



# The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greeting, SSC Members! If you missed this year's SSC annual picnic at Camp Reily, you missed something great. Camp Reily is a great location. We had great weather, 190 great people, great entertainment, great food, great games, great swimming, great line up of trips and great volunteers. I would like to thank Bob, Jesse, Jim, Fred, Pam, Len, Mark, Carolyn, Dyan and Joan who helped with the planning and execution of the picnic. Your hard work made it a great day. I would also like to thank the volunteers who were kind enough to spend part of their day manning the registration table and helping with set up and clean up of the camp. It is people like you who help make SSC such a great club.

The trip tables were busy this year and for the second year in a row, we had one trip that had a much larger response than spots allotted. Due to the changes the board instituted, we were able to expand the trip in a timely manner allowing for an additional 24 people to join the Vail trip. There are still a variety of reasonably priced Western, Canadian and Eastern trips with spaces available for the membership to join. Don't delay, because the viability of some trips will need to be re-evaluated at the end of September.

Have a great summer and remember:  
Keep your tips up!  
Becky

## MEMBERSHIP MEETING ~ Tuesday, Sept. 1

Tuesday, September 1 is the date for SSC's first monthly membership meeting of the '09-10 season in the Comedy Zone at Doc Holliday's in New Cumberland. 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 checkbooks—the trips to popular locations are filling fast. Our special guests will include reps from the Lymphoma & Leukemia Society who will update us on the Ski4Life event, and reps from a tour company who will talk up the Lake Placid and Stowe trips. **Directions to Doc Holliday's:** From I-83, take exit 40A and turn east onto Limekiln Road. After the traffic light on the east side of the highway, turn left at the Comfort Inn sign.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jul 29** Board Meeting @ Giant Community Center
- Jul 31** Golf Outing @ Rich Valley—contact Mark LaManna
- Aug 7** Hit the Deck @ TJ Rockwell's, Elizabethtown
- Aug 8** Bethlehem Musikfest—contact Debra Deis
- Aug 21** Hit the Deck @ Quentin Tavern, Quentin
- Aug 22** Lawn Concert at Nissley (Pentagon)—contact Lovena Nickle-Haslam
- Aug 26** Board Meeting @ Giant Community Center
- Aug 29** Senators Baseball Game—contact Len Neidig
- Aug 29** Stony Creek Bike Ride—contact Brenda Bent
- Sep 1** Membership meeting @ Doc Holliday's, New Cumberland
- Sep 4** Kipona Pub Crawl in Downtown Harrisburg—meet at Tom Sawyer's Cantina at 5pm
- Sep 7** Kipona Canoe Races—contact Pam Neidig
- Sep 10-13** Cape May trip—contact Jim Volstorf
- Sep 13** Gettysburg Battlefield Bike Ride—contact Mark LaManna
- Sep 18** Hit the Deck @ Duke's Riverside, Wormleysburg
- Sep 19** Thousand Steps Hike—contact Becky Havice
- Sep 30** Board Meeting @ Giant Community Center

## HIT THE DECK ~ August & September

Those of you who have been able to make it to one or more of this summer's SSC Hit the Deck "parties" know we've been graced with some incredible weather and as a consequence, some really enjoyable gatherings with friends old and new. Coming up in August, we're venturing farther afield: on August 7th we'll return to an old favorite, TJ Rockwell's in Elizabethtown ([www.tjrockwells.com](http://www.tjrockwells.com)), and on August 21st we'll check out a "new" deck, at Quentin Tavern ([www.quentintavern.com](http://www.quentintavern.com)) in Quentin. Members from these more remote reaches of the greater Harrisburg area know these are great decks, and if you've not been here before, we hope you're willing to make the drive to both events. TJ Rockwell's is located on Route 241 north of Elizabethtown, and the Quentin Tavern is located east of Campbelltown and south of Lebanon on Route 419, at the juncture of Routes 72 and 322. And in September, we'll kick off the Kipona festival with a downtown Harrisburg pub-crawl on September 4th, the schedule for which will be published in our September newsletter. Our final "outdoor" deck party will be held, just as we started this season, at Duke's Riverside in Wormleysburg on September 18th. After this, we'll try something new—we'll hold Friday Night SSC Socials at various area pubs once a month, giving members another opportunity to see their friends between membership meetings and our ski season events. See you on the deck!

