



The e-CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

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HAPPY 50TH SUSQUEHANNA SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB

Can you believe it? The Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club is officially turning 50 this year and we definitely have something to celebrate!

SSC was founded in 1963 by a small number of AMP employees and was first called the Harrisburg Ski Club. The club changed its name and incorporated in 1967. Our main objective has always been to promote skiing, but we recognized snowboarding as a growing sport and welcomed boarders into our ranks as well. In fact, we welcome ALL members who recognize a great club when they see one and enjoy the social venues that we also provide.

We are currently one of the most active and successful ski clubs in the East, and our goal is to keep it that way, but we need your help. Please get the word out to your friends and family that we are celebrating our success this season at our Get Acquainted Party and Spring Banquet.

We would like to create a display with your fondest

MEMBERSHIP MEETING GULLIFTY'S UNDERGROUND Tuesday, September 10

Mark your calendars now for the first membership meeting of the new season on Tuesday, September 10, starting at 7 pm. (Subsequent monthly membership meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of the month). Meetings will again be held at Gullifty's in the Cedar Cliff Mall, 1104 Carlisle Road, Camp Hill. We will be in the downstairs facility called the Underground, with plenty of great food, spirits and friendly service. Happy Hour with half-priced drink specials runs from 5-7 pm.

The September meeting will continue to highlight our fantastic trip lineup for the upcoming ski season. *Trip leaders will be on hand at 6 pm* with their displays and will be most happy to answer your questions and accept deposits, so please bring your checkbook!

Come on out, reconnect with your skiing friends, catch up on what everyone has been doing since the end of last season and decide on your next ski adventure for this winter with SSC. We look forward to seeing all of you!

For directions, go to www.gulliftys.net.

PADDLE THE BREECHES Sunday, August 11

The Yellow Breeches is always a popular paddle in the summer-time because it is spring fed. When other creeks and river levels are too low, the good old Breeches is still a great paddle. We will meet at 12 noon at the covered bridge at Starry Athletic Field behind Messiah College, run as many vehicles as possible down to Lower Allen Township Park for the takeout, and then hit the water using the

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, July 31
Board Meeting, Johns Diner

Friday, August 9
Deck Party, TJ Rockwells,
Elizabethtown

Sunday, August 11
Paddle the Breeches

Friday, August 23
Deck Party, Champions,
Highspire

Saturday, August 24
Penn National Races

Wednesday, August 28
Board Meeting, Johns Diner

Tuesday, September 10
Membership Meeting,
Guillifftys Underground

ANNUAL GETTYSBURG BATTLEFIELD RIDE Saturday, September 7

If you like the outdoors, biking and history, you will love our Gettysburg Bike Ride around the historic Gettysburg Battlefield. See one of the best national parks on the Civil War our nation has to offer. All levels of bicycle riders are welcome. There will be a 20-mile historic narrative tour

a few of your favorite SSC stories and bring them to the membership meetings, along your old photos (who/what/when/where).

I will see that these captioned photos are returned if you put your name and address on the back. You can also mail them to my attention at SSC, P O Box 60713, Harrisburg, PA 17106.

Thanks!

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Happy Trails,
Dyan Yingst

HALLOWEEN PARTY Saturday, October 19

Save the date....you won't want to miss out on the SSC Halloween Party on Saturday, October 19 at the ever spooky Camp Reily. More information will follow in the next newsletter. If you would like to join the planning committee, please call Lilly Mangan at 717-385-4667.



ATTENTION: ITALY PARTICIPANTS

Your pre-trip meeting is scheduled for 6 pm on Tuesday, September 10 prior to the regular membership meeting at Guiliiftys.

several hours for the paddle. Bring canoes, kayaks, PFDs, water, snacks and sunscreen, plus something for a tailgate party afterward. Questions? Call or text Dyan Yingst at 717-979-4152.

with cut-offs at 10 and 15 miles.

Meet at 9 am at the National Park Service Museum & Visitor Center bus/RV lot. Bring something to share for the tailgate party after the ride.

