

Snowjourner

Bringing together the people of the Springfield Ski and Travel Club



Dining Out

ABE'S HIDEOUT

2301 S Dirksen Pkwy | Springfield, IL

Thursday, September 7, 2023

Cocktails at 5:30 | Dinner at 6:00

Reservations are required by noon on
Monday, September 4, 2023

Don Broughton, Dining Out Chairman
Brought617@gmail.com

BOCCE BALL

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

One more Bocce Ball play at
Obed & Isaac's Microbrewery
500 South 6th Street, Springfield
SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

We will start at 5:30 p.m. sharp!

Some of our members will be there to assist those who have no experience in Bocce Ball. So come out learn some new skills or show off your existing skills.

Cheerleaders are welcome!

Drinks and food are available at Obed's or at the 7th Street Cidery located next door.

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

If you have moved or plan to, please contact the VP for Membership for a change of address. Your Snowjourner cannot be forwarded due to bulk rates.

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

While summer is winding down, the SSTC has been winding up! We had 2 Happy Hours in August, one at Casa Real and one at the Prop Club on the lake. On top of that, we had a meet-up at the Illinois State Fair at the Harness Racing and Beer tent. We are certainly finishing summer with a bang!

A phenomenal turnout for the New Members - Meet, Greet, Connect Happy Hour was great to see. Over 80 members showed up to meet the newest members. With 52 new members this year, we are happy to include them in our fun social club.

The Day trip to Fast Eddie's and the Fairmont Racetrack was a great time. We had a sold-out bus travelling down country roads in the middle of nowhere. We think we shocked all the local cows! Many thanks to the Trip Leaders Greg Cox and Carol Sue Johnson for leading us in a day of drinking and gambling. Thanks Greg Cox and Pat Chesley for the gambling tutorial. After surviving a monster storm in the area, we got to watch the races with a beautiful double rainbow over the track. We had some incredibly lucky gamblers. To close out the summer and get into the swing of Fall, we have a great party planned for the Signup Party at the Elks Club on Saturday, September 9th. We have fabulous trips available for signup to Germany, Mexico, Galena/Dubuque, Josephine's Tea Room/Aerie Winery, and a ski trip to British Columbia. Many thanks to Nancy Chesley, VP Tours, Jan Freeman, VP Day Trips and Rich Jachino, VP Ski Trips and S.K.I Council Representative Gary Kindred for the trip offerings. Of course, this is made possible by the many volunteers on international trips, day trips, and events committee members. This volunteer effort provides some fabulous trip opportunities! What is better than a Wine Festival trip? (September 16th to Utica) - A second final visit to Sheedy Shores Winery located outside of Loami on Sunday, September 24th. It sure has been a great addition to our wine community.

My favorite quotes of the month:

Sam Parnell: *The Horseracing trip was a Great Trip!*

Raenell Mace: *Had Fun at the Racetrack!*

Mary Ellen Creighton: *This Board is really doing a wonderful job!! I really love getting so many new members. I appreciate all the enthusiastic members joining in the fun with the SSTC!*

At your service,

Debi Barr-Holquist

President

Springfield Ski & Travel Club

SAVE THE DATE

Dining Out

Oct 5, 2023 - TBA

ROGER SCHNELTEN'S OKTOBERFEST

Oct 8, 2023

Happy Hour

Oct 19, 2023
Harvest Market

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Oct 28, 2023

VFW Post 755

Happy Hour

November 16, 2023
Fire & Ale - Sherman

CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 9, 2023
Panther Creek Country Club

OCEAN MAYA ROYALE

Riviera Maya, Mexico
February 16 - 22, 2024
Dion 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 Vintage Wine Festival

Sept 16, 2023

Trip Leader: Amy Dodd - (470) 362-8696;
amydodd15@comcast.net

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
VP Events.....	Joyce Ludwig
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Publicity Chair/Happy Hours Chair ..	Tim Phillips
Dine Out Chair.....	Don Broughton
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Skier Development.....	Gary Kindred
Community Service.....	Ed Huntley
Sports Director.....	Jean Courtney-Jacobs
Webmaster.....	Lois Bloechle

