



# The e-CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

**December 2014**

## **SSC December and January Calendar**

- Tuesday, December 2 – New Member Mixer & Holiday Party @ Gullifty's Downstairs, Camp Hill  
Wednesday, December 17 – Learn to Ski/Board Night @ Ski Roundtop, Lewisberry  
Wednesday, December 17 – Board Meeting @ Ski Roundtop's Alpine Room  
Tuesday, January 6 – Membership Meeting @ Gullifty's Downstairs, Camp Hill  
January 17-24 – SSC Trip to Sun Valley, Idaho

### **Tuesday, December 2**

#### **New Member Mixer, Membership Meeting & Holiday Party**

Come out and celebrate the holidays with your SSC friends on December 2. A Social Hour and trip signups begin at 6pm at Gullifty's Underground, followed by our business meeting at 7pm. A free-to-members Holiday Party with snacks will be held following the brief business portion of the meeting. And if you are new to SSC this year or joined at the Get Acquainted Party, you are invited to our New Member Mixer preceding this month's membership meeting. We reserved a private room at Gullifty's Upstairs for a wine 'n cheese or beer 'n cheese social hour beginning at 6 pm. This is your chance to meet the SSC Board of Directors and mingle with other new members. For directions to Gullifty's, go to [www.gulliftys.net](http://www.gulliftys.net).



### **President's Corner**

I hope you had a chance to dust off your skis and boards in preparation for a great new season! It's been snowing everywhere and many ski resorts enjoyed their opening days already.... I am sure some of our members have been hitting the slopes. You don't want to be left out on all the fun with SSC! We have a Learn to Ski/Board Night this month, weekly clinics in January and openings for our trips to Sun Valley, Winter Park, Stowe and Seven Springs. We will be turning back unused rooms and air for Sun Valley this week, so please don't delay if you are interested in this fabulous trip.

It was wonderful to see many of you at our Annual Get Acquainted Party recently up at Roundtop, where the slopes were covered in snow, the music was great and ski stories were flowing. I hope you all had as much fun as I did! Thanks to the volunteers who helped with the event, especially organizers Beth Harfmann and Terri Falk, who did a great job!

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to wish you all a very MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR! Wherever you are, be safe and have fun!

Happy Trails, Dyan Yingst

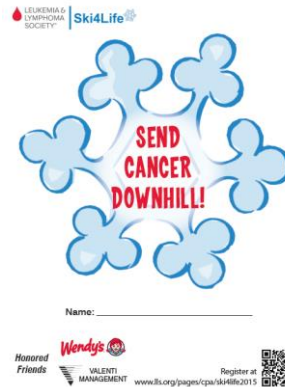
**LEARN TO SKI OR BOARD NIGHT ~ Just \$39 per person  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17 ~ 6 PM at Ski Roundtop  
Bring a friend and Get Your Lift Ticket for \$17**

Do you have family and friends who wish they could get out on the slopes and have fun with the rest of us? We are sponsoring a Learn to Ski or Board Night in conjunction with Roundtop Mountain Resort in Lewisberry on Wednesday evening, December 17. The beginner package includes equipment rental, lesson and a lift ticket, all for a special price of just \$39. Please meet at the Ski School by 6 pm. If you already know how to ski or board, you can bring your friends or family members and get your lift ticket for just \$17! After the 90-minute lesson, there will be an apres ski gathering with representatives of the Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club and Roundtop Mountain Resort in the Alpine Room behind the Lodge.

We are selling these packages at our monthly meeting or you can mail your check for \$39 payable to SSC to Learn to Ski/Board Night, P.O. Box 60713, Harrisburg, PA 17106 by December 10. Please include your name, number of people and whether you plan to take skiing or boarding lessons. SSC will have board members on hand to greet you and help you through the rental lines.

## Wendy's Snowflake Campaign

Visit a participating Wendy's near you from now until Sunday,  
December 7, 2014 and purchase a paper snowflake.  
All proceeds benefit Ski4Life!



## HELP NEEDED FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS IN 2015

Since 2002, SSC has been working in conjunction with the York Ski Club to assist with the York Area Special Olympics skiing program. We typically have about a dozen athletes (teens and young adults), and we try to have at least two coaches per athlete. We were a bit short on help last year, so we could use some new coaches. We ski at Roundtop Mountain on Thursday evenings starting on January 8. You don't have to commit to ski every week, but the athletes and coordinators appreciate some consistency. New volunteers should contact Phil Durgin at 717-732-5325 or pdurgin@comcast.net to obtain a volunteer application form. The Special Olympics program requires a background check and a short online training course, so contact Phil ASAP. You only have to be an intermediate skier to coach, and Roundtop donates the lift tickets for the evening, so come join the fun! Many of our athletes are great skiers and they all love to ski!

