

Snowjourner

Bringing together the people of the Springfield Ski and Travel Club



DINING OUT CANCUN MEXICAN RESTAURANT

420 Crossing Drive | Sherman, IL

Thursday, October 5, 2023

Cocktails at 5:30 | Dinner at 6:00

Reservations are required by noon on Sunday, Oct. 1, 2023
(Requested by restaurant)

Don Broughton, Dining Out Chairman
Brought617@gmail.com

ADOPT-A-STREET CLEANUP

Saturday, Oct 14, 2023
Meet at 9:00 am

**St. John's
Lutheran Church
parking lot
on West Washington**

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Fall Signup Party was a tremendous success! Many thanks to Mary Schackmann, VP, for coordinating signups. Many thanks to Joyce Ludwig, VP Activities and her committee for the great food and decorations. An amazing 130 members participated in the party with ten additional members signing up, giving the SSTC 70 new members since May of this year. So happy to see so many new faces joining the club! Thanks Sue Monteyne, VP Membership for adding the new members.

Thanks to Jan Freeman, VP Day trips, and her committee offering two new day trips to Christmas in St. Charles and Josephine's/Aerie Winery. Thanks to Nancy Chesley, VP Tours, and her committees in offering Prague, Dresden, and Berlin trip for the fall of 2024, and the all-inclusive beach trip to Mexico in the winter of 2024.

Thanks to Gary Kindred, S.K.I. Representative and Rich Jachino, VP Ski Trips for their ski trips to British Columbia and Galena/Dubuque. All these offers are scheduled to proceed due to the overwhelming response of the members willing to participate and travel with the club. This makes us a very well-traveled club in Springfield!

We had a phenomenal response to the SSTC Christmas party this year. We sold out all 160 seats at the party! There is a wait list for anyone that did not get a chance to sign up with their reservation fee, and all reserved members are encouraged to alert Joyce Ludwig of any cancellations so other members can attend.

So happy to see the success of the sport offerings, with thanks to Jean Courtney Jacobs, Sports Chairperson. The Pool League is a go with Lynn Burger as the SSTC Pool Leader. Excellent job Lynn getting the League back together! Thanks to Mark Edmiston for coordinating our Golf outing at Bergen Golf Course. Thanks to Mike Green for keeping the SSTC Golf League going through the pandemic! The final bocce ball night for the season caps off a popular new sport option this year!

Thanks to Ed Huntley, Community Service Chairperson for the successful street cleanup and coordinating of State Fair parking for the APL. I am extremely thankful for the enthusiastic and welcoming members of the SSTC in participating in our happy hours, parties, sporting events, day trips and international tours! The SSTC Board members, Committee members, Trip Leaders, Sport Coordinators' hard work is being recognized by the membership and me. Thanks!

At your service,

Debi Barr-Holquist

President

Springfield Ski & Travel Club

SAVE THE DATE

Dining Out

November 2, 2023 - TBA

Happy Hour

November 16, 2023
Fire & Ale - Sherman

**Requests to be placed on the wait list may be submitted to Joyce Ludwig by email joyce2ludwig@outlook.com, call or text 217-725-9125.*

CHRISTMAS PARTY*

December 9, 2023
Panther Creek Country Club

Happy Hour

December 21, 2023
Brewski's Pub

OCEAN MAYA ROYALE

Riviera Maya, Mexico
February 16 - 22, 2024
Deon Bishop - 217-891-9669
bishopd576@gmail.com

Prague, Dresden & Berlin Tour
September 27 - October 8, 2024
Mary Harney - 217-725-1443
Bill Bernard - 217-741-4149
wrb2154@gmail.com

DON'T MISS THESE DAY TRIPS!

ILLINOIS/WISCONSIN HOMECOMING GAME

October 21, 2023
Trip Leader: Joyce Metz - (217) 816-4123;
joycemetz5@comcast.net

"Tina" at the Fox Theater - St. Louis

November 18, 2023
Trip Leader: Sheryl Friedrich - (217) 725-6919;
sfriedrich1@sbcglobal.net

Christmas in St. Charles

December 13, 2023
Trip Leader: Janice Broughton - (217) 725-6776

JOSEPHINE'S TEA ROOM

March 5, 2024
Trip Leader: Mary Lou Jackson - (217) 891-0738

ELECTED/APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS

President.....Debi Barr-Holquist
 Executive VP..... Mary Schackmann
 Treasurer.....Teresa Watkin
 Secretary..... Ruth Kopec
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 VP for Day Trips Jan Freeman
 VP for Tour Trips.....Nancy Chesley
 VP for Ski Trips..... Rich Jachino
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 Dine Out ChairDon Broughton
 Snowjourner EditorAmy Dodd
 Skier Development..... Gary Kindred
 Community Service..... Ed Huntley
 Sports Director Jean Courtney-Jacobs
 WebmasterLois Bloechle

