



# THE OLDE GOAT

## Ibex Ski & Snowboard Club

Meets the first and third Wednesday of each month at:

**Crave**

1204 W. Rand Road  
Arlington Heights, IL

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June Meetings  
Wednesday, June 7  
Wednesday, June 21

Location: Crave  
1204 W. Rand Road  
Arlington Heights, IL

Brews 'N Schmooze Hour: 7:00PM  
Meeting Time: 8:00 PM Promptly

## 2007 TRIPS

Red Resort, BC  
Cortina d'Ampezzo,  
Italy  
Sundown/Chestnut  
Mtn Midwest  
Crested Butte, CO  
Sun Valley, ID

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## IBEX GOLF OUTING RETURNS

*Here are all the details-So pay attention*

If some of you were waiting with baited breath for the particulars, read -on. As previously announced the Spring Golf Outing will be held on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

The location will be the same as last year, Highland Woods Golf course in Hoffman Estates. Hopefully everyone's been practicing at the driving range, to be ready to TEE-IT up. Tee times will start at 9:00 sharp. There will be the format of 9 holes of regular golf and 9 of the best ball, team format. Bloody Marys will be available in the club house for you folks who need a jump start in the morning. The Beverage cart should also be present, after we're on the course. Immediately following golfing, we will venture due North to Carl Berg's house for Fun, Food and Drink. As always volleyball will be set up for some additional physical activity, for those who desire it.

By this time everybody should be hungry and food will be served- on the menu at this point, is a combination of Italian offerings and a smattering of old fashion burgers and corn-on-the-cob. As always libations should flow freely, alcoholic & otherwise.

**The cost for this EXTRAVAGANZA is a remarkable \$66.00.**

Believe it or not, this is still the same price we've had for the last four outings, no gas surcharges, no 911 fees, no kidding. So get on the (golf) ball and get signed up PRONTO-QUICKO.

**Sign-ups start at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.**

For the non-golfers, you can attend the party and be included in the festivities for the small fee of \$15.00 & bring a desert-what a penalty.

If I have left anything off, or you have questions, see me at the meeting or give a call and I will try to answer them for you.



**Carl Berg**

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# 2007 TRIPS

The roster for the 2007 trips – pricing to be announced next month:

New Years	Dec 27 – Jan 1	<b>Red Resort</b> , British Columbia
Europe	Jan 19 – Jan 30	<b>Cortina d’Ampezzo</b> , Italy
Midwest	Feb 9 – Feb 11	<b>Sundown/Chestnut Mountain</b>
February	Feb 22 – Feb 27	<b>Crested Butte</b> , CO
Spring	Mar 24 – 31	<b>Sun Valley</b> , ID - -CMSC Chicago Week

**THE FINE PRINT:** the above dates and destinations are subject to change, pending schedules, costs, hurricanes, voting coups, whim, conjecture and personal biases. The Trip Chair is not to be held responsible at this time for anything you may wish to blame on the Trip Chair. That time comes in September. . .

**TRIP SIGNUP PARTY:** The signup party will be held in conjunction with the Picnic on Saturday July 29<sup>th</sup>.

**TRIP LEADERS NEEDED:** Those of you interested in leading a trip need to contact me now. Those of you willing to provide the name of someone who would be a great Trip Leader, but are too shy to call me about it themselves, please call me and suggest a name.

Mark your calendars now: Potential Trip Leaders need to reserve 7 – 9 pm on Wednesday **July 12<sup>th</sup>** and also from 12 noon - 3 PM on Saturday **July 29<sup>th</sup>**. If you are interested and need to know more, please call me at 847.749.1946 and/ or talk to others who have done the job.

Priority for trips assigned to Trip Leaders will be given to those who have been to the destination, those who have run a trip before, and those who volunteer first.

**RED MEANS BLUE:** on European trail maps, a red run is an intermediate run. Something that you might need to know next January in Cortina d’ Ampezzo, Italy . . .

### **TRIP POLICY:**

The latest trip policy is the one dated 072805 and is not to be revised further for this year. Please review it – it is posted on the website in its entirety. It outlines some interesting nuances, such as who is exempt from a lottery for a sold-out trip. See the trip policy at [www.skiibex.com](http://www.skiibex.com)

### **INTERESTING EXCERPT OF TRIP POLICY:**

“Priority Sign Ups are given to the Trip Leader, Ski Instructors committed to instructing on that trip, EB members, BOD members, and the appointed EB Assistants. The “significant others” of the priority sign up individuals, will have Priority Sign Up.”

**Patrice Conaway**

*ibextrips@skiibex.com*

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**Inflation at zero percent!**  
**Renew your membership**

We have begun accepting memberships for the upcoming year. And in an astonishing display of fiscal brilliance, Ibex has been able to beat back inflation. Membership rates will be the same as last year.

