

November 2023

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Next Meetings:

Thurs, Nov 2, 7pm Thurs, Nov 16, 7pm

Miller's Ale House | 455 Butterfield Rd | Lombard

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President's Message:

Hello all schussing enthusiasts!

November is filled with fall Piccadilly events and preparations for ski-season. November is also a time to be thankful for the blessings we have in our life. An excellent way to do this is to attend Piccadilly's Feed my Starving Children night, November 8th, in Aurora. Details are in the newsletter below, but please know it's a wonderful way to spend an evening with friends and do something meaningful for those less fortunate than we are.

Another thing to be thankful for is Piccadilly's King Keyser Night November 9th in Hinsdale. It's a great opportunity to get outstanding ski gear, expert advice, and good times with fellow skiers. There'll be snacks, drinks, and special event discounts courtesy of King Keyser. Thank you, King Keyser! This comes at a perfect time, because November is ideal for dragging out ski gear to see what needs repair or replacement. There's usually something that needs attention, and Fall is when the selection is best. Yours truly will probably buy new skis this year.

On November 18th we'll have a "twofer" Hike & Brew at the I&M Canal and then the Imperial Oak Brewery in Willow Springs. This is an opportunity to enjoy crisp fall air and fall colors, followed by a crisp brew to refresh us.

Most importantly, November is a time to give thanks. I'm certainly thankful for this country we're lucky enough to live in, family, friends, and especially the friendships and camaraderie I've found in Piccadilly. Thank you to all of you for making PSC the great club it is!

Lastly, here's a bit of a repeat. However, in anticipation of the coming ski season and the release of the next Dune movie, it's appropriate for all Dune and ski addicts:

It is by will alone I set my skis in motion. It is by the juice of hot-wax that skis acquire speed. The lips acquire smiles, the smiles become permanent. It is for thrill alone I set my skis in motion!

Share Piccadilly with your friends and keep our club

growing strong! Grab some more 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 and Below: PSC Red Pocket Scarf/face mask visited Wailua River in Kauai With Larry & Clare Ann H. and the Kauai Coffee Farm with Larry H.





Left: Tiny PSC business card tipped one back in Basal, Switzerland, at the start of a Rhine River Cruise, along with Piccadilly members Scott, Juan, Sal and Lois.

Right: PSC Neck Wallet & 50th logo cheered on the Cubs at a Cubs/Brewers pregame tailgate with Barry & Cheryl S.



Right: Rabid Hawkeye fan, PSC Business Card, cheered on the team to a win at Iowa City, alongside Mike & Dawn R.



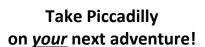


PSC Polo Shirt yelled "Fore" at these Wisconsin links along with Mike R and friends.



Piccadilly Face Mask and Dean F rode 21 miles in Melk Austria

PSC Neck Wallet and PSC face scarf went camel trekking in the Sahara desert at sunrise! Janice B. went along to chaperone, singing "Midnight at the Oasis"...





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!



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 <u>not</u> endorse any insurance carrier) http://www.csatravelpro.com/WINTERSPORTTOUR

http://www.travelprotectors.com

https://www.allianztravelinsurance.com

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

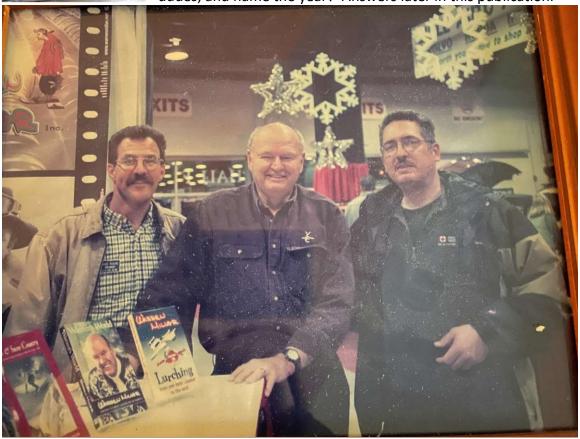
- Thur 11/2 7pm General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount
- Wed, 11/8 7pm 8:45pm Feed My Starving Children, Sign Up on MeetUp
- Thur, 11/9 10am 10:30am Virtual Yoga pop up event
- Thur 11/9 6pm-8pm King Keyser Shop & Save Event

