

# **Ptarmigan Ski Club** NEWSLETTER

## **Jun 2025**



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

#### **----- Jun 2025 -----**

6/04 - Bike Ride D&L Trail Riverview Park Trailhead 9:30 am

6/05 - Thursty Thursday - Stone Farm Cellars - 5:30 pm

6/06 - Happy Hour: Jack's Slice 5:00 pm

6/07 - Hike Plainfield Twp. Rail Trail 9:00 am

6/11 - Iron Pigs Game 6:45 pm

6/13 - Copperhead Grill 5:00 pm

6/14 - Spring Fling Ortner's Acres 2:00 pm

6/19 - Biking D&L Cove Road Trailhead 10:00 am

6/19 - Thursty Thursday - Wanderlust Bier Garden - 5:30 pm

6/20 - Iron Hill Brewery & Restaurant 5:00 pm

6/27 - Foundations Tavern w/Music 5:00 pm

6/28 - Hike Slatington South Trailhead 9:00 am

#### **----- Jul 2025 -----**

7/04 - No Happy Hour - Happy Fourth of July

7/09 - Hike Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center 5:30 pm

7/13 - Bike Ride Saucon Rail Trail 9:00 am

7/17 - Thursty Thursday - Rising River Brewing - 5:30 pm

7/19 - Summer Picnic at Jim Policelli's

7/27 - Hike Bogert's Bridge 9:00 am

7/31 - Thursty Thursday - Fairgrounds Hotel - 5:00 pm

Save The Date:

Jul 19, 2025 - Summer Picnic at Jim Policelli's

Dec 5, 2025 - Xmas Holiday Banquet at the Barn House Village

### **Spring Fling Picnic**

**Saturday Jun 14, 2025, 2:00 pm**

Hosted by Bill Ortner

Donation to Club: \$15 per/person.

Includes:

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Chicken, Bratwurst Cooked in Beer w/Sauerkraut, Veggie Burgers, Bottled Water, Beer and Wine.

Bring a Covered Dish to Share

Send a check payable to Ptarmigan Ski Club, by **Jun 7th** to:  
Bill Ortner, 2509 Peachtree Road, Allentown, Pa 18104.

For more info Contact Bill: Ph: 610-799-2549 or email

[wortner@ptd.net](mailto:wortner@ptd.net).

See Flyer below for more details.

### **In Memoriam**

Lynn Irwin Ratzell, 82, A long-time member of Ptarmigan Ski Club, passed away on Friday, May 23, 2025.

### **Ptarmigan's Between the Covers Book Club**

It's a BYOB and BYOF (if you wish) gathering for our next book group discussion. Join us!

DATE: June 18, 2025

TIME: Discussion begins promptly at 4 PM

LOCATION: Ronnie's

254 Kristin Lane

Allentown

Pool is open. Come earlier to swim!

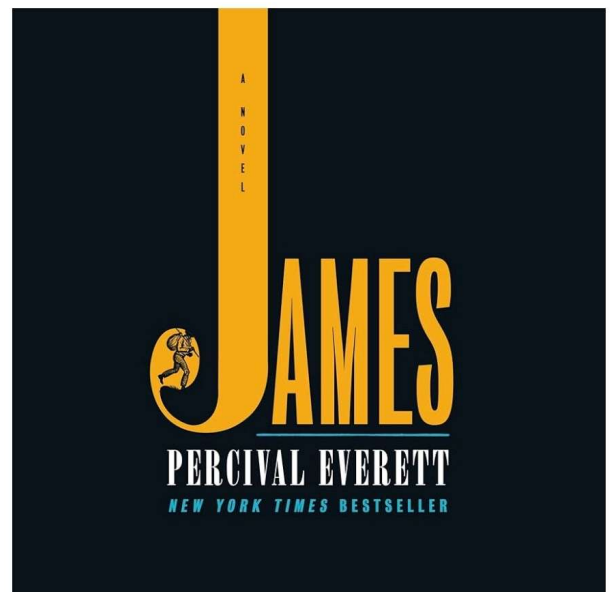
**James**

**By Percival Everett**

**A brilliant reimagining of *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*—both harrowing and satirical—told from the enslaved Jim's point of view**

When Jim overhears that he is about to be sold to a man in New Orleans, separated from his wife and daughter forever, he runs away until he can formulate a plan. Meanwhile, Huck has faked his own death to escape his violent father. As all readers of American literature know, thus begins the dangerous and transcendent journey by raft down the Mississippi River toward the elusive and unreliable promise of the Free States and beyond.

