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## GE SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## Congratulations to all our new officers

Let's all get this year off to a great start by attending as many functions as you can.

### The Horned Dorset Restaurant

June 14, 2006

Once again it is time to treat ourselves, and our loved ones to a special night out. For those of you who are new to the club, Don Hackley is the Pastry Chef at the Horned Dorset. He has arranged a great gourmet meal for us at a great price. \$ 35. per person which includes tax and gratuities. If you have never been to the Horned Dorset you are missing out on one of the best restaurants in the area.

For more info or to make your reservation please call Don Hackley at 855-4159  
Please RSVP by June 9<sup>th</sup>.

**This is a don't miss event!!!!!!**

#### **Soups:**

Classical French onion or sausage and clam chowder

#### **Salad:**

Tossed baby field Greens with house vinaigrette

#### **Entrees:**

Filet Mignon

Grilled and finished in a port wine and black peppercorn reduction

Pan seared Halibut

Topped with a smoked salmon cream sauce

Sautéed Breast of Chicken

Crusted with procutto ham wild mushrooms and mozzarella cheese with a marsala wine sauce

Grilled Vegetable Tart

Drizzled with a smoked tomato coulis

#### **Dessert**

Rich chocolate marquise accompanied by Donald's famous macadamia ice cream

## BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2006-2007

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## **HAPPY HOURS:**

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

May 5<sup>th</sup>, The Vineyard, Washington Mills  
May 12<sup>th</sup>, Rt. 69 Steakhouse, Whitesboro  
May 19<sup>th</sup>, Cavallo's, New Hartford  
May 26<sup>th</sup>, Knuckleheads, Westmoreland  
June 2<sup>nd</sup>, Munstitute Mixer, Utica  
June 16<sup>th</sup>, Bucky's, Rome  
June 30<sup>th</sup>, Van's Tavern, Barneveld

**Newsletter Article must be received by May 26th, to be in the June newsletter**

### **!!! MARK YOUR CALENDAR !!!**

May 6<sup>th</sup>, Highway clean up Zebb's 8:30 am  
May 13<sup>th</sup>, Kayaking West Canada Creek 11 AM  
May 19<sup>th</sup>, Ride for missing children  
May 19<sup>th</sup>, thru 21<sup>st</sup>. Paddlefest Old Forge  
May 31<sup>st</sup>, Bike Ride 6 PM  
June 10<sup>th</sup>, Relay for Life  
June 14<sup>th</sup>, Horned Dorset, Lennardsville  
June 18<sup>th</sup>, Kayaking Pisco Lake Outlet  
Aug 6<sup>th</sup>, Clambake Hinckley Lake State Park

## **NOTES FROM THE PREZ :**

We've had a great year with plenty of Fun Trips and Activities. Thanks to Randy, John and all of the board for all their great work and planning. We hope that you'll be coming out with us this spring for some more activities. Don't forget the 1<sup>st</sup> kayaking trip, May 13<sup>th</sup> on the West Canada, Relay for Life – June 10-11<sup>th</sup> and Golf, more kayaking, the Clambake in Aug, bike rides and much more. Watch your newsletters for upcoming events.

Just a word about that 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party- What a success!! Thanks to the 40<sup>th</sup> ann Committee for putting in some long Hours and much work for this achievement. And thanks to all of you who attended and made it special!!

**Ron**

## **General membership meeting**

Are held at the American Legion Post # 1113 in Whitesboro at 7:30 P.M. Meetings are Usually the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month from Oct. to April. Guests are always welcome.

