



Cincinnati Ski Club

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ELECTION 2009

Meet the Candidates February 4 Meeting

We have a really good group of candidates for the 2009 Ski Club Board positions. Our club has often been referred to as an extended-family. Well, when you sit on the Board for a year, you become a really tight-knit family group. Lasting friendships are formed. Our Board deserves your respect and praise. The club runs by volunteers, and these volunteers go above and beyond.

On the next page you will find introductions to your candidates for this year's election. Please make sure that you come to the meeting on February 18 to vote. We need a quorum at the meeting. Election Chair: Lynn Bell

Election Night Festivities

February 18, 2009



Annual Election Night Chili Cook Off

Sample from 12 Chili Chefs and vote on your favorites

Better yet, ENTER the Chili Cook-Off Contest

You can win PRIZES, RESPECT & BRAGGING RIGHTS!

Set Up Time 7:30

Bring Chili in Crock Pot (power strips provided)

CSC provides bowls, napkins, spoons, cheese, oyster crackers

Limit 12 chefs

RSVP now to reserve your spot!

Club reimburses (rsvp'd) Chefs up to \$15, bring your receipts.

To enter the contest contact Karen Lipping 513-520-0328 or
karleelip@yahoo.com

GOLF LEAGUE 2009

It's time to get a grip on your life. So, grab your driver and come on out and sign up for the CSC Golf League.

Golf Course: Avon Field, Reading Rd. Avondale

Tee-Times: 5:00pm – 6:08pm

Starts: April 27th (Every Monday except holidays for 14 weeks)

Sign-ups: Election Night - as a rule the league will fill up this night.

We have room for (40) hackers of all skill levels to compete for the championship of the "Bud-Wise-Errr-Mugs" flights.

League cost = \$208.00 (pending board approval).

For more information contact the league's main hacker: Dan Smith 513- 563-8193 or sudan@fuse.net

Meet the Candidates - 2/4/2009

President - Jim McGraw

Hello, I'm Jim McGraw, veteran Ski Club Member with 19 years continuous membership. During this time I have served in various capacities, including Board Member, Trip Leader, Chairmanships and Committees. "We Do More Than Ski", our motto, is at the forefront of my mind. If elected, I will encourage increased levels of voluntarism and support an offering of fun activities that is as diverse as your desires. Our new Web Site will be fully implemented and promoted. I will strive to make the upcoming year at Ski Club a terrific experience for all of us.

Executive Vice President

I am Bud Viditz-Ward and I am running for Executive VP, which position is responsible for developing budgets and specifics for the week long ski trips. I have been in the club for 22 years and participate in winter ski trips each year. I have been a trip leader (or co trip leader) on numerous North American trips. In addition to the skiing, I enjoy the wine and dining experiences at each resort. And most important to this position, I am married to Gail.

Winter Vice President – Steve Gavin

Hi, my name is Steve Gavin. I am running for Winter VP again. I have been a member of the club for 12 years and served as Welcoming Chair for 6 years. I have co- led several trips, mostly international trips. I am co-chair of the new 35 and under group. I believe in the Ski Club very much and want to make it better.

Sports Vice President – Bruce Black

Hi, my name is Bruce Black and I have been in and out of the club for the past 25 years. I'm running for the Sports VP position. My interest in the club was Volleyball and all the beer you could drink for \$2.00. A good place to start an AA club. I like a good laugh. My favorite pastime is boating and driving my high school car - a 65 GTO. I'm currently a boat owner with the Ski club and have enjoyed many trips to Lake Norris. My favorite song is Let's Get this Party Started. I will bring to the club fairness, honor and a smiling face. Thanks for your consideration.

Social Vice President - Angela Whisner

Hello. I am Angela Whisner. I have been involved with the Ski Club for 4 years. The Club has been a wonderful experience for me. I have helped with the social activities under the past two Social VP's. During my time as a member, I have led a ski trip to Jay Peaks and ran the Candlepin Bowling. I have assisted with the winter dance for the past two years, and this year I was the Chair for the dance. The Club has become like a second

family to me. There is so much energy and support in this club. As the next Social VP, I am looking forward to making this year fun and exciting with great social activities.

Administrative Vice President – Mary Golden-Blair

Hi. My name is Mary Golden-Blair, and I'm running for Administrative V.P. I've been a member of the ski club since January, 2004. I joined for the snow skiing, but have also participated in some water ski trips, a few hiking excursions, and recently, the dance lessons offered at the meetings. I was a trip leader for the ski trip to Big Sky, MT in March, 2008. I've also been a volunteer in the food booth at the summer meetings. I have not served on the Board before, so I'll be learning as I go. But, I've learned that people in the ski club are always willing to answer my questions, and give advice. I've met a lot of great people in the club, and this is an opportunity for me to give something back. Thanks.

