



**Newsletter of SLO SKIERS, INC.
A Ski, Sport, and Social Club
www.sloskiers.org
October 2008**

TURTLE AUCTION



Be sure to bring a
non-member friend

Hal Rosewall
Auctioneer Extraordinaire

The Turtle Auction is no doubt our biggest and most important fund raiser of the year. We need your support both to pledge valuable items or services and to bid on items contributed by other ski club members. Our famous auctioneer, Mr. Hal Rosewall, will again command the gavel with the lovely Ms. Teresa Rice coordinating the silent auction.

There will be plenty to eat and drink before the festivities so we'll have extra ordinary energy to lift those paddles. I am challenging each and every member to PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE bring someone who is *not* a club member. What a great way to have fun, break the ice, and make new friends.

I'll see you at the Turtle Auction!

Thank you,
Peter

TURTLE AUCTION October 10, 2008 Toucan Terrace Pismo Beach Set up 5:00PM
Start 5:30PM Food 6:00PM Auction Action 7:00PM

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OCTOBER MEETINGS

October 1st: meeting @ SLO Kennedy Club Fitness.

Board of Directors, 5:30 PM

Social at 6:30 PM and General meeting 7:30 PM.

October 17th: Turtle Auction

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!!!!!!

Sorry **Jason Volk**, you lost \$50.00 at the September 3rd meeting. The October 1st 'Pot of Gold' will be \$55.00

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.



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

May 2008	Sharon Dillard
June 2008	Fran Long
July 2008	Bette Gillespie
August 2008	Marvin Gross
September 2008	Entire BOD



SKI AND SPORT EXPO

I want to thank the Board of Directors for their energy and enthusiasm in making the Ski and Sport EXPO so successful. The team spirit and cooperation among all our club members is absolutely amazing. We are volunteers in the fullest sense of the word. I truly appreciate the hard work and extra effort that went into the EXPO. Hopefully, there'll be many more to come.

Thank you!
Peter

Lopez Lake-Duna Vista Trail hike, Nov. 8

Post Elections Hike—Approx. 7 miles round trip. Meet for coffee at Andrini's in the village and car pool to the lake. Bonnie Ernst 801-6148

Membership Renewal NOW

Renew 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

October Birthdays

Happy Birthday to all, from the SLO Skiers.

**Dave Swartz, Dennis Wheeler Adam Corob, Bonnie Ernst,
Annie Hocking, Nancy Brown, John Stockdale, Lara Battles,
Greg Garrison, Mike Buckels, Alex Bugrov, Marvin Gross,
Jana Favalora, Steve Morgan, Karen Hale, Kiyomi Stineman,**



Week-Long Ski Trips



Week Long Ski Trip Spaces Are Going Fast!

The snow gods must have sent a strong message about ski conditions this year! Both our week long ski trips are selling fast, with a waiting list already for Mt. Bachelor.

February 21-28, 2009, at the absolute height of the ski season, SLO Skiers are heading to Breckenridge, Colorado. This trip boasts ski-in walk-out condo accommodations located just a block and a half from downtown Breckenridge. Breckenridge has excellent downhill and cross country skiing, as well as great night life. There are just 32 spots available on this trip and it is 2/3 sold out at this time. Please see the flyer in this newsletter for detailed information.

March 27-April 5, 2009 we are train bound for Mt. Bachelor, Oregon. We will be staying hotel lodging in Bend, a city about the size of San Luis Obispo. We will shuttle to Mt. Bachelor each day for skiing and enjoy the night life Bend has to offer in the evenings. There is cross country and downhill skiing for all levels and interests. We also have the option of a day trip to Crater Lake complete with snowshoeing and lunch along the rim of the lake for those who are interested. While this trip is sold out, with a waiting list at this time, I am trying to get some additional space on the train and at the hotel. See the flyer for details on this one, too.

For additional questions or information, contact Fran Long, trip director.

Email: fancat2007@sbcglobal.net



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December 4,5,& 6

January 22,23 & 24 (full moon for snow shoe)

February 5, 6, & 7

March 12, 13, & 14

April pending

So Mark your calendars and Pray for SNOW!!!!



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 TRIP, NOVEMBER 14-16, 2008

SLO Skiers will be heading out to Yosemite National Park, November 14-16 on our Fall trip. We'll be staying at the Best Western Gateway in Oakhurst just outside the park on Friday night. Saturday, we'll drive into the valley and stay at the Inn at the Yosemite Falls. Carpools are forming. Cost for the trip is \$145/person. Plan to join a park ranger for an informative nature walk or take a bicycle ride through the redwoods. Come join us and experience the natural beauty of this most spectacular national park in the Fall. Contact **Judi Southcott**, 481-2923, for more information.



