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SKI MEETING

MAY 12, 1975

Monday - 7:30 P.M. Sonny Look's SirLoin Restaurant

South Loop West & So. Main

"1313"

1974-1975 was a banner year for Space City Ski Club. Year-end membership was a lucky 1313. This is an increase of 10.7% over the previous year. In addition, 683 guests attended meetings. In order to participate in an ever luckier year that is being planned, be sure to complete the membership application in this issue.

program

BRING YOUR EXCESS SKI ITEMS AND CASH TO THE MAY MEETING FOR THE LARGEST AND FIRST SCSC WHITE ELEPHANT SKI SALE ALSO NEW MOVIES FOR THE **EVENING ON CANOEING**



SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Canoe Trip - Guadalupe May 17

Canoe Trip - Armand Bayou May 31*

Bavarian Gardens June 6

S. Padre Island - Mexico June 27-29

Annual SCSC Luau July 4

Horse Races - Lafayette July 26-27

Scuba Diving & Camping - Austin August 15-17*

Herb Farm September 6 *

Sail Boat Outing at Red Fish Island September 20-21*

Ice Skating October 26*

* Date subject to change.

SITZMARKE DEADLINES -

- May 16, 1975
- June 13, 1975
- July 18, 1975
- August 15, 1975
- September 12, 1975
- October 17, 1975
- November 14, 1975
- December 12, 1975
- January 16, 1976
- February 13, 1976
- March 12, 1976
- April 16, 1976

APPLICATIONS

End of Month - April 1975

TOTAL 1,313

COVER

Courtesy of Houston Business lournal.

from the head of the lift line



By Bob Olsen

MANY THANKS to those members who have expressed their support of the 1975-1976 officers through offers to help on various activities. Your contibution of time and effort strengthens Space City Ski Club and provides personal satisfaction through introducing others to the fellowship of snow skiing.

NEWCOMERS are espec-

ially welcome to get involved. Let any officer know of your interest in helping. If you are not asked to help right away . . . do not give up . . . keep pushing.

Each year the planning for the following year takes place a little earlier. No sooner had I returned from the Vail Easter Trip than Trips V.P. Bob Allgeier had a proposed trip schedule for next year. While most of us are hiking, biking and canoeing, the executive committee will be THINKING SNOW ALL SUMMER LONG! Some reservations have already been placed and airline space reservation work began way back in March!

MEETING ATTENDANCE continues to run high. Almost 300 members and guests watched the Grona and Adams Production of FOLLIES. The May Meeting Swap Shop (Ski Flea Market?) looks like it will provide many bargains. We will also vote on the *amendment to the by-laws* which we forgot to do during the April meeting.

1975-1976



membership renewal now due

MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

Due to the change in the club By-Laws concerning membership, ALL of those who have not renewed by August 1, 1975 will have to register as guests at the September meeting. PLEASE USE THE ENCLOS-ED MEMBERSHIP APPLICA-TION TO BE SURE THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN TO YOU!

CanoeTrip

COME CANOE THE GUADALUPE RIVER OR ARMAND BAYOU WITH SCSC.

Date:

May 17, 1975

Date:

May 31, 1975

Place:

Guadalupe River

Place:

Armand Bayou

Trip includes canoe only. Complete

Cost:

\$26.00 per Person

Cost:

Approx. \$6.00 per person

Trip includes bus ride to New Braunfels, approximate 10-mile canoe trip, beer and barbeque dinner afterwards.

details at the May Meeting.

Contact at May Meeting will be

MICHELE HUGHEN

Trip Leader will be JOHN BERLINGHOFF

Purgatory - Telluride

By Bob Petner

They say "getting there is half the fun", but sometimes I wonder! At the airport, 42 members found the plane that was supposed to have taken us to Albuquerque had broken down. Some very nice people pulled the right strings and a bunch of "non-skiers" ended up being the ones without a plane. Our plane didn't exactly follow the crow's flight but we did arrive almost on time. The bus ride to Purgatory Ski Area was not as bad as most people thought it would be but the arrival at Purgatory was too bad to be true. Our bus driver deposited us "just down the road" from our condominiums. Carrying skis, boots, poles and suitcases up a hill half a mile at three in the morning is not my idea of "getting in shape for the slopes"!

