



The Newsletter of
The SLO Skiers, Inc
A Ski, Sport and Social Club
May — 2013

P.O.Box 1047
San Luis Obispo, CA 93406

<http://www.sloskiers.org>
Annual dues \$40/person

Meetings Held First Wednesday of The Month
Social at 6:30 PM - General Meeting at 7:30 PM
Board Meeting Held Prior at 5:30 PM

San Luis Obispo Elks Lodge
222 Elks Lane
San Luis Obispo, CA

Hello fellow skiers,

I hope to see everyone at the 37th annual SLO Skiers awards gala. The party will begin Saturday, May 4th at 12 PM.

Alan and Lori Margulieux are again hosting our celebration at their magnificent home and grounds near the Nipomo mesa at 190 Michael Lane, Arroyo Grande.

The Club will provide three main entrees (roast turkey, tri-tip steak, and vegetable lasagna) and all beverages (soda, water, wine and beer). Appetizers, side-dishes and desserts will be potluck. Members with last names starting A-M should bring a salad or side-dish, and those named N-Z, please bring either an appetizer or a dessert.

And please don't forget your disposable diapers or baby wipes (more is better)! The diapers will be donated to the SLO Food Bank and given to struggling mothers in our community.

April was another super month for SLO Skiers. Please join me in thanking:

- **Skiers of the Month** - Lauren Nagle and Fran Long for planning, organizing and leading us through another spectacular ski season.
- **Pete Sarafian**, our hiking poet for guiding another nature walk (this month at Point Buchon).
- **Lauren and Fran** again for organizing a well-attended dine-around at Tahoe Joes.
- **Sharon and Hal Rosewall** for hosting a wine-down at their lovely home.

John Smith



April Mammoth Trip Was Really Hip

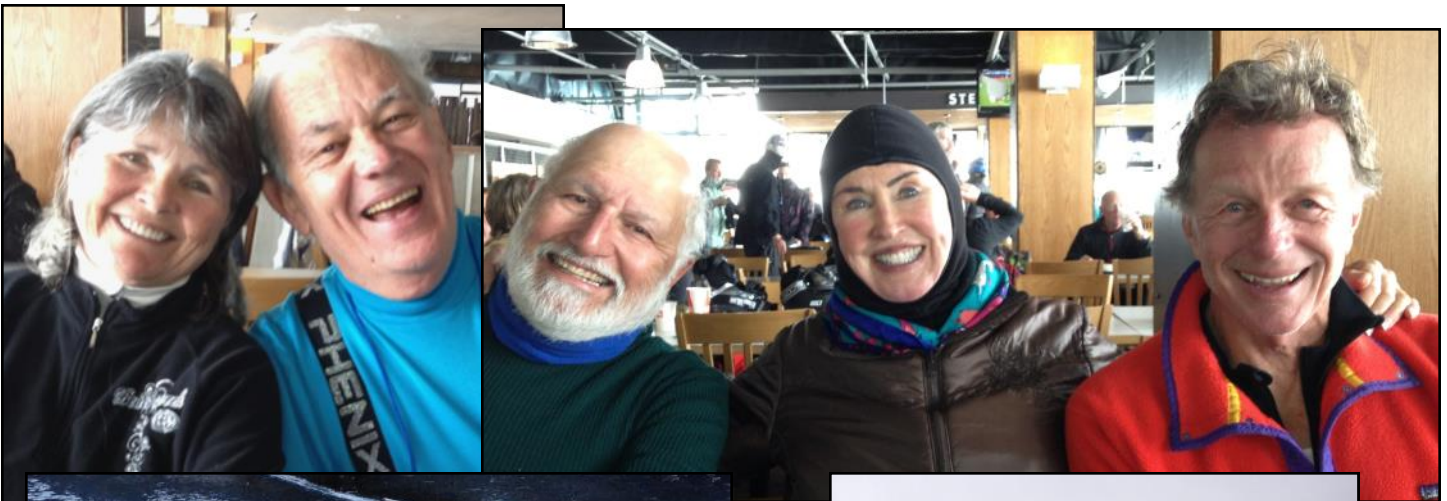
Early April Mammoth was amazing,
First fresh powder; later sun blazing.
Everyone had a great time,
The snow was sublime,
And we all went hell-raising.

Though wind one day closed the top,
That alone did not make us stop.
We skied the whole day,
Up and down did we play,
Until we were about to drop.