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Barbara Watson • Mark Carnduff • Greg & Shelia Smith
 Carol Dyson & Andrew Asher • Karen A. Wright
 Cheryl Lawrence

OCTOBER Birthdays

Name	Date	Name	Date	Name	Date
Carol Dyson	1	Glenn Rohrbaugh	10	Steve Valasek	22
Carol Knapp	2	Grace Doolin	10	Alan Stutz	22
Shon Doyle	3	Sandy Nickell	10	Linda Daniels	23
Mark Edmiston	3	Tom McMurray	10	Rick Griminger	23
Connie Roberts	4	Jean Courtney Jacobs	10	Jan Cimarossa	23
Michael Fahsl	4	Lois Stone	11	Edward Huntley	24
Nancy Hamer	5	Arlene Mathews	11	Cheryl Lawrence	24
Michael Joyce	5	Geoff Gaar	13	Jo Ann Hannig	25
Thomas Bellaire	5	Don Broughton	13	JoAnn Shoraga	26
Ray Sitki	5	Kim Hopkins	14	Lisa Mau	26
Judy Nesbitt	7	Michael L Mark	16	Jeff Elston	26
Melody Brookshier	7	Charles Martin	16	Martha (Rose) Moser	28
Al Taylor	8	Martha Ann Meinhardt	16	Tim Habing	29
Tim Duggan	9	Debby Lewis	17	Dave Walters	30
Betsy Fuhrmann	9	Gary Kindred	18	Kim Rockford	30
Lee Bertagnolli	9	Danielle Skees	19		
Kevin Davlin	9	Debbie Young	19		

OCTOBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Biking at 9:00am Pool League at 6:30pm	5 Dining Out Cancun	6	7
8 Octoberfest Party	9 Walking at 9:00am	10	11 Biking at 9:00am Pool League at 6:30pm	12	13	14
15	16 Walking at 9:00am	17	18 Biking at 9:00am Pool League at 6:30pm	19 Board Meeting Happy Hour Harvest Market	20	21 Illini/Wisconsin Game
22	23 Walking at 9:00am	24	25 Biking at 9:00am Pool League at 6:30pm	26	27	28 Halloween Party
29	30 Walking at 9:00am	31				

ROGER'S 45TH ANNUAL



3 pm

Sunday, October 8, 2023

Come as early as 3 for beer & games.

Stay late for the bonfire.



MUSIC BY:

CURT SMITH ≈ 3 - 6

ANTONE & WICK ≈ 6 - ??

MEAT OFF THE GRILL ≈ 4:00

Burgers • Brats • Fish

Side dishes welcomed!

OKTOBERFEST • STYLE BEERS

Plus Special Guest Beers

PRE-FEST BIKING

45 mile ride 1pm

20 mile option ≈ 2:30pm

Led by Casey Primm

Everyone gets back in time to eat!

GAMES

Bean Bag Toss • Bocce Ball

Hillbilly Golf • Hammerschlagen

ROGER SCHNELTEN

245 CIRCLE DRIVE
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62703
217-529-0780

CARPPOOLING, UBER, & LAWNCHAIRS
RECOMMENDED!

BIKING AND WALKING WILL CONTINUE IN OCTOBER

Walking will be held every Monday at 9:00 am with meet up at Washington Park in the parking lot to the left (south) of the Carillon as you are standing in the road and looking at the Carillon. It's at the end of the road before it curves left. Lot is on the right side of the road AFTER you make the turn.

Biking will also continue every Wednesday at 9:00 am meeting in the parking lot at the start of the Centennial Trail, 5751 Bunker Hill Road, Springfield, IL 62711.

Both events are at the most comfortable pace for you.

Please notify janjoyce15@gmail.com if you know you will be attending these events or if you have any questions. Even if you don't contact us, all are welcome!

*If you any questions about this event, contact
Jean Courtney-Jacobs at
jean.courtney@comcast.net or 217-725-8296*

Be Our Guest

**Bring a guest to the next
SSTC Happy Hour!**

If you know someone who is interested in our amazing club, why not invite them?

As a general rule, a nonmember may attend two gatherings. Afterwards, we hope they consider membership.

Please note because reservations, event planning, cost and capacity are considerations given to major events such as the Christmas Party, participation is offered to members only.

Happy Hour is the perfect place to introduce your friends to our incredible club and there is one monthly!

