



# *Geländesprung*

## *Gazette*

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## Piette's Post

Welcome to the first Post of spring. As much as I love to ski, I'm also happy to welcome the warmer temperatures that usher in months of cycling and golf.

That said, I am happy to report that our trip to Searchmont was excellent. Thank you, Adam Hanson and Frank Wickham, for leading 33 fun-loving people to the good snow conditions and great terrain at Searchmont. Everyone seemed to have a great time and consensus is that we should go back. One aspect of the hill that I certainly did not fully understand before the weekend was that Searchmont added a chair lift and a new run that caters to green slope skiers. Several of us took that new run and found a wide and gentle slope through the woods. It might be just what some of our members would prefer in order to be comfortable on the slopes, especially early in the day. I'll leave the rest of the story for our trip leaders Adam and Frank. You can also go to the Geländesprung Facebook page and see the photos from several of our participants.

Our Spring Banquet Business Meeting will be held April 26 at the Woods. There are a few very important things to be aware of:

- First, this is the time of year that we encourage you to nominate someone for The Dick Wortiska Service Award. This award is established to recognize people for leadership and/or service in any number of ways. If you have an idea of someone to nominate, contact me and I will be happy to help you prepare the nomination. The Full Board will choose the winner of the award at our meeting on April 9.
- Second, many of you were requesting different food at our banquets. This is the first experience you will have with this significant change to plated meals that you must order ahead of time. To order your plated meal, you **MUST** sign up by the deadline in a week or so. See the article in this newsletter for meal choices and information about sending in your sign-up.
- Third, the positions of Vice President and Treasurer are up for election at the banquet this year. Although Scot and Phil have both agreed to run for election again, anyone that wishes to become involved is invited to run for one of the positions or to indicate that you would be interested in helping down the road.
- Fourth, we are working to update the Bylaws for our club. We intend to have a draft version available for review prior to the Spring Banquet

Finally, if there is a summer activity that you would like to share with club members, put your thoughts together over the coming weeks. We would be happy to work with you to market an event for the benefit of our members and friends.

Tom Piette



## *Spring Banquet*

*Social gathering, election of officers, ski season wrap up,  
introduction of summer activities.*

*Dick Wortiska award presentation.*

*Friday, April 26*

*Social Hour 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.*

*The Woods, 530 Erie Road, Green Bay, 54311*

*Registration is due no later than midnight*

*Friday, April 12 (no exceptions)*

*All plated dinners include side salad with ranch or fat free French dressing, baked potato, chef's choice of vegetable, dinner roll, water and coffee unless otherwise noted. This price also includes tax and gratuity.*

**Baked Haddock \$22**

Baked filet of haddock, basted with butter & seasoning.

**Grilled Sirloin \$26**

8 ounce cut of Aspen Ridge All-Natural Beef sirloin, seasoned & grilled to medium rare.

**Prime Rib \$32**

12 ounces of slow-cooked prime rib, served with au jus.



## Dick Wortiska Service Award

### Award Process:

- The award will be presented to a club member in recognition of excellent service for the good of the club.
- The award will be simple keepsake and a Certificate to say thank you for your service.

### Nominations:

- Club members will submit nominations to the Board at any time throughout the year.
- Nominations will be encouraged during club meetings, banquets and following our ski trips.

The President will distribute all nominations that are submitted to the Full Board at the end of the ski season. The Board and members present at our April Board Meeting will review all nominations at the end of the ski season. The Full Board will select the award winner during the April Board Meeting. The Award will be presented at the Spring Banquet.

### Examples that could be recognized based upon suggestions during brainstorm:

- Sacrificing ones time on vacation to help someone else (i.e. injury response, special problem response, etc.
- Great leadership for a ski trip, especially for those that step up to take on a new responsibility.
- Aiding a person injured while skiing by making sure he or she is okay and that family and friends are notified.
- Exhibiting excellence in recruiting – i.e. 4 new members at a marketing event!
- Helping out during ski trips, luggage, events, etc.
- A person using their exceptional skill set to help the club deal with issues. Examples include information technology, communication, and similar tasks.
- A board member for straightening out a major problem within their area of responsibility, above and beyond what would be expected for the normal workload.