From the Archives

- Thur 11/16 7pm General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount
- Sat 11/18 12 Noon/2pm Hike and Brew... another Piccadilly "Twofer"
- Thur 12/7 7pm General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount
- Thurs, 12/14 7pm -Trivia at Bryan's American Grille, Sign Up on MeetUp
- Thur 12/21 7pm General Mtg, RSVP on MeetUp for Headcount. Holiday Meeting

PSC Favorite Ski Stories & Pics

Turn on the wayback machine. Can you name these young dudes, and name the year? Answers later in this publication.



Trip Payments Due this month*

11/2/23

Beaver Creek \$300 Banff \$300



11/16/23

Panorama \$Balance Brule \$100 Snowbird \$300

Trip Updates

MIDWEST TRIPS

Hey everyone. It's snowing out west! It won't be long till the Midwest is covered in that fun white stuff. It may seem a long way off but don't wait till the last minute to sign up for one or both of the great Midwest ski trips. The fabulous trip leaders are hard at work to make them memorable. January 20 is the one-day to....??? And Feb 2-4 is the Ski Brule trip. Don't forget the Early Bird Rate expires on 12/7, so don't delay, sign up today! See you there. — Jackie & Julian

Trips at-a-Glance

Trip Name	Trip Dates	Pricing**	Status	Contact Info
Punta Cana	12/2 – 12/8/23	\$1625	Waitlist	Sue Akk Akk331@sbcglobal.com
Panorama	1/11 - 1/16/24	\$1500	Open	Paul Fuka ebcdicffff@att.net
Mystery	1/20/24	\$155**	Open	Cheryl Skurkis bcskiies@aol.com
<mark>Ski Brule</mark>	2/2 - 2/4/24	\$520**	Open	Donna Prenta donnamprenta@gmail.com
Beaver Creek	2/10 - 2/17/24	\$1670 + EPIC Day Pass	Open	Sandi Siakel ssssiakel@gmail.com
CMSC Banff	2/24 - 3/2/24	\$2335	Open	Terry Turlek turlekt@gmail.com
Snowbird	3/16 - 3/23/24	\$2400	Open	Mike Roche mikeroche417@gmail.com

**Early Bird Pricing in effect until end of 12/7 meeting for Midwest & 1-Day Trips.

 ${\bf Note:} \ \, {\bf Early \, Bird \, Pricing \, for \, out \, west \, trips \, has \, already \, expired.}$

^{*} 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

Featured Trips

PANORAMA SKI RESORT

Closing soon, just a few spots left

Dates: 1/11/24 - 1/16/24 | Cost: \$ 1,500

- Do you crave Ski in/Ski Out convenience?
- Do you want everything included in your costs?
- Do you want to ski one of the most beautiful areas around?
- Do you seek out amazing ski areas yet with low altitudes?

If you answered just one of these with a resounding "YES" then sign up on the Panorama Trip now. We are going to be releasing our extra spots soon and you won't want to miss this gem.

Piccadilly is staying at the Panorama Springs Lodge condos with kitchens, gas fireplaces, 2 heated pools and ski in/ski out convenience. The ski area summit is only 8000 feet, but boasts almost 3000 skiable acres, night skiing, challenging back bowls and yet plenty of beginner/intermediate options. Everyone raves about Panorama when they come back and PSC has not been there in a while. This 5-day trip is wrapped over a weekend, so you working folks can max out your vacation days. What else needs to be said? As usual, PSC offers an amazing trip at affordable pricing. Everything included: air, lodging, lifts, transportation + PSC sized fun.

Trip Leader: Paul Fuka | ebcdicffff@att.net | Cell: 847-542-2566

SNOWBIRD, UT

There's nothing like Utah's Powder, the Greatest Snow on Earth!

