

# NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR MARCH/APRIL 2016

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The next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 upstairs at the Buffalo Gap Saloon, 6835 SW Macadam Avenue, Portland, OR 97219, starting with a Happy Half Hour from 6:00-6:30 pm, followed by the meeting. Food and beverages on your own. The focus of this meeting is ELECTIONS; both for NWSCC and PACRAT. Come learn the latest about what NWSCC is doing!

NWSCC will have quarterly meetings for the remainder of this year, presently scheduled for September/October and December.

# TIMELY ALERTS:

MAN AND WOMAN OF THE YEAR! The nominees for Man and Woman of the Year were Steve Royce and Karen Michels nominated by Mountain High Snowsport Club; and Bob Lawrence and Colleen Stroeder nominated by Skiyente Ski Club. Bob Lawrence and Colleen Stroeder are the winners and will represent our Council and compete for FWSA Man and Woman of the Year at the FWSA Convention in Scottsdale in June. Congratulations! Thanks to ALL the nominees; they all do a lot for their clubs and Council!

Schnee Vogeli Ski Club will host a "Season Ender Bender" party and dance at The Ratskellar in Government Camp on April 23. "Cadillacs for Everyone" will be the band. Tickets are \$15 from your favorite Schnee Vogeli member; if you don't know a Schnee personally, contact Dale.Parshall@bankofthewest.com.

# PRESIDENT'S ARTICLE:

This has been an incredible year for skiing, trips, and racing. As clubs wind up their activities for the season, it is a good time to think about elections. Many volunteers work for their clubs donating countless hours of work to keep us

having fun. Please look at your club's calendar and participate in elections. NWSCC is looking to fill its slate of officers at the June meeting. See the following article, and please consider joining us! I look forward to seeing you on the slopes, at a party, or at a club meeting soon.

Website:

President Sylvia

# NWSCC OFFICER ELECTIONS - GET INVOLVED - WE NEED YOU!

Join the leadership of the Council – serving on the board of directors is a great way to get involved in club, council and Far West Ski Association activities. The board is made up of members from different clubs in NWSCC—bringing a variety of style and experience to the Council. All officer positions are open for one-year terms. The following officers will be voted upon at the June 15, 2016 meeting:

**President:** Head of the Council Executive Board; represents NWSCC at Far West Ski Association board meetings and at National Ski Council Federation meetings.

**Vice President:** Assumes duties of the president when needed and handles other duties as assigned.

**Treasurer:** Responsibility for Council financials. Experience with bookkeeping software and GAAP necessary.

**Secretary:** Records Council minutes and correspondence as needed; keeps corporate records.

**At-Large Director (two positions):** Duties as assigned by the President. [Other directors will be appointed by the elected Board to fill the slate.]

**Time involved:** Quarterly Council meetings; a monthly board meeting; other duties as assigned or as you volunteer to work on.

If interested, please contact Colleen Stroeder at Colleen.Stroeder@odot.state.or.us for more information or to put your name on the ballot. We need your input and support, and want YOU to consider serving on the Board! PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION ON TO YOUR FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS.

### PACRAT elections will also be held at the June 15 meeting;

the following are elected positions for the PACRAT Board:

- \* Chair
- \* Vice Chair
- \* Secretary/Communications
- \* Treasurer
- \* Results/Timing
- ⋆ Sponsorship/Awards
- \* Race Director
- \* Party Director
- ★ Membership Director
- \* Communications

Also on the Board, but NOT elected, is the Immediate Past President. Appointed Positions are Director at Large - Chief Rat Patrol and Director at Large - General.

If you are interested in running for a PACRAT Board position for 2015, please contact Andy Hobart at president@nwskiers.org. Please provide information on what position you would like to run for and why you are interested in doing so. He will be assembling the ballot. You will need to be at the meeting to say a few words about why you'd like to run and what you plan to do, or have someone else show up and speak on your behalf.

#### Who votes in PACRAT Elections?

The clubs must decide on who gets to vote for the club. Usually it is the Team Captains, but in cases where there are more teams than votes available, only the number of votes designated for that club may be cast. ALL team captains CAN be there to caucus, but your club can only cast the proper number of votes.

