



# Piccadilly Ski Club

May 2024

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## Next Meetings:

Thurs, May 2, 7pm

Thurs, June 6, 7pm

Miller's Ale House | 455 Butterfield Rd | Lombard

Club Officer's Email: [ComeSkiWithUs@piccadillyskiclub.com](mailto:ComeSkiWithUs@piccadillyskiclub.com)

*Summer Meeting Schedule: We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month in May, June, and July*

## President's Message:

Hello Piccadillians,

Can you believe another ski season has ended?!? It certainly was a big success on the ol' fun-meter, and it was ultimately successful financially, although we did have some moguls along the way! 😊 We capped it off as we always do, with our annual Banquet. The venue, food, DJ, and dancing were great as always, but the camaraderie of PSC made it feel like a family celebration. We really are a lot like a family: Raucous, weird in some ways, but a tightknit group with whom I feel very fortunate to be a member.

As I've mentioned before, I eagerly anticipated the end of winter as a child, but now it brings a touch of sadness as I put away my skis for another year. (BTW, please do read the excellent article on storing your skis and boots for summer.) But what a season we had! Thank you again to all trip leaders, helpers, chair-people, and everyone who made every bit of last season a success. Also, a thank you to everyone in the club for making these times into great times. Give yourselves a pat on the back. No need to worry though. Even as I reminisce about 2023-2024, we're already going full-bore to finalize plans for a can't-miss 2024-2025 season. As you all know, we're starting next season with a bang as 70+ of us travel to Turks & Caicos for fun + sun December 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>.

Before all that, we have lots of summer fun in store. Read the newsletter and stay tuned!

---Paul F---

## Where in the World is Piccadilly?

As you travel to near and far places, bring PSC along and take a photo of you with some 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 [rockaroch3@gmail.com](mailto:rockaroch3@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.



### Piccadilly chased the Eclipse.....



*Left: Piccadilly Business Card went chasing the sun for the Eclipse down to Carbondale, along with Larry, Clare Ann, and the whole family. Later PSC celebrated with a cool one.*



*Right: Piccadilly Business Card flew to San Antonio in hopes of catching the Eclipse along with Ken & Dar Meller and Walt & Cheri Tanner*



*Left: PSC Neck Wallet straddles the US/Canadian Border in anticipation of catching the solar eclipse. Julian chaperoned!*





Left: PSC Vests yelled "Four" at Boughton Ridge one warm sunny day. Mati A, Barry S, Dawn R and Johnny O looked on.



Right: PSC Pole Flag went to Mammoth, CA with the CMSC trip. Kevin C and Patty N. went along. 😊



Left: Piccadilly Vest yelled "Hey Batter Hey Batter" at the exciting Cubs opener, with John & Laura S. The Cubbies won 5-0!



Right: Piccadilly Name Badge travelled to the Mountain Travel Symposium in Lake Tahoe. Julian F was there too!

### Take Piccadilly on your next adventure!



#### REMINDER - CASH THOSE CHECKS NOW!

As we transition the club checkbook to the new Board beginning this month, be sure to cash any refund checks from PSC ASAP. It helps us close out one year to begin the next. – **Thank you!!!**

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:** Help us on our Audit Committee. Reach out to John Schuurman if you can assist us with our annual audit. [jschuurman1125@gmail.com](mailto:jschuurman1125@gmail.com)



– *Ski Safety*

– *Ski News*

– *Ski Fun*

*Now that ski season is over it's time to put away that equipment. Our membership chair/Historian, Larry Himmelblau, has a great article on how to safely store away our skis, boots and other ski accessories. Thanks Larry! - Jackie Dudek, Ski Meister*

### **ARE YOU (and your SKIS) READY FOR SUMMER?**

That's right Winter is over (unless you go skiing over Memorial Day) and Spring only lasts a couple days in Chicagoland. So, what did you do with your skis after your last ski trip? Many of you know I demoed skis for over 10 years, so I did not have this problem. After COVID the math told me it was time to buy skis again. So now I am a proud ski owner, but I have forgotten how to care for them. I literally dusted off my ski tuning kit and my vises, but I was not sure what to do next. → Homework!!