From Harrisburg, take Route 15 south to Gettysburg; take the Baltimore Pike/Route 97 exit; at the stop sign turn right and go approximately 3 miles to the National Park Service Museum and Visitor Center. Turn left into the Center; take the first left into the bus/RV parking lot. Any questions, contact Mark LaManna at 717-238-3889. Rain date is Sunday, September 8.



Then we'll stroll over to Hollywood on the Roof later in the evening where classic rock and country bands keep the place jumping every weekend. As luck would have it, Vinyl Groove is their featured band from 8-12 pm (Funk/R&B/Motown). Yes, it's the very same Vinyl Groove who entertained us at Nissley's recently. So, if you enjoyed Vinyl Groove at the Vineyard, this is another opportunity to enjoy a repeat performance.

Two fun events at the same location - same evening - perfect! Let's do it!

**Save the Date
GET ACQUAINTED PARTY
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23
at Ski Roundtop**

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OUR 2014 SKI TRIPS ARE NOW ON SALE

Trip Leaders are now accepting deposits for most of our trips. Please click on the website at www.skissc.com and click on Trips, where you can download the generic trip application and individual trip terms. Our trip leaders will be at the September 10 membership meeting to answer your questions and accept deposits, so please bring your checkbooks. Better yet, send them a deposit now so you are not disappointed

January 18-25 ~ Aspen/Snowmass, Colorado ~ Dianne Paukovits ~ 25% filled
January 31 ~ Blue Mountain day trip ~ Lilly Mangan ~ open
January 25-February 1 ~ Big Sky, Montanna ~ Lovena Nickle Haslam ~ 2 spaces left
February 7-16 ~ Val d'Isere with Prague Extension ~ Mike Oberdick (YSC) ~ waiting list
February 9-16 ~ Revelstoke, British Columbia ~ Jack Billmyer ~ 6 spaces left
February 15-22 ~ Mount Bachelor, Oregon ~ Terri Faulk ~ 65% filled
February 23-28 ~ Sugarloaf, Maine ~ Melody Patton ~~ 50% filled
March 1-8 ~ Sun Valley, Idaho ~ Sherry Predix ~ 25% filled
March 11-22 ~ Lake Tahoe & San Francisco ~ Pam Neidig ~ open
March 13-16 ~ Sugarbush, Vermont ~ Monica Kurtz ~ open

REMINDER ~ second payments will soon be due ~ please check your trip terms

Aspen Snowmass ~ \$500 ~ September 1
Big Sky ~ \$600 ~ September 1
Revelstoke ~ \$580 ~ September 4
Sun Valley ~ \$600 ~ September 6
Mount Bachelor ~ \$500 ~ September 19
Tahoe & San Francisco ~ \$800 ~ September 24

January 18-25 ~ Aspen Snowmass, CO ~ EPSC Winter Carnival

Breathtaking, exhilarating, and huge are just a few ways to describe Snowmass, the crown jewel of Colorado. Already famous for endless terrain (over 3,000 acres) and tons of snow (300 inches), Snowmass is now undergoing a renaissance like no other with two new gondolas, a new high-speed six pack and numerous on-mountain improvements. There is powder skiing and terrain for everyone. And that is just one of the four mountains you can ski on this fabulous trip. In addition, this trip is packed with a lot of extra perks because it is an Eastern PA Ski Council organized trip.

Our trip includes air from Harrisburg to Denver, motorcoach to/from Snowmass, lodging at the Stonebridge Inn in Snowmass village, daily hot breakfast, 5-day interchangeable lift ticket for four mountains, welcome orientation, on mountain guided tour, evening dinner event with DJ and dancing, on mountain lunch, Nastar race, farewell dessert event and race awards, daily drink specials, and numerous giveaways at various events. EPSC organized events will be held at the Westin in Snowmass Village. And to make it even better...the X Games will be held at Buttermilk Mountain on Wednesday during our stay. This trip is priced at approximately \$1,830 pp double occupancy. Please contact **trip leader Dianne Paukovits** for more details at 717-566-7184 or dpaukovits@skssc.com, or send your deposit of \$600 payable to SSC to Dianne Paukovits, 720 Pine Tree Rd, Hummelstown, PA 17036.

