

Ski Trails

The monthly newsletter for Suburban Ski Club

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

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Suburban Ski Club Members,

I am pleased to announce that at our February membership meeting, we nominated a slate of candidates for next year's Club Officers. See the slate below. We have nominated a great team and I am grateful to each of them for their time and commitment to advancing this wonderful club. In March, we will ask you to cast your vote to elect these excellent individuals either at our March 12th Membership Meeting or by your Emailed absentee ballot. Look for an Email in a few days that will explain our voting process.

- **Ron Friedberg, President**
- **Maggie Layman, First Vice President**
- **Cliff Lewis, Vice President, Data Management**
- **Ann McBrian, Treasurer**
 - **Pat Lewis, Secretary**
 - **Member-at-Large, Joe Sullivan**
 - **Member-at-Large, Elisa Budoff**
 - **Member-at-Large, Open**

As I write this, Trip Leader, Editor, Chief Cook and Bottle Washer, **Joe Sullivan**, is putting the final touches on our Eastern trip to Sunday River/Sugarloaf, Maine. It is a huge job and Joe does it tirelessly and in good humor. So, our huge thanks to Joe for once again putting together a wonderful, value-packed trip for our members.

We are down to our last, one-day bus trip of the year ... to **Holiday Valley on Friday, March 6** with an apres ski dinner in Ellicottville. Trip Leader, **Melinda Kellerstrass**, tells us that there are some spots left. So, please sign up soon and enjoy our last outing of the year. Be sure to read Melinda's article later in this newsletter for more details on this trip. And be sure to check out the prizes Melinda is offering for those who book early.

This will be Melinda's final article as Co-Chair of Trips and Tours. She is by no means leaving SSC and will continue to be active in many things, but she is passing along the mantle of managing the bus trip portion of our skiing program. Words cannot adequately express our gratitude to Melinda for all the work she has put into making our bus trips so successful.

Mary Ellen and Ed Noss have put together another special EAT. This one is to **Charm Thai Restaurant on March 25th**. See the details on [page 3](#).

On [page 5](#) of this newsletter you will find photos of the groups in our first two major trips. There will be more to come on these and the March trip to Telluride in future issues.

Finally, on [page 6](#), please see a new feature of our newsletter, the **Lost and Found Department**. Perhaps you may discover an item you left behind on one of our bus trips - if you dare to claim it as yours!

Planning has started on 2021 ski destinations and I invite you to send me with your ideas for major trips. One of the things we are considering is linking all three major trips (two west and one east) to destinations that accept either the Epic or Ikon pass so those of you who ski multiple destinations can save money on lift tickets. Both passes offer early-bird pricing through March so we will let you know which way we are going as soon as possible. **John Hersch** has already begun some preliminary work of this matter and I'd like to thank John for agreeing to join our Trips and Tours Committee and also for his service on the Executive Board as a Member At Large.

Beth Silverman, President of SSC
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MARCH BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday to the following members born in March. 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.

Sam Bell (3/26), Elisa Budoff (3/9), Monica Castele (3/3), Kyle Chambers (3/17), Dawn Colfer (3/21), Kevin Duden (3/2), Pam Fenn (3/7), Ron Frederick (3/17), Bill Hersch (3/23), Jane Hughes (3/23), Gary Orosz (3/23), Eugene Pallat (3/28), Andrea Peters (3/30), Barbara Quinn (3/16), Joan Rieke (3/17), Kimberly Sandler (3/6) and Mary Ellen Strong (3/19)

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

March, 2020

- **SKI TRIP:** Friday, March 6: Skier Appreciation Trip to Holiday Valley
- **SKI TRIP:** Wednesday, March 11: Peek 'n Peak Meet Up Carpool
- **MEETING:** Thursday, March 12: Membership (Election) Meeting at the Holiday Inn
- **SKI TRIP:** Saturday, March 21 – Saturday, March 28: Telluride
- **SOCIAL:** Wednesday, March 25, 6:00 PM: EAT at Charm Thai

UPCOMING EVENTS IN MORE DETAIL

Thursday, March 12, 7:00 PM: Membership Meeting

The meeting begins at 7:00 PM in the party room at the Holiday Inn; 780 Beta Drive, Mayfield Village 44143, (440) 461-9200. Beta Drive is only one intersection east of the exit for Wilson Mills Road on I-271. Turn NORTH off Wilson Mills Road at the traffic light on to Beta Drive. You will see a sign for the Holiday Inn as you make the turn. As usual we will be assembling at 5:15 PM in Alfredo's Restaurant for cocktails, food and socializing. If dinner is more than you want, order an appetizer, a salad or even pizza. You will find us at the back of the restaurant.

This is the annual Election Meeting for Club Officers.

Wednesday, March 25, 6:00 PM: EAT at Charm Thai

Ed & Mary Ellen Noss are our hosts to this EAT at Charm Thai. The restaurant is located at 7426 Broadview Road; Parma, OH 44134. Phone (216)-642-0301. You can check out their menu at www.charmthaiparma.com

Charm Thai has been described as family-owned, delightful place with a very pleasant ambiance. It features a wide variety of authentic Thai cuisine which includes some vegetarian & gluten free dishes. There is a full bar that has a different Asian twist to many popular drinks.

We will meet for cocktails and attitude adjustment at 6:00 PM with dinner to follow at 7:00 PM.