“Proper summer storage will keep your skis in good condition and ready for the slopes next winter season. Taking the time to prep them now prevents staining, oxidation and dried out bases.”



#### **1. Polish ski edges**

Before storing your skis for the summer, inspect your ski edges. If you left your skis in the roof box or back of the car for a day or two after your last ski day, you might find some rust patches on your edges. Or you might have accumulated some nasty edge burrs after hitting newly exposed rocks during the last laps of spring. Gently run a [gummy stone](#) over all four ski edges to remove both rust and burrs. If the gummy stone doesn't do the job on the burrs, try a fine diamond file. Be sure to use a file guide that matches your ski's side edge bevel when using a diamond file to ensure you don't mess up your side edge bevel. [Learn more about ski edge maintenance in this handy tutorial.](#)

## 2. Clean ski bases & Topsheet– (Easiest Step)

There's a lot of dirt and grime in snow, especially in the springtime, this sticks to your skis' bases and can compromise their integrity over time, so make sure you give your ski bases a good wipe with a clean cloth or rag after every ski day, but especially before storing skis for the off-season. Remove all the old wax from the base of the skis using a wax remover or hot wax scraper. This prevents the wax from getting hard and staining the bases over the hot summer. Go one step further and apply a ski base conditioner before putting your skis to bed for the summer. A base conditioner like Wend Waxworks' MF Natural Cleaner/Conditioner will help draw out contaminants from the pores in ski bases and hydrate bases at the same time. Plus, this conditioner smells heavenly. Finally wipe down the topsheets and edges with a mild soap and water solution.

## 3. Apply a thick layer of wax

Wax helps keep ski bases hydrated and protected over a long summer's nap, so take the time to slap on a generous layer of wax before storing skis for the off-season. It doesn't really matter what type of wax you use (just make sure you don't use a fluorocarbon wax, since those waxes with PFAS are bad for the environment). No need to scrape off any wax after application—the thicker the layer of wax, the better hydrated and protected your skis will be over the summer. You can Melt and drip the wax across the entire base and gently cork it in. Some people just rub it on.

[New to waxing skis yourself? Learn how in this step-by-step video tutorial.](#)



If your skis' side edges just need to be polished, not sharpened, run a diamond stone over them. Just be sure to use a file guide.



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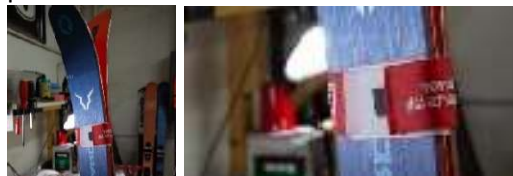
## 4. Turn down binding DIN (caution!)

We're always cautious when recommending skiers mess with their binding DIN settings, because not doing it correctly can lead to binding malfunctions and serious injuries. That said, turning down your DIN setting for the summer helps preserve the integrity of the binding springs over time. So this message is for those who know what a DIN setting is, and how to adjust it: Crank those babies down as low as they'll go on both the toe and heel piece for summer storage. Just don't forget to adjust the DIN settings again before your first ski day next season.

If you don't know how to adjust your DIN but would like to learn, visit your local ski shop and talk to a certified ski technician.

## 5. Properly store skis

Once you've polished your skis' edges, cleaned up the bases, applied wax, and backed off the DIN, your skis are ready to be put to bed. Use a padded ski strap (or ideally, two) to bind your skis together near the tip and tail, where your edges last make contact with each other. These padded straps will help keep just the slightest space between your skis' edges and thereby protect them.



Use a padded ski strap to protect your skis' edges during storage.

Some people store skis in the garage over the summer, but ideally, you'd store them somewhere that has better temperature regulation (not too hot or cold, not too dry or wet) and doesn't see huge temperature swings like garages typically do. Drastic temperature changes can negatively affect the metal of your skis' edges and potentially even warp ski bases. Best-case scenario: Store your skis in a ski rack somewhere in your house. Stand them upright on their tails if possible or lay them flat without anything weighing on them. If you leave them in a bag, be sure it is breathable or at least leave it open.

