



ISFR

MAY 2015

Rotary Club of Big Sky Partners with ISFR 2015 Ski Week Jan. 31 – Feb. 7, 2015.



Registration and welcome reception in the hotel starts off the program with more than 100 registrants. Home hosting delayed for Super Bowl Sunday with a Lottery in the hotel amphitheatre.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Election of Officers	B of D David Hoyt	Past President Tony Sheer	European Chapter Erik L. van Bueren VP
Pres. Al Morris VP Erik V Bueren*	Drew Vactor Margaret Hutchinson	Communications Esio Marzotto	Erik declines Int. VP nomination subsequent to meeting
Sec-Treasurer Lynne Beck	Jan Wold Abbey O'Neal	RI convention Abbey O'Neal	Vice-President Vacant



SKI AND LOCAL TOUR DAY



Good news, Foundation funds keep showing up!
 Total with \$10,465.27 credit card receipts is \$25,560 total, 1/2 = \$12,780 to Big Sky RC
 Through your Club efforts a great job!
 Congratulations to all involved !
 For the numbers in attendance, I believe the contributions represent the greatest per capita giving ever.

**THE DAVIS
 BOYD
 FOUNDATION
 SILENT & LIVE
 AUCTION**



My hat goes off to our auctioneer Emory Sanders. We need to make him a regular!
 Thanks again to you ,Jeff Strickler, and President Grant Hilton, for the leadership!

Ben Lawton, PDG, Treasurer
 Davis Boyd Memorial Foundation

2013-14

Secretary/Treasurer's Annual Report

Profit & Loss Statement

Net Income:

Income	\$92,306
Expenses:	\$ 84,741
	\$7,565



GALA BANQUET



TILL WE MEET AGAIN

MARCH 2015, SAAS-FEE ROTARY CLUB SWITZERLAND

All Saas Valley ski-loving Rotarians, provided an unforgettable Week of Friendship and physical training in Saas -Fee, "Pearl of the Alps".

SKI WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN SAAS FEE: A GREAT SUCCESS!

There were over 120 participants in the fifteenth edition of the ski championship of Rotarians, organized in Saas Fee, Valais (Switzerland). The event saw Rotarians from 17 countries (including USA, Australia, Turkey) spend an unforgettable week in this beautiful Swiss town (one of the few "free car", as is the popular Zermatt).

Mere words are not enough to describe the atmosphere that characterized the week: a great friendship between all participants, great entertainment in the evenings (including a lively dinner dedicated to fondue, the "official" dish of Valais), great sportsmanship and fairness in the conduct of the competitions.

Our Swiss friends have labored to better the organization, devoting the first three days to accompany all the visitors on the slopes, as guides not only for skiing but also for the

explanation of the tourist and cultural treasures of the area.

Last (but not least...) the hotel facilities were excellent and the slopes were carefully prepared every day, so you can easily understand that the participants have been fully satisfied; while those staying home can only regret the lost opportunity and plan participation for next year. The future of the fellowship is very interesting, because the next editions will be held in Saint Moritz (March 2016) and in Cortina d'Ampezzo (March 2017).

The presentation of the future two sites and of their programs received a long, hot applause that demonstrates the interest of Rotarians to the fellowship.

You just have to wait and "warm up the muscles" in Saint Moritz in 2016!

GIANLUIGI DE MARCHI

Member of ISFR European Chapter RC Torino Nord Ovest (Italy)



TOWARD THE OPENING CEREMONY



A TYPICAL HOME IN SAAS-FEE

MEET YOUR NEW PRESIDENT

Al and Jerry Anne Morris live in Martinez, California, USA, a community on the Sacramento River northeast of the San Francisco bay. Al and Jerry have two grown daughters, a son-in-law and one granddaughter, who all live nearby.



Al and Jerry Anne first met at a ski cabin at Lake Tahoe, California that had been rented for the ski season by a group of friends. 2015 is the 44th ski season that Al and Jerry have participated in renting the same cabin, with some of the same group of friends. Al is a native Californian, educated in California where he studied civil engineering at the University of California, Berkeley. He is now retired from a long career as a civil engineer in both public and private practice.

Al and Jerry Anne first joined ISFR in 2006 and attended their first ISFR event in 2007 at Steamboat Springs, Colorado, USA, and they have attended every North American event since. Al is past President (twice!) of his Rotary club, Rotary Club of Martinez.

**House of Friendship – RI International Convention- ISFR Booth
Sao Paulo Brazil 6-9 June 2015**

ISFR Board Member Abbey O'Neal will be managing the ISFR Booth in the House of Friendship at the Brazil RI Convention. If you are attending the Convention please let Abbey know and volunteer to lend her a hand for a few hours. She can be reached at: 'me@abbyoneal.com', and USA telephone number 284-340-1836.

