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*Gretchen
telling
a story.*

*Grandeur
Peak West
Ridge Hike*

*~Photo by
Alex Rudd*



From the President by Heidi Schubert

Many thanks to outgoing members of the WMC Board.

Please remember to say thank you to current, incoming and outgoing members of the board. 2009-2010 WMC Board elections will take place on February 19th at Mount Olympus Presbyterian Church @ 3280 E. 3900 S. We will also discuss the potential for a separate non-profit Lodge foundation.

In particular, I'd like to say thanks to Steve Duncan (Hiking director), Leslie Masters and Bob Martin (Biking directors), Donna Kramer (Boating director), Patti O'Keefe (recently serving as Secretary) & Linda Frady. Linda has been on the board for over ten years – serving as President, Lodge Director and Trustee –to name only the positions I know about. Your years of service have made a positive difference to the club and we all appreciate you.

Together the board continues to bring you the numerous activity options that keep us busy all year. We also monitor and participate in the community around us – this year we helped evaluate the potential for Big and Little Cottonwood Canyon to become "National Scenic Highways". We continue to team up with Save Our Canyons to help repair and build trail in the Wasatch – your volunteer efforts are

always appreciated. This coming summer trail volunteers will receive a WMC trail shirt. Join us the second Saturday of each summer month. Finally, the winter always makes us aware of the peaceful white wilderness around us and our efforts continue to promote and protect.



Changes to the Lodge:

The WMC Lodge can now be reserved on-line. You can check availability and pay by credit- card. We are hoping that these advances will support an increasing clientele at the lodge and make the ownership of the lodge more self supportive. We are also investigating separating the lodge into its own non-profit organization. We are hoping to both preserve the rights of the club as builders and long time owners of

the Lodge while also enabling the lodge to receive tax-deductible support. An official proposal drafted by a committee of members will be presented to the board and the club in the next few months.

Heidi (WMC President 2007-2009)

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.

2009 General Elections ~ Wasatch Mountain Club


General Meeting, February 19th

The WMC Governing Board consists of a set of directors and four trustees; all are volunteers who serve for a specified period of time: 1 year for general directors and 4 years for trustees. Please vote once for each director; co-directors count as one vote. If you are unable to attend the meeting, ballots can be mailed to the club for absentee voting: **1301 S. 1100 E. #103, SLC, UT 84105**

| Position | Nominee | Position | Nominee |
|---------------|--|-----------------------------|---|
| President | ___ Vacant | Information | ___ Dave Rumbellow |
| Secretary | ___ Susan Myers | Lodge | ___ Robert Myers |
| Treasurer | ___ Trisha Lee | Mountaineering/ Climbing | ___ Peter Campbell and Clark Richards (co-directors) |
| Membership | ___ Marilyn Smith and Bob Grant (co-directors) | Publications | ___ Sonya Lloyd |
| Biking | ___ Marcia Hansen and Barb Hanson (co-directors) | Winter Sports | ___ Walt Haas |
| Boating | ___ Don Urrizaga | Trustee | ___ Cheryl Soshnik |
| Conservation | ___ Will McCarvill and Kyle Williams (co-directors) | Trustee | ___ John Veranth |
| Entertainment | ___ Gary Hermanson | Trustee | ___ Donn Seely |
| Hiking | ___ Julie Kilgore and Alex Rudd (co-directors) | Trustee | ___ Jerry Hatch |

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West Ridge Hike
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The WMC Lodge

The WMC lodge is tucked away in a grove of evergreens at the top of Big Cottonwood Canyon. It is used for a variety of WMC social functions but can also be rented out for personal use on a full- or half-day basis. Renovation to the lodge included the installation of flushing toilets and a shower. Running water! The two dormitory-style rooms on the second floor provide sleeping accommodations for about 20 people. Go to www.wasatchmountainclub.org/lodge/Lodge_pictures.htm to view pictures of the infamous lodge. The kitchen contains a stove and refrigerator, but—you guessed it—it is not stocked with food, utensils or other culinary items. **All** users of the lodge are expected to clean up the lodge after use. Contact Dave & Susan Rabiger at (801) 964-8190 for reservations.

The Lodge needs constant tender loving care, and WMC members have come to the rescue since 1929. Come donate your carpentry skills or just help clean. Call Bob Myers at (801) 485-9209 or send an e-mail to caretakerwmc@yahoo.com to volunteer. Ask for a list of very specific items that need your attention and the hand tools and equipment needed to get the job done. You need not be a member to volunteer. (Warning: Associating with WMC members and participating in WMC activities can become addictive. Improved health, positive attitudes, and long-lasting friendships are also possible side effects.) We look forward to seeing you at the Lodge!

Please give back and keep your eyes open for upcoming WMC Service Days. The most up-to-date activities are posted on the website (see inside front cover).

Club members can earn up to a \$50 voucher by participating in lodge service projects!

Please give back and come help the lodge on the following WMC Service Days. Seeing how there is still a lot of snow in the mountains, at least one of these dates will be filled with shoveling snow off the lodge roof and its surrounding area. Other minor interior and exterior repairs may also occur. If you are physically unable to help out, feel free to bring drinks or treats up to the laborers! Thanks so much in advance for your help!

Single sturdy lodge seeking multiple hard-working hands for great company. Enjoys long days filled with sunshine, sweat, and an occasional deep cleaning.
If interested, contact either Lodge co-director.

Lodge Service Days:

Winter Snow & Maintenance Work Party Dates:

Sat, Feb 7th @ 9AM

Lunch provided for workers! These really are tons of fun, and you learn new things, too!

