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President

Welcome to Fall. We had a very instructive program at our Sept. meeting. Rick Pasturczak gave a program on clothing and equipment maintenance. Some of his highlights are: Do not store your helmet next to your boots as often the banging around may create cracks in the helmet; at the end of the season wash the foam on your goggles as sweat deteriorates the foam over time; gortex clothing needs to be cleaned with a special cleaner since detergents will wash away the protective coatings applied to the clothing; always store your boots fastened to prevent the plastic from attaining the wrong shape; and store your skis in a cool DRY location after cleaning them at the end of the season. We had a lively presentation and discussion. Many questions were answered.

Our bike outing to the McCormick Sculpture Path was on a very warm 90 degree Sunday. The path was lined with beautiful trees, nice flat asphalt path, over 90 sculptures, and a beautiful garden at the Evanston end of the trail. If you have a chance to see this on your own it is well worth the experience. The sculptures are all very different. Afterwards the 6 of us went to eat and watch the Cubs and Bears' games at the restaurant.



For October we have another fine meeting presentation on biking in the winter as well as racing. Our Oct. golf outing will also happen Oct. 11th, 10:00 a.m. at Village Green in Mundelein. Please talk about our club with friends, relatives, and pass out our brochures to promote the club. By this printing I will have had our first Lake Forest Civic Orchestra concert. Oct. 22nd Sunday, 4:00 p.m. at Brookside Waukegan High School we will have the first Waukegan Symphony Orchestra concert. Please let me know when you might have an event you wish sponsored or attended as it is important to back our membership.

See you at the meeting.
Jan Billings, President, Snowseekers Ski Club

Membership

If you have not already done so, it is now time to send your completed membership form and dues check to Mary Ellen Hodapp, the membership chair. The membership form is available on our website: <http://www.snowseekers.org/>

Click on “Documents and Forms”, 2017- 2018 Snowseekers Membership Application and the form will come up. This is a “fillable” form. Please type in the requested information on the light blue lines before sending the form to your printer. After printing, please sign the form and send it to Mary Ellen with your membership dues (\$40 for family and \$30 for single). Mary Ellen’s address is on the form. Be aware that the “fillable” form does not work if you are using the MS Edge browser to open the pdf. If you can, use a different browser like Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, or Mozilla FireFox. This form may also be printed as a blank form and completed manually if you prefer.

Remember, you must be a member of the Snowseekers Ski Club to participate in any of our ski trips or other activities. A new membership form must be completed each year by all members.

Fall Birthdays

October

1 Ben Davis
3 Zoran Paic
7 Simo Paic
18 Randy Wunder
19 Grace Milks
21 Jim Finnegan
25 Mary Ellen Hodapp

November

4 Kathy Good
7 Hayden Howes
Luke Hodapp
8 Ron Hodapp
13 Cindi Wunder
16 Esther Hodapp

Social Chair

Hello Snowseekers,

Skiing is not too far away, so you can take advantage of the beautiful fall weather by attending our Golf Outing on Wednesday, October 11 at 10AM, at the Village Green Golf Course in Mundelein at 2501 N. Midlothian. The cost is \$25 with a cart. Please let Jan or Al know if you are coming, (847)223-9379.

Our Christmas Party is going to be held on December 9, Saturday, at the American Legion – 749 Milwaukee Ave, Gurnee. Cash bar starts at 6PM. SAVE the DATE! We'll still do our "Gift Game" and collect Toys for Tots for those who would like to participate. More information will be in the next newsletter, an earlier newsletter.

Happy Fall and Thanksgiving.

Evelyn Adams

Social Chair

From the Trip Coordinator:

Snowmass, Colorado Ski Trip

February 24--March 3, 2018

We now have 36 lodging spots filled for this trip. I am still looking for a single female and a single male to fill open spots in existing condo lodging. Please let me know if you know of any people interested in the Snowmass trip. I can then determine what remaining condos need to be cancelled. The condo cancellations will be done in late October. The condo cancellations are according to our contract with the Top of the Village Condominiums in Snowmass. Please send your completed Snowseekers Ski Club trip registration and waiver forms (available on our website, (www.snowseekers.org) along with your initial trip payment. Please make your trip payments to Snowseekers Ski Club and send them to me at the address shown below.

		<u>SKIER</u>	<u>NON-SKIER</u>
Adult	18-64	\$ 1,664.00	\$ 1,296.00
Senior	65+	\$ 1,556.00	\$ 1,296.00
Teen	13-17	\$ 1,556.00	\$ 1,296.00
Child	7-12	\$ 1,556.00	\$ 1,296.00
Child	6 & Under	\$ 1,296.00	\$ 1,296.00

The Snowmass, CO. trip costs include round trip airfare between O'Hare and Denver, CO, round trip ground transportation to and from the ski resort, seven nights lodging in 2 and 3 bed/bath condos, and a 5 day multi-ski area lift ticket. A midweek get-together and a final group dinner are being planned. A discounted 6th day lift ticket is available if pre-ordered at least 45 days prior to the trip departure date.

I would like to hear from anyone who has any interest in the travel cancellation / interruption insurance. You need to follow the travel insurance contract regulations to be sure that any pre-existing health conditions are fully covered. Please contact me to let me know if you are interested in the travel insurance. The travel form is available as an attachment to this newsletter. Insurance premium payments are payable to Sports America Tours. Please send your completed form and insurance payment to me for processing. I will then be able to help in case of any claims.