## ***Ski4Life 2014: Send Cancer Downhill***

Skiers and snowboarders will send cancer downhill at the 11th Annual Ski4Life event hosted by the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS). Ski4Life is a 6-hour ski and snowboard marathon, where participants raise money for the LLS mission to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma and improve the quality of life for patients and their families. The event begins at 9 am on Saturday, February 7th Roundtop Mountain Resort. By participating as an individual or with a team, you can enjoy skiing and snowboarding while supporting a great cause! Ski4Life participants enjoy breakfast, lunch, snacks, and dinner provided by sponsors and friends of LLS. Prizes are awarded for top individual and team fundraisers, vertical feet challenge, and the most online contributions.



Back in 2004, Roundtop Mountain Resort and the Susquehanna Ski Club hosted the annual Spring Carnival and added a 24-hour ski and snowboard marathon to raise funds for the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. That event was a huge success and Ski4Life was born, as more than 30 participants raised approximately \$16,000. Since its inception, Ski4Life has raised over half a million dollars for LLS!

If you are not participating in the 2015 Ski4Life event, please support the following members of the Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club who are currently registered with LLS as teams:

Downhill Chicks ~ Lovena Nickle, Terri Falk & Barb Crout  
Snow Boomers ~ Dave Abt, Jack & Linda Billmyer, Dyan Yingst  
SSC Free Stylers ~ Dave Cutcliff, Nan Davenport, Becky Havice, Janet Levine

For more information or assistance with registration please contact the Ski4Life Campaign Coordinator, Abby Curtain at [Abigail.Curtain@lls.org](mailto:Abigail.Curtain@lls.org) or call (717) 652-6520.

## **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!!**

SSC is recruiting members who would be interested in serving on the board of directors for the 2015-16 membership year to be presented at the January 6, 2015, membership meeting. If you have the interest, time and energy for the commitment to help lead the best ski club around, please contact Dyan Yingst, aka [skierdyan@comcast.net](mailto:skierdyan@comcast.net), or Melody Patton at [mpatton0627@comcast.net](mailto:mpatton0627@comcast.net). If you have any questions about director or officer responsibilities, we will be more than happy to send you the information and mentor you in your new role on the SSC Board of Directors. Remember, your participation will help keep SSC the best ski club around!



## **NIGHT CLUB and 4 MULTI VISIT CARDS with ADVANTAGE CARDS, SEASON PASSES, SENIOR MID-WEEK PASSES & NIGHT TIME SEASON'S PASSES**

All of these can still be purchased through SSC, however, the prices have increased since November 4.



You can pay for any of these passes for Roundtop Mountain Resort with your credit card online through a secure password protected website or you can pay by check. You can save 40-50 percent off lift tickets and rentals by purchasing the Night Club Card or Multi Visit Cards with optional Advantage Card. Three types of Season's Pass can still be purchased through SSC: the regular season pass is now \$559; the senior mid-week pass is \$299, and the Night Season Pass is \$379. SSC's contact person this year is Jack Billmyer; you can contact him at [jack@billmyer.net](mailto:jack@billmyer.net) or 717-533-6163.

**For Online Group Sales go to:** <https://sales.skiroundtop.com/webwaresales/GrpLogin2.aspx>  
**SSC Login = 4910, Password = winter**

**HELP SSC EARN FREE ROUNDTOP MOUNTAIN LIFT PASSES:** If you have already purchased any of the above season passes, please email [Jack@billmyer.net](mailto:Jack@billmyer.net) and let him know. It doesn't cost you anything to be added to SSC's Club Program and SSC earns rewards of free ski passes which we will pass on to you, our members, as door prizes at our membership meetings and other events.

