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LAKE PLACID /HIGH PEAKS WEEKEND

HIKE IN THE HIGH PEAKS OF THE ADIRONDACKS NEAR LAKE PLACID, FRIDAY, SEPT 26TH THRU SUNDAY, SEPT -28TH. YOU'LL FIND MANY FINE RESTAURANTS, SHOPS, THE OLYMPIC SKI JUMPS, MT VAN HOEVENBERG, PADDLING MIRROR LAKE AND MORE IN LAKE PLACID.

WE'RE STAYING AT THE JACK RABBIT INN ABOUT 2 MILES FROM THE SKI JUMPS ON RTE 73 ACROSS FROM THE OLD WHITE SLED INN. THIS PLACE HAS A LARGE KITCHEN AND MANY BUNK BEDS!! THE COST FOR THE WEEKEND IS \$60 WHICH INCLUDES 2 BREAKFASTS AND LUNCH FOOD. FOR FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER, PLEASE SIGN UP FOR A DISH TO PASS. SEND PAYMENTS ALONG WITH A TRIP APPLICATION TO : GE/ LAKE PLACID WEEKEND, PO BOX 327, NEW HARTFORD NY 13413.

PAYMENT DEADLINE FOR SIGN UPS IS TUESDAY, SEPT 23RD.. ONE PLANNED HIKE IS CLIMBING WHITEFACE MTN (ON FOOT) LED BY MIKE SEMERARO. OTHER SUGGESTIONS WELCOME. ANY QUESTIONS, CALL RON - 732-5926. FIND MORE INFO AT www.lakeplacid.com or www.highpeaks.com



Pillsbury Mountain Climb-Sept. 21

A great climb near Speculator. Pillsbury Mt. has an elevation of 3597 & has a great view of the lakes & mountains in the West Canada Lakes region. The hike is moderate to difficult & bring a lunch & plenty of fluids.

We will meet at the HSBC bank in Mapledale at 9:15am. Directions: Drive to Speculator, then turn left onto route 30, proceed north till you see Jessep Road (left). Go down that road till you see the parking area for the mountain.

Any questions call Mike H at 732-2826.

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If you have questions about the club or need information about a certain event, you can direct your e-mails to several of our board members. They are listed above

HAPPY HOURS:

(Begin after work, although, many arrive after 6)

Sept. 5th Zebb's New Hartford
Sept. 12th, Saranac Fall Fest @ Brewery
Sept. 19th Nothing Fancy Vernon
Oct. 2nd Joel's Steakhouse Verona
Oct. 17th Utica Train Station Martini Bar

!!! MARK YOUR CALENDAR !!!

Sept. 7th Indian Lake Kayaking
**Sept. 13th Happy Hour and Dinner at
The Dancing Bear Inn, Alder Creek NY**
Sept. 14th Breia Trails Bike ride
Sept. 17th Chesterfields Drinks & Dine
Sept. 21st. Pillsbury Mt. Hike
Sept. 26 – 28th Lake Placid Weekend
Oct. 11th Highway Clean up Zebb's parking lot
Oct. 12th Skaneateles Lake Kayaking

NOTES FROM THE PREZ:

This has been a really Great Summer even though the weather has been slightly wet. We've had a great camping trip to Cranberry Lake with some fine kayaking and a hike up Bear Mtn where we found a nice view of Cranberry Lake and the Region. Sunday Morning was a bit wet, but we all got over it after having been invited to Bob Davis' Kitchen Extraordinaire and his Breakfast Buffet. Anyone still full from that breakfast?

Our Clambake was another great day of partying and kayaking. Thanks to all our own member chefs for the great dishes that they made and to Virna for steaming the clams for us all!! Sunday, Aug 3rd, we were treated to some more fine kayaking and hospitality at Tony and Jan's. We made out well with another great weather day, too! Saturday, Aug 16th, some of us ventured down Rte 31 to a Combined Onondaga/ GE ski club bike ride and Picnic on the Oneida Lake shores. This turned out to be a fine, rainless day even though it rained in many neighborhoods. Many thanks to Jan Carr of the Onondaga club. Sunday, Aug 17th, was a great day of kayaking again On Big Moose Lake. We paddled up to one HUGE Beaver Dam as well as a series of other dams. Swimming was great even though the weatherman said it would be cooler, and what a meal at the Big Moose Station - Crab Legs!! WOW!! It can't get better than that.

