

SITZMARKER

Fall - Winter 2014

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From Our President:

There's been a lot happening since the last Sitzmarker, and what a great fun-filled fall we've had! But there is plenty more fun ahead with our upcoming winter with club ski trips to Crested Butte, Park City, Big Sky, and Breckenridge. We can accommodate more people at Crested Butte (*hotel lodging*) which is the annual FSA trip, and is a land-only trip this year! Planes, trains, buses, or autos; join us there! We also still have spots open for our Breckenridge trip Feb 28 - Mar 7. It is a great destination and very reasonably priced.



We started the fall season with an end-of-summer float trip on the upper Meramec River and in spite of the rain, we had a blast. Our hikers enjoyed viewing the beautiful fall foliage on three hikes that always seemed to end up at a winery. We also enjoyed a beautiful October day at the wineries in Ste. Genevieve. There are numerous other social activities listed in our Out n About, such as the holiday party, theatre night, Sh-Boom at the Casa Loma, and more. Be sure and check out our Facebook page and Web site for more pictures and information. Our third Friday of the month happy hours have been very well attended, and lots of fun. Hope to see you at our next happy hour on Nov 21 at Circle 7 Ranch on Clayton Road!

Follow Us Online and on Facebook!

As mentioned in the last issue, we've gone electronic with most of our communications. So, for the latest updates on what's coming up, or what's been happening, be a frequent visitor to the St. Louis Ski Club Web page:

www.stlouisskiclub.com

We've also got a **Facebook** page, so go to the "search" field at Facebook and type in "St. Louis Ski Club" then "Like" us to follow what's going on.

And, most important of all, you *should* be signed up to get your monthly "**Out and About**" updates via e-mail. If you're *not* getting them, contact our Vice President, **Joe Bauer**. (*If you don't have access to e-mail, make arrangements with him to receive a printed copy.*) His contact information is at the left!

Fall Hikes and Fun

The club took several opportunities this fall to enjoy hiking the great outdoors, including Castlewood, the Lewis and Clark Trail, and Pere Marquette.



September 13 we
Enjoyed the early
fall scenery on a
3 mile hike up the
bluffs overlooking
the Meramec at

Castlewood State Park. October 4 saw a group led by Lola take on the **Lewis and Clark Trail** at the Weldon Spring Conservation Area. This "slightly more than moderate" hike was followed by lunch at the Montelle Winery. The final hike of 2014 was held on November 2, a cool crisp day, and perfect for enjoying the hills above the Illinois and Missouri River at **Pere Marquette State Park.** This 2½ mile hike was led by Joe, and Followed up by lunch at the Grafton Winery.

We're sure to be returning to several of these in the Spring!



2015 Ski Trips with Openings for You!

Crested Butte, Colorado - 51st Annual FSA Races

“America’s Last Best Ski Town”

January 28 – February 1, 2015 – **There’s still room for you!**

Price \$400 (*Hotel Only – 2 per room*)

Find a friend to sign up with, or a single supplement can be paid!

Trip Captain: *Candy Girth*

636-458-18976 - twinskiers@msn.com



If you are looking for a laid back resort, short lift lines, and a charming ski town, Crested Butte is your destination!

- Land Package only – You choose your own method(s) of transportation: plane, train, or automobile (*or bus*).
- 3 – 4 days of skiing, with discounted lift tickets through the FSA starting at \$33 per day.
- Lodging at the Grand Hotel Emmons (*2 per room*): A full-service hotel 200 yards from the base. Hot tub/pool/spa services/bar/restaurant.
- FSA Welcome Reception and Banquet
- FSA Après Ski
- Optional FSA Slope Side Picnic at the Base (\$17)
- FSA Races for *all* levels – Beginner Race at the base for easy access. Racers and enthusiastic fans are all welcome!
- Annual snowfall of 300”/1,547 skiable acres/upgraded grooming with well-manicured cruising runs.
- On-mountain ski-in/ski-out Ice Bar/numerous bars and restaurants in the town of Crested Butte.
- Free shuttle bus into the town center – 3 miles from the resort.
- Other activities that are available include snowmobiling, snowshoeing, dog sledding, etc.

Breckenridge, Colorado

“The One Size Fits All Ski Resort”

February 28 – March 7, 2015 – **Space is still available!**

Price \$1,180

20 Skiers

Trip Captain: *Nita Jones*

517-648-3203 - juancubed@yahoo.com



For the first time in several years we’re offering a trip to one of the most popular resorts and ski towns in Colorado.

- 6 days of skiing, snowboarding, or cross country skiing.
- 2,908 acres of Colorado’s finest skiing with 187 runs/5 different peaks/choosing from easy greens to black double diamonds.
- Round trip airfare into Denver; transfer by bus to Breckenridge.
- Welcome reception and club party.
- Lodging at Beaver Run Resort & Conference Center (*2 bedroom/2 bath/4 per unit*): Located slope side at the base of Peak 9/ski-in – ski-out/indoor-outdoor heated pools/Spa at Beaver Run/ski lockers/ski and snowboard rentals.
- Beaver Run offers a complimentary shuttle to town/dining options/slope side après ski/full service restaurants.
- Main street Breckenridge offers numerous restaurants from quick and simple to fine dining/bars and nightlife/shopping.
- Activities for non-skiers include:
 - Snowmobiling/snowshoeing/dog sledding/zip lining/snow cat tours/historic tour.

