



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

SLO SKIERS PRESENT OUR ANNUAL
SKI AND SPORT EXPO
KENNEDY SPORTS COMPLEX
TANK FARM ROAD, SAN LUIS OBISPO

President's letter

SLO Skiers UNITE!! Come and help us put our best foot forward as we showcase you, the membership, and the diversity of sports activities that SLO Skiers enjoy participating in throughout the year. We not only snow ski, snow board, cross country ski, snow shoe, but we hike, bike, motorcycle, BBQ, golf, dance, kayak/canoe, party, and campout just to name a few of the activities the SLO Skiers enjoy on a regular basis. So, please understand that prospective new members do not have to be a snow skier to become a member of good standing in our ski club.

Presently we have 8 vendors committed to bring exhibits for our viewing pleasure to the Ski and Sport EXPO. Please treat them with interest and respect as you inspect their wares. Some of the vendors we are all very familiar with but there will also be a few who will be new to our program.

By all means I urge you to invite within reasonable limits friends, neighbors, and associates who you feel would make good SLO Skier members. The entire focus of this evening's events are to recruit new members and invite past members to rejoin the fun of being a SLO Skier again. There will be opportunities to sign up for our weekend trips as well as our weeklong trip to Breckenridge Colorado February 21-28, 2009.

This event is the perfect opportunity to renew your membership, sign up a new member, complete your Turtle Auction commitment form, or buy your Pray for Snow tickets. So, plan ahead and bring your check-book or you'll be left behind. Remember...If you come with us you will make memories...If you stay home you will only have dreams. Come on out to support the SLO Skiers!

Thanks, see you there.

Peter

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SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

September 3rd: meeting @ SLO Kennedy Club Fitness.

Board of Directors, 5:30 PM

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

September 17th: Ski and Sports Expo 6:00 PM

The **Attendance Jar** 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!!!!!!

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



My Trip to Chapultepec, Mexico

by **Betty Gillespie**

I just returned with 29 others from a week in Chapultepec, Mexico about 30 minutes south of Ensenada. We were there to build a house for a homeless family of 7 (the Pacheco's), with the mother, Rosa being 5 months pregnant. Several of us also went to remote villages on a couple of days and held vacation Bible school (VBS), for the children in these villages.

The first day of VBS, we walked the poverty stricken neighborhoods gathering children for our school. I was shocked at the cardboard houses with dirt floors I saw with curious children peaking out from behind their front doors which were merely curtains. The children gathered, timid at first, but soon I looked behind me and saw nearly 30 children following. We enjoyed teaching these children, playing with them and giving *endless* Kappuchi's, or "piggyback rides". We left them saying "hasta manana" and the following days there was no need to gather children. When our 15 passenger white van pulled into the village children came running!

Back at the construction site the house was going up fast and the father Osbaldo was helping us complete his house. I was given the messy job of "mudding" the drywall, sanding and painting the interior. We also built bunk beds for the kids in the family and they were on site each day checking out the progress. Rosa was always very serious, until the end when the house was completed and she was sweeping her living room in her house. She smiled with pride at having a house to raise her children.

When we completed the house, we locked the door and the 30 of us, along with the family and translator, gather in a circle, said a prayer to bless the house, and passed the key around telling the family what it meant for us to build this house for them. Then we handed Osbaldo the key to his house and he tearfully and gratefully thanked us for what we had done. There wasn't a dry eye.

This vacation was an eye opener for me. I slept in a bunk bed, shared a cold 5 minute shower with 15 people, and couldn't flush toilets or drink or brush my teeth with the running water. But it was one of the most fulfilling vacations I have ever had. I came back into the U.S. with a different perspective on my life. I realized I can live without ice in my drink or other luxuries that I am accustomed to. Helping and giving to others in need is what brings true happiness and fulfillment.

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

September Birthdays

.Scott Bryson	01st	Roberta Guidry	08th	Dan Nagle	16th
John Lindt	18th	Kathy Steele	20th	Sheila Brennan	24th
Russ Brown	27th	Marby Hambright	28th	Clem Bock	30th
		Bill Winston	30th		



Happy Birthday to all, from the SLO Skiers.

