

Happy Hour Thursday, June 15 5:00 PM-?

> 3151 Horizon Drive, off Dirksen (former Cheddars & Bugatti Bar & Grill).

DRINK SPECIALS Margaritas, \$3.00 12 oz., \$4.50 18 oz. Beer, \$2.75 domestic , \$3.50 Mexican

DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR GROUNDS OF GRACE (See wish list in Community Service article)

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Bringing together the people of the Springfield Ski Club

JUNE 1ST Frances' Pizza in Riverton

713 N. 7TH · RIVERTON

COCKTAILS @ 5:30 | DINNER @ 6:00 July 13 - Springfield Motor Boat Club, 17 Club Area (Note: This is 2nd Thursday) The only rule in place to join the dining out group is to make your reservation on Wed. prior to the event.

The dining out group meets on the first Thursday of each month. E-mail or call Jack & Virgene Fair @ akafair@aol.com, or 217/341-2590 for your reservation by Wednesday before the Thursday of the event.

Great Ski Club Day Trip

We enjoyed snacks, trivia questions and laughed a lot on the way to Busch Stadium. The bus driver knew a way to avoid the traffic jam and took us across the new bridge to Missouri. No delay. Some of us went to eat at the Broadway Oyster Bar, others dined in Ballpark Village or in the stadium. Our seats were comfortable in the shade with a light

breeze. The Cardinal's won, which was great for me. All Cub and Cardinal fans were respectable to each

other. We had a great time!









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The Dining Out Group always meets the 1st Thurs of each month - akafair@aol.com Springfield Ski Club Board meets every 2nd Thursday of the month The SSC Happy Hour is ALWAYS the 3rd Thurs of the month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29 Monday Golf League	30	31 Wednesday Golf League	l Dining Out Group Frances' Pizza	2	3
4	5 Monday Golf League	6	7 Wednesday Golf League	8 SSC Board Meeting	19	10
11	12 Monday Golf League	13	14 Wednesday Golf League	15 HAPPV HOUR Blue Margarita	16	17
18	19 Monday Golf League	20	21 Wednesday Golf League	22	23	24 Adopt-A-Street
25	26 Monday Golf League	27	28 Wednesday Golf League	29	30	1 Monticello

Welcome New Members

Mary Reed and Steve Burke Donna and Jim Burke David and Karen Ford Susan and Mark Monteyne Pat Grady James and Carol Maggio Debra Nance Susan A. Weeks Chris Maltby Leanne Michelle Hahn Judy G. Gjersvik

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I am honored to be your new President. I have very large shoes to follow. Christa did a wonderful job keeping the Springfield Ski Club organized. As I told her many times, she ran a" really tight meeting"!

I was amazed at the size of the Springfield Ski Club, we have 439 member units, and over 550 individuals in our club. And we have had 21 new members join since our fiscal year started May 1st. Our Income and Expenses are approximately \$250,000 a year including an average of 3 ski trips per year, a Fall Trip, a Spring Trip, and an average of two to four day trips per sign up party.

The Springfield Ski Club is run entirely with volunteers. The fifteen officers who make up the Board work countless hours for the benefit of you, the membership. Officers receive early sign up privileges at the Spring and Fall Sign Up parties and also a yearly \$75 certificate which can be used toward the cost of any trip(s).

Please consider being an officer in the future. We have a GREAT board this year, and I want to continue the tradition into the future!

Cheri Brueggemann Sloat

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Join us at the June 15th Happy Hour at Blue Margarita, 3151 Horizon Drive, off Dirksen (former Cheddars & Bugatti Bar & Grill). We will be collecting donations for Grounds of Grace.

Grounds of Grace in Springfield provides free housing, medical assistance, trauma care, food, and clothing to those impacted by human trafficking in Central Illinois. The residents in the home would like to have gift baskets to welcome new residents.

For more information, visit their web site: http://www.groundsofgrace.com/what-we-do/

To schedule donation pick up, please contact Mary Kay Eades @ 217-416-8880.

