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# **Next Meetings:**

Thurs, June 1, 7pm Summer Meet Schedule

NEW: Miller's Ale House | 455 Butterfield Rd | Lombard

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#### President's Message

Welcome summer! As I write this, Trip Chairs Julian, Jackie, and others are hard at work preparing next year's schedule of trips. We already know we're going to Banff for CMSC Week, and more trips are nearing finalization. We can't announce any yet, but we CAN say it will be another excellent slate of trips. :)

Please, please, PLEASE keep in mind that soon we'll announce our all-important trip sign-up social event. Most of you know, but for those who've forgotten or are new, this will be at a member's house. Last year it was at Jackie & Wally's – thank you J & W. There will be registration tables for each scheduled trip, and sign-up forms, deposits will be collected. You must be a member in good standing for the 2023-2024 season to enroll. Membership renewal can also be done at this event. You won't want to miss out! The date for this will be announced soon, so stay tuned.

Hopefully I'll see you all during our bike-rides, social hours and various other summer events during the coming months. See you soon!

---el Presidente---

Paul Fuka

Summer Meeting Schedule: We meet the 1st Thursday of the month in May, June, and July

# 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, 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 strolled the Volunteer Park gardens in Seattle with Dawn R. (See tiny space needle in background)

Right: Piccadilly Neck Wallet discovered a stash of empty booze bottles in the

ghost town of Belmont, NV along with Janice B. The town has 20 permanent residents and a saloon!

Left: Piccadilly Business Card cheered on the Cubs vs Cardinals along with Pauline, Nancy and friends. Sadly, the Cubs lost.

Right: Piccadilly Waterproof Neck Wallet met up with erstwhile members Dawn T & Bob R in Nashville, along with Karen & Mike H.

Left: Check out Piccadilly

Waterproof Neck Case and Superhero Mike H In Metropolis, IL!!



Right: Piccadilly Red and Blue shirts, 50<sup>th</sup>
Anniversary Vest, and Navy Polo shirt
showed off our PSC spirit at the Ski
Seminar near O'Hare. Mike, Jackie & Dawn
went along for the ride.

Take Piccadilly Swag on <u>your</u> next adventure!







### Social Media Update

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 us 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!**



We are using this convenient tool to communicate with you for our social events. This includes where to gather, pre-and post-activities, 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! In addition, we use MeetUp to give a meeting headcount to Miller's, so they can assign proper staffing, and finally, we can attract more Meet-Up Members which translates to new Piccadilly memberships to keep our club thriving. <a href="www.meetup.com">www.meetup.com</a> As you can see, there are many good reasons to use MeetUp, so please create your account today! If you need help, see one of your board members. - *Thanks, Pam* 

#### Follow Piccadilly Ski Club 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 one more way of promoting our club, attracting new members and keeping our club thriving. Thank you for following Piccadilly. — *Dawn* 





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



HEY PICCADILLY!! I want to give another big THANK YOU to everyone who has shared their photos with me this past year and in the past. I hope you enjoyed seeing them on the screens at Miller's. Did you know that in 1826, Joseph Nicéphore Niépce took the earliest surviving 'photograph'—a view from a window of his house in Chalons-sur-Saône

France. Notice the orientation of the photograph. "Simply put, LANDSCAPE photography captures the beauty of nature and the outdoors. These photographs bring the viewers into the scenery and perfectly capture the setting, mood, and feeling in the location."

There's a good reason our standards for movies and TV are horizontal: our eyes are arranged horizontally, and we spend our lives on a horizontal plane. A horizontal format is far superior to vertical at showing most things in daily life. For example, scenes with *more* than one person and just about anything in motion. Physiologically our eyes see the picturesque and transcending things in the world in a landscape mode. This is the reason why landscape format is employed in TV screens or movie



theaters. Within landscape format, we tend to capture a lot of visuals and thus, landscape mode fits the formats where we want to see moving things. Landscape is the mode where you play your video games and watch sitcoms and dramas on your television. With this mode you portray wide scale maps and plans for better understanding

The main drawback of portrait orientation is that you lose out on important horizontal context. So why do so many people take photos on their in-portrait format. We're witnessing an epic conflict between our eyes and our hands, between logic and ergonomics, between the old and the new. What's the resolution? Young people may never turn their phones sideways; on the other hand, TVs, movie theaters and computer screens won't soon be designed vertically. This isn't a temporary transitional problem, either, as it was when we moved from standard to hi-def TV; this time the two formats will continue to coexist.









