



The e-CHAIRLIFT CHATTER

President's Corner

I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and Holiday Season, along with a Safe and Happy New Year. I know some of you have been out west already and I have seen some of you on the slopes closer to home as well. Everyone should be excited about skiing by now, especially with a big winter storm hitting the Northeast this week. We have several hundred members signed up for trips with SSC this winter and many of them are preparing for departures to exciting locations, including some new destinations for our club. We still have a few openings on some trips, but now is the time to make your deposits and payments, as unreserved hotel rooms must be turned back as well as air seats.

You will notice later in the newsletter some proposed bylaw changes made by our Board of Directors at their last meeting, so please review them and be prepared to vote. And we are still looking for a few good members to step up and help run the club for the coming year. Sometimes it seems like we are on auto pilot, but like many organizations, we often have a handful of people doing all the work. We always appreciate new ideas, new volunteers and folks like you to lead this club into the next 50 years.

Happy Trails, Enjoy the Snow)) Dyan

SSC Calendar

- January 7 ~ Monthly Membership Meeting, Gulliftys
- January 7 ~ Pre-trip Meetings for Big Sky, Revelstoke & Val d'Isere at Gulliftys
- January 18 ~ Monte Carlo Night benefits Ski4Life, Gulliftys
- January 29 ~ Board Meeting, Harrisburg
- January 31 ~ Blue Mountain day trip - several spaces still open ~ contact Lilly Peek
- January 25 ~ Big Sky Trip departs ~ contact Lovena Nickle
- February 4 ~ Monthly Membership Meeting, Gulliftys
- February 4 ~ Pre-trip Meeting for Mount Bachelor

MEMBERSHIP MEETING ~ Tuesday, January 7

Featuring Skier Conditioning Exercises and Tips

Join us for the first membership meeting of the New Year on Tuesday, January 7. The social hour begins at 6 pm and the business meeting at 7 pm. During the business meeting, nominations will also be accepted from the floor for our upcoming Board of Directors election as well as our current slate of candidates. The evening's program will feature our guest speaker from Madden Physical Therapy. Joe Hribick will demonstrate some at-home exercises we can do to prevent ski injuries and get in shape for the ski season that is now upon us.

Thanks to everybody who participated in November and December's Food Drive; we collected 132 pounds of food and \$105 for the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank, serving residents in 27 counties.

Pre-trip meetings will be held at 6 pm prior to the social hour and business portion of our meeting: Revelstoke - upstairs front dining room area; Big Sky - downstairs in the Underground; and Val d'Isere - downstairs in the Underground.

For directions to <http://www.gulliftys.net>.

Election for SSC 2014-15 Board of Directors

You can make a difference ~ SSC's membership is what makes this club great, but your club cannot continue to operate without volunteers willing to serve on our Board of Directors or to support the board's efforts in several additional roles. The Nomination Committee is still looking for nominees for two key positions on next year's Board: President and Trip Vice President. If you think you may be qualified to fill either of these positions, please contact Pam Neidig at pastpresident@skissc.com or 717-507-7196.

The Nomination Process ~ We are now soliciting candidates for our 2014-15 Board of Directors. SSC's officers, directors and support staff oversee the day-to-day operations of the club. Board positions consist of President, Trip Vice President, Social Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chairperson, Trip Coordinator, Social Coordinator and four Directors. For most positions, no special background is needed, just a passion for SSC, some administrative skills and a desire to help the club thrive. If interested, please contact Pam Neidig at pastpresident@skissc.com. Job descriptions are available upon request. **Nominations for officers and directors will be presented at the January 7, 2014 SSC membership meeting and will also be accepted from the floor.**

Election Ballots ~ As in recent years, the 2014-2015 SSC Election Ballot will be distributed to most of our members via email in early January, one ballot per individual or family membership. To open your ballot and cast your vote, you'll need to be online. The online election process will close at 5 pm on Tuesday, February 4, 2014. If you are one of the few SSC members who have not yet provided us with a valid email address, we will send you a paper ballot via the US Mail, also in early January. Paper ballots must be returned to our Post Office box by February 4 or in person at our membership meeting no later than 8 pm on February 4 to be counted.

