



The e-CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I know you have been out enjoying these warmer days, now that summer has actually arrived! And as you can see from our list of events, there are plenty of things going on during the weeks ahead.

Our Trip Committee has been very busy and so have our Trip Leaders, working to bring you the best variety of ski destinations, terrain, lodging and pricing that we can for 2014. We are still finalizing some details, but we are now able to share some key facts with you. We should have all the information you need very soon, so please watch for the signup info in the July newsletter.

I hope to see ALL OF YOU at the picnic on June 29 because YOU are the folks who make it fun! Trip applications and deposits will be accepted at the picnic starting at noon, but just in case you cannot attend, deposits and applications/deposits hand-delivered to the trip leaders at the picnic or postmarked June 22-29 will have equivalent eligibility in the event that any trip is over-subscribed and a lottery becomes necessary.

In the meantime, please make plans to attend the annual SSC summer picnic so you can meet and greet all the trip leaders before making your final decisions. Until then, you can enjoy some of our upcoming activities, including deck parties, festivals, biking and more!

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Happy Trails,
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SSC Summer Picnic Saturday, June 29 the fun starts at noon

Join us in Fishing Creek Valley once again for our annual picnic at Camp Reily. This is a great chance to catch up with old and new friends, sign up for your 2014 ski trips, eat a great selection of grilled meats and other picnic foods, drink your favorite beverages, kick back in the pool and play in our 3rd annual kickball game. SSC will provide the meats, 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 I - bring desserts; * last name starts with J thru Q - bring a casserole or side dish; and * last name starts with R thru Z - bring an appetizer. You will be charged another \$8 if you arrive empty handed.

"Early Bird" prices before June 20 for SSC members are: over age 12, \$15; ages 8-11, \$10; and under 8 -free. Non-member prices before June 20 are: ages 12 and over \$20; ages 8-11, \$15; under age 8, \$5. *After June 20 all prices increase by \$5.* Non-members should consider joining in time to take advantage of "early bird" prices! Send your checks payable to "SSC" to Lovena Nickle at 195 Maple-ton Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17112. If paying for multiple attendees, please include names and ages so we know if they are free or youth tickets.

We always need volunteers! To share 1/2 hour of your time at the picnic, please contact co-chair, Carol Swendsen--717-608-8011 or email carolswendsen@verizon.net.

Upcoming Events

Friday, June 7, Deck Party
Brewhouse Grille, Camp Hill

Sat. & Sun., June 15-16
Fort Hunter Music Festival

Friday, June 21, Deck Party
Woodys, Harrisburg

Wednesday, June 26
SSC Board Meeting, John's
Diner, New Cumberland

Saturday, June 29
SSC Picnic & 2014 Trip
Signups, Camp Reily,
Fishing Creek Valley

Friday, July 12, Deck Party
Dockside Willeys
Wormleysburg

Saturday, July 13
Nissley Vineyard Concert

Saturday, July 20
Pinchot Bike/Hike/Kayak

Friday, July 26, Deck Party
Blue Moose, Linglestown

Saturday, July 27
Golf Outing, Rich Valley

HIT THE DECK Friday, 5 pm til ?

SSC tradition holds that we take advantage of some great outdoor restaurant seating to catch up with friends and stay in touch. Please join us on designated Fridays about 5pm or later and look for table tent

**Fort Hunter Music & Wine
Festival
June 15 & 16**

Join your SSC friends Saturday and/or Sunday from 3-9 pm for a great time with local and nationally known recording artists at the historic Fort Hunter Park along the scenic Susquehanna River. Local wineries, craft and food vendors will be gathering for your added enjoyment. Relax and have a great time...stay for as long or short as you like!

Bring a food dish to share, your lawn chair or blanket, and a small table to hold your nourishment. We will meet at the gate at 3 pm both days and determine where we want to sit. If you arrive after 3, look for some red, white and blue balloons to mark our spot or call Barb at 717-421-1970 to find us.

Check out the entertainment schedule and the list of participating wineries at www.dauphincounty.org. Ticket prices are listed on line, and are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the gate, *good for both days*. Contact Barb at 717-986-1696 for more information.

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>

VINYL GROOVE IN THE VINEYARDS!

Saturday, July 13

Join us at the romantic location of Nissley's Winery near Bainbridge for one of SSC's favorite evenings of the summer. The night will be filled with **Motown** tunes from the amazing **Vinyl Groove band** (www.vinylgroov.net), along with lots of great people, fancy foods, tables with candelabras and flowers, and good wine. As always, it will be a truly magical night of dancing, but that's up to you! SSC will be in a roped off area in front of the lower level dance floor... bring your own chairs and small table if you like. There will be tables set up to hold the food each participant brings to share. SSC will also provide paper products/utensils for eating and two glasses of wine per person. Additional bottles of wine can be purchased at Nissley's... you are not permitted to bring your own alcohol on the premises.

