

Ptarmigan Ski Club NEWSLETTER

November 2024



A non-profit organization founded in 1947 and dedicated to the promotion of all facets of skiing & winter sports - plus activities for the education and enjoyment of its members.

A member of Eastern PA Ski Council. <http://www.easternpaskicouncil.org>

You can also find us on Facebook. [Click here for Facebook](#)

<http://www.ptarmiganskiclub.org/>

Calendar of Events - Post in a Visible Location

General Meetings at Christopher's Columbian Home (KoC)

Happy Hour: Contact Bill Ortner, Every Friday

Thursty Thursday: Contact Carolyn Greenland

BTC Book Club: Third Wed Contact Ronnie Rother, Mary Laronge

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- 11/01 Happy Hour: Copperhead Grill 5:00 pm
- 11/01 & 11/02 Warren Miller Film Tour – NCCC
- 11/02 Penn State Football – Miller's, 11:30 am
- 11/02 Music – Band of Brothers – Steel Pub, 7 pm
- 11/07 Walnutport Canal 10:00 am
- 11/08 Happy Hour: Buffalo Wild Wings 5:00 pm
- 11/10 Blue Mtn Winery – 1:00 pm
- 11/12 General Mtg – Christopher's Columbian Home 7 pm
- 11/12 General Meeting
- 11/15 Happy Hour: Foundations Tavern – Music 5:00 pm
- 11/21 Thursty Thursday – Braveheart 5:30 pm
- 11/21 STEM – 4:30 pm Zoom
- 11/22 Happy Hour: Grove St. Pub & Grill 5:00 pm
- 11/24 Fall Hike-N-Soup 1:00 Hike, 3:00 Soup Kathy Seufert's
- 11/29 Happy Thanksgiving!
- 11/29 Happy Hour: Miller Ale House 5:00 pm

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- 12/06 Happy Hour: Copperhead Grill 5:00 pm
- 12/10 General Mtg – Christopher's Columbian Home
- 12/14 Holiday Banquet - The Loft at Sawmill
- 12/19 Thursty Thursday – Shanty on 19th - 5:30 pm
- 12/19 STEM – 4:30 pm Zoom

Nov 12th General Meeting at Columbian Home 7 pm

Many of you know our guest speaker, **Pete Sheets (Mugsy)**, the new Assistant Manager at Buckman's. He will update us on the latest equipment available as well as a new tuning system at their shop.



FOOD DRIVE -Ptarmigans have always been very generous in helping out those in need. We will again be asking for your help to provide food for those who frequent our local pantry, which serves zip code 18104. Last year we filled the entire back of an SUV. Let's see if we can do it again. Bring your items to the meeting. A box will be placed near the door where you enter the room. Although any dry good donations are appreciated, below is a list of items that are really needed:

- *Tuna Fish
- *Sugar
- *Soup
- *Flour
- *Cooking Oil
- *Jelly
- *Peanut Butter
- *Coffee



February 7-15, 2025. AT COST trip \$2,550 pp dbl includes all ground transport, air, 7 nights hotel, breakfast and dinner. Trip Filled. Wait list forming. Go to ptarmiganskiclub.org for flyer with more details. Contact Carolyn Greenland at we3ski@epix.net

From John Heurich: Warren Miller Movie

I have been in touch with Doug from Northampton County Community College, and he said we could set up a table at the Lipkin Theater lobby for the 3 showings of this year's Warren Miller movie (No Charge). I'll show up before each showing to greet anyone who might be interested in our club.

For the newsletter - Anyone wishing to join me and keep me company would be appreciated.

- November 1st - 6PM
- November 2nd - 2PM
- November 2nd - 6PM

Contact me at jheurich_biz@yahoo.com 484-241-5176



Happy Thanksgiving!

Soup & Hike

Sunday November 24, 2024
Hike: Meet at Saylor Park, Coplay
245 N 2nd Street Coplay
1 pm Walk begins
RAIN cancels hike

This is a paved walkway with some benches. Walk at your own pace, turn around whenever.

Soup will be held at 3 pm at:
 5210 Suncrest Circle, Whitehall

Questions call: 610 393 7324

BYOB and something to share and a chair. Water will be available. Outside Fire Pit.

Ski Trips 2024 - 2025:

The Following Trip is sponsored and run by Ptarmigan Ski Club:

Grindelwald, Switzerland

- February 7 - 15, 2025
- \$2,550 p.p. (dbl occ.)
- Contact: Carolyn Greenland at (302)864-4120 or we3ski@epix.net

See Flyer Below for details.