Brimming with nuanced humor and lacerating observations that have made Everett a literary icon, this brilliant and tender novel radically illuminates Jim's agency, intelligence, and compassion as never before. *James* is destined to be a major publishing event and a cornerstone of twenty-first-century American literature. ~Goodreads



## Ski Trips – Member Lead 2025 - 2026

These trips are lead and organized by Ptarmigan Members and will have non-members on them. Ptarmigan does not sponsor or sanction them. We only Advertise them as a service to our Members. See Flyers below for details.

### **St. Anton, Austria**

- Jan. 23 – Feb. 01, 2026
- \$3,350 per person/double occupancy (pp/do)
- Contact: John Yerman at (484)241-5213  
[jfyiii.mail@gmail.com](mailto:jfyiii.mail@gmail.com).

### **Ski Utah – Park City, The Canyons, Deer Valley**

- Feb 28 – Mar 7, 2026
- \$2494
- Contact: Mark Baechle (610)657-5825  
[SkiPro99@gmail.com](mailto:SkiPro99@gmail.com).

### Editor's Notes:

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

## Membership DUES: 2025/2026 Season

**Renew your membership for the 2025/2026 Season.**  
**Send your dues to: Mary Laronge, 556 Parkside Court, Allentown, PA 18104. Please Pay by Check.**  
**We will not accept cash.**

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

**Late Renewal (after Oct 31<sup>st</sup>):** \$20 Single or \$30 Family

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

New Memberships are valid for 2 years, until Apr 30, 2027

**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 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**To receive your Membership Card by mail, enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope. The Card entitles you to various Ski related discounts and benefits.**

## Treasurer's Report

As of 5/31/2025

Checking	\$4506.24
Savings	\$6001.68
CD	\$5415.24
TOTAL	\$15923.16

## Friday Happy Hours

**Every Friday at 5:00 pm**

- 6/06 – Jack's Slice
- 6/13 – Copperhead Grill
- 6/20 – Iron Hill Brewery & Restaurant
- 6/27 – Foundations Tavern w/Music
- 7/04 – No Happy Hour Happy Fourth of July

Note: The scheduled Happy Hour location may change occasionally. So, watch your email for changes as Friday approaches.



**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). \*\*

**2026 Winter Carnival** – Sun Valley, Idaho \*\*

**2026 International Trip** – Grindelwald, Switzerland – Feb. 27 – Mar 7 \*\*

**Valle Nevado, Chile** – August 7-21, 2026 \*\*

\*\*\* **All still have openings.** More details and trip fliers for all of the above can be found at  
[www.easternpaskicouncil.org](http://www.easternpaskicouncil.org).

### **Ptarmigan Bikers**

**Thursday May 8, 2025**

**D & L Trail Slatington to Bowmanstown.**





**THIRSTY  
THURSDAY**



*Stone Farm Cellars  
& Vineyard*

**Thursday, June 5 at 5:30 pm - Stone Farm Cellars & Vineyard**, 5831 Vera Crus Road, Center Valley, PA. The most decorated Winery in Penna. Food and drinks with plenty of outdoor seating next to a spring-fed pond. [www.stonefarmcellarsandvineyard.com](http://www.stonefarmcellarsandvineyard.com)



**WANDERLUST  
BEER GARDEN**

**Thursday, June 19 at 5:30 pm – Wanderlust Beer Garden**, 1600 Sullivan Trail, Easton, PA. Eclectic Outdoor Beer Garden, food and drinks. [www.wanderlustbeergarden.com](http://www.wanderlustbeergarden.com)



## **RISING RIVER BREWING**

**Thursday, July 17 at 5:30 pm - Rising River Brewing**, 1955 Willow Lane, Macungie, PA. Palm Trees in Macungie! Plenty of outdoor seating, food and drinks. Sit in an Adirondack chair near the Little Lehigh River with a campfire.  
[www.risingriverbrewing.com](http://www.risingriverbrewing.com)



**Thursday, July 31 at 5:00 pm - Fairgrounds Hotel**, 448 N. 17th Street, Allentown, PA. Happy hour seafood specialty restaurant in historic Victorian-era hotel on Allentown Fairgrounds. \$5.00/dozen clams and Under \$20 Early Sailaway meals before 6 pm!  
**RSVP** to Carolyn to reserve your seat – text 302-864-4120.  
[www.fairgroundshotel.com](http://www.fairgroundshotel.com)



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

**June 7, 2025 -- Saturday -- 9:00 A.M. Plainfield Twp. Rail Trail**

Meet in the Parking Lot on Rt. 191 -- Stockertown Trailhead. Easy Hike. Paved to Crushed Stone on Shaded Trail along Bushkill Creek. Can Hike/Walk 4 - 5 Miles.

