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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greetings SSC members! With Thanksgiving only a few weeks away I would like to take the opportunity to reflect on items we have as a club to be thankful for. We are fortunate to have board members and support staff with a passion for our club's success. They work hard, have excellent ideas and contribute many volunteer hours. We have faced several challenges this year and someone has always stepped forward to help resolve them. As President I am truly grateful!

Our partnership with Ski Roundtop is also something to be thankful for. Ron Hawkes, General Manager, Chris Dudding, Marketing Director and Josh Boltz, Sales Manager, continue to support us by donating membership prizes, sponsoring the Warren Miller Event and attending our meetings to promote the sports of skiing and boarding to our membership.

Over the past few years our membership has been declining. This year we can be thankful our membership to date has increased over this time last year. I believe we can attribute this to you, our club members, for sponsoring new members and promoting SSC to former members who have joined us again. Our terrific selections of trips, social events and our brand new website have also helped to increase our membership.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving and I sincerely **thank you** for supporting and promoting our Susquehanna Ski and Snowboard Club!

Best regards, Joanne



MEMBERSHIP MEETING Tuesday, November 4

Yes, our next membership meeting is on Election Day 2008! So after you get out and VOTE... get on down to Doc Holliday's in New Cumberland. That's our brand new membership meeting location! We are excited that they will open their huge Comedy Zone room for us. And please don't forget that they have a wonderful restaurant. Take a look at their menu: <http://www.kearesrestaurants.com/dochollidays/menu.html>... M' m' Good!

Our program for this meeting will include **Lanette Erby** from The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and SSC member **Mark LaManna** will present a slide show of our very recent SSC walking tour of Italy. **Remember our November "give thanks" tradition; club members are encouraged to bring donations for the Food Bank.** Social hour starts at 6:30pm, followed by our business meeting at 7:30pm. Get the latest news on upcoming ski trips and social events. Please bring a friend along to introduce to the club—guests are always welcome. Keep in mind, our ski trips are filling fast, so bring your checkbook. 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 Rodeway Inn "Enter Here" sign; Doc Holliday's is the building on your left as you enter the parking lot.

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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. Below is a list of dates for your second and final payments.

Taos • 2nd payment • \$500 • due October 24
 Banff/Lake Louise • 2nd payment • \$600 • due October 25
 Killington • final payment • due October 25
 Sun Valley • final payment • due October 27
 Park City • final payment • due November 7

WARREN MILLER FILM EVENT Friday, November 7



Get ready for the upcoming season with some heart-pumping action from the best spots around the world! SSC's Warren Miller Film Event will be held Friday, November 7 at the East Pennsboro High School Auditorium, located at 425 Shady Lane in Enola. Come join us for an evening of fun and excitement while we view the 2008 Warren Miller film *Children of Winter* in high definition. This action-packed movie takes viewers on a global adventure to locations like Japan, Austria, Iceland and more! Reception starts at 6 pm, movie premier at 7 pm. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. Tickets will be available at the November Membership Meeting or from any board member, or contact **Michelle Leo** at Michelle@HarrisburgHouses.net.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 29** Board Meeting @ Giant Community Center, Camp Hill
- Nov 1-2** Fall Extravaganza Ski Swap @ Ski Roundtop
- Nov 1-2** Ed's Ski & Cycle Ski Swap
- Nov 4** Membership Meeting @ Doc Holliday's Comedy Zone, New Cumberland
- Nov 7** Warren Miller Film Event @ East Pennsboro High School, Enola – contact Michelle Leo
- Nov 19** Board Meeting @ Giant Community Center, Camp Hill
- Nov 22** Get-Acquainted Party @ Ski Roundtop – contact Sherry Predix
- Dec 2** Membership Meeting @ Doc Holliday's Comedy Zone, New Cumberland
- Dec 7** Christmas Show & Dinner @ American Music Theatre & Fulton Steamboat Inn, Lancaster—contact Brenda Bent
- Dec 17** Board Meeting @ Giant Community Center, Camp Hill

GET-ACQUAINTED PARTY Saturday, November 22



Check your calendars... the biggest event of the year is approaching and you will not want to miss it. Our annual Get-Acquainted Party is Saturday, November 22, at 7 pm in the Main Lodge at Ski Roundtop. **The cost is FREE to club members ages 21 and older.** Forgot to renew or send in your new member application? Don't worry, you can join or renew your membership that evening. Dance music will be provided by **Cheap**

Sneakers. Dancing, food, refreshments and a fun time with old friends and the opportunity to meet new friends—all this is yours for the price of a membership! This is truly a bargain in today's economy! Hope to see you there....