## 6. Properly store ski boots

Compared to skis, ski boots are easy. Just make sure your footbeds and liners are dry before summer storage. Remove the liners and let them dry out for a week. Then, put the liners back in the boot and make sure the shell is buckled snugly but not too tightly to keep the structural integrity of the plastic intact over the summer. If you stress the plastic you can develop cracks in the area around the buckle (It happened to me 😞). Ideally, store ski boots in a boot bag that can be zippered closed to prevent critters from making a home in your cozy boot liners. Lastly, store the boot bag in a cool, dry place.

## 7. Remove batteries from your avalanche beacon

❖ *Let me know if you have one. I want to ski with you!* 😊

That's it. Now your most important (and expensive) pieces of gear will be protected during the off-season, and when it's finally time to get back on snow, you'll be ready to go.

Reference JENNY WIEGAND of SKI magazine. <https://www.skimag.com/gear/ski-gear-storage/>  
For a very detailed video on waxing and tuning here is another source:

[MiniPix US V53 16x9 VO1 \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V5316x9VO1)

- *Larry Himmelblau, Membership Chair/Historian*

**Create Your MeetUp Account** - People need to RSVP to monthly PSC meetings, and often our events, so it's very important to be a PSC MeetUp member. 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 Miller's a headcount, 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. <https://www.meetup.com/piccadilly-ski-social-club/> 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**

The Meetup logo is written in a red, cursive, handwritten-style font.

## **Social at-a-Glance** (Details below in the newsletter)

Do you have suggestions for future events, or want to host one? Contact John at [jfossullivan56@att.net](mailto:jfossullivan56@att.net)

- **Wed, 5/1** – 8:30am – Bird Banding & Nature Hike
- **Thur, 5/2** – 7pm - General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp. *Summer Schedule Begins*
- **Sat, 5/4** – Noon - 6pm - Wine on the Fox, Oswego
- **Sun, 5/19** -2pm- “Choir of Man” Musical. Apollo Theater, Chicago
  
- **Thur, 6/6** – 7pm - General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount, *Summer Schedule*
- **Sat, 6/8** – NEW DATE - Prairie Path Bike Ride & BBQ, Meet at 10am, ride at 10:30am
- **Sun, 6/23** – 12:30pm – First Annual Massa Golf Outing & BBQ
- **Tues, 6/25** – 6pm/7pm – Summer Concert at Fishel Park “Generations”
  
- **Tues, 7/9** – 6pm/7pm – Summer Concert at Fishel Park “Kaleidoscope Eyes”
- **Thurs, (~~7/4~~) 7/11** – **NEW DATE** , 7pm - General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp. *Summer Schedule*
- **Sat, 7/20** – 10am – Bill & Ted’s Excellent Kayak Adventure (VI)
- **Sat, 7/27** – 9:30am - Lincoln Park Zoo Hike and Lunch
  
- **Sun, 8/11**, Noon, PSC Annual Family Picnic, Mark Your Calendars
- **Fri, 8/23** – 6pm- Paddlewheel BYOB Sunset Cruise



### **TRAVEL INSURANCE**

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 first trip payment. 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>

## **Trip Updates**



**A big thank you** to all the trip leaders, trip committee members, and everyone else who contributed to make another successful PSC ski season.

On to next season! We are in the process of finalizing a great line up of trips for 2025. Plans are still top secret until all the t’s are crossed and the i’s are dotted but the big announcements will be coming soon.



**But now we need leaders for these trips.** If you are interested in the fabulous opportunity to be a PSC trip leader, contact Julian or Jackie and we'll fill you in on the details. It's the leadership and giving spirit of our members that makes PSC the Number One Club in Chicago!! ***Thanks - Julian and Jackie, Your trip people***

## TURKS & CAICOS UPDATE

Our Warm Weather Turks & Caicos trip sold quickly and is now waitlisted. Reach out to trip leader Carol Votava to add your name to the wait list. Meanwhile, here is the payment schedule and new flight info for reference:



### Payment Schedule :

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|------|---------------|
| 4/4  | \$500 deposit |
| 5/2  | \$250         |
| 6/6  | \$250         |
| 7/11 | \$250         |
| 8/1  | \$250         |
| 9/4  | \$250         |
| 10/3 | Balance       |