### **SKIER/BOARDER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM RETURNS ON MONDAY NIGHTS**

We made arrangements with the Ski School at Roundtop Mountain Resort (RMR) to conduct Monday night clinics to improve your skier/boarder skills. It's all about you ~ come and ski or ride with a pro for 1-1/2 hours of fun and excitement four Mondays in January starting at 6 pm. Explore the terrain at RMR for all abilities, work on your carving, doing the boxes, bumps, the park, maybe even some gates. Learn to ski or ride with your kids or grandkids. The clinics will be theme focused each week to incorporate the things you want to do better, maybe even switch sports one night and try boarding or skiing. At the end of the evening, join us for apres ski in the Alpine Room next to the Learning Center. Contact Bob Vendetti at 717-319-2952 or [skimebob@hotmail.com](mailto:skimebob@hotmail.com) for more information. These clinics are just \$10 each when you have a Roundtop Discount Card already. RMR has already opened, and January is almost here!



### **JOIN THE SSC MEETUP PAGE**

Do ever feel like getting out on the ski slopes, waterways, golf course or bike trails, but don't really have anyone to go with when you are available? Maybe it's your day off, but your friends cannot go. That's why we started the SSC MEETUP page, so we can keep you up to date on our club activities, and **you can post individual activities like a day on the snow that other members might enjoy too.**

To sign up, please go to

<http://www.meetup.com/Susquehanna-Ski-Snowboard-Club>.

## 2015 TRIPS

Don't delay if you are planning to ski with all your SSC friends this winter. Our lineup includes four major western trips, an eastern trip and a day trip. Complete trip terms, details and applications can be found, on SSC's website [www.skissc.com](http://www.skissc.com) under About Us > SSC Forms. Your SSC membership must be current to submit an application for our trips.

### **LAST CALL FOR SUN VALLEY, IDAHO ~ JANUARY 17 – 24 (77 percent full)**

#### **~ Single Female Still Needed for Double Occupancy**

Join SSC in majestic Sun Valley, Idaho, jewel of the Sawtooth Mountain Range, and ski/board 2,045 acres in the tracks of famous Hollywood stars from a by-gone era, such as Clark Gable, Bing Crosby and Lucille Ball. Soar to Bald Mountains' 9,150 foot summit with minimal lift lines, and ski 3,400 vertical feet, or choose to warm up those ski legs on the more mellow runs of Dollar Mountain. Lifts to both mountains are located just a 5-minute shuttle ride from the Sun Valley Inn. Heli-skiing and a full-featured terrain park are offered for the thrill-seeker; over 40km of scenic, groomed trails are available for snowshoeing and cross-country skiing; and a tubing hill for the young or young at heart! A year-round ice skating rink, often used for practice by Olympic medalists, is located just steps from the Inn. EXCHANGE a day of your 5-day lift ticket for a full cross-country package, or towards dining, shopping, or a relaxing massage. At Sun Valley, your options seem endless. The basic package price of \$1,640 includes roundtrip airfare from Philadelphia to Boise, bus transportation to and from airports, 7 nights lodging in the luxury of the Sun Valley Inn, a quick shuttle ride to all lifts, all taxes, a 5-of-6-day lift ticket, a welcome reception, mountain tour and farewell dinner. Rooms are equipped with a mini-fridge to stock with your favorite snacks and breakfast items. Don't hesitate! Mail your checks payable to "SSC" and completed trip application to **Trip Leader Terri Falk**, 226 Burd Coleman Road, Lebanon, PA 17042. For more details, call Terri at 717-228-9939 or email [terrimcg@live.com](mailto:terrimcg@live.com).



### **DAY TRIP ~ SEVEN SPRINGS**

#### **Friday, February 13 (35 percent full)**

Are you looking for a low-cost trip this winter that is not very far from home? Join us on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> at Seven Springs Mountain Resort, which opened Thanksgiving Weekend. You will find 33 slopes and trails, seven Terrain Parks and 11 lifts, with a maximum vertical drop of over 750 feet, with the longest trail being longer than one mile in length. The price for this trip is just \$85 per person and includes your lift ticket and bus transportation to the resort. Discounted equipment rentals and group lessons are also available. For more information, please contact Trip Leader Mike Shaw at [mshawssc@gmail.com](mailto:mshawssc@gmail.com) or at 717-253-2414. Mail your trip application and \$85 payment payable to "SSC" to Mike Shaw, P.O. Box 1471, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055.





