



The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greetings SSC Members! We are already into August and by the rate of ski trip sign-ups, many of our members are busy planning their winter vacation! Three of our six western ski trips have filled within two weeks of the start of the trip sign-ups. Don't despair if you didn't get on the trip you signed up for and were put on a waiting list. As a past trip leader, I know things change and spaces become available even up to the day before a trip departs. We also have spots available on three of our six western trips and our day and weekend trips. Please contact the appropriate trip leader for the trip you may be interested in.

We had record attendance of more than 220 members at our summer picnic on June 28. If you were able to make it, we have many hard working volunteers to thank for the fabulous time we had! Picnic Chairs **Pam McKechnie** and **Len Neidig** outdid themselves along with their fantastic committee to make this the best SSC picnic I have been to. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Pam and Len for chairing the picnic, **Becky** and **Bob Havice** for providing the roasted pig and **Carolyn** and **Jesse Eash** for assisting them, **Susie Seighman** and **Fred Bellis** for facilitating the games and also Fred for providing the popular beverage cart. Thanks also to **Dyan Yingst** and **Bob Noonan** for commanding the registration and membership table, **Steven Yingst** and **Jim Volstorf** for manning the grill, **Rusty Diamond** and **Gary Smith** for managing the pot-luck dishes, **Tricia Smith** for coordinating the chili cook-off and everyone else who volunteered as well as **Brenda Bent** for her support as Social Vice President.

Are you looking for the latest trip information? You will find it at www.skissc.com or check your e-mail for the **e-Chairlift Chatter** newsletter with links to the website. If you aren't receiving the e-newsletter, send your e-mail address to newsletter@skissc.com or sign up yourself on our website. If you would prefer to receive the **e-Chairlift Chatter** rather than the printed version, send a message to membership@skissc.com. The advantages of receiving the e-newsletter are numerous and include receiving a more detailed version in a timely manner and a cost savings to the club.

Enjoy your summer and I hope to see you at Kipona on Saturday, August 30, where Becky Havice and I will be serving up our chili!

Best regards, Joanne

MEMBERSHIP MEETING ~ Tuesday, Sept. 2

Tuesday, September 2 is the date for SSC's first monthly membership meeting for the '08-09 season. Social hour starts at 6:30pm, followed by our business meeting at 7:30pm. Please bring a friend to introduce to the club—guests are always welcome. Get the latest news on upcoming ski trips and social events. This is the meeting to hear about trip details and for you to secure reservations on any open trip. So bring your check-books—the trips to popular locations are filling fast. We'll also have a demonstration of our club's new and improved website. **Location:** Susquehanna Club of DDRS (New Cumberland Army Depot). From I-83, take exit 39A and turn east onto Lewisberry Road. Proceed 1 mile to the 3rd light, turn left onto Old York Road, go ¼ mile to the light and turn right onto Ross Avenue. Follow Ross Avenue to the gate and show your driver's license if requested. The Susquehanna Club is on your left.

IN MEMORY OF BOB NOONAN

The Susquehanna Ski and Snowboard Club has lost a friend and key board member with the sudden and unexpected passing of Bob Noonan on Monday, July 14, 2008. Many of you knew Bob as an avid skier, golfer and bike rider and enjoyed his company at social events. Bob was a very proud and loving father as he talked about his sons Patrick and Sean Noonan. He served his country with honor fighting in the Vietnam War. During his service in the U.S. Army, Bob was awarded the Purple Heart. He was a ski instructor for 14 years at Ski Roundtop and may have helped you with your techniques on the slopes. As a SSC Board Member he was instrumental in developing our new website and pioneering the Warren Miller film premier event so many of us have enjoyed. While on the board he served as Director (05/06), and as Membership Chair (06-08), he re-energized the membership contest.

SSC's Board has authorized a memorial contribution to Big Brothers & Big Sisters of the Capital Region, 1500 N. 2nd Street, Harrisburg, PA 17102. Bob was also the proud Big Brother of Alex Steele. Bob will be greatly missed and he leaves us with many fond memories of his fun-loving character and enthusiasm for life. I ask you to please join me in keeping Bob and his family in your thoughts and prayers. Knowing Bob, I believe he would be truly appreciative for this act of kindness.

