

# The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER



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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greeting SSC Members! Yes, it's almost here, the most exciting time of the SSC season. "What," you may ask, "is that?" Why, trip sign up and an exciting new vacation to look forward to. Our four major trips to Vail, Quebec, Park City and Val Thorens France will go on sale at our annual picnic, June 29<sup>th</sup> at Tall Cedars of Lebanon's Harrisburg picnic grove. As in previous years, we will be taking trip deposits starting at Noon on June 29. If you cannot make the picnic, mail your deposit and completed trip applications to the trip leader. Please note that mailed deposits need to be postmarked on or after Saturday, June 22 to be considered if a lottery is necessary. Our eastern trip is still in the planning phase and will be announced shortly. Please remember that SSC highly recommends the purchasing of trip insurance. If you have any questions about this, please contact your trip leader. I look forward to seeing you at the picnic.

*Becky*

## SSC SUMMER PICNIC

**Saturday, June 29, 11 AM - 3 PM**

It's summertime! Mark your calendars for SSC's annual picnic, held at the same location as last year: Tall Cedars, Cedars Grove, 8143 Jonestown Road, Harrisburg. Our Summer Picnic is always a time to enjoy great food and to connect with both old and new friends. The event will be your opportunity to explore SSC's 2019-2020 proposed calendar of events, offer suggestions of dates and/or junkets (i.e., wine appreciation night, mini-golf, Pride of Susquehanna) and make your reservations for 2020 trips. Memberships must be current on the date of the picnic to be eligible for trip sign ups (you can join or renew at the picnic registration table). Meet the trip leaders, ask questions and discover other individuals joining in the excursions. The club will provide the entree, beverages, condiments and paper/plastic products. To add to the feast, please bring a dish to share according to the first letter of your last name: A thru H – bring a casserole or side dish; I thru N – bring an appetizer; and O thru Z – bring a dessert. If you don't bring a dish, you will be asked to pay \$8 extra per membership at the registration table. Please make your reservation early for the picnic! Prices will be higher after Saturday, June 15 to ensure we have time to plan and purchase enough food and beverages for everyone. Early Bird price for SSC members through June 15 is \$15/pp for ages 12 & over; \$10 for ages 8-11; and free under age 8. Effective June 16, all prices increase by \$5/pp. Payment can be made via our website (<https://www.skissc.com/event-3331956>) or mail your check now, before you forget, payable to "SSC" (write "picnic" in the memo) to Picnic Chair **Suzanne Laughman** at 427 S. York Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055.



## Upcoming Events and Trips

June 6	Thursday Deck Party! @ Brewhouse Grill
June 18	Happy hour & movie night Macaroni Grill & Regal Theater
June 26	Board meeting
June 29	SSC Annual Picnic @ Tall Cedars,
July 12	Friday Deck Party @ Spring Gate,
July 16	Happy hour & movie night Macaroni Grill & Regal Theater
July 24	Board meeting
Aug 1	Thursday Deck Party @ Boomerang's
Aug 10	Nissley Vineyard
Aug 11	Bike/Hike/Paddle/Picnic
Aug 20	Happy hour & movie night
Aug 28	Board meeting
Aug 29	Thursday Deck Party @ Greystone
Sept 3	Membership Meeting @ Boomerang's
Sept 14	Swatara Park bike ride
Sept 14	Greece trip
Sept 17	Happy hour & movie night
Sept 25	Board meeting
Sept 27	Friday Deck Party, @ Caddy Shack
Oct 1	Membership meeting @ Boomerang's
Oct 11	Friday Deck Party @ Ever Grain
Oct 30	Board meeting
Nov 5	Membership meeting @ Boomerang's,
Nov 19	Happy hour & movie night
Nov 20	Board meeting
Nov 23	Get Acquainted Party @ Roundtop Mtn Resort
Dec 3	Membership meeting/Holiday party @ Boomerang's
Dec 17	Happy hour & movie night
Dec 18	Board meeting
Jan 7	Membership meeting @ Boomerang's
Jan 21	Happy hour & movie night
Jan 26-2/2	Vail trip
Jan 29	Board meeting
Feb 4	Membership meeting @ Boomerang's
Feb 7-13	Quebec Winter Carnival
Feb 18	Happy hour & movie night
Feb 22-29	Park City trip
Feb 26	Board meeting
Mar 3	Membership meeting @ Boomerang's
Mar 7-15	Val Thoernes trip
Mar 17	Happy hour & movie night
Mar 25	Board meeting
April 25	SSC Banquet

If you are paying for multiple attendees, please include their names and ages in case they qualify for free or youth admission. We always need lots of volunteers to run this event, so please share a half hour of your time at the picnic. Please contact Suzanne at 717-503-3523 or [sslaughman1@comcast.net](mailto:sslaughman1@comcast.net) if you are able to help.

