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SKI MEETING

APRIL 14, 1975

Monday - 7:30 P.M.

Sonny Look's SirLoin
 Restaurant

South Loop West & So. Main

programs

By Wayne Ahrens

It's Spring Follies time again. Lee Grona and Winton Adams are in charge of this month's program which will feature skits illustrating the troubles of a trip chairperson.

Flatland activities for this month include a bicycle trip and a wine tasting. Be sure to make your reservations NOW for these activities.

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 Gene Holland - phone 224-8381

calendar of events

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| April 14 | Regular Meeting |
| March 26-30 | Vail-Easter Trip |
| April 18 | Wine Tasting |
| April 20 | Bicycle Trip |



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Merlin Harger on the Winter Park II trip.

committee chairmen

Liftliner
 Joan McInnis

Drink Tickets
 Annamaria Townsend &
 Joyce Sergant

Pins, Patches & Decals
 Wayne Cook

RMD Membership
 Kay Nevels

APPLICATIONS

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| Singles | 866 |
| Married | 432 |
| TOTAL | 1,298 |



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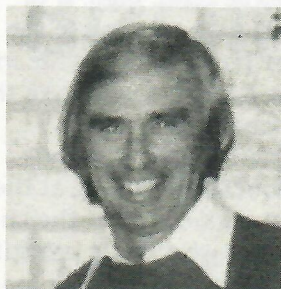
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from the head of the lift line



By Harry Gaston

MARCH

The Club has chosen its new officers. The membership owes a hearty thanks to those seven individuals who have accepted the responsibility of operating the Club during the coming year. These seven officers are only the steering mechanism of this Club; the power for movement comes from the members, who also give of their time and energy to make the Club activities a success. I

urge you to continue your active support of the Club. Speak up to these new officers and let them know how you would like to participate in the many areas in which help is needed.

It has been exciting to me to see new people introduced to snow skiing through the programs presented by Space City Ski Club. We can further promote the sport of snow skiing through our support of the Texas Ski Council and the Rocky Mountain Division (RMD) of the United States Ski Association. I encourage our new officers to support these organizations and our membership to support our new officers in their efforts to make our Club more effective in providing better skiing to more people.



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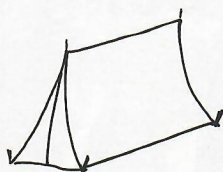
By Harry Gaston
(Read as Printed)

As this year's officers turn the helm over, I reflect on the year Space City Ski Club has had during 1974-1975, and the condition in which we are leaving the Club after a year of our efforts. The membership has reached its highest level, over 1300 members. Our financial status is sound. Ten successful Club ski trips allowed over 700 members to enjoy the finest skiing at the lowest cost available. Our efforts in supporting the Texas Ski Council have made it a much stronger organization which will benefit all member skiers in future years. The happy faces of our people returning from a Club ski trip make one realize that the work is worthwhile.

My two disappointments for the year were the largest number of ski injuries incurred compared to past years, and the rejection of the plan which would have provided one trip per year for our members with children to introduce them to skiing at a cost they could afford. I know our new officers will make a study of the injuries in an effort to eliminate all injuries in the future. I hope the thinking of our membership will grow to be receptive to expanding the services which this club could provide to the Houston Ski community.

Let us stay in touch throughout the summer by participating in the Club's summer programs. Do not hesitate to give your thoughts and suggestions to our new officers as to the ways you think the Club can be improved. This includes programs, ski trips, summer activities, and organizational matters.

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In closing, my sincerest thanks go out to:

Wayne Ahrens, who provided us outstanding non-skiing activities;

Tom Baldwin, who ran a most interesting and successful ski trip program;

Jeanne Neu, who kept the membership records accurate and current;

Diane Matthews, who spent many hours seeing that we received an excellent Sitzmarke each month, and secured the advertising to support it;

Linda Murphy, who hosted the Executive Committee meetings and promptly distributed the minutes (even when we might have liked to forget some things);

Bob Olson, whose up-to-date financial reports have kept me a nervous wreck.

These people have been responsible for the success of the Club for another year. They could not have done it without the help of so many of our members; and so, for them, I thank you all. You have been great!

