



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



JULY MEETINGS

July 1st: meeting @ SLO Kennedy Club Fitness.
Social at 6:30 PM and General meeting 7:30 PM.

July 15: BBQ @ Meadow Park
July 29th: Picnic @ Templeton Park

South County Vine and Dine Ride

July 11th the SLO Skiers bicycle group will be heading to south county for yet another social adventure in bike riding. This ride will be about 25 miles long, taking riders through some beautiful south county wine country and gentle rolling hills. **Plan on arriving at the start point at 9:20 for a 9:30 AM ride.** At this writing, the exact start point has not been determined...**watch your email for the details as they are developed.**

Plan for a safe ride...wear a helmet and bring plenty of water. You will also need money for lunch

As always, to sign up for this ride email Fran: fancat2007@sbcglobal.net. Questions about the ride, email the same.

Ladies Night Out

When: **July 11, 2009**

Where: Club Gillespie, 4400 Estrada Ave., Atascadero

Time: 4:00- ?

What to Bring: An Appetizer or dessert. Bottle of wine or other beverage. Swimsuit and Towel.

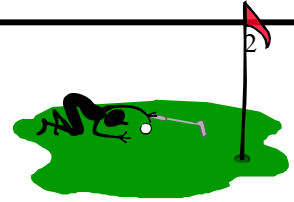
RSVP-Betty 462-2329

Picnic at Templeton Park

Wednesday, July 29, 2009. Meet for a Picnic at the Templeton Park and enjoy the concert 6:30-8:30pm. Look for Kate Fitch. NO BBQ so bring a PICNIC.



Golf and Tacos



Dust off the sticks and come out for fun and laughs this summer. (June 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 afterwards. \$2 tacos or Quesadillas and great Margaritas.

Here are the actual dates: **July 7, Aug. 11 & September 8**

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

Meadow Park SLO BBQ

Wednesday, July 15, 2009. Located off at the corner of Meadow and South Streets, near Broad Street, Meadow Park features 14 acres with individual and group picnic barbecue areas, two horseshoe pits, two sand volleyball courts, multi-use basketball court, softball field. 5:30

Bobbie Binder 541-8838

JULY 18th HIKE

The July hike will be at the 200 acre Fiscilini Ranch (formerly called the East-West Ranch) in Cambria on the 3rd Saturday, July 18th. There are beautiful coastal bluffs and ocean views to see as well as inland trails through woodlands and creekside. The docent either will be one of the Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch or Pete Sarafian. We will meet at the Spencer's Fresh Market off Highway 1 in North Morro Bay and car pool. Time to be announced at a later date (probably about 9 am), and directions to follow at a later date. Rsvp to Pete

Skiing in July???

Well, we're not really going skiing in July, but we are developing our ski calendar for the 2009-2010 ski season. Your ski trip team met and coordinated a schedule of week-long and weekend trips guaranteed to offer just what you are looking for in your ski vacations.

Just to peak your interest a bit...Park City; Telluride; Keystone; Cortina, Italy; Mammoth; Tahoe; Sierra Summit. Where will YOU spend your time skiing next season? Come to the July meeting to get a sneak preview of what's in store for next season; then plan to bring your checkbook to the August meeting to sign up and make your initial deposits.

We are excited to be your ski trip planning team! June Ward Week-long trip director
 Teri Winston Weekend trip director Fran Long Trip Captain
 Adam Corob Trip Captain

Attending or hosting a club event?

Send photos and information to newsletter@sloskiers.org by the 21st of each month



Presidents Letter July 2009

The summer is in full swing with all the SLO Skier activities happening every week so I hope you are taking full advantage of these opportunities. We have club members enjoying Concerts at Mission Plaza (or Park in Paso), wine downs, hikes, bike rides, golf and tacos, beach parties, Wednesday BBQs, birthday parties, and the list goes on and on.....Come on! Join the fun!

SLO Skier general meeting will be July 1st at the Kennedy with BOD 5:30pm, social 6:30pm, and general members meeting at 7:30pm. I hope to see you there. During the month of July don't miss the Friday night Concert at Mission Plaza, Golf and Tacos, Mystery Wine Down, Ladies Night at the Gillespies, BBQ at Meadow Park, Summer weekend in Mammoth, SLO Skier picnic in Templeton, and I'm sure I missed something so please stay tuned to the calendar updates on the web site.

