



The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello everyone! I hope all of you had a wonderful 2010/11 winter sports season, and that you're planning activities for the warmer weather that will keep you fit for next winter's playtime in the snow. Our newly-elected board of directors and our support staff and committee members are already busily at work making plans to continue the club's great traditions and to initiate new ones, and many of these will feature opportunities for you to stay fit for skiing and boarding in the next season.

I'm relatively new to the club, and feel I have a chance to do a good job as your President only if I get plenty of constructive input from you the members. So please, send me your ideas, your suggestions for improvement, even your pet peeves. I believe I'm safe in speaking for the board that we all feel the same way. This can only be your club if you make it so.

Lastly, I urge those of you who have yet to get involved in this club to stop thinking about it, and just do it! The more you engage in this club, the greater the benefits to you. There are many ways in which to become more involved – ranging from volunteering at a social event to providing an essential function to help run the club. Any amount of time you can spare will be repaid richly through the friends you'll make and keep through SSC. Please contact me, or any member of the board if you're interested in getting involved – you won't regret it! Live to ski another day!



CHERRY BLOSSOM WALKING TOUR Saturday, April 2

Meet Jim at 7:30 am at BJ's Wholesale Club in Camp Hill to carpool to Washington, D.C. Remember to wear comfortable shoes, as this tour will require more than 3 hours of walking. Details can be found in the March newsletter or by contacting **Jim Volstorf** at 239-784-0054.

PICTURE PARTY & PHOTO CONTEST

Tuesday, April 5

All members who went on a trip with SSC during the 2010-2011 membership year are invited to attend our annual Picture Party on Tuesday, April 5, beginning at 7 pm. Once again, we will enjoy a delicious lasagna dinner catered by Doc Holliday's. Our western trip tour company and **Picture Party Sponsor, Alphorn Tours will treat us to a scrumptious cake** from a local bakery. A "cash bar" will be available for beverages. Please remember to bring your SSC trip pictures to share. They can be prints, on your laptop, or digital video files. If you have pictures on a CD or memory stick, that will be fine; bring them along and we'll show them on the screen.

DIRECTIONS: Doc Holliday's Comedy Zone, New Cumberland. From I-83 take exit 40A, turn east onto Limekiln Road, turn left at the Comfort Inn sign.

2011 PHOTO CONTEST - You are encouraged to enter your favorite 2010-2011 SSC trip pictures in our photo contest. There is no limit to individual entries. If possible, please bring print and digital copies of each photo you're entering. The print copy will be used in the judging process and the digital copies will be used to create the newsletter header. If you don't have a digital camera, photo prints will do. Judging will take place at the 2011 SSC Spring Banquet. The winner will receive a \$50 cash prize and their winning photo (with photo credits) will be featured in our monthly email newsletters. Photos must support cropping to 3.4:1 (approximately 3.4 times wider than tall).

Ski4Life a SUCCESS!!

The SSC Ski4Life committee would like to thank the membership for their contributions and volunteer efforts that helped make our 7th annual Ski4Life Marathon a success. This year, 83 participants raised over **\$57,200** to help fight blood cancers. This brought the 7-year total to over \$300,000.

Thanks again for all your help in sending cancer downhill!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar 30 Board Meeting @ Sorrento's, Duncannon
- Apr 2 Cherry Blossom Walking Tour contact jvolstorf07@aol.com
- Apr 5 Picture Party contact socialcoord@skissc.com
- Apr 8 Friday Nite Social @ Gullifty's (New Cumberland) contact socialcoord@skissc.com
- Apr 10 Kiss Hike contact webmaster@skissc.com
- Apr 27 Board Meeting @ Giant (Linglestown Rd., Hbg.)
- Apr 30 Spring Banquet contact directorlouise@skissc.com
- May 6 Hit the Deck @ Dukes Riverside (Wormleysburg) contact socialcoord@skissc.com
- May 14 Mt. Gretna & Governor Dick Trail Ride & Mountain Bike Ride contact fastfred18@embarqmail.com
- May 25 Board Meeting @ Giant (Linglestown Rd., Hbg.)