# 2009 - 2010 Trips

Please refer to the insert from your July Chairlift Chatter for details on the western and international trips.

Dates	Destination	Trip Leader	Contact Info	% Sold
Sep 10-13	Cape May, NJ	Jim Volstorf	jvolstorf@skissc.com or 239-784-0054	75%
Jan 8-10	Holiday Valley, NY	Barb Gabel	bgabel@skissc.com or 717-579-8291	Open
Jan 22	Wisp, MD	Priscilla Hooper	phooper@skissc.com or 717-938-5368	Open
Jan 23-30	Vail, CO	Brenda Bent	bbent@skissc.com or 717-921-2575	Waiting List
Jan 30-Feb 6	Heavenly, CA	Joanne Roth	jroth@skissc.com or 717-652-4508	75%
Feb 5	Blue Mountain, PA	Debbie O'Neil	doneil@skissc.com or 717-667-3166	Open
Feb 6-13	Mammoth Mountain, CA	Dianne Paukovits	dpaukovits@skissc.com or 717-566-7184	Open
Feb 12-20	Interlaken, Switzerland	Mark LaManna	mlamanna@skissc.com or 717-238-3889	Waiting list
Feb 12	Elk Mountain, PA	Bob Burns	bburns@skissc.com or 717-432-3013	Open
Feb 20-28	Big Sky, MT	Ron Nagle	rnagle@skissc.com or 717-574-2175	Open
Feb 24-28	Lake Placid	Dyan Yingst	dyingst@skissc.com or 717-979-4152	Open
Feb 27-Mar 6	Crested Butte, CO	Pam Neidig	pneidig@skissc.com or 717-507-7196	75%
March 7-13	Stowe, VT	Richard Faux	rfaux@skissc.com or 717-497-9345	Open
Mar 13-20	Panorama, BC	Jay Doherty	jdoherty@skissc.com or 717-579-5365	Open

## Holiday Valley, NY ~ January 8-10, 2010

Holiday Valley is Western New York's true destination ski and snowboard resort. Fifty-six slopes are spread over four different faces with a 750-foot vertical drop and 13 lifts. The mountain also includes four terrain parks plus a half-pipe and several glades. The town of Ellicottville boasts four blocks full of great restaurants and fun shopping.

We will stay at the ski-in, ski-out Inn at Holiday Valley, at the base of the Sunrise Quad. We will leave Harrisburg in the morning in order to take advantage of night skiing which begins at 4pm. Lift tickets will be valid until 4pm on Sunday. Breakfasts are included in the price of this trip, which is: \$445 Double occupancy, \$370 Triple occupancy and \$330 for Quadruple occupancy.

To make our visit to Holiday Valley even more exciting, Ellicottville's Winter Blues Festival will be on Saturday and Sunday. Please send your completed application and deposit of \$100 to **trip leader Barb Gabel** at 10495 Courtney Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030 or call Barb at 717-579-8291 or e-mail bgabel@skissc.com.

## Wisp, MD ~ January 22, 2010

SSC will be going to a new ski destination - Wisp Resort in western Maryland. Wisp has a vertical drop of 700 feet with 32 trails totaling 10.5 miles on 132 acres of ski-able terrain. There are four snowboard parks. Priced at \$75 per person, early bird price of \$65 per person for the first 20 people. There will be a stop for dinner on the trip home. Contact **trip leader Priscilla Hooper** at phooper@skissc.com or call 717-938-5368.

## Blue Mountain, PA ~ February 5, 2010

Here's what's waiting for you at Blue Mountain:  
1) The highest vertical in PA. 2) 33 Trails for all abilities. 3) Intensive snowmaking and grooming for perfect conditions. 4) Spectacular slopes.

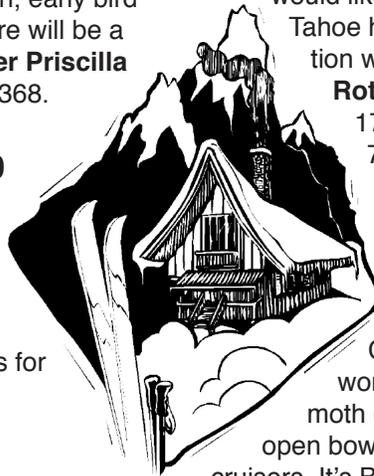
For fun with your fellow SSC skies and snowboarders, mark your calendar now and join us for a delightful day! For more information, contact **trip leader Debbie O'Neil** at doneil@skissc.com.

