



NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2011

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The next NWSCC meeting will be held December 21 at the Shanghai Noble House (5331 SW Macadam Ave, Portland, OR 97239), starting at 6:00 pm! Guest speakers will be announced, and of course it's PACRAT bib pickup night and the **PIE SALE** with goodies being auctioned off to benefit the Oregon Food Bank and the chance to bid on **SILENT AUCTION** items left over from Ski Fair! **This is our BEST meeting of the year - don't miss it!** (No host food - full menu - great food!)

The following meetings will be on the third Wednesdays of March (highlighting the End of the Season, FWSA Convention, and Man & Woman of the Year) and June (Elections).

TIMELY ALERTS:

You only have until December 15 to make a phone call and take advantage of the NWSCC special on the 4-time pass at Mt. Bachelor! See details at the end of this newsletter.

The 2011-2012 **Northwest Skiers' Directory** made its debut at the Seattle SkiFever and Snowboard Show in late October, and is now available in racks supplied by Certified Folder Display throughout the Northwest. If your club would like copies for its members, contact Sheri Parshall at president@nwski.org to make arrangements.

NEW THIS YEAR: The Northwest Skiers' Directory has a "flash" version accessible from the home page of the NWSCC website. Just click on the cover of the Directory and you will be able to view the entire Directory, turning pages and even clicking on blue hyperlinks to go to the club or some commercial member websites!!! COOL, huh?

If you are interested in ongoing **race training**, Coach Greg Dilger will be offering training every Friday (except December 23 and 30) for anyone interested. He will start at Timberline until Mt. Hood Skibowl has enough snow to support racing. The cost will be \$25 per session; you will meet up at the appropriate lodge at 8:30 am. You need to email Greg at: gdilger2@yahoo.com to sign up, so he can tell you where that week's training will be, and so he knows how many coaches to have.

If you have young **skiers age 6-13** who are ready for racing, **Meadows Race Team (MRT)** has upcoming Winter Camps. They will be offering a 4-day winter camp December 27-30 for \$225 and 2-day "Intro to MRT" race camps January 7-8 and January 14-15 for \$125. MRT believes that "It Takes Great Skiers to Make Great Racers" and they put the FUN in FUNdamentals. For more information or to sign up online, go to www.meadowsraceteam.org. See attached flier.

See the fliers on the newsletter page on the NWSCC website offering NWSCC clubs specials from **Schweitzer Mountain Resort and Whitewater Ski Areas!!**

2012 BACHELOR BLAST TRIP!!

Attention, Clubs! It's time to sign up for the 2012 Bachelor Blast trip to be held April 6-8, 2012! The basic trip price this year is \$210, and includes some extras: you'll get two nights of lodging in a Mt. Bachelor Village condo, two lift tickets to Mt. Bachelor, a fabulous lasagne lunch at Mt. Bachelor on Saturday, and a fantastic party on Saturday night! If you want to ski a third day you can get a discounted price, and an extra night's lodging can be arranged if you have a full condo.

This year we are staying in Ski House Loft condos (4 per condo) or luxury River Ridge condos (7-8 per condo; 3 BR w/queens, 3 BA; sofa sleeper) at Mt. Bachelor Village on Century Drive. Trip leader Linda McGavin will work with your club to put your members into condos that fit your needs, if

you wish to book a full condo. Only people who sign up in groups of 7-8 people will be put into the River Ridge condos. ALL guests have access to the Athletic Club of Bend!

Seniors and juniors will get extra discounts: Seniors 65-69 or Teens 13-18 can deduct \$15; Super Seniors 70+ or Youths 6-12 can deduct \$35; and children 5-12 can deduct \$45 from the basic trip price! Children are welcome on this trip as long as you fill a condo with the minimum number of people who agree to lodge together – we will not assign adults into a condo with children.

The bad news: **We only have 80 spots available** at these incredible prices – so you'll need to book early and contact trip leader Linda McGavin to work out the best condo(s) for your club members. Like other trips, individual club members can sign up directly and will be assigned lodging if they don't have a preference of roommates. So sign up early!

