

Snowjourner

Bringing together the people of the Springfield Ski and Travel Club



DINING OUT

Thursday, November 3, 2022

LA FIESTA GRANDE

2830 Stevenson Drive

Cocktails at 5:30

Dinner at 6:00

Reservations are required by

Noon on Monday, Oct. 31, 2022

Don Broughton

Dining Out Chairman

Brought617@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS IS RAPIDLY APPROACHING!!

Mark your calendar and plan to celebrate
this Christmas Season at the

CLUB'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 10th | Sangamo Club

227 East Adams Street | 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Chef Kerrick is planning a delicious wide assortment of hors d'oeuvres for our dining pleasure. Drinks will be available at the cash bar and Jon Roth with Music Source will provide music for dancing.

Although formal dress is not required, we encourage our beautiful ladies to wear dressy party attire and our handsome gentlemen to wear a sport coat or suit, or perhaps even that tuxedo that's been hanging unused in the closet.

Please RSVP by December 1st to Joyce Ludwig via email at joyce2ludwig@outlook.com, text or call 217-725-9125.

Save the Date

HAPPY HOUR

November 17, 2022

Harvest Market

Dining Out

December 1, 2022

Chesapeake Seafood House

"ICELAND - Land of Fire and Ice"

March 17-25, 2023

Nancy Chesley - 217-415-0656

nmchesley@comcast.net

Pat Chesley - 217-210-1920

patchesley@gmail.com

Enchanting Peru Tour

October 5-16, 2023

DiAnn Trapp - 217-415-8055

diannaroo@gmail.com

Patty Staab - 217-836-4406

patstaab@comcast.net

Welcome New Members

Diane Osman

Janet and Michael Mark

Selena Midden

November Birthdays

Name	Date	Name	Date
Michele D. Anson Cimarossa	4	Karen Fifer	15
Sarah Dellert	4	Pat Carver	16
Gail Meissen	4	Joyce Ludwig	18
Carolyn S. Wenneborg	4	Deanna J. Page	18
John Welker	5	Tim Milam	19
Bob Cowles	5	Nancy Chesley	21
Mike Vonnahmen	6	Sandy Frank	22
Sue Shanahan	7	Connie Kennedy	22
Karol Young	7	Pat Michael	22
Sarah Repp	7	Tim Fuhrmann	23
Gloria Heggy	8	Mary Lou Johnsrud	23
Connie Long	8	William (Bill) Bernard	24
Mary Ann Heller	9	Nila Riggs	24
F. Michael Castleman	9	Mark Petrilli	25
Marty Milligan	10	Larry Manning	26
Anne Midden	10	Jill Roth	26
Steve Burke	10	Pamela Wilson	26
Jeannine Pickering	10	Patti McMurray	27
Gary Bacon	11	Ken Lazar	28
Greg Laun	11	Nancy Haines	28
Dave Trapp	12	Mary Parsons	29
Sandy Schinneer	13		

NOVEMBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Dining Out La Fiesta Grande	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 Board Meeting	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Happy Hour	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving	25	26
27	28	29	30			

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

In November we usually think of Thanksgiving. I am thankful for the wonderful harvest Illinois is having this year.

I am thankful for the terrific trips to Croatia-Slovenia and Greece that SSTC offered this past year.

I am thankful for the variety of Day Trips now offered by our club.

I am grateful that the SSTC offered an unexpected Happy Hour in October. I give thanks for your hard working SSTC Executive Board that gives much of their time and effort for all club members. Check out the list of people I am thankful for--all of you, as listed on pages 33-66 of the SSTC directory!

I think the best word to describe this time of year is BOUNTIFUL! The SSTC Oktoberfest was truly enjoyed by all with the bountiful weather, food, and fun. We want to give special thanks to Roger Schnelton who once again generously hosted the event, making it truly the OktoberBEST event!

Now we look forward to the bountiful food to be shared with family and friends as Thanksgiving Day approaches. And this will soon be followed by the most joyous time of the year as we enjoy the sights and sounds of the Christmas season!

O GIVE THANKS!

