# November 2014 Update

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## Space is still available! Have you signed up for a trip?

## Trips for 2014-2015:

December 10-14 – Copper Mountain, CO January 25-February 1 – Crested Butte, CO February 21-28 – Mt Bachelor, OR March 14-21 – Mammoth Mountain, CA March 31-April 5 – Beaver Creek, CO See the trips flyer on pages 6 and 7 for details on each trip.

## **Upcoming Events**

December 2nd (Tuesday) 7 p.m. Board Meeting Hy-Vee #3, 8809 W Center Rd On the southeast corner of Center Rd and 90th St. All members welcome.

December 7th (Sunday) 5 p.m. Social Gathering and Copper Pre-Trip Party La Mesa Mexican Restaurant, 11002 Emmett St Near 110th St and Maple St. Everyone welcome.

December 10th (Wednesday) to December 14th (Sunday) Copper Mountain Trip See the trips flyer on pages 3-4 for details.

December 21st (Sunday) 5:30 p.m. Christmas Party at Nebraska Brewing Company 7474 Towne Center Pkwy, Papillion NE See announcement on page 3

December 28th (Sunday) 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Mt Crescent Ski Day – Crescent, Iowa

We'll be skiing at Mt Crescent from 1 to 5 pm in the afternoon, then will have dinner at the Pink Poodle restaurant in downtown Crescent. RSVP preferred but not required, to El Siebert at 402-453-9088. Everyone welcome. Christmas Party page 3

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TREASURER Joe Reitman (712) 574-7717(H) treasurer@omahaskiclub.org January 6th (Tuesday) 7 p.m. Board Meeting Hy-Vee #3, 8809 W Center Rd On the southeast corner of Center Rd and 90th St. All members welcome

January 13th (Tuesday) 7 p.m. Social Gathering and Crested Butte Pre-Trip Party Clancy's Pub, 777 N 114<sup>th</sup> St In the Miracle Hills shopping mall near the NE corner of 114th and Dodge St. Everyone welcome.

January 25th (Sunday) to February 1st (Sunday) Crested Butte Trip with the Flatland Ski Association See the trips flyer on pages 3-4 for details.

February 3rd (Tuesday) 7 p.m. Board Meeting Hy-Vee #3, 8809 W Center Rd On the southeast corner of Center Rd and 90th St. All members welcome

### COMMITTEES

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## **New/Renewal Members**

The Omaha Ski Club welcomes the following new/renewal members:

Paulette Serrano

LEGAL Dave Lawler (712) 328-9278(H) (712) 323-4132(W) legal@omahaskiclub.org

WEBSITE Ben Novograd (402) 291-5704(H) webadmin@omahaskiclub.org

## SAVE THE DATE

Omaha Ski Club will jointly host a Warren Miller film at the Aksarben Cinema on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. More details in the next newsletter.

# Annual Christmas Party December 21, 2014

The Omaha Ski Club annual Christmas Party will be held at the Nebraska Brewing Company, 7474 Town Center Pkwy in Shadow Lake Shopping Center in Papillion (SW of Hwy 370 & 72<sup>nd</sup> St.). Social hour begins at 5:30 PM followed by dinner. Unlike our traditional Christmas party in the past, this year everyone will order their food from the menu selection at the restaurant. Choices include steak, salmon, chicken, etc. Pay for your meal, drinks and gratuity to the restaurant. We will continue our optional and exciting gift exchange for \$10. A piece of advice: don't get attached to your gift selections until you are on the way home. (I still have mine from last year because I am attached to it and it is not coming back this year!) Please RSVP to El Siebert at elsiebert@cox.net or phone 402-453-9088. Reservations are due by December 18, 2014.

Hope you can join us! El Siebert, VP-activities





Tríps Update...

It is time to go skiing. Many of the resorts have received significant snowfall. I have my gear pulled out and sorted and the bags are packed for the first trip of the season. We have 9 signups for the Copper Mountain trip, but always have room for more! We will be joining the Cornhusker Ski Club for a joint welcome party and some early season skiing.

The Crested Butte trip is filling up. I am holding a couple extra rooms for those who still wish to join us. We are staying at the Grand Lodge in hotel style rooms with king beds. This should be a great trip as we join the rest of the Flatland Ski Association clubs for some fun parties and great skiing!