Mary Schackmann
Executive Vice President

Vintage Wine Illinois 2023



To say that Louie Midiri played a huge role in the success of the trip to the Vintage Illinois 2023 Wine Festival in North Utica, Illinois is an understatement. He had contacted me a few days before the trip and offered to bring not only one but four pop-up tents to provide shelter from the sun. Well, for all of us wine lovers on the trip, the tents ended up keeping us all dry.

The rain, however, did not dampen our spirits as we went from booth to booth tasting wine from 24 different Illinois wineries. When we needed to dry out for a bit, we went back to the tents to share a bottle of wine and a snack.



A few friends and I discovered an amazing wine from Lasata Wines in Lawrenceville, Illinois. It is called the Traminator Jalapeno infused Winey Mary. If you are thinking Bloody Mary, you are certainly on the right track. We purchased a kit which included a bottle of the wine and two bottles of a special Bloody Mary mix. Wow!

Many thanks to the guys for setting up the tents. Our bus driver, Alice, was awesome and got us there in plenty of time even though Rich tried to tell her she was going the wrong way once. Ha Ha! Sorry Rich!

Amy Dodd, trip leader



CONTACT US

Do you have questions? We have answers.

SSTC has a new email address; SSTCquestions@springfieldskiclub.org.

It is now linked directly with our website, Springfield Ski and Travel Club. www.springfieldskiclub.org Thank you Lois Bloechle for all your detailed work in keeping this valuable resource up-to-date. Check this site first to see what is happening.

The Snowjourner link is added the first of each month. This link also appears on Facebook the first of each month. Mailed Snowjourners are experiencing snail mail which is beyond our control. We understand your frustration but cannot remedy this situation. Our best advice is to familiarize yourself with our website.

Add the email address to your contacts. Bookmark the website on your technology. Your inquiries will be monitored daily. Your question will be directed to the exact board member qualified to answer your question.

Please note, questions asked through Facebook may go unnoticed as this source is not monitored 24/7. SSTC Facebook page is reserved exclusively for promoting club events and activities.

2023 POOL LEAGUE



Play weekly games in a league environment that is fun and relaxed. Teams play in a rotating schedule against all other teams. Scores are handicapped to level the playing field, making games fun for newbies and experienced players alike.

WHEN? Wednesdays, September 20 - December 13

How do I sign up? *Advance registration is required for regular members via:*

- ▶ September 9th Sign-up party
- ▶ Snail mail by September 5th to Lynn Burger at 3916 Waterstone Way, Spfld IL 62711
- ▶ Subs may email their contact info.

September 20 is the kickoff Come at 6:00 to practice and socialize.

- ▶ Be checked in and ready to form teams by 6:30.
- ▶ Play the first round of official games.
- ▶ Regular players who cannot attend the first night should line up a Ski Club member to sub.
- ▶ Walk-ins will be added to the sub list.
- ▶ Subs are encouraged to attend the first night. You might be needed to sub!

Regular play continues September 27 - December 6

- ▶ Practice at 6:00 pm. Games start at 7:00 pm.

Scotch Doubles Tournament December 13 *Check in by 6:30.*

All people registered for the league will be informed via email whether or not the league is a go, after the sign-up party.

Who can play?

Adult members of the Springfield Ski & Travel Club, beginners to experts.

We need a minimum of 16 regular players to create at least four 4-person teams. Feel free to form your own teams if possible.

We'll try to match other players to teams the first night based on preregistered players in attendance by 6:30.

Subs also are needed.

Where?

Starship Billiards
2301 Stevenson Drive

What's the cost?

\$10 per person per week covers all official games, practice games beforehand, and open play afterwards, plus special food nights and prizes.

A separate fee is charged for the December 13 Scotch Doubles tournament.

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT:

Lynn Burger
Burgs252@gmail.com



ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY

October 28th | 6:00pm - 9:00pm
VFW | 2211 Old Jacksonville Rd.

Come dressed in your favorite Halloween Costume & win a prize award for:

Most Creative
Best Overall
Best Male
Best Female

No Tricks here! You will be treated to an evening of good food, music, dancing with a cash bar available.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 9th | 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Panther Creek Country Club

3001 Panther Creek Drive, Springfield, IL

Reservations for the Christmas Party at the Panther Creek Country Club on December 9th has closed. If for some reason cancellation is necessary, please be aware there will be no refunds. Cancellations should be made as soon as possible as we do have members on a wait list.

Requests to be placed on the wait list may be submitted to Joyce Ludwig by email joyce2ludwig@outlook.com, call or text 217-725-9125.