And now, the announcement you have all been waiting for, drum roll please. At the July 1st general meeting we are prepared to announce the location and dates of the two SLO Skier week long ski trips in 2010. As a matter of fact we will lay out the entire years ski program for 2010 including the weekend trips, Central Council, and Far West. You will be able to see the whole package for the entire 2010 ski season. Of course, we want you to participate in both weeklong and all of the weekend SLO Skier ski trips. On August 5th we will ask you to be prepared to make financial commitment for any ski trips you select for the 2010 season. I can't believe it's that time of the year already.

'Around the corner' SLO Skiers have some huge events that we need your participation in so I hope you will be thinking about THE SKI EXPO, THE TURTLE AUCTION, THE PRAY FOR SNOW DANCE, AND THE CHRISTMAS PARTY. These functions are not that far off. And please, don't over look your membership renewal!

See you July 1st,

Peter

SLO Skiers 2010 Utah Ski Trip Booked

The SLO Skiers have booked a week long ski trip to Utah. Trip dates will be Saturday Feb 20th to 27th, 2010. We will be flying out of SLO, with a stop in Phoenix, then on to Salt Lake City. From there, we will be driven by motor coach to the Red Pine condos near the base of "The Canyons" ski area. The Canyons Ski area is just down the road from Park City. Our Condos are right on the shuttle route with a short ride to Park City or Deer Valley. A five day lift pass is included, with 2 days at Park City, 2 days at The Canyons, and one day at Deer Valley. The trip price is only \$1175.00. I will start taking signups at the club meeting on July 1st. \$100.00 reserves your spot. The first people to make deposits will have priority for rooming at the condos.

We don't have all of the details worked out yet, but there will be the usual SLO Skiers parties, and other activities.

I hope you will join us on what promises to be a great trip for a very reasonable price.

See you at the meeting, **Adam Corob** (trip captain) corob@charter.net



Yummy brownies at the Paso Friday concert



Spooner's Cove June BBQ
Thank you Steve, Hal and Sharon.

San Luis to Avila and Back Again

June's SLO Skiers bike group assembled at Home Depot, and several locations along the route, for a leisurely morning ride to Fat Cats in Avila Beach. Once we were all together, we had 13 riders and one breakfast only, please. It was truly a great ride with a great group of people! The weather was pleasant, the food was excellent, the people are always a delight, and can anyone remember the name we came up with for the group???

If you haven't joined one of the SLO Skiers bike rides, you are really missing out. We take riders of all levels and interests. We take bikes of all levels, too! We get some great exercise (keeping in shape for skiing), but, more importantly, we just plain enjoy our beautiful county and the company of our ski club friends.

Check out the bike schedule for the rest of the season and join the group. Join soon, as our rides are getting increasingly longer...leading up to our "biggie", the 50 mile Templeton Wine and Roses ride in October. I hear there is a 25 mile option this year for anyone who doesn't feel up to the 50.

For more information about the bike rides contact Fran by email: fancat2007@sbcglobal.net. See you and your bike on July 11th!

Club BBQ and "Golf Event" at Black Lake Golf Course in Nipomo,

AUGUST 19TH

Golf arrangements for 20 players have been made, who are interested in playing Golf on August 19, starting at 11 am. The cost is \$42.00. We would be playing the Canyon and the Lakes. I need to know how many players by the next meeting, August 5th. Please call Rich Romero at 929-3186, cell 4486528, or email me at rjromero@att.net

For the BBQ: Bring your own beverage, meat to grill, a dish to share, and serving utensil. The grill will be ready at 5pm. The Club will provide plates, cups, napkins and silverware.

Directions to my home at 605 Black Ridge Ln, for the BBQ: from the north: take the 101 south to the Los Berros Rd exit turn right and left on the first street, N Frontage Rd, follow it around to Summit Station Rd, go to the first stop sign and make a left on Hetrick Rd, go about a mile and Make a right on Live Oak Ridge Rd to the stop sign go right on Pomeroy and a left on Willow Rd and Right on Black Lake Canyon Dr and right on Redberry, turn left on Black Ridge Ln.

