



Snowjourner

Bringing together the people of the Springfield Ski Club

Happy Hour

January 17 • 5:00 to ?

INDIGO

RESTAURANT

3013 LINDBERGH BLVD.



January 3

Mario's at Piper Glen

2841 MANSION ROAD

COCKTAILS 5:30 | DINNER 6:00

Please make reservations by the Wednesday night before by contacting Karen and Tom Hafel at kmhafel76@comcast.net or calling (217) 546-0236.

TRIVIA NIGHT

January 11, 2019, at Erin's Pavilion at 7:00.

You can help by reserving a table, spreading the word or passing out posters. This is SSC's biggest fundraiser of the year, this year benefitting Daily Bread and the Beerlahai Roi Women's Ministries. All volunteer positions are filled, but you can help by buying lots of 50/50 tickets. Call Richard Bergt, (217)341-8225.

Save The Dates

(Details Inside)

January 11, Trivia Night, Erin's Pavilion

DAY TRIPS

February 23 - Taste of Soulard

TOUR TRIPS

JANUARY 12-19

TURKS AND CAICOS WINTER TRIP TO WARMER CLIMES

FEB. 2 OR 3 -9

SKI TRIP TO CRESTED BUTTE FEB.22-MARCH 4

ANDORRA AND BARCELONA, SKIING IN THE PYRENEES

MARCH 14-26

TOUR DE FRANCE

JUST ANNOUNCED! FALL TRIP

SEPTEMBER 9-17

EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND, 3 NIGHTS LONDON, ENGLAND, 4 NIGHTS.

MORE DETAILS IN LATE JANUARY.



Welcome New Member Clare Burris



January 2019

The Dining Out Group always meets the 1st Thurs of each month kmhafel76@comcast.net
 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
31	31	1	2	3 <i>Dining Out Group</i> Marios at Piper Glen	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 <i>Board Meeting</i>	11 Trivia Night	12 Turks & Caicos Winter Trip
13 Turks & Caicos Winter Trip	14 Turks & Caicos Winter Trip	15 Turks & Caicos Winter Trip	16 Turks & Caicos Winter Trip	17 HAPPY HOUR Indigo Turks & Caicos Winter Trip	18 Turks & Caicos Winter Trip	19 Turks & Caicos Winter Trip
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1 CRESTED BUTTE SKI TRIP	2 CRESTED BUTTE SKI TRIP

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This month's picture is of members of the Springfield Ski Club volunteering to help children shop at the Mini O'Beirne Crisis Nursery Children's Shopping Store. So fun! And the men also did a great job of helping the children! SSC has also been ringing bells for Salvation Army. Our club does so much volunteer work that benefits the local community! Thank you Rich Bergt and Rick Griminger.

The SSC is considering adding to our current name. Some of the names used by other Ski Clubs throughout the nation are "touring," "travel," and "adventure." Please give our board your input.

We have openings left on trips. We have two openings on the trip to France. Contact David Sloat, Trip Leader, dg-sloat51@gmail.com if you are interested. We have also approved a Fall, 2019 trip



to Edinburgh and London! Get those volunteer hours in so you can sign up early at our April General meeting.

I am still looking for a web savvy person to help with our NEW e-websmart site, which will be developed in the next few months. Please contact Caroline Evans, evanscaroline29@gmail.com to join

the new website committee.

We have many more plans in the works. Please consider getting involved by volunteering for a committee to assist an officer or plan trips. The more input the better!!

See you at Happy Hour!
Cheri Brueggemann Sloat

COMMUNITY SERVICE

December was a busy month with many volunteers at the Mini O'Beirne Children's Holiday Store. Thanks to Jerry and Mary Parsons, Cheri Sloat, Evelyn and Dave Schumacher, Theresa Watkins, Carol Sue Johnson, Judy Nesbitt, Sandy Coburn, Diane Urbanckas, Karen Kuhar and Betsy Miller for your help.

I know you had fun helping the children. Thanks also to our ding-a-lingers for ringing bells for the Salvation Army at

Schnucks. Great job Carol Maggio, Rich Bergt, Rick Griminger, Sandy Frank, Jan Joyce, Jim Russell, Misty Dannenberger, Linda Hammer, Betsy Kuchar, Theresa Endris, Joan Gardner and Sandy Schinneer.

Put this on your calendar! TRIVIA NIGHT, FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, AT 7:00 AT ERIN'S PAVILION IN SOUTHWIND PARK. Come and support your club's community service project, this year benefitting Daily Bread and Beerlahai Roi Women's Ministries.

Come as an individual with no reservations necessary or reserve a table for your group of up to ten people. Bring snacks and food if you wish, there will be a cash bar. All volunteer positions have been filled, but you can help by buying plenty of 50/50 tickets. Thanks to my committee for all their help: Julie Hubbard, Janice Grosse, Judy Nesbitt, Dinah Willard and Greg Cox.