The Templeton Chamber of Commerce
7th Annual
Templeton Wine & Roses Bike Ride
Registration is now open



Register on line at: www.templetonchamber.com/bike.htm

The October SLO Skiers bike ride will be on Saturday, October 18th in Templeton. You must preregister for this ride by visiting the Templeton Chamber of Commerce website listed above. There is a \$50.00 charge for the ride. It includes sag service on the ride, rest stops, a goody bag, a bbq chicken and tri-tip lunch, wine, and roses for the ladies.

This ride is a fundraising event to support recreational and youth services in the town of Templeton. It is a beautiful time in the north county and the rides are very picturesque. Anyone wanting a shorter ride please contact me in advance and I will schedule something around 20-25 miles.

Please read particulars below:

Start / Finish Line

Templeton Community Park
 420 Crocker Street
 Templeton, California 93465
 5th Street @ Crocker, across from the fire station

Ride Start Times

Registration opens @ 6:15 a.m.
 100-Mile Ride 7:00 a.m.
 75-Mile Ride 7:00 a.m.
 50-Mile Ride 8:00 a.m. (**SLO Skiers will start at this time and do the 50 mile...or shorter...ride**)
 Lunch served from 11 am - 5:00 pm
 Course closes @ 4:00 p.m.

Registration Fees

Early Bird Registration (Received by September 19th)
 \$40 per person, including tandem

Late Registration (Received after September 19th)

\$50 per person, including tandem

Please note: registration is limited to the first 250 riders who register online. Sorry, no mail in registrations will be accepted. On site registration on October 18th, will be based solely on space availability.

Extra meal \$10.00 Contact Fran Long: fancat2007@sbcglobal.net to confirm your attendance or ask questions.

Dancers.

Join the group at the Madonna Inn every
 Sunday evening from 7:30 to 10:00PM .



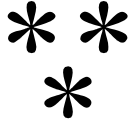


SLO SKIERS



Annual Pray for Snow

Dinner-Dance*



Saturday, November 22, 2008

No Host Bar ~ Social 6 p.m. ~ Dinner 7 p.m.

Venetian Room at Madonna Inn ~ San Luis Obispo

Price: \$50.00 per person until end of October!

Includes hors d'oeuvres, entrées, dessert, and dancing

All tickets sold in November \$60.00

Please buy your tickets early!

Reservation deadline ~ November 14th

Band: 'Mighty Croon Dogs'



DANCE, DANCE, DANCE



~ Everywhere in the Venetian Room ~

Choice of Halibut Steak or Prime Rib ~

Make checks payable to SLO Skiers and mail to: SLO Skiers, P.O. Box 1047, SLO 93406.

Please include this form with your payment. Contact June Ward at 556-0242 with any questions.

Name _____

Dinner Choice

Name _____

Dinner Choice

RESERVATION DEADLINE NOVEMBER14TH

Ski Big Sky, Montana with FWSA and Central Council

Scheduled for January 24-31 so it's not too late to sign up for the FWSA Big Ski, Montana Ski Week! Contact Central Council Trip Director, Mary Alexander for information or to sign up for this trip:

email: maryalexander0535@sbcglobal.net, or phone: 661 587-3671 or go to www.centralcouncilskiclubs.org for detailed information. Here's what you get when you join Central Council on a FWSA ski week: Welcome Party...Pub Crawl...Mountain Picnic...Apres Ski Party...Three Races...Farewell Banquet and Dance...Council Event on Tuesday Night...Huge Skiing Terrain...Lots of Fun!!!

You have your choice of condo or hotel room accommodations. The 3 bedroom, 3 bath Big Horn Condos sleep six with a poma lift withing 50 feet of the complex. The hotel style rooms are in the luxurious Huntley Lodge, also just seconds from the lifts. Breakfast is included with the lodge rooms and there is a coffee maker and refrigerator in your room.

Prices are plus air and ground transfers: Big Horn Condos: \$950, Huntley Lodge: \$1075

FWSA News for You

By **Fran Long**, FWSA Trustee!

Did you know that you are a member of the Far West Ski Association? As a member you have many benefits and discounts available to you. Go to the FWSA website: www.fwsa.org and check them out. One of the benefits available to you is the FWSA Newsgroup. This is an email, very short news article that comes out once a month. Trip, discounts, ski info, etc. will come directly to your email box. If you don't see anything you like in any given month, just click it off! To participate in the newsgroup, you must sign-up. It's VERY easy, just contact **Barbara Bryant**, FWSA membership, and tell her you want to participate in the newsgroup. Her email address is: membership@fwsa.org.

Here are some of the travel opportunities available to you through FWSA. For more information on any one of these trips visit the FWSA website: www.fwsa.org or call the contact person listed.

