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THE TIMKEN SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
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In consideration of the right to participate in the activities of The Timken Ski Club, I agree to assume full responsibility for my injury, misadventure, damage, or loss to my person or property while participating in any club activities, and hereby release The Timken Ski Club, The Timken Company (except to the extent of any insurance, medical, or hospitalization benefits that I may have as an employee) and their agents, from any claim that may accrue to me as a result of participation in the activities of the club.

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View from the Top
by Donna Brancifort

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Well it's time to end a season of TSC & begin another!

As far as beginning a new season, in case you haven't heard, the officers will remain the same as the season ending. We are anxious to finish some of the things we have started, namely, the "Not for Profit" status with the Federal Government. Eileen Wile will be leading us in that effort. More on that later!

As far as the season ending, the celebration will be at the Spring Party on Sunday May 17th at Fairways in North Canton (formerly Arrowhead Country Club). There is a flyer with information in this newsletter. **Be sure to contact Gail for your reservation!**

And celebrate we will do! Below are some of the highlights!

- 1st time Summer Biking Program – Thanks to Al Brancifort for organizing & Dwight Kline for all of the great suggestions & knowledge of the tow-path.
- The "Get Psyched" Party at German American Club attracted more attendees than ever!
- Participated in BMBW Open House.
- 1st time Club Open House to attract new members. Through this effort & your good PR, we have **61 new members** for the 2008-2009 season!!!
- 1st time social director, Jason Stephan, organized gatherings at Perennial Vineyards, Maze Valley Farms, and more. We need a volunteer for the upcoming season!
- 1st time trip committee! Thanks Scott Hunsinger & Fred Scherer!
- Queen Jennifer Stephen came in 2nd Runner up in the CMSC Queen's Pageant. More members of TSC showed up to support her than any other club! We need a volunteer to represent us in the fall.
- 1st ever 50/50 contest for the 1st Measurable Snowfall.
- Perry Stergios did the necessary for our name change to TIMKEN SKI CLUB.

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2009 Ski Club Schedule

**All trips
depart
from Timken
FAIRCREST**

**Please load
bus 15
minutes prior
to departure.**

**All departure
times are
EXACT, but
return times
are
approximates.**

Non members add
\$10 for each day
trip and \$20 for
each two day trip.

*Timken Ski Club Trip Agreement Refund Policy: A full refund will be made to the applicant if the trip is cancelled by the ski club due to poor snow conditions or other circumstances. If the applicant cancels and the trip departs filled, the applicant will receive trip amount less \$10 service fee. If the applicant cancels and the trip departs unfilled, the applicant will be refunded the amount of lift tickets. Transportation, lodging and other special costs may NOT be refunded. Specific trip circumstances will determine if any refund of these costs are possible.

Sunday May 17th, 2009	Gail Vogt	Meadow Lake See Flyer in This Newsletter
Monday May 18th, 2009	6PM	Start of Summer Biking Contact: albranci@sbcglobal.net

2009 Mountain Travel Symposium

Thank you to everyone who sent in a trip survey to guide the TSC trip decisions. I recently attended morning-to-night seminars at Keystone Colorado. I brought back information about tour operators and ski areas, and I will be meeting with the trip committee to discuss future TSC trips. Did I mention several of the seminars actually included skiing?

Several of the tour operators I contacted have great reputations. I obtained information about the following ski areas: Mammoth (California), Aspen, Vail, Telluride, Crested Butte, Winter Park (Colorado), interior British Columbia (Canada), Snow Basin/ Powder Mountain (Utah), Schweitzer (Idaho), Whitefish (Montana), Bretton Woods (New Hampshire), and Jay Peak (Vermont).

I traveled United Airlines with no glitches. The people I met were great. Paul Webber, a member of our club, did a superb job organizing the Symposium. Art Pokopak, CMSC President, and several other NE Ohio clubs were also represented. The hospitality of Vail Resorts at Keystone was unbelievably fantastic. I brought back 20 pounds of information in my overstuffed luggage. (My main bag weighed in at 47 pounds and my ski bag was over 51 pounds!)

