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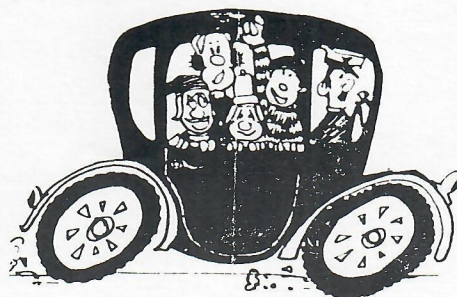
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GENERAL MEETING..... September 10
Hilltop Herb Farm..... September 15
Renaissance Festival..... October 6
Fall Softball..... October 7, 14, 21

(Every Sunday in October)

Mercer's Campout..... October 27-28
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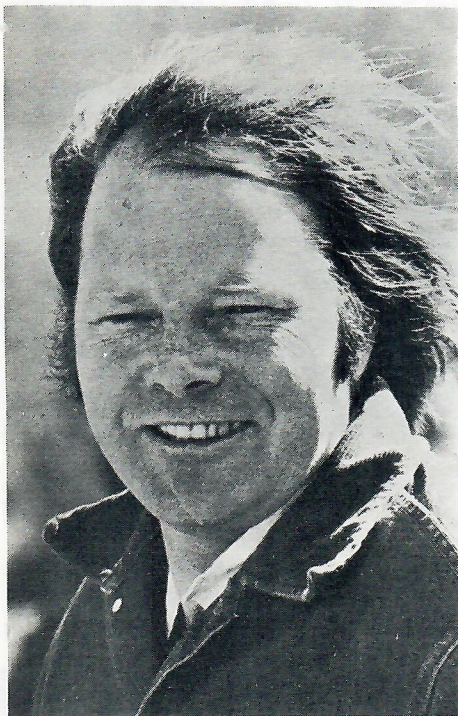
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- ★ September 13, 1979
- ★ October 17, 1979
- ★ November 14, 1979

head of the liftline



by Keith Eastin

Welcome to Space City's fifteenth season. The history and progress of the Club over the years is detailed elsewhere by **Miles Anderson**. We all look forward to another fifteen-plus years of skiing and socializing.

Easy Thayer and your Executive Committee have organized an array of winter trips to areas and in price ranges that are designed to fit the budgets and tastes of all. A special mention should be made of the work of the TC's and ATC's this year. As the cost of lodging and air and bus transportation has skyrocketed, they have met the very difficult task of holding the prices of trips below some astronomical figure.

Important changes have been made in the Club's Standing Rules dealing with cancellation fees for this year's trips. In the past years, we have noticed increasing abuse of the rules in signing up for and remaining on the participant list of trips on which members have little intention of actually attending. Individuals have in some cases signed up for as many as five trips and have eventually been in attendance at only one.

A typical scenario is as follows: a member (for lack of a better term, a "Phantom Participant"), not knowing when he would like to ski during the season but not wanting to be "left out", signs up for four or more of the most popular trips. He (or she) then remains on the participant list until the season develops - he sees which of his cronies are or are not on the particular trip and what his personal schedule is for the trip time in question. Just before final payment date, a month or so before the trip is to leave, he cancels and forfeits a ten dollar cancellation fee. Meanwhile, other Club members who have actually wanted to participate in the trip have avoided signing up because of a lengthy waiting list - they either make alternate plans or in some cases don't go on a trip at all. In addition, the Phantom Participant has contributed to the paperwork headaches of the Trip personnel and the Club Treasurer and has given a misleading impression of the actual size of the trip.

Your Board of Directors believes that the Phantom discourages participation in Club trips by others and unnecessarily adds to the paperwork burden. In an attempt to discourage members from signing up for trips on which they don't really intend to participate and in addition to encourage members to cancel early off of trips that they find they cannot attend, the cancellation policy has been changed.

The normal cancellation of ten dollars remains but increases as the time between sign-up and actual trip

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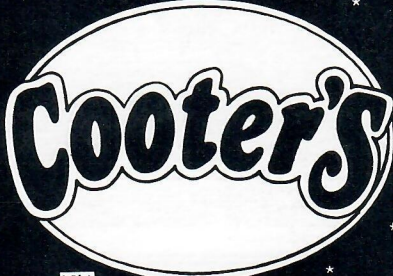
- [1] Arrive early at the September Meeting.
- [2] Wear comfortable shoes for long waits in trip lines.
- [3] Talk up the trips you **don't** want to go on.
- [4] Direct other people to the wrong trip lines.
- [5] Don't forget your checkbook and pen.
- [6] Bring your 1979-80 SCSC membership card to show 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.