- **Keystone Nationals**—FWRA—Dec 10-13, 2008. Keystone is the perfect setting for an early season racing experience. Even if you don't race, you'll enjoy wonderful snow and no crowds along with parties and meeting skiers from all over the country. Contact **Bob Ellis** at 530.582-0566.
- **FWSA 2009 ski week** will be in **Big Sky, Montana** January 24 to 31. Council Trip Leaders are taking sign-ups. Check the Big Sky flyer for Trip Leader contact information at www.fwsa.org.
- **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.

Check out
Central Council of California web site <http://www.centralcouncilskiclubs.org/>
and
Far West Ski Association web site <http://www.fwsa.org>
You are a member!!!!

Hikes

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- > > October-Coon Creek, Marv Gross
- > > November 8- Lopez Canyon, Bonnie
- > > December-Sunset Palisades over Pirates Cove, Janet Leonard



Coon Creek Hike - Montana de Oro - October 4

This month's hike comes early in the month. Join us for an easy, relatively flat, often shaded lovely three mile hike along Coon Creek in Montana de Oro State Park. Meet at 9:00 a.m. at the trailhead at the end of the road. Good trail, but some poison oak along the way. Bring lunch for eating along the way or at the picnic tables back at the trailhead.

Those wanting a further adventure can take the newly opened and very scenic three mile bluff trail that P,G, & E. has opened heading south from road's end. They have a person at their kiosk who will ask you to sign a waiver. The trail goes surprisingly close for a view of the nuclear (that's "nuclear" if you're Presidential material) power plant. Call me if you want to car pool from SLO, 545-9657. Marv Gross

Central Council is sponsoring a unique ski trip to Utah this year
SPRING FLING / BEACH PARTY. MARCH 15-21 2009 \$675. (double occupancy)
 (PLUS AIR OR AMRAK AND ALL GROUND TRANSFERS)

6 NIGHTS @ LAYTON HAMPTON INN, UTAH
 2 LIFT TICKETS @ POWDER MOUNTAIN
 2 LIFT TICKETS @ SNOWBASIN

WELCOME PARTY
 HOT BREAKFAST

MANAGERS RECEPTION (Mon.-Thurs.) (LIGHT DINNER WITH BEVERAGES)
 BEDTIME SNACK (COOKIES AND MILK)
 PUB CRAWL

FREE PARKING IF YOU DRIVE
 FAREWELL PARTY (ANTELOPE ISLAND) INCLUDES:

Round trip transportation , Amphibious vehicle, Wildlife overview from marina to island,
 Pitchfork fondue, DJ/sound system for dancing on the beach, Straw hat and Lei, and
 Horseshoe competition, **DRINKS ARE NOT INCLUDED.**

Contact Mary with questions: email: maryalexander0535@sbcglobal.net, phone: 661 587-3671

Make Checks Payable to: Central Council of California

Mail to: Mary Alexander
 11011 Southwales Ct.
 Bakersfield, CA 93312

Rib and Chili Cook-Off & Barn Dance

Saturday, Oct 25 @ The Red Barn in Los Osos 2:00pm to 9:00pm

Location is Los Osos Community Park @ 2180 Palisades Ave. Sign up to compete in the rib or chili cook-off. Contact June Ward @ 556-0242

Tidbits to Share

Hal Rosewall and **Sharon Dillard** recently took a working-vacation to Teresa Rice's home in Mammoth. By semi vacation, Hal painted her house while the girls shopped and lunched their way thru the village. In the evenings Hal would go to his avocation and fish for dinner but, alas, caught nothing larger than 12 inches.

On the last day Hal took Teresa and Sharon fishing at George Lake where Sharon proceeded to catch a five then another six pound trout! Hal couldn't have been prouder.

After returning from Mammoth it was off to Montana for a well deserved vacation for Hal & Sharon. There Hal hired the same guide from the Whitefish Ski Trip where he went ice fishing. Nor did the guide disappoint H&S as he guided them to a local's only fishing hole where Sharon once again trumped Hal with her adroit skills in Rainbow Trout fly fishing. They also visited Glacier Park, the Columbia river and the Flathead and Swan Rivers. At the end of the trip Hal drove 120 miles west to Priest lake in Idaho visiting the home of long-time SLO Skier **Robbie Roberts** where he lavished H&S with a wonderful time on the Lake.

Steven Seybold

Roberta Guidry Taps the night away. The tickets are now on sale for the upcoming Follies "Good Vibrations" at the Clark Center on October 9th - 12th with music from the 50s and 60s. This is the sixth annual benefit for Parkinson's Research. The price is \$19.00. There are 2 matinees and 2 evening performances. Box office phone - 489-9444 or you can go on line @ www.clarkcenter
SATURDAY MEET AT GINO'S - Five Cities Drive, Pismo (between Scolari's & Rite Aid) at Noon for lunch before the show.
 Call June 556-0242

FOR RENT

2 bedroom/ 1 bath guest house on 5 acres with views of Edna valley. Furnished with wood floors, corian counter tops, wood stove and deck over looking vineyard. Access to pool and spa. \$1200 including utilities.
 Contact Jane 440-0148/ (<mailto:slojab@aol.com>) .

