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GRANITE PEAK

By Diane Erlandson, Co-chair

Seventeen exuberant ULLRs carpoled to Granite Peak in Wausau, Wisconsin, on Tuesday, February 18, for downhill skiing, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. Wednesday was a perfect day with a beautiful sunny sky, little wind and all runs groomed. There were a few minor incidents. One of the chair lifts had trouble, so about 8 of us were on that lift for at least 20 minutes. The lift was closed down for further attention. Mary Ellen Gabel and Ken Marini fell, but they were okay. Ken was completely covered in snow, looking like a snowman.

Our group was allowed to use the large breakfast room for our pizza party Tuesday evening, where we gathered for a nice evening. It was then we learned of an impending blizzard with 8 – 10 or more inches of snow coming into our drive home path. We all decided to leave a day earlier, Wednesday evening, right after skiing. Looking out the window as I am writing this Thursday, February 20th, I know we made the correct decision. A great time was had by all, and we are looking forward to skiing Granite Peak again.



Lots of snow!



*Does anyone know which way is home? They may be legendary, but they don't know where they are going!
John S, Dave S, Patty F, Sharon M, Diane E*

64th ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET AND DANCE – TULIPS IN SPRING!

Saturday, May 10, 2014

At the Fort Snelling Officers' Club
395 Highway 5 [at Post Road]
St. Paul 55111

5:30 – Socializing & Cash bar

6:30 – Dinner

7:15 – Awards Program

8:00–11:00 – Dance to

"The Squires Band"

Cost: Members and Guests — \$45

RSVP: By May 5 with check payable to ULLR Club and menu choice(s) to Diane Erlandson
8200 West 33rd St., #302
St. Louis Park MN 55426

Choose one of the following:

1. Classic Roasted Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus and a baked potato
2. North Country walleye sautéed in Parmesan bread crumbs and wild rice pilaf

[A vegetarian entrée is available if requested in advance.]

Banquet Chairs: Mary Ellen Gabel [651-789-7832] and Sharon Marini [952-893-7408]

Sign up at the April 10th General Meeting.
ULLR Cancellation Policy Applies.



Happy ULLRs at the rustic Stoney Creek Inn

Back: Wayne J, John S, Joella W, Dave S, Barb K, Jerry S, Mary Ellen G, Judy B, Karen H **Middle:** Nancy S, Karen H, Diane E, Sally C, Sharon M, Eldon K **Front:** Ken M, Patty F

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Cheryl Rogers



Most of us now know what the term "polar vortex" means after experiencing it this winter. We hardy ULLR members have also experienced...misery...thick ice on our roads...tricky driving...creeping around intersections to see if the lane is clear...snow on the roof and ice dams...numerous school closures...frozen pipes...late Northstar Commuter Trains...parking bans...just the beginning of horrible potholes, etc.

The good news is the breakup of the polar vortex occurs between middle March to middle May, the average date being April 10th. Hopefully, this means that ULLR women will be able to wear some bare shoulder ensembles to the upcoming Spring Awards Banquet on May 10. We hope our ULLR snowbirds will be flying north to join the rest of us for this wonderful gala event. The deadline for reservations is May 5th.

Our March and April calendars were full of wonderful hikes, cross-country, and snowshoeing options. A new social event has been added as an ULLR ongoing event – ULLR Last Thursday Happy Hour. ULLRs will be traveling to various pubs. The planning for this year's biking season was held at Patty Fitzgerald and John Stiefel's home March 9th. Sally Chevalier is bringing ULLRs to the Old Log on April 6 to see "Steel Magnolias."

In this NULLR issue you will read about the ULLR Board Election Candidates for 2014-15. The candidates were presented to the membership at the March General Meeting, and we will vote at the April General Meeting. The new Board begins their term on May 1st for one year. Also at the April meeting the Foundation will be holding a raffle and bingo fund raiser. Let's support their efforts on April 10th.

APRIL MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

By Carol Bush, Membership VP

[This information does not appear in the online Nullr for security reasons.]

