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Hickory Hills Ski Area Will Open This Friday

The Traverse City Recreation Dept. announced today that the Hickory Hills Ski Area will open its ski season on Friday, December 26 at 10 a.m. and will close at 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, the area will open at 10 a.m. and close at 9:30 p.m. Sunday, the area will open at 11:00 and close at dusk. The schedule will be in effect thru January 4 providing the snow condition is good.

After January 4, the schedule will be as follows: Monday thru Friday, 2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Saturday, 10:00 - 9:30 pm. Sunday, 11:00 - Dusk. Skiers are advised to check with the Hickory Hills Ski Area prior to going there. Two phones are installed and information regarding skiing and ice skating condition may be secured by calling: 947-8030 or 947-8031.

Ladies Day will be on Tuesdays from 2 thru 4 p.m. and instructions from school director, Dick Bohn and his assistants, will be available. Further information regarding instructions may be obtained by calling the school director, 947-9701, or contacting him at the Hickory Hills. Scheduling for private, semi-private and group lessons will be available.

The ski area will operate with five ski patrolmen who will be there for your safety.

Many new improvements were made at the ski hills, including a new type of nylon rope in several tows; grooming and grading of upper "Swede" which adds more challenge to skiers; Birch Run widened on the bottom and the beginners slope was moved to a new location which is more suitable for beginners and at the same time has an added two hundred feet in length. Additional lights are installed for better night skiing. A new trail from the lodge to the lower "Swede" is open for public convenience.

The new cross-country trail is also cleared and will be in operation for lovers of hiking and touring on skis.

In addition to skiing, Hickory Hills will offer limited tobogganing. A temporary run, approximately 250 feet long, is cleared for toboggan lovers.

The city will operate all five ice skating rinks, located at: West Front St., between Oak and Maple; F & M Skating Rink, between State and Hope; Clancy Park, just off Eastern Ave.; Traverse Heights school

area; 14th St. rink behind Thirby-Field.

All skating rinks are lighted for night skating. The skating rinks will be in operation as soon as the ice is good and this depends on the weather. Please check on conditions before planning your skating outing. The daily schedule of all rinks will be as follows:

Monday thru Thursday 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Friday, 2:00-5:30 p.m. and 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Saturday 12:30-5:30 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Sunday 1:00-5:30 p.m. and 6:30-9:00 p.m.

The hockey field and program will be announced in the near future according to the department of recreation.

Season patches and daily tickets may be purchased at the Hickory Hills Ski Area during the hours of operation mentioned above or at city hall.

Colorado State Picks Grid Coach

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (UPI) — Jerry Wampfler, 38, an offensive line coach from Notre Dame, Tuesday accepted the job of head football coach at Colorado State University.

He replaces Mike Luke who posted a 29-51-1 record for the Rams during eight seasons.

Wampfler's appointment is effective Jan. 1, following the Fighting Irish's game with the University of Texas in the Cotton Bowl on New Year's Day.

Wampfler received permission from Notre Dame to negotiate for the CSU job before he was interviewed for it.

"CSU is ready to break out and make a name for itself in the world of athletics, and I'm happy to be a part of it," Wampfler said Tuesday. CSU is a member of the Western Athletic Conference.

RATED 12TH

NEW YORK (UPI) — Eastern Michigan is rated 12th among the nation's top 20 small college basketball powers in this week's United Press International poll by a panel of 31 coaches. The Hurons received 46 points for their 5-1 record. One of those votes was for first place. Kentucky Wesleyan is rated first with 16 first-place votes and 282 points.