



THE LIFT LINE

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Notes from the President...

My neck surgery went well. All the discs are back where they belong, bone fragments removed and some nifty hardware added. Thanks to all who sent warm wishes. I'll be back out next season (come Hell or high water!).

As I continue my winter of inside looking out, I notice I find myself in the role of 'Ski Ambassador'. People ask me about the shirts I wear with logos from the different ski resorts I have visited (all the same shirts, mind you) and we start conversations about destinations and experiences. The fun we had here and there.

As I shared today with the delivery woman, I noticed her eyes getting wide and her voice getting excited while telling me about her last trip to Holiday Valley when she discovered Champagne.

What about you? Have you shared your love of Winter with someone lately or have you grown complacent? If there is one thing I know it is that people love to talk about fun they have had. Let's encourage that!

Allan Stuntz, President

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Whistler, March 16-23, 2008

The trip is currently sold out but there is a short waiting list. For more information, please contact Vince Dunsworth at 814-490-7867 or vince.dunsworth@gamil.com

Holiday Valley / HoliMont Trip

Sunday February 3rd and Monday the 4th

Cost \$165.00 per person, double occupancy, tax included

The trip includes an "all day & night" lift ticket to ski /ride the 56 trails and slopes of Holiday Valley. Accommodations will be at The Inn at Holiday Valley, featuring an indoor/outdoor-heated pool, spa & sauna. Ski Magazine has ranked Holiday Valley #5 in the East in their 2007 reader's survey. Come and join us to ski/ride at one of the top resorts in the East that is only a short drive away.

Sunday evening we will host an après ski party at the Inn, followed by a jaunt to downtown Ellicottville to enjoy fine dining, great shopping and swap stories of the day at one of the many lively nightspots.

On Monday the 4th, we will ski HoliMont, the largest private ski area in North America. HoliMont offers 50 trails and slopes of impeccable grooming. A gourmet lunch catered by Dina's at the Mont will be served at noon.

* Children under 18 stay and ski free at Holiday Valley (up to two per room based on Quad occupancy)

* Deduct \$35.00 for non-skiers, Holiday Valley season pass or Sunday Xpress pass holders

* Deduct \$30.00 for non-skiers or HoliMont pass holders

* Non-Erie Ski Club members add \$10.00

Transportation is self-provided.

Contact Matt Putman at 814-725-0725 or matt.putman@roadrunner.com or see him at the meeting.

A Day at HoliMont

Once again, the Erie Ski Club will be taking a 1-day bus trip to HoliMont in Ellicottville, NY. You know how great it is. We will leave at 7:30 a.m. on Friday February 16 from Erie, and depart from HoliMont at 4:30 p.m. If everyone on the bus agrees, we could stay in Ellicottville for dinner. This is a holiday for most schools because of President's Day weekend so it would make a wonderful family outing. Cost is \$64 per person. With the ever-increasing fuel costs this year, it is a great deal. Please contact Mark Signorino at 836-0255 or markreno@velocity.net for more information.

Sidney Lipman offers Erie Ski Club members access to HoliMont Lift Tickets

Tickets will be available by contacting Janiece at 864-9994, ext. 261 or jpeck@ent-specialists.net. Please note that Dr. Sidney Lipman is no longer a member of HoliMont but his daughter, Ruthann Lipman is. During non-holiday weekdays reservations are not required; merely go to the ticket desk and purchase lift tickets under her name as a member. For weekend or holiday skiing, reservations must be made through Janiece. Please leave a message with the names of the skiers and the day/date you would like to ski. All skiers over 18 years old must present photo ID to pick up tickets.

Have fun at HoliMont! Sidney Lipman

GUIDED CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING AT ERIE BLUFFS STATE PARK

Don't let the snow keep you indoors! Beginners and experienced skiers can join Presque Isle State Park staff on **Saturday, February 23 from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm** to discover the winter world on this **guided ski excursion**. If you would like to carpool, **meet at the Tom Ridge Environmental Center at Presque Isle State Park at 10:00 am**. Otherwise, **meet in the parking lot at Erie Bluffs State Park at 10:30 am**.

Please remember there are no facilities at Erie Bluffs State Park, so be prepared for the conditions and **bring your own equipment**. There is no fee, however, **registration is required by Thursday, February 21**. Register by calling (814) 833-7424. If there is not sufficient snow, a hike will be offered instead.

For more information about this, or other programs, please call the Tom Ridge Environmental Center (TREC) at (814) 833-7424. The park office at TREC is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The Stull Interpretive Center is open from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday and Sundays, and can be reached at (814) 833-0351. The park is open daily from sunrise to sunset for hiking and other environmentally-related activities.

