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## **Head of the Liftline**

By Marti Toomer



I'm sorry to remind you that this is the last month of SCSC's 1995-96 ski trips. Hopefully you've already had a few beautiful days of skiing with your SCSC ski buddies or have some skiing planned for this month. Following the great snowstorms in early February, the spring skiing ought to be stupendous this year!

A few of your fellow members are already thinking about next year's ski season: the 1996-97 Officer nominees. They are Gary Butler -President, Don Crabtree - VP Programs, George Flournoy - VP Trips, Debbie Warren - VP Membership, Karen Putney - VP Publications, Llona Doubet - Secretary, and Jeff Sarff -

Treasurer. There were no nominations from the floor, and the election will be held at the General Meeting on March 11th.

Please be thinking about how you would like to volunteer to help next year's officers. Look for the sign up sheets at the meetings and in the Sitz or call any officer. The VP Programs is looking for activity coordinators (particularly for the summer) and meeting program coordinators. The VP Trips is looking for Directors of Trips, Trip Coordinators, Assistant Trip Coordinators, and Race Directors. The VP - Membership is looking for a Membership Table Sign-In Coordinator, an Ambassador Coordinator, and people to help at the membership tables. The VP Publications is always looking for ideas for articles and needs pictures of club events. She may also need help with typing and layout. The Secretary needs people to help at the doors of the General Meetings, and the Treasurer will be looking for an Assistant Treasurer in the fall.

The Board will be electing people to two open Board positions, an Auditor, and the TSC Representative and Alternate.

#### TRIPS

We've still got three trips preparing to go skiing — Banff, Mammoth, and Vail! (Don't you wish you could go on all three!) If you are interested in one, please call the Trip Coordinator immediately. There is often a cancellation that you can fill.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

Last month we had big groups at the Rodeo coordinated by Gary Haley and the Rockets Game coordinated by Joanne Fore. We also saw people become experienced C&W Dancers just in time for the Rodeo at the lesson coordinated by Mary Dooley. Thanks to Gary, Joanne, and Mary for volunteering! Patti Maudsley needs volunteers for the Follies (no talent required) — call her to help in this fun event.

Don't forget -

We're having a photo contest at the March General Meeting — Call Joanie Osbourn to sign up or help.

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SCSC Activity

Alley Theater - Street Car Named Desire April 27, 1996 8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

AC: Pete Frost 3470 Tunbury Houston, TX 77095 859-6317

Tennessee Williams masterwork with Annalee Jefferies as Blanche Du Bois.

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Houston Aeros Ice Hockey Sunday April 14, 1996 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

AC: Gary Quinn Option on Rich

Aeros vs Detroit Vipers
Optional gathering at Ninfas
on Richmond. Price includes
parking at Summit.

Final Payment Due: 3/28/96

Adults Only



It's hard to believe February is gone and along with it more than 204 SCSCers have returned from such exotic destinations as; Badgastein, Austria; Sun Valley, Idaho; Steamboat, Colorado; Taos, New Mexico and Big Sky, Montana. Well the Big Sky bunch is due back in Texas March 2nd. Stories are already being told of unbelievable journeys through mountain passes, and incredible feats on the ski slopes. We

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can envy their good fortune and look forward to our next trip.

March has arrived and our ski season is winding down. With only three (3) trips remaining on Space City's schedule, you had better get it in gear if you want to go skiing. Our trip to **Banff**, **Canada** departs March 9th with 42 participants. TC Sandy Hoffman and ATC Bill Bomberger promises this will be a trip you won't forget. Their early long wait list has dwindled to a precious few, if you are interested **call now**.

Forty four (44) plus SCSCers are heading for the TSC Final Showdown in **Mammoth**, **California** on the 16th. TC Sue Edwards and ATC Lisa Smith have a solid group ready to teach those left coast types our Texas ways. The Mammoth wait list has been very short and if a spot opens, the early bird gets the worm.

Our season ending trip to Vail, Colorado departs the 26th and finishes the month. There are 42 signed up and there has been a long wait list most of the year. Anybody hoping to end their season in Vail should check with TC Dave Stotz or ATC Julia Long, often wait lists tend to dry up as the trip approaches.

I mentioned last month about acquiring tax refunds on some of the tickets purchased for SCSC trips. If your carrier didn't arrange for your refund, it can be obtained by attaching your ticket stub to an IRS Form 8849. On the reverse side of the form under section nine(9), explain that your ticket was purchased in 1995 and the tax collected (include the amount) is due to you as a refund. Then place the form with ticket stub attached and mail it to:

Internal Revenue Service P.O. Box 934 Stop 650 AUSC Austin, TX 78767

If your ticket does not have a tax on it, then by all means don't send it in. The above mentioned forms may be obtained from your friendly IRS office, the SCSC VP of Trips(that's me), or from the TC who coordinated your trip. This concludes Space City Ski Club's public service announcement for today.