# Annual Ibex Picnic and Trip Sign up Party

*Good Times, Good Friends*

**When:** Saturday July 29<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** Busse Woods, Grove 26

NW Tollway to Arlington Heights Road Exit, South to Arlington Heights Rd, past Higgins (RT 72) about 1 mile to the "Busse Forest Main Dam" entrance, west to Grove 26

**Cost:** ZILCH! ZIPPO! NADDA!

Can you believe the cost of this wonderful Ibex picnic is nothing!!! It is a picnic slash sign up party combo this year due to the demand of getting our trips planned earlier to get a bigger discount, so it is free!!

**Time:** Noon is the official start of the picnic, more details to follow

**What to expect :**

We will be grilling up burgers, brats, dogs, corn, melon, salads and drinking lotsa beer

Games: we have the 'ole standbys...volleyball, water balloon volleyball, and some new games that will add more fun to the mix!

***Help wanted!!***

Any help to make this years picnic a success would be greatly appreciated! I need to enlist the help of others for the following tasks:

\*Ice, coolers: We need lots of ice to keep our drinks cold!

\*Water balloons: A cooler full would be great!

\*Charcoal, matches, (liter fluid if needed needed)

\*Set up and Tear Down

\*Games Leaders: I need people who have some energy and a loud voice to run a few games!

***Mindy***

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## DENNY'S 30<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL BI-CENTENNIAL PICNIC

**WHEN:** SATURDAY – JULY 1, 2006

**WHERE:** BUSSE WOODS – GROVE #26

( NW Tollway to Arlington Heights Rd Exit, go south on Arlington Heights Rd - past Higgins Rd (Rt 72) approx. 1 mile to the "Busse Forest Main Dam" Entrance, west to Grove #26)

**COST:** "FREE" – COURTESY OF DENNY!

**TIME:** 11:30 AM – 'TILL DUSK

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

\*\*\* **FOOD PROVIDED:** HAMBURGERS, ITALIAN SAUSAGE, GERMAN BRATS, & HOT DOGS !!

\*\*\* **DRINKS PROVIDED:** DIET & REGULAR SODA POP!!

\*\*\* **GAMES:** VOLLEYBALL & "WHIFFLE" BASEBALL!!

\*\*\* **ANNUAL DANCE CONTEST:** BEST MUSIC OF THE PAST "MILLENIUM" & BEYOND!!!

**ATTIRE:** CASUAL "SUMMER" CLOTHING WITH YOUR PATRIOTIC "RED, WHITE, & BLUE" COLORS & A #30 PASTED SOMEWHERE (?) ON YOUR ANATOMY!!

\*\*\* **B.Y.O.B.:** "BRING-YOUR-OWN-BOOZE"!( PREFERABLE IN CANS OR PLASTIC CONTAINERS; PLENTY OF ICE & COOLERS WILL BE PROVIDED)

\*\*\* **Children & Pets** are "Welcome" too – provided that you supervise them!!

\*\*\* **Eatables:** Donations of Salads, Cakes, & Munchies etc. are most appreciated!

**QUESTIONS** ??? CALL DENNY GAWLIK @ 847-272-7070 x6704 (work/voice mail) or 847-275-8778 (cell)

**"LET'S PARTY!"**

***Denny***

# IBEX ACTIVITIES CORNER

*Summer is just around the corner, time for some fun in the sun!*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>
Monday nights	Volleyball	Denny, Sue
Thursday nights	Bike Rides	Joe Heater
Sat. June 3	Ravinia	Mike Psaras
Fri. June 16	BOM: Arlington Park	Race Track
* Wed. June 21 *	Regular meeting is a BBQ	Jean Bagel
Sat. June 24	Annual Golf Outing	Carl Berg
Sun. June 25	Little Goats B' field Zoo	Bob K

## ***Looking ahead:***

July 1	Denny's Picnic	Denny J
July 9	Broken Oar	Joe Heater
July 15	Pub Crawl by Train	Craig Moon
July 21	BOM:Famous Freddies	
July 29	Ibex Picnic, Sign-up Party	
Aug. 4,5,6	Camping Trip	David Toy
Aug. 12	Bobby's Bike Tour	Patrice Conaway
Aug. 18	BOM: Mickey Finn's	
Aug. 27	Arlington's Pepsi Family Day	Bob K
Sept. 30-Oct 1	Colors weekend	Craig Moon
October 7	Fox River Ride	Joe Heater

## **June Bar of the Month:** Arlington Park Race Track

The fun starts with the first race at 3 pm along with the live band J.P. and the Cats (6\$ admission till 7<sup>th</sup> race). Plan on meeting up with everyone center lawn, near the band at some picnic tables! The races last till 7 or so, then the party will move across the street to Jimmy D's till we call it a night!

# *Mindy*

*IbexActivities@SkiIbex.com*

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## Summer Fun Meeting

**Wednesday June 21<sup>st</sup>**

**At Jean Bagel's**

**5:30 Croquet and Bocce Ball**

**BBQ starts at 6:30**

**Short regular meeting 8 pm**

**\$5.00 for food: burgers, brats, hotdogs, and all the fixins.**

**BYOB, Bring Your Own Beverages.**

**I'll have coolers, cups and tap water otherwise you are on your own for drinks.**

Pay when you arrive.

You can still attend the meeting even if you do not want to eat.

