



NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR

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***Join us on July 16 for the
regular NWSCC meeting at
Round Table Pizza!***

consider past covers) and should be sent to Leslie in high resolution. Proposed covers will be voted upon at the August NWSCC meeting. The winner receives a 10-time pass to Mt. Hood Meadows.

RECAP, JUNE NWSCC MEETING:

The major discussion was a recap of the highly successful FWSA Convention hosted by NWSCC June 5-8 in Bellevue. Except for the Northwest weather, things went extremely well, and both the delegates and the industry representatives found it to be one of the best conventions ever! The optional events were awesome, and thanks are due to the NWSCC club members who coordinated those events: Debbi Kor for the Top O' The Needle Pub Crawl, Dale Parshall and Jim Anderson for the Second Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament, Ginger Keel and Gary Mansell for the Kayaking, Maureen Richards for the Wine Tour, and William Shadbolt for the Pike Place Market and Duck Tour.

Mary Olhausen, Debbi Kor, and Linda McGavin did a smashing job on the annual Silent Auction, and over \$46,000 was received from the auction to fund FWSA programs for the upcoming year.

Dale Parshall and Norvin Peer provided highly appreciated shuttle service between the Westin Hotel and the Meydenbauer Convention Center for grateful participants who did not want to walk the four blocks between the properties.

The overall responsibility for the Convention rested upon Convention Goddess Sheri Parshall, who worked night and day (and didn't get much sleep since her room was the scene of many events - from stuffing the awesome delegate bags to hosting parties) to make sure that everything was coordinated and came off well.

NWSCC members did well on the awards: Sheri Parshall won the overall FWSA Woman of the Year award, and

NWSCC PROUDLY PRESENTS ITS NEW OFFICERS FOR 2008-2009 (our 30th anniversary year!):

Elected at the June 18 NWSCC meeting were the following new officers of NWSCC:

- President:** Sheri Parshall (Skiyente Ski Club)
- Vice President:** Colleen Walter (Skiyente Ski Club)
- Treasurer:** David Schor (Mountain High Snowsports Club)
- Secretary:** (no candidates; need a secretary)
- At-Large Director (two positions)**
 - Norvin Peer (Cowlitz County Ski Club)
 - William Shadbolt (Seattle Singles Yacht Club)

Other directors will be appointed by the newly-elected Board.

SIGN UP IMMEDIATELY IF YOU WANT TO PLAY IN THE ANNUAL "CLUBS 4 PLAY" GOLF TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD SUNDAY, JULY 27!

The tournament will be held at the Oregon City Golf Course, and will be a four person scramble: you can either sign up as a team of four, or singles will be put into mixed teams. The \$50 price will include golf, lunch, and prizes down to the 5th or 6th place teams. This year Larry Bennett and Cal Eddy will be the organizers, and promise to make it a fun event! They need a minimum of 32 golfers. See the flier included with this newsletter for further details. If you have any questions, contact Larry at 503-760-2360, or Cal at 503-631-3115 or baebaw@ccwebster.net.

NORTHWEST SKIERS' DIRECTORY COVER PHOTO CONTEST IS OPEN UNTIL JULY 31, 2008!

Send your entries to Leslie Baird at leslieb@aracnet.com. Photos should be in vertical format (look at the size of the Directory and

Mary Olhausen received the prestigious Elizabeth Schatzki Wood award.

Far West Ski Association has a very good reputation with the industry representatives because of the integrity and follow through of our clubs with them. They tell FWSA that they have the best programs, the best clubs, and that they enjoy the best friendships with the club representatives because of the opportunities to meet and chat with ski club members during the optional activities and the placement of industry representatives at each table with the club delegates at the meals. The industry receives awards for 5, 10, 15, and 20-year attendance at the Convention, and there were a number who received 20-year awards at this Convention.

New this year in the panel sessions were the first two educational modules of the "Snowsports Leadership Academy" to be presented by FWSA over a four-year time span at its conventions. This year's presentations were "Leadership" and "Membership," and provided excellent education opportunities for ski club officers attending. Attendees received hard copies and a CD of the curriculum presented.

A big thank you goes to all who worked on and all who participated in this year's Convention!

