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Thanks Mother Nature for a Great Skiing and Boarding Season!



President's message...Although there's a little bit of time left to get out on the slopes this year, the season for club trips has come to a fantastic and powdery close. We had three great western trips this year, with a summary for Aspen Snowmass in this newsletter and an Ogden Utah summary being saved for next month! We also fortunately ran our last day

trip, even though it was undersold less than a week before the trip we had enough participation that the club did not lose money! This one was great fun with the company of Mike Foreman, our local area astronaut hero - Thank you Mike for your stories! I want to give a big thank you to all of our trip leaders this year, as well. Trip leading has some fantastic rewards (free trips!) but requires a lot of work to make each trip memorable and fantastic. Thank you to Tom Palisin, Therese Telzrow, Paul Senick, Allison Wood, Lisa Ferenc, Jim Slifka, Judy Traxler, Mark Hyatt, John Parson, Paul Antczak, Mitch Zimmer, Tom Vannuyen and Dave Root for putting in so much work so the rest of us can have fun on the slopes! I would also like to thank Mark Hyatt and Lisa Lambert for leading our small team of racers this season - and congratulations on a great race season! As you all know, just because the snow melts we do not stop having fun - please see Ray Neumann (our incoming VP Activities) if you want to be involved in planning spring or summer activities. I hope everyone had a fantastic season, and I am looking forward to the upcoming year;

Stacey

Officers of Lewis Ski Club

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NASA Lewis Ski Club Activities

Tuesday April 5th Trip Planning Meeting will be held immediately after the ski club meeting. If you are interested in leading a trip, please plan to be there. Please email Tom Vannuyen (thomas.vannuyen-1@nasa.gov) and let me know. If you have not run a trip before, it is OK. We will try to pair you up with an experience trip leader to guide you.

Thursday, April 7th <u>Summer Activity Planning Meeting</u> will be held at 6pm. Come early to socialize at McNulty's Bier Markt, 1948 West 25th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, 44113 (Across from the West Side Market). Bring your ideas for summer activities. Popular past events have included hiking, bike riding, camping, wine/beer tasting and trips to the Lake Erie Islands. New ideas are always welcome. Happy hour prices are from 4:30 - 7:00 which include some awesome appetizers such as the Garlic Pizza for \$5. Website: http://bier-markt.com/ Contact Ray at moshmont01@yahoo.com for more information. Therese Telzrow and Ray Neumann

Saturday, April 9th CMSC "FARM-aggedon" - Party like there's no tomorrow! CMSC Race Banquet on Saturday, April 9. Social Hour at 6:30 p.m. Dinner at 7:30 p.m. Reinecker's Party Center, 8575 South Freeway Drive, Macedonia, OH. \$40 per person thru March 25. \$45 per person after March 25. Must reserve by April 1. See flyer for details. http://www.skicleveland.com/CMSC%20Racing/Adult/2011/Race%20Banquet%202011%20Flyer%20FINAL.pdf

Yuri's Night Celebration Event, Friday, April 15, 2011, Cleveland Museum of Natural History, (Please Note Venue Change) The Developing Professionals Club at NASA Glenn and the Nature League at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History (CMNH) are hosting a Yuri's Night event on April 15th, 2011 at the CMNH from 7PM - 12AM. Yuri's Night is a celebration of humanity's achievements in space, held near the anniversary of the first space flight by Yuri Gagarin (on April 12, 1961) and the first shuttle flight exactly 20 years later. This worldwide event will be celebrated in more than 24 countries over 5 continents, and even in space, in 2011! In Cleveland, we plan to do something a little different this year, and celebrate 30 years of space shuttle flight - focusing on what our National Aeronautics and Space Administration has accomplished with the most advanced vehicle of our time. VIP Guests can enjoy dinner with Space Shuttle astronaut, Mike Foreman, while viewing a riveting presentation given by Shuttle expert Matt Melis. They will also receive a Yuri's Night Cleveland T-Shirt and wine & beer. Following the VIP dinner, we will turn the Museum into a cosmic cocktail party with DJ entertainment, dance demonstrations, cash bars and hors d'eouvres. Please consider supporting the event! VIP Dinner: 7:00 PM, \$60 Per Person (\$45 for Nature League Members) Party: 8:00 PM, \$10 Per Person If you have any questions about this event, please contact Stacey Bagg at 216-433-3792 or Stacey.D.Bagg@nasa.gov

