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Christmas Meeting Extravaganza

December 17

Bring a Holiday Treat to Share

(To be entered in the Prize Raffle)

Dessert, Cookies, Snacks

Hors d'oeuvres, Candy



ELECTION 2009

Note From Your President: We Need You!!

It has been a great year serving as President of the Cincinnati Ski Club and working with the rest of the Board. The time to elect the 2009/2010 Board is approaching. If you want to be more involved in club activities, then please consider running for next year's Board.

I can tell you from personal experience that serving on the Board is a rewarding commitment. It is an opportunity to make friendships, have fun, and help provide some good programs and activities for our members. We are asking that you consider giving your time and talents to keep the club a great organization.

The nominations are in January and the term begins in April so start thinking about it now. If you have interest in serving on the Board please e-mail Lynn Bell, our election nomination chairperson, bbell50@fuse.net. You can also contact me by e-mail wtaylor10@fuse.net or phone 513-769-1810.

Submitted by Warren Taylor

WINTER DANCE

January 10, 2009 Hartwell Recreation Center

Don't miss out - this year will be bigger and if possible, even better. Tickets will be on sale at the December 3rd and December 17th meetings for \$20.00. You can always resell your ticket if your plans change. Procrastinator's price anytime after the December 17th meeting is \$25.00. Included in the price: delicious food (a variety of appetizers and yummy "to die for" desserts), soft drinks, mixers, ice and water, and a pre-dance lesson. You can bring your own wine and alcohol; no beer or coolers can be brought inside. Beer tickets will be for sale comparable to our meetings. Dressy attire recommended, but not required. This event is open to the public so bring your friends. What a great holiday gift idea!

There will be an intermediate level 'Night Club 2' dance lesson taught by Mike Andreyko starting at 7:15pm. The class is open to our current dance class and any interested attending / aspiring dancers coming to the Snow Ball. Come early if interested.

If you have interest in helping with decorations or joining the cleanup crew let us know.

For tickets or questions: Please contact **Angela Whisner**, amwhisner@hotmail.com or, **Francie Wolgin**, fwolgin@hotmail.com or **Kathy Preuth**, wildflower551@aol.com



Ski Jackson Hole Wyoming

This trip is the bargain of the 2009 season!

February 21-28, 2009

Full option - \$1246 Ground option - \$736 (bus not included)

SPECIAL NOTE – Pre-party scheduled January 3, 2009, at Ann and Bernie Kramer’s home. Details to follow.

Stay in downtown Jackson surrounded by the Grand Tetons and Yellowstone National Park in the heart of the Rockies. You will be spending 7 nights at the beautiful Parkway Inn just 3 blocks from Jackson Hole's Historic Town Square, tucked among aspen and pine trees. Offering guests a friendly mix of modern comfort, old world charm, and warm hospitality for over 30 years. Just 5 steps to the shuttle bus and 10 restaurants within 4 blocks. The Parkway offers a European continental breakfast, indoor pool, hot tub, sauna and exercise gym. Five days of skiing on world famous deep powder (450 inches of snow annually) over 2500 skiable acres with a 4,139 foot vertical drop. Nastar and pay course racing is available as well as a new 100 passenger tram to the top of the mountain allowing all levels of skiers to enjoy the scenic vistas from the top. More Info:

www.parkwayinn.com and www.jacksonhole.com

Includes:

- Pre-party, Wine & Cheese Party, Party at the Slopes, Post Party
- Fly Delta from Cincinnati via Salt Lake to Jackson

Options:

- Ski Grand Targhee Resort \$80
- Snow King Ski Area offering night skiing
- Snowmobile Tours
- Dog Sled Tours of Grey's River, Old Faithful and the Grand Tetons
- Dinner Sleigh Rides
- 6th day of Skiing at Jackson Hole \$60

Trip leaders: Loretta Howard: lorettah3@aol.com and Jenny Rigling: jenny_rigling@cinfin.com