DIRECTORY CHANGES:

KAY STERLING

DIRECTORY ADDITIONS:

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www.ullr.org

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UPCOMING SINGLES EVENTS [see detailed flyers on the website www.ULLR.org]

ULLR Singles' Events are open to all single ULLRs. If you have any suggestions for other activities that you think we could do, let me know. Thank you. Margie Seklund – 952-808-8141

SINGLES CARD/GAME NIGHTS

Bring a dish to share, beverage, and any games you'd like to play.

Date: Friday, April 11, 2014 – 7:00 PM
Host: Audrey Kramer
Location: 8566 Powers Place
Chanhassen, MN 55317
RSVP: Call Audrey at 952-456-4687

Date: Friday, May 9, 2014 – 7:00 PM
Host: Joyce Butler
Location: 9138 Neill Lake Road
Eden Prairie, MN 55347
RSVP: Call Joyce at 952-941-6130

Date: Friday, June 13, 2014 – 7:00 PM
Host: Larry Johnson
Location: 13244 Virginia Terrace
Savage, MN 55378
RSVP: Call Larry at 952-447-5833

GREET FELLOW ULLRS AT THE WINTER GENERAL MEETINGS

Dates: **Thursday, April 10 – Election of officers followed by the Foundation Raffle & Bingo**
Location: Marian Knights of Columbus Hall
1114 American Blvd., Bloomington, MN 55420
Times: 6:30 PM Socializing
7:00 PM Meeting followed by program

Details: The KC Hall will set aside a special area upstairs for ULLRs. The dining area opens at 5:00 PM. **Please contact Lisa at 952-888-1492 to reserve space.** Let her know how many persons are attending and arrival time. The cost of the meals and drinks, including those at the Social Hour, are credited to the club to help defray the rental cost of the meeting room. [See ULLR directory for map].

NEWS FROM THE ULLR FOUNDATION

By Jerry Weiskopf

The foundation presented a check to Hammer Residences on Jan. 29, for therapeutic equipment. Pro Act in Red Wing is expanding their therapeutic exercise program to include yoga. They will need necessary equipment. The Board voted to give them a grant to purchase yoga equipment. We will be presenting a check to them on March 18.

The Foundation Bingo Raffle will be April 10, at K.C. hall after the general meeting. We have many nice prizes like dinner vouchers, wine, candles, and sports equipment. I hope you will join us for a fun evening, We really need your support.

DINNER &/OR BEVERAGE & MOVIE NIGHTS

Dates: Tuesdays, April 15 and May 20. Order dinner by 6:00 PM or join in for a beverage.

Contact: Sherrie Mitchell

Location: Big 10 Restaurant and Bar
1106 Main Street, Hopkins, MN 55343
www.big10restaurant.com

Movie after dinner at the close by

Mann Hopkins Cinema Six Theater
For a listing of movies call 952-931-7992 or go to www.manntheatresmn.com/locations

RSVP: Call Sherrie at 952-942-8898 or skibirds3@yahoo.com

SINGLES DINING

Date: Tuesday, March 25, 2014 – 5:30 PM
Location: Doolittles Woodfire Grill
550 Winnetka Avenue North
Golden Valley, MN 55427 [across Hwy 55 from Brookview Park]
www.doolittles.com/locations/golden-valley
RSVP: **By March 23** to Ellise Lamb at 952-442-9332 or ellise.lamb@mchsi.com

Date: Tuesday, May 27, 2014 – 5:30 PM
[or at 5:00 PM for Happy Hour]
Location: Jimmy's Food and Cocktails
11000 Red Circle Drive, Minnetonka 55343
[near CR 62 and Shady Oak Road]
www.jimmysfoodandcocktails.com
RSVP: **By May 25** to Ellise Lamb at 952-442-9332 or ellise.lamb@mchsi.com

A LAS VEGAS SHOW IN BLOOMINGTON

West coast singer Frank DiSalvo will perform only ONE fabulous concert in the Twin Cities, at the KC Hall in Bloomington. His voice and performance of familiar songs bring rave reviews.

