

NWSCC NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR NOVEMBER 2013

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The next NWSCC meeting will be held on December 18 at Tubby's Deli (3330 N.W. Yeon Avenue, Portland OR 97210), starting with a Happy Half Hour from 6:00-6:30 pm, followed by the meeting. FREE Food, hosted by NWSCC and PACRAT! Soft drinks and water are FREE, Beer and Wine can be purchased at the deli for \$3 per bottle of beer and \$4 per glass of wine. NO BYOB.

Featured speakers may include Mission Ridge, Mt. Hood Vacation Rentals, Resort at the Mountain, and Huckleberry Inn. Meeting topics will include the new web contest for clubs, January Safety Month, Learn to Ski, Ski Challenge Winners, FWSA Convention, and FWSA Awards. Of course it's also PACRAT bib pickup night and the annual PIE sale to benefit our racing scholarship! If you only make ONE NWSCC meeting all year, this is THE ONE!! In the first half of 2014 meetings will be held on January 15 (Charitable Events, Travel, Learn to Ski/January Safety Month, FWSA Convention & Awards Program (deadline March 20)); February 19 (Charitable Events, Travel, FWSA Convention & Awards Program); April 16 (Ski Season Wrap Up, Club Summer Activities, FWSA Convention); and June 18 (Elections, Summer Activities, Summer Safety, Club Membership, Skiers' Directory). Meeting locations will vary, so watch for meeting notices!!

TIMELY ALERTS:

NWSCC'S SKI FAIR event is scheduled for November 18, 2013, and this year will be held at the Holiday Inn Airport, 8439 NE Columbia Boulevard, Portland, Oregon 97220. The doors open at 6:00 pm. Take advantage of this early opportunity to visit with snowsport industry reps, see new fashions, and visit other club members. Discounted ski passes will be available. Admission is FREE for Ski Fair and this event is open to the public--so invite all your co-workers, friends & neighbors. The show highlights ski/snowboard resorts, retailers and clubs, as well as safety programs and racing programs. No host beverages available.

For those clubs who enjoy the annual booth decorating contest and chance to win your club's dues back from NWSCC, this year's theme is "Convention Paradise," and the winner will be the booth that best portrays the "Volcanic Paradise" theme of the 2014 FWSA Convention.

The **SILENT AUCTION** at Ski Fair will offer some awesome ski trips and equipment. Remember that this is a free opportunity for your club to have a booth to show off what you are all about! If you are interested in booth space, volunteering for this fun kick-off event, or donating items to auction or for the "goodie bag" items, please contact Debbi Kor at 503-314-7078 or <u>events@nwskiers.org</u>, or Mary Olhausen at 503-880-7383 or <u>president@nwskiers.org</u>.

NWSCC is pround to announce that we are supporting the FWSA Athletic Scholarship program with a \$1,000 scholarship. See page 2 for further details and to learn who we are supporting this year!

New Club Web Challenge Contest: See page 2 for details on how your club could win two delegate registration fees for the 2014 FWSA Convention in Bend - a \$298 value!

CONVENTION PLANNING MEETINGS are starting - see letter attached to newsletter page for dates - we need help from all the clubs to make OUR convention a success!! This year's **Northwest Skiers' Directory** is now available at Certified Folder Display locations throughout sports locations in the Northwest! But it's truly cool to look at it online, on the home page of NWSCC's website. You can turn the pages and hit links that take you directly to the clubs or commercial members' websites!

NWSCC NEWS: PORTLAND AND SEATTLE SKI SHOWS:

(Opportunities for free publicity for your club!) Washington Skifever & Snowboard Show, Century Link Field Event Center, Seattle, WA (*times not confirmed*) Friday, November 8: 1:00 pm - 10:00 pm Saturday, November 9: 10:00 am - 9:00 pm Sunday, November 10: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Portland Skifever & Snowboard Show, Portland Expo Center, 2060 N. Marine Drive, Portland, OR 97217 See <u>www.portlandskifever.com</u>

 Friday, November 15:
 1:00 pm - 10:00 pm

 Saturday, November 16:
 10:00 am - 10:00 pm

 Sunday, November 17:
 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

The ski shows are a great venue to showcase your club and its membership benefits. All clubs in NWSCC are welcome to display their brochures/photos at the NWSCC booth, but no large club banners or posters will be allowed. When volunteering to staff the booth, you will be representing all of NWSCC's member clubs and the Council as a whole. Clubs can set up starting the day before each of the shows. NWSCC has a 10x10 booth, with an 8' skirted table, at each show.