Trip Status: 48 total, 3 spots open

Ski Snowmass/Aspen Colorado

The Power of Four – Four Great Mountains, Four Incredible Ski Areas

February 7 – 14, 2009

Full option - \$1665 Ground option - \$1041

Direct flight into Aspen! We are staying at the Top of Village Condominiums - ski in / ski out on 3,132 acres of snow with 4,406 feet vertical drop on 24 lifts and 91 trails. Amidst tall aspen groves and framed by mountain peaks, Top of Village is within an easy walk to the Snowmass Village Mall where you will find great dining and shopping. The upscale amenities offer fully equipped kitchens, fireplaces, private balconies, complimentary WIFI, a heated pool, hot tub, sauna, fitness center and free covered parking. The Top of Village's mountain life style offers luxury - your trip leaders & trip mates will provide the laughter, fun and Great Skiing for a definite trip to remember – Hope you can join us!! Visit Top of the Village web site <http://www.snowmassvillage.com/top-of-the-village-condominiums>

Includes:

- Direct flight into Aspen via Delta
- Plus you have available 3 other major ski areas to suit all levels of skiing – Aspen Highlands, Buttermilk and Aspen Mountain (aka Ajax)

Trip Leaders: Kathy Brown, Kathy Kaelin Symons and Karen Ulreich

Trip Status: 42 total, trip is full with no wait list

SITZMARK ARTICLES

To submit an article for publication in *Sitzmark*, e-mail:

msa5570@fuse.net

with your text file and/or pictures attached.

Next deadline:

7 pm, Monday, January 5

Questions? Contact Maria Anderson

SKI TELLURIDE COLORADO



An OVSC Trip with Lots of Extras!

January 24 – 31, 2009

Full option - \$1701 Ground option - \$1191
Saturday-Sunday Option (1/24 - 2/1/09) - \$1866
Cancellation cost: \$20 plus all non-recoverable costs

The breathtaking scenery, the charm of the old mining town, the fabulous and recently expanded ski area, the non-existent lift lines, the restaurants from very casual and inexpensive to fine dining, the fun night life – all within walking distance, are just a few reasons to sign up for Telluride. Don't forget - this is an OVSC trip so lots of extra parties, food and drinks are already included in the price. And, finally, the club doesn't go to Telluride very often so don't pass up this trip!

Includes:

- Airfare from Cincinnati (flights to be determined) for full option
- Ground transfers from Montrose to Telluride
- 7 nights lodging at deluxe Riverside Condos located in the charming old town. Walk to the Gondola and lift 8, convenient to everything
- 5 day lift ticket (sixth day available at a discounted rate)
- OVSC package: welcome reception, mountain picnic, après ski party, dinner & dance, race, and a souvenir
- CSC parties: before, during and after the trip

Trip Leaders: Pat Reith: pat.reith@uc.edu 513-242-3659
and Lisa Wilkes: lwilkes@cinci.rr.com 513-583-5405

Trip Status: 64 total, 2 openings.



Ski Seven Springs Mountain Resort Pennsylvania

Wednesday – Sunday February 18 - 22

NOTE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS INFORMATION:
We did not get the signups needed to justify a bus. We will now carpool. Transportation changes result in a \$180 PRICE DECREASE.

4 per room: \$470 per person
2 per room: \$545 per person
3 per room: \$495 per person

Cincinnati Payment of \$10 deposit and \$400 to Cheryl for LSC by December 12. Balance due January 13, 2009 including extras.

The trip is coordinated with Louisville Ski Club and we will be part of their group and the OVSC activities. We are going to Seven Springs at their peak season for some great fun and skiing. The skiing is great for beginners as well as the advanced. Seven Springs Resort has several restaurants, bars/lounges, shops, mini golf, bowling, roller skating and an indoor pool all under one roof. And outdoor hot tubs and snow tubing are available. Seven Springs has family style rooms that can accommodate 3 or 4 people per room. It's two connecting bedrooms with one bathroom. For the 2 per room rate you get a standard hotel room with two beds and one bathroom.