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Bill Atwood • Rajan Dhamrait & Kiran Rakalla-Dhamrait • Kitsie Moore • Matthew Carver
 Kim Rockford • Gina Sullivan & Dani Kreuznacht-Sullivan • Rich Wagoner • Sandy Dunn
 Sandra Nickell & Glenn Rohrbaugh • Sharon Purcell

SEPTEMBER Birthdays

Name	Date	Name	Date	Name	Date
Carol Burck	3	Lori Curry	14	Jim Heller	24
Nancy Simpson	3	Marilyn Sue Bacon	14	Cheri Brueggemann Sloat	24
Mary Schofield	4	James Maggio	16	Byron Low	25
Barry Erlandson	4	Kitt Lynch	17	David Sloat	26
Susie Shackleton	5	Mary O'Brien	17	Don Dellert	27
Michael R. Motor	5	Diann Gragg	18	Kim Proia	27
Marty Morris	6	Brad Skees	18	Mel Logsdon	27
Hope Rolens	6	David J. Halpin	20	Mike Calvin	27
Wendeline Schluter	7	Theresa Endris	20	Don Papenburg	27
Barry Webster	9	Catherine Rovey	21	Karen Hafel	28
Dean Disbrow	11	Robert Wyatt	21	Gordon Henderson	28
Vito Stallone	11	Rick Young	21	Martha (Marty) Stutz	28
John F Carpenter	11	Michael Bowers	23	Betsy Calvin	28
Lois Bloechle	12	Flynn Ross	23	Linda Jurgens	28
Scott Tiscos	13	Darlene Hadsell	23	Meise Fahsl	30
Cathy Cragoe	13	Taymer Jones	24		

SEPTEMBER 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
			Biking at 9:00am			
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Walking at 9:00am		Biking at 9:00am	Dining Out Abe's Hideout		Fall Sign-up Party
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Walking at 9:00am		Biking at 9:00am	Board Meeting		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Walking at 9:00am		Biking at 9:00am	Happy Hour Kentucky Burn		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Walking at 9:00am		Biking at 9:00am	Bocce Ball		

Join Us For **HAPPY HOUR**

Sept 21, 2023 • 5:00 - ???

Kentucky Burn
1104 Sangamon Ave



BIKING AND WALKING ARE BACK

Bicycling will be held every Wednesday in August beginning at 9:00a.m. SHARP! We will meet in the parking lot at the start of the Centennial Trail, 5751 Bunker Hill Road, Springfield, IL 62711.

Walking will be held every Monday in August at 9:00a.m. SHARP! We will meet at Washington Park in the Rose Garden parking area.

Both events are at the most comfortable pace for you. These weekly ventures could go well into September or October, depending upon the weather.

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!

Jean Courtney-Jacobs (jean.courtney@comcast.net)
Sports Director

UNDERSTANDING VOLUNTEER HOURS

Have you enjoyed SSTC's monthly dining out, day trips, sporting activities, monthly happy hours, or international travel? Have you enjoyed holiday parties, summer picnics at Larry Michaud's, or an Oktoberfest at Roger Schnelten's?

We are an "all-volunteer" club. These opportunities are a possibility for all club members through the generosity of donating time and talent. Countless hours are spent behind the scenes creating international trips, day trips, parties, processing membership information, publishing the directory, creating fliers, writing Snow-journer articles, processing membership information, choosing venues, hosting parties, and leading activities. Most importantly volunteer hours are a way for you to get to know other club members, even if you have a lifetime membership.

Did you know that your volunteer hours can earn you early sign-up privileges at our trip sign-up parties?

Don't miss out. Trips often have limited space. Those members that accumulate 10 volunteer hours will, upon request to the executive vice president at least 14 days prior to the sign-up party, receive this certificate.

When is the next opportunity to use a certificate?

Vice Presidents and Chairpersons are responsible for submitting any hours earned to the executive Vice President. Next sign-up party is September 9th. There are many day trips, sporting activities and an international trip on the horizon. If you checked the volunteer box on the yearly membership application, the Vice President or Chairperson has a list with your name.

