



# Snowjourner

Bringing together the people of the Springfield Ski and Travel Club



## Happy Hour



**DECEMBER 19 • 5:00 to ?**

**ELKS**

**CLUB**



**409 E. LAKE SHORE DR.**

**A Christmas Party**

*with music and a photo booth by Jon Roth.*



## DECEMBER 5 Chesapeake Seafood

3045 E. CLEAR LAKE AVENUE

COCKTAILS 5:00 | DINNER 6:00 for Early Bird Specials

*January 2nd - Sam's Too, 312 Crossing Drive, Sherman, IL.*

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

**SAVE**

**THE**

**DATE!**

*Details Inside*

**December 19**

**Happy Hour/Christmas Party, Elks Club  
5:00 to 8:30**

**January 25-Feb. 1, 2020**

**SKI Trip to Mt. Bachelor, Oregon**

**February 1-8, 2020**

**Grand Palladium White Sands, Mexico**

**February 8, 2020**

**St. Louis Blues Hockey Game**

**February 22, 2020**

**Mid-Winter Party, details TBA**

**March 22-April 3, 2020**

**Exploring Portugal**

# DECEMBER 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   |
|----------------------|--------|----------------------|--------------------------|---|--------|--|
| 1                    | 2      | 3                    | 4                        | 5 DINE OUT<br>Chesapeake<br>Seafood               | 6      | 7 Minnie O'Beirne<br>Christmas<br>Bell Ringing<br>Salvation Army |
| 8                    | 9      | 10                   | 11                       | 12<br>Board Meeting                               | 13     | 14   |
| 15                   | 16     | 17                   | 18                       | 19 Happy Hour/<br>Christmas Party<br>ELKS<br>CLUB | 20     | 21   |
| 22<br>Happy Hanukkah | 23     | 24                   | 25<br>MERRY<br>CHRISTMAS | 26  | 27     | 28   |
| 29                   | 30     | 31 HAPPY<br>NEW YEAR | 1                        | 2 DINE OUT<br>SAM'S TOO                           | 3      | 4  |

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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy Holidays!  
 What a wonderful and peaceful time of the year. Christmas tunes from the past, family togetherness, snowbound in a warm house in front of a cozy fireplace, and lots of great eating, starting out with a hickory smoked golden brown turkey, all appear to make the season great. Skiing on a glistening hill, or lounging on a tropical beach all help to create lifelong wonderful winter memories.

Even as someone from the Jewish faith, I love and admire this time of the year when my friends celebrate the birth of Jesus, or the lighting of the Menorah candles. Merriment abounds, and peace is among us all. I look forward every year to ringing bells for the Salvation Army while singing and kidding with the customers walking in the door. The excitement of young children picking

out holiday gifts for their families at the annual Mini O'Beirne Holiday Store, and the gleeful shouting of



wonderful surprise from an organization that enabled me to meet my oldest friends and start my insurance agency. It was through the Jaycees that I became so interested in their motto, "Service to humanity is the best work of life"

I would like to thank all my fellow Ski and Travel Club members for their friendship and their involvement in our community service projects. A picture of our last Adopt-a-Street Gang is included. I have the utmost respect for these rascals that wake up on a Saturday morning to

'Merry Christmas' to all we meet.

help rid Springfield of a bit of its litter.

My first six months of serving as president of the club have been a pleasant experience. I have enjoyed it all. Last week I was awarded with a Jaycees Senatorship, which is the highest honor in the Jaycees organization. It was a

My best to you all for a healthy, happy, and joyous holiday season! Stay Warm!

