



SKI for HEAT

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Dear Friends of Ski for Heat,

For the past seventeen years, you have been an integral part of Ski for Heat and made a difference in the lives of so many in our community during our long, cold months in Vermont. It has been an honor and a privilege to shepherd your kindness, generosity, and bounty of thoughtfulness and determination in the effort to help a neighbor or stranger in need of heating fuel assistance.

After much deliberation and discussion with the board and with deference to family/personal matters, I made the decision this fall to not hold a Ski for Heat skiing event in 2018. In many regards, it is with a heavy heart that I pen these words—after all, for almost two decades, the “Ski for Heat family” has been coming together for a common cause. Rain, sleet, too much snow, not enough snow, and mornings with wind chills below zero have not kept us from rallying at Wild Wings!

On the other hand, that same heart soars when I think of all that we have accomplished as a team. Thousands of folks have received aid and been given relief that they might otherwise not have had. What you all have done moves and humbles me beyond words. The days leading up to and the actual event itself at Wild Wings are magical and bring to life the beauty of the human spirit.

It is with sincere gratitude that I thank Tracy and Chuck Black, owners of Wild Wings, for so graciously opening their trails and warming hut and for extending an abundance of hospitality, compassion, and commitment to Ski for Heat for all these years.

Bob Stannard and Those Dangerous Bluesmen will be giving another benefit concert (with all proceeds going to Ski for Heat) at The Eagles Club on Saturday, January 27, 2018. This is their dozenth (my made-up word for the season) time they will be on stage to perform for us. Please join the fun—and you can *dance* (or raise a toast) for heat!

If you would still like to support Ski for Heat, donations to continue helping “warm hearts and homes” would of course be gratefully accepted.

Thank you for your understanding and consideration. Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. It is so beautiful at Wild Wings—I hope to see you on Snow Goose or Upper Blue Jay over the course of the winter ahead!

With wishes for a warm hearth and the coming season to be filled with peace and prosperity in all that brings you joy, I am

Sincerely yours,

Martha Robertson
Ski for Heat event founder/president