



MARCH



President's Message...

Hi Ski Club Members,

Do we have spring fever yet? I know my wife and I are ready. Speaking of spring, we have a lot of activities coming our way. We have **Trivia at the Crow's Nest on March 14**, "**Margaritaville**" theme Party on April 27 for our **Spring Apre's Party** at the Windber American Legion.

For tickets to our **Spring Party**, contact Annette Kamzik at 814-242-0571. *Make checks payable to "Johnstown Ski Club" and mail to JSC, PO Box 937, Johnstown, PA 15907. Ticket will be mailed to you.*

Plus we have our Spring **Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup** on April 20. See everyone there!

I would like to say thanks to all folks that came out for the Tomahawks game (32) and members who met up at the Windber Hotel for the mixer (30). Again thank you!

And last of all, I would like to say welcome to all the new members that have joined in the last two months. Thanks for making us bigger and stronger! And for the rest of us, keep your fingers crossed for warm weather and a lot of sunshine.

Randy



3rd Annual Trivia Game Night at Crow's Nest Thursday, March 14 at 5:30pm

Instead of a monthly mixer this month, we are having our 3rd Annual Trivia Game Night at the Crow's Nest in Tirehill. Join us on Thursday, March 14 at the Crow's Nest (backroom) in Tirehill for another fun evening.

We are looking for teams of 6 people with a passion for *useless knowledge*. Cost is \$15 per ski club member. RSVP with payment on or before Wednesday, March 6.

See [page 2](#) and [4](#) for more information.

Come and join us!! Tickets for Margaritaville Party will be available for purchase that evening.

Dates to Remember....



Mar 14 Thurs: 3rd Annual Trivia Game Night
Crow's Nest (Tirehill)
RSVP on or before by March 6
[No Mixer this month]

Mar 17 Sun: St. Patrick's Day



Apr 20 Sat: Adopt-a-Highway
Eisenhower Blvd
Richland

Apr 27 Sat: Spring (Après)
"Margaritaville" Party
American Legion
Windber
RSVP on or before by April 17
Ticket: \$10/member



July 21 Sun: Annual Picnic
Solomon Run Fire Hall

Nov 9: 46th Kick-Off Party
at Ace's





Open Nominations for 2024-25 Club Officers

March starts open nominations for 2024-25 Club Officers. Throughout March and April, we will have nominations for next season's officers.

We have had a strong dedicated group of officers each year to keep this club going into its *46th year*. Along with experience, we are also looking for newbies who want to oversee this organization this coming term.

Review the list of the duties of the Executive Board on page 3. You can nominate club members that you feel are the best qualified for these positions or you can even nominate yourself. **Contact President Randy at normvan2023@yahoo.com for your nominations.** Elections are held in the May (more information in upcoming months on the election date.)

Without our dedicated board members, this club would not continue to exist.

Thursday, March 14 at 5:30pm Trivia Game Night at Crow's Nest (Tirehill)



RSVP with PAYMENT on or before
Wednesday, March 6

It's BACK!!! We have finalized the plans for our Third annual Trivia Game Night. Join us on Thursday, March 14 at the Crow's Nest (backroom) in Tirehill for another fun evening.

We are looking for teams of 6 people with a passion for useless knowledge (*don't forget to name your team*). Quizmaster **Karen Hogue** listened to everyone's input last year. *You definitely can drink a little more and think a little less this year. LOL.* Don't worry if you do not have a team, we will put you on a team. **It is limited to 60 people (10 teams).** So sign up now!

Cost is \$15 for members whether you are playing or helping and \$25 for non-members. A minimum of two ski Club members must be on a team.

Door opens at 5:30pm, food at 6pm (snacks, chicken tenders, BBQ meatballs, mac'n cheese, pretzel bites, and cookies.) **CASH BAR. Sorry- no food or beverages can be brought in!**

Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners that evening—first, second, and third places

RSVP on or before **Wednesday, March 6 with payment** (check payable to "Johnstown Athletic Ski Club") along with the RSVP form and mail to club member:

Ann Franze
160 Windsor Drive
Johnstown, PA 15904

See page 4 for the flyer for all the information including the RSVP (form on the bottom of that page).

Tickets for April 27th Margaritaville Party will be available for purchase that evening.

