

# The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER



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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Our summer picnic was a huge success! Seventy people came out to enjoy perfect weather, delicious food, games, the swimming pool, and music by "Laid-Back Lennie". Thank you to **Lovena Nickle-Haslam**, chair of this event, and the countless volunteers and attendees for making this a successful and fun-filled day. A special thanks to [Pedal Pusher Bicycle Shop](#) for sponsoring our 2017 picnic.

Trip sales are off to a great start! Steamboat and Snowbird are sold out, with waiting lists that we are working to accommodate, and the Danube trip is 75% sold. The Taos, Breckenridge and New York Winery trips all have openings. Sign up now to secure your spot on these fabulous trips.

Although we are planning ahead, we are now in the midst of summer and have more activities for you to enjoy, including the Nissley lawn concert on July 22, and the Bike/Hike/Paddle/Picnic with Email Riders on August 26, in addition to deck parties and movie nights. Check the articles in this newsletter for more details and our website and email blasts to get the latest updates. Have a great summer!

*Dianna*

## MUSIC IN THE VINEYARDS

**Saturday, July 22, 6 - 10 PM**

**Deadline for the special group rate is July 15.** Join us Saturday, July 22 at Nissley Winery for a lawn concert featuring *Josh Square*, a pop variety, 70's and beyond band. Our tickets this year are priced at \$13, which includes admission, the table set-up in a roped off area, utensils, and bottles of water, but will **not** include any wine or beer. You may purchase wine or beer by the glass or bottle at Nissley's cash bar. The band will play from 7:30-10 PM. Bring your chairs and a dish to share around 6 PM. Please mail your check made out to "SSC" with a return envelope to **Lilly Peek**, 125 Old Ford Drive, Camp Hill, PA 17011. Any questions contact Lilly at [peeklilly@gmail.com](mailto:peeklilly@gmail.com) or text/call 717-385-4667.

## ARE YOU FLYING WITH SSC IN 2018?

If you are, we strongly recommend that you obtain a REAL ID-compliant ID for domestic travel on or after January 22, 2018. A U.S. Passport is an example of a REAL ID-compliant ID. A Pennsylvania Driver's License is NOT currently a REAL ID-compliant ID.



The REAL ID Act, passed by the U.S. Congress in 2005, requires changes to state standards, procedures and requirements for the issuance of drivers' licenses and identification cards accepted as identity documents by the federal government. A REAL ID-compliant form of identification will be required to access airports and federal facilities starting in January 2018. Pennsylvania delayed adopting the new standards, but recently signed state legislation should enable PennDOT to begin issuing REAL ID-compliant drivers' licenses and identification cards by March 2019. Pennsylvania also requested a federal extension to October 1, 2020, which was only granted until October 2017.

Since the extension expires in October 2017, PA-resident SSC trip participants will NOT be able to use their non-compliant PA driver's license or identification card to access airports starting in January 2018. Out-of-state SSC trip participants, please check with your state's department of motor vehicles for REAL ID compliance and status or use a valid passport. Read more at <http://www.dmv.pa.gov/Information-Centers/Identity-Security/Pages/Real-ID-Act.aspx>.

If you need to obtain or renew a U.S. Passport prior to flying on an SSC trip, here is how to apply:

- Start here: <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports/apply.html>
- NEW applications require a visit to an Acceptance Facility (like the Crooked Hill Rd Post Office) and usually require an appointment.
- Most RENEWALS can be done via snail mail.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Jul 21, 5 PM	Deck party @ River House Bar & Grill, 2495 E. Harrisburg Pike, Middletown
Jul 22, 6 PM	Music in the vineyards @ Nissley Vineyards, 140 Vintage Dr., Bainbridge
Jul 26, 6 PM	Board meeting @ Giant Food Store, 2334 Linglestown Rd., Harrisburg
Aug 4, 5 PM	Deck party @ Waterfront Bar & Grill, 13 S. Main St., Marysville
Aug 9, 5 PM	'Hump Day' happy hour & movie night @ Macaroni Grill (2531 Brindle Dr.) & Regal Theatre (1500 Caughey Dr.), Harrisburg
Aug 18, 5 PM	Deck party @ Moose's LZ Bar & Grill, 211 Fisher Ave., Jonestown
Aug 26, 9:30 AM	Bike/hike/paddle/picnic w/Email Riders, 569 Vinegar Ferry Rd., Marietta
Aug 30, 5 PM	Board meeting @ Giant Food Store
Sep 5, 6 PM	Membership social/meeting @ Boomerang Bar & Grill, 110 Limekiln Rd., New Cumberland
Sep 8, 5 PM	Deck party @ Caddy Shack, 800 Orrs Bridge Rd., Mechanicsburg
Sep 13, 5 PM	'Hump Day' happy hour & movie night @ Macaroni Grill & Regal Theatre
Sep 15, 5 PM	Deck party @ T.J. Rockwell's, 800 Mt. Gretna Rd., Elizabethtown
Sep 23, TBA	Gettysburg Battlefield ride @ Gettysburg Battlefield Visitor Center RV lot
Sep 27, 5 PM	Board meeting @ Giant Food Store

## 2017-2018 SSC TRIPS

Trip application forms and trip terms may be found on our website ([skissc.com/trips](http://skissc.com/trips)). See pages 2-3 of this newsletter for trip details. Your SSC membership must be current to sign up for a trip. Singles are needed to fill double-occupancy rooms as follows: Steamboat needs a single male and a single female.

Dates	Destination	Status	Trip Leader	Contact Info
Oct 27-29, 2017	<b>New York Wine Country Tour</b>	Open	Dave and Jane Timothy	717-979-4236 or <a href="mailto:dtimothy@centurylink.net">dtimothy@centurylink.net</a>
Jan 13-20, 2018	<b>Steamboat, Colorado</b>	Waiting list	Gary Smith	717-503-2332 or <a href="mailto:262gsmith@gmail.com">262gsmith@gmail.com</a>
Jan 27-Feb 3, 2018	<b>Breckenridge, Colorado</b>	33% filled	Mike Shaw	717-253-2414 or <a href="mailto:mshawssc@gmail.com">mshawssc@gmail.com</a>
Feb 10-17, 2018	<b>Snowbird, Utah</b>	Waiting list	Linda Randby	717-547-0083 or <a href="mailto:llaub4@gmail.com">llaub4@gmail.com</a>
Feb TBD	<b>Holiday Valley, New York</b>	Not yet on sale	Barb Collier	717-829-5028 or <a href="mailto:bcollier333@hotmail.com">bcollier333@hotmail.com</a>
Mar 3-10, 2018	<b>Taos, New Mexico</b>	36% filled	Mark LaManna	717-238-3889 or <a href="mailto:mvlamanna@comcast.net">mvlamanna@comcast.net</a>
Jun 12-20, 2018	<b>Danube Waltz River Cruise</b>	75% filled	Sherry Predix	717-957-2925 or <a href="mailto:slpredix@comcast.net">slpredix@comcast.net</a>

## NEW YORK WINE COUNTRY TOUR

**October 27–29, 2017 (Friday to Sunday)**



Please join us as we return to New York's Wine Country in late October! Our motorcoach will depart the Harrisburg area Friday, October 27, at 10 AM and will return Sunday, October 29 between 8 and 9 PM. We will stay in Corning at the [Radisson](#), where you will be able to enjoy the Historic District right out the door of the hotel. Yes, this is Halloween weekend, so plan your attire! There will be an award given Friday at 9 PM in the bar at the Radisson. We are going to visit some new wineries on Seneca Lake, starting with [Miles Wine Cellars](#), [Lakewood Vineyards](#), [Glenora Wine Cellars](#) for tasting and lunch (the oldest winery in that area), [Fox Run Vineyards](#) and [Belhurst Castle](#) for tasting and dinner. Sunday we'll visit [Three Brothers Wineries](#) which is three separate wineries and a microbrewery at one stop; from there we'll stop at [Wagner Vineyards](#), then motor on to Williamsport's [Bullfrog Brewery](#) for a bite to eat and choice of 11 fine brews.

