



Jersey Ski & Sports, Inc.

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NEWSLETTER

Fall 2014

The President's Corner



By Deborah Evans, President

Winter is coming

and if you're a member of Jersey Ski, that's a wonderful thing. The club has an action-packed schedule for the 2104-2015 season:

Jan. 15-19

MLK
Weekend



We start with our annual trip to [Vermont](#), Jan. 15-19, Martin Luther King Jr. Weekend, to ski the Killington area. It's a bargain because the stay at The Swiss Farm Inn includes breakfast and dinner--good cooking and family style dining, each day.

Last year some of us went touring the area and found a farm museum, a glass-blowing factory, even a craftsman who makes didgeridoos and drums. This trip offers plenty for non-skiing friends and significant others.

Get on board the Ski Train for [Gore Mountain, NY](#), Feb. 16-19, President's Weekend. This is a first for JSSI. Drive to Saratoga, NY and lodge there. Then take the scenic train ride to the mountain, with breakfast on board, and discounted lift tickets. This trip is in the planning stages. More info to come.

For a good time, on and off the slopes, there is nothing like [The National Brotherhood of Skiers Summit](#), which will be at Snowmass/Aspen, CO, Feb. 21-28. As usual going with JSSI is the best way to go. Check the JSSI website for our bargain prices.

March 7 is our bus trip to [Shawnee, PA](#), with the emphasis on getting more youth to try skiing. If you ride with one child the bus ticket is only \$10 for each of you, and just \$20 for each additional child you bring.

We cap the season with the NBS Eastern Region Winterfest at Sunday River Maine, March 20 to 23. This trip is also in the planning stage. Check the [JSSI website](#) for more information.

Save the dates, send your deposits and think snow!

Hope you are enjoying your fall. It's already November, so it's time to start thinking about the upcoming winter's ski trips.

First and foremost, I would like to thank our past Executive Board: Vice-President Bobby Koontz, Treasurer Barbara Wade, Financial Secretary Jenace Hyman, and Membership Brian Innis for their service. Since our elections in May, I continue as your President for a second term.

Please help me welcome aboard: Vice-President/Membership Brian Innis, Treasurer Hamlet Bey and Recording Secretary Joan Whitlow. Many thanks for our past and continuing Sunshine Janie Hankerson, Safety Kevin Armstrong, Webmaster Marilyn Donley-Hall, Newsletter Joan Whitlow and Historian Fred Brown.

Numerous complimentary emails have been received from other clubs and individuals admiring our website and newsletter.

Since our second Econo-trip last year to Loon Mt., NH was so well attended and actually sold out, we have received many requests to continue this trend. This year the Executive Board has been busy putting together another trip you are sure to enjoy, to Gore Mt., NY over President's Weekend. Our long running Econo-trip to Killington, VT will remain again this year over the Martin Luther King (MLK) weekend. We realize how hard it is for our individual members, as well as those with families, to take off a full week. That's what makes the "weekenders" popular. Hence, these two trips are flexible with the number of days you want to go, as well as easily accessible by driving.

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The Snow Train



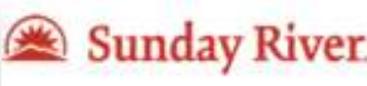
Gore NY
Feb. 16-19,



Feb. 21-28



March 7-Focus on Youth



Winterfest, March 20 -23

SPRING: What a party!

Everyone had a ball at The Pre-Memorial Day Black and White Dance, held at the Leaguers in Newark. We party just as well as we ski.

It was a bring your own affair of food, fun and friends, as usual.

And tell the fashion police that we wear white whenever we please!



SUMMER: The Eastern Region Family Outing



Proving we can, and will, line dance anywhere, and that we know how to work together to put on a great affair, NBS Eastern Region clubs gathered and pitched in for another successful outing at Rockland State Park, NY in July.

You will find more JSSI [photos](#) on the club's website.



The Eastern Region Summerfest

Summer may be over but warm memories remain of my recent trip to Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, for Summerfest.

Jersey Ski and NBS Eastern Region friends and family stayed at the Meliá Caribe Tropical, an all inclusive beach and golf resort. In addition to the beautiful beaches and pools that were steps from the hotel, there was a beautiful view from the room and fresh mangoes right outside my door. The resort offered 13 restaurants for the group to choose from and I must say, I never had a bad meal. My favorite was the international buffet that allowed us to "taste the world."

Memorable events and activities included the Meet and Greet, a private dinner and party-boat ride with entertainment and dancing with other sun-lovers at Summerfest. We went on safari through the mountains where we saw much vegetation and birds and shared a real island meal.

We ended with horseback riding at the local beach. We visited the local towns, sugar cane fields, a cocoa bean farm where they grow, roast and grind the beans for market, producing coffee and chocolate. We were also impressed on how they made cigars with some enjoying a puff (at right.)