Contact: Robert Myers, Lodge Director
801-466-3292 (H) 801-381-0575 (C)

Directions to the Lodge

Drive up Big Cottonwood Canyon (7200 S) to Brighton Ski Resort. Drive to back of the BIG parking lot (near the Brighton Manor Motel). Walk up the hill directly behind the motel past the boulders, bearing left across the stream and up the trail through the trees (100 yards). Wear walking shoes and carry a flashlight for the hike down.

WMC Lodge Rental Rates (Day: a 24-hour period) **WMC Members**

October 1 - May 31: \$250/day

June 1 - September 30: \$300/day

Weddings and/or Receptions: \$400/day

Non WMC Members

October 1 - May 31: \$350/day

June 1 - September 30: \$400/day

Weddings and/or Receptions: \$550/day



General Membership Meeting

Feb 19th @ 7pm

Electing new WMC Board Members!!!

It will be held at the Mt Olympus Presbyterian Church.
There will be refreshments and a slide presentation after
the quick meeting.



Donut Falls - 1/18/2009 ~ Photo by Beth Ebling

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CONSERVATION NOTES

Below is a letter to the Forest Service concerning permit renewals and represents the view of the Wasatch Mountain Club, in general, as a whole.

Melissa Hearst
Acting District Ranger
Salt Lake Ranger District
6944 South 3000 East
Salt Lake City, Utah 84121

Dear Ms. Hearst:

December 12, 2008

The Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Forest Service Wasatch Powderbird Guides (WPG) Permit renewal.

We believe that back country use is seriously under estimated. In our 2004 comments on the proposal for the current renewal we stated that the Forest Service needs to conduct a study of use levels both summer and winter. In the 2004 FEIS WPG observations of 4.7 individuals per operating day are clearly a gross underestimation of non-heli use levels. The WMC alone has over 800 user days for backcountry skiing and snowshoeing during the permit period. This equals the current WPG permit use level in the central Wasatch. When I participate in a club outing or are out on my own, it is a rare day that I do not see 5 or more groups of the same size as mine in the same area. This adds 4000 user days to the WMC usage totaling close to 5000 human powered backcountry user days. I believe the WPG estimate is incorrect as it does not take into account groups that are not in the view from upper bowls and ridges. Most human powered access routes travel through thick conifers following summer trails and cannot be easily seen.

Since there have been no studies on use in 9 years, the Forest Service cannot use a categorical exclusion since the 1999 EIS does not reflect impacts occurring today. The WPG permit should not be renewed until the survey has been done in conjunction with a new EIS.

The benefits of the permit accrue to just a few. All the adverse effects are experienced by human powered recreation. The Wasatch Mountain Club feels that the overall benefit to the public is too highly weighted toward motorized recreation and its effects on noise and safety.

Regards:

William T. McCarvill

Conservation Director

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Grandeur Peak West Ridge Hike

The Summit Group: Fred, Story (dog), Jennifer, Steve, Ryan, Steve, Gretchen ~ Photo by Alex Rudd



I know Outdoor Injuries!

Let's face it, sometime our bodies aren't able to meet the demands we place on it – especially when it comes to being an outdoor athlete. As an avid climber and outdoor enthusiast, I've been injured countless times. That means I know what it's like to want to get back outside doing what you love.

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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 your 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 & 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: Once logging into the website, click on “Email Lists” on the left-hand side. Then follow the online instructions. (Boaters: E-mail the Boat Director—inside front cover—for more information.)

Group size limits in wilderness: Some National Forest ranger districts limit the size of group 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 being understanding if you cannot 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 miles |
| 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 | |

Be kind. When you carpool up local canyons, please give the driver \$1.50 or \$2.00 to help with gas and the wear and tear on the vehicle.

Directions to Meeting Places

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 S. To get to the Mill Creek Canyon Rd from the Park and Ride lot without making a U-turn, go west (right) on 3900 S, 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 Rd (3800 S).

Skyline High School: 3251 E 3760 S (Upland Dr). From the intersection of Wasatch Blvd and the Mill Creek Canyon Rd (3800 S), go west under the I-215 freeway, then turn north (right) into the entrance opposite Birch Dr (3330 E).

Butler Elementary: 2700 E just south of 7000 S

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

6200 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.

Ft. Union Lot #4: 200 yards west of Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride, near the Porcupine Pub & Grille (which is located at 3698 Ft. Union Blvd).

Little Cottonwood Canyon Park and Ride Lot: 4323 E Little Cottonwood Canyon Rd. On the north side of the intersection of Little Cottonwood Canyon Rd and Quarry Rd at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon.

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

Parleys Way K-Mart Parking Lot: 2705 Parleys Way. From Parleys Way, turn north into the parking lot; or from Foothill Drive, turn west on Stringham Ave (2295 S) and then south into the lot.

ACTIVITIES LISTING

See online Calendar for updated and additional events and trips.

REMINDERS:

- A) Please make sure your membership is still active and your dues are paid prior to leading any WMC trips.
- B) If you carpool up a canyon or to anywhere else, please be sure to chip in for gas.
- C) Remember to check the online calendar for details concerning any events.

JUNE OR JULY 2009 - COSTA RICA:

Natural Parks and Tropical Forests 13 day trip for about \$1900 with the option of a 3 day pre and a 3 day post trip for about an additional \$1000 for both side trips. If interested contact Leslie Woods via email at woodsllk@aol.com ASAP. There are a limited number of spots, so register early or **by January 15th**.