The morning came quickly and with it the start of many good times for all. The sun was shining brightly on the snow that had fallen on us all during the night. Purgatory provided us with what it takes to make a group of skiers happy. Its great variety of trails were groomed as well as a golf course. The absence of a "built-in" night life proved no hindrance to the creative and fun-loving members of the Space City Ski Club. Who else could ride to a restaurant in the back of a pickup at 60 MPH in six degree weather and laugh all the way? At first we thought there were no restaurants at all, but with a lot of effort above and beyond the call of duty, my co-chairman, Ann Cornish, saved the day by setting up arrangements with the restaurants for our three nights in Purgatory. Thanks!

Happiness is a bus that picks you up at the condominium! The scenic route through the "Little Switzerland" of Colorado over the Continental Divide is indescribable. It was so beautiful - you would have to see it to believe it! Wine, cheese, salami and a loaf of bread made the bus trip even faster. We arrived at Telluride Lodge a little ahead of schedule and therefore had time to walk into town that night. Wow! Watch out, Aspen! The town and the people made up a magic that was very easy to take!

The warmth and sunshine made it very comfortable and also brought spring skiing. The people at Telluride Lodge set up a wine and cheese party as well as an obstacle course Race that proved to be lots of fun. It brought back memories of that famous race between the turtle and the hare. There was no shortage of gourmet restaurants or night life at Telluride and SCSC'ers made the most of that. We made a few of the locals honorary members of SCSC and many of the locals made us honorary citizens of Telluride.

The trip back to Houston was typical. No one enjoys ending a good ski trip or parting from new friends. Be it ever so humble there's no place like home except when you've been on a Space City Ski Club trip!

Special mention and thanks go to:

Ann Cornish, for all her efforts toward the parties, expecially in Purgatory when things were so difficult.

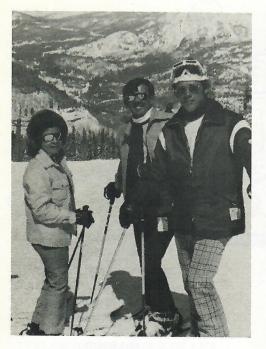
Duff Trimble, for his constant cheerful assistance whenever it was needed and to his wife, Angie for being so understanding.

Mike Kelly, for his unselfish assistance whenever medical attention was required.

Everyone on the trip for being so willing to overcome unforseen obstacles and making the job of your trip chairman an honor rather than a task.









PURGATORY - TELLURIDE

Opposite Page, above: Typical building in town at Telluride. Below: Jan Hart, Bob Petner, and Nancy Ainsworth fixing breakfast in Telluride lodge condo. This Page, above left: Angie and Duff Trimble with Jim Singer on the slopes. Above right: Randy Harrington with Linda MacFarland and nose warmer (SCSC prize for the redest nose on the trip.) Below left: Jan Hart, Bob Petner and Janis Hughen at Champagne Party at Purgatory. Below: Jacques Schalch challenges Linda MacFarland at SCSC Obstacle Race.



Here's Nancy Scott's poetic view of the trip.

How naive we were that Friday afternoon

Trusting we'd be in Purgatory soon

Trusting we'd be in Purgatory soon, With luggage delivered direct to our room.

Saturday morning up and out to the slope.

One and all filled with high hope For finding a trail with which we could cope.

Some of us sort of doubted our luck Riding into the Columbine in a pickup truck;

And then the truth: the food was "yuck."

We had a much better deal at Elkrun; No one's steak was overdone, And we showed the natives the bump is fun.



Monday we had cheese and wine, Then raced to the Asgard to dine On spaghetti that was cooked just fine.

It was a real experience to stay at Brimstone,

Six to a condo, most without a phone.

The bathtub was the only place to be alone.

Tuesday the sun still didn't hide; Our faces burned till we thought we'd died,

And we look forward to the trip to Telluride.

The drive to Telluride was out of sight.

The highway rose to such a height We felt as though we'd taken flight.

