



# Enzian Ski Club

## NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2011

Club Meetings at  
Deutscher Club  
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Visit our website at

**[www.enzianskiclub.com](http://www.enzianskiclub.com)**

Missed a meeting?  
Read the meeting minutes on  
our website.  
Want to know more about club  
outings, ski trips and  
membership?  
Find it all on our website!

**Don't forget our  
next meeting is Thursday  
November 3, 2011  
8:00 PM**

**ALL FUTURE MEETINGS WILL BE ON THE FIRST  
THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

### ***A Message from the President***

**There's always going to be people that hurt you so  
what you have to do is keep on trusting and just be  
more careful about who you trust next time around!**

### **Calendar of Events**

**Sunday October 30, 2011** - Maganini's  
Winery - Bus pickup in Union (Best Buy) Rte  
22, at **9:15am**, **leaving at 9:30am sharp!**  
And Kohl's Paramus - leaving at **10:00am**.  
**Please be prompt.** Return trip - The bus will  
leave the winery at 5pm.

**Save the Date:** Our annual Christmas Party will  
be held at the Deutscher Club, Tuesday, December  
13, 2011 at 7pm. The cost is \$45.00 per person and  
includes open bar, dinner and music by Barry Adler.  
Please send your advance payment to : Dieter  
Szardenings, 185 Indian Run Pkwy., Union, NJ  
07083. If paying at the door the cost will be \$50.00

In lieu of our December meeting we will be enjoying  
our Christmas Party.

The 2012 Dinner/Dance will be held at The Manor in  
West Orange, NJ on Sunday, April 29.



**Birthday wishes go out to:**

Rob Misinkiewicz & Fritz Wanner

*If you would like to send out a Happy Birthday wish, please contact Janet Volpi at [auntjv@yahoo.com](mailto:auntjv@yahoo.com). Please include the name and Birthday month.*

**Reminder!**

**Your membership dues are due starting with the new season. Please make sure to pay your dues at the first meeting on Thursday, September 1, 2011. We now have 185 members.**

*We have not increased the dues, and the amount for the year is only:*

- \$30.00 – for a single
- \$35.00 – for a family (including children under 18)

Please mail your check to:

**Umberto DeCesco, 328 Plaza Road, Fairlawn, NJ 07410. If you have any questions, Umberto can now be reached by email [umberto.0224@gmail.com](mailto:umberto.0224@gmail.com)**

\*Kindly include a self-addressed, stamped envelope so he can mail you your membership card.

Our list for last season's non-payment of dues is down to only two individuals. If your payment has crossed in the mail, please disregard this notice:

Mark Eugster, Rupert Tiefengrabner

Just a reminder: The Deutscher Club serves dinner every Thursday evening from 5-8pm, (meeting night). Stop in early, before the meeting, and enjoy a delicious meal .

Also, don't forget to visit the new Biergarten (The Pilsner House) located at 1422 Grant Street, Hoboken, NJ. Get there early because it gets crowded, it opens at 5pm. Food is good and so is the atmosphere.

## ITALY: ROME, SORRENTO, AMALFI COAST, NAPLES, CAPRI

Our tour departed from Newark Airport via Alitalia Airlines on Thursday, October 6 and arrived in Rome on Friday, October 7.

Our first stop "Rome", we headed to the Mercure Delta Colosseo Hotel one block from the Colosseum. Rome is so romantic and enchanting: The Pantheon, The Spanish Steps, and the Trevi Fountain (Three Coins in the Fountain). Legend has it tossing a coin over your shoulder with your back to the fountain, you will return to Rome. We toured St Peter's Basilica at the Vatican. We saw it all and along the way enjoyed delicious pasta, the best pizza and fine wine. Even though we walked and walked and wore ourselves out we all had the experience of a life time.

Next, Sorrento, ahhh the romantic coastal town of Sorrento. Our hotel, the Grand Hotel Aminta, was situated on a mountain top with a marvelous view of the bay of Naples and Mt. Vesuvius. The hotel was a good base for just wandering around Sorrento, as many did, spending their Euros to support Italy.

We toured the Isle of Capri, a quick boat ride from Sorrento. The four-mile-by-two-mile "Island of Dreams" with its famous Blue Grotto and it's best activity, a scenic hike. And, man did we hike!!! Rough waters prevented us from visiting the Blue Grotto.

Another tour was Pompeii and Herculaneum. Pompeii was stopped in its tracks by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in A.D. 79, and offers the best look anywhere at what life in Rome must have been like 2,000 years ago. An entire city of well-preserved ruins was ours to explore. Once a thriving commercial port of 20,000, Pompeii grew from Greek and Etruscan roots to become an important Roman city. Then it was buried under 30 feet of hot mud and volcanic ash.

Herculaneum - smaller, less ruined, than its famous sister, Pompeii, offered us a closer look at ancient Roman life. Caked and baked by the same eruption in A.D 79, Herculaneum is a small community of intact buildings with plenty of surviving detail.

For a more eventful tour we took a bus ride along the Amalfi Coast. It was one of the world's greatest bus rides!!! The trip from Sorrento to Salerno leaves your mouth open and your knuckles white from fear, holding on for dear life. Hope you don't get car sick, yikes!! You definitely have to give credit to the Italian engineers who built this road, and respect and gratitude to your bus driver. As you hyperventilated, noticing the Mediterranean a sheer 500 foot drop below. The hotels & villas in the hillside towns (Positano, Amalfi, Ravello, Scala, Minori, Maiori and Salerno) cling to the vertical terrain.

Once we were back in Sorrento, exhausted from the thrill of the scenic drive, we applauded our bus driver who did a fabulous job of returning us back to the safety of our comfortable hotel.

Last stop, the Hotel Midas in Rome in preparation of our departure from Fiumicino Airport, Alitalia non-stop to Newark.

Arrivederci....

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An elderly lady in church on Sunday:

I overheard this little old lady in the pew next to me saying a short private prayer. It was so sweet and sincere that I just had to share it with you:

Dear Lord - these past couple of years have been tough....you have taken my favorite actor Patrick Swayze, my favorite actress Elizabeth Taylor my favorite cowboy John Wayne, my favorite athlete Bob Feller, my favorite singer Frank Sinatra and my favorite sales man Billy Mays.

I just wanted you to know that my favorite president is Barack Obama....Amen!



# November 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 "Enzian Ski Club Meeting 8pm"	4	5
6 Daylight Savings Ends	7	8 Election Day	9	10	11 Veterans Day	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving Day	25	26
27	28	29	30			