiled setting, Mt Bachelor does not offer on-mountain lodging.



The Riverhouse Resort is nestled along the beautiful Deschutes River in the heart of Bend where you can stroll along the scenic river trail...Resort amenities include: complimentary one hour beer and wine reception with heavy appetizers, a full hot/cold breakfast, an indoor and outdoor swimming pool and 2 hot tub/spa complex, room service and fitness center. Located right in central Bend you will be just minutes from the downtown area giving us several dining and entertainment options

every night! Take advantage of the complimentary shuttle service to explore all that Bend has to offer. Tired after skiing the slopes of Bachelor? Stay "on property" and take advantage of the dining and entertainment located right at the resort. Crossings Restaurant serves lunch and dinner daily and is consistently ranked as "The Number 1

Steakhouse in Central Oregon". The River Rock Grill & Nightclub, open for lunch and dinner, offers an excellent social atmosphere, and provides live entertainment six nights a week.

For skiing, Mt Bachelor has 3,700 acres of lift-accessible terrain with 1,600 acres groomed daily, and the highest skiable elevation in all of Oregon and Washington! Mt.

Bachelor, which is located on the eastern flanks of Oregon's Central Cascades, is known for its light, dry snow, diverse terrain, and long seasons. The dry climate of Central Oregon assures that the 370 inches of annual snowfall on Mount Bachelor is light and fluffy, perfect for carving flawless S turns or learning to ski or snowboard. The resort offers 3,365 feet of vertical drop and 71 runs ranging from double black diamonds to easy green runs for first-timers. The Summit is 9,065 feet, West Village Base is 6,300 feet and there are 15% Green-Novice, 25% Blue-Intermediate, 35% Black-Advanced, and 25% Double Black-Expert. With one of the fastest lift systems in the west and the comforts of six day lodges with casual dining and retail, it's no wonder *Conde Nast Travel* has named Bachelor one of the top 50 Ski Resorts in North America for 12 years in a row, and *MSN.com* ranked it in the top 10. Transportation for the group to the Mountain daily on private shuttles is included with complimentary ski storage at Mountain, no need to "schlep" your skis back & forth every day!

Trip includes:

- Roundtrip Air on United

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- Roundtrip bus transportation Remond Airport to the Riverhouse Hotel & Resort
- 5 nights Lodging at the Riverhouse with Breakfast
- Wine and Beer Reception with appetizers
- Free Ski Resort Shuttle to Mount Bachelor
- Lift Tickets: 4 of 6 day @ Mount Bachelor

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Recipe

Rainbow ice pops The Mayo Clinic Diet



Ingredients

1 1/2 cups diced strawberries, cantaloupe and watermelon
1/2 cup blueberries
2 cups 100 percent apple juice (or another favorite juice)
6 paper cups (6-8 ounces each)
6 craft sticks

Instructions

Mix the fruit and berries together and divide evenly into the paper cups.

Pour 1/3 cup of juice into each paper cup. Place the cups on a level surface in the freezer.

Freeze until partially frozen; approximately 1 hour. Insert craft stick into center of each pop.

Freeze until firm.

Serves 6.

Nutritional Information

Amount per serving

Calories: 60
Cholesterol: 0 mg
Total fat: 0 g
Saturated fat: 0 g
Monounsaturated fat: 0 g
Trans fat: 0 g
Sodium: 5 mg
Total carbohydrate: 14 g
Dietary fiber: 1 g
Protein: 0 g

Snowdrifters' Calendar

SAVE THE DATES

August 20th July 16th

Board Meeting 6:45 pm

General Meeting 7:15 pm

September 17th

Board Meeting 6:45 pm

General Meeting 7:15 pm



Oh that's better – now I can see it 😊