Date: Thursday, July 31, 2014
Noon: Luncheon of pasta and chicken salad, green beans, roll, beverage, and cookie
1-3:00 PM: Concert. A Cash Bar will be available and a small area for dancing will be provided.
Reservations: Call Karen Gray at 952-895-8960
Cost: \$32.00 This includes lunch, tax, gratuity, and concert. [Reg: \$35.00] No tickets will be sold at the door.

Checks payable to: Strategies for Success

Mail to: Karen Gray
13216 Pine Ridge Road, Burnsville, MN 55337

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Election of officers for the ULLR Ski Bike & Social Club will take place during the Annual Meeting, Thursday, April 10, 2014, at the Bloomington K.C. Hall. Officers to be elected are President, Executive Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Ski Programs Vice President, Summer Programs Vice President and Membership Vice President. *[The Current President automatically assumes the position of Past President and becomes a Lifetime Honorary Member of the Club.]*

CANDIDATES FOR THE ULLR BOARD – 2014-2015



FOR PRESIDENT: Karen Gray

About fifteen years ago, a dating counselor encouraged me to join a ski club claiming that I would be doing the things I like to do with fun people and maybe I would even meet the right man. He was right on! I have had such a good

time, I have made so many wonderful friends, and Gary and I have been together for over 12 years. I can't imagine my life without ULLRs. I recently served on the board as Executive V.P. for two years. I started the ULLR Bridge Club, and have planned many trips.

Why should you want me as president? They always say, "If you want something done, ask a busy person to do it." Retirement is the time for me to do all of the things I never had time to do before while pursuing my careers as special education teacher and store owner, and raising two children. My days are full with Jazz piano lessons, American Association of University Women, VEAP [food shelf in Bloomington], helping 1st graders with reading, ULLR Bridge, two book clubs, duplicate bridge [sometimes 3 times per week], gardening, quilting/sewing, cooking, YMCA classes, and getting together with ULLR and other friends. As president, I expect Gary and I will dust off our skis, bikes and hiking boots, and become more active. I would consider it an honor and a pleasure to serve on the ULLR Board as your president.



FOR EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT: Mary Ellen Gabel

Since 1982 I've been an ULLR member and have loved every minute of it! It's a great club, and I've made a lot of friends. It feels like a second family to me. I've enjoyed being your Executive

VP for this past year, which was a learning experience for me. I've been on the Board three times as Secretary since I retired in 2000. I was in charge of the bike program when it was in its infancy. I've run day and weekend ski and bike trips and also cultural events. I was honored to be chosen ULLR of the Year along with Blaine Totman in 2004. I'm looking forward to being Executive VP for another year as I've gotten ideas that I haven't used yet for speakers or programs at the meetings. If any of you have more suggestions, please tell me. Volunteering for the club activities, as well as being an officer, is important. It keeps the ULLR club going and makes it what it is - a wonderful club to be a part of. Hopefully, many of you will feel the same way and say "yes" in the future so the club can continue to exist for all of us.



FOR SECRETARY: Judy Burich

Thank you to the ULLR Nomination Committee for selecting me as a candidate for the position of Club Secretary. This would be my first opportunity to serve on the ULLR Board, and I look forward to it. I have been an ULLR member since 1996 and have enjoyed a variety of club activities including skiing, biking, hiking, and attending cultural events. Remember the many ski trips up north by bus with box lunches, movies, and guitar music? Through the years I have made wonderful friendships. With ULLR friends I have gone on a "trip of a lifetime", white-water rafting on the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon.

Now that I'm fully retired from teaching and subbing [having taught German and ESL – English as a Second Language – over a 25-year-period] and no longer babysitting my grandchildren who are now all in school, I have more time to give back to a wonderful club.



FOR TREASURER: Carol Bush

I have been a member of the ULLRs since the early 1980's. During that time I have participated in and enjoyed a variety of club activities from biking, skiing, camping, social and cultural events. I spent several years as an ULLR

foundation Board member. In the last four years I have been on the ULLR Board as secretary, Membership VP, and acting Treasurer. I still work part time as a consultant helping a company with its accounting needs.