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**March 17, 2024**



**Saturday, April 20 at 10am**  
**Adopt-a-Highway**  
**on Eisenhower Blvd.**



Ah yes! Mark this on your calendar! It is the beginning of Spring and that means it is our first Adopt-a-Highway Clean-up of the year. [Did you know that it has been 32 years that we have been doing this worthy project??] We will hold our spring clean-up on Saturday April 20. Meet us at 10am beside the Rite-Aid Drug Store in the Ollie's Plaza in Richland as we clean-up our usual three-mile section of Eisenhower Blvd. Our group leader **Club Officer Lynne Dougherty** will hand out supplies and organize members into work groups. Afterwards, the club will pick up the tab at **Pappy's for pizza lunch!**

Since this is the first clean-up of the year, it is the one that needs the most help — so please consider joining the group for this very important civic club event. If you know any high school students who need service hours, tell them to come and join us. Rain or Shine! No need to call, just meet us at 10am.

All we need is 90 minutes of your time and you get a pizza lunch afterwards!!

**Saturday, April 27 from 6-10pm**  
**“Margaritaville Party”**  
**(Club's Spring / Après Party)**  
**at Windber's American Legion**  
**RSVP on or before Wednesday, April 17**



Our Spring /Après [that is French for “After” as in “after the skiing season”] Party this year will be at the American Legion in Windber. This is our second big club party for 2024-25 term. Thanks to club member **Joe Eget** for suggesting this location.

The American Legion is located at 312 14th Street. You can find parking on the streets, or behind the Legion in the BiLo parking lot on their left side by the bank. You enter at the front of the Legion with the party in the downstairs. (For those that cannot do steps, there is an elevator on the right side outside of the building.)

Our theme this year is “Margaritaville Party”. Margaritaville attire is optional. Tickets are on sale at \$10/person. See flyer enclosed for info on how to purchase tickets. You must RSVP by Wednesday, April 17 for your ticket. (Please remember that it may take several days to get to you.) There will be no tickets sold at the door. No outside food or drinks permitted. We will have our basket raffles and our 50/50 tickets PLUS surprises!

See page 5 for the flyer for all the information. Hope to see you there!



**Wanted:**  
**Club Officers for the**  
**2024-25 year.**

Read the following list to see which office fits you:

**Executive Board Officers' Duties:**

1. **President** — oversees club functions and represents the club.
2. **Vice President** — assists the President and is in charge of membership.
3. **Secretary** — takes minutes at monthly Executive Board meetings, prepares Sign-up Sheets, and other club correspondence.
4. **Treasurer** — responsible for financial aspects of the club, checking account and bank statements.
5. **Financial Director**—in charge of fundraising which includes 50/50 tickets, coordinates Kick Off Party door prizes, Thank You letters to ad and door prize sponsors.
6. **Newsletter Editor** — gathers information at monthly Executive Board meetings, then organizes information and prepares the monthly newsletter, sends info to our web site.
7. **Communications Director** — in charge of all promotional work and publicity by media for Kick - Off Party, membership drives, fundraising, etc., and responsible for monthly web Calendar Page.
8. **Trustees** (4 elected)— attend the Executive Board meetings to offer opinions, learn the operation of the club, responsible for end of year audit of treasurer's records.

The term runs from **May 2024—May 2025**. The Board meets once a month to plan and organize events. **Officers are all expected to lead at least one event and assist with other events.**

**If this is something you are willing to do, then consider running for an office! We hope members will step up and run for an officer position. In being an officer, your membership dues are free that term.**

**Without our dedicated board members, this club would not continue to exist !**

If you want to nominate someone or nominate yourself,  
please contact President Randy Lear  
[normvan2023@yahoo.com](mailto:normvan2023@yahoo.com)



# SKI CLUB TRIVIA NIGHT



Thursday, March 14, 2024

Crow's Nest

Doors open at 5:30pm Food at 6:00pm Trivia to follow.

## FOOD & DRINKS

Snacks, Chicken Tenders, BBQ Meatballs, Mac n' Cheese, Pretzel Bites, and Cookies ~ CASH BAR ~  
**NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK PERMITTED!!!!**

## COST

\$15/Ski Club Member

\$25/Non-Member

\*\*A minimum of 2 Ski Club members must be on a team\*\*

## PRIZES

Cash Prizes will be awarded for top teams ~ 50/50 Drawing

## TEAMS

Teams of 6

\*\*If you have a team organized, please list **all members & team name** on your form\*\*

\*\*\*If you do not have a team, no worries! We will place you on a team! \*\*\*

## PAYMENT

Please make checks payable to [Greater Johnstown Athletic Ski Club](#) and return form to:

Ann Franze

160 Windsor Drive Johnstown, PA 15904

Text or call (814) 421-4427

Cut here:: \_\_\_\_\_

## RSVP by March 6<sup>th</sup>

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I have a team (see below). \_\_\_\_\_ I do not have a team.

