



In early March, 72 adventurous skier's headed to Banff for some fabulous skiing. The trip was smooth and check-in to Chateau Lake Louise was uneventful except for two little problems. **Robbie Adams** and **Amelia McFarland** were assumed to be a couple and assigned a single-bed room as were **Steven Teoh** and **Carmen Mikhail**. The ladies weren't too excited but Steven was liking this ATC thing more every minute!!

Most folks packed it in early but other hungry SCSCers headed to the Lake Louise Station to dine in refurbished railcars. Dinner was great except our group was held up by train robbers (**Pam Smith**, **Ann Clinton**, **Karen Kendall**, **Sandra Hand**, **Mitch Gaspard**, and **Stan Broniak**) in search of jewelry, money and, especially, food.

After some great days at the Chateau, we transferred to the Banff Springs. **Carl** and **Lottie Gautschi** checked in early and got a great room with a fireplace while others enjoyed skiing and Nastar races.

Wednesday was the Torchlight Dinner. Dinner appeared in a procession of music and lights with assistance by **Ladye Frietag** who lassoed the roast beef and road off to the buffet table. Other highlights included a limbo contest in which **Mimi Markel** showed everyone just how limber she is, while **David** and **Guri Pryce** were doing a mean conga line. Our well-fed group donned miners lights which brightened their way as they skied

down the hill after dinner. But everyone was asking, "Why were **Darlene Hirasaki**, **Ron** and **Robert Rambin** and **Carol Chaney** wearing ski goggles at night?"

Others helped boost the local economy. **Louella Stellar** seriously hit the shops while **Beverly Maurice** expanded her shopping vocabulary by learning how to say

"half price sale" in Japanese. **Dorann Valka**, fighting a bad sinus infection, also enjoyed the favorable exchange rates and still made the party functions.

Serious skiers, **George Hirasaki** and **Fred Kahrs**, got adventurous and had a great time heliskiing.

Many also relaxed (sort of!) at the Spa. **Louis Miller's** massage was interrupted by two Japanese ladies stumbling in followed, shortly thereafter, by the fire drill going off. **David George** also visited the spa as a reward for returning a lost. David wasn't sure about the spa but, after seeing all the ladies in bath robes, he has changed his thinking about spas.

Other Banff Springs benefits were rooms like **Tony Mikos** and **Lydia Kavraki** had which backed up to the bakery's ventilation pipe. Imagine waking up to the smell of fresh baked bread. Yummy!

Camille Laroe helped run a spectacular Pub Crawl on Thursday by arranging tables and promising "dances" to the guys who would save tables for fellow crawlers. **Barry Norman**, **Jill Naney**, **Scott** and **Liz Philbrook** and **Camille** finally called it quits at 2:00 a.m. — long after everyone else.

Judy Katany and **Dan Taft** along with San Francisco SCSCers **David Cikvasvili** and **Susan Black**, and Indiana SCSCers **Patty** and **Jim Fitzpatrick**

visited the pub enjoying tastings of 100 years of Port, 150 years of Grand Marnier and Scotch from 6 different regions.

At the group dinner Friday night **Mitch Gaspard**, wearing his Mardi Gras tux, hit the dance floor with **Susan Blome** and many others. Unfortunately non-SCSC tables were annoyed that "their waiter", **Mitch**, was not very attentive. While on business in Canada, **Eddie Bayersdorfer** joined us to get in some skiing and a little partying.

Heading home, new-SCSC member, **Michael Testa**, commented on how terrific SCSC trips are. Amen! This wonderful expedition was captured on film by our dear friend and resident photographer, **Ron Hayes**.

