

Ski Trails

The monthly newsletter for Suburban Ski Club

July 2018

Website: <http://www.suburbanskiclub.org>

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Suburban Ski Club Members,

I hope this finds you enjoying the summer months and I wish you a very happy 4th of July holiday.

Despite the warm weather, let's talk about skiing. I have already started receiving emails from members asking me how soon they can sign up for our Park City ski trip that runs from **Saturday, January 26 through Saturday, February 2** and Joe Sullivan has reported that he has answered several question about our Eastern Trip to **Sunday River and Sugarloaf in Maine from February 24 – March 2**. I am happy to report that we can now take reservations for both trips.

In the Email that brought you this edition of [Ski Trails](#), you will find several attachments with flyers and reservation forms. You will soon be able to download them from our website: www.suburbanskiclub.org As a member of Suburban Ski Club, you have advance notice of our 2019 skiing plans. We are not opening our two major trips to the general skiing community until July 15. So, please go ahead and reserve your spots so you will not miss out.

In the final pages of this newsletter you will find important additional details about Park City and Maine that are not found in the attached flyers and forms. Please be sure to read that information and do not hesitate to contact the trip leader if you have any questions about these two major trips.

On **Thursday, September 13**, we will be having our **first membership meeting** of the season at our usual spot, the Holiday Inn in Mayfield Heights. At that time, we will be celebrating our 60th Anniversary and we will also be hosting our **Annual Ski Fair**. There will lots of information about the exciting plans for our 2018-19 ski season along with drawings for some valuable prizes.

On June 19th, fifteen SSC members gathered in Tremont for an EAT at the Merchant Street Restaurant. A Happy Hour preceded dinner and the reports on both were very positive. I want to thank our EAT coordinator, **Mary Ellen Noss**, as well as **Ed Noss** for being the hosts for the evening. Later in these pages be sure to read about **Ron Frederick's** July EAT and the annual Blossom Picnic and Concert hosted, as usual, by **Ann McBrian**.

Finally, let me again wish you all a happy and safe summer season.

Beth Silverman, President of SSC
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JULY BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday to the following members born in July. Our database of birthdays is far from complete. Please remember to enter your birthday when you renew your membership so we can include you in our birthday wishes. We only need the month and the day:

Debbie Axelrod (7/12), Taylor Axelrod (7/22), Margie Bakale (7/27), Barbara Brennan (7/21), Jason Chao (7/18), Franciska Chmielewski (7/22), Monica Dumitriu (7/27), Jerry Golinski (7/9), Leonard Haas (7/6), Carol Hartman (7/3), John Hersch (7/29), Peg Holmes (7/7), Ron Howard (7/31), Art Koch (7/4), Susan Kohout (7/14), Hanna Kreierhoff (7/13), Denise Lincoln (7/16), Lorraine Lipinski (7/16), Rich Lowe (7/22), Becky Marx (7/17), Russ Marx (7/14), Barb Nagle (7/1), Linda Nash (7/27), Thomas Ockler (7/23), Sally Roseman (7/31), Elaine Roth (7/20), Corinne Seifert (7/1), Jerry Solnick (7/18), Diane Szilagyi (7/10), Dennis Troyan (7/5) and Jerrod Vastag (7/11)

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

July – September, 2018

- ***SOCIAL:*** Tuesday, July 22, 6:00 PM: EAT at Mama Catena Ristorante
- ***SOCIAL:*** Sunday, August 19: Blossom Picnic (4:30 PM) and Concert (7:00 PM)
- ***MEETING:*** Thursday, September 13: SKI FAIR and First Membership Meeting of the year at the Holiday Inn
- ***SOCIAL:*** Saturday, September 15, 2:30 PM: Annual Clambake in Hiram at the Estate of Ed and Mary Ellen Noss
- ***MEETING:*** Thursday, October 11: Membership Meeting at the Holiday Inn
- ***SOCIAL:*** Sunday, October 14, 11:00 AM: Brunch EAT at Luxe Kitchen & Lounge, Gordon Square District
- ***MEETING:*** Thursday, November 8: Membership Meeting at the Holiday Inn
- ***SOCIAL:*** Sunday, Nov 11: EAT with SSC Alumni at Nighttown

UPCOMING EVENTS IN MORE DETAIL

Tuesday, July 17, 6:00 PM: EAT at Mama Catena Ristorante

Ron Frederick will be our host for an evening at Mama Catena Ristorante. This iconic restaurant burned down a while ago and, like the mythical Phoenix, has risen from its ashes. It is a family-owned, Italian restaurant and, according to Ron, features large portions of very high quality at modest prices. The restaurant is located at 711 Babbitt Road; Euclid, OH 44123. Their website is www.mamacatenas.com

Make reservations with Ron by July 10. **Email:** precedent2@aol.com **Phone:** (216) 650-6871

Sunday, August 19: Picnic & Concert at Blossom Music Center

Suburban Ski Club at
BLOSSOM
MUSIC FESTIVAL
Summer Home of
The Cleveland Orchestra
Sunday, August 19, 2018



Pre-Concert Picnic: 4:30 PM

Concert: 7:00 PM

Again, this year, **Ann McBrian** is our host for a performance by the Cleveland Orchestra at Blossom with a pre-concert picnic. The evening features the Cleveland Orchestra conducted by **Randall Craig Fleischer** in a presentation called “**Frank & Ella.**” Vocalists **Capathia Jenkins** and **Tony DeSare** will perform Sinatra and Fitzgerald classic hits.