Who do I contact to earn volunteer hours?

On your membership application you checked a box indicating your area of interest for volunteering. You may be contacted from this list. In addition, eblasts are sent offering opportunities. My suggestion is don't wait... Be Proactive. Contact a VP or Chairperson and let them know of your willingness to earn those hours. Each committee can always use help.

How far in advance of a trip do I need to earn the hours?

The cut-off for earning, submitting, and requesting a certificate is 14 days prior to the date of the sign-up party. Certificate holders have third priority sign-up privileges after executive board members and trip leaders. A hard copy of the certificate must be handed to the Trip Leader at the time of the sign-up. Securing this certificate also means that trip application requirements, certificate and check may be hand delivered to the Trip Leader prior to the sign-up event.

Note: 10 hours is needed for each trip.

If I have a certificate, am I guaranteed that I will have a spot on the trip?

A certificate does not guarantee a trip is locked in, but it does increase your chances of securing the trip you desire. Everything is based on the number of travelers a contract allows and the tier of applications received by the trip leader; board members, trip leaders, certificate holders, then all other members.

Interested in serving on the Executive Board?

You earn 10 volunteer hours for each year you serve on the executive board, plus you have first tier sign up. If you would like to be considered for an executive board position, contact the Executive Vice President.

We are proud our club stayed the course during the pandemic. Trips and activities are once again sold out.

Adventure awaits.

Mary Schackman

Executive Vice President - SSTC

Fast Eddie's / Fairmount Race Track Day Trip

Well, the July 29th SSTC trip to Fast Eddies/Fairmount Race-track was an adventure for sure! We started with a slight snafu in that our bus driver only had the racetrack destination on his paperwork. We got that worked out and he put the address for Fast Eddies in his GPS. His GPS must have been an antique because we went a VERY scenic route. We were on narrow country roads, passing junkyards and farms. Even the cows looked surprised to see a big bus going down their lane! But we made it to Fast Eddies! Within 30 minutes of our arrival, the



extreme heat was no longer a problem because a big thunderstorm blew in. Luckily, most of our group was inside, and those outside had shelter. We were all able to eat the still tasty, cheap food they are famous for; but there was no dancing on the patio. There were plenty of colorful folks to observe though, so we had some entertainment. Headed to the racetrack and by the time we arrived, the rain had stopped, and we were treated to a stunning double rainbow! It brought luck too, as some of us won

a little money and one of us won a lot - way to go Marilyn Parnell! Everyone enjoyed checking out the horses, placing bets and having a great time with great people. It was a straight shot back to Springfield where we arrived without incident. Thanks to all who came, we had fun leading! Till next time

Carol and Greg
Trip Leaders



DON'T MISS OUT

The current board's goal is to make sure you are in the know!

How do I find out what is scheduled?

- First, an eblast is sent alerting you to an event or activity. An eblast is an email sent to all members. All eblast have SSTC in the subject line.
- Next, the event is promoted on Facebook. Follow us on Facebook. Facebook is used to promote events and is not monitored daily. If you have a question, please contact the board member or trip leader directly. Their contact information is in the eblast or our directory.
- In addition, it is on your website's calendar. www.springfieldskiclub.org. Your newsletter, the Snowjourner, also provides you with events and activities. The Snowjourner is published online at the beginning of each month. An eblast, along with a notice on Facebook lets you know of its availability. If you paid for a mailed copy, it is always sent at the first of the month, and is subject to the priorities of the postal system. Usually there is a delay, and events may have already happened. My advice is be proactive, check other sources.

I'm not getting eblasts. Who should I contact?

- First, check your junk mail. Sometimes, depending on your email system, email is automatically routed there.
- Next, if your email has changed, or you would like an email added, notify the VP of membership. (The email used is the one listed on the membership application)

I have a family membership. Can more than one email be used to receive the eblast?

- Absolutely, just send the additional email addresses to the VP of membership.

Remember, to watch for Eblast, Facebook post, and the website to stay In the Know!