Get Ready to Ski!

At our July 2nd meeting our two week-long ski trips for the 2008-2009 ski season were unveiled and what a response we got!!! Both trips had immediate sign-ups and the excitement only grew from there.

February 21-28, 2009, at the absolute height of the ski season, we 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 1/3 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. There are 30 spots available on this trip, 27 deposits in hand, and a total of 34 wanting to go so far! There is a possibility of adding more spots if the interest warrants, but don't delay, they will go fast. See the flyer for details on this one, too.

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

Email: fancat2007@sbcglobal.net



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.

CACHE CREEK RIVER RAFTING - It was another super year at Cache Creek. While thousands of superstitious gamblers were crowding the highway to the Cache Creek Casino for "lucky" 08/08/08, our crew of 16 headed to Cache Creek for a sure winner. The river level was high, the weather beautiful, and rapids exciting. Since we had already set up our group site the night before at the Whitewater Adventures campground, it was a treat this year to get off the river on Saturday, and while others had to locate their gear and set up camp, we gathered in our circle of chairs and could kick back and recount our adventures on the river. General concensus was that this was a real advantage. The "Mother" was again a rush, with Hal and Sharon reporting going sideways and ending up going down backward. Myra and I were getting close to the bushes on the right bank and I did a 360 degree back paddle to get us back out in the main flow. Some rafters reported tipping, but seemed to have, nevertheless, enjoyed their initiation experience. Along the way crew members were already talking about what they would do next year. Captain Marv Gross

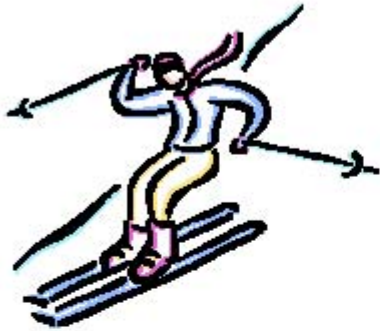


Mt. Bachelor by Train

March 27 - April 5

Leave SLO Friday, March 27th, 3:55 PM, arrive Redmond, OR, 11:15 AM on Saturday

Leave Redmond Saturday, April 4th, overnight back to SLO



\$985.00 Per Person

Trip includes:

- Round trip on Amtrak, SLO to Chiloquin, OR
(Sleeping room is \$173/person extra...double occ... includes meals, bathroom down hall)
- Ground Transportation to the Riverhouse
- 7 nights hotel lodging (2/room) at the Riverhouse in Bend, OR
- Daily continental breakfast
- 5 day lift pass
- Daily shuttle to the mountain
- Welcome party, midweek party, pub crawl, farewell party

*Senior (65 or older) - deduct \$40.00

*No Lift pass - deduct \$185.00

*Optional Crater Lake snowshoe tour,
\$95.00 p/person

*Membership must be current to
participate in ski trips

Contact Information:

Fran Long, trip director

Email: fancat2007@sbcglobal.net

Phone: 805 238-1375

Deposit Schedule:

\$100	August 1
\$300	September 1
\$300	November 1
Balance	January 1

Bring payments to a meeting or mail to
P.O. Box 1047, San Luis Obispo, CA 93406
(Make checks payable to SLO Skiers and put the event name on your
check)

Cancellation Policy:

Until September 1 full refund
Sept 2—Nov 1 less \$400
Nov 2 - Jan 1 less \$550

No refund after January 2, 2009

Trip insurance recommended
Visit www.centralcouncilskiclubs.org for
trip insurance information

Right now this trip is SOLD OUT, but a cancellation list is available.

August 20th BBQ/GOLF REPORT

"WOW" what a great day, perfect weather for a "BBQ AND GOLF EVENT." The day started with twenty golf players teeing off at 10:45am. The condition of the fairways and greens where excellent. All the golfers had a great time playing. After we finished playing, we met at the Clubhouse for a few pitchers of beer and good conversation.