### New Flight Info:

UA 1921 07DEC ORD PLS 846A 151P  
UA 2824 12DEC PLS EWR 230P 625P  
UA 1308 12DEC EWR ORD 959 1142P

**Trip Leader: Carol Votava/Email: Cavotava@gmail.com/Cell: 630-212-6687**

## Social Details

*For questions on social events, contact John O'Sullivan at [jfosullivan56@att.net](mailto:jfosullivan56@att.net)*

**MILLER'S  
ALE HOUSE**

**NEXT 2 MEETINGS: May 2 & June 6**

**REMINDER: Summer Meeting Schedule Begins.**

**1 meeting per month in May, June, July.**

Please RSVP on MeetUp for the meetings so we can provide a more accurate headcount to Miller's for staffing and service. Thank you!



## **Bird Banding & Hike, Wed. 5/1, Bird Banding 8:30am/Birding Hike 9:30am**



Here's your opportunity to experience an actual bird in hand and to release it back into the wild. We will observe master bird handlers weigh and examine various species of birds in our area. This is the best time for spring migration in the area. As the naturalist's band the birds, they share unique facts about each type of bird they handle. A great chance to see birds closer than you ever have before.

After the banding we will hike with our birding expert for about 1 mile and see what we can spot right there from the trails. Bring your binoculars, and if you don't own a pair, we will find you some to use; bring water; and wear comfortable shoes. If you haven't started a lifetime birding list this would be a great time to start, There are some great birding apps that can elucidate the bird types, calls, similar birds and behavior. I'll be glad to share the ones I know with you. We hope to gather for lunch after the hike, lunch site TBD. Join us for some great birding! See you on the trail! Questions? [jfosullivan56@att.net](mailto:jfosullivan56@att.net) - **John O**

**Camp Sagawau Environmental Learning Center  
12545 W. 111th Street, Lemont**

## **Wine On The Fox, Oswego, Sat., 5/4 , Noon – 6pm** **Hudson Crossing Park, 65 N. Harrison Street, Oswego**

Wineries from throughout Illinois will feature their most sought-after varietals. Taste from more than 100 regional wine selections, enjoy live music and tasty local food. Bring your own chairs, a picnic, snacks, and dinner if you like. Food trucks will also be onsite. Free parking is available in the public parking garage at The Reserve at Hudson Crossing, 77 S. Adams St. next to Hudson Crossing Park. Enter and exit on Harrison St. or Adams St.



**Purchase tickets in advance, online to do wine tasting.** Tickets are available in 3 packages from \$20-\$45. Tickets are also available the day of the event at a higher price, so buy them in advance. You can find our group of friends, north of the Gazebo in the grass. Look for a laid back group of winetasters near a pole with streamers. This will be the location to place your chair and picnic as you wander around and check out the winery's offerings and possibly the food trucks. Tickets can be purchased on the website ahead of the event at: <https://www.wineonthefox.com/>

**Please sign up on MeetUp** so we know to look for you and keep an eye open for you. Any questions about the event? Please contact **John O'Sullivan** at [jfosullivan56@att.net](mailto:jfosullivan56@att.net). On the day of the event, Mike Holcik will be your host. Contact Mike at: [tango2dart@gmail.com](mailto:tango2dart@gmail.com)

## **The Choir of Man – Musical, Apollo Theater, Chicago, Sun., 5/19, 2pm**

Join Piccadilly and journey to downtown Chicago to see *The Choir Of Man* musical at the Apollo Theater on Sunday, May 19 at 2:00 PM. We will be going to a restaurant in the neighborhood for dinner following the show. The show is about a day in the life of a local pub - the best pub in the world - in England. It is sort of a cross between Cheers and an Irish (or British) pub. There is a real working bar on the stage and audience members are invited to come up on stage before the show starts to get a beer! This show has received rave reviews around the world and several of us saw the show on the boat during the Fall Foliage Cruise last September, and thoroughly enjoyed it. In fact, several of us will be going to see it again! Info about the show and the theater can be found here:



<https://www.apollochicago.com/project/the-choir-of-man/>

We have a block of 20 seats reserved at a price of \$66 each. To sign up for the show please contact me (Julian) directly at [julianf@att.net](mailto:julianf@att.net) to get on the list. I will not be at the meeting on April 18 but I will be at the May 2nd meeting. You can send me the money via Zelle or Venmo, or give me a check at the May 2 meeting. – **Julian**

## **Blackwell Forest Bike Ride & BBQ, NEW DATE: Sat, 6/8, 10am/10:30am**



Meet at 10am at the Murphy/Amlee home steps off the Prairie Path in Wheaton; (address to be shared later with those who sign up on Meetup).

