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# head of the liftline



by Bob Allgeier

Each year, SCSC's President has occasion to assemble and turn loose several special committees. Two very important committees have met several times and prepared their reports for the consideration of the membership. They are: (1) **the Nominating Committee**, whose recommendations appear elsewhere in this **sitzmarke** issue and, (2) **the BLSR (Bylaws/Standing Rules) Committee** whose work and intentions are discussed later.

First, lets lay out the election of officers and the associated schedule skinny. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the February General Meeting and **all** nominees will be toasted (125°) and presented to the membership. The actual elections and limited speeches will occur at the March General Meeting, which is also the official Annual Meeting. You can expect the polling procedures to be very secure this year. The first meeting to be run by the newly elected officers is in May and will

also be the meeting for the Spring Follies.

This last change from traditional scheduling allows another frenzied burst of voting at the April meeting (*is everyone following this?*) whereupon, you will be asked to bless or dismiss the recommendations of the BLSR Committee. They were asked to meet at great length and recommend some changes in Club policy and procedures in order to eliminate some unwieldy methods, inconsistent policies, and/or generalized complaints from nearly everywhere. Please read them carefully and remember to attend and vote.

Two other committees are planned. They are: (1) **A Travel Committee** whose task it will be to figure out how we can exercise more clout with the lodge operators and, (2) **a Scrapbook Committee**. There is, each year, a regional competition for best ski club scrapbook and this committee probably still needs members. Let me hear from you if you would like to help. It's a fun job, really!


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# copper mountain I

by Carol Ragan

After having had "visions of sugar plums dancing in their heads" the night before, 32 SCSCers met at the airport Christmas afternoon to head for a week of snow and skiing at Copper Mountain.

With an unexpected delay in departure time, most of the group headed for - *you guessed it* -- the bar, where many new acquaintances were made. But soon enough, the trip began with Continental Airlines "moving its tail" to Denver for a pleasant flight. Since the group has forfeited their in-flight meal to save a few dollars, poor-boys were made during the bus trip to Copper. With shouts of "hold the mayo" and "one with everything", the poor-boys were eventually distributed.

Tuesday began the day of serious business - skiing. For some it was more serious than others. **Bernd Schlickeiser**, **George Hirasaki**, and **Lee Bolling** were up and heading to the top by 8:00 each morning. As Bernd so aptly put it, *"This week, no time for kisses, just skiing."* With those two for companions, one would hope so! Two other die-hards of the group were **Carol** and **Dave Hull**, who even shied during the Oiler game. *(Some say they had to ski that much to keep warm since their condo was without heat).* **Andrew Johns** proved to be another dedicated skier who was seen zip-ping??? down the back runs daily.

After a full day of skiing, several members would be found in the outdoor hot tub. **Ron** and **Carol Collins**, **Wiley Weeks**, and **Reva Ables** braved those few cold steps to the comfort of the pool.

Beginner skiers **Rhonda Ross** and **Tariq Mian** looked anything but beginner by the end of the week. Those who skied with Rhonda said she was at the bottom of the run before they had completed their first turn!

**James Garrett** (alias "crash") was the only injury of the trip when

he strained his shoulder.

One brave group, **George Hirasaki**, **Marvin Meyers**, and **Carol Ragan** tried their skills at NASTAR. George took 2 silvers, and Marvin got a bronze while **Phyllis Allman** was catching all the action on film - especially Marvin's wipe-out.

Several ventured to Keystone and Breckenridge for "ski-the-summit" action. **Charles Dutton** made a trip to Winter Park to ski with his daughter and ended up making a late-night made dash to Dillon for the New Year's Eve wine and scotch. Thanks, Charles!!

Not all members of the group were for downhill skiing. **Shirley Holm** and **Reva Ables** got into cross-country skiing, new outfits and all. **Eric Holm** and **Richard Prestridge** tried the demo ski program and both bought new skis at the end of the week.

**Tom Bousquet** and **Rebecca Boatwright** were two among many to enjoy the 2 for 1 litres of Margueritas at Companeros.

