

# July 2008 Calendar of Events

July 3 - Beer Hunt General Meeting 50th Anniversary Kick-Off

**August 7** - General Meeting Members Appreciation Picnic

**August 8** - FDSC at the Reading Phillies

**September 4** - General Meeting Trip Night

**September 7** - Golf Outing at Green Acres

Membership Meetings begin at 8PM at the LIEDERKRANZ Hill Road and Spook Lang Reading, PA

THE Deadline for the August issue of Ski Trails is July 6th.





# President Rick Auchenbach

Hello Dutchmen,

We are about to embark on an

extended celebration of the Flying Dutchmen Ski Club's 50th Anniversary. The celebration will kick off at the July 3rd meeting at the Reading Liederkranz. Most of us have Friday off for the 4th, so please come out and groove to the sounds of Erich Cawalla and Jennifer Kinder as we start the celebration. Liederkranz will have food available for purchase to enhance the festivities. Make a night of it with your Ski Club friends and bring some friends to introduce them to our club.

hearing from Karen Youngwirth, our Past President chairing the 50 Anniversary committee, that planning is in the works for numerous events throughout the next year and a half. July 3rd starts it all off and November 2009 is the grande finale. The 50th Anniversary dinner is planned for that month and promises to be a golden event. Check out the details in this and upcoming Ski Trails and consider helping to plan or run an event. Those of us who are already involved are excited about what we've heard as the planning moves forward.

Besides special events for the 50th Anniversary, we will continue with our usual summer events such as the Member Appreciation Picnic Thursday, August 7th at the Liederkranz, FDSC Night at the Reading Phillies on Friday, August 8th at First Energy Stadium, Trip Night on Thursday, September 4th at the Reading Liederkranz, and Wildwood Weekend in Wildwood, NJ, of course, September 26th - 28th.

As you can see our club has even more events and activities than usual scheduled as we begin our 50th Anniversary. These events and activities will need your support, both in participation and volunteer services. Jump in, get involved, meet new people and have fun. This is what we're all about. Is there a trip you've been thinking of running or a program you would like to see? Please contact a board member or committee member and get involved. You will enhance our club and get a great feeling of satisfaction.

Thank you for the privilege of serving our club.

See you at the events,

Rick

# SKI CLUB OF THE YEAR

For Outstanding Contributions to the Activities and Programs of the Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council

## FLYING DUTCHMEN 2008



Flying Dutchmen receive the "Ski Club of the Year" award from the Eastern PA Ski Council for the 2nd year in a row! Rick Auchenbach, Karen Youngwirth, and Holly Trout were present to accept the award from Bob Smith, EPSC President and FDSC member.

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# Membership Sue Gottschall

Hey fellow Dutchmen!

Another new membership year, and we're off to another great start! We've already gained three new members this month, even though it's the off season.

Renewal forms will be mailed by the end of July. When you get your form, please make sure to update all of your personal information and take a few minutes to give us some feedback. Also, make sure to sign your form before returning it.

As we head into our 50th Anniversary Year, our goal is to surpass 1000 members. Our total is currently 895, so we're not that far away. The BOD is considering various recruiting ideas for the coming year, but we'll need your help. Please contact me if you'd like to get involved.

In these inflationary times, our \$25 dues are a real bargain. Discount skiing, quality lessons, the lodge, Dutchmen Deals, ski shop discounts, fun social events--where else could you get so much for so little?

Keep spreading the word about our great club. See you at the next meetina!



# Skimeister Marianne van der Velde

Wow! I can't believe I'm starting

my second year as Skimeister already. The first year really flew by, but it was great to be a part of such a terrific and dedicated group of people.

Would you believe that in the middle of all this heat I'm actually talking skiing already?! It's already time to start some planning for the upcoming season, which we hope to make better than ever for our members. But until the snow gets here, come join us on Tuesday nights for some bike riding. All levels are welcome and info will be posted on the Bulletin Board every week.

