



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi MCSC:

I love October! Fall is here! The air is cool and crisp. The leaves are beginning to change. It's the season for football games, homemade soup simmering on the stove, chili warming in the crock pot, and cookies baking in the oven. How I wish I had time to do all those things!

Fall is also a great time to attend some fun MCSC events. New events in October include an Oktoberfest event and tailgating/attending a NJ college football game - Princeton vs Harvard! And don't forget the opportunity to give back to the community at our Habitat for Humanity day and by giving to our annual Food Collection for the Morris

County Interfaith Food Pantry! Food donations can be brought to our meetings thru November. Check the events calendar for details on all events.

October is also the time to renew your MCSC membership! To renew you must complete/sign a renewal form and submit with a check for \$35 - payable to MCSC. The forms are on Yahoo and will be available at October meetings - formal and informal. Beginning November 1 - a \$15 late fee will be added. If you became a member (were officially voted in) on or after June 1, 2014 - you do not need to renew your membership until October 2015.

And remember If you are on the roster for either the Italy or Big Sky ski trips --- make sure your membership renewal is submitted before the end of October. If not, beginning Nov 1 - someone on the wait list may have the opportunity to take your spot. So get those membership renewals in on time! I hope to see you soon!

Helen



SKI DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Ladies and Gents,

October is upon us, with Hurling and Gaelic Football seasons done with and Rugby and American Football in full swing.

Go Giants!

Jets you #\$\$&*. Just kidding (not).

Or we can root for our away teams like

the Italian Madonna di Campiglio Mighty Mites or the Big Sky Satellites. We'll be there to cheer them on soon.

We have 30 for Madonna in Italy but there are one or two people waffling, so contact Cindy Humphrey to get on the wait list and you have a good shot to make it to ski the Dolomites.

We've also had some movement on our, now 37 group for Big Sky, wait list. So contact Beth Hyslip for that trip. Who knows? You gotta be on it (wait list) to trip it.

Long Weekend? Where? Talk to me. Day trips? Let's do it. Talk amongst yourselves.

Ed, your Ski Director



**MCSC Calendar
Upcoming Meetings and Events
as of 10/1/2014**

October

MCSC AAF	9-Oct	Green Knoll Grill, 645 US-206, Bridgewater, NJ
MCSC Meeting	14-Oct	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ (formal)
MCSC Event	18-Oct	Habitat for Humanity - Location TBD
MCSC Event	19-Oct	Hackers Falls and Cliff Park Hike, Milford, PA (rescheduled from 10/4)
MCSC Meeting	21-Oct	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ (informal)
MCSC Event	25-Oct	Princeton vs Harvard Football, Princeton Stadium, Princeton, NJ
MCSC Event	31-Oct	2014 NJ Ski & Snowboard Expo, Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ

November

MCSC Event	7-Nov	Bowling, Hanover Lanes, 119 Rt. 10, E. Hanover, NJ
MCSC Meeting	11-Nov	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ (formal)
MCSC AAF	20-Nov	Thatcher McGee's, 53 Broadway, Denville, NJ
MCSC Meeting	25-Nov	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ (informal)

We need your ideas for upcoming events! !

Contact Karen Smith (vicepresident@morriscountyskiclub.com) if you are interested in running an event.



AAF - ALIVE AFTER FIVE'S



**OCTOBER'S "AAF"/ HAPPY HOUR-THE
GREEN KNOLL GRILLE**
645 RT 202/206
BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807
Phone: (908) 526-7090
www.greenknollgrille.net

Please come join us on **Thursday, October 9, 2014** at
The Green Knoll Grille for a fun-filled night!

We will have happy hour from 4:30-7:30, featuring \$1 off all drinks and \$6 for 32.oz pitchers of domestic beer. A bar menu is available for \$5.99 as well. Hopefully, we will be able to enjoy the spacious patio (weather permitting). The Green Knoll Grille has a full menu for those who wish to dine there. Please obtain a wristband when you arrive from the host/hostess station.

