



The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Our 2011/12 trip calendar is well and fully launched following another successful SSC summer picnic. Trip sales on this date were brisk, with interest continuing high in the following weeks. As of this date, our Big Sky trip is sold out, and three of our other western trips are more than half filled. Openings remain on these and our other trips to outstanding Eastern and Western destinations. More details are provided in the trip status table and in specific trip articles in this issue.

Many thanks to **Mark LaManna** and **Janet LeVine** for doing a fine job organizing our 2011 summer picnic: a day full of fun, socializing, wonderful food, and the lineup of terrific trips that went on sale on this date. Our first annual kickball game was the day's favorite event (after the initial trip sales frenzy, of course)! Thank you also to the myriad other volunteers without whom an event like this could not take place, including: **Jim Volstorf, Carol Bellew, Jim Haslam & Lovena Nickle-Haslam, Mike & Melody Patton, Ron Nagle & Nan Davenport, Sharon Kabatek, Anna Kambic, Barb Gabel, Brenda Bent, Jim Spangler, Jesse & Carolyn Eash, Terri Falk, Paul & Janet Carrick, Lisa Vaught, Pam & Len Neidig, Beth Harfmann, Mary Raudabaugh, Richard Faux, and Chip & Sharon Hostutler.** There were many more who pitched in with setup and tear-down, managing the kitchen, etc. Thank you all for making this an event to remember!

Our social committee has constructed a busy schedule to fill our remaining weeks of Summer, and I hope to see many of you at one or more of these events. There are some great long-standing events on this schedule, and some special new ones – check out our upcoming events calendar and pencil us in – you won't regret it. Lastly, if you expect to attend one or more of these events, please consider contacting the event organizer to see if they need a hand. Volunteers are always welcome, and it's a great way to get to know your fellow club members better!

Live to ski another day!

HIT THE DECK!!

Just a reminder for those of you just catching on that it's HIT THE DECK SEASON!! We meet every other Friday at a local deck, starting around 5 pm. Look for your SSC friends, or if you're new to the Club, look for table tent cards with SSC's logo! You're on your own to purchase food and beverages; the camaraderie is free! See the Upcoming Events schedule in each monthly newsletter or on our event calendar online for the next "can't miss HIT THE DECK!"



SEEKING SSC EVENT SPONSORS!!

Do you have a business you would like to promote to the SSC membership? If so, you can help sponsor an SSC event and get your business noticed!

Sponsorship opportunities include our 2011 Get-Acquainted Party, and our 2012 Picture Party, Spring Banquet, and Summer Picnic.

For more information, contact SSC Past President **Brenda Bent** at 717-921-2575 or pastpresident@skissc.com.

NOTICE: BYLAWS REVIEW

We are recruiting a few highly-motivated individuals to serve on the 2011/12 SSC Bylaws Review Committee. Interested individuals should contact club president Pam Neidig at president@skissc.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jul 27, 6:30 pm	Board Meeting @ Giant (Linglestown Rd., Hbg.), contact president@skissc.com
Jul 29, 5 pm	Hit the Deck @ TJ Rockwell's (Elizabethtown), contact socialcoord@skissc.com
Jul 31, 1:30 pm	Mini Golf @ Challenge Golf Course, Hummelstown, contact lnickle@skissc.com
Aug 6, 9:30 am	E-Town Trail Ride/Picnic/Pool Party, contact fbellis@skissc.com
Aug 12, 5 pm	Hit the Deck @ Dockside Willies (Wormleysburg), contact socialcoord@skissc.com
Aug 14, 9:30 am	Pinchot Bike/Hike/Paddle & Picnic, contact mike@michaelgavin.com
Aug 20, 6-10 pm	Nissley Lawn Concert, contact ceash@skissc.com
Aug 21, 12 pm	Susquehanna River Float, contact president@skissc.com
Aug 26, 5 pm	Hit the Deck @ Brewhouse Grille (State Rd., Camp Hill), contact socialcoord@skissc.com
Aug 27, 10 am	Stoney Creek Mountain Bike Ride/Picnic, contact pastpresident@skissc.com
Aug 31, 6:30 pm	Board Meeting @ Giant (Linglestown Rd., Hbg.), contact president@skissc.com
Sept 6, 7:30 pm	Membership Meeting/Trip Signup @ Doc Hollidays (New Cumberland), contact socialcoord@skissc.com
Sept 9, 5 pm	Hit the Deck @ Blue Moose Bar & Grille (Linglestown Rd., Hbg), contact socialcoord@skissc.com
Sept 10	Wolf Sanctuary Tour by Full Moon, contact terrimcg@live.com