June Birthdays

Ellen Kuntzi3	Alix Means19
Leanne Hopwood4	Chad Schermerhorn19
Lana Keith5	Matthew Robertson19
David Cation6	Sandy Dunkel19
Blanca M. Bernasek6	Marilyn Kresse
Pat Gleason8	Hannah Harlow21
Frances Sehring9	Joe Goodner21
Loretta Michaud9	Greg Pinto21
Susan Hovey10	Megan Cook22
R. Shirene Thomas11	Marvin Widick22
Jim Russell12	Chris Schofield22
David Shepel12	Jorge Fahrenbacher22
Jennifer Shrake12	DiAnn Trapp23
Mike Bitschenauer12	Jennifer Kapraun23
Sue Richardson13	Patti Strader23
Peggie Powers13	John Keith24
Carol Harper14	Maurine Richter24
Kathy Hawkins14	David Hatfield25
Emilie Lafrenz14	Steve Bradford25
Katht Speder14	Donna Brandis Ehler26
Carol Ferguson15	Gisela Motzkus27
Mary Kay Eades16	Kathy Seketa27
Randy Helms16	Henry Hermes27
Lonnie Winn17	Rhonda Wood28
Nancy Loeb17	Laura L. Redpath28
Jan Smith17	Jennifer Elders28
Cindy Moreno18	John Ransdell
Carl Spath19	Lisa Kidd30

Grounds of Grace Wish List

Trash bags

GIFT BASKETS FOR NEW RESIDENTS

- Body wash & body lotion (travel size)
- Toothbrushes & toothpaste
- Adult coloring books & pencils
- · Gift cards in any amount to Salvation Army
- · Books (no traumatic or sexual themes)
- Facial scrubs, cleansers, moisturizers (travel size)
- Shampoo & Conditioner (travel size)

ON-GOING NEEDS

- Bedding (twin size)
- Dish soap & laundry soap
- Toilet paper
- Cleaning supplies

- Journals & pens
- Pocket calendars
- Socks
- Nail Kit

Shampoo, Conditioner, & Body

Wash (both full or travel size)

FUNITIES IN IRELAND

March in Ireland historically rains 30 of 31 days, which makes the countryside lush with bright green grasses and bushes. SSC's toured Ireland for the last two weeks of March and were lucky to have sunny dry weather at more than half of the days. Our Irish guide, Sean, kept telling us we brought such beautiful weather like he'd never seen in March.

It wouldn't be right to start a talk about Ireland without a good old Irish pub joke to offend someone. So here goes.... Sam and Mick were sitting at the bar in Galway enjoying a pint and talking to the bartender. A man walks in, orders a pint, and asks a lad at the bar, "well lad where are you from?" The lad responds, "Ireland, for sure!" Then the man

asks, "Is that so, what city are you from, lad?" The lad says, "Well I'm from Dublin, don't ya know." The man says, "well me to, and lad what hurling team did you play for?" The lad proudly responds, "Oh, I played for the Dublin Faughs 1990 championship team." The man is surprised and says, "me to!" Well Sam says to the bartender that's quite a coincidence, and the bartender says," not really, this is probably the fourth pub for the O'Malley twins tonight and they aren't remembering to much!"

Deeya gwitch (Hello) Our trip started in the capital city of Dublin, where it was our first opportunity to sample the Guinness stout. Yes, it definitely does taste better than in the states, partly because it is always kept 62F and because of the art of the pour. Several of us learned the art and earned a diploma from the Guinness Brewery. We learned all that must be done in 119.5 seconds to get the perfect pour. The entire gang was at the Guinness Bar for a free sample of their famous draft (see Picture 1). Dublin is also the home of Trinity University to saw the Book of Kells, a translation of Mathew, Mark, Luke and John by local Monks in AD 800. Our SSC beer consultant, Sandy Schinneer, led us to this special pub (see Picture 2) and several of us ended the afternoon at Brazen



Head Pub which is the oldest continually operating pub in Ireland. Brazen Head opened in 1198 and is still operating 819 years later. On the outskirts of Dublin is the Waterford

> Crystal manufacturing plant. We watched artisans blow glass, cut intricate patterns, and etch designs in the glass pieces. Goblets, vases, bowls, trophies, and even a huge glass panda bears were on display. Many souvenirs were bought from the shop. One of Waterford's famous trophy's was the People's Choice Award, and our very own Rich Berg must have been pretty impressive at something because he was presented the award on the spot for his obvious talents (see Picture 3).