Joe Chufar fired up the BBQ around 5: 15 pm and started cooking before 6pm. We had tender steak, chicken, pork chops, Italian sausage, and tamale pie. The variety of shared food was great and the deserts where delicious. We sat around and enjoyed being with good friends. Every-one enjoyed the wonderful balmy evening.

Thanks to everyone who helped make the day's event a great success. *Rich Romero*



Lime Kiln Hike Sep 20

We are hiking Lime Kiln in Big Sur and having lunch along the way. Meet at 08:00 am in the Spencer's Parking lot in Morro Bay on 20 September. Take 101 to Hwy 1 Morro Bay Take the off ramp to Spencer's Market. We can carpool from there. Please RSVP so I will know who to expect. RSVP at karennewsom1@msn.com or call my cell 805-895-277. This hike is a moderately 3 1/2 mile legs. Bring -plenty of water, sunglasses, hat with brim, Hiking shoes or boots, pole(s), wear layered clothing, wear sunscreen, bring lunch we will eat on the trail. A few rules:Smoking is prohibited. We are having a bad fire season. · Pack out trash. We can camp if we want.

Raffle Results from August 6th Meeting

WINNER	PRIZE	DONATED BY
Karen Newsom	Stuff sack	SLO Skiers
Hal Rosewall	Tobin James mugs	Steve Seyboldt
Kelly Fisher	Meridian merlot wine	SLO Skiers
Marvin Gross	Travel mug & bag	Larrie Ciano
Carl Carnahan	Atomic clock	Denny Wheeler
Roy Gammill	“Old Fart” wine	Don Smith
Keiko Ishikawa	Strawberry cookbook	Marvin Gross
Adam Corob	West Side Story CD	Marvin Gross
Keiko Ishikawa	Grand Cru merlot wine	Karen Newsom

FREE raffle tickets

Members who bring a guest to the meeting get free raffle tickets! Five chances for the member and for their guest!



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!!!!



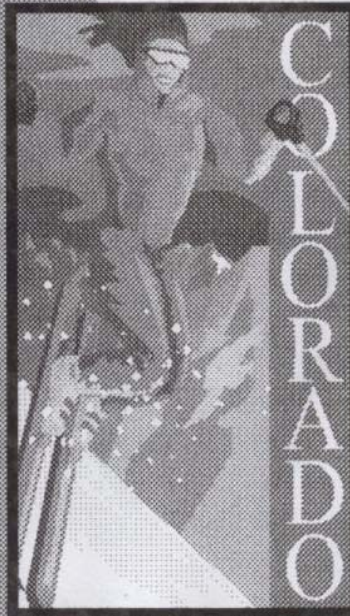
Breckenridge

February 21—28, 2009

\$1399.00 Per Person

Trip Includes:

- Round trip air, SLO to Denver
- Ground transfer to Breckenridge
- Stop at Applejacks
- 7 nights condo lodging at Pine Ridge (2bd, 2 ba, 4 per condo)
2 outdoor hot tubs, heated pool, exercise rm, ski lockers
- Ski in, walk out
1 1/2 blocks to lift
1 1/2 blocks to downtown
- 5 day lift pass—Breckenridge, Keystone, Arapaho Basin
2 days at Vail/Beaver Creek (Additional transportation charge)
- Welcome party, pizza party, no host pub crawl, farewell party
- Free shuttle



PAYMENT SCHEDULE

\$100	August 1
\$200	September 1
\$400	October 1
\$400	November 1
Balance	December 1

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CANCELLATION POLICY

Until September 1	full refund
Sept 2-Oct 1	less \$100
Oct 2-Nov 1	less \$200
Nov 2-Dec 1	less \$300
No refund after December 2nd	

No senior discount available
No lift pass, deduct \$210
No air or ground, deduct \$500

Contact Information:

Fran Long, trip director
Email: fancat2007@sbcglobal.net
Phone: 805 238-1375

Membership must be current to participate in ski trips

Trip insurance is recommended
Add \$55.00 per person or
Visit www.centralcouncilskiclubs.org

Hikes

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



Bike Rides....Bike Rides...Bike Rides

Only 2 chances left to join the SLO Skiers biking group on a pedaling adventure. If you missed the last rides, surely you will want to do at least one, if not both of the next two. They promise to be just as much fun...or more fun...you'll have to join us to find out!

