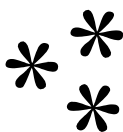




**Newsletter of SLO SKIERS, INC.  
A Ski, Sport, and Social Club  
www.sloskiers.org  
February 2009**

SLO SKIERS INC. PRESENTS



**MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN**

**Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup> - Sunday February 7<sup>th</sup>**

Join us for 2009 SLO skiers weekend trips to Mammoth. We will be staying at the **Horizon 4 Seasons Resort** in Mammoth. The Condos will be two bedroom and loft with three bathrooms. There will be wine and cheese appetizers Friday night and Dinner on Saturday night in one of the Condos. Alpine and Nordic skiing are both available in the area. The Mammoth Ski Area has 29 lifts with 3100 vertical feet and 150 trails. The terrain is 15% Expert, 20% Advanced, 40% Intermediate, and 25% Beginner. Nordic skiing is available at the Tamarack Inn about 2.5 miles away. June Mountain is located 20 miles north on Hwy. 395. Snowmobiling and dog sled rides are also available in the area. There are mountain tours daily with a guide. Spend 2.5 hours getting to know Mammoth's terrain. **FREE!** Lift ticket rates are Adult \$83 and Senior (age 65-79) \$41 and over 80 ski free. There is also Free Shuttle through the area starting at 7AM. Restaurants are all over town and many local clubs provide nightlife with a variety of live music. There is also an Indian Casino in Bishop 45 miles away. For Mammoth information check out mammothmountain.com. Lift tickets are not included in the price of the Mammoth trips.

Mammoth trip rates are \$160.00 per person based on double occupancy. An **\$80.00 per person deposit** will hold your spot. Preference on bedrooms will be given in order of sign ups. You must fill out your **Trip Sign-up Sheet- Liability Waiver, have on file a signed member conduct policy, and your membership dues must be current.**

PAYMENT DUE IN FULL NOW

Checks Payable to: **SLO Skiers Inc.** Include trip dates on your check.  
Send checks to: Teri Winston, Weekend Trip Director  
P.O. BOX 1047  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

**WEEK-END SKI TRIP SCHEDULE 2009** THUR., FRI., & SAT. NITES

March 12, 13, & 14, Lake Tahoe, see page 6.

April pending



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**February MEETINGS**  
**February 4th: meeting @ SLO Kennedy Club Fitness.**  
**Board of Directors, 5:30 PM**  
**Social at 6:30 PM and General meeting 7:30 PM.**  
**2nd meeting of February is the 18th. Location TBD.**

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!!!!!!



Congratulations to **Irene Vega** for winning the POT OF GOLD

**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'.

## President's letter

### FEBRUARY 2009 PRESIDENTS LETTER

Finally we get to ski!! Take your choice or go to both skiing opportunities. We have the second SLO Skier weekend trip from February 5th-8<sup>th</sup> to Mammoth Mountain. See **Teri Winston** real fast to be included in this trip. And, we have coming up the weeklong trip to Breckenridge Colorado from February 21 to 28. Andy may or may not have one empty spot so call him right away. It sure will be an exciting ski month.

We have an opening for a Friday Night Wine Down in the month of February if anyone would like to host your friends from SLO Skiers. It can be anytime, anywhere, or any theme but only SLO Skiers can attend. If you have any ideas or suggestion we certainly welcome your inquiries. Please contact June or myself at (805 556 0242). Incidentally, March is already spoken for and more information on the wine down will be available at the March 4<sup>th</sup> General Meeting at the Kennedy. It promises to be a fun event and I hope you will continue to support this activity.

'Dine Around' has at least raised a lot of interest and I hope the attendance will support the continuation of this program. We are still interested in new and different locations but we can also continue to patronize the same location if nothing else comes across our plate so to speak. We have spoken to 'Mothers' and 'End of The Line' and neither is interested in working with our club. There are some other options we may have that I have not had the opportunity to check out which I will do as soon as I get the chance to go out for lunch.

A big THANK YOU is due to **Steve Franks** for inviting the entire SLO Skier club to Avila Beach for the EMERGENCY BBQ on Sunday because of all this absolutely gorgeous weather we are experiencing. Steve plans to "captain" the Parkfield Blue Grass Festival in May and Live Oak Festival in June. We truly appreciate your efforts Steve!

And finally, we will be having elections for the Board of Directors on March 4<sup>th</sup> so we will seek nominations for any and all positions at the February 4 General Meeting at the Kennedy Sports Center. The new board traditionally has taken over after the 'End of the Year Party' in the first weekend in May and is invited to observe the BOD meetings in April and May to ensure an orderly continuation of club activities. Although many of the current BOD members are planning to remain on the board there are some openings and we would like new member to join the BOD to give new energy and perspective to our organization. Your nominations and recommendation are gladly accepted as newness makes the club more vibrant and attractive to new members.

Ski safe and ski hard. Remember, if you come with us you make fond memories but if you stay home you only have dreams.

