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The Good Times





Club Mixer/Meeting at The Haven Thursday, February 15 at 7pm

We are right in the middle of our winter season and are hoping Punxsutawney Phil says six more weeks of winter!! (YEA or NAY?!) THINK SNOW!! Our February Mixer/Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 15 at 7pm at the Haven. Located at the bottom of Southmont Blvd, the Haven has been a favorite Johnstown neighborhood bar for many years. For our monthly mixers, no need to call, just show up and have a good time! Refer to page 3.



President's Message...

Hi All,

Hope everyone survived the rollercoaster temps we had in January. As with the temps, skiing conditions have been up and down as well. I did manage to get 4 or 5 days of cross country skiing in the last few weeks. The forecast for the next few weeks looks like a more normal weather pattern with some snow, so get out and enjoy.

We have a lot of good events planned for the February, both inside and out. Hope you can make them. If you plan on skiing, please take advantage of the club discounts (check out **page 6**). Please call me, Bob Snoby or Annette Kamzik if you need tickets. Be safe out there. See ya on the slopes.

Harry

Dates to Remember....



Feb 2: Happy Hour

The Boulevard Grill

Feb 3: "Ski (Cross-Country / Snowshoe)/

Hike/ Bike & Fire"

Paul Balint's home @ Indian Lake

RSVP by Feb 1

Feb 4: Cross-Country / Snowshoe/Hike Outing

Top of Ligonier MT RSVP by Feb 3

Feb 15: Club Mixer/Meeting

Haven

Feb 18: Club Dinner

Fuji Steakhouse (The Galleria)

RSVP by Feb 14

Feb 22: Special Happy Hour

B&L Winery

Mar 2: Happy Hour

Windber Hotel

Mar 3: Penguins Game Bus trip

Pittsburgh

RSVP by Feb 1

Mar 4: Cross -Country / Snowshoe Outing/Hike

Laurel Mountain

RSVP by March 3

Mar 10: Winter Outing

Windber Country Club

RSVP by March 7

Mar 17: Adult Bus trip to Pittsburgh for

St. Patrick 's Day / Rivers Casino

RSVP by February 25

April 21: Spring Party [SAVE this DATE]

The Boulevard





Ski Discounts....

We are in the middle of ski season! Hope you are taking advantage of all the ski discounts from are four local ski resorts. All Skiers and Boarders, check out the attached flyer on page 6 for all the updated information on our ski discounts. (Discounts are subject to change).





Friday, February 2 at 6 pm <u>Happy Hour</u> at The Boulevard Grill

Join club members to celebrate "Groundhog Day" (hopefully that groundhog sees its shadow!) at our February Happy Hour at The Boulevard Grill on Southmont Blvd at 6pm. Come and compare ski stories (over and over and over) so far this season. No need to call ahead. Just relax after the long work week, and enjoy the company of your fellow ski club members.

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Saturday, February 3 at 11am—5pm "Ski (Cross-Country/Snowshoe)/ Hike/Bike & Fire" at Paul Balint's Home at Indian Lake

RSVP by Thursday, February 1

Join club Trustee Paul Balint on Saturday, February 3 from 11am to 5pm for a day of fun and food at the Lake. Paul has generously offered to hold his first (hopefully annual) "Ski (Cross-Country/Snowshoe) & Fire" afternoon for the club this winter at his home at 164 Mohawk Path at Indian lake.

We always have a great time at his summer picnic, so Paul is organizing this outing for the winter. He has plenty of land to go cross-country skiing or snowshoeing. If no snow, there are biking and hiking trails nearby. He will have the camp fire burning. If you plan to attend, please bring a potluck covered dish — something warm like chili or soup (open for any other suggestions) to share (along with serving utensils). Paul will have at least three crock pots available. It will be food grab 'n go with skiing whenever you wish.

Call Paul at 814.754-4257 or email at pbilake.ski@gmail.com [note: new email address] by Thursday February 1 to let him know you are coming and for directions to his place. If you need to rent skis, contact Ski Den in Richland (814.266.7669).

Sunday, February 4 at 1pm Cross-Country Outing/Hike on Top of Ligonier Mt



RSVP by Saturday, February 3

This month, group leader AJ Stumpo's February cross-county outing will be at the top of Ligonier Mountain on Route 271 towards Ligonier. Join AJ Stumpo at 1:pm on Sunday, February 4. Meet him in the parking lot on the right side of the road. Bring your two-way radio and set it to 6.0. If no snow, he will lead a short hike on the hiking trail. Call AJ at 814.255.7079 to let him know you will be coming and for directions. People who want to snowshoe are welcome.