And the good news: **Your club or group can still participate** even after all of our basic trip spots are sold (or even if you would rather stay in a luxury home or different type of unit), because **Mt. Bachelor Village is giving a special Bachelor Blast discount for ALL condos booked directly with them for this trip** – mention Bachelor Blast if you call, or there will be a special code (announced later) if you book online. An amenity package is available for those booking other Mt. Bachelor Village properties, or those who own their own lodging in Bend, starting at \$125 for 2 lift tickets, lunch, and the party on Saturday night, again with further discounts for seniors and juniors! Ask for a special signup form for this option.

More good news - you can pay for this trip with your Visa or Mastercard! You will need to contact the Council treasurer, Marcia Brighton, at 360-721-1300 to use one of these two credit cards. Leave a message and Marcia will call you back when she is able to process the card online.

Check out the flier and signup sheet, and get the word out to all your club members right away!

PACRAT INFORMATION:

The PACRAT board has been meeting and preparing for this year's racing schedule, and the current dates are listed below.

PACRAT will again offer NASTAR (National Standard Race) qualifications and points and awards at no extra cost this season! View NASTAR.com for more information on the benefits of NASTAR to our racers.

NASTAR Open January 7, 2012 Location TBA
 Race #1 January 8, 2012 Mt Hood Meadows

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| Race #2 | January 29, 2012 | Ski Bowl |
| Race #3 | February 12, 2012 | Mt Hood Meadows |
| Race #4 | March 11, 2012 | Ski Bowl |
| Race #5 | March 25, 2012 | Mt Hood Meadows |
| Make-up, if needed | April 2, 2012 | TBA: SB or MHM |
| Rat Attack | April 13, 2013 | Tentative Date |

The NASTAR National Championships will be held March 16-18, 2012, at Winter Park, Colorado. PACRAT racers who qualify will be identified as the racing year goes on.

Check the PACRAT website at www.pacrats.org for all current information and lots of FUN stuff!

CLUB INFORMATION:

Some of our member clubs already have announced trips for the upcoming ski season that are open to members of other clubs.

Cascade Prime Timers has one "club" trip that is open to everyone - an annual trip to Sun Valley run by B. Mary Inkster, which this year will be held January 21-28, 2012.

Bergfreunde invites ALL NWSCC and FWSA club members to join its **22nd annual Lake Tahoe Sampler trip February 26-March 2, 2012**, at the member price of only \$297. This extremely popular trip includes 6 nights lodging at the Bluelake Inn, South Lake Tahoe, CA; a hospitality room on Sunday, Monday and Friday; group dinners on Tuesday and Thursday; their legendary Wednesday night dinner dance cruise on the M.S. Dixie II paddle wheeler; and a trip souvenir. Transportation and lifts are not included. This group searches out the best deals during the week they are there, and sometimes finds group prices in advance. Downhill, cross country, and non skiers are all welcome on this trip. Extra cost for singles, non-NWSCC or FWSA club members, and credit cards. Contact Bob Burns at 503-524-5261 (bob@inkjetman.com) or Tom Hiller at 503-643-0659 (trhiller@frontier.com).

Skihawks is offering to all NWSCC club members a really special **Telluride and Crested Butte trip February 26-March 7, 2012**, for \$2,197 which includes round trip airfare from Seattle to Denver/Montrose/Gunnison, 5 nights in ski in/ski out 2 BR/2 BA condos at the Mountain Lodge in Telluride, a 4 out of 5 day lift pass; transportation by bus to Crested Butte; 5 nights' lodging in the Plaza Condos located 60 yards from the Silver Queen lift (2 BR/2 BA or 3 BR/3 BA); a 4 out of 5 day lift pass at Crested Butte; baggage handling; mountain tours; welcome parties, and group get togethers. \$800 is due now; with regular payments due until the full price is paid by January 10, 2012. This trip price is based upon 24 attendees. Contact Sandee Miner at 360-943-4108 (H) or 360-951-8861 (C).

Skiyente Ski Club announced that all its meetings are open to any woman. The club focuses on fundraising, as show by the charities awards it has won from FWSA. They will be jointly sponsoring Masters Races with Schnee Vogeli March 3 (slalom) and March 4 (GS).

