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Space City Ski Club November General Meeting

Monday, March 14th @ 6:30 pm to 9:00pm

At Dave & Busters — 6010 Richmond Ave

From Mission Control

by Sandy Wellhausen, President

You don't want to miss our March 14th General Meeting. Our guest speaker is Dr. Adam Weglein, D.O. He specializes in healing tendons and osteoarthritis and he will be discussing new non surgical treatments for ligaments and osteoarthritis that can allow people to return to sports without pain.

Also we will be electing the new slate of officers at our General Meeting on Monday, March 14th at Dave and Busters. We encourage all of you to attend and vote in the elections. If you are not able to attend, please send your vote to Space City Ski Club, P. O. Box 22567, Houston, TX 77227. We will not be able to accept any written absentee votes after midnight Saturday, March 12th.

Our nominees are:

President - Sandra McCunis
VP of Activities - Leslie Ward
VP of Trips - Jim Hodges
VP of Membership - Jan Ferrell
Treasurer - Chuck Pena
Secretary - Olga Adair
VP of Publications - Leyla

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TSC Bidfest will again be held in
Houston this year. It will be held at the Houston
Marriott West Loop by the Galleria the weekend of April
15 - 17th. We encourage you all to attend and see first
hand which trips we will be doing with the Texas Ski
Council for 2012. You can make hotel reservations at
713.960.0111 or on their website at www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/houwl-houston-marriott-west-loop-by-the-galleria. Don't forget to ask for the TSC discount rate!

Countdown to Liftoff

By Melinda Hughes, V.P. of Trips

March is here and we have three trips heading to the slopes this month. The Jackson Hole trip is winding down as you read this. You have one more chance to hop on an SCSC trip. Arapaho Basin is scheduled to leave May 27th through the 31st and there is great snow this time of year. I hope that you have enjoyed the ski season this year and encourage each of you to become involved in the club. We cannot have these fabulous trips without you so

please consider running a trip next year. If you're interested, it is not too early to submit an application. Go online and download an application from spacecityskiclub.org. You can e-mail your application to me at

vptrips@spacecityskiclub.org. Also,
participate in the Bidfest this year and help determine
next year's slate of trips. The event is scheduled April 15
through 17th and you can get more information at texas-

ski.org. Enjoy the snow!



NOMINATIONS FOR CLUB OFFICERS—2011/2012

Sandra McCunis—President

I would like to thank the nominating committee for their confidence in my ability and I am honored to be nominated to serve as President. I have been a member of Space City Ski Club since 1980 and have participated in numerous domestic and international ski trips and activities. I have met many great people and formed lasting friendships since joining SCSC.

After enjoying many years of membership, I wanted to become involved in the organization of the club. I have served as Vice President of Activities since the 2009/2010 season. I was the TC for Steamboat in 2009, the ATC for Bansko in 2008 and the ATC for Park City in 2007. I also served on the 2008/2009 nominating committee for officers.

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Destination	Trip Dates	FPD	Trip Price		TC/ATC	
Jackson Hole	Feb 26-Mar 5, 2011	11/17/10	\$1,074	Dennis Newell	dennis.newell@sbcglobal.net	713 520 1719
Wyoming	(Sat-Sat)		L-\$717	Beverly Roberts	beverly.borroughs.roberts @williams.com	281 496 4807
Sun Valley	Mar 12-19, 2011	12/22/10	\$1,146	Thuy Rocque	trocque@comcast.net	281 615 0405
Idaho	(Sat-Sat)		L-\$735	Richard Rocque	rrocque1@comcast.net	713 502 1975
Snowbird	Mar 16-20, 2011	1/14/11	\$934	Cindy Moore	Dance_c_ski@yahoo.com	713 984 1060
TSC Final ShowDown	(Wed-Sun)		L-\$514			
Schweitzer	Mar 19-26,2011	12/15/10	\$1,128	George Lopez	gjl_asti@yahoo.com	856 296 9399
Idaho	(Sat-Sat)		L-\$817			
Arapahoe Basin	May 27-31, 2011	TBA	TBA	Tor Lileng	tlileng@aol.com	
	(Fri-Tue)					
Steamboat	July 9-16,2011	TBA	TBA	Dana Wardell	dwardell@stalkerenergy.com	281 468 7527
Balloon Fest	(Sat-Sat)			Shirley Lang	langshirley@gmail.com	281 218 8515
Alaskan Cruise	Sept 6-13, 2011	TBA	TBA	Ellen Eastham	eeastham@prodigy.net	281 989 9935
TSC Summer Expedition	(Tue-Tue)					

