

The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The day was a scorcher but 65 folks kept their cool thanks to air-conditioning at the Tall Cedars Picnic Grove for our annual SSC Picnic. After enjoying the delicious food, some folks went to a local pool while others hung out in the shaded pavilion. Trip leaders were available to answer questions and take your applications/deposits. Please check the trip status report for number of spots open. Many thanks to **Barb Collier** for chairing the event and to the numerous volunteers who helped throughout the day. It was so good to see folks I have not seen in awhile.

"Back to reality" was my thought when I returned from spending two weeks in Europe on the Danube River with 35 SSC folks. If you have never gone on a river cruise, you really need to put that on your bucket list! Starting in Budapest, our trip down the Danube, with stops along the way to our final destination, Prague, was an incredible journey of beauty, culture, history, food and service. Words just do not do this trip justice; you will just have to attend the picture party to see for yourself. Enjoy your summer and hope to see you soon!

SUMMERTIME IS DECK TIME!

It's still Deck Time! 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 2018 deck parties for the rest of the season. Hope to see you there!



Aug 3	Boomerang Bar & Grill , New Cumberland
Aug 24	Waterfront Bar & Grill , Marysville
Sep 14	Caddy Shack , Mechanicsburg
Oct 5	Ever Grain Brewing Co. , Camp Hill

BIKE/HIKE/PADDLE/PICNIC

Sunday, August 19, 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 Sunday, August 19.

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 717-495-1905 or emailriders1@comcast.net.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

John & Donna Becker, Therese Gretzula, Paula Heiman, Ann Hofmann, Thomas Loper, Mary Mussare, Brad Peters, Jason Sites

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jul 25, 6 PM	Board meeting @ Giant Food Store Community Center, 2334 Linglestown Rd., Harrisburg
Aug 3, 5 PM	Deck party @ Boomerang Bar & Grill, 110 Limekiln Rd., New Cumberland
Aug 19, 9:30 AM	Bike/hike/paddle/picnic @ River Front Park, 569 Vinegar Ferry Rd., Marietta
Aug 21, 5 PM	Happy hour & movie night @ Macaroni Grill (2531 Brindle Dr.) & Regal Theatre (1500 Caughey Dr.), Harrisburg
Aug 24, 5 PM	Deck party @ Waterfront Bar & Grill, 13 South Main St., Marysville
Aug 29, 6 PM	Board meeting @ Giant Food Store Community Center, 2334 Linglestown Rd., Harrisburg
Sep 4, 6 PM	Membership social/meeting @ Boomerang Bar & Grill, 110 Limekiln Rd., New Cumberland
Sep 14, 5 PM	Deck party @ Caddy Shack, 800 Orrs Bridge Rd., Mechanicsburg
Sep 18, 5 PM	Happy hour & movie night @ Macaroni Grill & Regal Theatre
Sep 22, 9 AM	Gettysburg battlefield bike ride @ National Park Service Museum and Visitor Center entrance
Sep 26, 6 PM	Board meeting @ Giant Food Store Community Center, 2334 Linglestown Rd., Harrisburg

2019 SSC TRIP STATUS

Trip application/trip terms may be found on our website (skissc.com/trips). Your membership must be current to sign up for a trip.

Dates	Destination	Status	Trip Leader	Contact Info
Jan 19-26, 2019	Aspen/Snowmass, CO	Sold Out	Mark LaManna	717-238-3889 or mvlamanna@comcast.net
Jan 25, 2019	Blue Mountain, PA	Opens soon	TBD	
Feb 2-9, 2019	Jackson Hole, WY	Open	Linda Randby	717-547-0083 or llaub4@gmail.com
Feb 24-28, 2019	Mount Snow, VT	Open	Suzanne Laughman	717-503-3523 or sslaughman1@comcast.net
Mar 2-9, 2019	Whistler/Blackcomb, BC	Open	Barb Collier	717-829-5028 or bcollier333@hotmail.com
September 2019	Greece	Opens soon	Dianne Paukovits	717-503-9493 or dpaukovits@comcast.net

BLUE MOUNTAIN DAY TRIP ~ January 25, 2019 (Friday)

Trip leader, price and information will be publicized soon!

JACKSON HOLE, WYOMING ~ February 2–9, 2019 (Sat.–Sat.)

Jackson Hole Mountain Resort has 133 named trails including 50% expert, 40% intermediate and 10% beginner. Our trip includes roundtrip air from Harrisburg to Jackson Hole, Wyoming with ground transfers in Jackson Hole, 7 nights' lodging at **The Alpenhof Lodge at Jackson Hole**, welcome reception, daily breakfasts, and 5 of 6-day lift ticket for Jackson Hole. The Alpenhof Lodge is a Swiss-style inn, and is the closest hotel to the tram and lifts. Included are daily breakfasts, complimentary Wi-Fi, outdoor heated pool, hot tub, dry sauna, massage studio and a heated walkway to the Bridger Gondola and the Teewinot lift. The mountain features 12 lifts including Bridger Gondola and "Big Red" and the world-famous Aerial Tram. With 2,500 acres of in-bound terrain and a whopping 4,139-foot vertical drop, there's plenty of room to explore. If you need a break from skiing you can spend the day exploring Yellowstone, snowmobiling, dog-sledding, or just head into town to see the antler arches and you may get to experience a shootout on town square. Basic package prices: \$2,237 per person double occupancy; \$3,217 single occupancy; a 6th-day lift ticket is available for an additional \$96. Non-skiers should deduct \$381. Please send your completed application and deposit of \$700 per person payable to "SSC Snowmass 2019" to **trip leader Linda Randby** at 2660 Gracie Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17112. Contact Linda for more information at llaub4@gmail.com or 717-547-0083.