If you need rentals, contact **Ski Den Sports** (814.266.7669) on 1231 Scalp Ave (Richland) for your cross-country rentals.



Thursday, February 15 at 7pm Club Mixer/Meeting at The Haven

Our February Club Mixer/Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 15, at 7pm at the Haven. Located at 117 Langhorne Avenue (at the bottom of Southmont Blvd), the Haven has been a favorite Johnstown neighborhood bar for many years. We will have the ski vouchers for our local ski resorts (Seven Springs, Hidden Valley and Laurel Mt.) available at the meeting.

Sunday, February 18 at 5:30pm <u>Club Dinner</u> at Fuji Japanese Restaurant



RSVP by February 14

If you did not get to go out for dinner on Valentine's Day, you are in luck. Join us for our Club Dinner at Fuji Japanese Steakhouse Restaurant at The Galleria Mall in Richland at 5:30om. It has been a while since we have been there so we are looking forward to going back. We will be at the hibachi table(s) which makes dining an experience and very entertaining. You can order off the menu. Call Secretary Vicki Snoby at 814.539.3490 to reserve your seat by February 14. Due to these tables, seating will be limited.

Thursday, February 22 at 5pm Special Happy Hour at B&L Winery

It is Thursday, so that means it is B&L Winery's Happy Hour. Meet with Club Treasurer Judy Adams on Thursday, February 22 at 5pm at the B&L Winery located at 900 Broad Street in the Cambria City section of Johnstown. This event is very casual and it gets crowded early. Seating is limited. You can bring your own food to munch on. Come early. Any questions, call Judy at 814.536.1622.

Friday, March 2 at 6 pm Happy Hour at Windber Hotel

March Happy Hour is at the Windber Hotel on Friday, March 2 at 6 pm. Windber Hotel has always proven to be a popular site for our club due to their hospitality and quaint old atmosphere. Windber Hotel is located at 502 15th Street in Windber. You can buy your ticket for the Spring Fling that night. Join your fellow club members and ease into the weekend at this Happy Hour.

As always for our Happy Hours, no need to call ahead, just show up, relax, be patient, don't forget to tip your wait staff, and just enjoy the evening!



Saturday, March 3 at 2pm Penguins vs. NY Islanders Hookey Game Bus Trip

<u>Hockey Game Bus Trip</u>

RSVP by February 1



Since we will not have a group to fill a bus to a Penguin game, we checked and McIlwain's Bus Company (1551 Ferndale Ave) is having a bus trip on March 3rd to the Penguin game at PPG Arena in Pittsburgh. Cost is \$145 which includes ticket (section 223 or 233) and bus transportation. Bus driver's tip is extra. Bus leaves at 2pm, game starts at 5pm, returning approximately 10pm.

Contact Pat at McIlwain's at 814.288.2287 before February 1 to sign up. \$100 deposit due at sign up. Balance of \$45 due before 2/19. Let Pat know you are with the ski club and she will seat us together on the bus. Seating is limited, so sign up ASAP. Let's go PENS!

Sunday, March 4 at 1pm Cross-Country Outing/Snowshoe/Hike at Laurel Mt

RSVP by Saturday, March 3

Since we had fantastic snow conditions at Laurel Mt at our first outing in January, hopefully the snow will be just as good for us to return on March 4. Meet Leader AJ Stumpo at the Warming Hut on Laurel Summit Road at 1pm. If weather does not cooperate, we will do a hike.

Call AJ at 814.255.7079 to let him know you will be coming and for directions. People who want to snowshoe are welcome.

Saturday, March 10 at 2pm "Winter Outing" Day at Windber Country Club



RSVP by Wednesday, March 7

This outing originally scheduled in January is now scheduled for March 10. (Spring is not for another 10 days.) President Harry Graham has invited us to join members of the Windber Country Club for their family "Winter Outing" Day on Saturday, March 10 (with or without snow) at the Windber Country Club. Bring your family for sledding, snowshoeing, and cross-country. Harry will have Ski Den's snowshoes and cross-country demos to try out. The cost is \$10 which includes food and entertainment. A bond fire will be outside to roast marshmallows. Call Harry at 814.242.2722 by Wednesday March 7 for more info and to rsvp.



Thursday, March 15 at 7pm <u>Club Mixer / Meeting</u> [1st round of officers' nominations] at The Alibi

This month's Mixer is at **The Alibi on Thursday, March 15 at 7pm.** Plan to attend this <u>very</u> important mixer!

