

CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi, Everyone,

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday!

This year's **Snow Ball** was a fantastic party! First of all, congratulations to **Kathy Ligos** of the Danbury Ski Club and **Melanie-Dawn Fisher** of the Hamden Ski Club. Kathy is the 2009-2010 CSC Ambassador, and Melanie-Dawn was selected as the First Runner-up. I'm sure Kathy will do a great job representing the CSC.

Many thanks to all the committees and volunteers who helped make this year such a success. A special thanks to Cathie Reese, who can now go back to a normal life after dedicating this past year to putting on *Nor'easter Dreamin'*.

We were also treated to a performance by the Mt. Laurel dance troupe with their rendition of Michael Jackson's "Thriller." The band, "Steppin' Out" kept the dance floor packed from start to finish and even treated us to one encore. All in all, it was an elegant venue, an energetic crowd, and lots of raffle prizes. It was a night to remember!

Bulk ticket orders were distributed at our November meeting. Many thanks to Nancy Nolan, Ginny Ludwig and

Dave England for organizing all the orders and getting the tickets out to our clubs. This year we had orders of 1.4 million dollars!! This is a great program, so please make sure that there is no abuse of it - make sure your members abide by the rules and regulations of the bulk ticket program.

At our November meeting, Jim Sullivan from Magic Mountain spoke to us about all the new and exciting things that are happening there. Magic is offering skiers an opportunity to buy shares of the mountain. He gave a short presentation and answered questions from the crowd. If you are interested in being a part of a classic New England ski area, contact Magic Mountain directly.

We will also have a guest at our December meeting. Ken Cutcliffe from Great Events and Escape will join us to answer questions on our trip to Chile, on organizing a trip within your own ski club, and on the Boston Ski Show. Ken has offered to help subsidize the cost of chartering a bus for our CSC representatives to attend the show. If you are interested, please come to this meeting, or contact me.

NEXT MEETING:

DECEMBER 8, 2009, 8:00 PM
NEWINGTON POLISH CLUB

Next meeting Jan. 12, 2010.

(President's Message, cont.)

Monday Night Racing is scheduled to start **this month**, and many ski areas **up north** are already open. This is the **time of year** we have been waiting for: don't let it pass you by.

Finally, **Kids' Day** is **December 5** at Mount Snow. If you are planning to attend, please **contact Tony Edwards**.

I hope to see you at the **December meeting!**

Bob Kaczmarczyk
CSC President

ON SNOW WINTER CARNIVAL

This year's **OnSnow Winter Carnival** is **March 5-7**.
Our host is **Mount Snow**.
Details to come -
but **SAVE THE DATES!!!**

NEWSLETTER

Deadline for January is **DECEMBER 14**. Please email your submissions to me at:
donald.ludwig@sbcglobal.net
Thanks, Ginny Ludwig

CT Ski Council...Valle Nevado

August 11 - 20, 2010 ... Santiago



TRIP INCLUDES

- Round trip Air to Santiago via Delta or LAN Airlines
- Round trip airport/hotel transfers
- One (1) night accommodation at the Hotel Fundador in Santiago on 8/12
- Welcome reception at the Hotel Fundador and breakfast on 8/13 (www.fundador.cl)
- Round trip transfers from Santiago to Valle Nevado 8/13 & 8/17
- Four (4) nights accommodations at Hotel Puerta Del Sol 8/13-17
<http://www.vallenevado.com/?lang=eng>
- Access to hotel sauna & exercise room
- Breakfast at Trattoria and nightly dinner at any of the restaurants with reservation in advance

- Restaurant choices are French, Italian & Chilean
- Unlimited access to ski lifts for five (5) days; valid until the day you check out
- "Après ski" at Bar Lounge or Puerto Del Sol; includes chocolate, coffee, tea, cookies, sandwiches, cakes
- Three (3) nights accommodations at the Hotel Fundador including breakfast
- All current taxes (including current Air tax - subject to change)
- Baggage handling

Price: \$2,569/person, based on double occupancy in South facing room
 \$2,389/person 4 per South Duplex Suite \$2,439/person 4 per North Duplex Suite

HOTEL FUNDADOR



The Hotel Fundador boasts the best location that a city like Santiago is capable of offering, in the heart of the historic center. The newly renovated Hotel Fundador blends the tradition of our European ancestors with Chile's native origins, a design created by famed national architect Germán del Sol. The rooms are spacious and light and invite you to rest and revitalize. White sheets made of Peruvian cotton, soft pillows, and a spacious and light bathroom are just some of the characteristics of our guestrooms. All rooms come with cable TV, air-conditioning, individually controlled heat, telephone, Wi Fi, minibar, security safe, and hair dryer.