ASPEN/SNOWMASS TRIP CANCELLED

SSC's Board of Directors has voted to cancel the September 2011 Aspen/Snowmass trip due to continuing weak sales. Full participant refunds have been issued. Each trip must meet a minimum threshold of participation in order to qualify for group rates and these thresholds were not met by this trip. We appreciate the interest that our affected club members have shown in this trip and encourage them to consider openings on our 2012 trips. Many thanks also to **trip leader Fred Bellis** for his efforts on behalf of the club in planning and promoting this trip.

MINI GOLF & INDIAN ECHO OUTING ~ Sunday, July 31

Bring the family and grandkids and join us for a round of mini golf at the Challenge Golf Course in Hummelstown followed by an optional trip next door to tour the Indian Echo Caverns, on Sunday, July 31, at 1:30 pm. Cost for the mini golf is \$7 per person. Tours of the caverns start at 4 pm and will cost an additional \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 2-11, if we get enough participants to receive the group rates. Join us for one or both events. Refer back to the July *Chairlift Chatter* for additional information. Mail your check for \$7 per person made payable to "SSC" to **Lovena Nickle**, 195 Mapleton Dr., Harrisburg, PA 17112. You can call 717-541-8803 or email lnickle@skissc.com with questions.

E-TOWN RAIL TRAIL RIDE AND POOL PARTY

Saturday, August 6

Meet us at the trailhead along Route 230 (old Getty station) at 9:30 am for an out-and-back ride – a total of 20 miles or less – dependent upon personal preference. Then travel to Fred's home, 6 Westbury Court, Elizabethtown for a pool party and picnic. Please bring a covered dish to share. GPS directions to the trailhead: enter 2425 N. Market St., Elizabethtown, PA. For more info, contact **Fred Bellis** at fbellis@skissc.com or 717-649-2130.



PINCHOT BIKE/HIKE/PADDLE & PICNIC ~ Sunday, August 14

On August 14, grab your gear and join us at Pinchot State Park for a day of play. Starting at 9:30 am you can launch a kayak, ride a bike or take a walk in the woods as your leaders take you on an adventure through the park. The paddlers will explore some of the open water in the park and may venture up a creek but they will definitely have their paddles – none of that up a creek without a paddle stuff! We may have a couple of extra kayaks so if you want to try this activity you're welcome to join us. The bikers will have a choice of exploring some beginner or intermediate mountain bike trails in the park riding along the lake front, deep into the woods and will include some of the roads inside the park. The ride will be about 12 miles. The hikers will ramble along the edge of the lake for a 3-mile hike in this Central PA oasis.

After the morning's activities everyone is encouraged to hang around for a picnic. Bring something to share with the group and we will throw some hot dogs on the grill. In the afternoon, it's back to playing with your choice of a paddle, hike or swim.

We will meet at the Conewago Day Use area on the south side of the park. The entrance is on Alpine Road (for those using a GPS, the entrance is across from 1180 Alpine Road, Lewisberry, PA). We will attempt to commandeer the isthmus to the right as you enter the main parking area. For more info contact **Mike Gavin** at mike@michaelgavin.com or 717-495-1905.

