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THE SITZMARK NEWS

sitz-märk: An impression left in the snow by the backward fall of a skier.

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Have an idea for an event, or a special club adventure? Contact us at Social@Sitzmark.org

We can help you plan and schedule the activity, and get the word out to our membership: social@sitzmark.org



NEW DAY AND LOCATION FOR FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday February 11, 7PM at Saz's State House. See page4 for details

The Board of Director's Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month throughout the year starting at 7. The next Board meeting is on Tuesday February 16 at the Midway Best Western in Brookfield.

Calendar of upcoming events and Deadlines

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THOUGHTS OF THE MONTH FROM DAWN

We are going to try something new this month with our meetings. We will be having it on a Thursday at Saz's on State Street. Several months ago we did a survey on our meetings and more than 50% of the people said they would attend a meeting on a Thursday. We will have club information on upcoming events as well as the upcoming **ELECTIONS**.

This May we will be celebrating the clubs 50th Anniversary. Check the website to sign up and reserve your spot. It's free but we need to know how many people will be coming.

We have had now had four successful trips completed so far, Vail, CO, Marquette, MT, Schweitzer and Granite Peak. There are still openings on Winter Park, Aspen & Blackjack/Indianhead ski trips.

Super Bowl 50 Party will be on February 7th at **The** Sanctuary of Woodshire. Even though the Packers will not be playing it should be a good game.



ELECTIONS will be in April. We are looking for people to volunteer and run for a board position. Contact anyone of the board members for information. You can also contact us at or call me at 414-315-5100.

Looking forward to seeing you at some events!

Dawn

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Sitzmark Elections

We are looking for several volunteers to work on the Election Committee for the 2016 Sitzmark elections in April.

With an organization of several hundred people it is very difficult to contact everyone in the club to ask them something. So now **WE ARE ASKING** every member of the Sitzmark Ski Club, "Would you like to run for office for the Sitzmark Ski Club?" or "Would you like to run for the board of directors of the Sitzmark Ski Club?".

Please read over the various board duties and assignments listed below and if you have any questions about being on the board ask any of the current board members.

If you are interested in working on the Election Committee, running for office or a board position or would like to suggest a possible candidate, please contact our club president Dawn Peterman-Harris at president@sitzmark.org or 414-254-1406

Candidates for president must have served on the board for a minimum of two years and candidates for vice-president must have served on the board for a minimum of one year. The offices of president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer are one Year terms and the director positions are two year terms.

Each director discusses with the president their preferred position, assignments are based on these discussions as well as experience. Board members are required to attend monthly board and monthly membership meetings. Sitzmark Members in good standing are Eligible to run for a position.

Board Positions and Descriptions

President: Preside over Board and Membership meetings; appoint committees as needed; represent the Club in various associations.

Vice President & Procurement: Succeed President if necessary; preside over meetings in absence of President; Sell club merchandise items at club meetings and provide items to trips leaders to sell on trips. Select new items for the club store to sell; maintain inventory of club equipment;

Secretary: Record minutes from monthly Board meetings; complete official correspondence not related to specific Directors.

Treasurer: Keep Club books; makes deposits and disbursements as approved by various directors; report monthly and year-end financial status to the Board; chairs audit committee and files non-profit Federal tax return.

Entertainment & Meetings: Coordinate selection of meeting location for club, contract bands and or DJ's for meetings, recruit members to greet and sign in members and guests at the meetings.

Membership: Recruit new members; enter and maintain membership records using the club website database and distribute Membership Cards.

Newsletter: Editor of newsletter. Solicit articles, design, layout and create monthly Newsletter; distribute the Newsletter to members using club website. As needed print & mail Newsletter to members.

Special Events: Recruit volunteers, organize and preside over Auction for Charity and Year End Awards Party for club volunteers.

Promotion: Distribute the Club Brochure to various ski, sports and other retail outlets; promote the club andits events using social media. Coordinate booths to promote the club and recruit new members at ski and sports shows.