If you need an accommodation to participate in park activities due to a disability, please contact the Pennsylvania Bureau of State Parks: at 888-PA-PARKS (voice,) (717) 558-2710 (local or international voice,) 711 (AT & T Relay Services.) With at least three days' notice, interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs.

2008 Western PA Ski Club Winter Events are listed in detail at www.wpsc.net
Be sure to check out the racing schedule, including the Dummy race.
Discounts to Seven Springs and Blue Knob are available for members of WPSC.

Mt. Snow, VT: Feb. 3 to 8: As of 1/20 there were still 2 seats available. Departing early to arrive at the Lodge in time for the Super Bowl on Sunday, Feb. 3rd, we will ski from Monday through Friday. Transportation, lodging, breakfast and dinner and lift tickets provided at a cost of \$560.00 per person, dbl. occ. Contact Walt Prest at 814-724-3668.

Powder Mountain/Snowbasin, Utah: March 11th to 16th - \$950.00 per person. Contact Walt Prest at 814-724-3668 or prest@alltel.net for availability.

2008 Western PA Ski Club Winter Events

Please go to www.wpsc.net for specific details on these events

TelePalooza 2008 ~ *Pair of skis to be given away courtesy of WPSC.*

--Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 2-3...Seven Springs Mountain Resort

GS gate training on Avalanche ~ *Free to members of WPSC clubs*

--1 p.m. Saturday, Feb 2...Seven Springs Mountain Resort

16th Annual WPSC Ski Rally ~ *Pair of skis to be given away courtesy of WPSC.*

--1:30-3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10...Seven Springs Mountain Resort

WTAE Winterfest Ski Dummy race ~ *Free Event*

--9:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 10...Seven Springs Mountain Resort

WPSC Race of the Decades ~ *\$10 entry fee; \$5 off coupon for lift ticket*

--Feb. 16...Seven Springs Mountain Resort

Slalom gate training on Tyrol ~ *Free to members of WPSC clubs*

--10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 16...Seven Springs Mountain Resort

WPSC Mountain Challenge at Blue Knob ~ *Pair of skis to be given away courtesy of WPSC.*

--Sunday, Feb. 24 Time: Mountain Challenge at 10:30 a.m. ...Blue Knob All Seasons Resort

Mid-Atlantic Super G ~ *\$30 entry fee; \$10 off coupon for lift ticket*

--11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Feb. 29...Seven Springs Mountain Resort

Event: WPSC Council Cup

--Saturday, March 1...Seven Springs Mountain Resort

GS gate training on Tyrol

--10 a.m. Saturday, March 1...Seven Springs Mountain Resort

Ski discounts available at Seven Springs & Blue Knob for WPSC members

For Sale

- Rossignol Zenith 23, 154cm Skis – an intermediate/advanced ladies ski -- \$250
Call (814) 868-7900 or (814) 823-2885
- Head Ezon Men's Ski Boots, Sz 42.0 (approx. size 11), worn only once/wrong size
List price \$280... will sell for \$125
Call Jerry at (814) 868-1391
- 2007 Atomic SL12 165cm slalom skis with Atomic bindings. Only skied on 5-6 evenings at the Peek
Paid \$1000 last year, will sell for \$500.
Contact Mark, evenings at 836-0255
- Fischer RXJ Junior Skis with bindings, 140cm -- \$125 negotiable
- Salomon youth ski boots, Sz 24.5 (approx. sz 6) -- \$65 negotiable
- Youth ski poles, white with Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, 38" -- \$7
- Nordica child ski boots, white, 20.5 (approx. sz) -- \$10
- Dalbello 509 Duoflex DX Technology Men's Ski Boots, 29.5 (approx sz 11) -- \$125 negotiable
Contact Judy (814) 899-3449 or jbaker0604@aol.com; subject line ski equip for sale

Event sign-up forms are available at www.erieskiclub.com

Contact Margie or Mike for membership information or visit www.erieskiclub.com to download a membership form.

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CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Membership Meeting

- Monday, February 4, 7:00 PM
The BrewErie at Union Station
123 W. 14th Street

Trips and Events

- Holiday Valley/Holimont
- Mt Snow
- HoliMont
- Cross County at Erie Bluffs
- WPSC Calendar Pg 3 & 4

Send all Lift Line submissions to:

Judy Baker jbaker0604@aol.com
1040 Newton Avenue, Erie, PA 16511

***Deadline for submissions:
15th of each month***

A note from the editor...

Thank you to everyone who has sent kind words and encouragement following my first email newsletter. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome and appreciated!!!

*Happy Skiin'
Judy*