Highlights would include - Arenal Lake, float the Rio Tenorio River, Monteverde Cloud Forest, Manuel Antonio National Park, and possibly see the rare quetzal. The pre trip would be to Corcovado National Park and the post trip would be to Tortuguero National Park.

2009 Mt.Elbrus Expedition

Alp-for-All Club (Rostov-on-Don, Russia) invites Wasatch Mountain Club to participate in the expedition to the Mt.Elbrus 18,500ft, which is one of the Seven Summits (the highest point of Europe). The date of the expedition is July 4-18, 2009. Classic route to West Summit of Mt.Elbrus does not require technical skills. The mostly important thing is physical health and persistence. The director of Alp-for-All Club, Dr.Svetlana Litvinenko, is currently in Salt Lake City as Visiting Researcher at the University of Utah until March 2009. She will answer any questions by email litvinenko_svetlana@yahoo.com



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| Date | TYPE | (DIFF) | Title | Meetingplace |
|--|--------------------|---------|------------------------------|---|
| Feb 1 Sun ~ 6:00 pm | Spaghetti Dinner | NTD | 22nd Annual Spaghetti Dinner | Park City |
| Organizer: Gary Hermansen 775 9013008 desotochiropractic@yahoo.com | | | | |
| Please! No early arrivals. \$5 for food and hot drinks. (Bring other drinks of choice) Hwy 224 from I-80, direction Park City; Just past the large white barn on the R., turn L. on Meadows Dr.(Ridgeview sign & traffic signal) Follow Meadows to one street past the first stop sign and turn L. on Mountain Top Lane. At top of hill, turn R. on Mountain Top Rd. to 168 and the sounds of Pleasure ! No RSVP needed. Questons ? call 435-649-6805. TV OFF during Super Bowl ! | | | | |
| Feb 1 Sun ~ 10:30 am | SKI TOUR | MOD- | STRAWBERRY PEAK AREA | Parleys Way Kmart lot: 2705 Parleys Way |
| Organizer: Michael Berry 801.583.4721 mberryxc@earthlink.net | | | | |
| This afternoon tour will begin near Daniel's Summit. The area is 'Simple Terrain' (Canadian Classification) defined as "low angle or primarily forested. Some forest openings may involve the runout zones of infrequent avalanches. Many options exist to reduce or eliminate exposure". Participants should bring relatively lightweight gear for an afternoon of backcountry touring (most people use a 3-pin touring set up with 3/4th or full metal-edge skis and sturdy boots, but only use the lighter equipment if you are comfortable with it for the downhill). Beacon, shovel, and skins. The organizer will be attending Vince's Spaghetti Dinner in Park City afterwards, however carpools can be arranged for separate return times. Contact organizer to confirm details. | | | | |
| Feb 1 Sun ~ 2:00 pm | SNOWSHOE | NTD | Parley's Canyon | Parley's Way KMart, southeast area of the parking lot |
| Organizer: Robert Turner 467-1129 | | | | |
| Snowshoe up Parley's canyon, probably in the Parley's summit area or up Lamb's canyon, depending on snow and avalanche conditions. Folks who want to go to Vince Desimone's 25th Annual Spaghetti Dinner afterword can drive their cars to the trailhead if they want to, then go up to Vince's after the snowshoe; others can simply carpool from Parley's Way, then come back. | | | | |
| Feb 1 Sun ~ 9:00 am | SNOWSHOE | NTD+ | Scott's Pass | Butler Elementary |
| Organizer: Kevin Earl 568-3791 kbe44@hotmail.com | | | | |
| Snowshoe to Scotts, from Solitude | | | | |
| Feb 3 Tue ~ 7:00 pm | SLIDESHOW | ALL | Carol's Everst Slide Show | REI (3300 South) Wasatch Rm. |
| Organizer: Carol Masheter carol_masheter@hotmail.com | | | | |
| Carol Masheter will present a slide show on her summit of Everest. | | | | |
| Feb 3 Tue ~ 8:00 am | BACKCOUNTRY SKIMSD | | TUESDAY SKI BACKCOUNTRY | Registration Required |
| Organizer: Chris Proctor 801 485-1543 Proctorgtr@aol.com | | | | |
| (MOD+ to MSD). Weekly moderate to long/hard ski tours, usually in the Tri-canyons with 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate gear, and snow safety and avalanche-training skills are essential. E-mail Chris Proctor Monday by 5 P.M. for meeting place, or call at 485-1543. | | | | |
| Feb 3 Tue ~ 10:00 am | SNOWSHOE | MOD/MSD | Park City Environs | |
| Organizer: Vince DeSimone (435) 649-6805 vinedesimone@yahoo.com | | | | |
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| Feb 5 Thu ~ 6:00 pm | CLIMB | NTD+ | Gym Climbing Night | Momentum Climbing Gym |
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| Feb 5 Thu ~ Feb 9 Mon | ROAD BIKE | NTD+ | BOB WRIGHT MEMORIAL DEATH VALLEY BIKE RIDE | Furnace Creek Campground tent sites, Death Valley |
| Organizer: Marilyn Bickley 801-446-0544 jmbickley@qwest.net We will once again escape from the snow, cold temperatures, and smog to pretend like it is spring and spend a few days in the vast warm beauty of Death Valley. Camping will be at the Furnace Creek Campground walk-in tent sites. Rides are day trips and the possibilities are Badwater, Artist's Palette, Scotty's Castle, Stovepipe Wells, and perhaps Titus Canyon (mountain biking). There are also many good hikes available including Wildrose, Charcoal Kilns, and Telescope Peak. Showers and swimming are available at Furnace Creek. Itineraries are flexible. We will do group cooking. The planning meeting is on Jan. 23 at 7:00 p.m. at Jim and Marilyn Bickley's house, 10913 So. Coralville Way (4460 West), South Jordan, Utah 84095. Cooking pods, pod leaders, logistics, and carpooling will be discussed. The cost of the trip is \$50 per person, which includes camping and food, due on or before the planning meeting. Transportation and park entrance fees are up to the individuals. If you have a geezer pass (Golden Age Pass), bring it. Please register with Jim or Marilyn Bickley by Jan. 16. Phone is 801-446-0544 or e-mail at jmbickley@qwest.net | | | | |
| Feb 5 Thu ~ 9:15 am | SNOWSHOE/HIKE | NTD+ | THE COTTONWOODS | Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road) |
| 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 hiking and 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. | | | | |
| Feb 7 Sat ~ 9:00 am | BACKCOUNTRY SKIMOD | | Yo Yo Tour | 6200 S Park and Ride |
| Organizer: Karen Perkins 801-272-2225 karenp@xmission.com Weekly Saturday Yo Yo Tour. Leader's Choice and condition dependent. We will find skiable powder and do laps. We choose easily accessible terrain and avoid avalanche chutes. Our favorite areas are East Willow and USA bowl. No need to contact leader, just show and go. Transceiver, shovel, and probe REQUIRED. | | | | |

