



SKI NEWS

July 2016

A Word from the President

No Information was available at time of publication.

Membership

Directories will be handed out at the Wine and Cheese Party in October. With that being said, as you all know, membership fees are due by the beginning of the fiscal year – September 1st. If your membership is not paid by October 1st, there will be a “**NOT CURRENT**” next to your name in the directory. If your membership is still not paid by January 1st, you will be removed from the email mailings and the next directory. Membership application is attached with this newsletter and it can always be downloaded from the website. Yes, membership applications must be **filled out and signed** each year.

Tiffanie Walters, Membership Chairperson

2017 FSA Steamboat Springs Ski Trip

Greetings Fellow Skiers,

I don't know about the rest of you, but I am thinking 25 degrees and 75 inches of snow sounds pretty good right now. I have great news to share. We have changed our lodging reservations for Steamboat '17 thanks to the efforts of Captain Ron, Columbia Ski Club. On the off chance there may have been cancellations, he inquired with our contact person at Steamboat Resorts. Low and behold, there were several four bedroom condos that were back on the "available" list for our time frame. We will now be staying at the Sunflower Condos. Captain Ron tells me we stayed there in 2014 and assures me they are very nice accommodations. I am a visual person and am convinced I will remember them the second I see them! Due to this timely inquiry, Topeka will now have four, four bedroom condos and one two bedroom condo (if needed) for a total of 36 beds. If we have more skiers than that, they will have to be on a waiting list to see if Columbia does not fill their 24 beds.

The other benefit to this change will be a slight reduction in price! Good news all around. I am going to wait to see what our final numbers are before I give you the exact cost, but know it will be less than the \$788 first quoted. If we do not have to use the two bedroom condo, the cost will be slightly less expensive. We currently have 19 people signed up and deposits paid. I need your trip applications and \$400 paid by September 30th. After that time, I will offer the remaining seats on the bus to the Columbia Ski Club. Additionally, we have to cancel any condos we don't have filled by the middle of October. That being said, if you are planning your own transportation you will still want to get your money in so we will keep enough beds for everyone.

In closing, I want to thank all those who have thus far submitted their applications and deposits. I like folks who can commit. It makes my job less stressful and keeps me from turning gray. (Just seeing who actually reads this!) Additionally, to answer the question that I know is coming, yes, it is ski in, ski out to the degree that you do not have to take a shuttle to get to the lifts, just an elevator I am told. So, keep working on those squats and lunges and I will see you on the down side.

Barb Wittmer, Trip Captain

Annual Canoe and Family Camping Trip

Successful Summer Canoe Trip! Very successful this year because it did not rain! Well, it did rain on our way down to the campground, but the rain held off and it was a comfortable (relatively speaking) camping night for sleeping, although one camper mentioned that there were several tents that snored. We had three from Topeka and five from Columbia for two days of canoeing on the Niagua river. We started at Bennett Spring State Park and canoed to our campsite on Monday, and then left from our campsite and went further downstream on Tuesday before returning to Topeka. We plan on doing this again next year so save some vacation time for next year's trip.

Stan Stegelman, Canoe Trip Coordinator

Next Board Meeting

July 11, 2016 5:30pm
The Celtic Fox

2015-2016 Officers

President: Penny Morgan
Vice President: Barbara Wittmer
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Treasurer: Joni Thompson

Board of Directors

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Picnic August 13th

Gather up your sunscreen and join the Topeka Ski Club for the annual Summer Picnic on August 13th. This year the picnic will again be held at Stegelman Point, 7500 SW Blue Inn Place at Lake Sherwood. Please bring your choice of meat to grill, beverage, and a side dish to share. The club will provide the serving ware, condiments, and iced tea. Activities will begin at 6:00pm with grilling about 6:30pm. Activities this year include pontoon boat rides and fishing. Stegelman's will provide the boat rides. If you are bringing children and have a life jacket, please bring it with you to assure fit. Following the picnic, we will enjoy the fire pit area and make s'mores. We will hold a raffle to raise money for our Christmas Tree for the Festival of Trees this year. **PLEASE RSVP by August 7th**, to jan@stegelman.com or 785-640-1829. In case of inclement weather, the picnic will be held inside and boating activities will be cancelled.

Wine and Cheese Party

The annual Wine and Cheese Party will be held on **October 22nd**, at the Lake Sherwood Clubhouse. More information to follow as it becomes available.

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