Directions-- From Rt. 33 North, Take Stockertown Rt. 191 Exit, & follow Rt. 191 North about one quarter Mile. Parking Lot is on Right after passing an Electrical Substation.

Can go to lunch at Widow's Tavern close by; or bring lunch, snack, & water.

Hike Leader -- Cindy Simoson. Call/TEXT Cindy, if you are going -- (484) 515-0181

**June 28, 2025 -- Saturday - 9:00 A.M. -- Walnutport Canal/ Slatington (South) Slatington Trailhead**

Meet at the Slatington Trailhead 101 Main St., Slatington, Pa

Cross the Bridge to Walnutport & Hike South on the Towpath. Easy Hike 4 Miles on Shaded Trail; Flat with fine gravel & packed dirt.

Bring Lunch, snack, water. Restrooms, Pavillion, & Food Truck at Slatington Trailhead.

Hike Leader -- Cindy Simoson. Call/TEXT Cindy, if you are going (484) 515-0181

**July 9, 2025 -- Wed. -- 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.-- Hike for Health, Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center**

A brisk 2 - 3 Mile Hike on Uneven Terrain. Meet at 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth at the Visitor Center Flagpole. Bring Water & wear sturdy shoes.

Call/TEXT Cindy Simoson, if you are going -- (484) 515-0181

**July 27, 2025 -- Sunday -- 9:00 A.M. -- Lehigh Parkway**

Meet at Bogert's Bridge 1490 Fish Hatchery Road, Allentown. Easy Hike, about 4 Miles on flat gravel.

Hike Leader -- Olga Chubarova. Bring lunch or snack, & water.

Call/TEXT Cindy Simoson, if you are going (484) 515-0181



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

**June 4, 2025 -- Wednesday -- 9:30 A.M. D & L Trail - At Riverview Park on Front Street, Cementon**

Meet at Riverview Park on Front Street in Cementon.

Ride from Cementon to Slatington. Total Miles Round trip is 18. Option to do more.

Easy Ride on Gravel. Pavillions & Restrooms at Slatington. Bring Lunch, Snack, if you want.

There is a Food Truck at Slatington.

Bike Ride Leader -- Dick Manning

Contact: Dick Manning, if you are going at [rmann1050@gmail.com](mailto:rmann1050@gmail.com) or (610) 737-1860

**June 19, 2025 -- Thursday -- 10:00 A.M.-- D & L Trail -- Cove Road Trailhead -- Laurys Station**

Meet at Cove Road Trailhead, 5974 Cove Rd. Laury's Station PA 18059 ( off Rte.145 before Treichler/s Bridge).

Meet & Bike from Cove Road to Bowmanstown. Easy / Moderate Ride. Trail is on Gravel/ Crushed Stone. Rest Rooms, Pavillions at Slatington. L.Gap Nature Center, Bowtown. Also, Food Truck at Slatington. Bring Lunch /Snack, & water.

Bike Ride Leader -- Jeanne Weiser. Contact Jeanne, if you are going at (610) 844-2590

**July 13, 2025 -- Sunday -- 9:00 A.M Saucon Rail Trail**

Meet in the Parking Lot at Water Street Park, 90 West Water St., Hellertown, Pa.

We will ride 14 Miles Round Trip to Upper Saucon Park. Option to do another 5 Miles to Quakertown. Easy Ride -- Gravel & Paved.

Bring Lunch or Snack if want.

Can also do lunch at Cross Roads Hotel.