Race & Sports: Coordinates Race Team with MMSC; oversees sports leagues such as softball, tennis, volleyball, and golf.

Social Events: Recruit members to organize a variety of social activities such as after work parties, camping, biking, skating and Packer parties.

Western Ski Trips: Organize non Midwest trips, including reservations & pricing; handle all payments and trip signups using club website database; solicit and work with trip leaders. Assists with production & distribution of the Ski Trips book.

Northern Ski Trips: Book Midwest trips, including reservations & pricing; handle all payments and trip signups using club website database; solicit and work with trip leaders. Assists with production & distribution of the Ski Trips book.

Social Events / Meet-Me-Ats

FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

New Day, New Place!

Thursday, February 11th, 2016 starting at 7:00PM

At Saz's — 5539 W. State St. Milwaukee



If you would like to come earlier for the **Happy Hour specials** they start at 3 pm until 6 pm **at the Round Bar**: 1/2 off appetizers, 14oz taps of Miller Lite, Coors Light and Miller High Life for \$2, Rail cocktails for \$3.50, Glass of house wine \$5.

Let Saz's know you are with Sitzmark and they will direct you to our room.

Light background music, food and drinks, and all your Sitzmark friends!

Super Bowl 50 Party at The Sanctuary of Woodshire

Come watch the Big Game on Sunday, February 7th, 2016 at The Sanctuary of Woodshire, (Big Screens on

upper & lower levels)

2200 S Clubhouse Dr., New Berlin, WI

East off Moorland Rd. between Greenfield & Lincoln

(Doors will open at 3PM—Game time 5:30PM)

Hosts: Megan Reilly 414-617-1995 & Lyle Strahota

Cost: \$7 to cover main food dishes, paper supplies, touchdown shots, decorations, & misc!

(BYOB and a snack, appetizer, or dessert to pass)

Checks payable to: Sitzmark Ski Club (please include any other names included on check in memo)

Bring check or cash with you on Sunday if you did not already pay, but a call or text message RSVP, would be appreciated for a more accurate food supply count! Megan -- 414-617-1995

Lyle will have game squares to sell, so bring extra singles!



FEBRUARY 7, 2016

Door County Camping - Thursday, July 21 through Monday July 25, 2016 - SAVE THE DATE



Northern Trips—Sign Up Now!

Indian Head / Blackjack

Sign Up Online: http://sitzmark.org/event-2059339/

Cost: \$395 Members by Check Only, \$406 Members by Paypal

\$415 Non-members by Check Only, \$426 Non-members by Paypal

Trip Leader: Mark Harris 414-254-1406 or harris_53051@yahoo.com

Blackjack Mountain Stats: Base Elevation: 1185 ft, Top Elevation: 1650 ft, Vertical Drop:465ft. Skiable Area: 126 acres,

Annual Snowfall: 225 inches. Trails: 22, Lifts: 6. Two new glade trails. Lift details: 4 double chairs, 1 rope tow, 1 handle tow, Parks and Pipes: 3 terrainparks. Trail Ratings 20% Beginner (green circle) 40% Intermediate (blue square)40% Expert (black diamond).





Includes:

- Round trip luxury bus ride (upgraded bus)
- (originates at College Ave and stops at Burleigh Ave and Hwy 33 Park n Ride)
- 2 nights lodging at the Indianhead Lodge (double occupancy)
- Two day interchangable lift ticket
- Saturday apre ski wine & cheese at Lodge before dinner

Marquette New Year's Trip Report (by Janice Wachs)

The Marquette Mountain Trip was fantastic! Loads of fun for all!

Delicious Starbucks coffee, donuts and orange juice for breakfast on the bus ride up; great way to start the early morning ride. Afterwards, of course, passed around were the other drinks and eats. Everyone shared; mostly. Ha ha!



Although not all the runs had snow; the snowmakers were kept busy and each day was different for skiing. Some fun, some challenging.