MOUNT SNOW, VERMONT ~ February 24–28, 2019 (Sunday to Thursday)

Hey SSC, we're heading to Mt. Snow, Vermont, come aboard! Trip includes roundtrip bus from Harrisburg to Mt. Snow, 4 nights' lodging at the Grand Summit Hotel, Sunday night pizza party, 4-day lift ticket, daily breakfast buffets. The hotel is ski-in/ski-out. Our trip is priced at \$656 per person double occupancy. Please send completed application and initial deposit of \$300 per person payable to "SSC Mount Snow" to **trip leader Suzanne Laughman** at 427 S. York Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. For more information, contact Suzanne at sslaughman1@comcast.net or 717-503-3523.

WHISTLER/BLACKCOMB, BRITISH COLUMBIA ~ March 2–9, 2019 (Sat.–Sat.)

Join SSC as we travel to Whistler/Blackcomb in British Columbia, Canada. Our trip includes roundtrip air from Dulles to Vancouver, all bus transfers, 7 nights' lodging, 5 of 6-day lift ticket, group portage and a welcome reception. Experience ski-in/ski-out lodging at the **Delta Whistler Village Suites** (condos), which features an indoor-outdoor connecting pool, several hot tubs, a fitness center and a steakhouse. We will stay in 2 bedroom/2 bath condo suites with a fully-stocked kitchen, free high-speed Wi-Fi, a fireplace, and a washer and dryer. The hotel is newly renovated and in the heart of Whistler Village. You'll have a short walk to the gondola or take the free shuttle provided by the hotel. Whistler and Blackcomb are two side-by-side mountains that offer over 200 marked runs, 8,171 acres of terrain, 16 alpine bowls, and 3 glaciers combined with a free mountain tour every day. Experience the longest and highest lift in the world, the PEAK 2 PEAK gondola connecting Whistler and Blackcomb Mountains. Off the slopes, enjoy tubing at the CocaCola tube park, visit the Olympic Plaza where you can ice skate or the Whistler Sliding Center where you can ride the bobsled or skeleton on the fastest track in the world. The area also offers snowmobiling, dog-sledding, snowshoe tours, heli-skiing and cat-skiing tours. The resort receives an average snowfall of 461 inches a year. Whistler has 4,757 skiable acres with 100+ trails and a vertical drop of 4,931 feet while Blackcomb has 3,414 skiable acres, 100+ trails and a vertical drop of 5,278 feet. Our trip is priced at \$2,073 per person double occupancy (pp/do) for one bedroom in the condo, and \$2,935 single occupancy for one bedroom in the condo. Land-only is \$1,596 pp/do. A 6th-day lift ticket is available for an additional \$98. Non-skiers should deduct \$409. Send your completed application and deposit of \$660 per person payable to "SSC Whistler 2019" to **trip leader Barb Collier** at P.O. Box 603, Hummelstown, PA 17036. For more information, contact Barb at bcollier333@hotmail.com or 717-829-5028.

GREECE ~ September 2019

Plans are underway for a SSC trip to Greece in September 2019! Please keep a spot open in your travel itinerary for this fabulous destination! Contact **trip leader Dianne Paukovits** with your questions at 717-503-9493 or dpaukovits@comcast.net.



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HAPPY HOUR & MOVIE NIGHTS

Tuesdays (new night), August 21 & September 18

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, just off Progress Avenue 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 a few days before each event. We drive a short distance to the **Regal Harrisburg Stadium 14** at 1500 Caughy Drive about 20 minutes before the start of the movie. For more information, contact **Lovena Nickle** at 717-541-8803.



GETTYSBURG BATTLEFIELD RIDE

Saturday, September 22, 9 AM (rain date is September 23)

If you like the outdoors, biking and history, you will enjoy our annual SSC bicycle ride around the historic Gettysburg National Battlefield. See one of the best national parks on the Civil War our nation has to offer. All levels of riders are welcome. There will be a 20-mile historic narrative tour with cut-offs at 10 and 15 miles. Meet at 9 AM at the National Park Service Museum and Visitor Center bus/RV parking lot. Bring something to share at the tailgate party after the ride. **Directions from Harrisburg:** take Route 15 south to Gettysburg; take the Baltimore Pike (Route 97) exit; at the stop sign, turn right; drive approximately 3 miles to the National Park Service Museum and Visitor Center entrance on your left; take the first left into the bus/RV parking lot. For directions from other cities, see the Gettysburg Battlefield National Park website at <http://www.nps.gov/gett/planyourvisit/directions.htm>. Any questions, contact **Mark LaManna** at 717-238-3889 or mvlamanna@comcast.net.



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 for a schedule of the weekly bike rides or hikes and to be added to Mike's weekly email updates.

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! For more information, please contact **Immediate Past President Dianne Paukovits** at dpaukovits@comcast.net.

SAVE THE DATE!!
GET-ACQUAINTED PARTY
Saturday, November 17
Roundtop Mountain Resort—Main Lodge
Members Only

HERSHEY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Hersheypark volunteers earn money for SSC and at the same time earn 1-3 vouchers for themselves for admittance to Hersheypark for each shift worked. This winter SSC donated half of its proceeds to the Wounded Warrior Project and the Central PA Food Bank. All you have to do is contact **Lovena Nickle** at 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. Again, you can earn up to THREE vouchers for admittance to the Park for working a 4-5 hour shift.

