



Snowjourner

Bringing together the people of the Springfield Ski Club

HAPPY HOUR



Thursday November 16
5:00pm

EAGLES CLUB

TOWN & COUNTRY SHOPPING CENTER ON MACARTHUR BLVD.

Please bring canned goods we will give to food donation centers in Springfield.

Dining Out

November 2



1120 W. Lincolnshire Blvd.
Springfield
Next to Scheels

COCKTAILS @ 5:30 | DINNER @ 6:00

Mark your calendars! Future Dine Outs
Dec. 7, Chesapeake, 3045 Clear Lake

The only rule in place to join the dining out group is to make your reservation on Wed. prior to the event.

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

DAY TRIPS AT A GLANCE

Details Inside

November 11 ~~SOLD OUT~~ Weid Chicago

December 6, December Fun in Downtown Chicago

January 9, St. Louis Blues Hockey Game

February 3, Cruzan Rum Taste of Souldard.

March 3, Thrilling Night at Lemp Mansion

Contact Mike Bloechle, VP of Day Trips for ideas or offering to be a trip leader. 217-787-1010

UPCOMING MAJOR TRIPS

Details Inside

November 24- December 2, River Cruise

Vienna Austria to Nuremburg Germany via the Danube River

December 10-15, Winter Ski Trip, Snowmass

January 20-27, Ocho Rios, Jamaica

January 27-Feb. 3 or January 28-Feb. 4, Banff Ski Trip

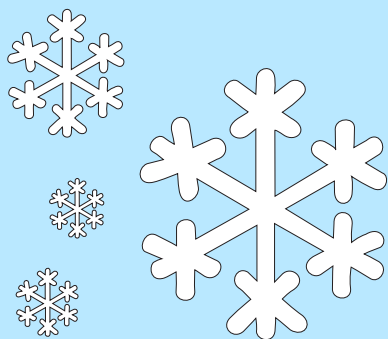
February 23-March 6, Davos, Switzerland and 3 days in Nice, France

Welcome New Members

THOMAS AND MARLA CLARK

ALICIA BIBB

BETSY MILLER



NOVEMBER 2017

The Dining Out Group always meets the 1st Thurs of each month - akafair@aol.com

Springfield Ski Club Board meets every 2nd Thursday of the month

The SSC Happy Hour is ALWAYS the 3rd Thurs of the month

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 Pool League	2 Dining Out Group Engrained Brewing Company	3	4 Adopt A Street
5	6	7	8 Pool League	9	10	11 Weird Chicago: Devil & the White City Tour
12	13	14	15 Pool League	16 Happy Hour Eagles Club	17	18
19	20	21	22 Pool League	23 Thanksgiving	24 Cruise Along the Danube	25 Cruise Along the Danube
26 Cruise Along the Danube	27 Cruise Along the Danube	28 Cruise Along the Danube	29 Pool League Cruise Along the Danube	30 Cruise Along the Danube	1 Cruise Along the Danube	2 Cruise Along the Danube

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As of the end of October, we have the following openings:

- 1) Italy trip to Amalfi and Tuscany for 16 days, March 10- to the 25th . We have two openings. Contact David Sloat, dgloat51@gmail.com
- 2) St. Louis Blues Hockey game is \$85.00!! And we have 8 openings. Should be a good game and we also get free St. Louis Blues blankets that evening! Contact Mike Bloechle.

I missed the Oktoberfest due to our new minister's installation dinner, but heard this was a wonderful party with lots of Ski Club participation. Our Ski Club has helped so many of us make lifelong friends, and even spouses! Get involved by volunteering at the Happy Hour or a Community Service Project. These events count towards volunteer hours and it's a great way to meet people!



This is a picture from the recent trip to Alaska!