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Calendar o	T Events
03/04/11	Wild West Happy Hour & Country Western Dance - 6101 Richmond Ave.
	5:30 PM
03/14/11	General Meeting at Dave & Buster's - 6010 Richmond Ave 6:30 to 9:00 PM
03/19/11	Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo - Brad Paisley - Reliant Park - 3:45 PM
	AC: Craig Campbell
03/24/11	March Happy Hour - Pesce Restaurant - 3029 Kirby Dr 5:30 to 9:00 PM
04/03/11	Opera in the Heights - Pearl Fishers - 1703 Heights Blvd 2:00 to 4:30 PM
	Optional Dinner at Collina's Italian Café - 502 W. 19 th St 5:00 PM AC: Olga Adair
04/11/11	General Meeting at Dave & Buster's - 6010 Richmond Ave 6:30 to 9:00 PM
04/14/11	TSC Ski Bid Fest Happy Hour - Yia Yia Mary's - 4747 San Felipe - 5:30 to
	9:00 PM
04/15/11	TSC Bid Fest Golf Tournament - Golf Club at Cinco Ranch - 23030 Cinco Ranch
	Blvd Katy, TX - 12:00 PM to 4:30 PM - AC: Jeff Sarff
04/15/11	TSC Bid Fest Wine Tasting - Water 2 Wine - 3331 Westpark - 2:00 to 4:00 PM
	AC: Chuck Pena
04/15/11 -	TSC Ski Bid Fest - Marriott Hotel-Galleria - 1750 West Loop South
04/17/11	(see website for agenda) AC: Camille LaRoe
 	

Space City Ski Club	2009-2010 Exec	utive Committee		
President VP of Activities	Sandy Wellhausen Sandra McCunis	sandywp.ski@gmail.com semccunis@aol.com	281-463-7717	Board of Directors Camille LaRoe, Chairman
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SPECIAL NOTICE

JERRY SADLER, A LONG TIME AND GENEROUS MEMBER OF SCSC, PASSED AWAY FEBRUARY 2ND. SPACE CITY SKI CLUB SENDS CONDOLENSES TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

AUSTRIA GERMANY SLOVAKIA HUNGARY by Jan Ferrell

Now, how's that for a trip? This January that is exactly what SCSC members enjoyed. Leslie and Andy Cashio, Ann Rogers, Olga Adair and Frank Adams found Berlin fascinating on the pre-trip. The Berlin Wall is something to see. The murals are breathtaking and poignant. Some German beer must have been sampled. They joined our core trip in Munich on the 22nd. Our group included Cheryl Spear from Brownsville, Frank Adams from Beaumont as well as Angela Zumwalt from Gonzales. At the Munich airport as we were waiting for our bags, Cheryl Spear was asked over the intercom to check with the KLM desk only to find that her luggage never made it out of Amsterdam. Assured it would be transferred the next day—all sounded good. Fred Zahnow, Angela Zumwalt and I discovered our luggage had not made it either. What to do but to get on the bus and hope our bags would arrive along with Cheryl's. A lovely bus trip through the Austrian countryside brought us to Hotel Elisabethpark right in the middle of town center Bad Gastein. A great hotel but a little tricky to navigate since they recently added a new wing. Ask anyone staying in the new wing about the elevators. And the area with dead birds mounted on the wall. Avid skiers Bob Gottleib and his son David, Chris Albright, David George, Chris Urbanczyk and Ross Baker hit the slopes the next day and the next day and—well, you get the picture. A great breakfast greeted us each morning and après ski in the lounge each evening.