For volunteering, you will receive FREE admittance to the Ski Show–Portland or Seattle. To volunteer for a shift at the Portland Ski Show, please contact Christine Ciardi at <u>membership@nwskiers.org</u>. To volunteer for a shift at the Seattle Ski Show, please contact William Shadbolt at Washclubs@nwskiers.org.

The ski shows are a lot of fun, with all the major ski resorts and retailers showing their goods—it's also a great place to purchase new equipment. Seattle now has a giant ski show and sale with all of Seattle's best ski and snowboard shops--save up to 70% on ski and snowboard gear at both shows! Volunteer to work the booth and you can spend some time afterwards shopping!



SCHOLARSHIP: This year the recipient of NWSCC's \$1,000 scholarship through the Far West Foundation is 15-year-old Alexandria Cora Oseland (Alex) of Bonney Lake, Washington, who races for Crystal Mountain Alpine Club. Alex maintains GPA of 3.96, and is a sophomore at Bonny Lake High School. Alex finished the 2013 season standing 2nd in Downhill, 6th in Super G, 23rd in Giant Slalom and 12th in Slalom. She had 17 top-10 finishes with 9 trips to the podium. As a first-year U16, she placed 8th overall in the Western U16 Championship series, and 2nd overall in the PNSA U16 standings. At the PNSA Championships, she won both the Slalom and the Giant Slalom races. According to Crystal Mountain's Head FIS coach, Scott Macartney, "Alex is goal-oriented and sees the path she need to take to reach the next level, even reaching out to me to help her design off-season training programs to get her stronger and fitter for the next year."

We are excited that our PIE auction at the December Council meeting will generate funds to help with this commitment.

NEW CLUB WEB CHALLENGE CONTEST!!

NWSCC wants to encourage all clubs to promote FWSA, the 2014 FWSA Convention in Bend, and NWSCC on their websites, and is offering a prize worth \$298!! Your club can be entered in this contest simply by updating its website to include logos of the Far West Ski Association, the 2014 Convention logo, and NWSCC; and by including links to the two organization websites and to the Convention flier. See attachment on the newsletter page for further details. NWSCC will provide the logos and links. The club delegates must pay the registration in advance, and the club will be reimbursed after the convention. The offer cannot be combined with any other promotion, i.e., the FWSA "six pack" program.

PACRAT NEWS:

The PACRAT board is meeting and working on plans for next year's races. Here's the 2013-2104 season's schedule:

November 21	"PACRAT 101" – Tubby's Deli
January 5	NASTAR Open, Mt. Hood Skibowl
	(open to the public, for all ages)
January 12	Race #1, Mt. Hood Skibowl
January 26	Race #2, Mt. Hood Meadows
February 9	Race #3, Mt. Hood Skibowl
March 2	NASTAR Open, Mt. Hood Skibowl
	(open to the public, for all ages)
March 16	Race #4, Mt. Hood Meadows
March 30	Race #5, Timberline
April 6	Timberline (Make-up race date if
	needed)
April 19	"Rat Attack" Awards Party

"PACRAT 101" will be held at Tubby's Deli, 3330 NW Yeon Street, Portland. This event is open to Team Captains and all interested. The meeting will be from 6-8 pm. It is an opportunity to learn about PACRAT racing, and a great opportunity for guests to get to know who we are and what we do.

EARLY NOTICE: NWSCC MAN/WOMAN OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

NWSCC is holding its annual Man and Woman of The Year Competition. Is there someone in your club who has shown outstanding service to the club and snow sports? There are many club members who qualify for this award! Grab a pen and write a short paragraph about them, and submit it to NWSCC. We are looking for a man and woman from each club who the club wishes to be honored because they have demonstrated outstanding service to their club and the ski community. Any club member may directly nominate someone from ANY NWSCC club who they feel is deserving of being chosen as NWSCC's Man and Woman of the Year! You may submit your entries with a description of why the person deserves the honor by email to Julie Rasmussen at secretary@nwskiers.org. ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 1, 2014. WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED SHORTLY AFTERWARDS.