Tickets purchased for **\$17 per person** through SSC for this fun evening include admission, two glasses of Nissley's fabulous wines, dancing, access to the varied and flavorful shared food and the enjoyment of some great company. The Band plays from 7:30 -10, but you want to arrive early to enjoy the ambience before the music and dancing begin. Your pre-purchased ticket will ensure your entrance to the event. Look for Lilly and Carol with tickets at SSC events in advance, or send a check payable to SSC with a self- addressed return envelope to Lilly Mangan, 125 Old Ford Drive, Camp Hill, PA 17011. Tickets will be mailed to you. *Deadline for ticket sales is July 1... we cannot accommodate sales after the deadline to ensure return mail receipt and an adequate wine selection.*

cards with the SSC logo. You're 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? IContact Lilly at 717-385-4667 or Lovey at socialcoord@skissc.com.

WEEKLY BIKE RIDES

If you love the great outdoors and would like to know about upcoming hikes or bike rides with some really awesome folks, send a request to Mike Gavin at emailriders1@comcast.net to be added to his list. He will gladly email you weekly notices about scheduled rides or hikes, along with his creative narratives and directions to the meeting location. Upcoming venues include Rocky Ridge, Annapolis, Pinchot Park, Stoney Creek, Elizabethtown Rail Trail and various road rides.

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For more information, contact Lilly Mangan, 717-385-4667, manganlilly@gmail.com or Carol Swendsen, 717-608-8011, carolswendsen@verizon.net.

Pinchot Bike/Hike/Paddle/Picnic ~ Saturday, July 20

Grab your gear and join us at Pinchot State Park for a day of play on July 20. 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 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 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. 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 info contact Mike Gavin at mike@michaelgavin.com or 717-495-1905.

SSC Fun Golf Outing

Saturday, July 27, 3:30 pm... not your typical match

ALL ARE WELCOME: You don't have to be a good golfer or SSC member. Non- golfers can join us later in the bar.

PLACE: Rich Valley Golf Course, 227 Rich Valley Rd, Mechanicsburg
(www.richvalleygolf.net)

FORMAT: Fun golf game format. Need a partner? Monica can pair up.

DATE/TIME: Saturday, July 27, 3:30 arrival time. Tee times will vary.

Weather cancellations will be called at the course.

FOOD: On your own. May order off menu

PRICE: \$22. Riding nine; pay at Pro Shop

MEETING PLACE: Pro Shop/Cart Garage

TO REGISTER: Send email to directorMonica@skissc.com or call Monica Kurtz at 717-691-9237 no later than July 19. Tee times are limited.

NOTE: You may not bring beer to golf course but you can purchase beer there.



and now.... our 2014 SKI TRIPS

Trip Leaders will accept deposits in person at the SSC picnic on June 29 starting at noon or by mail only if postmarked June 22 or later. To print a trip application, please click on the website at <http://www.skissc.com>. Additional information on these trips and our day/weekend trips will be in the next newsletter and posted on the website very soon.

January 18-25 ~ Aspen/Snowmass EPSC Winter Carnival, Colorado ~ Dianne Paukovits

Breathtaking, exhilarating and huge are just a few ways to describe Snowmass, the crown jewel of Colorado. Already famous for endless terrain (over 3,000 acres) and tons of snow (300 inches), Snowmass is now undergoing a renaissance like no other with two new gondolas, a new high-speed sixpack and numerous on-mountain improvements. There is powder skiing and terrain for everyone! Enjoy skiing at four mountains, slopeside lodging at the Stonebridge Inn, transportation and many other perks for approximately \$1830 pp do. If interested, please contact Trip Leader Dianne Paukovits at 717-566-7184 or

dpaukovits@skissc.com, or send your deposit of \$600 payable to "SSC" to Dianne Paukovits, 720 Pine Tree Road, Hummelstown, PA 17036.

January 25-31 ~ Big Sky, Montana ~ Lovena Nickle Haslam

Ride and ski the trails and bowls of Big Sky Montana and Moonlight Basin. Our Range Boss booked our lodging in the famous Huntley once again, well within walking distance of the lifts (even for city slicker). Might take in a Rodeo at Cody, Wyoming or check out the sights of Yellowstone National Park. With 5,512 skiable acres, 4,350 vertical feet, 220 trails and expert bowls there's no way you will get bored. Range Boss is still working the details, but we estimate this trip will cost you 1000 beaver belts or \$1495 US currency. Contact Trip Leader Lovena Nickle Haslam for questions at lhaslam@skissc.com or 717-541-8803, or send your \$600 deposit payable to "SSC" to Lovena Nickle, 195 Mapleton Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17112.