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# **Follies** May 13, 1996

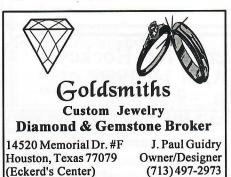


SCSC needs Volunteers for the May Follies! Planning has started for the 1996 production!!!

Anyoné who would like to participate and have a great time, please call me **NOW**!!

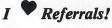
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## Space City Ski Club 1995 - 1996 Trip Schedule

Trip Dates	Nights / SkiDays	Trip Destination	Cost	Final Payment	Lodging	No Status/ Skiers Waitlist	TC/ATČ (ĎOŤ)	Home Phone
Mar 9-16, 1996 (SatSat.)	7/6	BANFF Canada (Spring Break)	\$756	1/15/96	Banff Caribou Lodge Hotel	42 full Wlist I	Sandy Hoffman Bill Bomberger (CH)	391-3224 495-8668
Mar 16-23, 1996 (SatSat.)	7/6	MAMMOTH California (TSC Final Showdown)	F: \$667 L: \$424	1/12/96	Summit 2 / 2 Condos	44 full Wlist 2	Sue Edwards Lisa Smith (CH)	955-6675 776-8135
Mar 26 - 31 1996 (TueSun)	5/4	VAIL Colorado (Last chance)	F: \$452 L: \$299	1/15/96	Evergreen Lodge Hotel	42. full Wlist 24	Dave Stotz Julia Long (GF)	862-9486 522-5175

Notes: F=Full Package, L=Land Package, Mammoth-Only 42 full packages.

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The March meeting should supply a whole year's worth of memories caught in time. The Photo Contest is scheduled for March so contact Joanie Osborn (785-5229) to find out all the particulars. The pictures taken by our SCSC members always seem to be special, so come on by early to view them.

We have a real treat in store for the March 28th Happy Hour. The University Club, 5051 Westheimer - 355 Post Oak

Tower, has graciously offered to host our happy group. They are giving us our own room to party in as well as a free buffet (smoked chicken quesadillas and eggrolls with sweet and sour sauce as well as salsa and chips). By the way, all tax and gratuities will be included in the drink prices so have a great time.

John Rice is heading up the Spring Golf Tournament on Sunday, May 5th. So all you hard hitting SCSCers get on down to the Clear Creek Golf Course where the green fees, carts and range balls are all included in the price. Also, win a 1996 Buick for a hole-in-one! How about that for incentive! The Brazos Bend Bike & Hike Trip will roll off on May 11th. Vicki Matthews, who I understand will soon wed our own Fred Wright so congratulations are in order, has a great time planned for the biking and hiking set. Afterwards, meet at the Brazos Bottom Bar & Grill for a super lunch which is included in the activity fee. Vicki says that this is a hardy group and that the activity will take place come rain or shine. I'm sure that this group will shine.

Having Fun! Hope you are too.

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SCSC Activity

TSC - Hill Country Hoe-Down

May 17-19, 1996 Bandera, Texas Flying L Dude Ranch \$254.00

Cowboy Olympics,
Horseback Riding,
Swimming Pool,
Saturday Night Hoe-down
\*\*Meals Included\*\*

AC: Heidi Heinrich 22402 Fincastle Katy, TX 77450 395-9995

Final Payment Due: 4/8/96

Adults Only

## **Happy Hour**

March 28, 1996 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The University Club

5051 Westheimer (355 Post Oak Tower) Complimentary Buffet Tip included in drink prices Appropriate Dress Required

#### Directions:

Take ramp #2on
Westheimer in front of
the Galleria between
Loard and Taylor and
The Cheesecake
Factory to underground
parking. Go to Post
Oak Tower entrance.
Take elevator to 3rd
floor.

**SCSC Activity** 

Spring Golf Tournament May 5, 1996 12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. \$47.00 Clear Creek Golf Club

Price includes green fees, carts and range balls. 1996 Buick

with the Hole-In-One hole.