Closer to the event, each paid reservation will be emailed a ticket showing the name of the attendee. Thank you for your cooperation in making this year's Christmas Party a wonderful & festive experience!

SPRINGFIELD SKI and TRAVEL CLUB

Application Form for Trips/Sporting Events

☐ Ski Trip ☐ Tour Trip ☐ Day Trip ☐ Sporting Event
 (golf, bowling, tennis, billiards, etc.)

Trip/Sporting Event: _____ Date of Application: _____

Name*: _____ Member Number: _____

Address: _____ E-mail Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home#: _____ Cell#: _____ Work#: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone#: _____

Do you have any significant medical problems or do you require any special medications which your trip leader should be aware of? If yes, describe:

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.

For trip leader use only

App. No. _____ Wait List: _____

Full Trip Price: \$ _____ Partial Trip Price: \$ _____ Notes: _____

1st Deposit: \$ _____ Due: ____/____/____ Paid: ____/____/____

2nd 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."
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SPRINGFIELD SKI & TRAVEL CLUB

DAY TRIPPIN.....WE'RE DAY TRIPPIN!

TITLE: Fighting Illini Football Homecoming - Illinois vs Wisconsin at Illinois

(Wear your orange and blue or red)

WHEN: Saturday, October 21, 2023 (game time TBA)

TRIP LEADER: Joyce Metz, 217/816-4123 or joycemetz5@comcast.net

PRICE: \$65.00

Minimum number of participants is 20 for the trip to be a go

TRIP INCLUDES:

- Game ticket on the Illinois side in a group

ACTIVITIES:

- We may tailgate or go to a restaurant for a meal before or after the game depending on the time of the game and the consensus of the group.

A completed and signed Application for Trips with a check for \$65 must be received by Joyce Metz by July 1, 2023.

No refunds will be made once the tickets are ordered on July 2, 2023; but you may find a replacement to purchase your ticket.



SPRINGFIELD SKI & TRAVEL CLUB

DAY TRIPPIN.....WE'RE DAY TRIPPIN!

- TITLE:** Tina at the Fabulous Fox in St. Louis
- WHEN:** Saturday, November 18, 2023 leaving Meijer at 3:30 PM and returning approximately 12:30 AM
- TRIP LEADER:** Sheryl Friedrich 217-725-6919 sfriedrich1@sbcglobal.net
- PRICE:** \$165
- TRIP INCLUDES:**
- Ticket to the Show
 - Private chartered shuttle
- ACTIVITIES:**
- We will stop to eat before the performance. The price of your meal is not included.



Cancellation /Fees/Refunds: Should you have to cancel **no refund** will be paid unless a replacement can be found. If a refund is made a processing fee of \$25 will be deducted from your refund. **All refunds** are made after the trip is completed.



SPRINGFIELD SKI & TRAVEL CLUB

DAY TRIPPIN.....WE'RE DAY TRIPPIN!

TITLE: Christmas in St. Charles

WHEN: Wednesday, December 13, 2023 leaving Meijer at 12:30 PM and returning approximately 10:30 PM

TRIP LEADER: Janice Broughton 217-725-6776 janice.broughton@yahoo.com

PRICE: \$51

Minimum 35 participants, maximum 40

TRIP INCLUDES:

- Private chartered bus

ACTIVITIES:

- "A Christmas Carol" Stroll - Behold as our Main Street USA is transformed into the foggy streets of 1840s London where you are invited to enter the world of Charles Dickens' enduring holiday classic!
- Shopping for those unique gifts and holiday decorations
- Several restaurants and bars to choose from for some yuletide refreshments!



CANCELLATION DATES, FEES, AND REFUNDS:

- Cancel by September 23, 2023 – A refund will be promptly paid minus a \$25 processing fee.
- *Cancel after September 23, 2023 and a replacement is found – a refund will be paid minus a \$25 processing fee.
- *Cancel after September 23, 2023 and no replacement is found – Executive Board approval is required to issue any refund.
- *Refunds are made after the trip is completed.



SPRINGFIELD SKI & TRAVEL CLUB

DAY TRIPPIN.....WE'RE DAY TRIPPIN!

TITLE: Josephine's Tea Room/Aerie's Winery in Grafton

WHEN: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 leaving Meijer at 8:30 AM and returning approximately 5:30 PM

TRIP LEADER: Mary Lou Jackson, 217-891-0738

PRICE: \$61.00

We need a minimum of 30 participants (maximum 40 participants)

TRIP INCLUDES: Private chartered bus and shuttle van up to the winery

ACTIVITIES: We have reservations at 10:45 at Josephine's Tea Room. There will be plenty of time for shopping prior to the visit to the Winery. The price of your meal is not included.

