



PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



Happy New Year MCSC Members:

It was great seeing so many members, current - past- and future, at our Holiday AAF at Vanderbilt's on Saturday December 1. The bartender estimated that we had approximately 150 people in attendance during the night. What a tremendous turnout and great way to set the tone for the holiday season! I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and is ready for another fun year of MCSC trips and events!

Have you made your New Year's Resolution? Does your New Year's Resolution include getting in more ski days? Running an event? Now is the time to get involved. The snow gods have been working their magic and I hope they continue so that we have plenty of great ski days. We already have our first day trip on Saturday Jan 5 to Belleayre Mountain in NY and hope to have many more ski days scheduled throughout the season. We should also be able to plan a day of cross country skiing and snow shoeing this year. If you are interested in leading a ski day or if you would like to organize cross county or snow shoeing please let us know. And don't forget,

there is still time to get on the bus for our awesome weekend ski trip to Stowe VT - March 14-17, with infamous trip leader Karen S. Details for the trip are on Yahoo and the MCSC web site. This is a great trip to bring a friend to since the trip is open to non-members as well.

So, while our ski trips are set for the year, the Board is planning great events for you to enjoy during the coming months. Aside from bowling, ice skating and dining events... we are already working the spring trip - which will be scheduled for May. Is there an event you would like to run or see offered this year? Please contact Janet with your suggestions.

Don't forget our monthly AAF's:

Friday January 4 - Dolce, Basking Ridge

Thursday February 14 - Rockaway River Barn,
Rockaway, NJ

Our next Membership Meetings:

Tuesday January 8 and Tuesday January 22

I hope to see you soon

Helen



SKI DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Hello MCSC,

Depending on the timing of this Ski Tales article you may still be able to join the club on a day trip to Belleayre Mountain on January 5th. If you missed that trip don't worry we'll have some more for you very soon. We would also like to get a cross country day trip off the ground so if you have any experience on the subject or would like to lead the trip please let me know.

As I write this article the cold weather is certainly upon us and we have a large group getting ready to go to venture off to Kitzbuhel. Tony has been hard at work insuring that this trip will be great, with a great hotel serving some of the best food in the village, a great village and epic mountains I'm sure it will be a blast!

Since the rest of the trips went on sale we had a great deal of people move on and off of the trips leaving most with no wait list and the Stowe trip with openings. This means the chances of you stepping onto one of these trips is quite good.

Trips are listed below:

Belleayre Day Trip 1/5 - contact Trish at tvbarnes98@yahoo.com

Kitzbuhel 1/11 to 1/21 - Sold out but you can get on the wait list - Contact Tony at tonytarullomcsc@yahoo.com

Whistler 2/23 to 3/3 - Sold out but you can get on the wait list - contact Judee at jude802@optonline.net

Stowe 3/14 to 3/17 - Still room and open to non-members! Please contact Karen at ksmith0118@aol.com

Taos 3/23 to 3/28 - Sold out but you can get on the wait list - contact "Trip Commander" Jeff at rni2clever@yahoo.com

Andy
Morris County Snowboard Director

NJ SKI & SNOWBOARD COUNCIL REP



Hi Everyone!

Here is the news from the NJ Ski & Snowboard Council (NJSSC)

REMINDER - bring your checks and ticket orders to the Jan 8 MCSC meeting - or send your checks and ticket orders to reach me before Jan 8!!!

Andy will be attending the NJSSC meeting for me on Jan 14 to pick up the tickets.

Advance Purchase Discount Lift Tickets!!!!!!!!!!!!!! See the posted lift ticket prices for the 2012/2013 season - the document includes the ordering form and the dates involved (see both pages). *See posted ordering form and schedule. MCSC Yahoo Group - Files - New Jersey Ski Council Discounts and Info for MCSC Members - 2012-2013 - MCSC Voucher Order Form 2012-2013.doc* http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/Morris_County_Ski_Club/files/New%20Jersey%20Ski%20Council%20Discounts%20and%20Info%20for%20MCSC%20Members/2012-2013/

Cindy



MCSC CALENDAR

UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETING DATES

Please contact Janet Easterling, 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.

