

## **FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING**

**SCSC "LOVE THOSE NEW MEMBERS VALENTINE BINGO" AND "THE SCSC DATING GAME"**

**FEB. 12, 2007 - Monday at Vargo's Restaurant**

**Vargo's Restaurant—2401 Fondren, Houston (Just north of Westheimer)**

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## **MARCH GENERAL MEETING**

**THE SUNSHINE KIDS LIVE AND SILENT AUCTION**

**Monday, March 12, 2007 6:30-9:30pm**

**Vargo's Restaurant-2401 Fondren, Houston (Just north of Westheimer)**

Get ready to donate anything you can think of for the silent auction to be held at the March meeting. Also, be creative by giving big things such as trips, timeshares, weekend free rental of a ski or Galveston condo or tickets for rockets for the live auction. We will also auction off services you can perform, (legal services, handyman for a day, a date, cooking brunch or dinner for a group, singing or band services, dance lessons, airport pick up service, calligraphy service) or any other service or talent you can auction off in the live auction!

Contact Melanie Morin Sunshine Kids Silent and Live Auction Coordinator e-mail: [bpmm1415@msn.com](mailto:bpmm1415@msn.com) or call her at 713-686-0566 with any donations or to help with the auction. We will need an auctioneer and several crowd spotters and cashiers.

## **APRIL GENERAL MEETING**

**SCSC's SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUBS EXPO - 2007**

**Monday, April 9, 2007 - 6:30 p.m.**

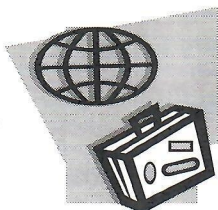
Come visit with representatives from all types of organizations in the Houston area. There is something for everyone!

**Vargo's Restaurant - 2401 Fondren**

Volunteer to help with the Expo.

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**Come early for the early bird and late evening awesome Vargo's SCSC dinner special to be announced on the meeting page of the web site 2 weeks prior. These dinners are \$9.00 off Vargo's normal price! You won't believe the quality of food for this price!**



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## Recruit a New Member and Win Contest - Part II

Start 2007 on the right foot and get rewarded for recruiting new members! Ten (10) members will each win a free membership for recruiting the most new members. The free memberships are non-transferable and must be used for the 2007-08 membership year. However, if a winning member previously paid for a multi-year membership, the free membership will be applied to the next year that a renewal is due. The contest runs from January 1 to April 1, 2007. The winners will be announced at the April general meeting, so start recruiting!

Check [www.spacecityskiclub.org](http://www.spacecityskiclub.org) for all of the contest's rules. Please contact Barbara Della Longa @ [prdirector@spacecityskiclub.org](mailto:prdirector@spacecityskiclub.org) if you have any questions.

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# HEAD OF THE LIFTLINE

by Ellen Eastham, President

**GOAL:** A simple four-letter word, yet such a powerful one! We all have goals, personal, business, family, and ski club goals. We set them and determine what it takes to meet our goals to succeed! My family recently set a goal...to win the snowman contest at the Pearland Winterfest. We have won two trophies in the past, so the stakes were high. We drew our plan, assembled accessories, had plenty of determination, then we did it; First Place, Best Costume for "Mardi Gras Monica". Sounds amateur? It was a family team-building experience and a goal we achieved together.



A ski trip is a special team-building experience. When you sign up for a trip, you wonder who you will meet, will the skiing be good, and what type of memories will result after the trip is over? Each Trip or Activity Coordinator begins with setting a goal of having one of the best trips/activities possible. The goal is fulfilled after the trip returns or the activity is complete.

What a winter it has been in Western U.S.! Skiers with Space City have departed Houston destined for resorts across the West to include TSC Breckenridge Fall Roundup over Thanksgiving, Vail in December, Park City for the huge TSC Traditional, mid-January to Heavenly Valley, CA and early Feb. to Crested Butte. TSC's Winter Expedition went to Neustift, Austria the end of January, 36 out of 96 from Space City. Snow reports have been phenomenal and great times had by all! What else could you expect from a Space City ski trip? There are 2 remaining ski trips to enjoy the camaraderie this season!

The nomination committee has been busy filling 7 officer positions. At the time of this article, all the positions had not been filled. The announcement of the slate of officers will come by electronic notice to your e-mail box, prior to the February 12 meeting. So.... stay tuned!