## Elk Mountain, PA ~ February 12, 2010

Mark your calendars, save the date. The favorite PA destination of SSC is on the calendar for February 12, 2010. Trip price will include coach transportation, lift tickets, and buffet lunch. Group discounts will be available for lessons and rentals. We will make a dinner stop on the way home. Pricing for group events has not yet been set by ELK. Application and pricing information will be available on the website soon. Visit skissc.com. or contact **trip leader Bob Burns** at bburns@skissc.com or call 717-432-3013.

## Heavenly, CA ~ Jan 30-Feb 6, 2010

SSC Heavenly 2010 has 30 excited SSC members traveling to Lake Tahoe on January 30th for a seven-day ski adventure. We have room for 10 more interested participants. If you would like to experience the skiing and all that Lake Tahoe has to offer send your completed trip application with a \$500 deposit to **trip Leader Joanne Roth** at 1095 Country Hill Drive, Harrisburg, PA, 17111. For more information contact Joanne at 717-652-4508 or jroth@skissc.com.



## Mammoth, CA February 6-13, 2010

Come to Mammoth and enjoy one of the world's most spectacular playgrounds! Mammoth offers something for everyone...steep chutes, open bowls, treed slopes, off-piste terrain and groomed cruisers. It's BIG, really BIG...with a 3,100 ft. vertical and 3,500 ski-able acres. There is no shortage of skiing on this mountain. This trip has openings. Sign up today.

Trip price of \$1,570 per person double occupancy includes 7 nights lodging at the Alpenhof Lodge, roundtrip air Philadelphia to Reno, ground transfers, 5-day lift ticket, daily continental breakfast, and welcome reception.

Send deposit of \$500 pp made payable to "SSC Mammoth 2010" to **trip leader Dianne Paukovits**, 720 Pine Tree Rd, Hummelstown, PA 17036. Contact Dianne at 717-566-7814 or dpaukovits@skissc.com with any questions.

## Lake Placid, NY ~ February 24-28, 2010

Join us for one of the best values of the ski season to Lake Placid, New York, host of the 1932 and 1980 Winter Olympics. At Whiteface, you'll find the greatest vertical drop this side of the Rockies at 3,430 feet, featuring 80 trails, snowmaking on 97 percent of the mountain, a 3-mile intermediate trail, 11 lifts and a heated high speed gondola to the summit.

We'll stay at the completely redesigned High Peaks Resort in the heart of the shopping, dining and entertainment district. There are two indoor pools, two whirlpools, an exercise room, nightly Happy Hour and live entertainment in the Dancing Bear Lounge. Your Olympic Sites Passport provides VIP entry to all Lake Placid region Olympic venues and discount coupons for a bobsled ride, ORDA store purchases and more.

This basic trip package (\$635 double occupancy) includes roundtrip motor coach transportation from Harrisburg and snacks on board, 4 nights lodging at the High Peaks Resort on Main Street, daily breakfast buffet, 3-day lift ticket for Whiteface, Olympic Passport to Adventure, an evening dinner party, village shuttle, taxes and gratuities.

Please send your deposit of \$200 per person payable to "SSC Lake Placid 2010" to Dyan Yingst, 801 Pheasant Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112-1330. For more information, contact **trip leader Dyan Yingst** at [dyingst@skissc.com](mailto:dyingst@skissc.com) or 717-979-4152.

## Stowe, VT ~ March 7-13, 2010

Looking for a good time? Get on the bus to Stowe. Wine & cheese reception Monday night! Enjoy the warmth of the Commodore's Inn for six charming nights in the village of Stowe. Their sumptuous Vermont buffet breakfast will be a daily delight. Ski 4 days at Stowe with a 5th at Jay Peak. We will return on Saturday March 13. So get on the bus with Gus and Go To Stowe! Trip prices: single - \$919; double - \$749; triple - \$679 and quad \$639. Contact **trip leader Richard Faux** at 717-497-9345 or [rfaux@skissc.com](mailto:rfaux@skissc.com).

