



September 2023

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Next Meetings:

Thurs, Sept 7, 7pm

Thurs, Sept 21, 7pm

Miller's Ale House | 455 Butterfield Rd | Lombard

Email: ComeSkiWithUs@piccadillyskiclub.com

President's Message:

Whew, that summer flew by. There's good news, however. Fall means that as the weather cools down, or ski season heats up!

August was fantastic, highlighted by our annual PSC picnic. Great weather, great food, and great camaraderie combined to make a truly wonderful day for 130 Piccadillians. During August PSC also attended concerts, Mockvinia (thanks Dawn & Mike!), hikes, and happy hours. We really did have an event-packed summer, but now our thoughts turn to a PSC slate of fall events. One of my own favorite fall activities is anticipating and preparing for the upcoming ski season. Perhaps you too are peeking in the ski closet, looking over what needs attention? I hope so.

For September we have our annual HERRICK Lake bike-ride and backyard BBQ September 10th, as well as dinners and social get-togethers. Please see the PSC calendar on our website for details! Trip sign-ups are in full swing – if you want to “come ski with us,” please see the instructions on our website, or better still, attend our September meetings 9/7 and 9/21. Hope to see you there!

---Paul Fuka, PSC President---

Share Piccadilly with your friends and keep our club growing strong!

Grab some new business cards for the wallet or purse at the next meeting. Carry them with you, and hand them out to prospective members.... An easy way to invite a friend to check us out!



Where in the World is Piccadilly?

Let's find out! As you travel to near and far places, bring along PSC logo gear and take a photo of you with that swag (neck wallet, jacket, facemask, business card, pin, bandana, shirt, coat, vest, backpack, koozie, etc.) Be sure to show the PSC logo in the photo, and you of course, along with your travel location as your backdrop, and email it to me, Dawn, at rockaroche3@gmail.com subject line: Where in the world... It does NOT have to be across the world, but it would be fun if it was, and hopefully somewhere identifiable. Or, we'll have fun guessing.



Left: Piccadilly Business Card enjoyed a trapeze show at Foster Beach. Nancy M, Carol V, Sue A and Dawn R watched while Brian H – in bunny costume – flew through the air with the greatest of ease.



Right: PSC Business Card attended Clarendon Hills' summer concert series: Dancin in the Streets with Don Z and Sandi S. The Rock photo bombed them.



Left: Union Jack (aka PSC's flag inspiration) went reenacting at the Grand Portage Rendezvous in Grand Portage, Minnesota. Randy B, Debbie and Keith F, and Jan L tagged along



Jackie and Wally at Illinois state fair in Springfield with grandkids Charlotte and Graham

Left: Piccadilly Business Card went to the Wisconsin State Fair, in Milwaukee with Tom G, Lynn C, Juan A and Scott S.



Right:

Right: PSC Business Card got added to the iconic Mt Rushmore sculpture along with a suspicious looking man named Larry B



Left: PSC Coffee Mug visited the hot air balloon festival in Smoky Mountain National Park with Cathie Dunn.



Take Piccadilly on your next adventure!

TRAVEL INSURANCE

New: Good Read on the ins/outs of travel insurance:

<https://www.cnbc.com/select/travel-insurance-guide/>

Tip: Explore the “Cancel for any reason” version of trip insurance, to see if that’s the best fit for you, but be advised you will need to purchase that version very shortly after your initial trip purchase. Here are helpful links from the CMSC website for your convenience. (PSC does **not** endorse any insurance carrier)

<http://www.csatravelpro.com/WINTERSPORTTOUR>

<http://www.travelprotectors.com>

<https://www.allianztravelinsurance.com>



Social Media



Ahhh yes, we all remember a simpler time without cell phones glued to our palm. But they’re here to stay and Social Media is a part of it all. Did you know Piccadilly is on Facebook, MeetUp and Instagram? Why? We are working hard to promote our club to attract and keep new members. Using Social Media is a way of reaching and introducing our club to a new demographic. This will help ensure the vitality of Piccadilly and keep it growing into the future!

