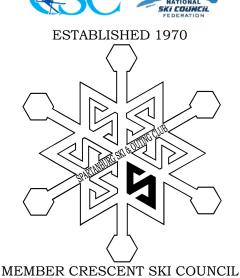
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April 14th - Awards Dinner & Officer Installation at The Piedmont Club (Page 3)



April 16th - Hike Old Indian Mountain (Page 5)



April 21st-24th - CSC Spring Conference at Myrtle Beach

#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER....



Spring has finally arrived, and for all you die hard skier, that is a sad thing. Just look at it this way; your muscles are going to get a well needed break and you can relax a months until next season, unless of course you are flying south for a ride on another mountain range. Skiing was a bit on and off this season with weather being uncooperative at times, but I believe our ski team (skiing together with Palmetto) came in first place. All our racers should be very proud of that, a job well done! And it WAS teamwork that did it. Many many thanks to all who raced this season.

If you have not already signed up AND paid for the April Installation dinner to be held at the Piedmont Club, be sure and do so ASAP. Jan needs a headcount, for more information, read her article in this newsletter. The food is always delicious and bountiful, and a great evening! To those of you joining Crescent at the Spring Convention, have a great time! And as your mothers said..."stay safe and use lots of sunscreen". I am very proud of all our members who helped raise money, and donated money and food items for our yearly charity, St. Matthews Food Bank, a very good and worthy cause. You are great people. I think Alison has more details elsewhere in this newsletter. Thanks Alison for coordinating this endeavor.

These past 4 years have been quite the ride. Along with the club, I too have survived many ups and down. As usual it is best to remember the ups, and I have shared them with so many of you. A president does not guide a club without the help of a board. I want to thank each and everyone on my board this past year for all the work you have done, and time you have taken, to make sure we do indeed have a club worth keeping. Many club, not just ski clubs, have shrank down to just a few and some have dissolved due to lack of leadership or organization. I believe everyone on this year's board wants to make sure this doesn't happen to us. Our club has great camaraderie and has built many lasting friendships within our members. And some have even taken the matrimonial step after meeting through the club. Our club will soon be 50 years old and I would like it to survive long after we are gone. So for all of you who DO support this club I thank each and every one of you.



As I leave this office and move on, I have but one request. Please support your new board as you have done in the past, and do give Barbara the respect that is due her as the 2016 - 2017 President of Spartanburg Ski and Outing Club. Just be glad too that we were not running a political race, as I have seen another one get very out of hand and scary this year.

See you all at the Piedmont Club! Conni Harrell, President 2015 - 2016





#### PIEDMONT CLUB AWARD DINNER AND OFFICER INSTALLATION APRIL 14

Come one, come all for our annual Piedmont Club Dinner with officer installation and club awards as the evening's entertainment, and this year, gag awards as well. A reminder that this year's date is Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. We will meet on a second Thursday as that is when the buffet is now held. This year we will be located in the Fairforest Room which will be available to us beginning 6:00 PM and we will begin going through the line at 7:00 PM. The club will provide the ever all-important beverages for our open bar!

There will be gag awards presented as some recipients were not at the March club meeting. So, if you were not able to attend our March meeting, and have a gag award you wish you could have presented, this is your chance!!! Bring your gag award with you, and you will have an opportunity to present your "special award" at the dinner.

If you plan on coming, hurry as the deadline for signing up will be Friday, April 8 as we have a head count deadline to meet. The \$40.00 cost will remain the same as last year, and, as always, covers the buffet, the bar tender, setups, taxes and tips.

I will attend the Saturday luncheon at Daddy Joe's in Gaffney on March 26 for those wishing to sign up. Also, if you wish to mail your money to me, phone and we can make the arrangements. This way I will know to look for your envelope and will be able to keep up with the count.

Once they have next year's calendar available, I will see we are signed up and you are notified of the date.

See all of you at the Piedmont Club for our annual awards dinner and officer installation.

Jan Sarratt 489-1606









#### May Mini-Social Saturday, May 14, 2016, 4:30 PM Brick Pizzeria Columbus, NC

Mark your calendars for this late afternoon pizza blast in Columbus. They have great pizza and of course cold beer. More next month.



#### **Birthdays**



The following members have birthdays in April. Happy Birthday to:

Taylor Bomar April 21st
Mark McCall April 7th
Teresa Bowers April 8th
Jeffrey Morgan April 6<sup>th</sup>

Have a wonderful day!







#### Spring Hike / Poinsett Bridge / Old Indian Mountain

Walk across the historic stone Poinsett bridge built in 1820, the oldest surviving bridge in South Carolina. Next we hike to the summit of Old Indian Mountain for a view into the Piedmont, approximately 4 miles round trip.

An alternative flatter hike is available from the same trailhead. We will eat lunch on the trail so bring food and drink.

Date: Saturday April 16

Meeting location: Gowansville Spinx Station, Hwy 11 and 14 crossroads

Meeting time: 9:30

Hike leader: Mark McCall 864 580-0891 mmccall1@windstream.net

#### AND THE GRAND TOTALS ARE ....

**DONATIONS** – including food, beverage, paper products, personal products, pet food & anything else that may have been overlooked as far as category ...... 539 lbs.