SOLD OUT Join the Wait List



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Sun Peaks, British Columbia

Ski Kouncil Illinois 2024

January 21 - January 27

\$2,240 pp/dbl



Get ready for another Ski Kouncil winter adventure. Take advantage of a stronger dollar and travel to our northern neighbor. Current exchange rate is about \$1.00 to \$1.25. Sun Peaks is a European style village nestled in the Kootenay Rockies. The mountain ski area is the second largest in Canada. Here's what the website has to say about our destination:

"Deep steepes, long cruisers, glade zones, powder stashes, and corduroy groomers can all be found within 4,270 acres of skiable terrain. Three mountains surround a European-style, ski-through village filled with quaint shops, cafés, and eateries. Sun Peaks has an abundance of winter activities and events both on and off the slopes; from Nordic skiing to dog sledding and more."

Mountain stats:

4,270 acres of terrain, the second largest in Canada

Longest Run - 5 miles

Trails & Glades -138 including 19 gladed areas

Terrain Type - 10% novice, 58% intermediate, 24% advanced, and 10% expert

10-acre terrain park with distinct zones for all abilities

There are 13 chairlifts (including 7 high speed quads)

Annual Snowfall - 237" of powder

Cross Country – 18 miles of groomed trails

Base elevation is 4,100 ft. and the highest summit is 6,800 ft.

Free mountain tours twice daily

Sun Peaks is on the Ikon Pass. (Deduct \$400 if you have a pass).

Check out their website for more information about a variety of winter activities offered.

<http://www.sunpeaksresort.com/winter/>

We will stay at the Sun Peaks Lodge, a family operated hotel located in the heart of the quaint village. It is convenient to everything and just steps away from the chairlift (ski in-ski out). Village shops & restaurants are located outside the front door. The hotel has several amenities. A few of these are ski storage, a wellness area, and a ski rental shop on site.

<https://sunpeakslodge.com>

We will bus back to Vancouver late Friday afternoon and stay near the airport for a morning flight out.

Trip Includes:

Air from St. Louis to Vancouver

Ground transfer from Vancouver

5 nights lodging at the Sun Peaks Lodge, 1 night in Vancouver

5 day lift tickets

Daily full breakfast

Happy hours

Make checks out to Ski Kouncil Illinois (SKI)

Deposit \$1100

November 1 \$400

December 4 Balance

Trip Leader: Gary Kindred 217-341-9231 garykindred55@gmail.com

Ski and Travel Club – Ski Trip Show and Go
Contact Rich Jachino 217-741-1259 for any questions

We are planning a two day ski trip for **February 8-9, 2024** to Chestnut Mountain and Sundown. You will need to make your own reservations and provide your own transportation. We hope Richards House will still be open, if not we will need to find another location. You may want to come even if you do not ski, Richards House is very unique ! Information about these resorts have been copied from their websites.

Ski Trip Chestnut Mountain, Galena, Illinois February 8, 2024

Boasting an impressive array of amenities, accommodations, comforts and activities, Chestnut Mountain is the choice Illinois travel destination. Conveniently located near historic Galena, nestled neatly amongst the hills overlooking the Mississippi, it's the perfect place to escape the everyday. Chestnut's over 220 rolling acres and 475-foot vertical drop are home to 19 ski trails and a 7-acre terrain park, The Farside, featuring over 25 rails and structures. With two quad lifts, four triple chair lifts, two conveyor lifts and one surface lift, you won't be waiting in line to get back to the peak.

Website www.chestnutmtn.com Phone number **1-800-397-1320**

Address [8700 W Chestnut Mountain Rd, Galena, IL 61036](#)

Spend the night at Richards House, Feb 8th, Dubuque Iowa

Built in 1883, this four story Stick style (a variation of the Queen Anne style) mansion was constructed as a showcase of wood and stained glass. Website www.therichardshouse.com Phone # **1-563-557-1492**

The house still boasts of eight varieties of varnished woodwork (some from South America), eight fireplaces, 15 different patterns of embossed wallcoverings, original chandeliers, hand-painted and embossed tiles, elaborate built-ins, and a dazzling display of over 80 stained glass windows. The Richards House Bed and Breakfast Inn was established in 1989 by David Stuart. Michelle has been the innkeeper since July 1989.

Ski Sundown Mountain, Feb 9th, Dubuque Iowa

Website www.sundownmtn.com Address [16991 Asbury Rd, Dubuque, IA 52002](#)
Phone [\(563\) 556-6676](#)

At Sundown Mountain, we have something for every skier or snowboarder; whether you are an experienced winter enthusiast or just learning how to get down the hill, Sundown Mountain offers plenty of snowy fun and an unforgettable Midwest winter experience.

