



**Newsletter of SLO SKIERS, INC.
A Ski, Sport, and Social Club
www.sloskiers.org
April 2009**

April DINE-AROUND

April 15, 2009

6:00 PM

The Club Car

(Previously "Pete's Southside")

1815 Osos Street



Wild Flower Bike Ride

Shell Creek Road

April 18th ~ Saturday



Meeting Place: Hwy .101/Camino Real interchange in SANTA MARGARITA
@ 9:00am. We will caravan to SHELL CREEK ROAD.

Bring: Water, snacks, camera.....

Ride Leader: Pete Sarafian: phone 528-3194 - email psaraf@surfari.net

End of Year Party

'End of the Year Party' is coming up so please mark your calendars for the 26th of April. The club will provide nearly everything but, of course, we do encourage club members to bring an appetizer or dessert to share. The famous chef 'BIG JOE' and his crew will do the BBQing. The party starts at 12 noon with BBQ served at 2:00pm. All this will take place at the RED BARN in Los Osos.

PRESIDENTS LETTER APRIL 2009

GREETINGS: When this newsletter reaches you a large contingent of our club will be at Mt Bachelor Oregon having the time of our lives skiing and a blast doing what SLO Skiers do on weeklong ski trips. Everything seems to be in place with trip information being handed out and emailed to everyone. The most exciting part of the trip may be the fun of getting there and the uncertainty of the train itself. But we will all be patient as we are aware that there is nothing we can actually do about it so why not just kick back and enjoy the ride?

I want to thank the general membership for the confidence they placed in me by re-electing me president of SLO Skiers for a second year. Many thanks for your trust. I'm also please that 10 of the BOD members choose to remain on the board and that two of them did so in different offices. We also have the opportunity to welcome some new blood as 4 new members will be joining the BOD. I thank you all.

The Mt. Bachelor pre-trip at the Wards on March 20th saw 40 SLO Skiers gathered having a great time getting acquainted and trading information and suggestions. A very nice time, I believe, was had by all who attended. "Thank you" goes out to **John Long** and **Sara** for conducting an informative meeting.

DINE- AROUND will be held at the Club Car on April 15th at 1815 Osos Street in SLO. This event is building a lot of momentum so don't be left behind. Thanks to all who attended last months Dine-Around at Creekside.

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Fran Long has agreed to captain the BIKE rides again this year so be ready for some awesome rides. **Pete Sarafian** has volunteered and will be the HIKE captain for the year so please contact Pete if you have favorites that you would like to do. Both Fran and Pete are very serious about the responsibility so LET'S GO! CAN WE HAVE A VOLUNTEER FOR CAMPOUTS?

A proposal was made by **Hal Rosewall** for a Texas Hold'em Poker Night to replace the Turtle Auction as the clubs fundraiser. Some discussion was held at the March 4th general meeting and I think we need some fine tuning perhaps if this idea is to fly. Hal and I agree to a deadline of July 1st as the decision day. Perhaps we should form a committee to dig deeper into this issue as it has been suggested (or a casino night) several time in the past. What are the thoughts of the general membership? Please feel free to contact Hal or Me with your opinions. No one has a patient on all the best ideas-we need you!

We have openings for Wine-Downs if any member would like to volunteer to host one. Please contact **June Ward** reserve a convenient date to host this fun event. *Peter*

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March MEETINGS

**April 1st: meeting @ SLO Kennedy Club Fitness.
Social at 6:30 PM and General meeting 7:30 PM.
April 15th @ The Club Car, 6 PM .**

The **Attendance Jar (Pot of Gold)** was created to encourage members to keep their membership current and to attend the whole meeting. **Rules:**

- 1- Your membership must be current to be Eligible
- 2- You must be in attendance at the time the name is drawn.
- 3- One name will be drawn at the end of the meeting.
- 4- Five Dollars added to the *Jar* each month until won!!!!!!



Getting a Membership Directory

All members are entitled to have a current Membership Directory. Copies are available at meetings. You can also just email 'membership@sloskiers.org' and an electronic copy in Excel format can be sent to you. The Directory is to be used only for club social purposes & contacts for club events and not for outside mailing and call lists, etc. If you don't want your particulars included in the distributed Directory, no problem. Likewise just let Kathy, the Membership Director know at a meeting or email 'membership@sloskiers.org'.

Dancers.

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Dancing at the Madonna Inn. Join fellow SLO skiers and enjoy the dance.
Sunday evening from 7:30 to 10:00PM.

Bonnie Ernst has created a new social networking site for Central Coast dancers and wanna be dancers. <http://sloedancers.ning.com>. Find out about local dance events, find a dance partner or get information about classes and more. Check it out!

Bonnie Ernst (805) 801-6148, bonnie@pacificcoastpro.com



Meeting Place –

Suggestions are welcome for a new meeting place. Please notify Peter with your ideas at 556-0242 or pjinshell@aol.com.

Criteria:

- Conveniently located, parking available.
- Serves individual meals
- Serves alcohol
- Willing to provide a free meeting room or area
- Capacity 60 people plus or minus

Thanks, *Peter*

Skiing, Snowboarding,
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(805) 962-0049
14 State Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

(805) 543-1676
667 Marsh Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Mention SLO Skiers and receive a discount.

FREE raffle tickets

Members who bring a guest to the meeting get 2 free raffle tickets! And... the guest gets 3 free raffle tickets. Normally raffle tickets are 2 for a dollar. Don't miss out. *Pete S.*

Greg Garrison's name was drawn for the Pot of Gold at the March meeting. Sorry Greg.
The April Pot of Gold will be worth \$45.

