

The Flakey News

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Next Ski Club Meeting Wednesday, December 16 Hilton Hotel 7:00 PM
Next Board Meeting Wednesday, December 16 Hilton Hotel 6:00 PM
 Next Deadline for newsletter inputs is December 25.

SHOALS CORNER

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The Shoals group got together for the annual "Iron Bowl" competition at Bob & Dorothy Saving's house and enjoyed wonderful fellowship as the Tide "rolled over" the Tigers. Thanks to Bob and Dorothy for hosting this annual event.

We would like to welcome new members Jim and Kay Durrett. The Durrett's have attended several of our functions, as guests, and have decided to take the plunge. We're really glad to have you.

Vickie Dotson will lead a group of us to Franklin, TN on Sunday, December 13th, for the 13th annual "Dickens of a Christmas" festival. We will leave around 8:00 a.m., swing by the Opryland Hotel to see the Christmas lights and get to the festival around 1:00. Then, when it is over, around 5:00 p.m., will head back south to Florence. For those interested in going along with us, contact Vickie @389-8344.

Paoli '99 - This trip is scheduled for January 29 - February 2, 1999. The trip is full,

WESTERN TRIPS

Its almost time to go!! Are you getting excited? Just think about cruiss' down that slope with a jump turn to the left, to the right, then down the hill as fast as you can go. What a rush! Get out there and DO IT! Its not too late. Isn't it great when you real life exceeds your greatest expectations. I can't wait! Just a reminder our first Western trip is to Purgatory (approx 36 people), then Italy, then Jackson Hole (NASA trip), then Monarch (58 people), followed by Wolf Creek (43). Its not too late for someone to run an AEA week trip. If you are interested please give me a call or e-mail me (C21phill@aol.com). Have a wonderful safe ski season :-))

Phil Hollister



PRESIDENT'S CORNER



We have had another terrific summer and fall season with lots of events and great participation by the members. We all owe thanks to those that stepped forward and coordinated these activities for us. I hope

each of you can see what a great club we have in the Huntsville Ski Club. HSC is THE PLACE for people who want to participate in a variety of things with active, friendly, fun-loving people. We have it all - socials, parties, cookouts, hiking, camping, white-water rafting and canoeing, dances, bowling, theatre, biking, tennis, local events, ice skating, and other stuff! Oh, and did I mention - skiing?

It is time to start thinking about next year. Soon the nominating committee will be calling on some of you to serve on the board. Please do your part and help keep the club strong.

Stuart

Real Versus Expert Skier

- Expert Skier: Got a great deal on the latest in ski gear at Sniagrab.
- Real Skier: Picked up a used set at a garage sale and found his bindings in the dumpster outside his apartment.
- Expert Skier: Goes out to a fine restaurant for dinner apres ski.
- Real Skier: Is his waiter.
- Expert Skier: Tells everyone that they should ski his favorite resort.
- Real Skier: Tells everyone that they should ski somewhere else.
- Expert Skier: Thinks the new lift is great.
- Real Skier: Spent all last night loosening the bolts on pole 12 of the new lift.
- Expert Skier: Feels confident adjusting his bindings.
- Real Skier: Feels comfortable mounting his bindings.

TRAINING



Sunday Afternoon Hikes.
Meet at 1:15 at the Monte Sano Hikers Parking Lot.
Hikes start at 1:25 and last two hours. Coordinator: Lloyd Marks, 881-1335. This is a fun and healthy way to spend your Sunday afternoons.

Hugh Nicholson
Training Director

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at this time, but if you have an interest in going, please contact Don or Jennifer Aston. If we have enough interest, there is the possibility of obtaining another Condo.

The Shoals Group had a wonderful trip to Gatlinburg. The Christmas lights were beautiful as were the trees. The weather was unseasonably warm. Our weekend started with a Mystery Dinner, sponsored by Barbara Tuchel. It took about two hours, but we finally figured out that Bo Jalais was the one who murdered "poor Pepi". Thanks to Barbara for putting together such a wonderful evening. The dates have been set for Gatlinburg '99 - November 5 - 7 (returning on the 8th). This trip is already filling up, I think there is still room for four people. If you have an interest in this trip, contact Barbara Tuchel - 561/966-9377, or Jennifer Aston - 256/767-6777.

Mike & Vickie Dotson will host the annual "Super Bowl Sunday" gathering on Sunday, January 24, 1999. Please make your calendar to attend.


There will be no Shoals meeting for December. The next meeting will be on January 21, 1999, 7:00 p.m., at Grady T's, with Lee Nemeth hosting. Please make plans to attend.