Beautifully carved through 85 acres of scenic cedar trees with state-of-the-art snowmaking, Sundown Mountain Resort is one of the best Midwest ski resort destinations and the only Midwest ski resort granted the NSAA Award of Excellence. We are also a proud Indy Pass Resort Partner.

**SPRINGFIELD SKI & TRAVEL CLUB
OCEAN MAYA ROYALE
RIVIERA MAYA, MEXICO**

WHEN: February 16-22, 2024

TRIP LEADER: Deon Bishop
217/891-9669
bishopd576@gmail.com

PRICE: **\$1,800.00 per person (double occupancy)**
Minimum number of participants is 21,
maximum is 30.
Minimum age is 18.
One Single Supplement is available at an
additional \$180.



Ocean Maya Royale
Riviera Maya, Mexico

TRIP INCLUDES:

- Round trip air transportation between St. Louis and Cancun
- Government taxes, fees, airline fuel surcharges included but subject to change.
- Ground transportation to and from the resort.
- Six nights in a Maya Deluxe room at the ADULTS ONLY, all-inclusive Ocean Maya Royale resort.

PAYMENTS:

Deposit at sign-up: \$600.00, plus additional \$60 for single supplement.

2nd Payment due October 15, 2023 – \$600.00, plus additional \$60 for single supplement.

3rd Payment due November 15, 2023 – \$600.00, plus additional \$60 for single supplement.

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

PASSPORTS:

AT SIGN-UP, SUBMIT YOUR TRIP APPLICATION AND A COPY OF THE FIRST PAGE OF YOUR PASSPORT WHICH SHOWS YOUR PICTURE, PASSPORT NUMBER, DATE OF BIRTH, ETC. YOUR TRIP APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETED TO EXACTLY MATCH YOUR PASSPORT INFORMATION. Passports must be valid for 6 months after the trip return date for international travel.

Cancellation Dates/Fees (Land portion only):

Cancel by September 29, 2023 – pay only the \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Cancel between September 30, 2023, and October 31, 2023 – 30% of trip cost is non-refundable plus \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Cancel between November 1, 2023, and December 1, 2023 – 50% of trip cost is non-refundable plus \$25 SSTC processing fee.

After December 1, 2023 – Your obligation is the full price of the trip plus \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Airfare Cancellation – Dates and amounts of refunds will be based on the airline policy after the airfares are published. 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.

ALL CANCELLATIONS SUBJECT TO THE \$25 SSTC PROCESSING FEE.

RESORT FEATURES:

Oceanfront resort
2 outdoor pools
3 themed restaurants plus buffet and sports bar
3 bars including swim-up bar
Mike's Coffee
Despacio Spa Centre at your cost
Evening entertainment and themed nights
Room Service – limited hours: 11 a.m.-11 p.m.
Free Wi-Fi
In-room safe
Tour desk

**ACTIVITIES:**

Gym
Non-motorized sports
Motorized sports and dive center for a fee
Beach and pool volleyball
Water aerobics
Tennis courts
Mini market
Boutique

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SPRINGFIELD SKI AND TRAVEL CLUB 13-DAY NORTHERN ITALY TOUR

WHEN: MAY 1-14, 2024 (Updated)

TRIP LEADER: Michael Bloechle – 1-217-787-1010 OR m.bloechle@comcast.net

PRICE:

- Air and Land - \$5400*/person - double occupancy
- Land Only - \$4300*/person - double occupancy
- Single Supplement - \$1700* (five singles available)

**Special Note: Prices are based on Vendor's best estimate, current airfare/fuel charges and the current exchange rate of the Euro. Each of these costs are subject to change before final purchase.*

- Minimum number of participants is 30; maximum is 40

TRIP INCLUDES:

- Bus transportation to and from O'Hare Airport.
- Air transportation between Chicago-Munich and Milan-Chicago (Airfare is estimated and subject to change.)
- Hotels for 12 nights (3 nights in Bolzano, 3 nights in Venice, 2 nights in Bologna, 2 nights in Verona, 2 nights in Como). **Actual hotels may change based on availability.**
- Airport transfer, government taxes, fees, airline fuel surcharges included but subject to change.
- Full time local tour guide and whispers.
- Buffet breakfast each day.
- Four lunches.
- Italian Welcome & Farewell Dinners.
- Three-course dinner in Venice.
- Gratuities for all group activities.
- Private modern A/C coach throughout the trip.
- Private boat transfers in Venice from coach terminal to hotel and vice versa.