Be sure to attend the activities coming up: February 17 Mardi Gras-Galveston with the Downhill Krewe, sign up for the wine tasting April 28 at Dawn Rodriguez's home, Craig Campbell has arranged a really great trip to Las Vegas, and Thuy Tran is waiting for you to sign up for Thailand on TSC's Summer Expedition. Summer activities need to be planned now. It is not too early to think about what the ski club should do. Volunteer to be an AC or give suggestions to Deb Cini [vpprograms@spacecityskiclub.org](mailto:vpprograms@spacecityskiclub.org). Participation in these activities, upcoming meetings and happy hours is how you can be part of the "special team-building" experience of the Space City Ski Club. We are a team, you know, a powerful one full of members that bring a variety of skills, ideas, and special friendships.

Is your personal goal for 2007 to make new friends, have more fun, improve physical condition, and enjoy life to the fullest? Space City's events are just waiting for YOU to volunteer to assist and attend. Every past and present officer in this club has been there, fulfilling their goals. We are waiting for you to join us!

*Join us for Food & Fun*



## Wine Tasting

April 28<sup>th</sup> 2007—Saturday

At the home of: Ron & Dawn Rodriguez

11402 Hylander Dr. Houston, TX 77070

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AAC: Gary Barrett 713-533-0454 e-mail: [garybarrett@msn.com](mailto:garybarrett@msn.com)

7pm to 11pm

**\$15 per Person Plus your favorite bottle of wine**

Final Payment Due: April 10<sup>th</sup> 2007







# Space City Ski Club

## 2007 Ski Trip Schedule

Dates	Days / Nights	Trip Destination	Trip Price	Final Payment Date	TC ATC	Phone	E-Mail
Feb 6-11, 2007 Tues-Sun	4/5	CRESTED BUTTE TSC Winter Shoot-out	F-\$983 L-\$543	11/8/06	Llona Doubet	713-594-5461 281-532-0561	Llona@LlonaDoubet.com
Feb 24-Mar 3, 2007 Sat-Sat	6/7	SUN VALLEY	F-\$1,079 L-\$792	11/11/06	Marsha Lutz Barb Ehrlich	281-870-9724 713-868-2470	marsha-lutz@earthlink.net barbehrlich@houston.rr.com
March 10-17, 2007 Sat-Sat	6/7	JACKSON HOLE TSC Final Show-down	F-\$1,024 L-\$611 C-\$550*	12/6/06	Leyla Ozkardesh Rita Cardenas	281-584-9723 281-353-2713	leyla@spacecityskiclub.org Rita.Cardenas@bmo.com
Jun 30-Jul 8, 2007 Sat-Sun	NA	THAILAND TSC Summer Expedition	\$2,200	TBD	Thuy Rocque	281-673-6949 w 281-251-3776 h	trocque@kpmg.com



\*Children prices dependent on age and sharing room with two paying adults. Prices subject to change as a result of jet fuel surcharges, taxes and/or currency conversion. The number of land packages may be limited. All schedules subject to change.

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## SCSC HAPPY HOUR SCHEDULE 2007

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THUR 1/4	BELVEDERE	1131 UPTOWN PARK BV	713-552-9271	UPTOWN
THURS 2/1	DECO	510 GRAY	713-659-4900	MIDTOWN
THURS 3/1	TWO ROWS	2400 UNIVERSITY IN THE	713-529-BREW	RICE VILLAGE
THURS 4/5	CANYON CAFE	5000 WESTHEIMER	713-629-5565	GALLERIA @ POST OAK

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# Proposed Amendments to the By-laws approved by Board of Directors 12/17/06.

These amendments were presented to the General Membership at the 1/22/07 meeting. A motion was passed to accept the amendments as written. They will be voted on at the 2/12/07 General Membership meeting. Each revision shows the revised By-Law as it will read. The words in **bold** are only for highlighting changes, and will not be published in bold.

## AMENDMENT 1

Modify wording in the replacement of a new Board member by replacing "**an elected club officer**" with "**a club officer or an Executive Committee Director**".

### 3.1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### A. MEMBERSHIP

- (3) If for any reason replacement is required to maintain the Board of Directors membership at the number specified in these Bylaws, a new Board member shall be elected by the Board of Directors. To be eligible for election to the Board, a candidate must have previously served as **a club officer or an Executive Committee Director**.

