

Liftline

The Official Newsletter of the Garden State Ski Club

GSSC CELEBRATES FORTY YEARS!!

The Mansion at Blue Hill Country Club was host for the big celebration of 40 years of skiing and partying. What started out as a small organized group of people has turned into a club with a membership of almost 500 strong. The GSSC has much to offer nowadays--for entertainment and meeting new people. But most of all, it is a place to have fun!

All were surprised by our very own "Ski-Premes", who helped to celebrate Motown and the 40th anniversary. Barbara Johnson performed "Where Did Our Love Go?", while Pat Braun sang "Baby Love". Margaret O'Brien came in with "Back in my Arms Again" and Pat Young sang her heart out with "Stop in the Name of Love". They admirably put together a well-choreographed act. The singing was good and very entertaining. From beginning to end, laughs rose from the audience, a good antidote to the close quarters.

After a chilly cocktail hour on the patio, the 110 guests were spread among the nooks and crannies of the stately old mansion. The small dance floor made dancing intimate. Although there were pros and cons to the place, remember that the GSSC will celebrate and make the best of any situation regardless of the circumstances.



Micki Goldberger, as usual, made an excellent mistress of ceremony. Skiing, novelty awards, and anniversary T-shirts were presented to many members for their various services to the club. The incoming board was introduced and the outgoing board was honored.

Let's do it again, soon.

Isabella Micheels

Look for more exciting stories and photos from the banquet on page 5.

Photos courtesy of Mike Tillman.



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SOCIAL:

Barbecues	John Knierim
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Shore House	Pat Braun
Sailing	Cynthia Soma
Biking	Ron Vitale

The Garden State Ski Club meets every Tuesday at 8:30 pm at:
Victor's Maywood Inn
124 West Pleasant Ave.
Maywood, New Jersey
201-843-8022

Membership Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at:

- 7:15 PM – Provisional Member Applicants
- 7:45 PM – Regular Member Applicants

MEMBERSHIP HOTLINE: 973-478-8722

INTERNET: www.gardenstateskiclub.com

PRESIDENT'S

CORNER

Since becoming President of the club four weeks ago, many of you have expressed approval of the way the meetings have been conducted. For this, "I THANK YOU". Also, to those of you who disapprove and have NOT expressed that to me, for that "I THANK YOU".

It is my feeling that a structured meeting of 45 minutes to one hour is beneficial to all members. It is for this reason that I ask all members to be seated at the meetings and that there be NO shouting out. For this, the Board and I "THANK YOU".

The Board is interested in hearing any idea a member may have that will better the club. So feel free to approach any of the board members.

In closing, I want the members to know that I feel good to have such an intelligent and mature group of board members to work with.

Your Pres...

Kevin

THANK YOU TO THE OLD BOARD...

President Dennis Young
Ski Vice President Laurie Schwarcz
Social Vice President Jean Meyer
Secretary Peggy Vesper
Treasurer Ron Lichtman
Senior Delegate Pat Braun
Junior Delegate Bob Janney
Former Lodge Vice President Steve Corris
(Current) Lodge Vice President Anne Benagh

Thank you for all your hard work and dedication to the club. The new Board has a tough act to follow!

... AND WELCOME TO THE NEW BOARD

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Lodge Vice President Anne Benagh





SOCIAL NEWS

RATDOGS

Every Thursday until the end of August
6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Van Saun Park
Paramus, NJ

Contact Ed Ellis
(201) 837-2665

BBQs

July 14 - Anderson Field
Orangeburg, New York
July 24 - Bob Gimpel's
Upper Saddle River, NJ
August 4 - Anderson Field
Orangeburg, NY
August 18 - Murrell's
Washington Township, NJ

Contact John Knierim
(973) 633-5056

GOLF LESSONS

Beginning August 6th for six weeks
Rockleigh Country Club
Bergen County, NJ

Contact Wayne Kieser
(201) 346-0604

SAILING...

