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MEETING FAQs

**Wed., November 19, 2008
7:00 p.m.**

St. Peter's Episcopal Church
109 Sand Hill Road
(next to the SW Police Station)
South Windsor, CT
**(Please note new meeting
location)**

Next meeting :
Wed., December 17, 2008
7:00 p.m.

Presidents' Message

It is November and snow is already in the air! We hear many groan at the thought, but we smile to ourselves and think YES...let's hope for TONS of white powder...

We have worked hard to put together some new programs this upcoming season as well as to continue some annual favorites. Please read through the newsletter and make a note of dates and deadlines so you

can enjoy these activities.

We are looking forward to a GREAT SEASON! Please do not hesitate to contact either of us with ideas or questions!

Lisa (Ldipinto@ugtic.com) and Jennifer (JPBlooms@cox.net)

November Program

What better way to get psyched for the upcoming ski season than by seeing and hearing about the newest skiing/riding equipment. Sam and/or Dusty from **Alpine Haus in Wethersfield** will "show and tell" new gear, talking about technology that will help get you the most out of your days on the slopes.

After the program we will distribute 2008-2009 Snow Snakes Membership Cards and discounted lift tickets. There is still time to join the club and take advantage of Ski Council Awareness Day discounts and other skiing, lodging and traveling deals.

On the agenda will be discussion of the March Weekend Snow Snake trip. For many years we had gone to Jay Peak in late March or early April. Unfortunately we were unable to close a deal with the new owners, so our trip planners have been negotiating with Sunday River, Sugarbush and Bolton Valley as we go to press. Details will be available at the meeting. Please come and add your input.

SNOW SNAKES NEWS

**It's Miller time...
that is, Warren Miller!**

The Hartford area premier of Warren Miller's latest movie, **Children of Winter**, will be on Saturday Nov. 22 at 6:00 and 9:00 p.m. at the Bushnell Theater. After the great success of offering tickets to Snow Snake members last year, we decided to plan a fun, social evening this year. For \$40 per person you can not only attend the 9:00 show, (tickets retail at \$22.50, without processing fees), but we have arranged to dine in a private room at **Vito's on the Park** (that is Bushnell Park), where we will be served a pizza dinner (including pizza, salad and soda) with fellow club members. After dinner we can all walk over to the Bushnell for the 9:00 show. This makes for a fun evening of dinner with friends, a movie on a very wide screen, and skiing discounts courtesy of Warren Miller. Join us!

Please contact Lisa Dipinto at Ldipinto@ugtic.com to buy your tickets and for details on dinner. You can pay and/or pick up your tickets at the Nov. 19 Snow Snake Meeting.

SNOW SNAKES ARE GOING GREEN! (See attached flyer)

A bus will be chartered to Stratton Mountain on 3 CSC Awareness Days (those are dates when Stratton lift tickets will cost \$35-Jan. 25, \$35 -Feb.8, and \$39 - Mar.14, to paid up Ski Council members.) Bus tickets will cost \$18 per person. You must reserve a seat and be paid in full (Lift and bus ticket, \$53 or \$57, 2 weeks before the trip.) Full refunds will be issued if the trip is cancelled due to inclement traveling weather or too few reservations. If you need to cancel, you will be refunded the

price of the lift ticket. If we are able to fill your seat, we will refund the additional \$18. Join us! Contact Jennifer Paliuca with questions JPBlooms@cox.net

Snow Snakes Aspen/Snowmass Ski Trip
March 3 to March 10, 2009

2nd Deposit Due Nov1-\$250
Balance Due Dec10 – \$936

Send all checks, made payable to Central CT Snow Snakes, to Sam Rubin, 233 Griswold Dr., West Hartford, CT 06119

Questions? Contact Jeff Sutton, Trip Chairperson at Jeff.Sutton@Waterburyha.org or call (860)653-5419 or (203)528-7818 and leave a message, he will get back to you.