So, unless you are going to send photos to Instagram or other social media, the next time you find yourself in the mountains or with a bunch of friends and you grab your phone to capture the moment REMEMBER to Turn, Turn, Turn. THANKS Larry Himmelblau - PSC HISTORIAN



Reference: slideteam.net and scientificamerican.com

https://www.slideteam.net/blog/a-history-of-portrait-and-landscape-formats https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/video-looks-most-natural-horizontally-but-we-hold-our-phones-vertically/

#### Social at-a-Glance

(Details below in the newsletter)

Do you have suggestions for future events, or want to host one? Contact John at ifosullivan56@att.net

- Thurs, 6/1 7pm General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount. Summer Mtg Sched
- Tues, 6/6 7pm Chicago Tribute Anthology Band Summer Concerts at Fishel Park
- Sat, 6/10 10am Paddle 'n Picnic at Lake Tampier. RSVP on MeetUp
- Wed Sat, 6/14-6/17 Bluegrass Festival. Camping & Music & More
- Sun, 6/25- 9:45am Bike Ride, DuPage River Greenway Trail, Bolingbrook
- Thurs, 7/6 7pm General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount. Summer Mtg Sched
- Sat., 7/8, 6pm Dinner for 12, J. Flemings Absolutely Delicious, Westmont
- Sat, 7/15 9am Bill & Ted's Excellent Kayak Adventures
- Tues, 7/18 7pm Dancing Queen ABBA Summer Concerts at Fishel Park
- Thurs, 8/3 7pm General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount. Back to 2x/month mtgs
- Sun, 8/6 Noon, Annual Family Picnic, Bemis Woods. Volunteers Wanted
- Thurs, 8/17 7pm General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount.
- Fri 8/18 6pm/8pm Get the Led Out concert at RiverEdge.
- Sat 8/19 Mockvinia IV– aka Mock 4 Mark the calendars. More info to Come
- Sat, 8/26 6pm, Dinner for 12 at Irish Legends, Willow Springs.

# **Trips 2023-2024 Update**



Our Warm Weather trip to Punta Cana is selling quickly. We had 32 signups, (with the trip sized at 40), at the last meeting when the trip went on sale! I was able to secure 10 more spots at the same price - so if you were on the fence, or maybe you are one of those folks (like me) who tend to procrastinate - don't wait to get on this trip. It is a great value for the \$1625 price! All-

inclusive at the Dreams Royal Beach resort; non-stop air; 4 specialty restaurants, poolside grill, plus the buffet restaurant; and there are golf clubs are nearby for you golf enthusiasts. More info below.

We am still looking for folks to volunteer to be Trip Leaders. For those of you who don't know - there are some perks which come with the job. Since you will be working (at your signup table) at the Trip Signup Extravaganza and Summer picnic - you get Early Signup privileges. That means that you can sign up yourself and your roommate on any and all trips before the sign ups open to the general membership (a really nice perk if you really want to get on a popular trip!), Also, in consideration of the time and effort you put into selling and actually running the

trip, you get a discount on the trip. And you get the personal satisfaction of knowing that you have helped the participants on your trip have the most enjoyable experience possible. Maybe you're not quite willing to take the step to actually running a trip - we can work something out where you could be an Assistant Trip Leader, to help you learn the ropes. Assistant Trip Leaders don't get Early signup perk, or the discount - but you will still get the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping people have a great trip! - Julian and Jackie - your Trips Masterminds

### **Dreams Royal Beach Punta Cana**

All-inclusive Pampering in Paradise
December 2 – 8, 2023
\$1,625 Total!

- 7 days, 6 nights
- Luxury all -inclusive
- Non-stop air on United



Dreams Royal Beach, a Hyatt Resort, is located just 23 minutes from the airport on the world famous Bávaro Beach, and offers an elevated level of luxury in an ideal beachfront setting. Our accommodations are Deluxe Pool View Rooms, overlooking a pool that meanders through the entire resort and are steps away from the beach. Plus, our resort's close proximity to town provides easy access to many off-site excursions and adventures!

Indulge at one of seven gourmet à la carte restaurants – no reservations required – featuring international favorites plus snacks and treats at the snack bar and ice cream parlor. Eight lively bars and lounges serve up unlimited **top-shelf** spirits. 24-hour dining options allow guests to enjoy late night bites. Or stay in and order room service. It's all available at any hour - day or night. Included at our resort are a variety of land and water sports (kayaking, sailing, snorkeling, tennis, volleyball, and scuba lessons in the pool). Our stay at Dreams includes free access to the restaurants/ bars/ and amenities at our neighboring **Secrets.** Also available for additional fees are fishing and scuba, spa treatments, and championship golf courses.