ON THE LONG ISLAND
SOUND AND
THE HUDSON RIVER

Saturday mornings
from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Contact Cynthia Soma
(973) 344-3753

CLUB GETAWAY

July 10-12, 1998
Connecticut

Contact Pete Gisler
(201) 391-2445

GOLF WEEKEND

July 17-19
Pocono Manor Inn & Golf
Resort
Pocono Manor, PA

Contact Wayne Kieser
(201) 346-0604

NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC

July 22 and July 30, 1998
Great Lawn at Central Park
Concerts begin at 8:00 p.m.
(but get there early for
great lawn seats!)

Contact Rob Sinclair
(201) 445-6834

SUMMER OLYMPICS

August 15, 1998
Hosted by Isabella Micheels
Hewitt, New Jersey

More information will be
provided at the Regular
Meetings

U.S. OPEN TENNIS

September 1, 1998
Flushing Meadows, NY

Contact Steve Willcoxon
(973) 831-0350

GOLF WEEKEND

October 10-12, 1998
Glen Brook Country Club
Stroudsburg, PA

Contact Wayne Kieser
(201) 346-0604

ARMY vs. AIR FORCE

November 7, 1998
West Point, NY

Pre-Game Tailgate Party — 12:00 noon kick-off
\$25 per football ticket

Optional dinner at the Hotel Thayer

Contact Bruce Fisher, (201) 529-5498

1998 'NOVELTY' AWARD WINNERS

MR. GARDEN STATE	Dennis Young
MS. GARDEN STATE	Jean Meyer
MOST IMPROVED SKIER (Female)	Laurie Schwarcz
MOST IMPROVED SKIER (Male)	Mark Eugster
CLUB IMBIBER	Pete Gisler
DID MOST FOR CLUB	Steve Corris
CLUB WIT	Bruce Fisher
CLUB SNAKE	Bruce Fisher
BEST SKI FALL	Ed Ellis (at Scotch Valley)
BEST COMMITTEE	Ski Instruction



Photo courtesy of Mike Tillman

*"Coupon man aka Motley Fool",
better known as Club Wit and Club Snake*



COME ON DOWN, THE WATER'S GREAT!

Summer's here and the weather is really heating up. Why not spend a weekend at Garden State's summer shore house? Our house is just 1 1/2 blocks from the ocean, with a great porch for relaxing. The house sleeps nine comfortably and each bedroom is air conditioned. We also have a full kitchen (with microwave) so you can have breakfasts in and explore the many fabulous eateries for dinner. there's Bella Luna in Belmar for nouvelle cuisine, Piancone's in Bradley Beach for Italian, or maybe Moonstruck in Ocean Grove for ambience AND great food. Most restaurants are BYOB - there's a liquor store on Main Street (Bradley Beach) that has a great wine selection.

Neighboring Spring Lake and Ocean Grove have quaint shopping and, if watercraft is your thing, there's a rental place in Belmar. Are you a bicyclist? Bring your wheels and you can bike ride on the boardwalk while being swept by a cool ocean breeze.

If you can't spare a week, come on down for a Friday and/or Saturday and experience the night life. there's Kelly's in Belmar, Parker House in Sea Girt, the Warren Hotel in Spring Lake for Sunday Happy Hour, and Garden State's favorite, the Columns in Avon.

Prices are \$50 per night for Fridays or Saturdays and \$35 per night Sunday through Thursday. Weekends are filling up fast so make your reservations soon. Call Pat Braun at (973) 777-8673.

A THANK YOU FROM THE GSSC INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE...

As the chairman of the GSSC Ski Instruction Committee, I'd like to take a few moments to thank some people that have made the 1998 instruction season a success. We started the season off with our very successful INSTRUCTION DAY at Belleayre. Many thanks to all the people who came out to take lessons that day — we had more than 65 people. We continued to provide instruction throughout the year on the bus trips. Thank you one and all. I hope we met or exceeded your expectations. If we did not, please see me at a meeting or a barbecue or call me and let me know what the problem was.