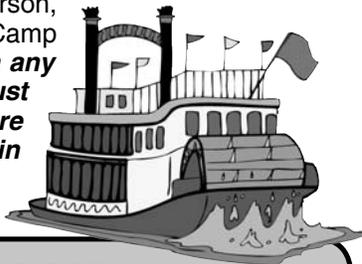
In Sympathy, Joanne Roth

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jul 30** Board Meeting @ Giant Community Center, Camp Hill
- Aug 8** Hit the Deck @ TJ Rockwell's, Elizabethtown
- Aug 22** Hit the Deck @ Dockside Willie's, Wormleysburg
- Aug 23** Pride of the Susquehanna Dinner Cruise—contact Pam McKechnie
- Aug 27** Board Meeting @ Giant Community Center, Camp Hill
- Aug 30** Kipona Chili Cook-Off @ Riverfront Park, Harrisburg
- Sep 2** Membership Meeting @ Susquehanna Club, New Cumberland
- Sep 4-7** Cape May Weekend Trip—contact Dianne Paukovits
- Sep 5** Hit the Deck @ Scott's Grille, 2nd St., downtown Harrisburg
- Sep 13** Stony Creek Bike Ride—contact Brenda Bent
- Sep 13-14** Fall Motorcycle/Sports Car Road Trip—contact Jay Doherty
- Sep 19-20** Overnight River Kayaking Trip—contact Bernice Lee
- Sep 20** York Rail-Trail Bike Ride—contact Barry Ashway
- Sep 24** Board Meeting @ Giant Community Center, Camp Hill
- Sep 28** Gettysburg Battlefield Bike Ride/Tailgate Picnic—contact Mark LaManna

CRUISE WITH SSC Saturday, August 23

SSC has reserved a block of 40 tickets for its members and guests on Harrisburg's historic riverboat, **The Pride of the Susquehanna**, for a Classic Dinner Cruise on Saturday, August 23, 7-9pm. This two hour Classic Dinner Cruise features an elegant sit-down meal, with live keyboard music provided by Billy Wray and a fully stocked cash bar. The dinner portion of your evening features a choice of oven-braised beef, or marinated, grilled chicken, tossed salad, dinner rolls, wild rice and corn soufflé, followed by a Susquehanna River Mud dessert served with coffee or tea. Your voyage price of \$43 per person is all-inclusive with the exceptions of gratuities for the Pride's volunteer servers and bartender and any beverages purchased at the bar. To purchase tickets on this riverboat cruise, contact **Pam McKechnie** at 717-507-7196 or pmckechnie@skissc.com. You may also send your check, made payable to "SSC" for \$43 per person, to Pam at 204 Hollywood Circle, Camp Hill, PA 17011. **We must return any unsold seats no later than August 19, so please contact Pam before this date if you're interested in this dinner cruise.**



PHONE CARDS FOR OUR SOLDIERS

Save your old cell phones and bring them to the September membership meeting. Phyllis Doherty will redeem them for phone cards to be used by our soldiers in Iraq to call home. Contact Phyllis at phyllisdoherty@comcast.net with your questions.

STATE CHILI COOKOFF Saturday, August 30

Join SSC at the 30th Annual Pennsylvania State Chili Cookoff on Saturday, August 30, in Harrisburg's Riverfront Park, for a day filled with fun, food and a number of HOT competitions. SSC has again entered the kitchen to compete in the contest. Our chili is HOT and so is our game! **Becky Havice** will cook up her secret recipe for the judges and **Joanne Roth** will woo the crowd with her delicious chili. **SSC is looking for volunteers to help set up the booth, prep the ingredients and serve the chili.** Contact **Joan Stremmel** at volunteers@skissc.com to help out at the booth, or be a participant and sample the many contestants' entries in this Labor Day weekend Kipona Festival Chili Cookoff.



ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY!