Richard Bergt
President

DAY TRIPS

FALL FOLIAGE LUNCH CRUISE

Moline, IL - Belle Riverboat | Fri, Oct 14, 2022

In conjunction with Peoria Charter Travel, the club has been given the opportunity to participate in several day trips. On October 14, Mary Lou Jackson and Joyce Metz traveled on



Peoria Charter from Morton to Moline where they boarded the Celebration Belle for a fall foliage luncheon cruise with live music. The excursion boat was built in 1986 in Florida and is the largest on the upper Mississippi River. The boat

cruised north to LeClaire, IA, then back to Moline. While enjoying a buffet lunch and the fall foliage, the boat Captain narrated the history of the area we were cruising by. It was a beautiful day for observing on the top deck as well as meeting and talking to Captain Jeremy in the wheelhouse.

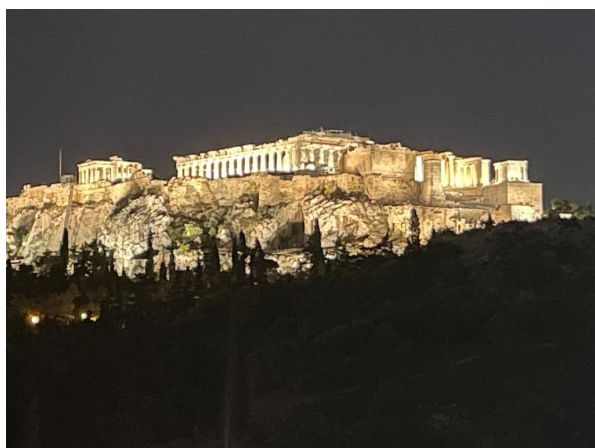


TRAVEL TRIPS

TRIP TO GREECE

September 2022

Forty-one travelers from the SS&TC had a wonderful vacation to Greece. September on the Mediterranean Sea was beautiful weather with sunny warm days and clear comfortable evenings. During its peak of worldly influence, Greece started democracy, the orthodox church, Alexander the Great, and contributed the teachings of the philosophers, Plato and Socrates. Athens is the capital city of Greece and we got to experience the ceremonial changing of the guard in front of the Parliament. We spent 4 days in Athens, Greece, seeing the architecture, eating authentic Greek food, and sightseeing the city. Many had dinner at the base of the Acropolis. This temple was at the top of the highest mountain in Athens and looked majestic all lit up at night. You could see it overhead from most everywhere in the city. The Acropolis is 25 centuries old. The first Olympics was held in Athens and the torch makes its way thru Athens every four years before it travels to the Olympic host site. Many of us spent the last day soaking up the sun, swimming, and eating at the Athens Riviera. Athens is a world-class city worth seeing!



We also spent 7-days on NCL's cruise ship Jade visiting 7-islands on two different seas, the Aegean and Ionian Seas. The Jade offered a variety of dining, nightly musical entertainment, nice pools, and our unlimited drink package was exciting! A few people hit big in the casino, too! Seven islands all had much history to teach us and ruins to see from centuries well before the birth of Christ. In Ephesus, we visited the house of the Virgin Mary where she lived after her son's crucifixion. We toured Rhodes, Mykonos, Santorini, and other islands. They were all picture-perfect! Thanks to the Committee that planned this trip, to the leaders who organized it, and to the travelers who congealed into a great group of friends!

UPCOMING DAY TRIPS

CLUE THE MUSICAL

November 2, 2022

WOODFIELD MALL/ IKEA SHOPPING

November 5, 2022

THE HISTORY & RITUALS OF AFTERNOON TEA

December 1, 2022

CHICAGO AUTO SHOW

February 15, 2023

Please direct any questions to
Wendy Schluter, VP for Day Trips
vpdaytrips@springfieldskiclub.org

SPRINGFIELD SKI & TRAVEL CLUB ENCHANTING PERU TOUR

WHEN: October 5-16, 2023

TRIP LEADERS:

DiAnn Trapp (diannaroo@gmail.com) or 217-415-8055

Patty Staab (patstaab@comcast.net) or 217-836-4406

PRICE:

Air & Land: \$3,850/person (double occupancy) subject to change after airfare is finalized

Single Supplement: \$450 (four singles available)

Land Only: \$2,760

Maximum number of participants is 28.