On a personal note - Let's all take time to reflect on our many blessings during this holiday season. Let's not forget to remember those less fortunate than we are. I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful holiday season and that 1999 brings everyone much good fortune and happiness.

Jennifer Aston



RECREATION

 **ICE SKATING** - Everyone invited to come out and ice skate every Wednesday from 8:00 - 10:00 PM at the Iceplex on Leeman Ferry Road. Cost is \$4.00 plus \$1.00 if you need skates. More information, call Janet Emery at 726-0047.

 **PUT ON YOUR DANCIN' SHOES** - Tuesday Evenings at Skate Odyssey on South Parkway. Some of the best instructors in the area will teach Ball Room Dancing. Each month a new dance is taught. Beginner, beginner and more advanced. Good place to meet new friends and see and see old friends. Cost \$4.00. Time 7:30.

Theatre Round the Corner -- Nov. 20-Dec. 31, Forever Plaid; Jan. 29-Feb. 20th, Moon Over Buffalo; March 5-March 27, The Gin Game; April 9-May 1, The Farndale Mystery; May 7-May 29, The Moving of Lilla Barton; June 11-July 3, The World Goes Round; July 30, -Aug. 7, of 1999, Cat on a Hot Tin Roof; Aug. 13-Sept. 11, 1999, Smoke on the Mountain. Fax # 256-539-7585, or order at www.trtc.com

HELP HELP Need ideas for activities for Recreation. Call Norma Oberlies, 883-8282

Local Trips Corner

A local trip is a trip involving an overnight stay that is not a Western Trip. Some local trips are already planned but it would be nice to have some more. Please call Tom Mullen at 883-2245 if you would like to lead a trip. Some ideas for trips would be:

- Lead a trip to Paoli Peak on M.L. King weekend (Jan 16-18)

Ideas for other trips are welcome!
Tom Mullen

FOR SALE

Car Top Ski Rack - \$15
Angela McKee 461-8480
mckee@phaseiv.com

The Huntsville Ski Club is online!

hsc.ro.com
email at skiclub@ro.com

HSC Phone: 858-6754

Murder of Pepi Roni Solved

GATLINBURG, TN: Local authorities solved the mystery of who killed Guiseppe (Pepi) Roni Scarfazzi on November 13, in this Smoky Mountain Resort. After three hours of speculations and accusations, the suspect was captured and tried. Unidentified sources tell us that the murderer lost everything. He didn't wind up with Scarfazzi Enterprises. He didn't wind up with the girl of his dreams. What he wound up with was a criminal record, deportation back to France and a life behind bars. The murderer was none other than ze Frenchman Bo Jolais played by Mike Dotson.

Unfortunately, Bo Jolais has escaped and is delivering coffins somewhere in North Alabama.

FOR SALE

- > Rossignol A 160 9B Z 016465 Y w/ 150 Tyrolia (woman) + Polls
- > HEXCEX Sundance 190 123136 w/ 350 Tyrolia (Man) + Polls
- > Gremlin 130-90015276 w/ Salomon Junior 147 (Child) + Polls

Alice Brigman

852-6087 home number



CHRISTMAS DANCE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1998

7:30 P. M. - 11:30 P. M.

HUNTSVILLE COUNTRY CLUB

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HEAVY HORS D'OEUVRES

TICKETS \$25.00 - LIMIT OF 200

DEADLINE TO GET TICKETS - DEC 11

**FREDA SMITH, KAREN POWELL, STUART ROGERS, PHIL HOLLISTER,
& RENATA LIMMER HAVE TICKETS TO SALE**

PLEASE PAY BY CHECK TO HELP WITH BOOKKEEPING

******TICKETS ARE CURRENTLY LIMITED TO HSC MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS******



Huntsville Ski Club

Membership Application - Renewal Form - Change of Address Form

Date: _____

Note: Membership year ends August 31.

Name: _____
First Mi LastSpouse: _____
First Mi Last

Address: _____

City

State

Zip

Phones:

Home: _____ Work: _____

Spouse Work: _____

E-Mail Address : _____

The undersigned acknowledges the hazards inherent in skiing and other sports participated in by the Huntsville Ski Club, Inc. In consideration of the benefits derived from club membership, the undersigned does absolve, release, and waive any and all claims or demands against the Club, its officers, directors, and each and every member thereof which may arise out of any injury, damage, or pecuniary loss incidental to participation in Club activities.

Applicant's Signature _____

Spouse's Signature _____

Make check out to Huntsville Ski Club. Questions?? Call Marv at 852-3871

Mail to Marvin Polan, 3500 Leroy Dr., Huntsville, Al. 35810.

