



## PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



Tom Buhlinger, President

Now that it's April, spring is in the air. Unfortunately, winter went out in a whimper (and it was a lame winter at that!). Although our ski trips were down in attendance, they didn't suffer in fun! Thanks to Anthony R and the trip leaders for all of their hard work. On the positive side, mud season is already over! On the horizon are AAFs, the Spring into Ski Season Party, the Spring Weekend in Martha's Vineyard, and the Season End Celebration in Morristown.

April also means our elections are over. Thanks to our Election Committee (Frank C headed the committee, Judee T, Paul V, and Anil R) who got together not one but two nights to tabulate all the results. Congratulations to Helen M, Janet E, Andy M, Chris B, Grace E, and Lisa M. Next year's Board officially starts June 1st. Board members put a lot of time into running the club, so please support them.

If you didn't know, there were not enough positive votes for the question on the ballot to pass. Please realize most ski

clubs only require a membership fee and application to join. As all ski clubs have declining memberships, we need to make it just as easy to join the MCSC as it is with other clubs.

Please keep the following dates open; May 5th and June 2nd. May 5<sup>th</sup> is the Spring into Ski Season Party at Jean H's house. If you are able to help set up or clean up, please let me know. We do need volunteers to help. June 2nd is our Season End Celebration at the Spring Brook Country Club in Morristown. Both of these parties are sure to be a GREAT time, so please RSVP early. I hope to see you at both of these.

Tom





## MCSC CALENDAR

### UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETING DATES

Please contact Helen McLaughlin, [vicepresident@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto:vicepresident@morriscountyskiclub.com) if you would like to lead an event. Remember, you must lead an event before you can be considered to lead a ski trip.

<b>MCSC Meeting</b>	<b>April 10</b>	<b>Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ</b>
<b>MCSC Event</b>	<b>April 14</b>	<b>Habitat for Humanity volunteer event, TBA</b>
<b>MCSC Event</b>	<b>April 21</b>	<b>Hike, Long Pond Iron Works State Forest</b>
<b>MCSC Meeting</b>	<b>April 24</b>	<b>Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ</b>
<b>AAF</b>	<b>April 27</b>	<b>Dolce, N. Maple Ave., Basking Ridge, NJ</b>
<b>MCSC Event</b>	<b>May 5</b>	<b>Spring Into Ski Season Party, Morris Plains, NJ</b>
<b>MCSC Meeting</b>	<b>May 8</b>	<b>Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ</b>
<b>MCSC Event</b>	<b>May 12</b>	<b>Skydiving</b>
<b>MCSC Event</b>	<b>May 18-20</b>	<b>Spring Trip to Martha's Vineyard, MA</b>
<b>MCSC Meeting</b>	<b>May 22</b>	<b>Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ</b>
<b>AAF</b>	<b>May 24</b>	<b>Black River Barn, Route 10, Randolph, NJ</b>
<b>MCSC Event</b>	<b>June 2</b>	<b>Season End Celebration, Spring Brook Co. Club</b>
<b>MCSC Event</b>	<b>June 28</b>	<b>New York Yankee Game, Bronx, NY</b>

### UPCOMING ALIVE AFTER FIVES

Please contact Lisa at [LisaSLP@aol.com](mailto:LisaSLP@aol.com) with any questions/concerns regarding AAFs.



**APRIL'S "AAF" AT DOLCE OF BASKING RIDGE**  
(FORMLY KNOWN AS NORTH MAPLE INN)  
300 North Maple Avenue, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920  
1-800-953-3007 <http://baskingridge.dolce.com>

On **Friday, April 27**, the Vita Bar at Dolce will provide us with a warm ambiance and friendly atmosphere for us to relax, mingle and enjoy our AAF from 5p-8p. There will be complimentary appetizers (6:30-8:00) and happy hour drink specials. Billiards is available for a competitive game of pool! There is a full menu for those who wish to dine there.



