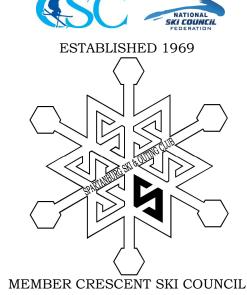
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### FROM BARBARA....

This was not a great beginning for our new club year—only cancellations! It would be desirable to begin gathering again in June. We'll decide mid-May.

Meanwhile, please take time to familiarize yourself with the members of the board. Some short biographies are included in this newsletter. More will follow.

The other officers—Ivo, Conni, & Rich—stand ready. Taylor has compiled this newsletter & updated our website. Mike is researching outings. You will be hearing from Rick regarding your membership renewal later in the summer. When the restaurants open, Dagmar & Pat will be planning mini-socials. Joy & Patti will be asking you to help our charities recover.

Teresa updates our Facebook page & is compiling a book of SSOC memories & stories. They need not be long or flowery. Just jot down a time you remember fondly or a funny story. If you have a photo, that would be wonderful. Send to Teresa.

Alison will be coordinating programs for the meetings this year. She has already arranged a rockslide party at Dagmar's for July. She & Marcy have arranged for the Piedmont Club seafood buffet in September. She will be asking some of you to assist with other meetings. Thank you in advance for your help!

Contact us if you have ideas (see info on the back of the newsletter). Stay tuned for more info. Above all, BE SAFE!





### Lets' Get Back Together (FINALLY) With A Club Favorite of Years Gone By ...

### Well, hello friends - I have missed you all so much!

In this time of unpredictability, the SSOC hopes to begin our reunion on Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at Dagmar Lindsay's home in Moore as we revise



our "Rock Slide" on the Tyger River!
This will be a wonderful opportunity
to get together with some good food
friends & good food and many of us
can share stories of those good 'ole
days when we were "young & wild" in
the water!

Also, we hope to re-convene at the Piedmont Club on Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> for the Buffet we all love so much! With April's

meeting being cancelled, we are on the calendar for September.

More to come on this & other future meetings as we become "more informed".

Looking forward to having some great programs this year for our SSOC ... and I will need your help - so stay tuned all -



Your 2020 - 2021 SSOC Programs Coordinator,
Alison







### **Outings**

It's difficult to say when it will be safe to gather as a group. We <u>will</u> realize that goal but we want to be without reasonable doubt that the danger has passed in determining when that may be.

Having said that we are tentatively planning a trip to Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens in September for the Chinese Lantern Festival. This is a display of different lighted objects all over the garden. The last time this was there a few years ago it was various life size animals. It is at night and is spectacular. We will see if the exhibit does take place and provide more information regarding the event.

In September we hope to have a pontoon tour of Lake Lure with possibly a late afternoon tour to a restaurant on the lake and then back to the marina. More details on this later.

If you have an outing that interests you and the club let me know.

I fully understand cabin fever but everyone practice social distancing and go out only when necessary and let's get through this together.

Mike Rogers
Outings
<a href="mailto:kwizen@bellsouth.net">kwizen@bellsouth.net</a>







We have had some very unusual weeks/months to begin our new year with new officiers and board members. The Corona Virus struck and shut most things down. Our lives have changed and we don't know what it will look like when we start up again. We DO know that SSOC will be back to pick up right where we left off. We will recover fairly easy. But some organizations are not that lucky.

We are a "little club" that does some big things in our community. St. Luke's Medical Clinic, Spartanburg Humane Society, and Safe Homes Rape Crisis Coalition have suffered tremendously throughout the pandemic. They need our help now more than ever.

Spring has sprung, so you know what that means for the Humane Society. Kittens, and puppies will be coming in. Adult cats and dogs will be brought in as well. All of these animals need to be taken care of. You all know what they need. Canned and dry kitten/cat food, puppy/dog food. They prefer Pedigree, but gladly take it all. Cleaning supplies, and detergent are especially inportant. Paper goods are urgently needed as well.

Unfortunately being confined at home causes a lot of stress and domestic violence increases. The Safe Home has to be stocked and running during this time for the families that need it. They too need personal items, cleaning supplies, detergents and paper supplies.