The 1997 (last year) GSSC Instruction Committee was an award-winning committee. ASIA (Amateur Ski Instructors Association) awarded us the Cal Cantrell Award for having the best amateur ski instruction program. Almost all of the instructors that were a part of that team were back this year. I would like to take a moment to thank all of the instructors who helped out both last year and this year.

Mike Tillman	Laurie Schwarcz
Scott Lincks	Pete Gisler
John Cholin	Lou Cizek
Ed Hirning	Kathy Kobylarz
Nancy Kaetz-Blatt	Rich Motto
Barry Schwartz	Bob Rosen
Ken Levins	John Friscia
Adrienne Buffaloe	Linda Castronovo
Bill Slinn	

These people give up their time to instruct on bus trip after bus trip. Thank you all very much.

This year, we also had several new instructors join our ranks. They are:

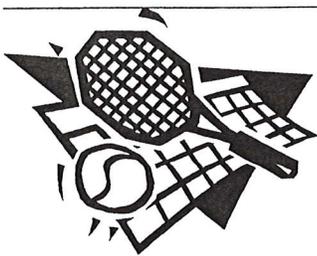
Bill Slinn	Ken Levins
Laurie Schwarcz	John Friscia
Scott Lincks	Adrienne Buffaloe

A special thanks goes out to the Board, especially Laurie Schwarcz, former Ski Vice President, for her help and support during the year.

Lastly, I would like to thank Mike Tillman, who never says no when he is asked to help out. Mike ran several of the bus trips when I could not attend and, during the year, helped out making announcements or doing anything else that was needed. Thanks, Mike!

Well, that's it for this year. I hope you all had a good time. We hope to see you again next year at our season opening 1999 GSSC INSTRUCTION DAY!

Ray Owens
Chairman
GSSC Instruction Committee



TENNIS PARTIES CONTINUE TO BE A SUCCESS!

For the 8th consecutive year, Rob Sinclair and Anne Benagh have chaired the Hawthorn Racquet Club tennis parties. With computer-logged information they arranged the mixed matches of three 40-minute sets. The Club was reserved for GSSC members from 8:00 p.m. until midnight on April 18, 1998 and May 16, 1998. Players and guests enjoyed a banquet spread of 6-foot heroes, assorted veggies, fruit, cheese, and crackers, some 'fermented' juice and soft drinks.

Most members went to socialize and others to compromise — what a place to meet! As usual, camaraderie among players was at its peak. You could hear from amongst the players shouts of "nice volley", "what a

spin", and "what a mean serve".

During one of the sets where, I was teamed up with Sue, Dot, and Kathy, I returned a serve that nearly knocked Sue's head off. Then in another match, I jumped out of harm's way of Wayne's power serve. In yet another match, I was told by a fellow member "Alice, you'll make it yet!" I'm not sure who Alice is, but he did offer some constructive criticism. As usual the hours of running around the court trying to make the other person miss the ball and dodging hits oneself took up a lot of energy.

Thanks for an enjoyable evening. Thumbs up for Anne and Rob!

Isabella Micheels



GARDEN STATE SKI CLUB RIDES 42 MILES IN THE NYC BIKE TOUR ON SUNDAY, MAY 3, 1998

*I*t was a dark and stormy night! Actually at 8:00 a.m., it was quite dark and there really was a steady rain when the tour started. Fortunately, the rain stopped at 8:05 a.m. and the sun was shining by the time we were in the Bronx. The hardest part of the day was getting up at 4:45 a.m. After a large breakfast, I packed my lunch and supplies and set off to pick up Stacey Olsen in Ridgewood. Forty minutes later we were in the Hoboken PATH station where we found Rich Bauernfeind, Eileen Stolarz and Laurie Schwarcz on the wrong train. (Remember, PATH service in the morning was limited. We had to take the Journal Square train and transfer at Grove Street for the World Trade Center.) We crossed the platform and boarded the right train headed for the Big Apple.