**MAY'S "AAF" AT THE BLACK RIVER BARN**  
**Thursday, May 24, 2012**  
1178 Route 10 West, Randolph NJ 07869  
973-598-9986 [www.blackriverbarn.com](http://www.blackriverbarn.com)

Kick off your Memorial Day weekend by joining MCSC for a fun evening at The Black River Barn on Thursday, May 24. Happy Hour will be from 3:00-7:00pm, featuring \$5 "well" drinks and \$3 domestic beers. We will have complimentary appetizers, and if you wish to stay for dinner, a complete menu is available. The band "Men of Horses" will be starting at 9:30.



## UPCOMING EVENTS:



### Habitat for Humanity Day

April 14, 2012 8:30am to 4:00pm

**Work site: Denville, NJ**

Join Morris County Ski Club for a day of giving back to the community. We will be participating in the building of a single family home in Budd Lake, NJ. The project is considered a "new build" and is open to both experienced and inexperienced workers.

**Morris Habitat will provide us with:** hard hats, goggles, gloves and basic tools, or you may bring any of your own personal items if you prefer.

**Parking:** Parking is limited at the work site. Carpooling is recommended for groups.

**Restrooms:** porto-potty

For more information pick up a flyer at a meeting or on-line.

Contact trip leader Nancy McLaughlin at [nmclaughlin71@gmail.com](mailto:nmclaughlin71@gmail.com) or 973-234-5284.



### Spring Hike

### **Long Pond Ironworks State Forest**

**Date:** Saturday, April 21, 2012

**Time:** 10:30 AM

**Location:** Monksville Reservoir North Boat Launch

**Description:** Join the Morris County Ski Club on a moderate 7 mile hike through Long Pond Ironworks State Forest. The hike should take about 4 to 4.5 hours. We will hike through the relocated buildings and furnaces from the 1880's Ironworks village, then hike through Long Pond Ironworks State Forest.

There will be spectacular views of the Monksville Reservoir. There are a couple of significant climbs on the hike but none of the climbs is technically difficult. There may be some water crossings on the hike if there has been recent rainfall.

After the hike we will go to a nearby bar and grill.

#### **Important Notes:**

1. Hiking boots rather than sneakers.
2. Dress in layers as you will warm up.
3. Carry a day pack
4. Bring sufficient water and your lunch.
5. Bug repellent.
6. You may want to bring a camera.
7. A trail map will be provided at the site.

For more information please contact Paul Van Duyne C (201) 470-9317. Email: [p\\_vanduyne@yahoo.com](mailto:p_vanduyne@yahoo.com)



## MCSC- Season End Celebration!!!

**Saturday June 2, 2012 - 6:30pm**

Please join all of us to celebrate another **year of memories from MCSC, mingle with old friends and new and dance the night away to Conflicted** - a MCSC band favorite!!!!

This year Spring Brook Country Club in Morristown will host our celebration. We will be dining in the spacious Grill Room, with a wall of windows and a private terrace with panoramic views of the golf course and beautiful Armstrong Pond.

The cost for this event is \$55 for members and \$60 for guests --- and includes a delicious buffet dinner, scrumptious deserts, a super band who always keeps us dancing and a cash bar\*.

Please contact event leader - Erica Koroknyai @ 973-660-0104 or [ericakoroknyai@yahoo.com](mailto:ericakoroknyai@yahoo.com)



## Spring Trip to Martha's Vineyard

**May 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> 2012**

Join MCSC as we head to Martha's Vineyard for a weekend of fun filled activities

We will be staying at the Island Inn located in Oak Bluffs <http://www.islandinn.com>

Bicycling is a great way to see the island and the Island Inn offers rentals if you don't want to bring your bike with you. Martha's Vineyard has excellent bike trails throughout the island. We will organize a short ride (<20 miles) and a long ride (>20 miles). The Island Inn is adjacent to the Farm Neck Golf Club - if you choose to play. There are also 3 tennis courts right on the premises. You'll also find sailing, boating, and fishing less than five miles from the hotel. If shopping is your thing, we will be only minutes away from historic Edgartown.

Martha's Vineyard has a great bus transportation system that can take you just about anywhere on the island.

