

The Liftline

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January

- 6 First Friday Happy Hour at Tracks Sportsbar, 6 PM. 116 N. Chestnut, Champaign (in the old train station).
- 6 - 8 Instructional Clinics Ski Trip to Shanty Creek, Michigan (just beyond Traverse City). Leave Friday return late Sunday night.
- 10 Board Meeting at 7 PM at Olive garden. Come early for dinner.
- 21 Chili Cookoff House Party at the Jannusch's starting at 6 PM. Rt.150 goes through St. Joesph as Warren Street. They are at 106 **West** Warren Street (the third house from the west edge of town). Note that there is a 106 **East** Warren by the High School: **that's not them.** **BYOB** plus a snack to share. See page 4 for more info.
- 28 - Feb 4 Telluride Ski Trip departs Saturday for Colorado and returns a week later.



Winter Trip Status

report from Mike Sargent

There are still a few opportunities to ski with the club this winter but chances are fading fast as we slide into the heart of the ski season.

The New Year's trip was a large bus full (50) and should be back by the time you read this. The Instructional Clinics trip, which leaves for northern Michigan on Friday, January 6, has about 28 folks right now so there is still plenty of room there. We have had to release the extra rooms but there is a possibility that they can be picked up again if there is anyone out there who would still like to sign up. Just call Milt Forsberg at 352-5075 to see what he can do to get rooms. But you must do it soon.

The Telluride Trip, which leaves on January 28 for Montrose, Colorado has 22 folks signed on. All extra airline seats and condo spaces have been released so opportunities to sign up at this late date are few. There is one space, sharing a room with a male, but this is subject to availability of an airline ticket, and whatever additional cost that involves. If interested, phone Jerry Welch ASAP for details at 359-2472, or to get on the waiting list in the event of a cancellation.

The Crystal-Caberfae Trip, which is February 10-12 to northern Michigan, is at 42 the capacity of the small bus. There is still the option to go to a bigger bus. It looks as though there will be lots of families with children on this trip. If interested, contact Peter Haydel at 898-7274 ASAP and get signed up. He may have to release unfilled rooms very soon so at least get on the waiting list so he knows to contact you as the deadline approaches.

The trip to Akumal Beach, Mexico, February 25 - March 4, has 35 signed up. Contact Sheryl DeBarr at 359-3837 for details about late sign ups or to get on her waiting list. Hurricane Wilma did minimal damage to this area so it will be back to normal -- AND WARM -- just when the winter has gotten a little long in East Central Illinois.

And the grand finale, the spring break trip to Aspen, Colorado on March 18-25 is full with 44 and a few on the waiting list. But you can always get your name on that waiting list just in case there is a cancellation. Call Phil Johnson at 469-7018 for more details.

Winter Trips Summary / Status

(see September issue for full details)

Date	Location	Cost	Included	Slots Available/ Taken	Trip Leader
Dec 30-Jan 2 New Year's Trip "Ski Into 2006"	Ski Brule Marquette Michigan	\$410 double \$380 triple \$365 quad	3 days lift tickets 3 nights lodging meals except lunch all transportation	50 / 50	Greg+Lynn Crawford greg@cfhins.com 762-7848
Jan 6-8 Instructional Clinics Trip	Shanty Creek (Schuss Mountain) Bellaire Michigan	\$335 adults \$215 kids 3-5 \$230 kids 6-17	2 nights lodging instruction meals except lunch all transportation	42 / 28	Milt Forsberg milt@uiuc.edu 352-5075
Jan 28-Feb 4	Telluride Colorado	\$1074	5 of 6 days lift 7 nights lodging no meals included group pizza party all transportation	30 / 22	Jerry Welch Gerald.Welch@ carle.com 359-2472
Feb 10-12 Ski Council of Illinois (SKI) Trip	Crystal Mtn and Caberfae Peaks Cadillac Michigan	\$250 double \$209 triple \$198 quad	2 day lift tickets 2 nights lodging breakfasts, one dinner food on bus back all transportation	42 / 42	Peter Haydel 898-7274 FULL but could take larger bus if needed
Feb 25-Mar 4 Warm-Climate Trip	Akumal Beach Yucatan Mexico	\$1295 double \$1195 triple	7 nights in superior rooms all food and drinks all transportation	40 / 35	Sheryl DeBarr DeBarr_S@yahoo.com 359-3837
March 18-25 Spring Break Trip	Aspen Colorado	\$1020 kids rate available	5 of 6 days lift pass for 4 mountains 7 nights lodging breakfasts, after ski wine and cheese all transportation	44 / 44	Phil Johnson LindaPhil.Johnson@ insightbb.com 469-7018 FULL with 4 on wait list