## Crested Butte, CO ~ Feb 27-Mar 6, 2010

Five spots remain on this unparalleled trip to the mountains of southwest Colorado. Roommate needed for single female. Double occupancy trip price per person is \$1625; a deposit of \$500 reserves your place on this trip. Contact **trip leader Pam Neidig** at 717-507-7196 or [pneidig@skissc.com](mailto:pneidig@skissc.com).

## Panorama, BC ~ March 13-20, 2010

Only 6 spots remaining. \$1,300 Flying out of Harrisburg, deluxe hotel style ski in/ski out condo. Contact **trip leader Jay Doherty** at 717-579-5365 or [jdoherty@skissc.com](mailto:jdoherty@skissc.com).



## BETHLEHEM MUSIKFEST ~ Saturday, Aug. 8

From its beginnings in 1984, Bethlehem's Musikfest has grown into one of the largest street music festivals in the country, offering 11 free stages, countless street performers and drawing 1 million people over its 10 days. SSC is organizing a carpool to the Musikfest on the final Saturday of this year's festival. The musical lineup for the day we have chosen, Saturday, August 8, can be found at <http://www.musikfest.org/lineup/8-8.asp> which includes links to performers' websites.

If there is sufficient advance notice of your participation, we'll rent one or more 12-person vans to limit the number of designated drivers needed—so don't delay, call Debra today! We'll meet at the Holiday Inn off the Grantville exit on I-81 at 10:30am, form carpools and assign designated drivers for the return to Grantville at the close of that day's events (11pm). Once at the Musikfest, feel free to wander the festival on your own or with other SSC friends, enjoying all the great food and drink, free musical performances and paid concerts (obtain your tickets in advance to be assured seating). Ticket sales and performance schedules for the full 10-day event are available at [www.musikfest.org](http://www.musikfest.org). To join the carpool as a driver or rider, please contact **Debra Deis** at [ddspring2@gmail.com](mailto:ddspring2@gmail.com) or 717-469-8098. Debra is also great resource to help you get the most out of the festival, having had 20 years of Musikfest experience. So check out this website or give Debra a shout. If you've not discovered Musikfest yet, this is the year to do so!



## MUSIC IN THE VINEYARDS ~ Saturday, Aug. 22

Join us for a relaxing evening with friends on the lawn at Nissley Winery with music, dancing, food and wine as we dance to the rhythms and antics of Pentagon (one of the area's most popular bands). Pentagon will play a variety of rock from the 50's through the 80's. Plan to arrive between 6 & 6:30pm and bring your lawn chair or blanket and a covered dish to share with your SSC friends (your own private table, candelabra and flowers are optional). The cost of admission is \$17 per person and includes two glasses of wine. Your prepaid ticket will guarantee admission, even if you arrive after 6:30. Nissley's wine and snack bar will be open from 6-9pm and the concert is from 7:30-10pm. Nissley Vineyard is located at 140 Vintage Drive, Bainbridge, Pa. For directions visit their website at <http://www.nissleywine.com>. There will be a late fee of \$3 for those paying after August 15, making the latecomer price \$20 pp. For more information, contact **Lovena Nickle-Haslam** at 717-541-8803 or [directorlovena@skissc.com](mailto:directorlovena@skissc.com). Please mail checks made out to "SSC" to Lovena at 195 Mapleton Dr., Harrisburg, PA 17112.

## STONY CREEK BIKE/PICNIC ~ Sat, Aug. 29

All you bicycling enthusiasts, join SSC in riding the scenic rail-trail along beautiful Stony Creek in Stony Valley. Meet at 10am at the parking lot by the gated entrance to the rail-trail. We will ride 10 miles out to Yellow Springs, returning along the same route. For you hard-core mountain bikers you can challenge yourself on the "Stony Creek Challenge". We will ride up the mountain to the fire tower and come down Rattlin' Run Trail approximately 18 miles. After the ride there will be a picnic at Brenda Bent's home. Hot dogs will be provided; bring a side dish to share. Contact **Brenda Bent** at [bbent@skissc.com](mailto:bbent@skissc.com) or 717-921-2575.