How can you help?

- You can “Like” our Facebook posts, and share them.
- You can “Follow” us on Instagram and “Like” our posts.
- You can sign up for MeetUp and use it to RSVP for events and meetings.

Create Your MeetUp Account - People need to RSVP to events on MeetUp and so it's very important to be a PSC MeetUp member. Your information is kept private, just post your facial picture so we can associate the member with an event. We use this convenient tool to communicate with you for our events, like where to gather, last-minute event changes, or weather alerts. Please help our Event Hosts reach you for notification and help them know who to look for so we can sit together! We also use MeetUp to give a headcount to Miller's, so they can assign proper staffing, and finally, we can attract more MeetUp members which translates to new Piccadilly memberships to keep our club thriving. www.MeetUp.com As you can see, there are many good reasons to create your account today! If you need help, see one of your board members. - **Thanks, Pam**



Follow us on Instagram - Please go to your Instagram account (if you have one), search for Piccadilly Ski Club and "follow" us. That's all you have to do. Then PSC will follow you back. It's another way of promoting our club, attracting new members and keeping our club thriving.

"Like us on Facebook" Help Piccadilly reach more potential members!



Social at-a-Glance

(Details below in the newsletter)

Do you have suggestions for future events, or want to host one? Contact John at jfosullivan56@att.net

- **Thurs, 9/7** - 7pm - General Mtg, Early Bird Pricing Expires for Out West trips
- **Sun, 9/10** - 10am – Herrick Lake/Danada Bike & BBQ, Must RSVP on MeetUp
- **Sun, 9/17** - 2-4pm – Happy Hour, Bubblehouse Brewery, Lisle
- **Thurs, 9/21** - 7pm - General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount
- **Sun, 9/24** - 6pm – Dinner for 12 at JALEO, downtown Chicago
- **Sat, 9/30** – 6-10pm – Backyard Oktoberfest. Must RSVP on MeetUp!

- **Thurs, 10/5** - 7pm - General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp. SKI BEE/MEMBERSHIP NIGHT
- **Fri, 10/6** - 6pm - Candlelight Bowl at the Tivoli. Must RSVP & Pre-Pay direct to Linda C.
- **Sat, 10/7** - 5:30pm/7:30pm – Dinner & a play in Chicago *'The Innocence of Seduction'*
- **Sat 10/14** - 1:30pm - Kevin's Bike Ride & Chili Bonfire. Sign up directly with Kevin
- **Thurs, 10/19** - 7pm - General Mtg, HALLOWEEN Theme. RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount
- **Sun, 10/22** - Noon Kickoff- Bears vs. Raiders at Suburbanite Bowl. Appreciation Event
- **Tues, 10/24** - 7:30pm – Warren Miller Movie in Chicago
- **Wed, 10/25** – 7:30pm – Warren Miller Movie at Downers Grove Tivoli. Stop by PSC Booth. Wear PSC clothing to show your spirit!

Trips at-a-Glance

Trip Name	Trip Dates	Early Bird Pricing	Status	Contact Info
Punta Cana	12/2 – 12/8/23	\$1625	Open	Sue Akk Akk331@sbcglobal.com
Panorama	1/11 - 1/16/24	\$1450*	Open	Paul Fuka ebcdicffff@att.net
Mystery	1/20/24	\$155**	Open	Cheryl Skurkis bcskiies@aol.com
Ski Brule	2/2 - 2/4/24	\$520**	Open	Donna Prenta donnamprenta@gmail.com
Beaver Creek	2/10 - 2/17/24	\$1620* + EPIC Day Pass	Open	Sandi Siakel ssssiakel@gmail.com
CMSC Banff	2/24 - 3/2/24	\$2285*	Open	Terry Turlek turlekt@gmail.com
Snowbird	3/16 - 3/23/24	\$2350*	Open	Mike Roche mikeroche417@gmail.com
*Early Bird Pricing in effect until the end of 9/7 meeting for Out West Trips. **Early Bird Pricing in effect until end of 12/7 meeting for Midwest & 1-Day Trips.				