February 7-16 ~ Val d'Isere, France with Prague Extension ~ Mike Oberdick

Enjoy skiing for all levels in the Savoy Region of the French Alps with Trip Leader Mike Oberdick, who has been to this resort six times. Mike is currently accepting \$500 deposits for the trip February 7-15, 2014. The cost is \$2600 pp double occupancy, which includes ground and air transportation, lodging at the ski-in/ski-out Hotel Altitude with breakfast and dinner. Your 6-day pass will be an additional \$300, good for 23,000 acres of skiing. If interested, please contact Mike at swissnutmike@gmail.com or 717-542-1735.

February 9-16 ~ Revelstoke, British Columbia ~ Jack Billmyer

POWDER! 5630 vertical ~ the most in North America ~ 3,200 acres, lodging in downtown Revelstoke, 30-45 feet of snow annually, 6-day lift ticket, heli/cat-skiing from the resort., many taverns and restaurants with 17 local micro brews, welcome party and farewell party. Intermediate level skiing and above for just \$1,726 US pp/do. Send your \$580 deposit to Trip Leader Jack Billmyer, 1603 E. Caracas Avenue, Hershey, PA 17033. Questions? call 717-307-0446 or email jbillmyer@skissc.com.

February 15-22 ~ Mount Bachelor, Oregon ~ Terri Faulk

This is an exciting new destination for SSC! Ski a dormant volcano at Mount Bachelor, Oregon, with 72 trails for every skier's level in a pristine state park with a summit over 9,000 feet. Lodging in Bend, Oregon, "Beer City USA," with 17 microbreweries and 30 restaurants just steps from our hotel. Tax free dining and shopping at an unbelievable price of \$1350 pp/do. Questions? Contact Terri Faulk at 717-228-9939 or tfalk@skissc.com.

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February 23-28 ~ Sugarloaf, Maine ~ Melody Patton

Sugarloaf, Maine, the largest ski area east of the Rockies...eastern skiing so fine it resembles the best of western conditions with 1,153 skiable acres, 154 trails/glades; 2,820 vertical. Trip includes: slope side lodging/Sugarloaf Mountain Hotel/amenities, welcome party; 5-day lift ticket; all bus transportation; a day at Sunday River; Daily Perfect Turn Clinic; hot breakfasts and more for less than \$900 pp/do. Contact Melody Patton, Trip Leader, at mpatton@skissc.com or 717-741-6055.

March 1-8 ~ Sun Valley, Idaho ~ Sherry Predix

Travel to the Idaho Rockies and experience a week of skiing and world class accommodations at the Sun Valley Resort. Sun Valley offers a more relaxed atmosphere not found in some of the other mega resort ski mountains. Two mountains, one being Bald Mountain with a consistency of pitch, lack of lift lines and variety of terrain, has earned it a reputation as one of the world's finest. We are currently working out the details, but it looks like the dates are March 1-8. Contact trip Leader Sherry Predix at 717-957-2925 or spredix@skissc.com for more information.

March 11-20 ~ Lake Tahoe, Nevada with San Francisco Extension ~ Pam Neidig

Join us in sunny California with a ski safari around Lake Tahoe and individualized tours of San Francisco, Pacific Coast and/or Wine Country. Basic package includes air from Baltimore and all bus transfers, 6 nights ski-in/ski-out lodging at Northstar-at-Tahoe Resort (The Village), 3 of 5-day Northstar/Heavenly/Kirkwood lift pass, 3 nights lodging at a hotel (TBD) at SF's Fisherman's Wharf and a welcome party upon arrival at Northstar Resort. Optional activities include ski days at Alpine Meadows, Squaw Valley, Homewood, Sierra-at-Tahoe and/or Sugar Bowl. In San Francisco, you'll be on your own to plan activities for each day; your trip leader will assist you in planning your itinerary and will identify opportunities for group travel (e.g., to the Napa or Sonoma wine country or along the coastline from Half Moon Bay to Monterey and Carmel-by-the-Sea). Details and pricing for the basic package and optional activities are still being finalized. Please contact trip leader Pam Neidig at pneidig@skissc.com or 717-507-7196 with your questions.

IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!!

SSC's membership year runs from April 1 to March 31, so unless you've recently renewed your dues, your SSC membership expired on March 31. If you have not renewed yet, please do so right now so you can enjoy all the benefits of your membership, especially with our picnic this month. You can renew at your convenience, through PayPal on our website or with your hand-written checks and renewal applications. Be sure to note any name, address, phone or email address changes on the form so there are no delays in getting our latest club information. [Click here to renew online.](#)

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