**Rick Griminger**  
 President

## December Birthdays

|                              |    |                         |    |                          |    |
|------------------------------|----|-------------------------|----|--------------------------|----|
| Linda Hammer .....           | 2  | Tim Phillips .....      | 11 | Mary Reed .....          | 23 |
| Joseph Roberts .....         | 3  | Barbara Carney .....    | 12 | John Norris .....        | 23 |
| Pamela Tiscos .....          | 3  | Jenifer J. Malson ..... | 12 | Debi Barr-Holquist ..... | 24 |
| Gary Philo .....             | 4  | Rosemary Bellaire ..... | 13 | Barb Graves .....        | 24 |
| Joan Gardner .....           | 4  | Tina Biderman .....     | 15 | Mark A. McQuality .....  | 24 |
| Helen Leonard .....          | 5  | Jack Hook .....         | 15 | Gary Foster .....        | 24 |
| Roger Schnelten .....        | 5  | Lynda Bennett .....     | 15 | Joseph O'Beirne .....    | 25 |
| Larry Michaud .....          | 6  | Cathy Mellendorf .....  | 16 | Patti Bassett .....      | 25 |
| Lynda Kovarik .....          | 6  | Tim Cravens .....       | 16 | Sandra Ransdell .....    | 27 |
| Mary Carol 'MC' Braner ..... | 6  | Terry Neathery .....    | 17 | Sandy Colborn .....      | 27 |
| Tom Hafel .....              | 8  | Gary Telford .....      | 17 | Janet Elder .....        | 29 |
| Carol Maggio .....           | 9  | Gail Frank .....        | 20 | Marie L Wheeler .....    | 30 |
| Jim Disney .....             | 10 | Colleen Pinto .....     | 20 | Joyce Metz .....         | 31 |
| Barry J. Erlandson .....     | 10 | Rick Millard .....      | 21 | Dan Ewald .....          | 31 |
| Carol Sue Johnson .....      | 10 | John Mellendorf .....   | 21 |                          |    |
| Paul Robertson .....         | 11 | Timothy Shrake .....    | 22 |                          |    |



# COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Dec. 7, Bell Ringing for Salvation Army, 2-hour shifts, contact Rick Griminger, 652-4363 or rgriminer@comcast.net

January 14, Ronald McDonald House Cooking dinner at Ronald McDonald House for parents of ill children.



Dec. 7, Minnie O'Beirne Christmas Store, volunteer to help children pick out Christmas gifts for their families. 2:45 to 5:30. Contact Judy Nesbitt, 341-0861 or judy\_nesbitt@comcast.net

## DAYTRIPSDAYTRIPSDAYTRIPSDAYTRIPS DAYTRIPSDAYTRIPS

### FEB. 8 - ST. LOUIS BLUES VS. DALLAS STARS HOCKEY GAME

Trip leader is Wendy Schluter, (217)415-4764. Sign up at Happy Hour. Departure time 3:00, return 11:00 pm.. Cost at sign-up, \$100. No refunds unless we have a waiting list and the next person signs up. We will go to Bailey's Range for dinner for burgers and home-made ice cream, then to Enterprise Arena, with some time for sightseeing/shopping before the game.

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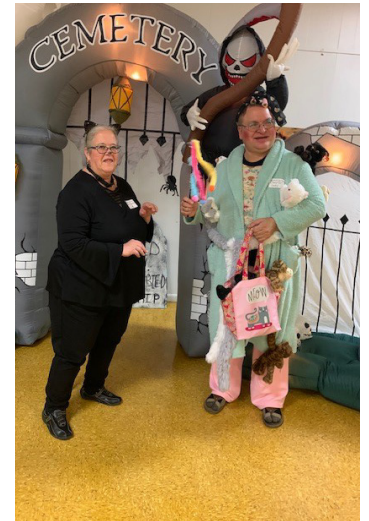
### HALLOWEEN PARTY RECAP

If you missed the Halloween Party on October 26, you missed a fun party. The band, King T'z, was an added plus, as shown by the crowded dance floor. We had a lot of great costumes too and the appetizers lasted all night long. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped made this party such a successful event! Award winners not pictured: Shawn Fox, door prize, Hallowe'en door wreath, Most original and Best Group: Rock/Paper/Scissors

**Best Duo (1)** went to Jennifer and Tim Shrake as "Shrek and Fiona"



**Scariest** costume went to John Blazis as the "Cat Women"



**Funniest** went to Sandy Frank for the "Little Cowboy with the Big Hat"



**Best Duo (2)** went to Margaret Schwartz and Shawn Fox as "Clouds/Lightning"



## PR UPDATE

Springfield Ski & Travel Club has a new Facebook page that is public and visible to everyone. We have created this new page to help us grow the membership in our club and promote our visibility in the community. Nothing will change with our current Facebook Ski & Travel Club Group Page. You will still be able to see events, receive notifications, ask questions, make comments, and connect with other Ski & Travel Club members as you have in the past on our group page. We hope you will "like" the new Springfield Ski & Travel Club page, share it with your friends, and encourage others to join us!