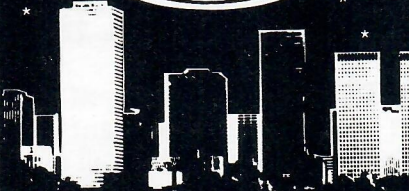
cancellation increases. For each month that a member remains on a trip after the month of sign up, the cancellation fee is increased by \$5.00. Thus, for example, if you sign up for Texas Ski Week at the first meeting and don't cancel until December 6, (*the final payment date*) the cancellation fee is \$25.00; the ten dollar base fee plus \$5.00 per month for the months of October, November and December. In no event, however, can this cancellation fee exceed the deposit for the trip.

In addition to this cancellation fee, an additional fee of twenty-five dollars will be assessed for each trip which a member cancels subsequent to his or her first cancellation.

The actual text of the new Standing Rules is set forth on page 4 of this issue and should be read for full details.

It should be emphasized that the Board is attempting to correct some past abuses in the sign-up procedures, and is attempting to encourage more members to participate in Club trips. We invite you to sign up for and participate in one, two or all of the Club's trips - but please try not to sign up on a trip if you don't intend to go.





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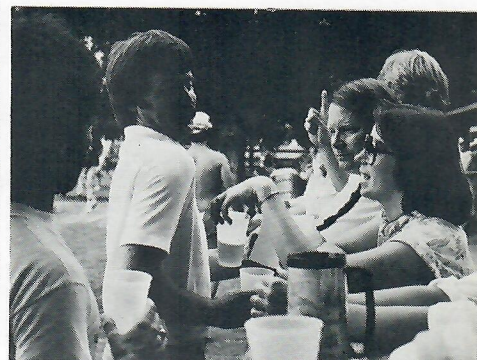
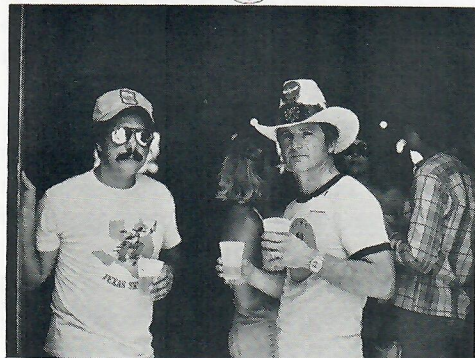
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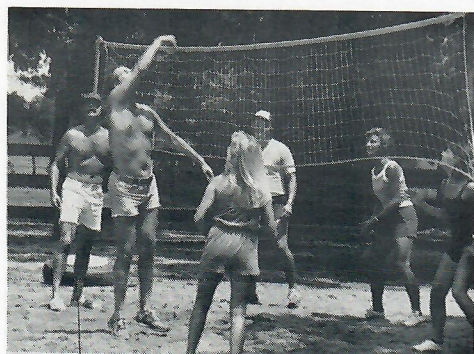


ABOVE:

LEFT: Cliff Zapfel, Fran Crawford, Sy Liebergot, Judy Combs, and Morna Simon enjoying the beer and viewing the activities of the day. CENTER: A large portion of the group kept the pool water rippling — who finally won the biggest splash award? RIGHT: In between activities, the fence was a popular meeting place — here, for Glenn Bishop, Tom Mercer, Keith Eastin and Fran Hill.

BELOW:

LEFT: One of which was an exciting game of volleyball with Stan Ferguson, Allan Simpson, Holly Pretti, Steve Kroger, Leona Schroeder, and Monica Williams. CENTER: A few hardy souls gave up the sun for the cool indoors and danced to the music of Ron Coleman. A friendly possum was seen sneaking around in the rafters, trying to get an earful, no doubt. RIGHT: Among the promised activities of volleyball, swimming, dancing, and softball, was also horseshoes. Trying their hands at it here are Spencer King, Art and Letitia Glenn.



CHANGES TO STANDING RULES

IV (D) "If a trip participant withdraws from a trip after the specified final payment date, the trip participant will lose his entire payment unless he or she can be replaced from the waiting list, or the Trip Chairperson is able to recover some or all of the participant's costs by cancellation of lodging, transportation, and/or other commitments. The trip participants will be entitled to the entire amount recovered by replacement or cancellation of arrangements less the cancellation fee stipulated in **Section IV (G) (below)** and any extra expenses incurred by the Club in cancelling any of the previously made arrangements. The trip showing a profit or loss will not be a factor in determining the exact refund due. Also, if the Trip Chairperson failed to exercise a reasonable effort in cancelling accommodations or finding a replacement, the Executive Committee will award the appropriate refund, less the cancellation fee."

