

Space City Ski Club 1980-1981 Season

Calendar

General Meeting - January 14 - Houston Racquet Club - 7:30 p.m. Special Slide Presentation by SCSC Member Bob Basch

Texas Ski Week I - January 11-18 - Crested Butte

Texas Ski Week II - January 14-18 - Crested Butte

Happy Hour - January 22 - Annabelle's - see ad on page 14

Bridge Night - January 23 - see ad on page 3

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Zermatt, Switzerland - January 24-31

Tennis Tournament - February 1 - see ad on page 6

Taos - February 3-8

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To ski or not to ski", that is the question. And we will have the answer, at least for purposes of Texas Ski Week, by the time this article is published. Assuming that the snow favors Crested Butte for what is traditionally our most enthusiastic trip, SCSC will



Editor's Note...

(Photo on Cover):

One early morning in July, 1979, Hank Faulkner saw Buck Lake in the Athabasca Valley along the Icefields Parkway, south of Jasper, Alberta, Canada.

have a bigger challenge than ever this year as we attempt to bring the Texas Ski Cup home for an unprecedented fourth straight year. Other Texas ski clubs are bringing more skiers with them than in the past, so we are assured of a very competitive and exciting week.

I hope the holiday season was a good one for all of you and that you are now as anxious as I am to hit the slopes. Most of you know that our ski trip participant lists seem to fill up long before the trips are scheduled to leave. But let me also remind you that you should not be discouraged from adding your name to the waiting list since there is usually a number of people who drop off prior to the departure date.

The trip to Purgatory has not entirely filled as of this writing and offers one of our better packages of the season. Trip Chairman, Art Camaro, has secured the best lodge accommodations in the Purgatory area, with the added bonuses of daily breakfast and lift tickets included in the trip price. Just try to beat that deal!

By now you should have received a copy of the new club directory. If by chance you did not receive your copy, please contact Leona.

Be sure to check this issue of the Sitzmarke for details of our Happy Hour this month as well as the upcoming Bridge Party. Now wax up those skis and lets all pray for snow!

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Trip	Trip Dates	Cost*	Final Payment Date		p Chairpersons and Assistants	Home Phone	Office Phone
Taos	Feb. 3 Feb. 8	\$299.	Dec. 10	TC ATC	Eric Holm Merriam Webster	448-4444 467-4515	499-5681
Vail	Feb. 7 Feb. 14	\$489.	Dec. 10	TC ATC	Layna Adams Charles Goodrich	723-3236 977-1171	654-4451
Jackson Hole	Feb. 14 Feb. 21	\$525 .	Dec. 3	TC ATC	Karol Thayer Bob Gay	499-2294 932-8125	789-5450
Breckenridge	Feb. 21	\$399.	Jan. 7	TC	Sue Bohnert	467-5027	862-6611 Ext. 450
	Feb. 28			ATC	Glenn Bishop	729-0065	662-3132
Banff, Canada	Mar. 7 Mar. 14	\$579.	Jan. 14	TC ATC	Jerry Pyle Tracy Fairbanks	721-7035 981-7607	662-3000
Purgatory	Mar. 22 Mar. 29	\$465.	Jan. 7	TC ATC	Art Camero Chris Richardson	772-3534 772-2657	662-3000 772-7200
Steamboat Springs	Mar. 29 Apr. 5	\$391.	Feb. 11	TC ATC	Jim Franz Judy Hendrix	933-9130 871-8284	771-1301
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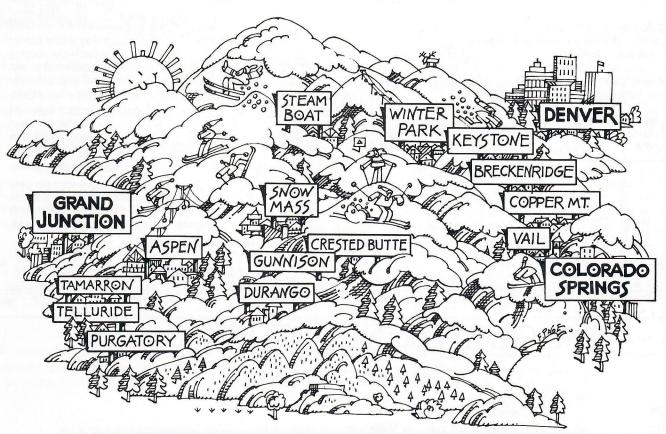
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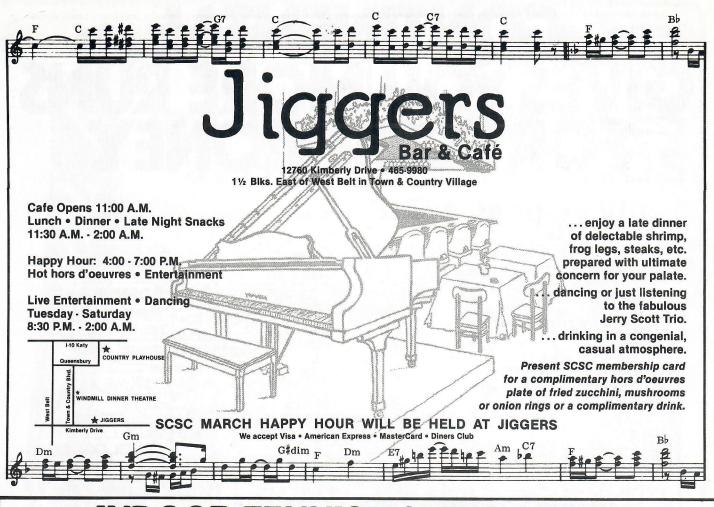
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TIME:		Tennis: 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Fleetwood Racquet Club, 15815 Memorial Drive (near Hwy 6).									
PLACE:											
ENTRY FEE:	\$12 for Tennis, Drinks (beer and soft), Tennis Balls, Awards, and Food										
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Steamboat Springs