Your Piccadilly trip includes non-stop airfare on United, ground transfers, luxury lodging, all tips, taxes and gratuities, all meals/beverages at the resort and Piccadilly-sized fun!

Trip Leader: Susan Akk

Email: akk331@sbcglobal.net

Cell: 630-399-9088

\*PASSPORTS: Check your passports now! Passports need to be valid for a period of 6 months <u>after</u> our return date (Dec 8, 2023 - so they must not expire before June 8, 2024.

Trip Name	Trip Dates	Full Pricing	Status	Contact Info
Fall Foliage Cruise	9/17-9/24/23	Contact Trip Leader	Waitlisted	Sandy Liedtke smliedtke@gmail.com
Punta Cana	12/2 – 12/8/23	\$1625	Open – New Spots Added!	Sue Akk Akk331@sbcglobal.com

#### Trip Payments Due this month\*



6/1/23 Punta Cana \$500

\*Payments to our vendors are due earlier each year, so we need your help! 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



**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 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

#### **UPDATE YOUR CARDS!**

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

Toss out the old ones with old info, and grab new business cards for the wallet or purse at the next meeting. The new cards have Miller's Ale House on them, and our 7pm meeting time. Carry them with you, and hand them out to prospective members.... An easy way to invite a friend to check us out!





#### **Focus on Giving**

Piccadilly has always been a generous group. Periodically we will focus on and share one member's favorite charity; one which is close to their heart. Keep in mind PSC does not endorse any particular charity.

Over the last few decades, a cousin of mine became involved in The Lalmba Association as a board member. He has a lifelong love of Africa and its people, and traveled to Kenya and Ethiopia several times a year to see first-hand the impact that organizations, like Lalmba, have had on the remote villages of these countries. I have always been in awe of him and his commitment to Lalmba and promised myself that as



soon as I could, I would join these volunteers. I am finally going to do it! I will be going this summer for 16 days to Kenya and visit the remote villages that The Lalmba Association helps with education, medicine, and financial support. Please continue to read more about this organization and the many lives it impacts.

Lalmba Association is a Colorado based non-profit organization that brings hope to many desperately poor folks in remote communities in Kenya and Ethiopia by providing medical care

and public health services for up to 70,000 patients each year - people who have no place else to turn, many of whom would die without treatment. We teach people how to stay healthy so that they can work to support themselves and their families.

Our community-based children's programs ensure a safe loving home, good food, clothes, healthcare, and education for over 1000 orphans. We empower people by providing micro-loans to community members



with business plans, enabling them to make a living and feed their children.
We mentor promising leaders from

within the community to take over so that Lalmba's essential operations can continue to meet the needs of communities "at the end of the road". *Thank you, Gina B.* 

### **Social Details**



# 455 Butterfield Road, Lombard Across from Yorktown

#### **Next Meetings:**

- June 1<sup>st</sup>, 7pm Don't forget, this will be our only meeting for June. Please RSVP on Meetup by the week before if you are planning to attend. This gives Miller's a headcount to properly staff our room that evening.
- **July 6<sup>th</sup>, 7pm** Independence Day Meeting. Piccadilly finds a way to celebrate at any meeting! Come to our Post 4th of July celebration meeting and show your colors for our country. The best display of Independence may win a prize!

#### <u>Fishel Park Concerts - Chicago Tribute Anthology Band, Tues, 6/6, 7pm</u>

This great Chicago tribute band can bring back memories of when Chicago was all over the hit charts! Bring your chair and blanket. We'll be there at 6pm; the concert runs 7-8:30pm. Bring



your own food & beverage, however, no outside alcohol allowed. Alcoholic drinks can be purchased at the park. We usually meet toward the front of the park, on the south side, by the vendors adjacent to Grove Street. Look for a variation of Red, White and Blue balloon (or something American flag like to find our group). The park is located at 1000 Grove St., Downers Grove - just west of Main St. (behind Emmett's). Sign up on Meet-Up so we know who to look for at the concert. For more information contact: Nancy Goins @ dnjg2001@yahoo.com