Trip Update: Our Fall Foliage Cruise is launching soon; after that we have our Warm Weather get-away to Punta Cana. Plus, there's still time to jump on a ski trip or two.

NOTE: The early bird pricing on all 4 out west destinations is good until the close of the 9/7 meeting for Panorama, Beaver Creek, Banff and Snowbird. Don't forget to sign up for MW trips too! Deadline for Midwest early bird pricing is 12/7. Read on for info on our September featured Out West trips.

Trip Payments Due this month*

9/7/23

Banff \$300
Beaver Creek \$300



9/21/23

Panorama \$250
Brule \$120
Snowbird \$325

** Please turn in your checks promptly, during meetings at Miller's, or mail to P.O. Box 207, Downers Grove, IL 60515. All checks are made out to Piccadilly Ski Club; please note in the memo section which trip to apply payment. Thank you. -Julian & Jackie*

Two Featured Trips

PANORAMA SKI RESORT

Hello skiers! The Panorama trip is a gem you shouldn't miss, with all the amenities of a luxury trip on a budget price!



Capsule Summary: Panorama is extremely reasonable at \$1450.00 including lift ticket, ski-in/ski-out of condos with kitchens(!), and 3000 acres of low-altitude breathtakingly beautiful skiing for all ability levels.

Skiing details:

- January 11th – January 16th
- Did we mention breathtakingly beautiful scenery?
- Summit is only 8,000 feet
- Evenly split: 15% Beginner/ 35% Intermediate/ 20% Advanced/ 30% Expert
- 141 total runs
- 4265 feet vertical drop
- 2,975 skiable acres, with 100 acres of night skiing
- Longest run is 4 miles top to bottom
- 1 gondola, 10 lifts
- AND there is a back bowl – with lots of challenging terrain



We stay at the Panorama Springs Lodge

- Ski-in / Ski-out(!)
- Condos with Kitchens
- Gas fireplaces
- 2 heated outdoor pools

Dates: 1/11/24 - 1/16/24

Cost: \$ 1,450 (thru 9/7/23) \$ 1,500 (after 9/7/23)

Trip Leader: Paul Fuka

Contact info: ebcdicfff@att.net | Cell: 847-542-256

SNOWBIRD, UT

In the Little Cottonwood Canyon

The Greatest Snow on Earth! What's not to like?



Nestled in Little Cottonwood Canyon in Utah's Wasatch Mountain Range (and located an unbelievably short 38-minute bus ride from the airport), Snowbird is internationally known as being the home of the *Greatest Snow on Earth* and has some of the best lift-served terrain in the nation. They offer a wide variety of runs, 28%

Beginner/38%

Intermediate/35%

Advanced-Expert, so

there is something for everyone. The Top of the Bird is at 11,000 feet and they are known for having plenty of snow in mid-March, especially with an average of 500" (that's right 500") per year. Snowbird offers over 2,500 acres of legendary terrain, a 3,240' vertical drop, and a 3.5-mile trail from top to bottom.



Piccadilly is staying at the Cliff Lodge, with ski-in/ski-out luxury, a heated outdoor pool and hot tubs, and available Spa! Our pricing includes airfare, ground transfers, convenient lodging, Snowbird-only lift tickets*, one breakfast, 10% discounts on Spa Club access, a mountain tour, a 20% discount on rentals, and all the fun that goes with being on a Piccadilly trip. Our club hasn't been to the Bird since 2002, so look out Little Cottonwood Canyon, here we come!

Lodging: Cliff Lodge (@Snowbird), Canyon View (2 Q beds, minifridge, coffee maker), 2 per room
Flight info: American Airlines direct into SLC (did we mention the short bus ride?)