March 29 — April 5, 1981 \$391

Do you want to know how to beat the high cost of skiing but still enjoy six days of spring skiing, luxurious lodging, and great parties? If you answered this question, "YES," then join the forty, thrifty Space City skiers who will depart Houston early Sunday morning, March 29, on Continental Airlines for the flight to Denver. In Denver we will board a bus for a party-on-wheels as our journey continues to Steamboat.

Our accommodations are at the superb Ptarmigan Inn, nestled at the base of the mountain (ski inski out) in the center of everything: shops, restaurants, and clubs. At the Ptarmigan Inn the 2- and 3-bedroom condos will have fireplaces, full kitchens, heated swimming pool, and sauna. Also, there is a shuttle bus to the nearby town of Steamboat Springs.

Steamboat's 16 lifts and 62 runs provide enjoyment and challenge for all levels of skiers (23% beginners, 49% intermediate, and 28% advanced).

The trip's price of \$391.00 is due February 11, 1981. Our return to Houston will be Sunday, April 5th.

Treat yourself by joining us for this "economical getaway". We guarantee you eight days you'll never forget.

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SUN BASK & SKI THRASH!

Ah, springtime in the Rockies: the sun, the snow, and the skiing. For 42 Space City Skiiers, April 5th marks the inauguration of the Sun Bask and Ski Thrash — The grand finale of the ski season. We'll be leaving Houston Intercontinental Airport on Texas International on a 9:00 a.m. departure. Three short hours later we'll be boarding our bus for the 45 minute ride to Park City. That should enable most of us to get in at least half a day of skiing the first day there. We'll be staying

at the Crescent Ridge Condominiums — fully furnished, with wood burning fireplaces, kitchens, and color TV, and located a close 50 yards from the lifts.

As a satellite Texas Ski Council trip, there will be a ski council party, wine and cheese parties on the mountain, happy hours and NASTAR races. Park City also offers extras — short lift lines, night skiing, and helicopter skiing.

So, if you want to get in on some really fine spring skiing, come join John and Margaret for seven days in April. Indulge.



John Hargleroad, Chairperson 2639 Hodges Bend, Sugarland 77478 Hm. 980-3000

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Trip Reviews

Salt Lake City / Thanksgiving Trip

by Judy Combs



ABOVE: Daisy Mitchell and Ann McIntyre seem to be enjoying the flight. BELOW: (Left) Debbie Ball and Neil Lande seem to enjoy getting acquainted. (Center) Pat Pennel and Bobickerson at dinner. TC in the background. (Right) And Ike Hoffman seems to be enjoying Linda Wise's stars, as Debbie Ball looks on.



...is for Texas International, whose hour delayed flight allowed **Bill Fish** to arrive in time to catch the plane; ...for **Bob Tattle** who will long be remembered by the waitress at the 13th floor; ...for the two-step that **Jeff Proctor** and **Judy Combs** attempted at the Westerner, but gave up after nearly being severely wounded by the locals doing their own version of the swing.

...is for the hamburgers that **Terry McCormick** and **Phyllis Pearcy** requested for Thanksgiving dinner; ...for **Rita Hartfield** whose biggest problem was deciding which dinner invitations to accept; ...for **Nancy Hutcheson** whose reason for missing the bus back to town involved an orgy!

