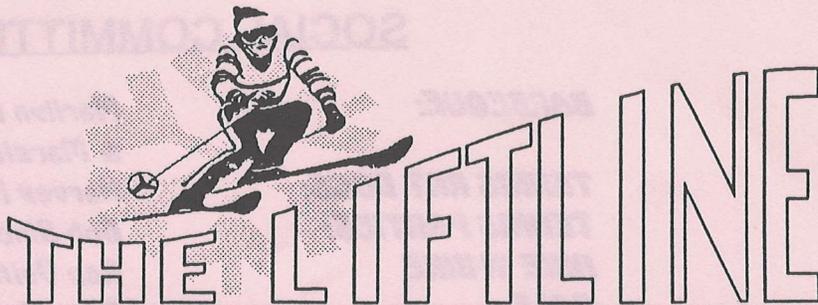


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INCOMING OFFICERS

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Social Vice President:	Marilyn Pastore	592-6221
Secretary:	Kim Eichner	307-9414
Treasurer:	Henry Hetherington	914-425-0069
Senior Delegate:	Jim Fitzpatrick	728-7619
Junior Delegate:	Micki Goldberger-Levine	825-2557

COMING EVENTS

- JUNE 4/7** Bicycling in Vermont, stay at the GSSC Vermont Lodge at \$10.00 per night, see Ron Vitale to sign up (201) 327-1316; see Lew Strauss to sign up for the lodge (201) 489-7662.
- JUNE 15** First Barbeque of the season, Bill Murrell's house, cost \$8.00 members, \$10.00 non-members, limited to the first 125.
- JUNE 25/27** Rob Sinclair's Annual Gourmet Camping & Canoeing Trip, Kittatinny Campgrounds, Barryville, NY, canoeing from Pond Eddy to Matamora, all meals included, see Rob Sinclair to sign up.
- JUNE 29** Barbeque #2.
- JULY 13** Barbeque #3 at Bob Gimpel's house.
- JULY 27** Barbeque #4.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

BARBEQUE:

*Marilyn Pastore 592-6221
& Margie Sherrer 908-526-5583*

TENNIS RAT DOGS:

Harvey Kunz 664-5005

TENNIS PARTIES:

Bob Sinclair 444-4387

HIKE 'N BIKE

Ron Vuitale 327-1316

GOLF:

Mike Kessler 794-3430

SAVE THE LIFTLINE!!!

Yes the **Lifeline** is in trouble. Without the aid of some dedicated members, the **Lifeline** will die a sudden death!!! This will be the last issue of **The Lifeline** unless YOU, the GSSC members, rally to the cause and help to keep it alive.

The **Lifeline** is a major segment of our club and of vital importance to our ongoing success. Without it we will not be aware of the activities of the club which include not only skiing events but all of the spring and summer activities. These include tennis, golfing, canoeing, camping, hiking, biking, and BBQ's. Many of us are unable to make the weekly meeting and have no other way to be informed of the club's activities except through the **Lifeline**.

Our Ski Club is an 'OUT' for many who wish to get away from the every day hassle of the office or the boss. We look for a warm atmosphere, smiling faces, and companionship. The **Lifeline** is a constant reminder that our club is there for us and helps us to be aware of coming events, reflect on past events and keep up-to-date on "what's happenin'." NOW we need **VOLUNTEERS** and that means **YOU!**

If you wish to participate in the **Lifeline**, please contact Kim Eichner (307-9414) or Isabella Micheels (641-5186). We need writers as well as those with word processing skills. Let us hear from you, **PLEASE!!!**

--Isabella

***NOTE* Special thank you to Mike Kessler for last minute help with *The Lifeline*.**

--Isabella

Our Ski Lodge all year: 802-773-9717

GSSC Hot Line: 478-8722

Check weekly for updates and/or corrections

Meetings are held each Tuesday night, 8:30 p.m., at Victor's Maywood Inn,
Maywood, NJ. All Skiers (& wannabe's) over 21 are welcome.

Phone (201) 843-8022 for directions.