The next order of events was elections. **PACRAT ELECTIONS** were held first, with the same slate of officers presented as last year. The following officers were elected by acclamation:

Chairperson: Barbara Parshall

Vice Chairperson: Colleen Hankins

Treasurer: Colleen Kelly

Secretary: Sheri Parshall

Race Results: Dale Parshall

Course Operations: Gordy Lusk and Bruce Parshall

Parties: Diane Hicks

Directors at Large: Sylvia Kearns & Gary Stevenson

The final business of the meeting was the NWSCC elections which have already been reported upon. Mary Olhausen thanked all those who have assisted her during the last three years of her presidency. Sheri Parshall then talked about her vision for the upcoming year of NWSCC. She would like to bring back a bigger Board to govern NWSCC, as more bodies mean more ideas! The next goal is to build on the momentum created by the FWSA Convention, by getting ALL of our clubs more involved in NWSCC activities, featuring a club at each meeting, and planning a meeting in the Seattle area at least once a year. Sheri is also looking ahead to 2009 as the 30th anniversary of NWSCC, and to planning a big celebration. Another goal is to work on the Council history and encouraging the clubs to document their own histories. Lastly, the 2008-2009 season is the 50th Anniversary of Mt. Bachelor, and we

are going to work on bringing back the Bachelor Blitz ski trip to help them celebrate!

CLUB INFORMATION:

Mt. Hood Cultural Center and Museum is initiating a major capital campaign to raise funds to finish modifications to their building to comply with ADA access requirements. While the Museum has been awarded \$95,000 of Community Development Block Grant Funds for design and construction of an elevator at their building in Government Camp, they still need to raise \$350,000 to finish the project, including major revisions to the entrance lobby, the museum store, and the clubhouse gallery. The elevator shaft will require going through the roof of the building, and will be crowned with a lookout tower copula. The lookout will be accessible to the public, with splendid views of Mt. Hood, the village of Government Camp, and Ski Bowl. The goal is to have construction commence either late this year or early in 2009. The capital campaign will run through 2009, and pledges are being solicited. All contributions are considered charitable contributions and are fully deductible.

The Museum is also offering various classes of membership. Please go to their website at www.mthoodmuseum.org for information on all their activities.

Skiyente Ski Club announced that its 2009 Family Ski Trip will be to Silver Star, BC, Canada.

CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES BY CLUBS:

Does your club do good deeds for your community and support charitable events? Please let Sheri Parshall know so that we can share the information with other clubs and FWSA.

FWSA NEWS AND TRIPS:

SKI WEEK 2009: FWSA is going to **Big Sky, Montana, January 24-31, 2009!** A \$100 deposit payable to NWSCC and mailed to the NWSCC post office box will hold a place for you on this trip. See flier attached, and send your deposit NOW to make sure to save a spot and get your first choice of lodging. Contact Barbara Bousum at 503-224-3584 or BBousum@gmail.com.

FWSA has a **Greek Isles Tour October 1-17, 2008!** Travel to Rhodes, Crete, Santorini and Mykonos plus a two day tour of Athens. The trip cost is \$3,390 per person. There is an optional extension to Turkey October 17-24 for \$1,050. See the FWSA website at www.fwsa.org under the Travel tab. This trip is full, but

there is a waiting list and the trip leader advises that he always has last-minute cancellations (and in fact has recently put out a call to fill 4 vacancies).

FWRA (Far West Racing Association) invites you to attend the annual **Keystone Nationals** which will be held **December 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, meeting skiers from all over the country and no crowds. Contact Bob Ellis at 530-582-0566 for more information.

Bad Gastein in the Austrian Alps will be the destination for the FWSA European Ski Week February 27-March 7, 2009, at an estimated base cost of \$1,690 PP/DO including air from LAX or SFO. Bad Gastein is a charming, historic village with a world famous spa, and lots of restaurants and shops, located in the Gasteinertal Mountains. March 7-14 will be an extension to Munich and Prague at an estimated cost of \$855. See flier attached. Contact Norm Azevedo at (925) 944-0420 or e-mail fwsatravel@sbcglobal.net for more information.

FWSA offers one USA ski week, one European ski week (usually with pre and post-trip extensions), and a number of "adventure" trips. They have had cruises and a trip to Thailand, and are looking at possible future trips including a Barbados dive trip in 2009, a Mediterranean cruise, and even a trip to Australia and/or New Zealand.

