

DINNER AT THE "MINT JULEP"



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*I*bex has made arrangements for our first group dinner of the year at the Mint Julep Bistro in downtown Palatine. It is a unique establishment, casual, yet elegant. Featuring gourmet Southern cuisine, with authentic recipes that you will be hard-pressed to find anywhere else in Chicago .

The Chef, Diana "Lady Dee" Davenport, and her assistants prepare every thing from scratch including the nightly cornbread, salad dressings and the delicious desserts, among them, the best peach cobbler on the face of the planet. A bit of hyperbole but true none the less.

An intimate cocktail lounge and a very affordable wine list make the this evening at Mint Julep Bistro an experience you won't want to miss!

- When:** Wednesday, July 8th
Where: Mint Julep
 53 West Slade Street
 Palatine, IL
What: Four Course Dinner (Selection of Pork, Chicken or Beef Steak)
Price: \$33.50 (includes Tax & Tip)

[To see a complete description of the evenings menu, click here to go to the Ibex web site.](#)

Bar of the Month



door beer garden and a great place for special events.

Durty Nellie's has been a friendly, neighborhood tavern since 1972. Current ownership took it over in 1988 and gave the establishment its current identity as a noted suburban music room featuring local and national acts, an Irish pub with an extensive list of beers on tap, an out-

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Fitness For America Sports Festival at Hoffman Estates

Participate or cheer on both Ibex members and Doris Hoffie's Team Rainbo Inline Skating club at the third annual inline skating event. Last year a few of us joined the amateur inline skating event and were impressed at the speed and grace these skating people possessed. Armatures and advanced skaters came from all over the country to participate in one of the largest inline skating events in the country.

This year, Hoffman estates and Alexian Brothers have joined in to make it an even larger event. Now events such as walking, running and biking have been added to the event. Additionally, they have split up the amateur inline skating people from the advanced, read FAST, people. Which is a good thing. The regular skaters wear helmets & pads and have little wheels on their skates. The advanced folks do wear helmets, but they don't wear pads and have these huge looking yellow wheels on their custom made skates.

Join your fellow Ibex any time after 6:00

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IBEX TRIP CONNECTIONS

Ibex Rocks 2010

Introducing the exciting line up which offers great variety for all interests – some all time favorites plus a new Ibex destination too ! Be sure to join us at the Trip Signup Party to secure your spot on your destination (s) of choice.

Kicking It and Kicking Back in Keystone

New Years – Keystone, CO

26 Spots Price: \$1219

Trip Leader – TBD

Dates: Departure Wed., 12/30 UA Flight 253S @ 6:30 pm, return Sun., 1/3 UA Flight 256V @ 7:00 pm

4 nights lodging @ Keystone Lodge

Your price of admission includes:

- Ground transportation
- 3 day lift ticket
- 1 day lift ticket and ground transportation to Copper Mountain
- Welcome reception

Veritably Vail...Value !

Jan. Weeklong Trip – Vail, CO

Trip Leader – TBD

32 spots Price: \$1198

Dates : Departure Sat., 1/16 UA Flight 895 @ 12:10 pm, return Sat., 1/23 UA Flight 1280 @ 2:30pm

7 nights lodging @ Vail Spa Condominiums (in Lionshead!) each with a fully equipped kitchen, fireplace and washer/ dryer.

Your price of admission includes:

- Ground Transportation
- 5 day Vail/Beaver Creek interchangeable lift ticket
- Welcome reception
- Pizza Party hosted by Vail Resorts
- NASTAR

Multiple Benefits in Mt. Bachelor - Ski & Golf

30 spots Price: \$1085

Feb. Long Weekend - Mt. Bachelor

Trip Leader – Patrice Conaway

Dates: Departure 2/24, UA Flight 949 @ 4.55 pm, return Mon., 3/1 UA Flight 464 @ 2:00 pm

5 nights lodging at The Riverhouse

Your price of admission includes:

- Ground Transportation
- Hot breakfast daily
- 3 day lift ticket with bus shuttle daily to Mt. Bachelor
- Welcome Party
- Optional day of unlimited golf with cart @ \$48.00 additional per person

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VOLLEY BALL MONDAY'S

IBEX VOLLEYBALL

When: Every Monday Night till Labor Day

Time: 6:00 PM until dusk!!!

Where: Busse Woods Grove #28

Directions: Golf Rd, east of Rt. 53 to the "first & only" entrance (approximately ¼ mile on the south-side), then go to grove #28. As your "Old" Volleyball Coordinators, we welcome you & your "new goats" to come out and play some "inspiring" volleyball this year!! We predict some beautiful summer nites of fun!! Bring a volleyball friend! IBEX provides the nets & balls.



If we encounter "inclement" weather, total lack of energy, or any other lame excuse, you can always meet us at our backup plan "B": "drinking" @ "Morretti's Sports Bar"(1893 Walden Office Square, Schaumburg), located just west of Rt 53 on Algonquin Rd - around 8:30pm!!! Any questions? Call Denny Gawlik @ (847) 849-8004 (work)/(847) 275-8778 (cell) or "Sweet" Sue Lessen @ (847) 781-0943(home).

[Map Link Here](#)



SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Ravinia – August 7 & August 28

Summer is finally here and we have a jam packed calendar! We still have plenty of tickets available for our Ravinia events for the Four Tops/ Temptations on Aug. 7 - \$24.00 and Bonnie Raitt on Aug. 28th - \$29.00.