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| Feb 7 Sat ~ 9:00 am | LODGE | MOD- | Lodge Winter Work Party | Brighton Ski Resort Parking Lot, South Side |
| <p>Organizer: Robert Myers 801.466.3292(H) or 801.381.0575(C) robertmyers47@gmail.com</p> <p>Winter work party(s) involve clearing snow from around the lodge, some routine cleanup in the building. We provide shovels and a warm lunch for those who show up. To car pool, call the leader for an appropriate time and place. Bring boots, warm gloves and jacket appropriate for out of doors work.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 7 Sat ~ 9:00 am | SNOWSHOE/HIKE | MSD | Grandeur Peak | Skyline High School |
| <p>Organizer: Alex Rudd 971-9245 rudd94@gmail.com</p> <p>Snowshoe and/or yak traks hike to west ridge of Grandeur Peak</p> | | | | |
| Feb 8 Sun ~ 9:00 am | SKI TOUR | MOD | SOAPSTONE BENCH | Parleys Way Kmart lot: 2705 Parleys Way |
| <p>Organizer: Bob Cady 801.274.0250 rcady@xmission.com</p> <p>We will drive to the Pine Valley Group Camp turnout, park, ski to the river, cross it and pick up a jeep trail that ascends the ridge on the south side of the valley. Generally easy terrain, but we may go a long distance.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 8 Sun ~ 9:00 am | SNOWSHOE | MOD | BROADS FORK TO THE MEADOW | 6200 Park & Ride |
| <p>Organizer: Steve Duncan 474-0031 wasatchclimber@gmail.com</p> <p>Destination may change depending on weather and conditions.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 10 Tue ~ 8:00 am | BACKCOUNTRY SKI | MSD | TUESDAY SKI BACKCOUNTRY | Registration Required |
| <p>Organizer: Chris Proctor 801 485-1543 Proctorgtr@aol.com</p> <p>(MOD+ to MSD). Weekly moderate to long/hard ski tours, usually in the Tri-canyons with 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate gear, and snow safety and avalanche-training skills are essential. E-mail Chris Proctor Monday by 5 P.M. for meeting place, or call at 485-1543.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 10 Tue ~ 10:00 am | SNOWSHOE | MOD/ MSD | Park City Environs | |
| <p>Organizer: Vince DeSimone (435) 649-6805 vinedesimone@yahoo.com</p> <p>Vince will organize a "Tuesday Group" this year. They leave at 10:00 AM every Tue and go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal, "healthy" pace with great conversation. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC snowshoe email list for automatic notices/updates for all Tuesday snowshoe trips throughout the winter. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions/info. The club recommends that you wear a transceiver and know how to use it.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 12 Thu ~ 6:00 pm | CLIMB | NTD+ | Gym Climbing Night | Momentum Climbing Gym |
| <p>Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com</p> <p>Come join us for our Thursday evening gym climb. This is a great way to improve your skills, gain confidence, and keep in great climbing shape. Climbers of all ability levels are welcome. Momentum is offering discounts for club members. There is an annual \$15 climbing fee to cover the cost of rope and anchor gear replacement.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 12 Thu ~ 9:15 am | SNOWSHOE/HIKE | NTD+ | THE COTTONWOODS | Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road) |
| <p>Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703</p> <p>Norm will organize a "Thursday Group" this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and 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.</p> | | | | |