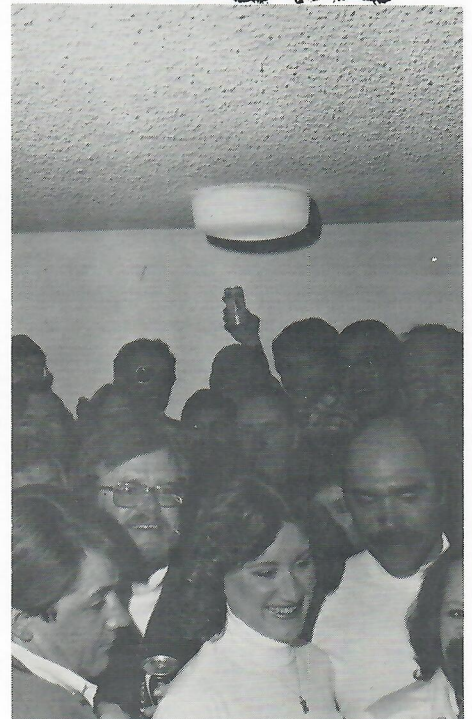
New Year's Eve was a busy day for all. To begin the day, a group including **Jlm Franz**, **Alan Simpson**, and **Lou Schultz** formed in one condo to watch the Oilers win while **Bill Doolittle**, **Marvin Myers**, **Carol Sussky**, **Carol Ragan**, and **Phyllis Allman** all joined together to peel the 25 lbs. of shrimp for the evening's gumbo. **Lou Schultz** was made official fire tender.

New members, **Carol Sussky** and **Wayne Garney**, won a dance contest at the Disco. Their prize, a case of champagne, looked an awful lot like a bottle of scotch. Meanwhile, **Myron Kolpack** looked like something from Close Encounters with his strategic placement of two party favor crowns. Spacy Space City - right, Myron?

Since the shuttle buses stopped running early in the evening, a pleasant stroll home after the Disco was in order. Right? Wrong!! **Richard Prestridge's** (who was seen earlier with a pair of women's



**Lou Schultz**, **Carol Ragan**, **Bernd Schlickeiser**, **Wayne Garney**, **Carol Sussky**, **George Hirasaki**, **Charles Dutton**, **Alan Simpson**, **Marvin Myers**. "What? No more dough?"



Getting to know each other???



long-johns keeping his head warm) trail-blazing abilities lack something to be desired. Leading his group through waist-deep snow at 1:30 a.m. is not exactly a pleasant stroll!! Somewhere along the line, someone lost her long-johns and one guy's glove was lost. What did you do, Richard???

The final day was spent fairly lethargically by most. **Ron and Carol Collins, Bill and Brenda Peavy, Ron Bartosh, and Bill Landfield** watched the Cotton Bowl game until departure time. The closing minutes of the game were heard on the bus with the driver going slowly so the bus would not be in the tunnel during the final minute of the game.

"**Kamikaze**" **Hirasaki** was the one exception to the no-skiing on New Year's Day. Even though it was -60° at the top, he started at 8:00 and didn't stop until 2:30 with thoughts of the upcoming Ski Week driving him onward.

Finally, arriving back in Denver, everyone boarded Continental once again for an uneventful, but again pleasant flight home.



ABOVE: Carol Ragan, Phyllis Allman, Wayne Garney, Carol Sussky, Andrew Johns, Alan Simpson. "Margueritaville in Companeros." BELOW: Left: George Hirasaki, Lee Bollinger, Carol Huss, Andrew Johns and Bill Doolittle. "Is this a line-up or a party?" Right: "The Shrimp Peelers", Phyllis Allman, Carol Ragan and Carol Sussky.