FOR SKI VICE PRESIDENT: Sharon Marini

The ULLR Ski, Bike and Social Club is one of the best clubs that I have belonged to. I have been a member for about 9 years. During that time I have served as secretary and Summer V.P. for a total of 4 years. Besides helping with the Holiday Ball and Spring Banquet, I have co-chaired the Nisswa (Paul Bunyan bike trip) for 3 years and the Lanesboro bike trip. My favorite activities are biking, hiking, skiing, gardening, travel and socializing. Also, I am learning to play bridge. This club offers all of the above and so much more. I will do my best to serve you as Ski V.P.

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FOR SUMMER VP: Patty Fitzgerald

I have been a member of the ULLR club since the spring of 1994. I joined looking for other people that were active like me and enjoyed outdoor sports. I hadn't skied for several years at that time, but it was fun to get back into the groove,

and I was impressed with the organization of the club and the friendly members. I also started biking with the club and quickly learned that I needed a lighter bike and some stronger legs, so I pushed myself to get fast enough to be able to finish a ride (usually at the back of the group). Now my two favorite sports are skiing and biking, and I have certainly found a great group of friends that I can enjoy them with. I have been on the ULLR board twice as Membership VP and served for 2 years each time. It is a great way to become even closer to other members and to give back to the club. I have also run numerous biking events and skiing events over the years, including Lanesboro Bike & Golf, Granite Peak 2012, and Steamboat 2014, as well as served as folding party host and co-chair. I still work part time as a title closer. If elected as your Summer VP I will do my best to ensure that our members are exposed to many fun summer activities.



FOR MEMBERSHIP VICE PRESIDENT: Carol DeVore

This time around, I've been a member of ULLRs for maybe 10 years, having previously joined once or twice to go on trips. One year a friend talked me into joining in order to race, but shivering

in the cold night air waiting for my turn among 40 other racers, I decided one season was enough. I cashiered at What's Cookin' for three years, and this is my third year greeting members at the monthly meeting sign-in table. I can't keep up with the hikers, bikers or skiers anymore, but I attend other ULLR activities and have hosted several singles' game nights.

Besides ULLR, I belong to two other ski clubs and am on the MSC Board as Director of Publications. I help produce the MSC newspaper, the "Midwest Sportster," editing Club News, writing a column, "Carol's Cube," and I distribute the Sportster to sports shops and libraries four times a year – until somebody offers to take that job...anyone? I will do my best to perform the duties of Membership VP this coming year.

RECALLING PAST EVENTS

A sincere thanks to these ULLRs who organized and/or led an event in March. VOLUNTEER! Call a program coordinator with your program idea.

FEBRUARY

27 – Happy Hour at Kozlak's Royal Oak Restaurant
Pam Anderson & Joy Knudson

9 – Bike Planning Party
Patty Fitzgerald & John Stiefel

13 – General Meeting & Square Dance
Mary Ellen Gabel

18 – Dinner &/or Beverage & Movie Night
Sherrie Mitchell

21 – Noon Folding Party
Mary Ellen Gabel

MARCH

4 – Mardi Gras Party
Margie Seklund

14 – Single Card/Game Night
Pam Anderson

18 – ULLR Bridge Club
Sharon Marini

25 – Singles Fine Dining at Doolittles
Ellise Lamb

8 – Elm Creek Park Cross Country/Snowshoe
Jim Habeck

27 – Last Thursday Happy Hour at Cooper Pub
Pam Anderson & Joy Knudson

A NIGHT IN VIENNA

Join ULLRS for a Sommerfest concert at newly remodeled Orchestra Hall

Date: Saturday, July 12 at 8:00 PM
Meet on the plaza for food and drinks

Cost: \$29 for main floor tickets
Deadline for payment is June 1

Make checks PAYABLE to:
Contact: Carol Burgess
16705 12th Avenue North
Plymouth, MN 55447

[ULLR cancellation policy applies.]

