



Battle Creek Ski Club



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GENERAL MEETING

Miller's Time Out
13260 S. Helmer Rd.
(at the corner of I-94 & Helmer)
Tuesday, April 13
Social Hour and Trip Sign Up 6:30PM

Lots in Store for Last Meeting of the Season

Barb Hibiske, ski club member and personal trainer, will be there. She plans to show us what to do at home. Who needs a gym? She will talk about nutrition and has handouts. She will present a demo of core exercises...you can do all this for free!

Here are prizes you could win:

- 3 one month memberships to Feeling Fit
- 1 month family at YMCA
- 1 2 week pass to Minges Creek Racquet Club
- clothing from Gold's Gym
- 2 fitness balls
- Set of 5 lb weights
- Pair of fitness gloves
- Spa packages from the School of Designing Arts and Cosmetology

Another big reason to attend this last general meeting is the "Mega Money Drawing" we have promised. If you attended a trip with the Battle Creek Ski Club this season, you have your name on a ticket in the hat. Another way to get tickets in the drawing is to buy the 50/50 tickets at the meeting. Buy as many as you want. The first drawing will be for \$150.00. We will then draw for that night's 50/50. We will continue to draw for all the prizes listed above. You MUST be present to win. Be there!

As at each meeting this season, we have a theme. This will be an Island Theme! Dress is resort casual with palm trees and island décor in the plan.

Summer events will be discussed. Be sure to get these dates on your calendar and join the fun times this "all year round" club enjoys.

Trip Updates:

Winter Park : April 4-11. Sometimes we have a last minute spot to sell for someone so if you want to be on the wait list be sure to contact Val Rossman, vfrossman@aol.com, 269-986-3573.

BCSC Offers New Adventure

Zip Line and Hiking Weekend



Join your ski club friends for a weekend of zip lining and hiking. We want a maximum of 20 people. At this writing there are 8 spots left.

Where: Hocking Hills in Ohio (near Lancaster)

When: June 18-20

- Included: 2 night lodging in a luxury lodge(s) (just us)
- 2 breakfasts, 2 sack lunches, 1 steak dinner
- Zip Line Adventure: 10 zips through trees and over rivers with several hanging bridges to traverse.
- Hiking in 2 (to be determined) locations
- Possible waterfall swim

Cost: \$225.00 (\$100.00 down holds your spot) Balance due by May 17th

Deadline to sign up: April 19

We hope to find people with vans to help with transportation. You would share gas with your driver. There are other adventure possibilities like kayaking and horseback riding. These would all be at an extra cost and up to individuals to arrange. The plan would be to leave around 12:00 on Friday June 18th. Returning sometime Sunday afternoon.

Contact:

Mike Bielski, 269-649-2729, mickeybiel@comcast.net;
Joyce Ashdon, 269-963-1086, j.ashdon@prodigy.net

President's Corner

It's difficult to believe the end of the season is upon us. We will be working on next year's trips later this month. If you have any requests for destinations for next year please let me know. We try to find multi-mountain areas that come in at a reasonable price for you. That being said, it is getting harder and harder to do. Thanks to all of you who have attended the meetings this year. Joyce Ashdon did a great job providing us with fun and interesting programs. Also, thanks to those who participated in our trips. A lot of time and work goes into the planning and completing of these trips. We try to make them fun for everyone and make them a trip where you just put your money down and the rest is done for you. Please mark your calendars for upcoming summer events. We will once again have our canoe/kayak/camping weekend the first of August. A zip line weekend in Ohio is planned for June. In the fall there will be a golf outing, probably in September. Check the web site periodically. There will be no summer newsletter so mark your calendars.

Betsy Watson, BCSC President

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A Salute and Huge Thank You to Miller's Time Out



We want to thank Miller's Time Out for allowing the Battle Creek Ski Club to hold meetings in their facility. We have always been treated well and the staff is friendly and available. We often hold special pre-trip meetings or drop in for food and drinks after a golf outing. We are always made welcome.

We hope to continue this arrangement and want the staff and management at Miller's Time Out to know how much we appreciate them.