MCSC AAF	Jan. 4	Dolce of Basking Ridge, Basking Ridge, NJ
MCSC Day Ski Trip	Jan. 5	Belleayre Mountain, NY
MCSC Meeting	Jan. 8	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ
MCSC Ski Trip	Jan 11-21	MCSC International Ski Trip to Kitzbuhel, Austria
MCSC Meeting	Jan. 22	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ
MCSC Event	Jan 25	Bowling, Hanover Lanes, Route 10 E. Hanover, NJ
MCSC Event	Feb. 1	Ice Skating, Mennen Arena, Morristown NJ
MCSC Event	Feb. 8	Dinner at Marakesh, Parsippany, NJ
MCSC Meeting	Feb.12	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ
MCSC AAF	Feb. 14	Rockaway River Barn, Green Pond Road, Rockaway, NJ
MCSC Ski Trip	Feb 23-Mar 3	MCSC Ski Trip to Whistler, Vancouver, British Columbia
MCSC Meeting	Feb. 26	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ

UPCOMING ALIVE AFTER FIVES



JANUARY "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, Jan. 4 2013**, 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.

Please contact Lisa at LisaSLP@aol.com with any questions/concerns.



FEBRUARY'S "AAF" -ROCKAWAY RIVER BARN 11 Green Pond Road, Rockaway, NJ 07866
Phone: 973-453-6900

Please come join us on **Thursday, February 14, 2013** at the Rockaway River Barn for a fun-filled night!

Let's celebrate Valentine's Day (or "stupid cupid" day for others!) with old and new friends at this new, local restaurant/bar. We will have happy hour from 4:00-7:00, featuring \$3.50 "well" mixed house drinks, \$4.00 glass of wines and \$2.50 Bud and Bud Lite drafts. We will, also, be provided with complimentary appetizers. A full dinner menu is available for those who wish to dine there.



UPCOMING EVENTS:



MCSC Bowling Night... is Back...

Yes, it's that time again...back to Hanover Lanes, 119 Rte 10, East Hanover, NJ for some balls and beers (and hopefully some strikes in there as well). We will be meeting in the bar at Hanover Lanes at 7pm... Upon arrival please check in with event leader **Herb I**, then relax with a beverage before donning those stylish bowling shoes and finding that perfect ball.

DATE: Friday Jan 25 2013 **Place:** Hanover Lanes, 119 Rt 10 E, East Hanover, NJ

TIME: 7:30pm - 11pm
Socialize and get set 7:15-8pm (please arrive between 7 and 7:30), Bowl 8-10, then join up for awarding of prizes - yes! - in the bar area.

COST: \$25 for 2 hours of unlimited bowling - bowling shoes included!

Contact: Herb @ 973-706-7631 or by email montskier6@yahoo.com

Sign up as single and we will place you on a team, or sign up as a team of 4.

This event is open to members and guests.

Join MCSC & Morris Sussex Active Group for a fun Evening Of ICE SKATING

WHERE: MENNEN ARENA, 161 Hanover Ave, Morristown, NJ 07960

WHEN: Friday, FEBRUARY 1st, 2013

TIME: Skating 8-10 PM (optional: meet for casual dinner at 6, at Tiffany's)

COST: \$7.00 FOR ADMISSION; \$3.50 FOR SKATE RENTALS

PAYMENT IS NOT REQUIRED IN ADVANCE. ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL BUY THEIR OWN TICKETS AS THEY ARRIVE AT THE ARENA.

Please contact **Suzanne A** at suzannette_20@hotmail.com or (201) 874-6667 to let her know if you are planning to attend so she knows who to look for the day of the event. Also - confirm if you will be attending dinner at Tiffany's so Suzanne can place a reservation. Please DO NOT send any checks; this is a pay as you go event.



PAST EVENTS

Fall Food Drive!

Here is the Thank You we received....



Interfaith Food Pantry
Serving Morris County
"neighbors helping neighbors"

December 12, 2012
Moms County Ski Club

Dear Friends from MC Ski Club:

We are so grateful for your recent donation of 234 pounds of food. The past few months have been extremely hectic with the hurricane, Thanksgiving Basket Program and our annual Turkey Trot. In addition, we are now providing aid to more than 2,500 people a month and giving out more than 7 tons of food every week! To say we have been extremely busy would be quite the understatement.