\* Mountain High
\* Cascade
\* Skiyente
\* Schnee Vogeli
\* Bergfreunde
4 votes
2 votes
2 votes
1 vote

# **SUE'S SAFETY REPORT:**

Spring skiing brings lots of snow variations. Should you hit the slope it can be harder than packed powder, so heads up with that helmet on. Watch for ice in the morning and in the shadows. Beware of the frozen ridges, tracks and hard cookies that can make skiing tricky. The warming sun brings the corn snow where it is heaven and you can ski everywhere. But eventually you might hit wet corn snow that can be sticky, especially on the flats. Be sure you are centered on those skis ready for the sudden slow down. Hands forward can help you from being thrown back. Oh yes, sun screen and sun glasses or goggles are a must to enjoy the ending of the season. P.S. There are some good sales at this time of year. When you put your skis away, a coat of wax will help them through the summer.

### PACRAT NEWS:

PACRAT has concluded its race season, running all races as scheduled (6 races, 6 parties, as well as a fun race at Timberline on the makeup date), and is now gearing up for the final awards party: the RAT ATTACK,



Friday, April 15!

Location: McMenamins Edgefield Blackberry Hall - 2126 SW

Halsey Street, Troutdale OR 97060 Theme: "Black Tie / Blue Jeans"

Guest fee: \$38 (this is cost to PACRAT)

No-host bar opens at 6 p.m.; dinner served at 7:15, followed by awards (and a few surprises).

SPECIAL TREAT! DANCE TO THE MUSIC OF "THRILL RIDE" UNTIL MIDNIGHT!!

ULTRA SUPER IMPORTANT: This year we need your RSVP, and we need it before 5 p.m. on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. Get your RSVP's for you and guests to Sylvia ASAP, at e-mail sylviakearns@outlook.com.

Everyone who sends an RSVP gets an extra door prize ticket!!

See the website for race results and further details: <a href="https://www.pacrats.org">www.pacrats.org</a> PACRAT is also on Facebook and Instagram.

# RECAP OF SPECIAL PARTY AT COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR FEBRUARY 17:

About 60 people braved the stormy weather to attend the special event put on by NWSCC and Columbia Sportswear. Attendees were treated to wine and hors d'oeuvres, discount shopping, and a really fun presentation by Columbia Sportswear about the history of their products. One of the newest products is rainwear called "Outdry," which is 100% waterproof, yet breathable, with a softer lining inside. The grand door prize was a new Outdry jacket worth \$400! If you would like to enjoy one of the videos we saw, go to <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OGjJSGqqSb4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OGjJSGqqSb4</a> (we were howling with laughter!). Dave Tragethon of Mt. Hood Meadows gave a short talk, saying that Meadows had lost the mid-mountain snow stake TWICE this year - what a GREAT snow season! A good time was had by all!

# **RECAP OF MARCH 16 NWSCC MEETING:**

President Sylvia Kearns is grateful that Vice President Sue Rimkeit chaired the meeting, as she was dealing with a death in her family.

Guest speakers from Timberline and Mt. Hood Skibowl were unable to attend, so Linda McGavin gave their reports.

**Timberline** is selling their spring passes for \$109 (until May 1), and they are good through May 31. This year they opened Phlox Point Cabin as a mid-mountain warming hut, taco and drink stop. This is the old Boy Scout cabin that had been used

as a place to hike or ski into, camp overnight, and to earn badges. Timberline purchased it and remodeled it last summer, and is constantly making improvements. The Cabin can be reached by taking West Leg Road (a ski run) and making a left turn onto Walts Baby. Timberline also reported that they have lined up their music for the free music festival on Labor Day weekend.

Mt. Hood Skibowl provided a press release for their upcoming spring break festivities. As a part of the festivities there was a ceremony to rename the Dog Leg Run to "Bill's Gold" in honor of Bill Johnson, a local hero and the first American male to win a gold medal in an alpine skiing event at the 1984 Winter Olympics.