KISS HIKE ~ Sunday, April 10

No, this hike has nothing to do with puckering your lips or Hershey's famous candy. It's got more to do with a philosophy or a way of life. This time I'd like to "Keep It Short and Simple". So if you like to hike and K.I.S.S., join me on April 10 at 2:00 pm at Harrisburg's Wildwood Park Nature Center, just north of HACC on Industrial Road. We'll hike the trails and boardwalks that surround the lake (it's a 3 mile loop). After we hike and visit the Nature Center we shouldn't be too exhausted, but maybe a little thirsty, so we'll plan on visiting Morgan's Place for refreshments. Forget about the cost of a tank of gas and a long boring drive – let's K.I.S.S.! And one of SSC's most renowned members, Sandy the Golden Retriever, is hiking too. Any questions contact **Len Neidig** at webmaster@skissc.com or 717-756-9828.



SPRING BANQUET ~ Saturday, April 30 (Deadline for reservations is April 21)

Join your SSC friends and make new friends at our annual Spring Banquet on Saturday, April 30. We are returning to the Navy SPCC Officers Club, 5450 Carlisle Pike, in Mechanicsburg, Pa. Those new to the club should note that this is the final bash of the 2010-2011 season. This is the time of the year when we change from our casual wear to more formal attire. The evening begins with a Happy Hour at 5:30 pm, followed by dinner at 6:30 pm. Dinner is followed by the awards ceremony, announcement of our 2011-2012 trip leaders, and 3 hours of dancing. If you attended the Get-Acquainted Party and enjoyed it, you're sure to enjoy dancing to **Rumor Has It** who will play until 11 pm. We'll guarantee there will be a Whole Lot of Shakin Goin' On! We would like to thank **Madden Physical Therapy, Brewhouse Grille, and Weichert Realtors - Brenda Bent, Realtor** for helping to sponsor this event. Please remember to support them.

The evening includes appetizers, a plated dinner entree, dessert, coffee or tea, tax, gratuity, and dancing to a live band. A cash bar will be available. Entree choices are: Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus, Flounder Stuffed with Crab, or Vegetable Lasagna. The cost of this fantastic evening is only \$37.00 per person. Mail your completed reservation form and check made payable to **SSC, to Louise Garland**, 5531 Edsel St., Harrisburg, PA 17109. For additional information, contact Louise at 717-545-2173 or directorlouise@skissc.com. **Absolutely no reservations will be accepted after April 21**, as we are required to provide our guest list to the base several days prior to the event. No walk-ins will be permitted on base.

Directions: From Rt.11 turn onto Gateway Drive, located in the 5400 block of the Carlisle Pike, between Carrabba's Italian Grill and Burger King. The guard will direct you to the Officer's Club.

All attendees will be required to show their driver's license in order to gain entrance to the base.

2011 BANQUET RESERVATION

ABSOLUTE LAST DAY RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED IS APRIL 21.

List your name below exactly as it appears on your driver's license. Due to the Homeland Security Act your driver's license is required to enter the Navy Base and must match the info you provide to us.

Name _____ (Print) Birth Date (MDY) _____

Driver's License No. _____

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Driver's License No. _____

NUMBER

ENTRÉE SELECTION

- _____ Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus
- _____ Flounder Stuffed with Crab
- _____ Vegetable Lasagna

Mail reservation and check, payable to SSC, to Louise Garland, 5531 Edsel St., Harrisburg, PA 17109

_____ Total Meals X \$37 = \$ _____ Total Amount Due

2011/12 TRIPS ANNOUNCED

The SSC Trip Committee and Board have been working hard all winter to make our 2011/12 season of trip offerings a memorable one.

Pending final contracts for lodging and transportation, we are planning to offer winter 2012 trips to the following five western ski destinations: Big Sky, Montana; Steamboat Springs, Colorado; Telluride, Colorado; Vail, Colorado; and Whistler-Blackcomb, British Columbia. In addition, we're planning our premier warm-weather trip to a western ski resort; Aspen, Colorado in September should be beautiful and loads of fun! Our winter 2012 eastern destinations are already under consideration and will be finalized in May. Come to SSC's Spring Banquet on April 30 to learn the names of your trip leaders! Trip details will be published in the June and July issues of the *Chairlift Chatter* as well as on our website. Trip sign-ups will begin at the SSC summer picnic on Saturday, June 25.