Friday, May 6th CMSC "Cinco de Mayo" - Snowballers Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with the Snowballers on Friday, May 6 at 7-11 p.m. at Reinecker's Party Center, 8575 S. Freeway, Macedonia. Tickets: \$25. Contact: Heidi S. Reinecker 216-276-3341. See flyer for details. http://www.skicleveland.com/Club%20Flyers/Snowballers/CINCO%20DE%20MAYO.pdf

Activities - continued

Saturday May 7th CMSC Cleveland Ski Travel Show, Show: 11:30 AM - 2 PM. Trip Leader Workshop: 10-11:30 AM. Marriott-Cleveland Airport at 4277 West 150th Street, Cleveland, OH (Exit #240 I-71). Telephone: 216-252-5333. Ski club trip leaders and ski industry personnel are invited to contact Paul Webber or go to Cleveland Travel Shows for more information. http://www.prwtravelshows.com/Cleveland.htm

Therese Telzrow Activities VP 216.226.6013. - 216.548.0359 (cell)

2011 Candidates for Club Officers

President-Aaron Swank
Alpine VP-Dave Root
Nordic VP-Allen Porter
Activity Chairman-Ray Neumann
Recorder-Barbara Knipple
Publicity Chairman-Allison Wood
Treasurer-Janet Dubas
Trustee-Bruce Frankenfield

Nominations accepted from the floor. Nominee must be present to accept or decline nomination.

Lewis Ski Club One Day Bus Trips			
Destination	Date	Trip Leader	Contact
Holiday Valley I	Friday 1/14/11 great trip	Tom Palsin	216-433-6577 W 440-734-0493 H
Holimont for a	Friday 1/28/11	Allison Wood	216-789-D47135
Holiday Valley II	Friday 2/4/11	Lisa Ferenc	216-433-3248 W 440-937-5173 H
Seven Springs g	Friday 2/18/11	Mark Hyatt	216-433-3248 W 440-236-6682 H
Holiday Valley IIIa	gFriday 3/4/11	Mitch Zimmer	216-221-0136

Remembering Nancy Piltch



Nancy Piltch, a member of the microgravity combustion branch before retiring from NASA GRC, and a long time member of our Lewis Ski Club and the

Hardwood

Ohio Nordic Ski Club, died on March 9th. Nancy was a past Nordic VP of the club and very active in local volunteer groups, especially in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Nancy is survived by her sister, Audrey Fer-

ry. A celebration of Nancy's life will be held. For more information on the memorial service, please contact Lauren Moon at: cjjkp@windstream.net.

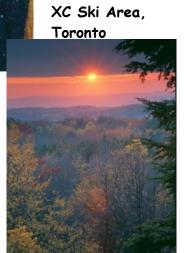


Below: Tom, Mark, Barb, and Nancy

To express condolences to her sister, please use the following contact information:
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audreyferry@gmail.com

Sunset, Ledges in Cuyahoga Valley National Park



Left: Linda,

Margaret at

Hardwood Hills

Cheryl, Corky, Nancy, and

Holiday Valley #2 on Friday February 4th

The bus departed from DEB parking lot right on time and we headed for the east side pick up at Home Depot. With a bus filled with 51 people and breakfast snacks and beverages, we headed to New York. The weather was great and I think everyone had a great time, I know I did! We did our usual of going into downtown Ellicottville for dinner before heading for home. Can't believe the ski season is over already. Article by Lisa Fernec. Photo by Allen Porter



Recap of Laurel Hill Lodge Trip

Of course it was a great trip! The accommodations, the scenery, the outdoor activities in such beautiful conditions (the snow!) great people, food and drink...how could you go wrong?

13 of us spent the weekend in the Laurel Hill Lodge at the Laurel Hill State Park in Pennsylvania just outside of Seven Springs. It snowed the day before leaving us a winter won-

derland. On Saturday the sky was a blazing blue and with the snow-laden trees framed against it, made such a beautiful sight...just perfect for a trek through the woods. Only two of



us skied downhill at Seven Springs and even though we had to dodge the crazy skiers we still enjoyed the incredible views (see Mary's photos).