Dates: 3/16/2024 – 3/23/2024

Cost: \$ 2,350 (thru 9/7/23) \$ 2,400 (after 9/7/23)

Trip Leader: Mike Roche

Contact info: mikeroche417@gmail.com | Cell: 630-465-3194

** A 5-day Snowbird-only lift pass (plus a 6th day free) is included in this pricing. The \$ surcharge for the Snowbird-Alta interconnect lift ticket is TBD and will be available later this summer. For those of you buying your own IKON Pass, talk to your Trip Leader for more details.*

Social Details

Next 2 Meetings: 7pm, Sept 7 & 21



455 Butterfield Road, Lombard
Across from Yorktown

Herrick Lake/Danada Bike Ride & Backyard BBQ, Sun., 9/10, 10am



We'll head west on the Prairie Path, loop through scenic St. James Farm, and ride around Herrick Lake and the Danada Forest Preserve area. Plan on 10-14 miles, depending on how hot it is. After, backyard BBQ picnic in our yard. We'll provide pulled chicken, brats, cole slaw, wine, beer, and water. You? Please bring a side dish or dessert. If anyone can provide a bags game or other outdoor amusement, it will be appreciated. *This event is open to Piccadilly Ski Club paid members only. Please sign up on MeetUp. Limited to the first 25.* Address will be supplied to participants the week prior - *Eileen and Duane*

Bubblehouse Brewery Happy Hour – Lisle, Sun., 9/17, 2pm-4pm

Since we had such a great time on our last visit, and were received very graciously by our hosts, let's try this again! Our very own member Larry H. made the discovery of this unique location and friendly place. Come and enjoy their Ales, Stouts, IPAs, fruity Ciders and Seltzers. They do not have food on site, but often have a food truck outside for convenience.



We will keep you informed on that as info becomes available. Keep in mind, you CAN bring your own snacks along, which is a nice option to munch on while we mingle and solve world problems. Last time people brought all kinds of fun food. I will do a repeat, and bring my "Southwestern deviled eggs" to share. **Please sign up on MeetUp**, so we can notify the brewery of our party size. We look forward to having another great turnout and a fun time.



Bubblehouse Brewery, 2121 Ogden Ave., Unit A, Lisle. - John O

Dinner for 12, Sun, 9/24, 6pm – JALEO (Chicago)

JALEO is located in the vibrant dining neighborhood of River North, and brings alive the spirit and flavors of Spain. Chef José Andrés' creative take on Spanish cuisine celebrates the traditional as well as the cutting-edge. Sample this taste of Spain in a festive, stylish, and casual atmosphere. The menu is mostly Spanish tapas - small plates meant to be shared. Julian will be hosting this one. Join us, won't you? **Sign up on MeetUp to reserve your spot. JALEO, 500 N Clark St., Chicago, IL - Julian**



Backyard Oktoberfest 2023! Sat., 9/30, 6:00-10:30 pm.

We have a new location for our Oktoberfest celebration this year! Close to home and near last years' location for all who want to taste Oktoberfest without the travel to Wisconsin or Germany. Bring your own beverage, food, chair, small table, etc. and dress for the weather since we will be outside. Music designed for the event will make the atmosphere felicitous and bring on the Bierfest flavor! There will be Oktoberfest music, games, and fun. If you would like to participate in the Oktoberfest Beer exchange, bring a 6 pack of cold beer and be prepared to swap. Contact Harry Matson if you would like to participate in the Beer exchange @ mattsonharry@hotmail.com



Limited to 50 people, must sign up through Meet Up. The address will be provided to those who RSVP Yes on Meet Up and will be sent the day before. – **Brenda and Karl**

Piccadilly SKI BEE (Membership Open House) Thurs, 10/5/2023, 7pm **SKI BEE is Coming!! WEAR YOUR FAVORITE T-SHIRT to SKI BEE**



Our SKI BEE tradition continues this year. Help celebrate and show your PSC spirit at this special meeting by wearing your favorite PSC SWAG. Bring a non-member friend. That is how we grow the club. Pick out a crazy skiing T-shirt or your PSC Polo or maybe a colorful shirt from your favorite ski area. Show our new members that we are PSC and we love to ski and have fun. Don't forget there will be a raffle for some AWESOME prizes. It's not just a meeting.... IT'S A PARTY.