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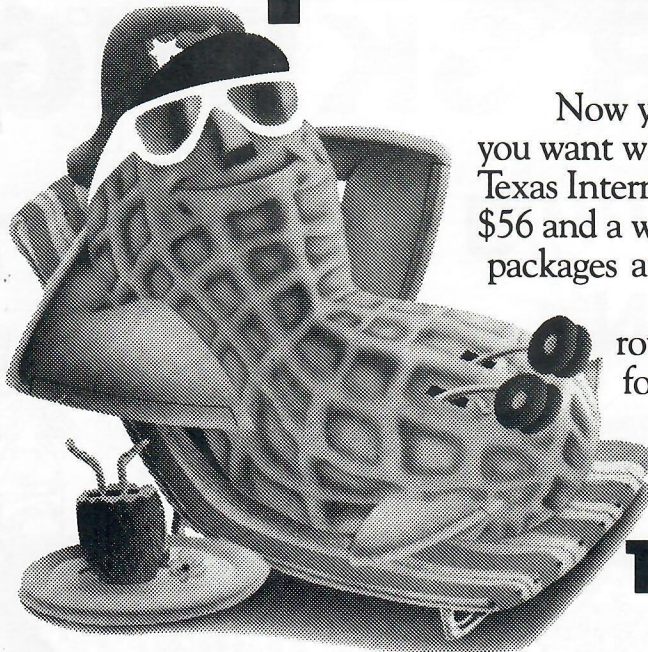
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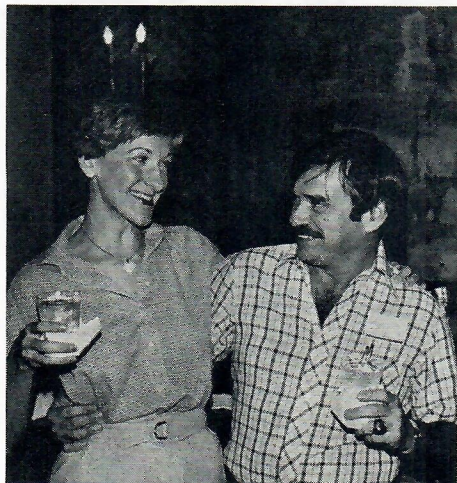
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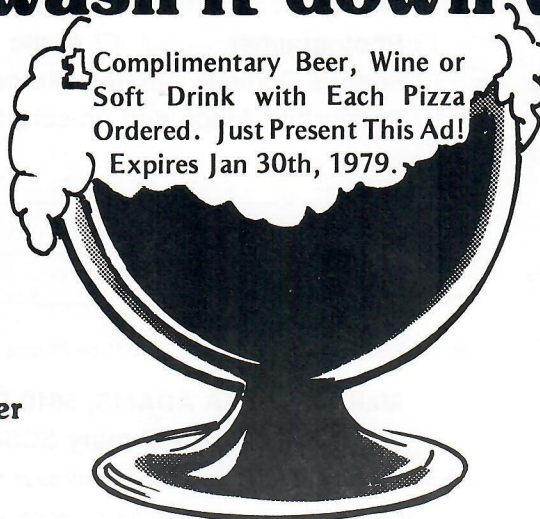
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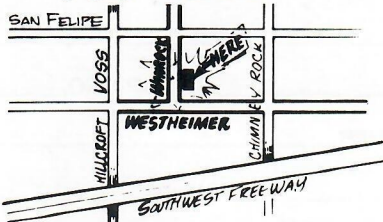
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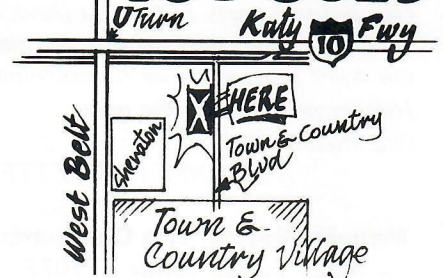


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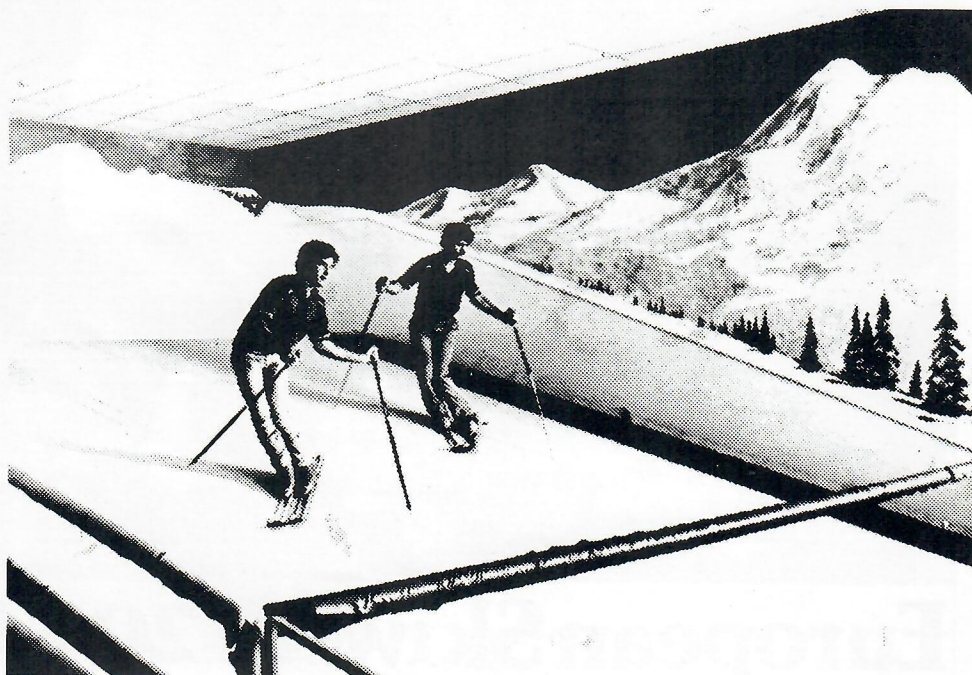