The rest of the group made several trips out on different trails and areas by either cross-country skis, snowshoes or on foot. The closest trails are located right in the park and with so much snow required some bushwhacking until hitting snowmobile trails. Within a few miles is Koozer State Park that offers a nice little jaunt through the woods, just great for a beginner. About 12 miles away is the Laurel Ridge State Park that offers miles of groomed trails, some which require a minimal

fee (\$6). In case you're interested in coming to this region, you can rent cross-country skis and snowshoes at their concession stand.

The lodge is perfect for a weekend get away and is well laid out. Two kitchen areas with the main one having a double oven, stove, dishwasher, microwave and refrigerator and the other with microwave, sink, prep area and another refrigerator for all those home and micro brewery beers that we enjoyed. Then there's the large breakfast bar, living room, large dining area, fire-place, clothes washer & dryer, boot and glove warmers and outside fire pit. It's the incredible all the space and amenities this lodge has to offer.

We enjoyed each other's company and all the interesting conversation, music and foods

that came together. Ever try a dip with spicy jelly and cream cheese or peach salsa and cream cheese? Wow, are they good, especially with tortilla chips, crackers or even added into Whitey's chili with some extra cheddar cheese!

With all this area has to offer, the lodge and our positive experience on this trip don't be surprised if we offer another trip here in the future. If we do, don't miss it! Article & Photos by Therese Telzrow



Recap of Seven Springs Trip

Despite the dire predictions of the weatherman, 51 intrepid and hopeful skiers and riders, including none other than the current President of CMSC, showed up on Friday Feb-



ruary 18 to enjoy a day on the slopes of Seven Springs. Our on time departure from NASA was only a little spoiled by a short delay as we waited for two skiers who acted on habit instead of reading the trip flyer for our alternate East side pick up location! All's well and forgiven as we get on the Turnpike with a load of juice, muffins and other snacks to pass the time on board our luxury motor coach. The temperature is a balmy 60 degrees as we pull in to the parking lot and get ready to hit the slopes. The capable staff in the group sales office has our tickets ready in no time, and we catch our

first chair just after 10am. Luckily, mostly cloudy skies and a fresh breeze keep the snow in relative good condition for us to make some hard earned turns. Of course any turns are good turns for me, as this is my first ski day of the season! The predicted rain never materializes, and we have good snow throughout the day. Mikel K. quickly discovers that the conditions can be variable though, finding some sticky snow off trail and executing a perfect face plant. Not bad for a certified instructor and one of our best skiers! Thankfully, some Band-Aids are produced, and the fun can continue. After a few more runs, our group decides to take a break at the top for a quick bite. After lunch,

it's back on the snow to explore the rest of the runs available to us for the day. By 4 o'clock or so, most folks are ready call it a day and enjoy a few libations and some good food in the famous Foggy Goggle. The only major snag of the day occurs as we load up for the



ride home. It appeared one set of skis has been "liberated" for new ownership. However, Lee L. misplaced his own equipment and it was found and shipped back to him. Our driver has us back on the road and in Cleveland in good time. All, except those who decided to listen to the weatherman, had a good time! Article and photos by Mark Hyatt

Recap of Snowmass 2011 Trip

We could not have asked for better conditions: 4 days of sunshine, followed by 8-10 inches of

powder, followed by perfectly groomed runs for the last day of skiing. Snowmass/Aspen lived up to its reputation of: **A Colorado Great!**

Accommodations at the Stonebridge Hotel were wonderful. We all enjoyed the marvelous buffet breakfast every morning with our chef friend Joe whipping up all sorts of omelets and Belgian waffles. A lite lunch on the mountain was all that was needed to sustain us till dinner.



I did hear that two of our better skiers managed to tree hole themselves (Jim Slifka and Allen Porter). It took a while, but they both got out after a little digging! Young Robert Slifka has become quite the skier, but perhaps he is in need of rescue training if he is going to follow his Dad into the trees---Seems Jim was upside down in that tree hole with one ski tangled in the tree---wish we had a picture of that one! Billie MacIntyre had her technique improved (what little improving was needed)



by Brad Elles and Steve Zlatarich and she even made it over to Ajax Mountain in Aspen, a bucket list goal of hers.