We're Still having fun in between all the rain.

Ron Geiskopf

**THE NEXT BOARD MEETING IS 6:15 PM,
SEPT. 10TH, AT THE CASA TOO MUCHA
13 GENESEE ST., NEW HARTFORD NY**

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION / APPLICATION:

CALL OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS:

HEATHER (337-2818) or

PAUL (942-3134)

ACTIVITIES OPEN TO ALL 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

CHECK OUT THE CLUB WEB PAGE

UPDATED BY GUY Y AT

www.geskiclub.org

FOR CLUB ACTIVITIES AND PICTURES.

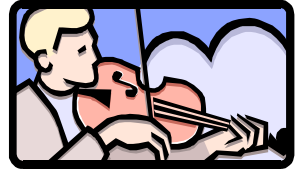
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MEMBERSHIP/GE SKI CLUB

PO BOX 327

NEW HARTFORD NY 13413

SEND ARTICLES TO **BPHDUMKA@AOL.COM**



The F.X. Matt Brewing Co. (Saranac) is hosting a

Fall Fest Music Festival

at the Brewery September 11-13. The details are:

Thursday, 9/11. 4PM-9PM; 3 bands. \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door.

Friday, 9/12. 4PM-9PM; 3 bands. \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door.

Saturday, 9/13. 12PM-9PM; 5 bands. \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door.

Saranac products and food will be sold.

Highway Clean-up

Once again it is time to hit the road and pick up some trash that has accumulated over the summer. We will meet at Zebb's parking lot at 8:30 on OCT.11th, than set out to clean up Rte. 5 B from Zebb's to Rte. 12 B. Need more info. Call Bill Dumka at 8656156 or e mail bphdumka@aol.com

Bike ride or hike the Breia trails up on Egypt Road.

Sunday September 14th.

Meet near the Mapledale HSBC bank at 10:00am.

Bring a lunch and plenty of water.

Bike the trails. OR take a peaceful hike through the woods to find your pine cones for Christmas decorations.

Don't worry, if we bike Deidra will go slow. Her bike is still in the cellar.

Call Deidra at 826-3047 if you need more information.

INDIAN LAKE KAYAK TRIP SUNDAY SEPT 7TH

We'll kayak starting from the Indian lake Islands campground on rte 30, beyond Speculator. There is much to explore on this long lake with its many Islands and long shoreline. Have a Great View one of the areas Mountains,, Snowy, Nearly a High Peak. We'll meet at the HSBC bank in Barneveld at 9:15AM and join up with the Tramp N Trail Club. (Can you keep up with them?)

Bring your lunch, water. Call Ron at 732-5926 or Mike at 732-2826 for more info.

News Flash !

We're skiing British Columbia this winter! Our week long trip a.k.a. "The Western Trip" will be to Baniff, Alberta. This trip will include air travel, bus transfers, 7 nights lodging at The Ptarmigan Inn, 5 days skiing – 4 of 5 at Lake Louise, Norquay, or Sunshine Village, and one day at Kicking Horse.

<http://www.bestofbanff.com/indexwf.html>

<http://www.skilouise.com/>

http://www.banffnorquay.com/frame_skiing.html

www.skibanff.com type in browser for website, link doesn't work.

<http://www.kickinghorseresort.com/winter/default.htm>

The trip dates are Feb. 15 '04 to Feb. 22 '04

Trip package price \$1150 (plus \$10 mandatory membership for non-members)

Payment due dates:

1st deposit \$400 – second meeting in Oct. (10/21)

2nd payment \$400 – second meeting in Nov. (11/18)

Final payment \$350 - first meeting Jan '04 (01/06/04)

Watch for the October newsletter for more info.

Send questions to trips@geskiclub.org

Paddle on Skaneateles lake

Sunday, Oct 12th
meet 9:30 AM at the Westmoreland Thruway entrance

We'll paddle about on Skaneateles Lake. It may be breezy so bring you spray skirt
Afterwards we'll dine in Skaneateles or on the way home. Call Mike at 732-2826 for more info

Eastern Mountain Sports Presents

CLUB DAYS

20 % OFF with your GE membership card.
OCT. 24th 4 PM till closing and OCT. 25th all day .

