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Liz Cordova's Wolverine trip 12-23-06, Heidi and Liz approaching the summit of Wolverine, photo by Carol Mays.

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From the President

by Michael Budig

It has been an honor and a real pleasure to serve for the last four years and it is with some sadness, but no regrets that I submit my final article as your President. It is now time for a change and I am sure the change will be a positive step forward. The incoming president, Heidi Schubert is uniquely qualified and suited to be President and has performed extraordinary work in the last year guiding the upgrade in our website. And the club is now beginning to reap the benefits. It is early, but it is clear that we are gaining a significant number of new members (who are joining the club and paying membership dues online) who otherwise would not have joined the club. Hopefully, this will prove to be a conduit for more youth and energy to revitalize and run the club in the future.

The last four years have been busy and eventful at times- and the club has succeeded due to the efforts of our dedicated directors and volunteers. It has been a fun adventure for me- and a real step forward for



someone who is generally not that outgoing. For me and many others, the Wasatch Mountain Club is family and I certainly plan to stay active and involved- though my trips will have a very different flavor now that I am retired. I will continue to participate in hiking, backpacking, skiing, snowshoeing and boating.

But my immediate plans are to go on Cristel Sysek's Everest Basecamp trip (preceded and followed by a couple weeks in southeast Asia) and then attempting to hike the Appalachian Trail. The Appalachian Trail is over 2000 miles long and will require at least five months of hiking. A few members have expressed an interest in possibly joining me for a segment of the trip. If you are possibly interested in joining me for part of the trip- or would like to be on the list for my email updates, please email me at: Mbudig@blazemail.com.

Look forward to seeing you ...on the snow...or the water...or the trail.

WMC Purpose

(Article II of the WMC Constitution)

The purpose shall be to promote the physical and spiritual well being of its members and others by outdoor activities; to unite the energy, interests, and knowledge of students, explorers, and lovers of the mountains, deserts, and rivers of Utah; to collect and disseminate information regarding the Rocky Mountains in behalf of science, literature and art; to explore and picture the scenic wonders of this and surrounding states; and to foster awareness of our natural areas including their plant, animal, and bird life.

Conservation Notes

February 2007

Will McCarvill
Gretchen Siegler

The Utah Legislature is firing up so we will be entertained for a few months. The Sierra Club has set up a way to track important conservation bills and inform you as to their thumbs up or down and what you can do. Go to www.utah.sierraclub.org/tracker/ for a good time.

Keep Feb 20th open for the return of the Wasatch Forum hosted by Westminster College. The first event pits pro and con heavy weights regarding expansion of wilderness in the Wasatch. It should be stimulating and we are glad to see the reinstituting of this valuable community service.

Speaking of service, volunteers are needed to meet with Senators and Representatives in Washington DC March 17 through 21 for Wilderness Week. The goal is to educate our national lawmakers about Utah Wilderness. After 12 years of hostile receptions this one should be a lot of fun. Last time I was there was 9/11 and I got to see the plane crash into the Pentagon. Please contact Gretchen about this opportunity. You get a pretty good education on how the legislative process works. Maybe Matheson will now welcome us with open arms!

Because I am lazy and it is late I am simply going to paste this schedule in. This is for a new group that is dedicated to getting noble work done on the ground in Utah.

Utah Backcountry Volunteers - Our Program

Utah Backcountry Volunteers is Utah's newest nonprofit service organization. Our mission is to partner with public land management agencies in Utah by leading volunteers on work service trips. We partner with agencies such as the Bureau of Land Management, National Forest Service, and National Park Service to identify on-the-ground projects and needs, then actively recruit, organize, and lead volunteers on service trips that restore, repair and maintain our public lands.

We are very excited to announce the 2007 service trip schedule for our inaugural season in the field. ***Reserve your place on a trip today to plan a week next year out enjoying Utah's spectacular public lands, and contribute some muscle to keep it that way!***

We limit trip size to 12: our director Dave Pacheco, an agency staffer, and 10 participants (you). Work is usually with hand tools provided by agencies, is generally active and at times strenuous. Being in good physical condition is important. All trips begin at 8:00am Sunday morning with an orientation by our agency partner, then travel to and make camp. We'll work 8 hour days Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday with Wednesday as a free day, breaking down camp Saturday morning and heading home. The participant fee for each trip is \$175, which includes food for the week. Travel to and from the worksite is your responsibility.

Make Your Reservation Today

Because we're not sophisticated enough yet to receive credit card payment or have our website up, reservations will be held upon payment of participant fee with check or money order to the PO Box below. You will receive immediate confirmation by email, and by letter confirming your reservation, with more details. Portions of the fee are tax deductible. *For more information about trips or reservations call (435) 785-8955 or email dave@utahbackcountry.org.*

Membership

Can't make a trip this year, but still want to help out? Utah Backcountry Volunteers is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Membership is \$30 for one year, please be as generous as you can. Member benefits include a discounted participant fee of \$145 for any trip. All donations are tax deductible, should be mailed to the above and below noted PO Box, and are greatly appreciated.

Email List

Service trips are a great chance to get friends together for some quality away time. The organization is still an infant and we encourage you to join our growing list for those interested. Notify dave@utahbackcountry.org.

2007 Service Trip Schedule

April 15-21, Price BLM, San Rafael Swell, Sid's Mountain, Trail work

Our very first service trip is a trail maintenance project on the "Boy Scout" trail up the eastern side of Sid's Mountain, with one day of work on the loop trail between Crack and Chute canyons. Work consists of remarking trail signs and maintenance from the trailhead to the top. We'll car and tent camp at the trailhead in a remote location. Area hike options: San Rafael Reef, canyons of the San Rafael Swell.

April 29-May 5, Glen Canyon NRA, Lower Escalante River, Russian olive removal work

You'll join backcountry ranger Bill Wolverton, removing non-native Russian olive trees from the Escalante River. This trip begins and ends as a strenuous 7-mile backpack across mostly slickrock to and from the river to a camp near the mouth of Twenty-Five Mile Wash. After cutting trees, the herbicide Garlon4 will be applied to the stump. You will need goggles, work boots and leather gloves. This is a remote tent camping opportunity in one of southern Utah's most spectacular redrock canyons. Area hike options: Escalante River, Twenty-Five Mile Wash, Baker Canyon.

May 13-19, Grand Staircase-Escalante NM, Upper Escalante River, Russian olive & tamarisk removal work

In partnership with federal public land agencies, state, and private landowners, you'll remove non-native Russian olive trees from the Escalante River, and Russian olive and tamarisk from North Creek. After cutting trees, the herbicide Garlon4 will be applied to the stump. All personal protective equipment is provided by GSENM, except work boots. Escalante Petrified Forest St

showers. Area hike options are numerous: The Box Death Hollow, Calf Creek, and the Escalante River.