Snow Snakes at Sugarloaf

Save the dates for the annual January ski trip to **Sugarloaf, ME.**
Sunday, January 11 – Friday, January 16, 2009

Includes 5 days of skiing, lessons, condo lodging, fitness club access. \$315 per person, \$90 per child (age 4 – 14).
See attached flyer --
Marie Carparelli, Trip Chairperson
mikelcarp@aol.com

Entertainment Books

The new Entertainment Books have arrived, with great discounts included! Get your copy at the Snow Snake meeting or call Chris (860 647-9415) to arrange to pick up your copy. Give them as gifts to friends and family. You can order for out of state as well. They only cost \$30 each and the Club earns money to support Snow Snake activities. It's a WIN-WIN. You save money on fine dining, fast food, groceries, clothing, car washes, travel, etc. You also save money on

Club activities. Get your copy soon and start saving!

When you receive your Snow Snake Annual Membership Application Form, please send it, with a check made payable to Central CT Snow Snakes, to: Sam Rubin, 233 Griswold Dr. W.Hartford, CT 06119.

CT SKI COUNCIL NEWS
Snowball 2008

The Ski Council's annual gala, the "Crystal Snowflake Ball" will take place on Sat. November 22 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Southbury, CT. There will be dancing to live music by Steppin' Out, ski giveaways, cash bar, and hundreds of skiers all dressed up in semiformal attire! A fun time for all. Rooms at the Crowne Plaza the night of the Snowball are \$119 each and can be reserved by calling (203) 598-7600. Be sure to mention that you are a club member of the CSC. Contact Marie Carparelli for tickets in advance at mikelcarp@aol.com

Ski Council Website

Check out the CT Ski Council website www.skiclub.com for timely info on ski club activities in the region. Here is a direct link to their newsletters
<http://www.skiclub.com/Default.aspx?uc=Newsletters>

Even though the bulk ticket order date has passed (they were due Oct.3), you can look to buy, sell and exchange bulk tickets with other CSC members via the CT Ski Council bulletin board. Once the season is underway check it out on the Council website.

Deadline for newsletter entries is the first Monday of the month. Contact Linda Grodofsky at (860) 644-5924 or Lgrodofsky@aol.com

DIRECTIONS TO ST. PETER'S CHURCH
109 SAND HILL ROAD
SOUTH WINDSOR, CT 06074
(860)644-8548

To St. Peter's from the East

1. Take **Exit 63** off **I-84 west** (Manchester/South Windsor Rt. 30/83).
2. Turn left at the end of the ramp onto Deming St.
3. Travel straight through 2 sets of lights, the road name changes to "Oakland Rd".
4. Pass a small mall and Mobil station on the left. There will be a light.
5. At the next light, take a right onto Sullivan Ave. A large white Church (Wapping Church) will be on the right.
6. Move into the left hand lane on Sullivan Avenue. You will pass the Town Hall and Library on the right. At the light the road narrows to one lane.
7. At the second light turn right onto Sand Hill Rd. (.7 miles from white church)
8. St. Peter's church is the second driveway on the right, at the top of the hill.

To St. Peter's from the West/South:

[From south: take I-91 to I-84 East at exit 29]

1. Take Exit 62 (Buckland Mall) off **I-84 East.**
2. Turn left at the light at the end of the exit ramp onto Buckland Street.
3. Go straight through the sets of lights at Buckland Mall area. Continue on Buckland Street approximately 1.5 miles (You will go through another traffic light) You will be at a 4-way intersection facing a large white church.
4. Go straight through the intersection onto Sullivan Ave., and past the Town Hall and Library on the right. Move into the left hand lane.
5. Go to the second traffic light, (.7

miles from white church) turn right onto Sand Hill Rd. St.Peter's is the second driveway on the right at the top of the hill.

To St. Peter's from the North:

1. Take **I-91** to Exit 44, Route 5, East Windsor (exit only).
2. Bear right onto Route 5 South. Go 4.4 miles into South Windsor
3. When the road becomes divided, move into the left lanes for turning at the light onto Sullivan Ave. (Rte 194).
4. Go 3.3 miles on Sullivan Ave. At the sixth traffic light, turn left onto Sand Hill Rd.
5. St. Peter's is at the second driveway on the right, at the top of the hill.

To St. Peter's from Bradley Airport:

Take the airport road to Rt. 20 east toward I-91. Bear left onto I-91 north. As you go over the Connecticut river exit #43 for E. Windsor, Rt. 5 south. Bear right onto Rt. 5 south. Pickup main directions "From the North" at 2.

St. Peter's Is Next To The Police Station.

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