IV (G) (1) "A participant may forfeit his full deposit if he fails to notify the Club, in writing, of his intent to cancel prior to the published final payment dates. A minimum charge of \$10 will be assessed for each trip cancellation, and such charge will be increased by \$5 per month for each additional calendar month or portion thereof the participant's reservation is held prior to cancellation **in writing** delivered to the Club; the cancellation fee, however, may not exceed the amount of the trip deposit."

IV (G) (2) "A participant cancelling from more than one trip shall be charged \$25 in addition to the calculated cancellation fee for each cancellation subsequent to the first cancellation."

scsc '79-'80 ski trips

TRIP	TRIP DATES	COST	FINAL PAYMENT DATE	TRIP CHAIRPERSONS AND ASSISTANTS	HOME PH.	OFFICE PH.
Salt Lake City Thanksgiving	Nov. 21 Nov. 25	\$349.00	Oct. 8	TC Marcia McElravy ATC Jerry Pyle	933-8377 721-7035	241-0804 662-2859
Winter Park I Texas Ski Week	Jan. 6 Jan. 13	\$349.00	Dec. 6	TC Graham Barnes ATC Tania Andrasko	789-6708 776-9754	656-6239
Winter Park II Texas Ski Week	Jan. 9 Jan. 13	\$269.00	Dec. 6	TC George Sanford ATC Ellie Stern	977-6266 664-1220	977-6266 790-1781
Aspen Traditional	Jan. 19 Jan. 26	\$398.00	Dec. 6	TC Vicki Schmid ATC Hank Faulkner	864-4166 665-4727	241-3966 678-5302
Vail I	Feb. 2 Feb. 9	\$445.00	Jan. 10	TC Carolyn Lowrie ATC Steve Gucker	723-0620 981-6663	667-5601 523-3697
Steamboat Springs	Feb. 9 Feb. 16	\$399.00	Dec. 6	TC Allan Simpson ATC Joann Kerr	448-2279 978-6989	447-0355 782-8370
Taos	Feb. 15 Feb. 20	\$219.00	Jan. 10	TC Bob Marwin ATC Sue Bohnert	772-4039 467-5027	664-6704 869-9371
Telluride	Mar. 1 Mar. 8	\$425.00	Jan. 10	TC Carol Ragan ATC David Walter	497-1183 784-1092	840-2487
Copper Mountain	Mar. 9 Mar. 16	\$365.00	Feb. 7	TC James Weiskopf ATC Beverly Fecel	931-0385 780-9502	789-8000
Aspen II	Mar. 15 Mar. 22	\$459.00	Feb. 7	TC Dave Reitze ATC Linda Steele	781-2957 528-6402	656-4908 961-5755
Vail II	Mar. 29 Apr. 5	\$399.00	Feb. 7	TC Leona Schroeder ATC Alan Bitzer	468-4609 729-1652	497-0723
Park City Spring Fling	Apr. 5 Apr. 12	\$389.00	Feb. 7	TC Jan Livingston ATC Art Camero	723-1331 488-7820	961-2425 428-5225

*All Prices Subject to Change

VICE PRESIDENT OF TRIPS

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Before signing up for any trips, please refer to the Head of the Lift Line column on page 3 for new transfers and cancellations policies and penalties. These procedures are effective immediately and no excuse will exempt any registered trip participant from being charged accordingly for a trip transfer or cancellation. If you have any questions, contact the Club President, Vice President of Trips, Treasurer, or either Trip Director for clarification.

Fifteen Years of the Space City Ski Club

by Miles C. Anderson
(a founder and past president)

In the fall of 1964 four or five friends that were skiers thought that it would be a good idea to form a ski club in Houston. Led by **Tom Cronin**, this small group decided to call numerous friends and associates to form a ski club and take a one week ski trip to Aspen, Colorado. Approximately twenty people met a week or so later at the Piney Point Golf Club on Westheimer and the **Space City Ski Club** was born. The first officers were **Tom Cronin**, President; **Rolfe Beaudry**, Vice President, **Ginger Johnson**, Secretary; **Omer Kircher**, Treasurer; and **Miles Anderson**, Trip Chairman.