Our trips to Park City, UT and Big Sky, MT are full, and we now have wait lists for those trips. Please visit our Website for more information!



You are cordially invited to the annual

*St. Louis Ski Club
Holiday Party*

Friday, December 5, 2014

*American Legion Hall- Creve Coeur
934 E. Rue De La Banque*

7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

*\$10.00 for members
\$15.00 for non-members*

Pot Luck Style Event

*Please bring an Appetizer, Side Dish or Main Dish
Please let us know in your RSVP what you might be bringing.
We will coordinate and let everyone know what will be available.
Please RSVP to Joe Bauer (jvjb@aol.com) or Cindy Girth (twinskiers@msn.com)*

Dessert will be provided

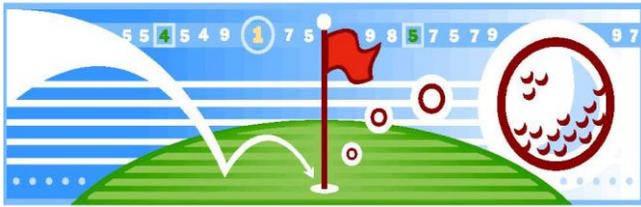
An Assortment of delicious Desserts will be provided by the Club

Drinks can be purchased at the Legion Bar

Music & Dancing

Nicole Russom will give dance lessons to those interested





Fall Golf Scramble

On Sunday, October 12, the Ski Club held their annual Golf Scramble at Riverside Golf Course. Even though the skies were gray and dreary, fifteen members and guests came out to golf. First place went to the team of Bob, Rocky, Mary Jane and Roger, with Jim, Bob, Chris and Cindy's team coming in a close second. Third place was captured by Carol, Ed and friends and last place went to Mark, Dan and Candy.

It was said by the ones who golfed that it was hard to buy a birdie and/or a par that day. The best golf story was "who could hit the most trees between Jim and Bob" as told by their teammates. Even though it wasn't the best conditions to play golf, everyone had a great time. See y'all next year...



Members Afloat ...

On Saturday August 30th a group of SLSC members journeyed down to Steeleville, MO to spend the day floating on the Upper Meramec River. Everyone enjoyed a late Summer day on the river, even though they had to cope with some rain, too!



Members On The Road ...

In August Record Center Coordinator Sue Scott enjoyed an exciting zip line adventure over Grizzly Falls at Skagway, AK.



Mark Your Calendar Now:

Annual Chili Cook-Off
Saturday February 21, 2015

Creve Coeur American Legion Hall
 934 E. Rue De La Banque
 6:00 pm

Bring a pot of your **BEST Chili**
 to enter in the contest!*

If you're not interested in being in
 the contest, then you can bring a
 dessert or an appetizer to share.

Please do not bring beverages!
 Soft drinks and alcohol are
 available for purchase at the bar!

**Bring your own serving utensil and extension cord.*

Travel to the Imperial Cities of Europe

Just a reminder that the Club is sponsoring an exciting
 Late summer trip in 2015 to the glorious cities of
 Prague, Vienna, and Budapest for only \$3,649 per
 person if you book your spot by April 1, 2015!



These are known as some of the most
 beautiful and historic cities in Europe,
 so you won't want to miss out on
 this chance of a lifetime with the SLSC!

More information is available at our Website!



Winery & Brewery Tour

On October 18th, Randy Helms
 and Ken Harris hosted a day-trip
 to the Cave Vineyard and
 Crown Vineyard (& brewery) in
 St. Genevieve, Missouri.

As you can see there was a
 great turn-out, and the group
 had a beautiful day to spend
 sampling their favorite
 beverages ... of many kinds!

Our thanks to Randy & Ken
 for organizing this year's
 trip ... one of our most
 popular events each fall!



St. Louis Blues Hockey Game

Saturday January 10, 2015

Blues vs Carolina

Sign-up Deadline: December 1st!

Price: \$76.25 per person

We'll be in a party box, and the price includes some beer, soft drinks, and dry snacks.

For more details or to sign up, please contact:

Nicole Russom

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Can You Volunteer?

Are you looking for ways to help out the club? Here are just a few ideas:

- Volunteer to choose a location and host a happy hour.
- Volunteer to organize, or assist with, an activity or event.
- Bring your camera to events and trips and send us your photos.
- Share stories, activities, and other things that would be of interest to the rest of the club so we can post them.
- Consider being a Trip Captain (or Co-Captain with a friend) in the future! (Talk with your captain this year about what they're doing ... they're a great resource.)
- Consider running for an office in the club next year!

Contact Vice President Joe Bauer if you'd like to be a Volunteer!

Club Members on the Road ...

Where there's an Oktoberfest ... you'll always find some SLSC members! This past fall some of our group found ways to celebrate "German Culture" from Missouri to Texas! Ein Prosit, Ein Prosit ...



Now It's YOUR Turn ...

We need you to share with us!

If you've got photos or stories from club activities or trips ... send them in!

If you've been "On the Road" to somewhere fun (especially with other club members) let us know!

Send your activities to:
Paul Snyder – Communications Director
psnyder@immanuelolivette.org

Post activities you're organizing on our "Meet Up" group page:
www.meetup.com/St-Louis-Ski-Club

We want to hear from you!