You'll also find lots of other great stuff on the BB. I participated this year in the Relay for Life and had a great time... I wish I could have stayed longer. When you see Patti, be sure to thank her for the incredible amount of work she does (as well as the many people that regularly contribute their time to assist her) in order to put events like this together for us all.

Congratulations your President's Award, Patti... You've definitely earned it!!!!!!

Sue

Marianne



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Social Director Patti Spitler

Ooh, aah... PRETTY... Don't you just love fireworks... I do. I'm hoping to have our own fireworks at this year's Annual Beer Hunt on Thursday July 3rd. Come to the Liederkranz early and sign up. Only \$8.00 per person gets you the chance to hunt beer in the grove. How can you miss out on all this fun? Ask past winners Dave Coffey, Jen Woods, and self proclaiming winner (last year rained out) Jim Dolan how much fun thev had, searching for the "goodies" in the grass. It's like a kids' egg hunt... you never know if you found a winner. Registration starts at 6:45pm and the Hunt starts at 7:00pm. BE THERE and bring your own "COLLEC-TIONS CARRIER.'

Members Appreciation Picnic invitations have been handed out or mailed. If you haven't received yours, and you think you should have, give me a call. If you would like to come. I must have a reservation from you. The cost for invited volunteers is \$5.00 per person and for all Members who wish to join us for the evening, your cost is just \$12.00 per person. We will be having the usual choices, steak or chicken, salads, corn on the cob, and desserts. Beverages of course... soda, water, beer, and wine are also included in the price. I must have a reservation form from each of you who plan on coming by July 26th. Sign up today, so that you can say... YOU HAVE BEEN SERVED ... by the Dutchmen board.

FOUR... Yep, it's time to think about the Golf Outing. Ed Soja has his crew working on all the specifics for another great day of golfing. Look for his article in this month's *Trails*. Be sure to sign up early.

Keep on Talking,

Patti



# Tentative Happy Hour Schedule for July

7/4 Patti's Deck
(Call for Directions 610-568-0732)
Bring 6-pk and/or munchies

7/11 Railroad House Sinking Spring

7/18 Lori Henne's House

Mexican Theme
(Call for Directions 610-927-1369)

Bring 6-pk and/or munchies

7/25 Giannotti's Country Manor Pricetown Road

8/1 Beverly Hills Tavern

Meet around 6:30ish for food, spirits and conversation.

Visit FDSC website www.fdsc.org weekly in case of change.



In honor of our 50th Anniversary and to show your support of all the volunteers who make our FDSC events so great, wear your GOLD at our

Members Appreciation
Picnic on August 7th.
See you there -- and
don't forget the
BLING!

# **GOLF OUTING**

FDSC Annual Golf Outing Sunday, September 7, 2008

Green Acres Golf Course

Stay Tuned for more details



# Bob Bubb Memorial Award

The Bob Bubb Memorial Award was established in 1985 to honor the memory of Bob Bubb. Bob was President of the Flying Dutchmen Ski Club when he died suddenly from complications related to surgery. Up until his death, he was a driving force in this club, always striving to promote and advance the sport of skiing. Even after his death, his accomplishments continue to inspire us to advance the sport and the club.

Due to Bob's enthusiasm and dedication to the FDSC, it was decided that an award should be given annually in his honor to a recipient who exhibits similar enthusiasm and dedication to the sport and the club. Former award recipients have formed the foundation of the club as we know it today, and many continue to work tirelessly to make sure it prospers.

According to the Guidelines for the Bob Bubb Memorial Award, "The Bob Bubb Memorial Award should be presented to an individual who has been extensively active in the ski club for many years in all facets of the club and especially taken part in some skiing activity. The person should show leadership and initiative and be dedicated to the club."

This year's recipient has all these traits: Joined the club in 1994. Gave back to the club by holding two board positions in a six-year span from 1999 to 2005. Ran trips both on the East Coast and out West. Began apprenticing in 2002 and passed the PSIA Level One test in 2004.