NWSCC is selling awesome Port Authority Microfleece Vests. They are black with the new logo on the left chest. Men's are \$42 and women's are \$40, with payment due upon order. There is an order form on the website now!

COMMERCIAL MEMBER NEWS:

NWSCC appreciates all of its commercial members - see the list on the last page of this newsletter. Here's some timely information about some of them.

Schweitzer Mountain Resort in Idaho will offer a **FAM trip** March 9-12, 2012. Interested clug trip leaders should contact Gwen Victorson. Office Phone: 208-263-9555 ext. 2819, Toll Free Phone: 1-877-ITS-IN-ID ext. 2819; or email gvictorson@schweitzer.com. See attached flier for information about club trips to Schweitzer.

Schweitzer Mountain has a new zip line stretching over 700 feet in length, starting near the tubing yurt going toward the lake, landing below the Musical Carpet. The zip line will run in both summer and winter seasons.

NWSCC MAN/WOMAN COMPETITION

NWSCC is holding its annual Man and Woman of the Year competition. We are looking for a man and woman from each club who the club wishes to honor because they have done something special for their club - it's not a campaign or a popularity contest. **NEW last year and continuing - any club member may directly nominate someone from ANY NWSCC club who they feel is deserving of being chosen as NWSCC's Man and Woman of the Year!** You may submit your entries with a description of why the person deserves the honor by email to Colleen Walter at membership@nwski.org.

The NWSCC Board will review all Man and Woman of the year nominees and will choose one man and one woman to be NWSCC's 2011-2012 winners. In making their choice NWSCC will consider FWSA's criteria, which includes service not only to a person's club, but also to their Council, their Community, and FWSA. The persons selected will be required to fill out FWSA's forms to enter that competition; NWSCC pays the entry fees.

All the nominees will be recognized at an upcoming NWSCC special event. Those chosen as NWSCC's man and woman of the year are eligible to participate in the FWSA competition at the FWSA Convention in June.

Council Men/Women of Year who attend the Convention receive a ski trip to Big White/Silver Star whether or not they are the FWSA winners. The deadline for clubs to submit nominations to NWSCC will be announced, but will be far earlier than in the past, so start thinking about this NOW!

JUDGE NEEDED AT FWSA CONVENTION: Each Council in FWSA needs to provide a Judge to serve at the Convention for judging the Man/Woman of the Year competition. Please contact Sheri Parshall for more details and to volunteer for judging. This is a great way to meet other Council/Club members and contribute to FWSA programs.

FWSA NEWS AND TRIPS:

Save the date for the 80th Annual FWSA Convention, June 7-10, 2012, hosted by the Intermountain Ski Council. You will enjoy great outdoor activities, partake in two new modules of our Snowsports Leadership Academy, meet ski celebrities, participate in a wonderful Silent Auction for ski trips and travel opportunities, and see how far your golf ball can fly at a higher altitude at the 6th Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament. Meetings will be held at the Ogden Eccles Conference Center, a modern state-of-the-art facility with breathtaking mountain views. Lodging will be at the Marriott Ogden or Hampton Inn & Suites Ogden, just steps away from the Conference Center. We look forward to seeing you there. More details to be announced soon! www.fwsa.org/convention That is good news for NWSCC clubs, as it is easy for us to fly to Salt Lake City or drive to Ogden. See flier attachment.

It has been officially confirmed: The June 2014 FWSA Convention will be hosted by NWSCC at The Riverhouse in Bend!!

The 2012 FWSA International Ski Week will be held in Chamonix-Mont-Blanc, France with an optional post trip to Morocco. The Morocco post trip is offered as two separate tours: a one week version and a more extensive two week tour. The three fliers attached on our website will give you all the information you could ever want, including detailed trip descriptions, signups, and travel insurance information.

FWSA SPRING FLING at BIG WHITE/SILVER STAR March 27-April 1, 2012! This is a 5 night trip with 3 or 4 days of skiing. Prices range from \$520 to \$595* for 5 nights of ski in/ski out hotel lodging; welcome, tubing, and farewell parties; and 3 or 4 days of skiing. Transportation is not included; and the trip is limited to 100 participants. Contact Gloria Raminha at fwsa.atravel@sbcglobal.net or Fran Long at francat2007@sbcglobal.net if interested. *(US dollars as of 8/15/11; price subject to change of exchange rate) See flier attachment.