Wednesday morn found some of us pale;

Icy conditions caused courage to fail, Except for those who took the Coonskin trail. More wine and cheese were ours on Thursday,

And we ran races over bales of hay, But the "virgin clutch" got in some people's way.

Snow on Friday improved the skiing And gave us more of a sense of wellbeing,

But we still couldn't believe the hippies we were seeing.

And this brings us to the Roma Bar, And John, Doug and Mark, each one a star-

Space Rangers watching us from afar.

We knew there'd be injuries, there was never a doubt,

Jan's tooth, Bob's ankle, Nancy A. got knocked out;

Risk is part of what skiing's about.

Saturday was perfect to stay in the sack,

But we had all that dirty underwear to pack;

Why, oh, why did we have to come back?

Eatzmarke Eatzmarke Eatzmarke

By Bob Neiman

One of my favorite skiing expressions is if you haven't fallen and gotten a mouthful of snow, you haven't been skiing hard enough. Not all of my friends agree with this, even my dog Snoopy has warned me about eating yellow snow.

Being a snow connoisseur will not be very appropriate around Houston for the next few months. While we wait for the next serving of Thanksgiving snow in Salt Lake City, here is a sampling of recommended EATZ out places where I have not eaten snow since arriving in the Houston area last fall.

.....BREAKFAST

BRENNAN'S (3300 Smith St.)

Its not New Orleans, but brunch on Saturdays (Bloody Mary's and eggs benedict) is very good. They now have a folk brunch on Saturdays. Watch out where you park your car - someone smashed into mine in the parking lot while I was brunching.

HOUSTON CLUB (Downtown-Houston Club Building)

Find someone who is a member, starve yourself on Saturday, and go to Sunday brunch - the best in Houston.

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE OF PANCAKES (5525 Memorial)

A variety of pancakes and

syrups plus other normal breakfast fare. Also, your own pot of coffee. Usually good service. Open 24 hours. Skip it if you are watching your weight.

STOFFERCELLI'S (on Winrock)

Serving community brunch on Sunday's only. Specialty - Finch egg omelets with stuffed fish. Call 785-6122 for reservations.

.....LUNCH

JAMES CONEY ISLAND (1011 Walker near Main Street)

Don't stand outside in the hot dog line. Go inside and get in the chili line. Order chili without beans and a hot dog all the way.

HUBER'S SEAFOOD AND OYSTER BAR (112 Travis)

This is Huber's new location featuring shrimp and oysters served on tables covered with old newspapers. The oyster stew is very good.

OTTO'S HAMBURGERS AND OTTO'S BAR-B-Q (5502 Memorial)

Hamburgers in the front and bar-b-q in the rear. If you are working on Saturday, have your girl friend meet you there for lunch and then take her for a walk in Memorial Park for dessert.

SPAGHETTI WAREHOUSE (901 Commerce at Travis)

All kinds of spaghetti and antiques. I recommend lasagna and wine. Get there before noon on Fridays.

ANTONE'S IMPORT COM-PANY (1639 S. Voss Road)

Eat poor-boy sandwiches and drink imported beer while sitting on pickle barrels. Then go explore the unique food-stuffs for sale.

DOZIER'S (Fulshear, Texas - 20 miles out Westheimer)

Very good bar-b-q ribs, beef or sausage. Eat inside or out and drink your beer out of a can in a brown bag.

FAT ERNIE'S RESTAURANT (One Allen Center)

Steakburger and beer - get there before or after the noon rush or service will be slow.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (across from Foley's off Main St.)

Lunch and message from John Bisagno - \$1.50 all you can eat - Tuesday's only (no beer). However even Ed Taylor has been seen there.

SWEETHEART OF TEXAS CONCERT HALL (Underground at Market Square).

Have a Papa John's submarine, drink a draft beer, and enjoy a guitar playing singer in an uncrowded atmosphere.

......DINNER.....

VARGO'S (2401 Fondren - just off Westheimer)

If you want to drink, go to the bar. If you want to be romantic, go to the lighted garden. If you want to eat, go somewhere else.