## **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION / APPLICATION:**

CALL OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS:

**Sue Torres --724-7461 or  
Roger Pratt—736-1206**

ACTIVITIES OPEN TO ALL 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

## **CHECK OUT THE CLUB WEB PAGE**

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# ***Celebrate 55 years of the New York Capital District Ski Council!***

***Come and join your fellow club members in the council for the***

***55<sup>th</sup> Annual NYCDSC Installation Banquet***

***Friday May 19, 2006 at the Colonie Country Club***

***Cash Bar and appetizers to start at 6:30 pm, with a sit-down dinner to follow***

***Choice of entrees – Chicken Marsala or Sliced Marinated Beef Flank Steak***

***(Includes – salad, rolls/butter, fresh vegetable of the day, chocolate cake, coffee/tea)***

***We will be featuring a very special guest speaker:***

***Jeremy Davis, Founder of the New England Lost Ski Areas Project (NELSAP.org)***

***We will also be recognizing all of the top racers in the council, as well as the incoming and outgoing Council officers and board members, plus a few other surprises!***

***Ticket Price: \$35.00 per person***

***For further information, please contact Maria Lattanzio via email: [marial12203@yahoo.com](mailto:marial12203@yahoo.com)***

## **Cinco de Mayo Party**

**Friday, May 5th at the Vineyard, Washington Mills - HUGE Cinco de Mayo Party. Margarita specials, prize giveaways, Mexican music, Everything 2 for 1 from 4pm - 7:30 pm.**

## **Camping at Moffitt Beach , July 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>**



We are camping in the Speculator area this July at Moffitt Beach State Park. Moffitt Beach campground is located in the central portion of the Adirondack Park on picturesque Sacandaga Lake at an elevation of 1,730 feet above sea level. The area is generally flat and well wooded with large white pines and hardwoods. We will have 6 Premium Water Sites, #235,238,242,244,246,& 247. There is good fishing on the lake and there's a great sandy beach, picnic area, volleyball area, and boat launch. As usual, State Parks have Rules : Quiet hours are strictly enforced- Please obey. We have room for about 24 campers. Directions: Take Rte 365 North thru Hinckley to Rte 8 North. IN Lake Pleasant Hamlet, There's The Golf Course on your Left and the Park is a Left-Hand Turn 2 miles past that. It's about an Hour's drive so "Day Trippers" can join us at the Picnic/ Beach area. Campground Phone is 518/548-7102. Of interest: Lake Pleasant Golf course, Phone No. is 518/548-7071, and St James Catholic Church in Lake Pleasant ( 518/548-6275). Check-in time is 12 noon and sites are good thru Monday Morn, July 24<sup>th</sup>. Camping is \$18 per person for 2 nights if received by July 3<sup>rd</sup>; after that it's \$20 thru **DEADLINE Date: July 13<sup>th</sup>**. No Exceptions!!! . There is some room for Thursday Night Camping for an additional \$9. Send payment (checks made out to GE SKI CLUB) with trip form or form below to  
Attn: Camping, Ron Geiskopf, 485 Van Ellis Rd, Utica, NY 13502

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PH: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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# Paddlefest 2006

May 19-21, 2006 in Old Forge, NY



. Mark your calendar today so you don't miss the fun and savings!

The 2006 Adirondack Paddlefest and Outdoor Show is growing!  
We're moving the show to Old Forge, NY! And it's getting better!

- More Boats, More Beach, and More Vendors!
- This year the show will include **Outdoor Gear**: hiking, backpacking, camping, and more! Industry Representatives will be on hand with Special Sales and to answer all your questions!
- **RAIN OR SHINE!** This year we'll have a 10,000 square foot convention hall available in case of bad weather.

## JOIN the **GE SKI CLUB FUN GOLF LEAGUE**

A Non-Competitive League

EVERYONE at ANY level of golf is WELCOME!

Come when you can – NO obligation to play every week.

Come out and join us for nine holes at the Hamilton College Golf Course!

Feel free to invite your golf friends to join you.

If you are interested in playing golf with us in the

**GE SKI CLUB FUN GOLF LEAGUE,**

Please email Jeannine at [jmurtaug@hamilton.edu](mailto:jmurtaug@hamilton.edu)

Or call her at 859-4339.

Everyone interested will decide which evening and starting time is most desired.

We should be able to get on the course mid May.

Hope to see you out there!

