

A photograph of a wooden fence in a field with autumn trees in the background. The fence is made of dark, weathered wood and runs diagonally across the frame. The background shows a line of trees with some autumn foliage in shades of orange and red, and a grassy field in the foreground.

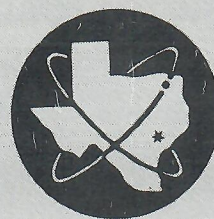
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# ***SitzMarke***

SEPTEMBER 1981



## Space City Ski Club 1981-1982 Season



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#### Sitzmarke Deadlines

- September 9
- October 14



# Head of the Liftline

by Anne Benefield



Let me first welcome all new members to Space City Ski Club. We had a fantastic response to our membership drive. It is a pleasure to be a part of an enthusiastic ski club and I hope each new member shares this enthusiasm.

We are looking forward to the September 9 General Meeting. As many of you are aware, this meeting is crowded, and everyone is anxious to sign up for a special trip. Please be patient; don't ask for special favors or cut in line; and have your checks ready for trip deposits. Deposits are \$75.00 for all domestic trips. **Lynn Burch, Jan Livingston and Mo Granda** are working on a plan to ease the congestion at the membership and trip tables.

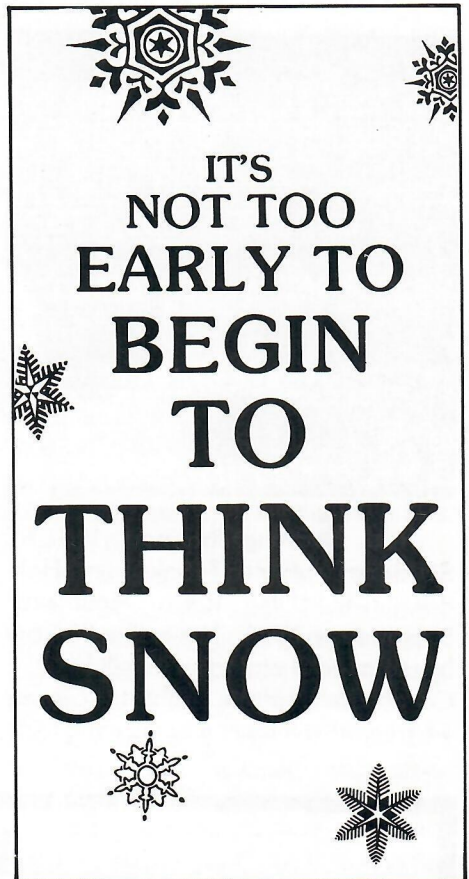
We have an exciting lineup of trips which can be attributed to the hard work of our many volunteers during the summer. However, prices are about 30% higher than last year mainly due to increased transportation costs.

Again, we have been able to prebook many of our accommodations and airlines to keep costs from escalating during the year.

Now that we are thinking snow, don't forget about our other activities. On September 26, there is a "Get In Shape Day", and October 16-18, there is "Mercer's Campout" which is truly unique. Check the activities listing in the **Sitzmarke** for dates of other events. I would like to congratulate **Lynn Burch** and her volunteers for the many fun activities which were held this Spring and Summer.

Finally, the September Meeting starts at 7:30 P.M., Wednesday, September 9 at The Houston Racquet Club (on Memorial near Voss).

See you at the meeting!



## Join SCSC

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## Skit Is On Houston

**September 11**

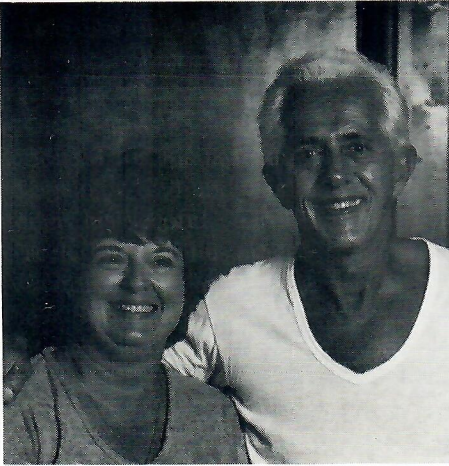
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Sign Up At Sept. Meeting or Call  
**LYNN BURCH - 465-3306**

*\*Reservations for 15 have been made.*



# Salt Lake City--Thanksgiving



**S**tarting the new 1981-82 Ski Season off is a Thanksgiving Holiday in the Utah Rocky Mountains. Departing on Wed., November 25 from Intercontinental airport, you will board a Continental Airlines flight to Denver where you will meet a connecting flight

to Salt Lake City. Our hotel, Little America, is only a short bus ride away in the heart of Salt Lake City's entertainment center.

The hotel is a setting of traditional elegance utilizing stained glass, marble and imported crystal chandeliers. Our rooms are deluxe accommodations, double occupancy.

Each morning a specially charted contemporary stage coach will take us to one of several local ski areas (Park City, Alta, Snowbird, Brighton) in time to enjoy breakfast on the slopes and will return us each afternoon after the last lift closes!!!

Apres wine and cheese parties will be awaiting you upon your return from a fun-filled day on the various slopes and rides in double and triple chairs, a gondola and a tram. Thanksgiving evening you will find SCSC'ers celebrating with a group dinner at one

of the many gourmet restaurants in the area.