How did you find out about the Huntsville Ski Club? _____

Check Applicable:Change of address: New Member: Renewal of Current Member: Renewal of Previous Member:

If renewal, are addr, phone, email same?

Yes No Family Membership (\$30) Individual Membership (\$21)

Prices for Mar, Apr, May

Check Cash

Club Badge(s) desired ??

Number _____ @ \$5= _____

Sponsor (optional) _____

Ski Trip to Purgatory Resort January 9-16, 1999

Trip Director: Leon "Mickey" Allen - 880-8551**Purgatory Ski Resort Facts:**

-Summit elevation: 10,822 ft.

-Base Elevation: 8793 ft.

-75 Trails, 10 Lifts

-2500 acres -10 Lifts

Purgatory has great beginner and intermediate ski slopes plus expert runs.

Lodging at Hampton Inn: The newest hotel in Durango (elevation is 6500 ft.)Includes an indoor pool, jacuzzi, complimentary continental breakfast, party room, and free shuttle services to town and ski area. A car is not needed.**Durango:** a great western resort town with over 40 fine restaurants, many unique shops, art galleries, exciting night life and other fun activities. There is plenty of other activities for now skiers.**Trip Price:**

-7 Nights Lodging/6 Days Skiing/Air Fare

Skiers

\$765

Non-skier

\$631

There are 36 people signed up for the trip and we have room for more. Airline tickets will be passed out for those on American Airlines at the December meeting.

CORTINA ITALY

15-23 Jan 99

Rick Stock - 883-6862

superstoc@hotmail.com

Only one more month until we leave on this wonderful trip!

Many thanks to Leo and Gail Ruggerio for graciously hosting the pre-trip party 15 Nov. It was a success with 76 people attending. Highlights of the party included Mary Ann Johnson and Charles Steele demonstrating the zydeco. Door prize winners were Pat Brewer and Bunny Bennich. Post-trip party TBA.

We have mailed the pre-trip packets. Let me know if you did not receive one or if they did not include any information you need. Airline tickets are forthcoming. Lufthansa Airline is affiliated with United and frequent flyer miles can be accumulated. Please sign and return release forms as soon as possible.

➤ Ski rental fees due 15 Dec 98. There will be a \$40.00 reduction in price for non-skiers.

➤ REFUND POLICY

Full refund (excluding registration and party fee) prior to 15 Nov 98. An additional \$200.00 will be subtracted from the refund if cancellation is between 15 Nov and 15 Dec 98. After 15 Dec 98 no reimbursement in the case of cancellation. Trip cancellation insurance can be purchased for \$50.00 by calling 1-800-323-3149, Carefree Travel Insurance.

➤ TRAVEL OPTIONS TO ATLANTA

The bus to Atlanta is full. Bus pick-up is at the Holy Spirit Church, corner of Airport and Whitesburg. A release must be signed before boarding the bus. Days Inn Airport East/Forest Park has a Park and Fly package, which includes one night, breakfast, up to 14 days free parking, and transportation to and from the airport for \$62.00. 1-800-329-7466

Jackson Hole, Wyoming - 1/30-2/6 (plus Grand Targhee)

Not a HSC-sponsored trip, but the 8th annual NASA Ski Week (NSW) wherein a lot of HSCers join up with other folks from NASA-towns. We're goin' to the picturesque cowboy town of Jackson, WY; got low-season rates in high season (better weather - no thaw/refreeze, so NO crud/crust/rain). Visit the web-site: "<http://www.ghgcorp.com/coyej/Ski/>"

Jackson Hole Ski Resort - Rated amongst top resorts in "Snow Country"

- **2,500 acres** - 6,311' to 10,450' (biggest elevation change in U.S.)

- Runs (76): 10% beginner /40% intermediate /50% advanced; Longest: 4.5 miles

- 100 miles of slope: bowls, tree-lined, and open slopes; 400" snows per year.

- Snowfall Averages: Dec: 104", Jan: 95", Feb: 72"; Season: 402"

Grand Targhee Resort - A Day-Trip Option (add \$44/skier/day-trip)

- **2,000 acres** - 8,000' to 10,200' - 500" snowfall - 1 hr. bus-ride from Jackson

Air Pkg (\$404/person) - Delta - Huntsville-Jackson-Huntsville

Three Ground Pkg. Options (\$428 - \$483/person - double occupancy)

- **Days Inn** (NICEST Days Inn in U.S?) - Lots of amenities & free stuff

- **49er Inn and Suite** - Very nice 190-rooms 3 blocks from the Town Square

- **Cowboy Village** - 3 types of log cabins with kitchenettes/amenities near Square

- **Included in each ground 7-night-stay Ground Package:**

4-of-6-day, Jackson Hole Ski Resort (JHSR) Lift Pass (add \$10 for 5th day).