Fall 2012 Panama Canal Cruise FWSA will "Cruise the Canal" on the Norwegian Pearl cruise ship between September 28 to October 12, 2012. The cruise schedule is as follows: Los Angeles, At Sea, Cabo San Lucas, Puerto Vallarta, At Sea, Huatulco, Puerto Chiapas, At Sea, Puntarenas, At Sea, Transit Panama Canal, Cartagena, At Sea, At Sea, Miami. (Note that this cruise starts in Los Angeles and ends in Miami). The flyer which includes pricing and detailed information about the cruise is available on the www.fwsa.org website. Air and ground transportation are not provided by FWSA. Reservations may only be made through Gloria Raminha at fwsa.natravel@sbcglobal.net.

WOULD YOUR CLUB LIKE TO EARN A COMP ON ANY FWSA SKI TRIP? All you need to do is to bring 30 people, and the comp is yours to do with as you please. This might be shared if more than one club with in-club trip leaders has a total of 30 participants. This would also give you more input into future ski weeks that FWSA plans.

FWSA offers one USA ski week, one European ski week (usually with pre and post-trip extensions), and a number of "adventure" trips. For information on all FWSA International trips go to www.FWSA.org or contact the FWSA VP of International Travel, Norm Azevedo, by email fwsatravel@sbcglobal.net or phone 925-944-9816.

THE NORTHWEST SKI CHALLENGE: IT'S TIME! Start saving your lift tickets or credit card receipts from your visits to a minimum of any 7 of the ski areas in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho to be eligible for a prize! The more ski areas you ski, the better your chances of a bigger prize! Tickets will be turned in to NWSCC at the end of the season; the winner is usually announced at Appreciation Night in the summer.

NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES NEWS: NWSA informs the skiing public about ski area development issues in Oregon and Washington. This site also provides an opportunity for skiers to take an active role in helping ski areas get US Forest Service approval of their master plans. It's easy and your help is always needed! See www.nwskiers.org/NWSA/NWSA.htm.

MEMBER BENEFITS AND DISCOUNTS: Look at the NWSCC website at www.nwskiers.org to see an updated list of **member benefits and discounts**, and check out the FWSA website at www.fwsa.org under Membership to see the current discounts. Note Debbi Kor is constantly adding new benefits!

As a member of FWSA, you also belong to the **National Ski Council Federation**, made up of ski councils and clubs throughout the U.S. A current list of NSCF benefits

can be found at www.skifederation.org in the Members Only section. User name: **skiclub** - password: **member**.

Special ski pole offer from the National Ski Council Federation! The poles are 100% carbon and graphite and come with a lifetime warranty. Logos from all of the councils across the U.S. are embedded along the shaft of the pole. \$29.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. Go to www.skifederation.org/ski_pole_offer.html to order; they will be manufactured and shipped when they have enough orders.

MISCELLANEOUS, BUT FUN, INFORMATION:

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL REGULAR NWSCC MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED! Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday QUARTERLY; the location may vary, so check the NWSCC website. Board meetings are usually held the 4th Wednesday; contact an officer if you have an item you would like to have considered.

Did you know that the **NWSCC has a Facebook page?** You can reach this page from the NWSCC website, and you can keep up-to-date on all our events and activities.

FROM FWSA NEWS:

Skiing Heritage Week: NWSCC is pleased to announce that the 2012 Skiing Heritage Week will be taking place in the Northwest, and include events and skiing at Timberline Lodge and Mt. Hood Meadows in Oregon, and Crystal Mountain, Mount Rainier, Stevens Pass and Snoqualmie in Washington. Skiing Heritage will be honoring the Mahre brothers, K2 Ski & Snowboard Company, and Ski Magazine (which started in Seattle 75 years ago!!). Date for the event is April 8-15, 2012. Please contact Sheri Parshall at president@nwskiers.org for more information.

Charity & Community Service Recognition will again be awarded at the FWSA convention in June 2012. Clubs need to send an application telling about their charity and community involvement to Sigrid Noack at skisig@earthlink.net. Applications are on the Far West website at: www.fwsa.org and are due March 15th, 2012.