*Contact Publicity Chair,  
Linda Hammer with any questions.*

WELCOME NEW MEMBER



## TRIP REPORT: ILLINOIS VS WISCONSIN FOOTBALL GAME

What a perfect day for a football game! It was sunny with temps in the 60's and a clear sky. Twenty-three Ski Club members met at 7:30 a.m. at the old Clearlake Kmart to caravan to Champaign. By 9:15 a.m. our group had organized the tailgate party with plenty of food, drinks and one cigar. We were a sea of orange with one lone red sweatshirt, Marie Wheeler, but she had courage and bravely stood her ground.

The game was not going to be boring. Wisconsin was favored by 31, but Illinois didn't seem to know or care about the predictions. This was Illinois' Homecoming and Wisconsin has always been a big rival. Wisconsin scored 7 to lead at the end of the 1st Quarter. At half time, it was Wisconsin 13 and Illinois 7. The Illini defense was so tough and their running game was very promising.

The 3rd Quarter started with Illinois having a touchdown run called back much to our dismay. During the quarter several plays were reviewed by the referees with negative outcomes. We were all getting noisy and irritated. Jennifer Shrake got

more animated with each minute as she was dancing and waving her pom-poms. She made the stadium big screen TV showing off her dance moves. At the end of the 3rd Quarter it was Wisconsin 20 and Illinois 14. The 4th Quarter started off with a field goal for Wisconsin and a touchdown for Illinois.



Suddenly it was Wisconsin 23 to Illinois 20. We could feel it in the air that Illinois was ready to win. They were so rough and tough defensively. Then it happened with 2:32 left in the game, Illinois recovered a fumble, the third Wisconsin fumble of the game.

Illinois deliberately advanced the

ball ever so slowly driving Karl Reed and me crazy... until only 4 seconds were left. At that time, they kicked a 39 yard field goal. The rest is history. Illinois won 24-23. The crowd went crazy. Never have I seen that football field covered in so much orange with so many people jumping and screaming.

After the game, 18 of us went to Biaggi's Italian Restaurant to celebrate the Illini victory. The restaurant staff gave Marie Wheeler a lot of sympathy for her red sweatshirt.

We had just seen the upset of the season and our first Illini win over a conference team since 2007. It was an exciting game with a lot of action and outstanding plays. I would like to thank all the Ski Club members who brought food, tables and utensils for the tailgate and made this such a fun day.

Thank you for all being so organized and easy to keep track of. To all of you who missed the Illinois - Wisconsin matchup, you may have to wait another 12 years to see it happen again! Let's Hope Not!!!

**Shirley Cowles, Trip Leader**



# Roger's 41st Annual Oktoberfest a Roaring Success

This year's turnout was outstanding - reminiscent of legendary Oktoberfests of the 90s. I credit the weather, the full-page ads in the Snowjourner and Quick Release two months in a row, and Jon Roth's promotion of the 41-mile bike ride. I always know the crowd has been a big one when the grass beneath the Floataway (hippie) chair is completely worn away.



Grateful to all the helpers: Lynn, set up; Mike and Alasdair on the deep fryer; Megan on the grill; Mark, all of the above plus the bonfire. The Oktoberfest simply wouldn't happen without your generous assistance.

How about our entertainment? Weren't they amazing?! Doug Strahan and the Good Neighbors along with Antone and Wick - I say we have them all back again next year, eh?



Four kegs of beer seemed to be just the right amount for this party - including Reisch Gold Top, courtesy of Chuck. And all the hard work at the grill and fryer and the hundreds of party goers left me with only the smallest amount of extras, which made their way to the Ski Club happy hour at the Oaks.



Thank you John Norris for the colorful gourds.

Thanks everyone for coming out this year. I'm already looking forward to the 42nd.

**See you all there.**





**SKI is going back to Mt. Bachelor, OR**  
**Saturday January 25 – Saturday February 1, 2020**

**\$1697** pp/do



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Mt. Bachelor is a volcano which you can ski 360 degrees from the resort's 9,065-foot summit and enjoy 3,300 feet of vertical. Bend, OR is well known for having the most microbreweries per capita.

