

Hill Echoes For The Watchung Amateur Ski Club

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President's Message

by Deena

"To everything, there is a season

And a time for every purpose under heaven...

A time to be born.." (From "Turn, Turn, Turn" by the Byrds)

The time is coming that most of us are anxiously waiting for. For many people, the turning of the leaves to brown signals the coming of the end of another year. To us skiers, this prepares us for the new ski season which is about to be born.

"A time to die.....A time to heal..." In spite of all the excitement and anticipation of a new ski season, the past few months have been marred by the deaths of beloved family members of some our ski club "family". We all weep and mourn with all of you who have lost someone special in your lives. Hopefully, the healing process has started to help the understanding of the cycles of life and loss.

"A time to laugh..." Watchung has a long history of laughter. Ski trips, whether for one day, a week-end, or one week, are famous for uplifting the spirits of those who participate in them. Each trip has its own flavor and humorous events that are long remembered by those who attend. It is said that laughter is good medicine and there is plenty of that on WASC trips. Beside the fulfillment of skiing, these trips provide refreshing respite to relieve the stress and tension of everyday life. Don't miss the trips planned for this ski season. Besides the day trips to Hunter, Windham, Belleayre, etc., there are two new weekend trips—Ascutney and Mount St. Anne. You don't want to miss out on the fun and discovering new and exciting skiing challenges and renewing friendships. And don't forget the Western Trip! Somehow, our trip leaders outdo themselves every year. Be part of the fun!

"A time to plant.....A time to build up....." It's time to plant the seeds to strengthen and rejuvenate Watchung. The Jamboree and Open House are great opportunities to recruit new members. Come out to both of these events to support the Club and reaffirm the ideals that were started over 60 years ago. Our founders had a dream. We today are keeping it alive by being involved in meetings, social events, and of course, skiing.

We must realize that Watchung is special. It's members are friendlier to newcomers. Our trips are more successful than those of other ski clubs. In addition, there is a wide variety of activities that are available during other seasons. The friendships developed are valuable. Although the people who come to Watchung span many ages, have different backgrounds, and have different lifestyles, the Club works because there is acceptance and respect among its members.

"A time of hate, a time of war, a time of peace...." Watchung works. At a time when there is so much hatred and warfare in the world, there should be a "time for peace." Skiing provides this for many of us. Let's hope that this is the time for peace for both individuals and the world.

("I swear it's not too late.")

Are you selling cheesecakes yet?!?! WASC is having a fund raising cheese-cake sale for delivery the week before Thanksgiving. Michele Marron has been successful in the past, and has volunteered to run the sale again this year. To order cheesecakes or forms or for question, please call Michele at 908-233-5086.

Orders and money are due November 7th!!

Special points of interest:

- Adrienne is named as Entertainment Coordinator!
- Upcoming stories: NJSC discount lift tickets—prices and locations
- Western Trip flyer on it's way — Mammoth Mountain, CA 2/22– 3/1
- Prices and information on Sunday Bus trips to follow shortly



October 2002

Schedule of Events

- Thursday night meetings, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17 and 10/24
- NJSC Annual Ski Jamboree, 10/18
- Oktoberfest, 10/31

UPCOMING NOVEMBER EVENTS

- Cheesecake orders due, 11/7
- Open House, 11/14
- Cheesecake delivery, 11/21
- Thanksgiving, 11/28

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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Watchung Amateur Ski Club Annual Budget 2002-2003

| <u>Description</u> | <u>Proposed Income</u> | <u>Proposed Expense</u> |
|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Dues | \$2,400. | |
| 50/50 | 500. | |
| Trips | 47,500. | (\$47,500.00) |
| Social Events | 400. | (850.00) |
| Banquet | 2,000 | (2,000.00) |
| Tax Return Fee | | (400.00) |
| Printing & Office | | (530.00) |
| Meetings (Hall) | | (925.00) |
| Hospitality | | (400.00) |
| Fund Raisers | 575.00 | |
| Donations | | (150.00) |
| Postage | | (240.00) |
| NJ Filing Fee | | (25.00) |
| NJ Ski Council | | (60.00) |
| NJSC Jamboree | | (350) |
| Open House | | (350) |
| Web Page | | (95) |
| TOTAL: | \$53,375.00 | (\$53,375.00) |

NJSC Ski Skills Tune Up Day—December 7th 2002

The New Jersey Ski Council will hold its annual ski skills tune up on Saturday, December 7th at Windham Mountain. Ski Club members and their immediate families are invited to attend. The fee of \$70.00 includes lift ticket and all day lessons. This is a great opportunity to have fun and get a good start on the new season.

Participants must provide the club member organizing the event with their ski ability, ie greens, blues, blacks, double blacks or never ever skied. Clubs that register their members by the **November 4th** Council Meeting will receive a \$15.00 discount per person.

Clubs registering after 11/4 will pay the full amount, and the deadline for all registration is 12/2.

