



The e-CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

July 2014

SSC Calendar

- Thursday, June 19 – Deck Party at Champions (Blues Night), Highspire
Sunday, June 22 – Paddle on Yellow Breeches Creek
Saturday, June 28 – Summer Picnic, Camp Reily, 300 Camp Reily Road, Harrisburg
Friday, July 4 – Deck Party at ABC Brewery, Cameron Street, Harrisburg
Friday, July 18 – Deck Party at Roundtop Mountain's Tubing Lodge, Lewisberry
Saturday, July 19 – Nissley Winery Concert, Bainbridge
Saturday, July 26 – Pinchot bike/hike/kayak, joint event with Email Riders
Friday, August 1 – Joe K's Brewhouse, Union Deposit Road (old Crock'n Berries)
Friday, August 15 – Deck/Pool Party at the Martin's, 208 Pearl Street, Harrisburg
Saturday, August 16 – Mount Gretna bike/att show/picnic
Friday, August 29 – Deck Party at Waterfront Bar & Grill, 13 S. Main Street, Marysville

President's Corner

We have now confirmed all of the details for our four western ski trips and these will go on sale next week at our summer picnic on June 28. We are still exploring opportunities for our East Coast trips and will let you know this information as soon as it becomes available. Please read the rest of this newsletter and check the website for complete trip details for our major trips to Sun Valley, Jackson Hole, Steamboat and Winter Park. If you are unable to attend our picnic and talk to the trip leaders in person, you may place your completed trip application and deposit in the mail to your trip leader, postmarked June 21 or after to be included in the initial group of participants. If any trip is over-subscribed after trip leaders receive their mail on June 30, a lottery will be held according to our SSC trip guidelines and you will be notified by your trip leader of the results.

Due to the declining number of members who participate in our annual ski trips, the Trip Committee voted to reduce the number of western trips this year. Some of the trips may be expanded if they sell out right away, but this will be determined by availability at each lodging property. We are also offering land-only packages to our members with frequent flyer miles once the required numbers for group air discounts are met for each trip.

You have probably noticed our new website is up and running and I would like to personally thank Marlin Hensel, Len Neidig and Pam Neidig for the many long hours they have devoted to this conversion. You each have the convenience now of managing your membership account online.

I look forward to seeing many of you out and about this summer at some of great warm weather venues like our deck parties, bike rides, kayaking, wine tasting, dancing, and most of all, our annual summer picnic on Saturday, June 28! 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. Normally the deck parties are held on Fridays after work, but we have one scheduled this Thursday for Blues Night at Champions, 300 2nd Street, Highspire. So come out for some great music AND during happy hour (5-7 PM) drinks are half price. Not only that, but right now there is a 10% off coupon for in-house food on their website at www.championssportsbar.net. The music starts at 8 with some talented local musicians teaming up for some awesome jam sessions.

If you're around town for the 4th of July, join us at the popular ABC Brewery on Cameron Street where the food and beverage are always good. Then join us for a deck party on July 18 at the rear of Roundtop Mountain's Tubing Lodge. DJ Bill Runkle will be offering tunes for their Summer Series and Mountain Adventures (zip lines, OGO balls, etc.) will stay open late until 9pm. They will have a pre-set menu available that evening, and the bar will be open as well.

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

SSC SUMMER PICNIC AND TRIP SIGNUPS Saturday, June 28 ~ the fun starts at noon

Our annual summer picnic, held once again at the Harrisburg YWCA's Camp Reily in Fishing Creek Valley, is Saturday, June 28. The picnic is your opportunity to sign up for the 2015 winter trips and meet the trip leaders, as well as catch up with all your friends and enjoy some great food, fun and swimming. We will provide the meat, beverages, condiments and paper products.

To add to the feast, please bring a dish to share according to your last name:

- * last name starts with A thru H – bring appetizers;
- * last name starts with I thru N - bring a dessert; and
- * last name starts with O thru Z - bring a casserole or side dish.
- * If you don't feel like bringing a dish, you can pay \$8 extra.