June 10-16, Manti-LaSal NF, 12 Mile Canyon Twin Lakes, ORV damage control work

You'll conduct ORV damage control in the 12 Mile Canyon area around Twin Lakes in the Manti-LaSal NF, Ferron Ranger District. Access to the worksite is from the Sanpete county town of Mayfield, on the west side of the Manti Mountains. The project addresses ORV damage by erecting log & block and other fencing, as well as rehabilitation and reclamation. Area hike options: Mary's Nipple, many forest and stream hikes.

June 24-30, Manti-LaSal NF, Dark Canyon Wilderness, Trail work & campsite inventory

You'll conduct trail maintenance and campsite inventory in the Dark Canyon Wilderness. The project will clear down trees blocking the trail, install water bars, and marking where appropriate. The campsite inventory will provide baseline data to rangers to help manage the Wilderness more effectively. Area hike options: Dark Canyon Wilderness, Beef Basin, Abajo Mountains.

September 9-15, Grand Staircase-Escalante NM, Paria River ORV damage control work

You'll conduct ORV damage control in the upper Paria River tributaries. The worksite is south of the town of Cannonville where you'll rehabilitate intrusions, place natural barricades and bollards, and install signage. We'll backpack into the worksite a short distance and set up camp nearby. Area hike options are numerous: Paria River, Kodachrome Basin State Park, Bull Valley Gorge.

September 23-29, Monticello BLM, Beef Basin, Archaeological site protection work

You'll join BLM archaeologists & rangers from the Kane Gulch Ranger Station in their continuing efforts to protect the invaluable resources of the Cedar Mesa/Grand Gulch complex in southeastern Utah. Work consists of erecting fencing to protect middens, defining foot paths around ruins, and general trail work. We'll car camp in a remote location, just south of Canyonlands NP and hike to worksites daily. Area hike options: Beef Basin, Dark Canyon Wilderness, Abajo Mountains.

October 14-20, Capitol Reef NP, Trail and non-native vegetation removal work

You'll conduct a variety of work projects around the park backcountry ranging from maintenance and marking of foot trails to removal of non-native plants, shrubs & trees mostly along waterways. Car and tent camp at a group camp site with running

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loaded with area hike options, mostly along the slickrock domes and sinuous canyons of its namesake.

BOATING DIRECTORS MESSAGES

We'll be having the Scheduling Party on Thursday March 15 at 6:30 pm at Mt. Olympus Church. Here we make up the boating schedule for the year. Come and be the first to learn what trips are available.

This will be my last submission as the Boating Director. I extend my thanks to everyone especially Bret Mathews for all of your help, assistance, understanding and patience. It's been my pleasure. See you on the river.

THIS YEARS BOATING ACTIVITIES:

DATES (#DAYS)	RIVER	CL	ORGANIZER	TELEPHONE	EMAIL
FEB					
MAR					
Mar 15/1	Scheduling Party	I	Larry Gwin	435-647-3642	ljgpenuel@yahoo.com



**John, Lisa and Cheryl On top of
Flagstaff Pk Jan 14 2007, Photo by
Brad Yates**



**30th Dec 07, Hoku on her "Break
into The Backcountry" Ski, Mill D.
Photo by Vivien**

Message from the Winter Sports Director

Attention Wasatch Mountain Club back country travelers: attached is an invitation to the annual Friends of the Uath Avalanche Center Fundraiser Dinner to be held at the Canyons Grand Summit Hotel in Park City on Friday, February 2nd. Please consider showing your support by attending this event. It will be a fun night!


Thanks

Greg Libecci
Winter Sports Director
435-645-9699
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WHAT ARE 10Es?

The 10 Essentials are: Map/compass, flashlight, pocketknife, matches/firestarter, sunscreen/bugspray, sunglasses, candle, first aid kit ,extra clothes, food and water.



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The WMC Lodge

The WMC club lodge is located at the top of Big Cottonwood Canyon. The lodge is used for a variety of WMC social functions, but can also be rented out for personal use (Full or half-day basis). Recent renovation to the lodge include the installation of flush toilets and shower. The two dormitory-style rooms on the second floor provide sleeping accommodation for about 20 people. The kitchen contains a stove and refrigerator, but is not stocked with utensils or culinary items. **All** users of the lodge are expected to clean up the lodge after use. Contact Julie Mason at 278-2535 for reservations.

WMC Club Member Rates

October 1 - May 31 = \$250/24 hour period
June 1 - September 30 = \$300/24 hour period

Non WMC Member Rates

October 1 - May 31 = \$300/24 hour period
June 1 - September 30 = \$350/24 hour period

Weddings and/or Wedding Receptions

WMC members \$400/24 hour period
Non-WMC members \$500/24 hour period

Notice: Non-member rates will rise by \$50/day for reservations after June 1st.

The Lodge needs constant care and WMC members have come to the rescue since 1929. Do you share to keep this club tradition in working condition. Come use your carpentry skills, or just help clean. Call Clayton Rand at 288-0251 or David Rabiger 964-8190 or send email caretakerwmc@yahoo.com to volunteer. Ask for a list of very specific items that need your help and attention and the hand tools and equipment needed to get the job done. We look forward to seeing you at the Lodge!

Club members can earn a \$50 voucher by participating in lodge service projects.

Lodge Service Days:

Please come help the lodge on the following WMC Service Days. Most of these dates will be filled with shoveling snow off the lodge roof and its surrounding area. Other minor interior repairs may also occur. Thanks for your help :

February 3rd, March 10th, April 14th, May 5th

Directions to The Lodge

Go up Big Cottonwood canyon, (up 7200 S) to Brighton, drive to the back of the BIG parking lot (near the Brighton Manor Motel). Walk up the hill past the boulders, bear left across the stream and up the trail through the trees (100 yards). Wear walking shoes, carry a flashlight for the hike down,



**Jan 6th Snow Shuffling Party.
Photos by Brett**



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Lightly used 22" MSR Lightenings \$140. Contact (email preferred) vincedesimone@yahoo.com or 435.649.6805.



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WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB ACTIVITIES

Only activities approved by the appropriate WMC director. can be listed in The Rambler. Direct submissions to the Editor are NOT accepted. To submit my activity to the club, login to the WMC website and click on "Volunteer to Organize An Activity". The appropriate director will approve and/or edit this event for inclusion in both the web calendar and Rambler submissions. The deadline is 6:00 p.m. on the 10th of the month.

Rules and regulations:

1 Dogs and children are not allowed on WMC activities, except when specifically stated in the activity description.

2 Car pool rates: Gas plus \$0.15/mile, shared by everyone in the vehicle (including driver) on 2WD roads, OR gas plus \$0.25 mile on 4WD roads.