15 S. Prindle Ave., Arlington Heights, IL 60004

**Directions to Jean Bagel's:** House is located 2 houses North of Kensington Road on the East side of Prindle street. Prindle is about 5 blocks west of Prospect High School.

On Euclid, Prindle is the 2nd street west of Rand road that you can turn south (Methodist Church on corner). Route 53 exit Euclid East to Northwest Highway turn right, to Kensington (1st light east of AH road) go left to Prindle, take a left.

Interstate 294 exit Willow Road go West to Route 83, go south to Euclid go west, past Rand Road to Prindle, go south.

15 S. Prindle, Arlington Hts, IL 60004

(house numbers are not totally sequential on my street)

# *Jean*

847.749.1932

# Fall Colors Returns to Wisconsin!

**SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1, 2006**

The 2006 IbeX Fall Colors Golf Outing is scheduled for Saturday September 30- Sunday October 1, 2006. The cut-off will be the first meeting in September. Because we are in cabins, the room list has to be complete no later than the 6th of September. This is going to be a great weekend of golf and friendship, so don't be left behind.

**Wilderness Resort** offers many other pleasures, hiking, biking, shopping, on site Spa, or just hanging out. Don't forget your swim suit; there are three indoor/outdoor water parks on site. Wilderness Resort and Golf Club is located on Lake Delton at Exit 92 off I-90-94 to Hwy. 12, West one mile. There are three restaurants on site as well as the sports bar, The Thirsty Buffalo.

For non-golfers, Sundara Spa offers relaxing experiences and wellness treatments, call (608) 253-9200 for details and prices.

This year's package includes two rounds of golf and cart, lodging in a FIVE BEDROOM ENTERTAINMENT CABIN. The cabins are 3,500 square feet in size with secluded golf course view, bar, den, deck, and entertainment room with a big screen TV. We have included a cookout style dinner Saturday night on the deck. The club will provide steak or chicken, drinks, side dish and snacks for dinner. I suggest that you bring a supply of your favorite beverage, 'cause we may not supply your choice. .

Golf will be played at **Christmas Mountain**  
[www.christmasmountainvillage.com](http://www.christmasmountainvillage.com) Saturday (608) 254-3970 and  
**Baraboo Country Club** [www.barbaroocountryclub.com](http://www.barbaroocountryclub.com) on  
Sunday (608) 356-8195.

The total package is **\$198.00** for both days of golf and cart; non-golfers **TBA**.

Friday arrivals will stay in the same cabins for the weekend. The cost of Friday night will be divided equally between those that stay in the cabins. The cost for a Friday night stay in the cabins is going to be about **\$77.00 per person**. The Friday rate for the cabin is \$770.00 including 11% sales tax. Friday night dinner is on your own, we can grill on the deck or go out, your choice.

The resort phone number is (608) 253-9729.

[www.wildernessresort.com](http://www.wildernessresort.com) The outing location is approximately 2-1/2-3 hrs from IbeX land.

As in past years, we have room for 10 foresomes on Saturday and Sunday.

**Saturday**, September 30th will be a scrambles format, starting at **11:30AM Central Daylight Time**. We will start the golf diehards that were here on Friday, first, to allow for any missed turns or emergency stops coming up from Illinois.

**Sunday** we start at **10:30AM**, a "Real Golf" format. Golf Sunday is at Baraboo Country Club.

Nomads Ski Club has expressed a desire to share the weekend with us, so don't delay in signing up, we will open the list to the Nomads July 1, 2006.

Golf on Friday, September 29th, will be played at Christmas Mountain The cost of golf on Friday TBA.

Sign up soon or be left at the Starters Shed. For more information call Craig @ (630)-579-8661 home or 630-269-8660 cell.

If, for whatever reason, you can't make a meeting, mail your check to me @ 6618 Pinehurst Court Lisle, IL. 60532. I will also take sign-ups at the Annual IbeX Summer Picnic, Saturday July 29th.

Hit'm straight, see you in Wisconsin

## Moons Musings

The big deal this month, well May, was the CMSC Ski Seminar Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup>. Patrice, Sarah, Lou and I attended the meeting, talked with providers, resorts, and travel companies during our rounds of the show.

The one thing that everyone told us the prices of trips are going one direction, UP! There are several reasons for this phenomenon, including the obvious, fuel costs. Providers are telling us figure on between 20 & 30% increase for this years trips. Airlines claim that fuel is 33% of the cost to fly.

Several of the resorts want week long trips, penalizing clubs that book four and five day trips.

We have several bids for New Years, but they are pricy. As the price of New Years Trips continues to escalate, would there be any interest in a New Years trip that does not include skiing for the 2007-2008 season?

Patrice will have much more information in her trips article elsewhere in this mailer. We have a GREAT trip schedule for the upcoming ski season!!!!

Fall Colors will return to Wisconsin this year with different courses. See the article elsewhere in the newsletter.

We have a winner, **Lisa Spiegel**, the only member to find last months' secret phrase.