The NWSCC Board will review all Man and Woman of the year nominations and will choose one man and one woman to be NWSCC's 2014 winners. In making its choice NWSCC will consider FWSA's criteria, which includes service not only to a person's club, but also to their Council, their Community, and FWSA. The Man and Woman selected will go on to the FWSA level to compete against the other councils in FWSA. The Council Man and Woman must attend the FWSA 2014 Convention in order to compete at the FWSA level. NWSCC will pay their Convention registration fees. This is a great way to meet other Council/Club members and contribute to FWSA programs. The overall winning Man and Woman at the FWSA level each wins a 5-night trip for two to Big White Ski Resort-the sponsor of the FWSA Man and Woman of the Year Competition. All nominees will be recognized at upcoming NWSCC special events. To review the FWSA Man and Woman of the Year forms, please visit their website at www.fwsa.org. NWSCC will assist with completion of the application form.

It may help you to understand the FWSA judging criteria: 10% Application Look & Completeness; 15% On-Snow Activities; 15% Public Affairs, Charity & Safety; 35% Activities & Offices Held; 25% Interview. While initial club nominees will not need to fill out the entire form, here is the web link to detailed information and the FWSA entry form: http://fwsa.org/MemberCorner/Programs/program-mwofy .html For more information on the Man and Woman of The Year, please contact Julie Rasmussen or Mary Olhausen.

CLUB NEWS:

The **FWSA/NWSCC membership cards** are now available, and are being delivered to the clubs by the most expeditious means possible. If your club does not have your cards yet, please contact our new Membership Director Christine Ciardi at <u>membership@nwskiers.org</u> with the number of cards needed by your club. Pickups can be arranged at Ski Fair, or at other locations by prior arrangement; some may be mailed. What does your membership card get you? Discounts!! See the attached article on the newsletter web page about special discounts available by showing your card!

The Mt. Hood Cultural Center & Museum is holding its annual Heritage Day, Party, and Auction at the Museum in Government Camp on Saturday, November 9. The Museum has an open house all day. Your Museum membership is your ticket to the evening events, beginning at 6:00 pm. Enjoy scrumptious hors d'oeuvres by Skibowl, complimentary wine, and craft beer by Boring Brewing. The Silent Auction closes at 8:00 pm, at which time there will be announcements, Volunteer of the Year Award, and dedication of the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol Showcase. This is a fundraiser for the Museum, which deserves our support!

Altair Ski and Sports Club will hold its annual **Pray for Powder** meeting on November 13, with proceeds to benefit the Lane County Food Bank.

Schnee Vogeli Ski Club's **Pray for Snow party** is November 16 at Charlie's Mountain View in Government Camp. There will be a live band and door prizes galore. Tickets are \$15 and are being pre-sold (no tickets at the door), so see your favorite Schnee to get one before they are all gone, or contact Dale Parshall (dale.parshall@bankofthewest.com).

NORTHWEST SKI CHALLENGE:

A record 10 people have entered this year's Northwwest Ski Challenge, having skied 7 or more ski areas in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, British Columbia, and Alaska. The winners will be announced and prizes presented at the December NWSCC meeting.

NORTHWEST SNOWSPORTS ADVOCATES NEWS:

Pacific Northwest Ski Areas Association and Steve Coxen have a special report on many improvements to Northwest ski areas. See this special report attached on the newsletter page.

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!!!!!

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

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.

Several of our commercial members are making special offers for all club members who show their membership card this coming year.

Brundage Mountain Resort is offering a \$50 adult lift ticket (ages 18-69) during weekend/holiday periods and a \$45 adult lift ticket during mid-week/non-holiday periods. You will need to show your FWSA/NWSCC membership card at the time of purchase. See flier on newsletter page.

