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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### ELECTION OF NEW YSC OFFICERS CONFIRMED ON FEBRUARY 20, 2018

I am pleased to announce the formal results of the YSC Board election held on February 20, 2018 as follows:

President: Kirk Lesser

1st Vice President: Terry Holtzinger

2nd Vice President: Position Open

Secretary: Carla de Mendonca

Treasurer: Casey Schardt

Member: Chip Konrad

Member: Shawn McEachern

Member: Dave Fuhrman

Past President: Mike Oberdick

The new officers officially take office on July 1, 2018, but they are encouraged to attend interim Board meetings to help make a smooth transition. All Board members are providing input on the following 2019 trip destinations:

#### YSC Trips

Timberline/Canaan, WV 02/15 to 02/18/19

Salt Lake City, UT 03/02 to 03/09/19

#### EPSC Trips

Mt. Bachelor, OR 01/26 to 02/01/19

Attitash/Wildcat, NH 02/28 to 03/03/19

All dates are tentative and require contract confirmation. An early January weekend trip to Belleayre, NY may be added if there is enough interest.

I will continue to write an article each month about one of the EPIC TRIPS with YSC and this month's article is Timberline, WV in 1996. If you have a particular favorite trip, let me know at the next club meeting and we will help you with the details.

As my term comes to a close, I'm developing a list of Presidential Pardons. If you know of an event or person worthy of consideration, please let me know the details.

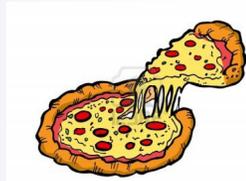
Rick

## NEXT YSC CLUB MEETING: TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2018

The next York Ski Club meeting will be held on the third Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at The Stone Grille and Tap House, located at 204 Saint Charles Way, York, PA 17402.

The final post trip meeting and pizza party will be held on April 17, 2018. The business meetings for both meetings will start at 7:00 PM.

Happy Hour drinks and appetizer discounts for both meetings expire at 6:30 PM. Guests are always welcome.



### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- ♦ *03/09/18-03/20/18 – Val d'Isere/Paris, France Trip*
- ♦ *03/20/18-03/23/18 – PA Snow Storm/Old Farmer's Almanac*
- ♦ *03/27/18 – YSC Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting (Fourth Tuesday)*
- ♦ *03/29/18-Major League Baseball Begins*
- ♦ *04/17/18 – YSC Post Trip Pizza Party (Third Tuesday)*
- ♦ *04/24/18 -YSC Board Meeting*
- ♦ *05/15/18 – Happy Hour (Location TBD)*
- ♦ *05/22/18- YSC Board Meeting*
- ♦ *06/19/18 – Happy Hour (Location TBD)*
- ♦ *06/26/18- YSC Board Meeting*



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# TRIP INFORMATION

## Canaan Valley, WV

February 14-18, 2019

Deposits are now being accepted for a car pool trip to Canaan Valley, WV. The trip is capped at 24 members. A \$100 pp deposit will reserve your spot. Trip details have not been finalized, but this trip is likely to fill up fast- so don't be a loser, jump on the bus early.

### SUMMARY OF EVENTS

- Members will depart Thursday, February 14, 2019 and return Monday, February 18, 2019.
- Thursday: The trip will include a side trip to Wisp Mountain, Garrett County, MD in route to Canaan Valley.
- Friday: Ski Timberline Mountain, followed by a Pizza Party that evening
- Saturday: members will have two options:
  - 1) Adventure Ski Tour connecting Canaan Valley Ski Resort to Whitegrass Ski Area (weather permitting); OR,
  - 2) Ski Canaan Valley Resort.
- Sunday: members will have options
  - 1) Cross Country Skiing at Canaan Valley (beginner to intermediate)
  - 2) Cross Country Skiing at Whitegrass (intermediate/advanced)
  - 3) Ski Canaan Valley Resort
- Monday: return home.

### LODGING

- Four nights at the Canaan Valley Deluxe Cabins (Thu, Fri, Sat and Sun).
- Club has reserved 3 cabins. Each cabin sleeps 8 adults

### PRICING

- The final pricing has not been determined, but estimated to be between \$350-\$400

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## YORK SKI CLUB BUS TRIP RESULTS

### TO MAINE/NEW HAMPSHIRE

SUNDAY 02/25/18 TO FRIDAY 03/02/18

The York Ski Club has returned from our bus trip to New England. We left on Sunday morning in the rain and partied most of the day. Transportation service was provided by Executive Coach, Inc. A total of 30 persons made the trip. The bus rides were relatively quiet since the DVD player was not working. Both travel days were impacted by adverse weather conditions. The Sunday ride was a shade under 10 hours. Our return trip took 14 hours. Lisa Ranck, our bus driver, did an excellent job.

