

trip report on VAIL DECEMBER

Our annual December Vail trip had 35 participants this year. We arrived December 7, 2013 in Vail to a snow covered mountain. We stayed at Lion Square Lodge again this year, some in the South Building and some in the North Building.

After everyone settled into their condos, we had a welcome party with pizza, chips and dip, beer, wine and desserts. It was an opportunity for everyone to meet all the participants and receive lift tickets. This was the first SCSC trip for **Martin Baker** and **Lili Rubin**, so we all introduced ourselves and told an interesting fact or funny story about themselves. There were groans of disapproval to this; however, as we went around the room, we had lots of laughs. We all learned something about our fellow participants. We discovered there were four people on the trip from New Jersey. **Maureen Irwin** who was one of our shadows arrived late to the party. Sunday was the first full day of skiing; the front side of the mountain was 90% open. The conditions were great and there were no crowds! The usual groups of skiers were on the mountain together, **Andy Smith** and **Ash Moza**; **Keith Kirkman** was the leader of a group which included **Bill Bomberger**, **Sharon**

Simandl, **Chris Bryan** and **Ross Baker**. **Ron and Roberta Rambin** skied with **Bob Olsen** and **Kamron Kirkconnell** all week. **Tami Kawasugi** signed up for three days of group lessons.

Monday night, 30 participants attended dinner at 'Up the Creek' restaurant. **Marilyn Swanson** and **Janet**

McKenzie kept up their tradition of stopping by the fur store and trying



Vail December Short Trip Participants

on furs before dinner. They modeled some pretty coats and posted pictures. Lunch spots were either at Eagles Nest or Mid Vail. There were usually two or three groups of us at lunch. **Tom Wright**, one of the shadows, met us at Eagles Nest. **Jim Edwards** and **Jim Walker** were there and they skied together during the week. **Sarah Granberry** did not ski this trip but enjoyed the scenic views and the town of Vail. **Steve Slade** took one day to ski and take pictures from the slopes. **Tom Huzzey** skied with his brother **Kent Huzzey** who was on the short trip. Tuesday was the last day the for the short trip

skiers. So **Steve Ying** and **Evan Howell** hosted a dinner party in their condo. They had the primo condo with their own private elevator!! Evan was a great cook, he make a delicious spaghetti dinner. It was great party attended by, **Craig Campbell**, and **Susan Stanley**, **Pat Piech**, and **Mary Wollmann** to name a few people.

After the short trip left, there were only 20 of us left in Vail. **Joan Waddill** skied with Tami after her lessons were over; **Bruce Lowther** and Janet were seen skiing top to bottom without stopping. **Nelson Turner** and **Barry Casper** reviewed which demo skis they liked during Après ski -- they tried out many. It was a great trip and everyone enjoyed some great skiing this year.

Hope to see everyone on the trip again in 2014!

Ann Rogers

TC, Vail December 2013



Vail December Long Trip Participants