Mt. Bachelor is again offering a "NWSCC Club Deal" - \$52 bucks a day to play. NWSCC members, here's your pass to play at Mt. Bachelor whenever you want for the 2013-14 Season. This is your backyard, so plan your trips now and we'll hook you up with lift tickets for \$52 bucks a day. Tickets must be purchased before 4 pm December 20, 2013 by calling 1-800-829-2442 and asking for the NWSCC Club Deal. Black-out dates are December 26-31, 2013; January 1-4, 2014; January 18-19, 2014; and February 15-16, 2014. Tickets are non-refundable and non-transferable. One lift ticket can be redeemed per day. Please present your NWSCC and your photo ID, as it is required when picking up your passes each day at the ticket window.

FWSA NEWS AND TRIPS:

Convention 2014 is just around the corner, and NWSCC is the host council: A Volcanic Paradise is coming to a Convention near you!! Get ready for the 82nd Annual Far West Ski



Association Convention, June 12-15, 2014, in Bend, Oregon. The high desert awaits you at The Riverhouse Hotel & Convention Center. To make your reservations, call 800-547-3928 or 541-389-3111. Group Name: Far West Ski Association 2014. Arrive Early – Stay Late! Hotel rates will be honored three days pre and post-Convention. Take advantage of the Central Oregon outdoor mecca with fishing, river rafting, hiking, biking, stand up paddle boarding, golfing, rock climbing, desert cave tours, canoeing, kayaking, volcano tours, shopping, and of course---sampling many of the finest brewpubs along Bend's "Ale Trail." For further information on Bend and surrounding areas see Visit Bend at <u>www.visitbend.com</u>.

Optional Activities for Convention will be hosted by NWSCC clubs, and will include a Ski Day and lunch on Mt. Bachelor and evening Pub Crawl on Thursday; the 8th Annual "Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament" on Friday at the River's Edge Golf Course, with breathtaking scenery. Also on Friday, the "Smith Rock State Park Adventure" will provide you an opportunity to see some of the most spectacular scenery in the world! "Biking Around Bend" will be our first annual community service optional event. We will partner up with Oregon Adaptive Sports, a Chapter of DSUSA, and bike around Bend with those with physical and cognitive disabilities. Participation can be as minimal as moral support or assisting with the adaptive cycles. Following the day's activities, plan to cool off at a fun and frantic Pool Party.

The annual FWSA Silent Auction happens on Friday night. The Silent Auction features an opportunity to bid on more than \$100,000 worth of great deals on ski, sport and adventure packages, plus sports equipment! The Silent Auction is open to all FWSA delegates, their guests, and the general public with FREE admission. We encourage our Bend and Redmond communities to take part in this event. Saturday brings the Travel Expo, both morning and afternoon sessions for Public Affairs and Snowsports Leadership Academy, and a highly motivating multi-media presentation following lunch. Saturday night dress is black tie / shorts to celebrate the Volcanic Paradise. This will include the FWSA Awards Banquet and Dance. Service awards and recognitions will be given to many of our most honored volunteers and industry partners.

If you'd like to assist NWSCC as a volunteer for the 2014 FWSA Convention, please contact Host Council Convention Coordinator Mary Olhausen at <u>omary52@comcast.net</u>. For additional information regarding registration or convention activities, contact Jane Wyckoff, FWSA Convention Chairperson, at <u>janewyckoff1@cox.net</u>. Our FWSA Industry Partners can contact Debbi Kor, FWSA VP of Marketing and Sponsorships, at <u>fwsadebbie@comcast.net</u>.

Detailed information and registration materials will be posted on the FWSA website, <u>www.fwsa.org</u>, in early 2014. Registration materials will be distributed to clubs and councils at that same time. We invite you to join us for this 82nd annual FWSA Convention in Bend, Oregon – we look forward to seeing you at The Riverhouse Hotel & Convention Center, where you will experience the Volcanic Paradise!! See Convention flier on the NWSCC home page! **Cruise the Caribbean** with FWSA November 9-16, 2013. Departing from Miami, they will cruise to St. Maarten, St. Thomas, and Nassau before returning to Miami. Inside cabins \$579, balcony cabins \$979 + portage fees. Contact Gloria Raminha: <u>garski2011@gmail.com</u> or check Far West Ski Association website for further information. Full payment is due now.