We arrived at the Royalty Inn, in Gorham, NH at 6:00PM. All the Rooms had two queen beds and all hotel guests have access to the Royalty Athletic Club facilities. All rooms have a mini fridge, microwave, coffee maker, and flat screen TV. Many of the local restaurants were closed, but Mt. Pizza provides the most variety (seafood, steaks, etc.). The Salt Pub was the closest and provided a limited, but tasty menu and craft beers. All our breakfasts were at Welch's Restaurant.

YSC members were scheduled to visit 4 ski areas: Sunday River (Monday), Wildcat (Tuesday), Attitash (Wednesday) and Cannon (Thursday). For non-skiers, we planned to stay in the Village of Gorham (Monday), shopping in North Conway (Tuesday), and a tour/lunch at the Mount Washington Hotel (Wednesday).

Sunday River conditions consisted of soft groomed corduroy, which quickly turned to mash potatoes by late morning. Most members wished there was a second day to hit all the slopes. We stopped at the Sunday River Brewery for dinner. On Tuesday we unloaded the coach at Wildcat, but discovered the only lift to the top was down. Since repairs were estimated to take 4 hours, we reloaded the bus and went to Attitash. Almost all of the open slopes were groomed. This is definitely a resort to return to, even though most of the glades were closed. We returned to Wildcat in Wednesday. About half the runs were open and members headed to the bar early. On our last ski day, Cannon lived up to its name. Most of runs were very icy and it was a short day for most.

We encountered snow, rain, high winds and more snow on our return trip. We had to change coach drivers at the Molly Pritchard Rest Area in New Jersey. At Queensgate, five cars had been damaged (one in our group) and towed away. Find out more details at the next YSC meeting. I am pleased to announce that there were no ski injuries on this trip.

Rick

### **EPIC ADVENTURE TRIP NO.4 TO TIMBERLINE, WV (JAN. 1996)**

YSC was one of the first EPSC club's to travel to the Timberline WV. The resort's ski season started early with a 42" deep snow event over the Thanksgiving weekend and Mother Nature kept it coming. Doug Stambaugh was our trip leader and we slept 4 to condo. Snow conditions were great and craft beers even greater.

Timberline has only about 1000' of vertical, but what made this trip epic was the 40" snowfall that occurred on Sunday. The nor'easter dumped almost 3 feet of snow at home in York County and the PA Governor banned travel on Commonwealth Roads except for emergency vehicles. Glenville, PA got the most with 36".

Dean and Judy Cornbower headed home; they had animals to feed. The rest of us stuck in Canaan Valley. Doug contacted the condo owner and we could stay an extra night for \$60 or \$15 each. We then called the ski resort. They planned to open late morning, but had to dig out the chairlift. No problem, we had to dig out our vehicles too. How much are the lift tickets? \$5 was the response. We made to the resort by 11:00 AM. There was a small crowd. The snow was light and fluffy. We strapped on powder cords and adjusted the din settings to reduce premature ejection.

Doug Stambaugh and I tried our powder skiing techniques, but 40" of snow was too much. We also discovered that we needed to stay off the green runs, or we'd get stuck dead in our tracks. On one occasion, my ski came off. I had to dig a 4' by 4' by 3' deep hole to find it, clear the binding and get a push for some momentum. Twenty minutes later I was back on the slope.

Doug's girlfriend at the time, Sherry, is only about 5' 2" tall. The 40" of snow was about chest high. When she skied the snow curled under her boobs like a snow plow blade. For twenty bucks it was a great extra day on the slopes. We returned home on Tuesday and continued to dig out at home.

Next month I will recap our second trip to Big Sky, MT when Warren Miller's crew was on site filming .

Rick

## ONE MORE ICE BREAKING STORY

I thought after three prior articles, my ice breaking stories were over, but there is one more adventure involving me and other club members.

STOWE : Under the gondola, there is a slope called Waterfall. It's a short run and not worth the bother. I don't remember the year, but Shawn McEachern and I were skiing at Stowe, VT and noticed a narrow cat track to the right off Upper Perry Merrill. We followed it along the face of a rocky cliff and eventually found another frozen waterfall. We casually walked over the ice covered rocks and skied another 50 yards to the end of the traverse. We were now in the valley between the Cliff House Restaurant and Octagon Cafe. We made a left turn downhill thru a nice gladed and untracked area before exiting on to Rimrock. We named the area Shawn's Run and ask him to show you it sometime.

Rick



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