St. Luke's donations have dropped as well. Support our raffles when we get back. They need our finacial help.

I know money is tight, but if at all possible pick up a few things when this is over or when you go out for those essential items now.

I am so proud to belong to group that supports our community. We are needed and appreciated by by them all.

Joy







My name is Alison Kimball ... I was born in Staunton, Virginia and was very fortunate through my adolescence to travel extensively with my parents. My Dad was an English professor and his Fulbright's took us to Karachi, Pakistan – London, England and Helsinki, Finland. I spent several months in each of these places and was also able to visit 17 countries until about 1978 (suffice it to say I have not been overseas since then, as I was no longer under my parent's financial wing! –

I stayed in Spartanburg through college. I was a Converse graduate, and that traveling urge hit me again, so off I went in the early 1980's and lived in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Colorado, Virginia & Wisconsin .... A career, what's that? Didn't happen until my late 30's!

In 1991, I returned home to Spartanburg where both my parents were still residing, and I was coming out of a two-year broken marriage, and happy to be home again (yes, you can always go home). I wanted to find something, a new direction to take and one day I saw an ad in the newspaper for a Spartanburg Ski Club meeting at the Arts Center in December. It was perhaps my first step toward independence again. I went to that meeting and as soon as I walked in, was greeted, taken over to the keg in the corner and handed a beer ... the rest they say is history. I was immediately welcomed and by April 1992 joined the Board as the Fundraiser. Since those years, I think I have only missed being on the Board for maybe two-three years. I have held EVERY position, many more than once, on the Board over the years except for Treasurer, Newsletter Publisher & Membership ... my tech skills are still questionable in those areas!



SSC was changed during my first Presidency to SSOC and I was delighted to know that Outings could now be a part of our group. I cannot imagine how different my life would be if I had not



embraced this incredible group of people who over the years have become best friends and confidants. Now, after a "Career" of working in Higher Education for over 24 years, I think I have finally found my niche! I love nature, the outdoors, hiking & camping, bluegrass music & my animals, and have now lived in my home in Boiling Springs for 20 years – guess I'm going to stick around. I am your club's 2020-2021 Program Coordinator ... and I'll be asking you to help me coordinate something. Never give up on this Club folks!

One last thing ... a glimpse of the future ..... here's a picture of me when I finally finish my last year on the SSOC Board of Directors!!!!





Richard E. Darling
Born: Binghamton, NY 1942
2 Years US Army
Bachelor of Science, Rochester Institute of Technology
30+ years Eastman Kodak Company

Married to Nancy Lewis Rhodes August 9, 2014 Two children from a previous marriage: Christine Shade, Brockport, NY Denise Benjamin, San Francisco, CA

Relocated from Latham, NY to Moore, SC November 20, 2014

Upon completion of my army tour at Ft. Bragg, NC, I moved to Rochester, NY and started working at Eastman Kodak. It was there in 1970 that a friend got me interested in skiing, by giving me his old skis and boots... 210 wooden skis with cable bindings and leather boots. They really didn't work out, but after trying shorter skis, all was well and there were several ski areas in western NY to keep me busy. While in Rochester, I got the opportunity to attend a Warren Miller movie, narrated by him personally, later met him and purchased an autographed book. In 1977 I was transferred to Indianapolis, IN with a sales territory for four years which interrupted my skiing, but not my interest. Upon returning back to Rochester, I resumed my skiing and joined the National Ski Patrol at a small area called Hunt Hollow near the Finger Lakes. In 1990 I was sent to Philadelphia on a one year special assignment but skiing wasn't interrupted while there. In late 1991 I was transferred to Illinois to take over a sales territory and lived there until 2012. While in Illinois, I joined the Peoria Ski Club and served as president for 2 years, as well as holding other board positions at various times. Belonging to a ski club gave me the chance to ski in Europe, western Canada and many places in the western US. While a member of that club, I managed to attend several Mountain Travel Symposiums and met many club members, plus industry/travel representatives from around the country. In 2012, I moved to the Albany, NY area and immediately joined the Out of Control ski club. As a member, I got to ski in most of eastern NY and Vermont frequently.