Membership Renewal NOW

Are your friends not getting their newsletter?

Please ask them to contact membership@sloskiers.org.

Are you not getting e-mail updates? Log on to sloskiers.org and follow the directions for opting in on e-mail updates. It is a THREE (3) step process, and if you don't complete all 3 steps, the request is not processed. Thanks to all who have their membership current and paid for the 2008-2009 season. Keep those checks coming-----The annual dues is \$40.00 per member. Please submit to myself at the meeting or by mail to the SLO Skiers PO Box. Thanks, Kathy Smith

The SLO skiers had a great time at South Lake Tahoe. The trip was attended by twelve very happy skiers. Why happy? Because the weather was gorgeous, the snow was excellent and the laughs were great. Arrival was Thursday night, dinner on your own. Friday: Breakfast to order, skiing all day and Friday night was the Comedy Club at Harvey's. Saturday: Breakfast to order, great skiing all day, wine and cheese party at the Lodge and dinner in their acclaimed restaurant. Sunday: Breakfast at leisure and depart.

This trip will be back by popular demand!

Ski Mammoth!! That's right. April 30th, May 1st and May 2nd The snow is so nice that we are planning a spring trip. There are low summer rates, so we want to take advantage of that. It looks like the trip will cost about \$120.00 per person for three nights (price to be confirmed by Horizons 4) There will be a wine and cheese party on Friday night and dinner in Saturday night. Dinner and the wine and cheese party will be dependent on finding a trip captain. Please email me at teri.winston@spcorp.com if you are interested in attending or being the trip captain.

Summer in Mammoth. The only thing prettier than Mammoth in the winter, is Mammoth in the summer. **Set aside July 16th, 17th, and 18th** for a variety of activities in Mammoth. There are so many things to do. How about hiking, fishing, biking and golf? **More information to come.**

The SLO SKIER OF THE MONTH is a person who has earned recognition because they have made an exceptional contribution to the success of our club. Please take a minute to THANK these club members for their service to better SLO Skiers.

SLO SKIER OF THE MONTH

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| April 2009 | | |
| March 2009 | | |
| February 2009 | Andy Snyder & Fran Long | Outstanding Breckenridge Trip |
| January 2009 | Nancy J. Brown | Ski Fitness demonstration |
| December 2008 | Judi Southcott | Re-designing web site |
| November 2008 | June Ward & Judi Southcott | Pray for Snow & Yosemite trip |
| October 2008 | Teresa Rice & Hal Rosewall | Organizing Turtle Auction |
| September 2008 | Board of Directors | Huge effort for Ski& Sport Expo |
| August 2008 | Marvin Gross | Spearheading Cache Creek |
| July 2008 | Bette Gillespie | Coordinating monthly hikes |
| June 2008 | Fran Long | Organizing monthly bike trips |
| May 2008 | Sharon Dillard | Fabulous End of Year Party |

Tidbits to Share

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John & Irene with Long-Neck Tribe, Thailand

Thailand and Laos Trip

In February Irene and John Smith vacationed in northern Thailand and Laos. They visited several hill tribes, temples, ancient ruins, rode elephants, ox carts, rafted, ate well and shopped!!!

Jeanne Kinney is off to Mexico for a kayak adventure. Look forward to hearing all about it upon her return.

Approximately 30 SLO Skiers attended the "Dine Around" at the Creek Side Brewery; a lot of laughs and great food.

Deadline for Tidbits is the 17th. Please submit items to ryguidry@hotmail.com

Item of Possible interest.

Unverified rumors has it that Central Coast Surf Boards has trips to Sierra Summit for \$80 (bus plus lift ticket). It has been reported that it is a younger crowd and can be a bit noisy. This needs to be verified.

Golf



Dust off the sticks and come out for fun and laughs this summer.
(May thru September)

Meet at 5P.M. on the second Tuesday of each month for nine holes of golf at the Sea Pines golf course in Los Osos. Followed by TACO TUESDAY in the clubhouse after wards. \$2 tacos or Quesadillas and great Margaritas.

Here are the actual dates: May 12, June 9, July 7, Aug. 11 & September 8

If you plan to be there please call and leave a message @ 709-2677
Hope to see you there.

Bill Winston



APRIL 2009

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | 1 Mt Bachelor Trip /General meeting | 2 Mt Bachelor Trip | 3 Mt Bachelor Trip | 4 Mt Bachelor Trip |
| 5 Return from Mt. Bachelor | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 Pinnacles Hike |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 Dine Around | 16 | 17 | 18 Wild Flower Bike ride |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 26 End of Year BBQ, Red Barn. | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 Ski Mammoth | | |
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MAY 2009

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | 1 Ski Mammoth | 2 Ski Mammoth |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 General Meeting | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 Golf | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
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Membership Renewal Form

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Please circle information you do NOT want published.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Home Ph: _____ Work ph: _____ Cell ph: _____

Birth date: _____

Check here to receive your newsletter by E-MAIL.

Check here to receive your newsletter by USPS MAIL

Please bring your completed membership form, signed Conduct Policy and your check (made payable to SLO Skiers) to the next meeting or if you prefer, mail them to:

The SLO Skiers
P.O. Box 1047
San Luis Obispo, CA 93406

\$40 yearly per membership

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