December 2020

# The Good Times

Member Western Pa. Ski Council Http://www.johnstownskiclub.com



# Dates to Remember:

## President's Message...

Hello All,

I would like to thank all who attended the Kickoff party. We had a small crowd which was to be expected due to CO-VID concerns. I had asked that everyone wear masks during the event, and I was pleased that we had 99% follow the rules. Aces did a great job with the food service and maintaining the distancing required. Another thanks to the Desperados whose great music had members dancing from the beginning to the end of the night. Because Ace's is a big venue, members were able to spread out and stay with their pods. I would like to thank all the officers and those who donated baskets. All the planning and donations helped to make this event a success.

As you know we have canceled the Christmas party this year. (*See page 2.*) It was the prudent thing to do considering the uptake with corona virus in our region. We will be back next year bigger and better.

We are now beginning the holiday season which will be much different for all of us. My wish for all of you is to stay safe and healthy, enjoy life and celebrate within you family pods. Be thankful for what you have. I will look forward to seeing all your smiling faces on the other side. Wishing all our members Happy Holidays:







# A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM SKI CLUB PRESIDENT

Greetings Ski Club Members,

Due to the recent rise of co-vid cases in and Blair counties and the Cambria approaching Holiday season it has been decided by the board that we will not be holding the Christmas social this year. We cannot rightly justify bringing a large group of people together and risking the safety of members families. our and Please understand this decision was not an easy one but one that had to be made in this time of uncertainty. Hopefully, this spring will bring a safer environment in which we can get together again. The club will continue to pursue other "outdoor" activities this winter. Please stay informed through your newsletter and social media.

Thank you all for your understanding and have a safe holiday season.

#### Bob

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2020-215ki Discounts....



As of press time, **Blue Knob** ski resort, again this season, is able to give ski discounts for our members and their family! <u>DO NOT misplace</u> your membership card. *You need it for you club ski discount*!



## Blue Knob Ski Resort -

www.blueknob.com - 1 800-458-3403

Monday, Tuesday, and/or Thursday
\$30, Open to Close Lift Ticket

Need to show 2020-21 Ski Club Membership Card and ID at Ticket Sales.



We will update our Discount List as soon as we get updates and/or more information. Discounts are subject to change.









The club would like to welcome all our new members. We currently have 175 members. We look forward to seeing you at upcoming events. Thanks for joining our club!



Being a club member you have access to great group ski trips. Since we are members of the Western Pa Ski Council (WPSC), check

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out <u>wpaskicouncil.com</u> web site for info and updates on Council events and other ski club's ski trips and activities. Some clubs such as Pittsburgh ski club (i.e. Copper Mt CO, Telluride CO, and Banff Canada) and Erie ski club (Winter Park CO) open their 2021 trips to WPSC members.

#### WPSC 2021 Ski Trips:

#### Jan 24-29, 2021: Whiteface/Lake Placid

Feb 27-Mar 6, 2021: <u>Powder Morreach</u> Snow Basin, UT.

Also we are members of **National Ski Council Federation (NSCF).** The WPSC is one of 29 ski councils that make up the NSCF. Check out their web site (<u>www.skifederation.org</u>) or their Facebook page. It lists great discount benefits on travel, ski shops, soft goods, and more.



Check out the web site <u>www.SkiPA.com</u> for current discounts, resort info, and deals (on their "Deals" page) at PA ski resorts including our local resorts. In the past, some of the deals were:

- 4th & 5th Grader Snowpass Program.
   4th and 5th graders can ski free
   Cancelled for 2020- 21season
- 2. First Time Ski/Snowboard Program Offers.
- 3. \$5 off midweek lift ticket.
- 5. 55 OII IIIUWEEK III UCKEL
- 4. Discounts at PA ski resorts.

Follow them on their Facebook page: @ GoSkiPA for **current deals**.

### **GJASC Communications...**

1). **Finduson** Check us out on Facebook. You can communicate with other members, check out upcoming events, <u>up-to-date news</u>, and view photos. Let GJASC "friend" you! It is a closed Facebook page for member only.

2). Via emails. Club member Judy Crookston sends out "e-blasts" thru our emails. *Keep a look out for email updates on spur-ofthe-moment activities this winter* (ex: crosscountry outings). Make sure we have your email address. Also, our monthly newsletter is sent via email at the beginning of the month.

3). **Via our web site**. We also post our newsletters monthly on our web site (<u>www.johnstownskiclub.com</u>) along with club photos.