We toured for 12 days and 2 days traveling to and from Ireland. The touring was on a

money. Ta me go maith (I am doing well). They raised most of their food and bartered for what they needed. He tells his nephews how he had no electricity, no running water,



or indoor toilets and they think he's making it up. He says Ireland in the 60s was probably like most of USA is the 30's. But joining after the European Union in the early 70's Ireland benefitted

tremendously. Their GDP grew steadily, they built interstates, ports, and airports. Ironically, Ireland, with all its progress is still a net emigration country. Since just before the potato famine, their population has gone from

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bus with Irish guide Sean. Sean was native to Ireland, growing up in rural Northern Ireland. His parents had a farm in the 60s. He said he grew up poor but didn't really know it because he often said they had all that they needed living on the farm, except



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6.5 million (1840) to 4.5 million now. More people leave Ireland each year than come into the country. It is hard to believe such a vibrant, beautiful country that's so rich in tradition has trouble keeping its people at home.

There were many other escapades over the 14-day tour. In the many towns where we were housed, we took pub crawls in the evenings and sampled the local brew, whiskey, and song. Slainte (Cheers). The activities always led to your typical photo bomb sometime thru the evening (see Picture 4) and fun was always had. Occasionally, the Trip Leader and VP of Tours had to go off to the side and discuss if such photo-bombing deserved official SSC retaliatorily action (see Picture 5) or not. Even the Irish Highway Department showed a little sense of humor (see Picture 6) as we used a ferry at one point in the trip.

Later in the trip we visited the Port of Cobe which is the last port of the Titanic before its historic voyage into history. We saw the docks where its passengers were ferried then loaded on board the ocean liner and readied for their trip to America. Cobe was a special stop for SSC, because we split up into smaller groups of 6 and visited local Irish homes where we had lunch, sat, and talked with the host. We got to learn about contemporary living in Ireland from our hosts. It was a nice touch that our tour company, Grand Circle Travels, prides itself on doing.

Of course, we visited Killarny, Ireland, home to Blarney Castle (see Picture 7) and kissed the Belarney Stone for good luck. We spent several days in Killarney touring the various sites, and many beautiful vista but the one that is most magnificent is the Cliffs of Moher (see Picture 8). As we left Killarney, we a visited a sheep farm where we watched a young sheep dog hard at work. Herding the sheep is more like fun for this dog, he couldn't wait to go after them and herd them back to the barn. Here (see Picture 9) you see him taking off on the farmer's command. Most interesting was the medium sized dog could

jump over the fence in the back ground and did so several times with ease for our entertainment.

Well there was so much more to tell about our trip, but can't get it all in one short newsletter article. I believe everyone on the trip would tell you that it was one of their best tours. It turned out to be a magnificent group of people, a wonderful

guide and bus driver. Grand Circle Travel was a good touring company, the weather was better than expected, and the trip came in under budget al-

lowing a little refund. We can't wait for SSC's next Spring Trip to be announced and wondering where it will be in 2018!

Slan go foil (Bye for now). David Sloat, Trip Leader, Ireland 2017









Grips day trips day trips day trips day trips day trips JOIN US FOR A FUN DAY IN MONTICELLO • SATURDAY, JULY 1, 2017 TRIP LEADER: KAREN O'BEIRNE • PRICE: \$72 • LAST DAY TO SIGN UP IS JUNE 15TH

ESTIMATED DEPARTURE 9:00AM & RETURNING 7:00PM

Our fun day will start at Robert Allerton National Park. A privite tour of the mansion, aardens and lunch is included.