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

Directions

287 South Merge onto US 202/206 via Exit 17 on the left toward US 22 W - Somerville/Flemington. Take Commons Way exit toward Garretson Road. Make Left onto Commons Way Merge onto US 202N/206N toward I-287 N/ Morristown/ Netcong Grille is on your Left

287 North Merge onto US 22W via exit 14 B on the left toward US 202/Clinton/US 206 Continue to follow US 22W (1.8 miles) Merge onto US 202N/206N toward I-287 N/ Morristown/ Netcong Take left fork onto US 202/206N Continue to follow US 202N (1.0 mile) Grille is on your left

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MORRIS COUNTY SKI CLUB
NOVEMBER'S "AAF"/HAPPY HOUR AT Thatcher
McGee's
53 Broadway
Denville, NJ 07834
973-586-3377
www.thatchermcgee.com/denville/

Please come join us on **Thursday, November 20, 2014** to catch up with old and new friends. We will have happy hour from 4:00 until 6:00 with a dollar off all drinks. A hot buffet and passed sandwiches will be available from 4:00-7:00. A full dinner menu is available for those who wish to dine there. There will be live music starting around 10:00 for us to enjoy and relax. "Whether you're enjoying a Taste of Ireland in the comfort of our traditional thatched roof Irish cottage, or some American fare in the bar or dining room, we take pride in the privilege to be part of your lives."

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

Directions From Rte 80 West: Take I -80 West To Exit 39. Take the second right off the exit ramp (within approximately 100 yards. You have to make the right onto East Main – go to second light make a right onto Broadway. Thatcher's is towards the end of Broadway on the right side.

From Rte 80 East: Take exit 38 to route 46 east, then follow route 46 east directions below.

From Rte 46 West: After Sogo restaurant, turn right onto Bloomfield Ave - At the end of Bloomfield, stay straight onto Broadway and Thatcher's is on your left.

From Rte 46 EAST: After Burger King and near Wendys, take a left from the left lane. Cross the highway and turn right. Go straight at the light – Thatcher's is towards the end of Broadway on the right side.



Upcoming Events



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY DAY

October 18, 2014 Hours: 8:30am to 4:00pm

Dover, Morristown or Madison area in NJ ***To be determined 2 weeks prior to build date.**

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. The project is enclosed and projected to be finishing type work. This too may change. The date is open to 20 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. If you bring your own tools, please label them with your name.

Lunch: Lunch is $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Morris County Ski Club will underwrite the expense of pizza or other similar delivered meal. The group often convenes for snacks and libations on our own after a fun day at a watering hole to be named later.

Parking: Parking space may be limited at the work site, so carpooling is recommended for large groups. A designated carpooling site may be established closer to the date.

Restrooms: Porta-potty will be available for your comfort needs at the job site.

NO SMOKING PERMITTED ON WORKSITE

Sensible or safe shoes are required. Steel toes optional; **no sandals or open toed shoes.**

Contact trip leader Don
donlsmith@optonline.net or (973-727-6413) or
Marion A (1-845-304-0341)



Princeton vs. Harvard Football & Tailgating

Saturday, October 25, 2014



What would fall be without football and tailgating? Join the Morris County Ski Club for a fun day in Princeton on Saturday, October 25 to see the Princeton vs. Harvard game. We'll start with pre-game tailgating (this is where it gets serious) and then head over to the game to see which Ivy League team will prevail. Just saying Harvard or Princeton makes you feel smarter and the pre-game refreshments will give you that added boost.

Frank R, event leader, will secure space in the Powers Field parking lot for our tailgating party. General parking is \$10 per car and there are multiple lots available. Tickets to the game are also \$10 and can be purchased that day. Everyone pays their own way for this event.

You'll want to bring your own beverages and food to share for this event. Frank will coordinate the

food with everyone who signs up. Throw in a chair if you plan on sitting during the pre game festivities. Friends of members are welcome. Please let Frank know if you plan to attend.

The Details:

Date: Saturday, October 25, 2014

Meeting Time: Any time after 9:30 a.m.