Includes:

- 4 nights Resort lodging
- Thursday Pizza and Beer/Soda welcome party
- 4 day/night lift ticket that starts at 5PM Wed. with overnight complimentary ski check
- 4 fabulous buffet breakfasts
- Famous Seven Springs Ski Dinner Buffet Saturday night
- Last Run Party Saturday night
- Use of indoor pool and exercise room
- Nastar racing (this is an OVSC race weekend)
- OVSC wine and cheese party

Options:

- Non-skiers can trade lift ticket for activity package – see Cheryl for details.
- Slopeview rooms for \$80 per person
- Rentals for 4 days/nights – skis \$54; snowboards \$88
- Rentals for 3 days/nights – skis \$44; snowboards \$70
- Lessons \$20 for group lesson of 105 minutes; \$50/\$60 for private 60 minutes

Trip Leader: Cheryl Zwirgzdas: c.zwirgzdas@yahoo.com
513-253-9780



DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY

Have you noticed how much fun the dancers are having? Do you want to join in?

The next series of dance lessons begins on January 7. Lessons are from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. preceding the regular CSC meeting. On December 3 by class consensus the next dance will be the CHA CHA. A series of 4 lessons will be taught for \$16.

For information contact fwolgin@hotmail.com

Ski Europe's Bad Gastein Austria

Join CSC and OVSC for a once in a lifetime trip to old Europe!

March 6-14, 2009 (main trip)

Full package: \$2,174

Pre Trip to Munich for 3 days \$395

Post Trip 3 days each, Vienna and Budapest \$792



Bad Gastein was known As the Montacalo of the north. The Kings and Queens of old came here to vacation and have Summits. The valley is historically one of the top Spa-Wellness areas in Europe. Every hotel has a wellness center, the Elisabeth Park has an especially elaborate one in the corner of the building with full length windows that overlook the valley below. The town Spa and Wellness Center will be like nothing you have ever seen. I have only seen 2 that even compare – Andorra and Bormio. It takes all day to experience all the water venues and relaxation rooms that they offer. They have a Casino within walking distance of the Hotel and large water fall that runs down thru the middle of the town.

Includes:

- Round trip air Cincinnati to Munich
- Seven nights accommodations at the 4 star Elisabeth Park Hotel, with full buffet breakfast and dinner daily. Enjoy full spa with indoor pool, sauna, massages, and thermal baths. Ski four mountains and enjoy optional day tours. This property is one of the Grand old hotels of ages past and has been remodeled this year.
- For the skiers, there will be 6 ski days possible
- For the people who want to see the world (Austrian part) there will be day tours available each day to see the hot spots. You can tour castles, Salzburg, Munich, Venice, Kitzbuehl, Vienna, Budapest and many other places

Trip Leaders: Steve Gavin: skigolf@fuse.net 859-491-3950 and our personal Austrian Guide, Werner Malderle: 513-574-7524 (born in Vienna Austria)

Trip Status: 26 total, 5 spots open

RACING



Before you blow past this article, think about the following question. Do you want to improve your skiing? Racing will help you improve your skiing. Racing forces you to turn around the gates. This skill when translated to free skiing, makes it easier to avoid other skiers and bad terrain.

There are some exciting changes for this racing season. A weekend of racing on the Saturday / Sunday of Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend is scheduled at Swain Mountain in western New York. President's Day weekend also has Saturday / Sunday racing scheduled at Paoli Peaks. Racing venues have made some welcome changes. Paoli Peaks has moved their race hill to the other side of the short black lift, Mad River is getting a new finish hut and Perfect North has added public Nastar racing on the weekends.

If you have never raced before, come out, join the fun and give it a try! Many clubs join in for the weekend OVSC races providing the opportunity to meet new people. Thursday nights many of us race in Perfect North's Adult Race League. Our race season starts January 3 and ends with the Adult Race League Championships at the end of February. Some of us are also going to the Nastar National Championships in Steamboat at the end of March. The race team cost is \$15. This gives you access to all the OVSC races. There may be an extra ski resort fee for some races. Check out our race schedule on the club's website www.cinski.org or stop by the race table at a meeting. Your racing co-chairs, Tom and Rich are always available for questions.