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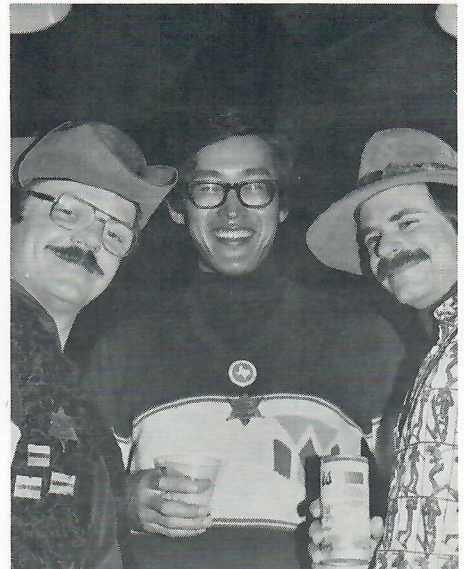
Well, that was how the week began, with hope and expectation,  
Ending with a lot of pride for our group's participation.  
You see, the cup that we all hold so dear,  
May finally have found a home here.  
Thanks to all, from Tiny with her four minute stroll,  
To Glenn with his 28 second race to the pole.  
And all the rest that fell in-between  
We showed we could win by just being a team.  
Now for the individuals in their race for the gold,  
Our men were much too anxious to lead the fold.  
George's fall can be blamed on his new skis,  
But, as I understand it, it was his greed.  
You see, Harry was our fastest to qualify,  
Only to get to gate three and be mortified.  
George anxiously waited, thinking now he'd be No. 1,  
Only to follow in Harry's path and soon off the run.  
Enough about the men and their terrible misfortune,  
Let's hear it for the ladies and the slopes they left a scorchin'.  
June was first in time and execution,  
To be followed by Judy with her strong constitution.  
Let's not forget Leslie and Diane in the top six,  
And to think they ran it just for kicks.  
Now aside from the races there were other events,  
Some unscheduled and some probably not meant for print.  
Following the group races and quite a bit of wine,  
This group of Texans shows the rest how to have a good time.  
Snow balls started flying, bodies started rolling,  
As the merriment really got started going.  
It was 'won't' and 'can't' and 'ain't' and shan't'  
And 'got ya' and 'oh no you don't'  
'Til the whole hillside had come alive  
And the only goal was to find a way to survive.  
Now back in the village other things were going on,  
I understand Bob Allgeier was nearly frozen by dawn.  
Because of a lack of heat, or whatever, in his condo,  
He purchased a dog we will call Fido.  
Now as the story goes, Fido was extremely hard on the sheets,  
So Fido was replaced by a cat we will call Pete.  
Pete was quite aloof, not the cuddly type,  
So Bob dropped him down his britches to warm up a night.  
Now that was the last to be seen of Pete,  
As I understand it he found a new suite.  
Which makes me suspicious that Steve found both Pete and Fido,  
As word has it he was in bed every night by eight or there so.  
However, another clue was to come forth that week,  
That Merlyn had found Pete, evidenced by the scratches on his cheek.  
But Merlyn insists that what got him was a plain ole snow cat,  
I guess we'll just have to find Pete to verify that.  
Now back to Steve, I heard you and Bob Gay discussin' your name,  
"Gucker, just think of a K instead of a G, they are pronounced the same."  
Whatever was discussed, I only heard Steve in parting say,  
"I'd rather be a little Gucker than Gay!"  
Now back on the slopes Ed Taylor skis his own unique way,  
With his left ski on his right foot or so they way.  
And Ed, I see you have a protective coating on your face,  
Oh, those are "snotsickles", my how do they taste?  
Oh, another rumor I must mention in passing,  
Anne they say you are now into bus hijacking.  
Well, enough of this corn and other malarkey,  
Let's hear it for the hosts of our week long party.  
Steamboat was perfect with its western attire,  
And Continental, your surely know how to fly!  
But let's applaud Anne and June for running the trip,  
To satisfy us all they surely had to have had a survival kit!