Bike Ride Leader -- Cindy Simoson

Call/TEXT Cindy Simoson, if you are going (484) 515-0181

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

### **PTARMIGAN SKI CLUB CONTACTS**

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Visit us online at <http://www.ptarmiganskiclub.org> and **FACEBOOK**

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

[Click here to download Membership Application](#)

# **Ptarmigan Ski Club**

## **Spring Fling**

### **Picnic 2025**

*Sat Jun 14th 2 pm (Rain or Shine)*  
*Campfire at Dusk (if no Rain)*

*Where: Ortner's Acres.*

*Donation to Club: \$15 per/person –  
Make check payable to Ptarmigan Ski Club*

*Includes: Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Chicken, Bratwurst Cooked in Beer  
w/Sauerkraut, Veggie Burgers, Bottled Water  
Beer - assorted Bottled and Mini Draft Kegs of Premium Beers  
Wine – an Upscale Selection*

*Bring a Covered Dish to Share: Last Names Beginning with:*  
*A-H an Appetizer/Hors d'oeuvres,*  
*I-P a Desert,*  
*Q-Z a Salad,*  
*Or ... Just Bring Your Favorite Dish*

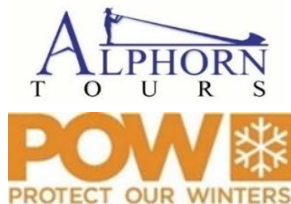
*Also Bring a Folding Chair if you want to Sit.*

Directions: From the 15<sup>th</sup> Street exit off Route 22 proceed North on Mauch Chunk Road (Rothrock Car Dealership will be on your right). Go three (3) miles North on Mauch Chunk, at Grumpy's Tavern turn Right onto Peach Tree Road. Go in about 6 homes to 2509 Peach Tree. Look for Grey Ranch house up a steep driveway. If lost call 610 -799-2549.

Send a check payable to Ptarmigan Ski Club, by Jun 7<sup>th</sup> to:  
**Bill Ortner, 2509 Peachtree Road, Allentown, Pa 18104.**  
For more info Contact Bill: Ph: 610-799-2549 or email [wortner@ptd.net](mailto:wortner@ptd.net)

-----✂----- Spring Fling Picnic: Tear Off and Send to Bill by Jun 7<sup>th</sup> -----

Names: \_\_\_\_\_



## Back to EUROPE Ski Trip

**St Anton**  
Arlberg  
Christoph St. Jakob



### St. Anton, Austria & Zurich, Switzerland

Jan. 23 – Feb. 01, 2026



**St. Anton:** What can be said about the Arlberg region of Austria besides "ski heaven"? St. Anton sits in the heart of the famous Arlberg Region — an interconnected ski network amongst some of the Alps' most inspiring scenery. Ski non-stop for a week, from village to village, piste to piste! Over 82 lifts, 163 miles of marked trails and thousands of acres of off-piste terrain are sure to wear out even the heartiest of skiers. Your ski pass allows you to ski Lech, Zurs, St. Jakob, Stuben, St. Christoph and anywhere in-between! Quintessential alpine charm and one of today's most advanced ski infrastructures make St. Anton the perfect ski vacation. Lively nightlife and shopping in traditional Tyrolean style create incredible memories and good times!

Stay at the ideally located family run **Hotel Nassereinerhof** —only 10-minute walk from the center of village, the train station and less than 500 feet from the Nassereinbahn gondola, taking you directly into the heart of the vast Arlberg ski domain. All rooms are furnished with lots of wood and offer cable TV, a safe, a work desk, and a bathroom with hairdryer. The spa area includes a swimming pool with panoramic views, a Finnish sauna, a bio sauna, a steam bath, and an infrared cabin. Guests can enjoy Austrian and international cuisine, as well as panoramic mountain views, in the Nassereinerhof's restaurant. It also features the Beer & More cellar bar and a historic 17th-century lounge.



Spend your last night in Europe at the 4-star, family-friendly **Hotel Glockenhof**, located in Zurich's Altstadt (old town). It offers a mix of traditional charm and modern amenities, with comfortable rooms. The hotel includes free Wi-Fi and daily breakfast. There are two on-site restaurants offering international and local cuisine. The hotel's location stands out for its proximity to the city center, the train station, shops and restaurants.

