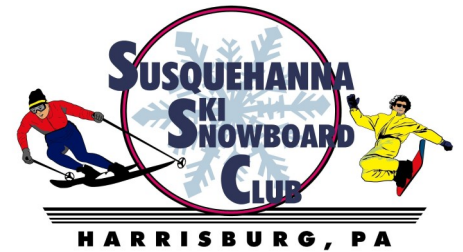


The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Wow! A year has gone by and it is time for me to write my last president's corner. I am sitting at the computer and trying to think of what to say about this past year. Hmmmm! All sorts of disjointed thoughts are flying through my head. That is not unusual, as that is pretty much the normal state of my brain. So, I will try and "organize" these thoughts the best I can.

Unfortunately, the thought that keeps coming to the fore front of my brain is this was a year of loss, both in our personal family and our extended SSC family. Cannot say those situations were a real high point of the year. I will not lie to you; I am still having a hard time wrapping my head around some of those losses.

But the other thing that keeps popping up in my mind is the word Family. To my family means not necessarily relatives, but a group of people with a common interest who help each other through easy and tough times. This year the SSC board, support staff and even the SSC membership really showed me what the SSC family could do. The year started out with the board having a vacancy in a very import position of Trip VP. I have to say I really worried about what would happen. Well, the family pulled together and Director Linda Randby, Merchandise Chair Sherry Predix and Trip Committee members Paula Unger, Dianne Paukovits and Bob Havice stepped up and took over many parts of the Trip VP position so the club could continue running our current trips and planning our trips for 2025. I want to thank them for the extra work they all did to help compensate for this missing position. The club really could not have done it without all of you.

Though we made it through the year, I am happy to say the board is back to full capacity for 2024-2025 thanks to people from our membership volunteering to run for open board positions. I also want to thank the current SSC board; Gary, Priscilla, Suzanne, Lynn, Mike, Linda and Bob and support staff; Barb, Pam, Dianne, Lovey and Denise for all of their hard work this past year to move SSC successfully into the ever-changing future. You were and are a great board to work with.

(President's Corner continued next column)

PRESIDENT'S CORNER (cont)

And one last big thank you to my better half, Bobby (or Bob as you know him). He helped me so much this year by having great ideas, keeping me focused (not any easy task) and just letting me bounce ideas off of him. Thanks for hanging in there Bobby.

I guess I am not the only one who thinks of SSC as a family. Please see the email I receive later in the newsletter titled "A Salvaged Trip" proving once again what a great club we have.

So, for one last time,
Take care and be safe

Becky

MEMBERSHIP SOCIAL

Tuesday, March 5, 2024 6:00 pm

Guest Presenter – Jim Mulligan/Eye Associates

SSC's next membership meeting of the 2024 season will be held on Tuesday, March 5th at Boomerang Bar & Grill, 110 Limekiln Rd., New Cumberland. Join in the fun! Social hour begins at 6 PM. A brief business meeting will commence at 7 PM. Guest Speaker – Jim Mulligan from Bouquet Mulligan Eye Associates. Directions to Boomerang: From I-83 take Exit 40A and turn east onto Limekiln Road; turn left at the La Quinta Inn & Suites sign. Come out and get the latest news on trips and social events. **We look forward to seeing everyone there!**

ELECTION RESULTS: 2024-2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Please congratulate the newly-elected members of SSC's Board of Directors:

President: Dyan Yingst
Trip VP: Lynn Hannon
Social VP: Suzanne Laughman
Treasurer: Eileen Feeser
Secretary: Priscilla St Jacques- Glusko
Membership: Gary Smith
Directors: Michael Kreamer, Linda Randby
Past President: Becky Havice

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 20	SSC Movie Night
February 20	Day trip to Blue Mountain (see article below)
February 21	SSC Board zoom meeting
February 25	Attitash Mt/Wildcat, NH Trip departure
March 5	Membership Mtg – Boomerang Bar & Grill – Mulligan Eye Associates