The phrase, for your information, was on the Banquet recap page. "I believe the technical name for the "butt" is....." Lisa collected a drink from me at the meeting. We will play the secret phrase game again this month. The first three IbeX that point out the phrase will collect a drink of their choice at the June 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Hint: Fall Colors

Partly personal, your President has accepted a new position with B/S/H/ Home Appliances Corporation. I will be leaving Sears in early June. More time to stay in Chicago, less travel, more time to be involved with IbeX.

Keep up with IbeX summer activities in the newsletter or on the WEB site

Have a safe summer.

*Craig*

# 7th Annual Broken Oar Bike Ride

Get out your calendars and put a big star on the 9<sup>th</sup> of July, a Sunday, to remind you to attend the Ibex [Broken Oar](#) bike excursion. This will be a “club” ride, which means that we will be making the trip as a group so if you haven’t been riding lately or are not in the shape you hope to be in by ski season, you will still be able to keep up.

The trip starts at [Joe & Joan Heater’s house in Palatine](#), winds about 18 miles on bike trails and county roads to the Broken Oar Bar, and Grill located in McHenry County on the Fox River. For those of you who want to do a shorter version, you can meet us at the Cuba Marsh Forrest Preserve (corner of Cuba and Ela Roads) which is about our halfway point. For those who need it, there is a rest room here as well.

Our destination features an outdoor bar/ dining “room” and attracts a variety of outdoor types, bikers of the varoom-varoom persuasion as well as boaters traveling up and down the Fox River. The food is good, the beer is cold, and you will be in the company of good friends. What else could you ask for?

**Ride Date: Sunday, July 9th**

**Departure Time: 10:00 AM**

**Approximate Return Time: 3:00 PM**

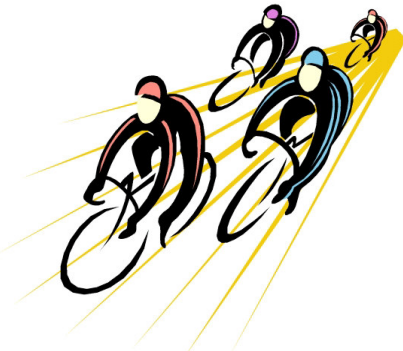
**Broken Oar Marina, Bar and Riverside Cafe**, 614 Rawson Bridge Rd, Cary, IL 60013

Maps and queue sheets will be available at the meeting or if you cannot attend the meeting, e-mail me at [jheater1@comcast.net](mailto:jheater1@comcast.net) and I will send all of the details.

One last note, there will be a SAG Wagon to assist any one who needs it during the trip.

Your trip Organizer is Joe Heater along with the able assistance of Roger Kasch.

*Joe*



Presidents since Nixon have given out signature-stamped golf balls as souvenirs. Since Jimmy Carter didn't play golf, his balls were stamped with the presidential seal



## ***NIGHT BIKE HIKE: NEW FOR 2006***

A nighttime, guided bike ride in downtown Chicago.

It's a **SUNGLASSES AT NIGHT HIKE**, and it includes the bike!

Save **Saturday August 12<sup>th</sup>** for this new adventure.

Like a party on wheels, we'll ride through downtown to see Millennium Park, the Museum Campus, and Buckingham Fountain, with its world-renowned light show. You'll see the favorite, jaw-dropping vantage points of the scintillating skyline. Saturday night includes the skyline Fireworks display off Navy Pier. All this beauty includes the expertise of an experienced guide who can provide information about the best places to ride, the architecture of the buildings, the history of the city and where the restrooms are located! This tour is for all fitness levels. Age limit of 14 or over if they are riding a bike. We can accommodate infants and small children with child seats or tagalongs for \$5 and an advance reservation.

**Includes Bikes and Helmets**, and the bikes are Schwinn Cruisers, which are cushy and comfortable and built to take a city curb and live to tell about it. Cost about \$35. Signups start June 7<sup>th</sup>.

We will start at 5 PM for optional dinner/ drinks at a River North restaurant. If you just want to do the bike tour, it starts at 6:45 PM and runs until 10 PM.

Direct any questions to Patrice Conaway at [ibextrips@skiibex.com](mailto:ibextrips@skiibex.com) or at the phone number on the back of this newsletter.

*Patrice*

# Ibex Ski and Snowboard School

**Well the ski season is coming to an end. The Ski and Snowboard School has been very pleased to serve you for yet another year.**

It's always nice to know what an organization has done for you so let me recap.

We provided lessons on 3 trips this year: Jackson Hole, Whistler and Granite Peak. The resulted in 13.5 lessons for 12 members. This is down significantly from last year. In 2004-05 season we provided 62 lessons to 44 members. You might be asking yourself why there is such a difference? I'll be happy to tell you.

Reasons:

1. We canceled the Wilmot Family Nite for 2 major reasons. We needed better snow conditions and we also did not have the minimum number of participants signed up to get a discounted rate.
2. We did not have an instructor on the Steamboat trip.
3. Taos provided a fabulous lesson package so no one took advantage of the club lessons.

