



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



September! The unofficial end of summer. Back to school-- for some.... Back to two (2) MCSC meetings per month for all of us! Yes, beginning this month we resume the schedule of a formal meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month - in a conference room at the Hanover Marriott -- beginning at 7:30pm and an informal meeting in the lobby area of the hotel on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month - from 7-8pm.

Are you ready for the Fall and Winter events/trips that are planned? Do you want to hear which mountains will be included in the NJSSC discount ticket program or Pocono Card? The best way to hear about upcoming trips/events and discounts is to be at the meetings. And... to ensure you are receiving the most current information - please be sure your Yahoo account has your correct email address. If you are a MCSC member and are not receiving club emails - please contact Barbara

G - our Membership Director. We do not have the ability to change any personal information on your Yahoo account - you need to do this. The MCSC Yahoo site is a great way to communicate with other MCSC members - especially on those snow days - to find skiing buddies.

So... between now and when it's time to hit the slopes there are so many things planned... Night golf, biking, hiking, bowling, NJSSC Ski Expo, volunteering for Habitat for Humanity, Fall food drive, bell ringing for Salvation Army, Holiday AAF/Toys for "Teens" collection ... to name a few. And don't forget our monthly AAF's ( Alive After Five - Happy Hours)! Check the event calendar for more details. Is there an event you would like to add to the calendar? Contact Karen S - our VP. We are always looking for new suggestions and new event leaders.

I hope to see you soon!

Helen



## SKI DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Ladies and Gents,

Sad to say the summer is over and we're all back to school or work or not. I prefer the "not" but that's just my opinion. So time to enjoy the northeast in the autumn and start thinking "snow".

With snow in mind, if you are not already on the roster for either of our week longs, or both, as some are, please contact our trip leaders for wait list info. Cindy Humphrey, for Madonna di Campiglio in Italy, this January and Beth Hyslip, for Big Sky in Montana in March. Both trips will be excellent and big fun.

For the long weekend, do you prefer staying in Utah maybe in Ogden this year? Or maybe back to Colorado in Breckenridge? Let me know and step forward to run this event. Myra McGinley did a great job stepping up last year.

Already we're getting info on ski club discounts and a few January day trips are being scheduled. So the snow will need to be scheduled also.

Your Ski Director,  
Ed



## MCSC Calendar Upcoming Meetings and Events as of 9/1/2014

### September

MCSC AAF	5-Sep	Pure, Holiday Inn, 707 US Highway 46, Parsippany, NJ
MCSC Meeting	9-Sep	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ (formal)
MCSC Event	13-Sep	Pt. Pleasant Beach Bike Ride, Pt. Pleasant, NJ (rescheduled from August)
MCSC Meeting	23-Sep	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ (informal)
MCSC Event	26-Sep	Glow Golf, Pinch Brook Golf Course, 234 Ridgedale Ave, Florham Park, NJ

### 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 Meeting	21-Oct	Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ (informal)
MCSC Event	31-Oct	2014 NJ Ski & Snowboard Expo, Hanover Marriott, Route 10, E. Hanover, NJ

We need your ideas for upcoming events! !

Contact Karen Smith ([vicepresident@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto: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](http://www.greenknollgrille.net)

### SEPTEMBER'S "AAF"/HAPPY HOUR - PURE

707 US Highway 46  
Parsippany, NJ 07054  
973.331.7873

(Located in the Holiday Inn/Formerly Harold's Deli)

It is time to put away the beach chairs, towels and suntan lotion and head to our fall happy hour on **Friday, September 5, 2014.**

This upscale, contemporary restaurant and bar is delighted to host our fall AAF so come enjoy some delicious drinks, good times and share summer stories with fellow and new members. Happy hour will be from 4:00-7:00. Half price drinks will be available as well as amazing appetizers specials. Pure offers a full menu of American and Asian infusion inspired cuisine for those who would like to dine there. There will be a DJ starting around 9:00 so get those dancing shoes ready!

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

**DIRECTIONS: From Rt. 80 East:** Take Exit 45, South Beverwyck Road. At the end of ramp, make a left, go over Rt. 80 and make a right at the next light onto Rt. 46 East. At the next light, make a right into the Holiday Inn/ PURE restaurant parking lot.

**From Rt. 80 West:** Take Exit 47, Rt. 46 West. Go thru the next light and make the first right into the shopping plaza (just past the Wendy's). Make a right after Wendy's and go thru the light, crossing over Rt. 46, into the Holiday Inn/ PURE Restaurant parking lot.

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](mailto: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

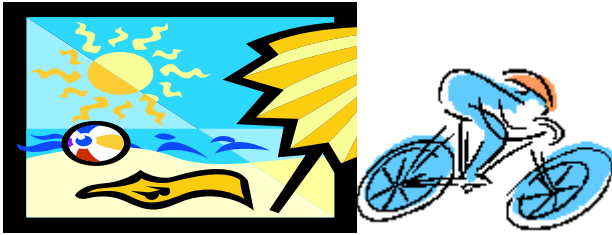
287 North Merge onto US 22W via exit 14 B on the left toward US 202/Clinton/US 206 Continue to follow US 22W (1.8 miles) Merge onto US 202N/206N toward I-287 N/ Morristown/ Netcong Take left fork onto US 202/206N Continue to follow US 202N (1.0 mile) Grille is on your left

[www.morriscountyskiclub.com](http://www.morriscountyskiclub.com)



## Upcoming Events

### Beach Bike Ride



## RESCHEDULED September 13<sup>th</sup>

Join the Morris County Ski Club on Saturday, September 13th, for an annual favorite — our mid-summer beach bike ride in Point Pleasant, NJ.