Holiday Christmas Party Report

story by Judy Haydel
photos by Milt Forsberg (mostly)

On Tuesday December 13, about eighty people showed up for the Annual Champaign Ski Club Christmas party at the Urbana Crystal Lake Boathouse. This year we were able to defrost and heat up the pork extras from the pig roast, add a little barbecue sauce and have a great main course. Thanks to everyone else who brought the side dishes and desserts to go along with it, we had a real feast. A visitor from the North showed up. He assured us that there would be plenty of snow for all our trips this year and then proceeded to listen to all the kid's Christmas wishes. Santa spoke with about twenty children (and children at heart) and then had some presents and treats to give away. The head Elf, also wishes to announce the promotion of Alec Reifsteck to Elf First Class based on the wonderful job he did at the



party. Bailey Reifsteck, E.I.T. (Elf in Training), completed her internship and will be an official elf next year.

After Santa, we had a little Christmas Karaoke with Imani and Faith as our lead singers. Please check out our website, Milt took many pictures and they will appear in the Christmas 2005 Gallery.

I want to thank all the others who helped put this event together. If you weren't there, you missed a real nice evening. On Wednesday, I took our donations to the T.I.M.E.S Center for homeless men and they were very happy to receive our gifts. Santa also instructed me to take any of the leftover children's toys to the Restoration Ministry who received them with thanks.

I was also relieved to learn from Santa that I would be hearing from someone in the club who really wants to be the Social Chairman next year. This is welcomed news and I can't wait to hear who it will be. ●



Club calendar

First Friday Happy Hours ...always begin at 6 PM

- Jan 6 At Tracks Sportsbar: 116 N. Chestnut (in the old downtown Champaign train station).
Feb 3 At Olive Garden, 30 E. Anthony Dr., Champaign.
Mar 3 At the Hideaway near Lake of the Woods, Mahomet. Take Exit 174 off I74 and you are right there.

Parties and Events

- Jan 21 House Party and Chili Cookoff at the Jannusch's at 6 PM on Saturday in St. Joseph. See to the right. BYOB and a snack for all. Phone: 469-8919.
Feb 18 House Party hosted by Chris Wise and Vicki Allen at 7 PM at 761 County road 1100 North. From the corner of Staley and Windsor, go south on Staley exactly three miles then go ½ mile west on 1100N to house. It's one mile south of the DeBarr's. BYOB and a snack for all. Phone: 352-5585.
Mar 18 House Party hosted by Terri and Scott Reifsteck at 7 PM in Tolono at 1341 County Road 600 North. Directions to come in later issue. Phone: 485-4915.

Winter Ski Trips

(see September issue for full details)

- Jan 6-8 Instructional Clinics Trip at Shanty Creek, Bellaire, Michigan.
Jan 28-Feb 4 Telluride, Colorado
Feb 10-12 Crystal Mountain and Caberfae Peaks while staying at Cadillac, Michigan
Feb 25-Mar 4 Warm-Climate Trip to Akumal Beach, Yucatan, Mexico
Mar 18-25 Aspen, Colorado



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Chili Cookoff and House Party

**Saturday
January 21
6 PM**

at

**Gayle and Mark Jannusch's
106 W. Warren Street,
St. Joseph
Phone 469-8919**

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Bring **YOUR** chili or something that goes with chili such as crackers, cheese, dessert, bread, etc. and your beverage of choice.



Chili Cookoff Categories

**Best White
Best Firehouse
Most Unusual
Best of Group**

House Party

at the DeBarr's on December 3, 2005



Some notes on sobriety

**THE REVEREND CALVERT FITZGERALD
RESCUE MISSION
551 SOUTH STATE STREET**

Dear Friend,

Perhaps you have heard of me and my nationwide campaign in the cause of Temperance. Each year for the past fourteen years, I have made a tour of the country and delivered a series of lectures on the evils of drinking.

On these tours I have been accompanied by my young friend and assistant, Clyde Lindstrom. Clyde is a pathetic case, a young man of good family and excellent background, whose life was ruined by excessive indulgence in whiskey, vodka, and rum, not to mention beer.

Clyde would appear with me at lectures and sit on the platform, drooling at the mouth and staring at the audience through bloodshot eyes while I would point him out as an example of what drink would do.

Last summer, unfortunately, poor Clyde died. A mutual friend has given me your name, and I wonder if you would care to accompany me on this summer's tour and take poor Clyde's place.

Sincerely yours,

Rev Calvert Fitzgerald

Some George Carlin Quotes:

One tequila, two tequila, three tequila, floor.

To be intoxicated is to feel sophisticated, but not be able to say it.



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The board meets at 7 pm on Tuesday following
the second Monday of the month.
All are welcome.