The Mt Bachelor trip with CMSC (Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council) still has room, but don't wait too long as we may not get additional airline seats. This trip has a Hawaiian theme. There are so many things to do and see while on this trip, you won't want to miss it. We will go to the High Desert Museum on Wednesday. You can schedule your own trip to Crater Lake, go for a trek through the woods on a dog sled, snowshoe, cross country ski or go into Bend to explore the shopping or restaurant options. We have buses into Bend on two evenings. This trip includes ALL breakfasts, two dinners as well as other events. Not to mention FIVE days of skiing, with an optional 6th day available for \$42 if you wish to optimize your days. See the trips flyer on the website for all the details.

Mammoth Mountain should be a great adventure since we have not skied there as a club. I have heard good things about the area, but have never gotten the chance to ski there. I am looking forward to this trip. Hope you can join us!

How about staying in luxury as you join us at Beaver Creek for five days? We are staying at The Charter, 2 bed/2 bath condos, ski-in, ski-out and fantastic outdoor hot tubs. Beaver Creek is a great place to ski for all levels of skiers. They take pride in their grooming ability and it shows-if you love groomers. There is also a shuttle to Vail if you cannot find enough terrain at BC. This trip includes lodging, a welcome party and breakfasts on four of the mornings. Purchase your lift tickets online for the best deals prior to the trip.

I know many of you have signed up. We also have a few new members that will be joining us. Talk to your friends and bring them with you. We want to ski and have a great time. Join us on a trip or two and also come visit us at some of the dinners or pre/post trip parties. They are for all members, not just for those on the trips.

I want to take the opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and best wishes and lots of snow for the New Year! I Hope to see you on the slopes soon! Got skis...gotta go!

Terí Hammon

Vice President of Trips Omaha Ski Club

## Díd you know...

## Omaha Ski Club is a member of the Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council (CMSC)?

We pay a membership fee to be included in this council. This gives us the opportunity to join them on their council trips such as Mt. Bachelor this year. It also gives us an advantage to get group rates. There are 70+ clubs that belong to this council.

### History of CMSC...

The Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council (CMSC) was formed in 1957 and now has 70 plus member clubs. The clubs represented offer downhill skiing, snowboarding, cross country skiing as well as various other activities year round. They are adventure clubs, singles clubs, family clubs, and clubs that welcome all comers.

CMSC offers clubs the opportunity to participate in council sponsored ski/snowboard trips: Europe, Chicago Week and Winter Carnival, our Racing program for both skiing and snowboarding with 7 weekend races a year, Instructors Clinic where a club member can learn to teach beginners skiing or snowboarding techniques, Trip Seminar where clubs select destinations for the upcoming trips, along with various other activities.

CMSC's publication, the *Ski & Ride Club Guide*, and web site (skicmsc.com) keep the member clubs up to date with events and news of the ski industry, council and clubs.

CMSC is managed entirely by volunteers who are members of the clubs. They encourage club members to join them on committees and as council officers. Ski clubs appoint delegates to the CMSC to represent their club. CMSC acts with the member ski clubs to promote the sports of skiing and snowboarding.

## Omaha Ski Club is a member of the Flatlands Ski Association (FSA)?

We do not pay membership dues to belong to this association, but have a person who represents our club on the FSA board. Additionally, one person from our club also serves on the FSA Race Committee. Nine clubs make up the Flatlands Ski Association. These include: Omaha, Lincoln, Topeka, Kansas City, St. Louis, Oklahoma City, Wichita, Columbia and Tulsa.

### The History of FSA...

The Flatland Races began March 21, 1965, in a gully in Crested Butte, born after two years of writing open challenges in various major ski publications.

The Kansas City Ski Club originated and hosted the first event. Omaha, Amarillo and Wichita Ski Club members joined in the first competition. Coors Brewing Company sponsored the first trophy, won by Kansas City.

Participation in the Flatland Ski Association races has grown from the original 40 racers in 1965 to one of the largest and oldest amateur alpine ski events in the United States. Since then, the annual races have provided hours of fun and recreational competition for thousands of flatland skiers.

The forerunners of the flatlands races were Olympians Dave Gorsuch, Renie Cox, and Linda Meyers. Dave and his wife moved to Vail with the race and he was a leading competitor for several years. Billy Kidd was also one of the early participants.

The Flatland Ski Association met annually through 1967 in Crested Butte. Vail hosted the races from 1968 through 1980. Now the races are held at various ski areas. The site of the races is determined through a competitive bidding process and is selected by Flatland Ski Association Board of Directors.