## 2019-2020 SSC TRIP STATUS

Trip applications and deposits will be accepted at the picnic starting at 12 noon on Saturday, June 29. Applications/deposits hand-delivered to the trip leader or sent via US mail with a postmark June 22-29 will have equivalent eligibility in the event that any trip is over-subscribed and a lottery becomes necessary. Trip application forms and trip terms may be found on our website ([skissc.com/trips](http://skissc.com/trips)). Your SSC membership must be current to sign up for a trip.

Trips	Trip Destination	Trip Leader	Status	Contact information
Sep 14-27, 2019	Greece	Dianne Paukovits	Closed	717-503-9493 or dpaukovits@comcast.net
Jan 26-Feb 2, 2020	Vail	Gary Smith	Open 6/29	717-503-2332 or 262gsmith@gmail.com
Feb. 7-Feb 13, 2020	Quebec Winter Carnival	Sherry Predix	Open 6/29	717 448-5379 or slpredix@comcast.net
Feb 22-Feb 29, 2020	Park City	Suzanne Laughman	Open 6/29	717-503-3523 or sslaughman1@comcast.net
March 7-March 15, 2020	Val Thorens	Mike Oberdick	Open 6/29	717-542-1735 or swissnutmike@gmail.com

### VAIL, COLORADO

#### January 26 - February 02, 2020 (Sun– Sun)

**It's EPIC! Vail isn't just a ski area, it's a legend!** Vail offers an unbelievable 5,289 acres ski terrain. There are 3 different sections to this mountain: the front side, with a huge variety of runs for all ski levels; the legendary Back Bowl, with nearly 3,000 acres of open powder bowls stretching 6 miles wide; and Blue Sky Basin, with an abundance of naturally-gladed terrain. With the largest network of express quad chairlifts in the world, you are assured maximum time exploring the extensive slopes of this amazing resort, where you could spend a week and probably never ski the same run twice. The stats: base elevation 8,120 feet, peak 11,570 feet, average annual snow fall 346", 33 lifts and 193 trails (28% easy, 32% intermediate and 40% advanced). **Need a change of scenery?** Use your interchangeable lift ticket at Beaver Creek, a short 15-minute shuttle ride. Beaver Creek boasts a 3,340-vertical drop, average annual snowfall 323", 24 lifts, 1,832 skiable acres, and 150 trails (38% beginner, 30% intermediate, 24% advanced, and 8% double black). **Non-skiers?** So much to see and do! Explore the village with its European style architecture, shop till you drop, take the gondola to view the vistas, relax in the spas, go cross-country skiing, slide down the tube run, or tour the art galleries. It is a short walk or shuttle ride to the village. We will be staying at the popular **Evergreen Lodge** with a central location in Vail Town Center. The Eagle Bahn gondola is a short shuttle ride away. The Evergreen houses the Altitude Bar & Grill (voted best sports bar in Vail) and the Annapurna Restaurant (Nepalese & Indian cuisine). The on-site Ski Haus ski rental shop specializes in the finest selection of demo skis and boards as well as performance and junior skis. They also offer free ski storage to patrons of the Evergreen. Rooms include Wi-Fi, mini fridge, coffee pot, flat screen TV with cable, and hairdryer. The Evergreen also has a fitness center, outdoor heated pool, indoor hot tub and dry sauna, and spa. The package is priced at \$2,520 per person double occupancy. Deduct \$465.00 for non-skiers or EPIC pass holders. Deduct \$40.00 for Seniors 65+ with a five-day lift ticket. Add \$61.00 to upgrade to six-day lift ticket. Add \$ 13.00 for Seniors 65+ with a six-day lift ticket. Please mail your completed trip application and deposit of \$800 per person (payable to "SSC" with Vail 2020 in memo line) to trip leader **Gary Smith**, 262 Herr Street, Harrisburg, PA 17102. For additional information, contact Gary at 717-503-2332 or 262gsmith@gmail.com



### QUEBEC CITY WINTER CARNIVAL, CANADA

#### Friday February 7 - Thursday February 13, 2020

What better way to celebrate winter than to travel to the international destination of the Old World City of Quebec. Enjoy all that the world's largest winter carnival has to offer. Ski Stoneham, Mont-Sainte-Anne and Le Massif or just enjoy the Winter Carnival day and night. Cost per person double occupancy is \$ 1556. Your package includes roundtrip motor coach, 6 nights' lodging at the legendary Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac located inside the walls of Old Quebec. This iconic hotel has recently undergone a multimillion-dollar renovation. The hotel blends the charm of the past with modern innovations. Amenities include a health club with indoor pool and whirlpool. Welcome reception at the Chateau Frontenac, a daily breakfast buffet you could only dream of, a private tour at the Ice Hotel with a cocktail, admission to the Valcartier winter playground (snow tubing, snow rafting, skating and indoor water park), Quebec City Carnival access pass (VIP pass upgrade available for \$45 includes admission plus seats in VIP stands for the evening February 8 Parade with free bar, animation and Carnival fleece blanket – worth \$20) and a flashing souvenir pin. The charm of the old historic walled city, ice sculptures, great restaurants, shopping, hot spiced caribou and Bonham the Snowman are sure to make this a trip that has something fun for everyone. If you are a non-skier please deduct \$130 from the cost. Send your deposit of \$500 made payable to "SSC" to trip leader Sherry Predix at 307 Doe Run, Marysville, PA 17053. Any questions, contact Sherry at 717-957-2925 or email slpredix@comcast.net