AC: John Rice 6038 Rutherglenn Houston, TX 77096 774-9500

Final Payment Due: 4/21/96

/21/96 Adults Only Pub Crawl
March 23, 1996
1:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
\$10.00
Progressive Happy
Hour

AC: John Adams 8211 Fairhope Pl. Houston, TX 77025-320 666-9277

EMAIL: JADAMS@SLB.COM Final Payment Due: 3/1/96

Adults Only

**SCSC** Activity

Brazos Bend Bike & Hike Trip May 11, 1996 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. \$15.00

Brazos Bend State Park
Two hour bike ride or hike through the
parks many hiking biking trails. Lunch
of fajitas, beer & soft drinks at the
Brazos Bottom Bar & Grill. Meet for
lunch rain or shine

AC: Vicki Mathews

783-2850

Final Payment Due: 4/25/96

Adults Only

## **PROGRAM ACTIVITY SCHEDULE**

Activity	Activity Coordinator	Activity Date	Final Pmt	Cost
St. Patrick Day Parade	Gail Kohl 271-1039	3/16/96	3/11/96	\$ 15.00
Pub Crawl	John Adams 666-9277	3/23/96	3/1/96	\$ 10.00
<b>Houston Aeros Hockey</b>	Gary Quinn 999-4759	4/14/96	3/28/96	\$ 13.00
Alley Theater	Pete Frost 859-6317	4/27/96	3/29/96	\$ 28.00
Spring Golf Tournament	John Rice 774-9500	5/5/96	4/21/96	\$ 47.00
Brazos Bend Bike & Hike Trip	Vicki Matthews 783-2850	5/11/96	4/25/96	\$ 15.00
TSC - Hill Country Hoe-Down	Heidi Heinrich 395-9995	5/17-19/96	4/8/96	\$ 254.00



# Photo Contest

General Meeting - March 11, 1996 For More Information: Contact: Joanie Osbourn 785-5229



#### **CATAGORIES:**

SCSC Ski Trip Scenery **Portraits** 

Macro (Close-up Photography) SCSC Activities (i.e. Halloween Party, Rodeo, etc.)

Miscellaneous Wildlife/Nature

Scenery (General) Still Life

Underwater Photography

#### **RULES:**

- 1. The prints (photos) may be black and white or color.
- 2. Print (photo) size must be a minimum of 8x10 inches and a maximum of 11x14 inches (exclusive of mat).
- 3. Your name, phone number, and catagory must be on the back of each print.
- 4. The entry limits are two prints per catagory in up to four catagories per person for a maximum of eight prints per person.
- 5. Prints must be Mounted, Matted and Unframed.

Judging will be done by SCSC Membership at the March Meeting. All entries will be returned to the owners. Winners must be in a group photo at the end of the meeting.

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**SCSC Activity** 

St. Patrick Day **Parade and Party** March 16, 1996 12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m. \$15.00

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AC: Gail Kohl 6509 Stroud Houston, TX 77074 271-1039 Final Payment Due: 3/11/96



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## 1996-97 OFFICER NOMINATIONS

**PRESIDENT** 

V.P. PROGRAMS



Gary Butler

It's March again, so it must be time to write an article, or it seems like it always works that way for me. A volunteer club like Space City Ski Club needs it's members to step up and fill the jobs in order to provide the great times we have come to expect. I have always felt obligated to do the most I could to give back to the organization that has given me such an enjoyable time. Having filled many of the jobs from Activity Coordinator to Treasurer and Vice President Coordinator for the 1992 and 1993 of Publications, about the only one left was President.

When I joined SCSC my only plan was to party, ski, and meet new people. Meeting so many great people and having good times meant it was time to do my part. Five years later and I'm running for President.

This last year, Marti Toomer has accomplished Herculean tasks getting diverse groups of people to work together harmoniously. New programs like the Ski Meeting in October and the Sunshine Kids Auction for the December Meeting were started. I want to continue this excellence and expand on it for next year.

We cannot attain the goal of continually improving SCSC without your help. The club takes hundreds of members volunteering their time and efforts to make it work, as the list of volunteers on page 14 shows. We need you NOW to fill in as Activity Coordinators, Trip Coordinators and Assistant Trip Coordinators. If you want activities and ski trips next year we need you to VOLUNTEER. All of your officers need help to accomplish their jobs so step up and **VOLUNTEER** to help with jobs like writing articles for the Sitzmarke, Planning Happy Hours, being an Ambassador, and anything else you can think of. Please don't hesitate to contact the new officers and VOLUNTEER.



Don Crabtree

I joined SCSC in the Fall of 1991 after several years of skiing with a small group of old friends. After that first trip to Heavenly Valley, I was forever committed to skiing and partying the Space City way! Since that first year I have participated in nine club sponsored ski trips, serving as trip race director on several and in January, served as Trip Coordinator for the Park City III trip.

In club programs, I served as Activity Halloween Parties; AC for the 1993 Spring Golf Tournament and Co-AC for the 1994 Photo Contest. I also served as the Club Race Director for the 1994 - 1995 season.

My hobbies include golf, photography and of course, skiing. After graduating from Texas Christian University in 1971, I relocated to Houston and have worked as a professional salesman in the hydraulic fluid connector industry for the past 15 years.

