



# Enzian Ski Club

## NEWSLETTER - November 2018

Club Meetings at  
Deutscher Club  
787 Featherbed Lane  
Clark, NJ 07066  
732-574-8600

### \*\*\*Next Meeting\*\*\*

There will be no meeting in December. In lieu of the December Meeting we will be enjoying our annual  
**Christmas Party**  
**December 8, 2018**

#### **President**

Siegfried Brunnacker

#### **Vice President**

Klaus Reh

#### **Recording Secretary**

MaryLou Reh

#### **Corresponding Secretary**

Janet Volpi

#### **Treasurer**

Inge Volk-Biehl

#### **Financial Secretary**

Susi Beckmann

#### **Webmaster**

Susan Stonitsch

### *A Message from the President*



### **Calendar of Events**

**Save the Date:** We hope you will join us for a fun afternoon at our annual **Christmas Party** held at the **Deutscher Club on Saturday, December 8, 2018**, starting at 12 noon until 5pm. The cost is \$50.00 per person this includes a buffet dinner, beer, wine, schnapps, and dessert, "cocktails" (cash bar). And, music provided by Huettenmusikant. \*\*Please make your check out to the **Enzian Ski Club**, and mail it to **Inge Volk-Biehl, 6 Dorset Lane, Summit, NJ 07901**, on or before **November 24, 2018**. If you have any questions, please contact Klaus Reh 201-641-3336, or email at klausreh@msn.com.

**\*\*\*Ladies please bring a delicious dessert for the buffet (cake, pie or cookies). Thank you...**

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!



***December Birthday wishes go out to:*** Christine Baltz, Karl Koss, Dieter Pfisterer, John Prisendorf, Linda Wagner, (Walter Kraft, and Richie Volpi both New Year's Eve babies).

*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. Unless your dues are paid in full you will not be able to participate in club events.**

*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 make your check out to Enzian Ski Club and mail it to: **Susi Beckmann**, 21 Marnel Road, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865. If you have any questions, Susi can be reached by email **[susi@ptd.net](mailto:susi@ptd.net)** or phone: **908-454-8013**.

**Please remember to pay your dues to Susi Beckmann. Thank you.**

We now have 155 members but only 85 members have paid their dues. We haven't raised our membership in years. If you haven't paid your dues to Susi, please do so. Remember it's only \$30.00 for a single yearly membership and \$35.00 for a family (including children under 18).

There were 28 people at our November meeting. We would like to see more of you attend.

There will be no meeting in December in lieu of the meeting we will be enjoying our annual Christmas Party.

Once again it was our pleasure to see Ernst Weber at our meeting.

It was also a pleasure to see Diane & Rob Misinkiewicz at the meeting. Rob had been sick but is starting to feel better. However, when Rob wasn't feeling well, they were unable to attend the winery trip, or the trip to Las Vegas. Since they had paid for both trips, they

requested that the money not be refunded, but instead wanted it donated to the club. Siegi thanked them for their generous donation.

The Las Vegas Group enjoyed a wonderful trip and mentioned they'd love to go back. They enjoyed a hop on - hop off bus sightseeing tour of the Las Vegas Strip. They visited many of the elaborate decorated hotels & casinos. They expressed their enjoyment when they attended dinner at the Hofbrauhaus which consisted of appetizers, choice of entree, which listed a large variety of delicious Bavarian food, and refreshing beverages while listening an Austrian Band. The beer continued to flow, that's when our guys met "The Paddle Girls" who whipped a few of them into shape as they took their shots... and it doesn't mean drinks!! How did it feel?? Siegi, Klaus, Skip, and Peter??????



"The Paddle Girls"

Congratulations to Sylvia Habermann, the big winner in Las Vegas. Word is--there was a little birdie (klaus Reh) who told Sylvia to push this button on the slot machine, and when she did, that's when she became the big winner. Sylvia was so thankful & thoughtful that she bought a round of drinks for everyone at the Hofbrauhaus. Thank you Sylvia.

And, thanks go out to Skip Warner who also made a donation in Las Vegas for the benefit of the group. Skip might not have come home a big winner, but he enjoyed buying drinks for the group.

Our President Siegi, came home with a few bucks too...and we don't mean deer.

Siegi said "They do not deal in Millions in Las Vegas but Billions", imagine??????????????