MONTE CARLO NIGHT ~ Saturday, January 18

Come out, test your luck and become eligible to win prizes and participate in a silent action. Our SSC Monte Carlo Ski4Life fundraiser is Saturday January 18 at Gulliftys Underground with doors opening at 6 pm and the games start at 7 pm. For a donation of \$20 you will receive \$10,000 in "fun money" that can be exchanged for chips at the Roulette, Black Jack, Texas Holdem and Craps tables. Play for two hours and at the end exchange your "winnings" for tickets that make you eligible to win some really great prizes.

All proceeds from this event will benefit The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and will be distributed equally among the fundraising efforts of SSC members who participate in the 2014 Ski4Life event on February 8 at Roundtop Mountain Resort. Don't miss out on the fun and back by popular demand is Jack-ee to serve you snacks so you do not have to leave the

tables. You may purchase tickets from any board member or at the door. Any questions or if you want to donate a prize or sponsor a table for \$50 please contact Sherry at treasurer@ssc.com.

SKI 4 LIFE MARATHON ~ Saturday, February 8 at Ski Roundtop

This is the tenth year for Ski4Life, a super event that SSC created to raise money and awareness for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. All the money raised for LLS stays right here in Central Pennsylvania. We are looking forward to another great winter and record event, but we definitely need your help in the following ways:

1. Join us at the bottom of Minute Man on February 8 and cheer for the teams
2. Support the Monte Carlo event on January 18 for fun time and worthwhile cause
3. Donate to a team of your choice
4. Attend the Auto show on January 25, and check your coat; we will be at the coat check accepting donations.
5. Use the Arooga's coupons both here and at the end of the newsletter.

It is not too late to form a team. Contact Sue Leonard at the membership meetings, or email @ pasusie3002@gmail.com with questions. Thanks

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HELP NEEDED FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS IN 2014

SSC & YSC ~ Since 2002, SSC has been working in conjunction with the York Ski Club to assist with the York Area Special Olympics skiing program. We typically have about a dozen athletes (teens and young adults), and we try to have at least two coaches per athlete. We were a bit short on help last year, so we could use some new coaches. We ski at Roundtop Mountain on Thursday evenings starting on January 9. You don't have to commit to every week, but the athletes and coordinators appreciate some consistency. New volunteers should contact Phil at 717-732-5325 or pdurgin@comcast.net to obtain a volunteer application form. The Special Olympics program requires a background check and a short online training course, so contact Phil ASAP. You only have to be an intermediate skier to coach, and Roundtop donates the lift tickets for the evening, so come join the fun! Many of our athletes are great skiers and they all love to ski!

Area M Special Olympics is a school-based program meaning that the schools bring the athletes to Roundtop Mountain. We have five trainings--about 35 Athletes at each--involving 10 schools from Dauphin, Cumberland and York Counties. Normally the schools bring volunteers from their ski clubs to help with their athletes but two schools do not have clubs and are having trouble finding skiing volunteers. Area M needs 12 volunteers on January 8 and January 13 from from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Each volunteer gets an 8-hour lift ticket and an orientation focused on helping the athletes with their lessons. Please contact Kathy Charron at 717-697-8813 if you can help.

BLUE MOUNTAIN ~ Friday, January 31 The 50 for \$50 Blue Mountain trip has a few more seats left on the bus. Take advantage of this rock-bottom price before the trip is sold out. This is a great mountain with 1000 ft vertical and upgraded facilities including an outside bar & grill and two high-speed six-pack lifts. We will leave at 7 am sharp from BJ's parking lot in Camp Hill; the bus will be there at 6:30 am so we can start loading. We should arrive at the mountain around 9 am. Please bring your own snacks and drinks; lunch is on your own. We will depart around 5 pm and head to the New China Buffet, cost is \$12.49 per person, BYOB. Please send your check and trip application to **Trip Leader Lilly Peek**, 125 Old Ford Drive, Camp Hill, PA 17011 and e-mail questions to Lilly at peeklilly@gmail.com. Or see Lilly at the January 7 membership meeting.

SUGABUSH ~ March 13-16 We still have space for this great getaway to Sugarbush, Vermont, named Best Ski Town in the East with 111 trails covering 53 miles. Sixteen lifts provide access to 1215 skiable acres and 2600 vertical feet. We stay at the Sugarbush Inn, less than one mile from base of Lincoln Peak, where the courtesy shuttle 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., along with 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. At just \$470 pp/do, this trip includes roundtrip motorcoach from Harrisburg, 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@skissc.com or 717-691-9237. Don't delay, we have to turn back unsold rooms very soon!