## **Copper Mountain Colorado December 10-14, 2014**

Drive-out \$279+lift tickets

Join the Omaha Ski Club on an early season trip to Copper Mountain. We will be joined with the Cornhusker Ski Club to make this a great trip for all. This trip includes:

- Four nights lodging at the Mountain Plaza condos (2 bed/2 bath condos) located above Endo's. This is a walk-in, walk-out (few steps across the plaza to the lift) property located at the base of Copper Mountain in Center Village. Property amenities include a heated pool, indoor hot tub, fitness facility, saunas, locker room and access to the Copper Mountain athletic club.
- Welcome wine and cheese/pizza reception
- OPTIONAL LIFT TICKETS-you may purchase lift tickets at \$55 per day <u>if purchased with the trip package at least 60 days in advance.</u> (Omaha Ski Club has opted to keep the lift tickets separate from the trip pricing since most people obtain a four pass or have a season pass to this area. The \$55 price is group pricing and must be purchased in advance. If not, you will have to obtain window pricing when you arrive which is much higher)
   Trip Captain: Teri Hammon

Home: 402 571-4517 Email: dragonsrock@cox.net

Membership is required in either the Omaha Ski Club or one of our reciprocal membership clubs. No additional dues will be required.

Payment Schedule: Due at signing: \$50 October 1, 2014 remaining balance Make checks payable to: Omaha Ski Club PO Box 3104 Omaha NE 68103-0104

## **Crested Butte Colorado January 25-February 1, 2015**

Drive-out \$845

Join the Omaha Ski Club on the Flatlands Ski Association trip to Crested Butte Colorado. This is a great trip for those who wish to party, race and meet new friends. The trip includes:

- 7 nights lodging at the Grand Lodge at the base of Crested Butte. (Hotel style rooms with two king beds, full bath, microwave, refrigerator, sink and hot
  plate) Indoor/outdoor pool and hot tub, wireless internet access, business center and exercise facility.
- A club welcome party
- FSA welcome party
- Après ski
- FSA Awards banquet
- NASTAR racing (friendly competition between clubs)
- Snowshoe races between clubs (if interested, let your trip captain know)
- Five days skiing-additional days available if purchased in advance (1-day \$35.36, 2-day \$69.68, 3-day 102.96, 4-day \$134.16, 5-day \$164.32, 6-day \$192.40, 7-day \$224.64)
- On mountain Picnic
- FSA Activity Pass for the FSA events
- FSA Tee shirt optional Cost TBA Trip Captain: Teri Hammon Home: 402 571-4517 Email: dragonsrock@cox.net

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## **Mt Bachelor - Bend Oregon CMSC Week 2015**

Sunriver Resort February 21-28, 2015 Fly-out trip \$1450

Join the Omaha Ski Club as we team up with the Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council (CMSC) for a great week at the Sunriver resort. This trip includes:

- 7 nights lodging at Sunriver resort (1 bedroom + loft) chalets. 2 double beds in bedroom, 2 double beds in loft, 3 bathrooms, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, wireless internet. Near outdoor pool and hot tubs, Lodge and Great Hall 4-8 min walk; Village grocery, restaurant and brewpub 12-15 min walk.
- Round trip airfare Omaha-Portland on Delta
- Round trip bus Portland-Sunriver (approx. 3.5 hrs.)
- Daily buses to Mt Bachelor (18 miles, about 20 min.) 6 morning runs, 5 afternoon runs
- Buses two nights into Bend (15 miles) for dinner, shopping etc.
- 5-day lift ticket (also good for Mt Bachelor Nordic Center
- Daily breakfast
   First morning's breakfast buffet at the Great Hall
   Six breakfast vouchers for Meadows restaurant at the Lodge
- Welcome reception Last tracks après ski
- Fun race Mountain Lunch
- Dinner Banquet with Hawaiian entertainment
- Pub Crawl, Bend Ale Trail (tentative)
- If you wish to go and do not ski, minus \$190 lift ticket price.

Trip Captain: Teri Hammon Home: 402 571-4517 Email: dragonsrock@cox.net

Membership is required in either the Omaha Ski Club or one of our reciprocal membership clubs. No additional dues will be required. However, you will need to fill out a reciprocal membership application and the trip application as well as any other forms needed for the trip. SIGN-UP EARLY AS THIS TRIP WILL SELL OUT AND IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER WE WILL BE ABLE TO GET ADDITIONAL ROOMS. Prices subject to change.