MONEY – since September 2015, donations from the club ..... \$576.76.

I am <u>SO</u> proud of our club as we exceeded my expectations of reaching that number of 500 for both donations. This could not have been done without the generosity from you, the club member. I will be very honored, on behalf of the Spartanburg Ski & Outing Club, to present St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Food Pantry a check in the amount of \$576.76.

With sincere gratitude,

Alison





#### MUSIC ON MAIN ... Thursday, May 26, 2016

Volunteers are needed for Music On Main ... there will be a sign-up sheet

available at the Piedmont Club. The minimum earning that we may
receive is \$300. If the crowds are good & if they are thirsty ...
well, it could be more! Please support our club and the fundraising

efforts that help keep our treasury growing!

This is my final fundraiser for the club as your official fundraiser for 2015-2016.

I thank you all for the volunteer hours in the past ... those volunteers are what keep this club strong!

Alison,

SSOC Fundraiser



I will be stepping down from the Program slot when the new board steps up. I have held this position for the past 5 years, but it is time for new blood, new ideas, and fresh energy. No one can stand alone, and during my tenure in this position, many of you have helped in seeing a program come to fruition. There aren't enough "THANK YOUS" that can express my appreciation for the cheerful willingness that everyone has shown in helping me in many small and large ways during these past few years. It often takes "many hands" instead of one pair to offer quality, and it is the contribution of many that makes this ski club exceptional. It has been a pleasure to serve you. Thank you for the opportunity.

Jan Sarratt





#### Helen, GA-Oktoberfest Unicoi State Park October 7-9, 2017

Three cabins have been reserved at Unicoi State Park for Oktoberfest at Helen, GA. The cabins are a short drive from Helen. Here is a link to Unicoi <a href="http://www.unicoistatepark.org">http://www.unicoistatepark.org</a>. Here is a link to Helen's Oktoberfest <a href="http://liveinblueridge.com/event/oktoberfest-in-helen-ga/2016-">http://liveinblueridge.com/event/oktoberfest-in-helen-ga/2016-</a>

We have one 3BR/2 BA cabin that has a King BR and bath downstairs and a King BR and a Queen BR with a bath upstairs. There is also a hide-a-bed downstairs. The total cost for the two night stay is \$654.60.

There are two 2BR cabins reserved. The two BR's are upstairs, one being a King and the other two double beds. The only bath is downstairs. The cost for each cabin for two nights is \$554.30.

We will accept a \$100 deposit to reserve your cabin. Each cabin will be reserved to one person who is responsible for the payment.

We expect these cabins to go fast so contact Carol McCall to reserve your cabin.

Carol McCall, Overnight Trips 828-859-5500 mmccall1@windstream.net

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#### National Parks Adventure IMAX Theater Discovery Place, Charlotte

This is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our National Parks. A special film has been produced to celebrate and will be shown at the IMAX Theater at Discovery Place starting in May, <a href="http://macgillivrayfreeman.com/project/national-parks-adventure/">http://macgillivrayfreeman.com/project/national-parks-adventure/</a>.

We hope to plan a trip for our club to view this film and have a nice meal in the Charlotte area.

There will be more information when it is available.

Mike Rogers





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#### **NOTES**

Any Spartanburg Ski Club member may submit items for publication in the newsletter. Publication deadlines can be found on the pullout calendar included in the newsletter each month. Call Taylor for information on how to submit your newsletter item.

Also, don't forget - the club has a "tent" available for rent. It is an 18 X 20 tent, and it is easy to assemble. We also have 4 tables that can be rented with or without the tent. We have the makings for that special occasion and it is all very reasonably priced! Tent rental is \$ 35. Tables can be rented for \$5 per table. Remember; don't have a party without the comfort of shade. Your guests will appreciate it and so will the club! For rentals of either tent or tables contact Joy Bobo.

The Spartanburg Ski & Outing Club normally meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM. We are located at the Chapman Cultural Center (West Wing) on East St. John Street in Spartanburg on the first floor. During the summer months (June, July, and August) meetings are frequently held, more informally, at different sites and times. Therefore it is necessary to consult the club web site or a current newsletter for the time and location. April's meeting is held at the Piedmont Club.

The club does **not** provide alcoholic beverages at membership meetings, but members are allowed to bring their own (BYOB) choices of beer or wine. Over-indulgence is not condoned under any circumstances. Cups, ice, and some soft drinks are provided. Thank you.

#### Become a Member

A copy of our membership application is located at the following web address: http://www.spartanburgskiclub.org/membership/ssocappl.doc

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# SPARTANBURG SKI & OUTING CLUB



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- 2 New Moon
- 4 Club Meeting Program TBD
- 10 First Quarter
- 18 Board Meeting at Location TBD
- Full Moon
- 20 September 2016 Newsletter Deadline
- 25 Last Quarter

# September

- Club Meeting Program TBD
- New Moon
- Labor Day
- 9 First Quarter
- 15 Board Meeting at Location TBD
- 16 Full Moon
- 17 October 2016 Newsletter Deadline
- 23 Autumn begins

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