

The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It's that time of year again, you know, when we all have the opportunity to get together at our monthly membership meetings. I so look forward to seeing folks I have not seen all summer and to spend more time with those I have had the fortune to see! You may have noticed our membership meeting location has recently been advertised as "TBA". After an intense search, we've decided to return to an old favorite, which is wearing a new face! Our first membership meeting of the season will be held at **Boomerangs** (formally Doc Holliday's). Please join us and check out this nicely updated venue!

We are currently gathering information for a skier development program to help you improve your skills for your upcoming trip - stay tuned!

Thanks to **Lilly Peek**, our Nissley event chair, for hosting 43 folks at the Vineyards. It was a very warm evening but some shade was found and folks enjoyed a wide variety of culinary delights as they danced the night away at Nissley Vineyards. If you were one of the 17 folks who paddled the Yellow Breeches with **Monica and Mark Kurtz**, then you know the weather and water were great. Thanks for planning such an amazing day and for grilling those tasty hot dogs. And thank you, **Terri Falk**, for organizing a hike, kayak, picnic & Lebanon Community Theatre's production of Hairspray event. Several folks paddled Stoeever's Dam Park, hiked around the lake and enjoyed a picnic overlooking the lake. Afterward those who attended the musical said it was excellent. Great volunteers make for a great club!

MEMBERSHIP MEETING/SOCIAL

Tuesday, September 1, 6 pm

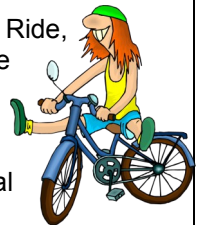
The first membership meeting of the SSC 2015-16 season will be held on Tuesday, September 1 at **Boomerang's** (formerly Doc Holliday's). Bring a friend or two to introduce to our Club to join in the fun! Social hour and trip sign-ups begin at 6 pm. Trip boards will be set up inside the Comedy Zone, also the location for our membership meetings. Our brief business meeting will commence at 7 pm; the evening's program will feature our 2015-16 trips and trip leaders. Come and get the latest news on upcoming SSC trips and social events! Trip leaders for all trips will be available to answer questions and accept deposits (or second installments). Don't forget to bring your checkbook!
Directions: From I-83 take Exit 40A and turn east onto Limekiln Road; turn left at the Comfort Inn sign.

SERIOUSLY 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 2015 Get-Acquainted and Holiday parties, and our 2016 Picture Party, Spring Banquet, and Summer Picnic. For more information, please contact Immediate Past President **Dyan Yingst** at skierdyan@comcast.net.

AUGUST-OCTOBER EVENT CALENDAR

- Aug 15, 5:30 pm** Maxwell Project @ Naylor Wine Cellars, 4069 Vineyard Rd., Stewartstown
- Aug 21, 5 pm** Deck/pool party @ Bob & Brenda's home
- Aug 23, 9:30 am** Hike/Bike/Paddle/Picnic @ Pinchot Lake, Lewisberry
- Aug 26, 5 pm** Board Meeting @ Harrisburg Regional Chamber of Commerce & CREDC, 3211 N. Front St., Harrisburg
- Aug 29, 9:30 am** Ride the Lehigh Gorge Rail-Trail & Explore Historic Jim Thorpe
- Sep 1, 6 pm** Membership Meeting/Social @ Boomerang's (formerly Doc Holliday's), 110 Limekiln Rd., New Cumberland
- Sep 4, 5 pm** Deck Party @ Quaker Steak & Lube, 165 Gateway Dr., Mechanicsburg
- Sep 18, 5 pm** Deck Party @ Boro Bar & Grill Riverview (formerly Big Woody's), 4425 N. Front St., Harrisburg
- Sep 26, 5 pm** Harvest Moon "Wine & Wolves" @ Terri's home & Wolf Sanctuary of PA, Speedwell Forge
- Sep 27, 9 am** Gettysburg Battlefield Bike Ride, 1195 Baltimore Pike (Route 97), Gettysburg
- Sep 30, 5 pm** Board Meeting @ Harrisburg Chamber
- Oct 6, 6 pm** Membership Meeting/Social @ Boomerang's
- Oct 10, 6 pm** Craft Beer Appreciation Evening @ Barb's
- Oct 11, 10 am** Poker Bike Ride @ Stoney Creek Rail Trail, Dauphin
- Oct 23, 6 pm** 6th Annual Central PA Ski Expo, 650 Pinkerton Rd., Mount Joy
- Oct 28, 5 pm** Board Meeting @ Harrisburg Chamber
- Oct 31-Nov 1** Trip to Finger Lakes Wine Region



HIT THE DECK!!

Come join your SSC friends at some of the area's finest local pubs! Members and non-members are welcome to attend. Just show up around 5 pm and look for the SSC table tents with our logo. You're on your own for food and beverages; SSC will supply the great people to socialize with!! Find dates and locations for the rest of the season in the Event Calendar.