MEMORIES OF CATAMOUNT

The Catamount trip departed on time, 6:40 a.m., unlike the previous trip to Butternut where a necessary transfer of passengers took place due to a flat tire. However, Mary Nowak, a new member thought the buses departed at 5:30 a.m. She arrived at Alexander's parking lot--saw several parked cars, and assumed the buses left without her. She then decided to drive to Catamount in her own car to meet up with the ASCC. Now, that is what you call determination! But the ride home could have been more fun for her, like crashing on the bus, with the "ever-ready" camaraderie of the entire gang along with self-supplied, fermented refreshments, by many. As is customary on most trips, we carried out our Nastar Racing Program. Most of the forty-one people



participating on this rather icy course were medalists. Congratulations to all "speeders," especially Hugo, who again was the only one with the gold at 30.3 seconds (do you own anything else but golds Hugo?). Steve Wuilcoxin proudly presented 20 awards at the party. Again, there was a "bombing the mountain crew" with Bill, Mike, Henry, Hal, Joan and I; and guess what? Along came Lew & and John C., our ASFA instructors, to lead the way!! Imagine combining speed freaks -- mogul bashers, and those with a brain that fits into the size of a pea -- cheers!!! You have become responsible, well adjusted members of the adult society. Yes, there were dare devils who did it all! They "plowed out," had "yard sales," enjoyed the thrill of it all and lived to talk about it and their terrain jumping, with many aches and pains.

There was only one reportable accident on this trip. We wish Bill Kent who pulled a major muscle a speedy recovery. I've noticed skiers have learned to overcome: 1) Snowboarders crossing their paths; 2) Very small slow people crawling across the slopes, and 3) Avoiding running over their own ASCC members. Well done!



Our thanks to Marilyn Postore and Ken Egan whose planning and organizing of these trips is absolutely superb. There a swinging party with music, dancing, all you can drink and eat of B.B.Q chicken, vegetable lasagna, swedish meat balls, kielbasa, salad and pizza. Ready? Let's do it again.

--Isabella

WHO'S WHO:

1. WAYNE KIESER:

A mature, friendly, gray haired gentleman who has been a club member of six years. He plans weekly ski trips and golf outings. Wayne also gives lessons. Mr. Kieser is self sacrificing, donating much-valued time to pleasing the club members. Again in demand, Wayne is in the air conditioning business - but loves to ski.

2. CELIA VAN PELT:

A fairly new member for 1 1/2 years, Celia is part of the welcoming committee to our club. The bright eyed blond likes rock music, dancing and her dogs, Heidi & Rocky. She is an operations assistant to Bunkers Operations, dealing with agents, ship terminals supplying fuel to vessels from overseas. Celia is looking for companionship and loves to meet people.

3. JOHN CHOLIN:

A rather organized, precise and particular person, John gives much legal advice to GSSC. He is an excellent ASIA instructor who is greatly responsible for its outstanding program. He likes to film his students on video for later viewing. John is an independent consulting engineer for the safety in industry. The handsome eligible bachelor lives in Oakland with his pets, Skizziks, Clyde and Wyndling.

4. MARGARET O'BRIEN:

An attractive dedicated member for over 8 years, she has been in charge of the white water rafting trips since 1986, and all of the BBQ'S in the past 2 years. She also chairs the clubs only "fund raising auction.": The pretty brunette is involved in the sales of contract office furniture -- yet finds enough time to be a representative for the club racing program.

5. JOE NOTO

Joe stands out in a crowd with his cowboy hat and boots. He delivers the orientation and encourages new perspective members to our club. Besides owning his own welding company, he also breeds German Shepherds. The proud owner of a new home, he is looking for someone to share it.

6. MARILYN PASTORE:

A mature, lovely dedicated, fairly new member to the GSSC, Marilyn is very generous in giving of her time and effort to any program she is involved in; such as all the BBQ's last summer and day ski trips this season. Marilyn's pleasant, friendly and out-going personality encourages networking, Involved in Hanes Distribution, she lives in Fort Lee with a lovely daughter and handsome son.

7. MIKE TILLMAN:

Mike, a member for ages, has a ball wherever he goes. You always recognize him on the slopes in his bright colored ski outfits, and loud tight leotards at the parties. He's been a delegate for several years and is in charge of the ASIA instruction program. A supervisor for New Jersey Transit, he lives with his lovely wife in Glen Rock.

8. LEW STRAUSS

Lew has been a member of GSSC for 3 years. During this time he has been in charge of registration for the club's Vermont House. He assigns "you to your room -- quite often a tedious job." Lew, a very young grand-father, is a semi-retired contractor who loves to ski.