DON'T MISS ALL THE BUZZ....JUST BEE THERE!!!



SKI BEE is also the last chance to **Renew** your membership for only \$10. After that all memberships are \$30. Remember, you must be a current member of PSC 2023-2024 to go on our awesome trips. We are off to a great start, but our goal is to top last year. Forms & other member info is online: www.piccadillyskiclub.com/membership

ARE YOU A PSC MEMBER YET?

Don't wait. Drop it in the mail or come to a meeting.

- **Larry Himmelblau, PSC Membership Chair / Historian**

Candlelight Bowl at the Tivoli – Fri. 10/6, 6pm



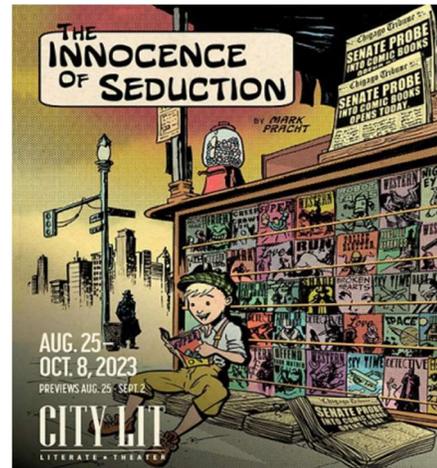
Join Piccadillians for an evening of Bowling and Frivolity! For a mere \$30 per person, you get Dinner & Bowling. Dinner of Appetizers, Salad and Pizza will be waiting when you arrive at 6pm. Bowling will start at 6:30pm. We'll set up four-man teams. We can accommodate up to 48 players for two games. There will be a cash bar. Shoes are included in the fee.

Reserve your place by contacting Linda Cooper – cooper.linda@comcast.net. Payments can be made through Zelle. Note: Also sign up on meetup for headcount and/or waitlist. Hope you can join us.

Tivoli Bowl, 938 Warren Ave Suite A, Downers Grove.

'The Innocence of Seduction', Chicago's City Lit Theater, Sat., 10/7, 5:30pm Dinner/7:30pm Play

Join us to see the second play in Mark Pracht's "Four-Color Trilogy" of plays set during the early years of the comic book industry. If you saw the first play of the trilogy, "The Mark of Kane", you're in for another treat! If you didn't see "The Mark of Kane", this exciting next addition stands alone and will prove to be a fascinating look into the 1950s Congressional investigation into the supposed link between comic books and juvenile delinquency; along with the effect of the investigation on the careers of three persons: William Gaines, the originator of the horror genre of comic books; Matt Baker, a Black closeted gay artist of romance comics; and Janice Valleau, creator of a pioneering comics feature starring a woman detective. Directed by Mark Pracht. City Lit Theater is located at 1020 West Bryn Mawr Avenue, on the second floor of the Edgewater Presbyterian Church at the corner of Bryn Mawr and Kenmore, right around the corner from where Lake Shore Drive starts at Hollywood and Sheridan.



