#### Park City Mountain Sports Club

#### January 2017



### **President's Message**

## A New Year, ONE Resolution and 25% Goal....

Wow - another year has flown by and time to look ahead for fun in the outdoors, winter or summer!

Heralding in a New Year often brings to mind the idea of "resolutions." Per mama Google, a New Year's resolution is a tradition, in which a person makes a promise to do an act



of self-improvement or something slightly nice, such as opening doors for people beginning from New Year's Day. So with that definition in mind, I would like to offer you at least ONE "kindness" resolution for 2017.

You are all aware our wonderful club is continuing to grow. When people hear about a good thing, they wish to join - and join they do! Growth, however, can be a good thing or a detriment when club events become crowded, less fun and less safe. Our board members repeatedly review the issue of growth (in fact we had a 5 hour meeting devoted solely to growth), and the common denominator is we must have new leaders for all events in order for our club to continue being the fun and success it has been in the past.

This past summer, we had a 10% spike in leaders from existing club members and we also had a 10% spike of new leaders from those who joined in 2016. That sounds

impressive - yet we still had hikes with over 35 people! ONE RESOLUTION for us in 2017 is to see those numbers change from 10% to 25% for both existing and new member leaders! Just imagine, if each of us were to lead one event - just ONE - we would solve this problem exponentially!

OK, Ok, I hear wheels of fear grinding out there. I too was once a new member of PCMSC and had horrible stage fright to lead any event. Being from Dallas, it was one thing to lead people around shopping malls but leading them in our beautiful outdoors posed numerous nightmares. What if members became lost, walked into a herd of elk, tripped on moose poop or ended up in Mexico! What could this Dallas girl do? Well, as any city girl knows, you conquer any challenge with help and a bit of savvy! Help is in the form of numerous mentors (thank you Bub Carlson and Ellen Sherk) who helped me by previewing each hike I wanted to lead. The savvy came from learning a little moose poop is fun as long as you know how to avoid the moose! Also, the savvy was being a sweep for numerous bike and hike events. How better to learn than following behind those who can teach us well!!! I no longer shook in my boots from fear of leading but rather hastily put my boots on to be a leader!

Winter is upon us and we need leaders! <u>Ellen Sherk</u> is our Winter Officer and she can help you find a mentor should you wish to lead a snowshoe, Nordic cross-country ski or yak trak event.

Our 2017 ONE Resolution also includes summer events. We had over 241 activity events last summer! Our summer coordinators did a great job but they recognize in order to continue the same amount of fun, we must have, not need to, but must have more leaders! Despite this being winter, it is not too early to contact <u>Chuck Mollard</u>, our Summer Officer, if you would be interested in leading any hikes or bike events during the summer. The earlier the better allows time to meet mentors and get yourself ready for being a leader. Good planning equals lots of fun.

Many of you may wish to offer your ONE Resolution in another manner besides being an outdoor activity leader. We have many social events throughout the year. Tables need moving, decorations set out, sign ups reviewed, and more. Or you may wish to open your home to one of our TGIF events. If this is your cup of tea then please let our Social Officer, <u>Paddy Mollard</u> or our TGIF Officer, <u>Dan Albano</u> know of your interest in helping.

Each of us eagerly awaits the promise of what the New Year will bring for us. Let us collectively, as a club, triumph in the promise of ONE Resolution in 2017 to reach our goal of 25% increase in existing and new club member leaders for 2017! Plan your PCMSC ONE Resolution for 2017 now!

#### Happy New Year!

Sheree Anshel, President

## Don't forget, you will receive fewer email blasts from now on. Please check the calendar regularly to see what new events have been added

# Send us your pictures!





Share your pictures by sending to <u>photos@pcmsc.org</u>. We have lots of pictures to <u>see</u>!





### January birthdays!



There's lots going on in the club, please go to our <u>website</u> for more information. And check the <u>calendar</u> section frequently, as activities get added regularly.