SUMMER SOUNDS AT NAYLOR

Saturday, August 15, 5:30 pm

Join SSC for an evening of wine, music and dancing with **Maxwell Project** at **Naylor Wine Cellars** (naylorwine.com) in Stewartstown, PA. Admission is only \$10 and gates open at 5:30. The band will play from 7-10, and the event is "rain or shine". Bring your favorite picnic fare. No outside alcohol is allowed; Naylor wine can be purchased on site. Please contact **Terri Falk** at terrimcg@live.com or 717-228-9939 by August 10 if you plan to attend so she can reserve enough tables for SSC.

POOL PARTY AT BOB & BRENDA'S

Friday, August 21, 5 pm

The Martins are hosting a pool party (only SSC members and their guests, please) on August 21 starting at 5 pm and limited to the first 30 people who RSVP. Bob and Brenda will provide non-alcoholic beverages and a large salad. Otherwise it's BYO, so bring what you would like to grill and drink, a side dish to share, and your lawn chair, swimsuit and towel. Please RSVP by August 16 to 717-540-5468 and directions will be given.

PINCHOT PICNIC & PLAY

Sunday, August 23, 9:30 am



Grab your bikes and boats and join us at **Pinchot State Park** for a picnic and a day of playing outdoors. Starting at 9:30 am you can

launch a kayak or canoe, ride a bike, or take a hike in the woods. The picnic will start around noon; please bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share. SSC will provide hot dogs and trimmings for grilling. In the afternoon, it's playtime again, with your choice of a

paddle, hike or swim. We'll meet at the Conewago Day Use Area on the south side of the park. Look for us on the right as you enter the main parking area. For more information contact **Mike Gavin** at 717-495-1905 or mike@michaelgavin.com.

JIM THORPE CYCLING ADVENTURE

Saturday, August 29, 9:30 am

Come ride the **Lehigh Gorge Rail Trail** with your SSC friends! We'll meet Saturday at 9:30 am at **Pocono**

Biking (poconobiking.com; 7 Hazard Square, Jim Thorpe) to catch their 10 am shuttle to White Haven (\$19.99/person).

If you prefer a later start, another shuttle leaves at 11 am. After the ride, we'll meet at a location TBD in Jim Thorpe to share our adventures! **Sharon**

Royer is coordinating shuttle scheduling; if you need a shuttle ride, contact her by August 15 at sharon.royer@verizon.net. *Rain date for the rail trail ride is Sunday, August 30.*



HARVEST MOON "WINE & WOLVES"

Saturday, September 26, 5 pm

Once again, **Terri Falk** is extending an invitation to SSC members and their friends to meet and mingle at her **historic stone home in Cornwall**, Lebanon County, for a wine and cheese reception that will begin at 5 pm. You are encouraged to bring along a bottle of wine or an appetizer to share.

At 7 pm we will drive (carpool?) approximately 6 miles (15 minutes) to the **Wolf Sanctuary of PA** (wolfsanctuarypa.org) at Speedwell Forge, near Lititz. The Sanctuary's gates will open at 7:30 for their "Harvest Moon Tour". They currently provide a home to more than 40 wolves separated into packs in several enclosures covering over 80 acres. For the entrance fee of \$20 per person, you can wander from pack to pack at your own pace, asking questions of the knowledgeable docents stationed at each enclosure. Then come and relax by the roaring bonfire (bring a folding chair, flashlight, & blanket) as you listen for the hair-raising howls from the resident wolves. Terri will provide marshmallows for roasting; bring a long handled fork! This is a family-friendly event, but visitors to the Sanctuary's monthly Full Moon Tours must be over the age of 16 with proof of ID. Please RSVP to Terri at terrimcg@live.com or 717-228-9939 to obtain her address and so she can plan her reception.

GETTYSBURG BATTLEFIELD RIDE

Sunday, September 27, 9 am

If you like the outdoors, biking and history, you will enjoy SSC's annual 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 nps.gov/gett/planyourvisit/directions.htm. Any questions, contact **Mark LaManna** at 717-238-3889 or mvlamanna@comcast.net.

CRAFT BEER APPRECIATION NIGHT

Saturday, October 10, 6 pm

Barb Collier will host a craft beer night at her home in the Hershey area on October 10 at 6 pm. She will be providing beer to taste from Mount Gretna Craft Brewery and each person should bring along some craft beer as well as either an appetizer or dessert to share. Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. Please RSVP by October 6 to Barb at bcollierssc@gmail.com or 717-829-5028 to give the number attending, say if you will be bringing an appetizer or dessert, and to obtain her address.



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NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

Please Join Us in Welcoming Them!