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.

Check the FWSA website for other great information, including information on the **FWSA Athletic Scholarship**.

NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES NEWS:

For information on how you can help support our Northwest ski areas with their expansion plans, go to our website at www.nwskiers.org or contact Steve Coxen at 503-679-9022 or email at sacoxen@aol.com.

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 across the western United States and Canada. Note Debbi is constantly adding new benefits!

As a member of Far West Ski Association you also belong to the National Ski Council Federation, made up of ski councils and clubs throughout the U.S. One of your member benefits is the ability to purchase ski equipment, clothing, goggles, gloves,

etc. at a discount. Right now **Habervision**, an industry partner, is offering NSCF members a **50% discount on glasses and goggles**. A current list of NSCF benefits can be found at www.skifederation.org in the Members Only section. The user name is **skiclub** and the password is **member**.

If you don't know if a place offers a discount or not, sometimes just showing your FWSA card and asking if they give a discount, saying that other places do, has sometimes resulted in a surprise discount for those who have tried it.

If you ever have a problem obtaining a discount which has been offered to NWSCC members, please report it to us with your name, if possible the name of the employee who turned you down, the date, and a description of the problem.

MISCELLANEOUS, BUT FUN, INFORMATION:

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED! MEETINGS ARE HELD THE 3RD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH; 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.

INFORMATION FORWARDED BY WILLIE SCROGGINS: Fellow Master's Ski Racers -

Summer skiing is upon us on Mt. Hood! From July 19 through July 27th there are some amazing skiing (and golf) events on Mt. Hood that will enable you to enjoy a week's worth of skiing and social activity with some of the world's best athletes, professionals and friends. Call your friends and family and sign up as quickly as possible for the following events:

#1 Event: The **US Men's Alpine Ski Team presents the Men's Alpine Ski & Tee** fundraising event on Mt. Hood

Overview: Join the entire men's US Ski team for ski clinics and a ski/golf tournament, followed by dinner and a silent auction. Join Olympians: Ted Ligety, Steve Nyman, Erik Schlopy, Scott Macartney, Dane Spencer, Marco Sullivan and Jim Cochran and all the other National members of the team. All proceeds go directly to the SFI Foundation, a registered non-profit organization that will channel all expenses to un-funded athlete expenses for the 2008-2009 season. The Multnomah Athletic Club (Portland, OR) is one of many

proud sponsors of this event. **When: Saturday, July 19 and Sunday, July 20.** For more information and details see: www.mensalpine.com

#2 Event: Multnomah Athletic Club's GS and SL Race Camp

Overview: 5 days on snow - GS and SL training and video analysis, directed and organized by Willy Scroggins, Master's Ski Coach and racer. Winner of the 2008 Class 5 USSA Master's National Combined Champion with over 20+ years of ski racing and coaching experience, Willy is joined by brothers Jesse and Lloyd Scroggins, accomplished ski professionals with over a 60+ years of combined ski racing and coaching experience. **When: Monday, July 21 through Friday, July 25.** For more information call Willy at (503) 593-9954 or email wmscrogginscontractor@msn.com

#3 Event: Summer Fun National

Overview: Directed and organized by Meri Stratton. 3 days of festivities with a GS and Slalom races for the whole family. **When: Saturday, July 25 through Monday July 27.** For more information see: www.summerfunnational.com.

#4 Event: Gregg Timm, a ski coach from Mt Bachelor, is running a **July Masters Camp on Mt. Hood** (July 20 - 25) and there is lodging available at the Allitude Ski Chalet in Government Camp for this week. Currently, Gregg only has 3 or 4 persons signed up. The chalet can sleep up to 12 persons so we have room for more. Please contact Gregg at gtimm@empnet.com if interested. Gregg needs to know as soon as possible. More info at: www.gtisports.com/dates.htm. (Thanks to Brenda Ackerson for this information.)

LATEST NEWS ON THE AIRLINES (from the National Ski Club Newsletter "Newsflash"):

US Air and United joined American with plans to charge \$15 for fliers' first bags. We expect the rest of the industry to follow so we plan to again recap the major airline luggage surcharges, etc. in our November Newsflash -- in time for you to inform your ski trip participants of the latest changes on the subject.