The Far West Ski Week 2014 will be in Beaver Creek, Colorado. The dates will be January 25 to February 1, 2014. The price is \$1,229 pp including 7 nights' lodging, a 5 out of 7 day lift pass, and the FWSA amenities package. There was one spot left for a single woman at the time of preparation of this newsletter! See flier. Note this special deal: Lift tickets are included in the ski week package; however, EPIC passes will also be available (which will reduce your trip cost by deducting lift tickets) and should be purchased from the Tour Operator at Skigroup.net by calling 1-800-500-2SKI (2754). Each member purchasing the EPIC pass through Skigroup will receive a \$25 discount off their lodging during ski week. To check EPIC Pass included, pricing and ski areas qo to: www.snow.com/epic-pass.

The Far West "Mini Ski Week" will be held February 22-27, 2014, and will be based in Davis County, Utah, with skiing at Snowbasin (and possibly other areas). The land package price ranges from \$425 to \$475 (pp/do), including 5 nights lodging at the La Quinta Hotel in Layton, Utah; 3 or 4 lift tickets to Snowbasin; transportation to/from Snowbasin; a welcome party; daily deluxe continental breakfast, pub crawl, and a farewell dinner & party at Antelope Island State Park. Transportation to and from Layton is not included, but more surprises are being added to the already fantastic package! Senior, children, and teen prices will also be available. Information is on the FWSA website а t www.fwsa.org/Travel/NAski/2014-FWSA-Snowbasin/201 4-FWSA-Snowbasin.html

For your future planning purposes, the 2015 Ski Week will be held at Whistler/Blackcomb, Canada; and deposits will be taken starting in early February 2014. The 2015 Mini Ski Week will be at Whitefish Mountain Resort, Montana.

FWSA offers one USA 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 <u>www.FWSA.org</u> or contact the FWSA VP of International Travel, Debbi Stewart, by email <u>fwsalntlTrvl@prodigy.net</u> or phone 559-734-9294.

Far West International Ski Week 2014: Zermatt, Switzerland, March 6-15, 2014; post-trip extension to Barcelona/Madrid March 15-23. See www.fwsa.org/Travel/InternationalSki/2014-FWSA-Zerm att/2014-FWSA-Zermatt.html for full details. Things are moving at a swift pace for Zermatt & Spain signups. Whether you want one week in Zermatt; Zermatt & Barcelona and Madrid, Spain extension; or just Spain as a stand-alone trip, the time to make your decision is NOW!. If you choose to not go to Zermatt, we'll make arrangements to fly you to Barcelona to join us just for the Spain adventure trip. We will spend the first 4 nights in Barcelona; then we will take the high speed train to Madrid for the next 4 nights. This will be an all-inclusive tour including charming four-star hotels, staying in unique and convenient locations. Most meals are included, giving us the opportunity to experience local restaurants with their cultural culinary delights. This tour is completely escorted and will include daily excursions that will be guided by local representatives. You will receive all the value and benefits of traveling to Spain with FWSA. This will be a unique, exciting and exceptional trip to be remembered! Go to the FWSA website (www.fwsa.org) under Travel and see a special video about the Spain trip! Contact Debbie Stewart, VP of International Travel at: fwsaintltrvl@prodigy.net.

Far West International Adventure Trip 2014: Lions, Rhinos and Elephants, Oh My! FWSA's 2014 Adventure Trip will be to South Africa in September (exact dates TBA), with an extension to Victoria Falls. This unique experience will offer much more than the normal gaming safaris. You will also travel through the garden route in South Africa, visit botanical gardens, travel through the Winelands area to enjoy wine tastings, view native birds in their natural habitat, experience animal viewing while river boat cruising, and much more. While traveling to South Africa, Zimbabwe, and Botswana you will enjoy the true African safari experience. We will search to see the "Big 5" and many other animals and native birds in the wild. This trip is guaranteed to be an experience of a lifetime! Watch for further details.

WOULD YOUR CLUB LIKE TO EARN A COMP ON ANY FWSA SKI TRIP? All you need to do is to bring 30 people, and the comp is yours to do with as you please. This might be shared if more than one club with in-club trip leaders has a total of 30 participants. This would also give you more input into future ski weeks that FWSA plans.