**STOWE, VERMONT (35 % full)  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 – SUNDAY, MARCH 1**

SSC is going back to Stowe with a mini-week trip, Wednesday to Sunday. Whether you prefer to alpine ski, snowboard or cross-country ski, Stowe has all there is to offer for your mountain-oriented activities and the village offers a variety of shopping, sleigh rides, snowshoeing, ice skating, sledding, snowmobiling and more. Mount Mansfield and Spruce Peak, Stowe's two magnificent areas, form a grand panorama and arena for beauty and fun. Stowe features a bounty of open glades, never ending fall line and spectacular twin summits including Vermont's highest peak at 4,395 feet and 2,360 of vertical. Stowe offers 48 of the longest trails in New England, where 73% of the terrain is covered with snowmaking, the legendary "Front Four", 11 lifts and a high-speed, eight-passenger gondola. Stowe Mountain receives an average of 300+ inches of natural snow on Vermont's highest peak each ski season, yet they are currently investing tons of money to upgrade their snowmaking. From incomparable snow surfaces to modern lifts, mountain access technologies, world-class amenities and exceptional service, Stowe differentiates itself by being bigger than a mountain. The standard package price of \$653 per person double occupancy includes roundtrip motorcoach, 4 nights at the Commodores Inn near Stowe Village, a daily hot breakfast buffet, a 3-day lift ticket and a farewell dinner. Non-skier, junior and senior discounts are available. Mail your \$300 deposit payable to "SSC" and completed trip application to **Trip Leader Linda Randby**, 130 Brinser Court, Hummelstown, PA 17036. For more details, call Linda at 717-526-4563 or email [llaub4@gmail.com](mailto:llaub4@gmail.com).

**WINTER PARK, COLORADO ~ March 7-14  
(88 percent full) ~ last chance!**

Winter Park Mountain Resort invites you to ski over 3081 acres including 3060 feet of vertical that averages over 320 inches of annual snowfall and 300 days of sunshine. Join us for one of the best values of the ski season and meet Winter Park's "Seven Territories": Winter Park, Mary Jane, Parsenn Bowl, Vasquez Ridge, The Cirque, Eagle Wind, and the Terrain Parks including 143 trails. We will stay at the Winter Park Mountain Lodge which features a restaurant with views of the mountain, brew pub, indoor swimming pool, two hot tubs and sauna. This affordable experience includes direct roundtrip air from Dulles Airport to Denver Airport, all bus transfers, 7 nights lodging with daily hot breakfast, welcome reception, 5-of-6- day lift ticket and après ski party. This package is priced at just \$1,525 pp/double occupancy. For more information, please contact **Trip Leader Brenda Martin** at [BDNoll1@verizon.net](mailto:BDNoll1@verizon.net) or 717-540-5468.



**\*JACKSON HOLE, WYOMING ~ January 31 - February 7 ~ SOLD OUT WITH WAIT LIST**

Standard package \$1,845 pp includes roundtrip air from Philadelphia to Jackson, bus transportation to and from both airports, 7 nights lodging, daily breakfast buffet, 5-day lift ticket, a day trip to Grand Targhee, slopeside lodging at the Alpehhof Lodge, plus a welcome and farewell party. Contact **Trip Leader Monica Kurtz** at 717-691-9237 or at [monicakurtz@gmail.com](mailto:monicakurtz@gmail.com) for more information.

**\* STEAMBOAT, COLORADO ~ February 21 – 28 ~ SOLD OUT WITH WAIT LIST**

Standard package at \$1,740 per person includes 7 nights lodging at the Ptarmigan Inn adjacent to the gondola at the base of the resort, roundtrip airfare from BWI to Hayden, bus transportation to and from airports, a daily hot breakfast buffet, group portorage, a 5-of-6-day lift ticket, and a welcome and farewell party. Contact Trip Leader Melody Patton at 717-741-6055 or at mpatton0627@comcast.net for additional information.

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President Dyan Yingst \* Vice President Melody Patton \* Social Vice President Lovena Nickle \* Treasurer Sherry Predix \*  
Secretary Terri Falk \* Membership Chair Monica Kurtz \* Trip Coordinator Linda Randby \* Social Coordinator Lilly Peek  
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Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club  
**Membership Application/Renewal**  
Membership Year Runs April 1 to March 31  
Please Print Clearly, Especially Email Addresses!

\_\_\_\_ Junior (18-20, dues = \$20/yr). List birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ Single Adult (dues = \$25/yr). Ages 21+  
\_\_\_\_ Family/Household (dues = \$35/yr). *One or two adults and all dependent minors under 18 years of age who reside at the same physical address.* • Renewal • New Sponsor name (optional)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Family/Household memberships only, please list second adult member's contact information, and dependent children's names and birthdates below

Do not mail cash. Please make checks payable to SSC.  
Mail to: SSC MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR, P.O. Box 60713, Harrisburg, PA 17106.