Sue Rimkeit gave her safety message, comparing skiing to driving a car: don't tailgate, stay in control, merge safely, observe signs (like closed areas), slow down when you can't see, and when passing give the other person some room. Carry a whistle and maybe a compass. Don't be like a beaver and build a dam on the ski runs - move off to the side when stopping. When going to ski areas she makes it a point to talk to the Ski Patrol and asking them about their biggest concerns. One thing often mentioned is that the new ski equipment makes it too easy to ski fast and out of control - so learn control!

Dale Parshall reported for PACRAT that the numbers were good this year, and all races had taken place on schedule. The RAT Attack party will be at McMenamins Edgefield on April 15; see page 1 for further details.

Steve Coxen, President of Far West Ski Association, talked about the 2016 FWSA Convention to be held in Scottsdale, Arizona, June 9-12. See the expanded report about the Convention on the next page.

The Man and Woman of the Year competition was discussed, and two candidates for NWSCC Woman of the Year (Karen Michels of Mountain High and Colleen Stroeder of Skiyente), who were present, each gave a brief speech. The two candidates for Man of the Year were not present.

Colleen Stroeder, appointed Coordinator for assisting NWSCC clubs with applying for FWSA awards, advised that she had sent out forms to all the clubs encouraging them to apply for awards. All of the applications could be filled out online. The deadline was March 20.

Steve Coxen reported on public affairs, saying that Dave Tragethon of Mt. Hood Meadows had recently gone to a conference about the liability issue (the limitation of liability on the back of ski passes). He said that a bill is working its way through the Oregon legislature to create a working waiver for skiers and other participants in events with some inherent risk. Steve also reported that the Sustainable

Slopes meeting is scheduled for May, and awards are given to ski areas meeting environmental guidelines.

Colleen Stroeder noted that ODOT is starting construction work on Highway 26 again, and to expect delays when driving up for spring skiing. The highway will be closed for one hour periods when blasting occurs.

Club reports given at the meeting are reported under Club News below; PACRAT reports under that section.

### **CLUB NEWS:**

Cascade Prime Timers is starting their summer activities, including hiking, kayaking, and bicycling. They had one more spring trip to Sun Valley. The guest speaker at their upcoming club meeting was to be Portland Mountain Rescue.

Mountain High Snowsport Club had its last bus trip for the year to Crystal Mountain March 20-22. Mountain High is collecting recipes for a new cookbook. Debbi Kor will be attending the Mountain Travel Symposium, and will be looking at ideas other than just ski trips.

Schnee Vogeli announced their "Season Ender Bender" party at Government Camp will be held April 23; tickets will be \$15. Schnee members were part of the celebration for Bill Johnson at Skibowl, and they set the course for the fundraising race held after the ceremony renaming the run.

As part of its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary, **Skiyente Ski Club** will be having an upcoming event on the Spirit of Portland. They have been celebrating throughout the year with various events.

# **COMMERCIAL MEMBER NEWS:**

NWSCC appreciates ALL of its commercial members - see the list on the last page of this newsletter and be sure to check out the fliers on the right hand side of the Newsletter page on the website for specials as they are announced.

# NORTHWEST SKI CHALLENGE:

The ski year is almost over - if you have skied/ridden seven or more, including any in Oregon or Washington, or as listed in Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, and British Columbia (see page 29 of the Northwest Snowsports Guide), save your lift tickets or receipts to send in to NWSCC at the end of the 2015-2016 season! The more areas you ski or ride, the greater the chances and the level of prizes. The winners in the drawing will be announced in the fall of 2016; the grand prize will be awarded to the skier or boarder who visited the most ski areas during the season.

### NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES NEWS:

Northwest Snowsports Advocates has its own Facebook page. Keep current on news about what is going on in the Pacific Northwest with ski area development, roads, and environmental issues by joining our Facebook Group. You will have an opportunity to take an active role in helping ski areas get US Forest Service approval of their master plans. Every skier or snowboarder in the Pacific Northwest should join this page! Let's get the "Fan Base" WAY up there! Become a FAN today!!!!! (please cut and paste the link if it isn't working):

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Northwest-Snowsports-Advocates/174195539354385

#### **FWSA CONVENTION 2016:**

June 9 - 12, 2016. The annual Far West Ski Association Convention, hosted by the Arizona Ski Council, is coming

up at the DoubleTree Resort by Hilton Hotels, Paradise Valley, 5401 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale, Arizona 85250-7090. Phone: 800-498-7396 Web: http://doubletree.hilton.com



Members of all ski clubs in the West are invited to come and participate. (Thanks to Debbi Kor for this detailed information.)