Begin the day with a choice of two bike rides — 15 or 35 miles — riding on flat, lightly-traveled roads to Allaire State Park (and beyond). We'll start and finish at Ridsen's Beach & Bath House, from which are plenty of options for post-ride festivities. Once the ride is done we'll hit the beach; lunch and boardwalk activities are all within walking distance from this seaside hot spot.

Ridsen's lockers and showers are available for easy cleanup post-beach (Cost is under \$20.00, and also includes a badge for a day on the beach). Those not doing the ride who want to meet up on the beach should sit somewhere between Ridsen's and the water.

And what would an MCSC event be without happy hour? We'll meet at the Patio Bar on Channel Drive for libations, music and a water view. There is no group dinner for this event, so make dinner and evening plans while on the beach and at happy hour. Can't do the whole day? Then pick the parts of the day when you can join us.

#### DETAILS:

- Meeting time: 8:30 AM. Bike rides will roll at 9:00 AM sharp. Cue sheets will be provided.
- Please make sure your bikes are in good working order. Helmets are required; bring plenty of water and a spare tube.
- Start point will be from Ridsen's Beach & Bathhouse, Ocean & Trenton Aves., Pt. Pleasant.

• Remember that meters are in effect 24/7. All-day parking in Ridsen's lot is about \$25.00; if you arrive early (say 7:30 AM or so), you can find free parking on the side streets away from the beach.

• The Patio Bar is located at 101 Channel Drive (next to Jack Baker's Wharfside Restaurant) in Pt. Pleasant. For directions, visit their website at [www.wharfsidenj.com](http://www.wharfsidenj.com) or call 732.892.9100.

**DIRECTIONS TO RISDEN'S BEACH & BATHHOUSE:** GSP South to Exit 98, to Route 34 South. Take 34 South to Route 35 South. Cross the Brielle Bridge over the Manasquan River and continue about 0.5 mile to Arnold Ave. Make a left onto Arnold Ave. and go 0.8 miles to Ocean Ave. Make a right onto Ocean Ave.; Ridsen's is 0.2 miles on the left.

To sign up (so we know to look for you), or for more information, contact Judee at [jude802@optonline.net](mailto:jude802@optonline.net).

If you are interested in overnight accommodations, visit

the Point Pleasant web site at

<http://www.pointpleasantbeach.com/hotels.htm>





**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.**

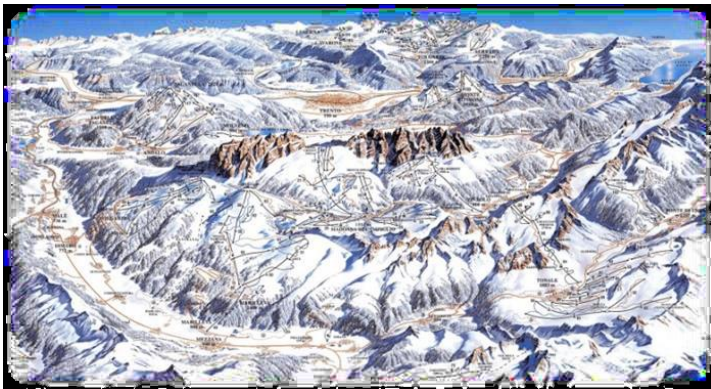
Contact trip leader Don [donlsmith@optonline.net](mailto:donlsmith@optonline.net) or (973-727-6413) or Marion A (1-845-304-0341)



## 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 [clumphrey@yahoo.com](mailto:clumphrey@yahoo.com).

**Cost is estimated at \$2,250, double occupancy**, and is **ON SALE** starting at the **June 10<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:bdh835@hotmail.com) to

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





put it all in. Live music later in the evening always adds to the fun.

For more information regarding the Ski Expo, NJSSC ski trips or any other deals, visit: [www.njssc.org](http://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 31<sup>st</sup>. 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



# Ski Tales

Morris County Ski Club  
Newsletter  
September 2014

## MCSC Board Members

**President**           Helen McLaughlin  
[president@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto:president@morriscountyskiclub.com)

**Vice President**     Karen Smith  
[vicepresident@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto:vicepresident@morriscountyskiclub.com)

**Secretary**           Lisa Margolis  
[secretary@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto:secretary@morriscountyskiclub.com)

**Treasurer**           Herb Imbornoni  
[treasurer@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto:treasurer@morriscountyskiclub.com)

**Ski Director**        Ed Tideman  
[skidirector@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto:skidirector@morriscountyskiclub.com)

**Membership Director**   Barbara Gallo  
[membership@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto:membership@morriscountyskiclub.com)

## MCSC Committee Members

**AAF Coordinator**    Lisa Margolis  
[aliveafterfive@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto:aliveafterfive@morriscountyskiclub.com)

**NJSC Rep**            Nancy McLaughlin  
[skirep@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto:skirep@morriscountyskiclub.com)

***Ski Tales* Editor**    Elle Bisignano  
[skitales@morriscountyskiclub.com](mailto:skitales@morriscountyskiclub.com)

**Web Master**         Beth Hyslip  
[bdh835@hotmail.com](mailto:bdh835@hotmail.com)