**TRIP PRICE: \$3,350 per person/double occupancy (pp/do) in New Comfort Room INCLUDES:**

- Roundtrip air between Philadelphia and Zurich
- Deluxe Motorcoach Transfers between Airport and the Resort
- **SEVEN** nights lodging in St. Anton, Austria with Dinner
- **ONE** night at Hotel Glockenhof in Zurich Altstadt
- Breakfast daily
- Welcome Cocktail Reception in St Anton
- Porterage in and out of hotel
- All hotel & resort taxes, surcharges & porterage (not gratuities)/Int'l Departure Taxes, Fuel Surcharge & Security Fees

**Flight Info:**

AA0092 23JAN26 PHL-ZRH 6:40P-8:15A+1 (24JAN)  
AA0093 01FEB26 ZRH-PHL 10:15A-1:15P

To obtain additional information, please contact **John Yerman** at (484)241-5213 / [jfyiii.mail@gmail.com](mailto:jfyiii.mail@gmail.com) or **John Hickey** at (267)446-7886 / [johnhickey513@yahoo.com](mailto:johnhickey513@yahoo.com)  
Mail **ALL** checks payable to **John Yerman** and mail to: **151 S. Church St., Macungie, PA 18062.**

Enclosed is my (our) **\$500** per person deposit(s) for the Jan. 23 – Feb. 1, 2026 / Back-to-Europe Ski Trip.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
(EXACTLY as it appears on your ID)  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Rooming with: \_\_\_\_\_  
Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth (required by TSA): \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**My signature below confirms that I have read and fully understand the Cancellation & Refund Policy on the reverse side.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Bringing Skis (Yes / No): \_\_\_\_\_



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**DEPOSIT / PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

PAYMENT	DUE DATE	AMOUNT DUE PER PERSON
First/Deposit	July 1, 2025	\$500.00
Second	September 1, 2025	\$1,000.00
Third/Final	November 15, 2025	Remaining

**Please note the following:**

- Credit Cards are not accepted for this trip.
- Prices shown reflect a cash discount.
- The Single Supplement price of **\$500 pp** is available in limited quantities and may also apply if a suitable roommate is not available. Attempts will be made to provide a suitable roommate; however, if a suitable roommate is not found, or if your cancellation leaves your intended roommate single, a Single Supplement fee may be charged.

**CHANGE OF ITINERARY**

Any changes in the itinerary will result in a \$100 change fee, plus any additional charges because of the change--if the change is possible. There will be no refunds for any unused portions of the trip as the group rates are based on everyone following the same itinerary.

**CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY**

Some restrictions and penalties apply to your vacation investment. If you cancel your reservations, YOUR RIGHT TO A REFUND IS LIMITED, as set forth in the following schedule. All cancellations **must be discussed with your trip leader and be in writing and emailed to Alphorn Tours** at [groups@alphorntours.com](mailto:groups@alphorntours.com). Date of email will determine applicable policy:

**After July 1, 2025 and up to 120 days prior to the scheduled departure, the cancellation policy is as follows:**

- Any and all cancellations are subject to a \$95.00 pp contracted administration fee up to 120 days prior to departure;
- Any and all cancellations made 119 to 90 days prior to departure: \$395.00 pp contracted cancellation fee;
- Any and all cancellations made 89 – 45 days prior to departure: \$595.00 pp contracted cancellation fee; and
- Any and all cancellations made 44 days or less prior to departure: **no refunds**.

No refunds for early departures or late arrivals, no shows, expenses incurred for car rentals, airfare or unused portions of this package. Additional airline-related fees of (i) \$100 for name change/substitution; and (ii) \$350 to transfer ticket to a substitute passenger apply. Participants who cancel their trip after ticketing will not be refunded for ticket.

**Applicable refunds will be made as soon as they are received from vendors (minimum of eight (8) weeks).**

**TRIP INSURANCE**

We strongly recommend the purchase of trip insurance covering, accident, sickness or death of a participant or covered family member that would result in cancellation either prior to or during the trip. We have insurance information for your Group. **See your trip leader or call Alphorn Tours and Incentives for more details.**

Trip participants can go to [www.alphorntours.com](http://www.alphorntours.com) homepage and click on the Travel Insured link to sign up for trip insurance. If calling Travel Insured (800-243-3174) give Alphorn Tours agent code **#49538** to sign up.



## LIFT TICKET INFORMATION

Lift tickets are **NOT** included in this package and may be purchased directly at the resort.