The new facility was a true blessing during the storm recovery. Thanks to the new generator, all our food was safe, and we were able to get up and running Wednesday morning. We served as the central point after the hurricane for anyone needing food. People came from all over the county seeking help and we also were able to support a number of local agencies by providing them with food to bring to their clients. We were even able to shelter one of our neighboring non-profits, providing them space to continue their work.

Once the lights came back on we hit the ground running to get the Thanksgiving baskets prepared. With your help, we prepared and distributed almost 1,500 baskets complete with turkeys! Then, on

MARAKESH a Taste of Morocco Friday February 8th starting at 7:30

Join the Morris County Ski club and your host Lisa M for a Moroccan style dinner - complete with a belly dancing show - at

Marakesh (<http://www.marakesh.com>) 331 Route 46 East, Parsippany, NJ (973) 808-0062

Marakesh Restaurant is a magnificently reproduced palace with the authentic architecture, carvings, tiles, paintings and crafts which resulted from twelve centuries of development of Arabic art and cuisine. The cuisine, considered by many culinary experts and famous chefs to be among the top in the world, is presented in a fashion that enhances its surroundings. Dining is on comfortable couches and dinner will include a 5 course Moroccan meal that includes salad, Mediterranean dip platter, falafel appetizer, choice of entrée and dessert. The dinner will be served in a modernized version of family dining. The restaurant does not have a liquor license but you are encouraged to "bring your own beverage" of choice and we will be provided with soda.

Cost: \$42:00 per person includes full dinner (tax and tip), **payment due by January 29, 2013**

Contact Lisa M at LisaSLP@aol.com or 973-539-5159 (home). Price \$42 per person. Please make checks payable to the Morris County Ski Club.



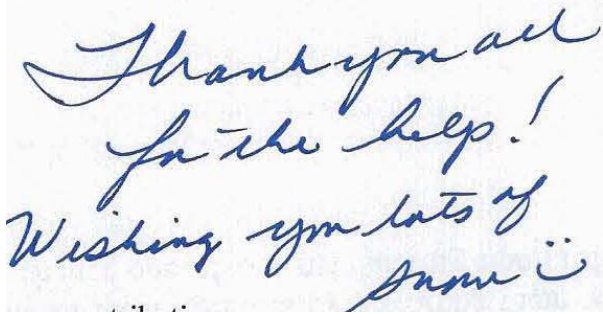
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Thanksgiving morning, we had a great turnout at the Turkey Trot - we had 2,952 participants, a new record!

Clearly, this has been an amazing season and we could never have done all this without friends like you. We thank you for caring and taking action. You really do make a difference.

Wishing you and yours a truly happy holiday season,



Rosemary Gilmartin
Executive Director



HOLIDAY WALKING TOUR OF NYC!

Thanks to all the hearty MCSC members who made their way by car and train into the heart of New York City on a PEAK holiday season

Saturday night, December 15th for our walking/talking tour in mid-town. The walk was led by a true NYC "original", Sybil Groff, a life-long city resident, whose knowledge of the city and especially NYC Holiday traditions made it a unique and memorable experience. As proof of just how knowledgeable she is, she has the rights to the website: www.NYChristmas.com! In about two hours, we covered a little bit of walking ground and a lot of historical ground regarding the origins of Christmas lights and Christmas trees, while we enjoyed decorations inside and out some of the most important landmark buildings from Park Avenue to 6th Avenue and from 53rd St. to 48th. Along the way, we viewed the decorations at such high end stores as Saks 5th Avenue, Cartier, Fendi and visited St. Patrick's and St. Thomas Cathedrals. We also were able to see some lesser known NYC spaces usually reserved only for the NYC experts, including a piece of the Berlin Wall and a beautifully lighted waterfall in a corporate atrium. Of course, the grand finale was the visit to Rockefeller Center to see this year's gorgeous tree—from Flemington NJ, just in case you didn't know!

Finally, the group gathered for some good old-fashioned pub grub and drinks at Tammany Hall Tavern where we congregated with lots of "Santa-Con" Santa's dressed as Santa, Reindeer, Elves and an occasional giraffe.

Thanks again to all who attended and who made the evening so much fun!

Joe C



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