View the full list of events
@SSC web site



2023-2024 SSC TRIP STATUS

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

Dates	Trip Destination	Trip Leader	Status	Contact information
January 7-14, 2024 (Sun.-Sun.)	Copper Mt., CO (IKON)	Linda Randby	Completed	llaub4@comcast.net 717-576-2301
January 20-27, 2024 (Sat.-Sat.)	Whitefish, MT	Gary Smith	Completed	262gsmith@gmail.com 717-503-2332
February 10-17, 2024 (Sat.-Sat.)	Whistler Mt, BC Canada (EPIC) Lift tickets are not included in this package	Priscilla St. Jacques-Glusko	Completed	pstglusko@verizon.net 717-343-9322
March 8-17, 2024 Extension March 16-19, 2024	Alta Badia, Italy Extension Venice Italy Hotel Carlton on Grand Canal. IKON—but can do 1 week cheaper than whole IKON pass	Lynn Hannon	Closed	lynnannhannon@verizon.net 717-579-2668
February 25-29, 2024	North Conway, NH EPIC mountains. Lift tickets are not included.	Mike Kreamer	Closed	mkreamer12@gmail.com 717-829-6628
January 31-Feb 2, 2024	Seven Springs Sampler—EPIC - Lift tickets are not included	Denise Bernatos	Completed	ddbernato@comcast.net 717 576-8756
February 20, 2024	Blue Mt Day Trip Drive yourself	Priscilla St.Jacques-Glusko	Open	pstglusko@verizon.net 717-343-9322
September 20-29, 2024	Ireland	Sherry Predix	Closed	slpredix@comcast.net 717-448-5379

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TRAVEL INSURANCE IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!

Attention trip participants, especially in light of recent unforeseen events. It is the responsibility of each participant to secure their own insurance based on their individual needs. If you have a pre-existing condition most insurance companies require you to obtain insurance within two weeks from the date you made your trip deposit (this may vary among insurance companies).

UPCOMING EVENTS & TRIPS

February 20	Happy Hour/Movie Night @ Gilligans Bar & Grill
February 20	Day Trip to Blue Mountain (see article below)
February 21	SSC Board zoom meeting
February 25	Attitash Mt/Wildcat, NH Trip departure
March 5	Membership Mtg – Boomerang Bar & Grill – Mulligan Eye Associates
March 8	Alta Badia, Italy Trip departure
March 19	Happy Hour/Movie Night @ Gilligans Bar & Grill
March 27	Board Meeting – Zoom
April 27	60 th Anniversary Banquet – Dukes Riverside
May 7	The REVEAL – Boomerang Bar & Grill

TAKE NOTE EVERYONE: We also have many combined bike rides and hikes with “The Email Riders”. This group of folks also overlaps with SSC Members. If you are interested in more bike rides and hikes, please contact Mike Gavin. Have your name added to his email list and then join us for more rides and hikes!! His email is

Mark your calendar to save this very important date.

Join us for a day at Blue Mountain Ski Resort in Palmerton PA

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

This is a drive yourself and meet fellow SSC members.

Rates are as follows: Below are the group rates:

Weekday (Non Holiday) Jan. 2- March 5	Price
8 Hour Lift Ticket	\$49
8 Hour lift Ticket & Rentals (with Helmet)	\$87
Night Lift Ticket starting at 4 PM	\$41
Night Lift Ticket & Rentals (with Helmet)	\$76
Beginner Lesson Add-On	\$40
Tubing (20-100 People) 2 Hour Session, Start Time: Thursdays at 5 PM, 6 PM & 7 PM. Fir-days 9 AM to 7 PM	\$31

Order on line individually thru the [Portal link](#) “Register” and enter code: wnFeVprckmio to receive this rate. The tickets must be ordered 7 days (February 13th) prior to going, and we must have a minimum of 20 skiers/boarders.

Car pool or meet at the resort! 9 am to 9 pm are operating hours.

