

50+ Ski Club

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NEXT MEETING

Thursday, February 16th, 8:00 PM

SYOSSET – WOODBURY COMMUNITY CENTER

**On entering park, turn right at stop sign and follow
the road to the end.**



Happy Hour: Please join us and bring your friends for Happy Hour at Bertucci's on Friday, February 24th from 4 to 6 PM. The club will pay for the food, and drinks will be at Happy Hour prices. Bertucci's is located at 872 Walt Whitman Rd. Melville, NY north of the Northern State Pkwy on the west side of the road. (Rt. 110)

Trips and Events

For trip info call Lois at 518-945-2667 or Eleanor at 516-938-7078

New Trip: “ Treasures of Southern Spain and Morocco”. This is an 8 day trip aboard a beautiful Windstar Motor Sailboat. Fly into Barcelona and return from Lisbon. Cruise has been discounted 14% to \$2599.00 pp including port and local taxes. Deposit of \$400.00 needed to hold cabin. Space is limited. Call Lois if interested.

TRIP CANCELATION INSURANCE STRONGLY RECOMMEND

New Year's Eve in Iceland: by Lois Robbins. Wow, what a great experience. Several club members and guests spent a long New Year's Eve here in this magical place. We swam in the Blue Lagoon in 104 degree water, visited the Golden Waterfalls, Hot Springs, and went to an unusual Tomato farm. The highlight of the trip was the New Year's Eve Gala that was spectacular. After an elegant dinner we went to see huge bonfires, which according to tradition let go of all the problems of the past year. Then back to the Hotel for an amazing fireworks display. It seemed like the whole town was lit up for hours. Quite an experience that we will not forget. Just unbelievable.

Okemo, Vt. By Neal Pisanti: We had 13 members go to Okemo and had three wonderful days. We started with a happy hour Sunday night, followed by Sam's (the place with the great salad bar) and of course, a nightcap in front of the fireplace in the lobby. Monday was a little chilly but proper attire made it a most enjoyable day. Skiing was followed by hot tub time, happy hour (thanks to Julie and Barry for hosting), dinner at Mr. Darcey and of course, a nightcap by the fire. Tuesday was warmer and the skiing was quite pleasant, followed by hot tub time, dinner at the Castle and a nightcap by the fire. Rain on Tuesday night made skiing on Wednesday iffy but we gave it a try. The base was soggy but found it snowed at the top and we had a few inches of ungroomed

powder. The skiing was great and we ripped the mountain. Our thanks to Lois and Eleanor.

Mid Week Skiing by Gary Schorr: It's been an enjoyable winter so far for skiing at our nearer sites. The snow's been good and the areas are doing a good job of making more and grooming it nicely. We've gone to Hunter, Windham, and Catamount so far and plan on going to Belleayre and the Poconos. If you would like to join us, we meet at Christopher Morley Park and carpool from there. If you care to join us, let me know by sending me your e mail address and mobile phone number. My e mail address is gss12@optonline.net.

Steamboat Springs, Colorado by Bob Tamulinas: This trip went off without a hitch. Our airline transfers were all in place and we even landed back in NY a half hour early. We had all the snow we could use, and our trailside hotel had to carve snow steps just to get us up to skiing level. It snowed a few inches almost each night so we had a new snow surface each morning. The weather was cold, but with no wind, it was pleasant skiing. The first three days were cloudy but days four and five were absolutely gorgeous. Friday night we had a Western BBQ dinner, show, and dancing at the top of the mountain. The ride DOWN in the gondola was quite spectacular with the lights of Steamboat Springs surrounded by total darkness and twinkling stars as a background.

Once again, the Ptarmigan Hotel went all out to please us. The heated outdoor pool and hot tub was a popular attraction. The food was fantastic. Karl works in winter at the Ptarmigan and takes his chef with him to Wildwood, NJ where he has a successful waterfront seafood restaurant. It's called Little Kurtz's Fish House and if anyone wants to visit, it's located at 6200 Park Blvd Wildwood Crest, NJ. If the food is as good, it would be worth a visit.

There is so much more to see and do in Steamboat Springs, and Richard Golden has written a synopsis of the other activities some of us had enjoyed in addition to skiing. I tried to summarize his write up, but I found it just too good to try to chop it up to fit. So I decided to print it in its entirety next month along with pictures he had furnished. Here is a sample.