...is for **Ann McIntyre** who found the best way to beat the long lift lines was to take private lessons; ...for Alta, whose runs were frequented and enjoyed by **Rod Davis** and **Janene Jackson**; ...for the altitude and how it affected **Debbie Ball**; ...for the ski accident in which **Linda Wise** chipped a tooth and wiped out three unsuspecting skiers; ...for **Fran Andrews** who delighted in rolling in the snow at the end of each run (I believe that's called wiping out)!

N ...is for Vicki Nuzzolillo whose good deed on this trip was to rescue an Irish Setter from the cold; ...for the "no snow" that plagued Park City.

K ...is for Chuck King who was seen enjoying the apres ski happy hours.

...is for the Fearsome Foursome, better known as Bernd Schlickeiser, John Terzakis, Bob Olsen, and George Maximer. It is rumored that these four not only terrorized the slopes of Snowbird, but also the streets of Salt Lake, the Chinese restaurant, and the jacuzzi; ...for Patsy Feigle who demonstrated an interest in real estate when she photographed all the brown brick houses on a particular street; ...for football and long distance calls Pete Bauman made to Houston to find out the scores.

U ...is for the unbelievable offer that Texas International made to us - to give up our seats and stay in Denver. And, to our utter amazement, one of the group accepted.

...is for the lost luggage that was delivered to **Bob Dickerson** at three o'clock in the morning; ...for **Pam Larson** who conquered beginning skiing with the help of **Randy Parker**; ...for **Neil Lande** who took in some local culture at the hockey game.





S ...is for Hirsch Scholl who volunteered to give Carla Bishop his room key when he discovered that she had not been supplied with one; ... for Stephanie Short who arrived at the ski slopes minus her ski boots. It appears that they remained back at the hotel. ... for Cecil Smith who was overheard telling Joe Clark about putting saran wrap and vaseline on your what?!

 \mathbf{K} ...is for the kith that were made on the trip (we got desperate for "K" words).

...is for **Ike Hoffman** who was the fabulous unofficial bartender at Gold Miner's Daughter; ... is the impossible questions that **Ken Fuqua** and **Gay Pullen** asked their guide on the Temple tour.

E ...is for the endless enjoyment had by Diane Cartledge and Sal Guttila at the Old Salt Lake City Jailhouse.

...is for **Tim Rossnagel** who bought furry apres ski boots for his wife **Stella**. Tim thought they looked like "two whats mating?" ...for the racy way **Don Cherry** dressed to go to the jacuzzi.

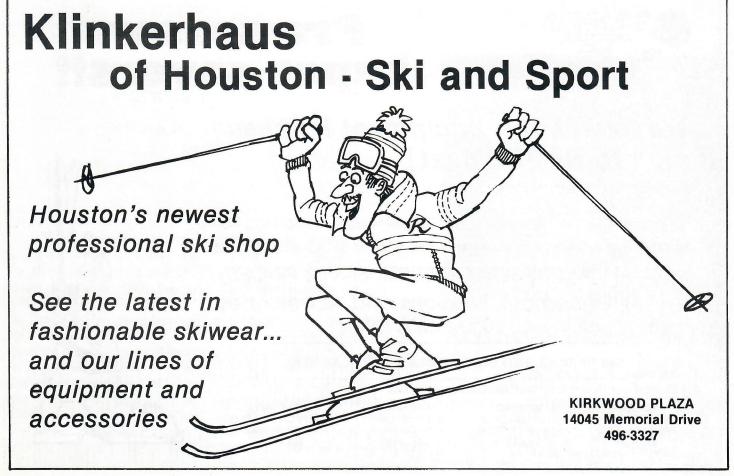
S ...is the submarine races that **Daisy Mitchell** told us she was going to see. By the way, did you see them?

This skier is thankful that all had a good time and returned home safely. Thanks to all that helped on the trip.



ABOVE: Judy Combs surrounded by the Fearsome Foursome - Olsen, Schlickeiser, Terzakis and Maximer. BELOW: Vicki Nuzzolillo and Fran Andrews look like they are waiting for a drink







C & W at Gilley's

A great time was had by all!



On a rainy November 21 night, 32 hardy souls left Oshman's Post Oak for a night of drinkin', dancin', and bull ridin' at Gilley's.

Because of the weather, we were late leaving and as we left the parking lot we found that we were already out of beer. A stop was made for **Ray Tully** and **Lynn Burch** to buy more beer. Finally we were on our way. **Jim and Ann McIntyre** wondered if we were lost as we passed Almeda Mall. The driver had missed the turn.