Following three and a half days of skiing Utah's renowned powder and bowls as well as over 65 groomed runs, we will depart on Sunday afternoon for Denver via Continental, and meet a connecting flight for Houston. This trip is limited to only 40 members! The total price of \$393.00 includes all transportation, deluxe accommodations and apres wine and cheese parties for socializing each evening. This trip fills up early--don't be left out!!!

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**(H) 621-7524**

**(O) 780-4244**

## PHOTO CONTEST OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

**H**ey, SCSC photographers!!! Here's your chance to see your photograph as a **Sitzmarke** cover! So get your entries in by **October 1**.

In general, the subject material should deal with scenery or a combination of people and scenery covering all seasons.

The **photographs** (no slides) may be **black and white** or **color**. Picture size **MUST** be a minimum of 5 X 7 inches and a maximum of 11 X 14 inches with a **glossy or semi-glossy surface**. Prints with a silk or rough matte finish will not be accepted since they reproduce poorly. Your name and address **MUST** be on a label on the back of each print.

The categories will be:

- I. Scenery (all seasons)
- II. Portraits (people or animals)
- III. SCSC Activities with members (skiing, summer and other)

\*\*\*Winners in the categories of Scenery and SCSC activities will be used for the **Sitzmarke** covers.

1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be awarded also with prizes.

Each participant is limited to no more than three (3) photographs in each category. All winning entries will be returned after use and all will be displayed at some future meeting.

Ballots will be handed out at the October meeting and judging will be by the membership.

Mail Entries To:

**Carol Ragan**

14121 Misty Meadow

Houston, Texas 77079

or bring to September meeting.

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# Official Announcement

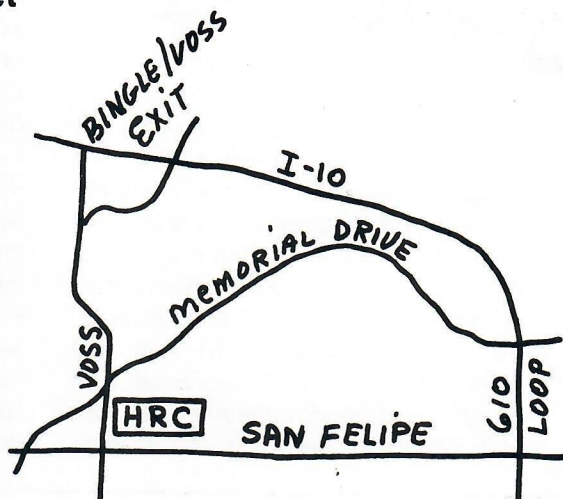
From September through May of the 1981-82 Season  
the Monthly Meetings will be held on the

Second Wednesdays  
and will be located at

The Houston Racquet Club  
10709 Memorial at Voss

## How to Make Sure YOU Get on a SCSC Ski Trip

- 1) Arrive early at the September Meeting.
- 2) Wear comfortable shoes for long waits in trip lines.
- 3) Talk up the trips you **don't** want to go on.
- 4) Direct other people to the wrong trip lines.
- 5) Don't forget your checkbook and pen.
- 6) Bring your 1981-82 SCSC membership card to show at trip tables.
- 7) Bring a friend along as a guest to get your drinks for you.
- 8) Finally, eat garlic, chili and onions for dinner to keep the lines moving.



## NOTICE:

**Remember To:** Remove your membership card from this issue and bring it with you to the meeting. You will need your membership number in order to sign up for a trip.

**Look for a map** of the inside which will show you the location of each trip and activity table.

P.S. Volunteers have now been limited to signing themselves and one other person to only **one** trip.

## SCSC RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT

If you play Racquetball or want to learn how, come to the Racquetball Tournament, Group Lessons and Exhibition Match.

**DATE:** Sunday, September 27, 1981  
**TIME:** 5:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Westside Racquetball Center — 1200 Willcrest (783-5193).  
**INCLUDES:** Snacks, beer, soft drinks, and wine.  
**ENTRY FEE:** \$12 for Lessons, Drinks, Racquetballs, Awards, and Food.  
**DEADLINE:** September 22, 1981.  
**FORMAT:** Group lessons and Exhibition Match for beginners. Singles tournament matched by ability games to 15 points. First player to win 2 games wins match.

### AWARDS:

Substitutes are welcome to come out and will be used for "No-Shows" or "Late Shows".  
No refund for cancellation after September 22.

### ENTRY BLANK

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Circle: Member Guest)  
 Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Office) \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Circle: Member Guest)  
 Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Office) \_\_\_\_\_

### PLAYER ABILITY:

1.	A	A-	B	B-	C	C-	Beginner would like lessons
2.	A	A-	B	B-	C	C-	Beginner would like lessons

Tournament Director reserves the right to move player to correct level of play, if player places himself too low. So, be fair.