Editor's Notes:

All trips advertised must have a clearly stated cancellation policy, please read it carefully.

Trips By Members

In addition to the Ptarmigan Sponsored Trip to Grindelwald, several Ptarmigan members are running trips. These trips will have non-members on them. Contact them for more information and the Trip Flyer.

Catherine Chrapacz: Kitzbühel, Austria; Jan 25 - Feb 2, 2025. \$2875 p.p. dbl/occ. Contact Catherine (610) 428-3547 or katyataz@yahoo.com. **Sold Out**

Melissa Link: Park City, Utah; Feb. 9 - 16, 2025, 7 nights at Snow Flower Condos Ski-in/Ski-out, various pricing, Southwest Air RT, Epic/IKON Lift tickets extra, \$500 due by Sept. 15. Contact Melissa Link for more information, 610-751-0332 or donnas.trips.continue@gmail.com.

Brian Nuss: Big Sky, Montana; Mar 1 – 8, 2025. \$2327 to \$2657 depending on Condo choice. Contact Brian at brianjnuss@gmail.com or 610-730-2777.

Mark Baechle: Breckenridge, Co - March 1-8, 2025
We are flying direct **non-stop** from PHL to DIA, on Southwest, and bussing to the **Ski-In/Ski-Out** Beaver Run Resort at Breckenridge, in your choice of Hotel Rooms with microwave and mini-fridge, or 2br2ba Condos with full kitchen, full living room, fireplace, balcony.
We will ski most days at **Breckendridge**, with its 189 trails on 5 peaks, and explore the town's 300+ bars, restaurants, shops, spas, and boutiques.
The trip also should include a day of skiing at **Vail**, and another day (or more) at **Keystone**. Transportation and lifts included.

One Condo Left

Contact Mark at skipro99@gmail.com or 610-657-5825.

Vicki Morris: Sunday River, Maine, Jan. 26-31, 2025. Includes round-trip motor coach, 5 nights lodging at Grand Summit Hotel, breakfast buffet, taxes, gratuities, refreshments on bus. Lift tickets extra.

Need Single Male to fill a room

For more information contact: Vicki Morris, 610-597-8666, vlm2378@rcn.com or Joelle Akowsky, 484-883-2049, JoelleA1@outlook.com

Membership DUES: 2024/2025 Season

Renew your membership for the 2024/2025 Season. Send your dues to: Diane Peters, 846 Parkway Rd. Allentown, Pa 18104-3338. **Please Pay by Check. We will not accept cash.**

Early Renewal: \$16 Single or \$26 Family.

Late Renewal (after Oct 31st): \$20 Single or \$30 Family

New Members: \$20 Single or \$30 Family

New Memberships are valid for 2 years, until Apr 30, 2026

All Members will receive the Ptarmigan Newsletter FREE by Email.

UPDATE: Due to increasing publishing and postage costs, members wishing to receive Hardcopy must pay \$20 in addition to their annual dues by Oct 31st.

Penn State vs. Ohio State Football

at Miller Ale House, Allentown on Saturday, **November 2 at 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.** Join us for a social to cheer for your favorite team and see if it's the Nittany Lions or the Buckeyes who land on top!

jheurich_biz@yahoo.com
484-241-5176

<https://www.meetup.com/>



Ptarmigan Holiday Banquet

Saturday, December 14, 2024, 6 – 10 pm

The Loft at Sawmill, 5630 Sullivan Trail, Easton
Buffet Dinner, DJ & Dancing.

Cost \$56 per person

Reservation Deadline by November 28.

See attached flier for details.



Treasurer's Report

As of October 29, 2024

Checking	\$ 47,904.91
Savings	\$ 6,000.69
CD	\$ 5,278.50
Total	\$ 59,184.10

Friday Happy Hours

Every Friday at 5:00 pm

11/01 Happy Hour: Copperhead Grill
11/08 Happy Hour: Buffalo Wild Wings
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Note: The scheduled Happy Hour location may change occasionally due to circumstances beyond our control or a new or more interesting location becoming available. So, watch your email for changes as Friday approaches.



Thursday, November 21, 5:30 pm, Braveheart Highland Pub, 430 Main Street, Hellertown



Thursday, December 19, 5:30 pm, Shanty on 19th, 613 North 19th Street, Allentown



Ptarmigan STEM Discussion Thursday November 21st 4:30 – 6:00 pm

Upcoming STEM Discussion Thursday November 21st (note earlier than usual date due to Thanksgiving)
Group study of annual **weather patterns and affect on snow accumulation.**

Watch [Chasing El Niño](#) "A massive planet-sized machine controls our weather day-to-day, and our climate season-to-season."