DEVIL'S HEAD RESORT, WI. *

January 5-7, 2018

October 10	\$100.00
<u>November 14</u>	<u>\$150.00</u>
Total	\$250.00

* The costs shown above are for ages 13-65 (double occupancy). Please contact me for all other age category costs.

Reservations are currently being accepted for the Devil's Head, WI Midwest "Learn to Ski Better" weekend. Join the Snowseekers, Hustlers, Powder Dogs, and Bloomington, IL ski clubs for a fun filled weekend. Two nights lodging, two full days of skiing, free beginner and intermediate lessons, an après ski get-together, and 5 meals are included in the price shown above. Equipment rentals are available for \$23.00 per day (including helmets).

Stu Howes, Trip Coordinator
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360° Group



CHOICE Protection Plan

The 360° Group CHOICE Protection Plan provides quality travel protection for all ages at competitive group rates; includes trip cancellation & interruption benefits, emergency medical coverage, along with 24/7 travel assistance & concierge services!

Reasons to Enroll

- 24/7 access to worldwide network of over 727,000 medical providers and suppliers while traveling
- An air ambulance medical transport can cost on average \$20,000 in the Caribbean & \$80,000 in Europe
- Monetary reimbursements, not credits or vouchers
- Protection from the moment you step out your front door until you're safely back home again

Plan Benefits	
Underwritten by Transamerica Casualty Insurance Company	
Benefits	Coverage Per Person (up to limits below)
Trip Cancellation	100% of Insured trip cost (\$15,000 limit)
Trip Interruption	150% of Insured trip cost
Trip Delay	\$1,000
Missed Cruise Connection	\$1,000
Baggage & Personal Effects	\$1,500
Baggage Delay	\$250
Emergency Medical & Dental Expenses	\$25,000
Emergency Evacuation/Repatriation	\$150,000
Travel Assistance & Concierge Services†	Included
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Assistance, Consultation & Monitoring • Emergency Medical Payments • Prescription Assistance • 24 Hour Legal Assistance • Emergency Cash Transfer • Travel Document & Ticket Replacement • Information Services for Destination • Emergency Travel Arrangements 	

Plan Highlights

- First payer coverage, no deductibles¹
- Pre-existing exclusion waiver included through final payment
- Trip cancellation/interruption benefits include:
 - Sickness, injury or death²
 - Common carrier cancellations/delays
 - Terrorist act³
- Trip delay benefit - 5 hours or more
- Medical benefits coverage
- Baggage delay benefit - 12 hours or more
- Available for purchase within 24 months of departure date

Pre-Existing Exclusion Waiver

Pre-existing medical conditions are eligible for coverage when:

- Plan is purchased before or along with final trip payment
- The traveler is medically able to travel at the time of plan purchase

A pre-existing condition exists if a traveler and/or traveling companion has an illness or other condition within 60 days prior to policy effective date in which the condition:

- Required taking prescribed drugs or medication
- Received medical treatment or a recommendation for a diagnostic test, examination, or medical treatment

The 60 day look-back on pre-existing conditions only applies to those traveling.

¹Easy claims handling, less time and hassle to receive reimbursement for eligible losses from us first, with no deductibles. Funds may be recovered from your medical or other collectible insurance plans. ²Of you, a traveling companion, family member, domestic partner or business partner. ³Occuring within 30 days of the scheduled departure date for the covered trip in your departure city or in a city which is a scheduled destination. [†]Travel Assistance & Concierge Services are provided by the designated provider as listed in the Description of Coverage. Maximum trip length allowed is 120 days. Rates are subject to change. Plan rates are non-refundable after 10 day review period. This plan provides insurance coverage for a covered trip. The purchase of travel insurance is not required to purchase any other product or service from the travel retailer. You may already have coverage that provides similar benefits and you may wish to compare the terms of this coverage with your existing coverage. If you have questions about your current coverage, call your insurer or agent. The travel retailer is not qualified to answer questions about the benefits, exclusions or conditions of the travel insurance. For a summary of the plan details on coverages, benefits, limitations and exclusions of the insurance plan, please refer to the applicable Description of Coverage. Travel insurance is underwritten by Transamerica Casualty Insurance Company, Columbus, Ohio; NAIC # 10952. Travelers CA Agency License #0D10209 1522025 TGAC-0816 08.16

Group 360 Choice Protection Plan by Travelex 2017/18 Ski Season

Trip Insurance Cost:

\$1 - \$500	\$50.00
\$501 - \$1000	\$75.00
\$1001 - \$1500	\$105.00
\$1501 - \$2000	\$137.00
\$2001 - \$3000	\$187.00

To sign up for Travelex 360 Group Choice Protection Plan, please fill out this form and mail with a check payable to Sports America Tours. To cover any pre-existing conditions, you must purchase prior to your final payment. If paying the trip in full at time of signup, you must purchase the same day to cover pre-existing conditions. You can purchase after making final payment but it will not cover any pre-existing conditions. We need one form per person. Fill out COMPLETELY. Group insurance may only be purchased 30 days or more prior to your trip departure.

-Full Name _____

-Phone No _____

-Email _____

-Club Name _____

-Destination/Resort _____

-Departure Date _____

-Return Date _____

-Date of Initial Trip Deposit _____

-Date Trip Insurance Purchased _____

-Ski Trip Cost _____

-Cost of Travel Insurance enclosed _____

Mailing Address: _____

For questions regarding coverage, please call Travelex Insurance Service at (800) 228-9792 and reference location number 05-1366. Mail payments to Sports America Tours, Inc., Attn: Leslie, 120 Stony Point Rd, Ste 245, Santa Rosa, CA 95401. Make check payable to Sports America Tours.