MUSIC IN THE VINEYARDS

Saturday, August 20

Come join your SSC friends for a great evening of food, fun and dancing at Nissley Vineyard's August 20 lawn concert featuring the **Fabulous Cheeze Brothers and Sisters** 60's and 70's variety. Please plan to arrive between 6 – 6:30 pm; the concert is from 7:30 – 10 pm. If you make your reservation by August 7, the cost is \$17 per person, which includes two glasses of wine. After August 7, the cost increases to \$20. Your prepaid ticket guarantees admission no matter when you arrive; you will find us in a special roped-off section. For directions to Nissley Vineyard, 140 Vintage Drive, Bainbridge, visit their website at www.nissleywine.com. Send your check payable to "SSC" to **Carolyn Eash**, 17 S. Alydar Blvd., Dillsburg, PA 17019, along with a self-addressed stamped envelope for your ticket return. For more information, contact Carolyn at ceash@skissc.com, 717-432-2206 (h) or 717-991-0572 (m) with any questions.

SUSQUEHANNA RIVER FLOAT

Sunday, August 21

Join SSC for a lazy float trip down the Susquehanna River from Haldeman Island (north of Duncannon) to Dauphin Boro on Sunday, August 21. We'll meet at the Dauphin Park & Ride lot at 12 noon to arrange the shuttle. Planned route is 9 easy river miles. Bring your own boat, paddling gear and refreshments, plus a change of clothes if you plan to join us for the après paddle social at Stoney Creek Inn. Contact **Pam Neidig** at president@skissc.com or 717-507-7196 for more information.

STONEY CREEK MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDE/PICNIC ~ Saturday, August 27

All bicycling enthusiasts! Join SSC bikers in riding the scenic rail trail along beautiful Stoney Creek in Stoney Valley. Meet at 10 am at the parking lot by the gated entrance to the rail trail. We will ride 10 miles to Yellow Springs and return along the same route. Hard-core mountain bikers can challenge themselves on the Stoney Creek Challenge by riding up the mountain to the fire tower and coming down Rattling Run Trail, which is approximately 18 miles. After the ride there will be a tailgate picnic at the parking lot. Hot dogs and sausages will be provided; bring a side dish to share. Contact **Brenda Bent** at pastpresident@skissc.com or at 717-921-2575.

WOLF SANCTUARY TOUR BY FULL MOON

Saturday, September 10



Try to imagine a warm night in late summer, the full "Corn" moon rising, a roaring bonfire and WOLVES howling so close by you can almost touch them! This is what you will experience when you join your SSC friends for the "Full Moon Tour" at the Wolf Sanctuary of Speedwell Forge, on Saturday evening, September 10. Located near Brickerville, just off Rt. 322, this family-run sanctuary is home to approximately 40 rescued wolves. Separated by packs, the wolves roam freely in large fenced areas totaling over 26 acres. A tour guide is stationed at each pack often feeding them and explaining to visitors how each wolf (by NAME) has come to call the sanctuary home. You will have approximately 3 hours, from 7 to 10 pm, to visit the packs and enjoy the bonfire.

Terri Falk will provide hot dogs, buns, condiments and marshmallows – bring your own roasting fork! The cost is \$20 and tickets can be purchased at the sanctuary on September 10. Visitors must be 16 years or older. Bring a chair or blanket, a flashlight and a small cooler for non-alcoholic beverages (coffee & tea are available). Prior to visiting the sanctuary, guests are welcome to join Terri at her home for wine and cheese tasting (home address and time will be provided in the September Chairlift Chatter). Please contact **Terri Falk** at terrimcg@live.com or 717-228-9939 no later than September 4 with any questions and if you plan to join us for this unique experience!

IT'S A WRAP... Chili Cookoff

The SSC Chili Cookoff was held on June 25 at the annual SSC picnic. Thanks to the eight contestants who made this event a huge success by cooking and serving their favorite chili for the rest of us. Our chili-meisters were Rich Brownwell, Brenda Bent, Janet Carrick, Terri Falk, Anna Kambic, Pam Neidig, Lovena Nickle-Haslam, and Joanne Roth. The grand prize winner whose chili received the most votes was Joanne Roth. Joanne was awarded a \$50 gift certificate to World Cup. The chili cookoff raffle raised \$200, which will be donated by SSC this fall to Special Olympics.