Executive Secretary - Nina Marx

I am running for the board position of Executive Secretary. I have been a member of the ski club since 2007, so that makes me a "newbie". As a new member, I hope to bring fresh ideas and solutions to issues facing our club. Although, lacking leadership positions within the club, I have held many past board positions in numerous professional organizations. Since becoming a member, I have had so much fun participating in golf, volleyball, euchre, hiking, water ski and snow ski trips. In my short time, I have met some incredible people and have formed valuable friendships. I would consider it a privilege to "give back" to this wonderful organization that has given me so much!

Treasurer – Stuart Pray

As the incumbent Treasurer, I must have been looking the other way when I was nominated to repeat. Seriously, I have been a member of the club since 1991, leading one European and one Western ski trip, as well as participating in many, many more. In addition to the winter skiing, I am also an avid barefoot water skier and ski racer. I feel that this gives me a good perspective on many of the clubs principle activities. If elected to this office I will continue to strive to maintain the clubs finances in a prompt and professional manner.



A Note from Warren

Past President - Warren Taylor

Hi, I'm Warren Taylor and currently am serving as President of the Cincinnati Ski Club. Next year I will continue to be on the Board as Past President. It has been a rewarding experience working with this year's Board, and carrying out all the duties of the President such as running the meetings.

I've been a club member since 1985. During that time I have volunteered for numerous activities. I was on the Board three years as Winter Vice President and have been trip leader on summer trips and Western and Weekend Winter trips. I have also served as Membership Chairperson and have run the cookouts at the summer meetings.

I promise that I will work hard to apply my experience and knowledge gained from over 20 years of active membership in the club. I look forward to your continued support to make it a great year.

Ski Snowmass/Aspen Colorado

February 7 – 14, 2009

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

We are staying at the Top of Village Condominiums - ski in / ski out. Direct flight into Aspen via Delta.

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

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

Ski Seven Springs Mountain Resort Pennsylvania

Wednesday – Sunday February 18 - 22

4/room-\$470/pp, 2/room-\$545/pp, 3/room-\$495/pp

The trip is coordinated with Louisville Ski Club and we will be part of their group. This is an OVSC trip loaded with activities, parties and options.

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

Trip Status: trip is full, taking names for wait list



Ski Jackson Hole Wyoming

February 21-28, 2009

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

Stay in downtown at the beautiful Parkway Inn just 3 blocks from the Historic Town Square. European

continental breakfast included and just 5 steps to the shuttle bus. Fly Delta from Cincinnati via Salt Lake to Jackson.

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

Trip Status: 48 total, 1 opening

Ski Europe's Bad Gastein Austria

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

We will be staying at the 4-star Elisabeth Park Hotel - a luxurious hotel with an especially elaborate wellness center. A full breakfast buffet and dinner are included daily. We are flying Cincinnati to Munich. 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. 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 Werner Malderle 513-574-7524 (born in Vienna, Austria)

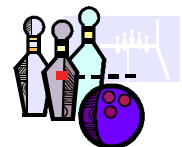
Trip Status: 26 total, 5 spots open

Kim and Kimmy's Bowling Adventures

Saturday, March 7, at 7:00pm

Stone's Lanes in Norwood
3746 Montgomery Road

Come out and join the fun - knowing how to bowl is NOT a requirement!



Contact

Kim Rice 513-321-1125 (daytime)

or

Kim Pandilidis kimpanda@fuse.net

SITZMARK ARTICLES

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

msa5570@fuse.net

with your text file and/or picture file attached.

Next deadline:

7 pm, Monday, February 2
Questions? Contact Maria Anderson



SAVE THE DATE – 2009 OVSC SUMMIT



We are excited to be hosting the 2009 OVSC Summit, **May 29 – 31**, in downtown **Cincinnati**. Our theme this year is "Oktoberfest in May" and, in the spirit of that great German festival, we plan to party all weekend!

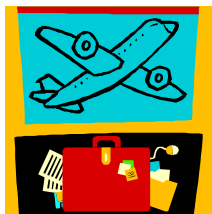
For those not familiar with the OVSC Summit, it is a weekend where members from the 17 Ohio Valley Ski Council clubs come together to meet with reps from ski resorts and tour operators to talk about skiing and also to share experiences with members of other clubs. But, it's also a time to have some fun and enjoy the host city.

As the host club, we'll need lots of support and volunteers to make this the best Summit ever. Here's a preview of what we have planned:

- Great rates at the beautiful 4-star Netherland Hilton, in the heart of downtown, close to everything
- Beer tasting at the Hofbrauhaus
- Touring on our new Duck boats
- Champagne breakfast cruise
- Golf outing and Bicycling
- Trade show with all the best ski resorts
- Preview of the 2010 OVSC trips
- Dinner and dance
- Buffet breakfast and valuable break-out sessions with OVSC leaders
- Door prizes galore

We'll be running many of the Summit activities as separate Cincinnati Ski Club events, so you'll be able to join in the fun. Details will be available soon, but in the meantime, circle these dates on your calendar and plan on a great weekend.

