December 2011 Newsletter



HAPPY CHANUKAH, MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY, HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO OUR WONDERFUL MEMBERS!!

HAPPY HOURS

December 2, 6-8PM

Peacock Garden Café (drink specials) 2889 McFarlane Road (Orange awning near Sonesta Hotel) Coconut Grove (305) 774-3332

December 9, 6-8PM

Cadillac Ranch (2-for-1 drink specials, appetizer specials) The Village at Gulfstream Park 921 Silks Run Road Hallandale Beach, (954) 456-1031



Panorama Sky Lounge (select drink special & appetizers) Sonesta Hotel (8th floor Poolside) 2889 McFarlane Road Coconut Grove, (305) 447-8283

December 23 6-8PM HOLIDAY HAPPY HOUR!!!

Biltmore Hotel Lounge (Drink specials & appetizers) 1200 Anastasia Avenue Coral Gables, (305) 445-8066

December 30, 6-8PM

The Grove Spot (drink specials) 3324 Virginia Street Coconut Grove, (305) 774-3696

ELECTIONS

Our Elections Committee is looking for candidates for the next installment of the Executive Committee. Interest applying for Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President or President, contact Karen Kirby at Hospitality@miamiskiclub.net or (305) 235-7528 by November 30th. Applications for officers due to the Election Committee by December 1st. Tentatively February 24, we will hold the official Elections Meeting where the slate of officers will be announced and open the meeting to nominations from the floor. In case we have multiple candidates for any one position, the Club will have ballots for our members to cast their vote. The elected officers will then take charge of the Club on June 1, 2012.



MSC 2012 Ski Trips

All Miami Ski Club ski trips are priced per person, double occupancy, unless otherwise specified. Base price includes (except where noted) airfare, ground transportation, lodging and taxes, a pre-trip and post- trip party and minimum one dining event at the resort. Initial trip deposits are \$750, unless specified otherwise. View fine print on your trip flyer and trip application. Please note that, after the time of booking, the airlines may impose additional taxes or fuel surcharges and local taxing authorities may increase existing taxes, which would be passed on to the trip participants. Airlines recently instituted baggage fees which are the responsibility of the trip participant. Miami Ski Club takes pride in our competitive pricing for this 2012 ski season. We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance.

Vail Ski Trip was canceled due to lack of participants.

STEAMBOAT, COLORADO

January 21 to 28, 2012, Steamboat Grand, \$1,525

The Florida Ski Council trip is guaranteed to be a fabulous time. We will be staying at the Steamboat Grand, across from the base of the gondola. Amenities include an outdoor pool and hot tub, fitness facilities with sauna, a full service spa, and game room. Steamboat offers almost 3,000 acres of skiable terrain and an impressive 3,700 foot vertical rise – certainly enough to keep the most discriminating skier entertained. Whether you prefer downhill skiing, snowboarding or cross country skiing, all are available. Snow shoeing tour, or guided ski nature tours also available. The adventurous will have a chance to compete in the FSC races. The trip also includes the great FSC evening parties!

Trip Leader: Cindy Oliver (305) 387-3514 Steamboat@miamiskiclub.net

PARK CITY, UTAH

March 10 - 17, 2012, Park City Peaks Hotel, \$1,390

Here is a place with access to three distinct mountain areas. If you want pampering, go to Deer Valley or you can head to the Canyons, or Park City Mountain. And did you know that you can actually ski six resorts in one day? Just take the guided Interconnect Tour which takes you on a hike/ski tour of 6 incredible peaks at Deer Valley, Park City, Solitude, Brighton, Alta and Snowbird – what a treat. A fun family trip! Remember, Park City also has the Olympic Park where you can bobsled the actual course – imagine the adrenaline rush you will be getting, too fast for you? Take the fun coaster ride down the Payday lift or go to the Gorgoza Tubing Park and then top it all off with a balloon ride over Park City, it does not get any better than this!

Trip Leader: David Hartman (305) 453-9208 ParkCity@miamiskiclub.net

SPECTACULAR MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

May 31 – June 10, 2012 Includes 2 nights in Barcelona

Experience one of Europe's most popular destinations aboard the new NCL EPIC. We have a spectacular itinerary for you on our 7 day cruise. Travel easy with Miami Ski Club to Barcelona, Naples, Rome, Florence, Nice and Provence. \$1000 deposit required. Please view trip flyer and trip application inside for pricing and complete details!