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

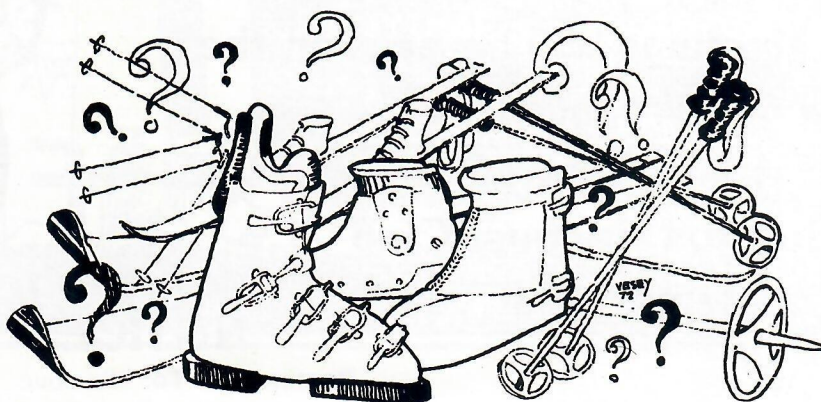
MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SCSC and Send to:

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 Home: 497-3023 Work 783-6640



# ARE YOU READY FOR ... SKI SEASON!!!

by Steve VanPelt



The first meeting of the Space City Ski Club marks the start of the new ski season. The ski magazines are starting to show up on the newsstands again. Between their covers are the latest in ski equipment, ski clothes, and the great places to go skiing. But what about all the stuff you already have? Where has it been since your last ski trip; in the closet? in the garage? in the attic?

Part of the enjoyment of skiing can be enhanced by having a prepared body, clothes, and equipment and there is no time like the present to start. Now is the time to go find them and inspect them for wear and tear, to see if they still fit, and to see how dirty and wrinkled they are. Repairing the tears and loose seams is a simple procedure with needle and thread. If they don't fit, you can either start on a diet and exercise

program or buy the larger size that fits. (Besides with the Labor Day Ski Sales coming up, at least you can get a small discount on new clothes). If you are one of the lucky ones that find your clothes are too big maybe you can find someone to trade with. Of course it is time to get your clothes cleaned.

Where have your skis, boots, and poles been all summer? Regardless of where they were "stored" the equipment needs to be looked at closely. Check the bottom of your skis for signs of rust, dried salt and/or dirt and check the operation of your bindings. Check your poles to see how badly they are bent, and that the straps and baskets are intact. Your boots need to be checked for dirt and wear and tear. Also remember where your boots hurt your feet last season? Before the Thanksgiving and Christmas rush, it is time to have your skis tuned and waxed. (Tell the repairman not to scrape the wax off

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because it will protect your bases until you are ready to ski.) Have the repairman clean, lubricate, and check the operation of your bindings. Replace any broken or missing parts on your poles. Sometimes your boots can be "punched out" to reline those pressure spots ask your repairman about it. Now is a good time to turn your boots over (so they are resting on their tops) so the flow material can spread out more evenly.

Now about your body. It is past time to get started to prepare yourself for skiing. You need to get started on a

program of exercise that gets your heart rate to 70% - 80% of your maximum heart rate (roughly 220 minus your age) every other day for about 30 minutes. The way you get your heart rate up is up to you. Usually it can be done by jogging, bicycling, or swimming. Remember to start out slowly and make it fun.

It is the time to get started preparing for the ski season. With your equipment and clothes in good shape and your body ready, skiing can't help but be the best ever!

## August 2 - Tennis Tournament

Winners at Old Oaks Racquet Club:

### Division I

- |                 |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| 1. Bruce Maughs | 1. Leona Schroeder   |
| 2. Art Collins  | 1. Joyce King        |
| 3. Fred Wright  | 3. Maryann Hertzberg |

### Division II

- |                    |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|
| 1. Randy White     | 1. Adrian Kigues |
| 2. George Nixon    | 2. Sandy Proctor |
| 3. Dale Englefield | 3. Janet Legler  |

### Division III

- |                  |                    |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Bob Steffey   | 1. Monica Williams |
| 2. Jerry Kearly  | 2. Diane Jackson   |
| 3. David Le Croy | 3. Margie Cook     |

### Division IV

- |                 |                     |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1. Dean Fisher  | 1. Charles Goodrich |
| 2. Blair Nowlin | 2. Pete Bauman      |
| 3. Jim Plummer  | 3. Jeff Darby       |