The Bob Bubb Award Committee's choice for 2008 is Lori Henne.

Congratulations, Lori!

Dave Coffey



# Okemo Family Trip

**99** Dutchmen (Yes... you read that correctly) 99 Dutchmen traveled to Okemo on the family trip March 7-9. One whole bus was dedicated to families with 28 kids on the trip. On our way up, I started to think we should have taken a boat with all the rain we got. I have never seen it rain that much in Vermont in winter. Gary and I made sure we had everything on the list for the trip but Mother Nature must have not gotten our memo requesting good weather. But even with the rain Friday and Saturday, we made the best of it. Boy did we love our Gore Tex this weekend!! Finally on Sunday, it turned colder and the sun came out, but high winds caused a delayed opening of the summit chair. We were worried that conditions would be very icy Sunday but Okemo did a pretty good job grooming right before opening. One plus... NO LIFT LINES!!!! In keeping with the FDSC trip injury curse this year, we had one knee injury, and Nick Jian dislocated his shoulder on Sunday and had to take a trip to the Springfield hospital, but he is okay now. Elite Coach did a great job driving us there, and the Comfort Inn in Rutland also did a great job hosting the Dutchmen. Tune in this summer for details on next year's family trip!!

Thanks to the whole Gang!

Brian and Gary





Hey Skiers & Boarders,

It's tough writing a ski article when it's 95 degrees out and I'm coming up from the pool for more beer. But here goes... We already relieved the suspense for this year's trips. So you just have to get together with your ski buds and make plans. Remember to keep in good ski shape by joining some fellow Dutchmen for biking, hiking, swimming--among other summer activities

See you on the Beach, the Trails, the River, and wherever else we may be!

Kevin

Check out the August Ski Trails for details on all of next winter's trips!















Please notify membership@fdsc.org of any address, email, or phone number changes



# Publicity Director Beth Long

All right, I confess: winter is my favorite

season, with summer a distant fourth. But I don't complain about summer so much anymore--not with everything the Dutchmen have going on to keep me laughing and sweating--er, cross-training--and just plain having a blast! What about you? Are you biking on Tuesdays, coming out to Happy Hours, headed to the links, the shore, the ballgame with your fellow Dutchmen? Think snow and stay cool out there in this heat-and don't forget your camera! Send pictures to me any time for the newsletter and the website.

One of my new favorite things about summer is the June meeting, when the President's and Bob Bubb Memorial Awards are given. Many, many congratulations to this year's winners, Patti Spitler and Lori Henne. When I first joined the club, Patti was always there to say hello and introduce me to folks and make sure I was enjoying myself. As I've gotten more involved with the club and gained some insight into all of its activities, I am simply amazed at how much Patti juggles, without ever dropping a thing, to bring together all of these great social and service events. And two winters ago, my first season in the club's lesson program, it was Lori who made everything come together for me. (When the woman says to bounce through your turn, just bounce!) It's a great pleasure to know them and to work with them. and I can't thank the two of them enough for the stellar jobs they're doing and especially all the wonderful ways they've influenced my Dutchman experience.

Then there's the trip announcements, walking in the Relay for Life last month, the Members Appreciation Picnic just around the corner, Wildwood... Okay. So summer's not so bad. But winter is still my favorite!

Beth



# Past President Karen Youngwirth

The Eastern PA Ski Council had its Spring

meeting June 4. Those of us who attended were honored to receive awards on behalf of the Flying Dutchmen. A trophy was presented to the Dutchmen for the first place team at the EPSC Winter Carnival race in Breckenridge in January. Dutchmen also received first place trophy for the Master's team racing at the Council Cup in February. President awards were given to Todd Loeper and Maddie Dondore. Both Dutchmen volunteered to chair EPSC events when the need was critical.

And for the second year in a row the EPSC "Club of Year" award went to the Flying Dutchman!!!! Yeah!!

All of the plaques and trophies filled up the back of Rick Auchenbach's car.