We arrived about 8:15 and found Jerry Pyle, Pam Phillips, Tracy Fairbanks, Glen Bishop, and Jim Franz there waiting for us. Layna Adams, Leona Schroeder, Bonnie and Rodney Hughes, and Billie Nowak met us there later.

There was an international flavor to our group as Ellie Stern Appleman brought her husband Cole, his brother

Harry, and sister Maragaret who are visiting from Holland. **Bernd Schlickeiser** brought his cousin Gerti who is from Germany.

Enjoying the dancing and bull riding were John Hargleroad, Peggy Widaman, Robert Hoyle, Bill Owens, Thelma and Bob Roscoe, Ron and Roberta Rambin, Bev and Charles Ursell, Ellen Drumheller, Misty Gibson, and Mary Williams. Pat Gilbertson decided Gilley's was not her style and found a ride home early.

When we wanted to leave, we found the bus was blocked by several cars and pick ups. Bodily moving the cars to clear the bus were Steve Poppe, Ron Osborn, Harold Eaton, Jim Hendrix, Mike Dalen, Harry Nadeira, and all the other men.

Many thanks to **Robert Scott** and **Judy Hendrix** for helping to clean up the bus.



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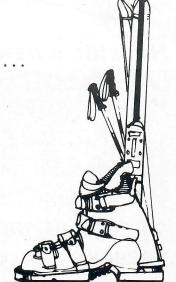
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Ski by the Rules

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They're simple enough, needn't

All skiers shall ski under control. Control shall mean in such a manner that a skier avoid other skiers or objects.

- 2 When skiing downhill and overtaking another skier, the overtaking skier shall avoid the skier below him.
- Skiers approaching each other on opposite traverses pass to the right. (Like autos on the highway.)

cramp your style, and once you learn them, will quickly become incorporated into your subconscious actions, much as you steer your auto through traffic.

The payoff is worry-free skiing and safety for both yourself and those with

- Skiers shall not stop in a location which will obstruct a trail or unloading area or impede the normal passage of other skiers, and shall not stop at a point where they are not visible from above.
- **5** A skier entering a trail or slope from a side or intersecting trail shall first check for approaching downhill skiers.
- 6 A standing skier shall check for approaching downhill skiers before start-

whom you share the slopes.

The National Ski Patrol System. those nice folks whose lot it is to care for those few unfortunates who suffer the consequences, has established the following guidelines:

- When walking or climbing in a ski area, skis should be worn and the climber or walker shall keep to the side of the trail or slope.
- 8 All skiers shall wear safety straps or some other devices to prevent runaway
- 9 Skiers shall keep off closed trails and posted areas and shall observe all traffic signs and other regulations prescribed by the ski area.

If you still have questions when you reach the ski area, contact a patrolman. He'd much rather help you before an accident than after.

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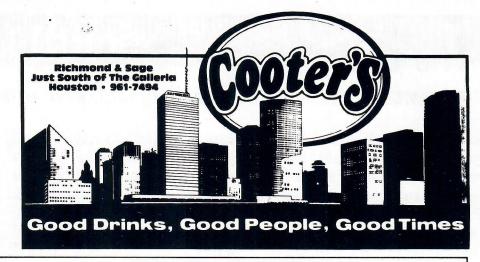
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Non-Ski Activities For The Rest Of The Season

January 22	Happy Hour
	Bridge Night
	Tennis Tournament
	Happy Hour
	Bicycle Outing
	Tennis Tournament
April 16	
April 25	Gimmick Road Rally
May 2	Las Vegas Party
	Hilltop Herb Farm
June	Tubing the River / Booth, Texas
July	Horse Race Trip / Summer Bash
	South Padre Island Trip
All Dates subject to change.	a character and the second

Anyone interested in organizing any one of these non-ski activities, please call Bob Petner — 868-3320/926-4703.



Foreign Correspondence



Our contact in the Orient, Gene Holland, sent us a "Letter from Japan." Gene has signed up for two ski trips with the Tokyo American Club — a group considerably more staid than Space City, he says. The following paragraphs are from his letter, describing his plan ned trips:

"I'm set for 5 days in mid-February in Zao, which is west of Sendai near Yamagata City in northern Honshu about 8 to 9 hours from Tokyo by bus. Sao boasts powder snow, the famous "snow monsters" which are trees contorted by ice and snow into most unusual shapes, 26 lifts, 4 gondolas, a lot of cross-country trails, hot baths in the famous hot spring resort in Zao Village and some apres ski activites. We will sleep on the floor of our room at the Zao Garden Hotel on "tatami mats." The cost is 41,000 yen or about \$195.00 U.S., not counting lunches, lift

tickets, or sake. Latter very important!