Please reserve your space early for the picnic to ensure that we have time to purchase enough food and beverages for everyone. Early Bird prices postmarked by June 21 are \$15 for everyone over age 12; \$10 for ages 8-12; and free under age 8. **After June 21 all prices increase by \$5.** Non-members can join SSC online or renew their membership the day of the picnic at the registration table or pay \$5 extra to attend.



Send your checks now before you forget made out to "SSC" (write picnic in the memo) to Dyan Yingst, 801 Pheasant Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112-1330. If you are paying for multiple attendees, please include their names and ages if they qualify for free or youth admissions. We always need lots of volunteers to run this event, so please share ½ hour of your time at the picnic. Please contact Barb at 717-421-1970 to volunteer.

Trip applications/deposits will be accepted at the picnic starting at 12 noon on June 28. Applications/deposits hand-delivered to the trip leader through June 28 will have equivalent eligibility in the event that any trip is sold out and a lottery becomes necessary.

PADDLE ON THE YELLOW BREECHES ~ Sunday, June 22

Spend a lazy day paddling the beautiful Yellow Breeches Creek with us on Sunday, June 22. Bring your canoes or kayaks, paddles, mandatory PFDs, whistles, sunscreen, water bottles and snacks. The Yellow Breeches is spring-fed and usually has good water levels throughout the summer. If the weather and water both cooperate that day, we will paddle about 9 miles from Messiah College to Lower Allen Park. Please allow several hours for the float itself and time to shuttle vehicles to and from the take-out location.



Meet us before 1pm at the covered bridge behind Messiah College and get ready to run shuttles from the parking lot at the athletic field near the bridge to the take out at Lower Allen Park. Please contact Barbara Crout at 717-421-1970 for more information. Please bring something to share for a tailgate afterwards; Barb is grilling hotdogs for everyone.

Saturday, July 19 ~ Music in the Vineyards

Featuring Maxwell Project ~ 70's, 80's, R&B, funk & soul

Join us at Nissley's Winery near Bainbridge for one of SSC's favorite evenings of the summer. The night will be filled with music from the Maxwell Project, who just wowed the crowds at Fort Hunter recently, along with your friends, foods on tables with candelabras and flowers, and excellent wine from Nissley's. We will rope off an area in front of the lower level dance floor... bring your own chairs and a small table. Please bring a dish to share for the buffet tables; SSC will provide paper products, utensils and two glasses of wine per person. Additional bottles may be purchased at the bar... you are not permitted to bring your own wine.



Tickets are \$17 pp through SSC which includes 2 glasses of wine, admission, dancing and the flavorful foods everyone brings to share. The band plays from 7:30 -10, but you want to arrive around 6 pm to enjoy the ambience, food and friends before hitting the dance floors. Lilly Peek, hostess for this year's event, will be selling the tickets at deck parties and the summer picnic or you can mail a check made out to SSC with a return envelope to: Lilly Peek, 125 Old Ford Drive, Camp Hill, PA 17011. 717-385-4667, e-mail: peeklilly@gmail.com, deadline for ticket sales is July 7!

Nissley Vineyards & Winery Estate, 140 Vintage Drive, Bainbridge, PA 17502

Pinchot Bike/Hike/Paddle/Picnic – Saturday, July 26

Grab your bikes and boats and join us at Pinchot State Park for a day of play on July 26. 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 Central PA 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 some hot dogs with the trimmings for grilling. 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 across from 1180 Alpine Road, Lewisberry for GPS users. 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

The Martins are hosting a pool party (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, then 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 for biking, art and craft shopping and a picnic in the beautiful Cornwall/Mount Gretna area.

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 join the fun and post activities that other members might enjoy too. To sign up, please go to <http://www.meetup.com/Susquehanna-Ski-Snowboard-Club>.



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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. Upcoming venues include Rocky Ridge, Pinchot Park, Lebanon Rail Trail, York Heritage Trail,

TRIPS ~ We will accept applications and deposits for our 2015 winter trips on Saturday, June 28, either by US mail (postmarked on/after June 21) or in person at our annual summer picnic after 12 noon. Complete trip terms, details and the applications can be found on SSC's website at www.skissc.com under the tabs About Us > SSC Forms and Trips 2014-15.