IT'S A WRAP... SSC Summer Picnic

What a great summer picnic! Sorry you missed it but 150+ of your fellow club members enjoyed some great food, refreshments and fun games on Saturday, June 25, along with a typical summer day with good friends. We had barbecue chicken, barbecue beef brisket, hamburgers, hot dogs, grilled portabella mushrooms, side dishes, well you didn't leave hungry! Plus everyone had the opportunity to sign up for some outstanding western ski trips: Steamboat, Big Sky, Telluride, Whistler/Blackcomb and Vail! Hey.... you still have time to sign up on a trip but don't hesitate as they fill up fast! Along with swimming (though it wasn't sunny enough for swimming), there were plenty of activities and games to keep everyone entertained. Kickball went over well... with just a few minor injuries. Again, sorry we missed you!

NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED

We are recruiting to fill an upcoming opening in our newsletter editor position. The ideal candidate for this important club role will possess excellent production, editing and design skills, able to take responsibility for pulling each publication together in partnership with the club president and vice presidents, editing content to produce a tightly-written and impactful communication, and, working in collaboration with our membership director and our webmasters, designing our monthly news releases across a variety of communication platforms (print media, email news, social media and our website). You will need to own your own computer (Mac or Windows-based); specialized design software will also be required but can be paid for by the club, which will retain the license.

This is a rewarding job, where you will see your work published, and receive positive feedback from fellow club members. This is an exciting time to participate in the field of communication, with tremendous new capabilities opening up every year thanks to advances in communication technologies. It is also a great way to give back to your club. If you are interested in contributing to the growth of our club through this critical role and believe it would be a good fit for you, please contact club president Pam Neidig at president@skissc.com.

2011 - 2012 Trip Status

Please refer to your July *Chairlift Chatter* for full details on our western trips. Visit the SSC website (www.skissc.com) for more trip particulars, trip application forms, trip terms and links to hotel and resort websites.

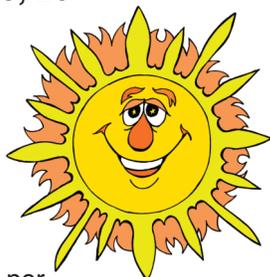
PLEASE NOTE: Land-only spaces will not be sold on any of our Western trips until we've sold at least 30 air seats on each 40-person trip. If you would like to apply for land-only trip pricing if or when it becomes available, please indicate your preference by checking the appropriate box on your trip application. Requests for land-only pricing will be processed in the order applications are received.

Destinations	Trip Dates	Trip Leader(s)	Contact Info	Status
Aspen/Snowmass	September 10-17	Fred Bellis	fbellis@skissc.com	Cancelled
Cape May	September 22-25	Anna Kambic	akambic@skissc.com	95% filled; 1 room still available
Telluride	January 14-21	Carolyn Eash	ceash@skissc.com	75% filled; Harrisburg itinerary sold out
Hunter/Windham	January 22-24	Priscilla Hooper	phooper@skissc.com	Pricing TBA
Camelback	January 27	Zach Alger	zalger@skissc.com	Pricing TBA
Steamboat	January 28-February 4	Dianne Paukovits & Dave Gabel	dpaukovits@skissc.com dgabel@skissc.com	68% filled
Killington	February 12-16	Lovena Nickle	lnickle@skissc.com	Open
Seven Springs	February 10	Steve Vedder	svedder@skissc.com	Pricing TBA
Whistler	February 11-18	Brenda Bent	bbent@skissc.com	Open
Elk	February 24	Mark Walter	mwalter@skissc.com	Pricing TBA
Vail	February 25-March 3	Mark LaManna	mlamanna@skissc.com	76% filled
Big Sky	March 7-14	Melody Patton	mpatton@skissc.com	Waiting List; single male needed

CAPE MAY, NJ

Thurs.-Sun., Sept. 22-25, 2011

If you have been thinking about joining your friends on our Cape May trip you need to act quickly! We have only 1 room left for SSC's annual trip to the beach, first-come, first-served. We're staying at the Camelot Motel on Howard Street, which overlooks the ocean. Our trip price of \$257 per person double occupancy includes 3 nights' accommodations for a 2-room efficiency. Due to insufficient sign-ups for the bus, we are now offering only the "drive-yourself" package (don't forget that carpooling is also an option!). For more details on things to do in Cape May this weekend in September, please refer to your May issue of *Chairlift Chatter*. Please don't delay in mailing your deposit and trip application to **trip leader Anna Kambic**, 4088 Continental Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17112. Contact Anna at 717-580-3889 or akambic@skissc.com. Deposits of \$135 per person are due now and can be made payable to "SSC"; final payment is due by August 20.