## AMENDMENT 2

Modify wording in the eligibility for President by replacing "**an elective officer**" with "**a club officer or an Executive Committee Director**".

### 4.3 ELIGIBILITY

President. Nominee for President shall have been or shall currently be, **a club officer or an Executive Committee Director** of Space City Ski Club who has served a minimum six months term of office at the time of nomination as President.

## AMENDMENT 3

Modify wording in the eligibility for the Nomination Committee by replacing "**four**" with "**three**" and adding "**or Executive Committee Director**".

### 4.4 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

There shall be a Nomination Committee of seven members appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Committee prior to the September regular meeting. Not less than **three** nor more than five past officers **or Executive Committee Directors** of the Club shall serve on this committee. Current officers shall be ineligible to serve. Only members in good standing shall be eligible for membership on this committee. The Nominating Committee shall adhere to written guidelines approved by the Board of Directors.

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## Breckenridge Thanksgiving Trip—

By TC Patricia Finch, ATC Lauri Raykind

We were all apprehensive regarding skiing conditions, but I think everyone found enough snow and plenty of runs to keep them busy. We had a total of 39 participants who enjoyed the beautiful warm weather. In fact, I thought I was Spring skiing. Our condos were conveniently located next to the Quicksilver lift and the Village TSC activities. We were one block from Main street with all of the shops.



Space City's race team 12 of 15 pictured, placed 3rd.

We arrived very late on Tuesday night, but everyone was anxious the next morning to hit the slopes and Youth Camp. We had 7 participants in Youth Camp. The repeats from last year were **Xena Murugappan, Jenny and Luke Huebner, Daniel and Alexander Duenas. Kristina Ritter and Hailey Ravkind**

were new skiers this year in Youth Camp. The TSC made a conscious effort for the children to have a good time and to be included in all of the activities. In fact, the 18 and under group had a pizza party with putt putt golf and cookie decorating on Friday night at Beaver Run, allowing the adults an opportunity to have dinner alone. I understand last year there were only 32 children in Youth Camp but this year there were 61 youth participating.

**Bill Bomberger** played Mr. Mom on this trip. He was courageous enough to bring his 2 nieces as a gift to them. Because of his love of skiing, he wanted to share the experience with them. He was up each morning making sure they had breakfast and were ready to ski. The only problem was Kathy had a preexisting injury that was aggravated by the ski boot. So, for the remainder of the trip, Kathy Lindley was on crutches. Lauren lost her wallet. Bill thought that it would not be found and, of course, her money was gone. Well, when Bill got home the girls called to say a 5 year boy from Granbury, Texas who had been in ski school found the wallet (money) and gave it to his parents. His parents returned the wallet (money) to Lauren. I am proud that we have parents/child who were honest and kind enough to make sure Lauren's wallet was returned. **Sharon Simandi and Craig Campbell** were also courageous enough to room with Bill and the girls.

Most of the trip consisted of repeats from last year. We had **Sam Cornelius, Sandra Cornelius, Lee Joe and Luz Marquez** in

one condo who skied together last year and wanted to do it again. **Ann Ivory** joined them in their condo. She was our newcomer for the ski club and for our Thanksgiving trip. She also had to be initiated in the ski club by skiing with



A lunch break at Breckenridge.... "It's cold out there!"

**Tor Leling.** I believe everyone should have that adventure at least once. She can hold her own with Tor. She also skied with **Bob Wray, and Chuck Pena.** On the last day **Bill Bomberger** took her to the Imperial Bowl.

**Marti and Nelson Turner** drove to Breckenridge to join us and enjoyed skiing the entire week. They also skied Vail,



Bill's and Ellen's girls: Katie, Mackenzie, Jessica, Jennifer, Anne and Lauren

Keystone and Loveland during the week. **Anabel Duenas** was a good sport for her husband Art and boys Daniel and Alexander. She took lessons 2 days and then skied with her family.

**Jose Araujo** went skiing with **Holly Luong.** Jose wanted to stop for pictures, but Holly is one of those skiers who doesn't stop, so Jose took his own pictures and tried to keep up

with Holly. Holly was also a newcomer to the Thanksgiving trip.

**Laurie Ravkind** brought her two daughters for their first experience at skiing. Hailey being the younger and more dare devil wanted to ski black runs by the second day. Suzanne was also a good skier but more cautious. They both were skiing blues by the end of the trip.