Cheri Brueggemann Sloat



November Birthdays



Larry Huelsman.....	1	Mary Ann Heller	9	Patricia J. Michael.....	22
David Fafoglia.....	2	Cyndi Spears	9	Tim Fuhrmann	23
Sarah Dellert	4	Marty Milligan.....	10	Mary Lou Johnsrud.....	23
Carolyn Wenneborg.....	4	Jeannine Pickering.....	10	Nila Riggs	24
Michele D. Anson.....	4	Steve Burke.....	10	Matthew Walls	24
Gail Meissen.....	4	Greg Laun	11	Harold Shaw	25
Ana Cradibel Guerra.....	4	Dave Trapp	12	Jill Roth	26
Douglas Guerra.....	4	Sandy Schinneer	13	Larry Manning.....	26
John Welker.....	5	Susan Weeks.....	14	Kris Cravens	27
Bob Cowles.....	5	Karen Fifer.....	15	Patti McMurray.....	27
Mike Vonnahmen.....	6	Pat Carver	16	Ken Lazar	28
Denise R. Taylor	6	Jason Edwards.....	19	Nancy Haines	28
Karol Young.....	7	Lisa Mulvey	19	Lonz Spears	29
Sarah Repp.....	7	Tim Milam	19	Mary Parsons	29
Gloria Heggy	8	Nancy Chesley	21	Gloria Freels	29
F. Michael Castleman.....	9	Sandy Frank.....	22	Karen Greathouse.....	29

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMUNITY SERVICE CHAIR

The Community Service Committee was commissioned by the SSC board to donate money from a refund received by the SSC to well deserving charitable organizations. There are many organizations that are in need, and the committee chose the following: Beer Hi Lo Roi, SPARC, Campus for Kids and Helping Hands. In the process, we also decided that Grounds of Grace and Rutledge Foundation should be the recipients for the funds raised on Trivia Night.

Community service projects for November are Adopt a Street on Saturday, November 4. This is the final clean up for 2017. We will meet at St. John's Church on West Washington at 9:00. This is a good way to earn volunteer hours, get exercise and have good fellowship with other members. At the Happy Hour November 16, please bring canned goods we will give to food donation centers in Springfield.

Richard Bergt



At the October happy hour, the Ski Club contributed \$425 to Camp Compass, a free after school and summer program for the homeless and low income students of School District 186. Pictured are Richard Bergt, SSC Community Service Chair and Molly Berendt, Director of Compass for Kids.

39th Annual Oktoberfest

The 39th Annual Oktoberfest was a blast. We had incredible warm weather, a great crowd, games, games, games and more games, hours of music, and of course, lots of food.

Thanks to Mark Brooks, Megan Cardwell and Mike Royer, I was able to socialize more than ever before. It was incredible to visit with so many of you, some of whom I get to see only once a year. Antone DeRocchi and Jim "Wick" Wiker are the beloved stars of the evening every year, entertaining us with hours of favorite dancin' and sing-along tunes.

The German beer was again a hit! Next year will our 40th year of the Annual Oktoberfest! I plan for the biggest even yet, more brats, burgers and fish, and mostly importantly, more friends and fun. Mark your calendars now for October 7, 2018!!

Roger Schnelten, Host





BANFF SKI TRIPS

There are five options for these trips. Three departures are from the Peoria airport, one from Bloomington and one from Champaign.

The Peoria trip leaves on Saturday, the other four options depart on Sunday.

*Please contact Gary Kindred for more details!!
garykindred55@gmail.com*

SAVE THE DATE

Trivia NIGHT

JANUARY 12
ERIN'S PAVILION
SOUTHWIND PARK

Proceeds go to Grounds of Grace and Rutledge Foundation. Reserve tables now and help spread the word!

Doors open at 6:00 and play starts at 7:00. Prizes, 50/50 mulligans, snacks, cash bar. Call or email Rich Bergt 217-341-8225 or Rick Griminger 217-652-4363 to reserve a table!

GREAT GATSBY
DANCE ♦ PARTY ♦ MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

INVITING ALL FLADDERS & GATGSTERS
TO THE SPRINGFIELD SKI CLUB SDEAKASY

FEBRUARY 10, 2018

VFW 2211 Old Jacksonville Rd
Springfield, IL ♦ 7pm-10pm

Open To The Public ♦ Free To Everyone ♦ Incentives New Members To Join



OCHO RIOS, JAMAICA

JANUARY 20-27



How about a 7 day break from winter in January for a trip to Jamaica, mon? Join us at an all inclusive resort called Jewel Dunn's River Beach Resort and Spa, a Hilton Hotel. Check out the many amenities on their website. There are two pools with swim-up bars, six restaurants and six lounges. It is an adult only resort.



Trip leader, Juy Nesbitt

*\$1950 for double occupancy.
Ask about single rates.*

Cost Includes round trip flights from St. Louis to Montego Bay, round trip transportation to airport and resort, room and taxes, Sign up party is September 17.