See you on the slopes,

*Peter*

## SLO SKIERS RAFFLE AT 01/07/09 MEETING

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<b>WINNER</b>	<b>PRIZE</b>	<b>DONATED BY</b>
Jim Cintron	Water bottle	IRA's bike shop
Irene Smith	Cake serve set	Hal Rosewall
Barb Collins	Cable lock	Mountain Air
Kathy Steele	Oak Meadow wine	Barb Collins

The unofficial rules of the raffle are that winners bring a gift to the next meeting to replenish the stock of desirable gifts. All members are encouraged to bring something to the raffle now and then. (Kathy Smith and John Welborn donated champagne and truffles last month. THANKS!)-Pete Sarafian

### Dancers.

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

### Meeting Place –

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

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.***

## **Membership Renewal NOW**

Are your friends not getting their newsletter?

Please ask them to contact [membership@sloskiers.org](mailto:membership@sloskiers.org).

Are you not getting e-mail updates? Log on to [sloskiers.org](http://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 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

April 2009		
March 2009		
February 2009		
January 2009		
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

### *Let it Snow....Let it Snow....Let it Snow*

**Breckenridge**, Colorado has a 42" to 58" base with accumulated snowfall of 147" so far this season. More snow is coming this Friday, and LOTS more snow will be coming before we arrive on February 21<sup>st</sup>. It's a great mountain, a beautiful town, and a really fun group of people. Check out the mountain: [www.breckenridge.com](http://www.breckenridge.com). Then check out the beautiful, conveniently located, Pine Ridge Condos: [www.pineridge.com](http://www.pineridge.com). I know you will be inspired to join the 25 SLO Skiers already signed up for this trip. You can still join the group if you are free February 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, AND if you are female. If I've peaked your interest either go to the SLO Skiers website: [www.sloskiers.org](http://www.sloskiers.org) or contact me, **Fran Long**: [fancat2007@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fancat2007@sbcglobal.net) for further information.

**Mt. Bachelor**, near Bend, Oregon, is THE snow place to be this season. After a very slow start and late opening, Mt. Bachelor now has an 88" to 94" base, with an accumulated snow fall of 258". And it is only January! The spring skiing should be excellent this year. Check out the Mt. Bachelor website: [www.mtbachelor.com](http://www.mtbachelor.com) and the Riverhouse accommodations website: [www.riverhouse.com](http://www.riverhouse.com), drool a little, and then find a way to join this trip. It will be a once in a decade experience. Of course, you must be a female, as there is only one spot available with a female roommate. Oh, and you must be available March 27<sup>th</sup> – April 5<sup>th</sup>. Again, check out the information on the SLO Skiers website, or contact Fran Long for further information.

The 57 SLO Skiers going on these trips hope to see you out there, too.

**Cost \$348.00 per person based on double occupancy**

**This is a great trip. There is a variety of wonderful ski resorts, great restaurants and casino night life.**

(The base cost of the trip is \$299.00 per person, there is a \$20.00 per room weekend surcharge for the package and additional bed tax. The total per person is \$348.00)

**Includes three nights lodging at the Best Western , Two lift tickets that can be used at Heavenly, Squaw Valley, Kirkwood or Sierra Tahoe, three fantastic cooked to order breakfasts and a \$25.00 dinner certificate at the hotel restaurant.**

**Please sign up now. Reservations are being made on a first come first serve basis. We will reserve rooms; however, the hotel may book up.**

To see the hotel visit [www.stationhouseinn.com](http://www.stationhouseinn.com)

**Deposit of \$80.00 due Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>. Payment in full due by March 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Checks Payable to: **SLO Skiers Inc.** Include trip dates on your check.

Send checks to: Teri Winston, Weekend Trip Director

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**News from the Far West Ski Association**

By Fran Long

*And here are some additional **Benefits to belonging to FWSA:***

**Terry Sports**—Taos and Steamboat, Present your FWSA membership card to receive discounted rates on group rentals. Email [rentskis@terrysports.com](mailto:rentskis@terrysports.com) or call 800-233-7547. For individual rates, log on to [www.terrysports.com](http://www.terrysports.com).

Identify yourself as a FWSA member and get 20% off lodging at **The Canyons, Park City, UT.** No online booking. Call 1 888 Canyons for booking reservations.

**Travel**

**Bad Gastein** in The Austrian Alps will be the destination for the **FWSA European Ski Week** February 27—March 7, 2009. March 7—March 14 will be an extension to Munich and Prague. Contact **Norm Azevedo** at 925.944.0420 for more information.

**Chile/Argentina Ski and See**— **Bariloche** and Buenos Aires, Argentina August 16-25; pre-trip Aug 10—17 **Valle Nevado** and Santiago, Chile; post trip Aug 25-28 **Iguazu Falls**, Argentina. Contact **Norm Azevedo** at 925-944-0420 for more information

**Baltic Cruise , Scandinavia and Russia** with The Cruise Company and FWSA September 13-23, 2009. Pre-cruise Copenhagen September 10-13. Contact **Norm Azevedo** at 925-944-0420 for more information.

Visit the FWSA website, [www.fwsa.org](http://www.fwsa.org), for further information and benefits.

## Tidbits to Share

A Pasadena New Years, including a Rose Parade, Game and Float Viewing all wrapped up with old friends from the East was a flower wonderland. Growing up in New England watching the Rose Parade on New Years Day was a childhood experience I relished. Even in the years of black and white TV the Rose Parade was beautiful and I wanted to see those floats in person someday.