SSC members, advertise your business in the **Chairlift Chatter**, either our print or email version, or both. For more information contact SSC's publicity chair, **Michelle Leo**, at 717-623-8508.

SSC ROAD TRIP September 13-14



The SSC Road Warriors will take to the trail again. If you have a motorcycle (need not be a Harley) or a sports car and would like to join the group heading to "God's Country" on September 13-14, you should go to the SSC website, www.skissc.com, and check out the details and lodging information: Rooms are currently available for reservation at the Penn-Wells and the Sherwood Motel in Wellsboro, PA. If you will be joining us, motorcycle riders should contact **Jay Doherty** at jdoherty155@comcast.net and sports cars riders should contact **Dave Timothy** at dtimothy@pa.net or 717-834-3361, ASAP.

SSC ITALY 2008 UPDATE & PRE-TRIP MEETING

The SSC Italy 2008 pre-trip meeting will start at 6:30pm on Tuesday, September 2, before the regular SSC membership meeting. Bring all your questions and concerns and we'll put them to rest....*lo posso fare*. As for your final payment, right now it stands at \$700 which is what it was supposed to be. It, *d'altra parte*, does not include any additional fuel surcharges, exchange rate changes and taxes that are unseen. I'll let you know if the final payment changes ASAP. Final payment due by July 25, 2008. *Grazie*.

FUN IN THE SUN....CAPE MAY Thursday-Sunday, September 4-7

In just a few short weeks we'll be stretching out on the beach in lovely Cape May, NJ. There are still a few openings available. If you are thinking about joining us, don't delay! For those of you with bus reservations, we will board the bus at 5:30pm on Thursday, Sept. 4 at BJ's Wholesale Club in Camp Hill (located ¼ mile south of the Capital City Mall at 3805 Hartzdale Drive - our meeting place will be on the left as you turn into BJ's parking lot), departing promptly at 6:00 pm. ETA in Cape May is between 9:00 and 9:30pm. For our return trip home, we will board the bus in Cape May on Sunday, Sept. 7 at 3:30 pm and depart promptly at 4:00 pm. with ETA in Camp Hill between 7:00 and 7:30 pm. Contact trip leader **Dianne Paukovits** at 717-566-7184 or dpaukovits@skissc.com.



ELK MOUNTAIN, PA Friday, January 16



"Vermont" skiing is only a short bus trip away to Northeastern PA. Ski at Elk Mountain on Friday, January 16 and make it a long weekend. Even Alfred E. Newman says this price is too cheap to pass up! Only \$85 per person buys you bus fare, drinks & snacks on board, lift ticket and a pizza lunch. And to top off the day, we will be stopping for dinner at The Banshee (www.bansheepa.com), which is located in Scranton near the branch office of Dunder Mifflin. Price of dinner will be the responsibility of each person. Contact trip leader **Richard Faux** at rfaux@skissc.com or 717-772-8289. **Early-registration bonus!!** The Elk Mountain trip price will be discounted \$5 (final price \$80pp) for anyone who submits payment and a completed trip application form by December 1st.

KILLINGTON, VERMONT January 28–February 1

Join SSC as we travel with the Eastern PA Ski Council to Killington (www.killington.com/winter) for the 2009 EPSC Winter Carnival. The bus is more than 50% filled as of this date, so don't delay, reserve your seat today!

We will stay at The Inn of the Six Mountains (www.sixmountains.com), located near the top of the Killington Strip, 1 mile from Killington's base lodges and easy walking distance or a short ride from the mountain's best restaurants and nightclubs. Our package price of \$688 per person double occupancy includes roundtrip motorcoach transport, 4 nights lodging, daily hot breakfasts, a 4-day lift ticket, and all EPSC 2009 Winter Carnival events. Special lift ticket pricing is available for Juniors, Young Adults, Seniors and Super Seniors; non-skiers also qualify for a reduced EPSC Carnival price. Send your completed application and deposit of \$300pp payable to "SSC Killington 2009" to **trip leader Pam McKechnie**, 204 Hollywood Circle, Camp Hill, PA 17011. For more information, contact Pam at pmckechnie@skissc.com or 717-507-7196.

