



The e-CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

August 2014

SSC Calendar

- Saturday, July 26 – Pinchot bike/hike/kayak, joint event with Email Riders
Wednesday, July 31 – SSC Board Meeting, Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce
Friday, August 1 – Joe K's Brewhouse, Union Deposit Road (old Crock'n Berries)
Friday, August 15 – Deck/Pool Party at the Martin's, Harrisburg, RSVP required
Saturday, August 16 – Mount Gretna Bike/Art Show/Picnic, RSVP required
Friday, August 29 – Deck Party at Waterfront Bar & Grill, 13 S. Main Street, Marysville
Tuesday, September 9 – Membership Meeting at Gullifty's, New Cumberland Exit I-83
Friday, September 12 – Deck Party at TJ Rockwell's, Elizabethtown
Saturday, September 13 – Gettysburg Bike Ride/Tailgate
Saturday, September 20 – Wine Appreciation Night at Barb Colliers, Hershey, RSVP required
Friday, September 26 – Deck Party at Brewhouse Grill, New Cumberland (last one)
Save the Date ~ ~ Saturday, November 22
Annual Get Acquainted Party, Roundtop Mountain Lodge

President's Corner

I have enjoyed seeing many of you out and about this summer at some great venues like deck parties, bike rides through numerous counties, kayaking our great Pennsylvania waterways, wine tasting, dancing, and most of all, at our annual summer picnic at Camp Reilly. About 100 people attended this year and a great time was had by all, with awesome friends, good food, ski trip displays with our trip leaders, and swimming. We still have more activities coming up in the weeks ahead, including a picnic and outdoor fun day at Pinchot Park, plus more bike rides and deck parties. Check the details for another summer pool party and a wine-tasting, both require RSVPs as these are being hosted by SSC members who have to be able to plan accordingly.

Enjoy this nice weather while you can because it won't be long until the nights start to turn chilly and we get together again for our monthly membership meetings at Gullifty's. Some of you may not be ready to think about winter just yet, but our western trips went on sale at the summer picnic and we have recently added a mini-week trip to Stowe. We also plan to add a day trip to the lineup, but haven't confirmed those details just yet.

I am excited to report that we are finalizing plans for some skier/boarder clinics at Roundtop Mountain this winter and should have that information in the next newsletter. We will also be selling the Night Club and Advantage Cards, a great way to save money and enjoy the local snow with your SSC friends. Last year, the snow guns started blowing that magical white stuff as we were leaving our Annual Get Acquainted Party in November and continued throughout the weekend in honor of the mountain's 50th Anniversary, so let's hope the snow gods are as friendly this year and bless us with more cold weather!

Happy Trails, Dyan Yingst

Summer Deck Parties

Join us for our deck parties at various locations around town after 5pm and look for table cards with the SSC logo. You are on your own for food and beverages, but SSC will supply the great people to socialize with! Non-members are welcome to join us to see what our club is all about.

Questions? Please contact Lovey at 717-541-8803 or socialvp@skissc.com

Pinchot Bike/Hike/Paddle/Picnic – Saturday, July 26, 9:30 am



Grab your bikes and boats 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 hike in the woods as your leaders take you on an adventure through the park. We may have a couple of extra kayaks, so if you want to try this activity for the first time, you are 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 three-mile hike in this local oasis.

After the morning's activities everyone is encouraged to hang around for a picnic. Please bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share with the group and SSC will provide grilled hot dogs and beverages. In the afternoon, it's back to playing with your choice of a paddle, hike or swim.

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). We will attempt to commandeer the isthmus to the right as you enter the main parking area. For more information contact Mike Gavin at mike@michaelgavin.com or 717-495-1905.



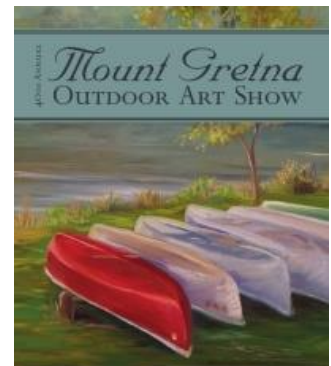
Patio Pool Party ~ Friday, August 15, 6-10 pm



Brenda and Bob Martin are hosting a pool party for SSC members only and their guest at 208 Pearl Street, Harrisburg on August 15. It's pretty much BYO, so bring what you would like for the grill, or if not using the grill, a side dish is welcome. Please bring your lawn chairs, swim suits and towel. Non-alcoholic refreshments will be provided. **Please RSVP** by August 8 by calling 717-540-5468.

Mount Gretna Bike Ride/Art Show/Picnic ~ Saturday, August 16

Join us for a short bike ride from Cornwall to the nationally acclaimed Mount Gretna Art Show on Saturday, August 16. We will meet at the Cornwall Rail Trail parking area at 9 am and bike about three miles to Mount Gretna. Take some time to browse the numerous stands of vendors from all over the country...remember to bring a basket or backpack for your purchases! Around noon we will bike back to the parking area and drive a half mile to the historic Cornwall home of Terri Falk for a picnic lunch. Terri will provide hot dogs, burgers and beverages (water, soda, beer & wine). Please bring a side dish, snack or dessert to add to the picnic fun! Contact Terri at 717-228-9939 or tfalk@skissc.com for more details, and to let her know that you plan to join us in the beautiful Cornwall/Mt. Gretna area.