**ALPHORN TOURS: "Taking Your Group to New Altitudes!"**

## St. Anton / Arlberg



# SKI UTAH!!! 2/28—3/7, 2026 Sat.—to-Sat.

## PARK CITY, THE CANYONS, & DEER VALLEY

Only \$2494\* which INCLUDES:

- **AIR Direct Non-Stop (PHL<->SLC).** Come ski “The Greatest Snow On Earth”®
- **Transfers (45 min) SLC <-> Park City**, home of over 100 bars & restaurants.
- **7 nights at Newly Remodeled Hotel Thyanes**, a **Marriott** Tribute hotel, on Park Ave.
- Everyone is guaranteed: their own Queen Bed, hairdryer, gourmet Hot & Cold Breakfast each day, Cookies & Cocoa each afternoon, Fridge & freezer in each room, Welcome Party with Pizza.
- **Private Shuttles (5-7 min ride) every 30min to PARK CITY Lifts (on EPIC), the largest U.S. ski resort with over 7300 acres of skiing!**
- **Private Shuttles (6-9 min ride) every 30min to DEER VALLEY Lifts (on IKON) ranked #1 Best Grooming & #1 Best Guest Service in USA.**
- **On-Call Shuttles to tons of Bars, Shops, & Restaurants.**
- **Many Parties:** eg: Pizza Party, Beach Party, Bus Party, Welcome Party, Finale Party,...
- **Lessons\*\*** to improve your techniques in Powder, Moguls, Steeps, Trees, or Groomed.
- **Trip Insurance** up to \$250,000 ; & Taxes, Fees, Airline Surcharges, & Bus Tips.

**Park City & Canyons Stats:** 7300 acres; 3100' vert.; 365" snow/yr avg.; 38 Lifts; 14 Bowls; 348 trails

**15/54/31**(Gr%/Blue%/Blk&Dbl Black%) ; There are 16 mountain restaurants and ski huts at Park City Mountain Resort.

**Deer Valley Stats:** 2342—5726 acres; 3042' Vert; 300+ “Snow/yr; 7 Bowls; 24 Lifts; 122 Runs

**29/45/10/17**(Gr%/Blue%/Blk%/Dbl Black%); Bars and restaurant in Deer Valley also. Hang out on the “snow beach” with drinks after skiing!

**Hotel Thyanes** (formally Park City Peaks Hotel): Multimillion remodel in 2025 to prepare for the 2026 season. They offer their own private scheduled ski shuttle to Mountains every 30 minutes and on demand in the evenings to Historic Main Street. It also located on the free Park City bus route that runs city wide. Hotel amenities include an on-site ski rental shop, gym, restaurant, indoor/outdoor swimming pool, two hot tubs, sauna and steam room. The hotel rooms have 2 queen beds or 1 king bed.”

**NOTE: We sleep at 6900 ft, so you should not get altitude sickness.**

**Park City Mt. Resort:** “Park City Mountain Resort is connected to Canyons using the Quicksilver Gondola. The combined area makes it the largest U.S. ski resort with over 7,300 skiable acres, 300+ trails, 38 lifts, seven terrain parks, 14 bowls, & 8 half-pipes. There is a base area at both Park City and Canyons with restaurants, ski shops, rental shops, etc. There is free bus service to both base areas of Park City Mountain as well as Deer Valley. Park City honors the EPIC ski pass, while Deer Valley (no snowboarders allowed) honors the IKON ski pass.”

**Deer Valley:** “Expanding to 5,726 acres of skiable terrain accessed through an efficient network of 37 chairlifts and 238 ski runs across 10 mountain peaks; 2,900 vertical feet from the highest point of 9,350 feet; One of the longest ski runs in the country, measuring just short of 5 miles; The largest increase of skiable terrain in resort history; 16 new chairlifts, including a gondola, and 135 ski runs that will offer skiing for all abilities; Ski access across four new mountain peaks; Terrain will feature numerous bowls and gladed areas; Phased opening in 25/26 with 2,900 acres serviced by 9 chairlifts and 110 ski runs; New state of the art, energy efficient snowmaking system to enhance Utah's **Greatest Snow on Earth®**; Unique ski-only experience Advancing the Deer Valley legacy while staying true to our founding principles; Exceptional guest service will shine both on and off the mountain, with a projected 2,000 additional Deer Valley jobs Limited daily skier capacity to optimize our guest experience; More mountainside eateries to indulge in Deer Valley's renowned culinary offerings; One of the largest ski resorts in the country”.