TRIP PAYMENTS ARE DUE!

If you have signed up for a SSC trip your next payment may be due and should be sent to your trip leader. By paying on time you avoid those nasty late charges and possible removal from a trip for non-payment. As a reminder, below is a list of payments due in the next couple of months:

- CAPE MAY** – final balance due August 20
- TELLURIDE** – 2nd installment of \$600 due September 1
- STEAMBOAT** – 2nd installment of \$600 due September 5
- VAIL** – 2nd installment of \$600 due September 9
- WHISTLER** – 2nd installment of \$650 due September 16
- BIG SKY** – 2nd installment of \$550 due October 1

Save the Date!

COMING THIS FALL... SKIER CONDITIONING CLINICS

Monday & Thursday Evenings at Madden Physical Therapy

October 31 through December 12

More information will be provided in the September *Chairlift Chatter*

TELLURIDE, CO ~ Jan. 14-21, 2012

Come ski with us at a world-class ski resort, unmatched in North America! The Telluride Ski Resort is nestled in a beautiful box canyon in the San Juan Mountains of southwest Colorado. The resort offers incredible skiing and snowboarding for your entire family or group of friends from beginners to experts, and is located with close proximity to the town of Telluride and Mountain Village. Optional activities include heli-skiing, dog sledding, snowmobiling, sleigh rides, horseback riding, snowshoeing & cross-country skiing. We will stay at the fabulous Hotel Telluride, located 3 blocks from the lifts in the town of Telluride.

Until more air opens up into the Telluride area, we have to split our 40-person trip across two itineraries – one group will fly out of Harrisburg. **This itinerary is sold out.** The other group will fly out of Dulles with one transfer, in Denver. The trip price of the Dulles-Grand Junction itinerary is \$1,879 pp/do. **There are 10 spots left on this itinerary.** Both packages include all necessary ground transfers, round trip airfare, 7 nights lodging, a 5-day lift ticket with the option to purchase a 6th day ticket, a welcome party, and daily breakfasts. Send your completed trip application for Dulles with a deposit of \$600 per person made payable to "SSC" to **trip leader Carolyn Eash**, 17 S. Alydar Blvd., Dillsburg, PA 17019. For more information, please contact Carolyn at 717-423-2206 or ceash@skissc.com.

HUNTER/WINDHAM, NY ~ Sun.-Tues., Jan. 22–24, 2012

Trip pricing and package details for our Hunter/Windham trip will be published in the September *Chairlift Chatter*. In the meantime, save these dates! These two popular resorts are located in the Catskill Mountains of New York, about 5 hours driving time from the Harrisburg area. Our arrival on Sunday afternoon will be timed to avoid the NYC and NJ crowds. As of this date we're still finalizing trip pricing, but SSC's package is expected to include roundtrip motorcoach from the Harrisburg area, 2 nights lodging at the Kaatskill Mountain Club Resort and Spa at Hunter Mountain, and lift tickets for both mountains. Contact **trip leader Priscilla Hooper** with your questions at phooper@skissc.com.

STEAMBOAT, CO – Jan. 28–Feb. 4, 2012

Come with SSC and ski "The Boat"! We are taking 80 members on our return to this club favorite! This trip is 65% filled. Sign up soon to reserve your space. Steamboat is one of North America's largest mountains, nestled 7,000 feet in the Colorado Rockies. With nearly 3,000 acres of skiable terrain, which includes 1,800 areas of legendary tree skiing, 375 acres of groomed runs, 165 trails, and a vertical drop of 3,668 feet, Steamboat has something for everyone. Its six peaks are filled with world-class groomed cruisers, bumps, steeps, open meadows, and North America's longest half-pipe. The diverse terrain offers plenty of skiing for all abilities: beginners (14%), intermediates (42%), and advanced (44%), all covered in an annual average snowfall of over 350 inches.