Annual Gettysburg Battlefield Ride ~ Saturday, September 13

If you like the outdoors, biking and history, you will enjoy our annual SSC bicycle ride around the historic Gettysburg National Battlefield. See one of the best national parks on the Civil War our nation has to offer. All levels of riders are welcome. There will be a 20-mile historic narrative tour with cut-offs at 10 and 15 miles. Meet at 9 am at the National Park Service Museum and Visitor Center bus/RV parking lot. Bring something to share at the tailgate party after the ride. Rain date is Sunday, September 14.

Directions: from Harrisburg, take Route 15 south to Gettysburg; take the Baltimore Pike (Route 97) exit; at the stop sign turn right; go approximately 3 miles to the National Park Service Museum and Visitor Center; turn left into the Center; take the first left into the bus/RV parking lot. Any questions, contact **Mark LaManna** at 717-238-3889 or mlamanna@comcast.net.

WINE APPRECIATION NIGHT – Saturday, September 20

Barb Collier is hosting a wine appreciation party on September 20 at 6 pm at her home outside of Hershey. Each person / couple should bring a bottle of wine in the \$15-\$20 range, along with an appetizer or dessert to share as we will socialize and get to try some new wines. Barb will provide non-alcoholic beverages. **Please RSVP** by September 17 to Barb at directorbarbcollier@skissc.com or 717-829-5028 to give the number attending, say if you will bring an appetizer or dessert, and obtain the address.

SSC MEETUP PAGE

Do ever feel like getting out on the ski slopes, waterways, golf course or bike trails, but don't really have anyone to go with when you are available? Maybe it's your day off, but your friends cannot go. That's why we started the SSC MEETUP page, so **you can post activities that other members might enjoy too**. To sign up, please go to <http://www.meetup.com/Susquehanna-Ski-Snowboard-Club>.

WEEKLY BIKE RIDES

If you love the great outdoors and would like to be notified of upcoming hikes or bike rides with some really awesome folks, contact Mike Gavin at emailriders1@comcast.net and request to be added to his email list. He will send you weekly notices of upcoming rides or hikes, including his creative narratives and directions to meeting locations to some great destinations and variety of terrain.





2015 TRIPS

Sales of our 2015 winter trips are well under way, so don't delay if you are planning to ski with all your SSC friends this winter. Complete trip terms, details and applications can be found, on SSC's website www.skissc.com under About Us > SSC Forms. Your SSC membership must be current to submit an application for our ski trips.

JACKSON HOLE, WYOMING ~ January 31 - February 7 ~ 95% full

There are only 2 spots left for Jackson Hole, ranked #1 Overall Resort in North America by Ski Magazine! A three-year, \$10 million commitment to intermediate terrain has made Jackson a more family and beginner-friendly destination. We will stay slope side at the Alpenhof Lodge, a Swiss-style inn close to the tram and lifts, with WiFi, outdoor heated pool, hot tub and more.

The price of \$1,845 per person double occupancy includes roundtrip airfare on Delta from Philadelphia to Jackson, bus transportation to and from both airports, 7 nights lodging, daily European hot breakfast buffet, an Austrian-style welcoming party, 5-day lift ticket, including a day trip to Grand Targhee and a farewell party. Mail your \$600 deposit payable to "SSC" and completed Trip Application to **Trip Leader Monica Kurtz**, 4 Teaberry Drive, Carlisle, PA 17015. Contact Monica with any questions at mkurtz@skissc.com or 717-691-9237. Refer to July newsletter for complete details.

SUN VALLEY, IDAHO ~ JANUARY 17 – 24 ~ 35% full

Time to rise & shine before the sun sets on your chance to join SSC in majestic Sun Valley, Idaho, jewel of the Sawtooth Mountain Range! Ski 2,045 acres of over 80 impeccably groomed trails, in the tracks of famous Hollywood Stars from a by-gone era, such as Clark Gable, Bing Crosby and Lucille Ball, to name a few! Soar to Bald Mountains' 9,150 foot summit with minimal lift lines, and ski 3,400 vertical feet, or choose to warm up those ski legs on the more mellow runs of Dollar Mountain. Lifts to both mountains are located just a 5-minute shuttle ride from the Sun Valley Inn. Heli-skiing and a full-featured terrain park are offered for the thrill-seeker; over 40km of scenic, groomed trails are available for snowshoeing and cross-country skiing; and a tubing hill for the young or young at heart! A year-round ice skating rink, often used for practice by Olympic medalists, is located just steps from the Inn. EXCHANGE a day of your 5-day lift ticket for a full cross-country package, or towards dining, shopping, or a relaxing massage. At Sun Valley, your options seem endless.