Several of our travelers opted for the side trips to Salzburg (going by train was the way to go), the Salt Mines—David George is the one to ask about that, the Castles and Abbeys of south Austria and Trieste, Italy were just some of the offerings. Remember the missing bags? They did not show up until the 25^{th} after spending time in Amsterdam and Munich. Shopping trips on KLM's dime was called for. Darn. On the 24^{th} , I was attacked by a large amplifier that launched itself from a wall and broke my foot. So much for skiing—more time for shopping. Darn. On the 29^{th} , most of our group went home to Houston. Leslie and Andy, Olga, Frank, Cheryl, Ross and I went on the post-trip to Bratislava, Slovakia and Budapest, Hungary. Terrific guides in both cities especially Budapest. Some of our travelers went to the ballet in Budapest. Located right on the Danube river, it is a lovely city but so-o-o cold that time of year. Having been to Bad Gastein 25 years ago, it was very special for me to see it again. It was special for all of us to create memories in wonderful Austria.



NOMINATIONS FOR CLUB OFFICERS—2011/2012

Sandra McCunis—President (cont)

I have found volunteering for Space City Ski Club very rewarding and I am looking forward to new challenges as President. My goals for the 2011/2012 year are to work with our executive committee to implement new and innovative ideas to increase membership, provide a great slate of trips and a variety of fun activities. I appreciate your support and look forward to serving as your President and to another great year with SCSC

Leslie Ward - VP of Activities

Hi! My name is Leslie Ward and I would like to by your VP of Activities for this coming year. I am currently the TC for the Park City/Canyons trip, the AC for a Sunday afternoon of drinking wine and painting at Pinot's Palette (pending approval), and coordinating the silent auction at the upcoming TSC Bid Fest. My thoughts regarding our activities this coming year are based on the idea of "The Bucket List," this includes taking day trips, going to local historical places, but also continuing some of the traditional activities that have been done in the past.



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Leslie Ward - VP of Activities (Continued)

I hope to have some folks become hosts/hostess for the monthly Happy Hours. Family friendly events will be considered as well. I am a big advocate of planning in advance so I hope to identify and tentatively schedule at least one activity for each month by the end of May. Remember this is your club and activities can't happen without AC's, so if you are interested in helping me with the slate of activities I would enjoy the company on this wild ride I'm about to take.

Jim Hodges - VP Trips

Thanks to the nominating committee for considering me for Vice President of Trips for Space City Ski Club. I remember moving to Houston during the spring of 2001 and wondering if there was a ski club I could join. I had previously been a member of ski clubs in Oklahoma City, Tulsa and Charleston West Virginia. Was it possible there would be a ski club in Houston? Website search engines were not as good a short decade ago and it was spring of



2003 before I made my first trip with Space City Ski Club. Since that time I have normally made two trips per year with the club. After several years of being active only as a participant, I was the ATC on the Salt Lake City trip during 2010 and served as one of the DOTs during the current ski season. I am now ready to dedicate the time and effort to help next seasons' TCs and ATCs prepare for another year of great ski trips from SCSC!

Jan Ferrell-VP of Membership

I would like to be SCSC VP of Membership. Why? Because I like giving back to a club that has given me so much—new friends, new adventures, fun activities and terrific options regarding ski trips. As some of you know, I've run trips, been ATC on others and always volunteer at the TSC Bid Meeting held each year. With that having been said—I would like to be your VP of Membership.



Leyla Ozkardesh-VP of Publications

Thanks for the nomination of VP of Publications. My experience as Newsletter publisher for this past year and other organizations as well as my computer experience helps me believe I can do a terrific job with publishing the SCSC monthly newsletter. It's been an enjoyable year.

It has been a great experience being part of this club since joining in 2001. I've made wonderful friends and have enjoyed serving as secretary for multiple terms and running several of our ski trips and activities over the years



Chuck Pena—Treasurer

To all of you who don't already know me; I'm Chuck Pena. This is my 6th year as a member of Space City and have enjoyed being a member. Since I accepted my current Treasurer position after the past elections, some of you might not know that I have been the Treasurer since early May 2010.