Notice to Non-Members: Most WMC activities are open to prospective members except when specifically stated in the activity description.

Find out about unofficial activities on our email lists. Activities formed with these lists are for members only. Lists are to be used **only** for the scheduling of outdoor activities. Any use of this service for any other purpose, such as advertising, SPAM, jokes, etc, will result in the loss of privilege. **To subscribe:** Send an email to: majordomo@wasatchmountainclub.org with the following text in the message body: Subscribe wmc-bike; Subscribe wmc-hike; Subscribe wmc-climb; Subscribe wmc-ski; Subscribe wmc-snowshoe; Subscribe wmc-lodge; Subscribe wmc-social

Group size limits in wilderness. Some National Forest ranger districts limit the sizes of groups hiking in wilderness areas. For such hikes, the hike listing will indicate the maximum number of participants (not including the organizer). Please help our organizers on hikes with group size limits by arriving promptly and behaving nicely if you can't be accommodated on the hike because of a limit.

Activity Difficulty Rating

0.1-4.0 > Not Too Difficult (NTD)	B > Boulder fields or extensive bushwhacking
Lightly strenuous	E > Elevation change > 5,000 feet
4.1-8.0 > Moderate (MOD)	M > Round trip mileage > 15 mi.
Moderate to very strenuous	R > Ridgeline hiking or extensive route finding
8.1-11.0 > Most Difficult (MSD)	S > Scrambling
Very strenuous, difficult	X > Exposure
11.1+ > Extreme (EXT)	W= Wilderness area, limit 14
Very strong, well-seasoned hikers.	

Participation in any WMC activity can be dangerous. It is your responsibility to evaluate your own preparedness and ability to safely participate. Please read the release forms in the back of this publication, and on the sign-up sheets at the beginning of each activity.

Directions to Meeting Place

Mill Creek Canyon Park and Ride lot: Between 3800 S. and 3900 S. on Wasatch Blvd. (3555 E.), between the I-215 freeway and Wasatch Blvd along 3900 S. It is on the northwest corner of the intersection. You can ONLY enter it from the west-bound lanes of 3900 South. To get to the Mill Creek Canyon Road from the Park and Ride lot without making a U turn, go west (right) on 3900 South, proceed under the freeway, then turn north (right) at the next available street, which is Birch Dr.; proceed north to Upland Dr. (across from Skyline High School); go east (right) under the freeway and across Wasatch Blvd. to the Mill Creek Canyon Road (3800 South).

Skyline High School east parking lot: 3251 E. 3760 South (Upland Dr.). From the intersection of Wasatch Boulevard and the Mill Creek Canyon road (3800 South), go west under the I-215 freeway, then turn north (right) into the entrance opposite Birch Drive (3330 East).

Big Cottonwood Canyon Park and Ride lot: At the northeast corner of the Big Cottonwood Canyon Road and Wasatch Blvd. at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon.

Cottonwood Park and Ride lot: 6450 S. Wasatch Blvd. Go two lights east and south on 6200 S. from the I-215 overpass and turn east (left) onto Wasatch Blvd.; the lot is immediately on your left. Sometimes used as an overflow lot for access to Big Cottonwood Canyon.

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Cottonwood Canyon Road and Quarry Road at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon.

Utah Travel Council parking lot: About 120 E. 300 North. Go east from the intersection of State St. and 300 North and turn south (right) into the first parking lot.

Parleys Way Kmart parking lot: 2705 Parleys Way. From Parleys Way, turn north into the parking lot; or from Foothill Drive, turn west on Stringham Ave. (2295 South) and then south into the lot.

ACTIVITIES LISTINGS

Date	TYPE	(DIFF)	Title	Meetingplace
Feb 1 Thu ~ 9:15 am	SNOWSHOE	MOD	Somewhere in The Cottonwoods	Fort Union Lot #4
<p>Organizer: Norm Pobanz 801-266-3703</p> <p>Norm will organize a Thursday Group this year. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the over the hill bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm, discuss equipment, and/or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time. Meet at the Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the Porcupine and across the street on the north side of the road) at 9:15 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.</p>				
Feb 2 Fri ~ 6:30 pm	SNOWSHOE	NTD	FULL MOON SNOWSHOE	Butler Elementary
<p>Organizer: Knick Knickerbocker 801-272-2485</p> <p>The king of moonlight, Knick Knickerbocker invites you to howl with him at the moon tonight. Make sure to bring a flashlight, in case of cloud cover. Warm clothes and warm beverages help make these moonlight adventures more enjoyable.</p>				
Feb 2 Fri ~ 8:00 am	BACKCOUNTRY SKI	MOD+	FREE-HEEL FRIDAYS	Call to register
<p>Organizer: Michael Kligman 578-0534 kligman@xmission.com</p> <p>Moderate to long/hard ski tours, usually but not always in the tri-canyons, with 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate and dependable gear, snow safety and avalanche search training, safe winter travel skills and transceiver all required</p>				
Feb 3 Sat ~ 10:00 pm	SNOWSHOE	NTD	Desolation Lake	Butler Elementary
<p>Organizer: Ellen Jenkins 801-293-9198</p> <p>Join Ellen for a social walk in the woods today. (Turtle pace)</p>				
Feb 3 Sat ~ 9:00 am	SNOWSHOE	NTD	Mill Creek	Skyline Highschool
<p>Organizer: Heidi DeMartis 801-942-8088 heididemartis@excite.com</p> <p>Heidi DeMartis will find the perfect trail for today's NTD up Mill Creek Canyon.</p>				

“KNOW BEFORE YOU GO” by checking snow and weather conditions at <http://www.avalanche.org/~uac/> Before you participate in any WMC winter sports activity please review the Winter Sports Policy located on the club website www.wasatchmountainclub.org Before entering avalanche terrain, the club recommends you attain backcountry ‘safe travel’ and ‘avalanche awareness’ education AND attain and learn to use a transceiver, probe and shovel. Organizers are expected to keep the group together and use proper backcountry etiquette

**Feb 3 Sat SNOWSHOE MOD City Creek Utah Travel Council
~ 10:00 am Parking Lot**

Organizer: Frank Bernard 801-533-9219

Frank Bernard () will snowshoe on the Bonneville Shoreline Trail up City Creek and then up to the microwave towers today. Great views of Salt lake City and known haunts for moose, deer, coyotes and mountain lions. Rattlesnakes are all dened up. Plan on 3 to 4 hours. Meet at 10 AM in the Utah Travel Council Parking Lot (approx 300 N. State St, across from the State Capitol). The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**Feb 3 Sat SNOWSHOE MSD Little Water FAST Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am PACE**

Organizer: Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310

For a good workout, join Mohamed on today’s adventure. If we have energy to spare when done, we can optionally join the service group at the WMC lodge afterwards. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**Feb 4 Sun SNOWSHOE MOD BIG COTTONWOOD Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am ORGANIZER’S CHOICE**

Organizer: Brett Smith 580-2066

Brett will find a trail in Big Cottonwood appropriate for today’s group.