## Park City, Utah (Saturday to Saturday) February 22 - February 29, 2020

**ENVISION** an opportunity to ski three of Utah's finest ski resorts. **Imagine** skiing three days at Park City and the Canyons, and two days at Deer Valley with an optional sixth day at Deer Valley. The Park City Mountain Resort boasts 3,300 acres with 101 designated runs including one into the town of Park City. You are sure to enjoy the 3,100-foot vertical rise, miles of groomed runs, great tree skiing, excellent bowls and an average of 350 inches of snow annually. **Envision** staying 7 nights in the majestic Wasatch Mountains at the recently renovated Park City Peaks Hotel. Sparkling new facilities create a modern vintage feel. The lobby is highlighted by its majestic floor to ceiling fireplace. For your convenience and enjoyment there is an onsite ski and snowboard shop; **Ski n See**, which provides on site ski and board rentals and **Versante**



### Hearth + Bar

fitness room, Guests enjoy robes, coffee front door of Historic Main 7am with a change). The trip will breakfast, and leader



**Restaurant** with its open-hearth pizza oven. Stay active with a new world-class swim through an indoor/outdoor pool with hot tubs, dry sauna, and steam room. a daily breakfast buffet, quality food and beverage service, and amenities like cotton makers, refrigerators, flat screen TVs and Wi-Fi. The free town shuttle stops at the our Park Avenue location, offering a short ride to all three mountain resorts and to Street with over 100 bars, restaurants and shops. **Imagine** departing Harrisburg at return flight from Salt Lake City at 9:45 am (please remember flights are subject to

include round-trip air and ground transportation, 7 nights lodging, daily full buffet a 5-day lift ticket. **Imagine all this for \$2032.00!!** For more information, contact trip Suzanne Laughman at [SSlaughman1@comcast.net](mailto:SSlaughman1@comcast.net) or 717-503-3523. Deposits will

be accepted at the picnic after 12 noon or mail your completed trip application and deposit of \$500 per person (payable to "SSC" with Park City 2020 in memo line, to Suzanne Laughman, 427 S. York Street Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

## VAL THORENS FRANCE (Les Trois Vallees) March 7 – March 15, 2020

An all-inclusive ski vacation at **Club Med's Val Thorens Sensation** is in the heart of the 3 Valleys. It's a resort that combines exceptional skiing with après-ski in a totally magnificent environment. All you have to do is put on your skis and go!! Club Med is located in Europe's highest elevation and largest ski area in the world, with over 370 miles of slopes and 180 lifts for all levels. It connects 3 mountain valleys, in which there are 8 ski resorts.

From Mike's personal experience, this is the best resort in the 3 valleys. It has great options for lifts and terrain, including the new Orelle Valley. Ski-in/ski-out accessibility from the hotel to 2 major lifts, access to the Meribel Valley only 2 lifts away, and access to the Courchevel Valley 2 lifts from the Meribel Valley, makes it all accessible within one day of skiing. Trip leader Mike Oberdick has skied this area 10 times and can provide valuable information and directions to make each day sensational.

**Price: \$3,200 per person (Double occupancy)**, which includes **Bus transportation** to/from Newark Airport (EWR) with York & Harrisburg stops, **Round-trip Air to Geneva** on SwissAir (skis fly free), all service tips, gratuities and SSC fees (international departure taxes, fuel surcharge & security fees (estimated at \$390 and subject to change), ground transportation in France to/from resort, plus 7 nights' accommodations at **Club Med Sensations Val Thorens**, which includes **all-day gourmet dining**, full **open bar** with alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, **6 day ski pass & 5 day ski instruction**, daily entertainment, all resort and hotel taxes, surcharges and portage.

**RESERVE your spot at the SCC PICNIC or MAIL** the completed application form with deposit of \$800 payable to "SSC" to Mick Oberdick 245 Hillstream Road Red Lion, PA 17356 postmarked no earlier than June 22, 2019. Please include a copy of your valid passport with your applications. Please contact Mike with any questions at 717-542-1735 or [swissnutmike@gmail.com](mailto:swissnutmike@gmail.com). We look forward to a great ski vacation with you in March 2020!!!!