#### What Happens at a Far West Convention?

Events include a silent auction on Friday Night, and the Travel Expo (where delegates meet one-on-one with resort personnel to plan future trips ) on Saturday morning. You can attend educational leadership panel sessions such as Improving Social Media savvy or the latest equipment, meet and greet with ski personalities like Billy Kidd and Jordan Romero (the youngest person to climb Mt. Everest), and attend the awards banquet and dance on Saturday night (the theme is "Denim and Diamonds"). There will be a business meeting on Sunday, at which time officers are elected, and other Association business takes place, as well as a sponsored brunch, and LOTS of door prizes to be given away. All of these events (and meals!) are included in your \$159 registration fee. Also available (for an additional fee) are optional events such as the Michael Memorial Golf Tournament, Western Journey-Museum of the West & Fiesta Lunch, Discover Town Scottsdale via Segway, Scottsdale's Entertainment District Pub Crawl, Music Instrument Museum-World Music Experience & Kona Grill Lunch, or a Spa Lamar Day.

#### How do I Register?

It's so easy! You can (1) sign up with your club president/delegate chairperson; (2) sign up online <a href="here">here</a> and pay with PayPal, or (3) complete the form (click <a href="here">here</a> for the registration form on the FWSA web site), write a check, and mail to the FWSA Convention Registrar (Karen James) at the address indicated. That's all there is to it! You're in!

Now make your hotel reservations, at \$99 per day per

room, and you'll be golden! Be sure to tell your club delegate chairperson if you sign up directly so that you'll be included on the Credentials Form as a Voting Delegate!

# How does your CLUB benefit?

FWSA is again offering the 6-pack incentive this year. This offer provides 1 free registration (\$159) with every 6 paid from your club. The reimbursement comes AFTER the convention. So, if your club sends 6 delegates, you would get back \$159; if you send 12, you would get back \$308.

More questions? Contact Colleen Stroeder a Colleen.Stroeder@odot.state.or.us

NOTE: The Far West Convention is hosted by a different ski club council each year. In 2014, it was held in Oregon, and it will come back to Oregon in 5 or 6 years. In 2015, it was held in San Diego, CA. Other typical locations are: San Diego (CA), Los Angeles (CA), Reno (NV), Phoenix (AZ), and the San Francisco Bay Area.

Elections will be held at the FWSA Convention for President, Secretary, and Treasurer, for one-year terms; two Trustee positions for two-year terms; and for the Vice President positions of International Travel (incumbent Debbie Stewart), Marketing (incumbent Debbi Kor), Communications, and Membership. Sylvia Kearns is Chair of the Nominating Committee and is accepting nominations for FWSA offices. Contact Sylvia at president@nwskiers.org.

# **FWSA NEWS AND TRIPS:**

Far West Adventure Trip to England and Ireland, September 12-22, 2016, with an extended bike tour in Ireland

from September 22-26. Your trip leaders, Debbie and George Stewart, have a phenomenal trip planned. The trip includes nightly accommodations and most meals. Tour London; see the Roman Spas; ferry to Rosslare.



Ireland, from the Welsh town of Fishguard; visit the Waterford Crystal Factory; climb Blarney Castle to kiss the Blarney Stone; see the Ring of Kerry, the Guinness Storehouse, and try a pint. Tour Dublin and much, more. The land price for the base trip starts at \$2,990 (pp/do), and the Ireland extension starts at \$899. Airfare is additional. For trip information, see the FWSA website <a href="here">here</a>. For further information, contact Debbie at: <a href="fwsAintltrvl@prodigy.net">FWSAintltrvl@prodigy.net</a>. You can view a short video by clicking <a href="here">here</a>.

Far West Dive Trip 2016: Get ready for the trip of your life! Far West is going to Fiji September 24-October 1, 2016 at the amazing Beqa Lagoon Resort; with a back-to-back trip October 1-October 8 at a different resort. Register for either week or stay for both weeks. The land and dive package for Beqa Lagoon Resort is \$1916 (pp/do), and roundtrip air from Los Angeles into Nadi, Fiji is approximately \$1,578 per person.