TAOS, NEW MEXICO February 21–28

This trip is definitely the value trip of the 2009 SSC season. Only \$1,435 pp will give you the chance to ski Taos, New Mexico. Taos was buried in snow the last 3 years. Last year it had as much as 5 feet in the opening week, with an average snowfall of 305 inches. The trip will include roundtrip air from BWI (currently an 8:20am departure), bus transfers and 5 days of skiing. A 6th-day lift ticket is available for \$32. We will lodge in the Condos at Snakedance Inn. Accommodations include a 2-bedroom/2-bath condo with a full kitchen and living room with fireplace. The Inn is located steps from the lifts in the heart of the ski village, surrounded by many shops and services—you couldn't ask for a more convenient location!! After a long day of skiing, take advantage of the sauna and hot tub, get a massage from the hotel's masseuse or just grab a book from the hotel's private library and curl up for the night by a fireplace. The Inn offers fine and casual dining and breakfast daily for all guests. For more information, contact **trip leader Carolyn Eash** at ceash@skissc.com or 717-796-0347. Send your deposit of \$500pp, made out to "SSC Taos 2009", to Carolyn Eash, 288 Stumpstown Rd, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050.

STEAMBOAT, COLORADO March 7–14

As of this writing, Steamboat has 70 members signed up. We have 10 remaining spots to fill. The Phoenix is a short walk to the lift (almost ski in and out). Steamboat is one of SSC's favorite ski resorts. Sign up now while we still have spots open. Send your deposit of \$525pp, payable to "SSC Steamboat 2009", to **trip leader Scott Henne** at 206 Cumberland Dr., Carlisle, PA 17013.

ALYESKA, ALASKA March 21–28

See and ski Alaska.... Hanging glaciers & dancing Northern Lights make Alyeska a winter wonderland. You can request a wake-up call to see the dancing Northern Lights. Participants can take in the slopes and sights as their interest dictates. Your 4 out of 5-day lift ticket is actually an activity pass which can be redeemed for tubing, cross country ski rentals for two, lunch for two, shopping, spa services and much more. Alyeska offers 1,400 skiable acres, over 630" of annual snowfall, non-existent lift lines, diverse terrain, unparalleled views, 2,500' of vertical, wide-open bowls, long top-to-bottom and treeline runs, and nine state-of-the-art lifts including one 60-passenger aerial tram. We'll lodge 6 nights at the ski-in/ski-out Hotel Alyeska Resort & Spa and 1 night at Captain Cook's in Anchorage, with daily breakfasts. Hotel Alyeska has a fitness center, 16-person saltwater whirlpool and saltwater lap pool. Rooms include bathrobe, slippers, mini-fridge, hair dryer, iron, headed towel rack, in-phone data port, coffee maker, movie system and more. We'll transport you via bus from Harrisburg to BWI, fly to Minneapolis then into Anchorage. The bus ride to the resort is approximately 45 minutes. Return bus and air transfers are the same as going out. Optional add-ons include (prices TBD): 5-hour snowmobile journey to explore glaciers and ice caves and a Resurrection Bay glacier and wildlife dinner cruise. Double occupancy prices are \$1,932 per person (ages 14-69) and \$1,804 per person (age 70 & over), and include roundtrip bus and air, lodging, breakfast and vouchers. Discounted prices are also available for junior and child. Send your deposit of \$500pp payable to "SSC Alyeska 2009" to **trip leader Sherry Predix**, 307 Doe Run, Marysville, PA 17053. Contact Sherry if you have any questions at spredix@skissc.com or 717-957-2925.

2008-2009 TRIPS

We only include detailed information on our "room-available" trips in our print publications. For more information on any "waiting list" trip, contact the trip leader or check out our website.