We toured the quite important, largest and impressive Basilica. Our journey also took us to a one room schoolhouse that is in dire need of pencils and pads, and if you wish to send school supplies, and I will be happy to share the address with you. --Pat Faison

President's corner

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We have one daytrip by bus this season, focusing on youth activities to Shawnee Mt., PA in March. We have put together an extremely attractive and cost-effective package and hope you take advantage of it.

Prior to the start of this season, membership statement forms were mailed out as a reminder that paying your dues makes it possible for JSSI to keep the price of ski trips reasonable. Also enclosed was a calendar of events flyer. These postcards are used as marketing tools to help promote our club and keep our club viable, by spreading the word about JSSI when we pass them out to others.

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Debi B Jackson, Radio Broadcast Professional, President of Hal Jackson's Talented Teens Intl, and a JSSI Lifetime Member, plans to travel with JSSI to the NBS Summit at Snowmass/Aspen. She went to the AMCC in Sun Valley, ID last year.

She wants Jersey Ski members to know this:

"On Monday, November 10, 2014, we will be commemorating radio legend [and her late husband] Hal Jackson's 100th birthday with a Talented Teen All Star Concert at B B King Blues Club & Grill in NYC. We have some of Jackson's former Talented Teens who have made it big in the music industry. Hal Jackson's Soulful Divas are Evelyn "Champagne" King, Meli'sa Morgan, Ce Ce Peniston, and Alyson Williams. The Fred Mac Band will be rocking the house and there will be loads of free giveaways while they last. Debi B and Dr. Bob Lee as well as other WBLS radio personalities will host the show. There will be plenty of the music industry notables in the audience. This is a show you will not want to miss. A portion of the proceeds will go the Youth Development Foundation, Inc., which awards scholarships to young women of color. You can purchase your tickets by clicking:

http://www.ticketmaster.com/event/00004D23C60C3BD?brand=bbkingblues&camefrom=cfc_bbking_artist

Membership has its privileges: What you get for your JSSI dues

The dues you pay to Jersey Ski gives the club the advance money to contract for lodging and snag bargains that keep the cost of ski trips within reason.

In addition, a portion of your JSSI dues goes toward the club's membership in the New Jersey Ski and Snowboard Council (NJSSC). That membership is what gets you the discounted ski lift tickets available on our trips. And while most other bargain lift tickets come with a use-it-or-lose-it-no-refund policy, JSSI is usually able to provide full or partial refunds if something prevents you from skiing as planned.

Get your Authentic Colorado Timberline Outerwear Vest \$80

13 oz. 100% polyester fleece

Full zip front, mock turtleneck

2 deep front pockets

Lycra covered armholes for comfort

Generous fit, hits at hip

Embroidery includes name on front, and back design



As a member of a JSSI, you get these state council benefits.:

- Ski council trips with group rate deals to all council club members
- Club ski trips information
- Discount Days at Ski Resorts:
Whiteface, Stowe, Belleayre, Okemo, Killington, Windham (club card) Mountains and at **Check the NJSSC Guidebook for information. You can get a copy from JSSI or go to www.NJSSC.org**
- Membership discounts at local Ski and Snowboard Shops, i.e. the Ski Barn (ski tuning coupon.)
- Ski Race Programs

Click this link [NJSSC Affiliations - New Jersey Ski & Snowboard Council](#) to find affiliates that provide the discounts, information and events, including:

The National Ski Council Federation, which offers many membership discounts

The Professional Ski Instructors Association which hosts training programs and 22 race events.

Sunshine and Rain:

Deepest Sympathy to Marilyn Donley-Hall, the force behind the JSSI website, who lost her father, **James Edward Donley**, on Monday, Oct. 6th. Cards may be sent to: 12 Herleman Rd., Stewartville, NJ 08886.

Richard Whitten Sr., former JSSI president and world class in both skiing and double deck pinochle playing, has been in Newark Beth Israel Medical Center with some blood pressure issues. Give him a call, send him some cheer.

Congratulations to Wanda Williams, who retired on June 30, after 31 and a half years, from L'OREAL. She started at the firm's New Jersey office in the Accounts Payable Department and later moved to L'OREAL's 575 Fifth Ave headquarters in New York. During her tenure with L'OREAL Wanda held several positions, and most recently the Manager of the Logistics Dept. in Berkeley Heights, NJ, forecasting for Matrix, the well know Hair and Color business. Wanda is a Past President of Jersey Ski & Sports, and holds the title of Membership Director of the NBS and Eastern Region.

Congratulations to **Matt Flippen, Jr. and his bride Johanna**, who were married on September 26. He is the son of long time JSSI members **Matt and Karen Flippen**.

In celebration of the 40th anniversary of the [Newark Black Film Festival](#), **Patricia Faison**, was awarded the Medal of Excellence from the City of Newark, by then **Mayor Luis A. Quintana**, at a June 25 ceremony. Patricia is Marketing Associate and Newark Black Film Festival Coordinator at the Newark Museum and has been involved with the festival since its inception. Patricia was recognized for her decades of tireless advocacy and support of African-American filmmakers.