

## Carson – Gude Award

- We are pleased to present the Carson-Gude Award to Willistown Troop 78.
- This award honors their exceptional service at Woodbridge Lodge in Vermont, recognizing efforts that surpass standard annual work parties and offer lasting benefits to members.
- It has been said that the Scouts always left the lodge better than they found it.
- The Scouts' ongoing work has kept the lodge accessible for everyone.
- Thanks to your support, since its founding in 1959, the lodge continues to serve club members and guests for years to come.
- Now, here are a few pictures to see them in action! (access via link in email message)

Congratulations!

## Jeff Wilhoite Award

- The Jeff Wilhoite Award is given to a member who has gone above and beyond to enhance our club.
- Colleen Becker volunteered to assist with membership soon after joining Buck Ridge a few years ago.
- She developed a refined membership spreadsheet, maintaining diligent accuracy and updating renewals and member interests.
- Colleen reached out to other groups to promote lodge usage and showed enthusiasm for all Buck Ridge activities.
- Even after moving to Florida, she continues her efforts and regularly joins meetings via Zoom.
- The club hopes she is watching as this award is presented to her.

## **The Outstanding New Member Award**

In his short time as a member of Buck Ridge Ski Club, our Outstanding New Member, has made significant contributions to our club:

- His regular visits to the Lodge, along with the maintenance he performed during those times, gave everyone greater peace of mind.
- He contributed as a member of the Lodge Committee, consistently participating in lodge and club meetings despite being located some distance away.
- He helped set up the ZOOM meeting for the 80th Anniversary and remains actively involved in that area.
- Personally, I often come up with elaborate ideas for meetings without knowing how to implement them, yet he always finds a way to make them happen!
- His passion for Buck Ridge and the Lodge is truly infectious!

Congratulations Peter Lukas!

## The Outstanding New Member Award

Our Outstanding New Member Award has made significant contributions to the Buck Ridge Ski Club during his short time with the club.

- He actively promotes the Lodge through outreach.
- Frequently volunteers to organize lodge trip - particularly those involving new groups.
- He assists with Lodge upkeep to benefit all members.
- He willingly took on the role of secretary (no small feat) when few - no one - was interested.
- We are delighted to honor **Chuck Wright** with this award and recognize that he works very well with others! We sincerely appreciate the ongoing support and contributions from Chuck, Meghan, Colleen and Jacki as they help promote our Club and Lodge!
- But, this award goes to Chuck for all he's done and continues to do.

Congratulations, Chuck!!!

## Life Membership

This year's Life Membership honors a member whose dedication and leadership have greatly benefited Buck Ridge Ski Club and its lodge.

- Joins a distinguished group of life members, beginning with Paul Wick in 1955.
- Twice served as President.
- Organized hikes for members.
- Made significant contributions on the Lodge Committee.
- Regularly visited the lodge to check and handle any problems.
- Kept both the board and members updated.
- Managed all these responsibilities while running a Ski Club.
- And you know who we must thank for organizing the raffle!
- And on and on and on!

Congratulation to Lydia Hill