This mixer is a two-fold event. First, it is a regular Club Mixer. Second, it is our first of two rounds of nominations for officers for the club's 40th anniversary year! Be there to nominate the club members you feel are best qualified for the job and also to accept the nomination if you are one of those members. If you cannot make it to this mixer and want to nominate someone or nominate yourself, please let an officer know. [We promise you will not have to make a speech.] Our final round of nominations will be at the April Mixer with the election at the May Mixer.

Alibi is located at 1424 Scalp Avenue in Richland (beside Market Basket). Mark you calendar now and plan to attend!!

Saturday, March 17 at 7am Adult Bus Trip to Pittsburgh To Piver Casino & St. Patrick



To River Casino & St. Patrick's Day Parade

RSVP ASAP or no later than Sunday, February 25

The club has organized an adult bus trip to Pittsburgh on Saturday, March 17 to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in the Burgh! The Lodestar bus trip is \$25. The bus will leave Johnstown at 7am. We will be dropped off at the Rivers Casino at the North Shore (near Heinz Field). At the Casino, you will get \$15 of Free Slot Play (you must be or become a Rewards Player's Club member). From The River Casino, it is a short walk to The "T"'s (Pittsburgh's Light Rail subway) Allegheny Station near Heinz Field and ride to Downtown for free. The St. Patrick's Day Parade (which is the 2nd largest St. Patrick's Day Parade in the world) starts at 10am. Or you are on your own to explore the city. The bus will leave the Casino between 4-5pm to return to Johnstown.

We need 30 people to make this trip a go (otherwise we will have to cancel)! The bus trip is opened to your friends and family (21 years or older). So tell them about this special bus trip. Bring you own snacks (to share) and BYOB. RSVP to President Harry Graham with our payment by Sunday, February 25. Contact/text Harry at 814.242.2722 to sign up.

Wednesday, March 21 at 5pm <u>Ladies' Night Out</u> at Back Door Café



RSVP by Thursday, March 15

Ladies, join Vice-President Annette Kamzik on Wednesday, March 21 at 5pm (their Happy Hour starts at 5pm for their signature martinis) when we return to the Back Door Café, located at 402 Chestnut Street in the Cambria City section of Johnstown. You actually enter thru the back door, which is on 4th Avenue. Specials will be offered on wine and those great cosmos, and the food is terrific. With seating limited, be sure to call Annette at 814.536.7325 by March 15 to reserve your seat. Have a night out and join us!

Sorry guys, this event is for ladies only.

Wednesday, March 21 at 6pm Men's Night Out at Solomon Run Fireman's Club



RSVP by Monday, March 15

Why should the gals be the only ones to have their special night out?? Gentlemen, join President Harry Graham for our Guy's Night Out at 6pm at Solomon Run Fireman's Club located at 186 Mt.Airy Drive (the place where we have our Summer picnic). With the "Battle of the Sexes", we will see who has the bigger attendance (the gals or the guys)! You must contact Harry by texting or calling 814.242.2722 to RSVP.

Sorry gals, this event is for guys only,

Sunday, March 25 at 5:30pm Club Dinner - Smoked BBQ Buffet Dinner at Pappy's

RSVP by Saturday, March 17

If you missed this superb club dinner at Pappy's last winter, you are in luck— we are returning to Pappy's for our March club dinner for their Smoked BBQ Buffet Dinner. Pappy's is located at 1020 Eisenhower Blvd in Richland.

Pappy's Dixie Smoker meats are their specialty. Cost is \$20/person which includes tax and gratuity. CASH ONLY! Exact change appreciated. Buffet will include 3 meats (Smoked Ham, Pulled Pork, and a choice of Chicken leg/thigh quarter or Chicken breast/wing quarter), potato wedges, halushki, coleslaw, baked beans, veggie platter with ranch dip, slider rolls, coffee, hot/iced tea with mixed fried dough for dessert. Cash Bar for other beverages (glass and pitchers available). RSVP by Saturday, March 17 to VP Annette Kamzik at 814.536.7325.

And a Good Time was had by All.....

Happy Hour at The Garden Pub & Grill on Friday, January 5:

Even though the weather was bitter, bitter cold that evening, we had twenty-eight hardy club members braving the bitter cold temperatures and came out for our January Happy Hour at The Garden Pub & Grill which club member Laura Mikesic is an owner. With this Happy Hour being right after the holidays, the discussion was what Santa got us for Christmas (*Bob and Vicki Snoby must have been very good this past year!*). We celebrated Harry Graham's and Terry Naworal's birthday with a cake that Sue Graham brought. Birthday gal Terry Naworal was very lucky that evening.