#### Paddle Tampier Lake 'n BYO Picnic, Sat., 6/10, 10am



We will be paddling for our 3<sup>rd</sup> season. For you paddlers, there is a nice boat ramp to bring your own boat (no gas motors) or you can rent! Don't like to paddle? Come an hour later for the picnic and some outdoor fun with friends. Tampier Lake is located near Orland Park at 131st and Wolf Rd. in Cook County. Parking, launch and rentals are on the south side of 131st Street just west of Wolf Road. Rentals open at 9am, - first come - first served. Call to check

availability: 708-830-5194. Food, beverages, and bait are available at the concession stand, plus nice restrooms. Arrive before 10am to rent or launch your boat at the easy in and out ramp. The picnic will follow as paddlers finish. Look for a blue shade tent just west of the boathouse. Bring your sunhat, sunscreen, picnic chair, water, and food, along with a beverage for the picnic. This is a fishing lake - fish from your boat or shore. Because this is a weather permitting



event, **please sign up on Meetup**. It will help us track who's coming and let me send out updates as the event draws near. **– Janice** 

#### Bean Blossom Bluegrass Festival, Morgantown, IN, Wed - Sat, 6/14 - 6/17

The Bill Monroe Bluegrass Festival is held in beautiful Brown County, Indiana, at the historic Bill Monroe Music Park & Campground. There will be 22 bands playing! Bluegrass music will be heard on stage, around the campground. There will also be workshops and the traditional free Bean Dinner – a



true highlight of the festival. Hotels are available in the area, cabins, and campsites available in the pet friendly music park. Please note: If you are planning to come with a camper or motor home, contact Don so we can coordinate sites and secure water, electric hookups and help securing a meeting site for group meals or a place to gather our people. Please contact: Don Kaczmarek; 801 946-5141; <a href="mailto:donterried@aol.com">donterried@aol.com</a>

More festival information at Billmonroemusicpark.com

#### <u>DuPage River Greenway Trail, Bike Ride, Sun, 6/25, 9:45am</u>

Please arrive around 9.45 am, we will be ready to ride at 10 am promptly. The trail starts from the parking lot at DuPage River Greenway Trail, off Royce Road, 1/2 block west of Route 53 (Lincoln Highway) before the small bridge in Bolingbrook.



The trail leads through some nice river scenes, trout ponds, bridges, and beautiful Whalon Lake on the way to

Knoch Knolls Nature Center and the convergence of the rivers. If you ride the whole way, it will be 13 miles and take roughly 1-3/4 hours. We'll take a few breaks at scenic points along the way like the fen, and the convergence of the East and West Branches of the DuPage River. Bring your bike, helmet, some water, sunscreen and a snack.

After the ride, let's have lunch and refreshments at Ashford's restaurant and bar at Boughton Ridge Golf Course. Located just a little further south on Route 53 from Royce Road and about 1/2 mile east of Rte. 53 On Boughton Road on the south side. **Note: Non-Bikers can also meet us for lunch, about 12 noon and skip the ride.** 

Hopefully the weather will cooperate. Be sure to sign-up on Meet-up for headcount and also so you get updates or changes. Please RSVP on meetup and enter your choice in the COMMENTS SECTION so we can let Ashbury's know how many people we will have for lunch (i.e. • Biking only • Biking & Lunch • Lunch only) Any questions? Email John: <a href="mailto:jfosullivan56@att.net">jfosullivan56@att.net</a>

#### Dinner for 12 - J. Flemings Absolutely Delicious - Sat 7/8, 6pm



A quaint restaurant with an inviting ambiance and an American theme is the setting for our "Dinner for Twelve". The restaurant has a wide variety of dishes from grouper to pasta, salads, and steaks. There might even be a Band playing as well during dinner. Come join us for a great event of friends and socializing along with some Great food. This will be our second time there

and I'm sure we will enjoy the food, company, and atmosphere as we have before. J. Flemings is at 18 N. Cass Ave., Westmont. Please Sign Up on MeetUp. For questions contact Jen Obrecht at <a href="mailto:obrechtjen@yahoo.com">obrechtjen@yahoo.com</a>

# <u>Bill & Ted's Excellent Kayak Adventure (V) The Whitewater Festival Tour, Saturday, 7/15, 9am</u>

Bill & Ted are back for another Excellent Kayak Adventure on the Fox River on Saturday July 15<sup>th</sup>. Join us for this special "Whitewater Festival Tour" which will end at the Yorkville Hometown and Whitewater Festival at Bicentennial Riverfront



Park, where we can enjoy Crafts, Food & Beer Vendors and live music. 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 us. 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 four to five hours.