Hittem' **LONG** and **STRAIGHT!**

### **Directions to the Hamilton College Golf Course:**

12 B (Utica Street) to and through Clinton, stay in the right-hand lane by SUBWAY and follow College Street west. Cross Route 233 and proceed up the hill, near the top take the first right onto Campus Road. Turn left after approximately ½ mile onto Loop Road. The 7<sup>th</sup> tee will be on your right when you turn. Take the first right in to the parking lot by the tennis courts and park at the far end. The Golf Shack is on the first tee. Please sign in and pay the attendant.

### **GE Ski Club bike ride on Wednesday May 31 at 6:00 PM**

RT 840/ Whitestown Bike loop - Chuck Balsler leader 797-3069

It is an easy 11 mile bike ride starting at the Boces Parking Area on Middle Settlement rd and RT 840. Riding the Rt 840 bike path north and west to the Judd and Halsey Rd intersection then heading east on the Whitestown trail system in a loop back to the Rt 840 bike path returning to Boces.

BD: 11 mi. Difficulty: Easy

The 40th Reunion party was a complete success. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. Great to see old faces and some new ones, renew old friendships and reminisce about old times. We had 155 guests. What a turn out! Andy Reath, our unofficial Club Historian, enriched us with some history and a few laughs. The Photo Display was a real treat for everyone to enjoy. Boy are some of us getting old! The dinner was fantastic and so was the music. Great to have The Capitol District represented.....thanks for joining us! A big "THANK YOU" to Mary Lou Miller for donating her 50/50 winnings of \$ 190 back to the American Cancer Society's 'Relay For Life'.....the official club sponsored charity.

Well....HERE IS TO ANOTHER 40 YEARS OF GOING DOWN HILL. The GE Ski Club is so much more than just a Ski Club... We do it all. Thanks, Kathy White

### "40<sup>th</sup> Reunion – by “Elder” Barb

The following correction is made to the 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion Program.  
Mea culpa, Pat & Dave!



### **40 Years and Still Going Downhill**

Ideas for the “40<sup>th</sup>” Logo are the “brainchild” of  
Pat O’Hara, Roger Pratt, and Dave Barr. Artwork created on the computer by Bill Dumka.

The 40<sup>th</sup> Committee wishes to thank the members who helped them:  
Decorations and Set-Up at the Beeches: Carolyn Morgan, Deb Weakley, Jeannine Murtaugh, Jim White and Gail Charzuk; Reunion Check-in: Kathy Baca; Photo Display Set Up: Joe Carino; Sales: Dave Barr, and “50-50”: Gail Charzuk and Tom O’Hara. Also, Mrs. White, Mrs. Rankins and Mrs. Jakubowski would like to thank Jim, Ivan and Bob for their help and for “putting up with us” for the last 9 months!

### **Lost and Found**

Found at the 40th reunion party an Orange eyeglass case. Contact Ron 732-5926

### **40th Anniversary Commemorative Mugs**

We're selling some Nice Cobalt Blue 40th Anniversary Mugs for \$6 each or 2 for \$10.  
Contact Dave at 859-1167 or Ron 732-5926

## **For Sale**

### **GE SKI CLUB SHIRTS**

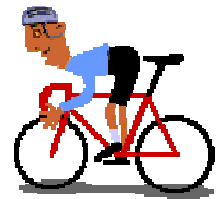
We have Maroon color shirts in all sizes that have a skier logo and club name on the front and on the back they have our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo with 40 years and still going downhill in writing.

Golf shirt does not have anything on the back. Sweatshirts are \$ 17, Short sleeve tee shirts are \$ 8, and golf shirts are \$ 13. Place your order now before we run out of your size.

Contact DAVE BARR @ 859-1167



## Ride for Missing Children



Once again Jim and I will be doing the Ride for Missing Children scheduled for Friday May 19, 2006. This will be my 5th year as a rider and Jim's 7th. Along with 4 other member of the club, we begin in Oneida and continue our journey for 110 miles stopping at area schools and finishing at the New Hartford Rec Center. What a Cause and a fantastic event , raising awareness and raising poster for distribution of missing and exploited children. As always we appreciate the support of the GE Ski club and its members.