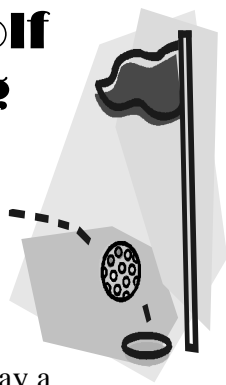
The Battle Creek Ski Club Board

North to Alaska with Mike Jones

(note: this is not an officially sponsored BCSC trip)

Shortly after graduating from MSU I was employed by the City of Juneau as a Civil Engineer. One of my favorite summer activities was hiking on the surrounding mountains. I left after 18 months but returned twice while in my 30's for hunting and visits with friends. On my post retirement to do list is a visit to Juneau and again hike on some of 31 area trails ranging in length from 1/2 to 12 miles. Since June is the month with the most daylight and on average has about half the rain of September, I am making plans for June. Air fare will be approximately \$800 and lodging for a single efficiency is \$110 or two bedrooms at \$135 per night at the Driftwood Lodge in Juneau. If a single and/or couple would like to join me for a week or so I would enjoy the company. If you are interested please contact me and we can discuss details. Gender, political or religious beliefs, age, etc. are not issues for me (please, no smoking). You should be able to hike moderate mountain trails (there is no rock climbing) and have a spirit of adventure. I am flexible on the amount of hiking as there are many other activities and attractions in the area including the famous Mendenhall Glacier. I have on hand some trail maps and an informational packet from the Juneau Visitors Bureau which can be shared. Also further information can be found by visiting <http://www.traveljuneau.com/iltski@yahoo.com>. Contact Mike Jones: iltski@yahoo.com

Winter Park Golf Outing Coming Up!



As is tradition, upon our return from the Winter Park train trip, we will have the Winter Park Open. This is just for fun...early spring golf. We will draw for teams and play a best ball scramble. This is for "bragging rights"....no big money or pressure on this one.

Rookie or avid golfer, come on out and join the fun. You did not have to go on the WP trip and you do not have to be a member to take part in this event.

When we are finished we go to Miller's Time Out for food and to brag/lie about the birdies!

Where: Cedar Creek Golf Club, Renton Road in Battle Creek

When: April 18th 2010, 1:00 tee time be there by 12:30

Cost: \$25.00 for 18 holes and a cart

To sign up: Call or e-mail Joyce Ashdon
269-963-1086
j.ashdon@prodigy.net

Start Thinking About our Auction!

*Submitted by Laurene Chaney,
Internal Vice-President Elect*

Donations are needed for the annual auction being held at Millers Time Out on November 9, 2010. Please bring any items that are sitting in the back of your closet, don't fit, or you just do not want. Instead of re-gifting, "donate". Have a favorite cake or fudge, "donate". Drop off all donations to Laurene Chaney at 427 Capital Ave S.W. 9-5 or 567 Breezy Bluff after 5:00. (269-209-4905) Don't bring Fudge more than 3 days before auction because Ralph can not be trusted. Thanks all, I appreciate your generosity.

For Sale
Nordic Track Achiever
Purchased in 1994 for \$877
\$150
Ralph Dittmar
269-651-6070

2010-2011 Trip Planning Session Scheduled

*submitted by Joe Dill,
External Vice-President*

I hope everyone had a great ski season. It is time for BCSC to begin the planning process for the 2011 - 2012 ski season. I would like to hold the first meeting to discuss locations and begin to plan the calendar. The first meeting will be at Julie's and my home on Tuesday, April 27 starting at 6:30 PM. If people want to bring something to grill and a dish to pass, please feel free. All club members are welcome.

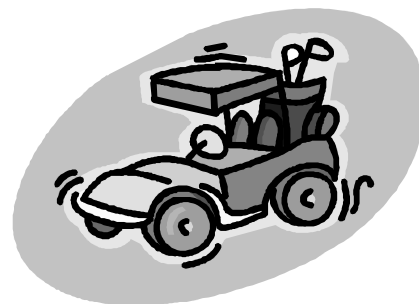
Address:

1809 S. Crooked Lake Drive
Kalamazoo, MI 49009

Input Sought for Fall Golf Outing

Colleen Burke is working on running a BCSC Golf Outing for a Sunday in Sept. 18 holes/wcart w/ food). Details TBA. Call Colleen at 269-317-2197 or email

colleenk-burke@netzero whether you prefer a Sunday golf opportunity or a Friday 9 hole w/cart and food.



March Election Results



President: Ralph Wharry
Internal Vice President: Laurene Chaney
External Vice President: Gertie Visel
Secretary: Barb Starring
New Board Members beginning 3 year terms: Roni Worden, Terry Worden, George Middleton



Banff Trippers Enjoy Unusual Temps!