Plan to meet at 9:00 AM at the Yorkville Dam at Bicentennial Riverfront Park in Yorkville IL (the trip endpoint). From there, we will coordinate shuttling everyone to the start point at the Montgomery Dam. We plan to put in just below the Montgomery Dam at South Broadway Park in Montgomery IL. Our lunch stop will be at Hudson Crossing Park in Oswego IL. <u>Paddlers must</u> supply their own food, water, and other beverages for the entire journey. Feel free to bring

along any fun props or Kayak decorations to bring on the water for the trip. 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 in Yorkville IL.

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 rental if a canoe is desired or if the Kayaks are sold out.



To reserve your Kayak or Canoe, <u>you must call the Yak Shack</u> directly at (630) 479-8074 to make your reservation for Saturday July 15<sup>th</sup> and tell them you are with "Piccadilly Ski Club" to get the bargain rate of \$35 for Kayak rentals and \$50 for two-person canoe rentals. Each attending member will be responsible for reserving and paying for your own kayak rental through the Yak Shack. The 15 Kayaks will be reserved for Piccadilly until July 1<sup>st</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 after July 1<sup>st</sup> if Piccadilly members have not reserved them. The rental will include Lifejackets, Paddles and 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.



Excellent!

Once you have reserved your Kayak, please sign up on Meetup, which will give others an idea of who is planning to go. 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 do plan to bring your own watercraft, please sign up on meetup with the comments of "Bringing my own Kayak or Canoe". The trip will go rain or shine, in the absence of lightning. Email <a href="ted@dupagemachine.com">ted@dupagemachine.com</a> or <a href="ted@dupagemachine.com">bciciora@yahoo.com</a> for any additional information about this excellent adventure.

#### Fishel Park Concerts - Dancing Queen: ABBA Tribute Band, Tues 7/18, 7pm

This great ABBA tribute band is a Piccadilly favorite and gets the whole crowd dancing! Bring your chair and blanket. We'll be there at 6pm; concert runs 7-8:30pm. Bring your own food & beverage,



however, no outside alcohol allowed. Alcoholic drinks can be purchased at the park. We usually meet toward the front of the park, on the south side, by the vendors adjacent to Grove Street. Look for a variation of Red, White and Blue balloons (or something American flag like to find our group). Fishel Park is located at 1000 Grove St., Downers Grove - just west of Main St. (behind Emmett's). Sign up on Meet-Up so we know who to look for at the concert. For more information contact: Nancy G @ dnjg2001@yahoo.com

#### Led Zeppelin Tribute Band - Get The LED Out , Fri, 8/18, 6pm/8pm



Calling all Led Zeppelin fans and music lovers – this will surely be a 'stairway to heaven' good time!

It wouldn't be summer in Aurora without Get the Led Out at RiverEdge. They are the very best Led Zeppelin Tribute band in the country. Plus,

Zeppelin lovers pack the Park and make it a giant party that everyone talks about for months after. Look, they sound just like Zeppelin. Lead singer Paul Sinclair embodies Robert Plant. But don't wait too long, Get the Led Out has sold out RiverEdge months in advance for years, and they will do it again. Gates open 6pm, concert @ 8pm. TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE. Tickets also available at 630-896-6666 or at the Box Office: 23 E Galena Blvd, Aurora, IL 60506 – open Monday-Saturday 10-6pm. Vicki Shutz is our event host. Please RSVP on MeetUp so we can coordinate sitting together.

#### "Dinner for 12" The Irish Legend Pub and Restaurant, Sat. 8/26, 6pm

Please join us at a new Piccadilly favorite location at a traditional Irish pub with ties to the Prohibition Era and Al Capone, noted to be one of the top haunted attractions in Illinois. On the menu, fish and chips, salads, burgers, a great chicken sandwich, very hefty Reuben sandwich and more. A great selection of beers also. **The Irish Legends is located at 8933 Archer Ave, Willow Springs.** Please Sign Up on MeetUp. For questions contact Nancy Goins at <a href="mailto:dnjg2001@yahoo.com">dnjg2001@yahoo.com</a>







#### **CONGRATS TO PICCADILLY SKI CLUB!**

First Place – Best Club
First Place – Website
Second Place –Club Newsletter

Piccadilly 'cleaned up' at the recent Ski Seminar where CMSC handed out awards and prizes to top ski clubs. We could not have done this without our members! It takes all of you to make us so successful!