FLIGHT SCHEDULE

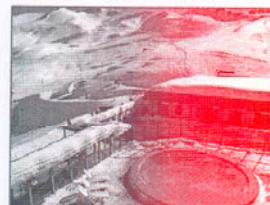
8/11 HARTFORD 5:52pm	ATLANTA 8:45pm	ATLANTA 10:05pm	SANTIAGO 7:35am (+1) (20 seats)
8/20 SANTIAGO 8:15pm	ATLANTA 6:05am (+1)	ATLANTA 9:45am	HARTFORD 12:25Pm
8/11 BOSTON 4:40 pm	ATLANTA 7:39pm	ATLANTA 10:05pm	SANTIAGO 7:35am (+1) (20 seats)
8/20 SANTIAGO 8:15pm	ATLANTA 6:05am (+1)	ATLANTA 8:30am	BOSTON 11:16am
OR			
8/11 NEW YORK (JFK) 8:00pm	SANTIAGO 6:50am	8/20 SANTIAGO 9:45pm	NEW YORK (JFK) 8:35am (20 seats)

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- \$500. p/p deposit to confirm reservation - \$700. due 3/5/2010 - Balance due 6/5/10

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Rate is based on minimum 20 paid guests paying by check
- Names must be written as they appear on passport and include middle name and date of birth
- Please add \$750. for single supplement (8 nights)
- Please note Visas are required for Chile, are additional & stamped into passport at customs (\$100+)
- Rate reflects South facing room overlooking valley at Puerta Del Sol; please add \$100. to upgrade to North facing room with terrace and view of the slopes
- Please deduct \$75. for JFK nonstop flight on LAN
- Please add \$125. p/p for a sightseeing tour of Santiago and visit of the Santa Rita Winery w/ lunch
- Optional Santiago excursions are available...
 - Concha Y Toro Vineyard (4 hours)
 - Cousino Macul Vineyard (4 hours)
 - Vina Del Mar & Valparaiso (full day)



- Isla Negra, Pablo Neruda's Museum (full day)
- Farm "El Pregon" (full day)
- Andean KLodge "El Ingenio" (full day)

**Please note that Air tax and fuel adjustments are possible and will be passed on to guests
 **Please note that checked bags are subject to fee and the responsibility of guests
 - All guests must complete, sign and return reservation form attached to trip flyer!

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**ASIA X-C SKI Refresher/Certification Weekend
January 23-24, 2010**

If you'd like to refresh your X-C skiing and teaching skills, or you are an experienced X-C skier and would like to become an ASIA Certified X-C instructor, come join us! You'll not only learn to teach beginners, but you will vastly improve your skiing skills and technical understanding of the sport. If you are just looking to meet other folks who love to ski and want a great weekend experience, join ASIA and come ski with us.

This is NOT a learn-to-ski event. You should be an experienced X-C skier to participate. Those who attend will be spending time enjoying the winter playground at the base of Killington with top PSIA coaches, who will guide and coach the groups.

The cost of two days of X-C ski instruction by top PSIA pros is only \$110. Trail passes are additional and can be purchased by cash or check at the time of sign-in on the program date. **Sign-up deadline is January 8, 2010.** All applications must be received in the ASIA office by January 8, 2010. The ASIA website and additional information can be found at: <http://www.asiaski.com/>. For further information, call Sue Poirier at 802-228-3308, or email her at spcolby@gmail.com.

SUCCESSFUL NORTHERN TIER BULK TICKET SALES

First-year Northern Tier bulk ticket program was very successful thanks to the enthusiastic input and help from our president, Bob, treasurer Kim, and bulk ticket coordinators, Ginny and Nancy. Thanks also to Robert Cushman of Newington Ski Club, and Ralph Veenema of Alstom Ski Club, for stepping up to the plate and inspiring us to put Stowe on the menu. Thank you all so very much.

Dave England
Northern Tier Coordinator

**CSC Racing Policy and Guidelines for
Monday Night Racing, CT State Races and OnSnow
Winter Carnival Races**

All racers must be a current member of a CT Ski Council (CSC) ski club. The dues of that club and race fees must be paid in full prior to the start of the race season.

The following policies are applicable:

- All racers must have a membership card, with a current CSC yearly membership sticker from their CSC club and must present it when registering to race.
- Racers cannot change club affiliation during the course of the season. This applies to Monday Night racing, CT State Races and OnSnow Winter Carnival.
- No club may reimburse a racer over the age of eighteen more than the current year's state race fee. A club cannot reimburse lift ticket, transportation or equipment costs.
- A club can provide food to its racers (i.e. pizza at Monday Night Racing.)
- All racers shall fill out all waivers and registration forms with correct information.