Start biking at 10:30am. We'll head west on the Prairie Path, loop through scenic St. James Farm, then through the mostly shaded Blackwell Forest Reserve. 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. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. If anyone can provide a bags game or other outdoor amusement, it will be appreciated. Please sign up on Meetup. **Limited to the first 25 to sign up. This event is limited to paid-up PSC members only.** – **Eileen and Duane**



## **First Annual Massa Golf Outing/BBQ, Sun. 6/23, 12:30pm**

Come on out to Oak Hills Golf Course in Palos Heights for a 9-hole Best Ball scramble! This course is beautifully maintained, easy enough to be fun; and still challenging. Afterwards, we'll have a BBQ on our deck overlooking the 4th hole. Paul and I will provide the main dish, beer and wine. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.



**Date: Sunday June 23, 2024**

**Time: Arrive at 12:30pm to get your clubs in the cart and hit a few practice putts. Tee times to start at 1:00pm.**

**Cost: \$29 includes golf and cart**

No need to have your foursomes, we will put groups together once we find out who signs up. If you are a non-golfer you can still join in the fun at our house after golf; starting at 3:30pm.

**This is a prepay event.** Details to be provided once you sign up. Limited to 24 golfers; party at our place limited to 30. Sign-ups via email to [nmassa28@gmail.com](mailto:nmassa28@gmail.com) Please put "Golf Outing RSVP" in the subject line. See you on the links! - **Nancy & Paul Massa**

## **"Generation" Band at Fishel Park, Tues 6/25, at 6pm/7pm**



I can't think of a better way to enjoy the summer than being outside, relaxing, and taking in the music with our friends. And Fishel park does not disappoint, with a beautiful park and large outdoor bandshell .

"GENERATION" brings it All to the Stage! It's a "Rock Show" of iconic, popular hits not defined by decades... but some of the best groundbreaking music of our time! Beatles to Stones...Bowie to Led Zeppelin...Aretha to Sly Stone... Songs sure to bring *Smilin' Faces* in the crowd!

We'll be there at 6pm to secure some spots, so come early and help us set up our location. The Piccadilly flag will mark the spot - keep your eye open for it. We usually meet toward the front of the park, on the south side, by the vendors, adjacent to Grove Street.

The concert runs 7-8:30pm. Bring your own chair, blanket, food & beverage. No Outside Alcohol allowed. Alcoholic drinks, pizza and other food for purchase is available. **Please RSVP on Meetup** so we can keep an eye open for you. The park is located at 1000 Grove St., Downers Grove - just west of Main St. (behind Emmett's).

**Any questions? Email Nancy Goins @ [dnig2001@yahoo.com](mailto:dnig2001@yahoo.com)**

## **“Kaleidoscope Eyes” Band at Fishel Park, Tues, 7/9, at 6pm/7pm**

Just like our June concert outing, enjoy summer the way it's supposed to be! This band's intent is to capture the feel, the sound and the vocal diversity of the Fab Four. They don't dress in costumes or speak in accents; they simply play and share the special magic of the music of the Beatles as authentically as they can.



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**Any questions? Email Nancy Goins @ [dnjg2001@yahoo.com](mailto:dnjg2001@yahoo.com)**

## **Bill & Ted's Excellent Kayak Adventure (VI), Sat. 7/20, 10am**

### ***'The Cardboard Regatta Tour'***

Bill & Ted are back once again for another Excellent Kayak Adventure on the Fox River, Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup>. Join us for this special "Cardboard Regatta Tour" which will end at Yorkville Bicentennial Riverfront Park where we can enjoy Crafts, Food & Beer Vendors, live music and of course the viewing of the Cardboard Regatta Run through the Rapids. Non-water going folks are welcome to join us at the festival at the end of the trip.