The purpose of SCSC was two fold: (1) to ski and, (2), to do so as economically as possible. Small thought was given to the social aspects of the Club or to the long lasting friendships that have evolved. Several of the founders were very active in the Young Republicans and as the Y.R.'s were hosting social cocktail parties during this

election, we "liberated" their mailing list and invited many people to our kick-off meeting. At the first meeting approximately 200 - 300 people showed up, but the number of interested skiers was small. From that time on, with each meeting that was held, more and more people became interested in skiing and the SCSC was off and running.

Almost immediately the officers were approached by the United States Olympic Ski Team and the United States Ski Association (USSA) for membership and support of our international racing teams. Although we were a new Club with practically no bank account, we did contribute a monetary donation to support our US ski teams. Since that time we have always supported the USSA and received many benefits from such affiliation. If you are a new member today you would be wise to inquire into the USSA and its benefits.

As mentioned above, the first year

we had planned only one trip — a week to Aspen. Several people got rambunctious prior to the Aspen trip, so the officers of the Club decided to take a preliminary trip by bus to Ruidoso, New Mexico. About 35 brave souls weathered a sixteen-hour bus ride from Houston to Ruidoso and another precedent was set. Looking back at the bus trips to New Mexico, the sixteen hours going wasn't actually too bad with the partying, singing, etc; but the sixteen hours coming back was rather long (unless you were a marathon bridge player)!

In the formative years of SCSC we had problems that we don't have today. Due to the Southeast Asia situation of that time, aircrafts were practically non-existent for charter. The commercial airlines were not interested in charter nor blocking off seats on regularly scheduled flights to any noticeable degree. We talked to them all (including Air India) and received very little

Remember When ...



...Sy Liebergot first came up with an idea to cook chili?

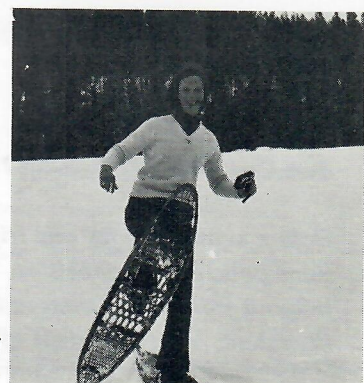
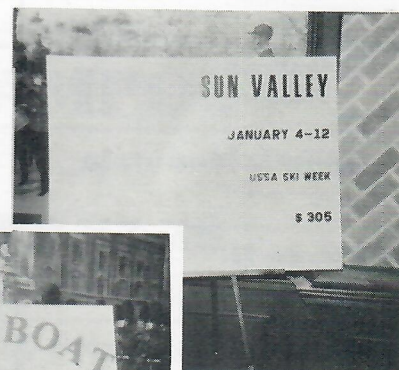
...Halter tops were becoming popular (for guys???)



...Ruth Roy had a thing going with "Big Foot"?



...A week's ski trip was affordable? (Hey, gang, would you believe this was the 1973-74 season?)



...and speaking of "Big Foot" ...

response. The bus companies were about the same. No one realized in the mid 1960's how skiing was getting ready to explode in the United States. Accommodations in the different ski areas had not been built to the magnitude of handling large groups. For example, on the first Aspen trip we had to stay in five different lodges to accommodate 93 skiers.

In our second full year of existence an editor of SKI magazine joined us on a ski trip and at the end of the trip told me that he felt we had the finest and friendliest ski club in the country. I thanked him for his kind words, but he went on to explain why he felt that way. He told me that most ski clubs die or break up after five to seven years of life. This surprised me and I asked him why this happens. His response was based on several interesting reasons. One was predicated on cliques and splinter groups that would break away and form new clubs. Two was petty jealousies or lack of genuine friendliness of the members and its officers. Three was lack of continued interest and growth. In the past fifteen years, Space City Ski Club has taken approximately 8,000 skiers throughout the United States, Canada and Europe. Our Club is 1,400 members strong and our officers feel that we will provide nearly 3,500 skier hours in this year alone — counting all trips and all people involved. We have expanded our activities to full year-round providing fun for great numbers of our membership. Participation in canoe trips, skating parties, softball games, campouts, tennis lessons, etc., to mention just a few, have further added impetus for a strong club.

I feel that the Space City Ski Club was, is, and always will be, the nicest group of good people that I have ever been associated with for a large club. I also agree with that editor of SKI magazine when he stated we were the friendliest and best ski club in the country. The first fifteen years were great and I think the next fifteen will be even better!