The **September ride** will be in Northern Santa Barbara County on **Saturday, September 13th**. This is a unique bike riding opportunity as we will be camping out Friday and Saturday nights, riding about 25-30 miles on Saturday (short ride available), and then taking a short ride on Sunday morning before breaking camp and heading home, refreshed and ready for the week ahead. If you don't like camping, consider staying in one of the many hotels in Buellton or Solvang or just driving down for the ride on Saturday. Further details will be available in the September newsletter.

Email: fabcat2007@sbcglobal.net

I'm taking an interest list on this event so I know what kind of camping to pursue. Please contact Fran if you are interested. Contact information is same as above.

In **October** we will be back in the north county, participating in the Templeton Wine and Roses ride on **Saturday the 18th**. The scheduled ride is a 50k (about 34 miles), but a shorter ride will be available, also. There is a cost of \$40.00 for this ride...well worth it! Go to <http://www.templetonchamber.com/bike.htm> for more information and to register for the ride. Think fast and sign up soon for this ride. We will meet at 8:00 AM and all head out together for a great ride and a delicious BBQ with wine and friendship in the park afterwards. As always, email Fran once you've signed up for the ride. Just think of the great shape your legs will be in for skiing next winter with all these great bike rides this summer!

Central Council Salinas Air Show Fundraiser, Sept. 27-28

Planes, parties and plenty of fun! That is what you will experience when you decide to join Central Council at the Salinas Air Show, September 27-28....and it's FREE! Free that is, if you work with the Central Council on this once a year fundraiser. We sell parking tickets, guide the paying folks to their parking spots, guard the handicap parking so the handicapped guest do indeed have a place to park, and whatever else we are asked to do. We work and watch the air show at the same time, we wander around and watch the air show when we aren't working, and we get to go to the Saturday night party for the pilots, paid workers, and other volunteers.

The more people we have on our team, the fewer hours we all have to work. You can sign up for the weekend, just one day, or just half a day if that's all the time you've got.

To sign up, contact our non-ski activities director, Jayne Camic.

Email: camicski@aol.com phone: 408 602-0569

Last year was our first year working and we had a blast! There were 12 of us, some for the weekend and some just for the day. It would be great to increase our team this year.

Tidbits to Share

June 2008 – Denny and Sybil Wheeler vacation in their fifth wheel

We left SLO on May 9 and our first stop was Barstow. We took time out to go to the ghost town of Calico. Only one building was the original, all others were replicas. The town was restored by Walter Knott who also built Knott's Berry Farm – he later gave Calico to the County of San Bernardino. We spent one day in Zion National Park. No cars are allowed in the park so we rode the shuttle but you could get off anywhere to hike the many trails. Next stop was Jacob Lake (should be called Jacob Pond!) We stayed in a beautiful campground right in the forest – very quiet, lots of animals but very cold. From here we drove to the North rim of the Grand Canyon – wow – spectacular. Next to Monument Valley stopping to see Lake Powell. Monument Valley is absolutely spectacular. It is located in the Navajo and Hopi Indian reservation, half in Arizona and half in Utah. Now off to Canyonland National Park at Edge of the Cedars Museum to learn the land of the area and the life style of the Indians many moons ago. Also stopped at the Dinosaur Museum which was very well done. On the way home, we decided to stop in Wendover for a cup of coffee and “horrors” a sweet roll. This town is half way in Utah (Mormon country) and half in Nevada (gambling casinos). It was like driving through time – serene, quiet community then crossing the state line to Nevada where there were blaring signs, massive hotels and lots of liquor stores – what a transition in a minute.