At 7:30 a.m., we met at the Reunion Center by the sculpture of the 'Wall Street' bull on Broadway. We then made our way to the corner of 14th Street and Sixth Avenue, arriving at 8:15 a.m. to hook up with anyone who missed us at the start. Adrienne Buffalo's chain kept coming off until it was fixed at the repair booth. She never hooked up with us, although she did see the ribbon we attached to the bull's horn. Ellen Strathy and Peter Bellin also missed us because they were running late. They all said they had a wonderful time and will do the tour again next year.

There were some other minor problems. Pat Braun forgot to bring her helmet, but she was able to purchase one at the start. Laurie had a flat which Rich and I fixed. Those of us, who did not receive their vest in the mail, went to the pick-up tables and without a hassle, were given their packages. When Diane Jehle got tired, she and Mark Simendiger took one of the many short cuts provided for that reason. Some people needed encouragement to mount up and others needed assistance up the last steep hill. The tour organizers provided for our safety throughout the trip. There were police at every intersection, marshals to warn us of turns, pot holes, areas of congestion and the bridge's expansion joints which were covered.

Throughout most of the day, the temperature was very

pleasant. When the sun came out, we would shed our extra layers of clothes. The rain gear worked well to keep us dry in the morning shower and warm when it was cloudy. At each of the five rest stops, the tour provided free bananas, oranges, power bars and water.

We were able to find each other because of the various meeting places provided and the yellow fluorescent ribbons attached to the back of our helmets. The ribbons also made it easy to see each other while we rode. Everyone except Charley and Nancy Kaetz-Blatt wore their ribbons. Unfortunately, we never saw them during the day. At the start of the tour, they wanted to be in the front because if you rode in the back half of the tour, you ended up walking in spots because of the crowds and congestion.

At lunch we met up with Abbey Braidech, Pat Braun, Ron Lichtman and his daughter, Janice. At the end of the day, at the Gateway National Recreation Area on Staten Island, the tour sponsored a giant party complete with food (fruit) and a band. By the end of the day, we were too tired to dance, so we sat next to the free massage tables, and contemplated our sore muscles.

From the party we left on the last leg of the journey, a mere three mile ride to the



Ferry. On the way, we stopped for a \$1.50 Foster beer and then took the ferry to lower Manhattan. This was the longest wait of the day, about one hour. After a short ride along the river in lower Manhattan we took the ferry to Hoboken. Once in Hoboken, we met across the street from the Hoboken Train Station at The Planet, a local bar. It was empty and we were tired. The Hoboken street fair had just ended and we saw Weaver and a few of his friends who spent the day at the fair.

I would like to thank Pat Braun for her help in organizing the trip and Rich Bauernfeind who helped throughout the day. Special thanks to everyone who kept their positive attitude, despite the minor inconveniences.