CHRISTMAS SHOW & DINNER Sunday, December 7

Join your SSC friends at a brand-new holiday extravaganza at Lancaster's American Music Theatre, followed by dinner at the Fulton Steamboat Inn! From the plaintive strains of a Celtic fiddle, to the seasonal sounds of hits by Josh Groban, Toby Keith and Bette Midler, you'll be humming along with your favorite Christmas carols and tapping your feet to a rockin' holiday beat. This central PA favorite holiday tradition is fun for all ages, so bring your kids and grandkids for this awesome Christmas show, which starts at 3 pm. Following the show, we'll have a 5:30 pm buffet dinner at Fulton Steamboat Inn, just 2 minutes away from the theatre. Cost of this fun event is only \$56 per adult, \$34 per child ages 3-12. Deadline to purchase tickets is November 6. For more information, contact **Brenda Bent** at socialvp@skissc.com or 717-921-2575.



SAVE THIS DATE!!

Tuesday, December 2

**SSC Membership Meeting
Holiday Party & New Member Mixer
Doc Holliday's Comedy Zone, New Cumberland**

ELK MOUNTAIN Friday, January 16

Hop on the bus with **Gus** and enjoy snacks, drinks & entertainment! Don't let the spirits of Halloween scare you. **Now is the time to take advantage of the discount for the trip to Elk Mountain on Friday, January 16.** If you pay before December 1, you save

extra two fins if you wait until December 1 to sign up [cost will be \$85]. So join us for a day of skiing and a pizza lunch. We will also enjoy dinner at the Banshee Irish Pub in Scranton on the way back. The dinner price is not included in the trip fee. Please contact **trip leader Richard Faux** at rfaux@skissc.com or 717-772-8287.



ELK MOUNTAIN Saturday, January 24

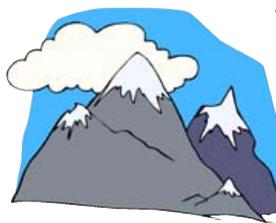
You want to go. When the winter winds bugle, you can hear Elk Mountain calling your name. Picture yourself smiling as you cruise down the long groomers or carve your name around the moguls. Ski the best mountain in the state. Enjoy the pizza buffet with friends. Relax and allow us to chauffeur your party directly to the lodge. **Receive a discounted lift ticket. You are so there already.** Throw in complimentary beverages, snacks and good friends, this trip cannot be beat. You know you have to do it. **So save yourself \$10 and sign up now.** Get the whole package for \$85 until November 30. After that it's still only \$95. Sign up early and you can start smiling now. Wait and risk missing the bus. Contact **trip leader Bob Burns** at 34 Rocky Ridge Rd., Dillsburg PA 17019, 717-432-3013, bburns@skissc.com.

SEVEN SPRINGS WEEKEND February 6-8

Join our ski adventure February 6-8 at Seven Springs Mountain Resort, rated the #1 Ski Resort last year in the Mid-Atlantic Region by *Ski Magazine*. This ski area is noted for plenty of natural and man-made snow and a very active nightlife, with restaurants, shops and other entertainment on-site. Double occupancy prices are \$430 per person, \$391 triple, and \$371 quad; children ages 6-11 accompanied by two adults are \$262 each. These prices include roundtrip motorcoach transportation from the Harrisburg area, snacks and drinks on the bus out, 2 nights lodging at slope-side towers hotel, daily breakfast buffets, 2-night and 2-day lift tickets, one *après* ski dinner buffet Saturday evening, complementary overnight ski check, use of the indoor swimming pool and exercise room, and all taxes. Non-skiers trade their lift ticket for two coupons each of bowling, roller-skating, and miniature golf, plus one coupon for snow-tubing, and one \$2-off coupon toward another snow-tubing ticket. Contact **trip leader Lovena Nickle-Haslam** at lnickle@skissc.com or 717-541-8803.



BLUE MOUNTAIN Friday, February 20



As expected, this trip is starting to fill! Don't hesitate in reserving your spot for the last day trip of the season at Blue Mountain on Friday, February 20. We will depart Harrisburg at 7 am and leave the mountain at 6 pm. Trip price includes a one-day lift ticket, roundtrip bus ride with refreshments and a catered lunch in the lodge. The cost of the trip is \$75 if you sign up before November 30 and increases to \$85 after November 30. Send your check payable to 'SSC Blue Mt 2009' to **trip leader Susie Seighman**, 1412 Inverness Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050, sseighman@skissc.com, 717-576-2096.