Trip Leader: Pamela Epstein (305) 772-1500 Mediterranean@miamiskiclub.net

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Experience one of Europe's most popular destinations in a brand new and unique way aboard the NCL EPIC. This modern marvel, voted 'best cruise ship overall' by travel weekly, made her European debut May 2011. Relax as you enjoy the award winning and hilariously inventive Blue Man Group, the Cirque Dreams, comedy specials, an ice bar (one of 16 world wide), a casino, spa, two pools, numerous restaurants and many other amenities.

The spectacular itinerary begins with two nights in Barcelona, the capital of Spain's Catalonia region. Here you will be able to visit various points of interest and enjoy optional evening outings with typical food, drink and music. You will then continue on a seven day cruise. See complete itinerary in the back. First you will visit Naples, with optional side tours to the Isle of Capri and Pompeii. The next stop will lead you to Rome. After you will visit Florence and the Tuscan region. You will then continue to Nice, the jewel of the French Riviera, then on to Marseille, the oldest city in France founded in 600BC. Here you may also want to visit the city of Avignon, and the quaint villages of Le Baux and Aix en Provence. With such abundant choices every step of the way, and reasonable prices, this Miami Ski Club trip is destined to be a success.

Package: Prices are per person double occupancy for Inside and Balcony Cabins. Prices are per person single occupancy for the Studio Cabins. Prices include 2 nights and 2 breakfasts in a 4 Star Hotel in Barcelona, all meals and snacks aboard the ship, round trip air from Miami, ground transfers, air taxes, fuel surcharges, port charges, cruise taxes, ground and ship gratuities, pre and post trip parties. **Prices may be subject to change due to flight changes and any other events beyond our control. Airline baggage fees are not included in the package.**

Contact:	Inside Cabin	Double Occupancy	\$3,100
Pamela Epstein, Trip Leader	Studio Cabin	Single Occupancy	\$3,350
Mediterranean@miamiskiclub.net	Balcony Cabin	Double Occupancy	\$3,450
305-772-1500	-		

Sun Barcelona, Spain

6:00PM

Barcelona, Spain The capital of Spain's Catalonia region is a classy, exciting, vibrant city that hosted the 1992 Summer Olympic Games. The old center of town boasts one of the greatest concentrations of Gothic architecture in Europe. But you'll find many marvels of Modernisme abound throughout the rest of the city.

Mon At Sea

Tue Naples, Italy

7:00 AM 7:00 PM

Naples, Italy Naples changes dramatically from neighborhood to neighborhood, from chic to shabby, then back to chic again. But some of Italy's best shopping and dining is always at hand, including the original Neapolitan Pizza. Nearby you'll find Mt. Vesuvius, the Isle of Capri and Pompeii.

Wed Rome (Civitavecchia), Italy

7:00 AM 7:00 PM

Rome (Civitavecchia), Italy Bask in the glory of the city that once was the capital of the world's most powerful empire. No visit to Rome is complete without a visit to the Coliseum that stands as a reminder of the gladiator days. But be sure to visit St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican and the Pantheon, too.

Thu Florence/Pisa (Livorno), Italy

7:00 AM 7:00 PM

Florence/Pisa (Livorno), Italy How lucky to visit the Tuscan region, Florence & Pisa, resplendent in art and history. What's even more fortunate is that all the main attractions in Florence are centrally located for the perfect walking tour. See Santa Croce, Piazza del Duomo and Michelangelo's David.

Fri Nice (Villefranche), France

8:00 AM 7:00 PM

Nice (Villefranche), France At the foot of the Alps is the jewel of the French Riviera. Luxuriate on long sandy beaches and terrace cafés. Stroll along the Promenade des Anglais. Savor pissaladiés and caillettes.

Featured Shore Excursions

Sat Provence (Marseille), France

7:00 AM 4:00 PM

Provence (Marseille), France Located on the Mediterranean coast, Marseille is the oldest city in France and was founded in 600 BC. Amongst the many terracotta-roofed buildings lie many intriguing sights including the Cathedral of Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde. Other places well worth visiting are the city of Avignon and the quaint villages of Le Baux & Aix en Provence.

Sun Barcelona, Spain

5:00 AM