The cost per person for the weekend is \$245 and includes: Room, double occupancy, with kitchenette, bike storage, round trip taxi from ferry to hotel in Oak Bluffs, and a group dinner on Saturday evening

**Contact Trip Leaders: Rob Geraghty**  
[robert.j.geraghty@gmail.com](mailto:robert.j.geraghty@gmail.com) or **Mary Chaplin**  
[mwc352000@yahoo.com](mailto:mwc352000@yahoo.com) for more information



## MCSC Yankee Game

Thursday, June 28, 2012

Join the Morris County Ski Club as we go to Yankee Stadium on Thursday night June 28th to see the New York Yankees play the Chicago White Sox. Members will have priority to these tickets through the June 12th MCSC meeting.

**Date:** Thursday June 28<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** Arrive at Hanover Marriott by 3:30 bus departs promptly at 3:45

**Seats:** Field Level Section 132 ~ Rows 13 to 19

**Opponent:** Chicago White Sox

**Game Time:** 7:05 PM

**Price:** \$75

**This is a "packaged event" Including: Bus Transportation, Parking, Tolls, Snacks and Beverages on the bus.**

For information please contact  
Andy Modale at [AndyModale@yahoo.com](mailto:AndyModale@yahoo.com)  
Day of event please call 732-319-1410

Bus Leaves from the Hanover Marriott  
1401 Rte. 10 E · Whippany, New Jersey 07981  
(GPS address 2 Ridgedale Avenue Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927)

## PAST EVENTS



## Spring Ski Trip to Copper Mountain

By Anil Rastogi

March 20<sup>th</sup> was the first day of spring, and March 21<sup>st</sup> was the start of the last ski trip of the season! Eleven skiers met at Newark International airport to start our journey to Copper Mountain, CO. From Newark, we flew to Denver International Airport and took a bus to the resort.

Our bus stopped to pick up supplies (alcohol and food) for our trip to the mountain and time in the Condos. Arriving at the Condos, we found them very nice with fireplaces in each unit and very close to American Eagle and American Flier lifts. Unfortunately, later in the trip, Fernanda T and Scott M realized they couldn't find the salmon they bought for lunch. It must still be on the bus... We're sure the people after us are enjoyed the beautiful aroma.

The next day was the coolest day, each day being warmer than the last, with traditional spring skiing (hard/crisp in the morning to soft and mushy in the afternoon). Nights were cold getting into the 20's, while during the day, at the base of the lift, we heard it was around 70 degrees! In the late afternoon, women were skiing in their bikinis and



# Ski Tales

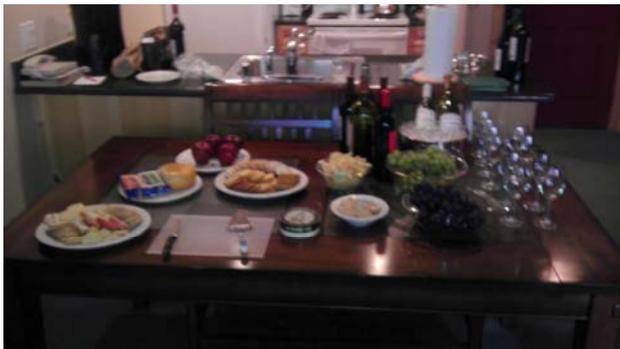
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guys shirtless and in shorts. Our group conveniently forgot to take the proper clothes to the mountain...

Overall, the conditions were much better than we were expecting with the limited snow fall this season. There was good coverage except for the hardest mogul runs which were showing quite a few rocks by the end of our stay. We all enjoyed Apres Ski, hot tub, dinner and watching Ohio State win on Thursday night.

Friday was another great day of skiing followed by a Wine and Cheese party in one the units. There was a lot of tension in the air that evening because Kansas was playing North Carolina in the NCAA Sweet 16. We left Wendy B and Trish B (no relation) in the room to watch the tournament while the rest went for dinner, not sure if we would see them both alive again pending on the outcome of the game... To my joy they were both fine and still talking the next day. They were so good, they decided to go ski A-basin the next day, while the rest stayed at Copper for our final day of skiing.

Sunday we headed back to the airport, and I have to comment that our own WiFi stud muffin Rob G was able to get email on this new iPad as we were pulling away in the bus... If we could all be that good...



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