Questions – Contact Priscilla Glusko 717-343-9322

ANNUAL SPRING BANQUET

Saturday, April 27, 2024 5 PM

Join us as we celebrate our 60th year of the Susquehanna Ski Club. I am sure many of you have that special memorable moment as part of our club. Please email or snail mail me one of these memories so we can share at the banquet. This year's banquet again will be held at **Dukes Riverside Bar & Grill**, 313 South Front Street, in Wormleysburg. The venue is on the second floor accessible by elevator and stairs, encased with windows which allow you to see the beautiful and majestic Susquehanna River/Harrisburg Skyline. Starting with Happy Hour 5-6 pm, then enjoy a Double Entrée Buffet, salad station, potato, fresh hot vegetable, rolls and dessert 6-7pm. After dinner, share in recognizing your current and newly elected board and staff. SSC's awards ceremony will also follow, honoring anyone earning a Silver Ski, Gold Ski, or Lifetime Achievement Award this year. Music will be provided throughout the evening by DJ Jack 7:30-10. Cost per person is \$50.00. Please send your check made payable to Susquehanna Ski Club, place banquet in memo line and send to Sherry Predix, 307 Doe Run, Marysville, PA 17053 or you may pay on line at <https://www.skissc.com/event-5571023>. Any questions, contact Banquet Chair Sherry Predix at 717-448-5379 or slpredix@comcast.net. Signup today for an evening of memories, fun, food, dancing and be sure to dress to impress.

Click [here](#) to register for the event.

A NOTE FROM THE SOCIAL VP

At the February meeting I presented a Deck Party Calendar for members to facilitate each of the scheduled events for the summer. Please consider signing up for one event or more. I will have the sign up at the March meeting also. The locations will be shared over the next couple months for you to have the opportunity to sign up and host. Thanks everyone...Suzanne

A SALVAGED TRIP (Thoughts from an SSC Participant)

Hi,

I am Joan Luce, and a member of this fine club for a few years. I want to send a heartfelt thankyou to Gary Smith, Rusty Diamond, my roommate Jeanne Griffin and all the other folks that went on the trip to Whitefish, MT. Yes, four days into the trip, I had a very stupid fall, catching the inside edge of my ski, causing a fall resulting in a broken L wrist and a broken L lower leg. Rusty stayed with me until the ski patrol came and took me to the urgent care at the base of the mountain. Thank you, Boris and Claire, for being a wonderful guide through the very dense fog on those first 2 days of skiing.

I was thankful that I could get around with a walking boot and a walking stick that the hotel provided. It wasn't just about the skiing, but also the trip to Glacier, NP and all of the fun times at dinners and hanging out together in the hotel lobby! I must say I still had a great time and can't wait until next year! Thank you for an exceptional trip and looking out for me!

I am disappointed that I will miss going to Whistler/Blackcomb, but thankful that someone else can fill that slot!

Fondly,

Joan

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION and/or RENEWAL SSC members:

Reminder, there will be dues increase for the 2024/2025 SSC membership year.

If you plan to pay by check, please fill out the application, submit with your check, and mail it to Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club, PO Box 60713, Harrisburg, PA 17106-0713. Reminder Membership dues are now as follows: Single - \$35, Family/ Household - \$45, Junior - \$20

Renewal notices will be sent out in the March 20th timeframe.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Your Club is now able to offer its members self-service access to view and print SSC membership cards via our website (skissc.com). All you need to do is log in using the email address where you receive your email newsletter notices and email blasts. If yours is a Family/Household membership, both membership cards are available in this manner. Each member can log in (if both have provided SSC with separate email addresses), or if only one member has done so, that member has access to view and print both members' membership cards. You'll see your new membership card at the top of your Profile after logging in. Additional Family/Household member cards can be viewed by clicking on the hyperlink for those members' names. As in the past, when your membership renewal process is complete, members providing the Club with an email address will also receive a confirmation email that includes their new membership card.

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 = \$35/yr). Ages 21+.

Family/Household (dues = \$45/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: _____

Dependent's Names and birthdates: _____

NEW VENUE FOR HAPPY HOUR PICKED FOR SSC'S MOVIE NIGHTS

Tuesdays - February 20, March 19, April 16, 2024

Come out and join us at a new location for our happy hour on movie nights. New friends are welcome! You do not have to be an SSC member to come to this event. Eat/Drink/Socialize and then relax at the movie!

