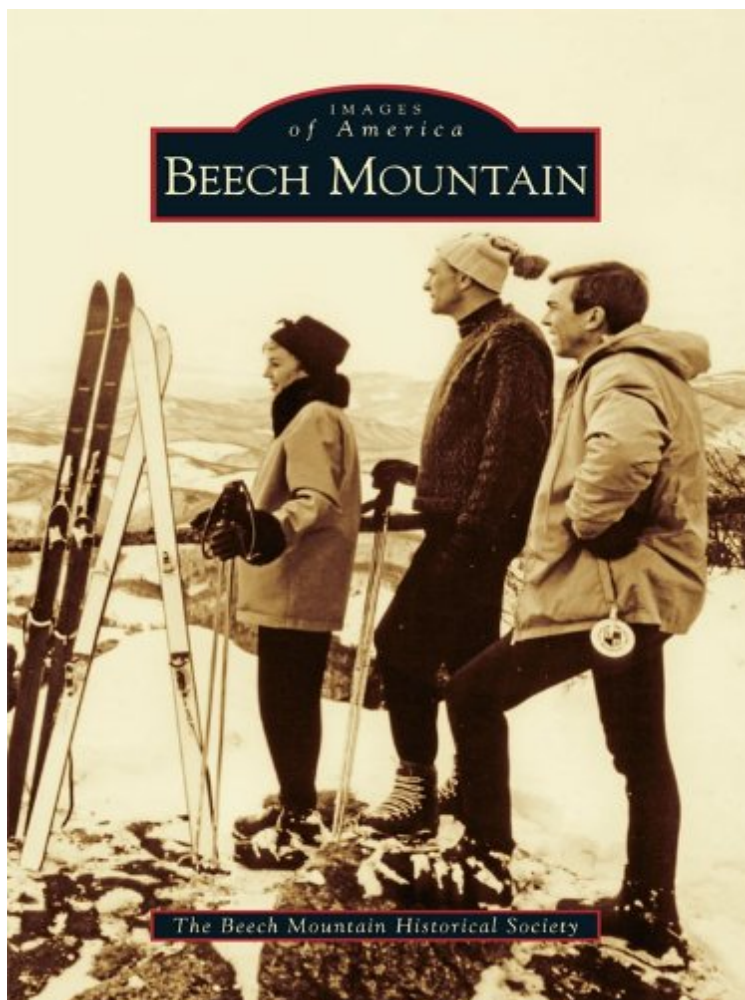


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and its Ski Resort's (formerly Ski Beech, now Beech Mountain Resort) first decades of business. One small example: elephants marched up the side of the mountain and stayed for three days along with their circus one Summer back then. World-famous athletes and celebrities made appearances on a regular basis. With all the improvements and encouraging winter weather we've been enjoying lately, perhaps such heady times are in the process of returning to the Mountain again!0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Four StarsBy M. HubbardLots of good pictures and interesting information about Beech Mountain.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Nice book...was a requested Wish List gift by our sonBy Audrey SA requested 'wish list' Christmas gift well received.

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