**Feb 4 Sun SKI TOUR NTD+ LITTLE HOBBLE Parleys Way Kmart
~ 8:30 am CREEK lot: 2705 Parleys
EXPLORATORY Way**

Organizer: Mike Berry 801 - 583-4721 Michael Berry [mberryxc@earthlink.net]
This tour, in the Wallsburg/ Deer Creek area, follows a gently rising jeep road to a seldom visited area in the winter. The terrain opens up for several options above the meadow at 3.5 miles, snow conditions permitting. Mike Berry (583-4721) says you should bring lightweight backcountry touring gear with scales, skins, or swix (grip wax), beacon, and shovel. Carpools can be arranged to allow for separate return times for NTD group.

**Feb 4 Sun SNOWSHOE NTD Catherine’s Pass from Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am Brighton**

Organizer: Michael Budig 801-328-4512

**Feb 4 Sun SNOWSHOE MOD Little Cottonwood - Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am Grizzly Gultch**

Organizer: Chris Winter 801-532-1646

Depending on snow safety conditions, Chris is going to this great area across from Alta today. If avalanche danger is high, Chris will pick a safer Little Cottonwood destination. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**Feb 4 Sun Snowshoe NTD+ Afternoon Before Mark Borges
~ 5:00 pm Vince's Spaghetti
Dinner**

Organizer: Robert Turner 801-544-0605

Come work out before your pasta feast tonight. Join Robert for an afternoon snowshoe on Parley's Summit. All levels and speeds are welcome, this is an all ability event

**Feb 4 Sun BACKCOUNTRY SKI MSD Cardiac Bowl
~ 8:00 am**

Organizer: Mark Borges 801.363.4504 mborges@aros.net

Join Mark for a tour into Cardiac Bowl. Conditions permitting, we will climb Pole-Line Pass; cross over to Cardiac; and then climb/ski off the ridge. ~2300-2900' to the ridge; but plan on 4500+' and ~7.5 hrs for the day. Bring your skins, transceiver, shovel and avalanche safety knowledge. Pre-registration required. Group size limited to 5. Thanks Mark :-)

**Feb 4 Sun PARTY ALL 20th Annual Spaghetti Vince's house
~ 6:00 pm Dinner**

Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435.649.6805. vincedesimone@yahoo.com

Vincenzo and Linda DeSimone invite you to an evening of Italian cuisine and fellowship as we celebrate our 20th year of hosting this tradition. Time: 6 pm (no early arrivals please). Cost \$5 for food and hot drinks (bring other drinks of choice). Directions: Take Hwy 224 from I-80 toward Park City. Just past the large white barn on the right turn left on Meadows Drive (Ridgeview sign). Follow Meadows one street past the first stop sign and turn left on Mountain Top Lane. Go up to Mountain Top Drive at the \

**Feb 6 Tue SNOWSHOE MOD Park City Environs Park City
~ 5:00 pm**

Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-649-6805 vincedesimone@yahoo.com

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Feb 8 Thu	CLIMB	ALL	Gym Climbing Night	Momentum Climbing Gym
~ 6:00 pm				

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

Join us for an evening of fun at the new Momentum Climbing Gym. You will have to see this place to believe it! Very cool! The bouldering area is open and that is where we will be spending the evening. This will be a Free evening of climbing. Wasatch Mountain Club members get a discount on memberships. All ability levels including non climbers are welcome. Momentum Climbing Gym, by REI at SouthTown Mall

Feb 8 Thu	ROAD BIKE	MOD	DEATH VALLEY - CALIFORNIA
~ Feb 12			
Mon			

Organizer: Bob Wright 801-274-07566 bobanddenna@MSN.com

If you would like to escape from the wintertime chills and smog and have a great time too, come on the Death Valley bike ride with the old ranger, Bob Wright. There will be biking, hiking, swimming and relaxing. We will stay at the Furnace Creek campground. It is comfortably warm during the day and not too cold at night. Precipitation is usually minimal. We can visit many of the local attractions including Scotty's Castle, Ubehebe Crater, Stovepipe Wells, Badwater and many others. We will car pool as much as possible. It is 545 miles each way from Salt Lake via Las Vegas. We plan to do group cooking. Estimated cost is \$50.00 per person including food and camping. Food and camping fees are included but park entrance fee and transportation is not. We will have a planning meeting Thursday, Jan. 25th at Bob and Denna Wright's house, 1832 Meadow Moor Rd. (5000 South) at 7:00 PM. Call Bob at 801-274-07566 to register or E mail at bobanddenna@MSN.com

Feb 8 Thu	SNOWSHOE	MOD	Somewhere in The Cottonwoods	Fort Union Lot #4
~ 9:30 am				

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 801-266-3703

Norm Pobanz () will organize a Thursday Group this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the over the hill bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm, discuss equipment, and/or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time. Meet at the Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the Porcupine and across the street on the north side of the road) at 9:15 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

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**Feb 9 Fri ~ SNOWSHOE ALL DEADLINE FOR
5:00 pm SUBMITTING
TRIPS FOR MARCH
RAMBLER**

Organizer: Constance Modrow 954-8324

This is the last call for snowshoes for the year. Please Contact Constance Modrow or Barb Hanson this month, as Cheryl will be bikign in New Zealand!

**Feb 10 Sat TURTLE SNOWSHOE NTD QUARRY TRAIL TO Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am THE BRIDGE**

Organizer: Joan Proctor 474-0275

Join Joan for a slow easy hike for relaxed folks to enjoy the experience.

**Feb 10 Sat SNOWSHOE NTD GREENS BASIN Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am**

Organizer: Mark Jones 486-5354

Mark says that "we'll be taking the plunge" (if snow conditions are right - just after the storm he is wishing for).

**Feb 10 Sat SKI TOUR MOD- Willow Fork Ski-hike BCC P-n-R 6250S
~ 9:00 am Wasatch Blvd.**

Organizer: Martin McGregor 801.967.9860

Ski tour, upper Willow, Big Cottonwood. This will be a mello ski hike up to the meadow below the Park City ridge line. Climbing skins required. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**Feb 10 Sat SNOWSHOE MOD Leaders Choice Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am**

Organizer: Larry Nilssen 801.572.3964 larrynilssen@comcast.net

Destination depends on snow conditions. This leader prefers mountain peak/ridgeline views -

**Feb 10 Sat SKI BACKCOUNTRY MOD+ Ski Tour Call to register
~ 9:00 am**

Organizer: Cheryl Krusko 801.474.3759 ckrusko@peoplepc.com

Must register for time and meeting place. Possible cross-canyon travel. Avalanche beacon, 10 E's, probe and shovel required. Plan on at least a 4K+ day.