No cars needed! - Prepaid shuttle-rides around Jackson & JHSR; RT Airport Transfers

Deluxe Continental Breakfast at your lodging - Welcoming Party - Pre/Post-trip parties

Contact: Tom Dollman; P.O. Box 9235; Huntsville, AL 35812; 233-0705

Monarch Ski Trip

Contact: Charlie Ross, 461-0262
Time: February 6-13, 1999
Location: West of Colorado Springs in Southern Colorado
Cost (ground only): Adult: \$437, Senior: \$399
(with HSV air): + \$293

Price estimates include 5 day lift ticket, party fee, 7 nights double occupancy, 4 persons/rental car, and signup fee.
The HSV-COS A/A airline tickets are out of HSV (8:00am-12:00 noon) and return (2:00pm-7:00pm).



FOUR OPENINGS STILL AVAILABLE

At the Dec. meeting I will be collecting money for the party fee (\$25) and for 5 of 6 days lift tickets (\$125 adult/ \$87 senior), less the \$40 airfare deposit, where applicable. If you can't make the Dec. meeting, please send a check (payable to HSC) to: Charles Ross, 126 Lake Pointe Circle, Huntsville, AL 35824.

Those participants getting airfare can purchase their tickets using a credit card by calling 1-800-433-1790 before **January 6** and give them one of the following record locators:

Monarch trip only: VAOXTK or QARNWZ (1/6-13)
Wolf-Creek also: VAPNDP (1/6-20)
Fernandez/Simmons: QCWCMF (1/6-18)

They will mail the ticket directly to you and I will credit your \$40 airfare deposit toward your party fees and lift tickets.

I am still working on getting rental car rates down. I currently have been quoted \$170 and \$176/week from Advantage and Dollar, respectively, for full-size four-door cars in the quantity that we need. More info at the pre-trip party. Please keep me informed as to who you are sharing a car with.

Wolf Creek Ski Trip

Contact: Sue Chatham, 461-0262
Time: February 13-20, 1998 (President's week)
Location: SouthWest Colorado
Cost (ground only): Adult: \$440, Senior: \$385
Prices include: 5 day group lift tickets, party fees, 7 nights double occupancy, 4 persons/rental car, signup fee.

At the Dec. meeting I will be collecting money for the party fee (\$25), and 5 of 6 day lift ticket (\$153 adult/ \$98 sr.). If you can not make the meeting, please send a check (payable to HSC) to: Sue Chatham, 126 Lake Pointe Circle, Huntsville, AL 35824.

I have sent in a rooming list to the South Fork Comfort Inn. You or your roommate (or both) should call 1-719-873-5600 to guarantee your reservation by **January 6**. Rooms at the Comfort Inn will be paid on departure from the hotel. Please keep me informed as to roommate plans.

Since more than half of the Monarch participants are going on to Wolf Creek for a week, we are having a joint pre-trip party on **January 8 at 6:30**. Please bring an hors d'oeuvre to share.

You or your roommate (or both) should call 1-719-539-5000 to guarantee your reservation by **January 6**. I have sent in a rooming list to the Comfort Inns. Rooms at the Comfort Inn will be paid on departure from the hotels. Please keep me informed as to roommate plans.

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For those interested in the excellent non-ski activities available, such as snow-mobiling, cross-country skiing, hiking, gambling, and sight-seeing, the Chamber of Commerce is across the street from the hotel. Their phone number is 719-539-2068.

For those wanting to rent skis or take lessons, I will have info at the pre-trip party. Expect standard rentals at about \$8/day.

Some good news! This should be the best year yet for local nightly entertainment. We now have Willie Staggs, Federic Nicholson, and Carla Knight on guitar, Chuck MacCrone on harmonicas, Lynda Locke, Vince Guarin, et. al. on vocal.



For those interested in many terrific non-ski activities in the area such as cross-country skiing (150 mi. of groomed trails), snow-mobiling, hiking, and sight-seeing, the Chamber of Commerce is near the hotel. Their phone number is 719-539-2068.

For car rental, airfare, and ski rental info see the Monarch writeup.

For those wanting to rent skis or take lessons, I will have info at the pre-trip party. Expect standard rentals at about \$8/day.