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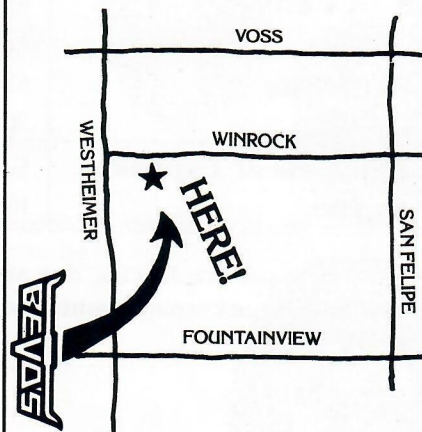
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Trip	Trip Dates	Cost*	Final Payment Date	Trip Chairpersons and Assistants		Home Phone	Office Phone
<b>Salt Lake City</b>	Nov. 25 Nov. 29	\$393.00	Oct. 4	TC ATC	Merriam Webster Lou Erdelyan	893-4545 621-7524	789-8969 780-4244
<b>Copper Mountain Texas Ski Week I</b>	Jan. 10 Jan. 17	\$515.00	Nov. 11	TC ATC	Ron Smith Peggy Widaman	879-8240 780-0891	676-8019 978-3435
<b>Copper Mountain Texas Ski Week II</b>	Jan. 12 Jan. 17	\$439.00	Nov. 11	TC ATC	Bob McAnelly Sadie Madole	780-8725 946-1700	524-2424 944-6662
<b>Aspen Traditional</b>	Jan. 23 Jan. 30	\$540.00	Dec. 2	TC ATC	Tania Andrasko Bob Basch	776-9754 723-9047	none 729-3200
<b>Taos</b>	Feb. 2 Feb. 7	\$299.00	Jan. 6	TC ATC	Pam Phillips Lynn Zacherl	721-7035 465-2710	792-3120 972-1232
<b>Vail I</b>	Feb. 6 Feb. 13	\$615.00	Jan. 6	TC ATC	Jim Knox Karen Friedsam	468-8428 682-5426	367-9201 370-4050
<b>Breckenridge</b>	Feb. 13 Feb. 20	\$510.00	Dec. 2	TC ATC	Margaret Norris Jo-Anne Weaver	466-4802 774-9077	676-4810 774-9077
<b>Lake Tahoe I</b>	Feb. 20 Feb. 27	\$441.00	Jan. 6	TC ATC	Glenn Bishop Debbie Ball	729-0065 445-8622	662-2907 none
<b>Winter Park</b>	Feb. 28 Mar. 7	\$529.00	Dec. 12	TC ATC	Shirley Smith Bill Krell	476-4067 778-9603	470-3410 622-2516
<b>Vail II</b>	Mar. 6 Mar. 13	\$615.00	Jan. 13	TC ATC	Judi Hendrix Ray Hodge	871-8248 496-0558	622-2758 524-2424
<b>Lake Tahoe II</b>	Mar. 13 Mar. 20	\$575.00	Jan. 3	TC ATC	Morna Simon Jim Guild	977-7891 497-3023	492-0830 224-5005
<b>Sun Valley</b>	Mar. 20 Mar. 27	\$650.00	Feb. 3	TC ATC	John Cook Charla Merrel	448-5012 665-0045	460-4132 995-1100
<b>Park City</b>	Mar. 28 Apr. 4	\$549.00	Feb. 3	TC ATC	Ann Pipes John Erb	981-6638 495-5347	651-0100 656-3417
<b>The Orient Express Japan</b>	Sometime in Mar.	\$2100.00		TC	Bob Olsen	524-2730	226-3542

All trip deposits are \$75.00, due at the time of signing. The Orient Express is \$200.00. Part or all of the deposit is non-refundable, in accordance with the "Standing Rules".

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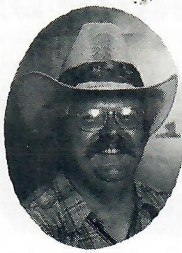
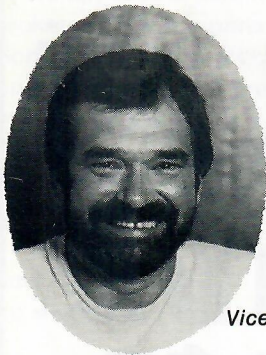
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**Mo Granda**  
Vice President of Trips

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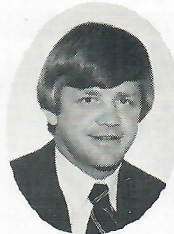
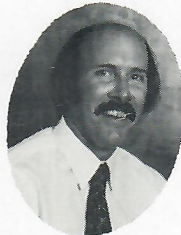
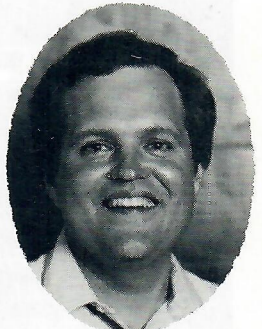
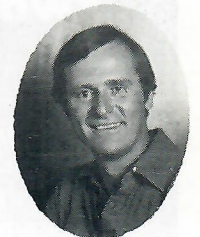


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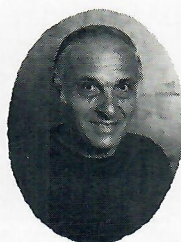
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\*Not pictured: JoAnn Weaver, Breckenridge



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# ALMOST EVERYTHING ELSE YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT TEXAS SKI COUNCIL . . .

By: Easy Thayer, Vice President Texas Ski Week, TSC

I was glad to see some response to my last article. The comments were interesting to say the least.

Now that most of the routine organizational stuff has been covered, it's time to look at the important things.

1. *Texas Ski Week '82 will be at Copper Mountain and Satellite trips have been planned for Aspen, Winter Park, and Park City. How were these sites selected.*

Every year the February meeting of the council is devoted to site selection. A basic outline of the council requirements is sent to most ski areas. A formal bid presentation for Texas Ski Week is then made by the areas at the February meeting. Generally no verbal presentations are made with Satellite bids. These proposals include reduced lodging, lift ticket, lesson, and rental rates and a proposed schedule of events. The Board of Delegates then selects the sites they feel best meet the needs of their clubs and the Council. Last year this meeting covered two days because of the number of bids. More time was needed to adequately review the bids.