The performance begins at 7:00 PM but we will be gathering after the gates open at 4:30 PM in the area called the Lawn Terrace (located at the top of the lawn area and centered above the pavilion) for our pre-concert picnic. **Please see the BLOSSOM MAP** attached to the Email that brought this newsletter.

Ann will be taking orders for pitas and/or salads from Pita Pit but you should feel free to cater your own picnic. Beverages are not provided and you should bring your own beverage of choice. Adult beverages are allowed at Blossom.

Please see the **additional attachments**. There is a **MENU** from Pita Pit. Note this menu is in landscape mode and (to avoid neck strain!) you may want to print it out for easier reading.

Also attached is an **ORDER FORM** so you can order your Pita Pit meal and specify the number of tickets you want to purchase using this form.

A single lawn ticket price for the evening is \$25. But Ann is hoping to buy books of lawn tickets at a savings of \$7.50 per ticket. Provided we are able to purchase the books, refunds on the tickets will be given the night of the concert. Should you not want to sit on the lawn, these lawn tickets are also valid for general admission seating in the pavilion

Parking is free with tram service provided to get you to the main gate. The tram also continues on down the hill to make another stop at the pavilion. You don't want to do that unless you need some extra exercise by walking all the way back up the hill. But if you choose to sit in the pavilion for the concert, you can use that stop when you exit. Check out the map and you will see how you should get off the tram at the main gate and enter there to make your way to the Lawn Terrace.

You may contact Ann at: mcbriana@gmail.com or (330) 618-8450. Ann's mailing address is Ann McBrian; 2059 Maple Road; Stow, OH 44133. In addition to making your reservations, Ann is available to answer any questions you might have.

Please make your reservations asap but no later than **Wednesday, August 15th**.

Saturday, September 15, 2:30PM: Annual Clambake in Hiram at the Noss Estate

Please put this date on your personal calendars. About mid-August, we will be sending out an Email with all the details about ordering your bake and mailing your check. For now, you need to be sure to save that Saturday for this very popular event.

One more thing - We are happy to tell you that, once again, the Executive Board has agreed to subsidize this event and we have been able to offer the clam bake at a very modest price.

THE MAJOR TRIPS FOR 2019

Over the past weeks we have been teasing you about our major trips for 2019. We told you the dates and the destinations and provided some additional details. But now we can tell you we have everything in place and can invite you to make your plans and reserve your spots. Attached to the Email that brought you this issue of Ski Trails, there are **Flyers** and **Registration Forms** for these trips. Please check them out and sign up to join us on one or both of these two marvelous adventures.

We are announcing this trip exclusively to current members of SSC and you have the first opportunity to reserve your place. Later this month of July, we will be advertising both trips to the larger skiing community. However, this is your advance notice and we urge you to take advantage of it.

What follows is a summary of what these two trips offer. There are many details that could not be included in the flyers and registration forms. So, please read the following for additional information and do not hesitate to contact the Trip Leader with any questions:

The Western Trip:



As you know, we are going to **Park City, Utah** from **Saturday, January 26** to **Saturday, February 2, 2019**. We are very excited about this extra special place.

Park City has been on our wish-list as a major trip for several years and many of our members have told us they wanted to go back there. In 2015, we ran a limited, second western trip to Park City (the other, larger trip was to Telluride) but we wanted to do something bigger and more special. Now everything has fallen in place perfectly for 2019 and we can offer a truly fabulous experience. In doing our research, two very nice things happened:

First, Delta added a direct flight from Cleveland to Salt Lake City at a great rate making this trip more affordable and convenient than ever. And, more good news - the bus transfer from the airport to our resort is only 45 minutes. No more 3- 4 hour bus rides!

Second, we discovered the **Zermatt Resort and Spa**. This elegant, 4- star resort features Swiss-style architecture and décor. It caters to ski groups and here are some of the amenities offered:

* A dedicated group liaison, Max. She will be around for our week taking us on mountain tours and making sure our stay at Zermatt is a wonderful one for all of us.