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| Feb 13 Fri ~ 6:00 pm | | NTD | MOVIE NIGHT | Pier 49 Pizza (1230 E. 2250 S. or Simpson Av. & Highland Dr.) |
| Organizer: Craig Anderson 801-487-2352 canders11238@yahoo.com Meet Craig for dinner and a movie at Sugarhouse Movies 10 | | | | |
| Feb 14 Sat ~ 9:00 am | BACKCOUNTRY SKIMOD | | Yo Yo Tour | 6200 S Park and Ride |
| Organizer: Karen Perkins 801-272-2225 karenp@xmission.com Weekly Saturday Yo Yo Tour. Leader's Choice and condition dependent. We will find skiable powder and do laps. We choose easily accessible terrain and avoid avalanche chutes. Our favorite areas are East Willow and USA bowl. No need to contact leader, just show and go. Transceiver, shovel, and probe REQUIRED. | | | | |
| Feb 14 Sat ~ 9:00 am | SNOWSHOE | MOD | Big Cottonwood area | Butler Elementary |
| Organizer: Gloria Watson 942-0365 Gene Dennis and Gloria Watson will snowshoe to White Pine lake, dependent on snow conditions | | | | |
| Feb 15 Sun ~ | SKI TOUR | MOD+ | ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (UINTAS) | Registration Required |
| Organizer: Michael Berry 801.583.4721 Ski tours for days where "the tour matters more than the turns". | | | | |
| Feb 15 Sun ~ 9:00 am | SNOWSHOE | NTD/ MOD | Show-n-Go snowshoe | 6200 Park & Ride |
| Organizer: Show-n-Go snowshoe, destination is group's choice - depending on weather and conditions. | | | | |
| Feb 17 Tue ~ 8:00 am | BACKCOUNTRY SKIMSD | | TUESDAY SKI BACKCOUNTRY | Registration Required |
| Organizer: Chris Proctor 801 485-1543 Proctorgrtr@aol.com (MOD+ to MSD). Weekly moderate to long/hard ski tours, usually in the Tri-canyons with 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate gear, and snow safety and avalanche-training skills are essential. E-mail Chris Proctor Monday by 5 P.M. for meeting place, or call at 485-1543. | | | | |
| Feb 17 Tue ~ 10:00 am | SNOWSHOE | MOD/ MSD | Park City Environs | |
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| Feb 19 Thu ~ 6:00 pm | CLIMB | NTD+ | Gym Climbing Night | Momentum Climbing Gym |
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| Feb 19 Thu ~ 7:00 pm | GENERAL MEETING | | GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND ELECTIONS | Mount Olympus Presbyterian Church @ 3280 E, 3900 S |
| Organizer: Heidi Schubert 801.792.7765 heidi@biochem.utah.edu Join the WMC for our annual general elections and support those members who have agreed to participate on the WMC board for the 2009-2010 season. Potential slide show following elections. | | | | |

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| <p>Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703</p> <p>Norm will organize a "Thursday Group" this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and 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.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 21 Sat ~ 9:00 am | BACKCOUNTRY SKIMOD | | Yo Yo Tour | 6200 S Park and Ride |
| <p>Organizer: Karen Perkins 801-272-2225 karenp@xmission.com</p> <p>Weekly Saturday Yo Yo Tour. Leader's Choice and condition dependent. We will find skiable powder and do laps. We choose easily accessible terrain and avoid avalanche chutes. Our favorite areas are East Willow and USA bowl. No need to contact leader, just show and go. Transceiver, shovel, and probe REQUIRED.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 21 Sat ~ 9:00 am | HIKE | MSD | Mount Olympus Winter Trek | South end of new Wasatch Blvd Park and Ride |
| <p>Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801.244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>Some winters we make the peak, some winters we stop fighting it at blister hill. Bring yak trax and snowshoes and we'll go as far as it's fun.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 21 Sat ~ 7:00 pm | SOCIAL | NTD- | SING-ALONG | BARTHOLOMA HOME 5904 S. Tolcate Woods Lane (2930 E) |
| <p>Organizer: La Rae & Bart Bartholoma 801.277.4093 bartbartholoma@netscape.net</p> <p>Here it is another gala musical event. All that is required is your body and a Munchie. If think you can sing, fine. If you think you can't sing, fine. Just come. Bring any musical instrument you think you can play. Anything welcome. We do have a space problem if your thinking of a Tuba. Previous instruments have been Guitar, Bass, Keyboard, Flute, Spoons, Tambourine, Washboard. Well you get the idea. Just come and have a fun evening with some great people.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 21 Sat ~ 9:30 am | SNOWSHOE | MOD | Tuscarora/Wolverine | 6200 Park & Ride |
| <p>Organizer: Cassie Badowsky 278-5153</p> <p>Location dependent on snow conditions</p> | | | | |
| Feb 22 Sun ~ | SKI | MOD | MILL D CREEK BASIN LOOP | Registration Required |
| <p>Organizer: Bob Cady 801.274.0250 rcady@xmission.com</p> <p>After spotting transport in Mill Creek Canyon, we will take the UTA ski bus from the 6200 South Wasatch Blvd Park and Ride to the Spruces. We will then ski up to Lake Desolation, ascend the ridge above the lake, then run north along the ridge to the NE corner of Mill Creek Basin, where we will descend Mill Creek back to the car(s) we left there. Contact organizer for time and place to meet.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 22 Sun ~ 9:00 am | SNOWSHOE | MOD | Big Cottonwood area | 6200 Park & Ride |
| <p>Organizer: Knick Knickerbocker 272-2485</p> <p>Meet Knick and other fun loving snowshoers for a snowshoe tour in Big Cottonwood Canyon, location dependent on weather and conditions. Come prepared.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 24 Tue ~ 8:00 am | BACKCOUNTRY SKIMSD | | TUESDAY SKI BACKCOUNTRY | Registration Required |
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| Feb 24 Tue ~ 10:00 am | SNOWSHOE | MOD/ MSD | Park City Environs | |
| <p>Organizer: Vince DeSimone (435) 649-6805 vincedesimone@yahoo.com</p> <p>Vince will organize a "Tuesday Group" this year. They leave at 10:00 AM every Tue and go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal, "healthy" pace with great conversation. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC snowshoe email list for automatic notices/updates for all Tuesday snowshoe trips throughout the winter. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions/info. The club recommends that you wear a transceiver and know how to use it.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 26 Thu ~ 6:00 pm | CLIMB | NTD+ | Gym Climbing Night | Momentum Climbing Gym |
| <p>Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com</p> <p>Come join us for our Thursday evening gym climb. This is a great way to improve your skills, gain confidence, and keep in great climbing shape. Climbers of all ability levels are welcome. Momentum is offering discounts for club members. There is an annual \$15 climbing fee to cover the cost of rope and anchor gear replacement.</p> | | | | |
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| Feb 27 Fri ~ 6:00 pm | | NTD | MOVIE NIGHT | Sicilia Restaurant (145 E. 300 S.) |
| <p>Organizer: Craig Anderson 801-487-2352 canders11238@yahoo.com</p> <p>Meet Craig for dinner and a movie at the Broadway Cinemas (The Film Society)</p> | | | | |
| Feb 28 Sat ~ 9:00 am | BACKCOUNTRY SKIMOD | | Yo Yo Tour | 6200 S Park and Ride |
| <p>Organizer: Karen Perkins 801-272-2225 karenp@xmission.com</p> <p>Weekly Saturday Yo Yo Tour. Leader's Choice and condition dependent. We will find skiable powder and do laps. We choose easily accessible terrain and avoid avalanche chutes. Our favorite areas are East Willow and USA bowl. No need to contact leader, just show and go. Transceiver, shovel, and probe REQUIRED.</p> | | | | |
| Feb 28 Sat ~ 9:00 am | SNOWSHOE | MOD | Organizer's Choice | 6200 Park & Ride |
| <p>Organizer: Liz Cordova 486-0909</p> <p>Organizer's choice snowshoe. People should call to confirm in the case of bad weather. Beacons/shovels are recommended.</p> | | | | |
| Mar 1 Sun ~ 9:00 am | SNOWSHOE | MOD | American Fork Canyon | South end of the REI parking lot at South Towne Mall (in Sandy). |
| <p>Organizer: Cynthia Crass 530-7331</p> <p>Cindy will organize a snowshoe trip to Pine Hollow in American Fork Canyon. Check out a location not frequented by the club. Views of Mt. Timpanogos expected.</p> | | | | |