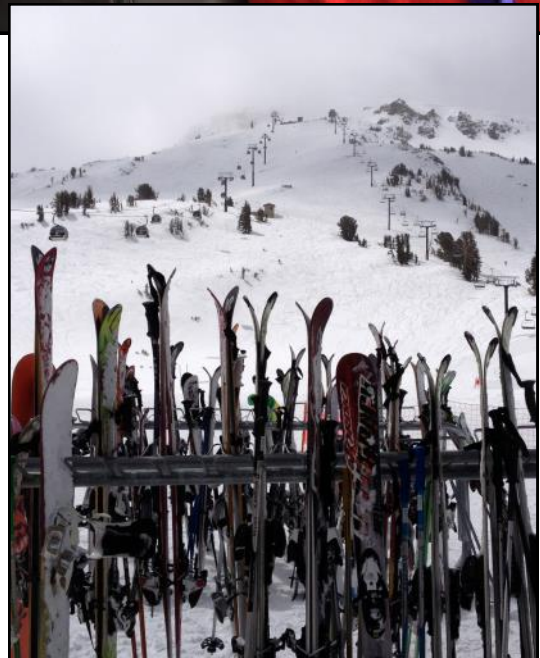
You really need to hand it to Fran,
She came up with a very good plan.
We enjoyed ourselves fully,
Even a picture with "Woolly,"
And the last day you could get a tan!



from left to right- Michael Krebsbach, Pete Sarafian, Kathleen O'Neill, "Woolly" Mammoth, Fran Long and Rich Romero enjoy the snow.



5 OF US SKIED MONDAY THRU WEDNESDAY.....FABULOUS SNOW, NEW POWDER, ONE CLOUDY DAY, 2 BLUE BIRD DAYS. THE CARS' PHOTO IS FRAN'S AND MY RED SUBARUS THE FIRST MORNING THERE!!





North County Wild Flower Ride

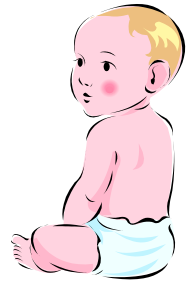
The weather was perfect...not too hot...not too cold...not windy. Our start was a little rough as we didn't all arrive at the start of the ride in a timely manner. Not to worry, though, as we were all willing to wait for our riding friends to gather. Once on our bikes and heading down that beautiful country road, all eight of us loved the ride. It was a perfect 'first ride' of the season...mostly flat with a few very gentle hills...no traffic...great people...and we did see some wildflowers! Following the ride, we had an impromptu lunch at the Loading Chute in Creston. All in all, it was a great ride, on a beautiful day, with fantastic friends.

See you on the next ride...Friday, May 3rd, 9:30 AM. Meet at the head of the Bob Jones Trail for another gentle ride out to the Avila Pier. Plan on a breakfast stop at Fat Cats before heading back down the trail. Total miles on this ride will be right around ten miles. For a longer ride, connect with friends and ride from SLO or Pismo. Just plan to

hook up with the group at the head of the Bob Jones Trail for the remainder of the ride.



Please bring diapers to End of Year Party!



Come to the End of the Year Party – and don't forget your diapers! The diapers will be donated to the SLO Food Bank and given to struggling mothers in our community. One in three American moms have difficulty providing their babies with this basic need and there's very little help or public resources for it. Babies kept in dirty diapers for extended periods of time can lead to babies suffering emotionally and physically.

SLO Skiers can make a difference in our community!

BRING DIAPERS and Wipes to the
End of Year Party on **May 4th**



2011 Slo Skiers donated 239 pounds of Diapers and Wipes

2012 Slo Skiers donated 324 pounds of Diapers and Wipes

Let's beat that total this year!

If you can not attend the party please bring diapers to the meeting

Wednesday, May 1st *Thank you!*

Pete's Hiking News . . .

April Coastal Walk Makes Skiers Balk?

Although we were only two hikers,
We certainly couldn't be called pikers.
Such a sparkling Montana de Oro day,
Could not be thrown all away,
And we weren't even hassled by bikers.



We saw an otter and many a poppy,
The ocean shone pristine and not at all sloppy.
We even met the family Yoshida,
Who once farmed the bluffs, yes indeed-a.
They dedicated a Windy Point plaque, not a copy.

Displaced from land in World War Two,
Japanese didn't know what to do.
But the family survived through to today,
With adventures all along their way.
And it appears that the clan even grew.

Leaving nature, we went for a bite,
A ritual that you might think is trite.
Sylvester's big, hot, juicy burger with pickle,
Is sure to make your own tummy tickle,
And after hiking it feels so right!

Season Opener ~

First BBQ of the Year!

Come on out and Enjoy the Fun!!