My other scheduled trip through the American club is 6 days in Shiga Koken over Easter. This also is a 9 to 10 hour bus trip from Tokyo for only 36,000 yen or about \$172.00, not counting lift tickets or lunch. These costs would be at least double if we did not sleep on the floor of our minshuku or lodge, but opted for a deluxe westernstyle hotel. However, part of the excitement is staying in these lodges, enjoying the baths, the friendships, the noise, etc.

Shiga is not as varied as Zao, with less night life. So, it will depend on the other foreigners on the trip to provide the camaraderie. Sake is still available, however!"

Gene also said that although it might be novel for Space City to run a trip to Japan, it would be far too crowded and too expensive. Until our next "letter from Japan" — Sayonara.

The Lost Year

Remember 1980? Many folks doubt that it even existed.

BY JO HARING Associated Press Sunday, December 28, 1980 From the Houston Chronicle

TULSA, Okla. — With 1981 heaving rapidly into view, disquieting rumor has it that 1980 never was, that it didn't happen.

Although experts remain skeptical, allegations are that some person or persons unknown did in some manner manage to get us from one New Year's Eve to the next without benefit of an intervening year.

In an attempt to pin down these rumors, independent researchers, working feverishly to legitimize 1980 before 1981 takes over, have come up with a disturbing amount of testimony in support of the theory that there was no such year:

Item: While a large number of people recall New Year's Eve of 1979, quite a number of them are unable to remember the scores of any of the alleged bowl games of New Year's Day, 1980. A significant number of those do not even recall New Year's Day itself.

Item: Many of those polled could not remember what team won the Super Bowl nor the World Series in 1980 and all anyone could remember of tennis and golf was that Bjorn Borg won Wimbledon and lost Forest Hills and Nancy Lopez won a great number of golf tournaments and Jack Nicklaus won the U.S. Open or the Masters, or maybe it was the British Open.

Item: No one questioned could remember that Congress did anything at all during 1980.

Item: A significant number of people refused to believe that they had aged a year. And a woman in Pasadena insisted that she had not aged a day since 1957.

Item: Most people consider it unthinkable that an entire year could have gone by with no change in the American hostage siutation.

Item: Several people cited the fact that not only did they still have 1979 Christmas lights up, but they are also still paying

1979 Christmas bills and getting 1979 Christmas cards in the mail.

Item: No fewer than eight dozen responders pointed out that had a full 12 months elapsed since 1979, they could expect their household mortgage principal to have dwindled and to have made a dent in the amount owed on their cars.

Item: A woman in Minneapolis insisted that 1980 could not have come and gone since her husband had promised faithfully that he would get the house painted and the garage cleaned during that year.

Item: Pointing out that Mount St. Helens erupted in 1980 and that we elected a new president in 1980 brought skeptical responses from several people who insisted that Mount St. Helens erupted in 1979 or possibly 1978 and that the election cited was probably the 1972 election or perhaps the 1964 election. One person asked, "Who's St. Helen?"

Item: A number of other people observed that had 1980 actually occurred they would now be at least 30 pounds lighter, fluent in conversational French, capable of running the Boston Marathon, or debt-free and considerably richer, depending on their personal 1980 resolutions.

Item: Several people polled believe that for years there has been a worldwide conspiracy, probably Communist-inspired, to shorten years. Most cite their own 18th birthday as the beginning of that conspiracy.

Conclusion: It is not too early to start preparing proof that 1981 is not being foreshortened. It has been recommended that Walter Cronkite be appointed the task of establishing each day by announcing, "Good morning, Americans. This is March 3, the 62nd day of 1981."

If you can't believe Walter Cronkite, who can you believe?



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HAPPY HOUR

January 22 5 to 8 pm Annabelles Galleria Plaza Hotel See ad in this SitzMarke

WANTED

Photographs taken at Texas Ski Week for the February issue of the Sitzmarke.

Help on Space City's Scrapbook Committee. Call Judy Combs if you want to volunteer time, ideas, or photographs.

444-2835 — Evenings

PERSONALS

Congratulations to Penny Wiggins!

from Mo, Shirley, Rick, & Barry

Maureen Webb was seen at the December SCSC meeting! She has been in Saudi for a year and came home to quickly visit friends before running off to spend Christmas in Paris!

We were told that Steve Gucker played Santa Claus at Foley's Northwest this holiday season. Must have been fun having all the children sit on your lap for a, "Ho, Ho, Ho!"

Sy Liebergot and Tania Andrasko felt philanthropic when they gave their annual Orphan's Party on Christmas Eve - for all those "kids" who didn't go home for the holidays.







- January 14
- February 11
- March 11



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