New Year's Eve...WOW! So many different things to choose from. People went off on their own, some met at the various bars, ate dinner, walked, celebrated, met new people, while most of the group ended up (believe it or not), at the Elks club. Six piece band, free food, dancing, cheap drinks, different music players when band took break, pictures, drinking, dancing, fun, jokes, and lots of new and interesting nice people. We all went out before midnight to claim our spot in order to watch the infamous ball drop from the bank......everyone cheered, kissed, shouted, yelled, celebrated!!!!!! Then back to the Elks club!

Next day was more skiing or venturing into town.

Saturday night was Jean and Tom Bronson's anniversary celebration. They did it up right, with pictures of their wedding (complete with the original cake topping) food to eat, stories to listen to, (even Henry the bus driver had a good time). Oh, and don't forget the great Wapatuli beverage. Afterwards there was the usual swimming, drinking, games, and laughter galore, snacking, and partying.

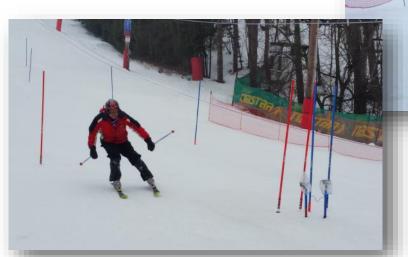
If you didn't make this trip you missed a great time!

MMSC Slalom Racing at Little Switzerland 1/31/2016

Giant Slalom Course







Carolyn Murphy, team captain, and Cheryl Marx, race timer (left to right)





ASPEN, COLORADO



April 2, 2016 (Saturday) to April 9, 2016 (Saturday)

Cost*: \$1,195

(Final payment and trip deadline February 2, 2016)

*Sign up online: http://sitzmark.org/event-2041805. Price is subject to fuel surcharges. Insurance is available and recommended.

Trip Leaders: Mark & Dawn Harris 414-315-5100 or 414-254-1406 or dpetermann@yahoo.com or harris 53051@yahoo.com

Includes:

- Round trip air from Milwaukee to Denver
- Round trip bus transportation from Denver to Aspen
- ◆Seven nights lodging at The Gant Condos (2B/2B)
- Complimentary in-town transportation, 2 heated outdoor swimming pools & 3 jetted hot tubs
- Welcome Reception
- 5 day interchangeable lift ticket

www.aspensnowmass.com



Anyplace else this would be four separate vacations. Snowmass, Aspen Mountain, Aspen Highlands and Buttermilk – with more than 5,300 acres of terrain and boundless dining and nightlife, there are more than enough reasons to plan a ski trip to the most exciting winter escape in the world. Four mountains, one lift ticket – experience The Power of Four.

A consistently well-ranked family ski vacation destination, The resort is a favorite ski resort for skiers and snowboarders of all levels and terrain preferences. Snowmass' impressive 3,000-plus acres offers terrain ranging from wide-open groomers to playful glades and gullies to steep, backcountry-like runs. If you or your family members or friends have never skied or snowboarded before, Snowmass is an excellent choice for your first ski vacation. The resort boasts an award-winning ski school for kids and adults alike.

Advanced to expert skiing is the name of the game on Aspen Mountain, or Ajax, and Aspen Highlands. In fact, Aspen Mountain doesn't have any green runs on it, so beginner skiers or snowboarders will want to avoid the mountain. Aspen Mountain has nearly 3,000-plus vertical feet every run via the Silver Queen Gondola. From high-speed, steep groomers to challenging mogul runs to technical tree runs, Aspen has terrain options for every type of advanced to expert skiers and snowboarders. Intermediate skiers have some unique gully cruisers to zip down.



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Our website for trip information and signups: www.sitzmark.org

Check out our group on FaceBook to see what our members are up to: www.facebook.com/groups/sitzmark/

Did you know that most Sitzmark members are emailed an online version of the newsletter to view on their Computers, tablets, or phones? Check out February's at https://sway.com/y2wjeFNOGoGedgPr

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