Thank you for the opportunity to attend the 2009 Mountain Travel Symposium for TSC. I hope I am asked to attend again next year.

Mike Abrams

Hi everyone,

I just want to thank ALL of you skiers that were on the Summit County trip to Colorado in January. As some of you know, I fell and did tear my ACL in half. The skiers that attended that trip attended to me with great care. I am thankful for all of you that helped me get around, bring me ice, food and just stopped by to visit. I must however, thank my roommate, Ida Lesh. Ida seemed to know what I needed even before I knew I needed it. She took care of everything the day I fell. She brought all of our gear to the hospital and arranged transportation back to the hotel. She helped me with so many things, too many to list. I am extremely grateful to have such a good friend.

Thank God I was not in a lot of pain. I did go with the group to Beaver Creek on Thursday. Mark and I, the cripples, hobbled around together and took in the scenery. Beaver Creek was beautiful. All heated walk ways and many nice places to sit outside and enjoy the skating rink, or the ski slope. The guys next door to Ida and I, Scott and Jim, helped with the loading of my gear when we left Frisco for Den. Airport. And dear Mike B. helped me get my gear outside to our car at Akron Canton. Thank you one and all.

My surgery went well. I am in my 5th week out from surgery. I had a cadaver ACL replacement and my meniscus tuned up. I have to wear a brace all the time, even to bed, and be on crutches for 6 wks. I go to therapy twice weekly. After the first 6wks of general therapy I will have another 6 wks of more intense therapy to get my knee back to where it was before this accident.

Again thank you all, I appreciate the help I received. All of you are the best ski friends a girl could ever have... Jani Middleton

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- Bob Capestrain led the effort to rewrite the Constitution. Eileen Wile has shorter fingers now than she did at the beginning of the season from all of the typing & retyping. Other committee members were Mike Wile, Cynthia Capestrain, Al & myself.
- We had a Christmas Party at our December meeting.
- The newsletter went electronic in January! Mike Bishop compiles the information sent to him & passes it off to Dwight Kline to be posted on our club website.
- 1st ever Blood Drive for Aultman Hospital. Jim Kovach coordinated this effort.
- Participated in Portage Lakes Polar Bear Jump. Four jumpers, Susan Shearer, Michael, Jake & Sherri Barth raised over \$800 for the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank.
- Participated in Hope on the Slopes. Raised over \$1700. Gail Vogt & Don French coordinated our Relay Team.
- 2 new trip leaders who have never done it before & they survived! Thanks Ernest Ward & Joanna Chorak! (Thanks to all trip leaders for a successful season!)
- 1st ever Bike Maintenance Workshop at Ernie's Bike Shop – organized & taught by Mike Abrams. 6 from the club participated.
- 1st ever participation in Earth Day Tree Planting – 5 from the club participated.
- 1st time Summer Golfing Program. Zee Kovach is organizing for this coming summer!

This is the last newsletter until August. Check your email & the website often for special events that may be occurring.

See you at the Spring Party!

Donna

"Get On Your Bikes And Ride" - Freddie Mercury

If you have an idea or would like to get more involved -
Contact Donna Brancifort or Gail Vogt.

Let's Kick it up Another Notch!

What would entice you to come to a meeting?

What would you need to have you come on your 1st ski trip with the club?

What would it take for you to consider being a trip leader?

What would it take for you to consider being an officer?

What would it take for you to become the Social Director?

What would it take to get you to be TSC Queen?

Timken Ski Club Meeting

April 21, 2009

Rafter's at Meadow Lake

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Donna Brancifort at 8:00 p.m. Twenty-five (25) individuals were in attendance. Donna recapped prominent articles and pictures in the latest Sitzmark that were about Timken Ski Club. Those were TSC's involvement in two charities this winter, Hope on the Slopes and Polar Bear Jump and also a picture of club members from the Holiment trip. Donna made Sitzmark aware that some members had not received this issue.