Tickets for "The Innocence of Seduction" are \$34 Adult /\$29 Senior at tickets <https://www.citylit.org> We'll meet for dinner beforehand, 5:30 p.m., at the fun Edgewater Mexican Cafe, 1055 West Bryn Mawr. For playgoers, 15% off your check, and you can leave your car in the lot (free parking!) **Sign-up on Meetup** and also confirm on Meetup if you will be joining us for dinner so that we can include you on the reservation. For those not dining with us, parking is available for \$8 at St. Andrew's Greek Orthodox Church. Prebooking is required, and you can pay for parking when you purchase your tickets for the play online. Or you can try your luck with on-street parking. Join us for an after-show drink at La Pharmacie, 5545 N. Sheridan Road (corner of Bryn Mawr and Sheridan inside the pink building) – Contact me with any questions, David Valenta dvalenta@ameritech.net

8th Annual Fall Bike Ride/Chili/Bonfire, Sat, 10/14, 1:30pm

WHEN – Meet about 1:30pm @ Kevin Conlon’s house – RSVP for address.

RIDE – about 2pm. Total ride is about 12 miles (10 miles around Argonne/Waterfall Glen, 1 mile to/from Kevin’s)

EAT – about 4:30pm – Kevin will provide Chili with all the fixings (Cheese, Onion, Sour Cream, Crackers etc.). Yes, there will be chili dogs too!



BONFIRE – at sunset (about 6:00pm)

HOW TO SIGN UP – You can sign up in person at a Piccadilly Ski Club meeting or you can RSVP by September 30th to 708-906-9517 or Kconz1@aol.com. First come/ First served. Space will be limited to 40 people because of food. Priority is given to actual members of Piccadilly Ski Club. Sign-ups are NOT allowed thru Meetup.

Bring your own beverages and lawn chairs. You can bring a dish to pass if you’d like but it’s not required. If you don’t ride, you are still welcome to come for Chili and Bonfire, if space is available, but you will have to listen to everyone’s “tails of the ride”.

Suburbanite Bowl Appreciation Event, Sun, 10/22, 12noon kickoff



Bears vs. Las Vegas Raiders



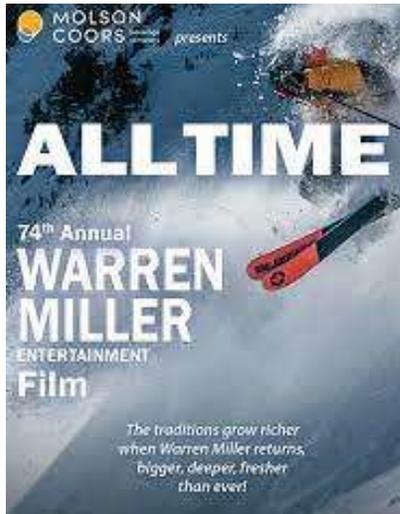
Come on out and root for the Bears! This is our way of showing appreciation for our longtime friends at Suburbanite Bowl in Westmont who have allowed us to park in their lot during our Midwest, and One Day trips.

Food can be ordered from across the street at Zazzo’s Pizza. They have done a good job of delivering food orders across the street to us in the bar. Let’s all gather to say thank you!

**Suburbanite Bowl, 201 W. Ogden,
Westmont. (630) 968-2200**

The 74th Warren Miller “ALL TIME” Film Premiere, 10/25

Kick off your ski season with the ever-popular Warren Miller movies that showcase extreme skiing and boarding at their best.



Warren Miller Entertainment is getting ready to celebrate 75 years of Warren Miller films and this anniversary is too big to fit in a single film, or even a single year, so we're building a two-year celebration of Warren's legacy.

Get ready to go deep into the stuff of which snowy dreams are made. Celebrate the birth of ski towns like Sun Valley and Aspen, icons and innovators like the original hotdoggers, and the most outlandish locations ever skied. Then, catch new footage featuring Maine's finest athlete of today, Donny Pelletier, and meet the next generation at Woodward Park City. Through it all, Jonny Moseley and special guests will share their own stories to bring us to this moment. It's all going down this fall as we kick off our two-year party for 75 seasons on snow.

PSC will have a table in the lobby for the Wednesday, 10/25/23 Tivoli showing in Downers Grove. There will be prizes and giveaways throughout the evening. Wear your PSC gear and stop by our table to show your support. Here are the two Chicagoland showings of 'ALL TIME'.