Having served as Activity Coordinator for the previously mentioned events and having participated in a great deal more, I feel I have the experience, enthusiasm and energy to guide our members through yet another year of fun filled social activities and programs. Additionally, I will continue in our effort to attract and recruit younger members in order to keep the club membership age-balanced, diversified and ultimately extend the life expectancy of the club.





V.P. TRIPS



**George Flournoy** 

Now that the officer nominations have closed, baring unseen circumstances, it appears that I will be your VP of Trips for 96-97. So rather than waste this space touting all the virtues and vices I bring to this position, I am appealing to the general membership of guidance. It's no secret that our club skier days are continuously declining. There are as many theories as to why this occurs as there are members. Rather then delve into the reasons why this occurs I believe the first rule of business is to offer the client a product that meets his needs. As a ski club it's important that we offer a product which appeals to the membership. During the past few years prior holders of this office have worked tirelessly and diligently to bring you the product membership has directed. In spite of this our skier days continue to decline. So what do we do?

First I need your input. Give me suggestions, your ideas, your counsel on how to improve the services that this position provides...after all it's your club...your ski trip. Only through your input can the desired product be provided to the members. Second I need your assistance. This valuable charter of providing skier services is the most rewarding position in the club. Like the "marines" SCSC needs a few good men and women to lead our trips. Now is the time to sign up for these positions for next year, as we begin trip scheduling in April. Third the club needs your circle of acquaintances and friends. Every organization loses members and without replenishment of the membership base we will wither and die. Recruit these people now for the August mail in. Last the club needs YOUR COMMITMENT.

This organization operates on volunteer effort. Only through individual efforts can the club maintain and improve its standards.

## 1996-97 OFFICER NOMINATIONS

V.P. MEMBERSHIP





**Debbie Warren** 

In July 1990, my husband-to-be called and asked if I would like to go to Park City and ski the following March. Not understanding the SCSC plan ahead concept, I responded - Why not! If I don't like skiing, I can always shop and socialize. The rest is history.

Several more ski trips, a couple of dive trips and all those activities made my volunteering spirit flourish. The desire to give back to the club that we so enjoyed had me returning to Park City as an ATC. The experience was invaluable as training in leadership. This year I led one of our groups to Montana for the ultimate in skiing and a memorable snowmobile trip through Yellowstone National Park.

When not working on an SCSC activity, I can be found traveling the petrochemical corridor as a sales representative for an industrial manufacturer, playing volleyball, trying to play golf, or just enjoying time with my husband and friends. The day to day rigors of my "paying job" have allowed me to acquire the qualifications needed to perform as your V. P. of Membership. Being energetic, people oriented, computerized and organized are the key ingredients I will bring to this office. Looking ahead to the upcoming year as an officer in your ski club is an exciting challenge that I am ready and willing to accept.







Liona Doubet

I remember my very first impression of SCSC. It was at a picnic that a friend had taken me to. I knew then I wanted to be part of this organization. Part of the activities, part of getting to know the people, part of the fun. That was in 1988. From then on I endeavored to always participate. From my very first ski trip in 1989 I went on seven others, participated in numerous, "follies", and fashion shows, served as Activity Coordinator for the Halloween Party, ATC on the Steamboat trip, worked on various committees, up to TC this year for the Winter Park trip.

By now all my expectations and more have been fulfilled, all with the belief that if I had asked what was in it for me I would never have done it. I believe in this club as a professional organization that has something for everyone to enjoy. I continue to stay involved; working always so that others can see this club just as I saw it and join with the same enthusiasm.

I currently have a bookkeeping service which I provide from my home. After many years in finance and management in Corporate America, I took a few years off to try my hand in the sales game and went on to Director with Mary Kay Cosmetics.

As a member of Toastmasters International for five years I held office while part of this organization. At present, I volunteer extensively as a Court Advocate for Child Advocates working with abused children. Also, I am a member of, "The Guild", which does the fund raising for Child Advocates.

I am honored to be nominated for Secretary.



#### TREASURER



**Jeff Sarff** 

When my wife and I joined Space City in 1989 little did we know that it would become such and important part of our lives. We just wanted to learn how to ski, have some fun and broaden our social circle after our children left the nest (sort of!). We quickly fell in love with skiing and were inundated with more new social activities than we knew what to do with. We also realized early on that we couldn't stand back and let others do all the work - - so we got involved!!!!!!

In 1991 I was SCSC Activity Coordinator for the TSC Summer Triathlon at Lake Travis. Committee assignments include the 1991-92 Nominating Committee and the 30th Anniversary Party Committee in 1994. I have served as Race Director on several ski trips and was the Mt. Bachelor Trip Coordinator in 1995. I am currently serving as the club's Auditor, which has reinforced my belief in the need for strictly enforced accounting rules and procedures in all the club's endeavors, and financial accountability at all levels, from activity coordinators through officers.