Some suggestions for improvement:

1. Plan the Wilmot Family Nite earlier in the ski season so everyone has an opportunity to refresh his or her skills. December would be a good month.
2. Situations occur where lessons are offered locally such as Taos. Please, by all means, take advantage of those opportunities. It's wonderful to get a fresh perspective of a skill you want to refine.
3. The Ski School will make every attempt to have an instructor on every trip. Please remember the instructors need to fit it in their personal schedules and budgets as well.

Well it has been fun serving you for the past 7 years as your Ski School Director. I am stepping down but you will be in good hands with Bill Haussmann taking over.

Have a great summer. Remember to think snow and keep the shiny side of your skis up!

*Debbie*

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## SCUBA NEWS

**MEXICO – April 29 to May 7**

Some went diving on a hurricane damaged reef. Some went sightseeing. All went to see Ed and Sarah get married. Mark Westlund broke his ankle playing the dangerous sport of tennis. Mike Warta was heard to say "I'm all beered out".

## Transition Event Recap

On May 20<sup>th</sup>, 13 Ibex (more or less) enjoyed a gorgeous afternoon cruising the Chicago River. Yours truly started the day proving why she has been nicknamed Amelia Earhart. Good thing I left extra early to allow for that hour of aimless wandering trying to figure out where the heck I was going. The more directionally inclined Ibex enjoyed a good laugh as I ran up the pier with minutes to spare before departure. Once underway, our informative guide pointed out skyscrapers and told us about architects and design competitions as we sipped lemonade and munched cookies. Everyone agreed it was a wonderful tour. After docking, we strolled up the pier to Dick's Last Resort. Particularly suited to Ibex were the extra large bottles of beer served in ice buckets. (not that Ibex worry about beer getting warm.) Good food and lively conversation were enjoyed by all. The waitstaff helped liven up the party by awarding titles to various Ibex. Wouldn't you like to know who was crowned "Miss Trailer Park"? We're not telling, you should have been there.

If you feel you missed out and would like to enjoy the river tour on a day that fits your schedule, you're in luck.

**Ibex still has discounted tour tickets  
available for purchase at \$22**

See Patty at any meeting to purchase these tickets or to get more information.

*Patty*



**CURACAO – November 11 to 18**

We are staying in town at the Lion's Den so not only good diving, but good restaurants, shopping and gambling near by. Airfare, hotel, diving & breakfast for only \$2099.

**????? – summer**

One of our teachers has asked for a summer trip. If anyone is interested, please let me know and I will put you in contact with the others.

**BELIZE – February 2007**

Spend a week diving Lighthouse & Turneffe Reefs from the floating hotel. The Nekton is known for no seasickness.

*Cindy Warta*

847-394-8805 [IbexScuba@SkiIbex.com](mailto:IbexScuba@SkiIbex.com)

# Taos Trip Highlights

A group of 41 Ibex and 1 “Little Goat” departed Chicago on March 25<sup>th</sup> – perfect timing to coincide with Spring Break!!!

The tone was set in the airport when Patrice Conaway found Glen Chiechi’s boarding pass at Starbucks, goatie material? Not a chance with the events about to transpire... Tom & Lisa Neyhart from “Nawlins” joined the group at the airport in Albuquerque. We collected our luggage, boarded the bus, then on to Sante Fe for lunch and a bit of free time to walk around.

After being provided specific instructions on when and where to meet the bus to depart for Taos, the group split into various groups for lunch. Everyone made it back to the bus on time, except for Sue Lesson & Lorna Ballum. A half-hour later, Sue & Lorna saunter up the street. Seems Sue (a.k.a. “Imelda”) found a shoe sale that she couldn’t resist; no, still no goatie! Now folks were getting a.) nervous that they wouldn’t have enough time to shop at the grocery store, b.) thirsty (hey Margaritas ARE salty!), c.) would be late for the beer and wine at the Welcome Reception at the Snakedance, d.) all of the above. So Tom Neyhart & Craig Moon talked me into a quick stop to pick up beer & off we go!

Next stop, groceries... And what about breakfast, Pam? Finally, we purchase our groceries and most make it back to the bus, but where is but Jean Bagel? Finally, she makes her way on the bus and off we go. We arrive at Snakedance with just enough time to put suitcases and groceries into our condos and it’s time for the Welcome Reception. The Reception was a bit chaotic but Snakedance served up some pretty good wine from Napa.

Sunday, most folks arrived at the designated spot for the start of the ski week lessons. And we do have snow, a bit skied off in spots but still better than the dire prediction of Craig Moon (a.k.a. “Chicken Little The Sky Is Falling”). It took forever to get folks into the proper group in between gusting winds and the bone-chilling cold that went along with the wind. Must have been too windy for Mike Edens who wiped out in the ski-off prior to being assigned to a group; no still no goatie! Conditions improve and the group has a good morning. While regrouping for lunch, we notice Diane Douglas rubbing her right knee that is bruised and swelling. Diane gets a ride down in the sled – not good, no more skiing this trip for her; the ACL injury earned her the Broken Crutch award.