"Bon Voyage"



Pat Gibbs, Steve Gucker and Shirley Smith.



Rocky Schwartz, Dale Allbritton and George "Kamakazi" Hirasaki.



Jim and Anne Benefield. "You got yours last year, this year it's mine!"



# texas ski week - II

by Graham Barnes

There it was 4:30 Wednesday morning. What a ridiculous hour to awaken; but we wanted to catch a 6:30 a.m. plane so we could ski that afternoon (*more later*). Arriving at the airport, we found that there really would be breakfast on the plane -- but the plane was broken. Undaunted, **Jo Adams**, **Pegi Ballenger**, **Bob Adams**, and **Roger Peterson** started playing spades (?) on a nearby entrance/exit ramp. The passengers from that New Orleans flight helped by kicking the cards. This did not bother **Ryan Morris** who went back to sleep.

We finally were in the air about 8:00 a.m. With **John Terzakis** trying to assume the co-pilot's seat, we finally arrived in Denver where the chaos continued. **Jaci Day**, **Tina Rosada**, and **Gayle Stewart** among others had no interest in a 5-hour bus ride; but only **Bill Landfield** made it to the flight. How did his ski books stay in Denver?

Arriving at the Steamboat Village Inn about 2:30 p.m., **Mike Kowis**, **Sy Liebergot**, **David Marack**, and **Dennis Stockton** managed a cheap, single run -- only \$9.00. We found the accommodations were great except **Ray Hodge** and **Ray Tully** had only one bed in their room. How did you guys resolve the problem? That evening, **Randy Wilson**, **Frank Yu**, **Sue Yu**, and the rest of the group attended the first of our evening parties. This one was a joint gathering with the "long trippers".

The next day, **John Terzakis** and **Cliff Zapfel** entered the individual races. Some of the rest of us prepared for the Cup Race by skiing the fog (*wait 'till tomorrow*) at the top of the mountain. Others including **Nancy Worst** and **Cookie Reynolds** took lessons. That evening, **Milford Frnka**, **Connie Gillick**, **Robert Scott** and others joined the other Texas ski clubs for a Western Dance in the covered parking under the Steamboat Village. It

was rumored that **Barbara Baine** and **Janet Legler** coordinated a party in the halls later that night.

Friday -- Cup Race Day. That morning, the fog at the top of the mountain was reminiscent of Houston; your knees told you about the moguls -- you sure couldn't see them. Finally about 2:30, the SCSC groups began racing for the Cup. Fortunately, the races were lower on the mountain where there was some visibility. **Sy Liebergot**, **Easy Thayer**, **John Terzakis**, and **Bill Landfield** completed admirable silver metal performances. **Bob Petner** and **Cliff Zapfel** received bronze metals. Some of the rest of us wiped out in our hurry to get to the wine-and-cheese party at the bottom. Feeling confident of victory, **Easy Thayer**, **Graham Barnes**, **Spencer King**, and other SCSC'ers helped perpetuate a massive snow ball fight.

That evening, SCSC officially took the Texas Cup. **Penny Chancey**, **Donna Kidwell**, **Sue Bohnert**, **Linda MacFarland**, **Carol Schmidt**, **Roy Schmidt**, **Maureen Webb**, **Carol Yeager**, and others generally went crazy while drinking beer from the Cup and doing the Cotton Eye Joe. The next morning, **Maxine Silverman** discovered that another club's pin was where the SCSC pin was the evening before; **Robert Scott** did not approve of the trade.

Saturday was filled with more great snow and a beer race in the afternoon. Fortunately, no one was skewered on a racing gate; for that matter, the trip was without injury. That evening, Steamboat provided a torch light parade. **Carlie Seaton**, **Karen Morrison**, and **Ed O'Connell** remained at the picture window in the bar. There were also numerous parties in the rooms in the Inn that had a good view.