Dates: 3/16/2024 – 3/23/2024 | Cost: \$ 2,400

It's been ages since we've skied the Bird, and it's time to go back. Just a few spots remain on this unique trip. The Bird gets over

500"/year, so there's plenty to ski in March. We will be staying at the Cliff Lodge, 2 per room, which includes a mini fridge, coffee maker, convenience ski-in/ski out luxury and a PSC sized hot tub. Why wait? In addition, we get one breakfast included, receive discounts off rentals, and the spa. Bonus: It's a direct flight into Salt Lake City and a SHORT ½ hour bus ride from there. The mountain boasts equal beginner/intermediate and advanced options with a long 3.5 mile top to bottom run, perfect for the cruisers among us. Included in this gem: Air, Snowbird lifts, lodging transportation and a ton of fun. *reach out to Mike if you already have an IKON pass.

Trip Leader: Mike Roche | mikeroche417@gmail.com | Cell: 630-465-3194



Social Details

For questions on social events, contact John O'Sullivan at jfosullivan56@att.net



Next 2 Meetings: November 2 & November 16

PSC Gives Back! Feed My Starving Children - Wed., 11/8, 7pm - 8:45pm



"Chicken * Veggies * Soy * Rice"

We're back, with this popular holiday giving opportunity to

feed underserved children in the U.S. and around the world. Feed My Starving Children was founded as a nonprofit during a



humanitarian visit to Honduras and now ships much needed food packets to over 90 countries. You'll get to make the meal packets

(nutritional food packets containing rice, soy, veggies, chicken flavoring, vitamins and minerals) to be shipped out immediately! The results are dramatic for these children. 20 spots have been reserved for our PSC family. Please sign up via MeetUp. Let's all wear our PSC shirts, and meet prior to grab a nibble together. Restaurant location TBD. Feed My Starving Children, 555 Exchange Court, Aurora. - Event Hosts: Mike & Dawn Roche.

Pop Up Virtual Class, Thurs, 11/9, 10-10:30am

A Yogic Approach to healthy skiing

Breathe Awareness, Joint Movement & Lunges

Led by Donna Prenta, RYT500

Join Zoom Meeting 5 minutes early to work out any tech issues.



Meeting ID: 827 4273 9124 | Passcode: 831564

• Chair or Yoga Mat needed. | Questions? email: donnamprenta@gmail.com



King Keyser Night - Shop & Save 10% - Thurs 11/9, 6pm-8pm

41 S. Washington Street in downtown Hinsdale

Does your ski gear still fit? Is it worn out? Has it been a while since you upgraded your outfit (Mike?) If yes, then stop into King Keyser Ski Shop to check out all the new gear and great deals for the 2023-2024 season.





Piccadilly Members receive 10% off this night so be sure to have your Membership Card handy.

Parking is free after 6pm and King Keyser will be open for PSC until 8:00 pm. Feel free to arrive early if you would like extra time to shop. PSC-provided lite refreshments included.

- Skimeister Donna

"Twofer" Hike and Brew! I & M Canal Hike + Imperial Oaks Brewery, Sat.11/18, 12noon Hike/2pm Happy Hour





Come join us for a fall hike — witness the changing of the leaves and experience the I & M canal trail. If you do the whole trail, your hike is @ 2 hours long, hiking @ 4 miles. Anyone concerned about the length can cut it short and head back along the same trail - you can customize the hike to your own comfort zone. Imperial Oaks Brewery (Willow Springs) can be seen from the trail head parking lot, so it's all right there. Join us for one event or both! Take in the brisk air, get in a little exercise, and get a cold one and some great company as your reward at the end of the trail. Sign up on MeetUp so we know who to wait for. Plus, please indicate: hike only, hike & brew, or brew only in the comments. See you on the Trail! - John O

Trivia at Bryans American Grille, Thurs, 12/14, 7pm



Come on out and test your trivial Knowledge and get out for a night with friends at a cozy little bar and grill in Downers Grove. They are noted for their great burgers and quaint setting. They have an expanded appetizer selection, a large assortment of sandwiches and gourmet burgers, homemade soups and chili, a range of salads and entrées. Craft beers and signature drinks are featured as well as daily, weekly, and

monthly specials. We have reservations for 12 people. **Please sign up on Meetup** and let us know if any changes in plan due to the limited number of spots. *- Johnny O*

Bryan's American Grille, 2009 Ogden Ave Downers Grove.