**Word is that everyone enjoyed themselves in the gambling world...**

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# What Are the Odds of a White Thanksgiving in the United States?

Thanksgiving can feature a wide variety of weather, ranging from snow and cold to shorts and flip flop weather, depending on where in the United States you spend it.

While we normally hear the term White Christmas thrown around each year, have you ever wondered the probability of a White Thanksgiving?

Since Thanksgiving is not on the same date every year, the stats take this into account. The holiday always falls on the fourth Thursday of November.

If you want to see snow on 90 to 100 percent of Thanksgivings, you should spend it in northern Canada. Much of inland Alaska will also suffice.

Fairbanks, Alaska, for example, has seen a White Thanksgiving each of the past 86 years, with at least one inch of snow on the ground or measurable snow (0.1 inches or more) falling on that date.

The best odds of seeing a White thanksgiving in the Lower 48 states are 60 to 80 percent in far northern New England, the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, far northwest Wisconsin, northern Minnesota and northeastern North Dakota.

At the Marquette, Michigan, National Weather Service office, 43 of the last 55 Thanksgivings have met the White Thanksgiving criteria, for a 78 percent probability.

International Falls, Minnesota, has had a White Thanksgiving 52 of the last 68 years, or 76 percent of the time. In Duluth, Minnesota, 49 of the last 68 thanksgivings have met the criteria, for a probability of 72 percent.

In northern New England, Caribou, Maine, has seen a White Thanksgiving 52 of the last 76 years, or 68 percent of the time.

Most of the reporting stations in the Rocky Mountains have a 40 to 60 percent chance of a White Thanksgiving. These probabilities also extend into the adjacent Plains of Montana, North Dakota, central Minnesota, northern Wisconsin and northern Michigan.

Don't Bet On it Here! If you aren't a fan of snow with your turkey, consider spending Thanksgiving along the West Coast, in the South, or along the East Coast from New York City southward. These regions all have less than a 5 percent probability of a White Thanksgiving.

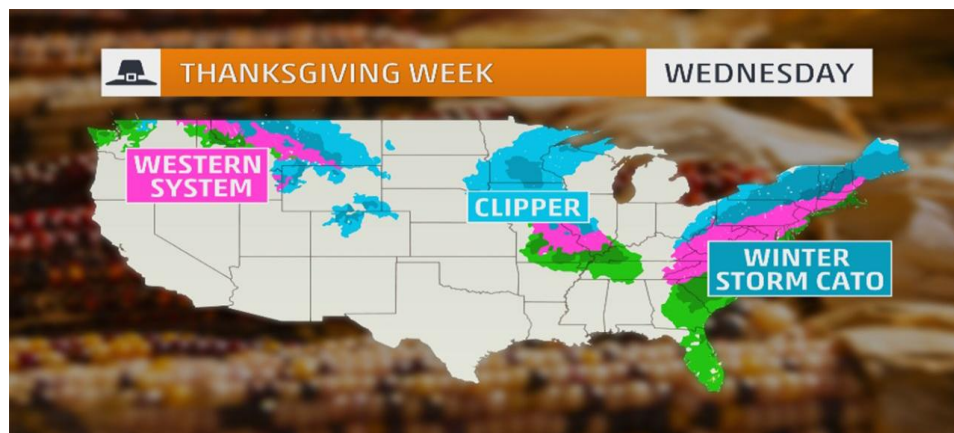
In New York City's Central Park, only 4 of the last 96 Thanksgivings have met the criteria for a White Thanksgiving - a probability of only 4 percent.

Washington D.C.'s chances are even lower at just 3 percent, as only 2 of the last 72 years featured a White Thanksgiving.

Miami and Los Angeles have never seen snow on Thanksgiving. However, Boston runs a 10 percent of a White Thanksgiving, as 7 of the last 68 years met the criteria.

Snow cover across the Lower 48 states on Thanksgiving Day was over 20 percent in four of the past five years.

Thanksgiving 2014 had the most widespread snow coverage in the past five years at 33 percent. Boosting the snow cover that year was Winter Storm Cato, which brought widespread snowfall to the Northeast the day before Thanksgiving.



Playing a role in the low amount of snow cover that year is the fact that November 2012 ranked as the eighth driest on record in continental U.S. dating back to 1895.