THE OLD LOG THEATRE

Join ULLRs for the play, "Steel Magnolias." The story is a celebration of the strong bond between six women in Louisiana.



Date: Sunday, April 6, 2014, 1:40 PM
Where: Old Log Theatre
5185 Meadville St., Greenwood, MN 55331
Cost: \$30.00 [If more than 15 attend, there is a \$5.00 refund.]
Checks to: Sally A. Chevalier
4108 Kerry Ct., Minnetonka, MN 55345
Questions: Call Sally at 952-935-7000
Optional: Dinner following at the Bayside Grille in Excelsior
ULLR Cancellation Policies Apply.
DEADLINE IS MARCH 24, 2014.

Social & Cultural Calendar – 2014

March 18 – Tuesday [Noon]

ULLR Bridge Club

Host: Sharon Marini
8201 York Avenue South
Bloomington, MN 55431
Phone: 952-893-7408

March 18 – Tuesday

Dinner &/or Beverage & Movie Night

Contact: Sherrie Mitchell
Phone: 952-942-8898

March 21 – Friday [Noon]

Folding Party

Host: Mary Ellen Gabel
3213 Skycroft Drive NE
Minneapolis, MN 55418
Phone: 612-789-7832

March 25 – Tuesday [5:30]

Singles' Fine Dining at
Doolittles Woodfire Grill

Contact: Ellise Lamb
Phone: 952-442-9332

March 27 – Thursday [3-6:00 PM]

ULLR "Last Thursday" Happy Hour
at Cooper Pub
1607 Park Place Blvd.
St. Louis Park, MN
[SW corner of I-394
& Hwy. 100]

Optional movie theatre across the street

Contacts: Joy Knudson &
Pam Anderson
Phones: 952-240-8418 [J]
763-315-3772 [P]

April 6 – Sunday [1:40 PM]

Play "Steel Magnolias"
at the Old Log Theatre

Optional: Dinner afterwards at the
Bayside Grill, Excelsior

Checks due by March 23.

Contact: Sally Chevalier
Phone: 952-935-7000

April 10 – Thursday [6:30 PM]

General Meeting at K.C. Hall
Annual Election of Officers and
Foundation Raffle and Bingo

Optional: Dinner before meeting
Contact: Mary Ellen Gabel
Phone: 612-789-7832

April 11 – Friday

Singles' Card/Game Night

Host: Audrey Kramer
8566 Powers Place
Chanhassen, MN 55317
Phone: 952-456-4687

April 15 – Tuesday [Noon]

ULLR Bridge Club

Host: Karen Gray
13216 Pine Ridge Road
Burnsville, MN 55337
Phone: 952-895-8960

April 15 – Tuesday

Dinner &/or Beverage & Movie Night

Contact: Sherrie Mitchell
Phone: 952-942-8898

April 24 – Thursday [3-6:00 PM]

ULLR "Last Thursday" Happy Hour
at Campiello Ristorante
& Bar
6411 City West Pkwy.
Eden Prairie 55344
[Between Hwys 62 & 212,
east of Shady Oak Road]

Contacts: Joy Knudson &
Pam Anderson
Phones: 952-240-8418 [J]
763-315-3772 [P]

May 10 – Saturday [5:30 PM]

Spring Awards Banquet

Contact: Mary Ellen Gabel
Phone: 612-789-7832

May 9 – Friday

Singles' Card/Game Night

Host: Joyce Butler
9138 Neill Lake Road
Eden Prairie 55347
Phone: 952-941-6130

May 10 – Saturday [5:30 PM]

Spring Awards Banquet

Contact: Mary Ellen Gabel
Phone: 612-789-7832

May 20 – Tuesday [Noon]

ULLR Bridge Club

Host: TBD

May 20 – Tuesday

Dinner &/or Beverage & Movie Night

Contact: Sherrie Mitchell
Phone: 952-942-8898

May 27 – Tuesday [5:30 PM]

Singles Fine Dining at
Jimmy's Food & Cocktails

Contact: Ellise Lamb
Phone: 952-442-9332

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www.ullr.org
for updated details

2014 Hike Schedule

*[In case of inclement weather
check with the chair to see if
event is canceled]*

APRIL

April 5 – Saturday [10:15 AM]

Event: Lake of the Isles Hike
Meet at 28th Street, on the
east side of Lake of the Isles.
Lunch after at
Famous Dave's.