From the South, go north on 101 to Tefft exit, make a left on Tefft and a right on Pomeroy, go about three miles to Willow, and the rest is the same.



SLO SKIER ACTIVITIES

Camping at the Lake Santa Margarita ~ Hal's Texas Hold'em lesson

Flip-Flops on the Beach



The WIND blew yet SLO Skiers endured!



Thanks to everyone who help make these activities so much FUN!

Tidbits

Many thanks to Irene Vega who hosted a Mexican-theme dinner party for six at her beautiful home in Arroyo Grande last month (June). We won the dinner party at last year's auction, and brought along some close friends. It was a lovely evening of Mexican beverages, appetizers, music, food, and good company. Irene even took photographs. Bottom line - I think we may have four new club members. John & Irene Smith



Pete Sarafian Receives Environmental Award for 2009

The SLO County Community Foundation, a non-profit philanthropy organization, matches donors with favorite causes in local communities. Each year they give out three environmental achievement awards. One of the 2009 recipients was SLO Skiers member **Pete Sarafian**. Pete was recognized for his Sustained Environmental Commitment. The award includes a cash payment and certificates of achievement from the Community Foundation, the SLO County Board of Supervisors, U.S. Congress Assemblywoman Lois Capps, California State Senator Abel Maldonado, and State Assemblyman Sam Blakeslee.

Pete has been working for the last 10 years performing environmental restoration of the El Moro Elfin Forest Natural Area. This 90 acre preserve on the southeastern shores of Morro Bay is home to several federally listed endangered, and threatened species. Pete has been active in invasive weed management, installing erosion controls, and revegetating with native species. He also organized an all-volunteer work crew, obtained an Endangered Species Recovery Permit from the US Fish & Wildlife Service, and obtained certification from the State of California to apply herbicides on the invasive species.

> Phil Manor may not be a skier -- But his dancing feet took 3 awards at a recent dance convention in Southern California!

Nancy and I have finally reached Alaska!!! After thoroughly enjoying our "Afternoon Tea" at the Fairmont Empress in Victoria, BC, we caught the ferry to Prince Rupert and then sailed on to Juneau, Alaska. We've stopped here for a few days and will take the Whitehorse & Yukon Railroad up the Chilkoot Pass for the day. The scenery is beautiful and we're having a great trip. "Hi" to everyone back in SLO.

Judi

Happy Birthday from the SLO Skiers.
July Birthdays



Kathleen Burton	7/7	Beth Elterman	7/9
Kate Fitch	7/9	Tara Thorlakson	7/13
Jeanne Kinney	7/18	Joan Fox	7/22
Gail Phares	7/22	John Welbourn	7/22

Raffle Results from 06/03/09 Meeting

WINNER	PRIZE	DONATED BY
Peter & June Ward	<u>Central Coast Trails</u> book	Mountain Air Sports
Adrian Bray	Cook book	June Ward
Carl Carnahan	BV Cabernet	Barbara Collins
Katy Smith	Chateau Julien Cabernet	Peter & June Ward
John Welbourn	Paraiso Riesling	Peter & June Ward

Thanks to all the SLO Skiers members who brought a gift to replenish the stock of desirable gifts (winners have an unofficial obligation to do so). All members are encouraged to do so now and then to keep the raffle a success. –Pete S.

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!!!!!!



Ludmila Holdren missed the last pot of GOLD for \$55.

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.*



Yosemite National Park Summer Camping Trip Planned

Reservations have been made for two campsites on the valley floor in Yosemite National Park for the weekend of **August 7-9, 2009**. We have room for 12 campers, so if you have a tent and would like to experience Yosemite in the summertime, come on out and join in on the fun. We plan to bring bicycles for an easy ride around the valley floor. And be sure to bring a floating device for an easy float down the Merced River depending on the water level in August. With a campfire lit each night, how much more fun could this be? Contact **Judi Southcott** (481-2923) for more details.