### Price includes:

- 7 nights lodging at the Doubletree in Downtown Bend w/daily hot breakfast
- 5 day Lift Ticket
- Air from MLI, STL or IND (Less \$70) to Redmond, OR
- Party package including mountain tour, lunch and après party
- Transportation from/to Redmond to Bend, and from/to Bend to Mt. Bachelor
- Welcome reception, happy hours, contest with prizes

### Optional Activities (some fees required):

- Snowshoe with a guide at Crater Lake Nation Park
- Dinner and Lava Cave Expedition
- Brewery Tours

### Mountain Statistics:

- 9,065 ft. Summit, 5,700 ft. Base, 3,365 Vertical Drop.
- Over 4300 lift served skiable acres (6<sup>th</sup> largest in the US)
- 15% Green, 35% Blue, 30% Black, 20% Extreme



# Grand Palladium White Sands Resort & Spa

## Quintana Roo, Mexico

### February 1-8, 2020

**TRIP LEADERS:** Jennifer & Tim Shrake  
217-698-5480

**PRICE:** **\$1,990.00 perperson (double occupancy)**  
Maximum number of participants is 45.  
Five Single Supplements are available at \$626.00 each.



#### TRIP INCLUDES:

- Round trip air transportation between St. Louis and Cancun
- Airport transfers, government taxes, fees, airline fuel surcharges included but subject to change
- Ground transportation to and from the Resort
- Seven nights at the all inclusive Grand Palladium White Sands Resort & Spa, Quintana Roo, Mexico

#### PAYMENTS:

Deposit at sign-up: \$665.00. Add \$210.00 for single supplement. Add \$135.00 if you want to purchase Apple trip insurance.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Payment due 10/7/2019 – \$665.00. Add \$210.00 for single supplement.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Payment due 11/7/2019 – \$660.00. Add \$206 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 or from the 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:

Cutoff Date – Cancel by September 13, 2019, and pay only the \$25 SSTC processing fee. After September 13, 2019, your obligation is the full price of the trip plus the SSTC fee.

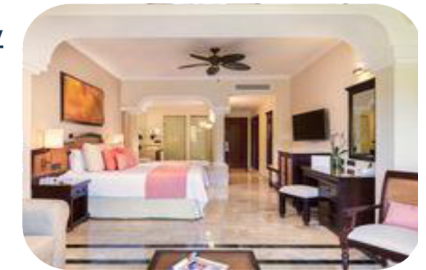
- No refunds will be given for unused portions of the package.
- All cancellations must be requested in writing. Contact the trip leader regarding any cancellation.
- **ALL CANCELLATIONS SUBJECT TO \$25 SSTC PROCESSING FEE.**

#### RESORT FEATURES:

- Oceanfront resort
- Nine 'à la carte' international restaurants plus buffets
- Six bars including swim-up bars
- Spa • Fitness center • Free WIFI
- Freshwater pools • Nightly shows • Daily activities
- Complimentary use of sister Palladium Resorts with free shuttle

#### ACTIVITIES:

- Volleyball
- Archery
- Soccer
- Fitness center
- Aqua gym
- Snorkeling
- Kayaking
- Catamaran
- Wind surfing
- Pedal boats
- Tennis
- Mini golf
- Scenic pontoon boat rides
- Dancing



**Trip Insurance:** The Springfield Ski & Travel 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. Apple Vacations offers insurance for \$135.00, but you may use other insurers as well. Trip insurance should be purchased as soon as possible to ensure complete coverage.

# ADVENTURES IN PORTUGAL

**March 22 – April 3, 2020 (13 days/11 nights)**

**TRIP LEADER:** Mike Bloechle – 217/787-1010 or m.bloechle@comcast.net

**PRICE:** \$3,060.00 (land and air) – based on a minimum of 30 and maximum of 45 travelers

Single Supplement - \$699 added to the price of the trip – limit of 5

Land only – Price will be adjusted on the 3rd and 4th payments.

## TRIP INCLUDES:

- Bus transportation to and from O'Hare Airport
- Air transportation to Porto and from Lisbon
- Airfare taxes, fees and fuel surcharges (subject to change)
- Airport transfers, government taxes, fees, airline fuel surcharges included but subject to change
- Motor coach transportation throughout the trip
- English speaking guide throughout the trip
- Three nights in Porto, two nights in Coimbra, two nights in Évora and four nights in Lisbon
- Four full-day and four partial-day tours
- Breakfast daily, one lunch and two dinners – welcome
- Welcome dinner in Porto and farewell dinner with Fado show in Lisbon
- Gratuities for guide in Portugal, bus drivers (Chicago and Portugal), hotel porters (one piece of luggage per person), and serving staff at included meals

## PAYMENTS:

- Deposit at sign-up: Land & Air = \$765; Single Supplement = \$940
- 2nd Payment due 10/4/2019: \$765; single supplement = \$940
- 3rd Payment due 11/4/2019: \$765; single supplement = \$940
- 4th Payment due 12/4/2019: \$765; single supplement = \$939

The final payment (including land only and single supplement fees) 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 and Travel Club. Refunds or additional payment may be required if payment in full is received prior to the adjustment.