Very cool.

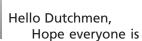
Karen

Wanda and Joe Davis from the Wings of Hope Bird Rescue introduced the FDSC to a number of their rescued birds at the June General Meeting.





# Competition Jim Dolan



enjoying their summer. The weather has been great up until a few days ago. How can it go from mild to a sauna over night? I am already wishing for the cold, nasty weather.

Not much competition going on in the summer months. There are the Beijing Summer Olympics starting on August 8th. Go USA! Other competition you may want to compete in is the Dutchmen Golf outing in September. It's great fun, the beer is cold, and door prizes are abundant. See Ed and Diane for this experience and date.

We will start gearing up for the snow season shortly. Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Swing through the ball,

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# **NEW MEMBERS**

Gillian Armstrong James Armstrong Michael Keefer

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# BOWLING HAPPY HOUR RESULTS

On Friday, May 23rd the Dutchmen had their Happy Hour at Bowl-O-Rama in Reading. We had 35 bowlers come out for a little competition and fun. The group gets bigger and better each year--16 of the bowlers were "newbies." Here are the results...

High Team: (top 2 games scores)

1st place

Jon Grossman 279 & Sherry Vazquez 304 = 583

2nd place

Claude Mervine 362 & Diane Nolfe 210 = 572

3rd place

Kim Price 238 &

Patti Spitler 314 = 552

High Male, Single game:

Claude 187

High Female, Single game:

Patti 167

High Score, 3 games:

Patti Spitler 457

John Mauger 440

Jon Grossman 410

Sherry Vazquez 410

Dave McFarland 402

Marianne Van Der Velde 380

Thanks to all who came out and made this year's bowling fun. We'll be doing this next year... Start practicing...

Patti



Holly Trout presents the President's Award to Patti Spitler. Chosen by the President, this award is given to the FDSC member who has gone out of his or her way in the service of the Club. Thank you, Patti! You definitely deserve it!

# **Members Appreciation Picnic**

**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS AND FRIENDS...** 

On **Thursday, August 7th**, we are holding the **Members Appreciation Picnic** in the **Liederkranz Grove** before the general meeting. The grove will "open" for food and drinks at **6:30pm**. The menu will be a choice of chicken or steak, salads, corn on the cob, and desserts. For your thirst, you have a choice of beer, wine, soda, or water. **Please make sure I have your reservations by Sunday, July 27th**, so I can order the food...

For those Volunteers who have received an invitation, your cost will be \$5.00. All Members who wish to come and enjoy a night of good food, the cost to you is \$12.00. This does entitle you to all of the "goodies" mentioned above... and there's more... the Board will be doing the cooking! So come and see your favorite board member... serving you, with a SMILE...

Thanks, Patti



## **RELAY FOR LIFE ... A BIG SUCCESS !!!!**

Sherry and I would like to Thank each and every one of you who came out and supported the Flying Dutchmen Team at the Relay for Life in Exeter. We had over 40 walkers come out and "sweat" for the cause, and members brought us new supplies of ice, ice cream (ahh), watermelon, orange slices (we needed them), and refreshing conversation. With all of this year's past events, we are honored to report that the Flying Dutchmen Ski Club Relay Team has raised \$7,461.25 for the American Cancer Society. That put us in 3rd place of monies raised by teams in the Exeter Relay... HOW COOL IS THAT!!!! This was our second year in the Relay, and we improved from 7th to 3rd. We look forward to working towards first.

If anyone is interested in donating to the A.C.S., we can take donations until the end of August. With that in mind, I'd like to make a last minute challenge! On August 7th, at our Members Appreciation Picnic, since beverages are taken care of for those who have volunteered, I'd like for every member to consider donating the cost of one beverage to the cause. This will help to find a cure, and that's what it's all about!!

Thanks for all your generosity and support...

