



The e-CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

April 2014

SSC April Calendar

April 1 ~ Picture Party, Gulliftys

April 12 ~ Awards Banquet, 50th Party, Blue Ridge Country Club

April 30 ~ Monthly Board Meeting, 3211 North Front Street, Harrisburg

President's Corner

I am very excited to take over as your President for another year and look forward to working with all of our new and returning Board members who represent SSC: Melody Patton, Lovena Nickle Haslam, Sherry Predix, Monica Kurtz, Terri Falk, Linda Randby, Lilly Peek, Jack Billmyer, Barb Collier, Barb Crout, Brenda Martin and Mike Shaw. Please let us know what's on your mind; we are happy to discuss your suggestions on growing this club and heading into the next 50 years. Our Social Committee will be meeting very soon to plan some fun venues for the coming year and we always need volunteers to step up and help at these many events we sponsor off the slopes.

THANK YOU to every single person who went on a trip with SSC during the past year! Running trips is one of the primary objectives of our club, and we really get excited each year when it's time to announce our new destinations and trip leaders. I have been so fortunate to run many ski trips for SSC over the years, and I have made some wonderful friends and been to some of the greatest ski resorts in North America. People who don't enjoy snow sports like most of our SSC members have no idea what they are missing!

And now the news you've been waiting for. The Trip Committee (all former SSC Presidents) recently met to review the success and shortcomings of the past year, and based on those findings, has decided to run fewer ski trips in 2015. The destinations selected and approved by our Board have all been popular with our members and will afford an easy opportunity for expansion as they fill over the summer months. We hope you will plan to join us in Sun Valley, Steamboat, Jackson Hole and Winter Park next winter, as well as several East Coast destinations to be determined later.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you on Saturday, April 12 at our 50th Anniversary Banquet in Harrisburg, along with our former SSC presidents and some special guests as well. Our party planners have been working very hard to make this a wonderful evening and I know it will be memorable!

Happy Trails, Dyan Yingst

PICTURE PARTY & PHOTO CONTEST

Gulliftys, Camp Hill ~~ Tuesday, April 1, 6:30 pm

If you went on a trip with SSC between April 2013 and March 2014, you are invited to attend our annual Party, starting at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, April 1, no fooling! Snacks will be provided. Please bring your trip photos to share with friends! If you did not go on a 2013-14 SSC trip, you are still welcome to attend the party, but you will be charged \$5 per person.

2014 Photo Contest: Enter your favorite 2013-14 SSC trip photo(s) in our annual photo contest. Print copies entered will be returned to you after the judges cast their vote for their favorite photo at our banquet on April 12. The winner will receive a \$50 cash prize and the honor of having their winning photo displayed in our monthly newsletters, including credits. Ideally, we are looking for photos that will support cropping to 3.4:1 (approx. 3.4 times wider than tall). If you have any questions, please contact SSC's photo historian Brenda Martin at photos@skissc.com.

SSC Spring Banquet & 50th Celebration ~ April 12

SSC has pulled out all the stops for a classy celebration of our 50 years as the best ski club around. Dress to impress, dust off your dancing shoes and join SSC in celebrating its 50th anniversary in style. Our Spring Banquet will be held at the Blue Ridge Country Club located at 3940 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, on Saturday, April 12 from 5:30 pm to midnight. The



evening starts with an open bar featuring beer, wine and butlered hors d'oeuvres. The buffet dinner includes salad, lemon pepper haddock and beef Marsala, along with sides and desserts. The evening's entertainment will be provided by a popular local band known as American Roulette as we dance the night away. There will be a short program highlighting the past 50 years, along with the introduction of our 2015 trips and trip leaders. Our sponsors for this gala event are Snowtours (one of our ski trip tour operators, snowtours.com), Brewhouse

Grille (brewhousegrille.com, one of our Deck Party establishments), World Cup Ski and Cycle (worldcupskiandcycle.com, one of our ski shop supporters) and Highland Gardens (highlandgardens.org), owned and operated by one of our ski club members.

So please come and join the celebration...**send your check now** (payable to SSC) for \$50 per person to Becky Havice, 108 Ridgeview Drive, Lewistown, PA 17044. The reservation is due April 2 so hurry, give Becky a call and get those checks in the mail or bring them to the picture party. Any questions, contact Becky at rlpatt@eawireless.net or 717-248-7271.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

We have been experiencing some difficulty with the automated system that we use for the membership database. We are waiting for the system errors to be completely identified before entering any new information. We apologize for the numerous automated emails; these have also made it difficult to answer individual inquiries. Please have patience through this inconvenience as many of the emails you receive are automated by this new system, not the membership director. Those of you who have already sent in your payment can be sure we will credit your memberships. Thanks for your understanding as we work through the kinks in the system. You can always go retro in honor of our 50th anniversary and mail in your renewals the old fashioned way.

BYLAW CHANGES APPROVED AT MARCH MEETING

At the December 18 meeting, the SSC Board of Directors, by a 2/3 majority in all cases, approved and recommends that the membership adopt the following three changes to SSC's Bylaws. As required by the SSC Bylaws, proposed membership changes were published and then presented at the March 4, 2014 membership meeting. Members in attendance voted to ratify each of these proposed changes and changes have become effective.

#1 Family/household membership ~ The first proposed bylaw change expanded SSC's family membership category to include household memberships, where a household is defined as one or two adults and all dependent minors under 18 years of age who reside at the same physical address.

#2 Clarification of lifetime membership level ~ The second proposed bylaw change aligned policy with the practice pertaining to free lifetime SSC memberships given by the Board upon recommendation by the Awards Committee. Gold Ski Award winners were awarded free lifetime SSC membership that may include family members (spouse and dependents) but the bylaw language was ambiguous regarding membership level (individual versus family). As bylaw change #1 was ratified by membership, members also voted to award free lifetime memberships at the "Family/Household" membership level to recipients of SSC's Gold Ski Award.

#3 Board & committee meetings to allow remote voting ~ The third proposed Bylaw change enables the President to allow Board members who are unable to attend a Board meeting in person to participate and vote in that meeting via teleconference or web conference. This change would also apply to Committee meetings. As the Robert's Rules of Order followed by SSC were written before the invention of remote meeting-enabling technologies, the Club cannot take advantage of these technologies without first incorporating this change into our Bylaws.

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