To those of you have who haven't seen me on the mountains, it is true I ski and snowboard. But for those who haven't heard me say that snowboard is easier on the body, I just decide to return to snowboarding only.

Before accepting the position as Treasurer, I was the TSC rep for the club for 2 years. I enjoyed learning about the other clubs and getting to know people from a lot of different clubs throughout the state. If you see me on a TSC trip and want to be introduced to another club, talk to me, I probably know somebody from that club on the trip.

Professionally I work for an Australian Oil company BHP Billiton. As far as education and training, I have an engineering degree in Mechanical engineering from the University of Illinois, an MBA in Finance from Tulane and I'm a certified Petroleum Engineer, Licensed in Louisiana..

Olga Adair—Secretary

I was born in Lima, Perú, and as a young person came to USA, to study in New York. After few years I moved to Tallahassee, Florida, to finish my degrees in Spanish and Literature at Florida State University. I moved to Houston in 1990 with my husband (who died in 2000) and went for an early retirement.

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Olga Adair—Secretary (Continued)

Since then I have been teaching part time with Lone Star College, the last 6 years with Cy Fair/Fairbanks College and retired last May 2010I am a TASS (Texas Association of Single Sailors) member and have helped to organize an afternoon sailing and party at Kemah over the past two years.

I joined SCSC a few years ago, and loved their trips, most important, I made some wonderful friends, and went on some trips overseas, which I loved. I am looking forward to being a part of this wonderful organization and try to help the Club to grow their membership

Beaver Creek 2011

by Candace TenBrink, David Stotz, and Diane Stotz

The party really got started on the bus ride to Beaver Creek and I don't think it ever stopped! With over 40 people from SCSC on this trip and a great trip leader, Maria Mendez, along with the wonderful TSC team, we had a happy hour or party nearly every night.

The skiing was excellent, albeit a bit nippy at -10 on a few of our days at the mountain top. For those that prevailed the early week chill, they were rewarded with wide open terrain and fresh powder. On Tuesday, Jan. 11th most of us headed to Vail on the Turtle Bus for a day of skiing or shopping. The mountain was, as expected, beautiful for skiing. On Wednesday the extreme cold broke and we were back at Beaver Creek.

Overall, it was a great week with lots of powder and wide open trails. The closing party was one of the best. The DJ got it right and played all kinds of music from country to hip hop to rock and roll. It was delightful to see the influx of people as the music changed genres- a true testament on inclusivity. Several of us closed it down after tearing up the dance floor. Until next time...!

Races: During the Club races we got 4 medals, Kimber Kane, Ross Baker, Carl Webb and Dave Stotz each got a bronze medal. In the individual races Adi Buturovic placed first in his category, smoking the pacesetter! Kimber Kane placed second in her category.

Shopping: Guri Pryce, Debra Wallis and Diane Stotz shopped in Vail on Tuesday, January 11. They had a wonderful time window and "really" shopping. They dined

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at Red Lion for lunch, a restaurant that's been around for over 40 years!

Snowshoeing: Diane Stotz organized six to snowshoe at Beaver Creek's McCoy Park for a couple of hours on Wednesday, January 12. Marsha Lutz, Guri Pryce, Bruce Baird (our only man), Debra Wallis, Sue Salvage (long time SCSC member also skiing BC), and Diane snowshoed on a cold, mostly sunning day on top of McCoy Park, a Nordic and Snowshoe Trail System. We talked, took pictures, and enjoyed the wonderful views. Afterwards they dined at Golden Eagle for soup and sandwich. Jana Rosenbaum and Leyla Ozkardesh venured out on a snowshoe hike too but quickly decided that joining Maria Mendez, Keith Koteras, Camille LaRoe, Bernie Clinton and our other ski club members and friends at McCoy's was much more fun.