Visit our new store in Fayetteville East Syr.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR THE

ANNUAL SYRACUSE SKI SALE SPONSORED

BY THE ONONDAGA SKI CLUB

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2003

NYS FAIRGROUNDS

BUY NEW AND USED DOWNHILL, XCOUNTRY, AND BOARDING
EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING. SELL YOUR USED EQUIPMENT AND
CLOTHING

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

CONTACT SALLIE DANNAN AT (315)492-1125 or E-MAIL
salliemae@earthlink.net or,
CONTACT MARV PATNODE AT (315)652-0430 or E-MAIL
mpatnode@earthlink.net

CONDOLENCES GO OUT TO THE FAMILY OF MEMBER JOHN LEACH WHO PASSED
AWAY RECENTLY. CONDOLENCES ALSO GO OUT TO MIKE HARDIMAN ON THE LOSS
OF HIS DAD AND TO CATHY BACA ON THE LOSS OF HER MOTHER.
RON GEISKOPF



DINNER at the DANCING BEAR

SATURDAY SEPT 13TH

WE'LL BE DINING AT THE DANCING BEAR RESTAURANT

RTE 28 ALDER CREEK

COCTAILS: 6 PM

DINNER: 7 PM

ORDER OFF OF MENU

EXCELLENT MUSIC BY WOODEN SPOON

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW

CALL MIKE AT 732-2826

DEADLINE FOR SIGN UPS IS WEDNESDAY, SEPT 10TH

Dinner at Chesterfields:

Wednesday, Sept. 17th

6:00 drinks at the bar

7:00 dinner

We'll be ordering off the menu. The food and the company will be excellent! Call Virna 725-0166 or e-mail her at mood772000@yahoo.com.

Kitty's On The Canal

North Utica on Thursday evening, October 9 at 6:30. We will be ordering off the menu. Please make your reservation by calling or e-mailing Marci G. by **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3.** Call 737-8936 or e-mail marcig99@msn.com.

September

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1	2 Miniature Golf 6:30 @ Gold Rush on rt. 233	3	4	5 Happy Hour Zebb's New Hartford	6
7 Kayaking or Canoe trip @ Indian Lake	8	9	10	11 SARANAC Fall fest Weekend	12 Happy Hour @ the Brewery 4 PM till 9 PM	13 Dinner 6:00 Drinks, 7:00 Dinner @ Dancing Bear Alder Creek
14 Bike Ride Breia trails Booneville	15	16	17 Dinner @ Chesterfields 6:00 drinks, 7:00 Dinner. East Utica	18	19 Happy Hour @ Nothing Fancy Vernon	20
21 Hike @ Pillsbury Mt.	22	23	24	25	26 Lake Placid Weekend	27 Jack Rabbit Inn
28	29	30				

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October

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1	2	3 Happy Hour Joel's Steakhouse Verona	4
5	6	7 Meeting General Membership @ 7:30 Whitesboro	8	9	10	11 Highway Clean-up Meet @ Zebb's
12 Kayaking Skaneateles Lake Meet 9:30 @ the Westmoreland Thruway Entrance	13 Columbus Day	14 Board Meeting @ 6:15 Casa Too Mucha	15	16	17 Happy Hour @ Utica Train Station	18
19	20	21 Meeting General Membership @ 7:30 Whitesboro	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	

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INTERCLUB CONCIL NEWS

Events and ski trips sponsored by Clubs in Central New York State.

Onondaga Ski Club Trip

Ski Mt. Tremblant
Quebec, Canada
March 19-22 2004

For a truly European Vacation try two days and nights in beautiful Quebec.
Includes 3 nights lodging at the Marriott on the mountain includes breakfast only, 2 day lift tickets and bus.
Total Package: \$360.00 Deposit: \$150.00 (remainder due January 15, 2004)

No lift ticket: Deduct \$75.00pp Senior lift ticket: Deduct \$10.00 per day of lifts (over 65)
3rd Day of lifts: \$40.00pp (must be provided)

Trip Leaders: Judy Swanson and Dick Lewis Send deposit to:
Judy Swanson
3374 East Lake Road
Skaneateles, NY 13152
315-685-6096
jds swanson@dreamscape.com

FOR RENT - Small 2 bedroom house in a quite North Utica neighborhood, 2 car garage, nice yard, finished basement. Call Paul 225-8571 or 638-1912.