Due to the high elevation, travel in the Peruvian highlands may cause some passengers to experience the temporary effects of altitude sickness. If you have any concerns about traveling to higher than your accustomed elevation, please consult your healthcare provider.



TRIP INCLUDES:

- Round trip air transportation between St. Louis and Lima (fare is estimated and subject to change)
- Airport transfers in Peru for those flying with the group
- Two in-country flights for **ALL** travelers (including Land-Only travelers): Lima to Cuzco and Arequipa to Lima
- Government taxes, fees and airline fuel surcharges included but subject to change



- Twenty-eight passenger bus transportation throughout the trip
- English speaking guide
- Three full-day tours and five half/partial day tours
- Breakfast daily, five included lunches and three included dinners
- Welcome and farewell dinners – both in Lima but at different venues
- Gratuity for guide and bus driver while in Peru (not for optional tours)

Machu Picchu • Gratuity for hotel porter

- Gratuities for serving staff at provided meals

PAYMENTS:

- 1st Payment due 9/24/2022 – \$1,000 due at sign up
- 2nd Payment due 11/1/2022 – \$950.00 for double or \$1,100 for single
- 3rd Payment due 12/1/2022 – \$950.00 for double or \$1,100 for single
- 4th Payment due 1/6/2023 – \$950.00 for double or \$1,100 for single

The final payment (including land only fees) may be adjusted up or down depending on other fees or costs that may apply including those from the tour operator, airfare or from the Springfield Ski and Travel Club. Refunds or additional payment may be required if payment in full is received prior to the adjustment.

PASSPORTS AND VACCINATION CARDS:

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 trip return date for international travel. ALSO SUBMIT A COPY OF YOUR COVID-19 VACCINATION CARD SHOWING DATES FOR VACCINES AND BOOSTERS.

- **Cancellation Dates/Fees (Land Portion Only)**

Cancel by October 1, 2022 – Pay only the \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Cancel between October 2 and November 2, 2022 – 30% of trip cost is non-refundable plus \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Cancel between November 3 and December 3, 2022 – 50% of trip cost is non-refundable plus the \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Cancel after December 3, 2022 – Your obligation is the full price of the trip plus \$25 SSTC processing fee. No refunds will be given for unused portions of the package.

- All cancellations must be requested in writing. Contact the trip leader regarding any cancellation.
- **Airfare Cancellation** – Dates and amounts of refunds will be based on the airline policy after the airfares are published.
- **ALL CANCELLATIONS SUBJECT TO \$25 SSTC PROCESSING FEE.**

SPECIAL FEATURES:

- Tour of Colonial Lima, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Discover Cuzco, ancient capital of the Inca Empire
- Discover the astonishing ancient citadel of Machu Picchu via the PeruRail Expedition (train and walking tour)
- Drive through the Andean Plains to pristine Lake Titicaca
- Excursion by boat to the fascinating Uros Floating Islands
- Journey to the Colca Canyon, the deepest canyon in the world
- See the exquisite shimmering architecture of the “White City” of Arequipa
- Optional Half-Day Tours with prices:
 - Day 5, Morning – Visit Ancient Cuzco Ruins - \$59/person
 - Day 5, Afternoon – Tour Cuzco “Behind the Scenes” - \$59/person
 - Day 7, Afternoon – See the Sillustani Tombs - \$49/person



Lake Titicaca

HOTELS (subject to change based on availability):

- Lima – Jose Antonio Executive Hotel – 4* - (2 nights at beginning of trip)
- Cuzco – Jose Antonio Cuzco Hotel – 4* - (3 nights)
- Puno – Casa Andina Standard Puno – 4* - (2 nights)
- Colca – Aranwa Pueblito Encantado del Colca – 4.5* - (2 nights)
- Arequipa – Casa Andina Select Arequipa Plaza – 4.5* - (1 night)
- Lima – Jose Antonio Executive Hotel – 4* - (1 night at end of trip)

Trip Insurance: The Springfield Ski and Travel Club strongly recommends at a minimum the purchase of trip insurance covering accident, sickness or death of a participant or covered family member that would result in cancellation either prior to or during the trip. Travelers are encouraged to purchase “Cancel for Any Reason” insurance if possible (be sure to compare coverage as some packages do not cover the full price of a trip). Your trip insurance should be purchased as soon as possible to ensure complete coverage.