SALT LAKE CITY THANKSGIVING NOVEMBER 21-25, 1979



Jerry Pyle and Marcia McElravy

Your first chance to sample this season's snow will be the "no vacation days required" trip planned for Thanksgiving weekend, November 21-25. We will bid a fond farewell to Houston's warmth on Wednesday evening and fly via Texas International Airlines to the snow covered mountains of Utah. Our accommodations at the Hilton Inn in downtown Salt Lake City will insure easy access to a variety of shops, restaurants and historical sites. Chartered buses will transport us daily to nearby Alta/Snowbird and Park City ski resorts. Both areas boast sufficient runs to keep all 84 participants duly occupied (*regardless of skiing skill level*) for our planned four full days of skiing.

The \$349 price tag includes air fare, hotel, bus transportation, two cocktail parties, a post trip party and a super bonus — three days' lift tickets. Final payment date is October 8, 1979. Jerry and Marcia look forward to your joining them this Thanksgiving.

Contact them at the meeting or give them a call.

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WHAT HAPPENED TO SANTA CLAUS?

by Easy Thayer



Reviewing the 1979-1980 ski trips, you will notice there is no Christmas trip. It may seem like Santa Claus has decided to bypass Space City Ski Club this year. There are several reasons for not offering a Christmas trip.

Last year's trip indicated that a large enough group would not support a trip to a smaller ski area. High season rates are making Christmas trips almost cost prohibitive. Aspen requires a two week minimum lodging which caused us problems two years ago. Vail, Copper Mountain, and Telluride would not take a club group for a week at Christmas. Steamboat Springs required a 10 day minimum, making the trip cost exceed \$700.

The Executive Committee decided not to run a Christmas trip based on the above reasons. It was felt that we could not offer a trip that would attract enough participants to justify that trip. I would welcome any questions or suggestions for returning the Christmas spirit in 1980.

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3 You must not stop where you obstruct a trail or are not visible from above.



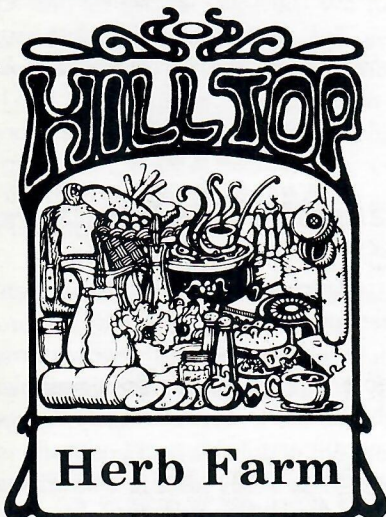
4 When entering a trail or starting downhill, yield to other skiers.



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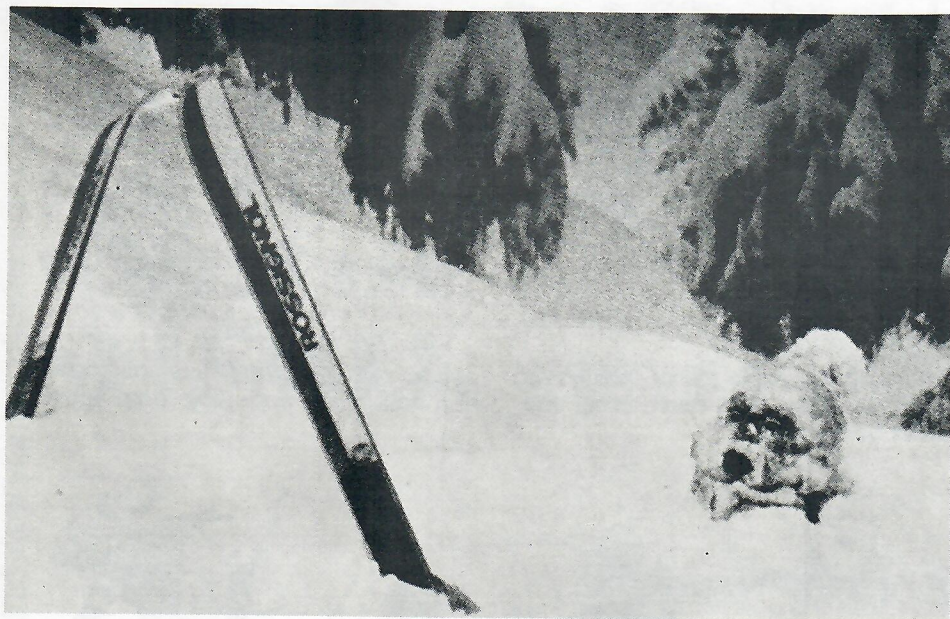
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"FALLING"

