

# The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER



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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As we kick off a new and exciting year, there has been a lot of activity taking place behind the scenes, planning all the fun activities that we all love. The Trip Committee has worked diligently over the winter months selecting our major trip destinations for 2018, and the Social Committee is working on a slate of social activities to give you boundless opportunities to see your fellow members and keep you active throughout the summer and beyond. Just to name a few... the deck parties will start soon, the Annual Spring Banquet is April 22, and the Summer Picnic is June 24.



I am honored to serve as your President for the upcoming year. I welcome the new Board of Directors and support staff, and I am grateful to work with such talented, experienced, and dedicated people who are passionate about serving our Club and our members.

Your suggestions and ideas are important and always welcome, and there are many opportunities to serve the Club through volunteering at any of our many social events and leading our trips. I can tell you that the rewards are greater than the time spent. Now is the time to step up and contact me

## 2018 MAJOR TRIPS ANNOUNCED!!

**Breckenridge, Colorado**  
**Snowbird, Utah**  
**Steamboat, Colorado**  
**Taos, New Mexico**  
**Danube River Cruise**

*Trip leaders will be announced at the Annual Spring Banquet!*

or any Board member with your input, and desire to volunteer. Here is your first opportunity... we need an Event Chair and volunteers to staff the summer picnic. Please contact Social VP **Sharon Royer** if you would like to help.

Our membership year begins on April 1 and runs through March 31. I invite you to take this opportunity to renew your membership, and invite your friends to join as well, and keep SSC one of the largest and most vibrant ski clubs around!

Looking forward to another great year of skiing, boarding, hiking, biking, traveling, dancing, and socializing with old friends, and making new friends with SSC!

## ANNUAL SPRING BANQUET ~ Saturday, April 22

Where did the year go? Over already! Another year of fun, sun and snow, with friends old and new, comes to an end. What better way to relive and reminisce your 2016-2017 SSC adventures than to attend the SSC Annual Spring Banquet! This year's banquet will be held at The Colonial Golf and Tennis Club, 4901 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, 1.8 miles east of last year's banquet venue, The Blue Ridge Country Club.

Our evening will begin with a cash bar social hour from 5-6 pm. A buffet meal follows at 6 pm, catered by The Colonial Golf and Tennis Club. The menu will include Chicken Scampi & Beef Marsala, salad, fresh baked rolls, vegetable and starch *du jour*, and dessert. Coffee and tea (hot or cold) are included with the meal. Immediately following our feast, we will hold a short meeting with any presentations of Susquehanna Ski and Snowboard Club acknowledgements and an introduction of our SSC elected board for 2017-2018. Then, our evening continues

with listening, mixing and dancing with (back for an encore performance) **The Pepper Street Band, which will play from 7 until 11 pm.** The ticket for a Night out with Friends, same as last year, \$48/person, includes dinner and entertainment! Payment can be made via our website ([www.skissc.com/event-2468630](http://www.skissc.com/event-2468630)) or by check made payable to SSC and mailed to event chair **Sharon Royer**, 281 Worcester Ave., Harrisburg, PA 17111.



Don't hesitate! Place your reservation **NOW** for this annual SSC celebration of celebrations! If you have any questions, please call Sharon at 717-329-2661 or event co-chair **Linda Randy** at 717-526-4563. Early reservations are greatly appreciated! We look forward to seeing you there! It will be like *deja vu* all over again!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Wed, Mar 29, 6 pm	Board meeting @ 307 Doe Run, Marysville
Tue, Apr 4, 6 pm	Picture party/membership meeting @ Boomerang Bar & Grill
Wed, Apr 12, 5 pm	"Hump Day" happy hour & movie night @ Macaroni Grill (2531 Brindle Dr.) & Regal Theatre (1500 Caughey Dr.), Harrisburg
Sat, Apr 22, 5 pm	Annual spring banquet @ Colonial Golf and Tennis Club, 4901 Linglestown Rd., Harrisburg
Wed, Apr 26, 6 pm	Board meeting @ Giant Food Store, 2334 Linglestown Rd., Harrisburg
Sat, Jun 24	SAVE THE DATE!! SSC annual picnic at Camp Reily