Mike Tillman

Photo courtesy of Mike Tillman



Sorace, Mary P.	Jul 02	Castronovo, Linda	Aug 01	Cizek, Lou	Sep 01
Wolf, Gary	Jul 02	Wells, Linda H.	Aug 01	Rovito, Vincent	Sep 01
Vitale, Ronald	Jul 03	Tursiella, Ken	Aug 02	Biss, Marla	Sep 01
Pelletier, Jasmin	Jul 05	Visich, Kathy	Aug 03	Ricci, Margaret	Sep 02
Buffa, Richard	Jul 05	Babcock, Bruce	Aug 03	Meyer, Jean C.	Sep 04
Morgan, Doris	Jul 05	Barber, Mary	Aug 04	Andryszewski, John	Sep 04
Sandberg, Melissa	Jul 05	LeVine, Ron	Aug 04	Smorzynski, Nancy	Sep 04
Broder, Cliff	Jul 06	Salmon, Denyse	Aug 06	Peterson, Joanne	Sep 04
Sokol-Dziedzic, Mary Ellen	Jul 06	Berkowitz, Seymour	Aug 07	Selino, Janette M.	Sep 04
Willcoxon, Steve	Jul 06	Bellucci, Terry	Aug 08	Baral, Roberta J.	Sep 05
Malzone, Jean	Jul 06	Owens, Ray	Aug 09	Kasprowicz, Kas	Sep 06
Constantin, Christine	Jul 07	Tursiella, Kim A.	Aug 09	Taylor, Richard	Sep 06
Vesper, Peggy	Jul 08	Asdal, Nancy	Aug 10	Trembicki, Diane	Sep 06
Tillman, Michael	Jul 08	Stachowicz, Mitchell	Aug 11	Cohen, Stefania	Sep 07
Lichtman, Ron	Jul 09	Smyth, Ed	Aug 12	Fisher, Jan E.	Sep 08
Foote, Beth	Jul 10	Teitelbaum, Robert	Aug 14	Lippert, Barbara	Sep 08
Hahn, Bill	Jul 10	Kaetz-Blatt, Nancy	Aug 15	Gianandrea, Richard	Sep 10
Rago, Karin	Jul 10	Bruckner, Stanley	Aug 15	Kieser, Wayne	Sep 11
Motyka, Jane E.	Jul 11	Vogel, Carla	Aug 16	Sohigian, Walter	Sep 11
Stolarz, Eileen	Jul 13	Degerdon, Laurie	Aug 17	Hood, Woody	Sep 13
Van Pelt, Celia	Jul 14	O'Brien, Margaret	Aug 17	Marcus, Neil	Sep 13
McCarthy, Vincent A.	Jul 16	Rovito, Nancy	Aug 17	Lincks, Scott	Sep 13
Young, Dennis C.	Jul 16	Lent, Maureen	Aug 18	Driscoll, Neil	Sep 15
Scarnecchia, Sharon M.	Jul 18	Turchen, Mandy	Aug 18	Escudero, Andrea	Sep 16
Kulesa, Teri	Jul 18	Ferko, Jr., Frank L.	Aug 18	Erben, Barbara	Sep 19
St. Laurent, Lee	Jul 18	Cuocci, Cosmo	Aug 19	Quindazzi, Louise	Sep 19
Schmidt, Alan	Jul 19	Daubenberger, Joy	Aug 20	Mehlman, Denise	Sep 20
Debecki, Fleurlyse	Jul 19	Johnson, Linda	Aug 22	Zamparo, Lynn	Sep 20
McGill, Michele	Jul 19	Francus, Cy	Aug 23	McMullen, Peter	Sep 26
Hirning, Kathy Kobylarz	Jul 21	Bellin, Peter	Aug 23	Mulvihill, Thomas	Sep 27
Cenicola, Yvonne E.	Jul 23	Kuhn, Gerri	Aug 24	Ratti, Susan	Sep 27
Neary, Patricia	Jul 24	Young, Pat	Aug 24	Stefanelli, Joan	Sep 27
Nukk, Mibs	Jul 24	Joyce, Agnes	Aug 25	Levins, Ken	Sep 28
Kirk, Lucille	Jul 24	Parker, Raymond T.	Aug 25	Losgar, Gerard A.	Sep 28
Slinn, William	Jul 25	Bohus, Barbara Schwerin	Aug 26	Sisko Marino, Lorraine	Sep 28
Kessler, Don	Jul 25	Hood, Louise	Aug 27	Mellody-Murante, Kathy	Sep 28
Marcus, Ray	Jul 26	Rubinstein, Linda	Aug 28	Lindsay, Mike (Weaver)	Sep 29
Veitinger, Tom	Jul 26	Bossolt, Robert J.	Aug 29	Hartmann, Theresa	Sep 29
Khoury, Carol M.	Jul 27	Story, Jr., George S.	Aug 30	Gimpel, Bob	Sep 30
Strathy, Ellen	Jul 28	Byelich, Susan	Aug 30	Armentano, Rosalinda	Sep 30
Mehlman, Shelley	Jul 30	Corbett, Cathy	Aug 30		
Waltke, Patricia	Jul 31	Collins, Barbara J.	Aug 16		



MIND GAME #1:

Translate the following sayings from the complex to the simple:

1. Scintillate, scintillate asteroid minific
2. Bleat, bleat ebony ewe
3. Petite lad cerulean, approach and huff your trumpet
4. Unpunctuality is preferable to failure
5. Benevolent deeds commence in one's domicile
6. Male cadavers are incapable of relating any testimony
7. Neophyte's serendipity

MIND GAME #2:

Alphabet Soup:

- 20 = Q(A.V. or M.)
- 7 = D. with S.W.
- 66 = B. of the B. (in the K.J.V.)
- 88 = P.K.
- 20 = C. in a P.
- 9 = J. of the S.C.
- 3 = S.Y.O. at the O.B.G.
- 1 = R.A. in E.B.