We had a very nice Thanksgiving Dinner at the Village at Breckenridge which was in the adjoining building. On Friday night, for those who did not go out to dinner, we had a chili supper in our condo.

**Sean O'Brien, Bob Wray, Tor Lileng and Chuck Pena** participated along with my condo mates. Most everyone elected to go out because the kids had their party at Beaver Run. **Sean O'Brien**, TSC officer, was busy learning his job so that he can run the Crested Butte TSC trip smoothly.



Sean O'Brien, Tor Lileng, and Bob Wray at the Thanksgiving dinner

**John Zavala and Laura Ritter** were also repeat Thanksgiving skiers. They roomed with **Kathy Huebner** and her two children Luke and Jenny. **Jenny Huebner and Xena Murugappan** became ski friends. I would see them quite frequently conversing about what they had been doing for the day. I don't know if **Basker Murugappan** was able to keep up with Xena. I'm doubtful.

**Ellen Eastham** and her family were our shadows. She drove with 4 children and arrived on Wednesday. I understand Jennifer, Jessica and **Mackenzie Bush and Anne Muething** managed to get in at least 2 days of skiing, Friday and Saturday.

A special thanks to **Craig Campbell** again this year for being our Race Director. He took control and everything was handled efficiently. The Club took third place in the club standing.



## VAIL, Colorado by Judy Schiro, TC

WOW! What another GREAT week of skiing, snowboarding and FUN in Vail.

Seventy-two SCSC members went to Vail, Colorado on Saturday, December 2, 2006 for a wonderful week of skiing where we joined our shadows, **Maureen Irwin, George Lopez and Dennis Newell**. We had wonderful weather, not too cold, beautiful blue skies. **Effie Rubenstein** (from Sportours) joined us at the airport and skied with us for three days. She was so helpful to us. We had six first time ever skiers with us, **Mandie Sanchez, Lora Gaige, Lesley Fagg, Nancy Ibarra, Barbara Brown and Pam Wright**. They took skiing lessons and snow boarding lessons and are now looking forward to their next ski destination. There was one condo with eight women, **Anne Marchetti, Barbara Della Longa, Kim Olinger, Gloria Lopez, Camille La-Roe, Teri Welsh, Pam Wright and Leyla Ozkardesh** (they called themselves *Snow Chicks Space City* and even had T-Shirts made to honor the club). All the single guys wanted to be in that condo. After everyone got settled into their condos and rented their skis/boots the next thing was to look for a place for dinner. Most everyone went to Montauks, which was right outside our back door. Spotted there was **Carmen Mikhail, Elizabeth Barker, Chuck Ratliff, Martin Bradley, Tor Lileng, Yvonne McMahon, Roger Holzman, Ron Hayes, Judy Schiro, Mary Jo and Tony Loverdi,**



Vail long trip participants group photo

**Buzz Allen and Effie Rubenstein.**

Sunday, no one wanted to waste any time getting on the slopes. The weather was cool and the sky sunny and blue. We all met for lunch on the mountain and began planning on where we would all ski and meet. Stan Smith was our first injury. Someone skied over the back of his skis knocking him down which resulted in a fractured collar bone.

Our Welcome Party, sponsored by Sportours, was a big hit. Everyone had a chance to meet and get to know the other participants.

Monday and Tuesday's skiing was beautiful. Our skiers were **Randy Kratz, Rita Cardenas, Leyla Ozkardesh, Ellen and Frank Donnelly, Tom and Chaille Hutcheson, Brenda Herman, Barry Caspar, Andy Brown, Ash Moza, Nancy DuFrane, Bob Wray, Larry Edmondson, Dennis Pechal, Cheryl Crockett, Bob Olsen, Frank Adams, Jim and Julie Moncur, Andy and Leslie Cashio, Keith Kirkman, Bob DeBell, Tom Huzzey, James Parise, Jim Edwards, Melinda Hughes, Pat Piech, Jim Walker, Gary Rollins, Buddy Soland, Joe Nerwich** (from the Lone Star Ski Club), **Laurent Muller, Seng Teo, Trish Ramirez, Sheldon Tuffyas, Ted Widmer, Cindy Moore, Gaynell Blase** (from New York City!), **Tom Kaptain and Vernon McGaw.**



Vail Short trip participants photo

Non-Skiers, **Gloria Lopez** (recuperating from knee surgery) and **Clara Tuffyas** showed their expertise in the shopping area. I understand that they earned a "double black" pin for their efforts.