TUSCANY AND THE AMALFI COAST

TRIP INCLUDES:

- Bus transportation to and from O'Hare
- Air transportation to and from Italy
- One night in Rome at Hotel Victoria
- Five nights in Sorrento at Grand Hotel Cesare Augusto
- Three nights in Chianciano at Grand Hotel Le Fonti
- Five nights in Montecatini at the Ercolini e Savi
- All hotels are 4 star or better
- **Actual hotels may change based on availability**
- Airport transfers, government taxes, fees, airline fuel surcharges included but subject to change
- Dedicated Program Director and local tour guides
- Personal headset for all included and optional tours
- 25 meals: 14 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 7 dinners
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers and luggage porters (one piece of luggage per person)



Map shows tour cities and the number of nights spent in each.

WHEN: March 10-25, 2018 (16 days/14 nights)

TRIP LEADER: David Sloat

PRICE: \$3,200/person

(double occupancy) based on between 38 participants. Maximum number of participants is 44 (reduced if participants choose single supplements). (Six single supplements available – \$500 added to the price of the trip. For anyone interested in finding a roommate, you can contact the Trip Leader. He will provide a list of others who are looking for roommates. Contact David Sloat at dgsloat51@gmail.com.)

Included Sightseeing Activities:

- Participate in a welcome party and dinner in Rome.
- Visit a local buffalo mozzarella cheese factory and taste cheese made from buffalo milk.
- Take a walking tour of Sorrento.
- Attend discussions with local experts on Italy & the Camorra – crime syndicate and their impact on the Campania region – and Italy's lucciole (Italian term for prostitutes).
- Go on a half-day excursion to Pompeii.
- Enjoy a home-hosted dinner in Sorrento with a local family.
- Take a full-day tour of the Amalfi Coast – a UNESCO World Heritage Site (stop in Positano and Amalfi, boat ride in Amalfi if weather permits, and lunch in Scala).
- Visit the Montecassino Abbey that was almost destroyed during World War II.
- Stay in the Tuscan town of Chianciano and visit its Etruscan Museum.
- Explore the village of Pienza via a walking tour. It is the first example of town planning executed after the fall of the ancient Roman Empire and is where many scenes in *The English Patient* were filmed.
- Visit a local cheesemaker and sample sheep-milk cheeses during a light lunch.



Amalfi Coast



Siena

- Take a walking tour of Cortona, another Tuscan village.
- Spend time on a tour of Siena which still retains the look of the Tuscan Middle Ages and is famous for its Il Palio horse race.
- Visit Montecatini Alto which is a preserved medieval village above the new town of Montecatini and tour a famous plant nursery.
- Spend a day in Florence, starting with a walking tour and a visit to the Academia Gallery.
- Visit the Tuscan village of Vinci, the birthplace of Leonardo da Vinci with a tour of the Museo Leonardiano.
- Enjoy free time on your own in Sorrento, Cortona, Siena, Florence and Montecatini.
- Participate in a farewell dinner in Montecatini.

Optional Sightseeing Activities:

- Sorrentine Farm Experience (\$70) – learn how olive oil and limoncello liqueur are produced and prepare your own Sorrentine fashion pizza from farm-fresh ingredients
- Isle of Capri tour (\$140) – Cross the Bay of Naples by jetfoil to visit the small town of Capri with shops and whitewashed houses, visit the village of Anacapri with spectacular views of the Bay of Naples and Mount Vesuvius. Lunch is included.
- Pisa (\$145) – famous for its Leaning Tower.
- Gratuities for local guides and motor coach drivers are included in optional tour prices.
- Prices of optional activities are subject to change.

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.

PAYMENTS:

- Deposit at sign-up: \$800 (Single supplement add \$125 to payment.)
 - 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.
 - 2nd Payment due 10/17/17 \$800 (Single supplement add \$125 to payment.)
 - 3rd Payment due 11/17/17 \$800 (Single supplement add \$125 to payment.)
 - 4th Payment due 12/17/17 Amount to be determined by the trip leader in November 2017 and will depend on the number of travelers and finalization of costs. (Single supplement add \$125 to 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 is September 22, 2017, with SSC \$25 processing fee.
 Cancel more than 90 days prior to departure, fee is \$325; 60-89 days prior to departure – 10% of the cost of the trip; 30-59 days prior to departure, fee is 65%; less than 30 days prior to departure, fee is 100%.
 Passenger substitutions within 45 days of departure are treated as cancellations. **Any cancellation will result in a \$25 SSC processing fee.**



DECEMBER 10-15, 2017

\$1140

**After all, this is the Ski Club, right?
Your 4 day interchangeable lift ticket is good at
four mountains: Aspen, Aspen Highlands,
Buttermilk and Snowmass with shuttle service.
Package includes land transfers from Springfield
to condo and round trip non-stop flight to
Denver, (two bags free with Southwest).**

A pizza party is also included!