# <u>Special Thanks</u>:



To club members : Marsha Balint, Pam Doyno, Ann Franze, Harry Graham, Karen Hogue, Annette Kamzik, Beth Layton, and Barb Visnovsky

along with **Berkley Hill Golf Course and Ski Den** who donated items and/or made baskets for our Kick-Off Party.

We really appreciated your help!

# .Refer three new members:

Tell your friends who may be interested in joining the club, now is the time! If you refer three new people to join the club, your membership is FREE. They *must write your name* on their application in the "Referred by" section.

## Special Thanks...

To Club members who gave clothing Items at the Kick Off Party for the Cold Weather Clothing Drive for the **Franklin Street United Methodist Church.** These items are greatly appreciated.



If you did not get a chance to donate, you can still drop off your items at **Ski Den** (on Scalp Ave, Richland).

# Deepest Sympathy...



To Club member Lary & Mary Koval ... on the passing of Lary's mother

To Club member **Beverly Poole** ... on the passing of her mother and sister,

To Club member **Sylvester Scaletta** ... on the passing of his mother,

To Club member **Frank Znidarsic** ... on the passing of his mother.

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

#### Golf Outing at North Fork Golf Course on Sunday, November 8:

Who would have thought we would still be golfing in November?? Due to warm spell we had last month, **Trustee Conrad Sikirica** decide to send out e-BLAST for another golf outing—this time at North Fork Golf course.



"Nine ski club members and 4 guests enjoyed a beautiful warm sunny day on the much improved North Fork Golf course. Team **Joann (Urban) with Bob Snoby, Bob Rauch, Conrad and Steve McGee** ended up winning the tightly contested outing. All the Golfers/Guests plus a few more club members showed up at Trixies (course pub) to watch the Steeler game and enjoy some liquid refreshments and food. Thanks to everyone for participating in the Golf Outings throughout the summer. Good times were had by all!"

....Thanks to **Trustee Conrad Sikirica** for organizing this golf outing and submitting this article. Also thanks again to **Kevin Clark, Harry Graham and Conrad** for arranging all our golf outings this year. We hope to continue our monthly golf outings next year.

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

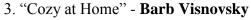
#### 42st Annual Kick-Off Party at Aces on Saturday, November 14:

The Kick-Party was definitely different this year due to COVID. Our attendance may have been down, but our club members definitely have a good time when we all get together. It was great to see everyone and catching up with our members and meeting new club members. We were able to spread out in Ace's big banquet hall, maintaining our distances. It was a special night filled with terrific food (being served this year), great live music (provided by the Desperados), and those cool raffle baskets. This year we even got to celebrate **Daria Dulak**'s birthday!



Congrats to our 50/25/25 winners: Joe Eget and Annette Kamzik. Free 2020-21 membership: Miriam Daisley Bantley 's Hardware gift card: Jeff Stewart Congrats to basket winners:

- 1. "Nine Holes" [courtesy of Berkley Golf Course] Gail Landis
- 2. "Pamper Yourself" Patty Sherer



- 4. "Bud Light" Mindy Greer
- 5. "Coors Light" Jackie Williams
- 6. "Night-in"- Barb Visnovsky
- 7. "Lottery Tree"- Althea Stephenson
- 8. "Hallmark X-mas Movie Watching" Kathy Tercek
- 9. "Made in Somerset" Paul Balint
- 10. "Ready for Skiing" [courtesy of Ski Den Sports & Blue Knob Ski Resort] Mary Jo Tomak

Congrats to our Blue Knob's lift ticket winners:

Don Hillegas Sue Graham Andrea Nosko Conrad Sikirica



#### SPECIAL Thanks to:

- 1. Those who made or gave items for our great baskets that we were able to raffle off (*see page 4*).
- 2. Members who helped at the Party. Also thanks to everyone who stayed afterwards and helped clean-up. The officers appreciate <u>all who volunteered</u> in *any* way to make this special event so successful!

This is our biggest party of the year! There is a great deal of planning and organizing needed (especially by the club's Executive Board) to make this Party a very enjoyable evening for our members. Anyone attending could see why this club continues to thrive into its 42st year — we have really great people in this organization!

#### .Hike at the Top of Ligonier Mountain on Sunday, November 22:

We were able to take advantage of the warmer weather on the <u>fourth</u> Sunday in November. Our Hike Meister, **AJ Stumpo**, decide to try again and sent out e-blast for a hike on the Laurel Trail. **Judy Crookston** joined AJ for a two-mile round trip hike on the Laurel Trail and then coming back using the Gas Line trail.



....Thanks to **Trustee AJ Stumpo** leading this outing.