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| Mar 6 Fri ~ Mar 8 Sun | BACKCOUNTRY SKI | NTD+ | CRESTED BUTTE (COLO.) | Registration Required |
| Organizer: Michael Berry 801.583.4721 mberryxc@earthlink.net Trip to Crested Butte for skiing or to explore town (Colorado's largest national historic district). The Crested Butte Nordic Center sponsors the annual 22.5 K backcountry ski race on March 7th ('Super Tour') that traverses the mountains above Gothic. Light ski gear appropriate (depending on conditions), but most of those doing it would prefer a medium-to-wide touring/backcountry set-up. Beacon, shovel, probe, and skins required. NTD-MSD. Fee: \$35, www.cbnordic/programs_events.html. Car riders welcome- to share driving costs (.15 per mile/ plus gas). I will be staying at the International Lodge and Hostel in Crested Butte. Please contact organizer by February 27th to register. | | | | |
| Mar 7 Sat ~ 9:00 am | LODGE | MOD- | Lodge Winter Work Party | Brighton Ski Resort Parking Lot, South Side |
| Organizer: Robert Myers 801.466.3292(H) or 801.381.0575(C) robertmyers47@gmail.com Winter work party(s) involve clearing snow from around the lodge, some routine cleanup in the building. We provide shovels and a warm lunch for those who show up. To car pool, call the leader for an appropriate time and place. Bring boots, warm gloves and jacket appropriate for out of doors work. | | | | |
| Mar 8 Sun ~ | SKI | MOD | DOGBUT LOOP | Registration Required |
| Organizer: Bob Cady 801.274.0250 rcady@xmission.com We will spot car(s) at the bottom of Butler Fork and continue up to the Spruces. Then ski up to Dog Lake, take the Desolation trail to the top of Butler Fork, and descend back to the car(s). I usually like to drop by Molly Greens afterwards. Contact organizer for more information. | | | | |
| Mar 12 Thu ~ 6:00 pm | CLIMB | NTD+ | Gym Climbing Night | Momentum Climbing Gym |
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| Mar 13 Fri ~ Mar 15 Sun | CANYONEERING | MOD | Canyoneering 201 | Registration Required |
| Organizer: Rick Thompson 801.255.8058 gone2moab@hotmail.com Northwash- the Second time around. Or northwash deux (or northwash duh?). This trip is for folks who survived their initial northwash experience with me, and are misguided enough that they want to go back and do some more. Springtime is the perfect season to hit the canyons, except that it does raise somewhat the possibility of getting into some water, what with spring showers and all. So, if you are adventurous, or have a bad enough memory that you have forgotten how freaked out you were the first time around, and you want to do some of the next canyons, here is your chance. We will drive down Friday (the 13th!) after work, canyon on Saturday and Sunday, and come home Sunday night. | | | | |
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| Mar 21 Sat ~ 1:00 pm | CANYONEERING | NTD | Rapelling Class | Dogwood Picnic Area |
| Organizer: Rick Thompson 801.255.8058 gone2moab@hotmail.com | | | | |
| Learn to rappel, and open the door to all kinds of new experiences and places. With proper instruction it is safe and easy- your fears are quickly banished. Whether you have never done it, or did once long ago and are not sure you remember, this is a great opportunity to learn not only how to do it, but also to be comfortable and safe on rope. Dogwood is the first picnic area in Big Cottonwood Canyon, just 1 mile up the canyon, on the right. Park on the highway to avoid a picnic area use fee, walk thru the site, up canyon, and follow a trail 50 yards past the last table to the climbing wall. A harness, helmet, gloves and descending device are needed, I have a few extras for folks who do not have and are unable to beg, borrow, or steal one, but you need to make those arrangements with me in advance. | | | | |
| Mar 26 Thu ~ 6:00 pm | CLIMB | NTD+ | Gym Climbing Night | Momentum Climbing Gym |
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| Mar 27 Fri ~ Mar 28 Sat | SKI TOUR | MSD | KING'S PEAK | Parleys Way Kmart lot: 2705 Parleys Way |
| Organizer: Larry Swanson 583-4043 swanson.l@worldnet.att.net | | | | |
| The last Saturday in March is the big event of the ski season. The King's Peak ski tour, hosted for the 36th (or so) year by Steve and Larry Swanson, will convene on Friday night (March 27th) by nightfall at the Henry's Fork Winter Parking Area and get underway in the cold pre-dawn hours on Saturday morning with headlamps. Participants must stay in the track, but can ski at their own pace and turn-around at any point. The total distance for the summit via Swanson's cut-off is 32 miles. A pre-trip dinner and reunion in Evanston adds to the camaraderie. See March Rambler for the full write-up. MSD- SKI MTN. | | | | |
| Mar 27 Fri ~ Mar 29 Sun | CLIMB | MOD- | An introduction to Canyoneering | Registration required |
| Organizer: Rick Thompson 801.255.8058 gone2moab@hotmail.com | | | | |
| The North Wash is a great place to get started and learn some of the basics of canyoneering, with something for everyone in these wonderful southern utah sandstone slots. We will drive down Friday after work, and do canyons Saturday and Sunday, returning home Sunday night. If this is your first trip, you need to have taken one of the club rappelling classes as a prerequisite.(there will be another on March 21) The trip is half full already, with people who were overflow for this same trip in October. This trip is intended for those who have not already been to North Wash yet. | | | | |
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| Apr 24 Fri ~ Apr 26 Sun | BACKPACK | NTD+ | Coyote Gulch Backpack | Registration Required |
| Organizer: Rick Thompson 801.255.8058 gone2moab@hotmail.com | | | | |
| One of the classic Utah weekend backpacks is the easy stroll down one of its most beautiful canyons, Coyote Gulch, in the Escalante. Spreading the 15 miles over three days makes it more of a saunter than a hike, and will give us a chance to stop and do the charming non-technical slot canyons Spooky and Peek a Boo on the way home. We will drive down Thursday afternoon, the 23rd, and home Sunday night. | | | | |