THE BIG MOUTH FROG (2727 Crossview - just off Westheimer)

A very good singing - guitar playing duo in the balcony bar. Downstairs is seafood dining which I didn't think was outstanding but everyone else seemed to enjoy it.

RUDI'S CLUB & RESTAU-RANT (1728 S. Post Oak)

Very good service. I recommend veal cordon bleu and flaming strawberries flambeau for dessert.

TONY'S RESTAURANT (1801 S. Post Oak - across from Rudi's)

Expensive, but the food is pretty good. I'd recommend having margaritas in the lounge and then going across the street to Rudi's.

Last and least, THE WOOD-HOLLOW CLUB (Winrock-between San Felipe and Woodway) 99c buffet Monday through Friday. The food isn't very good and there isn't much of it, but after a few 75¢ beers, who cares? (Water is 50¢ a glass.)

Bicycle Trips

MARCH 23
By Judy Kuntscher and Jackie Riley

Approximately 50 determined bicyclists turned out at Fulshear for the 21-mile trek in spite of an overcast sky and drizzling rain. We aren't sure how many starters actually finished the trip, but we do know a couple of champs finished in less than an hour and a half. Others followed closely behind finishing in two and three hours. One bicyclist decided the flight bag filled with Budweiser was the best method for conquering the 21-mile ride. Is that why you were the last to finish, Wayne?

Congratulations to the guy whose bike had a blowout at the end of the first 7 miles and rode the remainder of the trip on a 1950 model bicycle that

just happened to be in the back of Finn's truck. This is what we call determination.

It was a little embarrassing when 5 bicyclists decided a short cut was in order and rode the wrong direction on the freeway service road and were reprimanded in no uncertain terms by the highway patrol no license tags on the bikes, traveling in the wrong direction on a one-way service road, running stop signs, failing to give hand signals. Why the bicyclists were not given citations, we'll never know, but one of our so-called "leaders" was really grateful. How would that look, after all?

When the rain storm hit our weary, desolate riders, a welcome comforting sight was Finn Runfalo and his "emergency vehicle" equipped with cold beer, cheer and extra space for lame bikes and riders.

To our knowledge, only one accident occurred when 2 girls

ran into each other. We hope they weren't hurt seriously. Maybe bicycle trips are safer than ski trips.

APRIL 20 By Bill Brooks

Imagine broad vistas of lush green pastures and all colors of wildflowers edging the roadside and you will be on the Fulshear - Barker - Simonton-Fulshear Spring bike ride. Really a great time of year for this trip. No rain this time, so 25 hardy, stalwart, SCSC members and friends trickled into Fulshear April 20. Fifteen of these made the full cycle (21 miles) in about 3 hours. A few were picked up by truck and delivered back to Doziers for emergency beer treatment and some just came along for the beer and barbeque. Needless to say, the SCSC spirit prevailed throughout the afternoon.









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Spring Follies

By Vanessa Vajdos and Janis Hughen

Congratulations go to Lee Grona and Winton Adams for their hilarious Spring Follies presentation at the April meeting.

The theme of this year's Follies was an expose of a typical SCSC trip. The skits enacted what a member could expect from his investment in a tripfrom the moment he signed up with his deposit until his return flight to Houston.

For those members who couldn't make the meeting, here are some highlights of the evening:

A trip registration scene showed how this typical club task looks to the Trip Chairman as well as the trip participant.

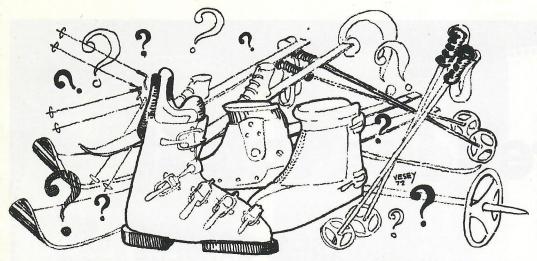
Silly questions from the tripgoer abounded as the egotistical chairman struggled to enforce the Club's "authoritative" rules. Another skit gave a clue as to what to expect on departure day from airport as well as airline officials - delays, damaged equipment, even a body search.