MIND GAMES submitted by Denyse Salmon

MIND GAME #2:
 20 questions (animal, vegetable, or mineral)
 7 dwarfs with Snow White
 66 books of the Bible (in the King James Version)
 88 piano keys
 20 cigarettes in a pack
 9 justices of the Supreme Court
 3 strikes you're out at the old ball game
 1 rotten apple in every barrel

MIND GAME #1:
 1. Twinkle, twinkle little star
 2. Baa, baa black sheep
 3. Little boy blue come blow your horn
 4. Better late than never
 5. Charity begins at home
 6. Dead men tell no tales
 7. Beginner's luck

Answers:

I'VE BEEN DANCING SO LONG ON MY OWN

The music started up
 So long ago.
 The melody since forgotten.
 But we danced.
 Yes, I remember we danced
 Together
 Out of step,
 Out of sync.
 But together nonetheless.
 Soon the steps became more complicated,
 More complex.
 And the effort to learn them
 Became too much to bear
 And you left me
 Standing alone there
 With the music still playing.
 And how I love to dance.
 I chose to continue dancing along
 On my own.
 You did not wish to join me.
 I did not want to sit on the side
 And watch life dance by.
 But now I find
 I've been dancing so long
 On my own,
 That I do not know
 How to dance with another.
 Yet, with love and patience
 I may learn how to dance
 Together
 With another
 In step,
 In sync.
 To flow and glide
 To the rhythm of life.
 To know I no longer have to dance
 Totally on my own.

Barbara M. Johnson
10/10/96



GSSC WEBSITE NEWS

- Misplace your latest copy of our calendar of events?
- Forget the directions to the barbecue?
- Want to see the latest photos of our activities?
- Can't remember the name of the Club Treasurer?
- Want to find out about new membership requirements?

Don't fret -- simply turn to GSSC's web site at
www.gardenstateskiclub.com
for the answers!

You'll find the current month's activity calendar under "Current Events", , the latest downhill ski race results for Men's and Women's Classes A-C in winter season in "Club Race Results", details of upcoming ski and bus trips, a list of official "Officers and Committee Chairpersons", and the latest issue of the LIFTLINE - just to name a few of the many great features of our website. You might even be surprised to find yourself in a picture that someone snapped without your knowledge! (Take a peek at the "Photo Contribution Section".) The "History of the Club" section even contains the original club logo - a native New Jersey "stinker" - check it out!

There's even a feedback link where you can supply your praise, suggestions or complaints. We've had over 1,200 hits already this year and hope that yours will be next.

Here's the verbatim comments of one of our readers from Bloomington, Illinois, who was impressed with our site. She's looking for clever road rally ideas, so let me know if you can help her out.

Kenny Levins
Webmeister
kalevins@att.net

From: Paula McGowan <info@agrivisor.com>
> To: kalevins@att.net
> Subject: SKi Club Road Rally
> Date: Monday, June 08, 1998 11:35 AM

>
> My name is Paula McGowan and I belong to the Bloomington, Illinois Ski Club. I was looking at different ski club pages, getting different ideas on summer activities. I ran across your page saying that you schedule a Car Road Rally. This year I am on the committee to put together our Road Rally and I was wondering if you had any different twists or ideas that we could do to make our Road Rally more interesting. If you do, please e-mail me. I would love to hear from you. **By the way, I love your site, one of the better one's that I have seen.**

>
> Paula McGowan

WHY I DIDN'T JOIN THE CLUB FOR THE BIKE TRIP TO ROUND VALLEY ON JUNE 21, 1998

Here are the top ten excuses:

10. I don't have a bike.
9. Bike 40 miles, I don't even drive 40 miles.
8. I can't take the humidity.
7. I have to buy a Father's Day gift.
6. I was out last night drinking and have a hangover.
5. I played tennis last night and don't think I can make it.
4. I can't find a ride.
3. I only roller blade – don't think I can make it that far.
2. I hate to wear those tight bicycle pants (a guy).
1. I have to go to work and watch them lay the new asphalt in the driveway.