## PICTURE PARTY & PHOTO CONTEST

### PICTURE PARTY: Tuesday, April 4, 6 pm



If you went on a trip with SSC between April 2016 and March 2017, you are invited to attend our annual Picture Party starting at 6 pm on April 4 at **Boomerang Bar & Grill**, 110 Limekiln Rd., New Cumberland. Snacks will be provided. You can still attend the picture party for a \$5 fee if you were not a SSC trip participant during the past year. Bring your trip and event photos to share with your friends in scrapbook form or on your laptop. **Directions:** From I-83 take Exit 40A and turn east onto Limekiln Road; turn left at the New Cumberland Hotel sign.

### 2016-17 PHOTO CONTEST:

If you would like to enter any of your 2016-17 trip or event photos in SSC's 2016-17 photo contest, please bring a 4x6" black and white or color photo with your name printed in permanent marker on the back. Photo entries will be returned to you after our members cast their vote for their favorite photo at our Spring Banquet on April 22. The winner will receive a \$50 cash prize and the honor of having their winning photo displayed in our monthly email newsletters, including credits. Ideally, photos will support cropping to 3.4:1 (approx. 3.4 times wider than tall). Bring your entries to the Picture Party and hand them in at the registration desk or mail them to Terri Falk, 226 Burd Coleman Road, Lebanon, PA 17042.

## “HUMP DAY” MOVIE NIGHT

### Wednesdays, April 12

Join us for happy hour and an evening at the movies. You do not have to be a SSC member to come to this event. We meet at **Romano's Macaroni Grill**, 2531 Brindle Dr., Harrisburg, any time after 5 pm for a snack and/or drink before the movie. Look for a SSC email blast announcing the chosen movie title a few days before each event. We drive a short distance to the **Regal Harrisburg Stadium 14** at 1500 Caughey Drive.

## BLUE MOUNTAIN ROCKS ON!

Another East Coast adventure began with a good group of folks on a **party bus**... there was no sleeping on this bus! Everyone was having such a good time up and back that the bus driver could not hear her GPS. The skiing was very interesting, some folks loved it and others were going in and out. They had the snow guns going so it made for some interesting terrain. Our group managed to get an area upstairs with tables to sit and enjoy the drinks and snacks we brought in from the bus. Some folks stayed in when they came in for lunch. Entertainment was not at a loss. Did I mention the amazing homemade peanut brittle? Oh my, it was yummy; thank you, Don! We had some new folks and a granddaughter of a member joining us for their first SSC bus trip. Conditions were not stellar but our folks always make the best of it. We know how to have a good time. Thanks to a great group for making this trip one to remember! ~ Sherry



## VAIL: WHY IT'S ONE OF OUR FAVES

Fifty-eight SSC members from all over the United States and Germany met in Vail for a great week of skiing and fun. At the start, our group included folks new to the club, but by week's end, new friendships had been forged. Our week started early in Harrisburg with on-time flights to Denver. At our grocery stop in Denver, it was found that someone had the wrong piece of luggage. Luckily the person who had picked up the wrong luggage realized it, called the SSC owner and the luggage switch was made swiftly. The weather held, so the drive through Loveland pass was uneventful.

Sunday's skiing began with beautiful blue skies, and that evening was spent in the Altitude bar watching the Super Bowl. The bar was filled with Atlanta, New England and Steeler fans (I know the Steelers were not playing, but I had to get their name in there). The evening ended with the bar manager, a New England fan, spraying everyone with champagne.

The Evergreen is located in Lionshead, a few hundred yards from the Vail shuttle, which can be taken to Lionshead or any of the other Vail stops to lifts that take you to the skiing on Vail Mountain. I found that a "few hundred yards" sounds better on paper than in actuality. Next time I must remember that 100 yards is a lot further at altitude! ☺

The skiing at Vail was good overall. Warm temperatures and an absence of fresh snow led to prime "Eastern" skiing conditions. The back bowls were closed several days due to high winds. Some skied several days at Beaver Creek and reported that skiing there was very good. Other activities were snowshoeing, shopping and dining. One of the highlights was a visit to the Vail Ski Museum. They have a great movie on the 10th Mountain Division; did you know that some of its members founded numerous ski resorts including Vail?