This year's Kayak Adventure will run from the Montgomery Dam to the Yorkville Dam. Expect a leisurely and scenic cruise down the Fox River. Don't be surprised if you catch sight of Bald Eagles flying above. Be surprised if you encounter any rapids. The only whitewater on the river is the whitewater course just past our takeout point at Yorkville. Expect the adventure to last 4-5 hours. Meet at 10am at the Yorkville Dam at Bicentennial Riverfront Park in Yorkville (the trip endpoint). From there, we will coordinate shuttling everyone to the start point at Montgomery Dam. Plan to put in just below the Dam at South Broadway Park in Montgomery. Our lunch stop will be at Hudson Crossing Park in Oswego. Paddlers must supply their own food, water, and other beverages for the entire journey. Feel free to bring along any fun props or Kayak decorations (even miniature cardboard Kayak creations). Both porta-potties and potable water are available at the lunch stop. We will take out just above the Yorkville Dam at Bicentennial Riverfront Park, Yorkville.



The Yak Shack has 15 Kayaks reserved for Piccadilly on that day. It will be first come, first serve for the kayak availability. There are also 20 canoes available for rent if a canoe is desired or if the Kayaks are sold out.

To reserve your Kayak or Canoe, **you must call the Yak Shack** at (630) 479-8074 to make your reservation for Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup> and tell them you are with "Piccadilly Ski Club" to get the bargain rate of \$35 for single person Kayaks and/or \$50 for two-person canoes. Each attending member will be responsible for reserving and paying for their own rental through the Yak Shack. The 15 Kayaks will be reserved for PSC until July 11<sup>th</sup>. After that date, unreserved kayaks will be opened up for public rental. As our trip will coincide with the Whitewater Festival, Kayaks will likely sell out if Piccadilly members have not reserved them. The rental will include Lifejackets, Paddles, delivery and pickup of the Water Craft (we will be transporting the paddlers). Jeff at the Yak Shack will be able to tell you how many watercraft are still available when you call.

Once you have reserved your Kayak, please sign up on Meetup, which will give others an idea of who is going. If you have your own watercraft, we encourage you to join our trip at no cost, though you will be responsible for coordinating the drop off and pick up of your own watercraft. If you plan to bring your own, please **sign up on meetup** and indicate: "Bringing my own Kayak or Canoe". The trip will go rain or shine, in the absence of lightning. Email [ted@dupagemachine.com](mailto:ted@dupagemachine.com) or [bciciora@gmail.com](mailto:bciciora@gmail.com) for any additional information about this excellent adventure.



Excellent!

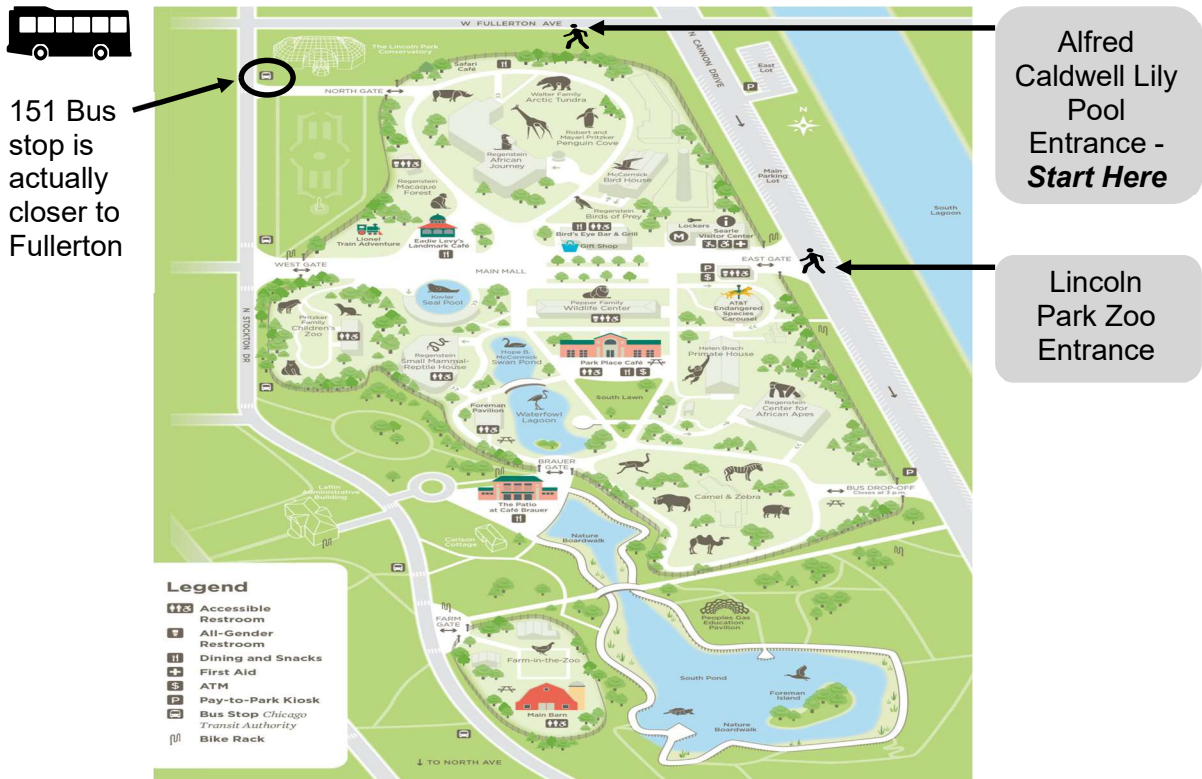
### **Lincoln Park Zoo Hike & Lunch, Sat., 7/27, 9:30am**