Snow Chicks Space City

Tuesday evening was our club dinner held at Blu's in Vail Village. We took time afterwards for photos.

Wednesday, the short trip people left. Some of them skied the half day and then caught the bus for the trip back. There were a lot of contented smiles on the bus ride back to Denver. Good memories.

On Wednesday evening our second injury occurred. The story is that **Dale Allbritton** was in the shower and **Martin Bradley** was chasing **Alice Allbritton** around the condo when she jammed her little toe into the fireplace hearth resulting in a fractured toe. That's their story and they're sticking to it!

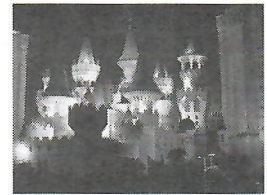
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# LA\$ VEGAS

April 21-24 (4 days/ 3 nights, Sat. – Tues)  
Staying at the **Excalibur / Flying Continental**

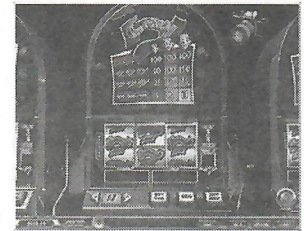


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This trip will be four full days of non-stop fun & games (well, you may want to catch a few winks) and no telling what else. We will be staying in the center of the Strip at the Excalibur. Plenty of games of chance, sports wagering, touring, dining, drinking and entertainment for everyone. This is SCSC's first venture into "Sin City" and will certainly be a must go trip. You have to go on this trip to find out what happens. We cannot write it up in the Sitz because *what happens in Vegas, stays in Vegas*.



## **GALVESTON MARDI GRAS — THE STRAND** **DOWNHILL KREWE OF SCSC Salutes** "007 A License to Thrill" **02/16/2007 to 02/18/2007**



**ACTIVITY FEE: \$70.00    NON-MEMBER ACTIVITY FEE: \$75.00**

Join the Z Krewe Parade February 17, 1:00 P.M.

The parade package includes

- Tailgate Party (before the parade)
- DK Parade Accessories
- Parade Beads to Toss
- Specialty Beads
- Entrance to Strand.

Downhill Krewe was formed 5 years ago to enjoy the festivities of the Galveston Mardi Gras and participate in the Z Krewe Parade. If you haven't joined us, try something new! If you are a previous member of Downhill Krewe, don't miss this year!

**Ask about optional activities for the weekend:**

**Z Krewe Zestival Package for \$160 (includes beads, 2 meals, 4 drinks)**

- Zestival balcony party room over The Strand
- Friday & Saturday night at a Galveston hotel
- Friday Parades - Krewe Du Vroom Zooms
- Motorcycles 7pm, Krewe Babulu 8pm
- Saturday Parade - Knights of Momus 6:30pm
- Sunday Parades - Barkus & Meoux Mardi Paws and Children's 1pm

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# THE MEMBERSHIP DESK

By Jessica Halter, VP of Membership

Congrats, SCSC. Thanks to efforts of all members, we now have **over 700 members** and still adding more!

Check out the latest contest and **earn a year's free membership for getting your friends to join SCSC!** In an effort to increase membership, your Executive Committee has agreed that any new member who joins this spring will be a member through the 2007-2008 ski season. So a new member could get up to 18 months of membership for the price of 12 months. What a DEAL, right?

## DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP EARLY AND SAVE \$\$\$\$?

We are starting early this year to REMIND EVERYONE that discounted membership renewals are accepted NOW through May 31, 2007.

After May 31, 2007, the price increases by \$5 per membership. So **RENEW NOW and SAVE \$\$\$\$!!!**

All one-year memberships expire on May 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. According to SCSC Standing Rules, **"Members who re-new their current membership within the first month of the membership year will receive a \$5 discount per membership."** The early renewal price will be \$35 for Single Membership and \$55 for Dual Membership. On June 1<sup>st</sup>, any member who has not renewed must pay the full price of \$40 for Single Membership and \$60 for Dual Membership AND must be reconfirmed and approved by the Executive Committee. Single memberships may NOT be converted to dual memberships at any time during the year except for the May renewal month. During this one month, members may renew using PayPal via the website or in person with the VP of Membership at the General Meeting or Happy Hour. Multi-year memberships are also available.