WINE TASTING BULLETIN

by Gene Holland

As the Sitzmarke went to press, our March 21st wine tasting was still over a week away, and the Cellarmaster had twenty reservations. Interest in the sport still seems to be quite high. For April, we plan to explore the wines of Italy, both for the more affluent members who take their "loved ones" to Renata's Restaurant and try to look super cool while staring at the wine list, as well as for the cheaper fellows who invite beautiful starving girls over to their lonely pads for a paper cup of Chianti to help wash down a can of lukewarm Chef Boy-Ar-Dee. You know who you are!

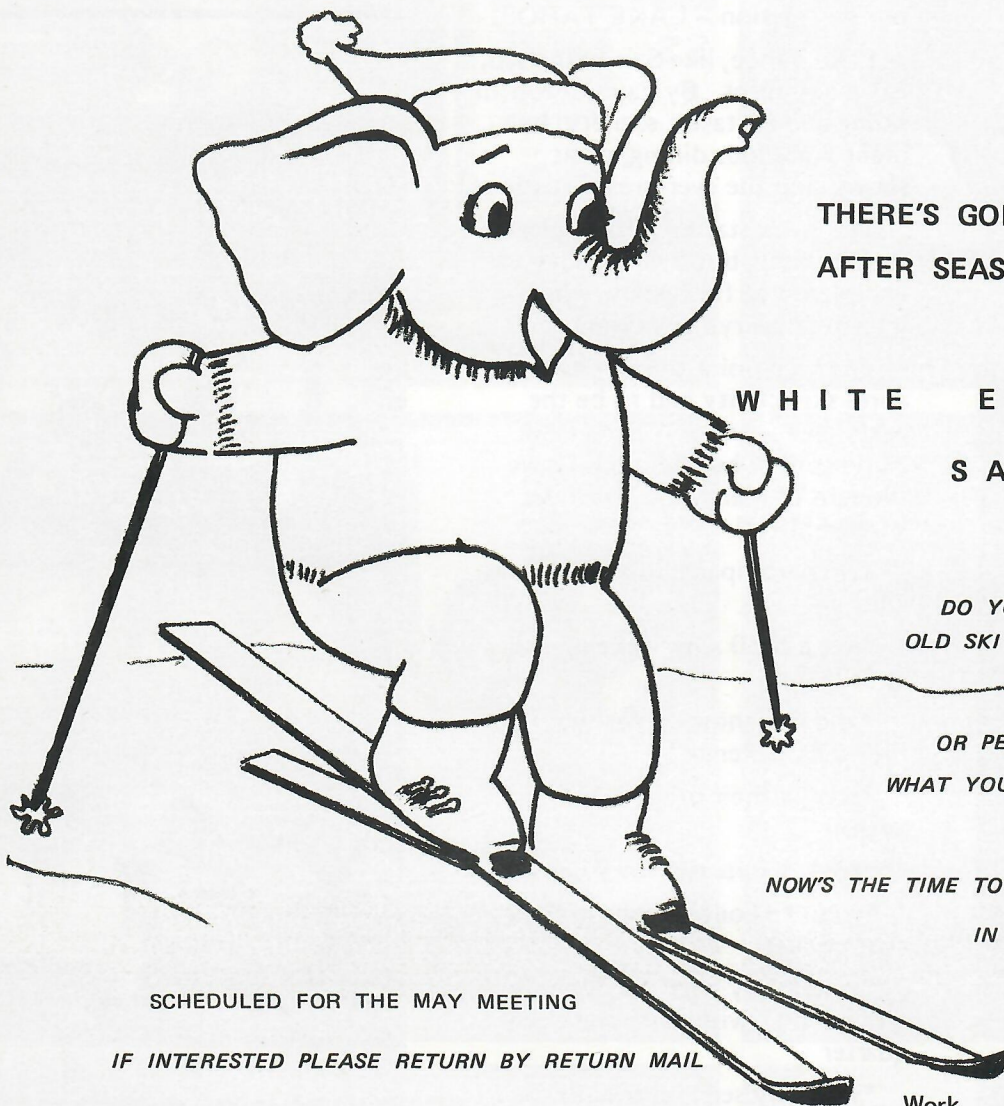
Cost will be \$4.00 to \$4.50. Reservations in Advance, folks. The date is Friday, April 18, at 7:45 p.m. The Cellarmaster's phone no. is 784-5280.