Famous

Dave's: 3001 Hennepin Avenue
Minneapolis

Contact: Carol Bush

Phone: RSVP 952-922-8035 [h]
952-240-7880 [c]

April 26 – Saturday [9:45 AM]

Event: Lake Como Hike
Meet at Como
Lakeside Pavilion
1360 Lexington Pkwy. N.
St. Paul, MN
Lunch after at Black Bear
Crossings in the Pavilion

Optional after

Lunch: Visit zoo & conservatory

Contact: Mary Ellen Goriesky

Phone: RSVP 952-942-0178 [h]
507-271-8603 [c]

WHAT'S COOKIN' PICNICS

Summer will come. Put these dates
on your calendar for these popular
events: June 11 and 25, July 9 and
23, August 6 and 20, and September
3, 2014.

Hosts/Cooks are still needed

for July 9. Please call Mary Ellen
Goriesky at 952-942-0178 or e-mail
SummerVP@ullr.org to volunteer.

A successful summer picnic
schedule requires help from many
ULLR members.

Many thanks to these folks who
helped with last year's picnic: Dave
and Karen Oakland, supply chairs;
Nadine Carr, cashier; and Joyce Bolt,
beverages. They are resigning their
positions. Will YOU volunteer to take
their job? Also, thank you to Nancy
Kastner for securing these dates
from the Golden Valley Park and Rec.

STEAMBOAT – 2014

By co-chairs Patty Fitzgerald and Karen Holmquist

“Let it Snow, Let it Snow!” And it did, and it did! Instead of calling Steamboat “Ski-Town USA,” it should be called “Snow-Town USA.” Arriving on Sunday with sunny, beautiful blue skies, it was a scenic drive to Steamboat Springs via Rabbit Ears Pass. After settling in the condos, we enjoyed a pizza party while watching the lopsided Super Bowl game. Can you believe that it was played over and over on local TV? Wasn’t once more than enough?

Skiing the next two days proved difficult with the constant snowfall. Unfortunately, we had three injuries due to the



*Barb K, Manfred D, Pam A & Karen H
the first day at Steamboat*

LAST THURSDAY HAPPY HOUR

ULLRs have a new event to enjoy. Pam Anderson and Joy Knudson hosted the first, “Last Thursday ULLR Happy Hour,” on Thursday, February 27th, at Kozlak’s Royal Oak Restaurant in Shoreview. Eight ULLRs joined them for this bitter-sweet evening. Everyone enjoyed the event, yet they were aware that this popular 36-year old restaurant will be closed on March 15. The land the restaurant sits on has been sold. A senior cooperative will be built on the site.

Event: ULLR Happy Hour.

Date: Thursday, March 27, 2014
Come between 3-6:00 PM

Location: Cooper Pub
1607 Park Place Blvd, St. Louis Park, 55416
[This is the SW corner of I-394 & Hwy. 100.]
www.cooperpub.com

Cost: Beer, wine, and rails \$3-\$5

Optional: See a movie at the Showplace Icon Theatre across the street.

Date: Thursday, April 24
Come between 3-6:00 PM

Location: Campiello Ristorante & Bar
6411 City West Pkwy., Eden Prairie 55344
[Bet. Hwys 62 & 212, east of Shady Oak Road]

Cost: Drinks/apps \$3-\$5

Contacts: Joy Knudson and Pam Anderson

Phones: 952-240-8418 [J]; 763-315-3772 [P]

large amount of snow. “Be careful what you wish for.” We wish for snow, and when we get it, “ouch!” The term “Rubber Legs” was said more than once. Although, it didn’t prevent Bob Higgins, MaryAnn Schwebel, and Tom Roberts from hitting the mogul runs.