The basic package price includes roundtrip airfare from Philadelphia to Boise, bus transportation to and from airports, 7 nights lodging in the luxury of the Sun Valley Inn, a quick shuttle ride to all lifts, all taxes, a 5-of-6-day lift ticket, a welcome reception, mountain tour and farewell dinner. Rooms are equipped with a mini-fridge to stock with your favorite snacks and breakfast items. Although the Inn has restaurants serving breakfast, it is not included in this trip package. Basic package price is \$1,640 pp double occupancy (optional 6th ski day, add \$55 pp). Mail your \$600 deposit payable to "SSC" and completed trip application to **Trip Leader Terri Falk**, 226 Burd Coleman Road, Lebanon, PA 17042. For more details, contact Terri at 717-228-9939, or email tfalk@skissc.com.

STOWE, VERMONT ~ FEBRUARY 25 – MARCH 1 ~ now on sale

SSC is going back to Stowe with a long weekend trip, Wednesday to Sunday. If you are still working, you won't need to take as many vacation days to go on this bus trip. If you are in retirement mode, you can enjoy a quick trip to a wonderful ski/snowboard spot! Stowe is the Eastern hub of winter sports. Whether you prefer to alpine ski, snowboard or cross-country ski, Stowe has all there is to offer for your mountain-oriented activities. For those who do not wish to hurl themselves off of a mountain at high speeds, the village offers a variety of shopping, sleigh rides, snowshoeing, ice skating, sledding, snowmobiling and more.

Mount Mansfield and Spruce Peak, Stowe's two magnificent areas, form a grand panorama and arena for beauty and fun. Stowe features a bounty of open glades, never ending fall line and spectacular twin summits including Vermont's highest peak at 4,395 feet and 2,360 of vertical. Stowe offers 48 of the longest trails in New England, where 73% of the terrain is covered with snowmaking, the legendary "Front Four", 11 lifts and a high-speed, eight-passenger gondola. Stowe Mountain receives an average of 300+ inches of natural snow on Vermont's highest peak each ski season, yet they are currently investing tons of money to upgrade their snowmaking. From incomparable snow surfaces to modern lifts, mountain access technologies, world-class amenities and exceptional service, Stowe differentiates itself by being bigger than a mountain.

The standard package price of \$653 per person double occupancy includes roundtrip motorcoach, 4 nights at the Commodores Inn near Stowe Village, a daily hot breakfast buffet, a 3-day lift ticket and a farewell dinner. Non-skier, junior and senior discounts are available. Mail your \$300 deposit payable to "SSC" and completed trip application to **Trip Leader Linda Randby**, 130 Brinser Court, Hummelstown, PA 17036. For more details, contact Linda at lrndby@skissc.com or at 717-526-4563.

WINTER PARK, COLORADO ~ March 7-14 ~ 35% full

One of Colorado's largest ski resorts, Winter Park Mountain Resort invites you to ski over 3081 acres including 3060 feet of vertical that averages over 320 inches of annual snowfall and 300 days of sunshine. Join us for one of the best values of the ski season and meet Winter Park's "Seven Territories": Winter Park, Mary Jane, Parsenn Bowl, Vasquez Ridge, The Cirque, Eagle Wind, and the Terrain Parks including 143 trails. Among the two extremes of Winter Park and Mary Jane, you will find award winning terrain including groomers, terrain parks, deeps, steeps, trees and world-famous bumps. We will stay at the Winter Park Mountain Lodge which is a short shuttle ride to the resort and features a restaurant with views of the mountain, brew pub, indoor swimming pool, two hot tubs and sauna. Guest rooms include free Wi-Fi and refrigerators. A short shuttle will also take you to other attractions at the resort including restaurants, shopping and evening spots. A free shuttle, three miles into the town of Winter Park, will provide access to even more attractions.

This affordable experience includes roundtrip air from Dulles International Airport to Denver International Airport on United Airlines (return air travel will be Denver to Dulles direct), all bus transfers to (one-hour-and-40-minutes to Winter Park) and from airports, 7 nights lodging with daily hot breakfast, welcome reception, 5-of-6 day lift ticket (optional 6th day) and après ski party. This package is priced at just \$1,525 pp/double occupancy. Mail your \$500 deposit payable to "SSC" and completed trip application to **Trip Leader Brenda Martin**, 208 Pearl Street, Harrisburg, PA 17109. For more information, please contact Brenda at bmartin@skissc.com or 717-540-5468.

STEAMBOAT, COLORADO ~ February 21 – 28 ~ waiting list

Contact **Trip Leader Melody Patton** at 717-741-6055 or at mpatton@skissc.com if you're interested in being placed on a short wait list. Refer to the July Chairlift Chatter article at www.skissc.com for complete trip information.

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Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club – Membership Application/Renewal Membership Year Runs April 1 to March 31 Please Print Clearly, Especially Email Addresses!

____ Junior (18-20, dues = \$20/yr). List birthdate: _____
____ Single Adult (dues = \$25/yr). Ages 21+
____ Family/Household (dues = \$35/yr). One or two adults and all dependent minors under 18 years of age who reside at the same physical address.

• Renewal • New Sponsor name (optional) _____

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

Family/Household memberships only, please list second adult member's contact information, and dependent children's names and birthdates below

Do not mail cash. Please make checks payable to SSC. Mail to: SSC MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR,
P.O. Box 60713, Harrisburg, PA 17106.

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