THE GATE KEEPERS HOME THE WALLED GARDEN

Then will be headed to the Monticell Railway Museum to learn about the history of trains and enjoy a ride on a vintage train



To top off the day we will enjoy a beverage in the newly opened Monarch

Brewing Company. The building is a renovated old church. They serve 28

handcrafted Brews made on site.

RIVER CRUISE "*Christmas Markets Along The Danube*" Vienna, Austria to Nuremberg, Germany

NOVEMBER 24 - DECEMBER 2, 2017

Trip Price: Between \$2,300-\$2,400 per person (double occupancy) Single Supplements are not available Trip Leader: Joan Gardner • Limited to 32 people

Immerse yourself in Germany's and Austria's traditions as you cruise the beautiful Danube River, visiting enchanting Christmas Markets along the way. Enjoy selections from colorful food stalls, including



Bratwurst, mulled wines, sweets and pastries. Find beautiful handmade ornaments and other fine crafts. Watch local groups as they present live music, chorale offerings, and Nativity scenes - be swept up in the warm, happy spirit of the season all around you!





Included:

- All transportation including bus to/from O'Hare, round trip air flights, and all transfers to and from ship
- 9 days, 7 of which are spent on board the river ship the M/S Aria (Unpack only once!)
- 21 meals (7breakfasts, 7 lunches, 7 dinners
- Complimentary wine, beer, soft drinks
- 4 city tours (Nuremberg, Regensburg, Passau, Melk,) plus time in Linz and Vienna, up to 6 Christmas Markets
- 5 exclusive Discovery Series Events and lectures: Engineering Innovations & River Travel, German Language Lesson, Regensburg Concert, Stollen cooking demonstration, German Christmas Traditions discussion
- Dedicated Program Director to accompany you every day, who will provide insider's knowledge and perspective, to enrich your experience.
- Gratuities for local guides and bus drivers.

 Optional Tours: Salzburg, the Sound of Music City
 Musical Vienna

 Pre-trip to Vienna and/or post-trip to Munich can be arranged on your own through
 Grand Circle Travel at \$545.00 for each trip.

Learn more and watch free Videos about this trip at www.GCT.com

Deposit at sign-up, April 23, 2017: \$600.00

AT SIGN-UP, SUBMIT A COPY OF THE FIRST PAGE OF YOUR PASSPORT WHICH SHOWS YOUR PICTURE, PASSPORT NUMBER, DATE OF BIRTH, ETC. WITH YOUR TRIP APPLICATION Passports must be valid for 6 months after the return date for international travel

2nd Payment due 5/23/17 \$600.00 3rd Payment due 6/23/17 \$600.00 4th Payment due 7/23/17 \$600.00 (may be adjusted up or down depending on finalization of costs) Cancellation Policy Cancel more than 90 days prior to trip, \$325.00 60-89 days prior, pay 10% of trip cost; 30-59 days prior, 65%; less than 30 days prior to trip, pay 100%. The Ski Club strongly recommends the purchase of trip insurance.

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SPRINGFIELD SKI CLUB Membership Application

Amount \$ _____ Date: _____ ID# _____ *(Club Use Only)*

May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018

(Mail the completed form along with your check to Springfield Ski Club, P.O. Box 1146, Springfield, IL. 62705)

Membership and Directory Information			
Full Name	Category Individual Family S.K.I.		
Address			
City	State Zip		
Home Phone () Cell Phone ()		
Email Address			
Type New Renewal			
Check for listing in Club Directory 🗌 Home Address 🗌 Em	nail Address 🔄 Home Phone 🔄 Cell Phone		
All members will receive two printed full Snowjourners each yea version for the other 10 months, check the box here:	r, and 10 electronically. To receive a printed copy of the 2 page		
Primary Membership Information First Name MI			
Membership and Dues – Non-Refundable	Club Interests (Check all that interest you):		
\$40 Individual (over age 21)	Board Member		
\$50 Family (Spouses and Children under age 21)	Activities (Party Chairperson, Volunteer at Parties)		
\$10 Reciprocal Membership (must be member of one of	Membership (Volunteer at Sign Up Parties)		
the following clubs (Indicate with a \checkmark)	Community Service (Volunteer at Charity Events)		
Bloomington	Trip Leader for Ski and/or Day Trips		
Champaign	Sports Coordinator (Billiards, Bowling, Golf, Tennis)		
Peoria	Skier Development		
Lifetime Member (must be member for 25 <u>consecutive</u> years)	Other		