Dates	Destination	Trip Leader(s)	% Filled	Contact Information
Sep 4-7	Cape May, NJ	Dianne Paukovits	60%	dpaukovits@skissc.com or 717-566-7184
Oct 10-19	Italy	Mark LaManna	Waiting List	mlamanna@skissc.com or 717-238-3889
Jan 9-11 or Feb 6-8	Seven Springs, PA	Trip Leader TBA,	Open	Contact Becky Havice at tripvp@skissc.com or 717-248-7271
Jan 10-17	Sun Valley, ID	Ron Nagle	Waiting List	rnagle@skissc.com or 717-657-4993
Jan 16 (Fri)	Elk Mountain, PA	Richard Faux	Open	rfaux@skissc.com or 717-772-8289
Jan 24 (Sat)	Elk Mountain, PA	Bob Burns	Open	bburns@skissc.com or 717-432-3013
Jan 24-31	Park City/Deer Valley, UT	Becky Havice	Waiting List	bpatthavice@skissc.com or 717-248-7271
Jan 28-Feb 1	Killington, VT	Pam McKechnie	Open	pmckechnie@skissc.com or 717-507-7196
Feb 8-15	Banff/Lake Louise, Can.	Brenda Bent	Waiting List	bbent@skissc.com or 717-921-2575
Feb 20 (Fri)	Blue Mountain, PA	Lovena Nickle-Haslam	Open	lnickle@skissc.com or 717-541-8803
Feb 21-28	Taos, NM	Carolyn Eash	Open	ceash@skissc.com or 717-796-0347
Mar 7-14	Steamboat Springs, CO	Dave Timothy Scott Henne	90%	dtimothy@skissc.com or 717-834-3361 shenne@skissc.com or 717-241-0013
Mar 21-28	Alyeska, AK	Sherry Predix	Open	spredix@skissc.com or 717-957-2925



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MEMBERSHIP CONTEST



Win great prizes totaling over \$300 by sponsoring new members:

- 1st Prize – Ski Roundtop Advantage card
- 2nd Prize – Your choice of any SSC day trip
- 3rd Prize – One 4-hour flex lift ticket to Ski Roundtop

Contest Rules: (1) Contest runs from April 1, 2008 through December 1, 2008. (2) 1st prize awarded to member sponsoring most new memberships (minimum of 5). 2nd and 3rd prizes awarded to next two highest recruiters (minimum of 3). (3) In case of tie, prizewinners determined by drawing. (4) Officers, board members and staff are ineligible. (5) Recruiter is responsible to ensure they are named as sponsor on membership application before it is submitted.

Remember, this is your club! We need your help to recruit new members so everyone may continue to enjoy the benefits of SSC membership. Recruit a friend, neighbor or family member today!

2008-2009 Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club

Membership Application / Renewal

Membership Year Runs April 1 to March 31

Last Name: _____ First: _____ MI: _____
Spouse: Last: _____ First: _____ MI: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____
Email: _____
Spouse's Work Phone: _____ Email: _____

DEPENDENTS UNDER 18

(Only those with name & birthdate will be included in your membership)

_____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP

- Individual - \$25.00
- Family - \$35.00
- Junior (18-20) - \$20.00
- List Birthdate _____

NEW MEMBER
Sponsor _____ optional

RENEWAL
Last year of membership _____

FOR PURPOSES OF PLANNING SSC ACTIVITIES,
PLEASE HELP US DETERMINE THE
DEMOGRAPHICS OF OUR CLUB.

- 1) _____ Single? _____ Married?
_____ Do you have children? Ages _____
_____ Do the children ski? _____ Snowboard?
- 2) Number of each skier type in your membership:
_____ Non-Skiers, _____ Beginners,
_____ Intermediates, _____ Advanced Skiers
- 3) Number of persons in your membership in each age range:
_____ Under 18 _____ 18-25 _____ 26-39
_____ 40-49 _____ 50-59 _____ 60+
- 4) Do you snowboard? _____ XCountry Ski? _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

I/we would like to volunteer to help with:

- _____ (1) Membership _____ (2) Meetings / Programs _____ (3) Social Events _____ (4) Publicity

Please make checks payable to: **SSC**

Mail to: SSC MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR, P.O. BOX 60713, HARRISBURG, PA 17106-0713