2. *Will there be snow at Copper Mountain this year?*

It snowed on the mountain top Friday. Two of the past seven years have been marginal snow years. The first resulted in snow making equipment being installed at many areas. After last year, areas are increasing that capacity. Copper Mountain will be able to cover 60% to 70% of the mountain with man-made snow. This area includes many runs, the base areas, and both runs that will be used for the races.

3. *What are the benefits derived from sponsors for Texas Ski Week?*

Most of the goodies at Texas Ski Week are made possible by sponsorship. Seven years ago TSW had several hundred par-

ticipants. Last year 1400 were signed up to participate. This growth corresponds with sponsorship by Continental Airlines the last six years. Last year Coors was an equal cosponsor. The sponsors supply most of the promotional material which includes the badge, posters, racing banners and bibs, trophies, and the awards banquet. There are usually minor sponsors for some of the events and nightly parties. Obviously the quality of TSW would be less without sponsors and their amenities.

4. *Will Texas Ski Week '82 have sponsors?*

Yes, Continental and Coors will again be major cosponsors. Copper Mountain will obtain several minor sponsors.

5. *An "activity fee" has been charged at Texas Ski Week. What does this fee cover?*

In the past this fee has mainly covered racing costs and a partial travel allowance for TSC officers. Last year was the first year a significant fee was charged. This covered the printed events schedule, the cost of parties and live entertainment **every** night and the racing costs along with several minor items.

Unfortunately a detailed budget and final cost report were not received, so it is difficult to determine the exact use of the fee. The Council is concerned about this and will require a detailed accounting of funds for Texas Ski Week '82. We also hope to keep this years fee to a minimum. Even with sponsorship it is difficult to provide the schedule of events and the goodies we have all come to expect without some fee.

6. *What are the Satellite trips and what is their purpose?*



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The Satellite trips were started several years ago. The Council was receiving excellent bids for TSW from several areas each year. It was felt that due to this interest we should offer more than just Texas Ski Week, hopefully resulting in mini Ski Weeks. This would lead to larger groups, more interest, lower prices, and more amenities through sponsorship. These trips could also provide some insight into a ski area's ability to handle Texas Ski Week

with its 1000 plus skiers. This program should also promote ski area interest in the Council. The Park City trip is becoming a traditional event with the third Spring Fling next year.

Unfortunately there has not been great support from the member clubs for the Satellite program. Few of these trips have had over 100 participants. It is difficult to secure sponsors for small groups. Without sponsors, the benefits of these trips certainly

are not the same as those of TSW. Activity fees are being charged for the Satellite trips so at least some events can be provided. The ski areas are also providing some amenities. The Council officers are working hard to obtain sponsors and develop interest in these trips. If we can increase the participation on Satellites, sponsors will be attracted and the level of activities will improve.

7. **What expenses are covered by Texas Ski Council dues?**

These dues cover operating expenses. Also each officer receives a travel allowance for each quarterly meeting and Texas Ski Week. This year each Satellite trip is scheduled to have a trip chairman and part of their expenses are included in the budget.

Speaking of a budget, last year was the first time that a budget was submitted and approved by the Board of Delegates. The Council by laws now require a budget annually.

Hopefully this has answered many of the questions you might have. It is impossible to cover them all. If you have further questions concerning Texas Ski Council, please ask myself, Sy Liebergot, current Council President, Bob Olsen, Council representative to USSA, or Linda McFarland Simpson, SCSC's delegate to Texas Ski Council. Questions concerning Space City's role in the Council should be directed to someone on your Board of Directors.

Remember, Texans were meant to ski and next year hopefully we won't have to paint it white.



**Bridge Party**  
**October or November**

*If interested call*

**Lynn Hammond 467-8354 or Eric Holm 448-4444**

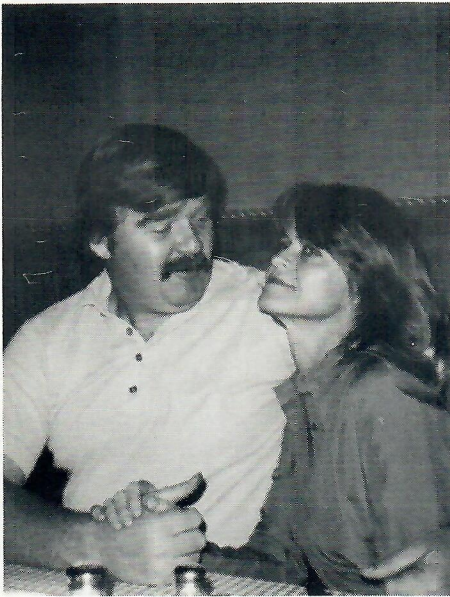
*A place for the Bridge Party must be found before a firm date can be set.*





# Markmaker

## BOB & FRAN MARWIN by Trish Page



**Bob Marwin and Fran Crawford** met in the summer of '77 on Bob's sailboat at the Houston Yacht Club--thanks to **Lou Schultz**--and have since become one of the most popular and active couples in the ski club.

On December 21, 1979 (after an 8 day engagement and 14 minutes to pick out a wedding ring) they were married, Bob went from an always single to an "instant Daddy" or as Fran puts it, she suddenly had "four children instead of three." To Connie, Wes, and Wade, Bob has been a welcome compadre for now Fran had someone to assist her at basketball, baseball, football, soccer, track, father-son banquets, and various other activities that kids get involved in. One summer Fran went to 64 games. Now you know what her outside interests include--the latest being "8th grade social studies."