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY

October 28th
6:00pm - 9:00pm

VFW Post 755
2211 Old Jacksonville Rd

Come dressed in your favorite Halloween Costume!

COSTUME PRIZES AWARDED FOR:

- Most Creative
- Best Overall
- Best Male
- Best Female

You will be treated to an evening of good food, music, dancing with a cash bar available.

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



SIGN-UP PROCEDURES FOR TRIPS OFFERED AT THE SEPTEMBER 9TH 2023 SIGN-UP PARTY

Board members, trip leaders and 10 volunteer service certificate holders may sign up early by hand delivering the requirements listed below directly to the trip leader. DO NOT MAIL... applications and checks have been delayed or lost causing missed deadlines. Please call the trip leader before you deliver to make sure they are home.

Germany - Trip Leaders Mary Harney 217-725-1443 and Bill Bernard 217-741-4149; 617 Catskill Drive, Springfield, IL; wrb2154@gmail.com

Mexico - Trip Leader Deon Bishop 217-891-9669; 2416 Cahokia Drive, Springfield, IL; bishop576@gmail.com

British Columbia Ski Trip - S.K.I. Representative Gary Kindred 217-341-9231; 231 Golf Road, Springfield, IL garykindred55@gmail.com

FYI - Members having at least 10 volunteer service hours may request a certificate for early sign up by contacting Mary Schackmann at mary_schackmann@yahoo.com no later than 14 days prior to the sign-up party, which is August 26, 2023.

Day of Sign Up - September 9, 2023; Elks Club, 409 E Lake Shore Drive #158, Springfield, IL 5:00 PM

5:00 PM Door Open and Sign-up-order Numbers Issued
Each person may sign up one additional person

5:15 PM Sign-Up Begins

6:00 PM Food served

Requirements for International Travel Trips:

- Completed and signed SSTC Trip Applications form dated September 9, 2023.
- Copy of passport which includes picture, passport number and date of birth. (Passport must be valid for 6 months after the trip return and have at least 3 blank visa pages for international travel)
- Deposit check dated September 9, 2023 made out to SSTC.
- Deposit amounts:

Germany	\$1200
Mexico	\$600
British Columbia Ski Trip	\$1100

Questions regarding accumulated services hours?

Contact Mary Schackmann, mary_schackmann@yahoo.com

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 9th | 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Panther Creek Country Club
3001 Panther Creek Drive, Springfield, IL

Come enjoy a plated dinner, dancing to music by Jon Roth of Music Source, and drinks available at the cash bar. We encourage everyone to dress in their finest for this elegant evening of holiday festivity.

RSVPs are required as seating will be very limited. There is a \$10 reservation fee per attendee in the form of cash or check at the time of submitting your RSVP. The September 9th Fall Sign-up Party will offer the submission of your RSVP and payment of the reservation fee.

If not attending the Fall Sign-up Party, please submit your RSVP and reservation fee no later than December 1st to Joyce Ludwig:

- Call or text: 217-725-9125
- E-mail: joyce2ludwig@outlook.com
- US Mail to: 2713 Bennington Drive
Springfield, IL 62704

When submitting your RSVP, please provide your text number or email address so that receipt of your RSVP and \$10 per attendee reservation fee can be confirmed. Your RSVP will not be confirmed until the reservation fee is received.

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!

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:

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- *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.



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- *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 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.



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 steeps, 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](http://8700%20W%20Chestnut%20Mountain%20Rd,%20Galena,%20IL%2061036)

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](http://16991%20Asbury%20Rd,%20Dubuque,%20IA%2052002)
Phone [\(563\) 556-6676](tel:(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 PPROCESSING 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
Espacio 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.

All cancellations must be requested in writing. Contact the trip leader regarding any cancellation.

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**
- [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: 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.

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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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.

Cancel 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 fares are published.

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

All cancellations must be requested in writing. Contact the trip leader regarding any cancellation.

ALL CANCELLATIONS SUBJECT TO \$25 SSTC PROCESSING FEE.

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 Council 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: _____