#### **CMSC Event Schedule**

- 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
- \* August 26 CMSC Picnic Norge Ski Hill, 100 Ski Hill Road, Fox River Grove, IL Camping on Friday night, Camping and Bon Fire on Saturday night. More info to follow.
- \*Sept 21 Oct 1 Danube River Cruise. 7 nights aboard an Emerald Cruises Starship starting in Budapest, Hungary thru Bratislava, Slovakia: Vienna, Austria: Durnstein, Melk: Linz Austria: Passau Germany and Prague, Czech Republic. Includes 21 meals. There are several optional excursions including guided tours of towns, castles and medieval villages. Pricing will vary depending on accommodation. For reservations/information contact Ed Gordon at 219-743-0018 or edskates-indiana@yahoo.com
- \* Sept 29 Oct 1 Windy City Ski and Snowboard Show at the Schaumburg Convention Center.
- \* **Sept 30 Oct 1, 2023** CMSC Cubs v. Brewers baseball game. \$247/pp. Includes Saturday night lodging at Motel 6 in Glendale, WI, 3 hour tailgating party prior to game, game ticket in section 226, optional Saturday night Oktoberfest fest in Heidelberg Park at Bavarian Bierhaus. Possible optional trip to the Harley Davidson museum. Contact Kevin Conlon at kconz1@aol.com or 708-906-9517.
- \*Jan 26 Feb 7, 2024 CMSC Europe Zermatt Switzerland and Milan Italy. Trip packages starting at \$3,997. Contact Steve Patzer at <a href="mailto:scpatzer@hotmail.com">scpatzer@hotmail.com</a>
- \*Feb 24 March 2, 2024 CMSC Chicago Week Banff, Canada.
- \*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 Dates\*\*
- \*The "Real ID" deadline has been further delayed til 5/7/25.

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



<u>Slot Car Recap</u> - On Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> our intrepid PSC drivers performed feats of daring-do, boldly circling the Formula One race track in at Chicago Raceway in Westmont. Undaunted by dangers lurking at every turn, our heroes fearlessly darted through the hairpin turns,

laughing in the face of death, dashing to

glory down the straightaways. Our valiant victor was none other than Barry Skurkis – congrats Barry! We were joined by rookie racers Dave Gordon and Kathleen Livingston. Welcome to the team Dave and Kathleen!



Newman/Haas – you're on notice: We're gonna take you down!

....Everyone really DID have a fun time, with snack, beverages, and a LOT of smack-talk. Afterwards, we

retired to an adult beverage establishment, where our racing prowess grew with every story. :) - **Paul** 





Burlington Pub Crawl Review - Our 48th Pub Crawl by Train, was a



success, from the beautiful weather to the awesome turnout, making this event a 'must do' in spring and fall! Thank you, Harry, for carrying on this PSC tradition! Here's a gallery of pix from the day....







#### Wine On The Fox Event Recap - 28 PSCers met at Hudson



Crossing Park in Oswego along the Fox River on Sunday May 7, to relax, taste wine and listen to music. This is a free annual event put on by the Village of Oswego. You could purchase tasting tickets ahead of time online at a discounted price. There were 11 wineries and 1 brewery to sample from and



also food trucks were onsite. We had cheese and crackers at our picnic area to snack on with the wines. It was such a lovely sunny day in the high 80's that my favorite wine choice became a chilled Red Sangria. State Farm had a booth giving away bobble heads dolls with your picture inserted as the face. Some of the bodies we picked to put our faces on were: Superman, a plumber, runner, CEO, and a daisy flower. This was the first time Piccadilly was at Wine on the Fox and it should be a repeated event. – *Cheryl S.* 





#### Camp Sagawau Canyon, Bird Banding and Hike - Before we got



out of the parking lot, we already spotted our first birds. Graceful tree swallows acrobatically putting on an aerial show for us as we watched. The banders and naturalists were all there as we arrived. There were our naturalists from previous outings and a few more trainees so we were definitely not on our own. We started with the hike, and it was about a mile. We



enjoyed orioles, black and white warbler, woodpeckers, Red winged blackbirds, brown headed cowbirds, Kingbird, and a lone hummingbird

to name a few. The birds were singing but staying well hidden amongst the leaves. There was of course a few that came out on display like the Indigo Bunting. It was a first-time sighting for Chris, she couldn't believe the pretty indigo blue that it displayed. The banding followed and



allowed for the amazing experience of having a bird in hand and releasing it into its home habitat. Very exciting if you've never experienced that.

After that, we were getting hungry and thirsty! Off to Irish Legends old traditional Irish pub. We had 14 for lunch and enjoyed some great service and nice menu choices. The beers were also nice. We had a great weather day, and

a great lunch. Hope to see you all on the trail again! **John O** 





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