Cross-Country / Snowshoe Outing at Laurel Mountain on Sunday, January 7:

Our first Cross-Country /Snowshoe Outing was an enjoyable winter outing with four people (group leader AJ Stumpo, Ann and John McGarth, and Joanne Urban) cross-country skiing and three people (Darlene Dilla, Annette Kamzik, and Vivian Ohs) on snowshoes. The sunny weather was perfect along with the snow. We saw club members Paul Balint who was on his first day volunteering at the Warming Hut and Sue Lee who is a Nordic Ski Patroller at Laurel Mountain.

...Thanks to club member AJ Stumpo for organizing this outing.

Club Mixer/Meeting at TnC's Lounge on Thursday, January 18:

No matter what the weather, our TnC's Mixers have always had a big turn-out. And this time, it was no exception with 35 members attending. With great service (waiter Tom was excellent!), we took over their back room and enjoyed their great food. **Annette Kamzik** was very lucky that night. Thanks to owners Terry and Chuck of TNC's for their great hospitality! We always have a great time there.

Tomahawks Hockey Game at 1st SUMMIT ARENA @ Cambria County War Memorial on Friday, January 19:

We had 13 people go to the Tomahawks Hockey game. With good seats (near the opponent goalie net and near Rayne's BBQ), we were able to watch the Tomahawks beat the Philadelphia Rebels currently sitting in first place in the East Division. It was great to see club member **Marty Silverman** joining us.

...Thanks to **VP Annette Kamzik** for organizing the outing.

Did You KNOW ??

If you sign up for an event and cannot attend, please be considerate and let the group leader know ASAP that you will not be attending. Otherwise the leader group will be waiting for you and that event will be set up for a incorrect amount of attendees.

Please be considerate on events with RSVP dates. Notify the Group leader <u>before</u> the RSVP date if you will be attending. If you do not sign up before the rsvp date, the event may have to be cancelled due to lack of response. Please check the newsletter for RSVP deadlines.

Our Deepest Sympathy...

To Club member **Andrea Nosko** ... on the passing of her mother.

To Club members AJ and Kathy Stumpo ... on the passing of his father.

Get Well Wishes...

To Club member Mary Jane Verbiar.



Glad you are home and are feeling better!







LIFT TICKET & SKI DISCOUNTS FOR 2017-2018 JOHNSTOWN SKI CLUB MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Blue Knob Ski Resort - www.blueknob.com - 1 800-458-3403

❖ Monday, Tuesday, and/or Thursday – \$25 Open to Close Lift Ticket Need to show 2017-18 Ski Club Membership Card and ID at Ticket Sales.

Hidden Valley Ski Resort – www.hiddenvalleyresort.com – 814-443-8000

WEDNESDAY - \$26 Open to Close Lift ticket – NEED VOUCHER Voucher needed for each Wednesday

<u>Please Note</u>: For Vouchers contact, Harry Graham 814 242-2722, Bob Snoby 814 539-3490, or Annette Kamzik 814 536-7325

Need to show 2017-18 Ski Club Membership Card and ID at Ticket Sales Window

Laurel Mt. Ski Resort – www.laurelmountainski.com – 888-547-3388

❖ THURSDAY \$26 Session 10 AM – 9 PM – NEED VOUCHER Voucher needed for each Thursday

<u>Please Note</u>: For Vouchers contact Harry 814 242-2722, Bob 814 539-3490, or Annette 536-7325 Need to show 2017-18 Ski Club Membership Card and ID at Ticket Sales Window

Seven Springs Mt. Resort - www.7springs.com - 800-452-2223

❖ MONDAY TWILIGHT - \$30 Session 1 pm - 9 pm. - Holiday Mondays \$42 (1pm - 10pm)
NEED VOUCHER - Present voucher at Ticket Sales.

Voucher needed for each Monday Twilight Session.

<u>Please Note</u>: For Vouchers contact Harry 814 242-2722, Bob 814 539-3490, or Annette 536-7325 <u>Does not include 3% Amusement Tax</u>

- <u>Like2Ski Sunday Twilight Session</u> (1pm 9pm) & <u>Holiday Monday Day Session</u>: <u>Lift Ticket</u>: \$50 <u>Rentals</u>: Skis \$30 Snowboards \$30 <u>Lessons</u>: \$20
- ❖ Contact Colleen Ley. Email: crley4ski@gmail.com

or last minute ONLY text 724 683-1683

Note: Meet in the Seven Springs ski lodge to the right of the cafeteria by the guest service area between 12 & 12:30. Look for the "Like2Sk" i sign. FYI - with your group lift ticket you get free ski/board check. All payments cash or check only. Prices include amusement tax.

Check out www.SKIPA.COM for discounts and deals at PA ski resorts including local resorts.



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