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SLO SKIERS RAFFLE AT SEPTEMBER MEETING

WINNER	PRIZE	DONATED BY
John Smith	Bear Valley mug	Fran Long
Margaret Lindt	Portable TV	June Ward
Peter Ward	Lighthouse paintg.	the Gammills
Roy Gammill	Red Neck wines	Steve Seybold
Don Phares	Insul. mug & bag	Larrie Ciano
Chris Teaws	Glennfidish scotch	Sharon Dillard
Keiko Ishikawa	Amontillado sherry	the Smiths
the Winstons	Pusser's rum	Sharon Dillard
Rocky Fordyce	Insul. mug & bag	Marvin Gross
Marvin Gross	Doce Robles syrah	Karen Newsom
Sharon Dillard	Prosperity Red	Karen Newsom

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. (It doesn't

Misc Info

Keystone Nationals the perfect setting for an early season racing experience. Race with skiers of similar ability, sex, and age. Enjoy lively après and share the camaraderie that encompasses the Keystone Cup! The Bay Area Council has won 2 years in a row but the Phoenix Ski Club has signed up 30 people who have pledged to win the Keystone Cup for the Arizona Council. With more participants than ever, this year promises to be very competitive. Register now by going to www.keystonenationals.com or contact Ryan Jordi at ryan@ski.com to sign up and automatically be entered to win a Mountainsmith Discovery Luggage Bag.

Kelowna Airport also has direct air service from the U.S. Jane Letson of the Midwest Ski Council's Tuesday Wipe-outs tells us that, in addition to Salt Lake City to B.C.'s Canadian Rockies International Airport and several flights to the Vancouver International Airport, British Columbia, Horizon Air also flies to Kelowna, from Seattle. Big White and Silver Star are about 30 miles out of Kelowna, and Sun Peaks as well as the New Revelstoke are also accessible via that airport.

Colorado liquor stores open Sundays There is good news for those ski clubs planning to stop for supplies on the way from DIA to the mountains, liquor stores in Colorado are now open on Sundays and Applejack now accepts credit cards.

Your EPIC Season is Now A Reality. Unlimited. Unrestricted. Unreal. New for the 08-09 season, The EPIC Season Pass*. With this pass, you will have unlimited and unrestricted access to six of the best resorts in the world: Vail, Beaver Creek, Breckenridge, Keystone, Heavenly and Arapahoe Basin. Unlimited (where you want, when you want) and Unrestricted (no blackout dates). It's enough to excite the senses and, at \$579 boggle the mind. Visit www.Epicpass.com to learn more about the pass and additional benefits it offers. * Epic Passes are only available until November 15, 2008. Price subject to change.

Rumors about Delta charging \$175 to check skis are false The air department at Ski.com asked Delta Airlines about wide-spread rumors of \$175 oversize charge for skis on August 12, 2008, and this is the reply Delta gave them; "There are no changes to current policy regarding.....the handling of ski equipment." "One item of ski/snowboard equipment will continue to be 1 ski/snowboard bag and 1 boot bag (that is the size and shape of a standard boot bag). The combined weight of the ski/snowboard bag and the boot bag may not exceed 50 pounds or excess weight charges will apply." Ski.com's thoughts on the subject since the answer could be different 2 days later, were; "Complain about the policy, then prepare for its implementation. Buy a larger light-weight bag that will hold your boots and ski outfit plus your clothing and be ready to ship your skis via Fedex. The cost to do so is less than \$30 one way, so you are \$40 ahead for a round trip when flying Delta due to their \$50 charge one way for a second bag." They also suggest that skiers consider renting their equipment at the resort as another solution.

OCT 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 General Meeting	2	3	4 Coon Creek Hike
5 Dancing @ Madonna	6	7	8	9 Follies @ Clark Center	10 Turtle Auction/Follies @ Clark Center	11 Club event @Follies
12 Dancing @ Madonna/Follies @ Clark Cen-	13	14	15	16	17	18 Templeton Bike Ride
19 Dancing @ Madonna	20	21	22	23	24	25 Chili Cookoff
26 Dancing @ Madonna	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	

NOV 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 End Daylight Savings/Dancing @ Madonna	3	4 Vote	5	6	7	8 Lopez Lake Hike
9 Dancing @ Madonna	10	11 Veteran's Day	12	13	14 Yosemite Trip	15 Yosemite Trip
16 Dancing @ Madonna/ Yosemite Trip	17	18	19	20	21	22 Pray for Snow
23 Dancing @ Madonna	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving	28	29
30 Dancing @ Madonna						

Membership Renewal Form

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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