Professionally, I have spent 30 years in the investment business with various financial institutions and am currently working for a private investment management firm as a portfolio manager. In 1983-84 I served as President of the Houston Society of Financial Analysts and am a member of the Association for Investment Management and Research.

Volunteering as Treasurer for next year is my way of repaying the club for the many benefits I have received and the fun I've had for the past seven years. If I am elected, I pledge to the membership that I will make every effort to see that the club remains financially sound and viable.

## 96-97 OFFICER NOMINATIONS

V.P. PUBLICATIONS



by Llona Doubet



**Karen Putney** 

As the Secretary this year, I've enjoyed representing the membership as well as working closely with the other officers and club volunteers. In fact, I've enjoyed being involved with the Club so much that, after a lot of thought, I volunteered for another officer position. Thank you, Nominating Committee members, for the VP Publication nomination.

My Club participation has steadily evolved over the last 8 years - from being a neverever skier on my first ski trip to Keystone (Traditional '90) and an infrequent General Meeting attendee - to 1996, being actively involved in most Club activities and participating on 2 Club trips this season. After hearing all those constant calls for volunteers, I first volunteered as an Assistant Trip Coordinator (Big Sky '93), which was followed by Trip Coordinator (Lake Tahoe '94), then Directory of Trips 1994/ 95. As current Club Secretary, my primary roles include taking the board meeting minutes, coordinating Logo sales (stop by the Logo Table and check out the new Logo items!), and publishing the Membership Directory. I can honestly say I've benefited from the Club a thousand times over once I began volunteering as it has given me the opportunity to meet so many friendly, interesting, and fun people and has given me new insight as to what it takes to effectively manage a club of this size.

My business background includes 20+ years at Exxon; the last several positions have been primarily in the areas of PC and Lan application support and development. While I am not a desktop publishing expert, I am quite confident I can master the software and continue in the steps of the past Publishers to deliver a high quality, fun-to-read newsletter.

I look forward to serving as VP of Publications — and I'll be looking for great photos and story lines for the Sitzmarke so get your photos and captions ready!



The following positions are needed to be filled for the 1996-97 year:

2 SCSC Board Positions

SCSC Auditor

TSC Representative

Assistant TSC Representative

Contact: Marti Toomer 681-8980

We left Houston the morning after Christmas with great expectations of snow at Winter Park, Co. And snow, lots of it, is what we got all week long. Snow for good skiing, tubing and sleigh rides.

Our wine and cheese party proved to be a great success the evening we arrived. Everyone quickly determined who would be their ski buddies. Even the children had their preferences. It was cold but not too cold for a sleigh ride and dinner at the barn on Wednesday evening. Lori Day and son Ryan, Steven Teoh and daughter Jaqueline, Dave Schein with his children, Dave, Anna and Bradley, Holly Kellog, Don Conery and Diane Biehl along with Chip and Llona Doubet huddled under blankets as we rode through the snow. By Thursday morning, however, we started losing some of our group to, "the flu."

Terri Ann Garvey saw Winter Park for the most part from her bed. John Manceau and Shirley Collins skied with friends from Denver the first day out; never to be seen again. Bill Clifford returned to his condo on Thursday morning while on his way to the group breakfast. Gary Guille along with Maxine and Haylee Kellog also spent a good amount of time in their condo nursing the flu. Son Slade, however, was able to enjoy all the fun. By Friday the total of our Nastar racers had been cut in half. Art Kelly was also down with the flu and James Wayne tried jumping a little too high on the slopes and fractured his leg. Of those that did race, five were awarded Bronze medals. Congratulations go to Phil Maersch, Charles and Beverly Roberts, and Alan and Andrew Brown.

Even our sick folks managed an appearance at our pot luck dinner. A delicious stew was made by Maxine Kellog and Steven Teoh contributed spaghetti. Linda Snyder was feeling better and there was lots of lively conversation with Helen Schilling and Gary Pfiffer present.

Our teenagers; Dave Schein, Ryan Zunke and Fred Neves were successful at their first snowboarding attempt. Dion Eaton and her Daughter Josephine were lucky enough to escape the flu. Josephine was our youngest skier at six years old and already has begun to ski blue-blacks.

We ended the week with two New Years eve celebrations. Beverly and Charles Roberts, Shirley Collins and John Manceau, Terri Ann Garvey and Steven Teoh with Jacqueline, Kannan Chelliah and Llona and Chip Doubet brought in the New Year with dinner and dancing at Rome On The Range. While Dave Schein hosted a party for the children who brought along their parents and celebrated midnight (Eastern time), 10 o'clock mountain time.