My first parade viewing was in 2000 the first parade after moving to California and I was not disappointed, I was in awe. Everything about the parade, from the hours of work, the materials used on the floats and the sheer beauty of the floats was magical.

This year was our third trip and the first time we stayed overnight. After picking up our friends at Bob Hope Airport we were off to Old Pasadena for lunch and the adventure of locating our viewing seats and parking area for the next day's parade. That accomplished we headed for the "old fashion and newly renovated" Brandwood Hotel in Glendale. We knew it was a turn of the century hotel from a picture but was surprised to see a long flight of stairs facing us from the street, no elevators! We were in for a treat and would recommend the Brandwood in a minute. New Years 2009 was celebrated at 9:00 pm East Coast time to ready ourselves for an early morning drive to Pasadena. Leaving early was a good thing as the traffic is a story unto it's self but all was for gotten as we sat in our seats and the parade started.....it is everything you could image and more, beautiful! June

I went skiing at Mammoth on Friday the 16th and the morning of the 17th. The snow was great!  
Chris Toews

### MONTHLY FRIDAY NIGHT WINE DOWN

I would like to initiate a once a month FRIDAY NIGHT WINE DOWN for 'club members only'. This event would be held at various club members homes on convenient to the host/hostess Friday nights. Guests should notify the host/hostess in advance, bring an appetizer, and a bottle of wine. Date, time, location, theme, and activities are all at the discretion of the host/hostess. To encourage meeting attendance each **FRIDAY NIGHT WINE DOWN** will be announced at the first Wednesday meeting of the month at the Kennedy with no Snow Mail, no web calendar, and no Turtle Gazette reminders. Who wants to be the first and host/hostess the January 2009 **FRIDAY NIGHT WINE DOWN**? Please call **Peter or June** with inquiries (556-0242).

### Happy Birthday to all, from the SLO Skiers.

Apologies to all with January birthdays. Please accept our belated  
"Happy Birthday"

#### January Birthdays

3rd Bruce Legernes,  
6th Teri Winston  
8th Fran Long  
12th Robert Friedl  
20th Melissa Guise  
23rd John Roselius  
23rd Debbie Trout



#### February Birthdays

3rd Erika Mininni  
9th John Burton  
11th Janice Nanninga  
13th Carollane Grady  
14th Mike Morgan  
18th Kathy Roselius  
22nd Yvette Paletta



# FEB 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 General Meeting	5 Mammoth Trip	6 Mammoth Trip	7 Mammoth Trip
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day
15	16	17 Tidbits Deadline	18 Dine-Around	19 Amgen Tour	20	21 Breckenridge Trip/ Newsletter
22 Breckenridge Trip	23 Breckenridge Trip	24 Breckenridge Trip	25 Breckenridge Trip	26 Breckenridge Trip	27 Breckenridge Trip	28 Breckenridge Trip

# MAR 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 General Meeting	5	6	7
8 Start Daylight Savings	9	10	11	12 Lake Tahoe Trip	13 Lake Tahoe Trip	14 Lake Tahoe Trip
15	16	17 Tidbits Deadline	18	19	20	21 Newsletter Deadline
22	23	24	25	26	27 Mt Bachelor Trip	28 Mt Bachelor Trip
29 Mt Bachelor Trip	30 Mt Bachelor Trip	31 Mt Bachelor Trip	Mt Bachelor Trip	Mt Bachelor Trip	Mt Bachelor Trip	Mt Bachelor Trip

SLO Skiers Inc.  
Member Conduct Policy

This policy applies to all persons participating in any SLO Skiers Inc. activity. It is intended to maximize the enjoyment for all participants and to provide guidelines for the SLO Skiers Inc. Board of Directors and their designated agents. All participants are requested to observe common courtesy and generally accepted standards of social and moral behavior.

In accordance with Federal and State laws, SLO Skiers Inc. will enforce a "Zero Tolerance Policy" on illegal drug use at any SLO Skiers Inc. sponsored activity.

Alcohol and tobacco use is allowed in moderation and where permitted by law.

Harrassment will not be tolerated, whether it be sexual harrassment or harrassment because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, medical condition, marital status, sexual orientation, age or any other basis made unlawful by any applicable law or ordinance or regulation. Prohibited harassment in any form, including verbal, physical and visual conduct, threats, demands, and retaliation is unlawful and will not be tolerated. Public displays of anger, profanity, intoxication, obnoxiousness or any other behavior that is out of line with common courtesy will not be tolerated.

Trip participants agree not to transfer, resell or barter all or portions of any trip package.

The SLO Skiers Inc. Board of Directors and their designated agents reserve the right to ask participants to refrain from the offending behavior as stated above. Violations of this policy may result in sanctions including removal from the sponsored activity, exclusion from future SLO Skiers Inc. activities and possible expulsion from the Club as reflected in the SLO Skiers Inc. bylaws.

Agreed to and signed by \_\_\_\_\_

Print participant name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# 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  
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**\$40** yearly per membership

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