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC)
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
(Do not use for renewals.)

Please read carefully and completely fill out both sides of the page. Print legibly, please.

I am applying for membership as: _____ Single _____ Couple

Name: Applicant 1: _____ Birth date: _____

Name: Applicant 2: _____ Birth date _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Applicant 1: Main phone: _____ email address: _____

Applicant 2: Main phone: _____ email address: _____

PRIVACY INFORMATION: The WMC defaults to publish name, phone and email on website “Member’s list” area. This information is only available to active members on the web site. With your permission, we also occasionally release our address list to WMC-Board approved wilderness and/or conservation organizations for one-time mailings under the stipulation that they do not continue to use the list or provide it to other. You may opt to (1) have your address published on the “Members Only” area but not made available to other organizations, (2) have your address published on the “Members Only” area and provided to Board-approved organizations, or (3) not have your address on the WMC roster nor given to other organizations.

YOU NEED TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTION: Once you have been notified that your application has been accepted, log in to the WMC site and select your level of privacy from the menu under Club Preferences. If you do not have computer access or need help, please contact the Membership Director to make your preferences known.

If you would like a printed copy of the membership roster, you may download a pdf file.

If you are a member and do not have computer access and would like a membership roster, please contact the Membership Director and that list will be provided to you.

Membership dues:

\$40.00 for single membership (Annual dues \$35.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)

\$55.00 for couple membership (Annual dues \$50.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)

\$25.00 for student membership (Annual dues \$20.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)

Student members must be full-time student, age 30 and under.

Enclosed is \$_____ for application fee and first year’s dues. Check or money order only. Please make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC)
Applicant Agreement, Acknowledgement of Risk and Release from Liability

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION: I acknowledge that my participation in all WMC activities is voluntary. No one is forcing me to participate. I agree to abide by the rules of the WMC.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I am aware that WMC activities involve risks, and may result in injury, illness, death, and damage to or loss of property. These dangers include but are not limited to: the hazards of traveling in remote 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. I understand that all activities should be considered exploratory, with the possibility of unexpected conditions and route variations. The WMC is not, nor does it provide, a professional guide 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 responsibility for any and all risks of injury, illness, death, or damage to or loss of my property.

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

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE: I agree that I, my heirs, personal or legal representatives hereby do release and hold harmless from all liability, and promise not to bring any suit or claim against the WMC, its activity organizers, 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 understand that the WMC strongly recommends that I maintain insurance sufficient to cover any injury, illness or property damage that I may incur while participating in WMC activities. In the event of injury, illness or death related to any WMC activity, I recognize that I, or my estate, will bear the full cost of my evacuation or recovery, and any related medical care that I may need. I acknowledge that the WMC carries no insurance whatsoever for any participants in WMC activities.