Cyclone Winston resulted in insignificant damage to Beqa Lagoon, with only minor landscape damage, which has already been cleaned up and they are operating at 100% capacity again. For other information, contact Randy Lew, your Dive Trip Leader, at: <a href="mailto:fwsa13randy@telis.org">fwsa13randy@telis.org</a>.

Far West Annual Ski Week 2017: Ski Week 2017 has been set, and will be in beautiful Breckenridge, Colorado, January 28-February 4, 2017. The town of Breckenridge has a colorful history full of gold mining, saloons, booms, and busts. There is much to do to keep skiers and non-skiers busy for the week. There are historical tours, shopping, spas, pubs, and plenty of restaurants. Gold Runner Alpine Coaster and Starlight Mountain Top Dinners are included. We will be staying at the beautiful Mountain Thunder Lodge, an elegant stone-and-timber condominium lodge situated in a beautiful wooded area along a ski run. The lodging is ski-in, with only a short walk to the base gondola in town that goes to Peaks 7 & 8.

Lodging and Amenities Package per person, double occupancy = \$1005.\*\* This price does not include discount lift tickets or transportation. What is included is:

- 7 nights lodging (double occupancy per bedroom)
- · Portage for luggage
- Registration
- Welcome Party
- Pub Crawl
- Northwest Ski Club Council Night Dinner
- Mountain Picnic
- Après Ski Party
- Activity Fee Racing and Scavenger Hunt
- · Banquet with Dancing

Anyone who chooses to purchase an Epic Pass (various Epic Passes are available) through Sports America Tours will receive a \$50 discount on the Basic Package price. For others, significantly discounted group lift tickets are the best option for this trip and cost as follows:

- Adults: 5 of 6 day \$375, optional 6th day \$35.
- Senior (65+): 5 of 6 day \$332, optional 6th day \$25.

Rod Robinson is the NWSCC trip leader for this trip. Contact Rod at <a href="mailto:rdrobinson@aol.com">rdrobinson@aol.com</a> or 541-344-7170. To sign up send a \$100 deposit. Make your checks payable to Northwest Ski Club Council. Mail should be addressed to: NWSCC | Breckenridge Trip, Rod Robinson, 5230 Overbrook Lane, Eugene, OR 97405. See trip flier on NWSCC home page and newsletter page.

Far West Mini Ski Week 2017: Nancy Greene's Cahilty Lodge at Sun Peaks Resort is the destination for the 2017 Mini Ski Week. Sun Peaks Resort is located in Southern British Columbia, 40 minutes from Kamloops, and serviced by airports in Kamloops, Kelowna, and Vancouver, British Columbia. Cahilty Lodge is located in the heart of the

village, just steps from the ski hill. Watch for more information on this fun trip on the FWSA website.

FWSA offers one USA ski week, one mini US ski week, one European ski week (usually with pre and post-trip extensions), and a number of "adventure" trips. For information on all FWSA International trips go to <a href="www.FWSA.org">www.FWSA.org</a> or contact the FWSA VP of International Travel, Debbie Stewart, by email <a href="www.fwsa.org">fwsaIntlTrvl@prodigy.net</a> or phone 559-734-9294. For information about North American/domestic trips, contact Nancy Ellis at <a href="www.fwsa.org">fwsatravelnancy@sbcglobal.net</a> or 530-414-8261.

### MEMBER BENEFITS AND DISCOUNTS:

Look at the NWSCC website at <a href="www.nwskiers.org">www.nwskiers.org</a> to see an updated list of **member benefits and discounts**, and check out the FWSA website at <a href="www.fwsa.org">www.fwsa.org</a> under Membership to see the current discounts. Debbi Kor is frequently adding new benefits!

New Benefits Partners Join Far West: With each new season comes a few new Member Benefits and new Benefits Partners. Check out our website, under "Member Corner." Click on "Benefits" and see what everyone is talking about! Along with all of our great lodging partners from 2015, we have now added the Lexington Hotel & Suites in Jackson Hole. The Powder House, in Lake Tahoe, has opened another new shop, and we have added Hillcrest Sports, on the highway to Mt. Hood, for your shopping pleasure.