Join us for an enriching and rewarding experience that will help you learn to anesthetize yourself Italian-style, while seeking "La Dolce Vita" somewhere here in Harris County.

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LAKE TAHOE "81"

By Jim Grassman

"California here we come ---": 81 enthusiastic skiers boarded an American 707 for San Francisco. Cable cars, Fisherman's Wharf, Chinatown and fine food provided only a hint of the many sides of the "Barbary Coast."

On Sunday afternoon we boarded our charter buses to find out for ourselves if there

really was "Snow in them thar hills." By dark we had reached our destination -- LAKE TAHOE.

Lake Tahoe, like San Francisco, has many faces. By day - beautiful skiing and fantastic scenery; by night - fabulous dining, great shows, and the ever-present casinos.

The week started with typical spring skiing, but by Thursday we had plenty of fresh snow which improved everyone's skiing.

The high point of our club's apres ski activity had to be the party given by our friends from Harlingen. (who else would have thought of Margaritas, Nachos, and T-Shirts?).

Trip participants, do you know who -----

- *left a 5:30 a.m. wake-up call at 5:25 a.m.

- *did not show up for the "KT-22 Challenge"

- *missed their private ski lesson

- *took 5 suitcases for 7 days

- *found 3 soup spoons in their coat pocket

- *could only beat the "one-arm bandit" with someone else's quarter

- *was only seen on the ski slope - ONCE

- *found a nickel and gave it to a slot machine

- *tipped the Maitre'd \$20.00 to see Barbi Benton

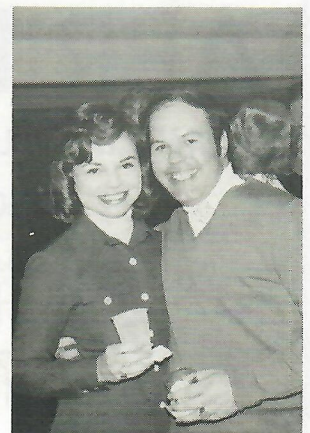
- *has not washed their hands since the Barbi Benton show

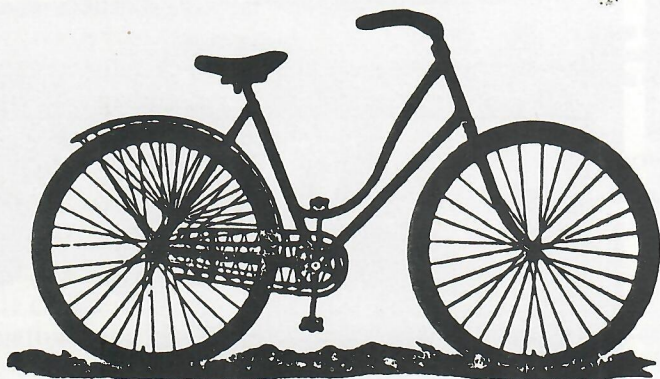
- *played a single hand of 21 and won \$10.00

- *caused the stickman at the crap table to say, "I can't watch both ends of the table at the same time."

On behalf of the LAKE TAHOE 81, thank you Janet and Steve for a great trip.







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Text by Bob Olsen with words by
Jerry Goldberg

Now that the ski travel season is over, perhaps you will be visiting other places closer to home. We made a recent trip to Dallas, that's the home of the Club that skied away with the Texas Ski Cup. Our trip was strictly business: work, sleep and eat. Or was it eat, sleep and work?

Good food and company (Jerry had the foresight to bring along one of the fine lady accountants from his CPA firm) always improves a business trip. We visited a variety of restaurants as follows:

THE SIRLOIN AND SADDLE
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Stemmons serves standard steak house fare in standard surroundings with standard service at standard prices. If STANDARD appeals to you, as it did the night we ate there, you will not be disappointed. More adventurous souls, with bigger pocket books, will want to try Mario's.

MARIO'S is located in Turtle Creek Village. . . call and ask for directions at LAI-1135. Mario's Magnificent Feasts feature pasta dishes \$6 to 7, fish, fowl, beef and special veal dishes in the \$8 to 11 range. The Lasagna was super with a deep red subtly spiced tomato sauce over what seemed to be green spinach noodles and light ricotta cheese.