Having just returned from a trip, I thought it might be a good idea to let new members know (and remind existing members) that each member should take the time to read the club's Bylaws and Standing Rules. You can find these on the SCSC website, [www.spacecityskiclub.org](http://www.spacecityskiclub.org), when you log in under "My SCSC." Simply click on "Bylaws" or "Standing Rules" (right under all of the blue tabs) to read the rules that govern our club.



## St. Patty's Day Survivor Pub Crawl

\$40

March 24

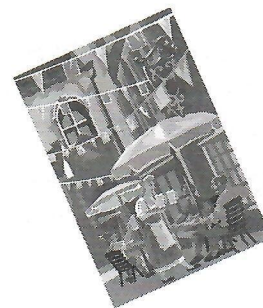
Transportation by limo bus  
to 3 mystery bars

Munchies and non-alcoholics  
drinks provided

Final Payment Date: March 1

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## Vail (Continued from page 7)

Thursday and Friday were both beautiful days on the slopes. Friday evening everyone met in **Judy Schiro/Ron Hayes/Roger Holzman/Tom Huzzey's** condo and enjoyed leftovers and friendship. **Buddy Soland's** grandson joined us for the evening.

On Saturday morning a very tired but happy group climbed aboard the bus for our ride to Denver and our flight home.



# PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

by Deb Cini, VP of Programs

Hi Everyone! This season has been a blast, not only from a skiing standpoint, but will all of the fun activities we have planned monthly! Our **Bike and Blade Event**, **Laser Tag Night**, **Holiday Gala**, **Rice Tail Gate Party** and the recent **Wine Tasting Event** were all a big success, with many new members joining as a result. The new year will be equally as entertaining, so don't miss our upcoming social events and happy hours! These events are a great way to introduce your friends and co-workers to the Ski Club and to get to know other members better. And don't forget our monthly meetings (see schedule) at fabulous **Vargo's**, which have become a social event in themselves!

## FROM THE SKI DECK by Pat Piech, VP of Trips

Well winter is in full swing and so is our ski season. We have had 5 trips depart so far... that is over 300 skiers that have hit the slopes with Space City Ski Club. Right now, Crested Butte is getting ready to leave as is Sun Valley on February 24 and Jackson Hole on March 10<sup>th</sup>. These trips are sold out but we always seem to get last minute cancellations. So contact Llona Doubet, Marsha Lutz or Leyla Ozkardesh if you are interested and they can tell you if any spots have opened up.

So far, we have had great feedback on all of the trips run this season. I want to extend a special thank you to our trip leaders who have worked so hard in organizing all of the details that make them run so smoothly. Next time you see any of these people, please thank them for volunteering. The TC's and ATC's have been working since June of last year to put together fabulous trips and ski season. They include Patty Finch, Laurie Rivkind, Judy Schiro, Trish Ramirez, Melinda Hughes, Sandra McCunis, Anne Marchetti, Jeannine Jiral, Jan Ferrell, Brenda Souileau, Llona Doubet, Marsha Lutz, Barb Erlich, Leyla Ozkardesh and Rita Cardenas.

Strange as it may seem, but in the midst of all of this cold weather and snow covered mountains, we will be working on next year's trips soon. Please consider being a TC or ATC for next year. Although it is a lot of work, it is very rewarding. And without our volunteers, we wouldn't exist as a club.

See you on the slopes!

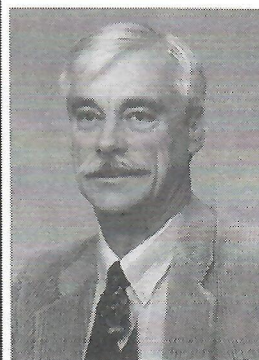


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# TEXAS SKI COUNCIL'S

## 2007 SKIBIDFEST

March 30 – April 1, 2007

San Antonio, Texas

The Texas Ski Council Delegates will select trip destinations for the 2007–2008 Ski Season. We will again be at San Antonio's historical Riverwalk area this year. The SkiBidFest will be held at the Crowne Plaza – Riverwalk, 111 Pecan Street East, San Antonio, TX 78205

As a SkiBidFest participant, you will attend:

- Final bid presentations from ski areas throughout North America, Europe and other foreign destinations.
- The SkiBidFest Vendor Show, which attracts over 50 ski resorts and other travel related representatives
- The Silent Auction which allows you to buy items such as resort lodging nights, lift tickets, resort merchandise, etc.