In 2014, Nancy and I were married, and here we are Spartanburg Ski and Outing Club!

Rich







Joy Bobo, Fundraising Director for The Spartanburg Ski and Outing Club. I was born in Spartanburg, SC and have remained here my entire life. I taught school at Cleveland Elementary for 28 years. I have been happily retired since 2013. I became a member of SSOC in 1994. I became a skier when I joined the club, and retired from skiing about 5 years ago. I've held numerous board positions along the way including DayTrips, President, Secretary, and Fundraising. You might recognize me from hosting our yearly Holiday Party for the last 16 or so years. Or maybe you know me as the "red wagon lady" collecting donations for our charities. I'm happy to be associated with either one.



Hello Everyone! Hope you are all doing well during this trying time. As club secretary, I just want to remind you that I will be sending greeting cards to our members as needed. If you know of a member that is sick, has had surgery, had an accident, or lost an immediate family member, I will send a card on behalf of the club. I may not be aware of this unless you tell me. It would be great if I never have to send a card, but please let me know if it is needed. You can contact me at <a href="mailto:concancom@gmail.com">concancom@gmail.com</a> or by phone at my home 864-592-3405. Thank you.

Conni Harrell.





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### **NOTES**

Any Spartanburg Ski Club member may submit items for publication in the newsletter. Publication deadlines can be found on the pullout calendar included in the newsletter each month. Call Taylor for information on how to submit your newsletter item.

Also, don't forget - the club has a "tent" available for rent. It is an 18 X 20 tent, and it is easy to assemble. We also have 4 tables that can be rented with or without the tent. We have the makings for that special occasion and it is all very reasonably priced! Tent rental is \$ 35. Tables can be rented for \$5 per table. Remember; don't have a party without the comfort of shade. Your guests will appreciate it and so will the club! For rentals of either tent or tables contact Joy Bobo.

The Spartanburg Ski & Outing Club normally meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM. We are located at the Chapman Cultural Center (West Wing) on East St. John Street in Spartanburg on the first floor. During the summer months (June, July, and August) meetings are frequently held, more informally, at different sites and times. Therefore it is necessary to consult the club web site or a current newsletter for the time and location. April's meeting is held at the Piedmont Club.

The club does **not** provide alcoholic beverages at membership meetings, but members are allowed to bring their own (BYOB) choices of beer or wine. Over-indulgence is not condoned under any circumstances. Cups, ice, and some soft drinks are provided. Thank you.

### Become a Member

A copy of our membership application is located at the following web address: <a href="http://www.spartanburgskiclub.org/membership/ssocappl.doc">http://www.spartanburgskiclub.org/membership/ssocappl.doc</a>

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# SPARTANBURG SKI & OUTING CLUB

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### June

- Club Meeting Program TBD
- 14 Flag Day
- 18 Board Meeting Location TBD
- 21 Father's Day
- Summer begins

### July

- Club Meeting Program TBD
- Independence Day
- 11 Rockslide
- 16 Board Meeting Location TBD

### August

- 6 Club Meeting Program TBD
- 20 Board Meeting Location TBD

### September

- 7 Labor Day
- 10 Piedmont Club Meeting
- 17 Board Meeting Location TBD
- 23 Autumn begins

### October

- 1 Club Meeting Program TBD
- 12 Columbus Day (Observed)
- 15 Board Meeting Location TBD
- 31 Halloween

### November

- Daylight Savings Time Ends
- Election Day
- Club Meeting Program TBD
- 11 Veterans Day
- 19 Board Meeting Location TBD
- 26 Thanksgiving

### **December**

- 3 Club Meeting Program TBD
- 17 Board Meeting Location TBD
- 21 Winter begins
- 25 Christmas
- 31 New Year's Eve

### January

- New Year's Day
- Club Meeting Program TBD
- 18 Martin Luther King, Jr.
- 21 Board Meeting Location TBD

### **February**

- Groundhog Day
- Club Meeting Program TBD
- 12 Lincoln's Birthday
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 15 President's Day
- 17 Ash Wednesday

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