Isabella

LAPLAND SKI SIDEBAR

JOURNEY THROUGH THE WILDERNESS:

YO, COOL DOWNHILLERS, TRY THIS !!!!

Ever tried "back country" cross-country skiing? It's the real thing.

It was the day of the Great Blizzard - what better time to leave the safety of Olavi's fine network of snowy boulevards and set out into the Adirondak wilds, north from Lapland on a 6-mile loop around Grant Lake with only Mike Scugoza's drop of Cherokee blood, a compass, a pair of shallow tracks broken a week earlier, and an occasional ribbon knotted around a tree trunk (and no map) to guide us.



This trip is usually made with a licensed guide in favorable conditions, but, with nothing but a

few whispering creeks and endless, dense stands of pine surrounding us, it looked like this was gonna be great. After a couple of miles, though, a few of us got antsy. The lake came into view, but were we really looping back? Half the group, lacking the balls to follow the mad Cherokee into uncharted territory with an impending blizzard, turned back. The remainder trekked on into the unknown.

Twenty three people made the journey to Lap Land Lake cross country ski touring center the weekend of the Blizzard of '93. A few were new to the sport; many were new to each other; yet, we grew to rely on the good spirits and resourcefulness of each other. We'll all remember the weekend for more then just the snow.

M. Scugoza

"To be under pressure is inescapable. Pressure takes place through all the world: war, seige, the worries of state. We all know men and women who grumble under these pressures and complain. They are cowards. They lack splendor. But there is another sort of man or woman who is under the sane pressure, but does not complain. For it is the friction which polishes them. It is pressure which refines and makes them noble."

St. Augustine

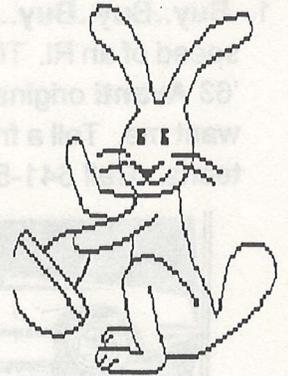
Mike's compass screamed "south" and back to camp, but, with tracks becoming ever more fuzzy and nondescript, the trio seemed to head deeper into an abyss.

A roller coaster of ever steepening dips and climbs meant more thunderous falls, long, hapless moments of lying entrenched in contorted heaps of poles, skis, cargo and snow. While the snowfall intensified, pine needles rustled ominously, hearts pounded as visions of a

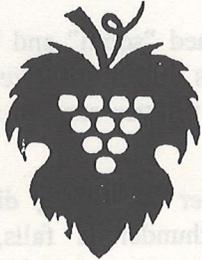
helicopter rescue on the evening news flashed through our minds. But then, suddenly viola!!

Our sense of direction and that of the compass suddenly became one! Our trio was rhapsodially back on the original trail to civilization - or at least the Lapland version of it.

Michael Freeman



GRAPEVINE

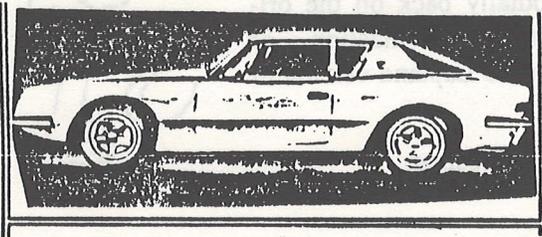


Dakota - a Berkshire Roadside Restaurant

I've visited the Dakota Restaurant with my friend Dwight and found it to be warm, hospitable and of high quality. Service and food is consistently good. I highly recommend this place to all who travel north, through Pittsfield, Massachusetts, on Route 7. Prices are reasonable and the rustic atmosphere of the Berkshire roadside restaurant with its knotty pine walls, oak floors, raised fieldstone fireplaces and Indian artifacts are inviting. It certainly is a place you want to take your wife, girlfriend or significant other! The high quality of American cuisine is enjoyed by all! Try it -- you'll like it. We did!!

--Isabella

1. **Buy..Buy..Buy..A jewel of all red gems.** The speed of an RI. The older the better! This antique '63 Avanti original, 25,800 mi. To see me is to want me. Tell a friend. Excellent condition. High teens. Call 641-5186, Isabella.



2. **Townhouse for Sale by Owner**

Lovely 3 BR, 2BA town located in East Rutherford. Amenities include CAC, cent. vac., garage, deck, fireplace and much more. Low taxes & convenient to NYC & all major highways, \$169,000. Call Rita Fritz (201) 768-3230.