Bistro Night – July 8th

Look for Joe’s article on our Bistro Dinner night at Mint Julep in Palatine. Sounds like Miss Dee has prepared a yummy menu for us. Hope to see your there.

Picnic – July 18th

Our annual picnic will be held on July 18th at Busse Woods, Grove #17. The fun begins at 11:30 and ends at dusk. It’s free...so there’s no excuse that the recession has curtailed your entertainment budget! Hot dogs, hamburgers, brats, beer, soda and water will be provide. Plus music, water balloons, volley ball and bags! As always we ask that you bring a side dish to share—fruit salad, chips, salsa, pie, cakes and cookies are all welcome additions to our summer menu. If you bring anything to drink or eat, please remember DO NOT BRING GLASS CONTAINERS! I could use a volunteer(s) to bring ice and help set up in the morning. Please let me know at the next meeting. Thanks.

American Sports Festival - July 24 – 26

Mark your calendars for the American Sports Festival in Hoffman Estates. See Doris’ article for more details.

Port Clinton Art Festival in Highland Park, IL August 28th -30th

We will be bike riding and then stopping in to attend this event. It sounds like just a great time. Friday 6 pm - 10pm; Saturday 10 am - 10 pm, Sunday 10 am - 6pm. Great local food and live musical entertainment. Located adjacent to the festival on Central Avenue, between First Street and Second Street. There will be glass blowing demonstrations and [Sunshine Craft](#) will have their own tent offering several great creative projects including sand art, tie-dyeing and painting with percentage of proceeds benefitting Children’s Memorial Hospital. And, there is also a free “Make A Book” art project in which kids can create mini book focused on all about them.

Here is a link to their website. <http://www.amdurproductions.com/f-portclinton-public.html>

Also, I would like to have another Top Golf event as a bar of the month in August. Please let me know if you are interested. I will need to make a reservation and deposit to hold a spot for us. Hopefully, some of you held on to your cards from the last event. It’s \$6.00 per game. Don’t golf... that’s OK. There’s a mini golf course and a restaurant with a great menu and an excellent selection of beers and wine.

-Pam Oz, Activities Chair

| Date | Activity |
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| Wednesday - July 8, 2009 | Bistro Dinner Evening - Mint Julep, Palatine |
| Friday - July 10, 2009 | Bar of the Month - Durty Nellies, Palatine |
| Saturday - July 18, 2009 | Ibex & Denny’s Annual Picnic |
| Friday - August 7, 2009 | Ravinia - Temptations |
| Saturday - August 22, 2009 | Ravinia - Bonnie Raitt |
| Friday - August 28, 2009 | 2009 Ski Season Trip Sign-Up Party |
| Saturday - August 29-30, 2009 | Highland Park Bike Ride & Art Festival |
| Saturday - September 12, 2009 | Lake Geneva Bike Tour |
| Fri, Sat, Sun - September 25,26,27 | Fall Colors Golf Outing |
| Saturday - October 10, 2009 | Broken Oar Bike Ride |

ED'S PHILOSO-FEE

Ahh, Friday night with friends at Durty Nellie's, the drinking & dining outside was perfect as the evening weather was also perfect and my friends almost so!

This summer is only a third over with lots of activities still to come. As I write this article, we just finished up a great bike ride along the Fox River and a wet and wild Golf game over these last two week-ends. I believe I set a Ibex record for the number of golf swings without actually hitting the dang ball!. My thanks to Carl Burg and Mike Edens for putting up with my ex-asperating golf skills.

Sunday night, June 28th is our first Ravinia concert of the year. That is when our intrepid group brave the Woodstock refugees and kick back with some wine and cheese listening to Joe Cocker's unique music renditions'. Don't forget to purchase some tickets for the Ravinia Mo-town special in August. The Four Tops and Temptations are going to be singing all their



hits. I hope a bunch of you folks join me that Friday night for a another good time with friends.

This Monday will be some more action as we play Volleyball with Denny and friends at Busse woods. Even if you have never played volleyball before, you may want to visit just to listen and chuckle to the non-stop banter during the games.

Pam Arnold has done a fantastic job in securing fantastic accommodations for ALL of our ski trips this upcoming season. The poor economy and Pam's ne-

gotiation skills have combined to allow our membership to sleep in some world class lodges this season. I can recall my early days with Ibex staying in some iffy places. The so called "hot tubs" maybe allowing two people, if they were very friendly, and the greasy television sets. Not anymore!

This month we have more activities with Joe Heater inviting everyone to dinner in downtown

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IBEX MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 18 members (2 New, 16 Renewed) for the new Fiscal year and we are heading UP the membership ladder. We have a long way to go to meet our GOAL! Pre

-printed forms will be available for all past members at the Ibex meetings so you don't have to fill out new paperwork. Simply make any changes to the information, write a check, and hand it in at the meeting. Blank forms are posted on the Website for downloading in case you can't make it to the meetings. Please submit the form and payment to the PO Box on the form. I am asking all past members to renew ASAP so we are up to date prior to summer activities and trip sign-up.

A-Basin

Ibex Ski & Snowboard Club

Come join an active, fun group of people who enjoy all types of social activities!!

Ibex in Alaska

Baseball Games

FUN!

Postcards are available and can be used to advertise IBEX at local town events. Please see me at the next meeting if you have an event that you can help distribute our information. We need everyone's help in advertising and communicating to family, friends, co-workers, etc. to grow our club. As they say...the more the merrier. Thanks for your help!

- Jacquie Wodach
Membership Chair

