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UPCOMING EVENTS

Happy Holidays! I hope that everyone has recovered from the Thanksgiving feast of last week. Time now to get those workouts in so you 1) lose the bird, and 2) get ready to SKI! Last week, being empty nesters, Laura and I decided to get out of town and head west, to Aspen, CO. As we drove into the town, it was snowing, and all the trees were covered in snow, as were the roofs of the houses. "Like what you would picture a winter wonderland" a friend of ours said, who, along with her husband, had accompanied us. Neither of them having ever been to Colorado before, and both having skied only once or twice in their entire lives (she at Sugar in North Carolina and he at a small hill in New York), they were blown away by the sheer majesty of the Rocky Mountain with their snow covered flanks and tops. Luckily, Aspen/Snowmass opened three days early, so they were able



OSC Holiday Social and Charity Fundraiser

Wednesday

December 11, 2013

6PM - 8PM

Dubsdread Golf Club

549 W Par ST Orlando 32804



Click [HERE](#) for directions



OSC Happy Hour Social

Wednesday

January 8, 2014

6PM - 8PM

Dexter's in Winter Park

558 W New England Ave Winter Park 32789

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Surprise that special someone with a

to take lessons and "catch the fever" of skiing under that crisp, crystal clear deep blue Western sky.

Now I hope that you all will have caught your fever and fervor for the upcoming ski season because they are getting tons of snow, and it looks to be a GREAT season. We kick it off with Copper THIS MONTH, and from what I saw as we drove past it, Copper is ready and waiting!

Speaking of seasons, as I started out this column, it is the Holiday Season. And with the holidays comes the ability to help those less fortunate than ourselves. You can do that next **Wednesday, Dec. 11**, at our Holiday social at **DUBSDREAD GOLF CLUB**, from **6 PM to 8 PM**. Bring a toy or donate at the door for **TOYS FOR TOTS**. Since before I joined the OSC in 1999, we have hosted the Marines and supported this local community toy drive. I know that this year, when there are still so many families hurting and in need, that you, our membership, will once again step up and help to make a difference in our community. Every toy received, every dollar donated, goes directly to the children of Central Florida. Having been directly involved in this program from my time in the Corps, I can tell you that the gratitude shown by the families when they come to pick up their gifts, is something that would melt even Scrooges' heart. So please, purchase a toy for a boy or girl ages 3 to 16, or donate \$10 at the door if you cannot bring a toy, so that a child somewhere will know that joy that you have known and that your children and/or grandchildren have experienced before. I know you'll come through!

And regarding presents, the OSC has decided, because of our success with The Book of Mormon, that we want to do another Broadway show, and so we have tickets available to see '**Jersey Boys**', the Tony award winning story of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. The show will be **Saturday, April 26th** at **2:00pm**. Ticket price is

last minute ski trip!

\$85.00, and the tickets are located in rows G and H, seats 18-25. These are center stage at the Bob Carr. **We only have 16 seats**, so it is first come, first served. Now, wouldn't these make a GREAT stocking stuffer? Come see me if you wish to place an order. I will be taking orders beginning at the December meeting, or you can call me at 407-256-4453 if you wish to reserve your tickets.

Regarding our non-ski activities, our 2nd VP, Greg Blalack, is coming up with a variety of activities for the coming months: golf, a Savannah weekend train trip getaway, Magic games, maybe even a 2 week New Zealand ski vacation in 2016?? All things to keep you interested and involved in those months between our last trip of the season and the first trip of the next. So look him up and give him your ideas for things to do! And don't be afraid to step up and offer to lead an event. It's fun and a great way to get to know others in the OSC.

Lastly, let me close by wishing all of you the best this Holiday Season! Stay safe, be kind to each other, love your family, and remember our men and women in the Armed Forces who are far from their homes and loved ones, and are serving in harm's way. To quote Tiny Tim "God Bless Everyone!"

Earl Schuette
El Presidente

2014 OSC Trips

Just a few spots left...don't be left out! Contact the Trip Leaders for More Info!

December 26, 2013 - January 2, 2014

Copper Mountain, Colorado

Trip Leader: Donna Torkos
donnatorkos@gmail.com

Contact the Trip Leader regarding space availability.

Click [HERE](#) for link to informational flyer & trip application

January 25 - February 1, 2014 - FSC Snowmass, Colorado

Trip Leader: Christina Moore
christinams.moore@gmail.com
Assistant Trip Leader: Bob Kovalcik
Rnkovalcik@embarqmail.com

****SOLD OUT****

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February 8 -15, 2014 - Telluride, Colorado

Trip Co-Leaders: Dale & Rhonda Ulmer
otownskier1@earthlink.net

****SOLD OUT****

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February 22- March 1, 2014 - FSC Park City, Utah

Trip Co-Leader: Terri-Lynn Smith
tlynnsmith@cfl.rr.com
Trip Co-Leader: Jill Zajkowski
oryman1@aol.com

Only (2) spots left...don't delay!

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March 8-18, 2014 - FSC Garmisch & Munich, Germany

Trip Leader: Kathryn Hardage
hardage.kathryn@gmail.com

Space for 1 male traveler and 1 DOUBLE occupancy room available, sign up now!

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March 22-29, 2014 - Big Sky, Montana

Trip Co-Leaders: Mindy & Jerry (Moose) Boehm
mizmoosie@aol.com

Nearly sold out! Hurry before the trip closes! Also have roommate opportunity for 1 male traveler!

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