Sunday was also the night of the group dinner at Lamberts in the town of Taos – great food and good company. Eric Steege joined the group and managed to party for a few days before flying back to Minneapolis to close a “deal”. Steve Lenius (a.k.a. “The Ladies Man”) bowed out of the group dinner to offer his nursing skills to Diane and keep her company. Sarah Schmiechel stated that David Lee bowed out for a similar reason; he had to nurse Lou Di Francisco who had battled a tree with his face and neck during the afternoon (Tree = 1, Lou = 0)! Mike Psaris tried to challenge Steve Lenius for his title as “The Ladies Man” as he managed to seat himself with Patrice Conaway, Jan Osowski, and Jean Bagel for dinner. The bus ride back was a riot, with Mike P. calling Denny Gawlik who was on a trip in Aspen, asking Rhodes scholar type questions – Denny, are you in a bar? Denny, are you drinking? Denny, did you ski? And, the night’s not over until Lorna Ballum passes out in the hallway in front of her condo and Lynne Moon helps carry her in!

Monday brought better conditions for skiing and some more fun and challenges during our lessons. Dick Homan & Chuck Lemke were spotted tearing up the slopes while Jackie & Kathy were busy taking lessons. Believe this is the day that Snakedance finally located Mike Warta’s skis; seem they were left on the U-Haul for 2 days. Cindy Warta skied well even though she had problems with her boots. Too bad Snakedance didn’t lose Cindy’s boots. Anonymous comment upon hearing the hot tub was inoperable: “I shaved for NOTHING!!!!?” Most of the group met for dinner @ Tim’s Stray Dog. Frank Eichstaedt, Eric Steege, and Murray Joe Jackson head into Taos to paint it what color? And, what happened to the Scotch?

Tuesday, brought snow and the Nastar race. Lou, it’s a good thing that Pam declined the bet for pitchers with the Pentagon (yes, that Pentagon) Ski Club. Their #1 male Gold @ 25.30, #2 Gold @ 26.53. Top Ibex male @ 27.20 – congratulations to Mark Westland! The racing was fun with really good participation by Ibex folks. Training of the Snakedance staff on the benefits of refrigerating the dairy products starts in earnest.

Wednesday, more skiing, more ski lessons. Hey, are we improving? Patrice and Sarah extol the virtues of the K2 Luv series of skis... and besides they look good too. Good excuse for a new ski outfit according to Sarah. Pam Arnold & Jean Bagel ski down after a late lunch so Pam’s not late for the massage she won at the Welcome Reception. Several others followed soon afterwards and head into town on the Pentagon bus, Ann Bass and Kathy Burns enjoyed the shopping. Kirby Kiesgen and Mary Torsello also headed into town for some sightseeing and shopping. Wayne Wodach strained his back skiing and also took advantage of the massage services. Less rum in condo 402 - Ed Fee shares his rum with his condo mates mixing up rum & cokes as an après ski tradition each day after skiing.

Thursday proved to be a good ski day for most but not for Ed Fee (a.k.a. “Toe Man”) who had to end his skiing for the week due to an infected big toe. Not a good day for Karen Helfrecht (Fat chance, hey you’re not calling me fat are you?) either – she sprained her ankle; wonder why all the ladies in Steve’s condo are getting injured? Jackie Wodach was also limping a bit and favoring her knee. Skied a bit with Bob and Barb Kimicata who had a chance to free ski while Brian was in ski school. Barb says Dave Toy and Mike Lepsi did a great job of keeping Brian entertained throughout the trip.

Can’t believe it’s Friday already, our last day of skiing and ski lessons. The instructors treated us to the slope side Martini Tree for a “patrone” decanter shot of courage. Janine Westland liked the decanter so much that she bought one. We had a final group dinner at the Snakedance and used up any remaining drink coupons. We took lots of picture of the Ibex ladies running (or hobbling as the case may be) from table to table. We also had a Let’s Drink Up the Rest of the Booze party hosted by Lou, David, Mark, and Janine – fun was had by all of the Ibex attendees. Rumor has it that when one of the oldies from Pentagon complained, Mark referred them to the front desk (front desk closed at 5:00 p.m. every day)!

Saturday arrives and it’s time for Ibex to head home. But wait, in order to meet the cost-saving goals I can only assume are set by the Snakedance ownership, the U-Haul has not been chartered to haul the skis to the airport. So the stacking of skis & suitcases in the aisles of our passenger bus begins. It was not an easy task to crawl over the skis to use the bathroom but Kathy Lemke managed nicely. Thank you Kirby for helping to unload the luggage and helping me check the bus for items left behind! Hey, did we ever find the owner of the jacket? Arrived at the airport in time for a quick lunch, then homeward bound.

We have a whole year to rest up for next year’s adventures!

*Pam Arnold, Trip Leader*

# Going to the Zoo, Zoo, Zoo;

## How about You, You You

### You can go too too 'cause we're going to the zoo!

As you may have guessed, the next Little Goats Activity is a trip to the **Brookfield Zoo**. This is a "Drop In" activity, so no reservations are required, and is suitable for all ages. It may be hard to make this social event truly social unless we plan to meet, so wearing of IBEXware is highly encouraged.

**Time:** Sunday June 25 2006, 10:00am to 6:00pm

**Cost:** Pay at the door - Adults (12-64) \$10.00, Children (3-11) \$6.00;

Children 2 and Under Free, Really Old Goats (65+) \$6.00, Zoo Members Free.