**Top of the Village are ski-in/ski-out condos
with many amenities, such as fireplace,
swimming pool, full kitchen.**

Payment schedule:

September 17, \$450; October 17, \$450 November 17, \$240

Cut off date: October 1, Cut off fee, \$25

Cancellation after October 1 is subjected to trip expenses.

Questions? Call Sue Foard, 217-414-5635.

DAVOS is the largest ski resort in Switzerland and the highest city in Europe, featuring five skiing areas: Parsenn, the largest, with pistes for all levels and the longest downhill run; Jakobshorn, renowned for its showboarding; and Pisch, Madrisa and Rinerhorn, all family friendly destinations.

The 3 day extension to Nice is March 3-6, the heart and soul of the French Riviera at the 4 star Hotel Splendid, with breakfast daily. Many things to do! The beach, village bistros, open air markets, medieval villages, Roman ruins, Cannes, Monaco.

Price includes round trip bus to Chicago and all land transfers, direct flight on Swiss Air to Zurich, 7 nights lodging at Club Hotel, Davos, breakfast and four course dinner daily and Davos Klosters Guest Card. And what is that?

Davos Klosters Inside, a free guest program, which offers daily winter experiences accompanied by local insiders. Experience sunrise on the mountain, snow shoe hiking, cross country skiing, sledding, a torchlight hike. It's good for all public transportation and free bus and train rides to Klosters and Filisur.

DAVOS KLOSTERS

DAVOS, SWITZERLAND
and
3 days in NICE, FRANCE
February 23, to March 6, 2018

Price reduced to \$2,100
because the bus trip to and from Chicago has been cancelled. There is still time to sign up!

Payment schedule:

September 17, \$600; October 17, \$600;
November 17, \$600; December 17, \$440.

Cut off date: November 1, 2017 **Cut off fee:** \$25
Cancellation after Nov. 1 is subject to trip expenses.
Sue Foard, 217-414-5635



November 11 *Weird Chicago*
Devil and the White City Tour Chicago's first H.H Holmes tour!



Created by Weird Chicago in 2006 (and often imitated), this is the original tour that delves into the history, mystery, murder and mayhem of the notorious serial killer, H.H Holmes and the World Columbia Exhibition in Chicago in 1893. During the World's Fair, Holmes operated the infamous "Murder Castle" and this tour will take us on a journey back in time to the places Holmes sought out and dispatched his victims. . We can also see remnants of the Fair and an inside look at Chicago in 1893. There's no other tour in Chicago like this one. Cost at sign-up, \$85, after sign up, \$94. • Cancellation fee, \$25 • Tour limited to 39 people • Trip leader is Lana Keith. The bus leaves Springfield at 8:30 and arrives in Chicago around noon. We are on our own for lunch. The three hour tour begins at 2:00 SHARP at 600 N. Clark St. to board the tour bus. We will leave about 5 p.m and have a comfort stop on the way home for food. *Want to be scared silly before you go? Read the book, Devil in the White City by Erik Larson.*

December 6

**DECEMBER IN
 DOWNTOWN
 CHICAGO**



The holidays are always fun in downtown Chicago; seeing the Christkindle Market, holiday windows of Macy's (formerly Marshall Fields) and the beautifully decorated stores along the Magnificent Mile. If you aren't a shopper, one can visit the Art Institute, Skydeck at Willis Tower, the Museum of Science and Industry and Shedd Aquarium. Lunch at the top of the Hancock Building is always a treat, but there are many fabulous restaurants in the area.

We'll board the Amtrak train at 6:30 a.m.

and return on the 7:00 p.m. train, arriving at 10:20.

Cost is \$46 and Lois Bloechle is the trip leader, 217-638-9000.

January 9 - 2018

**St. Louis Blues
 Hockey Game**



On January 9th, the St. Louis Blues take on the Florida Panthers in St. Louis. The game starts at 7:00 pm and we have arranged a bus for transportation. The bus will leave at approximately 4:30 p.m. The cost is \$85.00. 7 people have signed up at the September 17th sign up party. We have room for another 8 people to fill this trip.

The trip maximum is 15 total people.