Jim and Kathy White

Also Riding in the Missing Children's Ride are Members Deb Weakley, Warren Hamblet, Carolyn Morgan and Joe Rizzo. Come to the Happy Hour at Cavallo's in New Hartford , Friday, May 19th at 5:30pm and then we'll go out to greet all of the Riders. They should be arriving between 6 :30 & 7 pm on Genesee St, New Hartford Village and Finishing at the Rec Center.

## Highway clean up



**Once again we are gearing up to have our semi-annual highway clean up of Middle Settlement Rd. from Zebb's Grill to Rt. 12B. Hopefully the weather will co-operate this year and we will have a bright and sunny day. After the clean up we usually go to Dunkin Doughnuts to clean up and have a little treat. It is a nice get together to talk and walk. Come join us May 6<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 AM in Zebb's parking lot. All Hard hats, vests, and gloves will be provided. New to the club; this is a great way to get your feet wet. Pun was intended.....**

## SARANAC THURSDAYS

They're back starting June 1st and we're on the schedule to have fun pouring and serving great beer and hard lemonade. Save these dates: **July 13th and August 24th.**

Sign up for one of these dates through me as soon as possible. We volunteer from 5 to 8pm, (it's good to get there around 4:30 or 4:45 and many go to Varick St. afterwards). If you can't volunteer the whole time, an hour or two is great!! We'll wear our 40th Anniversary Shirts. Don't have one, Call Dave Barr @ 859-1167 to get one. It's great publicity for our club!! By the way the band playing July 13th is Idol Hands and August 24th is Simple Props.

**\*\*Saranac is having a special Wednesday nite concert, June 7th from 5pm to 11pm.** they have scheduled the band Moe and expect to be very busy. They have asked all groups that usually volunteer ,and we are one of them, to provide volunteers for that night. the shifts are 5-7, 7-9, 9-11. If you can work any of these shifts, let me know ASAP.\*\*\*\*\*

You can reach me at 853-6728 or 525-7288 or by e-mail [prettypatoh@yahoo.com](mailto:prettypatoh@yahoo.com)



# Boilermaker Waterstop

Anyone wanting to work the boilermaker waterstop this year let Andy Reath know A.S.A.P. as in immediately. If nothing has changed; as in Address, T-shirt size; just E-mail or call and leave name. If you are a first timer wanting to help, I will need - Name, Address, Phone, T-shirt size(sm, med lg, ex lg, 2x).

Call 735-0349 or E-mail [andy@ugefcu.net](mailto:andy@ugefcu.net) to sign up or for any questions.

Boilermaker race is Sunday July 09. Water station is on Whitesboro St, Utica at the corner of Cherry St by Heintz funeral parlor. Be there 6:30-7 AM as they shut off a lot of the roads in the area quite early on race day.



Andy

## Kayak & canoe day on the West Canada.

Well it's time for our annual trip down the raging class .5 rapids of the West Canada to Newport N.Y. on Saturday May 13th. We will be meeting at the public fishing turn off on Rt. 28, 3 to 4 miles southeast of Mappedale, at the bottom of Putnam Hill Rd. (same place as always) at 11:00 A.M. Once we have gathered we will take cars to the Newport end, so we have a way of getting people back to get the cars we left. The trip is aprox 3 to 4 hours and we stop for a lunch break, so pack some vittles (food) & drink. There is about a mile and half of rapids about 2/3rds of the way, so spray skirts and P. F. D's (life jackets) are required. Boats have been known to flip in this area, so make sure your gear is tethered (tied down) in or on your boat. Prepare for the weather also. We've had 85 and sunny and 40 and rain on this trip over the years. When we are done and all packed, we will head back to Barneveld to Vans Tavern for some after trip stories, cold beer, and some of their Saturday food specials.