Also FYI: [NOAA's Climate Prediction Center](#) updates the three-month outlook monthly. The next update will be available November 21.



Please notify the activity leader that you are attending so you may be contacted in case of inclement weather.

Hiking

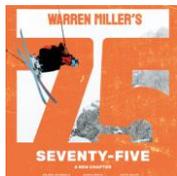
November 7, Thursday, 10:00 am - Walnutport Canal/Slatington North, Meet at Slatington Trailhead, 101 Main St, Slatington PA for a 4 mile easy hike, pavilion, rest rooms, food truck at Slatington Trailhead. Bring lunch/snack, water. Joyce Gilmore will lead the hike. Call/text Cindy Simoson if you are going (484) 515-0181.



Contact Cindy Simoson for any questions about Music events -- (484) 515-0181.

Music

Saturday, November 2 – Band of Brothers – Steel Pub Bethlehem, 7-11 pm



Warren Miller's Seventy-Five Film Tour – Northampton County Community College, Lipkin Theater, **Nov. 1, 7:00 pm, Nov. 2, 3:00 pm or 7:00 pm.** \$18.00 Purchase tickets online at <https://whennow.com/event/75---warren-millers-75th-film>. Ptarmigan Ski Club will have a table in the lobby. Stop by to show your support!



Winery – Join us on Sunday, **November 10 at 1:00 pm** at Blue Mountain Vineyards and Cellars, 7627 Grape Vine Drive, New Tripoli. Plan on a relaxing afternoon of music by **The Reconnect** and wine tasting. Pasta flights are available for \$12 – order in advance. Table reserved for 20 people. Contact Cindy Simoson to save your seat (484) 515-0181.

BETWEEN THE COVERS Book Club

It's a BYOB and BYOF (if you wish) book group gathering.

Join us at our next discussion

DATE: Wednesday, **November 20, 2024**

TIME: Discussion will begin promptly at 4 PM

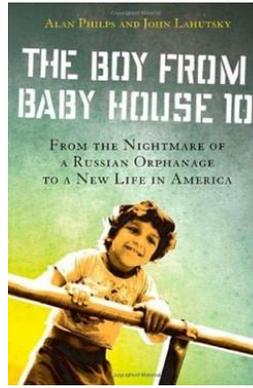
LOCATION: Mary and Ralph's

556 Parkside Court, Allentown

phone 610-737-2349 larongem@gmail.com

The Boy from Baby House 10

By Alan Philips and John Lahutsky



The selected book for December is:

Black Mass
by Dick Lehr and
Gerald O'Neill.



EPSC EASTERN PA SKI COUNCIL

EPSC Winter Carnival - Steamboat Springs, CO - January 25-February 1, 2025 Contact laura.m.miller1@gmail.com for more details.

Mediterranean Island Mosaic – **October 16-27, 2025**, Windstar Cruise on a 4-masted sailing yacht, 7 nights. Rome, Italy to Barcelona, Spain (plus 1 night in Rome and 2 nights in Barcelona). More details and trip flier can be found at <http://www.easternpaskicouncil.org>. Still have openings.

2025 Eastern Winter Trip – Weekend at Greek Peak – stay tuned for details!

2026 Winter Carnival – Sun Valley, Idaho

Skiing Perks and Member Benefits – DISCOUNTS tab on EPSC website for a spreadsheet of Everyday Savings, statistics, and web links at over 18 local ski areas. Updated rates are posted. Great Deals!! COUNCIL CLUB TRIPS ADVERTISED AT COST ... CHECK THIS OUT



BLUE MOUNTAIN

RESORT • POCONOS

Opening Day is just around the corner. Weather permitting, Thanksgiving weekend is the target date. Hope for some cold temps so they can try out all of those new snow guns!

Sunshine



Please forward any information you may have of a member who has recently experienced the loss of a spouse, partner, parent, close family member or friend, etc. or someone in need of a bit of cheer. Contact Mary Ann Bedics by cell (610-704-0582) or email (maryannbedics@rcn.com).

Year In Review



Please forward any pictures you've taken at Ptarmigan Ski Club events to Eric at Eric.Schoeppner@icloud.com. Eric will collect pictures throughout this membership year to create a "Year in Review" for presentation during our March election meeting.

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To Join or Renew Your Membership Please See the Membership Application.

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