Musical highlights included the song and dance routine where four lovely SCSC bunnies graphically portrayed how Continental Airlines "moves their tail for you". Frank and Ed's original version of "Silicone Woman" (accompanied by Jay Castille at piano) also proved to be a special hit.

After various other "enlightening" skits the evening's entertainment came to a spectacular end when Follies master of ceremonies, Jim Benefield, called next year's Club officers to the stage to show the audience how well coordinated they were for the year ahead of them.







HOW TO STORE YOUR SKI EQUIPMENT FOR THE SUMMER

During the winter ski season your equipment takes good care of you by keeping you warm, dry and providing you with hours of safety and enjoyment. Now that spring and summer are here, it's your turn to take care of your equipment. To do this, I'll try to give you a few helpful hints.

A few essential items are mothballs, trash bags and a can of silicone spray. Let's begin with softwear.

There are two types of filler materials designed to insulate and keep you warm - man-made and natural. Man-made insulation consists of Polar-guard Du-Pont Zycril, Kapock, etc. Natural consists of down, lamb fleece and wool. To store ensembles, pants and parkas of man-made fillers properly, you will need a clip hanger, trash bag, and mothballs (if there is a wool content. First, wash or dry clean your clothes. Never store your ski clothes without having done this. Take your pants and lay them out flat. Take snow cuff and fold into the waistband. Now, clip the waistband and snow cuffs together on the hanger. Put the parka over pants on hanger, zipping it up. Fasten all snaps, buttons, hooks and so on.

Take a large trash bag, cut a hole in the bottom large enough for the hanger hook. Put the bag over the garments, gather the bag at the bottom, put on a twist tie and seal tightly. If you have a zipper clothes bag, eliminate the trash bag! Put clip hanger in the bag and zip it up. If there is any wool content, put one or two mothballs in the bottom of the bag before sealing. Hang in a cool, dry place for storage.

Down filled garments should be handled in the same way, but before sealing the bag, put in two or three silicone packets. You can get these from any moving and storage company. These will keep all moisture out of down. As for hats and gloves, store them in a drawer, along with goggles and other accessories. Some people say to turn down-filled gloves in-side out, but it is not necessary. Turning a pair of leather gloves inside-out can be a bear of a job. Long underwear and socks just need to be washed, folded, put in a bag, chest, or drawer, remembering to mothproof if needed.

Now that we've touched on softwear, let's go to your skis, bindings, poles and boots. If you're a serious skier, your skis and other equipment are your pride and joy, so a little extra work to safeguard this equipment should be in order.

First the skis. All old wax should be totally removed. The edges should be flat-filed and rust removed. If there are any rock scars, they should be Ptexed. Now spray generously

with silicone spray. The tops should be cleaned and lightly waxed with Pledge or other such products.

Your bindings should be set on zero to release spring tension and all visible signs of oil and grease removed. Now spray generously with silicone, hitting all hinges, pins, rollers, etc. Put bottom-to-bottom install ski ties where the bottoms touch. Put the skis in a bag and hang up by the tips. If you have no way to hang them, lean the skis in a corner in a cool, dry place. Poles should be stored with the skis unless they are bent or broken. If this is the case, a new pair should be purchased.

Boots take a little special care. If you are still skiing in leather boots, they should have all mud and dirt removed. A light coat of Neetsfood oil or mink oil should be applied and rubbed into the leather by hand. This prevents the leather from becoming too dry and cracking. Be careful not to over-oil, thus preventing breaking down the boot. After applying the oil, put the boots on a boot tree and clamp down tight. This will prevent the leather soles from warping. Store in a dry, cool place. The new plastic boots need only to be cleaned, siliconed, put in a bag or on a tree (or both) and set flat on the floor. Foam and flow boots need no special care; that's part of their beauty! Have broken buckles, etc. repaired before storing.

I hope my effort to give you some helpful hints on storing and maintaining your skiing equipment has been of some help to you. If done properly, everything will be in perfect shape next season.

Have a good summer and I hope to see you in the shop and on the slopes next winter! Over and out.