Any questions call Andy at 735-0349. Hope to see y'all there. Andy

## An Old Gem Revisited

I would like to introduce our newer members, and older members (with bad memories) to a **gem** of a kayaking experience. Come with us to an easy, lazy day of fun kayaking on the Outlet of Piseco Lake. We start from Rt. 10 about a mile down the road from the turn off on Rt. 8. After an easy put in of our kayaks, we lazily paddle up stream to the Lake. After crossing the Lake we will stop at the state park and have a bite to eat. This is an easy kayak with great views and abundant wildlife.

**On June 18<sup>th</sup> We will meet at the HSBC Bank on Rt. 12 in Barneveld at 10 AM.** Don't miss this gem.

### *Early ski plans for next season*

*An early season ski trip is being planned for Whiteface Dec. 16th and 17th with lodging and meals at Steinhoff's Sportsmans Inn. Mark your calanders.*

*For more info call Mike Semeraro at 797-4400*



## Cancer has touched all of our lives.

On June 10-11th the GE Ski Club will again be participating in The Relay For Life at JFK Middle School On Deerfield Drive East In North Utica. Our team will help raise money for The American Cancer Society, to help fund cancer research. This is a very colorful and fun event. It's a great opportunity for our Ski Club to help our community. We will be camping-out at the JFK Middle School Track and we will have volunteers walking continuously from 12 noon Saturday until noon on Sunday. Last year more than 35 members attended and help raise nearly \$1000. Lets do better this year!!

This disease in some way has touched everyone. We need your help. We are looking for Volunteers to walk and to help us raise funds during the camp-out and to maintain a presence at the Event. Please call Ron Geiskopf or Paul Zajac for more information.

Sign up to camp-out with us, or maybe you can spend part of your day with us to walk or help out at our campsite. . We are taking sign ups for 3 hour periods to walk, eat and party with us. Please sign up for one or more of the following time slots:

12noon -3pm	The Party Begins!! Opening ceremony walk
3-6pm	Afternoon walks
6-9pm	Sausage roast cookout walk
9-Midnight	Luminaries ceremony walk,
Midnight-3am	Starlight walk
3-6am	Sunrise walk,
6-9am	Breakfast walk
9-12noon	Grand Finale walk.

This is a GE Ski Club function. Please consider being part of our Team. If you can't participate please make a donation. Make checks payable to The American Cancer Society

***We are having a deposit can/ bottle drive throughout the month of May. Please donate your returnable cans and bottles. You can drop off your cans and bottles at the following locations.***

***North Utica area – Ron Geiskopf's 485 Van Ellis Rd Utica  
Marcy / Deerfield / Trenton area - Paul Zajac's 6201 Glass Factory Rd. Marcy  
South Utica area – Andy Reath's 410 Rugby Rd. Utica  
Clinton / Kirkland area – Tom O'Hara's 156 Kirkland Ave Clinton***

Visit our **Ski Club Team homepage** on the Internet at; ([Follow This Link](#)) or <http://www.acsevents.org/faf/search/searchTeamPart.asp?ievent=141832&lis=1&kntae141832=C6A242E2CCD24043A4A22527592AB7E5&team=1284620&tlteam=0>

More details will be provided as we approach the event.

Call Ron at 732-5926 or Paul at 724-2058 for more info.



# May

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Dinner El Paso Restaurant Old grand Union Plaza Genesee St.	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Social Hour The Vineyard, Washington Mills	<b>6</b> Highway Clean up 8:30 AM Zebb's Parking lot
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Social Hour Rt. 69 Steakhouse Whitesboro	<b>13</b> Kayaking West Canada Creek 11AM Putnam Rd
<b>14</b> Mothers Day	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Bike Ride For missing and exploited children and social hour at Cavallo's	<b>20</b> Paddlefest, Old Forge also 21st
<b>21</b> paddlefest	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> HappyHr. Knuckleheads Westmoreland	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Bike Ride 6 PM			

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# June

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<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Board Meeting @ Gander Mt.	<b>14</b> Dinner Horned Dorset Lenardsville	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Social Hour Bucky's Rome	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> Kayaking Piseco Lake Outlet	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
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