MEMBER BENEFITS AND DISCOUNTS:

An attachment to the newsletter page is a listing of this year's member benefits that we didn't have room to publish in the Northwest Skiers' Directory!

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

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 <u>www.skifederation.org</u> in the Members Only section. User name: **skiclub** - password: **member**.

MISCELLANEOUS AND FUN INFORMATION:

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL REGULAR NWSCC MEETINGS ARE "OPEN," AND PARTICIPATION BY CLUB MEMBERS IS ENCOURAGED! Starting in 2014, NWSCC meetings will be held at different intervals (January, February, April, June, September, October, and December); the location may vary, so check the NWSCC website or contact President Mary Olhausen at President@nwskiers.org. Board meetings are usually held the 4th Wednesday; contact an officer if you have an item 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.

From FWSA NEWS:

FWSA Data Base: The clubs database has been updated since the Convention. The club information form should be filled out by NWSCC clubs and mailed in to NWSCC with your \$20 dues payments. Council Presidents will be requested to check updated club officer information for accuracy in October/November.

Ski Magazine Names #1 Resort: Ski Magazine has named Jackson Hole Mountain Resort as the leading resort in North America. Ranked number one in SKI Magazine's annual poll of North American ski areas, it is the first time that Jackson Hole has made it to the top of the list. Congratulations, JHMR!

Women's Ski Jumping News: Lindsey Van won her 16th National Ski Jumping title October 13 in Lake Placid. Sixteen years ago, Lindsey moved to Lake Placid to live with her coach and his family while her hometown jumps in Park City were being rebuilt for the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympics. "Lake Placid will always hold a special place in my heart," she said after her win. Jessica Jerome placed 2nd and Alissa Johnson placed 3rd in the downhill jump. Sarah Hendrickson, reigning World Champion and 2013 large hill National Champion, sat out the weekend's events recovering from surgery after an August knee injury. In a recent interview, Sarah spoke of her injury and the rehab. "My goal of Sochi is 100 percent the reason I am getting out of bed in the morning and going to the gym for six hours a day. It is the reason I still have a smile on my face and it is the reason I will put my head down and fight through anything thrown at me in the next four months. I have dreamed of walking into the Opening Ceremony representing Team USA way too many times to give up now."

The Visa Team is now headed to training camp in Europe and then back for a short stint in Park City before heading to Lillehammer, Norway, for the World Cup opener on Dec. 6 (mixed-team event) and Dec. 7 (individual event). There are seven World Cup stops (14 events) before the start of the 2014 Olympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia. The U.S. Olympic Trials for ski jumping takes place Dec. 29 in Park City; the winner gets an automatic spot on the Olympic Team. Remaining Olympic Team members (up to three more) will be announced mid-January.

From the NATIONAL SKI CLUB NEWS:

WIN PRIZES BY BRINGING A FRIEND TO LEARN TO SKI Organizers of Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month/Bring a Friend have expanded the program to reward passionate enthusiasts who want to share their passion with others. It is the "exemplary level" of the Bring-a-Friend Challenge. Folks who help newcomers sign up for lessons from professional instructors can win prizes when they register to become an Ambassador or Champion of snow sports. Ambassadors are adults 18 years of age and older and Champions are between the ages of 13-17 who introduce at least three people to skiing or snowboarding this winter by helping them sign up for beginner lessons from a professional instructor.

Anyone can enter the Bring-a-Friend Challenge by introducing just one new person throughout the winter starting December 1 and ending March 15. Those who do so could win from among a number of products and trips being offered. Skiers and snowboarders who fulfill the criteria for the Ambassador/Champions program can win additional prizes. Three Ambassadors and three Champions will win a jacket from The North Face. The Ambassador of the Year and Champion of the Year will win a pair of skis from HEAD Wintersports or a snowboard from one of the LSSM snowboard sponsors and a season pass during the 2014-15. The Ambassador of the Year will win a trip for two to Salt Lake City and its nearby resorts (including airfare from a major airport). Salt Lake City was the site of the 2002 Winter Olympics. Complete details about the program are available at skiandsnowboardmonth.org. The Bring-a-Friend Challenge is hosted at http://bringafriend.org.