Look for Coupons in your Gas Bill and Coupon Books like the Oakleys Guide!!!

**Ages:** This activity is suitable for goats of all ages.

**Schedule:** We will meet at 10:30am before the entrance gate near the North Entrance (purchase your tickets, go under the bridge, and meet at the gate that is right before you go into the zoo). If we miss you at 10:30am, we also plan to do:

Lunch - 1:00 pm at the Safari Stop which is on the Southeast side of the zoo. Per the website, they serve children's amimeals, hamburgers/hot dogs/pizza, chicken/veggie burgers, salads, or you can brown bag it.

Dolphin Presentation - We will catch the 2:30pm show. Additional Charge for Dolphin Presentations: Adults (12-64) \$3.50, Children (3-11) and Really Old Goats \$2.50; Children 2 and Under Free. (Other Dolphin Shows: 11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m.)

Group Photo - 3:30 PM at the west side of IBEX Island. Yes they have real Ibex.

You can also catch up to us, the day of the event, only, on your radio at the IBEX Channel 13/13 or call my cell phone at (773) 718-2232.

Directions and additional Information: <http://www.brookfieldzoo.org/> or contact the zoo by phone at (708) 485-0263. Outside Chicago and the suburbs dial (800) 201-0784.

**RAIN DATE:** No rain date. If it's cloudy or if it rains, we will get wet!

**QUESTIONS:** Call Bob Kimicata @ (847) 394-4105. Let us know if you plan to attend so we will look for you.

Little Goats Activities are run like the bar of the month...but with less frequency and alcohol. If there is a lot of interest we can try an activity that requires deposits and reservation. If you would like to suggest an event...or even organize it, let the Activities Chairperson know. We would encourage you to pass this on to friends with children who might enjoy participating in family events. Same for any old goats you are in touch with that have strayed from the herd to have children. In addition to being FUN, these events will hopefully provide an opportunity to expose IBEX to active families with children, who might be potential members. Members without children are encouraged to join us, particularly at events that are free to adults, to help recruit new members. Come out and be a KID again. We have the IBEX and Denny's picnics in July, and we are planning another event for mid to late August.

For more information on these activities, web links to the facilities, and estimated suitable ages, visit the Ibex Web page at [www.skiibex.com](http://www.skiibex.com)

## Bob

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Officially, the Ibex year starts on May 1, but membership renewals are generally accepted over the summer months. Be sure to renew your membership and continue receiving your award-winning Olde Goat newsletter.

- ◆ Stay informed about all of the fun summertime Ibex activities.
- ◆ Learn about the new trips for the upcoming ski season (you must be a member to sign up for these trips).
- ◆ And many more we just don't have space to print.

Renew early and avoid the rush. Complete the attached membership application and either bring it to an Ibex general meeting or mail it (with payment) to the address listed.

If possible, please choose the e-mail option. This will ensure that you get your newsletters and important (and sometimes last-minute) announcements quickly. It also saves the club in printing and mailing costs. We can even help you set up the Adobe Acrobat Reader software needed to view the newsletter electronically.

## Dave

IbexMembership@SkiIbex.com

## June birthday wishes to:

Ed Bendickson	02
Brent Bauer	04
Diane Schuler	05
Roger Kasch	06
Bill Childress	08
Laura McGroarty	12
Paul Mezydlo	13
Diana Clarke	17
John Brandt	21
Cindy Donmyer	21
Diane Douglas	21
Susan Prust	21
Michael Lepsi	25
Eric Steege	25
Bill Hausmann	26
Ann Bass	28
Michele Robbins	29
Vince Thomas	29
David Toy	30

# Come camping with Ibex August 4-6

Join fellow Ibex for a weekend of (multiple choice, pick as many as you wish):

- a. **camping** (bring your tent and sleeping bag – or borrow them)
- b. **biking** (trail rides and road rides – hilly ones if you like!)
- c. **swimming, lounging** (in heated swimming and wading pools surrounded by lots of lounge chairs)
- d. **lounging some more** (in the lounge and bar area – enough said)
- e. **hiking** (on marked nature trails in and around the campground)
- f. **golf** (including “big ball” golf on-site and “real” golf nearby)
- g. **sand volleyball, basketball**
- h. **horseshoes, pedal go-karts**
- i. **advanced partying** (in addition to the aforementioned methods)
- j. **nightly campfires** (with s’mores)
- k. **other:** \_\_\_\_\_ (be creative)

Ibex will again be invading Sky High Camping Resort for a weekend of outdoor fun. Near Portage, Wisconsin, Sky High is situated on the bluffs above Cascade Mountain Ski Area. The camp is picturesque and our campsites are wooded and shady. There are electrical hookups on-site and a water pump nearby. Bathroom and shower facilities (*individual showers, each with its own entrance door*) are only a short distance away. For more information on Sky High, go to [www.skyhighcampingresort.com](http://www.skyhighcampingresort.com).