Spyglass Park ~ Shell Beach ~ May 15th ~ 5PM
Take exit 193 from Hwy 101



Timberline Lodge Receives Honor

Not only did Timberline Lodge, on Mt. Hood, Oregon, turn 75 years old this year, the National Trust for Historic Preservation has accepted them onto the list of Historic Hotels of America. Rich in history and architectural beauty, Timberline Lodge was built during the depression of the 1930's as part of the Works Progress Administration's "make-work program". The lodge received National Historic Landmark recognition in 1977. It attracts more than two million visitors annually. You can ski Timberline Ski Area 10 months a year, and their Palmer Glacier is the training ground for many Olympic and future Olympic skiers and riders each summer.

Sunday, May 19, 2013

Where to Meet:

Orchard Ave. near the
1st Assembly of God Church,
Arroyo Grande
(Fair Oaks off ramp, turn
right, immediate left on
Orchard, up 2 blocks)

Arrive: 9:20 AM
Ride begins at 9:30 AM

South County Wine & Dine Ride



Winding country roads, oak-dotted hills, pastures filled with beautiful horses, scenic wineries surrounded by lush vineyards...aptly describes this bike ride through Corbett Canyon and the Edna Valley.

This will be an easy to moderate ride of about 24 miles. We will have a rest stop at Baileyana Winery and finish with lunch in the Village of Arroyo Grande. Location TBD.
Shorter ride (14 miles) available

What to bring:

Helmet

Water

\$\$ for lunch

Don't want to ride???

Join us for lunch around
1:00 PM Location to be
announced in a Snowmail

Confirm your attendance:

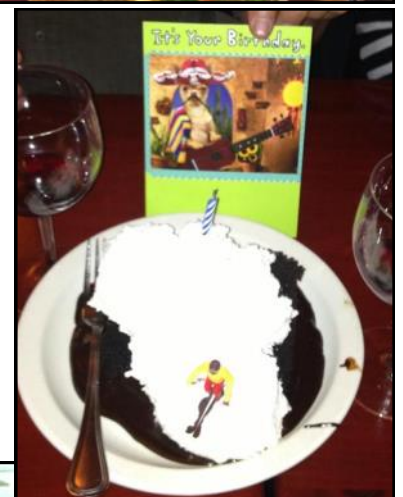
Email Fran:

fancat@me.com

Call Fran: 238-1375



The Dine-Around last Wednesday at Tahoe Joe's brought a pretty good crowd of SLO Skiers to the table to enjoy seeing friends and good bites. Over 30 members showed up for a great time!





Visit and Tour of

NEW YORK CITY

DECEMBER 1 - 6, 2013

\$1209 PER PERSON (NOT INCLUDING AIRFARE)

Sign ups and \$300 deposits will be taken at the February meeting on Wednesday Feb.6th. There will be a payment schedule given out at the meeting as well. Looking forward to NYC with the club.
Kathy Steele & John Walker



Package includes:

- 5 nights lodging at the Hotel Belvedere (located in the heart of the theater district), 2 per room (belvederehotelnyc.com)
- Round trip airport transfers from JFK
- Luggage assistance
- Local taxes and fees
- Visits to some of NYC's well-known and finest attractions

Optional costs:

- Theater visits to see the Rockettes and the Book of Mormon (starting at \$59 per person)
- Continental Breakfast - \$15.00 daily
- Full American Breakfast - \$20.00 daily
- Airfare starting at \$300 per person. Purchase a ticket or use frequent flyer miles.



New York City is larger than life, especially with respect to culture, food, and arts and entertainment! Visitors to New York have the world at their fingertips, from Uptown to Downtown and beyond.

Visit New York along with our host, Kathy Steele, and tour some of New York's best attractions vis bus, subway, and walking. They include the Empire State Building, top of the rock and Rockefeller Center, Times Square, Central Park, the 9/11 Memorial, Union Square, and the Diamond District in Midtown. Visit and shop at the High Line, SoHo, drink coffee and wine at the French brasserie Marseille, have lunch at Chelsea market while visiting Chelsea Galleries, dine at Locanda Verde and attend the best shows on Broadway.



For info: Kathy Steele: 805.709.0323(k_Steele2003@yahoo.com) or John Walker 805.459.8265 (jwalker24@sbcglobal.net)

Trip sponsored by SloSkiers ski club (sloskiers.org)
Initial deposit of \$300 due at trip signup. Balance due June 1.
Checks payable to Slo Skiers, PO Box 1047, San Luis Obispo, CA 93406

Cancellation: up to 90 days prior to departure: NO penalty - For Cancellation Insurance contact Snow Tours: 1.800.222.1170

Summer Bike Rides Are Back!!

It's time to pump up your bike tires, dust off your handlebars, don your bike duds, and join the SLO Skiers bike group for a series of superb summer (and spring) rides. Mark your calendar with the following bike ride dates. Exact locations and times will be announced soon! At least one ride will be a campout/bike ride, which would change the ride to a Saturday.