American Airlines is bringing in extra staff to check the sizes of passengers' carry-on bags to prevent an overload of their overhead storage space as a result of the industry's first \$15 charge for a checked bag. This will probably be a trend among the airlines so monitor carry-on bags size and weight accordingly.

Continental and United Airlines are linking their networks and services and Continental will join United in the Star Alliance. The new partnership will include frequent flier reciprocity -- enabling fliers to earn miles when flying on either airline and

redeem awards on both carriers. Travel on either carrier will count toward earning elite status and members of either airline's airport lounge program can access both Continental's Presidents Club and United's Red Carpet Club lounges.

You can sign up yourself for the FWSA's informative newsletter by joining the FWSA News Group at Yahoo: <http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/FWSANews>

News about this year's upcoming Warren Miller movie, "Children of Winter," and how your ski club can benefit with group discount tickets or by joining the "Warren Miller Street Team" can be found by contacting marketing@warrenmiller.com. You can find out about hosting a screening of a Warren Miller film to raise money for your ski club by contacting ips@warrenmiller.com.

NWSCC OFFICERS and COMMITTEES 2008-2009

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2007-2008 NWSCC COMMERCIAL MEMBERS:

PLATINUM MEMBERS:

Mt. Bachelor Ski Area, Bend, OR

GOLD MEMBERS:

Joe's Sports & Outdoor, OR & WA
Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Area, OR
Sun Valley, ID

SILVER MEMBERS:

Moonlight Basin Ski Area, MT
Resorts of the Canadian Rockies (Fernie, Kimberley)
Ski Banff (Banff, Lake Louise, Sunshine)
Ski Chalet, Portland, OR
Tamarack Resort, ID
Timberline Ski Area, OR

BRONZE MEMBERS:

Big White Mountain Resort, BC, Canada
Brundage Mountain, ID
Collins Lake Resort, Gov't Camp, OR
Cooper Spur Mountain Resort, OR
Crystal Mountain Resort, WA
Hillcrest Ski & Sports, Gresham, OR
Huckleberry Inn, Gov't Camp, OR
Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, WY
The Mountain Shop, Portland, OR
Mt. Hood Skibowl, OR
Ogden Convention & Visitors Bureau (Powder Mountain & Snowbasin, UT)
Red Mountain Resort, Canada
Schweitzer Mountain Resort, ID
Signal Sports (in the Pearl District of Portland)
Silver Star Mountain Resort, BC, Canada
Sleeping Lady Mountain Retreat, Leavenworth, WA
Sturtevant's, Seattle, WA
Vail Resorts, Inc.
Valdez Heli-Camps

HONORARY MEMBERS:

Barbara Parshall - Re/Max Equity Group
Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish, MT
Mission Ridge Ski Area, WA
Mt. Ashland, OR
Pacific NW Ski Areas Association

**PLEASE PATRONIZE AND
SUPPORT THESE
COMMERCIAL MEMBERS
AND LET THEM KNOW
YOU'RE WITH NWSCC!!**

NWSCC MEMBER CLUBS - NWSCC REPRESENTATIVES

Please check www.nwskiers.org or the NWSCC's Northwest Skiers' Directory for a complete list of member clubs as well as contacts and their phone numbers and/or email addresses. Or, you may contact any of the board members listed above.

Calendar:

Have an event open to all NWSCC members or the public? Post it on www.nwskiers.org, Event Calendar, and then Add An Event. Types of events listed in the calendar include club sponsored events open to NWSCC members and/or the public, NWSCC events, FWSA events, and announcements from ski/snowboard related non-profit groups and vendors.

Why not send this newsletter to all your club members? It's available in .pdf format, and can be sent to YOU upon request to then pass on to your members.

NORTHWEST SKI CLUB COUNCIL

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NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, July 16, 2008

7:00 PM - COME EARLY TO SOCIALIZE

ROUND TABLE PIZZA

10070 SW BARBUR BLVD, PORTLAND

503-245-2211

**** DOOR PRIZES!! ****

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!

Far West Ski Association Safety Slogan:

SKI WITH PRIDE, LET IT RIDE, WATCH ALL SIDES!

First With Safety Awareness!

The Northwest Ski Club Council is a member of:

Far West Ski Association: www.fwsa.org

National Ski Council Federation: www.skifederation.org