- **Chicago - History Museum, Tues, 10/24, 7:30pm**
- **Downers Grove - Tivoli Theatre, Wed., 10/25, 7:30pm**



CMSC CORNER

CMSC Event Schedule

*CMSC General Meetings - Typically held on 2nd Tuesday of each month at Sawa's Old Warsaw, 9200 W. Cermak Rd., Broadview, IL

* **Sept 30 – Oct 1, 2023**-CMSC Cubs v. Brewers game. (\$247/pp) Includes R/T bus to/from Chicago/Milwaukee, Saturday night lodging in Glendale, WI, 3-hour tailgating w/food & bev, game ticket - section 226 and bus beverages/snacks. Opt. Saturday night Oktoberfest at Bavarian Bierhaus and/or opt. trip to the Harley Davidson museum Sat. afternoon. Trip application and liability waiver are available at https://skicmsc.com/Baseball_Game.htm or contact Kevin Conlon at kconz1@aol.com or 708-906-9517.

Oct 7 – 8** - Norge Ski Jump will be holding their Jumptoberfest. *Save the Dates**** More info to follow. Contact Guy Larson @ glarson164@gmail.com

Jan 13 – 14, 2024** - Travel and Adventure Show at Donald E. Stevens Convention Center, *Save the Date**** More info to follow.

*Jan 26 – Feb 7 - CMSC Europe – Zermatt Switzerland and Milan Italy. Trip packages starting at \$3,997. 35 people are currently signed up. Spots are still available. Info is available on CMSC website at www.skicmsc.com or contact Steve Patzer at scpatzer@hotmail.com

*Feb 24 – March 2, 2024 - CMSC Chicago Week – Banff, Canada. See PSC trips.

*April 7 – April 12, 2024 – CMSC Spring Fling – Mammoth Mountain, CA. Trip packages starting at \$1,239/pp + air. Includes 5 nights lodging at Mammoth Mountain Inn, choice of QQ room, K room or 2br/2ba + loft condo lodging options (4/5ppl), 4 day lift ticket (IKON accepted), ground transportation and \$100 resort voucher. Optional side trip to June Mountain. Contact Kevin Conlon at kconz1@aol.com or 708-906-9517 for more info.

*Feb 22 – March 1, 2025- CMSC Chicago Week – Jackson Hole, WY ****Save the Date****

*The “Real ID” deadline has been further delayed until 5/7/25.

For more information on CMSC <https://www.skicmsc.com/>

Social Recaps, Ski Stories & Photo Gallery...

Coffee with the Hummingbirds Recap-- We had 8 morning birds join the hummingbirds at Camp Sagawau Environmental Learning Center on a Friday morning. Even a new adventurer from Chicago, MJ, drove out to join in the fun. Nature was moving all around us as we sat on their patio and observed. The bees were moving in on the hummingbird feeders and slowing down the bird visits in front of us, but in the distance, all kinds of birds were flying and landing on nearby trees. After a few hummingbird sightings, we wandered their main trail to see all sorts of nature.



Back at the patio, the group started breaking up and going on with their day. What a nice way to spend a morning. Should we do this again? **Janice (Edit: YES!!!)**

PSC Family Picnic Recap - The weather forecast was questionable, but the picnic went forward as planned. Luckily the weather held out and beyond a few drizzles, the weather was just fine. After all we had some serious picnicking to do, chicken and sides to eat, and beers to drink! A great turnout was had and around 130 members and old friends came out to enjoy the summer weather and the camaraderie.



The number of desserts, sides and appetizers was **incredible!** This sustained us till the chicken arrived at 2:30. People came out to help with setup and cleanup and the help was greatly appreciated. The raffle was a big success and the gift baskets created by Cheryl, gift cards from Miller's (great job Sandy) and the vouchers for trips from Winter Ski and Sport (thumbs up to Julian) were awesome. A big thanks to Sandi Siakel for helping with the raffle calling! As a bonus farewell the local coyotes performed a vocal howling ritual that definitely caught our attention.