3. DBA **IMPRESS TRAVEL**

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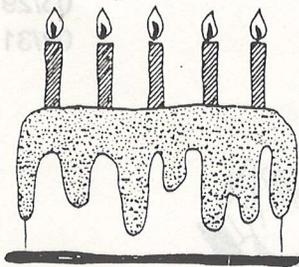
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4. **Dining in Vermont?**

Looking for a hearty Austrian meal after a hard day of Alpen aspirations on the slopes? Well - before loosening up in front of the fire, you should make your reservations at the Countryman's Pleasure (802) 773-7141. This restaurant offers extremely fine dining in an authentic Austrian setting in which the waitress pronounces "Spatzle" nearly correctly. Of course, since the best things in life are not only not free, but are actually quite expensive, one can expect to drop about the price of a lift ticket for this experience. One glance at the variety of beers available should be enough to convince anyone with a skiing size thirst that the Countryman's Pleasure is a must for the entire ski crew.

Bill Hahn

NAME	BIRTHDATE	NAME	BIRTHDATE
Lautmann, Robert	04/03	Gabe, Sylvia	05/02
Peter, Otto	04/06	Rosol, Shirley	05/02
astaldo, Debra	04/07	Sinclair, Bob	05/03
Masucci, Diane	04/07	Dalton, Carolyn	05/04
Sternfels, Peter	04/07	Ambrosino, Lucy	05/05
Daubenberger, Richard	04/08	Ehrich, Gary	05/06
Roland, Jayne S.	04/09	Kaylor, Pete	05/06
Valenti, Beverly	04/09	Nemeth, Teri	05/06
Amico, Mary Jane	04/11	Grier, Barbara	05/07
Jacoby, Barbara	04/11	Dorrmann, Arthur	05/08
Caine, David	04/12	Jadevaia, Jean	05/08
Schwartz, Susan	04/12	Mellor, Sherry	05/08
Gaines, Jeffrey	04/14	Hartheimer, Linda	05/09
Grover, Maxine	04/14	Goldberger-Levine, Micki	05/10
Babitts, Laurie	04/15	Khyatt, Denise	05/10
Gintella, Edie	04/15	Pipes, Anita	05/10
Micera, June	04/15	Sutter, Mary	05/10
Gabrynowicz, Mary Ann	04/16	Tobia, Denise	05/10
Hoyns, George	04/17	Quartaraco, Leonard	05/11
Jarem, Greg	04/17	Brooks, Rich	05/12
Hickey, Dan	04/20	Epiceno, Rene	05/14
Maurer, Mark	04/20	Sofi-Stavola, Jayne-Ann	05/15
Meister, Robert	04/20	DeFino, Carole	05/18
orte, Lou	04/21	Mateski, Christopher	05/18
Morrissey, Pam	04/21	Sisti, Michael	05/18
Such, Barbara	04/21	Brahs, Sharon	05/19
Repka, Agnes	04/22	Dziedzic, Stan	05/19
Hromada, Karen	04/23	Kent, William	05/19
Utley, Brenda-Kay	04/23	Hund, Ann	05/22
Messineo, Mark T.	04/24	Reed, Walter (Wall)	05/22
Pastelyak, Patricia	04/24	Siegel, Bob	05/23
Aaes, Jorgen	04/25	Ivaldi, Rosemarie	05/24
Micheels, Isabella	04/25	Noble, Brad	05/24
Marconi, Marilyn	04/26	Hultgren, Nils	05/25
Hirning, Edwin	04/30	Rivara, Maria	05/25
Motto, Richard	05/01	Sherman, Jerry	05/27
Watts, Chris	05/01	Stefanelli, Dennis	05/27
Brevot, Roseanne	05/02	Ciccione, Ronald	05/28
		Van Duyne, Erka	05/28
		Lozinger, Charles	05/29
		Giotta, Madeline	05/30
		Weise, Heidi	05/30
		Fees, Sandra	05/31
		Kornreich, Sheila	05/31
		Rajewski, Lynne	05/31
		Blumenthal, Stephen	06/01
		Bohning, Jacqueline	06/01
		Bukowski, Dianne	06/01