Any violations can result in racer suspension, club suspension and loss of points earned for the current season.

Decisions of violations will be made by a committee of racing chairs and the CSC Executive Committee.

Special Ticket Offer from PICO

Discounted tickets to PICO are available at \$32 each. Orders will be taken at the DECEMBER CSC meeting ONLY. If your club is interested, please bring a club check, payable to CT Ski Council to the December Council meeting. There are no blackout dates for voucher use. No more than 15% of vouchers purchased may be returned for credit for the following season (2010-2011.)

The Council must purchase at least 200 vouchers in order to hold the price at \$32. We will let you know if that threshold is met. Bring your payment and order to the December meeting. We will distribute the vouchers as soon as possible thereafter.

Nancy Nolan and Ginny Ludwig
Bulk Ticket Coordinators

Connecticut Ski Council Season Discounts 2009-2010

Preliminary Rev 10/20/09 JGF

To receive these discounts Members must show Club membership card with valid CSC sticker(s).

- Ascutney 802-484-7711 www.ascutney.com
A \$25 mid week lift ticket rate during the month of March only.
As usual skiers and snowboarders 6 and under and 70+ are free.
CSC members only with Club Membership Card with valid CSC sticker(s).
- ?Blandford 413-848-2860 www.skiblandford.org
TBD
- Bolton Valley info 877-926-5866 www.boltonvalley.com
A \$35 day time lift ticket excluding holidays 12/26-1/3, 1/16-18 and 2/13-21.
\$79 Midweek and \$89 Weekend Ski and Stay package per person double occupancy
non holiday breakfast included.
- Butternut 413-528-2000 X154 www.skibutternut.com
Ski Club Program valid every Sat. and Sun. and midweek holidays excluding 1/16-18
MLK and 2/13-15 Presidents holiday periods. Available by showing Club membership
card with valid CSC sticker/s at the Group Ticket Booth to left of the Ski Patrol.
Lift tickets \$35 (save \$20 off regular Adult \$55 rate) Group Lessons \$15 (regular \$35)
Ski or Snowboard Rentals \$25 (regular \$35) Ages 7+
- Catamount 518-325-3200 www.catamountski.com
Every Saturday, Sunday and Holiday weekday tickets \$38 (regular \$56).
Non Holiday Friday tickets are \$30 (regular \$36) Mon. thru Thur. \$22 for all.
Holidays Christmas 12/19-1/3, MLK 1/16-1/18 and Presidents Week 2/13-2/21
Members must show Club membership card with valid CSC sticker/s and photo I.D.
- Mohawk 860-672-6100 www.mohawkmtn.com
Monday thru Thursday nights 4-10 PM buy one ticket get one free! No holiday exclusion.
Non holiday rate \$20, Holiday rate \$42. Holiday period 12/24-1/1, 1/18, 2/15-19
Members must show Club membership card with valid CSC sticker(s).
- Mount Snow 802-464-1100 www.mountsnow.com
Get the group rate for that day by presenting your membership card with valid CSC sticker(s)
at the Sundance Base Lodge group sales office. One ticket per sticker.
Group Rates at www.mountsnow.com/grouprates.html
- Stowe 802-253-3427 www.stowe.com
Free Stowe Points Card (\$75 value) to members who present their Club membership card with
valid CSC sticker at the Spruce Peak Season Pass Office. It is good for a \$59A/ \$51 Jr/ \$54 Sr
lift ticket Sunday thru Friday excluding holidays 12/25-1/1, 2/13-2/15. Also earn points
towards a free lift ticket for every Stowe rental, demo, lesson, tune up, food, Nordic and retail
shop purchase.
- Ski Sundown 860-379-7669 www.skisundown.com
Sunday thru Thursday nights 6-10 PM Adults (15+) \$28, Jr (7 to 14) \$25.
Members must show Club membership card with valid CSC sticker/s and photo I.D.

Valle Nevado & Santiago, Chile
CSC Ski Trip, August, 2010

This is a first - the CSC is offering a ski trip to Chile!

A flyer with all the details is enclosed in this newsletter. Please note that you can save \$255 per person by taking the direct flight to Chile from JFK in New York, and by opting for the duplex suite for your accommodations.

**CHECK OUT THESE TRIPS OFFERED BY
CSC CLUBS.....**

BUS TRIP TO MOUNT SNOW

When: Jan. 3, Jan. 30 and Mar. 6, 2010

Sponsor: Newington Ski Club

Cost: \$65 including lift ticket and bus.