Luis Fernandez toughed out the climb up to the Hot Shot Trail, the longest trail at Snowmass 3.5 miles--he said it was spectacular! Roommate Dave Evans just enjoyed cruising the

mountain in the sunshine. New members Jean Leathers and

husband Gary Engle had not been on skis in years---a little rusty at first but they soon settled in on the mountain and are now hooked on the sport again. Jim Slifka's co-worker, Mark Chernsky and wife Loretta are new members to the club also. If anyone has skied with Jim Slifka, they know skiing with him will be a workout--Jim and Mark covered the whole mountain plus Aspen.



Cheryl and Randy Bowman had great fun with boarders Stacey Bagg (our president) and Omar Mireles, her special friend from Huntsville Alabama. This was Allison Wood's first trip to Colorado and she loved it, especially getting to ski powder for the first time! Victoria Wise had a great trip because her good friend Lydia, whom she had met when she lived in England, was able to join her to ski for part of the week.

Barb and Warren Knipple, veterans of many trips out west, enjoyed not only the skiing but strolling around the great little town of Aspen. Carl Bainer splurged on this trip and bought himself new ski boots. After a little tweaking, he was good to hit the slopes.

Kristen Newcomb and Mike Senchak missed almost nothing of Snowmass Mountain--John Parsons checked out Buttermilk Mountain and even picked up a lesson. According to Diane Slifka, he has made some great progress in his effort to become a better skier.

Snowmass continued

I had the best time skiing with my crazy brother Skip, whose lovely wife Lisa, had surprised him with a birthday trip to Snowmass to ski with his sister for 4 days. What FUN for the both of us-cannot remember when I enjoyed someone else's birthday so much!

Jerry Hill never missed a day of hot tubbing after skiing hard all day. Most days you could also find Mary Donovan, Gary Norton, Jim Slifka and Judy Traxler, relaxing tired muscles in the hot bubbles!

Jim and I escorted our guests to a sumptuous meal at the Hickory Smokehouse in Aspen--served family style, it was a feeding frenzy of ribs, smoked brisket and barbequed chicken us some wonderful side dishes. Nice when the trip leaders pick up the bill!

We want to thank everyone who joined us on this trip-its not just the place but the people you are with who make the
whole experience special, and this one was definitely special..
Article by Judy Traxler. Photos by Jim Stifka



Additional Snowmass pictures can be found at http://www.irv2.com/photopost/showgallery.php?cat=1219

Racing News

The small, but mighty NASA racers had a great year. Full results can be found on http://www.skicleveland.com/adraceresults.html, but here is a summary of how the team fared:

<u>Don G</u> qualified into BVM this season. He was previously in CCVM. He only made a couple of races, but held his own in his new class and is eligible to win the Geiger's Rookie Racer Challenge if he attends the race banquet in April.

Bruce F did double duty as both a snowboarder and a skier. In CSB, he only made a few races, but finished as high as 3^{rd} place. In BBVM, he finished mid-pack post of the season in a very large/competitive class. He started Combined with a 1^{st} place in the Super-G and a 2^{nd} place in the GS, along with a strike. He had the lead going into the Sunday Slalom, but straddled a gate. You'll get them next year, Bruce!

<u>Cheryl A</u> only made one race this season, but finished a solid 4^{th} in BW (and kicked the race chair's butt!).

<u>Lisa L</u> struggled early in the season finishing at or near the bottom of BW for many races, but found speed to win Combined with the fastest overall time from a 1^{st} place in the Super-G and 2^{nd} places in both the GS and Slalom races. She finished 2^{nd} overall in BW for the season.

Therese T only made one race this season, but finished a solid 3^{rd} in CCVW. She's very competitive when she finds time to come race with us!

Elise A finished 1^{st} or 2^{nd} place in CCVW for all of the races she competed in. Well, except for one where she took the scenic route and got DQ'd (but still had the fastest time!). She dominated her class at Combined, finishing 1^{st} place in all three races. She also placed 1^{st} place overall in CCVW for the season. Go fast, Elise!

Overall, the team finished 7th in Division II and had a very fun season!

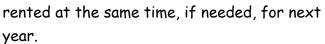
Contact Lisa Lambert, Race Chair (216) 433-3994 <u>Lisa.M.Lambert@nasa.gov</u> in the Fall, for details if you want to become part of the small, but fun NASA race team next season!