**Happy
Birthday**

NAME	BIRTHDATE	NAME	BIRTHDATE
Imbornoni, Herb	06/03	Publisi, Diana	03/08
Kolesnik, Maria	06/03	Hoth, R. Eric	03/09
Timpy, Kevin	06/03	Mascis, Catherine	03/09
Lucatuorto, Peter	06/04	Swan, Jeri	03/10
Amdur, Susan	06/05	Hutchings, Stanley	03/12
Davies, George	06/05	Pressburger, Ernie	03/12
Howley, Susan	06/05	Cholin, John	03/14
Grabley, Tracy	06/06	Kuhn, Paul	03/14
Averill, Susan	06/07	Egan, Kenny	03/15
Bellucci, Richard	06/08	Manbretti, Steven	03/15
Fischer, Rita	06/08	Fatuzzo, John	03/16
Woods, Roscoe	06/10	Ambramowitz, Aurora	03/17
Hotz, Fred	06/11	Karner, Thomas	03/17
Sternfels, June	06/11	Zlatin, Robin	03/18
Chaves, Bette	06/12	Castronovo, Tom	03/19
Carparelli, Maria	06/13	Tissot, Donna	03/20
Francois, Bruce	06/14	MacNish, Robert	03/20
Zenker, Barbara	06/15	Josten, Barry	03/21
Feehan, Kevin	06/17	Dolfi, Robert	03/22
Canterino, Cathy	06/20	Kershaw, John	03/22
Hoppe, Steven	06/20	Zdybel, Rose	03/22
Kleiman, Joyce	06/20	Davidson, Ed	03/23
Leyden, Edwin (Micke)	06/20	Gallopo, Andrew	03/23
Manis, Michael	06/20	Mullins, Patricia	03/23
Monroe, Chet	06/20	Murante, Louis	03/24
Anton, June	06/21	Schiffman, Jane	03/24
Warinsky, Jim	06/22	Fecht-Poliseo, Susi	03/25
Bauernfeind, Richard	06/24	Golland, Marvin	03/25
Wenz, Christopher	06/24	Rapp, Carol	03/25
Caramico, Joseph	06/25	Karner, Paul	03/26
Mosolino, Eileen	06/25	Tuman, Annette	03/26
Lopez, Hugo	06/26	Kunz, Harvey	03/17
Dempsey, Tom	06/26	Mortaro, Susan	03/27
Ferlazzo, Denise	06/27	Pius, William	03/27
Hoth, Carol	06/27	Brown, Lila	03/28
Frischia, John	06/27	Komenda-Sprague, Carol	03/29
Hermann, Gail	06/28	Rider, Nancy	03/29
Ashbrook, Dennis	06/28	Sacamone, Joseph	03/29
Fields, Barry	06/30	Tellefsen, John	03/29
Urbassik, Ed	06/30	Liebgold, Sam	03/31
Kern, Barbara	03/01		
Ahman, Donna	03/03		
Castronovo, Janet	03/03		
Craven, Joseph	03/03		
Maher, Jim	03/05		
Hermann, Roberta (Ber)	03/06		
Marino, Bob	03/07		
Wnorowski, Ann	03/07		



Happy
Birthday

CONGRATULATIONS are in order to the following, who were

**WINNERS
of the
1993 Club Awards!!!**

Mr. GSSC:	Jim Fitzpatrick
Ms. GSSC:	Margaret O'Brien
Most Improved Male Skier:	Lew Strauss
Most Improved Female Skier:	Marge Sherrer
Most Spectacular Ski Fall:	Ann Hund
Best Committee:	Barbeque: Margaret O'Brien Marilyn Pastore
Did Most for the Ski Club:	Margaret O'Brien
Club Snake:	Bob Gimpel
Party Animal:	Rose Zdybel

The Big "Door Prize" of the evening was won by Michael Friedmann... Mike won the \$300 gift certificate to Cury's Sport Shop....Congratulations !!!