by Dan McKay



Taste-Freeze. Photo Mark Shapiro

I think I know what the "Agony of Defeat" felt like during his immortal fall that ABC used to introduce Wide World of Sports. You know the guy I'm talking about? I'm not sure his name is The Agony of Defeat, or anything, but he's some foreign guy — Yugoslavian or something like that. Anyhow, I took a fall today that was like that one. Big horror fall that took about five minutes to do. I was cruising the lower part of Gondola Line there where the fast snow is, and was going REALLY FAST. I mean I was rolling. Big GS turns all the way down. There's no moguls on the whole trail from Midstation down. No anything, just real smooth. So anyhow I was going for it all, and out of nowhere there's this cat track that wants to rip my skis off. Standing on the middle of my skis as I was, my knees kind of buckled, and the boots folded like a hinge on a barn door, as I jolted down into this transition in the once-steep trail. Long as I've used Banshees, I've never seen them do that. My knees just about touched my skis. Then a zillionth of a second later, I was on the windblown edge of the Thiokol road, and there's a lip on it like the back end of a Porsche Turbo. KaJOOONK, and I go through it again. Kind of like a puppy rolling down the stairs ... baBoombabaBoomba-

BaBoom. A wicked, active scene when you're right there and everything. My insides did a 360 in my ribcage, and my brain did a Las Vegas shuffle. My mind became a movie screen with 50-by-22-foot letters that spelled out OH-OH in bright neon.

No idea at all what I was going to do then. Luckily, I didn't have anything to do with the decision. I sailed for three or four lifetimes, and landed a few football fields down the hill. The seven or eight people who saw it happen skied over, but it was too late. And it wasn't even over yet! I hit the ground and lost all my equipment. From there, I flew some more, this time upside down. I landed and slid in a half-tumble, half-airborne fashion for what seemed another eon. When I recovered my eyesight (all my senses overloaded the circuit, as you may well imagine, and it was a while before I got things going again) the usual questions popped up as to what and why, but what I really wanted to know more than anything else was, "Who are all these people, and why are they holding my equipment?" Everyone of these eight people had something of mine in his hand. Skis, poles, hat, gloves, my mangled goggles, a SKI BOOT, and my season ticket. Couldn't believe I lost a ski boot

in a fall. They all stood there and threw my stuff into a pile like they were throwing flowers into my open grave or something. As I lay there, I heard them say things as though I wasn't there, or as though I were dead, or something like that. "Man, that was quite a fall. Did you see him do it?"

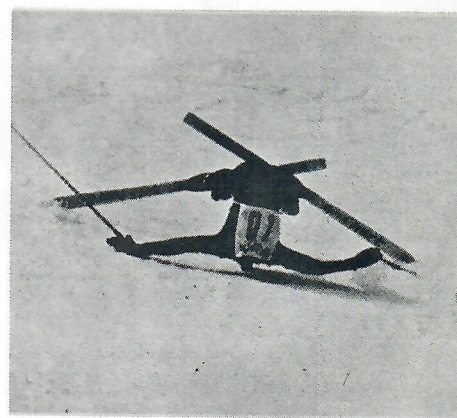
"Shouldn't we call a toboggan for him?"

"Better call a coroner."

"He's not going to get up after that."

I looked up and smiled and reached for my boot. To everyone's utter amazement, I was able to talk.

"The higher you get, the higher you get," I said.



Very interesting. An ostrich turn? An inverted tip-dragger? A flying lotus position? Very impressive. Photo: David Moe

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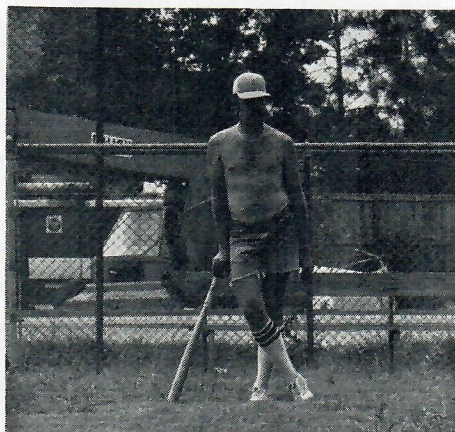
Diamond Data — That's All Folks!

Well, summer softball is over, those who missed it — must not have been trying to find us!

Thanks to **Jerry Pyle** for providing the equipment during the summer and thanks to those participants who made softball fun!



Rain seemed to make a weekly appearance at Woodway, too, but we managed to get a few innings in here and there. And then there were the true diehards who showed up on August 5; the rains came, but the equipment never did — sorry about that, gang!



If plans go well, we'll be playing again in October. Check with **Tom Mercer** or **Jerry Pyle** for when and where.