OBITUARY



Cathy L. Carlson of Olympia, a local business executive and active member of the South Puget Sound Rotary Club, died in a skiing accident at White Pass on Saturday. She was 59, her husband of nearly 40 years, Tris Carlson, said Monday.

Carlson died just before noon Saturday after she crashed into a tree, her husband said. Carlson was not with his wife on Saturday, he said. An off-duty ski patrol member witnessed the accident and told deputies the woman went over a bump on the Cool Air run in a new expansion area and started falling backward, The Chronicle newspaper of Centralia reported. She tried to right herself, then crashed into a tree, hitting her chest and upper body, the paper reported.

A date for a funeral hasn't been set yet, partly because Tris Carlson was awaiting the results of a Lewis County coroner autopsy. His daughter and sister were working on funeral arrangements, he said, Carlson was remembered Monday as a longtime and active Rotarian, as well as a longtime and avid skier. She also had been the chief financial officer at Seattle Shellfish, an Olympia-based company, since the late 1990s, her husband said. Carlson said the two of them had recently returned from a three-week skiing trip in Switzerland. "She loved life and lived for skiing," said Leslie Demich, a fellow Rotarian who knew Cathy Carlson for about 12 years.

Demich and South Puget Sound Rotary President Paul Randall said members of the service club plan to gather Friday, a day before its annual auction, to grieve.

Randall said Carlson had served on every committee and was a past president. "I don't want to say she was the glue that held the club together, but she was darn close," he said. She loved to have fun, and she absolutely loved to ski, Randall said. "It's a real blow," he said. "She is going to be really, really missed. "She was a strong and vibrant part of our club," he said.

Carlson is survived by her husband, a son, a daughter and two grandchildren.

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Sonja Chase (Yakima WA) contacted me last night to let me know that Cathy Carlson (Olympia WA) was in a skiing accident. She was skiing with a mutual friend, Gary. He said she caught an edge and went down hard, and made direct contact with a tree. They reached her within seconds, but she was already gone. Gary's cabin (in Packwood) is beside Carlson's so he went back to tell Cathy's husband, Tristan.

Sonja and I thought you would all want to know. ISFR was an important part of Cathy's life. It looks like she had an awesome experience in Saas Fee a month or so ago. We will share an obituary when it is available. Please feel free to share this info with anyone I may have overlooked. I will post info on the ISFR Facebook page when we know a bit more.

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Cathy loved her skiing, we had the great fortune to spend 3 weeks in Switzerland with Cathy and Rotary friends just last month It's hard to believe!

She had recently join the Davis Boyd board And was committed to our mission of improving the lives of the handicap skiers.

She will be remembered and missed!

Ben Lawton, Treasure D.B.M.F.

What a sad loss is this tragic event that took Cathy Carlson from us. The wonderful world of skiing is so uniquely different than other sport activities. The interaction from the beginning of any skiing day to the end of that day brings us all so close. We enjoy an environment of camaraderie, always helping spirit and fun.

Cathy was all of that coupled with a personality that would light up the room when she when she walked in.

Many who read this have been at the helping or receiving end of the difficult situations we are prone to expose ourselves to. There but for the grace of God go us all. Ben is so fortunate to have just spent 3 weeks with her and the picture of Cathy he has shared so perfectly captured the Cathy we all have known and loved. The picture is now on my computer front page. She will be missed, but also remembered for all she meant to so many.

Please share the obituary as soon as it is available.
Brian Andersen

OMG! Both Alex and I are in shock. My ski week this year was not quite complete because my skiing buddy had elected to go to Saas Fe instead of Big Sky. I could always count on Cathy for "one more run" and to end with a beer at the end of the day coupled with many happy memories and laughs. I will miss that impish smile of hers. We are devastated at this news.

Lyn and Alex Stroshin

So many thanks for letting me know - it is so, so tragic. Cathy was a wonderful person- I shared a room with her at Aspen and Revelstoke and we got on so well. She was Finance Director for a company that farmed geoduck on Puget Sound - and she gave me a soft toy of geoduck as I hadn't a clue what they were! She was such an excellent skier and will be remembered so fondly by ISFR members.

Margaret Hutchinson

CALENDAR

Whistler, British Columbia	February 20-27, 2016
Saint Moritz, Switzerland	March 2016
Jackson Hole, Wyoming USA	February 5 - 12, 2017
Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy	March 2017

For more information on all events, www.isfrski.org/