Here's how it works: A few days before each movie night, SSC sends out an email blast with the chosen/suggested movie title and time. We have changed our happy hour location to **Gilligans Bar & Grill** at 10 North Houcks Rd. in Colonial Park just off Jonestown Road. We will meet any time after 4:30 PM for a snack and/or a drink before the movie. Then, about 20 minutes before the start of the movie, we'll drive a short distance to the Regal Theatres at 1500 Caughey Drive Harrisburg. In order to reserve your space at Gilligans, we ask that you RSVP if attending by Mondays at 4pm, the day before the event. Or, you can skip happy hour and just join us for the movie. Please RSVP to Lovena Nickle at lovnice53@comcast.net or by phone at 717-541-8803.

SAVE the DATES

Mar 5 Membership Mtg – J Mulligan Presentation
April 27 60th Anniversary Banquet – Dukes Riverside
May 7 "The Reveal" Boomerang Bar & Grill

HERSHEY PARK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Hershey Park is now closed for the season until March 2024. However, shifts are still available at the Giant Center for Ushering (e.g., Bears games, Disney on Ice, special events, etc.) and to work food and beverage shifts at several of the food stands around the Giant Center concourse. As a volunteer, you can earn 1 to 2 vouchers for admittance to Hershey Park (good for 18 months from issuance date) and SSC gets paid \$8/hr. for each hour you work. Half of the money that SSC earns is donated to a charity, e.g. Central PA Food Bank, Wounded Warriors Patrol, and others. To participate, all you have to do is contact Lovena Nickle at lovnice53@comcast.net or 717-541-8803 to sign up as a Hershey volunteer. You will need to provide an email address to enable Lovena to communicate with you about open shifts. For those interested in helping with rides once the park opens, in person classes are now being offered for training in this area. Contact Lovey for more information.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

Kathryn Frantz, Matthew Graybosch, John Insley



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2023-24 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President—Becky Havice
Trip Vice President—**Open**
Social Vice President—Suzanne Laughman
Treasurer—Lynn Hannon
Secretary—Priscilla St. Jacques-Glusko
Membership Chair—Gary Smith
Directors—Linda Randby & Michael Kreamer
Past President—Bob Havice

2023-24 SUPPORT STAFF

Audit—Becky Havice
EPSC—Dianne Paukovits
Facebook—Barb Collier & Linda Randby
Meetup—Barb Collier & Linda Randby
Merchandise—Sherry Predix
Newsletter—Gary Smith
Surveys—Gary Smith
Volunteers—Open
Website—Pam Neidig



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INTERESTED IN HOSTING AN EVENT?

Wine/beer night, bowling, or other activity, Contact Social VP Suzanne Laughman at adventuregal57.sl@gmail.com Upcoming planning meeting in April - Date TBD

SSC Members - email address change??

Please notify your SSC Membership Director, Gary Smith, of any email address change by sending an email to 262gsmith@gmail.com or login to SSC website to make the change on your profile.



RIDES & HIKES

Remember last year when you did your first ski run, then at the bottom of the run you were hyperventilating, and your thighs were on fire? Didn't you swear at yourself for not getting in shape before ski season. As a matter of fact, haven't you done the same thing for the last few years.

This year, change all that, come out and bike with the email riders to get your legs and lungs in shape for ski season. Each week, Mike Gavin sends out information on the location of bike rides and some hikes. Most of the bike rides are on rails-to-trails in the area. Riders are encouraged to bike at their own pace and go a distance that is comfortable for them. For more information and to receive weekly emails, contact Mike at emailriders1@comcast.net.

Hope to see you on the trail!

SEEKING SSC EVENT SPONSORS!

Do you have a business you would like to promote to SSC's membership? Help sponsor an SSC event and get your business noticed! Current sponsorship opportunities include our Annual Get Acquainted Party and Holiday Party. For more information, please contact Past President Bob Havice at 717-248-8696 or bhavice@hotmail.com.