We all arrived home on New Years day in good spirits ready for a great 1996.

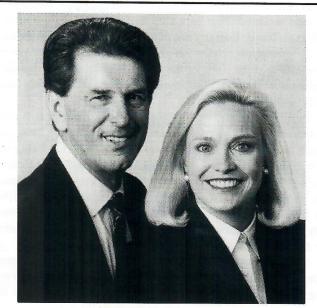
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In retrospect, the SCSC Retro Aspen 1996 trip was an outrageous success! All retro skiers had the opportunity (five and a halfhours) to bond on the Aspen comedy road tour. Charles Allen (ie., creative entrepreneur) discovered that people will pay more to get out of the restroom than to get in. Rena and Wayne Vitale, Elba Villarreal, and Bill Bomberger were the team captains for the three hour trivial pursuit extravaganza. Cary and Marcia Faden, Becky and Mike Wolfe, Ward Jones, Judy Stringer, and David Hale all proved to have endless knowledge of trivial information! We started off Saturday night with a bang, as we watched an incredible Winterskol fireworks display and torch parade.

On the slopes, ATC Ivan Butterfield proved to be a good leader and a lot of fun, but after the purchase of new skis a little hard to keep up With. Bill Bomberger amazed us with his extreme skiing lessons, and TC DeeDee Dowlin is now officially a shredder, just don't ask Steve Brown about the graceful ski lift exits. Mike Mahoney mastered and highly recommends the new slalom ski. especially for the weak kneed. Race director Phil Dowlin with the help of Karl and Lotty Gautschi and Art Kelly fired us up for the NASTAR races, and we did quite well with 3 silvers, 8 bronzes, and a total of 552 points. John Gay just missed a gold medal ... by one week (the BIG 50th birthday!), but he'll be ready next year! In the hot tub, Jeff Roy (i.e., Wild Man, Flying Wedge), Charles Allen (i.e., Captain Kirk), John Allen (i.e., Limey), and George Sargent (i.e., King George, Lying %@#&!) had many crazy antics of daring skimanship and brazen disrespect for the laws of gravity. Of course, the tales got bigger as the margaritas got stronger. but the hot tub divas (Susan Mahoney, Becky Rietz, Debbie Vincent, Rena Vitale, Pam Whitfield, Paula McWherter, and DeeDee Dowlin) were impressed anyway!

Rosa Caffarena, Rosa Goreman, Elba Villarreal, and Pam Whitfield (i.e., the Hispanic Coalition, Chilean Ski Team) proved to be leaders of the night life with Latin dance lessons, the buzz of great Aspen cuisine, and their interview endorsing Aspen skiing with "Good Morning America." Jeff Roy and DeeDee Dowlin were also famous for a few minutes at the Snowmass Kareoke Bar, as they attempted to sing "Louie, Louie." Who knew that song actually had words? Cheryl Dewitt organized a spontaneous trip to Cowboys restaurant and county dance hall. Bob Deleon, Joe Daleo, Irma Rosendahl, Jeff Roy, Debbie Vincent, Pam Whitfield, Paula McWherter, George Sargent, Bob Fulwiler, and the Chilean Ski Team were the dancing fools involved in the all night party. Another dancing hot spot was the Tippler, where at any hour of the night you could find the likes of Ivan Butterfield, Joe Daleo, the Chilean Ski Team, Jeff Roy, DeeDee Dowlin, Alan Bitzer, Greg Baxter, Barry Palmer, and John Brodie dancing the night away. Apres Ski was another popular off slope event, and a great chance to catch up with everybody's day and plan the events of each evening. Judith Brown was always a smiling face at these gatherings!

DeeDee Dowlin and Ivan Butterfield would like to thank John Jacob for his early work on preparing the trip, and all retro skiers for making Retro Aspen 1996 an unforgettable memory!



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By the time this article is in print, our congenial group of 66 will have returned from Park City and are back at their normal routines for longer than any one of us would like. Ski trips are such nice diversions, especially this year's TSC Traditional! Now we would like to share some of the tales of our trip with our fellow travelers as well as those unfortunate members of SCSC who were unable to attend.

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Before the plane could take off, Phyllis Anders & Robert Reichek, decided to jump ship, plane that is, for a mere \$400 each to catch the next flight. Our mid day arrival in Salt Lake City was met by traveling companions, Nancy Lowrey and Marie Holmes from New Jersey, Steve Jones from California and Ted Widmer, fresh off the slopes of Montana. Once we arrived at Park City, we were joined by Mike Birowski of Dallas. Also joining us were Lotty & Karl Gautschi, who had arrived on Thursday, beginning their three week ski marathon.