Richard Bergt
Community Service Chair



January Birthdays



Bill Atwood..... 1
Don Stefancic..... 1
Virginia Smith..... 1
Sam Maggio..... 4
Dianne Bishop..... 4
Gina Marie Fuhrmann..... 5
Karen Eickenberg..... 5
John Fee..... 5
Bob Biderman..... 6
Patti Winn..... 7
Janet Yates..... 8
Kathleen Dennis..... 9
Diana McMillen..... 10

Deb Petty..... 10
John Nosari..... 10
Jaime S Francis..... 11
Paul Staab..... 13
Barbara Bitschenauer..... 14
Tim Rogers..... 15
Ken Graves..... 15
John Blazis..... 16
Evelyn Schumacher..... 16
Ray Donnelly..... 17
Pat Glenn..... 18
David Foust..... 18
Judy Lazar (deceased)..... 19

Charles Prince..... 20
Elaine Mayer..... 20
Nancy Brougher..... 22
Terri Marbold..... 22
Mary Ellen Creighton..... 23
George Michael..... 23
Kent Schluter..... 24
David Wentworth..... 24
Bill Werner..... 25
Gerald Aldrich..... 29
Shawn Fox..... 29
Ruth Nonneman..... 31

Still considering Andorra/Barcelona? We have 19 confirmed for the February 22 trip.
Act now - we may be able to customize an itinerary for you (subject to airfare constraints).

Jim Hamrick, VP Winter Trips, Home: 217) 546-0642 or Cell: 217) 553-6195

S.K.I Trip to Crested Butte, February 3-9

Cost: \$1059, plus \$645 on AA from Peoria to Denver to GUC.

Second option, a Feb. 2-9, costing \$1149 plus \$729 on AA from Bloomington to Denver to GUC. Lodging will be at "elevations," which means it is a ski in and ski out Hotel. S.K.I is also exploring options for a 7 day flight out of Champaign and a 7 day flight out of Peoria. The land package includes lodging, a 5 day lift ticket, daily full breakfasts, happy hours and a fun contest with prizes.

LOOKING FOR MORE PARTICIPANTS FOR JANUARY 3-9, LEAVING FROM PEORIA



Andorra/Barcelona, Skiing in the Pyrenees *Feb. 22-March 4, 2019*

Five nights in Andorra with many shopping and sight seeing activities. Grandvalira in Andorra is the biggest ski resort in the Pyrenees and Southern Europe. It has 127 runs, covering more than 200 km. Great Pass pricing and Senior discounts for lift tickets. Senior Gold pass for those born 1948 or before, ski free! Daily Breakfast and dinner .

Four nights in Barcelona, with daily breakfast.

Round trip from Chicago to Barcelona, Price based on double occupancy rooms.

Transfers in Europe. Springfield to Chicago a la carte. Price: \$1,800.

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Taste of Soulard - February 23, 2019

This has been a popular event! For a modest price, Taste of Soulard attendees receive a ticket booklet that includes a map of the Soulard area and location of participating establishments. Attendees create their own "pub crawl," exchanging tickets from their booklets for drinks and/or food.

Cost: \$70.00, includes \$25.00 ticket booklet • Cancellation fee, \$18.00

Bus will leave Springfield at 10:00 for St. Louis, will return between 5:30 & 6:00.

Trip Leader: Chris Schofield, Chris_Schofield_560@comcast.net

TURKS AND CAICOS

January 12-19, 2019

Trip Leader: Jan Joyce

\$2050/person (double occupancy) Maximum number of participants is 24.

No Single Supplements are available.

Trip Includes:

- Round trip air transportation between Springfield and Providenciales, Turks and Caicos
- Airport transfers, government taxes, fees, airline fuel surcharges included but subject to change
- Ground transportation to and from the Turquoise ClubMed Resort
- Seven nights at the all inclusive, adults only Turquoise Club Med Resort

Resort Features:

- Adults-only resort
- Located on Grace Bay beach
- Free WIFI
- Rooms with flat-screen TV and coffee maker
- Non-smoking rooms
- One restaurant
- Two bars
- Weight room



Activities (some require an extra fee):

- Tennis
- Fitness classes • Cardio classes
- Stretching program for pain relief, flexibility and improved posture and range of motion
- Flying trapeze training
- Circus activities such as juggling
- Golf (rental equipment available)
- Basketball
- Soccer
- Football
- Beach volleyball
- Horseback riding
- Boating
- Diving



Located at Grace Bay

Deposit at sign-up: \$684

PAYMENTS:

Deposit at sign-up: \$684.00

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 3 months after the trip return date for international travel.

2nd Payment due 10/5/2018 – \$683.00

3rd Payment due 11/5/2018 – \$683.00

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

Cancellation Dates/Fees:

Cancel more than 91 days prior to departure - \$25 SSC processing fee

61-90 days prior to departure – 25% of Club Med fee

46-60 days prior to departure – 50% of Club Med fee

0-45 days prior to departure – No refund

Club Med Membership fee of \$60.00 is not refundable.

United Airlines Cancellation Dates/Fees:

No penalty prior to 10/14/2018

ALL CANCELLATIONS SUBJECT TO \$25

SSC PROCESSING FEE.