VENICE

PAYMENTS:

- 1st Payment due at sign-up event - \$2400
- 2nd Payment due 6/23/23 - \$1000 per person double or \$1600 for single
- 3rd Payment due 8/25/23 - \$1000 per person double or \$1600 for single
- 4th Payment due 10/27/23 - \$1000 per person double or \$1500 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 and have at least 3 blank visa pages 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 April 29, 2023 – Pay only the \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Cancel between April 29, 2023, and June 23, 2023 – 30% of trip cost is non-refundable plus \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Cancel between June 24, 2023, and July 24, 2023 – 50% of trip cost is non-refundable plus \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Cancel after July 24, 2023 – Your obligation is the full price of the trip plus \$25 SSTC processing fee.

Airfare Cancellation – Dates and amounts of refunds will be based on the airline policy after the airfares are published.

No refunds will be given for unused portion of the package.

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ALL CANCELLATIONS SUBJECT TO \$25 SSTC PROCESSING FEE.

Activities:

- Arrive in Munich, cross the beautiful alpine landscape of Bavaria and Austria to reach Bolzano with a stop in Innsbruck for lunch.
- Visit the Dolomite landscape.
- Travel the south Tyrolean wine road to Venice.
- Guided tour of Venice – Doge's Palace, St. Mark Square and the Rialto Bridge.
- Private boat excursions to Murano and Burano Islands.
- Visit to a glass blowing factory in Murano.
- Half-day guided tours in Bolzano, Venice, Bologna, Sirmione, Verona and Como.
- Visit to a Parmesan Cheese factory with tasting in Modena/Bologna area.
- Guided tour of Bologna – see the porticos, monuments and towers of what UNESCO has defined as the best-preserved medieval center in the world.
- Visit the Scaligero Castle and the ancient thermal baths in Sirmione.
- Visit Juliet's house with the famous balcony in Verona.
- Full-day guided tour in Lake Como.
- Cruise Lake Como to Bellagio.
- And a little time to explore this area on your own!!!



LAKE COMO

HOTELS: (Subject to change based on availability)

- Bolzano – 3 nights at the 4-star Hotel Stadt
- Venice – 3 nights at the 4-star Hotel Indigo Sant-Elena
- Bologna – 2 nights at the 4-star Starhotels Majestic
- Verona – 2 nights at the 4-star Hotel Indigo des Arts
- Como – 2 nights at the 4-star Hotel Metropole and Suisse

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SPRINGFIELD SKI AND TRAVEL CLUB PRAGUE, DRESDEN & BERLIN TOUR

WHEN: September 27 – October 9, 2024

TRIP LEADER: Mary Harney, 217-725-1443
Bill Bernard, 217-741-4149
Email: wrb2154@gmail.com

PRICE:

- Air and Land - \$4,750*/person - double occupancy
- Land Only - \$3,650*/person - double occupancy
- Single Supplement - \$850*/person (six singles available)
*Special Note: Prices are based on Vendor's best estimate of current airfare/fuel charges and the current exchange rate of the Euro (1 EUR = \$1.11). Each of these costs is subject to change before final purchase.
- Minimum number of participants is 21; maximum number of participants is 40.

TRIP INCLUDES:

- * Bus transportation to and from Lambert Airport, St. Louis, MO
- * Air transportation between St. Louis – Prague and Berlin – St. Louis (airfare is estimated and subject to change.)
- * Deluxe motorcoach throughout as per itinerary including all necessary fees, all taxes and charges for ground services
- * English speaking tour escort throughout from Prague airport to arrival in Berlin on October 5 (7 days)
- * Hotel for 11 nights including portorage of luggage in/out (4 nights in Prague, 3 nights in Dresden, 4 nights in Berlin)
- * Daily European breakfast buffet at hotels
- * Welcome dinner, 3-course dinner or buffet dinner at hotel
- * Bohemian Folklore dinner at local restaurant in Prague including beverages
- * Vltava Dinner Cruise for 2 ½ hours including buffet and welcome drink
- * 3-course dinner at local restaurant in Dresden
- * 3-course lunch including 1 glass of wine at Restaurant Vincenz Richter in Meissen, Germany
- * Farewell dinner at a typical German local restaurant in Berlin
- * Entrance fees and tours to all listed activities
- * Audio headsets for all city tours



PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

PAYMENTS:

- 1st Payment due at sign-up event on 9/9/23 - \$1200
 - 2nd Payment due 11/9/23 - \$1200 per person double or \$1500 for single
 - 3rd Payment due 01/9/24 - \$1200 per person double or \$1450 for single
 - 4th Payment due 03/09/24 - \$1150 per person double or \$1450 for single
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Passports must be valid for 6 months after the trip return date.