We will stay at the Ptarmigan Inn, a true ski-in/ski-out property, near the Silver Bullet Gondola, with an incredible outdoor heated pool and an over-sized hot tub surrounded by a heated sidewalk. SkiTime Square is easily accessible by foot, with plenty of shops, restaurants and pubs to hold your interest. A wide variety of dining options are available both on the mountain and at the base facilities, ranging from simple soup and sandwich lunches to fine dining. The town of Steamboat Springs is a short three-mile bus ride, where you will enjoy the vibrant energy of this famous old Western ranch town.

The trip price of \$1,828 per person double occupancy includes 7 nights lodging, ground transportation from Harrisburg to Dulles International Airport (IAD), roundtrip air from IAD to Denver International Airport (DEN), ground transportation from DEN to Steamboat Springs, CO., daily breakfasts, a welcome party, 5-day lift pass, and farewell dinner. For more information, contact **trip leaders: Dianne Paukovits** at 717-566-7184 or dpaukovits@skissc.com, or **Dave Gabel** at 717-458-8045 or dgabel@skissc.com. Send completed trip application with a deposit of \$600 made payable to "SSC" to Dave Gabel, 103 Ellesmere Lane, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055 to reserve your space.

KILLINGTON, VT ~ Feb. 12-16, 2012

Join SSC as we travel to Killington, VT (www.killington.com). We will stay at the Killington Grand Hotel, which is only 200 yards from Killington's Ramshead ski area, making it the closest thing to a ski-in/ski-out hotel in Killington! Hotel amenities include free WiFi, Ovation Restaurant & Lounge, convenience store, equipment check, game room, health club with gym, sauna, steam room and a 75-ft. outdoor heated pool and 2 hot tubs. There is also a spa on site. Trip price of \$685 per person double occupancy includes round trip motor coach transport from the Harrisburg area, 4 nights lodging, daily breakfasts, and a 4-day lift ticket to the Killington and Pico Resorts. Send your completed application and deposit of \$300 per person payable to "SSC" to **trip leader Lovena Nickle**, 195 Mapleton Dr., Harrisburg, PA 17112. For more information, contact Lovena at lnickle@skissc.com or 717-541-8803.



WHISTLER/BLACKCOMB, B.C. ~ Feb. 11–18, 2012

Host of the 2010 Winter Olympics, Whistler/Blackcomb is a "must do" on your winter ski vacation list! Whistler is the largest ski area in North America with over 8,171 skiable acres, 200+ trails, 3 glaciers, 12 alpine bowls, 37 lifts, a peak-to-peak gondola connecting both mountains and an average annual snowfall of 404 inches. We will stay at the Coast Blackcomb Suites, located at the base of Blackcomb Mountain. This ski-in/ski-out property features spectacular mountain views, rooms with a kitchenette, fireplace and balcony, an outdoor heated pool and 2 hot tubs, ski valet, and a 24-hour market. The Coast is within walking distance of Whistler Village with plenty of fine restaurants, nightclubs and shopping. Whistler offers plenty of other activities including heli-skiing, snowmobiling, snowshoeing, sleigh rides, tubing, cross-country skiing, cat skiing and more.

Our trip price of \$2,050 per person double occupancy includes round trip air out of Harrisburg, bus from Vancouver to Whistler, 7 nights lodging, daily hot breakfast buffet, welcome wine and cheese reception, and a 5-day lift pass. Send your completed trip application with a deposit of \$650 per person made payable to "SSC" to **trip leader Brenda Bent**, 1721 Lindsey Lane, Dauphin, PA 17018. For more information about this fabulous trip, contact Brenda at 717-921-2575 or bbent@skissc.com.