Trip Insurance: The Springfield Ski Club strongly recommends 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. Trip insurance should be purchased as soon as possible to ensure complete coverage.

SPRINGFIELD SKI CLUB

presents...

Andorra & Barcelona **Spain**

Feb. 22 - March 4, 2019

\$1800 per person (double occupancy)

- Roundtrip air Chicago to Barcelona via Lufthansa and Swiss.
- 5 nights lodging at the 4* Art Hotel Andorra, 2 per room.
Breakfast & Dinner daily
Hotel taxes
- 4 nights lodging in Barcelona, 2 per room.
Breakfast daily
Snacks & Beverages free in the Café Bar
- Airline taxes and fuel surcharges.
- Transfer from Barcelona Airport to Andorra
- Transfer from Andorra to the Hotel Continental in Barcelona
- Transfer from Barcelona to the Barcelona Airport

Plenty to do for Skiers and Non-Skiers alike!

for more info: Jim Hamrick: 217-553-6195



There are a few openings for this tour, please contact Trip Leader David Sloat for more information; (847)902-1691.

TOUR DE FRANCE

March 14-26, 2019

Trip Leader: David Sloat

**\$3550/person (double occupancy) depending on the number of travelers.
Single Supplement - \$579 added to the price of the trip.**



Trip Includes:

- Bus transportation to and from O'Hare
- Air transportation to and from Paris (CDG Airport)
- High-speed train transportation between Paris and Avignon
- Three nights in Paris at Mercure Paris Gare Montparnasse (4 star)
- Two nights in Caen at Royal Hotel de Caen (4 star)
- Two nights in Tours at Relais Saint-Eloi (3 star)
- Three nights in Avignon in Mercure Centre Palais des Papes (4 star)
- One night near Charles De Gaulle Airport at ibis Styles Paris CDG Airport (3 star)
- Actual hotels may change based on availability.
- Airport transfers, government taxes, fees, airline fuel surcharges included but subject to change
- Tour Leader Guide throughout the trip
- Four full-day tours (entrance fees included)
- Lunch cruise on the Seine River
- Breakfast daily, 3 lunches and Welcome and Farewell dinners
- Gratuities for Tour Leader Guide, local guides, bus drivers and hotel porters (*one piece of luggage per person*), serving staff at included meals

Included Sightseeing Activities:

- Panoramic tour of Paris
- Luncheon cruise of the Seine River
- Visit to Normandy sites – 360 HD movie, Omaha Beach, The American Cemetery at Colleville-sur-Mer, Pointe du Hoc
- Explore the cliffs of Etretat
- Visit to Honfleur
- Tour Chateau du Breuil and their distillery with a tasting of old Calvados wine
- Visit the Chateaux of Angers, Villandry, Chenonceau and Chambord
- Trip to Chartres and its famous Cathedral
- See the Pont d'Avignon on the Rhone
- Participate in a guided visit of the Palais des Papes in Avignon
- Visit the Pont du Gard aqueduct
- Explore Nimes with its Amphitheatre and Roman Temple –Maison Caree
- Visit to Arles (Roman Arenas, Ancient Theatre, Church of Saint Trophime, Van Gogh's Café and the Forum Place)
- Visit to Versailles Palace
- Visits to five World Heritage Sites:
• Pont du Gard • Arles • Chartres Cathedral • Versailles Palace
Palais des Papes and Pont d'Avignon in Avignon)

Optional Sightseeing Activities:

- Guided tour of the Musee d'Orsay (entrance ticket included), walking tour of the Marais and Les Passages Couverts (\$165 pp) with two-course lunch with wine and coffee
- Full day excursion to Champagne and Reims (\$165 pp) – Champagne House (entrance tickets), two-course lunch with drink and coffee, and Reims and its Gothic Cathedral.
- Afternoon Luberon Villages Tour (\$45 pp) – Roussillon and Gordes

Deposit at sign-up: \$900

AT SIGN-UP, SUBMIT A COPY OF THE FIRST PAGE OF YOUR PASSPORT WHICH SHOWS YOUR PICTURE, PASSPORT #, 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 10/8/18 \$900

(Single supplement add \$190 to 2nd payment.)

3rd Payment due 11/8/18 \$900

(Single supplement add \$190 to 3rd payment.)

4th Payment due 12/7/18 Amount to be determined by the trip leader in November 2018 and will depend on the number of travelers and finalization of costs.

(Single supplement add \$199 to 4th payment.)

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

Cancellation Dates/Fees:

Cutoff date – September 14, 2018, with SSC \$25 processing fee. 90 days or more prior to departure - \$300; 60-89 days prior to departure – \$1000; 45-59 days prior to departure – \$1500; 30-44 days prior to departure – \$2000; 29 days or fewer prior to departure – no refund. ALL CANCELLATIONS SUBJECT TO \$25 SSC PROCESSING FEE.

Trip Insurance: The Springfield Ski Club strongly recommends 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. Trip insurance is available from smarTours (800.337.7773) for \$179 (nonrefundable), but you can use other insurers as well. Trip insurance should be purchased as soon as possible to ensure complete coverage.

SPRINGFIELD SKI 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.”