SPRINGFIELD SKI & TRAVEL CLUB

ICELAND – THE LAND OF ICE AND FIRE

WHEN: March 17-25, 2023

TRIP LEADERS: Nancy Chesley, nmchesley@comcast.net, (217)415-0656

Pat Chesley, patchesley@gmail.com, (217)210-1920

PRICE:

Air & Land: \$3,400/person (double occupancy) subject to change after airfare and hotel prices are finalized

Single Supplement: \$680

Land Only: \$2,750/person (double occupancy) subject to change after airfare and hotel prices are finalized - price adjusted on the 4th payment Minimum number of participants is 26, maximum is 40.



TRIP INCLUDES:



- Bus transportation to and from O'Hare Airport
- Round trip air transportation between Chicago and Reykjavik, Iceland (fare is estimated and subject to change)
- Airport transfers, government taxes, fees, airline fuel surcharges included but subject to change
- Hotels for seven nights
- Port fees and tourist taxes
- Motor coach transportation throughout the trip
- English speaking tour manager
- Breakfast daily, three dinners
- Gratuities for all group activities
- Entrance fees
- Coach parking fees

PAYMENTS:

- 1st Payment due at sign up event – \$1,000.00 double or \$1,020.00 single
- 2nd Payment due 7/1/2022 – \$800.00 double or \$1,020.00 single
- 3rd Payment due 9/1/2022 – \$800.00 double or \$1,020.00 single
- 4th Payment due 11/1/2022 – \$800.00 double or \$1,020.00 single
- Mail or deliver 2nd-4th payments to the Chesleys at 2512 Wydown, Springfield, IL 62704

The final payment (including land only fees) may be adjusted up or down depending on other fees or costs that may apply including those from the tour operator, airfare, hotel prices or from the Springfield Ski and Travel Club. Refunds or additional payment may be required if payment in full is received prior to the adjustment.

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Passports must be valid for 6 months after the trip return date for international travel. Also submit a copy of your COVID19 vaccination card showing dates for vaccines and boosters.

- **Cancellation Dates/Fees (Land Portion Only)**

Cancel by May 7, 2022 – Pay the SSTC \$25 processing fee.

Cancel between May 8 and June 20, 2022 – 30% of trip cost is non-refundable plus \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Cancel between June 21 and August 15, 2022 – 50% of trip cost is non-refundable plus the \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Cancel after August 15, 2022 – Your obligation is the full price of the trip plus \$25 SSTC processing fee. No refunds will be given for unused portions of the package.

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INCLUDED ACTIVITIES:

- Follow the Golden Circle in Southern Iceland
- View Reykjavik highlights
- See Snaefellsnes Peninsula
- Hike at night to see the Northern Lights (weather permitting)
- Dip in the Blue Lagoon (Be sure to bring a bathing suit!)
- Bingvellir National Park which is a UNESCO World Heritage site
- Tour a geothermal bakery and taste warm rye bread
- View Gullfoss, a dramatic two-tiered waterfall
- Experience Geysir's bubbling mud pools and Strokkur hot spring
- Tour the Olverk Brewery with a pizza buffet provided
- See lava fields and glaciers
- And much, much more!



Blue Lagoon

NOTE: Tour activity is medium to high. It includes hiking and walking behind a waterfall or on a glacier. Plan to wear layers and bring as little as possible. **Be prepared to carry your own luggage from bus to hotel rooms, because Iceland's hospitality does not include portage!**

HOTELS (subject to change based on availability):

- Midgardur by Center Hotels, Laugavegur, Reykjavik
- Icelandair Hotel Fludir
- Icelandair Hotel Klaustur

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