**Cost.** \$45 per person (members)

\$50 per person (non-members)

Includes two nights of camping and amenities such as firewood, smore’s fixins, etc. We have 16 spots reserved for this activity, so sign up early to get in on the action.

Maps and directions will be provide when you sign up, including a suggested list of what to bring (if you don’t have something, you may be able to borrow it – please ask). I’ll also try to coordinate carpooling for those so interested.

## Dave Toy

847.638.2202 [dtoy22@msn.com](mailto:dtoy22@msn.com)

### June 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1  Bike Rides	2	3  Ravinia Blondie
4	5  Volley Ball	6	7  Ibex Meeting	8  Bike Rides	9	10
11	12  Volley Ball	13	14	15  Bike Rides	16  BOM Arlington Park	17
18	19  Volley Ball	20	21  Ibex Summer Fun Meeting	22  Bike Rides	23	24  Golf Outing
25  12:00a Zoo Little Goats	26  Volley Ball  NewsLetter Deadline	27	28	29  Bike Rides	30	



# 2006-2007 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

## Ibex Ski & Snowboard Club

mail to: **Membership Chairman, Ibex**  
**P.O. Box 1542**  
**Palatine, IL 60078**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Recorded: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Membership type:</b>		
Single e-mail \$20	Couple e-mail \$35	Family e-mail \$35
Single paper \$30	Couple paper \$45	Family paper \$45
New membership	Renewal	<i>Make checks payable to Ibex Ski Club</i>

Name (1): _____ M F Street address: _____ City, state, zip: _____ E-mail (1): _____ Home phone (1): _____ Work phone (1): _____ Cell phone (1): _____ Birth date (1): ____/____/____	Name (2): _____ M F E-mail (2): _____ Home phone (2): _____ Work phone (2): _____ Cell phone (2): _____ Birth date (2): ____/____/____ <b>For family memberships, List names and ages of children:</b> _____ _____
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I am a/an: <i>(check all that apply)</i>	Alpine skier Snowboarder Beginner	Non skier X-country skier Intermediate    Advanced	I am a/an:	Alpine skier Snowboarder Beginner	Non skier X-country skier Intermediate    Advanced
I prefer to ski: <i>(check all that apply)</i>	Midwest East 7 day trips 4 to 5 day trips	West International weekend trips other: _____	I prefer to ski:	Midwest East 7 day trips 4 to 5 day trips	West International weekend trips other: _____
Ibex Ski & Snowboard School	I have taken a lesson in the past I would like to take a lesson this year		Ibex Ski & Snowboard School	I have taken a lesson in the past I would like to take a lesson this year	
I would like to help with:	Activities Trips	Membership Racing	I would like to help with:	Activities Trips	Membership Racing

How did you learn about Ibex Ski & Snowboard Club? \_\_\_\_\_

<b>IBEX SKI &amp; SNOWBOARD CLUB MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT</b>	
<p>In consideration of the opportunity to participate and/or my participation in any trips, events, activities or lessons of the IBEX SKI &amp; SNOWBOARD CLUB, I, for myself and for my heirs, assigns, executors and administrators hereby agree that IBEX SKI &amp; SNOWBOARD CLUB and its officers, directors, trip and event leaders, instructors, members, representatives and any other persons acting on its behalf shall not be held liable for any injuries, damages, expenses or inconveniences to my person or property, howsoever caused by the negligence of the above parties. I also agree to indemnify and hold the above parties harmless from and against any and all actions, claims, demands, liability, loss, damage and expense of any kind, including attorney's fees, arising from such claims.</p> <p>I am aware of and familiar with the inherent risks involved in the sport of skiing, trips, events, activities, lessons and any sport or social activities, and I understand that I am assuming those risks.</p> <p>IBEX SKI &amp; SNOWBOARD CLUB reserves the right to withdraw an activity or trip, to refuse to accept or retain any person as a member or an activity or trip at any time, or to make changes in the published itinerary, whenever, in its sole judgment, conditions warrant or if it deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience or safety of the passengers.</p> <p>If accepted to the membership of IBEX SKI &amp; SNOWBOARD CLUB, I will abide by the Constitution and By-Laws, support its activities and pay the established dues. I have read and agree to the above.</p>	
SIGNATURE (1): _____	DATE: _____
SIGNATURE (2): _____	DATE: _____

## EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

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Patrice Conaway (847) 749-1946

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David Toy (847) 638-2202

### Activities Chairwoman

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Ed Bendickson (847) 223-2871

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Lou DiFrancisco (847) 341-4583

Assistant Joe Davis (847) 985-1699

Thank you for your help with this mailer:  
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**Ed Bendickson**  
Secretary [IbexNewsletter@Skilbex.com](mailto:IbexNewsletter@Skilbex.com)

## When life brings changes ...

Help us keep our records up to date. When life brings changes to your life, please fill out this form and either bring it to a meeting or mail it to:

**Membership Chairman** Ibex Ski & Snowboard Club  
**P.O. Box 1542, Palatine, IL 60078**

Or e-mail the information to:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2006-07 Membership Rates

	E-mail	Paper
Single	\$20	\$30
Couple/Family	\$35	\$45

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