SSC NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

SSC has three important volunteer roles that need to be filled. We have openings for **volunteer coordinator** (1-2 positions), **merchandise coordinator** (1-2 positions), and **Constant Contact associate** (1 position). Our volunteer coordinators work with our event chairs to solicit volunteers from among our club members to staff our mega-events such as the picnic, Ski4Life and our get-acquainted party, as well as to line up volunteers to generate interest in our club at skiing-related events. Our merchandise coordinators select apparel and other items of interest to our members for displaying the club logo, and manage the club store. Our current store includes a physical inventory; we are also interested in talking with candidates who have an interest in developing an online store for the club. Our first Constant Contact associate will have a chance to develop this role from the ground up, developing ways to utilize the web-based Constant Contact survey tool to improve communications from our members (ballots, surveys, evaluations), and exploring the use of Constant Contact event marketing to support signups for our social events and trips. This person will also back up our newsletter editor by sending the occasional email blast to our members. For more information or if you're interested in volunteering for any of these roles, please contact **Pam Neidig**, club president, at president@skissc.com or 717-507-7196.



RAYSTOWN WEEKEND UPDATE

Pleasant Hills Resort in Hesston is holding a limited number of campsites for us the weekend of June 17-19. Those wishing to make a reservation may call 814-658-3986 and leave a message, or call Kathy directly at her home, at 717-987-3184. When making a reservation, tell them you are with SSC. For additional information, you can visit their website at www.pleasanthills.net. Basic information about the weekend was published in the March *Chairlift Chatter*. More details will be provided in future newsletters or you may contact **Louise Garland** at 717-545-2173 or directorlouise@skissc.com.



SAVE THESE DATES!!

Saturday, June 4: Motorcycle Poker Run,
Chair – Jack Predix

**Saturday, June 25: SSC Summer Picnic at
Harrisburg's Camp Reiley,**

Chair – Mark LaManna. Same as before, checks for 2011-12 trips will first be accepted on this date.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS
 President - Pam Neidig
 Trip Vice President - Mark LaManna
 Social Vice President - Melody Patton
 Treasurer - Beth Harfmann
 Secretary - Carolyn Eash
 Membership Chair - Jesse Eash
 Trip Coordinator - Dave Gabel
 Social Coordinator - Anna Kambic
 Directors - Louise Garland, Lovena Nickle-Haslam,
 Bob Havice and Dianne Paukovits
 Past President - Brenda Bent

SUPPORT STAFF
 EPSC Representative - Dianne Paukovits
 Merchandise - Open
 Newsletter - Jake Schopf
 Publicity/Marketing - Bob Norris
 Skier Development - Steve Vedder &
 Phyllis Doherty
 Special Olympics - Phil Durgin
 Volunteer Coordinators - Open
 Website - Len Neidig & Marlin Hensel

SSC MEMBERSHIP YEAR BEGINS APRIL 1 – IT’S TIME TO RENEW!!

The membership year runs from April 1 to March 31, so your current membership expires on March 31, 2011. If you haven't renewed yet, send your check and completed application today. You can also renew through our PayPal account. It's easy! Just go to the SSC website at www.skissc.com and click on Join Us / Join On-line or Renew On-line. Be sure to complete the payment instructions and you will be up-to-date with a current membership! As a reminder, current membership is a requirement for you to receive a monthly newsletter and sign up for our trips. Be sure to note any name, address, phone number and e-mail address changes on your application. Renew now so you don't miss a single newsletter or event!

2011-2012 Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club – Membership Application/Renewal
Membership Year Runs April 1 to March 31
 Please Print Clearly

MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION

Full Name: _____
 Spouse Full Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____
 Primary Phone: _____
 Secondary Phone: _____
 Spouse's Primary Phone: _____
 Email 1: _____
 Email 2: _____

Renewal New _____
 Sponsor name (optional) _____
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 **Individual** (dues = \$25/yr)  
 **Family** (dues = \$35/yr). A single parent with dependent children under 18 is considered a family membership. Couples must be married to be eligible for a family membership. If applicable, list dependent children's names and birthdates:  
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 **Junior** (18-20, dues = \$20/yr) List birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP**

I / we would like to volunteer to help with:  Meetings/Programs  Social Events

Please make checks payable to SSC. Mail to: SSC MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR, P.O. Box 60713, Harrisburg, PA 17106-0713