What's included for our low price of \$375 per person double occupancy?... All transportation from Harrisburg area, 2 nights' lodging at the Radisson, all wine tastings, lunch at Glenora Wine Cellars and dinner at the Belhurst Castle. To join us on this fun weekend trip, submit a completed trip application and \$200 deposit per person payable to "SSC" to **trip leaders Dave and Jane Timothy**, 160 Hunkey Hollow Rd., Duncannon, PA 17020. For more information, contact Dave and Jane at [dtimothy@centurylink.net](mailto:dtimothy@centurylink.net) or 717-979-4236.

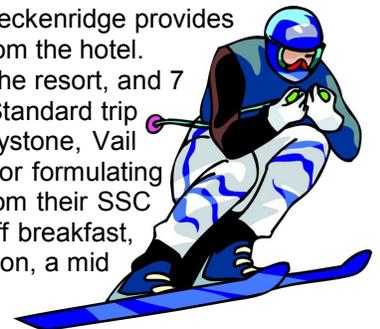
## BRECKENRIDGE, COLORADO

**January 27–February 3, 2018 (Saturday to Saturday)**

[Breckenridge](#) is a town rich with mining history and welcoming charm and is the host for the 2018 Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council trip. Clubs from throughout the Northeast will join us for a great time at the winter carnival. Travel with us to experience 187 trails across 2,908 acres that span five peaks of varied terrain. The resort has a base elevation of 9,600 feet and a top elevation of 12,998, the highest lift-accessed terrain in North America. Breckenridge provides an easily walkable town with numerous restaurant and shopping options a short 5-minute walk from the hotel.

The trip includes roundtrip air from Harrisburg to Denver, bus transportation from Denver to the resort, and 7 nights' lodging at [The DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton](#), located near the base of the QuickSilver lift. Standard trip features include a daily breakfast buffet, a 5-day ticket (also accepted at Arapahoe Basin, Keystone, Vail and Beaver Creek), and an optional sixth day of skiing or riding. Several options are possible for formulating the best trip for you. Trip participants with an Epic Pass will have the lift ticket cost deducted from their SSC trip price. The standard package for the Winter Carnival provides a Welcome Reception, kick-off breakfast, après-ski party, a mid-week themed gala with dinner and entertainment, a ski club race competition, a mid-week lunch, and an awards ceremony on Friday night.

SSC's standard package is priced at \$2,150 per person double occupancy, or \$2,040 per person double occupancy with limited activity package. To join us on this exciting trip, submit a completed trip application and \$600 deposit per person payable to "SSC Breckenridge 2018" to **trip leader Mike Shaw**, P.O. Box 1471, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. For more information, contact Mike at [mshawssc@gmail.com](mailto:mshawssc@gmail.com) or 717-253-2414.



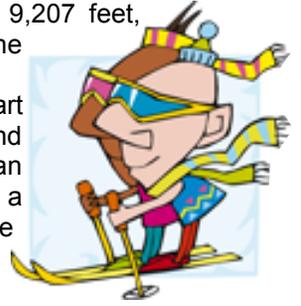
## TAOS, NEW MEXICO

March 3–10, 2018 (Saturday to Saturday)

Join SSC as we ski in [Taos Ski Valley](#), located in the rugged Sangre de Cristo Mountains. Taos is renowned for its expert terrain but also includes a tremendous number of beginner and intermediate runs. Like all resorts in the Eastern Rockies, Taos was buried in snow last year. Taos enjoys sunshine more than 300 days a year. Fast Facts: 300 inches of annual snowfall, 110 trails (24% beginners, 25% intermediate, 51% expert), fifteen chairlifts, base 9,207 feet, highest lift 12,481 feet, vertical drop 3,274 feet, uphill capacity 16,500 skiers per hour and hardly a lift line anywhere.

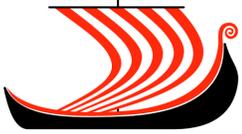
Experience ski-in/ski-out lodging at a perfect location—the [Snakedance Condos and Spa](#) in the heart of the ski village, surrounded by many shops and services! Each suite is an individually owned and decorated 2-bedroom/2-bath with a full kitchen and living room with fireplace. Hotel amenities include an on-site spa, fitness facility and guest lounge. Off the ski slopes, enjoy tubing on Strawberry Hill, take a guided full moon snowshoe hike, or race up a snowmobile trail. After a long day of skiing, take advantage of the hotel's sauna and hot tub, get a massage from the hotel's masseuse, or just grab your tablet or a book from the hotel's private library and curl up for the night by one of the hotel's fireplaces.