This little gal (5' 5" to Bob's 6' 4") with that "native Californian" look was born Frances Anne Halamicek in El Campo, Texas (on a kitchen table). Her grandparents came to the U.S. from the country of Bohemia before it was merged into what is now Czechoslovakia. Raised in Palacios, Texas, where she attended high school and married shortly after, Fran later moved to California in '66 and lived in Huntington Beach,

south of L.A., until 1972, when the marriage split-up and she came back to Texas with her 3 children.

**Jim Benefield** was responsible for Fran becoming active in SCSC 4 years ago. In between being a mama and full-time student at UH, Fran has been to Texas Ski Week at Copper Mt., Steamboat & Winter Park, plus Vail and Aspen. During summer break she took Connie and Wes to Europe for 6 weeks, touring France, Spain, Italy and England. Snorkeling fascinates her, and she loves to read. Her other love--psychology-- is her major at UH, where she lacks only 20 hours towards her BS degree. After graduate school and earning a Masters in Social Work, she plans to counsel.

Bob Marwin (whose parents "came over on the boat" from Germany) was born and raised in Detroit, Michigan, and earned his BS in Electrical Engineering at the University of Detroit. The U.S. Army gave him a two year tour of the Far East and a front row seat at Bob Hope's Special in Thailand. Afterwards, Bob continued to work in communications as a "glorified field engineer" for Page Communications (which paid about 100 times what Uncle Sam did) for 3 years, traveling Thailand, Vietnam, Thaiwan and Hong Kong.

San Francisco was next, where he attended UC-Berkely, earning his Masters in Business Administration. Squaw Valley during spring break was his first ski trip. On a second flight to Houston in '75 to open an office for Analog Devices, Bob sat next to a guy

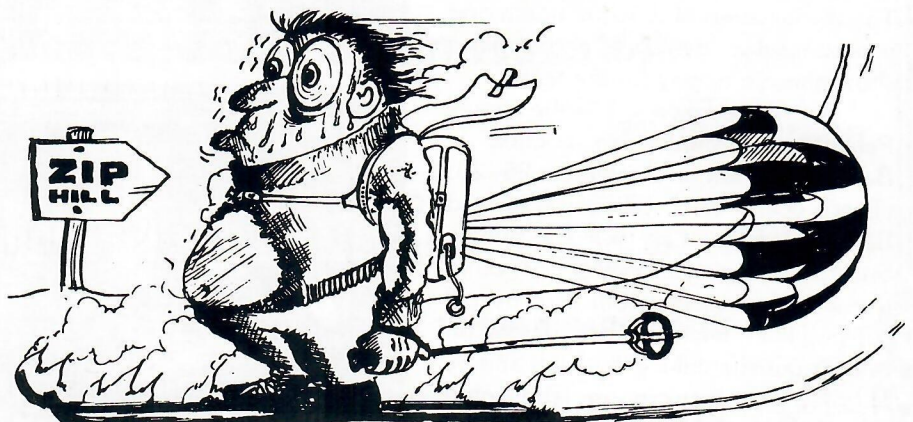
who told him about SCSC. Two days later he went to his first meeting and signed up. (His first day was spent at the Houston Yacht Club where he was persuaded to join by another Ensign Sailboat enthusiast.)

Establishing himself as a leader, Bob ran the famous Taos Magic Bus Trip of '76 (and again in '79) and was elected Treasurer in his second year--the "year of the rock." During this time Bob Marwin's wizardry came to light: He initiated the "Snow Wake and Seven Gin and Tonics Party" to sell the booze from 4 cancelled ski trips and followed with a barrage of margarita parties, shrimp boils, etc., boosting the morale and interest of ski club members to an all time high.

Active in the Follies, Marwin's Gong Show (On the Pot Report, Skating Wallendas, the Hats, etc.) brought the roof down. In the Perils of Pauline, he portrayed Dudley Do-Right. This year in "If My Friends Could See Me Now" Bob assisted with stage lighting and sound.

Telluride is the only place in Colorado he hasn't skied and he has skiiied everything in Utah. Bob's been to Texas Ski Week every year since joining the club, and says that with his new Rossingnol FP 203's and his new classification on his next birthday--it's "Look Out, NASTARI!"

Bob and Fran recently made a trip to Minnesota to visit his mother and sister and canoed the beautiful lakes of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area. Ask either of them, "How far do 2 quarts of blueberries last?"