Aundrea Holmes, Dawn & Frank Kadyszewski,
Patty Michaud, Harold Spencer

STONEY CREEK POKER BIKE RIDE

Sunday, October 11, 10 am

What better time to have a poker bike ride on the beautiful, scenic Stoney Creek rail trail than mid-October! The weather should be cool, the leaves will be colorful and the riding will be at its best! We will meet at 10 am at the gated entrance to the rail trail. Following the ride we will have a tailgate picnic in the parking lot. Directions to the trail head: head north on 322/22W from Harrisburg towards Lewistown; take the Stoney Creek/Dauphin exit (right after passing through the railroad underpass); turn right in about 1/2 mile onto Schuylkill St. (across from Pizza Shop); at the stop sign, turn right onto Erie St.; then turn left on Stoney Creek Rd (at Stoney Creek Inn); follow Stoney Creek Rd. to the very end (the road will change to gravel for the last 2 miles to the parking lot at the trail head). For more information, contact **Brenda Bent** at pinkcamo@comcast.net.

CENTRAL PA SKI EXPO

Friday, October 23

SAVE THE DATE! Susquehanna and Lancaster Ski Clubs are hosting the Sixth Annual Central Pennsylvania Ski Expo on Friday, October 23 from 6-9 pm at Groff's Farm Golf Club, 650 Pinkerton Rd., Mount Joy. Representatives from mountain resorts across the country will be present to give you firsthand information on the newest offerings at the mountain, lodging, and travel to their respective destinations. There will be light appetizers, a cash bar, a DJ, and lots of great door prizes! Don't miss this opportunity to meet the mountain reps, mingle with fellow skiers/riders, groove to the music, and get ready for another great ski season. Admission is free for SSC and LSC members. There is a nominal admission fee of \$5 for non-members. You can join SSC at the door. For more information, contact **Dianne Paukovits** at 717-256-9119.



2015-16 TRIP STATUS



Trip application forms and trip terms may be found on our website (skissc.com/trips). Our Snowmass and Telluride trips were expanded following the June 27 Summer Picnic to accommodate the significant interest by our members. See pages 3 and 4 of this newsletter for trip details. Your SSC membership must be current to sign up for a SSC trip.

Dates	Destination	Trip Size / Status	Trip Leader	Contact Info
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2015	Finger Lakes Wine Region	52 / 50% filled	Robert Martin	717-540-5468 or robemartin.net@verizon.net
Jan. 23-30, 2016	Snowmass, Colorado	72 / 97% filled	Dianne Paukovits	717-503-9493 or dpaukovits@comcast.net
Feb. 7-14, 2016	Telluride, Colorado	61 / Full-waiting list	Melody Patton	717-741-6055 or mpatton0627@comcast.net
Feb. 20-27, 2016	Park City & The Canyons, Utah	42 / 62% filled	Dyan Yingst	717-979-4152 or skierdyan@comcast.net
Mar. 6-13, 2016	Big White, British Columbia	32 / 59% filled	Terri Falk	717-228-9939 or terrimcg@live.com

FINGER LAKES WINE TOUR

October 30-November 1 (Friday-Sunday)



Join your fellow club members for a diversion to the scenic Finger Lakes, home to many excellent state, national and world award-winning wineries. We will stay two nights at the Days Inn in Bath, near Hammondsport, with breakfasts included. On Saturday, we will visit four wineries on Lake Keuka. Late that morning we will have lunch at the locally-favored restaurant at Bully Hill Vineyards (bullyhillvineyards.com). That night we will dine near the southern shore of Lake Keuka at the Pelican's Net (pelicansnet.com) in Hammondsport. On Sunday, there will be tastings at five different wineries on Seneca Lake. The buffet lunch that day will be at the Ginny Lee Café at Wagner Vineyards (theginnylee.com). Some free time will be provided after lunch to stop at the microbrewery at Wagner's (wagnerbrewing.com).

This trip is filling up, so do not delay joining us to take advantage of this great price and to spend time with fellow club members. SSC's package price per person double occupancy is \$263 (single occupancy is \$324 and triple is \$244). Please contact the trip leader to discuss triple occupancy details before sending your payment. Please send your deposit of \$150 per person payable to "SSC" along with a completed and signed trip application to **trip leader Robert Martin**, 208 Pearl Street, Harrisburg, PA 19109-4333. For more information, please contact Robert at robemartin.net@verizon.net or 717-540-5468.

SNOWMASS, COLORADO

January 23-30 (Saturday-Saturday)

The Snowmass trip needs one single male and one single female to fill this trip! We will stay at **The Stonebridge Inn**, an historic, intimate slope-side alpine inn with a reputation for outstanding guest service in the heart of Snowmass village. Our package price of \$1,761 pp/do includes air between Harrisburg and Denver, ground transfers, seven nights lodging, five of six-day lift ticket, daily breakfast buffet, welcome reception and more. See SSC's website for further details. Please send your completed trip application and deposit of \$600 per person payable to "SSC" to **trip leader Dianne Paukovits**, 1107 Cord Drive, Hummelstown, PA 17036. For more information, please contact Dianne at 717-503-9493 or dpaukovits@comcast.net.