I have to add this last tidbit...we were in one campground and Denny was sitting working at the computer looking out the window and up drives a big RV with grandma/grandpa and 13-yr old grandson. Well, the grandson, Tyler, started setting up his new fishing rod with some difficulty and, of course, being the fisherman that Denny is, he was out the door showing Tyler how to put it all together. Both “kids” were having a great time. Tyler had just purchased the rod and he was so proud and awed at Denny's “fish stories”

Great trip but Avila Beach still always looks wonderful!

Mark you calendars the Central Coast "Follies" will be performing at the Clark Center October 9, 10, 11 and 12th. The sixth annual benefit for Parkinson's disease is entitled "Good Vibrations" music from the 50's and 60's. Tapping, rockin and a rollin on stage will be one of our club members. Don't miss the fun!!! Information available from **Roberta Guidry**.

Rumor has it that the party in the hot tub after **Jane's** party was the best.

Sara M. was seen dancing disco at her high school reunion.

Teri and Bill Winston are packing for the far west trip to Greece and Turkey in October.

June and Peter Ward celebrated 41 years of Marital Bliss in August.

Bill Winston and his son Ryan fly fished the western Sierras north of Mammoth and caught and released over 90 trout in 3 days.

Congratulations to **Rich Romero** welcoming a new grandson weighing in at 8lbs 13oz. Thanks again Rich for the use of your home for the BBQ.

Janet and Brent spent a week in Maui basking in the sun, playing golf and attending a Time Share presentation for a free round of golf!!!

To date we've had 54 members renew. With 17 lifetime members, the 09 roster is now 72 strong, with 17 opting for the e-newsletters. Thanks to our early birds!

Welcome to new member Keiko Ishikawa. She was so excited she brought a guest with her to the next meeting. Thanks Keiko - we look forward to getting to know you better.

Hike to Reservoir Canyon, August 16th

Marv, Myra and Jasper at "Tin City" half way up Reservoir Canyon. Five people attended the hike. Jasper's daughter, **Dawn**, was also in attendance along with the leader, **Holly**. **Myra** set a an easy pace that brought us to the to the top in less than 2 hours. "Tin City" is a large flat area with plenty of shade and perfect rest stop. We played a round of frisbe toss and ran into several other hikers for a pleasant exchange of hiking adventures. Hiking total time 4 hours.
Happy Trails, Holly



Dancers.

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



Sea Pines Golf

1. Back by popular demand. Everyone had such a good time at the last golf outing to Sea Pines that we are going to do it again in September.

So mark your calendar for **Sept. 9**, 5:00 PM at Sea pines in Los Osos for golf followed by margaritas and tacos in the club house at 7:30. Be there or be square. *Bell Winston*

WEEK-END SKI TRIP SCHEDULE 2008-2009 THUR., FRI., & SAT. NITES

December 4,5,& 6

January 8,9, & 10

February 5, 6, & 7

March 12, 13, & 14

April pending

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



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SEP 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day	2	3 Gen Mtg	4	5	6
7 Dancing @ Madonna	8	9 Golf N' Tacos	10	11	12	13 Solvang/ Lompoc Ride
14 Dancing @ Madonna	15	15	17 Ski & Sports Expo	18	19	20 Lime Kiln Big Sur Hike
21 Dancing @ Madonna	22	23	24	25	26	27 Salinas Air Show
28 Salinas Air Show/Dancing @ Madonna	29	30				

OCT 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Gen. Mtg	2	3	4
5 Dancing @ Madonna	6	7	8	9 Follies @ Clark Center	10 Follies @ Clark Center	11 Follies @ Clark Center
12 Dancing @ Madonna/Follies @ Clark Cen-	13	14	15	16	17 Turtle Auc-tion	18 Templeton Wine & Roses Ride
19 Dancing @ Madonna	20	21	22	23	24	25 Chili/Rib Cookoff & Dance
26 Dancing @ Madonna	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	

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.

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