Nominations are now being accepted and can be submitted to our President, Tom Piette. These are best emailed to him using [president@gelandesprung.org](mailto:president@gelandesprung.org). Please read into this issue further, for the nomination form which will identify the selection criteria the board is seeking to determine an appropriate recipient. You may use the form itself and send it to Tom, or may use some other format. If you have any questions, please let a board member right away!

**Nomination Form Information:**

Your Name:	
Date of Nomination	
Who is the nominee?	
Write a short description including: 1) What did the nominee do? 2) Where did this occur? 3) Why was it done this way? 4) What made this action special to you? 5) Describe how this action was good for Gelandesprung Ski Club.	



**Vice President and Treasurer are up for election!!**

Term lasts 2 years. If interested, please submit an intention of running for a position to the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, or Social Events Coordinator by the date of the Spring Banquet (April 8, 2022).

**Vice President Duties (not inclusive):**

- The vice president shall perform the duties of the president in his or her absence
- Solicit lodging, lift ticket, meal quotes as needed for all mid-west trips
- Solicit bus-pricing quotes for all scheduled trips in the mid-west
- Maintain contact for trip leaders
- Send Mid-west trip contracts to the Treasurer
- Set up parking for the Mid-west trips

**Treasurer Duties (not inclusive):**

- Maintain and report monthly the financial status of the club including all receipts, payments and interest of CD's
- Record & make all payments to bus companies, hotels, resorts, restaurants, etc
- Record & deposit all monies coming into the club (trips, banquets, dues, advertising)
- Create a year-end financial statement for the Fall Banquet
- Prepare trip rosters and forward to Trip Leaders & the Board
- Report profits and losses for each trip
- Maintain the financial transactions using QuickBooks on the club-provided laptop computer
- Record income, disbursements & deposits
- Reconcile the bank accounts monthly
- In charge of the mail collection & PO box key

## The great return to Searchmont, 2024

Given the warm ski season we have had, some speculation and also anticipation, the club finally returned to Searchmont Ontario March 22-24 with 35 skiers in tow!

We were quite fortunate to find that a vast majority of the runs were open all weekend with some fresh snow to start things off on Saturday morning. Both days started off chilly with temps in the teens which quickly warmed. In the trip leaders' opinion, Saturday was the better day with near bluebird skies and fresh pow making for some fast runs with lots of great turns and smiles. Skiing doesn't get any better as far as Frank and I are concerned! Sunday morning, we could see some brown patches showing through as conditions continued to erode with the changing temps, yet we still had a great day overall.

Experienced club members whom attended this trip in the past found upgraded facilities for a better traffic flow along with some improved lifts. It was great to see investments being made making the choice to return clear.

We also observed the fact that this motley group was dotted with familiar faces (like them or not ☺), those returning after a long absence and nearly forgotten, plus new faces. Most notably was the fact that several joined us for the first time after skiing for many years with Venture Ski club. You may remember we welcomed their membership when that organization dissolved just before the Pandemic changed the world.

Some great Obtuse Award nominations were submitted ranging from folks getting stuck in the bus bathroom, to trying on someone else's ski pants, to the trip leaders colliding as they got off the chair at the top. Although a close tie, it became clear that Scot Wederquist was the winner after grabbing Rita Delveaux's boot bag instead of his, and proceeding to try on her ski pants in his hotel room on Friday night. It's important to note her bag is adorned with pink flags.

Our return journey was extended a few extra hours partly due to a snow storm and then compounded by a mechanical malfunction with the bus. Being seasoned club members, these unfortunate delays were taken in stride with no complaints and the utmost cooperation and understanding as it was outside of anyone's control. Frank and I do wish to extend a big thanks for that!

The resounding opinion of those attending is the club must go back again, sooner rather than later and they welcome Frank Wickham and I back as their fearful leaders, I mean fearless leaders. We both agree that we will lead this trip the next time it comes around. Please make sure to let the Board know your interest as well!

Thank you again and until next season, ski you later gator!

Adam and Frank





# Gelandesprung's Annual Spring Bike Ride

Save the date!

When: Saturday, June 15th, 2024

Where: More details in May's newsletter

Cost: No Cost except money for lunch/drinks along the way.