SUN VALLEY, IDAHO ~ January 17-24, 2015

Rise and shine with SSC in majestic Sun Valley, Idaho, jewel of the Sawtooth Mountain range, nostalgically referred to as the "American Shangri-La". Ski 2045 acres 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' 9150-foot summit with short lift lines, 3400 vertical feet, or choose to warm up on the more mellow runs of Dollar Mountain. Lifts to both mountains are located just a five-minute shuttle ride from the Sun Valley Inn. Heli-skiing and a full-featured terrain park are offered for our thrill-seekers; 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 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. Soak up the amazing ambience of Sun Valley, where you will discover the perfect blend of exciting days on the slopes and evenings unwinding in luxurious surroundings.

The basic package of \$1,640 pp double occupancy includes roundtrip airfare from Philadelphia to Boise, bus transportation to and from airports, 7 nights lodging at 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. Add \$55 to ski an optional 6th day. 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 on this world-class experience, contact Terri at tfalk@skissc.com or 717-228-9939.

JACKSON HOLE, WYOMING ~ January 31- February 7, 2015

LIVE YOUR DREAM...SKI 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. Jackson Hole has always been about the terrain: huge bowls, steep chutes, limitless backcountry, and lots of vertical and deep powder. With 2500 acres of skiing, epic snowfall last year of over 500 inches, and a 4139-foot vertical, this is a skier's dream! The resort boasts 12 bowls with deep cowboy powder, and its 100-passenger tram, 8-person gondola, and six high-speed quads, services 10% beginner, 40% newly improved intermediate and 50% expert terrain. Super-pipe and terrain parks are available for both skiers and boarders. The dining on this mountain is amazing! If you need a break from skiing you can spend the day exploring Yellowstone, snowmobiling, dog sledding, just to name a few.

We will stay slope side at the Alpenhof Lodge, a Swiss-style inn, the closest hotel to the tram and lifts. Included are complimentary WiFi, outdoor heated pool and hot tub, dry sauna, massage studio and a heated walkway to Bridger Gondola and the Teewinot lift. The trip price of \$1,845 per person double occupancy includes roundtrip airfare on Delta departing from Philadelphia to Jackson, bus transportation to and from 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. Discounted lift tickets are available for children and senior skiers. Mail your **\$600 deposit** payable to "SSC" and completed trip application to **Trip Leader Monica Kurtz**, 4 Teaberry Drive, Carlisle, PA 17015 and contact Monica with any questions at mkurtz@skissc.com or 717-691-9237.

STEAMBOAT, COLORADO ~ February 21-28, 2015

Look out Ski Town USA... SSC is coming back to town! Experience ski-in/ski-out lodging at our club favorite Ptarmigan Inn, famed champagne powder, 3000 acres of terrain covering 165 trails over 65 miles, 3668 vertical feet, 349 inches of annual snowfall and world renowned tree skiing. State-of-the-art lighting illuminates selected trails for night skiing. Over the past six years Steamboat has invested nearly \$30 million into the sculpture of their terrain, the engineering of the chairlifts, varied and plentiful dining, and superb snowmaking. The Ptarmigan is popular for its Snowbird Restaurant and Lounge and its famous apres-ski happy hour specials. Rooms feature complimentary high-speed wireless access, refrigerators and more. Optional side trips and dining experiences are available to include sleigh ride dinners, Strawberry Park Hot Springs, Saddleback Ranch, a Western BBQ, skiing with Billy Kidd, guided nature ski tours and gourmet snowshoe lunch tours, an alpine slide, and more!

The standard package includes 7 nights double-occupancy lodging at the Ptarmigan Inn located adjacent to the gondola at the Steamboat Ski Resort base, roundtrip airfare from BWI to Hayden (only a 35-minute drive to the Ptarmigan) on United Airlines, bus transportation to and from airports, a daily hot breakfast buffet, group portorage, a 5-of-6 day lift ticket, and a welcome and farewell party. This package is priced at just \$1,740 per person double occupancy. Mail your **\$700 deposit** payable to "SSC" and completed trip application to **Trip Leader Melody Patton**, 2709 Chestnut Run Road, York, PA 17402. For more information, please contact Melody at mpatton@skissc.com or 717-741-6055.

WINTER PARK, COLORADO ~ March 7-14, 2015

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.

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