Yikes, It's Time for Bikes!!!

Where does the time go? We just finished our biking season, went on a few ski trips, and now it's time to dust your handlebars, blow up your tires, and get ready for another summer of social bike riding. Here's the schedule for the summer so you can save the dates. The details will be in the newsletter for the ride of the month.

July 11 th	South County Wine Ride
August 8 th	Los Osos to Cayucos Ride
September 12 th -13 th	Solvang Campout and Bike Ride
October 17 th	Templeton Wine and Roses 50 Mile Ride
November 7 th	TBA

Dancers

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://slodancers.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



Port San Luis Lighthouse Hike

Eight SLO Skiers showed up for the Saturday hike on June 20th. It was a trip to the Port San Luis Lighthouse. They included Barbara and Clayton Collins, Katy Fisk and her friend Connie, Bruce Legernes, Teresa Rice, and Pete Sarafian. The trip was led by PG&E docent, Carla Friddle (a former SLO Ski club member), and she brought along her friend and neighbor Greg. The round trip took four hours and was well worth it. The beautiful sights and partially restored lighthouse made for a very interesting trip.



-Pete Sarafian

(the people in the picture are Greg, Pete Sarafian, Carla Friddle, Barbara Collins and Teresa Rice)

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	Joe Chufar/Mike Buckels	Super End of Yr BBQ
March 2009	Teri and Bill Winston	Weekend Trip Directors
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	Betty Gillespie	Coordinating monthly hikes
June 2008	Fran Long	Organizing monthly bike trips

SLO SKIER OF THE YEAR 2008-2009

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FWSA 2010 Cortina Ski Week

We announced our 2010 Cortina, Italy Ski Week, February 27 to March 7, 2009 in May (See our attached flier and trip details.) We currently have reserved all the rooms in Cortina's Splendid Venezia hotel. The hotel wants us to release unassigned rooms on July 1, 2009. So it's important that we get deposits as soon as possible to lock down this hotel for our ski week. We can still take participants in other Cortina hotels (or the Venezia may still have available rooms) after July 1st; however, it's much more fun and convenient having everyone in the same hotel. More Information @ www.fwsa.org.

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*



Mention SLO Skiers and receive a discount.

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 Welbourn

What's in a name?

Those name tags at the membership sign in table (near the door) really help those of us who still struggle a bit with remembering everyone's name. You know how that goes, don't you? You would like to talk to another member....and you just can't remember their name. Or....you had a great conversation with someone and don't know who it is but you were too embarrassed to ask. I don't think I'm the only one who has had this happen to them. So, please take a minute to fill out a name tag and wear it for the meeting. It really will help us all get to know each other better. And we promise we'll have more tags the next time!

Thanks, Kathy Welbourn

Membership Directories are available at the meetings. If you need to change, add or delete information, please notify membership@sloskiers.org. If you need to update web mail info, go to Sloskiers.org and follow the prompts under the mailing list tab.

RENEW NOW

JULY 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 General Meeting	2	3	4
5 Madonna Inn	6	7 Golf & Tacos	8	9	10	11 Wine ride/ Ladies Night
12 Madonna Inn	13	14	15 BBQ Meadow Park	16 Mammoth	17 Mammoth/ Tidbits deadline	18 Mammoth/ Hike
19 Mammoth Madonna Inn	20	21 Newsletter Deadline	22	23	24	25
26 Madonna Inn	27	28	29 Picnic @ Templeton	30	31	

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2 Madonna Inn	3	4	5 Gen. Mtg	6	7 Yosemite	8 Yosemite
9 Yosemite- Madonna Inn/	10	11 Golf & Tacos	12	13	14	15
16 Madonna Inn	17	18	19 BBQ & golf	20	21	22
23 Madonna Inn	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Madonna Inn	31					

SLO Skiers Inc.
Member Conduct Policy

This policy applies to all persons participating in any SLO Skier Inc. activity. It is intended to maximize the enjoyment for all participants and to provide guidelines for the SLO Skier 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 Skier Inc. sponsored activity.

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

Harassment will not be tolerated, whether it be sexual harassment or harassment 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 will 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 Skier 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.

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