Payment Schedule: Due at signing: \$100 September 20, 2014 \$200 October 20, 2014 \$200 November 20, 2014 \$200 December 20, 2014 remaining balance Make checks payable to: Omaha Ski Club PO Box 3104 Omaha NE 68103-0104

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## Mammoth Mountain California March 14-21, 2015

Fly-out \$1820

#### (subject to cancellation if trip does not fill)

Join the Omaha Ski Club as we explore a new ski resort at Mammoth Mountain. Mammoth Mountain boasts 3,500 skiable acres, 400 inches of snow per year and a season that lasts from November through June. Mammoth statistics: 400 inches of annual snowfall, top elevation 11053 feet, base 7953 feet; 15.0% expert, 20.0% advanced, 40.0% intermediate, 25.0% beginner.

This trip includes:

- Roundtrip airfare from Omaha to Reno (American Airlines)
- Roundtrip transfers from Reno to Mammoth
- 7 nights lodging at the Juniper Springs Condos (2 bedroom/2 bath condos) ski-in, ski-out, outdoor hot tubs, fitness room, refrigerator, microwave oven, stove/oven and ski storage
- 5 day adult group lift ticket
- Welcome reception with light beer, wine and snacks
- Mountain Tour
- Complimentary midweek Mammoth Beer tasting at the Mammoth Brewery
- Farewell party in the condo

Payment Schedule: Due at signing: \$100 September 20, 2014 \$200 October 20, 2014 \$300 November 20, 2014 \$300 December 20, 2014 \$300 January 20, 2015 \$300 February 20, 2015 remaining balance Make checks payable to: Omaha Ski Club PO Box 3104 Omaha NE 68103-0104

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## **Beaver Creek Colorado March 31-April 5, 2015**

Drive-out

\$430+lift tickets

Join the Omaha Ski Club as we enjoy skiing at Beaver Creek. This trip includes:

- 5 nights lodging at the luxurious Charter (2 bedroom/2 bath condos). Ski-in, Ski-out, indoor pool, outdoor hot tubs, wireless internet, parking, exercise facilities, shuttle service within Beaver Creek.
- Daily breakfasts on 4/1, 4/2, 4/3 and 4/4. Not on last day since some leave early.
- Omaha Ski Club welcome party
- Lift tickets additional
   Trip Captain: Teri Hammon
   Home: 402 571-4517
   Email: dragonsrock@cox.net

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additional dues will be required. However, you will need to fill out a reciprocal membership application and the trip application as well as any other forms needed for the trip.

# Meet the Omaha Ski Club's Board of Directors...

## This Month's Position... Secretary Steve Grunberg

My name is Steve Grunberg and I'm a 38 year member of the Omaha Ski Club. I'm currently on the Club's Board of Directors serving as the secretary.

I first snow skied during the UN-Lincoln spring break in March 1975.



I joined the Omaha Ski Club in 1976 when we had 1,300 members.

Since then I have held every position on the Club's board, some of those positions multiple times. When the Club almost folded in 1984, I personally recruited a new Club board, including myself as President, to continue on with the Club. For that effort, I was awarded a Club life membership, for which I'm still extremely honored.

As a member of the Omaha Ski Club, I have been able to ski just about every ski resort west of Omaha. However, I have never skied Mount Bachelor in Oregon, so I have signed up for that trip this February. I have also skied in Europe with the Flatlands Ski Association in February 1978.

Since my wife Linda has retired from skiing, the Club trips are my only chance to ski with friends. I hope to retire soon, and then I plan to go on every trip the Club schedules each year.

My skiing goal is to get buried in an avalanche while skiing on my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, and have the Omaha Ski Club survive me. This would be a better way to go out than rot away in a nursing home.

#### OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION JUNE 2014 – MAY 2015

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: NEW \_\_\_\_ RENEWAL \_\_\_\_

FAMILY \$25\_\_\_\_\_ (\$30 if paid after September 30<sup>th</sup>)

SINGLE \$22\_\_\_\_\_ (\$27 if paid after September 30<sup>th</sup>)

#### **MEMBER INFORMATION - - - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Name:	Spouse:	
Street Address:	City:	State: Zip:
Home Phone: () Alternate F	Phone: ()	
Email Address:		
Check this box 📋 if you are 21 years or older. For family	membership, list all depende	nt minors on back of application.
If new member, how did you hear about the club?		
Ski/Snowboard destinations you're interested in:		
Activities you're interested in: Biking Bowling		se list)
Other Interests: (please list)		

**NOTE:** BY SIGNING THIS APPLICATION I RELIEVE THE OMAHA SKI CLUB, INC. (OSC) OF ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACCIDENT OR INJURY I INCUR WHILE PARTICIPATING IN ANY OSC ACTIVITIES. I ALSO CERTIFY THAT I AM OF LEGAL DRINKING AGE IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.

SIGNATURE				DATE	
(Must	be signed and dated)				
[OSC USE ONLY]	MEMBERSHIP NO	BD	TR	NL	

Mail to: Omaha Ski Club, P.O. Box 3104, Omaha, NE 68103-0104

**TRIP APPLICATION** 

(Required for each individual on the trip) (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)

	Trip Destination_	-	Trip Dates		
ADDRESS	FIRST NAME	M.I.	LAST NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	SEX
			STATE	ZIP CODE	
HOME PH			WORK PH		
E-MAIL			CELL PH.		
EMERGENCY	CONTACT:				
Name		Relationship	Phone_		
I Prefer to Roo	m With		OTHER INFO		

THE OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBER SIGNING THIS APPLICATION AGREES AS FOLLOWS:

The member has read the OSC trip policies on the bottom of this application and understands and agrees to be bound by them as a condition of participation in this trip. The member further agrees that the club, its directors or committee chairmen shall bear no financial responsibility to members in the event of a delayed departure or return of a trip, or for cancellation of a trip except as provided in items 7 through 10 of the trip policies, nor shall they be liable for any bodily injury, property damage, loss of personal property, or death sustained by or caused by any member on a trip. Those individuals causing property damage at the lodges, condos, busses, ski areas, etc. shall bear the full legal and financial responsibility for the damages. It is a condition of membership in the club that any individual shall be deemed to have accepted these responsibilities and limitations of liability as a consideration of joining the club and participating in this trip.

SIGNATURE		DATE	
[osc use only] deposit: amount paid	date	_ ck or rcpt no	

#### **OMAHA SKI CLUB TRIP POLICIES**

 Trip captain is the final authority on and during the trip.
 Club members will conduct themselves in a mature manner at all times.

3) There will be a \$28.00 charge on any returned check.

#### TRIP SIGN-UP, DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS

4) Only members in good standing with dues currently paid to the Omaha Ski Club may sign up for a trip. Children under the age of 19 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian on the trip. A trip application for a child under the age of 19 must be signed by a parent or guardian of the child.
5) By signing up for a trip a member agrees to pay the Club the full cost of the trip applied for, subject to the provisions for timely cancellation in item 7). Each trip will have its own trip deposit and payment schedule to be set by the trip committee. A deposit is required to sign up for a trip. Failure to meet the payment schedule may result in automatic cancellation from the trip subject to the cancellation fee in item 7).

6) When a trip is full the trip captain will start a waiting list. To be placed on the waiting list a member must fill out and sign a trip application and pay the standard deposit for that trip. Waiting list members must meet the payment schedules when moving to the confirmed lists.

#### CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

7) Unless otherwise listed in individual trip information, cancellations prior to 60 days before the trip departs will result in a cancellation fee of \$50.00; cancellations less than 60 days before the trip departs will result in a cancellation fee of \$100.00 if the trip goes full, or liability for the full cost of the trip if the trip does not go full. Any cancellation fees or penalties may first be deducted from payments the member made for the trip.

8) Transferring from the waiting list on one trip to a confirmed list on another trip will be done with no cancellation fee. Refusal to move from the waiting list to the confirmed list will constitute automatic cancellation subject to the cancellation fee in item 7)above.

9) If a trip is cancelled by the club, all money paid to the club by a member for that trip will be refunded.10) All members on the waiting list when the trip departs

will receive a full refund.

11) No refunds will be made until after the trip returns.

#### **BUS TRIPS**

12) Smoking on buses is prohibited.

13) Any time the bus stops en route to its destination, passengers leaving the bus will do so at their own risk.
14) The Omaha Ski Club will not provide alcoholic beverages for any bus trip. If any members wish to consume alcoholic beverages on the trip, they can do so at their own expense, and assume all risks and liabilities associated with such consumption.