Please reserve with Ed & Mary Ellen by March 18: lpdptr@gmail.com . If necessary, you may call **(330)569-3170**

WINDING DOWN THE 2020 BUS TRIPS



Our **Skier Appreciation Trip** is scheduled for **Friday, March 6th at Holliday Valley** with dinner in town following a day of skiing. If you have skied any trip with Suburban Ski Club during the 2020 season, you will receive a discounted rate. This is our way of saying THANKS! Don't miss this last chance for an SSC bus trip. Please go online now and reserve your spot at <https://www.suburbanskiclub.org/> or download the form and mail it to Ann McBrian. If this is your first trip with SSC, we welcome you too!

Club Treasurer, **Ann McBrian**, has generously donated two free lift tickets and four rental vouchers for the March 6th trip to Holiday Valley. Anyone who has registered for this trip by March 2nd will be placed in a drawing for a free lift ticket. Contact trip leader Melinda Kellerstrass Melinda@suburbanskiclub.org if you are interested in the free rental vouchers. They will be distributed on a first come first served basis to trip participants.

We are also looking to extend our ski season with a meet up **carpool to Peak N Peek on Wednesday, March 11**. We meet at 7:30 AM in the Holiday Inn parking lot (780 Beta Dr., Mayfield Village 44143) and carpool out to the resort. You could also meet us there. As long as there is snow, this trip will go! Check the website for updates on this trip or you can email me with questions: Melinda@suburbanskiclub.org. If you plan on attending, it is a good idea to drop me an email, so we know to look for you. This is a fun outing and all are welcome - even non-members!

I would like to say a big thanks to all of you for making the bus trips so wonderful these past several years. As some of you may know, I will be stepping down as bus trip chair and turning the job over to Beth Silverman. It has been a pleasure to plan and execute the trips. I enjoyed getting to know the club members and being able to ski with every one of you. I am not going away. You will still see me out on the slopes and I may even lead a trip or two. I just won't be the one organizing them. ☺ I am looking forward to more skiing fun with SSC next season!

We are currently in the process of putting together next year's skiing escapades. If you would like to be a trip leader or have trip ideas please, contact Beth Silverman Beth@suburbanskiclub.org or myself, Melinda@suburbanskiclub.org. This is your club and we are always looking for your input.

Register for March 6th and celebrate the end of ski season with SSC. With a "little bit of 'O Irish luck" maybe you'll win a free lift ticket.

Melinda Kellerstrass
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Mammoth and Maine: In a future issue of Ski Trails, we will feature some photos of these two wonderful ski trips. For now, here is a preview of both groups:



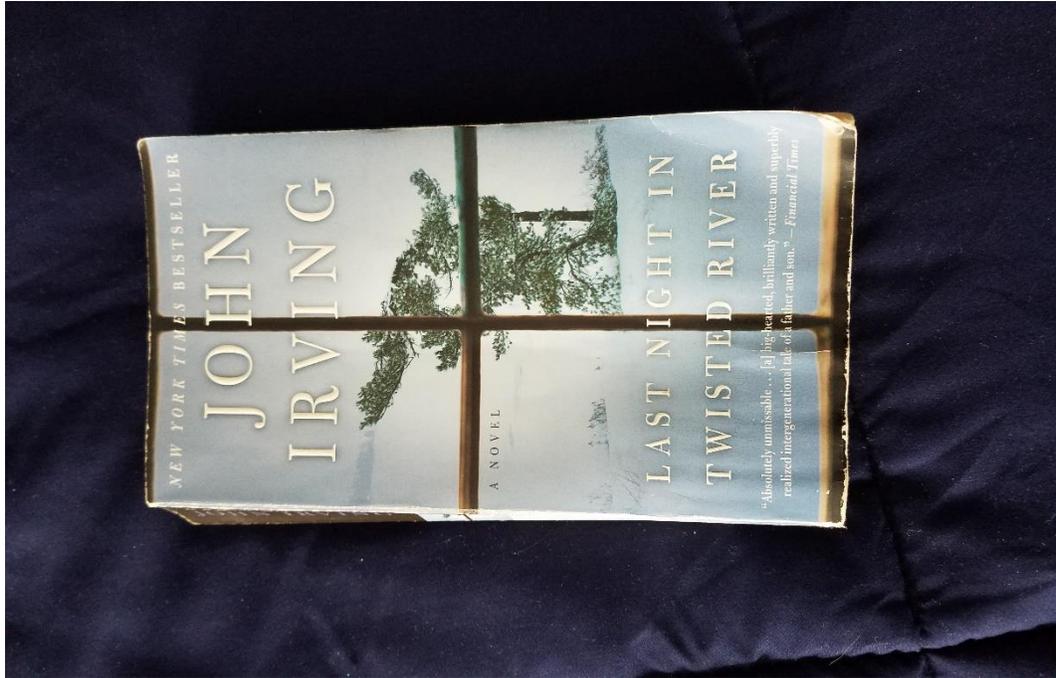
Mammoth,
January
2020



Maine,
February
2020

Lost & Found Department

As a service to our members, we are attempting to locate the owners of some articles recently found on the bus for two of our ski trips. Please contact the Editor if you want to claim ownership of the following:



Novel by
John Irving



Size 5 in
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