SSC's basic package, priced at \$1,838 per person double occupancy, will include roundtrip air (we expect to depart from Harrisburg, with a possible change to BWI), all bus transfers, 7 nights' lodging, a 5 of 6-day lift ticket, group portage and a welcome reception. A sixth-day lift ticket is available for an additional \$64. Also included: the General Manager will host a group dinner at his house Monday evening, and this is a real treat! The Inn offers fine and casual dining and breakfast daily for all guests at your own expense. Send your completed application and deposit of \$600 per person payable to "SSC Taos 2018" to trip leader **Mark LaManna**, 4713 Buck Run Lane, Harrisburg, PA 17110. For more information, contact Mark at [mvlamanna@comcast.net](mailto:mvlamanna@comcast.net) or 717-238-3889.



## DANUBE WALTZ RIVER CRUISE

June 12–20, 2018 (Tuesday to Wednesday)



VIKING RIVER CRUISES

Danube River Cruise sales have begun and you will not want to miss out on this trip! Join SSC as we travel down the Danube River aboard the Viking Cruise Line's [Longship Vilhjalm](#). Our basic cruise will have you flying out on June 12 and arriving in Budapest, Hungary on June 13, where you will transfer to our Viking longship and cruise over the next eight days to Passau. Ports visited along the way include: Budapest, Bratislava, Vienna, Krems, Linz and Passau. Also included are six guided tours with audio headsets (a detailed listing of the guided tours can be emailed upon request), all port charges, and free Wi-Fi. We will visit 4 UNESCO

World Heritage sites. The following are also included: 7 breakfasts, 5 lunches, 7 dinners, featuring regional specialties, as well as complimentary wine, beer and soft drinks with onboard dinner and lunch service. Included is a Welcome Cocktail Reception & Dinner, a Captain's Farewell Dinner and much more.

Build your own trip on this excursion by choosing from three types of cabins on the Longship Vilhjalm. You can also choose the airport from which you depart—Dulles or Harrisburg (Dulles is recommended), and pricing will depend on application date. Transportation to and from Dulles is not included in the cost. This is TBD, and will depend on the number flying out of Dulles and arrangements will be made accordingly.

**Pricing options for our basic trip, including air out of Dulles, is as follows: Category E**—Standard cabin on lower deck at **\$3,881** per person with two per cabin; **Category D**—a French Balcony stateroom on the middle deck at **\$4,081** per person with two per cabin; **Category B**—a Veranda Balcony stateroom on the middle deck at **\$4,481** per person with two per cabin. There are other cabins on the upper deck which may be available. If interested, ask your trip leader to obtain pricing.

You can extend your overseas stay by adding an optional pre-trip two-night extension in Budapest for \$449 per person double occupancy and/or a post-trip three-night extension in Prague for \$799 per person double occupancy. If you add the optional pre-trip, you will fly out on June 10, arrive in Budapest on June 11, and stay in Budapest 2 nights before boarding the longship on June 13. If extending your trip to Prague, on June 20 you will be transported to Prague for 3-nights' lodging and fly home from Prague on June 23.

Please send your completed trip application and deposit of \$500 per person payable to "SSC" to trip leader **Sherry Predix**, 307 Doe Run, Marysville, PA 17053. If paying in full, you will need to pay the balance due at the end of the month following your deposit. Extended, personalized payment plans are available, to which a \$30 convenience fee will be added. For more information, please contact Sherry at 717-957-2925 or [slpredix@comcast.net](mailto:slpredix@comcast.net).

### VOLUNTEER NEEDED!

Chairperson needed for the Get-Acquainted Party. Please contact **Social VP Sharon Royer** at [slroyer230@gmail.com](mailto:slroyer230@gmail.com).



### RIDES & HIKES

Weekends are a great time to get out and enjoy the great outdoors with some awesome folks. 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.