PSC Holiday Meeting – Thursday, 12/21, 7pm

Santa comes to Piccadilly Ski Club's December holiday meeting, 7:00 p.m. Miller's Ale House.

- Wear your Ugly Holiday Sweaters
- Bring a \$5 grab bag to participate in the gift exchange
- Be good little boys & girls and meet Santa!



There will also be a Trivia Quiz with a prize for the winner. Ho Ho Ho. See you there! Sign up on MeetUp for a headcount for Miller's



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

*Jan 12 – 14, 2024 - Travel and Adventure Show at Donald E. Stevens Convention Center, **Save the Date** More info to follow.

*Jan 26 – Feb 7, 2024 - 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. 13 clubs with 210 people will

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*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...



<u>CRUISE RECAP</u> - Thirty Piccadillians made their way to sunny New York City at various dates and times before the Norwegian Escape cruise set sail to New England and Canada. Most arrived a few days

early to enjoy the sights and sounds of the city from the fabulous Marriott Marquis hotel, right in the heart of Times Square! Everyone did their own thing in NYC, seeing the sights; museums, plays, landmarks and restaurants.

Once we all got on the ship, yes it took some longer than others, but all Piccadillians were accounted for with two hours to spare! So happy we maintained our motto, "no Piccadillian left behind". We even picked up two extra Piccadillians, glad we had them join us.





The first night was the pinning dinner in the main dining room, so happy they seated us all together. The next day was a bit rainy in Newport, RI, I think most people had two showers that day, but we were off and having fun. The next three ports were awesome as well. Lots to see and great/fresh seafood to taste. We were

quite lucky weather wise, we dodged Hurricane Lee before the cruise and only missed one stop at the end due to the next tropical storm. We missed the NYC flooding after our cruise too!



We had so much fun on the

ship, non-stop entertainment, some provided by the ship,

and even more provided by the PSC - Golden Girls dancers at Dueling Pianos, a PSC stand up solo singer during the Choir of Man show, Miniature Golf Pro Open, Glow Party participants and much more. We had many experienced cruisers, several first timers and I think they all agree, it was a great trip and would love to do it again. – Sandy L.





<u>HALLOWEEN MEETING RECAP</u> - Frightful Piccadillians showed up for our Halloween-themed October meeting. Johnny O had the requisite Trivia contest which Jackie won! Congrats.



SKI BEE/MEMBERSHIPNIGHT RECAP - Our SKI BEE tradition continued this year and was a great success. Cathie & Chris Dunn came up special for this meeting (I think I just made that up, but it sounds good). Over 70 in attendance with many folks bringing guests to partake in the funtivities. Mike McCrery seemed to hold many of the winning tickets.... Hmm do we wanna call for a recount??? Seriously though, we want to thank all our generous donors for the fabulous raffle prizes:

VIKING SKI SHOP ERIKS Ski & Bike WHITEFISH BEAVER CREEK SKI BRULE TELLURIDE

BRECKENRIDGE SUNSHINE VILLAGE EAST WEST HOSPITALITY

This year the Special Prizes were a BOOT BAG, TRIP for 2, and Magnetic GOGGLES, won by Orange Bob, Allison Schutz and Joe Seifts, among others.































- Larry Himmelblau, PSC Membership Chair / Historian

TIVOLI BOWLING EXTRAVAGANZA – 28 eager bowlers turned out for our first (Annual?)
Candlelight Bowl. Some came out from the city, and some drove in from Tennessee...A successful first for PCS "Bowlers"! Everyone enjoyed the private lanes, the pizza, salad, and home-made dessert buffet provided for us. Others had the chance to show off some mad bowling prowess (Linda C) or

NOT so much (Dawn & Mike). Plenty of positive feedback; encouraging enough that I would

organize a 2024 evening. I welcome any suggestions for improvement, email me at Cooper.linda@comcast.net. Thank you to all who attended. - **Linda**(Thank you, Linda and John, for the yummy desserts and for organizing a super fun Friday night!)