The good news continues! We have Willie Staggs and Federic Nicholson on guitar, Chuck MacCrone on harmonica, Lynda Locke, et. al. on vocal for local nightly entertainment.

New Members

<i>name</i>	<i>home phone</i>	<i>work phone</i>	<i>address</i>	<i>city</i>	<i>state</i>	<i>zip</i>
Beam, Susan & Brent	536-7329	533-6999,890-3004	106 Featherstone Lane	Owens Cross Rds	AL	35763
Bowne, James D.	864-2683	876-5302	115 Summyfield Dr.	Madison	AL	35758
Byrn, Rick & Abby	837-1904	837-8988	6605 Marsh Ave.	Huntsville	AL	35806
Canestrari, David	772-5074	464-2219	1111 Princeton Dr.	Madison	AL	35758
Carroll, Laura A.			6111 Karen Davi Dr.	Huntsville	AL	35806
Coleman, Nancy	423-988-9777	423-690-5255	155 Lake Crest Dr.	Knoxville	Tn	37922
Collier, Elizabeth	464-0054	876-7844	222 Kyser Blvd. #94	Madison	AL	35758
Durrett, Jim & Kay	256-767-2522	256-389-2305/764-8821	122 Deer Trail	Florence	AL	35633
Fantasia, Luann	539-1841	955-1641	618 Hal St.	Huntsville	AL	35805
Fritsche, Robert & Sandra			1143 Seabreeze Lane	Gulf Breeze	FL	32561
Hall, Karen Jones & Roy			909 Sherrod Ave.	Florence	AL	35630
Harper, Carol M.	533-1152	534-18857	1307 California St.	Huntsville	AL	35801
Haskell, John W	880-6406	955-3458	9410 Lynn's Terrace	Huntsville	AL	35803
Jantzi, Stacy	334-448-4047	334-298-7062	705 29 St.	Phenix City	AL	36867-4007
Knight, Carla		256-842-8468	529 Farmingdale Rd.	Huntsville	AL	35803
Lee, Jeongin	837-7185	544-9443	6620 Old Madison Pike, #	Huntsville	AL	35806
Obst, Bill	721-6046	544-1005	95 Indian Creek Rd. #261	Huntsville	AL	35806
Piette, Cher L.	883-2303	461-3491	1203 Argent Circle	Huntsville	AL	35803
Powers, Byron & Wilma	883-2721		10101 Shadow Wood Dr.	Huntsville	AL	35803
Ryon, Tera E.	334-299-8917	706-327-2871	707 29st	Phenix City	AL	36867-4007
Scarborough, Marcia	880-1355		922 Tascosa	Huntsville	AL	35802
Steele, Charles W.	256-647-6206	256-325-8912	PO 503	Warrior	AL	35180
Stewart, Joe & Melanie	882-3924	963-8627,730-3778	14097 Carlisle Dr.	Huntsville	AL	35803
Tucker, Christa M.	883-0577		7713 Carlton Dr.	Huntsville	AL	35802
Turner, Carolyn A.	423-532-6017	423-365-8300	401 Gallaher View Road,	Knoxville	Tn	37919-5346
Veitch, Vi	880-2610		1001 Heatherwood Dr.	Huntsville	AL	35802
Vinz, Brad	880-6134		2757 Wynterhall Rd. SE	Huntsville	AL	35803
Vinz, Frank L.	881-5536		1008 San Ramon Ave.	Huntsville	AL	35802
White, Marie H.	423-805-5252	423-693-3232	10212 Tanrara Dr.	Knoxville	Tn	37922
Wilson, Patricia	772-7884	955-9600	144 Stone Meadow Lane	Madison	AL	35758
Wynn, Stephen & Brenda	883-4296	955-1190	8008 Valley Bend Dr.	Huntsville	AL	35802

98-99 Board of Directors

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Dec 98

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Jan 98

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Feb 99

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14	15	16	17 HSC	18 HSC Shoals	19	20
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HSC Huntsville Ski Club Mtg 7:30 at Hilton Hotel	HSC- Shoals Mtg 7:30 in Florence	Ballroom Dancing 7:30 Skate Odyssey	Christmas Dance 7:30 - 11:30
Newsletter Deadline	Sunday Afternoon Hike Monte Sano 1:15	TGIF Gathering 5:30 West End Grill	Ice Skating at the Iceplex
Purgatory Ski Trip	Cortina Italy Ski Trip	Jackson Hole Ski Trip	Monarch Ski Trip
Wolf Creek Ski Trip	Bowling Party	Air Force Concert	Shoal - Ski Paoli '99
Shoals - "Dickens of a Christmas			

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