Come to San Antonio, get a taste of this beautiful city, and best of all enjoy the camaraderie of those of us who enjoy the sport of snow skiing. Make your plans early to attend and become an active part in the selection process of where the TSC skis and plays for the 2007-2008 Ski Season.

Nightly rates are \$135, plus taxes based on double occupancy, with a \$20 charge for additional persons. Call the hotel direct at (210) 354-2800 to make your reservations and tell them you are with the TSC in order to get the special TSC rate. March 1, 2007, is the deadline for room reservations under the TSC's room block. At that time any unreserved rooms will be returned to the hotel's general inventory and the TSC rate will no longer be available! Therefore, we suggest you book your room early to insure the rate.

## TSC 2007 Summer Expedition - Thailand

Thailand: Bangkok – Chaing Mia - Phuket

June 29-July 8, 2007

Trip Coordinator-Thuy Rocque

Pre – trip choices:

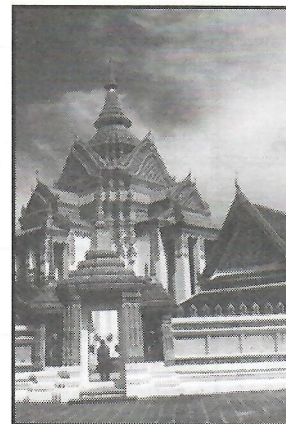
1. Bangkok – 2 or 3 additional nights
2. Hongkong – 3 nights
3. Tokyo – 3 nights

Post – trip choices:

1. Cambodia - 2 nights as per bid package
2. Singapore – 2 nights for clubs using Singapore airlines

TC: Thuy Rocque Email: [trocque@entouch.net](mailto:trocque@entouch.net)

Phone: (281) 673-6949 work (281) 615-0405 cell



### Join your SCSC friends in the **BAD BLADES ROLLERBLADE GROUP**

Every Sunday morning. For the weekly meeting place and time  
see [www.badblades.org](http://www.badblades.org), or contact Susan Austin,  
[swicker@houston.rr.com](mailto:swicker@houston.rr.com) or Dale Albritton (713) 776-9080





# SCSC Calendar

Date	Activities	Place	TC /AC	Telephone	E-mail
Feb 6—11	Ski Trip	Crested Butte	Llona Doublet	713-594-5461	llona@lolnadoublet.com
Feb 12	General Meeting	Vargo's 2401 Fondren	Cindy Moore	713-984-1060	cofb@spacecityskib.org
Feb 16—18	Galveston Mardi Gras	The Strand	Kenneth Pape	281-403-4003	K.pape@hotmail.com
Feb 24— March 3	Ski Trip	Sun Valley	Marsha Lutz	281-870-9724	marshalutz@erathlink.net
March 1	Happy Hour	Two Rows 2400 University @ the Village	Barb Rosetti		ber@lorancethompson.com
March 10— 17	Ski Trip	Jackson Hole	Leyla Ozkardesh	281-584-9723	leya@spacecityskiclub.org
March 12	General Meeting Sunshine Kids Auction	Vargo's 2401 Fondren	Melanie Morin	713-686-0566	bpmm1415@msn.com
March 24	Pub Crawl	TBA	Julian Langham	713-526-6563	julian@energists.com
March 30 – April 1	Texas Ski Council 2007 Skibidfest	San Antonio, TX	TSC		www.texas-ski.org
April 5	Happy Hour	Canyon Café 5000 Westheimer	Barb Rosetti		ber@lorancethompson.com
April 9	General Meeting SCSC Sports & Social Clubs Expo –2007	Vargo's 2401 Fondren	Barb Dell Longa	281-398-7107	Prdirector @spacecityskiclub.org
April 21– 24	Las Vegas Trip	Las Vegas, NV	Craig Campbell	713-453-5798	craigcam48@aol.com
April 28	Wine Tasting	11402 Hylander Houston, TX	Dawn Rodriquez	281-320-2040	dawncrodriguez@aol.com
June 29— July 8	Summer Expedition	Thailand	Thuy Rocque	281-673-6949	trocque@entouch.net

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