NOTE: The girl's softball team had an unlucky draw — they drew one of the top ten women's softball teams in Houston for the first round of the Chronicle Tournament. They played well but time ran out on them — go get 'em next year, gals!

The guy's team actually won their first tournament game but their second game was against some young whipper-snappers, and boy, did they know how to play ball! Ah well

Just remember what Chesterson said:

"I have seen the truth, and it makes no sense!"

Merc



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Saturday, October 6

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Spotlight

by Vicki Schmid



Beverly Fecel

She's animated. But Beverly says of herself, *"I'm not as nervous as I may seem."* It's just that she has so much energy to expend, it could make us all envious.

Beverly Fecel grew up in Beaumont. Her family moved to Houston when she was nineteen. At that time, she was attending Texas Christian University, working toward an English/History education degree. The only time she spent in a teaching situation, though, was when she was student

teaching at a high school in Ft. Worth. She said she was a little overwhelmed at the size of the athletes and wondered if she could handle a classroom of kids not much younger than she. So she came to Houston to work — as a secretary for three years, and a Xerox salesperson for the past three and a half years.

Beverly once thought about wanting to go into sales management, but has reconsidered, saying there is too much pressure involved. She enjoys working in the field and keeping in contact with the customers. One thing she would like is to have established accounts with some of the larger companies, instead of having to call on a lot of smaller businesses in her district. Sales can be grueling and demanding, requiring self-discipline and motivation. Remembering that it's just a job helps Beverly accept the routine disappointments.

In her spare time, Beverly plays a little tennis, jogs occasionally, and hopes to pick up more on racquetball. Getting more involved with the ski club is also on Beverly's list. One of the activities she says was most fun was

rehearsing for and performing in "You're a Good Skier, Charlie Brown," Space City's show for the last Spring Follies. Beverly was the cute brunette on the end of the chorus line in Snoopy's Party Time scene.

Space City's appeal to Beverly can be shared by many. With such diversity of membership, there's always another interesting person to meet, she says. And, at any Club gathering, whether on a trip or in town, she likes the fact that there's hardly any thought of work - just enjoyment of good company and fun times.

While still in school, Beverly tried skiing the first time at Vail. But Aspen seems to be her favorite place to ski. She's been there three times - twice with Space City on the Traditional in 1977 and 1979. The last Aspen Traditional trip was when she picked up the nickname, "Carlotta." The first night, following a long day of air travel, bus ride, arrival, dinner, and all the hoo-rah thereto attached, Beverly livened up the mellowed gathering by serving Kahlua and coffee with a Carmen Miranda flair! Si, si Carlotta, you can liven up anywhere you happen to be.

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BY AND ABOUT OUR PEOPLE

Congratulations to:

- A couple of our Missouri-based SCSC members, **Robin Carnahan** and **Lou Ferretti** who were married on June 30.

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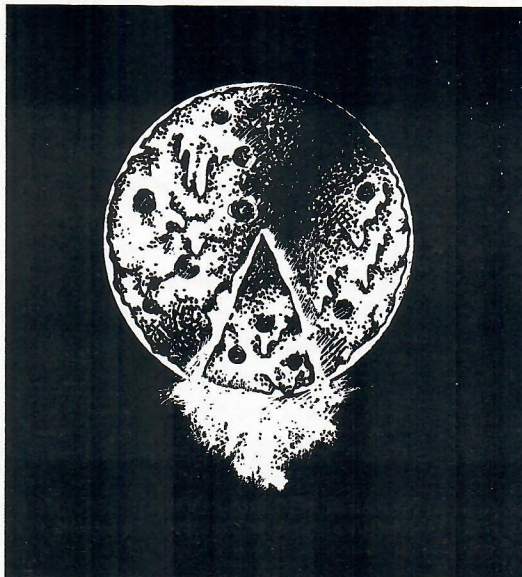
- **Joe Zuback** and **Carole Brenan** who were wed on August 18.

- **Tom Mercer** for finishing in the ranks of the money-winners in the state bowling tournament held in Ft. Worth last May. It took a little time to get the results, but a 197 average put Tom in the 180th place out of 2400 entries — good enough for an undisclosed remuneration!