Bob Russell LOCKED IN SPORTS

Here's The Latest

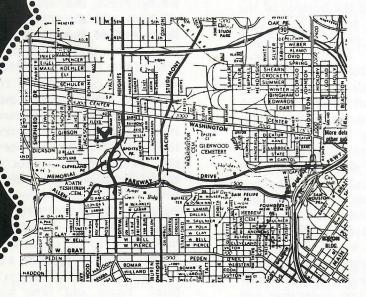
BAVARIAN GARDENS

June 6, 1975

7:30 p.m.

LOCATED: 3027 FEAGAN

(near Heights & Memorial)



LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, NO COVER CHARGE IF WEATHER PERMITS, IT WILL BE IN THE GARDENS, OTHERWISE INSIDE

BEER BY THE PITCHER	\$3.00
BEER, CAN	.65
SET-UPS	.60
(1 glass ice, 1 glass soda)	

VARIOUS FOOD AVAILABLE

WIERNER SCHNITZEL	\$4.95
SAUERBRATEN	4.75
ROULADE	4.75
SAUSAGE PLATE	3.25

SANDWICHES

\$1.25 to \$1.75

Please return by MAY 30th to:

LINDA MacFARLAND

2418 S. Voss Rd., Apt. L-10, Houston, Texas 77027

Phone: 783-3984

Name Phone No.

No. of Guests

IMPORTANT: RESERVATION IS NOT NECESSARY, BUT HEAD COUNT, FOR THE BAVARIAN GARDENS TO BE PREPARED, IS ESSENTIAL





By Jim Benefield

88 ski clubbers boarded the Continental dinner flight for Denver on March 26, for the last SCSC trip this season. Unlike many an Easter trip where "Is there enough snow?" is the cry, the trip was blessed with 16 inches of new snow - much of which slowed, but did not deter, our bus drivers. The only departure problems encountered were the three presidents of Space City Ski Club, one present, and two past, who somehow had to be late, barely making the flight. I guess power has its privileges.

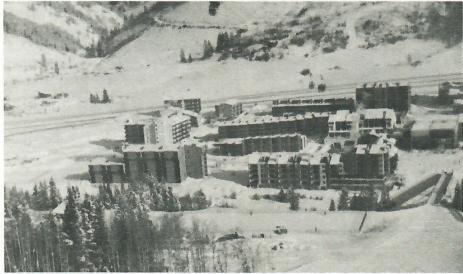
Upon arriving at Vail and sorting through the normal room and bed problems, we found fabulous snow and very cold weather (unfortunately many of us expected the normal Spring conditions). The heavy snows of the trip before gave the many first-timers pleasant conditions and fairly short lift lines.

TRIP HIGHLIGHT - NO INJURIES, that is, unless you count Dr. Doug Lyle, who





Above Left: First time skier, Scott Brune demonstrates his favorite stopping technique. Below left: Wayne Ahrens, Carol Cruse and Wayne Cook head back to the slopes after a short "anti-freeze" break. Above right: Gil Igo and his newfound local friends. Below: Lionshead Ski Area,



worried about having to treat injuries only to have his pride slightly fractured. Who else could have lost his rental ski on the mountain, then successfully convinced the rental agency it was their fault only to have one of our resident honest attorneys Tom Bousquet appear with the lost ski (now found) and blow Doug's story. However, Doug enjoyed the walk down the mountain.

The only near injuries belonged to two others, Shorty Hamrick and Ted Widmer, both of whom don't keep up with keys. They think the proper way into a room is through the door - Shorty's age must show only Ted got successfully through a door.

It is understood that Scott Brune is still looking for his date that never arrived. Jim and Ann McIntyre are no longer looking. They found someone's date sans clothes at the Red Lion - it seems that one of the waiters wanted his last night well remembered. Jim and Ann will.

The greatest show of confidence was by Kathy Naylor, who packed for the airport before she had a spot on the trip, but still made it. Sorry Marilyn Geller couldn't make the trip because of her untimely operation but Kathy filled Marilyn's new skis admirably.

Many thanks to all participants who made the trip so easy for me as a trip chairman because all persons were great and made the trip what it was.