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Feb 11 Sun ~ 8:30 am	ALL	Downhill Ski Social	Alta ski area, Wildcat base
<p>Organizer: Gregory Djurovich 714-306-0528 two5280high@comcast.net</p> <p>Social Skiing -- Join us at Alta on Sunday February 11. We will be meeting at the Wildcat base area at the restaurant in the Goldminer's Daughter lodge at 8:30 for breakfast. We will decide on where to ski based on current weather conditions. Lunch will be at noon in Alf's. We will be using radios to stay in contact with each other, Ch 7-28. Call Greg Djurovich, 801-352-0155 for more info.</p>			
Feb 11 Sun ~ 10:00 am	NTD+	LOWER SOLITUDE TO SCOTT'S PASS	Butler Elementary
<p>Organizer: Kevin Earl 568-3791</p> <p>Kevin is heading to the Wasatch divide today. We can also head up to the towers south of the pass if the day is nice. Go ahead and sleep in!</p>			
Feb 11 Sun ~ 9:00 am	MOD	COTTONWOODS ORGANIZER'S CHOICE	Butler Elementary
<p>Organizer: Brett Smith 580-2066</p> <p>Brett will choose the perfect destination for today's moderate adventure.</p>			
Feb 11 Sun ~ 8:00 am	MOD+	ABOVE BOUNTIFUL	Call Zig for the meeting location
<p>Organizer: Zig Sondelski 292-8332 zig.sondelski@hollycorp.com</p> <p>Join Zig and enjoy some new trails and scenery in the Wasatch. Ever been up North Canyon, Sessions Ridge, Mueller Canyon, Grandview Ridge to name a few? . Bring the appropriate 10-E's for snowshoeing.</p>			
Feb 11 Sun ~ 1:00 pm	NTD	AFTERNOON IN THE COTTONWOODS	Butler Elementary
<p>Organizer: Jean Acheson 932-5416 jean@sco.com</p> <p>Jean and the participants will decide where to go this afternoon, for a sweet sunday stroll.</p>			

Feb 11 Sun BACKCOUNTRY SKI NTD
~ 9:00 am

Break Into the Back Country Preregister

Organizer: Holly Sherwood 801.278.5638 hrordame@networld.com
Break into the backcountry with beginner organizer Holly Sherwood. This trip will proceed at a slow pace and will focus on learning backcountry skills. Good descending skills on your skis or board and some knowledge of your backcountry gear are required. You must bring skins, shovel, beacon, skis or a split board, food, water, backpack, appropriate clothing, etc. A probe is optional but recommended. Please email Holly at hrordame@networld.com or call her at 801 278-5638 to register. Spots will go fast!

Feb 11 Sun BACKCOUNTRY SKI MOD+ Leader choice Pregister
~ 8:30 am

Organizer: Bradley Yates 801.521.4185 bnyslc@earthlink.net
Brad Yates plans on getting out for a full day of skiing in the cottonwoods, expect to be out till around 4 pm. You need to be competent with your gear and able to ski 35 degree slopes with or without trees. Beacon and knowing how to use it required.

Feb 13 Tue SNOWSHOE MOD PARK CITY ENVIRONS WMC Snowshoe
~ 5:00 pm email list

Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-649-6805 vincedesimone@yahoo.com
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Feb 15 Thu CLIMB ALL Gym Climbing Night Momentum Climbing
~ 6:00 pm Gym, by REI at SouthTown Mall

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com
Come join us for a fun evening of bouldering at the gym. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.

Feb 15 Thu SNOWSHOE MOD- THE COTTONWOODS Fort Union Lot #4
~ 9:15 am

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703
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Feb 15 Thu ~ 6:30 pm	GENERAL MEETING	ALL	General Membership Meeting	Mt. Olympus Presbyterian Church, 3280 East 3900 South
<p>Organizer: Mike Budug</p> <p>Please mark your calendar and plan to join us for the next General Membership meeting at the Mt. Olympus Presbyterian Church - 3280 East 3900 South. Following the meeting Dave Rabiger will show slides of his trip to the Cordillera Huayhuash in Peru. This spectacular area was the location for the book and movie "Touching the Void".</p>				
Feb 17 Sat ~ 10:00 am	SNOWSHOE	NTD+	PARK CITY ENVORONS: PINEBROOK TRAILS	We'll leave from the parking lot of the new shopping complex at the Jeremy Ranch exit of I-80 (mm141
<p>Organizer: Donna and Ralph Fisher 435-649-0183</p> <p>Join Donna and Ralph for a couple hours of exploring the backcountry to the South of I-80 in Summit County.</p>				
Feb 17 Sat ~ 10:00 am	SNOWSHOE	MOD	BOWMAN TRAIL	Skyline High School
<p>Organizer: Steve Duncan 474-0031</p> <p>Join Steve for a moderate workout in Mill Creek today.</p>				
Feb 17 Sat ~ 9:00 am	SNOWSHOE	MOD	ORGANIZER'S CHOICE	Butler Elementary
<p>Organizer: Andy Beard and Jude Elizondo 571-4090</p> <p>Judy and Andy are sure to find a great destination for today's moderate paced adventure.</p>				
Feb 18 Sun ~ 10:00 am	SNOWSHOE	NTD+	ORGANIZER'S CHOICE	Butler Elementary
<p>Organizer: Kevin Earl 568-3791</p> <p>Kevin will be choosing the destination but will keep the pace so that no one gets left behind.</p>				
Feb 18 Sun ~ 9:00 am	SNOWSHOE	MOD	ORGANIZER'S CHOICE	Butler Elementary
<p>Organizer: Kerry Faigle 232-8984</p> <p>Kerry will find the perfect snow and destination for today's moderate paced outing.</p>				

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Feb 18 **TURTLE SNOWSHOE** **NTD** **AFTERNOON IN BIG** **Butler Elementary**
Sun ~ 1:00 **COTTONWOOD**
pm

Organizer: Jean Acheson 633-5225

Join Jean for a nice afternoon stroll in Big Cottonwood Canyon today.

Feb 19 **SNOWSHOE** **MOD** **ORGANIZER'S** **Call Carrie for the**
Mon ~ 9:00 **CHOICE -** **meeting location**
am **PRESIDENT'S DAY**

Organizer: Carrie Clark 519-9257 dr_carolyn@yahoo.com

Carrie has the day off, so will take an energetic group into the mountains today. If there's enough snow she'd like to try Killyon Canyon or something near her end of the valley, but it's too hard to predict.