The FWSA Councilman is seeking a new editor. How about you? Mary Azevedo loved the job so much, she was editor for more than seven years. While she has agreed to do the Fall issue one last time, Mary has decided to move on to other challenges. Here is your chance to take over the reins of this 3-times-a-year publication, and put your own spin on it. If you would like to learn more about this rewarding opportunity, contact Linda Scott at louandlt@hotmail.com.

The **Far West Skier's Guide 2011-2012** has hit the streets. If you don't already have your copy, pick one up at your next

club meeting or at your local ski show. It is also available at numerous ski shops. The Digital Edition is currently in the uploading process and will be up soon. Check the www.fwsa.org website or Google Far West Skiers Guide to link to the site, bookmark it, and refer to it often as it will be updated periodically. We encourage everyone to pass the link along to all their friends and family. We had a great response last year in terms of visits to the site from around the country and internationally. Let's see if we can increase it this year. And, please support all our advertisers. Digital Edition Sponsorship Ads are currently available for the 2011-12 issue of the Far West Skier's Guide. Please contact Leigh at 480-600-6099 for more information.

NEW FWSA BENEFITS PARTNERS FOR 2012

Skiessentials.com has just launched a new Seasonal Ski Leasing Program! Complete packages that include skis, bindings, boots and poles are available for juniors, tweeners, and adults for as low as \$199 with FREE SHIPPING both ways. Seasonal ski leasing is a great way to avoid rental lines and having a collection of outgrown gear at the end of each season. Skiers will gain confidence and progress faster with properly fitted equipment they can rely on each time they head out on the mountain.

KineSYS Sun Screena: Athletes have a lower incidence of most diseases except one: Skin Cancer, because of their prolonged exposure to the elements while training or competing. When asked why they didn't use sunscreen, the response was "it's greasy, it's oily, it takes too long to put on, it feels sticky," but there are options and KINESYS was formulated to meet the needs of these active participants. With skin cancer now in the lead as the most common cancer and the news that 60 to 70% of all skin cancer cases could be prevented if Americans adopted a healthier lifestyle, many people are realizing that finding a balance between sun exposure and protection is important to ensuring future health. A sunscreen that will meet the needs of athletes should ideally be a sport or performance formulation with an SPF of at least 15 and provide broad-spectrum coverage. Athletes should look for a product that is non-comedogenic, hypoallergenic and PABA-free, making it suitable for sensitive skin users. Check that the sunscreen is water and sweat-resistant so that it is not easily removed by sweating and won't run into eyes when hands are not free to wipe it away. KineSYS Spray sunscreen is great for easy application and reapplication. It will not interrupt physical activity. To learn more go to: www.kinesys.com.

Club Lespri: Park City world class facilities in an Olympic destination.

Best Western Cotton Tree: Utah lodging a stone's throw from the Wasatch Mountains.

Homewood Suites: Jackson Hole Valley lodging. Extend that Far West Ski Week a bit longer.

Painted Buffalo Inn: Jackson Hole for a fun ski vacation at great discounted rates.

ALL CLUB CALENDAR:

December 2011

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| 6 | XC Ski & Winter Sports Fair | Oregon Nordic Club |
| 7-13 | Aspen/Snowmass (open trip) | Cabernet |
| 8-11 | Whistler/Blackcomb, BC | S'no Joke |
| 26-30 | Methow Valley, WA (XC) | Oregon Nordic Club |
| 26-1/1 | Yellowstone Nat'l Park, WY | Oregon Nordic Club |
| 30-1/1 | Black Butte Ranch, OR | Oregon Nordic Club |
| 30-1/2 | New Year's at Mt. Hood | S'no Joke |
| 31-1/2 | White Pass, WA | Skihawks |
| TBA | Tryouts/Mt. Hood Ski Patrol | MHSP/Open |