### HAPPY HOUR & MOVIE NIGHTS Tuesdays, July 16 & August 20

**Relax!** Join us for an evening at the movies. **Bring a friend!** You do not have to be a SSC member to come to this event. **Eat/Drink/Socialize!** We will meet at **Romano's Macaroni Grill**, located at 2531 Brindle Drive in The Shoppes at Susquehanna Marketplace any time after 5 PM for a snack and/or a drink before the movie. **The movie!** SSC sends an email blast with the chosen/suggested movie title a few days before each event. We drive a short distance to the **Regal Harrisburg Stadium 14** at 1500 Caughey Drive about 20 minutes before the start of the movie. For more information, contact **Lovena Nickle** at 717-541-8803.

### SAVE THE DATES:

**August 10-** SSC night at Nissley.  
Live Music- Josh Squared Band

**August 11** - Bike/Hike/Paddle/Picnic

## Saturday Night at the Vineyard – Nissley August 10

The night will be filled with music from Josh Square, a pop variety, 70's and beyond band. Join SSC members and friends at this event. Group rate for tickets is \$14 (\$2 discount). Group rate is for 20 people. A promo code to purchase tickets is needed to purchase the tickets online at this price. Everyone will be responsible for their own tickets. A single-use promo code will be provided to those that request it from Sharon Royer (717.329.2661 call or text **OR** email [sharon.royer@verizon.net](mailto:sharon.royer@verizon.net)) that will activate a discount on each ticket purchased online. There is a fee of \$1.79/ticket when purchasing tickets on online via Eventbrite. Tickets at the gate are \$16.00 cash/credit card, but this is a popular band, early ticket purchases are advised. No matter what your method of purchasing your tickets, SSC will have will be in the vineyard Saturday, August 10. Just like our deck events, please come and enjoy an evening with SSC members and friends. No food required to share. No SSC provided beverages (except water). Hope to see you at the Nissley for a wonderful night of fun with friends!

### HERSHEY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Hersheypark volunteers earn money for SSC and the same time earn 1-3 vouchers for themselves for admittance to Hersheypark for each 4-5 hour shift worked. All you have to do is contact **Lovena Nickle** at [lovnice53@comcast.net](mailto:lovnice53@comcast.net) or 717-541-8803 to sign up as a Hersheypark volunteer. You will need to provide an email address to enable Lovena to communicate with you about open shifts.



### SEEKING SSC EVENT SPONSORS!

Do you have a business you would like to promote to SSC's membership? Help sponsor a SSC event and get your business noticed! Current sponsorship opportunities include our 2019 Summer Picnic, Get-Acquainted Party and Holiday Party, and our 2020 Banquet and Picture Party. For more information, please contact **Immediate Past President Sherry Predix** at [slpredix@comcast.net](mailto:slpredix@comcast.net)

### WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!!

Chris Mayernik, Josh Hooper

## SUMMERTIME IS DECK TIME! Thursday or Friday events!

**It's Deck Time again! This year we are changing things up by flipping days of the week for some of these events.** It's time for gathering with friends old and new at local decks/patios throughout the SSC area. No reservation or membership needed! Arrive at the selected destination at 5 PM or later, look for folks gathered around tables displaying SSC table tent cards and JOIN IN! This is a great way to meet club members and discover SSC. Below is the schedule of our 2019 deck events for the rest of the season. Hope to see you there!

**Thursday, June 6th @ Brewhouse Grill**, 2050 State Road, Camp Hill

**Friday, July 12th @ Spring Gate**, 5790 Devonshire Road, Harrisburg – Music: Kevin Kline

**Thursday, August 1st @ Boomerang**, 110 Limekiln RD, New Cumberland

**Thursday, August 29th @ Greystone Public House**, 2120 Colonial Road, Harrisburg – Music: The Exactlys

**Friday, September 27th @ Caddy Shack**, 800 Orrs Bridge Road, Mechanicsburg

**Friday, October 11th @ Ever Grain**, 4434 Carlisle Pike, Camp Hill

### INTERESTED IN HOSTING AN EVENT?

Wine/beer night, bowling, or other activity? Contact Social VP Sharon Royer at [sharon.royer@verizon.net](mailto:sharon.royer@verizon.net).

### RIDES & HIKES

Weekends are a great time to get out and enjoy the great outdoors with some awesome folks. Weekly rides often include an easy ride, moderate ride and occasionally some fast road rides. Even if you haven't cycled since you were clipping baseball cards to the bike, or are in to a walk/hike with other likeminded people, come join the group. Contact Mike Gavin at [emailriders1@comcast.net](mailto:emailriders1@comcast.net) for a schedule of the weekly bike rides or hikes and to be added to Mike's weekly email updates. If need be, recommendations can be made to obtain a cost-efficient, entry level bike.



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