\* **\$2494** does NOT include lift tickets. Buy an EPIC or IKON pass (or both). **Snowbird, Alta, Solitude, Brighton, & Snowbasin** are also on the IKON Pass. There are Shuttles (+\$), Ubers, and Taxis to get there.

**Options:** No Air (-\$500); Private room (+\$1294); Park & Transp LV <-> PHL (+\$99pp if we get enough);

**Optional Activities (+\$):** XC; Dog Sledding; Snowmobiling; Snowshoeing; Ice Skating; Snow Tubing; Museums; Bobsled down the Olympic Track; Horse-Drawn Sleigh Rides; Fat Biking; Explore Ice Castles, and the Olympic Park.

Questions: Mark @ (610) 657-5825 or [SkiPro99@gmail.com](mailto:SkiPro99@gmail.com) He has been running great ski trips for 30+ years!

Please fill out the bottom of the Trip Release, and send it with your deposit to the address shown.

## 2026 Utah Trip important details:

The trip includes: Roundtrip Air ~ 2/28/26 PH --> SLC; Transportation SLC --> Hotel Thaynes in Park City Utah (formerly Park City Peaks Hotel); Transfers and Air back to PHL, ~3/7/26. The trip also includes Trip Insurance, multiple Lessons; multiple Parties; Taxes; Bus tips,.... It does NOT include Lift Tickets, so please get an EPIC and/or IKON pass early to get the best price.

Air is tentatively on Delta Airlines roundtrip between Philly (PHL) or nearby airport, into Salt Lake City Airport (SLC). It should be direct **non-stop**. Air details may change, including flight times, dates, numbers, airports, and airlines. Tip: Go with the flow!

TSA now requires a **real ID** driver's license, or a **valid passport** to fly. The expiration date must be at least 6 months past the return date. Tip: Be prepared!

If you opt to do your own Air, the Trip Leader will provide transportation to/from arrival airport on the same bus as the group, at the same time. Any alternative transportation is on your own.

The Peaks/Thaynes has informed the trip leader that they will provide **free transportation** to Deer Valley lifts, and to Park City lifts, starting around 8am, running every 30 minutes, using their own private shuttles. The time to each should be 5-9 minutes. There is also a public bus to both locations. They also stated that they would provide on-call shuttles to restaurants in the evenings. They have a restaurant on-site also. There are also bars, restaurants, and shops walking distance to our hotel.

**Lessons** are taught by a nationally-certified PSIA/AASI instructor, run through the trip leader, not the resorts, in the form of ski or snowboard improvement tips. You must ask for these tips while skiing/snowboarding with him. The number of lessons, and their types and durations, depends on weather, conditions, and number of attendees and their abilities.

**Multiple Parties are guaranteed.** The number, days, and types might vary. Most Parties should include beverages and/or prizes, but not a meal. The Trip Leader will try to provide dinner at one of the parties, probably in the form of an assortment of Pizzas, if delivery is available. TIP: Relax and have fun!

**Trip Insurance** should include: Medical Coverage--\$50,000pp; Medical Evacuation--\$250,000pp; Trip Delay--\$150/day if >six hours (max \$750); Missed Connection- \$500 if >3 hours; Baggage delay--\$400--if >24 hours; Trip Interruption--\$500 towards airfare for return flight. Trip cancellation and full trip interruption are extra, arranged directly by you. Details may change. Price includes Tips (for multiple buses) and Property Taxes, Bus Taxes, and Airline Taxes, quoted as of May. 28, 2025. Other tipping is at your discretion. Additional charges could apply if airline charges fees after that date. All options must be reserved and paid in advance with initial deposit to guarantee their availability. Activities and details may require minimum numbers to be reached. Optional Activities are arranged on your own. Trip cost could go up if not fully deposited by Aug. 1, 2025. You may need the full IKON Pass (not the Base Pass) to ski at Deer Valley. All details are projected but not guaranteed, and can be affected by weather, traffic, airline issues, air traffic control issues, pandemics, zombie apocalypses, and other unforeseen events.