Feb 20 Tue **SNOWSHOE** **MOD** **PARK CITY ENVIRONS** **WMC Snowshoe**
~ 5:00 pm **email list**

Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-649-6805 vincedesimone@yahoo.com

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Feb 22 Thu **CLIMB** **ALL** **Gym Climbing Night** **Momentum Climbing**
~ 6:00 pm **Gym, by REI at**
SouthTown Mall

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

Come join us for a fun evening of bouldering at the gym. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.

Feb 22 Thu **SNOWSHOE** **MOD-** **THE COTTONWOODS** **Fort Union Lot #4**
~ 9:15 am

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703

Norm will organize a Thursday Group this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the over the hill bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time. Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the Porcupine and across the street on the north side of the road)

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**Feb 23 Fri BACKCOUNTRY SKI MOD+ FREE-HEEL FRIDAYS Call to register
~ 8:00 am**

Organizer: Michael Kligman 578-0534 kligman@xmission.com

Moderate to long/hard ski tours, usually but not always in the tri-canyons, with 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate and dependable gear, snow safety and avalanche search training, safe winter travel skills and transceiver all required

**Feb 24 Sat TURTLE SNOWSHOE NTD+ ALBION BASIN Butler Elementary
~ 9:15 am**

Organizer: Doug Stark 277-8538

Doug will organize this leisurely paced trip into the beautiful Albion basin, leaving at 9:30 AM.

**Feb 24 Sat SNOWSHOE NTD DESOLATION LAKE Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am**

Organizer: Mike Budig 328-4512

Join Mike on this trip in Big Cottonwood today.

**Feb 24 Sat SNOWSHOE MOD (OR HIKE) WASATCH Call Alex for the
~ 5:00 pm FRONT ORGANIZER'S meeting time and
CHOICE location**

Organizer: Alex Rudd 971-9245 ar160@msn.com

Depending on the conditions, Alex might make this a snowshoe or a winter hike. He will decide on just the right area for you somewhere in the Wasatch Front.

**Feb 24 Sat SNOWSHOE MOD+ MILL D NORTH TO Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am BUTLER FORK VIA
REYNOLDS PEAK**

Organizer: Mohamed Abdallah 466-9310

Join Mohamed for an aerobic adventure in the Cottonwoods today.

**Feb 24 Sat SNOWSHOE MSD BOUNTIFUL PEAK Call Gene for the
~ 5:00 pm meeting time and
location**

Organizer: Gene Dennis 295-5252 higene27090@yahoo.com

Gene will be going up Ford Canyon to Bountiful Creek today. He then plans to return via Parrish Creek Trail. This will be a long day but the scenery should be fantastic.

Feb 24 Sat SKI
~ 8:00 am

MSD

leaders choice,
something epic.

preregister

Organizer: Bradley Yates 801.521.4185 bnyslc@earthlink.net

Brad Yates will be leading a big tour, to early to decide now, we may do a major peak or a multi canyon tour depending on snow conditions. Expect a long day and don't make major social plans for the evening. contact Brad no later than Friday morning for info and to register.

Feb 25
Sun ~ 9:30
am

SNOWSHOE

NTD

DESOLATION TRAIL

Skyline High School

Organizer: Tony Barron 272-8927, 526-9384 (w)

Tony's is re-trying this trip, since the weather didn't cooperate the last time he scheduled it. This will be a "No Chile Left Behind" trip, meaning the pace will be conversational and the atmosphere will be fun.

Feb 25
Sun ~ 9:00
am

SNOWSHOE

MOD

COTTONWOODS
ORGANIZER'S
CHOICE

Butler Elementary

Organizer: Liz Cordova 486-0909

Liz will pick a great destination today based on sun and snow conditions.

Feb 25
Sun ~ 1:00
pm

TURTLE SNOWSHOE

NTD

AFTERNOON IN MILL
CREEK

Skyline High

Organizer: Jean Acheson 633-5225

Join Jean for a nice afternoon stroll in Mill Creek Canyon today.

Feb 25
Sun ~ 8:30
am

BACKCOUNTRY SKI

MOD

Big to Mill

3900 S Park-n-Ride
(mud lot)

Organizer: Heidi Schubert 801.792.7765 heidi@biochem.utah.edu

Carpool from here to catch the 8:53am, 6200 South BBC bus. We'll get off at Spruces and ski North Reynolds, Soldier or Little Water. We'll head back down Mill Creek to the cars. let me know if you are coming - I'll need someone to help put a car up Mill Creek. Limit to first 6 (call ahead or show up on-time).

Feb 27 Tue
~ 5:00 pm

SNOWSHOE

MOD

PARK CITY ENVIRONS
WMC Snowshoe
email list

Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-649-6805 vinedesimone@yahoo.com

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Mar 1 Thu SNOWSHOE MOD- THE COTTONWOODS Fort Union Lot #4
~ 9:15 am

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703

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Mar 1 Thu Snow Caving MOD Snow Caving/Camping TBD
~ Mar 3
Sat

Organizer: Rick Thompson 801.255.8058 gone2moab@hotmail.com
Plan to get off work a little early Thursday afternoon (2:00) and head up the mountain at 3:00. After digging the caves, when we are wet and tired and cold, which we will be, we come back home for a warm dinner and a hot shower. Then Friday afternoon, we will go back up and move in, the work all done: kick back, cook dinner, and after a moonlight ski or snowshoe, sit around the fire with hot drinks, and watch the stars or perhaps, the snow fall. We will get together one evening before we go, on Thursday Feb 22, at 7:00, at my house, to plan and talk about technique and equipment, pair up teams, and coordinate transportation. For those who are either unavailable thursday, or are just unwilling to put in the hard work for a warm snow cave experience, you can still join our winter camp friday and tent it, with the understanding that your tent may be 30 degrees colder than the snow cave. If this insanity sounds like something you'd be interested in, drop me a note. It's not actually that death defying- i have been doing this with scouts for 25 years, and haven't lost anyone yet, despite my best efforts.

Mar 1 Thu CLIMB ALL Gym Climbing Night Momentum Climbing
~ 6:00 pm Gym

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

Come join us for a fun evening of climbing at the gym. The top rope and lead climbing areas should be open. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.

Mar 3 Sat TURTLE SNOWSNOE NTD WHITE FIR PASS Skyline High School
~ 10:00 am

Organizer: Ellen Jenkins 293-9198

Ellen is organizing today's easy paced trip in Mill Creek, and you can even sleep in a little bit too.

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Mar 3 Sat SNOWSHOE NTD+ SCOTT'S PASS Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am

Organizer: Holly Smith 272-5358

Join Holly in Big Cottonwood today, you're sure to have a great time.