## CHILI, ETC. NEWS

## Letters to the Editor:



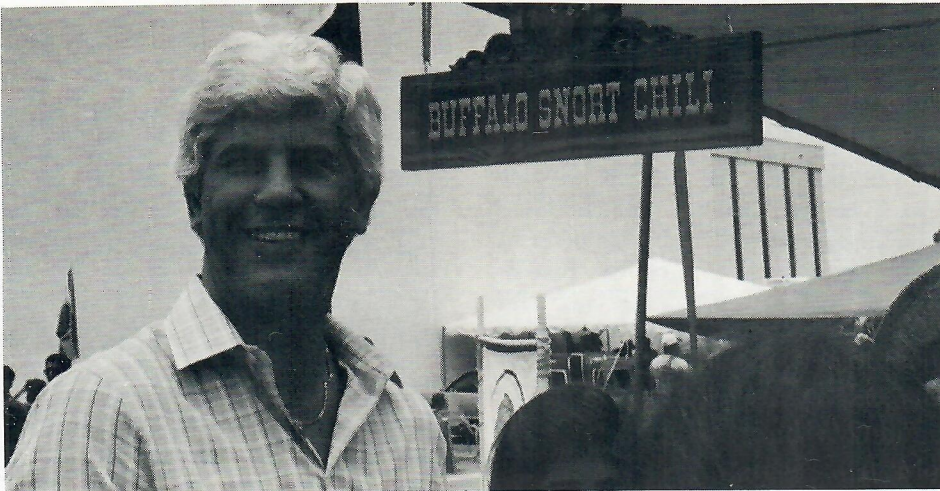
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### From the Editor:

The other evening after the SCSC Happy Hour, several people decided to get together for dinner. When time came for the bill, it seemed that the restaurant had put two tables of meals on one ticket. (The restaurant has received a letter concerning this unsuitable arrangement.) One can imagine the chaos created with about 16 people trying to sort out each individual's share. As it turned out, one person volunteered to put the bill on his card and everyone else paid cash. And, as has happened numerous times in the past to various SCSC'ers, the person ending up with the bill comes up short. When this point is brought up, it seems the same people are seen chipping in the additional amount, even though they have already given their share, to make up for the oversights of the others. I realize that when this many people are trying to divide a bill, that there will always be some problems. However, if each person would just remember:

1. How many drinks he/she had?
2. Did he/she have an appetizer, coffee, dessert, a la carte items?
3. The cost of the entree - if not, ask for a menu or check on the bill.
4. Add in the TAX for the meal?
5. Add 15% TIP?
6. Not leave until the person collecting has received enough!

The ideal situation, of course, is to get individual checks. However, many restaurants will refuse this extra paper work. This same problem will occur at the ski areas as groups descend upon the



Sy Liebergot is pleased to announce that the Buffalo Snort Chili Team has joined forces with two new sponsors: SCSCer **Keith Eastin's** new Bevo's Burgers restaurant and Presidente Brandy. Sy's chili is now a menu item at Bevo's and all of Keith's New York New York Pizza restaurants.

If you had been watching television on July 12, **Ron Smith** could have been seen banging pillows with Oiler's **Carl Mauk** on B.S. chili's jousting log. The action occurred during the Channel 26 Chilithon for Leukemia where Rockets' Head Coach **Del Harris** also visited the cooksite.

August 15 found Buffalo Snort Chili Team members **Sy Liebergot, Tom Mercer, Ron Smith, Glenn Bishop** and **Easy Thayer** at the Near-town Association Chili Cookoff in Montrose. Glenn coordinated the renting and running of a dunking booth to raise money for the Montrose Civic Association and provide some relief from the heat to those who wished to be a target. Engineers in the group referred to it as a "temperature arrestment machine." The combination of dunking booth and cooksite setup garnered a 3rd place showmanship trophy for the team.

The next cookoff will be the annual Pentathlon championship cookoff at Bear Creek Park on September 25, 26. (That's chili, beans, gumbo, stew and BBQ beef, folks.) Last year, the Buffalo Snorters competed against 99 other teams and were the 10th best overall cooking team mainly as a result of Ron Smith's gumbo making the finals and Sy taking top honors in the chili competition.

Y'all come!



TOP LEFT: Rocket's Head Coach, Del Harris at Buffalo Snort Chili Cooksite during the Channel 26 Chilithon for Leukemia.

ABOVE: "Who, Me???" Buffalo Snort's Ron Smith preparing for Jousting Log Round with Oiler's Carl Mauk. BELOW: First hit! BOT-TOM: Tie Score!!!





# Classified

## BIRTHS

August 11 was the entry day for Glen Kirk, 6 lbs. plus, into the home of Jack and Janet Phares in Lafayette, LA.

## MARRIAGE

Is the Bob Copple who renewed his membership this year with an additional portion filled in: Spouse: Elizabeth, the same Bob Copple we all know from Port Arthur, moved to Beaumont and soon to be back in Port Arthur?

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If you know of someone who is not receiving his/her Sitzmarke, please have them notify Jan Livingston 723-1331 to change an address or to correct an address error.

SCSC Directories \$2.00 each. Send check payable to SCSC to: Sue Bohnert

P. O. Box 55786, Houston, TX 77055

## THANK YOU

From **Don Shelton** to **Lynn Burch**, who did most of the leg work, to **Ray Tulley**, **Jim Benefield**, **Graham Barnes** and the **Sourkrauts** for the great food, and to all the people who helped serve the food, move the beer, set up the baseball game, etc. for the help in making the Bash a great success!

**Letters to the Editor** (continued from page 14)  
restaurants there, after SCSC meetings as people decide where to get a late night snack and even at Happy Hours if a group "runs a tab".

I do not propose any great solution to this, I only would like the membership to be more aware of this problem and hopefully get each person to assume the responsibility of his/her fair share.