Sunday, Steamboat was left to recover on its own. **Tish Taitte** found a more interesting way home. the rest of us boarded the

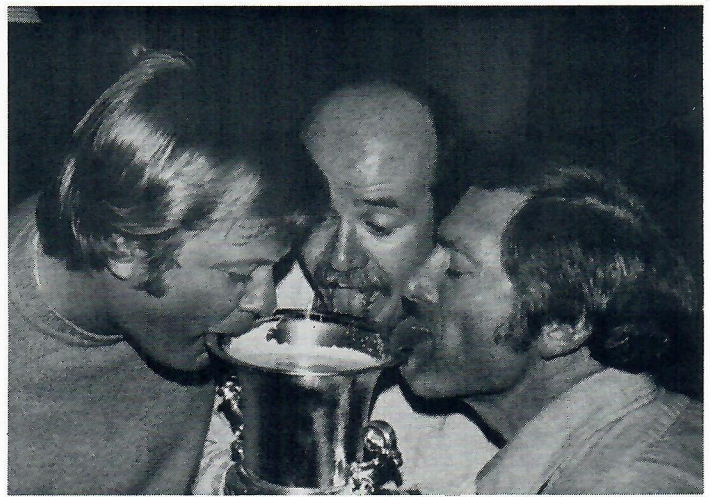


TOP: Cliff Zapfel, June Russell and Graham Barnes after the "beer races." ABOVE: Linda MacFarland, Diane Yarberry, Leslie Holmes and Linda Steele after the Cup Race. Little did they know of the incoming snowballs. BELOW: Keith Eastin, George Hirasaki, Jo Adams, and Art Camero at the first group party.



bus for Denver; but not before some final shopping sprees were completed. **Jo Adams** and **Pegi Ballenger** coordinated the X-rated charades during the return trip. Did anyone know that the Colorado package stores are closed all day Sunday? **Bob McAnelly** saved the bus trip when he provided some valuable intelligence just as the wine ran out -- many thanks. We finally returned to Houston where we again met the "long trippers" --at least we got our luggage.





LEFT: Judy Allen and June Russell with their individual trophies and the TEXAS CUP! RIGHT: Jim Benefield, Easy Thayer and Sy Liebergot preparing for the post-RACE celebration.

## nominees for scsc officers 1979 — 1980

THE SPACE CITY SKI CLUB NOMINATING COMMITTEE NOMINATES THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES TO SERVE AS THE CLUB'S 1979 - 1980 OFFICERS:

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These Candidates are nominated in accordance with the following Club By-Laws:

### ARTICLE V: NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- Section 1. *ELECTION. There shall be an election of officers held at the annual meeting in March. Election shall be by written ballot unless there is only one nominee for each office. The elected officers shall take office on May 1st.*
- Section 2. *DEFINITION. The elected officers shall be a President, Vice President-Programs, Vice President-Trips, Vice President-Membership, Vice President-Publications, Secretary and Treasurer.*
- Section 3. *ELIGIBILITY. The only persons eligible to hold office shall be those who have been members for the twelve months preceding the annual meeting.*
- Section 4. *NOMINATING COMMITTEE. There shall be a nominating committee of seven members elected by the Executive Committee prior to the January regular meeting. Not less than four nor more than five past officers of the Club shall serve on this committee. Current officers shall be ineligible to serve. Only persons who have been members for the preceding twelve months shall be eligible for membership on this committee.*
- Section 5. *NOMINEES. The Nominating Committee shall present one nominee for each office at the regular meeting immediately preceding the annual meeting. Any further nominations from the floor must be made at this regular meeting. Consent to serve shall have been secured from all nominees.*

The Nominating Committee met frequently over the past four weeks to consider many well qualified members for Club office. The Committee has assembled what we feel is an exceptionally well-qualified team of experienced and enthusiastic nominees. We appreciate their willingness to serve the Club.

It should be noted that the By-Laws allow additional nominations from the floor at the February Meeting. The election will be held at the March Annual Meeting. Please bring this flyer with you to the February and March Meetings.

Respectfully Submitted, 1979 - 1980 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Sy Liebergot, Chairman

Don Lackey • George Hirasaki • Ed Chambliss • Linda McDuffie • Janet Pickell • Bill Brooks