Vail has numerous great restaurants, so dining was an event unto itself. A group of people took the Eagle Bahn gondola to the top and watched the sunset on the night before a full moon. The views were great and the "full" moon over the Rockies was gorgeous. Dinner at the Bistro 14 followed. The Bistro looks out onto The Mount of the Holly Cross (elevation 14,005). The meal was delicious and there was a lot of laughter from the table. The ride back down on the gondola showed off the lights of Vail Village below.

The week ended with a farewell happy hour at the Altitude bar. Happy definitely described the atmosphere. Flights home were on time and, with the exception of two not receiving their skis or boots, uneventful. Thanks to a great group of travelers. You made this trip a lot of fun. As a first-time Vail skier, I definitely see why Vail resort is one of SSC's premier destinations. ~ Becky

## WHITEFISH REVEALED!

A group of forty-one SSC members ventured to the powder-covered mountains of Whitefish, Montana on Saturday, February 18, 2017. We departed from Harrisburg International Airport, enjoyed a short layover in Chicago and made it to Kalispell. The lodging at Kandahar Lodge was excellent, particularly since we could ski to the lifts each morning and ski back at the end of the day. While visibility was a bit challenging in the beginning of the week, the powder was excellent! For the first three days, we awoke each morning with fresh snow! By the end of the week, the sun was shining and the skiing was still excellent. Everyone enjoyed an *après* ski party at the base lodge on Tuesday and several of us joined in at the end of the week to finish off the leftovers. A beautiful resort and a great group of skiers! ~ Linda

## NEW MEMBERS

**Please Join Us in Welcoming Them!**

Mary & Wil Burkholder



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**2017-18 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!**

SSC's new membership year begins April 1, and we urge you to renew your membership today so you don't miss any of our great events, or a chance to sign up for upcoming trips. **You have choice in how to renew your SSC membership:**

1. You can **personally hand in** a completed membership application form (see below) and your check for a year's membership dues at an upcoming club event, or you can **mail** your form and dues to the club's PO box. Members who choose this option can expect to receive **confirmation of current membership in approximately two-three weeks.**
2. You can **renew your membership online.** Members who choose this option can be sure that SSC has correct contact information for them (it can be challenging to decipher handwritten applications) and will receive **immediate confirmation of current membership** when dues are paid online. To facilitate the online renewal process, each SSC membership received an email from the club in mid-March, and if not renewed yet, will receive another on April 1. These emails include directions for logging on to our website's membership app where you can complete the renewal process. If you have forgotten your password, a link is provided in these emails for obtaining a new temporary password. The first part of the membership renewal process includes reviewing your individual (or family/household) contact information in our member records. If any of your contact information (i.e., email address, mailing address, telephone number) has changed, this is the time to update our records. Click on the "Edit Profile" button at the top of your profile page to make changes. When you're ready to complete the process, click on the "Renew until April 1, 2018" button. This will initiate a membership dues payment loop, where you have the option of paying your dues by mailing in a check, by paying with your PayPal account, or by paying your dues with a debit or credit card.

**Special note for our Gold Ski lifetime members:** Lifetime members are included in the online (email reminder) membership "renewal" process, even though your continued membership in our club is free. We reach out to our lifetime members every year in this way to ensure we don't lose touch with you! Please log on and click the "Renew" button after checking your contact information! You will NOT be asked to complete a membership dues payment loop. This is just to keep our records current.

**Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club – Membership Application/Renewal Form**

*Membership Year Runs April 1 to March 31*

**Please Print Clearly, Especially Email Addresses!!**

**MEMBERSHIP ACTION:**

Renewal  New \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sponsor name (optional)

**MEMBERSHIP LEVEL:**

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

**PAYMENT INFORMATION:**

Date \_\_\_\_\_  Cash  Check (#) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Family/Household memberships only, list second adult member's contact information, and dependent children's names and birthdates:  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Dependents' names and birthdates: \_\_\_\_\_