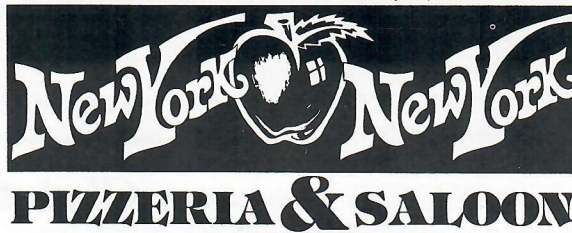
Welcome to **Janet Pickell**, our recently elected member to the Space City Board of Directors. Janet is replacing **Judy Allen**, who recently relocated to sunny California. We miss you, Judy, but have passed your responsibilities into very capable hands!

The "Sour Krauts" barbeque team of which SCSCer **Jim Benefield** is a member is hoping to reach the \$100,000 level in donations to Muscular Dystrophy for 1979. The team, besides competing in The World Championship held at the Houston Livestock Show and other competitions, sponsored the Sour Kraut invitational which raised \$18,000 for MD by cooking 4,000 lbs. for the Fools Gold opening, and headed up the KIKK Labor Day balloon race by selling beer in conjunction with Hillman Distributing and Schlitz Beer with all proceeds to M.D.

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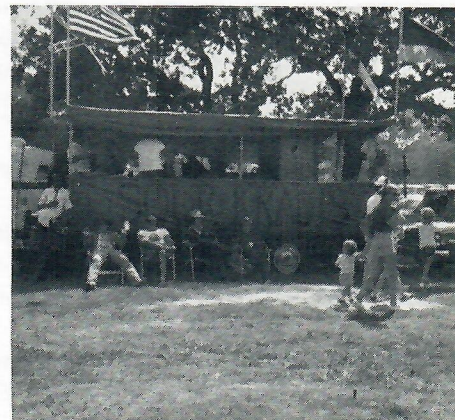
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Their pit is a fully mobile brick pit that was built on a tandem axle trailer. The key to good barbeque, Jim contends, is slow cooking with good meat that is kept moist. The team is made up mostly of persons of German descent, thus the team name. Many ski clubbers have enjoyed the Sour Krauts' saurkraut and barbeque knowing that all proceeds will go to charity.

Printer's Discovery: **Ron Smith** and **Sandra Palmer** have the same home phone number.



SCSC Tennis Tournament & Picnic

by Leona Schroeder

On Saturday, August 11, 1979, forty SCSC tennis players set out for Corinthian Point on Lake Conroe fully expecting a beautiful day of sunshine and outdoor activities. Who would have dreamed that it would rain when it had not rained for eight straight week-ends! It had been a very nice morning until 12 noon when everyone started arriving. This forced all of the good guys to head for the Club House. Have you ever noticed how optimistic all tennis players are about rain ceasing when they are ready to play in a tournament? Optimism wore thin by two-o'clock and after the pool sharks had exchanged money from hand to hand between **Spencer and Joyce King, Charles Goodrich and Roger and Monica Williams.**

At this point, it was decided that eating and drinking took precedence over tennis, and barbecue and beer was consumed in abundance. **Barbara VanDohlan, Bob Gay, John Martin, Vickie Roger, Dorothy Bell, and Marie Pfau** were the quiet eaters. **Jim Guild and Randy White** decided to launch their boat and managed to take every lady present for a boat ride or water-skiing. Seen on skis were **Molly Rhodes, Fran Crawford, Layna Adams, Gail Quenneville and Linda Steele.**

By this time, **Bob Tripp and Earl Beard** were getting itchy to play tennis and headed a group over to the courts to help roll-dri a few puddles. The tennis tournament was soon under way under the direction of **Leona Schroeder** and her assistant, **Linda Frantz.** The format was mixed doubles, playing four rounds with four different partners of the opposite sex. There were four round robin divisions and winners in each were:

Division I

Bob Tripp **Leona Schroeder**

Division II

Peter Fava **Jill Ramin**

Division III

Bob Fried **Chris Richardson**

Division IV

Dale Englefield **B. Owens**

A few special awards were decided to be announced in this news article

such as: "Sluggers of the Day" were **Randy White** and **Molly Rhodes.** "Best Finesse Players" went to **Lovie and Earl Beard.** The Beer Consumption and Hustle Award was a real toss-up among **Jim Plummer, Tom Fitzpatrick, Steve Gucker, Jim Franz, and Graham Barnes.**

Overall, it was quite a fun day of tennis, pool, boating, water-skiing, and volleyball. Some of you must ask **Roger**

Williams to teach you how to play "Liar's Poker" and how to keep your cigar from getting smashed while playing volleyball.

As a matter of interest, if you would like to participate in another Tennis Tournament in the Fall (in Houston), please fill out the form below and mail to: **Leona Schroeder** or call **Tom Mercer** or **Bob Tripp** for additional information.

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