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 certify I am at least 18 years old.

Signature 1 _____ Print Name 1 _____ Date: _____

Signature 2 _____ Print Name 2 _____ Date: _____

Mail completed application to:

Membership Director
Wasatch Mountain Club
1390 South 1100 East #103
Salt Lake City, UT 84105-2443

REI COMMUNITY CALENDAR

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONTACT: Eric Spreng EMAIL: espreng@rei.com

PHONE: (801) 486-2100 ext. 207

SANDY REI (10600 S 230 W)

SNOWSHOE 101 - Thurs, Feb 5th @ 7pm

Join REI experts, as they put on another of our famous "how to" clinics on the basics of snowshoeing. This presentation will also focus on the appropriate selection of gear and the initial skills needed to get you outside and on the trails. If you have ever thought about getting into snowshoeing, this is a great introduction to the sport!

NAT'L GEOGRAPHIC MAP/GPS CLINIC - Thurs, Feb 19th @ 7pm

Jeff Caulfield of National Geographic will show you, step-by-step, how to use your GPS with TOPO! Outdoor Recreation mapping software to plan your next day hike or backcountry adventure. Everyone who attends will a special "Buy One Get One Free" offer as well as a free CD, Basic Map and GPS Skills, courtesy of National Geographic.

GPS 101 - Thurs, Feb 26th @ 7pm

This presentation by REI navigation expert Nick Faust will cover an introduction to the Global Positioning System, types of receivers and their common use, and basic GPS functions. An excellent primer for people looking to get started with GPS use.

SALT LAKE CITY REI (3285 E 3300 S)

CLIMBING EVEREST - Tues, Feb 3rd @ 7pm

Carol Masheter, AKA the SilverFox, will show pictures and answer questions about the climb of a lifetime. Carol has been climbing big, glaciated peaks since 1972, including Aconcagua in January, 2007, Kilimanjaro in December, 2007, Cho Oyu in 2005 and over a dozen glaciated peaks in Bolivia, Ecuador and East Africa.

BACKCOUNTRY SKIING - Thurs, Feb 5th @ noon

Join Backcountry Skiing Utah author and Utah Mountain Adventures senior guide, Tyson Bradley, for an evening of ski touring throughout the great state of Utah and beyond. Tyson will share images and stories from off-piste ski adventures in the Tushars, La Sals, Uintas, Logan Mountains, Stansburys, Deep Creeks, Abajo, Henrys, and more. In addition, the speaker will whet skiers appetites for spring skiing in the Cascade Volcanoes, Colorado, Wheeler Peak, NV, Alaska Range and the Tetons. A Q & A session will follow the talk, for those who want information on particular trips.

(SLC REI CONTINUED)

ALTA – 70 YRS - Tues, Feb 10th @7pm

Skiing historian, National Ski Hall of Fame member, author and director of Skiing at Alta, Alan Engen, will recount the significant milestones—and the major players—of the evolution of the sport in Utah. Alan's presentation will discuss the dynamics which drove Alta to change from a mining town to a ski town, the principles involved, and the role Alta has played in contributing to the skiing on the national scene, as well as its contribution to Utah's envied status as a skiing paradise.

COMMUNITY & REI SPONSORED EVENTS:

TUBBS ROMP TO STOMP - Sat, Feb 7th @ 10am

Romp to Stomp out Breast Cancer Snowshoe Series - a snowshoe walk series modeled after the highly successful Race for the Cure - benefits Susan G. Komen for the Cure and its Affiliates. The Romp consists of a 3K or 5K benefit snowshoe walk or a 3k fun run. Easy, well marked trails along with free snowshoe demos from Tubbs make this a great event for all sorts of ages and abilities- even if you've never snowshoed before! Mountain Dell Golf Course located just off of I-80 in Parley's Canyon \$25 Early Pre-Registration. Visit www.tubbsromptostomp.com for more info or to register.

BRYCE CANYON WINTERFEST - Feb 15th-17th

Takes place at Bryce Canyon at Ruby's Inn. Activities include cross country ski races, archery clinic, archery biathlon competition. Free snowshoe tours, free clinics in photography, snow sculpture, kids' events, offer entertainment for the entire family. Events may be subject to change due to snow and weather conditions. Call (435) 834-5341 or 1-866-866-6616 for more info.

BANFF MTN FILM FESTIVAL TOUR - Feb 23-25 @ 7pm

At Kingsbury Hall, watch extreme athletics scale towering peaks, plummet down cliffs, kayak through man-devouring rivers, and travel the world in search of the best stories of outdoor feats and adventures. Tickets are available for \$8 at REI SLC and the Univ of Utah Outdoor program. Call 581-7100 for more info.

CLASSES

LEVEL I AVALANCHE CLASS - Feb 13th-15th

Basic info about weather, snowpack, and terrain factors that contribute to avalanche hazard. Dig snow pits, identify weak and strong layers, and practice route finding. Includes one evening session and two full days with emphasis on field work. Tuition is \$200. Visit www.avalanchecourse.com for more information or register by calling REI at 801-486-2100.

LEVEL II AVALANCHE CLASS - Feb 19th-22nd

Includes reviewing and expanding upon material learned in Level I. Held at REI SLC Thursday and in Alta Friday & over the weekend. Field sessions will be in the backcountry surrounding Alta. Register by calling Utah Mountain Adventures at 801-550-3986 or visit www.exum.ofutah.com. Tuition is \$340.

LODGE WORK PARTY

SAT, FEB 7TH

9 AM

(See pages 7 & 15 for details.)

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