YOU SNOOZE YOU LOSE

Can't make up your mind which trip to sign up for? Don't wait too long or you may miss out. Deadlines are approaching for many trips to turn in unsold air seats and hotel rooms. Once they are gone, we can't get them back. So if you are on the fence about signing up for a trip, get off that fence and sign up now! There are spots remaining on some great trips. So don't snooze, or you will lose!



2008-2009 TRIPS

We only include detailed information on our room-available trips in our print publications. For more information on any waiting-list trip, contact the trip leader or check out our website, www.skissc.com. Application forms for all trips are available on our website.

Dates	Destination	% Filled	Trip Leader(s)/Contact Information
Jan 10-17	Sun Valley, ID	Wait List	Ron Nagle - magle@skissc.com /717-657-4993
Jan 16 (Fri)	Elk Mtn, PA	Open	Richard Faux - rfaux@skissc.com /717-772-8289
Jan 24 (Sat)	Elk Mtn, PA	Open	Bob Burns - bburns@skissc.com /717-432-3013
Jan 24-31	Park City/Deer Valley, UT	Wait List/ Needed Single Male	Becky Havice - bpatthavice@skissc.com /717-248-7271 Bob Havice - bhavice@skissc.com /717-248-8696
Jan 28-Feb 1	Killington, VT	1 room left	Pam McKechnie - pmckechnie@skissc.com /717-507-7196
Feb 6-8	Seven Springs, PA	Open	Lovena Nickle-Haslam - lnickle@skissc.com /717- 541-8803
Feb 8-15	Banff/Lake Louise, Can	Wait List	Brenda Bent - bbent@skissc.com /717-921-2575
Feb 20 (Fri)	Blue Mtn, PA	Open	Susie Seighman - sseighman@skissc.com /717-576-2096
Feb 21-28	Taos, NM	Open	Carolyn Eash - ceash@skissc.com /717-796-0347
Mar 7-14	Steamboat Springs, CO	90%	Dave Timothy - dtimothy@skissc.com /717-834-3361 Scott Henne - shenne@skissc.com /717-241-0013
Mar 21-28	Alyeska, AK	Open	Sherry Predix - spredix@skissc.com /717-957-2925

TAOS, NEW MEXICO February 21–28



Taos is upgrading and expanding their ski terrain for this season. The Snakedance Condo is also improving its facilities: their restaurant has been remodeled and its weight, exercise, and spa facilities are being updated. Snow should not be a problem: on opening day of the 2007-08 season, they had to close briefly after a record 70-inch snowfall in one day!

Only a few spots remain on this value trip. Taos is only \$1,436 per person and includes roundtrip air from BWI, bus transfers, and 5 days of skiing. A 6th day lift ticket is available for \$32. On the way to the resort, we'll see the sights of Santa Fe, with a "groceries" stop in the town of Taos. We will stay in 2-bedroom/2-bath Snakedance Condominiums, with a full kitchen and living room including fireplace. The Inn is located steps from the lifts and is in the heart of the ski village, conveniently surrounded by many shops and services! Daily breakfasts are included in this condo package. There is plenty for you to do when not on the slopes or for you non-skiers: take the shuttle to the town of Taos and enjoy the culture of the area or shop 'til you drop at Taos' many galleries and boutiques. At the end of your day, relax in the hot tub and sauna, or get a massage. Everyone will enjoy a group welcome party, and receive a free Taos logo vest. Contact **trip leader Carolyn Eash** at ceash@skissc.com or 717-796-0347.



STEAMBOAT, COLORADO March 7-14

This trip has only 2 spots left! March is the best month for snow and temperature.

Deluxe condos await you along with 78 ski buddies. We are only 150 yards from the lift. If you're thinking about the trip, just do it now, we can worry about the market when we get back, we only go around once. Contact **trip leaders Scott Henne** at shenne@skissc.com or 717-241-0013 and **Dave Timothy** at dtimothy@skissc.com or 717-834-3361.

ALYESKA, ALASKA March 21–28



Not a skier? Not a problem! Your 4- out of 5-day activity pass can be redeemed for skiing, tubing, cross-country ski rentals for two, lunch for two, shopping, spa services and much more. If you are a skier/snowboarder, Alyeska has diverse terrain for all levels. Request a wake-up call to view the dancing