Action Items

- **Treasurer's Report:** Susie reported that club account is up from the beginning of the year but will be paying for a portion of the spring party and a few refunds are still due.
- **Secretary Report:** Please see the newsletter.

New Business:

- There was some discussion of bus companies and issues we had with them this year that will be taken into account when the club goes out for quotes for next season.
- **Spring Party, May 17.** Golf and/or dinner at Fairways of North Canton. This is the old Arrowhead facility that has been renovated and is first class! Come check it out. Club is picking up a portion of the cost of dinner so that members only pay \$8. RSVP by May 8 to Gail Vogt. Please see flyer on website and in newsletter for all the details.
- **Club Officers** – the floor was opened for nominations. None were forthcoming and Don French moved for existing officers to remain in their current positions for another year, Ida Lesh seconded the motion. Club officers were willing to take on the responsibilities for another year and the motion was carried. Dwight Kline will return as Web Director and Jim Kovach as CMSC representative with Zee as his substitute.
- Golfing will be introduced into the club much like biking started last year. A few dates will be set up and if there is interest, more will be added. Zee Kovach and JoAnn Schlue are heading up the initial dates so contact one of them if interested.
- The first biking event will be held May 18, the Monday after the Spring Party. If you weren't on last years email list and would like to be included on this years, please contact Al or Donna with your email address.
- **Biking T-Shirts.** Donna hopes to have TSC Bike T-Shirts ready for the Spring Party. Price is \$10 and they will be a safety green color with silk screen printing. You can also provide your own tank top and pay \$5 for the added cost of silk screening. Please contact Donna if you are interested in either option.
- **Social Director:** Jason Stephan will be stepping down as Social Director due to a change in his work schedule. If you are interested in filling this position, please contact Donna or Gail. This is not a time consuming job, only involves setting up approximately one social event a month such as gatherings at wineries, nights out for dancing, etc. Next social event is at the Fox and Hound Sunday April 26 at 4 pm.

Old Business:

- Five members participated in the bicycle maintenance clinic held April 19. There is a second part to the clinic on the 26th.
- Five members (Gail, Tom, Dwight, Al and Donna) also participated in the Earth Day tree planting.

Meeting Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m

Motion to adjourn was made by Debbie Gorrell; seconded by Mike Wile

Door Prizes:

Drawings were held for door prizes

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennie Stephan - Secretary

Timken Ski Club Spring Party
Golf Outing and Dinner **Fairways of North Canton**
May 17th - 2:00pm - 7:00pm



Choice of playing an early 9, and then joining the group for a 9 hole scramble, or just take part in the scramble or only join us for dinner!

Dinner choices:

Steak, Chicken Marsala, or Vegetarian Special

Sides will be:

Salad, Vegetable, Potato, Roll & Coffee

Club will be providing the dessert ☐

Cash bar

Prices

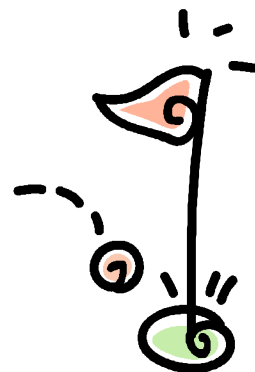
18 holes & cart - \$29.00

(Tee times 11ish for 1st nine & then scramble)

9 hole scramble & cart - \$14.00 (2PM Shotgun)

(Pay for golf at the course on May 17th)

5:30 PM Dinner - \$8.00 (Pay with reservation)



Contact Gail Vogt for reservations at -

330-323-8211 or gail.vogt@timken.com and mail checks to 324 - 15th St NW, Massillon, OH 44647.

Reservations for dinner need to be made by May 8th. Include meal choice. Golf reservations need to be in by May 13th. Please include handicap, a typical score for 9 holes, or if you are an occasional or non golfer. We will put together "fair" teams for scramble.

We will have a short meeting after dinner, distribute prizes (we've got a lot of them), and introduce the 2009-2010 TSC Queen.

The club is paying a portion of the cost for each person's meal. We hope to see all of you on May 17th.