Submitted by Betsy Watson, Trip Chair

The Banff trip was full of fun. Each night we met in the lobby to go as a group to dinner. Those that wanted to go off on their own did so, but most nights we had 15 people or more. That is awesome since there were only 18 on this trip. The snow wasn't the best but Sunshine Resort gave us plenty of runs to ski plus we had sunshine most all the days. Lake Louise was a little rocky but with care it was a great place to ski as well. The temps were phenomenal. It was spring skiing in early March in Banff. That is just about unheard of. Banff can be really cold in the winter with temps in single digit or lower. In town the temps were in the 40's which made it wonderful for a day off and activities on foot. In the mountains the temps were in the 30's. We were a small group but a close knit group when we arrived back in MI. We had one shoulder separation. I will only say it was a boarder. We had one member not on the plane when the doors closed. Due to his persistence on his side of the door and a few of us on the plane having fits they finally opened the door and escorted an elderly lady off the plane. Our member was held up at check in and told after the delay that he would still be able to get on the plane. We were all at the airport at or before 5:30 and our flight was at 7:05. Check in was a nightmare. Delta has much room for improvement.



Join Your Ski Club

Pals on Facebook



The Battle Creek Ski Club Facebook Group is now 73 members strong with 149 photos shared.

Just type Battle Creek Ski Club

into the Facebook search box. Click on the "join" button at the top. You do not have to be invited to join. All members of the group can share photos and information related to the ski club. You can share photos, write on the wall, start a discussion or send an e-mail to all members by clicking on the "message all members" right below the BCSC Goat Logo.

Promote Your Business Here!

There are many members of this great ski club who own their own businesses. The board would like to give you the opportunity to advertise your business in the newsletter so other members know of your business. When the need arises they can call on a fellow member. Times are tough in MI right now and what better way of helping each other out. We will print your business card in the newsletter the months of March, April and May for only \$25. That's three months of advertising. We send out over 300 newsletters a month. If you are interested please send your business card and check made out to BCSC to Betsy Watson, 7087 Sparrow Ridge, Portage, MI 49024. It needs to be received by the third Tuesday of February.



April Birthday Wishes:

4/1 Vicki Coscarelli
 4/03 Ian Beaton
 4/04 Mark Stuart
 4/04 Gary Linke
 4/14 Robert Dahmer
 4/15 Kim Ameluxen
 4/15 Kurt Kaufman
 4/16 Lyle Main
 4/16 Josiah Turpin
 4/17 Derek Haas

4/18 Val Rossman
 4/19 Mike Cherette
 4/21 John Collins
 4/21 William Truxal
 4/21 John Collins
 4/22 Lea Nueske
 4/25 Dallas Osborn
 4/26 Mary Ellen Otavo- Law-
 rence
 4/28 Rachael Smith
 4/30 Dan Christian

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

April 4-11: Winter Park Train Trip
April 13, Tues.: Final General Meeting
April 18, Sun.: Winter Park Golf Outing
April 20, Tues.: Board Meeting
April 27, Tues.: Trip Committee 6:30 @ Dill's
May 11, Tues. : Board Meeting
May 18, Tues.: Trip Committee
May: Board Mystery Dinner
June, 18-20: Zip line Weekend
August 6, 7, 8: Pine River Canoe Trip

Thanks to:

Ralph Wharry and Laurene Chaney: for hosting the March board meeting & serving as greeters at March board meeting.
Rick Visel: organizing the race team.

Carey Felt & Joyce Ashdon: for proof reading the newsletter each month.

Joyce Ashdon: for mailing the newsletter each month and decorations for the March meeting.

Val Rossman: for creating the newsletter each month.

Cheryl DeDoes: for efficiently handling all the club accounting and trip payments for many years.

Bill Walbeck: running the 50/50 during March meeting.

Betsy Watson: for running the Banff Trip.

Mike Bielski: for February's meeting program.

Julie Dill: for handling membership lists, labels and details



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Board Briefs

March 16 — Wharry's

- Closed Boyne.
- Discussed summer trip.
- Discussed plans for next season trips.
- Discussed ideas for next year's programs.

Mark your calendar for the
2010 Canoe Trip!
August 6-8



April

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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11 	12	13 General Meeting	14	15	16	17
18 WINTER PARK GOLF OUTING	19	20 Board Meeting	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Trip Committee	28	29	30	



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April 13th!!

Last meeting of the year!

You could win \$150!! plus lots of other prizes!!

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