As a member of FWSA, you also belong to the **National Ski Council Federation**, made up of ski councils and clubs throughout the U.S. A current list of NSCF benefits can be found at <a href="www.skifederation.org">www.skifederation.org</a> in the Members Only section. User name: <a href="skiclub">skiclub</a> - password: <a href="mailto:member">member</a>.

# **MISCELLANEOUS AND FUN INFORMATION:**

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL REGULAR NWSCC MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED! The meeting location may vary, so check the NWSCC website or contact President Sylvia Kearns at <a href="President@nwskiers.org">President@nwskiers.org</a>. Board meetings are usually held the 4th Wednesday of each month (but changes occur); contact an officer if you have a topic you would like to have considered.

Did you know that the **NWSCC** has a Facebook page? You can reach this page from the NWSCC website, and you can keep up-to-date on all our events and activities.

Subscribe to SKI OREGON's notifications and receive the latest about skiing and snowsports in Oregon, as well as powder alerts: www.skioregon

# Excerpts from the NATIONAL SKI CLUB NEWS: MT. SHASTA SKI PARK IS AVAILABLE FOR SALE:

The owners and operators of Mt. Shasta Ski Park, California, have decided to sell their ski area and bike park. Mt. Shasta Ski Park opened in December 1985. With one notable exception (the non-winter of 2013-2014), the area has operated continuously, and ski and bike operations gross up to \$5.365 million, generate up to 167,000 visits, and operate up to 137 days per season. Contact Mike Krongel at (617) 816-7544 or email krongel@mirusresortadvisors.com if interested in purchasing your own ski reasort!

GIANT UK CLUB'S IDEA TO RECRUIT STUDENT MEMBERS (something to think about for our clubs): Ski Club of Great Britain has secured 15,000 new student members after entering into an arrangement with group ski specialist Wasteland Ski. The club is offering every student who books a holiday with Wasteland this winter free basic level membership, which was introduced for the first time this season. "We are trying to plan for the future, to plant seeds," said Ski Club head of partnerships Simon Henwood. Ski Club is also targeting more mature skiers with a new insurance policy, which provides a higher level of cover.

### **BLACKCOMB MOUNTAIN EXTENDS SKI SEASON:**

Whistler Blackcomb has decided to extend its ski season by an additional week, and will be closing May 30, 2016. Whistler Mountain's last day of skiing will remain April 17.

ANTELOPE BUTTE SKI AREA PURCHASED FOR \$209,000: A nonprofit foundation has purchased the Antelope Butte ski and snowboard mountain in Wyoming and plans to reopen for business next season. The Antelope Butte Foundation purchased the maintenance buildings, two chairlifts and base facilities for \$290,000 from the U.S. Forest Service, which owned the resort after it was abandoned by previous owners. The Forest Service retains ownership of the land, and Antelope Butte will operate under a special use permit. "Summer 2017 will see some additional special events and also hope to have the lodge fully operational and the area available for cross-country mountain biking, hiking, and interpretive programs," Antelope Butte's Andrew Gast SnoCountry.com. "We are currently looking at being open for lift-served skiing and riding in December 2017 and lift-served mountain biking possibly as early as summer The 250-acre mountain is 59 miles west of Sheridan and 35 miles east of Greybull in the Big Horn Mountains. Opened in the 1960s, it operated as a day-trip ski area with 1,000 vertical feet until 2004.

NEW LIFTS FOR 2016-2017 SKI SEASON: Jackson Hole has announced a new gondola for the 2016/2017 ski

season. The new Doppelmayr-built Sweetwater Gondola will be located between the existing Bridger Gondola and Teewinot High Speed Quad and will have a mid-station approximately a third of the way up the mountain in the Solitude area, then continues up to terminate above the Casper Restaurant. It will feature eight-passenger cabins and will take 7.5 minutes to make its ascent with an hourly uplift capacity of 2,000 people. The gondola was chosen as the best type of lift to allow easy and safe uploading and downloading of kids for the resort's new children's teaching facility. The Arizona Snowbowl will get its first high-speed 6-pack lift, The Grand Canyon Express, this summer. Purgatory (Colorado) will have a two-way surface lift to transport guests between the 3 and 5 lifts, and the new Legends high speed quad next ski season.