The veal dishes were prepared with tender loving care. The veal piccata was served in a delicate sauce reminiscent of garlic, lemon and butter and a hint of cheese of unknown origin. The Veal and Scampi came with tiny lobster tails which provided a perfect comple-

ment to the tender veal.

To complement the succulent cuisine and fine wines the restaurant and staff have developed the fantasy of elegant dining and they are, of course, in the stratosphere. The red velvet wallpaper, inattentive service and barking coat check person belie any real elegance.

MARIANO'S sounds like Italian Mario's but Tastes Mexican. After my second visit I still have not made it to the dining room. Instead we recommend making a meal of Combination Platters of tasty cheese, beef and/or bean Nachos in the lounge. Live entertainment, good drinks and the best people watching in Dallas make for an enjoyable evening. Jerry says that Mariano's is Nuevo Laredo - Texas style. I've never been there, what does he mean?

Last, but not least, is FRIDAY'S Friday's in Dallas is Friday's in Houston.

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winter park

by Ray Coker

Well, the "We finally made it" group of 44 SCSC skiers were really up for this trip (Winter Park I fell to no snow). So up, that Billy Carter, Charles Snider, James Stewart and Chet Stevenson arrived at the airport four hours early for lunch, drinks and more drinks, and the entire group checked in 40 minutes before departure time.

The flight to Denver on Continental Airlines was so smooth and the luggage transfer so speedy that within minutes we were on our way to Winter Park. After leaving the airport I made a head count - 2....4....6.....40...42...43. OH NO! We left Marie Brocato at the airport. I wonder what the taxi driver charged to catch us so fast.

The singers in the rear of the bus kept us entertained until we arrived. After some confusion, everyone finally found their rooms, settled in and then returned to the club room for a Welcoming Party of wine and cheese fondue, given by Meadow Ridge Condominiums.

The snow we ordered for the trip was great. It snowed on us all four days. I couldn't find the switch to turn it off. The ski conditions were excellent and we did see the sun a half day on Saturday and most of Sunday.

The Winter Park Association gave us a wine and cheese party in the Balcony House at the base of the mountain on Thursday. We had a cocktail party at the Meadow Ridge club room Friday evening. Saturday we had our Buffet Lunch with wine and cheese up on the mountain. The parties were well attended and enjoyed by all.

Our bus took several groups to town each night for evening dining, entertainment, and dancing at



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Corona Station, the Sitzmark, the Place To Be, Adolf's and the Slope Inn.

Three brave souls, Judy Allen, Merlyn Harger and Mike Kelly skied in the NASTAR races (no metals, drats). Jack Forman (the mad photographer) took 200 color slides and still had time to ski. Our only injury was to Cled Wallace when he twisted his knee on the second afternoon.

Claude and Virginia Robertson and Karlton Kemp helped celebrate Nancy Kemp's birthday, with flowers yet. Two ski bunnies, Rita Marsh and Violet Armour took a wrong turn, wound up on expert slope "Over and Underwood" and arrived at the tail-end of our party - wine and cheese all gone.

Ed McGee and Jim Janik were said to be star students in the "Chicken Little" ski school. Eddi Ek wore his camouflage suit but for some reason it didn't hide him in the snow. I have documented evidence that Mike Birowski and Linda MacFarland were imitating the Winter Park Poster skiers while riding the lifts. Jim Newlin provided a bota filled with brandy each day which kept us from freezing and also made us better skiers.

Special Thanks and a big bouquet of beautiful White Snow Roses to :

*Billy Carter for the corkscrew to open the wine on the bus.

*Marie Brocato and Bob Goldsmith for serving as self-appointed social chairpersons and planning evening group activities.

*Jim Newlin and Mike Birowski for helping anywhere and everywhere.

*Judy Allen, my assistant, for the party needs and being in



the right place at the right time.

*Sandy Coker for just putting up with me and giving badly needed moral support.

*Steve Erickson, our bus-driver, for a job well done and all the extra side trips.

*Jim Davidson, Glenda Flanagan and John Judy of the Winter Park Association for the fantastic party and all of the great help they gave us.

*Merlyn Harger for helping to feed the entire bus on the trip back to Denver.

*Jack Forman for the super great slide show at our Post-Trip party.

*All the trip participants for making this trip a roaring success.

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