PROPOSED SSC BYLAW CHANGES

At the December 18 meeting, the SSC Board of Directors, by a 2/3 majority in all cases, approved and recommends that the membership adopt the following three changes to SSC's Bylaws. As required by the SSC Bylaws, these proposed changes are being presented in this newsletter for consideration by the membership at the March 4, 2014 membership meeting, when members in attendance will be asked to vote and ratify each of these proposed changes.

If you have any questions, you may contact Past President Pam Neidig at pastpresident@skissc.com or 717-507-7196 or make your enquiries at the January or February membership meetings. Assuming any of these proposed bylaw changes is ratified by a vote of 2/3 of the members at the March 2014 meeting, it will be effective immediately.

- **#1 Family/household membership**

The first proposed bylaw change, if ratified by SSC membership, would expand SSC's family membership category to include household memberships, where a household is defined as one or two adults and all dependent minors under 18 years of age who reside at the same physical address.

Current Bylaws Text [Additions](#) ~~Deletions~~

Article II, Sections 3-5. Membership

Section 3. The membership shall be made up of the following classes:

- a. family/[household](#) membership;
- b. [single](#) adult membership;
- c. junior membership; and
- d. life membership.

Section 4. A family/household membership is defined as ~~a husband and wife, or a single parent and all dependents,~~ one or two adults and all dependent minors under 18 years of age who reside at the same physical address, where dependents may include including foreign exchange students participating in an approved foreign exchange program under 18 years of age. A dependent and/or foreign exchange student under 18 years of age may participate in Ski Club activities. A dependent and/or a foreign exchange student who reaches the age of eighteen after February 1⁷ of the membership year may continue to participate in activities for the remainder of the membership year. Any adult covered by a family/household membership may serve on committees. A family/household membership is entitled to only one vote and one directorship.

Section 5. Single adult membership. All adult members must be a minimum of 21 years old. Under ~~an~~ a single adult membership, the member is entitled to participate in all Ski Club activities, vote on Ski Club business, serve on committees and hold office.

Article VI, Section 7a. Election Procedures

All officers and board members shall be at least 21 years of age prior to taking office. A family/household membership is entitled to only one (1) vote and may have only one (1) officer or board member. All officers and board members shall be eligible to succeed themselves in office.

Article VIII, Section 1. Financial Matters

Annual dues rates for junior, adult and family/household memberships shall be assessed by the Board of Directors. Initiation fees may be charged for new members or old members whose membership has not been renewed. Dues shall be payable by all members for the Ski Club fiscal year of April 1 to March 31, however, dues of all officers and Board members must be paid prior to installation.

• #2 Clarification of lifetime membership level

The second proposed bylaw change, if ratified by SSC membership, would align policy with practice pertaining to free lifetime SSC memberships given by the Board upon recommendation by the Awards Committee. As currently practiced, Gold Ski Award winners are awarded free lifetime SSC membership that may include family members (spouse and dependents) as applicable. Current bylaw language is ambiguous regarding membership level (individual versus family). If bylaw change #1 is ratified by membership, members will be asked to vote on awarding free lifetime memberships at the “Family/Household” membership level.

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Article II, Section 7. Life membership

Life membership may be given by the Board to individuals who have rendered extraordinary services or contributions to the Ski Club, upon recommendation of the Awards Committee. All recipients of the Gold Ski Award shall also be given life membership at the Family membership level. No dues may be assessed on life members.

- **#3 Board & committee meetings to allow remote voting**

The third proposed Bylaw change, if ratified by SSC membership, would enable the President to allow Board members who are unable to attend a Board meeting in person to participate and vote in that meeting via teleconference or web conference. This change would also apply to Committee meetings.

Current SSC Bylaws require that Robert's Rules of Order shall be followed at all meetings of the Ski Club and the Board of Directors. As Robert's Rules were written before the invention of remote meeting-enabling technologies such as teleconferencing and web conferencing, the Club cannot take advantage of these technologies without first incorporating this change into our Bylaws.

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Article III, Section 5. Membership Meetings

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the parliamentary procedures at all meetings of the Ski Club and the Board of Directors. **Board or Committee Members will be counted as voting members of any Board or Committee meeting when they are unable to attend the meeting in person but they have received prior approval from the President or Committee Chair to attend the meeting via conference call and/or Internet meeting.**

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