How did you discover our Club? (i.e., Friend, Website, Radio Ad, Club event)

Membership and Family Data:

	Birth Date	Adult/		Single/ Married
Name of Each Individual (include yourself)	MM/DD/YY	Child	Sex	Married

Anyone 21 years of age and older, after 2014 - 2017 Directory, is eligible for membership in the Springfield Ski Club. Family membership is one or two adults in the same household and their children. (See Bylaws, Article IV, pages 15 and 16 of 2014 - 2017 Directory. This membership entitles you to membership in the Ski Kouncil of Illinois (S.K.I.)

In applying for Springfield Ski Club Membership, I (We) intend to participate in meetings and activities, uphold the constitution and by-laws, and abide by the decisions of the Executive Board. I (We) voluntarily agree not to hold the Springfield Ski Club, its agents, officers, Executive Board or members liable for any accident or injury to myself or for any loss of damage or destruction to my property, which may result from or on account of my participation in a Club activity.

Signature

SPRINGFIELD SKI CLUB Application Form for Trips/Sporting Events

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Trip/Sporting Ev	vent:			Date of Application:
Name*:				Member Number:
Address:			_ E-mail Addr	ess:
City:			State:	Zip:
Home #:		Cell #:		Work#:
Emergency Con	tact:		Phone #:	
	•	dical problems of If yes, describe	• •	any special medications which your

Complete this section for Ski or Tour trips only:					
Male: Female: DOB:	DL #:	DL State:			
Passport # (if international trip): Passport Exp Date:					
Roommate Preference: Other Request:					
Are you interested in: NASTAR racing?	Lessons? _	Are you a skier? Yes No			

The Springfield Ski Club in good faith makes every effort to complete a scheduled activity or trip as advertised, and to accommodate the requests of its members. However, the Club will not be held responsible if arrangements are changed beyond our control or if specific requests cannot be honored. This includes, but is not limited to, changes in our itineraries, airline arrangements or schedules, hotel or condo reservations, destinations, and emergencies requiring a modification of any scheduled activity or trip. Your signature below warrants you have read and understand this statement.

I agree to make the appropriate published trip payments on the scheduled due dates.

I have also read and understand the trip policy statements on page two of this form and agree to abide by them.

As a participant of the trip described above: I voluntarily agree not to hold the Springfield Ski Club, its agents, officers, Board of Directors, or members liable for any accident or injury to myself, or for any loss of or damage or destruction to my property, which may result from or on account of my participation in a Club activity.

Signed:

Date:

* For trips involving airline travel or overseas travel, your name must be written exactly as it appears on your passport or drivers license. Do NOT use nick-names.

<u>For trip leader us</u>	<u>se only</u>	App. No	Wait List:
Full Trip Price:	\$	Partial Trip Price: \$	Notes:
1 st Deposit:	\$	Due://	Paid://
2 nd Deposit:	\$	Due://	Paid://
Final Payment:	\$	Due://	Paid://
Approved Refund:	\$	Total Paid: \$	

STANDING RULE #2 CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY (11/14/96), (Amended 5/13/99, 4/9/05 and 1/8/15)

"Cutoff" dates and non-refundable deposits for trips and activities may vary according to transportation, lodging or other associated deposits. Cutoff dates for trips and activities will be established for each trip or activity by the Executive Board and published in the monthly newsletter. All cancellations must be made to the Trip Leader in writing or via e-mail. Refunds will be made as follows:

