



December 2014 Issue



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Dear Member,

"Happy Holidays" Fellow Snow Lover,

We are amidst the holiday season, and the start of a new ski season. Yaaa! We always seem to have mixed emotions this time of year. They are a



UPCOMING EVENTS



OSC Holiday Social & Toys for Tots Event

Wednesday
December 10th
6 PM - 8 PM

Admission is one new, unwrapped toy or a \$10 donation to Marine Toys for Tots



Winter Park Village Ale House
 1251 Lee Rd
 Winter Park, FL

Click [HERE](#) for directions



OSC Happy Hour Social

mixture of feelings of being too busy, joy of being with family and friends and, hopefully, a time to reflect on the many things we are thankful for in our lives. It is a time of giving and sharing of ourselves. This giving and sharing can be observed during our **December "Toy for Tots" OSC Club Social on December 10th, 6-8pm, Winter Park Village Ale House** in Winter Park (corner of Lee Rd and Hwy 17/92). I will offer more information on this meeting later in this newsletter. First, I would like to share with you a personal story.

Twenty years ago, Diana, the wife of my best friend (Steve) in Cincinnati, asked if I would like to go to Steve's surprise 40th birthday party. That invitation started me on a wonderful journey which will become apparent below. The backstory on this couple is approximately 11 years earlier, Steve informed me he was in love with Diana, but not sure he wanted to marry for various reasons. Steve and I had a serious talk, as only best friends can have about life, love, and the realities of both. I also jokingly told him that he better watch out that "after you turn 30, no woman will want you!" Shortly after this conversation, Steve and Diana became engaged. They were married 9 months later, 6 days before Steve's 30th birthday! That was 30 years ago. I moved to Florida 1 ½ years after their wedding.

Why is this story so important to me, and possibly of interest to you? They later planned to celebrate their 10th Anniversary (and Steve's birthday) at the same place they honeymooned, in Aspen, Colorado! Of course I had to go to Steve's birthday party, and be part of the celebration of their 10th anniversary. The problem was I did not know how to ski! I found a way of getting in 2 ½ days of skiing lessons a few weeks prior to meeting them, and other close friends, in Aspen. Although my skiing skills were far less than proficient, I was able to ski with my friends, and enjoyed it. I also enjoyed the camaraderie of being with my friends for a few days.

I came back from this trip "hooked" on snow skiing. Since none of my immediate Florida friends knew how to snow ski I was fortunate to discover the

January 14th

6 PM - 8 PM

Winter Park Village Ale House

1251 Lee Rd
Winter Park, FL

Click [HERE](#) for directions



OSC Night Out with the Orlando Magic

Friday

January 16, 2015

7 PM

Orlando Magic vs Memphis Grizzlies

****all inclusive suite ticket special****

Amway Arena

400 W Church St
Orlando, FL

*****Only 3 spots left!*****

Need registration and payment

by

Dec 15th!

Click [HERE](#) for more info and to register online!



Orlando Ski Club and signed up for my first club trip to Big Sky, Montana. I was also fortunate that the Trip Leader, Jerry "Moose" Boehm, was always nearby to help this novice skier. The camaraderie on this trip and the new friends I made during it was much more than I could have dreamed occurring. So, what I am thankful for this season? I am thankful I discovered skiing, thankful I found the **Orlando Ski Club**, and thankful for all the many friends I have made by being a part of the Club. I am also thankful that in a few days I will be traveling with the Club back to Aspen, Colorado, where my passion for skiing began. There are 1 or 2 people on the Aspen trip that have never skied. I only hope I can be there to help these novice skiers when they need it, and be as helpful as a best friend (Moose) was for me, so long ago.

Once we start down the path of reflection, we can easily find an abundance of our own good fortune, and see those who have not been as fortunate as ourselves. During our **OSC** December meeting, Club members try to show their gratitude by giving to various Club charities. The Club calls this the "Toys for Tots" Social. In order to attend the meeting, you need to bring a toy for the US Marines' Toys for Tots program. If you do not have a toy, you can give a **\$10.00** donation at the door. The Club will also be raffling three prizes to raise money for the Club's usual charities (the Blind Ski Club at the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind, and Veterans Adaptive Sports). The current prizes are 2 tickets to an Orlando Magic Game, 2 tickets to Wild Florida, and 2 Adult 3-day lift tickets to Taos Ski Valley. There will also be one or two trip displays for those ski trips with a few open spots, like Beaver Creek and Big Sky (the trip I am leading...have an opening for a single female).

I hope to see you there! If not, the Club hopes you have a wonderful Holiday Season. Until we meet again...

Wishing You Happy Dreams of Gently Falling Snowflakes and Groomed Slopes!



OSC Goes Broadway with

Pippin

Saturday

April 25, 2015

2 PM

Dr Phillips Center for the

Performing Arts

**445 S Magnolia Ave
Orlando, FL**

Click [HERE](#) for more info & to register online for the event.

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2014-2015 Ski & Snowboard Trips

Dec 11-15 (Thu-Mon) [ASPEN, CO](#) (Limelight Hotel)

Trip Leader: Steve Clark sclark2575@cfl.rr.com, 407-803-2239

SOLD OUT...Hitting the slopes next week!!

Jan 24-31 [TELLURIDE, CO](#), Florida Ski Council

Trip Leader: Terri-Lynn Smith tlgodiva@yahoo.com, 407-739-0440

Asst Trip Leader: Teresa Loomis

ladytil@yahoo.com, 407-443-3981

Click [HERE](#) for more info

One spot open for female....Land only (no air).

Feb 21-28 [CRESTED BUTTE, CO](#), Florida Ski Council

Trip Leader: Shelley Daniel debaryskigirl@gmail.com, 321-262-3694

Asst Trip Leader: Christina Moore

christinams.moore@gmail.com, 407-927-4438

Click [HERE](#) for more info

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Act now! Air seats available until

12/14....contact the Trip Leader today!

Mar 7-14 [BEAVER CREEK, CO](#)

Trip Leader: Dale Ulmer otownskier1@earthlink.net, 407-920-6582

Co-Leader: Rhonda Ulmer rhondacpm@earthlink.net, 407-921-2656

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

One condo left! Hurry before trip is sold out!

Mar 21-28 [BIG SKY, MT](#)

Trip Leader: Bob Mackey mackeybob@centurylink.net, 407-647-2130

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

Space still available. Also female traveler looking for roommate.

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If interested in joining the **OSC** Board, or learning more about an open position, please contact **Bob Mackey**, President, at orlandoskiclub@gmail.com.

Contact the Trip Leaders for more info & to place a deposit!



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