Nordic News



Laurel Hill Lodge trip was quite a success. Thirteen people car-pooled and had great cross-country and downhill skiing conditions. The lodge was large, holding 2 kitchens, 5 bedrooms, and plenty of living room space. It had a washer/dryer and even boot dryers! He recommended it for future trips. There were other cabins that would ac-

commodate fewer people but could be





On Sun. Jan. 30th, a few Club members met at Big Met Golf Course for cross-country skiing. The weather was sunny and everyone

had a good time. Cross country skiing access to Big Met is from the lower parking lot. If you want to connect with other interested cross country skiiers call Allen at 440-476-1531. Picture Allen Porter was taken at Chapin Forest where you can get full outfitted for \$5.00. Nordic VP Allen Porter, allengporter1@yahoo.com

Happy Birthday to:

Stacey Bagg
Carl Bainer
Steven Stevenson
Tyler Williams
Don Humphrey
Eva Carlberg
Brian Stickney
John Shaughnessy
Ray Neumann

John Parsons
Amy Antczak
Bill Saettel
David Clevenger
Ron Dee
Annie Easley
Linda Heine
Andrew Gross
Rosemary Toole
Gloria O'Donnell



CMSC Racers' Banquett Saturday, April 9, 2011 Social Hour: 6:30 p.m.

Dinner: 7:30 p.m.

Awards: Shortly after dinner

RECOMMENDED ATTIRE: Hey (or should we say "hay?") the theme is "Farm," get it? Jeans, Daisy Dukes, plaid shirts, coveralls, work boots, John Deere baseball hats. Or farm animals, maybe? Your favorite veggie? Yup, you got it. We'll be partying until the cows come home!

WHERE: Reinecker's Party Center, 8575 South Freeway Drive, Macedonia OH. From Cleveland: Do you REALLY need directions? REALLY? Take I-271 South to Route 82. Turn left (east) at the exit. Go under I-271. Turn left (north) at Speedway station onto South Freeway Drive (sign might still say "Freeway Drive.")

COST: Early Bird Special: \$40 per person if reservation is received on or before March 25. Cost goes up to \$45 per person for reservations received after that. No reservations will be taken after April 1. So make your reservations BEFORE you go on your spring ski trip!

INCLUDES: Open bar, great food, grand dessert buffet, dancing by DJ Dance Delite, race awards, and the drawing for the Grand Prize to the Geiger's Rookie Racer Challenge! (winner must be present to win)

MAIL WITH CHECK PAYABLE TO "CMSC RACING" TO:

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HELD AT REINECKER'S PARTY CENTER
8575 S. FREEWAY DR,
MACEDONIA, OH 44056
ON FRIDAY MAY 6, 2011
DOORS OPEN AT 7:00 P.M.-11:00 P.M.
ENJOY NACHO AND TACO BAR, BEER, WINE AND
MARGARITAS ALL FOR JUST \$25.00

DANCE ALONG TO DJ DAVE!!
FOR TICKETS CONTACT HEIDI S. REINECKER
216-276-3341
OR ASK ANY SNOWBALLER FOR TICKETS

MUST BE 21!



2010-2011 NASA SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP

(OCTOBER 1, 2010 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2011)

Name:(first)(last)			
Home Phone:	Member Directory containing names, addresses, email addresses, and phone		
Work Phone:	numbers of the members. It is in hard copy only and made available at		
Home address: Street/Apt.:	meetings and upon request of other club members only. Do you consent to having your contact information included?		
City: St: Zip:	YES NO		
NASA Mail Stop(If applicable):	NORDIC Skiers check box if you wish		
Your Birthday:/ (MONTH / DAY)	to be included on a notification list for impromptu nordic ski outings.		
Type of membership: Check TWO Types)	Please list eligible Family Members: Name Age-Kids Birthday		
Single(\$10) New Member *Family(\$15) **Renewal	Only (M/D)		
*A FAMILY MEMBERSHIP is defined as: "a			
member and spouse and/or DEPENDENT children".	/		
**Renewal rates for current members increase after November 15th to \$15.00 for single and \$20.00 for family. New members			
pay the lower rate no matter when they join.			
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