The Ore House served us a delicious group dinner on Tuesday night. Skiing Wednesday was a “Slice of Heaven,” with those beautiful blue skies and groomed runs. Some of us ventured “into the woods” on the backside, fresh and knee deep powder. That evening was the beginning of the Steamboat Winter Carnival. Amateur ski jumping could be seen right in town at the Howelsen ski area. Some of us snowshoed the trails in that park. Carl Howelsen is the “Father of Skiing in Colorado.” He immigrated to the US from Norway as the “flying man” and thrilled spectators with “ski sailing” in the Barnum and Bailey Circus. This year’s Olympic flag bearer, Todd Lodwick hails from Steamboat Springs.

Many of our group gathered at a local establishment to watch the ski jumping and partake in happy hour libations, but “what happens in Steamboat, stays in Steamboat.” They met some Fire Fighters from Amarillo, Texas. Gus Bjorklund and Patty Fitzgerald made them honorary ULLRs. They gave us Fire Department T-Shirts.

Thursday was another challenging day of skiing. That evening was an optional sleigh-ride dinner at Haymaker Golf Course. We were pulled through the course by a pair of majestic Belgian Blonde horses, “the boys,” who were a bit frisky and gave the driver a little trouble. The three-course meal that followed was fabulous.

Friday was another snowy day on the mountain. It did quit snowing in time for our ride up the gondola for a Western BBQ and dancing. True to ULLR tradition, we closed up the dancing, and were the last ones down the mountain! Luckily, the weather cooperated on Saturday, and we were able to arrive at the Denver Airport in plenty of time for our flight home. A big “Thank You” to all the participants of the Steamboat Trip!

BIKE THE PAUL BUNYAN TRAIL JUNE 4-6, 2014

Sign-up for a waiting list or stay elsewhere and join the group for activities.

This trip is for bikers, shoppers, swimmers, golfers, and all who like to eat, drink, socialize and be merry. ULLRs will stay at the beautiful Good Ol’ Days Resort in Nisswa next to the trail. The resort has 2 and 3 bedroom villas and 2 person lodge rooms.

Cost: \$144 per person. This includes lodging, two breakfasts, and Thursday evening main dish. Everyone will be asked to contribute food.

Send checks to: Sharon Marini, 8201 York Avenue South, Bloomington, MN 55431

Make checks payable to ULLR Club. [Please include emergency contact person and their phone number with your check.

Chairs: Mary Ellen Gabel – 612-789-7832 &
Sharon Marini – 952-893-7408

ULLR Ski, Bike & Social Club

PO Box 201409

Bloomington, MN 55420-1409

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Visit our website at
www.ullr.org for meeting,
event and trip news,
photos and recipes.

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<p>Future Folding Parties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NO FOLDING PARTY IN APRIL OR JUNE • July 18, 2014 (6:30 PM): Jean Berry • August 16, 2014 (Saturday): Charlotte Navratil & Alan Moore 	<p>A host is needed for the October 17th Folding Party. If you are interested in hosting a Folding Party, please call the Folding Party Chairs: Patty Fitzgerald & John Stiefel 952-470-5411. [An allowance is provided to help defray costs.]</p> <p>The next Folding Party is Friday, May 16, 2014, hosted by Joyce Crozier & Bill Kansas, 302 Superior Street, St. Paul, MN 55012</p>
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CLEARY LAKE REGIONAL PARK OUTING

By Judy Burich

With an air temperature of 3° and a wind chill factor of -19° it was clearly cold. But in spite of the weather, five ULLRs snowshoed and cross-country skied on Saturday, January 25, at Cleary Lake Regional Park. As we warmed up afterwards at Chianti Grill, we all agreed it felt good to get outside and “just do it”!



The picture outside: Knee deep in snow: Pam A, Jim S, Ron F, Barb K, Judy B



The picture by the fireplace from left to right: At Chianti Grill: Judy B, Pam A, Ron F, Jim S, Vickie L, Barb K