Sunday, May 19th South County Wine and Dine Ride
Sunday, June 23rd SLO Seven Sisters Ride
Sunday, July 21st Morro Bay to Cayucos Ride
Sunday, August 18th
Sunday, September 22nd
Sunday, October 20th



Additionally, there will be a ride on the **Bob Jones trail on the first Friday of every month**. Plan on a start time of 9:30 AM at the head of the trail. There will be either a coffee stop or a breakfast stop on each of these rides. See schedule below.

Friday, May 3rd
Friday, June 7th
Friday, July 5th
Friday, August 2nd
Friday, September 6th
Friday, October 4th



Contact Fran with questions, or if you would be interested in maintaining one of the rides: fancat@me.com

FWSA CONVENTION NEWS . . .

Join the Far West Ski Association for some ***Magic Mountain Moments***, June 6-9, 2013, at the 81st Annual Convention in Reno, Nevada, hosted by the Bay Area Snow Sports Council. The Convention will be held at the spectacular Grand Sierra Resort and Casino. **All registration information and forms are now on the website (www.fwsa.org), as well as detailed information about the optional events.**

A Grand Sierra Standard Room is \$79.00 and the Summit Suites Grand II upgrade is \$104 (double occupancy). To book your reservation, call 800.648.5080 or 775.789.2129 and use the Group Name: *Far West Ski Association 2013*. For booking online, go to <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/FarWestSki>. No password is required. The Grand Sierra Resort & Casino also has an RV Park located next to the Resort. Call for information and to book a site. There are NO resort fees, FREE parking and FREE in-room Wi-Fi. The Grand Sierra Resort is conveniently located just minutes from the Reno International Airport and offers FREE shuttle service, so come early and stay late!

The fun begins on Thursday evening, with a River Walk Pub Crawl. Friday's events will include the 7th Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament, Reno Run Whitewater Rafting, Tahoe Rim Trail Hike, Grand Sierra Spa Day, and Grand Sierra Resort Fun Day, followed by a raucous Beach Party in the afternoon, hosted by Central Council, and sponsored by Mt. Bachelor Ski Resort.

Friday night's silent auction offers a deal for everyone, from week long ski trips to great deals on just about anything skiing! Saturday is jam packed with educational seminars, guest speakers on anything and everything to do with the outdoors, a luncheon highlighting outstanding volunteers in the snow sports industry and FWSA, and an evening banquet and dance.

You will work hard, learn a lot, and play hard at the FWSA convention. Check out the website: www.fwsa.org for full details and how to sign up to attend.



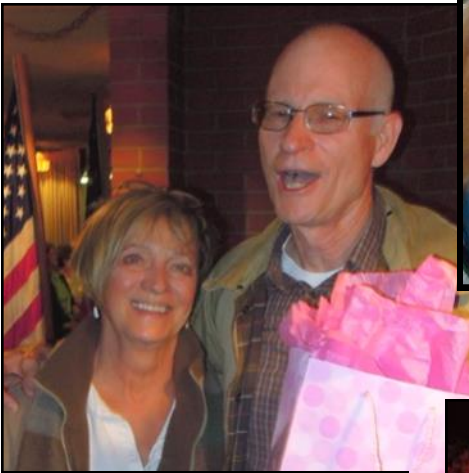
General Meeting & Events Photos



Fantastic Wine Down at Hal and Sharon Rosewall's lovely home in Atascadero!



And awards, words of appreciation, and Birthday honors at the last meeting at the Elks. Never a dull moment!



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What to

Something to Share: Salad, Dessert, Casserole, Anything Goes.
Something to Drink: Your choice ~ water, soda, beer, wine
Something to BBQ: Chicken, fish, meats, veggies, whatever!

Bring:

Also bring a chair and layer up for the cool weather as the sun sets!

See You At The Park!!

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! . . . To Members Born In May !!

Judy Adkison	5/31
Bobbi Binder	5/15
Horst Buerner	5/22
Paul Collins	5/20
Jerry Crawford	5/31
Janet Leonard	5/15
Christine Molony	5/10
Tony Morrocco	5/4

Pam Olson	5/9
Rob Orlando	5/17
Don Phares	5/26
Teresa Rice	5/24
John Smith	5/4
Ellen van Naarden	5/25
Diana Walti	5/30
Rick Walti	5/2

Be sure to wish these folks the best when you see them during the month of May. Better yet, take the time to send your wishes with a card or email!

Happy Birthday to all!!

SLO Skiers CALENDAR of Events

MAY

May 4 - End of the Year Party!!!!

May 15 - First of the Season BBQ

DECEMBER

Dec 1 thru 6, 2013 - New York City Tour—flyer enclosed

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- AND To learn about the next Wine-Down event/party you must attend the club meeting!



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