FAA LOOSENING RESTRICTIONS ON IN-FLIGHT ELECTRONICS: The New York Times is reporting that the Federal Aviation Administration will loosen its rules on using electronic devices during flight takeoffs and landings. The paper reports that the FAA plans to allow fliers to use their laptops and tablets while set to "airplane mode" during the takeoff and landing process by the end of the year but will keep its current rules in place for cellphones and smartphones. The ban on sending and receiving emails and text messages or using wi-fi during takeoff or landing will probably remain in place, as will the prohibition on making phone calls throughout the flight.

To subscribe to the National Ski Club News, go to <u>http://marquimail.marqui.com/marqui/Subscribe.aspx?m</u> =4704.

CHECK THE NWSCC WEBSITE FREQUENTLY FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION!!

ALL CLUB CALENDAR:

November 2013				
8-10	Seattle Ski & Snowboard Show	Open to All		
9	Annual Heritage Day, Party &	Join to		
	Auction, Mt. Hood Museum	Participate!		
9	Annual Gala Auction/Fundraiser,	Outdoors for		
	The Westin Bellevue	All		
15	Snowball Dinner/Auction, Bend, OR	MBSEF		
15-17	Portland Skifever & Snowboard Sho	w Open to All		
16	Pray for Snow Dance, Charlie's	Schnee		
		Vogeli		
	Mountain View, Gov't Camp, OR	Open to		
		All		
18	NWSCC Ski Fair/Holiday Inn Airp't	Open to All		
20	Kickoff Party & Swap	Mountain		
		High		
21	PACRAT 101, Tubby's Deli, PDX	Open to All		
27-12/1 Sunriver, OR Ski and Feast Oregon				
Nordic				
December 2013				

7	Open House, Lodge, Gov't Camp	Cascade S.C.
12-15	Whistler/Blackcomb, BC, Canada	S'no Joke
14	Snowshoe/XC Moonlight Trip	Bergfreunde
26-31	Methow Valley Winter Trip	Oregon Nordic
28-1/1	Black Butte New Year's Trip	Oregon Nordic
28-1/1	New Year's at Red Mountain, BC	S'no Joke

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	

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GOLD MEMBER: Mt. Hood Meadows Resort, OR

BLACK DIAMOND MEMBER (PACRAT BIB SPONSOR): Mountain Shop, Portland, OR

SILVER MEMBERS: Mt. Bachelor Resort, OR Mt. Hood Skibowl, OR Timberline Lodge, OR

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NEW!! 2013-2014 NWSCC COMMERCIAL MEMBERS:

BRONZE MEMBERS:

Aspen/Snowmass Ski Resorts, CO Big White Mountain Resort, BC, Canada Brundage Mountain Resort, ID Cooper Spur Mountain Resort, OR Discover Sunriver Vacation Rentals, OR Grand Sierra Resort, NV Grand Targhee Resort, WY Hillcrest Ski & Board Shop, Gresham, OR Huckleberry Inn, Gov't Camp, OR Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, WY Mammoth Mountain, CA Mission Ridge Ski & Snowboard Resort, WA Mt. Hood Vacation Rentals, OR Red Moutain Resort, BC, Canada Resort at the Mountain, OR Riverhouse Hotel & Convention Center, OR Schweitzer Mountain Resort, ID Sun Valley Resort, ID Whitefish Mountain Resort, MT Whitewater Ski Resort, BC

SUPPORTING MEMBERS: 49 Degrees North Ski Area, WA Pacific NW Ski Areas Association Resorts of the Canadian Rockies, BC, Canada

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 <u>MEETING</u>: Wed., <u>December 18, 2013</u>, 6:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Tubby's Deli 3330 N.W. Yeon Avenue Portland, OR 97210

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!

← NOTE THERE IS **NOT** A MEETING IN NOVEMBER!

Far West Ski Association Safety Slogan:

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

The Northwest Ski Club Council is a member of: Far West Ski Association: **www.fwsa.org** National Ski Council Federation: <u>www.skifederation.org</u>