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VAIL, CO ~ Feb. 25–Mar. 3, 2012

Vail – like nothing on earth! Ski this extraordinary winter vacation with over 5,289 acres of terrain with an average annual snowfall of 350 inches, 1,600 acres of groomed runs and 3,450 vertical feet of skiing. Vail Mountain includes three distinct skiing experiences: the Front-side, the Back Bowls and Blue Sky Basin. Discover Vail's best value, full service hotel, as we'll be staying at the Evergreen Lodge. Conveniently situated between Vail & LionsHead Villages, just a short walk to the world-class skiing, outstanding shopping and exquisite dining, and all exciting activities for which Vail is internationally known. This Vail lodge features spacious recently renovated guest rooms, a large, heated year-round outdoor swimming pool, huge indoor hot tub and dry heat saunas. The free Town of Vail shuttle stops on Meadow Drive just outside the Lodge's back door and provides guests with easy access to the Vista Bahn, Eagle Bahn Gondola, Ski and Snowboard Schools, nightlife and an almost endless array of exciting things to do.

The trip price of \$1,878 per person double occupancy includes 7 nights lodging, ground transportation from Harrisburg to Dulles International Airport (IAD), roundtrip air from Dulles to Denver International Airport (DEN) and ground transportation from Denver to Vail. Price includes a welcome party, daily breakfasts and 5-day lift ticket. Send your completed trip application with a deposit of \$600 per person made payable to "SSC" to **trip leader Mark LaManna**, 1413 Buck Run Lane, Harrisburg, PA 17110. For more information, contact Mark at mlamanna@skissc.com or 717-238-3889.

BIG SKY, MT ~ Mar. 7–14, 2012

There is a reason they call it BIG SKY – you must see it for yourself to believe! Experience world-class skiing and spectacular scenery with SSC during **peak season** at Big Sky Resort, Montana, with optional skiing at Moonlight Basin. Big Sky/Moonlight covers more than 5,500 acres, averages 400 inches of snow annually and is one of the most scenic and least crowded resorts in the US. We are staying at the Lodge (rated #1 out of 13 hotels in Big Sky), which is located in the heart of Big Sky Resort less than 5 minutes from the slopes. Rooms at the Lodge provide an old-world Montana charm and feature microwaves, refrigerators and high-speed Internet access. Complimentary perks include an on-call, continuous ski shuttle, lounge, and indoor pool and spa tubs.

The price for this trip is \$1,645 per person double occupancy and includes roundtrip air from BWI to Bozeman, ground transfers, a 5-day lift ticket, welcome party, daily breakfasts and a farewell party. Breathtaking Yellowstone Park is less than a 20-mile drive from Big Sky (with enough interest, we will plan a group outing or you can arrange on your own). For more information, contact **trip leader Melody Patton** at mpatton@skissc.com or 717-741-6055. Send your completed trip application with a deposit of \$550 per person made payable to "SSC" to Melody Patton, 2709 Chestnut Run Road, York, PA 17402.

2012 DAY TRIPS – SAVE THESE DATES!

SSC will offer three one-day ski trips in 2012. Trip dates and trip leaders have been lined up; trip pricing and package details will be published on our website and in the *Chairlift Chatter* this fall. Stay tuned for more details, and in the meantime, save these dates!

CAMELBACK, PA ~ Friday, January 27, 2012

Trip leader for Camelback will be **Zach Alger**; contact him at zalger@skissc.com. [Camelback Mountain Resort](#) is located in Tannersville, PA, about 2.3 hours from the Harrisburg area.

SEVEN SPRINGS, PA ~ Friday, February 10, 2012

Trip leader for Seven Springs will be **Steve Vedder**; contact him at svedder@skissc.com. [Seven Springs Mountain Resort](#) is located in Champion, PA, about 2.7 hours from the Harrisburg area.

ELK MOUNTAIN PA~ Friday, February 24, 2012

Trip leader for Elk will be **Mark Walter**; contact him at mwalter@skissc.com. [Elk Mountain](#) is located in Union Dale, PA, about 2.9 hours from the Harrisburg area.