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### CAPE MAY ~ September 10-13

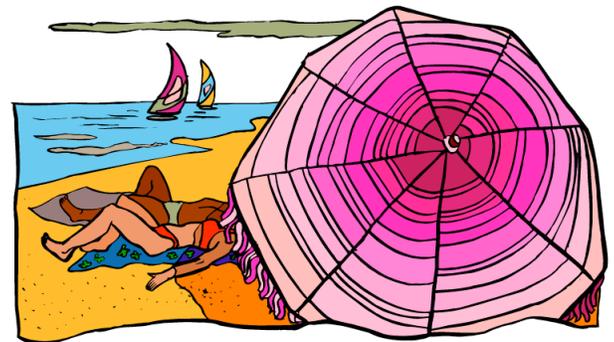
LAST CALL FOR SIGN UPS! A few openings are still available if you want to join us. We will have to turn in the surplus rooms before the end of July so apply now. We are staying again at the Atlas Inn right on the beach road. All rooms have a beach view. The trip includes a hospitality room with snacks and drinks daily. If you have been on either of the last two trips, you may remember the Viennese tortes. This year our trip leader will make a Catherine torte to continue the new tradition along with special other goodies. Of course for those riding the bus, the party starts on boarding. The bus will depart from the East TARGET store in the High Point Commons on 10-Sep-09, boarding at 5:30pm. The High Point Commons is off the Swatara exit off I-283. Trip applications are available on the SSC website, [www.skissc.com](http://www.skissc.com). Cost is \$334 per double occupancy. Please contact **trip leader Jim Volstorf** at Cell 239-784-0054 or E-mail at [jvolstorf@skissc.com](mailto:jvolstorf@skissc.com) for information on remaining openings.

### THOUSAND STEPS HIKE ~ Sat, Sep. 19

Join SSC for a hike that will get your legs ready for ski season. This hike is like an hour-long StairMaster® workout, but don't worry, there are plenty of places to rest and the views are worth every step. The hike is one (yes, 1!) mile round trip, with a 1,100-ft. elevation gain. With the help of a walking stick, water and a lot of breaks, anyone can do this hike. This hike is also dog-friendly. The Thousand Steps trail is located between Mt. Union and Huntingdon along Route 22. So partake in some Central Pennsylvania history by joining us on this hike. We will be starting around 1 pm. Afterwards, we will travel to the Millstone Manor for refreshments and food. Call **Becky Havice** at 717-248-7271 for further details and if you are planning to attend. Anyone from the Harrisburg area interested in heading a car-pooling point, please contact Becky.

### KIPONA CANOE TEAM & RACES ~ Monday, September 7

Look no further for evidence that SSC club members embrace all forms of active outdoor recreation than its members' growing interest in canoeing and kayaking. This year, SSC will participate in the Labor Day Kipona Festival by entering a team and sponsoring one of the canoes used in the 2009 Kipona Classic Canoe Races, held on Monday, September 7. The canoe races generally begin at 10am and continue until 2pm. Come down to Harrisburg's Riverfront Park to cheer on SSC's two-man crew in the 10am Sponsor's Race. Talk up our club to other spectators—if skiers like to canoe and kayak, it's a safe bet that boaters like to ski and may be interested in learning more about SSC. SSC's name will be on its canoe during every race, and if those paddling it do well, folks attending the festival will hear the name of our club repeated on the loudspeakers again and again. Enter the races yourself and join the fun! Registration forms may be found on the Harrisburg canoe club's website ([www.cgghpa.com](http://www.cgghpa.com), under Kipona Races), or stop by the race booth Saturday or Sunday at the Kipona festival.



### BATTLEFIELD BIKE RIDE/TAILGATE Sunday, September 13

If you like the outdoors, bicycling and history, you'll enjoy SSC's annual bicycle ride around the historic Gettysburg National Battlefield. This ride is for all levels of riders, and includes a 20-mile historic narrative tour with cut-offs at 10 and 15 miles, and a 20-mile fast-paced tour for bikers who like to see history fly by. Meet at 9am at the NEW Cyclorama Center's BUS parking lot. Bring something to share at the tailgate party after the ride. Directions: from Harrisburg, take Rte. 15 south to the Baltimore Pike (Route 97) Exit, at the stop sign turn right, drive 1.4 miles to the Museum & Visitor Center BUS parking lot on the left. Contact **Mark LaManna** at 717-238-3889 or [mlamanna@skissc.com](mailto:mlamanna@skissc.com). Rain date is Sunday, September 20.