January 25-February 1 ~ Big Sky, Montanna

We only have two spaces left on this trip, so now is the time to mail your application for Big Sky and Moonlight Basin. The lift ticket gives you access to 5,532 acres, 4,350 vertical feet, 26 lifts and 220+ named trails. Big Sky averages 400 inches of snow annually and it's one of the most scenic and least crowded resorts in the US. Our lodging is in the famous Huntley, well within walking distance of the lifts (even for city slickers). The Huntley provides amenities such as hair dryers, microwaves, refrigerators and wireless (high-speed) internet access, along with the heated outdoor pool, hot tub, fitness center and a full service spa. We may plan a group trip to Yellowstone National Park where you can tour the park by snowmobile or snow coach and see a wide variety of wildlife and geysers, including Old Faithful. Other activities are available such as dog sledding, horseback riding, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, bungee trampoline, or you take the Tram to the highest peak of Lone Mountain at 11,166 feet.



The cost for this trip is just \$1649 pp double occupancy; but, if you have any beaver pelts for trade, let's talk. We fly from BWI into Bozeman, MT, with a one hour drive to the hotel. The price includes airfare on United, transportation to and from airports, 7 nights lodging, daily hot breakfast buffet, 5-day lift ticket, baggage assistance, taxes and fees, and a welcome party. An optional 6th day lift ticket costs just \$48; our non-skiers may deduct \$240. To contact the Range Boss send your questions to lnickle@skissc.com or call 717-541-8803. Send your \$600 deposit payable to SSC to **trip leader Lovena Nickle**, 195 Mapleton Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17112.

February 9-16 ~ Revelstoke, British Columbia

There are only six more spaces for our first SSC adventure to Revelstoke Mountain Resort in beautiful British Columbia, so if you have been considering a new destination for 2014, please don't hesitate. Revelstoke boasts North America's greatest vertical at 5,620 feet, along with 3,121 acres of fall line skiing, 59 named runs, high alpine bowls, 13 areas of gladed terrain and phenomenal groomed terrain. And Revelstoke claims to be the only resort worldwide to offer lift, cat, heli and backcountry skiing *from one village base*. The new Turtle Creek Rail Line was added last year right next to the village, which offers a great venue for night skiing, snowboarding, tubing and beginner areas. There are many taverns and restaurants located in downtown Revelstoke for your enjoyment as well.

The basic package includes roundtrip air from Philadelphia to Kelowna, ground transportation to the resort, 7 nights lodging at Powder Springs Hotel, all taxes, 6-day lift ticket, daily breakfasts, a welcome orientation and a wine and cheese party for just \$1,726 US pp double occupancy. A valid passport is required for travel to Canada and reservations should be made early for heli and cat skiing, so please contact the trip leader 717-307-0446 or email jbillmyer@skissc.com. Send your \$580 deposit payable to SSC to **trip leader Jack Billmyer**, 1603 E. Caracas Avenue, Hershey, PA 17033.

February 15-22 ~ Mount Bachelor, Oregon

Only a few more spaces remain to this truly unique ski destination, so hurry and embrace the opportunity to ski a dormant volcano in a pristine national forest. Explore over 70 trails spanning 3,683 acres, with a 9065' summit. Mt. Bachelor offers terrain to satisfy every level of skier ability and averages 400" annual snowfall. Bend, Oregon aka Beer City, USA, due to numerous micro-breweries, is a mere 25-minute commute to the ski resort.