Four brave souls (Nancy and Charlie Blatt and Pat and Ken Levins) did make it and had a wonderful day! (I couldn't offer an excuse as I'm married to the bike trip leader.) We met at the White House Train Station (about an hour from Maywood) where we stretched and prepared for our all day trek. We passed by Solberg Airport, site of the annual balloon festival, and numerous farms as we rode up and down the rolling hills of Hunterdon County with the sweet smells of country wild flowers. A quick stop at the Stanton Station Country Store to check out the antiques resulted in a new friend -- the proprietors' husband, Harry, who offered us \$0.50 cent sodas and access to his spring well water for wash-ups and water replenishment -- and a matching set of blue-glass vases.

One "hill" did humble us (Allerton Road-innocent sounding enough) but was it a real bear going up

endlessly and in different directions. But we were rewarded with a joyfully long descent, reaching our lunch stop at Round Valley Recreation Area. A quick dip in the reservoir and/or a fresh shower, lunch and a quick nap refreshed us for the next 16 miles of our journey. Yummy's in Lebanon offered chocolate and vanilla frozen soft ice cream to boost our energy levels. We liked the mostly downward hills of the "back 9" while enjoying the wild deer silently grazing along the way. We passed Readington Farms (you probably are familiar with their yellow and blue sunburst logo); saw some ShopRite trunks clandestinely parked in back, so you now know from whom they obtain their milk products. We were happy to return to the Readington Public Library, the old train station building, feeling a sense of great pride that we have completed the 40 mile trip.

After a quick freshening-up, we proceeded to Frescoe's, an Italian restaurant, in Lyons for a delicious four-course dinner. We were glad that we were seated at a booth to provide our rear ends with some much appreciated soft cushioning. After some Advil and well-deserved long hot showers, we all slept like babies, dreaming of our return in the Fall to do it all again.

We'd love to have you join us then.

Pat Levins

PS We've since discovered a 20 mile trek so for all of you wimps, you'll have to come up with some new original excuses!



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS...

REGULAR MEMBERS

April

Carol Alesso
Anne Cronin-LoMauro
Roberta Lichtman
Karen Sadowski
Julie Donnelly

May

Sue Dooley
Denise Santoro
James Wright

June

Scott Lincks
Kas Kasprowicz
Ralph Greene
Adrienne Buffaloe

Marian Sepede
Jackie Kevorkian
MaryAnn Kurus
John Knierim

PROVISIONAL MEMBERS

April

Anne George
Robert Smyth

Joann Meier

May

Liz Kaplan
Barbara Collins
Marianne McCormack

Karen Reilly
Jo'Anne Brehove

June

Pat Fattell

Meg DeBrot

This is a list of those names that are not listed in the club directory. The section can be cut out and taped, stapled, or glued into your directory.

Ralph Greene	000-000-0000**
Adrienne Buffaloe	000-000-0000**
Jackie Kevorkian	000-000-0000**
MaryAnn Kurus	000-000-0000**
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Robert Smyth	201-461-7777
Joann Meier	201-460-1540
Liz Kaplan	000-000-0000**
Karen Reilly	201-807-1557
Barbara Collins	201-848-0587
Jo'Anne Brehove	201-703-8271
Marianne McCormack	201-387-9300
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Meg DeBrot	201-307-9708

** Information unavailable at press time. It will be included in the next issue of the Lifeline.



FULL MOON MADNESS

Music and laughter
Drifted through the air.
The clouds parted
And two moons appeared.
Full moon madness.
Damsels beware.
On these moons
Tatoos are bared.

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