2011 Texas Ski Council SkiBidFest

Houston, Texas-April 15 -17, 2011





The Texas Ski Council, Delegates, Texas Ski Club members, Guests, Ski Resort Representatives and Vendors from around the world are in for an information packed & fun-filled experience at the 2011 Ski Bid Fest held at the convenient Marriott Houston West Loop, Houston, Texas on April 15-17, 2011.

The Marriott hotel is located near the Houston Galleria with access to great restaurants, entertainment and shopping. Room Reservations as well as Bid Fest Registrations must be received by March 29th, 2011 to qualify for discounts! Bid Fest Registration is only \$55.00 before March 29th!

More information and Registration forms located on the TSC website at: www.texas-ski.org

JOIN THE FUN!!!

Golf Scramble or Wine Tasting
Welcome Reception
Resort Presentations
Ski Show
Dinner Party & Silent Auction
Evening Musical Entertainment by
Dave Thomas
Announcement of 2011-2012 TSC
Trips

Mark your calendars now and attend this fun filled event Camille LaRoe—Bid Committee Chair

> camille.laroe@sylvania.com Cell: 281-686-2274



Proposed Bylaw Changes to be voted on by the General Membership at the March, 2011 General Meeting:

Reciprocity must change to allow anyone in other TSC clubs to join any of our trips without having to go on the wait list. Why would someone from another group want to join a Space City trip when they might be removed at final payment? This will help us fill trips and help our ability to cross program with other clubs/groups.

Reciprocity:

- 8.2 RECIPROCITY. The Texas Ski Council standing rule concerning trip reciprocity among member clubs states:
 - "The member clubs of the Corporation (Texas Ski Council) are required to provide a means by which such Clubs will honor membership in other member Clubs in order to allow such members to participate in another member Club's trips at the discretion and direction of such member Clubs."
 - Accordingly, members of ski clubs belonging to the Texas Ski Council may participate on Club Ski Trips within the following guidelines:
 - A. The applicant is a member in good standing of any member club of the Texas Ski Council.
 - B. The applicant will be placed on the trip only after final payment date, if a vacancy exists, and payment is made in full. First priority will be given to Space City Ski Club members.
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 - A. The applicant is a member in good standing of any member club of the Texas Ski Council.
 - B. Non-Texas Ski Council clubs or groups may be included in reciprocity at the discretion of the Space City Executive Committee. A non-Texas Ski Council group that is included in reciprocity may be charged an administrative fee.

The club is getting to small to have such a large Board of Directors; it is tying up valuable members who would be better used running trips or activities, etc. Also the length of the term for someone running for President of the club has caused many good members to pass on presenting themselves of the position due to the long commitment.

President Term of Office:

- 3.1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
 - A. MEMBERSHIP. The Board of Directors shall have seventeen (17) members consisting of the Executive Committee officers holding the seven current elective offices, the immediate past seven (7) Executive Committee officers holding those same 7 elective offices, and the three past presidents preceding the immediate past president. The Board shall meet at least quarterly.
- 3.1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
 - A. MEMBERSHIP. The Board of Directors shall have fifteen (15) members consisting of the Executive Committee officers holding the seven current elective offices, the immediate past seven (7) Executive Committee officers holding those same 7 elective offices, and the past president preceding the immediate past president. The Board shall meet at least quarterly.

As our club has gotten smaller over the years it is getting harder to get a quorum at our annual meeting forcing votes to be pushed to other months, etc. This will allow us to right size the meeting for the actual membership of the club at the time of elections.

Ouorum for Elections:

- 6.4 MEMBERSHIP QUORUM. A quorum at a Regular, Annual or Special Meeting shall be not less than seventy-five (75) members, of which at least two must hold elective office.
- 6.4 MEMBERSHIP QUORUM. A quorum at a Regular, Annual or Special Meeting shall be not less than 10% of the club membership at the time of the meeting or seventy-five (75) members, whichever is the lower number, of which at least two must hold elective office.

18 is a legal adult so it's time the club joined the rest of the country. This will help us recruit college students and children of our members.

Membership:

- 2.1 QUALIFICATIONS. Membership is open to those persons not less than 21 years of age who are interested in promoting the object of this Club.
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