Mar 3 Sat SNOWSHOE MOD+ RIDGE RUN WILLOW BUTLER ELEMENTARY
~ 9:00 am **TO BEARTRAP VIA**
GREAT WESTERN
TRAIL

Organizer: Mohammed Abdallah 466-9310 agm1144@yahoo.com

Are you ready for a great, scenic adventure today? Mohamed is organizing this brisk paced, fairly long snowshoe trip today. Bring plenty of food and water and be prepared for a wonderful day.

Mar 4 Sun SNOWSHOE NTD COTTONWOOD BUTLER ELEMENTARY
~ 9:00 am **CANYON**
ORGANIZER'S
CHOICE

Organizer: Heidi DeMartis 942-8088

Depending on the snow and weather conditions, Heidi will take the easier-paced trip today.

Mar 4 Sun SNOWSHOE MOD+ ORGANIZER'S BUTLER ELEMENTARY
~ 9:00 am **CHOICE, POSSIBLY A**
RIDGE RUN

Organizer: Carrie Clark and Rick Gamble 519-9257

If weather is questionable, please call Carrie and Rick to see if the trip has been cancelled

Mar 4 Sun TURTLE SNOWSHOE NTD AFTERNOON IN MILL BUTLER ELEMENTARY
~ 1:00 pm **CREEK**

Organizer: Jean Acheson 633-5225

Jean will find a great trail for this afternoon's casual snowshoe in Mill Creek.

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Mar 8 Thu ~ Mar 11 Sun	CANOE	NTD	Black Canyon on the Colorado River	To be announced
Organizer: Zig Sondelski zig.sondelski@hollycorp.com				
Black Canyon is a 10-mile stretch of the Colorado River below Hoover Dam. We will drive down Thursday, launch early Friday, taking out noon on Sunday and drive back. Plan on staying Thursday night at the Hacienda Hotel just north of Hoover Dam (it’s where we meet our outfitter Friday morning). For security reasons we will use an outfitter to take us to the put in below the dam. Canoes will be rented from them also.				
Mar 8 Thu ~ 6:00 pm	CLIMB	ALL	Gym Climbing Night	Momentum Climbing Gym
Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com				
Come join us for a fun evening of climbing at the gym. The top rope and lead climbing areas should be open. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.				

Mar 10 Sat SNOWSHOE ~ 10:00 am	NTD	MILL CREEK ORGANIZER'S CHOICE	Skyline High School
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Organizer: Heidi DeMartis 942-8088

Join Heidi as she takes you to one of her favorite destinations in Mill Creek Canyon today.

Mar 10 Sat SNOWSHOE ~ 9:00 am	MOD	COTTONWOODS ORGANIZER'S CHOICE	Butler Elementary
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Organizer: Andy Beard and Jude Elizondo 571-4090

Judy and Andy are on a roll this year. Join them for an exciting snowshoe to one of their favorite places in the Wasatch.

Mar 10 Sat SNOWSHOE MOD+ BEARTRAP FORK Butler Elementary
~ 9:00 am

Organizer: Knick Knickerbocker 272-2485

Join Knick Knickerbocker for this hard, but fun loop depending on weather and avalanche conditions. Knick plans on a relaxed pace (NOT a race) going up Beartrap to ridge and then down to Desolation Lake and coming out Mill-D to Spruces. Come prepared for a workout and bring your avalanche beacon, shovel and 10-E's.

Mar 11 Sun	SNOWSHOE	MOD+	ABOVE BOUNTIFUL	Call Zig for the meeting location
~ 8:00 am				

Organizer: Ziq Sondelski 292-8332 ziq.sondelski@hollycorp.com

Join Zig and enjoy some new trails and scenery in the Wasatch. Ever been up North Canyon, Sessions Ridge, Mueller Canyon, Grandview Ridge to name a few? . Bring the appropriate 10-Eís for snowshoeing.

Mar 15 ThuBOAT ~ 6:30 pm	NTD-	River Trip Scheduling Party	Mt Olympus Church (3280 East 3900 South)
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Organizer: Bret Mathews 801.273.0315 bretmaverick999@yahoo.com

Everyone is welcome! With spring on its way its time to start scheduling river trips. Bring your permits, ideas for non-permitted rivers, your calendars, a volunteering spirit, and a potluck dish to share. After socializing and eating we will place large monthly calendar pages on the wall and then start listing trips on those pages. With in a short amount of time hopefully the pages will be filled with lots of trips, but that will only happen if people volunteer to organize them. The WMC has tools to make organizing trips easier so please step forward. The Mt Olympus Church is one and a half blocks west of the I-215 39th South exit on the south side of the road. Hope to see everyone there!

Mar 15 ThuCLIMB
~ 6:00 pm

ALL

Gym Climbing Night

**Momentum Climbing
Gym**

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Mar 22 ThuCLIMB
~ 6:00 pm

ALL

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Mar 29 ThuCLIMB
~ 6:00 pm

ALL

Gym Climbing Night

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Gym**

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

Come join us for a fun evening of climbing at the gym. The top rope and lead climbing areas should be open. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.



Antelope Island Buffalo, January 13, 2007
Photo by Elliott



"Christmas day goat visit! I loved it!"
Photo by Frank

***Participation in any WMC activity can be dangerous. It is your responsibility to evaluate your own preparedness and ability to safely participate in any activity. Please be sure to read and re-read the release forms in the back of this publication, as well as on the sign-up sheets at the beginning of each activity!!!!

Mar 30 Fri SKI TOUR
~ Mar 31
Sat

MSD

**34th ANNUAL KINGS
PEAK SKI TOUR**

**Henry's Fork snow
parking for morning
start 3-31**

Organizer: Steve and Larry Swanson Steve at 272-5750 or Larry at 583-4043
Larry Swanson [swanson.l@worldnet.att.net]

.This is the 34d annual Kings Peak tour for those interested in trivia. The historic Kings Peak ski tour, hosted by Steve and Larry Swanson, will convene on Friday night (March 30th) at the Henry's Fork Snow-Parking area and get under way very early on Saturday morning. We meet for car pooling (optional) at the K-Mart parking area on Parleys Way about 5:00 PM and leave for Evanston and the old standby, Lotty's Café, at 5:30 PM. Avalanche transceivers, shovels, and registration are not required. Headlamps are mandatory (double check that they work and that the batteries are fresh). Lots of water (2-3 liters) and protection from facing directly into the sun for most of the day are also important. Standard backcountry touring gear is best but every possible combination has been used in the past. Climbing skins are often handy but not essential. We generally leave the skis at Gunsight Pass and climb the peak on foot so Vibram-type soles on your boots are usually helpful if the snow is hard. Snowshoers are welcome but they need to remember that since they cannot just kick and glide back to the car they have a much earlier turn-around time. 1:00pm is the usual turn around time for Snowshoers. It will be a long day, we start before dawn and usually end after dark. It's not at all necessary to climb the peak, however, to enjoy the ski touring in this lovely, gentle drainage and normally more than half of the participants turn around short of the peak. Elkhorn crossing is a good scenic NTD destination used by many. Gunsight Pass, 5 miles farther, is MOD and gives wonderful views. Gunsight Pass is the standard turn around place for most and for ALL those that arrive after 1:00pm. The summit is MSD chiefly because of the length of the day and the climb of the peak at the end. Mandatory turnaround is 3:00 pm no matter where you are on the route. We carry out ALL waste paper including TP so carry a plastic bag and plan for it. For additional information call Steve at 272-5750 or Larry at 583-4043. We will start out no matter what the weather and assess the summit from the basin or Gunsight. The trip to the basin is sheltered and makes a nice ski tour even in stormy weather. We prefer the creek route as it is safer but that decision will be made on the morning of the tour. We want everyone to go up and back down on the same route for safety reasons so check with Larry or Steve on the route of choice if you plan to leave extra early