GSSC 1993 MEN'S SKI RACING WINNERS

Group A:		Group B:		Group C:	
Lopez, Hugo	1st	Karner, Paul	1st	Murrell, Bill	1st
Hetherington, Henry	2nd	Jones, Bill	2nd	Gisler, Pete	2nd
Fitzpatrick, Jim	3rd	Cizek, Lou	3rd	Frischia, John	3rd
Cholin, John	4th	Marino, Bob	4th	Dziedzic, Stan	4th
Tillman, Michael	5th	Strauss, Lew	5th	Mendoni, Joe	5th

GSSC 1993 WOMEN'S SKI RACING WINNERS

Group A:		Group B:		Group C:	
Rhinesmith, Kathy	1st	Rago, Karin	1st	Carfagno, Elaine	1st
Fecht-Poliseo, Susi	2nd	O'Brien, Margaret	2nd	Beiersdorf, Doris	2nd
Daubenberger, Bonnie	3rd*	Rosenkrantz, Pat	3rd	Sherrer, Marge	3rd
Selino, Janette	3rd*	Benagh, Anne	4th		
Daubenberger, Joy	5th	Kaetz, Nancy	5th		

*=tie

CROSS-COUNTRY WEEKEND AT LAPLAND LAKE: VITALE'S VIKINGS BRAVE BLIZZARD OF THE CENTURY

By Rich Cwirko, Michael Friedmann and Ronald Vitale

The write-up for the March 12-14 weekend promised: "You'll lose your daily cares and woes" at Lapland Lake, a dense pine wonderland nestled in the lower Adirondacks. Little did we know we'd also lose our cars, our boots, the roads, almost our very lodgings--under five feet of snow during the Great Blizzard of '93.

It turned out that chairlifts and whole resorts shut down, ski lodges blocked in, roads to the slopes closed. Indeed, with an extra "snow day" added to our stay, and the freedom to use Lapland's facilities from the day we arrived till even after check-out, we Garden Staters enjoyed FOUR DAYS of excellent skiing!

It started innocently enough, 23 skiers car-pooling up while listening to predictions of 1-2 feet of snow (Lapland had already piled up 3-4 ft.)--no problem, we thought. Rich Cwirko, new to the sport, rented skis Friday afternoon and confidently strode out on an easy, track-set trail for the very first time.

After a pasta dinner at Lapin Tupa, or cabin (yes, everything there is in Finnish, from "Olavi" the ageless owner, to the slogan "kiipis ookpik karhu"--thank you for curbing your husky), all gathered together as ominous blizzard warnings squawked eerily from a distant radio station (no TVs at L.L.).

Official weatherman Michael spouted comforting meteorological explanations... Ron tinkled insanely on the off-key piano... Jim Bloom nervously opened another of his home-made beers... while the rest of us eyed the extra shovels distributed by the staff, the piles of firewood, the jugs of water hoarded against the possibility of losing all power, and wondered, would our tiny tupas become buried in this Adirondack wilderness and never found again??

Three of us took valuable lessons to sharpen our skills on skinny skis. Six others attempted the ungroomed, unpatrolled six-mile wilderness trail to a remote lake deep in state land. Throughout the day, the snow increased, a "champaign powder" so fine the ski tracks virtually disappeared as they were being made. By evening, it was quite deep enough to completely engulf the few intrepid individuals who dove into it as a complement to their authentic Finnish sauna.

After a wine and cheese party and a hearty Finnish dinner at the "restaurant tupa", and with the scheduled contra dancing entertainment canceled, we gathered once again around the wood stove and shared our experiences of the day, watched the snow pile up, over the windows. The modern world of cars and highways and TVs and computers seemed far, far away....

Sunday saw Olavi and his crazed bunch of snowmobile buckeroos mount up their awesome trail groomers, only to be thwarted and tossed by the downy depths of fluffy snow. The double diamond trails beloved by our Lapland veterans went ungroomed and impassable. We skied in between digging snow away from above our car door handles and taking sunny pictures of the effects of Mr. Blizzard. Monday brought characteristic frigidity to Lapland, and the consequent struggle of man vs. uncooperative machine our cars. Jumper cables saved one battery, and hair dryer and extension cord released a frozen door lock. Some parted, some stayed and skied yet some more under a clear blue Adirondack sky.



LITTLE CHUCKLE

Did you ever???

Ask what time the 2 O'clock lesson start?
Loose a glove on the Cleo just after loading?
Shout from the lift: "Yard Sale"!?
See two turn Bernie turn?
Go to the ladies room in a one piece suit?
Call out "any singles" and leave your wife in line?
Ask someone on the chairlift where they were from?
Thank NASA for hot packs?
Wonder why it feels so good to yell when you ski?
Try to get a photo of yourself on the steep runs?
Swear you're never going back to the city because this is where you belong?
Say this is the last run and really stop?

Isabella