To register for the program, participants must make payment to their club, and the club must write one check to the NJSC.

Participants are to meet for the event at the Ski Council table located near the Ski School desk in the cafeteria, between 8:30 am and 8:45 am to sign in and receive lift ticket and instructions. Classes begin at 9 am. Please be on time! Participants who arrive late miss being assigned.

Rental equipment will be available for the day, but the corresponding lift ticket will only allow access to the "lower mountain only".

For direct questions about the event, please call Peter Lucatuorto at 973-927-9315.

NJSC Ski Jamboree...AGAIN!

Just a quick update...

We all know the date is 10/18 for this years Jamboree, but here are a few more details if you're interested in joining us.

PLACE: THE WESTIN
2 Whippany Road
Morristown NJ 07960

Exhibit Hours begin at 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm

Dance Party—7:00 pm to 1:00 am

Buffet Dinner—6:30 pm to 9:30 pm **\$20.00 *per person**

Door Prizes, cash bars

Silent Auction for Jimmie Heuga Ski Express for MS

Over 40 ski clubs

Snow King & Queen

Crowning at 10:30 pm

Free parking and admission

***Sign up in advance for the buffet, Patwhoelse@aol.com by 10/7 and pay \$18.00!**

Check out their website, www.ski-njsc.org

"Come out and support your club!!"

The Vermont PassPort

The Vermont Ski Areas Association will be once again issuing the Vermont PassPort for the upcoming ski season. For **\$125.00**, you are entitled to 3 ski lift tickets for any ski resort in Vermont. For **\$200.00**, you will get 5 lift tickets. These tickets are good for the 02-03 season only, and are not

valid during Holiday Periods. Credit cards or checks are accepted, and the Pass Ports go on sale October 1st.

The number to call is **802-223-2439**.

If you plan on skiing VT this season, \$40 or \$41.00 per ticket is a great deal!!

First come, first served basis! Tickets go fast, so call NOW!

Questions? Call John "Ski", 908-241-1945



SKI VERMONT!!

In Oktober Ve Haf

Oktoberfest



Bratwurst und Bauernwurst

Sauerkraut und Potato Salat und Red Cabbage

John's Homemade Lentil Soup



Lots of Cake und Cookies

Come fulfill your Wurst desires



The Elks Lodge

Rt. 22 East

Mountainside, NJ

on Thursday, October 31

from 7:30 till ??

\$12.50 per adult

Call Chris or Tage Haun by Sunday, Oktober 20

908-272-8099



ASCUTNEY MOUNTAIN RESORT, VERMONT

WEEKEND SKI TRIP January 10-12, 2003

2 DAY LIFT TICKET

2 BREAKFASTS

1 DINNER

FITNESS CENTER , INDOOR
POOL, HOT TUB, SAUNA

CHILD CARE CENTER.

1800' VERTICAL RISE

2520' ELEVATION

56 SLOPES AND TRAILS

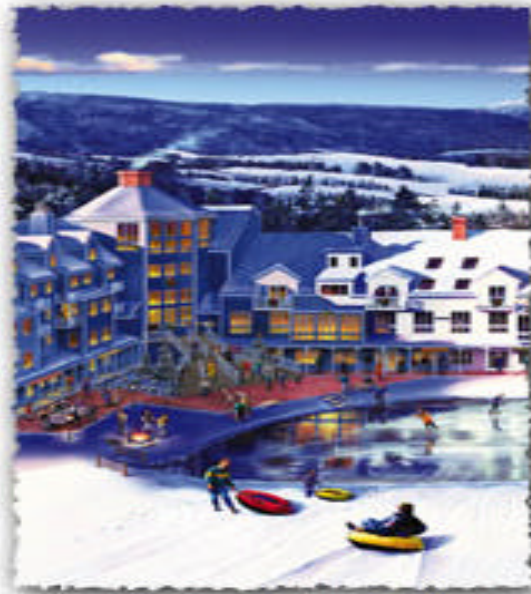
95% SNOWMAKING

5:30 pm departure on Friday from
the Mountainside Pool

Return on Sunday at
approximately 9:00 pm

Dinner included on the bus!

COST: \$350.00



\$350.00 includes skiing, bus trip and food!

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MICHELE MARRON, TRIP LEADER

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**\$100.00
DEPOSIT DUE
11/1/02**

Chuck & Karen Tie the Knot!

July 7, 2002

In a lovely ceremony at the **Madison Hotel**, Chuck and Karen were happily wed on July 7th. Several WASC members were on hand to witness the event, and a fabulous time was had by all!

On behalf of all of the 'Chungers, a warm **CONGRATULATIONS** to you both! May your future be as bright and rosy as your wedding day, and your life together a long and happy one!



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JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT MEETING!

**EVERY THURSDAY—EXCEPT SOCIAL NIGHTS—8:30 PM AT THE
MOUNTAINSIDE ELKS, ROUTE 22 EAST, MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ**

We're on the web!
watchungskiclub.com