# CHECK THE NWSCC WEBSITE FREQUENTLY FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION!!

# ALL CLUB CALENDAR:

# **April 2016**

15 Rat Attack, McMenamins Edgefield PACRAT
 15-17 Tilly Jane A-Frame Backcountry (XC) OR Nordic
 23 Season Ender Bender @ Ratskellar, Schnee/Open Gov't Camp

### May 2016

21 MBSEF/US Bank Pole Pedal Paddle Open to All Mt. Bachelor, OR
 22 MBSEF/US Bank Kids' Mini Open to All Pole Pedal Paddle

#### June 2016

8-12 FWSA Convention, Scottsdale, AZ FWSA/OpenI

# August 2016

22-9/4 Bike & Barge, Heart of Holland Cascade PT 25-9/4 Cerro Catedral, Patagonia, Argentina SKIBACS

# September 2016

3-9 Fourth Annual City Tour: Chicago Bergfreunde
 12-22 London and Ireland FWSA/All
 22-26 Extended Bike Tour in Ireland Clubs

Did you notice the highlights on some of the headings in this newsletter? Here's the key:

TURQUOISE = NWSCC news and events
PURPLE = FWSA news and events
YELLOW = Clubs news and events
GREEN = Other news and events

# **NWSCC OFFICERS and COMMITTEES 2015-2016**

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#### WELCOME OUR 2015-2016 NWSCC COMMERCIAL MEMBERS!!

#### **GOLD MEMBER:**

Webmaster

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PACRAT WORLD HEADQUARTERS

# BLACK DIAMOND MEMBER (PACRAT BIB SPONSOR):

Hillcrest Ski & Board Shop, Gresham, OR

SILVER MEMBERS: Cascara Vacation Rentals Mt. Hood Skibowl, OR Timberline Lodge, OR

# **BRONZE MEMBERS:**

Whitefish Mountain Resort, MT

Whitewater Ski Resort, BC

Aspen/Snowmass Ski Resorts, CO
Big White Mountain Resort, BC, Canada
Brundage Mountain Resort, ID
Cooper Spur Mountain Resort, OR
Deviation USA / Skis & Snowboards, Gresham, OR
Discover Sunriver Vacation Rentals, OR
Huckleberry Inn, Gov't Camp, OR
Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, WY
Mt. Bachelor Resort, OR
Schweitzer Mountain Resort, ID
Stevens Pass Mountain Resort, WA
Sun Peaks Resort, BC, Canada
Sun Valley Resort, ID
Towne Place Suites & Fairfield Inn & Suites, Bend, OR

**SUPPORTING MEMBERS:** 

Grand Targhee Resort, WY Pacific NW Ski Areas Association ReRack, Portland, OR Resorts of the Canadian Rockies, BC, Canada White Pass Ski Area, WA

THANKS TO THIS YEAR'S
COMMERCIAL MEMBERS!!
PLEASE PATRONIZE AND
SUPPORT OUR COMMERCIAL
MEMBERS AND LET THEM
KNOW YOU'RE WITH NWSCC!!

#### **NWSCC MEMBER CLUBS - NWSCC REPRESENTATIVES**

Please check **www.nwskiers.org** or the NWSCC's Northwest Skiers' Directory for a complete list of member clubs as well as contacts and their phone numbers and/or email addresses. Or, you may contact any of the board members listed above.

Why not send this newsletter to all your club members? It's available in .pdf format on the website, and the link can easily be passed on to your members.

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# **NEXT MEETING:**

Wed., June 15, 6:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Buffalo Gap Saloon 6835 SW Macadam Ave Portland, OR 97219 EVERYONE IS WELCOME!! ← NOTE THERE IS **NOT**A MEETING UNTIL JUNE

Far West Ski Association Safety Slogan:

SKI WITH PRIDE, LET IT RIDE, WATCH ALL SIDES! First With Safety Awareness!

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