# BIKE/HIKE/PADDLE/PICNIC WITH EMAIL RIDERS

Saturday, August 26, 9:30 AM - ?

Mark your calendars for a day of fun! Grab your bikes and boats and join us at River Front Park (569 Vinegar Ferry Road, Marietta) on Saturday, August 26. Starting at 9:30 AM you can launch your kayak or canoe onto the river, ride a bike along the paved Northwestern Lancaster County River Trail, or take a hike along the trail.

- **Boaters** will drop (and lock) their bikes at the take-out and then drive up to the put-in at Bainbridge and paddle down the Susquehanna to the take-out at River Front Park. After lunch they can hop on their bikes and ride up the trail to retrieve their vehicles. (A car shuttle will be available to retrieve vehicles for those who choose not to bike).
- **Bikers** will ride south in the morning traveling through Marietta and down to Columbia.
- **Hikers** will hike north along the river to check out an eagle's nest along the trail and will then continue north to the White Cliffs of Conoy.

After the morning's activities, everyone is encouraged to hang around for a picnic. Please bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share and SSC will provide grilled hot dogs with the trimmings.

Following the picnic, it's playtime again, with your choice of paddling, biking or hiking. Or just spread a blanket on the grassy field and enjoy the afternoon. Boaters will launch from our picnic spot and paddle around the area in the Susquehanna River. For those who don't own a kayak and would like to try it, we will have a couple available to try out. For more information, contact **Mike Gavin** at [emailriders1@comcast.net](mailto:emailriders1@comcast.net) or 717-495-1905.



## SUMMERTIME IS DECK TIME!

Warmer temperatures mean it's time to "Hit the Deck" again with friends old and new at local decks/patios throughout the Harrisburg area, generally every other Friday. 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 outlet to meet Club members and discover SSC. We look forward to seeing you soon!!

- Jul 21 [River House Bar & Grill](#), 2495 E Harrisburg Pike, Middletown
- Aug 4 [Waterfront Bar & Grill](#), 13 S Main St, Marysville
- Aug 18 [Moose's LZ Bar & Grill](#), 211 Fisher Ave, Jonestown
- Sep 8 [Caddy Shack](#), 800 Orrs Bridge Rd, Mechanicsburg
- Sep 15 [T.J. Rockwell's](#), 800 Mt Gretna Rd, Elizabethtown
- Oct 6 [Joe K's Brewhouse](#), 3523 Union Deposit Rd, Harrisburg (last deck event)

**DECK EVENTS RECAP:** We had a gorgeous evening at Spring Gate Vineyard where twenty SSC members met for music, socializing, food and beverages. This is a venue worth returning to anytime. In addition, the Ft. Hunter Music/Wine Festival provided good entertainment along with several wine tastings. No formal gathering of SSC members, however, eight to ten attended, enduring the hot weather this year.

## 'HUMP DAY' MOVIE NIGHTS

Wednesdays, August 9 & September 13

**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 Dr., in the Susquehanna Market Place Mall, just off Progress Ave. in Harrisburg, 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 movie title several 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 **Lovey Nickle** at 717-541-8803.



## 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 2017 Get-Acquainted Party and Holiday Party, and our 2018 Picture Party and Annual Spring Banquet. For more information, please contact **Immediate Past President Sherry Predix** at [slpredix@comcast.net](mailto:slpredix@comcast.net).

## HAS YOUR MEMBERSHIP EXPIRED?

Before you know it, you'll be gearing up for a winter season of fun on the slopes and the SSC Get-Acquainted Party will be just around the corner. Have you made plans yet for your winter vacation? If you've not yet renewed your membership, renew today for your **best chance at signing up for one of SSC's members-only trips. Renew online—it's easy!** Log in through our website's member portal by clicking on the icon that looks like this →  at the top right corner of any SSC web page, update your profile if necessary, and then click on the **"Renew until April 1, 2018" button** to initiate payment of your dues. Members who renew online have the option of paying their dues by mailing in a check, or by paying with their PayPal account or a debit or credit card.

**If your membership has expired and you've forgotten your password to login to the SSC website, click the "Forgot password" hyperlink after clicking on our website's login icon as shown above.**

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