Pick-up Points:

6:00 AM - Farmington/New Britain line. West Farms Mall exit off Route 9. Go away from mall at end of exit.

Commuters' parking lot on right, across from Target.

6:30 AM - Windsor. Exit 35B off I-91N. End of exit, take right to end. Left onto Rt. 159 to shopping center on right. Park near road in front of Ocean State Job Lot.
Contact: Carol Sweeney: 860-563-6178 or 860-712-8090.

MOUNT SNOW DAY TRIP

When: January 24, 2010

Sponsor: Goodmen Club

Details: Bus leaves Cherry Hill commuter lot, Branford, 5:30 AM sharp; bring your own breakfast and lunch; stop in Northampton for dinner; children under age 18 must be accompanied by parent/guardian.

Price: Bus is \$25 per person; lift ticket is \$40 per person.
Contact: donnayanick@gmail.com, 203-641-8599.

LAKE TAHOE

When: January 31-February 6, 2010

Sponsor: Norwich Ski Club

Details: Includes R/T air from Boston to Reno; 6 nights at Embassy Suites w/ full breakfast; open bar reception; skiing at Heavenly, Kirkwood and Squaw Valley; transfers, taxes, fees. Price: \$1425/PP, double occ.

Contact norwichskiclub@yahoo.com or 860-464-6595

TELLURIDE, COLORADO

When: January 30-February 6, 2010

Sponsor: Montachusett Ski Club

Details: R/T air from Boston to Montrose, CO; transfers, fees & tips; 7 nights at ski in/ski/out Mountain Lodge Condos; welcome reception; 5-day lift ticket. Airline baggage fees NOT included.

Price: \$1540 per person. Non-skier, deduct \$250.

Contact: David Anderson; 978-874-2165, 978-790-3535

CORTINA, ITALY

When: February 12-20, 2010

Sponsor: Sterling and Winterset Ski Clubs

Details: R/T air from JFK; ground transfers; 7 nights at Parc Hotel Victoria; buffet breakfast & 4-course dinner daily; 5 days skiing; options in Venice or Madrid for \$50 per person, per night.

Price: \$1900 approx. Contact: Joe Greene at

joefog99@hotmail.com or 203-521-6861.

PARK CITY, UTAH

When: February 14 -21, 2010; Sponsor: Goodmen Ski Club

Details: Includes R/T air from Newark to Salt Lake City; 7 nights at Park City Peaks Hotel w/ full buffet breakfast; 2-day lift pass to The Canyons, 1-day lift pass to Deer Valley, 2-day lift pass to Park City ski area; transfers, etc.

Price ranges (based on number of people per room):

Hotel room - \$1979-\$1175; Suite - \$1579-\$1275

Contact: Ken Cutcliffe at 866-508-2100 or

ken@greateventsandscapes.com

BIG SKY, MONTANA

When: March 21-28, 2010 Sponsor: River Hills Ski Club

Details: R/T air from Newark; 7 nights at Lodge at Big Sky; daily continental breakfast; 5-day ski pass; all transfers.

Price: \$1395 per person, double occ.

Contact: Jim Garvey, 845-621-1305

BRECKENRIDGE, COLORADO

When: Mar 27-Apr 3, 2010; Sponsor: Danbury Ski Club

Details: R/T air from La Guardia to Denver; transfers; Ski in/ski out hotel lodging; welcome party; 5-day lift pass includes Keystone and A-Basin.

Price: \$1200 based on double occupancy, plus \$50

single/\$60 family Danbury Ski Club membership.

Contact: Dave Zuraw at dscwebmaster@yahoo.com

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When bad weather necessitates
the postponement of a CSC
meeting, please check the CSC
website at skiclub.com.

DIRECTIONS TO NEWINGTON POLISH CLUB:

Newington Polish Club, Newington, CT

From Route 15/Berlin Turnpike, turn right (from the north)

onto Route 287 (Robbins Ave.) at McDonald's. If you're

coming from the south, turn left at the McDonald's.

Turn right at second light onto Willard Ave. (Rte. 173).

Take second right onto Wilson Ave.

Polish Club is 2 blocks down, on the left.

Enter through door to the right of the main entrance (right

of the stairs. Phone: 860-302-7387.



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The purpose of the Connecticut Ski Council is to foster and encourage
organized amateur skiing, to assist in the development of new clubs, to
sponsor and run inter-club competition, promote club activity on and off
the snow, and to teach skiing and ski safety skills to others. The Council
offers discounts on lift tickets, ski trips, lodging, competitive racing, Nordic
programs, ski instruction, and social and sporting events, community
involvement, physical conditioning, meeting people and having fun.