# Sherry & Patti

Top 5 Money Raising Teams

1st place: Team Dragonflies \$12,064.95 2nd place: Baskets of Hope \$9,621.39 3rd place: FDSC \$7,461.25 4th place: Moon Beams \$6,673.06 5th place: Team Phoenix \$5,571.19

The total \$ raised by the Exeter Relay Teams is \$106,039.19.



Join some of your fellow Dutchmen on Tuesday evenings at 5:45 for Biking this summer. Check the Bulletin Board on the website for locations and terrain information.



## Wildwood 2008

Date: September 26th to September 28th Where: American Inn - North Wildwood

What you get: Food, beverages (adult and other), and entertainment

all weekend

What to do: Volleyball tournament, Shot Contest, dinner on the beach,

Sand sculpture contest and much more

**Price per person:** Double - \$170, Triple - \$155, Quad - \$145

**Hot News Flash** - We have rooms at an adjacent hotel! You've seen the earlier articles so we're not going to keep repeating all the detail--just stop waiting and sign up.

Send payments (made payable to FDSC) to Stan Miller or Erick Confer at 66 Glenview Drive, Fleetwood, PA 19522. Give us a call at 610-944-3617 for more information. There will be no refunds for cancellations after September 4th, 2008.

#### July

- 1. Send more money.
- 2. Rethink that shot. Maybe a little less of the green stuff...
- 3. Design a sand sculpture. (Is there a height limit on these things?)



# SOCIAL BEES CORNER

This month we have been invited to Gring's Mill on Sunday, July 6th to see one of our very own in action. Ed Mace plays in a group called #9. They play Beatles music and the concert is free. Let's join Ed and the band for an evening under the stars... 6pm - 8pm. If you would like more info on the band, check out their web site... www.numbernine.tv.

Julie Buchter is looking to get a group together to go to Spring Mountain for the Canopy Tour (Zip Line). The date is Sunday, July 27th, with a rain date of Sunday, August 10th. Feel free to call Julie for more info and costs. 610-375-6223.

August 8th, Friday, we are heading to the Reading Phillies. See Ed's article in this month's *Trails*.

Keeping you bizzzy,

Patti

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Members must be 18 years of age or older.

Many thanks to everyone who participated in the renovation of the downstairs bathroom and other repairs at the Lodge in May.





Friday, August 8, 2008 vs. Erie SeaWolves

**Buffet Served:** 6:00 - 8:30 PM **Gametime:** 7:05 PM **Price:** \$20.00

For Tickets Contact: Ed Soja 610-914-2843 Tickets Limited. Get Your Tickets Now.



**Menu:** BBQ Chicken, burgers, hot dogs, baked beans, pasta salad, potato salad, lemonade, iced tea and Pepsi products. *Beer, wine, and spirits are not included in the price, but are available on a cash basis.* 

The Coors Light Deck Picnic offers a 2 1/2 hour **all-you-can-eat buffet**, drinks and a ballgame in a festive tailgate-like atmosphere and a great view of the game from picnic table seating right behind the left field home run wall. Dingers Bar and the Boardwalk are also located here.

Fireworks - Carpenter Technology Corp.

It's a Crazy Eight's Friday night fireworks show for 8/08/08.

Pagoda 100th Anniversary Celebration - WEEU 830 AM / 69 News Berks Edition. Come on out as we celebrate the 100th anniversary of this Reading historic landmark.

**Special Happy Hour (5:00 - 6:00 PM)** Live music and \$1.00 off Coors Light and all, All-Star Distrubiting products in the Classic Café

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Rentals are normally from 5 P.M. until 5 P.M. the next day.

\* You must rent at least two bedrooms.

\*\* You must rent at least two bedrooms and are subject to being bumped by a whole lodge rental.

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	Summer	Winter
Whole Lodge - Midweek (Sunday to Friday)	\$250.00	\$500.00
Whole Lodge - One night midweek	\$60.00	\$125.00
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Whole Lodge - Friday and Saturday nights	\$275.00	\$500.00
Per bedroom - Friday and Saturday nights	\$50.00**	N/A
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