Activities:

- Arrive in Prague and enjoy a private motor coach drive to our hotel where we will enjoy a welcome dinner.
- Full-day tour of Prague including the Historic Center, Old Town and Republic Square, Powder Tower, Tyn Church, Royal Way, Clam-Gallas and Kinsky Palaces and more. In the evening enjoy a marvelous cruise on the Vltava River which includes dinner.
- 2nd day – tour of Prague visiting many famous places on the left bank of the Vltava River including Hradčany Castle, Church of St. Nicholas, Lennon Peace Wall and the Charles Bridge. Dinner at the hotel.
- Optional half-day tour in Prague.
- While traveling from Prague to Dresden tour Terezin including a tour of Terezin Concentration Camp led by an expert guide. Also stop in the picturesque valley of České středohoří highlands in Zubrnice where we will enjoy an open-air museum and the Church of St. Mari Magdalena.
- Half-day guided tour of Dresden. Enjoy a drive through the romantic river landscape of the Elbe, past three palaces and vineyards. Cross over the historic bridge, “The Blue Wonder.” Stop at Pfund’s Dairy. Experience a walk through the city seeing the famous Semper Opera House and Bruhl’s Terrace, also known as the “Balcony of Europe.”
- Explore Meissen with our local guide. Discover porcelain manufacturing and the artisan district. Experience a special lunch at the famous wine-restaurant Vincenz Richter.
- Take a walking tour of the city of Luther, Wittenberg, on our way to the historic German city of Berlin.
- Guided sightseeing and orientation of Berlin including Charlottenburg Palace, Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, remains of the Berlin Wall, Museum Island, Brandenburg Gate and more.
- Excursion to Potsdam to visit the famous Cecilienhof Palace and other sights.
- Visit Sachsenhausen memorial camp followed by a free afternoon in Berlin.
- Farewell dinner in one of Berlin’s beer hall restaurants.

HOTELS (Subject to change based on availability)

Prague – Hotel Adria, 4* (Wenceslas Square), Sept. 28-Oct. 2, 2024

Dresden – Hotel Amedia Plaza, 4*, Oct. 2-5, 2024

Berlin – B&B Hotel Alexanderplatz, 4*, October 5-9, 2024



DRESDEN, GERMANY

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SPRINGFIELD SKI & TRAVEL CLUB

Membership Application May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2024

Amount \$ _____

Date _____

ID # _____

(Club Use Only)

(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 (s): _____ Category: ☐ Individual ☐ Family ☐ Lifetime

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ - _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone (s): (_____) _____ - _____

E-mail Address (s): _____

Type: ☐ New ☐ Renewal

Check for listing in Club Directory: ☐ Home Address ☐ E-Mail Address ☐ Home Phone ☐ Cell Phone

The Snowjourner, the club's monthly news letter is available online at www.springfieldskiclub.org. If you wish a copy to be mailed monthly, mark Yes _____. **There will be a \$20 fee for monthly mailing.**

Primary Membership Information:

First Name: _____ MI _____ Last Name: _____

Membership and Dues - Non-Refundable:

- ☐ \$20 Monthly newsletter
☐ \$40 Individual (over age 21)
☐ \$50 Family (spouses and children under age 21)
☐ \$10 Reciprocal Membership (must be a member of one of the following clubs (indicate with a ✓):
☐ Bloomington ☐ Peoria ☐ Champaign
☐ Lifetime Member (must be member for 25 consecutive years)

Volunteer Hours (check at least one box)

- ☐ Board Member committee - (help plan events)
☐ Activities (volunteer at club events)
☐ Membership (volunteer at events, mailings)
☐ Community Service (approved events)
☐ Trip Leader for Ski, Day Trips, or Extended Travel
☐ Sports Coordinator (Billiards, Bowling, Golf, Tennis)
☐ Are you a skier?
☐ Other: _____

How did you discover our Club? (i.e., friend, website, radio ad, Club event): _____

Membership Data: (this information will never be published except to wish you happy birthday in the newsletter)

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

Anyone 21 years of age or older is eligible for membership in the Springfield Ski and Travel Club. Family membership is one or two adults in the same household and their children (See Bylaws, Article IV, Bylaws and Constitution are available at www.springfieldskiclub.org). This membership entitles you to membership in the Ski Kouncil of Illinois (S.K.I.).

In applying for Springfield Ski and Travel 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 and Travel Club, its agents, officers, Executive Board, 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.

Signature: _____ Date: _____