<u>TENTATIVE AIR:</u>	<u>PHL (Philly)</u>	<u>DEN (Denver)</u>	Air details will probably change, perhaps many times. Go with the flow!
2/28/26 Delta	7am →	10:21pm	
3/7/26 Delta	5:43pm ←	11:25am	

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:** \$600 pp deposit due ASAP. \$900 pp 2<sup>nd</sup> payment + Options due by August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.  
Final payment must be received before November 1st, 2025. All checks must be made payable to "Mountain Tours LLC"

### Trip Liability Release and Indemnity Agreement, and CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY

Some restrictions and penalties apply to your vacation investment. If you cancel your reservations, YOUR RIGHT TO A REFUND IS LIMITED, as set forth in the following schedule. Traveler's requests for changes to itinerary will require additional fees. Fees cannot be determined until time of change. Financial implications will be incurred. All cancellations or changes to itinerary must be in writing and sent to the Trip Leader. Date of postmark will determine applicable policy. Guests that cancel more than 99 days from departure date will receive 100% refund, minus a \$99pp fee, plus any fees charged (e.g. Airline fees for name changes), if a substitute is found. Cancellations received within 99 days of departure are non-refundable. No refunds for early departure or late arrival. No shows, no refund. No partial refunds will be made on unused portions of this package. Refunds will be made as soon as they are received from vendors (minimum four (4) weeks). Changes to itinerary requests by traveler will be considered and accommodated, if possible, and traveler will be subjected to a \$99 fee, plus any fees charged by other organizations or companies. TRAVEL INSURANCE IS RECOMMENDED. INDIVIDUALS NEED TO SIGN UP FOR TRIP INSURANCE ON THEIR OWN. Travel insurance might not cover cost of parties, prizes, lessons, or bus transportation, so cancellation reimbursement may be less than the full package price shown on the flyer. All trip package rates are subject to possible change if the airfare, currency exchange rate, or other significant part of the trip package price charged to the Trip Leader changes. All attempts will be made to prevent changing the package rates from the ones quoted, however due to the uncertainty of exchange rates and pricing in the airline industry, the published pricing cannot be guaranteed. The guest must reimburse any additional charges by the airline, such as fuel surcharge, to the Trip Leader. The Trip Leader you to wear a helmet and (wrist guards for snowboarders), and ski or ride in control, and to respect others on and off the slopes. I acknowledge that skiing, snowboarding, après-ski parties, and related activities are HAZARDOUS activities and that I have made a voluntary choice to participate in those activities despite the risks that they present. In consideration of my being permitted to participate in the event named on this form, I agree to ASSUME ANY AND ALL RISKS OF INJURY OR DEATH to others, and myself, which might be associated with or result from my participation in this event. I further agree to RELEASE FROM LIABILITY and to INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS the organizers and sponsors of this event, for any damage, injury, or death to myself or to any person or property, whether caused by their NEGLIGENCE or for any other reason, in any way connected with my preparation or practice for or my participation in these skiing events. I also realize that everyone will be provided bedding, but bedding type is never guaranteed. I agree to all details and conditions in the versions of Trip Flyers and Trip Release distributed at time of sending my deposit check. I, the undersigned, have carefully read and understood this agreement and all of its terms. I understand that this is a RELEASE OF LIABILITY, which will legally PREVENT me or any other person from filing suit or making any other legal claim for damages against Mark Baechle, Ptarmigan Ski Club, Blue Ridge Ski Club, Mack Ski Club, the Eastern PA Ski Council, or any ski club or organization, in the event of my death or any injury to me. I enter into this agreement freely and voluntarily and agree that it is binding upon me, my heirs, assigns and legal representatives.

Please complete, copy, and mail entire original page to: **Mountain Tours LLC, 4170 Ascot Circle, Allentown PA 18103**

Enclosed is my/our \$600+ deposit for the 2026 Utah Trip towards the \$2494 total, made out to "Mountain Tours LLC".

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #s: \_\_\_\_\_

Full name EXACTLY as it appears on the photo ID you will use Please indicate Home, Work, or Cell above, and Couple or Singles below

Email(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Circle: C or S; M or F

Roommate Request: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Requests: \_\_\_\_\_ (Couple or Single; Male or Female)

Please circle: No Air (-\$500); Park & Transp LV <-> PHL (+\$99pp); Private room (+\$1298);

Other Options or Special Needs: \_\_\_\_\_ You have EPIC or IKON? \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY phone numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ KTN \_\_\_\_\_ FF# \_\_\_\_\_

Yes I have read and understand the Liability Release and Indemnity Agreement, and CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_