Thanks to all who brought wonderful goodies and a great time was had by

all. **John O**



Mock 4 – Country & Western Recap– The weather was the star of the evening... a PERFECT warm, breezy summer night. You could not ask for better! And out came the Piccadillians dressed up to the nines in western wear: Cool boot scootin boots, a few daisy dukes, lotsa black clothing, fringe jackets, cowboy hats and even rhinestones too!



Our back yard was chock full of friendly, fun PSCers. Surprisingly everyone participated in the “What’s Your Cowboy/Cowgirl Name?” game! Lots of homemade goodies were shared with all, including Jackie’s bacon wrapped dates, Bob’s banana chocolate chip cookies, and Ted’s devilled eggs. Thank goodness Ted had a whip on him to fend off the hordes of fingers, arms and hands grabbing at his yummy, devilled eggs!



A few brave souls did some line dancing as the evening wore on. Although we had more fun than the law allows, thankfully no one got arrested, and more importantly, no one got ‘taken to the train station’! This is much to the disappointment of Sherriff Mike McCreery - who was at the ready with a badge, a gun, AND spurs!

Folks stayed until the cows came home... and ‘Rip & Beth’ got plum wore out! Thanks to all who came out and made this such a special evening. Til next time y’all.....**Mike & Dawn**





RiverEdge 'Get the Led Out' – Great turn out for this perennial favorite. The night was warm and the music was hot. Almost 18 PSCers and friends come out to hear a band that personifies Robert Plant and Led Zeppelin. They sounded even better than last year. Thanks to Vicki & Paul for organizing and saving space for us to gather together, even though we spent more time in the mosh pit up front being groupies than sitting together... Hope we do this again next year. Thank you, Vicki & Paul!



Canyon Hike and/Happy Hour Combo – We had 14 hikers join a walk through time from the Lockport Heritage Village along the historic I & M Canal to historic Dellwood Park. Then we cooled our feet at the Lock and Mule Brewery just in time for their happy hour. The Heritage Village has somewhat interesting local buildings from the mid to late 1800's that were preserved and brought to Lockport. From this starting location, we continued our hike along the





old I & M Canal tow path to downtown Lockport where we stood and observed what still exists of some buildings that were key to the success of the I & M Canal construction and operation. Those are the Gaylord building which is now home to the Public Landing restaurant and Illinois museum, and the Norton building, which also houses an Illinois state museum, gallery and loft apartments. We continued along the path which took us past what still stands as Lock #1. Many locks were necessary to get barges through the 140-foot

height difference between Lake Michigan and the Illinois River.

Our last historic stop was Dellwood Park, which was built in 1905-06 by the Chicago & Joliet Electric Railway Company to help promote ridership on the line. It officially opened July 4, 1905, and quickly became one of the most outstanding and beautiful park sites in the state. Some of its original structures for the dam that created a beautiful lake remain. For over 30 years, Dellwood Park was one of the finest amusement, recreational and picnic areas in the region. Thousands of people came to the park each year by rail from Chicago and other surrounding communities. Today the park has pavilions, playgrounds, a sledding hill and frisbee golf course. You can still see the stone walls where the pond was, and it captures the same beauty that was there over 100 years ago.



The hikers were really thirsty after their walk through time, so we headed a short mile south to the Lock and Mule Brewery. We cooled down and rested our feet and

had a few more join our group for some snacks and beverages. What a fun peek at the past so close to home. – **Janice and Johnny O**





PSC 2023 – 2024
Board & Appointed Positions

President:	Paul Fuka
Vice President:	Sandy Liedtke
Secretary:	Nancy Goins
Treasurer:	John Schuurman
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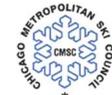
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