Our Saturday night welcome party, held in Susan Blome's condo, turned out to be great fun for all. Imagine 66 people in one living room trying to exchange free Park City T-shirts for the perfect size. After a quick check-in for their lift tickets and TSC credentials, Terry Chamness and Karl Ferenczy made a mad dash to be the first of our group on the slopes via the popular night skiing. That evening, Judy Katany and Darlene Hirasaki discovered they had two things in common, the same earrings and braces.

Sunday was the first of six nearly perfect Spring skiing days, lots of sunshine and beautiful blue skies. Debi Altenbern, Joyce Bayersdorfer, and Judy Katany all started their group lessons, which were later traded in for private sessions. All claim the instructors and lessons were very helpful. Park Combest and his snow bunny harem, Carol Hudson, Phyllis Anders, and Susan Blome, enjoyed the first of several days of blue run skiing.

Every evening brought a chance to sample some of Park City's culinary choices. Among the list was Vietnamese food at "Taste of Saigon" where La Daune Ashley & Derek Shoobridge led the group of Debi Altenbern, Judy Katany, Marsha Lutz, Mary White, Terry McGuinness and Kevin Bishop. They shared quite a sample of dishes family style. Southwestern cuisine at the "Barking Frog" was enjoyed by Eddie & Joyce Bayersdorfer, Susan Blome, Randy Hassebrock, Phyllis Anders, Robert Reichek, Park Combest, Carol Hudson, Rick Wasson, Cindy Patillo, and Beverly Oberlin. Celebrating their first trip down from the top of the mountain were Barbara & John Weber with a Continental dinner at "Bistro 7000."

The TSC Welcome party was our first opportunity to try out our dance skills. The Macarena proved to be one of the popular choices with Linda Guice, Robert Clements, and Maria Tremontin among those trying the intricate moves. More tricky moves by a magician fascinated the crowd that included Jeff & Laurie Linden, Ron & Roberta Rambin, Davis Tucker, and Lotty & Karl Gautschi.

Nearby Salt Lake City attracted Martha & John Simmons who took in the sights on Tuesday and made a special trip to the genealogy museum where John left a copy of a book he had complied on his family tree. Marvin Volz was able to meet a friend and enjoy a guided tour of the city.

Mid week the group experienced the pampered luxury of Deer Valley where, unlike Park City, every lift had boot rests. But, skiing was only part of the experience as Robert Clements & Linda Guice, Bruce Lowther & Maria Tremontin, Randy Hassebrock, Terry Chamness, Susan Blome, John & Barbara Weber, Joyce & Eddie Bayersdorfer, Kevin Bishop, and Marsha Lutz left the slopes early to enjoy Stein Eriksen's fabulous lunch buffet. But, the dessert table best suited Bruce's tastes that day. Ronnie Hotchkiss arrived to report that Neal Pleasant had unfortunately hurt his shoulder. Neal is now home healing but has declared that Deer Valley still ranks high on his list of resorts that he and Leona Bryan wish to return to.

The night before the club races TSC sponsored a fund raising Pub Crawl. Chris Carson made a special request to race last, so he could celebrate his birthday fully by going to all 8 pubs. He was among several of the group to catch the last bus home and was entertained by the exhippie bus driver/ski bum who teased us with the appropriate songs—"Long Way Home", "Down Main Street", "Magic Bus" — you get the gist of it! Another birthday was celebrated by Merlyn Harger. Mike Birowski gave Merlyn a gift of a day's rental of the new parabolic skis. He and Karl Gautschi will have to compare notes, but early reports are that they are "definitely different".

The races on Thursday went off without a hitch. Space City may not have won first place, but we are told we had the prettiest race director (not Mr. McGuinness), and several of our group did come home with medals. Gold was won by George Hirasaki (Nastar and Sr. Men's Individual); Silver was won by Steve Jones, Terry Chamness, Merlyn Harger, and Kevin Bishop; Bronze was won by Bruce Lowther, Mike Birowski, Ray Naudain, Ron Ripps, and Robert Reichek. Bronze was also won by Laurie Linden, Maria Tramontin, Lotty Gautschi, Darlene Hirasaki and Nancy Lowrey (Nastar and Sr. Women's Individual). Nancy's Bronzes were especially exciting for her since it was her first time to race with SCSC and she had a broken hand and a black eye. Wow!!