Explore two of Chicago's special places this summer: the National Historic Alfred Caldwell Lily Pool and the Lincoln Park Zoo. We'll start early on Saturday, July 27 at 9:30 a.m. at the newly restored Lily Pool. If you haven't seen the Lily Pool - you are in for a treat. Meet at the Fullerton gate to enter a hidden garden of unmatched beauty. Only bird songs and the sound of a gentle waterfall break the restful silence. The gently sloping pathway around the pool includes a few steps and wonderful seating areas to enjoy the scenery. The Lily Pool pathway exits conveniently near the Lincoln Park Zoo's east entrance where restrooms are available. It's also close to the incredible lion pavilion, the world-famous gorilla pavilion, and more. The Zoo has its own hidden gardens and statuary to enjoy as well as amazing indoor and outdoor animal displays.

Afterwards, we'll enjoy lunch at a local restaurant within easy walking distance. Expect to spend about 4 hours and approximately 1.5 miles of walking - roundtrip to your cars. Parking is super convenient. Take Lake Shore Drive north to the Fullerton exit. Go West on Fullerton about 1/4 mile and turn left on Cannon Drive to the Zoo parking. Prefer mass transit? Take Metra to Union Station where you can catch the 151 bus right to the Fullerton stop. **RSVP on Meetup**. Outing

leaders Jerry and Kathy Maynard look forward to sharing these special places they've come to love since moving to Chicago. - **Jerry & Kathy**



**Sunset Paddlewheel Riverboat Ride on the Fox (BYOB), 8/23, 6pm Sharp**

Come on out and join us for a sunset cruise on the Fox river. We will meet at Pottawatomie Park in St Charles at least 20 minutes prior to departure. The sunset will be happening as we cruise and enjoy wine, beer, or whatever beverage you like. Bring a snack, some refreshments for a comfortable ride. I will bring my famous Deviled Eggs to share. We can share some appetizers along with some camaraderie and conversation. The ride will start at Pottawatomie Park, where we will embark on the Riverboat. The cruise will venture up and down the river and return after sunset. This should take about an hour and 15 minutes. After the cruise we can check out a local bar for some refreshments .



**RSVP: The fee will be \$18 fee to reserve your spot.** The list of attendees will be based upon payments and the order received. I will take Zelle for payments. Send to [jfosullivan56@att.net](mailto:jfosullivan56@att.net) Please email me to notify me of the payment and who it will be for.

**Please arrive at 6pm at Pottawatomie Park, so we can embark on time.**  
For more information or questions, contact John O at [jfosullivan56@att.net](mailto:jfosullivan56@att.net)



## ALL THINGS CMSC

**\*CMSC General Meetings** - Typically held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at Sawa's Old Warsaw, 9200 W. Cermak Rd., Broadview, IL NEXT MEETING IS 5/14

**\*CMSC SEEKING:** CMSC is looking for an individual to serve on the Finance and Audit committee. Contact Kevin Conlon at [kconz1@aol.com](mailto:kconz1@aol.com) for information.