Piccadillians traveled to City Lit Theater in the Edgewater neighborhood on the north side of Chicago. We saw "The Innocence of Seduction," the second play in the planned Four Color Trilogy by Mark Pracht, documenting the personalities and conflicts in the seminal days of comic book industry. Beforehand, we met at Edgewater Mexican Cafe for dinner with plenty of time to enjoy a cocktail, food, and conversation. After our delicious meals and margaritas, we walked only a block east to the theater. We settled into our seats and, after the house lights dimmed, saw a fascinating performance by a talented cast. After the show, some of us headed a half block further east to La Pharmacie for an apres-theater craft cocktail. All-in-

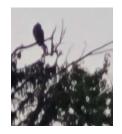
PICCADILLY GOES TO THE THEATRE! On October 7th, a dozen

all, a fine evening was enjoyed by all. – **David V**





Oktoberfest, formerly held in the Dunn's backyard, found a new home with Brenda & Karl, just steps away from last year's venue. The weather held out for us and, in fact, it was the most beautiful of evenings, enjoyed by more than 40 fun-loving Piccadillians.



Beer, brats, and pretzels were just a few of the many delicious foods donated by our hosts and guests. Music lights, and decor set the scene for dance, sing-along's, picture-taking and jolly conversation. Several folks donned their alpine hats and dirndl. And to top it off, a bonfire under a starry night detected a very curious owl perched high on a tree limb which added more fun to the night. A great evening was enjoyed by all, including our new friend, Mr. Owl... – **Brenda & Karl** [Thank you to Brenda J and Karl K for a beautiful, welcoming event!]









SUBURBANITE BOWL APPRECIATION EVENT - What an amazing turnout for our team, and support for our friends at Suburbanite Bowl. We really appreciate that they allow us to park for our one-day and weekend ski trips! Thank you so much, Suburbanite Bowl! People also enjoyed the delicious pizza from Zazzo's Restaurant, whose delicious pizza was well received and delivery was fast and fresh! We filled the bar with 57 members, potential new members, and friends. The Bears did not disappoint! (I thought I was dreaming!) They showed up to play! Our back up 23-year-old quarterback had an amazing game with a 14-0 start and kept pummeling the Raiders (3-3 record, Bears 1-5 record) all the way till the end. The final score was 30-12, BEARS WIN!!!!!! Boy, it sure is more fun when we are not getting trounced! LOL Thanks to all who participated and made this event a real winner! See you at the next one! - John O





WARREN MILLER MOVIE PREMIER "ALL TIME" – A good showing of PSC "ambassadors" came out on a rainy night to glad hand and pass out flyers and club info. We had a booth up front, and all the manpower to go with it. A total success!

And what a great movie! Warren Miller Entertainment's 74th movie, All Time, was a mix of old and new, nostalgia and "ski porn" for the young. The bloopers section in the middle was priceless. At intermission, the raffle was held and several lucky folks walked away with serious goodies. PSC offered up some Ski Bucks and a

generous Gift Card to Viking Ski Shop. Our club got some good airplay out of that. Other

booths included CMSC (manned by erstwhile Piccadillians: Mike Mc, and Ray P) King Keyser Ski Shop, Viking Ski Shop, Outside Entertainment, and Erik's Bike & Ski.

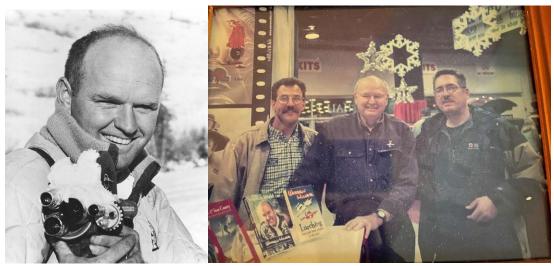






Thanks to Paul for wrangling a nice gift card to give away, thx to Terry T for her giveaway donations, and thx to Mike R for pulling the booth together and manning it! Big thanks to the folks at Outside Inc for the shoutouts and great recruiting event! Until next year..... – **Dawn**





Answers to the quiz: Left to right: Mike Roche, Warren Miller hisself, and Joey Flores. Year: 2003



PSC 2023 – 2024 Board & Appointed Positions

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Email all articles and high-res photos for next newsletter to Dawn Roche.

Deadline: 20th of month prior

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