Many special thanks to Jim Newlin whose parties were memorable and to the able assistant, assistant Carol Cruse.

apres ski

By Sammy Sitzmarke

Hi there! Obviously from the byline, your new columnist wishes to remain anonymous, however, my middle initial is "S" which has sometimes stood for *snoop*.

I understand Kathy Allegier's (our Follies card carrier) stunning black dress (!) was a last-minute replacement for a string bikini which was vetoed by husband, Bob.

Fran Stephenson, it is reported, was sunning in St. Croix during a short break from Texas Medical Center.

One of our local Foley's buyer's, Marilyn Geller, is doing well at home following surgery that kept her from skiing at Vail on her new skis. Un-

derstand special treatment has been accorded to her by one of the new officers.

Speaking of recuperating. It seems that an Easter trip to Mexico by Lee Grona must have reduced her recuperative powers. It took a Hawaiian week in April to feel better.

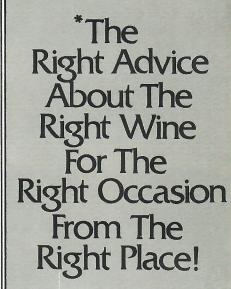
In that coordination is a necessity to make a good officer, ALL '75 - '76 leaders have been at the local "Y", enrolling for coordination classes.

Since Pilot Shorty Hamrick was unsuccessful finding dates at Vail, except for his first night's unplanned male bedmate, I heard he sailed off for Biloxi with his recent find from the commuter dating service.

By the way, is Pens, Patches, Decals Cook still waiting in the shower at Telluride for his shower date? He must be pruney by now.

Sy, your press agent forgot to turn in your release. Sorry.

SSS







DESIGN A TURTLE NECK/T-SHIRT

CONTEST

The shirts that the McAllen Members wore on the Tahoe Trip were so popular that the Executive Committee has decided to run a contest for the best shirt design. The PRIZE will be a FREE Shirt of your choice. Submit your design on 8½x11" paper by MAY 20th to

Layna Adams 5610 Duxbury Houston, Texas 77035

Samples of the shirts for the New Design will be at the May Meeting. Remember your design may be on the shirts which will be on sale to all S.C.S.C. Members in July.

MARKMAKER



By Ann Cornish

KEN CARY is no stranger to the ski club. A native Houstonian, Ken did not join the club until 5 years ago. However, when he did join, he did it with gusto, serving the club wherever and whenever needed. Ken has been a Lift Liner, a trip chairman for a canoe trip, a model in the style show, helped at the membership table, and served on the 1974 Nominating Committee. He may also have set some sort of SCSC record by only missing two ski meetings these past 5 years.

Ken actually started skiing seven years ago. His first ski trip was with friends. He laughs when he recalls the circumstances of his first ski experience. It involved a sixteen hour drive in a snowstorm to Ruidoso. Ken and friends hit the slopes as soon as they arrived having had no sleep. Ken skied in excruciatingly painful boots because his "friends" explained that ski boots were supposed to be tight. These less than perfect conditions did not dampen Ken's

spirits. He was hooked on skiing from the beginning and has been skiing ever since. His favorite area is Aspen because of the nightlife and the variety of slopes. Steamboat is his second favorite because it is not crowded. He has also tried the slopes at Winter Park, Vail, Telluride, Purgatory, Loveland and Arapahoe Basin.

When he is not skiing, Ken likes to spend weekends canoeing the Guadalupe or San Marcus or fishing at Lake Livingston or Bayou Vista. On a week night, you might find Ken at Daddy's Money (he likes bars) or spending quieter evenings painting. Ken enjoys painting for himself and for friends. Most of his paintings are abstract acrylics or collages. He is currently working on a 5'10"

does not have a model per se. It is only one third finished, so don't everyone rush over there to see it.

Professionally, Ken is a pro-

nude (that's right, 5 feet 10 inches!) He explains that he

ject analyst for a space planning and design firm, Saphier Lerner Schindler Environetics. The firm is large with seven offices in the U.S. and one in London. The company designs only high rise office buildings, the largest being the 110 floor Sears Tower in Chicago (taller and larger than the Empire State Building). As a project analyst, Ken meets with corporations and building

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