January 2012

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| 5-8 | Winthrop, WA (XC) | S'no Joke |
| 5-8 | Whistler/Blackcomb, BC, Canada | SKIBACS |
| 7 | Mt. Bachelor Day Bus Trip | Altair |
| 7 or 8 | Alpental/Snoqualmie (Day Bus Trip) | Desert Ski Club |
| 10-19 | Big Sky and Yellowstone (DH, XC) | Bergfreunde |
| 11-16 | Telluride, CO | S'no Joke |
| 13-16 | Sunriver/Mt. Bachelor, OR | Altair |
| 13-16 | Lake Creek Lodge or Sunriver | Oregon Nordic |
| 14-21 | Sun Valley, ID | SKIBACS |
| 15-21 | Sun Peaks, BC, Canada | Mt. Hood Skikats |
| 17-20 | Summit Cabins, Mt. Hood | Oregon Nordic Club |
| 19-22 | Red Mountain, BC, Canada | Desert Ski Club |
| 20-22 | Anthony Lakes, OR | Mountain High |
| 20-22 | Mt. Baker, WA | S'no Joke |
| 20-23 | Breitenbush Hot Springs | Oregon Nordic Club |
| 21-28 | Big Sky, MT (DH, XC, SS) | Cascade PT |
| 21-28 | Sun Valley, ID (open trip) | Cascade PT |
| 26-29 | White Pass, WA | Bergfreunde |
| 26-29 | Three Sisters Backcountry | Oregon Nordic Club |
| 26-29 | Winthrop, WA (XC, DH) | WIHSKI |
| 27-29 | Bend Bachelor Blowout | Altair |
| 27-2/4 | Hawaii Week @Big Sky | Hawaii Ski Club |
| 27-2/6 | Soleden, Austria | S'no Joke |
| 28-2/4 | Jackson Hole, WY (FWSA Ski Week) | FWSA/All Clubs |

From the NATIONAL SKI CLUB NEWS:

To subscribe to the National Ski Club News, go to <http://marquimail.marqui.com/marqui/Subscribe.aspx?m=4704>.

2012 NATIONAL SKI CLUB RACE ANNOUNCED!

Snowmass Alpine Nationals Race for all Abilities will be held January 7-14, 2012. Packages start at \$406/person and will include 3 nights lodging at Wildwood Lodge (double occupancy), and a 3-day Aspen/Snowmass lift ticket. Book by November 1st for the lowest rates; after November 1 the rates increase \$50 per person.

Race Add-ons:

Race Package for All Abilities: \$179/person

- Two races (January 10th & 11th)
- Welcome reception (January 9th)
- Awards banquet (January 11th)

Race clinic: \$45/person (January 9th)

Other options can include air from your gateway city, additional lift tickets, ground transportation; LODGING SPECIAL: Stay 7 Pay 6; and group option: book 20 or more to earn 1 comp. For more information or to register, go to: www.SnowmassAlpineNationals.com or contact Ski.com Group Sales Manager, Gloria Saiya-Woods, at 800-837-0155 or Gloria@ski.com, or Ski.com Group Coordinator Meredith Lee at 800-525-2052 ext. 3017 or Meredith@ski.com.

The race is organized by the Far West Racing Association, Aspen Skiing Company, and The National Ski Council Federation.

UNITED AIRLINES RETRACTS SKI LENGTH RULE

☺ They've done it again! This time United Airlines retracted their new rule about ski size before too many ski clubs even noticed it. The airline posted a ruling that skis can be no longer than 157 cm or 62 inches to avoid a \$100 surcharge. When Mike Hibbard of SportsAmerica pointed out to them that 157 cm was a kids' ski size, the airline checked out the facts and realized that they had meant to say 50 pounds was the limit (with no stated LENGTH limit). Problem avoided -- and the 157 cm rule has been deleted from United Airline's website.

SKI CLUB MEMBER PUBLISHES SKI BOOK

"Memoirs of a Geriatric Ski Bum" describes 84-year-old Best of Times Ski Club member, Stanley Hirsch, and his 39 years of skiing around the world. His book is meant to entertain, educate, and elicit the spirit of staying young via skiing. There are descriptions of many of the 152 areas Hirsch has skied, his adventures, and confessions of some horrendous, even life-threatening, mistakes. For more information, go to www.Xlibris.com.