## PASSPORTS:

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

## INCLUDED ACTIVITIES: (entry fees included for these activities):

- Applicable entry fees are included for these activities.
- Walking tour of Porto
- Visits to Aveiro, Guarda, Tomar, Fatima, Obidos, Marvão
- Full-day excursion to Lamengo and the Quinta da Pacheca Winery (wine tasting and three-course lunch)
- University of Coimbra and Royal Palace (Coimbra)
- Marvão Medieval Village
- Cathedral and Cloisters of Évora
- Wine and olive tasting in Évora
- Capela dos Ossos (Chapel of Bones)/Royal Church of St. Francis (Évora)
- Belém Riverside District (Lisbon), 16th century Monastery of Jeronimos and Belem Tower
- Obidos Medieval Fortress
- Fado show with dinner
- Free time for shopping in Lisbon, Coimbra, Évora and Porto
- Visit to 12th century settlement built by the Knights Templar in Tomar

## HOTELS (subject to change based on availability):

- Three nights in Porto at Carris Porto Ribérica – Class 4\*
- Two nights in Coimbra at Tivoli Coimbra Hotel - Class 4\*
- Two nights in Évora at Vila Galé Évora - Class 4\*
- Four nights in Lisbon at Mundial or Tivoli Oriente - Class 4\*

## OPTIONAL TOURS

(Prices are in Euros and are approximations):

- Half-day excursion to Guimaraes (35€ per person)
- Douro River Cruise with wine/cheese tasting (40€ per person)
- Half-day excursion to the Conimbriga Ruins (18€ per person)
- Half-day Baixa District tour in Lisbon (26€ per person)
- Sintra excursion (60€ per person)



Obidos Medieval Castle



Pena Palace in Sintra

## Cancellation Dates/Fees:

- Cutoff date – **September 13, 2019**, there is a \$25 SSTC processing fee.
- Between **September 14, 2019 and November 3, 2019** - \$300 per person.
- November 4, 2019 or after, YOUR OBLIGATION IS THE FULL PRICE OF THE TRIP.
- If a replacement is found by November 4, an adjustment may be possible.
- No refunds will be given for unused portions of the package and all cancellations must be requested in writing. Contact the trip leader regarding any cancellation.
- **ALL CANCELLATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO \$25 SSTC PROCESSING FEE.**

**Trip Insurance:** The Springfield Ski and Travel 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 for \$179 (<http://www.tripmate.com/wpf394H>), but you can use other insurers as well. Trip insurance should be purchased as soon as possible to ensure complete coverage.

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> Deposit: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Due: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Paid: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Deposit: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Due: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Paid: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Final Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Due: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Paid: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Approved Refund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



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## **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.”

**SPRINGFIELD SKI and TRAVEL CLUB**  
**Membership Application**  
**May 1, 2019 through April 30, 2020**

|                        |
|------------------------|
| Amount \$ _____        |
| Date: _____            |
| ID# _____              |
| <b>(Club Use Only)</b> |

(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  Family  S.K.I.

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Cell Phone ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

New  Renewal

Type \_\_\_\_\_

Check for listing in Club Directory  Home Address  Email Address  Home Phone  Cell Phone

All members will receive two printed full Snowjourners each year, and 10 electronically. If you want to continue to receive monthly Mark yes \_\_\_\_ or No \_\_\_\_\_. There will be a \$20 fee for monthly mailing. It is also available online at [springfieldskiclub.org](http://springfieldskiclub.org)

**Primary Membership Information**

First 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 member of one of the following clubs (Indicate with a √ )
  - Bloomington
  - Champaign
  - Peoria
- Lifetime Member (must be member for 25 consecutive years)

**Club Interests (Check all that interest you):**

- Board Member
- Activities (Party Chairperson, Volunteer at Parties)
- Membership (Volunteer at Sign Up Parties)
- Community Service (Volunteer at Charity Events)
- Trip Leader for Ski and/or Day Trips
- 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 and Family Data:**

| Name of Each Individual (include yourself) | Birth Date<br>MM/DD/YY | Adult/<br>Child | Sex | Single/<br>Married |
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Anyone 21 years of age and older 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 12 and 13 of the 2017 - 2018 Directory). This membership entitles you to membership in the Ski Council of Illinois (S.K.I.)