After the races, Helen & Merlyn Harger joined Diane Jamail & Ray Naudain for an underground tour of the silver mines. That evening Marie Holmes was so anxious to meet her Space City friends at the "Cactus Moon" for our party with Park City III that she slipped crossing the street running to catch a bus. Instead she ended up at the SLC hospital and missed a great party. Just goes to prove that crossing the street can be more dangerous that skiing. Later that evening, Mike Stenberg found himself as a guest at a hot tub party without a swimsuit. We understand that it didn't stop him from joining in, with his jockey shorts.

Friday found the group scattered to resorts beyond Park City. Terry Chamness, Chris Carson, Ron & Roberta Rambin, Steve Jones, Mike Birowski, Randy Hassebrock, Ronnie Hotchkiss, Terry McGuinness, and Marsha Lutz caught a 7:45 am bus to Snowbird, the hardest mountain in Utah especially on the sixth day of ski legs! But, the spectacular views made the long day worth it. Davis Tucker enjoyed short sleeve weather at Alta. Chris Goll skied at Deer Valley and was proud to report on his return that he had beat the Nastar time of his lifetime idol Stein Eriksen.

Each and all found a way to make the TSC Traditional truly a vacation to call their own. The Timmreck Family, Carol, Erik, Lorna and Kevin, enjoyed a very active and special family vacation. The Carson's, Vicki, Jefery and Chris, also spent family time together. Mike Carr took great care of the girls in his condo wife Barbara, Debi Altenbern, and Judy Katany. He made them coffee every morning and fire and hot chocolate was awaiting them at the end of each ski day! Diane Jamail is making plans to introduce synchronized skiing an official Space City event, with Mike Birowski as the choreographer. The rest of group's only words of wisdom — "Diane lacks discipline". But maybe Diane could take lessons from Mike Carr who managed to ski hard and stay on his diet — that's discipline! Mary White had trouble keeping the Rick's straight (Wasson & Sanford) and could not remember who offered to take her skiing. Luckily she did not meet up with Rick Wasson ... just ask Donna Stewart who found herself (regrettably) in Jupiter Bowl. Rick Sanford recommends that the Logo Ladies add pillows to their inventory so he'll have a softer landing for his next ski trip.

Lost (and found) were two pieces of luggage belonging to Maria Tremontin and Bruce Lowther in the room of Chris Goll and Ron Ripps - they each thought the luggage belonged to the other. And, how about those truly honest folks in Park City? Cindy Patillo found her lost camera on the slopes with a note that read "We found your camera and have taken a picture of our group. Please mail to..." Unfortunately, Robert Clements was not quite

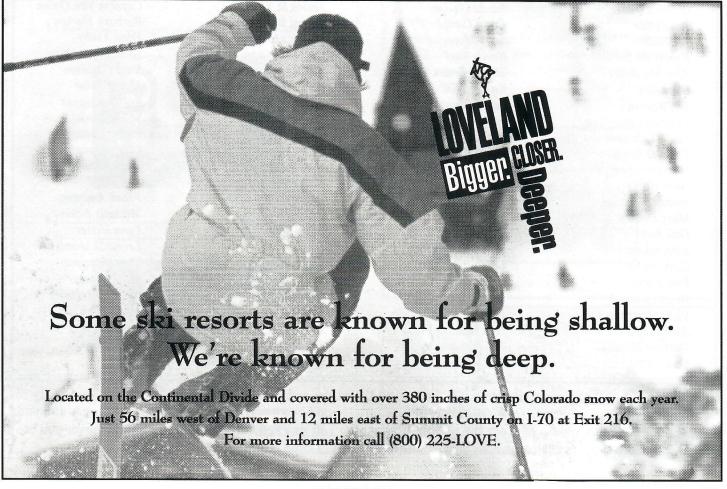
so lucky. His skis were switched on the bus on his return from Deer Valley on Friday.

Rootie Moore was concerned about skiing after her recent back surgery; however, several can attest to how well she skied with husband Don. Rootie and Vicki Carson also found time to shop the outlet malls. And, as if skiing was not enough exercise, Kevin Timmreck was spotted working out in the exercise room and Steve Jones and Mike Birowski started each morning with push ups.

Our final gathering was the Awards Party Friday night. Those that had either already packed or do not require much sleep stayed and danced the night away. Ronnie Hotchkiss was reported at week's end as the man with the most used credit card - treating lots of fellow skiers to their favorite drink. But Ronnie, what's the story about the "Stop" sign?

With regrets the week had to end, but not before one last bit of excitement Friday night - a fire alarm. Many of us found our way into the halls or out into the cold, but George Hirasaki could not find his way without his contact lenses. And, Steve Jones and Mike Birowski slept through the commotion...while others were still having fun at the awards party. Luckily, it turned out to be a false alarm and Saturday morning we packed our buses for the return home.

Another successful TSC Traditional...with pictures and memories we hope can last until our next opportunity to go skiing.



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