Apr 15 SunDAY HIKE
~ 10:30 am

NTD

ANTELOPE ISLAND

**Beginning of
Antelope Island
causeway**

Organizer: Margaret Fahey 801.292.7602 redrockmiss@yahoo.com

We'll hike around Buffalo Point. Meet at 10:30 AM in the parking lot by the entrance booth at the beginning of the causeway. To get there, take I-15 exit #332 and go west 7 miles. We'll car pool from there to the island, sharing the \$9 per car entrance fee. (Some of us will have park passes.) Co-listed with the Sierra Club.

Apr 19 ThuCAR CAMP
~ Apr 22
Sun

MOD

Arches National Park preregister

Organizer: Margaret Fahey 801.292.7602 redrockmiss@yahoo.com

Margaret Fahey will reserve a group camp site at Arches N. P. for the weekend of April 19, 20, 21. Arriving April 19th, leaving April 22nd. We will do MOD hikes during the day. Cost will be \$5.00 per person per night. Pre-register by April 1st. Limit 15. Co-listed with the Sierra Club.

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if interested, call me**

**ASAP at 801-943-0316 or e-mail me to:
christelsysak@hotmail.com**

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL MEMBERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE JOINING SINCE LAST SPRING!!!

As a result of our new on line membership entry process, the following information on your application form has NOT been entered as a part of the file for new members:

Your preferences regarding receipt of the club publication, The Rambler.

Your preferences regarding release of your name and address to third party organizations.

Your preferences regarding activities in which you are interested.

Members joining prior to last spring may wish to update their file using the same procedure.

To update your record you will need to do the following:

1. Log on to the club's website, www.wasatchmountainclub.org
2. Sign in using your assigned user name (first.last)
3. use your default password (your birthdate in month/date/year format- ##/##/####).
4. This will enable you to access your Personal Information page. Use this page to correct any data as necessary.
5. Next, click on the Club Preferences page and complete it appropriately.
6. Next, click on Login Account Settings and change your password.

If you have any problems with the process, please contact our webmaster, Heidi Schubert at heidi@biochem.utah.edu or membership director, Dudley McIlhenny at contextny@aol.com.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please read carefully and fill out both pages completely.

Name of applicant (1) _____ Birth date _____

Website Username (1) _____ default password (1) _____

Name of applicant (2) _____ Birth date _____

Website Username (2) _____ default password (2) _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Rambler Phone (1) _____ Email(1): _____ (required for on-line system)

Rambler Phone (2) _____ Email(2): _____ (required for on-line system)

Privacy Information: The WMC publishes member's names, address and phone numbers in the The Rambler, twice a year to facilitate membership communication. We also occasionally release our address list to WMC-board approved wilderness and/or conservation organizations for one-off mailings under the stipulation that they do not continue to use the list or provide it to others. After your membership becomes active, you can login to the WMC website and state your communication and privacy preferences. By default your name and address will not be revealed to anyone.

When your account is activated login to the WMC website at wasatchmountainclub.org to record your activity preferences, interests and your willingness to organize activities or participate in social, lodge or conservation functions.

I am applying for a

_____	Single Membership	(\$35.00)	_____
_____	Couple or Partner Membership	(\$50.00)	_____
_____	Student Membership (must be full-time and under age of 30)	(\$20.00)	_____
_____	I would not like to receive "The Rambler".	(\$-5.00)	_____
_____	This is a new membership or reinstatement (paper application fee)	(\$5.00)	_____
-----	Total membership fee	-----	-----

Enclosed is \$ _____ for application fee and first year's dues. Check and money orders only. Make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club.

Mail completed application to:
Membership Director
Wasatch Mountain Club
1390 South, 1100 East
Salt Lake City, UT 84105-2443

Leave blank for office use:

Receipt/Check # _____ Amount Received _____ Date _____ By _____

Board Approval Date _____

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Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC)

Applicant Agreement, Acknowledge of Risk and Release from Liability

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION: I acknowledge that my participation in and WMC activity is voluntary. No one is forcing me to participate.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I am aware the WMC activities involve risks, and could result in injury, illness, death and damage or loss of property. These dangers include but are not limited too: the hazards of traveling in remote wilderness areas without medical services or care, the forces of nature, the inherent dangers involved in participation in sports, wilderness travel and social activities, and the negligent actions of other persons or agencies. The WMC is not, nor does it provide a professional guiding service. In order to partake in the enjoyment and excitement of WMC activities, I am willing to accept the risk and uncertainty involved as being an integral part of the activity. I acknowledge this risk and assume full responsibilities for any and all risks of injury, illness, death, or damage and loss to my property.

I verify this statement by placing my initials here _____.

PREPARATION: I understand that it is my responsibility to evaluate the difficulties of any activity I participate in, and decide whether I am prepared by having the experience, skill, knowledge and the physical and emotional stamina to safely participate.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE: I agree that I, my heirs, and personal and legal representatives hereby do release and hold harmless from all liability, and promise not to bring any suit or claim against the Wasatch Mountain Club, its leaders or directors, agents or representatives for any injury, illness, death or damage and loss of property resulting from my participation in any WMC activity even if they negligently caused the injury or damage.

LEGAL FEES: Should it become necessary for the WMC, or someone on their behalf, to incur attorney fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to pay the WMC reasonable costs and fees thereby expended, or for which liability is incurred.

INSURANCE: I certify that I have sufficient insurance to cover and bodily injury or property damage that I may incur while participating in any WMC activity. If I have no such insurance, I certify that I am capable of paying for all such expenses and liabilities.

My signature below indicates I have read this entire document, understand it completely, understand it affects my legal rights, and agree to be bound by its terms. I am at least 18 years old.

Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Street Address: _____

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Phone: _____ Date: _____

Witness:

I certify that _____ has alleged to me that he/she has read and understands this document.

Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Date: _____

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