Team Members (6):  
1 \_\_\_\_\_  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_  
5 \_\_\_\_\_  
6 \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_





## **MARGARITAVILLE PARTY**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27 from 6 PM-10 PM**

at

**Windber American Legion, 312 14<sup>th</sup> St.  
Windber, PA**



***Ticket: \$10/Member – CASH BAR***

***No outside food or drinks permitted.***

***PLEASE NOTE: RSVP ON OR BEFORE WED. APRIL 17!***

***Make checks payable to “Johnstown Ski Club” and mail to JSC,  
PO Box 937, Johnstown, PA 15907. Ticket will be mailed to you.  
Questions: Call Annette Kamzik at 814 241-0571***

***No tickets sold at door and no walk-ins!***

**Music by: Bob Snoby — RAFFLES - Food by American Legion**

**Menu: Pulled Pork, Chicken Tenders, Cheesy Potatoes, Broccoli Salad,  
Fruit Salad, and Cake**

# *And a Good Time was had by All....*

## **Club Mixer/Meeting at TnC's on Thursday, January 18:**

On a wintery evening, we had a nice turnout with 22 people attending. Their menu was very good along with their wait staff. **Sam Zima** was very lucky that evening. Thanks to Terry and Chuck of TnC's for their great hospitality. We always have a great time there.

## **Sunday Hike at Top of Ligonier Mt (on Rt 271) on Sunday, February 4:**

Since the weather looked nice (for February), **Trustee AJ Stumpo** decided to lead a three-mile loop at top of Laurel Ridge. So we sent out an e-blast to our members thru email and on our Facebook page to join him.

Our new member **Karen Sweeney** joined AJ. They did the three-mile hike loop along the Laurel Hiking Trail and on the Gas Line then and back.

*Keep an eye out for more spur-of-the-moment outings thru our e-blasts.*

...Thanks to **Trustee AJ Stumpo** for leading this event.

## **Johnstown Tomahawks Hockey Game at War Memorial on Saturday, February 18:**

It was a Hockey Night in Johnstown!! If you were looking for good time plus an inexpensive evening, it was at the War Memorial hockey game! We over doubled the amount of club members and friends attending this year compared to last year—with 32 club members and friends along with over 2100 fans of the Tomahawks watching them that evening. The Tomahawks started out slow but ended up beating Danbury (CT) Hat Tricks.



We also had NBC sportscaster Bob Costas drop the puck at the start of the game. And of course, this year, **Past President Conrad** and **Trustee Steve McGee** were able to get their pictures taken with him (see our Facebook page).

...Thanks to Club Officer **Barbara Visnovsky** for organizing this fun and enjoyable outing.

## **Club Mixer/Meeting at Windber Hotel on Thursday, February 22:**

Another great turn-out for our mixer this time at the Windber Hotel. We were overflowing in their side room with 30 members turning out that night. Our waitress was great along with their food. **Sam Zima** was (*Again!*) very very lucky that evening. And it was great finally seeing **Nick and Annette Ballow** - *don't be a stranger!*

## **Laurel Summit Nordic Ski Patrol Open House and Moonlight Hike at Laurel Summit on Saturday, February 24:**

"The open house went well with a few visitors streaming in throughout the day. **AJ Stumpo** assisted with the open house as a Mountain Host with the ski patrol. Full moon hike was fun. **Mike and Darlene Dilla** from the Ski Club joined us along with a member from Pennsylvania association of Cross-country skiers (PACCSA). We hiked almost 4 miles while watching the sunset and the moonrise. Hoping to do again next full moon."

...Thanks to **Sue Lee** for submitting the article.

# Did You Know ??



.... Our photos of the November Kick-Off Party in February's edition of Johnstown Magazine? Thanks to VP Annette Kamzik for taking the the photos and for Beth Layton for submitting them to the magazine.

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Welcome to our newest member...

to Marian Hockycko & Bart Suveges.



We now have 208 members!!

Congrats to...

to Suzy Brett for referring a total of three new members for 2023-24. Thus her membership is free this year!

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## Congratulations to...



To Kathy Tercek and Kurt Kushner, and To Amy Dubstadt and Jeff Carey

On their recent marriages. Best wishes to the happy couples!

## Congrats to...



Judy Crookston who recently earned "Master Artist". She also is a certified Pro Photographer plus a Master Photographer.

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The club has another one!

Congrats to Bob Rauch on his Hole in One at The Plantation in Leesburg, Florida! Check out at photos on our club's Facebook page.

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## 2024-25 Ski Season Passes \*\*:

Do not be left out in the cold next winter. Be sure to purchase your season pass *early* for great savings!

\*\* For updated information, check out the ski resort's web site.

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Get Well Wishes to...



Jeff Carey, Dan Gjurich, Dave Mercik, Beverly Poole, and Kathy Tarrazi.

Hope you all are feeling better. And on the mend *real soon!*