Game Time: 1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10 General Parking; \$10 Game Ticket - pay on your own

Location: Princeton Stadium, Princeton University

Event Leader: Frank R. RTS2300@aol.com ; 973.610.1980 (cell)

Website: <http://www.princeton.edu/parking>
<http://www.goprincetontigers.com>

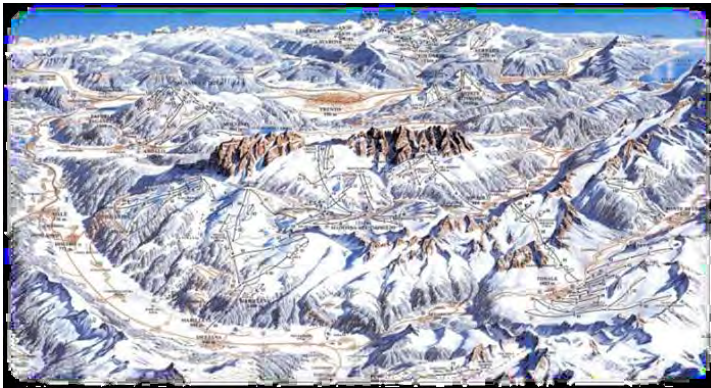




Upcoming Ski Trips

Italy Ski Trip 2015

January 23 to February 2



The European Ski Trip is to **Madonna di Campiglio in Italy**, with a 2 night extension in **Florence** and stop in **Bologna** on the way.

We fly on Swiss Air from Newark (a United Star Alliance partner) with flights from Newark to Milan via Zurich and Florence via Zurich back to Newark. With Swiss Air- "skis fly free".

Madonna di Campiglio is about a 3 hour Bus ride from Milan Airport.

In **Madonna di Campiglio**, we will be staying at the 4 Star **Hotel Miramonti** and included are a daily breakfast and daily dinner. The hotel is located in the center of town and very close to the ski lifts.

We will be skiing in the area known as the Dolomiti di Berenta which includes the Valleys of Val Rendena (our valley) and the Val di Sole. There are 90 miles of trails and a 5,400 vertical drop with 61 lifts (that includes 17 gondolas, 34 chairs and 10 drag lifts). There are 100 Trails with a breakdown of 45 blue, 37 red and 18 black.

Twenty-two mountain restaurants with beautiful views await you.

The town of Madonna di Campiglio is a beautiful mountain ski town. It has many shops, restaurants, bars and night spots. All walking distance from our hotel. A day trip to Trento may be in your plans.

After 7 nights in the Dolomites, we leave for Florence, which is about 5 hours away. To break up the travel day, we will stop in **Bologna** for a 3 hour break for lunch and exploration. In the Bologna historic center, medieval palaces are clustered around two central piazzas flanked by the churches of San Petronio and San Domenico. The University of Bologna is the oldest in Europe.

Arriving in **Florence**, we will check into our hotel, **The Grand Hotel Mediterraneo** for 2 nights. On Sunday, we will have a 2 hour walking tour of Florence with an English speaking guide. Or just explore on your own. Florence is considered the center of the Renaissance with the artistic and cultural reawakening in the 15th century. Climb up the dome on the massive Duomo, stroll across Ponte Vecchio spanning the Arno River, view fine art at the famous Uffizi Gallery or just wander around Piazza della Signoria.

We have an afternoon flight (2:40 PM) out of Florence on Monday and will arrive back in New Jersey on Monday night at 8:25 PM.

We have only 26 spots reserved for this journey, so act fast. Another Ski Club has asked to join with us but MCSC Members will have 1st priority during the 1st month on sale.

Cindy H. will be our Trip Leader and can be contacted at clhumphrey@yahoo.com.

Cost is estimated at \$2,250, double occupancy, and is **ON SALE** starting at the **June 10th Meeting** with initial payment of \$500.



Big Sky Montana



March 7-14, 2015
Price- \$1,950.00

We will be flying direct on United Airlines from Newark, NJ, to Bozeman, Montana, with a 9:00 AM flight on Saturday March 7th and returning to Newark on Saturday March 14th at 7:07 PM. All transfers to/from hotel included.