2015 SKI SWAPS SAVE THE DATES!!

- World Cup** - October 3 & 4
- Mountainside** - October 10 & 11
- Uller's** - October 31 & November 1
- Roundtop** - November 7 & 8



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PARK CITY & THE CANYONS, UTAH February 20-27 (Saturday-Saturday)

You can now ski Park City and the Canyons on one ticket... that's 7,300 skiable acres! Canyons Resort is Utah's largest and most dynamic mountain resort, boasting 4,000 acres and 182 trails across nine peaks with diverse terrain for every skier and rider. The Park City Mountain Resort boasts 3,300 acres with 101 designated runs including one into the town of Park City. Vail now owns both resorts and plans to connect them with a new gondola, creating the largest ski resort in the nation served by 40 lifts and two base areas. You are sure to enjoy the 3,100-foot vertical rise, miles of groomed runs, great tree skiing, excellent bowls and an average of 350 inches of snow annually.

We will stay at the **Park City Peaks Hotel** with its indoor-outdoor heated pool, giant outdoor hot tub, sports bar and restaurant, wine and beer store. Guests at this family-owned hotel enjoy a daily breakfast buffet, quality food and beverage service, and amenities like cotton robes, coffee makers, refrigerators, flat screen TVs and Wi-Fi. The free town shuttle stops at the front door, offering a short ride to all three mountain resorts and to Historic Main Street with over 100 bars, restaurants and shops. This package's price of \$1,670 per person double occupancy includes a non-stop flight from Baltimore to Salt Lake City, ground transportation, 7 nights lodging at the Peaks, 5 of 6 day lift tickets good at the Canyons and Park City, daily breakfast buffet, along with welcome and farewell parties. Please send your \$600 payable to SSC to **trip leader Dyan Yingst**, 801 Pheasant Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112-1330. For more information, please call 717-979-4152 or email skierdyan@comcast.net

EASTERN TRIPS WITH SSC More details in the October *Chairlift Chatter*.

- **Jay Peak, Vermont:** January 13 – 17, 2016 (Wednesday–Sunday); 4 nights lodging in Jay Peak Village, 3 day lift.
- **Waterville Valley, New Hampshire:** February 29 – March 4, 2016 (Monday–Friday); 4 nights lodging at Indian Head Resort; ski Loon Mountain, Attitash Ski Resort and Cannon Mountain.

BIG WHITE, BRITISH COLUMBIA March 6-13 (Sunday-Sunday)

Join SSC for a Canadian adventure not to be missed as we venture to Big White Ski Resort, located in the picturesque Okanagan Valley of British Columbia. Boasting the motto, "It's the Snow", **Big White is blessed with a sunny, mild climate and champagne powder, with average annual snowfall of almost 25 feet!** Enjoy 2,765 acres of skiable terrain with 16 lifts and access to the summit of 7,606 ft. A six-day lift package is included so that every skier can find satisfaction with over 900 acres of groomed trails (18% beginner, 54% intermediate, 22% expert, 6% extreme), as well as 1,525 acres of glades and steeps – even NIGHT skiing!

We will stay at the **Inn at Big White**, a ski-in/ski-out resort hotel located within a lively village with many *après* ski options. Each room has a queen bed plus a queen-sized "Murphy bed", a galley kitchen including mini-fridge, microwave and coffee pot, a TV, and a gas fireplace. Hotel amenities include an indoor/outdoor pool, Jacuzzi, exercise room and ski storage.

SSC's package, very reasonably priced at \$1,708 per person double occupancy, includes round trip air between Philadelphia and Kelowna, baggage handling, ground transfers, seven nights lodging, daily breakfast buffet, six-day lift ticket, complimentary mountain tours, welcome wine & cheese reception and more. Please send your completed trip application and deposit of \$600 per person payable to "SSC" to **trip leader Terri Falk**, 226 Burd Coleman Road, Lebanon, PA 17042. For more information, please contact Terri at 717-228-9939 or terrimcg@live.com.

Trip Payments Are Due!

If you have signed up for a SSC trip your next payment may be due and should be sent to your trip leader. By paying on time you avoid those nasty late charges and possible removal from a trip for non-payment. As a reminder, below is a list of payments due in the next couple of months:

- Aspen/Snowmass – 2nd payment (\$600) due Sept. 1
- Telluride – 2nd payment (\$600) due Sept. 12
- Finger Lakes Wineries – Final payment due Sept. 20
- Park City – 2nd payment (\$600) due Oct. 6
- Big White – 2nd payment (\$600) due Oct. 31