Please consider signing up for this trip as it will give you the opportunity to attend a professional hockey game and help introduce you to the sport. Please contact Jim Disney, who will be the trip leader, at 341-4595 or at

jimdisney@comcast.net . You can also contact Mike Bloechle at 787-1010 or at m.cloechle@comcast.net for further details.

Cost: \$85

February 3 - 2018

*Cruzan Rum
 Taste of Soulard*

Try a little bit of everything Cajun at this self-guided tasting and pub crawl through the historic French neighborhood of St. Louis. Tickets include a Cruzan Rum drink voucher and six food vouchers from participating neighborhood bars and restaurants. A free trolley runs on Saturdays so we can get to all corners of the neighborhood

We leave Springfield at 9 am and return at 8 pm

Cost: \$63 • Price after 9/17, \$69

Trip leader: Mark Edmiston

217-679-0721 • markredmiston@msn.com

March 3 - 2018

A Thrilling Night At
LEMP MANSION
St. Louis



CNN rates the LEMP MANSION the 5th Spookiest building in the world. Join us for an evening of spooky fun, dinner and of course, a murder mystery. Wine is included with dinner.

Contact Jennifer Shrake, 217-698-5480 • I DARE YOU! • Cost \$110

RIVER CRUISE “Christmas Markets Along The Danube” Vienna, Austria to Nuremberg, Germany

NOVEMBER 24 - DECEMBER 2, 2017

Trip Price: Between \$2,300-\$2,400 per person (double occupancy)

Single Supplements are not available

Trip Leader: Joan Gardner • Limited to 32 people



Immerse yourself in Germany's and Austria's traditions as you cruise the beautiful Danube River, visiting enchanting Christmas Markets along the way. Enjoy selections from colorful food stalls, including Bratwurst, mulled wines, sweets and pastries. Find beautiful handmade ornaments and other fine crafts. Watch local groups as they present live music, chorale offerings, and Nativity scenes - be swept up in the warm, happy spirit of the season all around you!



Included:

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

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

Pre-trip to Vienna and/or post-trip to Munich can be arranged on your own through

Grand Circle Travel at \$545.00 for each trip.



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

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

AT SIGN-UP, SUBMIT A COPY OF THE FIRST PAGE OF YOUR PASSPORT WHICH SHOWS YOUR PICTURE, PASSPORT NUMBER, DATE OF BIRTH, ETC. WITH YOUR TRIP APPLICATION

Passports must be valid for 6 months after the return date for international travel

2nd Payment due 5/23/17 \$600.00

3rd Payment due 6/23/17 \$600.00

4th Payment due 7/23/17 \$600.00 (may be adjusted up or down depending on finalization of costs)

Cancellation Policy

Cancel more than 90 days prior to trip, \$325.00
60-89 days prior, pay 10% of trip cost; 30-59 days prior, 65%; less than 30 days prior to trip, pay 100%.
The Ski Club strongly recommends the purchase of trip insurance.

SPRINGFIELD SKI CLUB
Membership Application
May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018

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 _____	Category Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> S.K.I. <input type="checkbox"/>
Address _____	
City _____	State _____ Zip _____ - _____
Home Phone (____) ____ - ____	Cell Phone (____) ____ - ____
Email Address _____	
Type <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	
Check for listing in Club Directory <input type="checkbox"/>	Home Address <input type="checkbox"/> Email Address <input type="checkbox"/> Home Phone <input type="checkbox"/> Cell Phone <input type="checkbox"/>

All members will receive two printed full Snowjourners each year, and 10 electronically. To receive a printed copy of the 2 page version for the other 10 months, check the box here:

Primary Membership Information	
First Name _____	MI _____ Last Name _____

Membership and Dues – Non-Refundable
<input type="checkbox"/> \$40 Individual (over age 21)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Family (Spouses and Children under age 21)
<input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Reciprocal Membership (must be member of one of the following clubs (Indicate with a ✓))
<input type="checkbox"/> Bloomington
<input type="checkbox"/> Champaign
<input type="checkbox"/> Peoria
<input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Member (must be member for 25 consecutive years)

Club Interests (Check all that interest you):
<input type="checkbox"/> Board Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Activities (Party Chairperson, Volunteer at Parties)
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership (Volunteer at Sign Up Parties)
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Service (Volunteer at Charity Events)
<input type="checkbox"/> Trip Leader for Ski and/or Day Trips
<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Coordinator (Billiards, Bowling, Golf, Tennis)
<input type="checkbox"/> Skier Development
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

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

Membership and Family Data:

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

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

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

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.”