All members and non-members of all abilities are welcome!





## Ledgestone Vineyards & Gnarly Cedar Brewery

Wednesday-July 17th

Bike Riders meet at Voyager Park @ 4:30 p.m.

Bike riders will leave the park at 5:00 p.m. (Rita will wait until 5:15-5:30 for those that have to work)

Grab your bike and come ride and have some fun! We will be riding the Fox River Trail to Ledgestone Vineyards Winery. Clear glasses to protect your eyes from bugs and a light or headlamp on your bike is highly recommended as it could be a dark ride back to Voyager Park.

All members and non-members of all abilities are welcome!

Free admission! Live Jazz entertainment!

RSVP to Rita Delveaux @ 920-676-5043. Call or text by June 10th.

Not a bike rider. Please meet us at Ledgestone Vineyards Winery

6381 State Highway 57 Greenleaf, WI 54126 phone: 1-920-532-4384

Enjoy a summer evening and live music. Music begins at 6:00 p.m.

Get there early to save a spot.

Be sure to bring your lawn chairs to share!

Check their website for more info <https://www.ledgestonevineyards.xyz/2018/11/07/live-music-tae/>

Ski you there!



# Gelandesprung Ski Club of Green Bay

## 2024/25 Membership Application/Renewal & Waiver Form

Membership Year runs May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025

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- NEW MEMBER
- RETURNING MEMBER

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- RENEWAL
- WAIVER ONLY

**\$25.00**  
per Person

Please "DO NOT" publish the following in the Membership Roster:

- Phone Number
- Email Address

NEW MEMBERS:

How did you hear about Gelandesprung Ski Club?

Payment \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00      Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate if you are interested in becoming any or all of the following:

- Trip Leader / Assistant Trip Leader
- Committee Member
- Board Member

Who referred you?

*I certify that I am at least 21 years of age and do hereby accept the policies and practices of the Gelandesprung Ski Club. I understand that my participation in club-sponsored events carries a degree of risk, injury, or death.*

*I hereby unconditionally waive and release the Gelandesprung Ski Club, its officers, directors, agents, members, and other trip or activity participants from any and all liabilities arising from any injuries, illness, property damage or loss I may suffer as a result of participation in club events. I am fully aware of the **Coronavirus Disease (COVID)**. By agreeing to participate in club activities, I have evaluated such risks, and I hereby hold harmless the club officers, directors, agents, and members.*

*I also grant full permission to any and all foregoing to use any photograph, videotape, motion pictures, recordings, or other record of any ski club event for any legitimate purpose.*

*Any additional trip surcharges incurred by the Club will be passed along to those participating on the affected trip(s). Trips are based on double occupancy unless otherwise specified. Single occupancy requests require special arrangements at increased costs and depend on availability. All monies paid for a trip cancelled by the Club will be refunded. Refunds for cancellation requests will be charged costs that the Club is unable to recover. Refund requests must be submitted in writing to the Gelandesprung Ski Club, Board of Directors at address below or emailed to [Treasurer@Gelandesprung.org](mailto:Treasurer@Gelandesprung.org). Trips utilizing airline transportation have additional separate written cancellation policies specific to each trip. All decisions on refund amounts will be made by the Board of Directors and are final.*

*By submitting this form, I agree that I have read & accepted the trip policies as set forth by Gelandesprung Ski Club of Green Bay. All club policies are posted on the website at [www.Gelandesprung.org](http://www.Gelandesprung.org) or by contacting us by mail at the address below.*

**Form can be filled out in Adobe Reader & Printed as phone numbers & addresses can be difficult to read**

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Full Proper Name as required for Flights & International Travel)*

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred/Nick-Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Cell Phone/Email has not changed since last year

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Couples please Sign Separate Forms)*

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail the completed form & dues to:

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

*(MM/DD/YY - Club use only & will not be published)*

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**April Birthdays**

Birthday                      Name

04/04 Jim Bosdech  
04/06 Jim Derenne  
04/11 Sue Broeren  
04/11 Cheryl Wederquist  
04/14 Pat Quinn  
04/19 Steve Sommerfeldt  
04/22 Bob Bartingale  
04/22 Bert Liebmann III  
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