To volunteer now contact: Connie McCuan-Kirsch 812-637-0707 or conron@fuse.net
or Warren Taylor 513-769-1810 or wtaylor10@cinci.rr.com



DON'T LET AIRLINE BAG CHECK COSTS BRING YOU DOWN!

Just a reminder that now is a great time of year to start a packing pile for trips. As many of you know, I pack older clothes and clothes that I am not super fond of when I travel. Then I leave the clothes behind, as I go. This makes your bag lighter, and makes room for anything you buy. Now, as you are starting to wear your winter clothes, when you find that tiny hole, or that small stain that just won't come out. Put the clothing with your ski stuff, and wear it while you are gone. If it is summer clothing, put it with your bag for Greece. Also, when your great aunt gives you a "charming" sweater, it "might" be headed for the ski stuff, too. Then later you can genuinely tell her that you left it in Colorado. :(Many hotels collect clothing left behind and donate it. So your clothing might still have some good left after you say goodbye. Submitted by Keely Paul

CSC Winter Snow Ball

Our winter dance was a huge success, thanks to an awesome Winter Dance Committee led by Angela Whisner and Francie Wolgin and all the dedicated hard working committee members. This committee put in many hours of planning and work to create a fun and beautiful setting.

There were also many other volunteers who helped decorate, as well as volunteers who worked at the ticket table and sold the beer tickets.

Without our dance committee, which has been planning and working on our winter dances for the past several years, and the volunteers, it just couldn't happen.

It truly looked like a winter wonderland, complete with the beautiful snow ball hanging from the ceiling, and the mountain peaks made from strings of lights.

Thanks to our caterer - Ruth Ann Richey, who provided the wonderful food.

Thanks to our DJ - Chris Hockney, who kept everyone dancing.

February	Calendar of Events
4	General Meeting Meet the Candidates
7 - 8	Race Mad River, OH
7 - 14	Ski Aspen
13	TGIF Margaritas 8600 Beechmont Ave Cincinnati, OH
14 - 15	Race Paoli Peaks, IN
18	General Meeting New Board Election/Ski Swap
18 - 22	Ski Seven Springs
21	Race Seven Springs, PA
21	Wine Tasting Tino Vino
21 - 28	Ski Jackson Hole
22	Race Perfect North, IN
23	Volleyball League
27	TGIF Willie's Sports Café 401 Crescent Avenue Covington KY
March	Calendar of Events
2	Volleyball League
4	General Meeting Ski Swap
6 - 14	Ski Bad Gastein Austria
7	Race Jay Peak, VT
7	Bowling - Stone's Lanes
9	Volleyball League
13	TGIF Molly Malones of Covington 112 E 4 th Street Covington KY
16	Volleyball League

Wine Tasting



Saturday, February 21, 2009

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Welcome to Tino Vino Vintners, a place to sip, sample, enjoy and option to create your own customer wine. Tino Vino Vintners is a boutique winery, wine bar and wine making facility in Hyde Park. For more information visit www.tinovino.net

The tasting will feature six wines and appetizers. Cost is \$25 per person.

Julie Van Arsdale Slanker and Emmalee Hill Hoover are your hosts.

Contact Julie: java45@fuse.net or 513-919-5021

Contact Emmalee: ehill@fuse.net or 513-245-9855

Show: "The Movie Game"

Theater Group: The Drama Workshop

Website:

http://thedramaworkshop.org/season/2008_2009/movie_game.html

Who: Michael (my hubby) will play the lead and I play his sister.

When:

Friday, February 27, 2009 8:00 PM

Saturday, February 28, 2009 8:00 PM

Sunday, March 1, 2009 3:00 PM

Thursday, March 5, 2009 8:00 PM

Friday, March 6, 2009 8:00 PM

Saturday, March 7, 2009 8:00 PM

Submitted by Anne-Marie (Murphy) Ireland



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Spring Volleyball League Sign-ups

The Spring volleyball League is almost here, sign-ups will start at the Feb 4th meeting. The league is great for improving your game and getting to know your fellow ski club members better. The competitive recreational league welcomes players of all skill levels who want to improve their skills and engage in some friendly competition with other ski club members. We form teams to make them as even as possible, which make for some exciting matches. The 9 weeks are as follows, one week of open play & team selections, 6 weeks of round robin play between the teams and a two week mini-tournament. This is typically a popular league and has been known to fill up quickly.



When: 9 Mondays starting 2/23 (thru 4/20)

Time: 6:30 to 8:30

Where: Bond Hill Recreation Center (1501 Elizabeth Place)

Cost: \$65

Trip Leader: Reed Breneman wienrdog@yahoo.com
or 513-235-0429

NEWS YOU CAN USE

www.cinski.org

Have you checked out the new CSC website? As soon as the information is received, the website is updated with news, calendar events and activities. No need to wait to find out what is happening with your club. Visit the website often so you will be in the know. Looking for a map to the meeting – there's an interactive one on the website.

February 18 and March 4



SKI SWAP

Buy, Sell, Trade

Ski Gear, Luggage, Clothing, etc.

no fees, no commission, no tax
great place to buy and sell