- * A complimentary shuttle for our group to take us to the nearby ski areas.
- * An onsite bar, bakery and many affordable restaurants
- * Indoor and outdoor pools, sauna, steam room, fitness center and more
- * Lots of meeting spaces for us to gather as a group

What about the **skiing**? From the Zermatt we can get to the gondola for Deer Valley in only 11 minutes and it is just 20 minutes to Park City/The Canyons and 20 minutes to the Sundance Ski Resort. And, depending on interest, there is a possibility of adding other ski areas to the lift package. Alta/Snowbird, Solitude et. al. are not in our base package but if there are some who want to venture out to these area, we will look into how to make that happen.

In addition, there is something new for this trip. Our trip package will allow you to customize your lift tickets into a bundle you prefer and will offer very nice discounts for our seniors.

We chose the week of January 26th because this is the week of the Sundance Film Festival and we have been told that the nearby ski areas have a record low number of skiers at that time. So, our skiing experience should be phenomenal with no lift lines. Locals tells us that this is a fantastic time for skiers to visit. And, if any of our members want to experience Sundance, the Zermatt offers a complimentary shuttle to Park City.

If you haven't been to Park City, here is a brief summary of the ski areas in our base package:

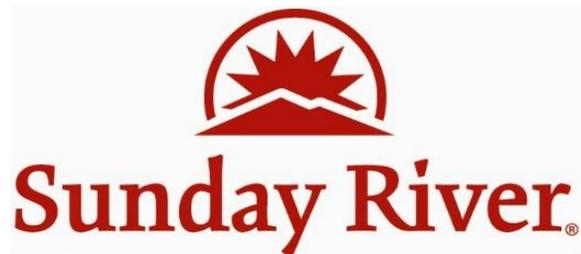
Deer Valley Ski Resort: The ski resort is situated along the Wasatch Range and is home to great powder, groomers, steeps and moguls. With a 3,000-foot vertical drop and more than 2,000 acres of skiable terrain, skiers of all ages and abilities are sure to find the perfect slope - 27% beginner, 41% intermediate, 27% advanced and 5% expert.

Park City Resort: Park City Mountain Resort is home to an impressive 7,300 skiable acres. The ski resort earned the title of most lift-served terrain in the U.S. after the largest resort improvement project in the history of American skiing (totaling more than \$50 million) linked it with The Canyons Resort during the summer of 2015. This massive mountain boasts 347 trails, close to half of which are suited for intermediate skiers and riders. Park City also offers up plenty of advanced and expert terrain, along with fourteen bowls, eight terrain parks, six natural half pipes, one super pipe and one mini pipe - 8% beginner, 42% intermediate, 32% advanced and 18% expert.

Sundance Ski Resort: Sundance Resort is located in a unique, small town atmosphere. The resort is set against the majestic 12,000 foot Mount Timpanogos. The resort offers 42 runs spread out over 450 acres of skiable terrain. Experts will enjoy the steep, wide-open bowls while beginners and intermediates can stick to the groomed slopes - 35% beginner, 45% intermediate, 19% advanced, 1% expert. This resort is owned by Robert Redford.

We are very excited to offer this exceptional skiing opportunity and we invite you to join us. Please check out the Flyer, the Agreement Form and the Optional Lift Ticket Order Form attached to the Email that brought you this newsletter and send in your deposit.

The Eastern Trip:



This is the Eastern Trip group in 2016. Put yourself in the picture for 2019 as we head back to Maine for a week of skiing at **Sunday River** and **Sugarloaf**. The dates are **February 24 – March 2, 2019** and the price is **\$1049**.

As usual, it will be **an all-inclusive trip at a bargain price**. The package includes 6 nights lodging; lift tickets for 5 days; a free group ski lesson; 6 dinners and 5 hot breakfast buffets; a welcoming wine & cheese reception; luxury motor coach transportation and more.

The modest cost of this trip offers an opportunity for those who might find the price of the western trip prohibitive, especially for some couples who would be facing two large payments. But Maine will also be attractive to some who would like to add a second major trip without paying the cost of another, more expensive, western trip.

Our lodging is again at the **Jordan Hotel at Sunday River** where we will have ski-in & ski-out access to the slopes. Those who have been there can attest that Sunday River is a very special place offering some great skiing at the second largest ski area in the East. Who is bigger than Sunday River? That would be **Sugarloaf** and we will ski two days at this fabulous resort as well. Those

who went in 2016 can attest that even the hardest of us could not ski all the trails offered by these two expansive resorts. The options at both areas range from Green and Blue groomed cruisers to some challenging Double Black Diamonds. There is something for everyone.

So, don't hesitate. Space is limited and if this trip interests you, act quickly to reserve your spot. **The trip Flyer along with an Agreement Form is attached to the Email that brought you this edition of Ski Trails.** Check them out.

When we New Englanders tell our friends we plan to visit Maine , we say we are going “down Maine” even though the state is the northernmost of the New England States. But whatever direction it is, please join us in going “down Maine” to the two best ski areas in the East.