The trip includes roundtrip air from Harrisburg to Portland, bus transfers and baggage handling to Bend, 7 nights lodging at the Doubletree Hotel & Suites with daily breakfast buffet, welcome reception, a 5 of 6-day lift ticket to Mt. Bachelor (optional 6th day) après ski party on the mountain, a group buffet lunch on our last day of skiing, plus a group photo. Guests have access to over 30 eating establishments and 17 microbreweries or brew pubs all within walking distance in town. This incredible package is priced at just \$1330 pp/do, \$1230 pp triple, or \$1888 pp single. Your deposit of \$500 made out to SSC, along with your completed trip application, can be mailed to **trip leader Terri Falk**, 226 Burd Coleman Road, Lebanon, PA 17042. For more info, contact tfalk@skissc.com or 717-228-9939.

February 23-28 ~ Sugarloaf, Maine

Back by popular demand is a trip to Sugarloaf, Maine, the largest ski area east of the Rockies, the only East Coast area with lift-serviced terrain above tree line and eastern skiing so fine it resembles the best of western conditions! This resort features 1,153 of skiable acres or 54 miles of developed trails translating into 154 trails/glades and 2,820 feet vertical....the most continuous in New England. Sugarloaf offers terrain for all abilities with 31 green trails, 49 blue trails, 20



black diamond trails, and 24 double blacks. Sugarloaf boasts 618 acres of snowmaking coverage, an average of 200 inches of snowfall annually and 14 lifts to efficiently transport 21,810 passengers per hour!

This Sunday-to-Friday trip includes slope-side lodging at the Sugarloaf Mountain Hotel, a welcome party, a 5-day lift ticket (4-day option available), all bus transportation with hearty snacks and beverages en route, daily lessons at the Perfect Turn Clinic with each lift ticket, varied daily hot breakfast buffets, and one or two dinners/meals. In addition, we plan a ski/riding day at sister mountain Sunday River Resort (vertical drop 2,340 feet, 133 trails and 8 interconnected mountain peaks serviced by 16 lifts). The Sugarloaf Mountain Hotel features luxurious bedding and provides daily access to the Sugarloaf Sports & Fitness Center, the Hotel spa and outdoor hot tub. Additionally, the resort offers many winter activities including skiing, snowboarding, tubing, Nordic skiing, snowshoeing and terrain parks. The total cost pp/do is only \$855 and your \$400 deposit payable to SSC can be mailed now with your trip application to **trip leader Melody Patton**, 2709 Chestnut Run Road, York, PA 17402. Please contact Melody at mpatton@skissc.com or 717-741-6055 if you have any questions. This premiere eastern trip will fill up fast, so don't delay in securing your reservation!

March 1-8 ~ Sun Valley, Idaho

Let's go have fun in the sun at Sun Valley. Groomed trails, no lift lines, a wide variety of terrain, light snow, friendly locals and sunny days all help make this an outstanding ski destination! Cross country skiing, snowshoeing, tubing, ice skating and heli-skiing are just a few of the other activities. You can ski two mountains, one being Bald Mount with a reputation as one of the world's finest. Dollar Mountain is the perfect place to get acclimated to downhill sports with a tubing hill, terrain park and super pipe. Want to take a break from the slopes? No problem, Sun Valley has an amazing lift ticket exchange program that allows you to use your lift tickets for shopping, massage, restaurants, services and more. We may add on an additional group sleigh-ride dinner as well.

This basic package includes roundtrip air from BWI to Boise, all bus transfers, 7 nights lodging at Sun Valley Deluxe Condominiums, all taxes, 5-day lift ticket, welcome party, ski club races, awards party and mountain tour. Basic package price: \$1,776 pp in 2-bedroom condo (4 persons per condo), \$1,696 pp, 3-bedroom condo (6 persons per condo). There are \$12 discounts for seniors, \$282 discounts for non-skiers and an optional 6th-day lift ticket is available for just \$50 more. Send your completed application with a \$500 deposit made payable to SSC to **trip leader Sherry Predix**, 307 Doe Run, Marysville, PA 17053. If you have any questions, please contact Sherry at 717-957-2925 or spredix@skissc.com.