Close to home in the Pacific Northwest: CNL Lifestyle Properties, Inc., of Orlando, Florida, has acquired **Stevens Pass Ski Resort** in Washington for \$20.5 million from Stevens Pass Mountain Resort, LLC, an affiliate of Mountain High Resort Associates, who will operate the area under a long-term lease agreement. No changes in operations are expected as a result of the change of ownership according to CNL Lifestyle Properties, which now owns and leases back 23 ski resorts throughout North America.

Powder Magazine turns 40 and the **National Ski Club Newsletter** turns 25 in 2012.

QUEBEC CITY FAM TRIP DATES

While the details are still not firmed up, The Québec Experience Ski Québec (Charlevoix and Québec City) this year will be held February 23 to 27. The experience is free and, in the past, they even paid for the airfare of most participants. Contact Robert Lancup at Robert.Lancup@quebecregion.com.

CHECK THE NWSCC WEBSITE FREQUENTLY FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION!! You will find all the latest news, as well as informative articles that contain information your club can really use! **As part of our P.I.E. program, Powerpoint presentations will be available for presentation at club meetings if desired.**

Platinum Member Mt. Bachelor announces its special 2011-2012 club benefit with membership card:

Mt. Bachelor has announced a new 4-Pack product for the upcoming 2011/12 winter season. The 4-Pack includes four full-day lift tickets priced at a significantly reduced rate of \$169, or \$42.25 per day, a savings of over 40% off the lead 1-day lift ticket rate of \$73. The 4-Pack provides the best value for less in person at the NWSCC Ski Fair November 7, frequent skiers and snowboarders to access the largest resort in the Cascades during the upcoming winter season.

The 4-Pack will be valid all season long excluding the following holiday dates; 12/24/2011 - 1/1/2012, 1/14/2012 - 1/15/2012, and 2/18/2012 - 2/19/2012. Mt. Bachelor plans to operate from mid-November through 5/27/2012, conditions permitting.

The 4-Pack is non-transferable, issued to purchasers on a photo ID card similar to a season pass, and provides direct-to-lift access. A maximum of one 4-Pack purchase will be available per person with the ability to buy additional single day lift tickets at the lowest 1-day lift ticket rate of \$53 after the initial 4 days are utilized.

Special NWSCC benefit: Unlike the limited sale dates to the public, the 4-Pack will be available to NWSCC members from October 15th - December 15th by calling Mt. Bachelor at 1-800-829-2442.

PLUS....NWSCC members can use their membership card to receive a **free demo voucher** when they purchase the 4-pack. The free demo will be attached to their account information. To use the voucher they will just need to (1) make a reservation, and (2) show their pass at the demo shop, and the voucher will be available in their Mt. Bachelor account.

Watch for details about special Mt. Bachelor Spring Spectacular Blast events to be held the first week in April 2012, with many fun, unusual, and exciting events and specials, both during the day and in the evenings. You may wish to extend your Bachelor Blast trip a day or to take all this in! We are going to take advantage of the events to add extra value to our Bachelor Blast trip, and on Saturday night we will join in the big party sponsored by Mt. Bachelor. Our trip ends on Easter Sunday, when Mt. Bachelor will host both an Easter Egg hunt for the younger set and a Keg Hunt for the adults!

SUPPORT UPCOMING CHARITABLE EVENTS IN 2012:

March 4-5, 2012: Oregon Cancer Ski Out, a fun 2-day event (Sunday & Monday) at Mt. Hood Meadows. Teams of 5 compete for best consistency (not speed). See attached flier.

March 9-10, 2012: Hope on the Slopes, a 24 hour ski challenge and fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, held at Mt. Hood Skibowl on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. If you want to get involved as a volunteer, come to the planning meeting on Tuesday, December 13, from 6:30 - 7:30 pm, at the American Cancer Society, 330 SW Curry St., Portland, OR. It's upstairs, on the 2nd floor.

April 14 (Saturday), 2012: Ski to Defeat ALS, a fundraiser for ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, which is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that slowly robs a person of the ability to walk, speak, swallow and, eventually, breathe. This event, inspired by Fred Noble, will take place at Mt. Hood Meadows. See attached flier.

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NEXT MEETING:

Wed., **DECEMBER 21**, 6:00 P.M.

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EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!

← **NOTE THERE IS A MEETING THIS MONTH!**

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