Northern Lights. The slopes open at 10 am and close around 6 pm depending on the daylight, so you can sleep in, enjoy the breakfast buffet each morning, and still have a full day on the slopes! Alyeska, sitting on a glacier, offers 1,400 skiable acres, over 630" of annual snowfall, non-existent lift lines, unparalleled views, 2,500' of vertical, wide-open bowls and long top-to-bottom & tree-line runs. Nine state-of-the-art lifts, including one **60 passenger aerial tram you board from the lower level of your hotel next to your ski locker**, will carry you to your choice of runs. Lodging includes 6 nights at the ski-in/ski-out Hotel Alyeska Resort & Spa and 1 night at Captain Cook's in Anchorage, with daily breakfasts. Hotel Alyeska has a fitness center, 16-person saltwater whirlpool and saltwater lap pool, and your room will include bathrobe, slippers, mini-fridge, hair dryer, iron, heated towel rack, in-phone data port, coffee maker, movie system and more. Travel includes roundtrip bus transportation from Harrisburg to BWI, roundtrip air BWI/Minneapolis/Anchorage and approximately a 45-minute bus ride to the resort. Optional add-ons include (prices are TBD): a 5-hour snowmobile journey to explore glaciers and ice caves and a Resurrection Bay glacier and wildlife cruise with dinner. **Don't miss this chance to see and ski Alaska!** Double occupancy prices are \$1,932 per person (ages 14-69) and \$1,804 per person (ages 70 & over) and include roundtrip bus and air, lodging, breakfasts and vouchers. Discounted prices are also available for junior and child. Send your deposit of \$500pp payable to "SSC Alyeska 2009" to **trip leader Sherry Predix**, 307 Doe Run, Marysville, PA 17053, spredix@skissc.com or 717-957-2925.



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ATTENTION: Our Nov. 4 Membership Meeting will be held in a new location: Doc Holliday's, New Cumberland.

SSC SKIER/BOARDER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM 2009

The SSC Skier and Snowboarder Development Program will be held at Ski Roundtop on the last four Thursday evenings in January starting January 8. This is a program of group ski or snowboard, one and a half hour lessons. The groups are made up of SSC members exclusively and are divided by ability level or interest in developing a particular technique. You will have the same instructors with the same groups for all four sessions. The lessons are followed each night with a SSC après ski social with snacks and beverages.

There are a variety of ways to take advantage of the Development Program. With the purchase of a Night Club Card you can get lift and lessons for \$214 at the early bird rate 'til November 7, as well as rental equipment if needed. You can also purchase a 4-time multi-visit card to include lift and lessons for \$160 as well as equipment rental if needed. If you are unable to make the four Thursday nights you can use your cards at any time they are accepted to get your lessons. If you have a season pass, the lessons are discounted 50% and if you purchase a lift ticket at the window the lessons are \$35 each. In addition to the above rates the après ski party following the lessons is an additional \$20. Checks for the Skier Development packages should include the \$20 and be made out to "SSC". For additional information, contact Phyllis Doherty at 717-652-4864 or phyllisdoherty@comcast.net.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

SSC and the York Ski Club are again joining forces to instruct athletes in the Special Olympics ski program. We need two instructors per athlete. You do not have to be a ski instructor, just an intermediate skier willing to give your time to these kids and young adults. Sessions will be held at Ski Roundtop on Thursday evenings in January and February; instructors don't have to help out every week. Your lift ticket is free on the nights you instruct. We need your application now, since police background checks are required. Please contact Philip Durgin at 717-732-5325 or pdurgin@comcast.net if you are interested.

2008-2009 Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club Membership Application / Renewal Membership Year Runs April 1 to March 31

Last Name: _____ First: _____ MI: _____
Spouse: Last: _____ First: _____ MI: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____
Email: _____
Spouse's Work Phone: _____ Email: _____

DEPENDENTS UNDER 18

(Only those with name & birthdate will be included in your membership)

_____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP

- Individual - \$25.00
 Family - \$35.00
 Junior (18-20) - \$20.00
 List Birthdate _____
 NEW MEMBER
Sponsor _____ optional
 RENEWAL
Last year of membership _____

FOR PURPOSES OF PLANNING SSC ACTIVITIES,
PLEASE HELP US DETERMINE THE
DEMOGRAPHICS OF OUR CLUB.

- 1) _____ Single? _____ Married?
_____ Do you have children? Ages _____
_____ Do the children ski? _____ Snowboard?
- 2) Number of each skier type in your membership:
_____ Non-Skiers, _____ Beginners,
_____ Intermediates, _____ Advanced Skiers
- 3) Number of persons in your membership in each age range:
_____ Under 18 _____ 18-25 _____ 26-39
_____ 40-49 _____ 50-59 _____ 60+
- 4) Do you snowboard? _____ XCountry Ski? _____

I/we would like to volunteer to help with:

____ (1) Membership ____ (2) Meetings / Programs ____ (3) Social Events ____ (4) Publicity

Please make checks payable to: **SSC**

Mail to: SSC MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR, P.O. BOX 60713, HARRISBURG, PA 17106-0713

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!