CKR

## ADS

On your next ski trip, let the fun begin when you leave your front door. A Chauffeurs, Incorporated, driver will drive you in your own car to the airport. You relax in the comfort of your own backseat with no worries about traffic or parking. Your car is safe at home while you're gone. Call Linda Wise at 785-8402.

Advertising for the SCSC Directory is being accepted from businesses. This year, a special section will include a re-print of individuals business cards. To get yours included, contact:

Sue Bohnert  
467-5027.

## ODDITIES IN MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

From **Carolyn Reed**, this postcard was received:

Date 8-13-81

Dear ...Vice President Membership  
How are you? I am ...fine.  
Things here are ...hot, wet, rainy.  
The weather is ...hot, wet rainy.  
The family is ...in Vail.  
This week ...I am working too hard.  
Last night ...I dusted off my skis.  
Today ...I am dreaming about snow.  
Don't forget to ...remind me about my dues.

I can't wait to ...ski.

Love,  
Carolyn Reed

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From **Robin Ruff** - To be sure of the purpose of the check to SCSC, this notation was made on the "For" line ... "Purposes of insanity!"

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What **ATC's Check** (initials B.K.) was THE last one received by Jan for renewal?

## FOR RENT

In Park City, Contemporary Chalet. Ski to and from lifts. Sleeps 6 adults, loft for small kids. \$150. per night. Call Norie Johnson 960-1362, 4-6 p.m.

Luxury 2 bedroom Condo at Breckenridge - Pine Ridge Complex - Sleeps 6 comfortably. Weekly rentals. For more information: Wayne Renfro, (O) 777-1359, (H) 342-3469.

## FOR SALE

Space in the classifieds may be purchased for only \$5 / issue / insert. Contact editor if interested.

# Activities

## September

- 9 General Meeting - sign up for trips
- 11 Comedy Workshop
- 17 Happy Hour - Texas Steak Ranch
- 26 Get in Shape Day at Park - Fred Wright
- Racquetball Tournament - Jim Guild

## October

- 14 General Meeting - Photo Contest
- 16-18 Mercer's Campout - Paula Boughter & Gail Quenneville
- 22 Happy Hour - Circus

## November

- 14 General Meeting - Style Show
- 14 Casino Party - Jim Franz
- 19 Happy Hour - Austin Steak Company
- 22 Tennis Tournament - Charles Goodrich & Jim Plummer





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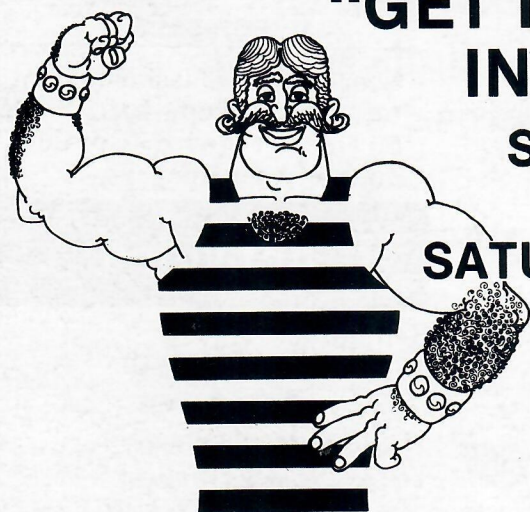
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MEMBERSHIP CARD enclosed.

## MEETING NOTICE September 9, 1981



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## "GET IN SHAPE" DAY IN THE PARK

**STOTTS PARK**

Waugh Drive

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

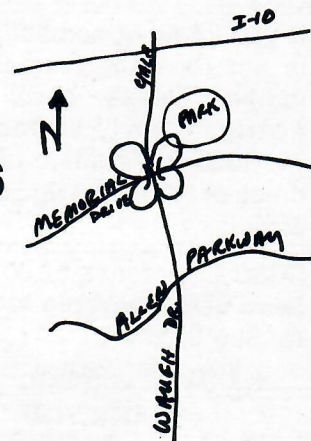
**1:00 — DUSK**

**\$1.00 / Person for Beer**

For Further Information Call:

**FRED WRIGHT**

**(H) 782-3547 (O) 782-3547**



**TO START YOUR EXERCISE PROGRAM (and see what shape you're in)**

## Back At The Ranch

☆ 5th Non-annual **MERCER'S CAMPOUT** is on again!

**DATE:**

**OCTOBER 16, 17, 18**

**PLACE:**

**MERCER FAMILY RANCH, CHAPEL HILL, TEXAS**

**PRICE:**

**Arrival on Friday — \$22.00 • Arrival on Saturday — \$17.76**

☆ **Cooking by Buffalo Snort Cookers.**

**ACTIVITIES:**

**Famous 5 Legged Race, Rope Pull, Mystery Egg Toss, Moseying, Reclining, Cow Watching, Eating, Drinking, Hay Rolling (?) and Worm Watching.**

**FULL AND FINAL PAYMENT DEADLINE: October 14 Meeting — Limit 75 People (No Refunds After Oct. 14)**

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SCSC and Mail To:**

**GAIL QUENNEVILLE or PAULA BOUGHTER — 4026 Woodcraft - Houston, Texas 77025**

**For More Information Contact: Gail Queneville (O) 877-8000 or 877-7885 OR Paula Boughter (H) 664-7885**

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