Staying 7 nights at the Huntley Lodge, right at the base of the mountain. SKI IN, SKI OUT LOCATION! Great hotel with a big outdoor heated pool and hot tubs. AND, the famous Huntley buffet breakfast with chefs preparing you omelets and other goodies. Price includes a 5 of 6 day lift ticket to Big Sky and Moonlight Basin. Ski on 5,750 acres of mixed terrain receiving 400 inches of snow annually. Ski from the 11,166 foot summit down the 4,366 foot vertical.

This is a Destination Resort and has Yellowstone National Park a short distance away.

Only 36 Spots available!

The first payment required to sign up is \$500 and then payments of \$500 due by August 12 and October 28, and the final payment of \$450 by December 9.

You must be a member of the Morris County Ski Club to attend this trip. Please email our Trip Leader Beth Hyslip at bdh835@hotmail.com to

get information on the trip, see if spots are available or get on the wait list



For more information regarding the Ski Expo, NJSSC ski trips or any other deals, visit: www.njssc.org



NJ Ski & Snowboard Council News

Nancy M.

It is time to start gearing up for the 2014-2015 ski season! Early weather predictions are calling for another snowy winter. Mark your calendar for the 2014 NJ Ski & Snowboard Expo scheduled for October 31st. We are fortunate again to have the expo right here at the Hanover Marriott in Whippany, NJ. You can participate in drawings for lift tickets and other goodies, or just stroll the floor for free items such as trail maps, beer cozies and shopping bags to put it all in. Live music later in the evening always adds to the fun.



Past Events

Point Pleasant Bike Ride

By Paul V.



Although most weekend days this past summer have been dry the Point Pleasant Bike Ride originally scheduled for August 2 was postponed. The new date was Saturday September 13. This was the first time the ride was scheduled after Labor Day and there were some notable differences. First there was a lot less traffic on the road. Second there was plenty of free parking near Ridsen's bath house. We did not have to pay the \$25.00 parking fee or search for a spot. Third there was not a cover charge at the Tiki Bar during lunch time.

The weather forecast was not great for the afternoon the morning was supposed to be dry so the decision was made to hold the ride as scheduled. While it definitely was not a great beach day it turned out to be a nice day for a ride (cloudy and cool although there was a bit of a breeze).

A total of 12 turned out for the ride and we departed exactly on schedule

(10:00 AM). The whole group rode together for the first 10 miles. This took us along the Manasquan Bike Path to Allaire State Park. At this point 4 people headed back to complete the 20 mile ride while 8 of us continued on for the 34 mile ride. Although we may have had a couple breaks of sun early it was very cloudy for most of the ride. We finished the ride around 1:30 and managed to stay dry. No rain at all during the ride. Success.

After the ride we gathered at Martel's Tiki Bar for lunch where it finally started to rain. We were able to find tables with umbrellas so we were able to stay dry. By the time we finished lunch the rain had started to increase and those of us who had to walk back to our cars got a bit wet. Regardless it was a successful day as we were able to enjoy a nice bike ride prior to any rain.



arching through the sky like shooting stars. For some, another welcoming sight was the beer cart as it made its rounds of the course during the event.

After all of the foursomes were done, many of the participant gathered at the Thirsty Turtle for beverages, tasty eats, and some laughs as they recounted the evening.

Glow Golf Event: FORE!!!

By Nancy M.

On the beautiful early autumn evening of September 26th, twenty MCSC members and guests experienced a truly "enlightening" event. Using only flashlights, glow sticks and golf balls that lit up upon impact, the group played nine holes of golf at the Pinch Brook Golf Course in Florham Park.

The group met in the upstairs snack bar in the club house where two glow golf balls and glow jewelry were issued to the participants. At the signal, all of the foursomes headed out into the dark to their designated start holes. After hitting, you had about ten minutes to get to your ball before the light went out. Some folks thought they played better in the dark because it was easier to find their glow balls in the tall weeds.

To keep up the pace of play, everyone in their foursome dropped their golf balls in the spot where the best shot landed. As the game got underway, it was fun to watch lit-up golf balls





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