**\*The 2023/2024 CMSC Ski and Ride Magazines** are available at Piccadilly meetings.

### **CMSC EVENT SCHEDULE**

**\*May 18, 2024** - CMSC Trip Seminar, Sheridan Chicago O'hare Hotel in Rosemont.

**\*Sept 07, 2024** - CMSC Picnic – at the Norge Ski Jump. **\*\*Save the Date\*\*** More info to come.

**\*Sept 27 – 29, 2024** - Windy City Ski and Snowboard Show, Schaumburg Convention Center  
**\*\*Save the Dates\*\*** More info to follow.

**\*Jan 24 – Feb 1, 2025** CMSC Europe – Andermatt-Sedrun, Switzerland which is now owned by Vail Resorts. There will be an extension to Lucerne, Switzerland. Additional information will be available by the CMSC Trip Seminar. Contact Randy Baustert at [skiwithrandy@aol.com](mailto:skiwithrandy@aol.com)

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

**For more information on CMSC, go to:** <https://www.skicmsc.com/>



### ***National Ski Council Federation News***

- ❖ Next Annual Meeting: Taos, New Mexico, August 21-25, 2024
- ❖ Online Silent Auction runs from October 2023 – November 2024. Check it out!

**For more information:** <https://skifederation.org/>

### ***Social Recaps, Ski Stories & Photo Gallery...***

**Mammoth Memory:** Vicki S (and friends) ham it up with Glen Plake, skier extraordinaire and 'dude with the hair', on Mammoth's CMSC trip.





**“Duffers” Hockey Game** - We had 17 enthusiastic Piccadillians show up to watch John Schuurman play hockey with his team the Duffers. We comprised most of the folks in the stands! Fortunately no giant storms got in the way of our travel and this event was pretty entertaining... John even scored a goal! Go Johnny!

We all went drinking in the lobby after the game was over (it was a lot warmer out there) and a few folks continued to celebrate at Chaos Brewery afterwards. All in all it was a really nice event. Thanks to all who made it out, held up a crazy sign, and helped show John our support. We even made it into the local news. See link here. Until next time, **Ted**.



<https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nys/buffalo/sports/2024/03/29/sabres-granato-duffers-hockey>



**Annual Banquet. Chuck’s Chateau Orleans.** - 176 Piccadillians (is that a real word?) enjoyed a super fun evening at Chuck’s Chateau Orleans in Darien, even without the “wild” people from last year (last year’s 180 guests know what I mean).

The evening started with a social hour, highlighted with 4 laptops featuring Piccadilly memories from this year and many other years. One of the favorites was the wedding portrait collection of so many of our members that met in the club. Thanks to Larry Himmeblau for his continuous efforts and the fun trip down memory lane.





Paul Fuka thanked the old board & installed the new board, Jackie Dudek did a recap of the trips, thanked the trip leaders & awarded certificates for several outstanding members with memorable and sometimes



scary trip moments. At the end of our program, I went "off piste" and decided to try and find the guys that would strut their stuff with the craziest/unusual/glamorous tie or other attire. The DJ had them moving to "I'm too Sexy..." and the crowd went crazy for Roy Votava! How could they not!?!?! After that our favorite DJ got us all dancing the night away. I think a great time was had by all.



PS in order to plan another fun banquet next year, I would appreciate it if everyone would take a few minutes to complete the survey that will be coming to your inbox soon. I would love to hear from everyone, even if you didn't attend this year. - **Thanks, Sandy**





Happy May  
Everyone!

**PSC 2024 – 2025**  
**Board & Appointed Positions**

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| President:            | Paul Fuka        |
| Vice President:       | Sandy Liedtke    |
| Secretary:            | Nancy Goins      |
| Treasurer:            | John Schuurman   |
| Trip Chair:           | Julian Franklin  |
| Asst. Trip Chair:     | Jackie Dudek     |
| Membership/Historian: | Larry Himmelblau |
| Social:               | John O’Sullivan  |
| Publicity:            | Dawn Roche       |
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