Racing Co-Chairs:

Tom Berning 513-256-1776 or pnsracer@netzero.net

Rich Brown 513-886-2062 or wforich@aol.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December	
17	General Meeting Christmas Party
January	
2	TGIF Claddagh Irish Pub 1 Levee Way Newport KY
3 - 4	Race Perfect North, IN
7	General Meeting
10	Winter Dance
10	Race Crystal Mountain, MI
10 - 11	Race Mad River, OH
16	TGIF Mongolian Grill 8655 Mason-Montgomery Road Mason OH
17 - 18	Race Swain Mountain, NY
21	General Meeting Election Nominations
24 - 25	Race Paoli Peaks, IN
1/24 - 2/1	Ski Telluride
27 or 28	Race Telluride, CO
30	TGIF Applebee's 6084 Mulhauser Road West Chester OH
31	Race Perfect North, IN

ENTERTAINMENT 2009 BOOK

December 17 meeting is your **LAST** chance to buy a book

Please purchase your 2009 Book now! This year's book is **ONLY \$20**, a true bargain. You can easily recover that cost by using just a few of the many "buy 1, get 1 free" offers, plus there are also a wide variety of other discount coupons, such as car rentals, movies and dry cleaning.

Purchase at the meeting from Jules Saslow 513-755-2182 or Dale Reith 513-242-3659 (**or contact them** for other arrangements).

SPECIAL OLYMPICS needs more Ski Partners



For the past 26 years plus the Cincinnati Ski Club has supplied volunteers to act as Ski Partners for the 5 days of Special Olympics Winter Games each season. It is a fun and rewarding time and the athletes, parents and coaches are very appreciative of our efforts. Ski Partners must be at least 16 yrs old and should be intermediate or better skiers able to give encouragement and direction to the Athletes. There has never been a better reason to take a day or more off work to go skiing! All events are at Perfect North Slopes - East Lodge.

We need your help on Wednesday, January 7, and Thursday, January 8. Both local group ski events. The KY State Winter Games are January 25 through January 27 (Sunday-Tuesday). For more information contact Rich Brown 513-886-2062 or Wforich@aol.com



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HELP WANTED OVSC SUMMIT IN CINCINNATI May 29-31, 2009

Members from the ski clubs in the Ohio Valley Ski Council and representatives from ski resorts and tour operators will come to Cincinnati for a weekend of parties and meetings at the OVSC Summit. The Cincinnati Ski Club is the host Club for this event. We are forming a committee that will be responsible for the overall planning and management of the activities. If you are interested in serving on this committee please contact

Warren Taylor 513-769-1810 wtaylor10@cinci.rr.com
Connie Kirsch 812-637-0707 conron@fuse.net

NEW CSC Spirit Wear

T-Shirts - \$12
Hats - \$12
Neck Wallets - \$7

See Dale Reith at the next meeting.

Don't Delay- Supply Is Limited!



NEWS YOU CAN USE

CSC has a new web site thanks to some hard work by Jason Morgan with lots of guidance from Jeff Schaber. You will use the same url - www.cinski.org - that you always have to access the new site.

Jason and employees of his company, Innersync, have volunteered their time to create a new, easily updated and navigable site. Here are just a few of the many new features:

- every CSC member will have an individual login to their 'my account' page where you can update your information (this page is not accessible to others on the Internet)
- you will be able to upload pictures directly from your camera, manage the images in albums, create titles and searchable key words

We will be working with Jason to bring much more functionality to our new site. How would you like to be able to renew your membership online using PayPal? How easy is that?? Stay tuned, we'll be working hard to make sure that all information is up-to-date and always available to you.

Looking for a map – there's an interactive one on the website www.cinski.org

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