- 1. For cancellations before the published cutoff date, a full refund of all monies paid will be issued in a timely manner, less any Executive Board-approved cancellation processing fee established and published in conjunction with the trip or activity advertisement in the monthly newsletter.
- 2. For cancellations after the cutoff date, refunds will be as follows:
 - a. For any trip or activity where the allotted number of spaces are completely reserved and a replacement can be found, a cancellation may be made and a full refund issued, less any processing fees, as described in paragraph 1, above, any time prior to the departure of the trip or the start of the activity, provided the replacement person pays the full amount due, in accordance with the payment schedule for the trip or activity.
 - b. If a replacement cannot be found, the member canceling the trip or activity may submit, in person, in writing, or via email, a request for a refund. This request must be sent to either the trip leader, the appropriate VP or directly to the Executive Board. The request must be submitted within 15 days after the scheduled start date of the trip or activity and shall state the reason for the cancellation and the amount of refund requested. Requests will only be considered by the Executive Board, and refunds will only be made, once the trip or activity is completed and the full financial statement has been submitted for review and approval, as described in Standing Rule #13. Any refund approved by the Executive Board will come from recoverable expenditures derived from the specific trip or activity and not from the Club's general fund.
 - c. Refunds will be distributed no later than 180 days after the first scheduled day of the trip or activity.

STANDING RULE #5 TRIP MANAGEMENT AND CONDUCT (11/14/96), (Amended 4/9/05 and 1/8/15)

- 1. All Trip Leaders shall be at least 21 years of age.
- 2. Trips shall be run as advertised, unless ski conditions, safety or wellbeing of trip participants dictate otherwise, in which case, the decision for an alternate plan rests with the Vice President of Ski Trips, Day Trips. or Tour Trips (as appropriate) or the President prior to departure. After departure, this authority rests with the trip leader.
- 3. Conduct by any individual which is offensive or hazardous to others or that does not project a good image of the Club could result in expulsion from the trip at the nearest place of public lodging or transportation by the authority of the trip leader. The trip leader will provide a review of the circumstances at the next Executive Board meeting with a board decision to maintain or cancel the individual's Club membership.
- 4. Individuals will be held responsible for any damage to personal or real property of others.
- 5. Club arranged accommodations cannot be shared with non-trip participants.

STANDING RULE #7 GROUND TRANSPORTATION SMOKING POLICY (11/14/96)

- 1. Smoking will only be allowed during scheduled stops approximately every two hours of travel, if requested. NO smoking inside the travel vehicle is allowed.
- 2. Trips under two hours in duration will be classified as "non-smoking trips."

STANDING RULE #8 PARTIAL SKI TRIP PACKAGES (11/14/96) (amended 4/9/05)

- 1. For trips involving a request to delete air (or other packaged form of transportation) service, only the actual cost of the ticket will be deducted from the trip price. The participant's portion of the club's overhead cost, including ground transportation to the airport or rail station used for the trip, will be included in the partial trip price.
- 2. All requests for partial trip packages will only be honored to the point where the Club may drop reserved seats without penalty from the tour operator and/or the carrier.
- 3. If a request for a partial trip participation is made and honored, the participant must make payment in the full amount within 5 days of the approval notification. A "partial" trip payment is not refundable unless the trip is canceled. CANCELLATION CUT-OFF DATES DO NOT APPLY. The club will not refund or attempt to "resell" partial trip packages should the participant drop from the trip any time after payment is made.
- 4. Requests to exclude lift tickets from a trip package must be made at the time of sign up. Requests for partial trip packages, including lift tickets, will only be honored to the point where the Club may drop such tickets, or other items, without penalty or loss of income (including any comp). Unless otherwise approved by the Vice President of Ski Trips, the member requesting "no lifts" will pay the full trip price. After the trip is completed, the unused lift ticket will be returned by the Club to the tour operator or the ski area for possible refund. Any refund will then be made to the member by Club check. Refunds may not be possible if purchase and use of a lift ticket by all trip participants is required for the Club to receive a discounted "group rate."