March 13-16 ~ Sugarbush, Vermont

Join SSC for a great weekend getaway to Sugarbush, Vermont, named Best Ski Town in the East and ranked #1 in terrain variety by SKI Magazine. Sugarbush features 111 trails covering 53 miles, with 16 lifts providing access to 1,215 skiable acres and a 2,600 vertical feet. Sugarbush averages 262 inches of natural snow each winter along with 70% snowmaking capacity. There are six distinct mountain peaks, three terrain parks and over 2,000 acres of backcountry. Lincoln Peak is where quintessential Vermont meets modern slope side facilities. Here you'll find the majority of Sugarbush terrain with classic New England trails leading to the new Lincoln Peak Village featuring a general store and casual and elegant dining.

We stay at the Sugarbush Inn, conveniently located less than one mile from base of Lincoln Peak. A courtesy shuttle named the Mad Bus operates a continuous loop between the two mountains, as well as routes to Mad River Valley. Sugarbush Inn amenities include ski storage,



free Wi-Fi and breakfast each morning served in the Hearth Restaurant. The Inn also offers free access to a nearby fitness center with indoor pool, tennis courts, Jacuzzi, sauna and massage.

The Mad River Valley has many other activities including cross-country skiing, cat skiing, snowshoeing, ice fishing, ice skating, spas, shopping, dining and après ski. This trip is priced to sell at just \$470 pp double occupancy, which includes roundtrip motorcoach transportation from the Harrisburg area, three nights lodging, daily breakfasts, and a 2-day lift ticket. We may add an optional day of skiing on Sunday for \$46 before heading home if there is enough interest. Please send your completed application and deposit of \$250 payable to SSC to **trip leader Monica Kurtz**, 4 Teaberry Drive, Carlisle, PA 17015. For more information, contact mkurtz@skssc.com or 717-691-9237.

March 11-20 ~ Lake Tahoe, California with San Francisco Extension

Join us for a late-winter adventure in California, starting with a ski safari to several of the terrific resorts circling Lake Tahoe, ending with a stay in San Francisco and optional daily tours in the city, nearby wine country spectacular Northern California coast. Your trip leader learned to ski in North Lake Tahoe and lived in the Bay Area for 20 years, so she can provide personalized assistance to make your California vacation the stuff of dreams. This basic package starting at \$2,177 pp/do includes air (Baltimore to Denver to Reno, non-stop return from San Francisco to Baltimore), bus transfers to/from airports and between hotels; 6 nights ski-in/ski-out lodging at Northstar-at-Tahoe Resort, 3 of 5-day Northstar/Heavenly/Kirkwood lift pass, 3 nights lodging at a hotel at SF's Fisherman's Wharf and a welcome party upon arrival at Northstar. Optional activities of your choosing include ski days at Alpine Meadows, Squaw Valley, Homewood, Sierra-at-Tahoe and/or Sugar Bowl, representing a combined total of 21,430 skiable acres!

Based on group interest, we'll arrange transportation for the day to take us to the more distant resorts. Heavenly is a one-hour drive from Northstar, Kirkwood is a two hour drive and Sierra is 1½ hours. After we transfer to San Francisco, you'll be on your own to plan activities for each day; your trip leader will assist you in planning your itinerary and will identify opportunities for group travel such as the Napa or Sonoma wine country or along the coastline from Half Moon Bay to Monterey and Carmel-by-the-Sea. **Please contact Trip Leader Pam Neidig** at pneidig@skssc.com or 717-507-7196 with your questions, or just send your \$800 deposit made payable to SSC to Pam Neidig, 204 Hollywood Circle, Camp Hill, PA 17011.

Membership Application/Renewal April 1, 2013-March 31, 2014

Please make checks payable to SSC and mail to
SSC Membership, P O Box 60713, Harrisburg, PA 17106-0714

Full Name _____

Spouse Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Primary Phone _____ Mobile Phone _____

Email 1 _____

Email 2 _____

Renewal New Membership _____
sponsor's name (optional)

Individual Dues = \$25 per year

Family Dues = \$35 per year.

Couples must be married to be eligible for a family membership.

Please list dependents under 18 and birthdates for family membership.

Junior Dues (age 18-20) = \$20 per year

birthdate



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