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On the air, in the snow

The stars must have aligned in February because unexpectedly, Space City was on the airwaves, not once, but three times this past month.

On February 11th, *Houston Matters* reporter Edel Howlin's story, '[Skiing Is a Big Passion for Many Houstonians](#)', featuring Past President Camille LaRoe and member Steve Ying, was broadcast on 88.7FM (Houston Public Radio). Edel did a great job covering the club for the Houston listening audience. I heard the broadcast live while I was in Grand Targhee, WY, listening to KUHF 88.7FM via their app.

Then just a few days later, Melinda Hughes was interviewed from Vail by Doug Pike, who hosts

an outdoors talk show on 790AM SportsRadio. She joined his show again on February 23rd to take questions from the call-in lines. This sort of exposure presents a terrific opportunity for our club to be introduced to Houston-at-large, and we hope this coverage will help us continue to grow our membership. A larger membership means we can run more trips and have even MORE fun together.

Listen to the interviews using the links on our [new PRESS page](#) of the website (About Us/Press).

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One word that comes to mind as I write this article is 'reflection'.

It is difficult to believe that by the end of this month we will be finished with our slate of ski trips and already formulating next year's adventures. The TSC BidFest is April 4th through 6th in San Antonio. It will be held at the Drury Inn which is located on the River Walk. Go to the link on our website to get the registration information. Please mark your calendars for this event and participate in trip selection for next season.

from MISSION CONTROL

I am honored to be nominated as president for a second year in a row! I am pleased that the club has been happy with the programming that has been offered over the year.

We had a great time in the February meeting! It was a small meeting because many of our members were in Jackson Hole, so we had a fun time 'mingling with friends'. Check out the link

to KUHF-Houston Matters radio show on our website (About Us/Press). Space City Ski and Adventure club was featured by interviewing Camille LaRoe and Steve Ying regarding club trips and activities. On February 23rd, I was interviewed from Vail by radio talk show host Doug Pike on 790AM. He has an outdoor talk show and is excited about including skiing in his programming.

Doesn't all of this fun get you motivated to volunteering with the club? Please think about how you can give back to the club by volunteering in some capacity this year. It is very rewarding because the membership is so grateful for the time that you donate. I have to admit that Space City



is the most grateful organization that I have ever volunteered for which is why I love staying involved. The people that I have grown to know have become good friends that I will always cherish. You can only experience this by becoming involved with the club on some level. So, think about it and join the fun! If you're interested in a leadership position, just contact one of our club officers and we'll get you involved. I have enjoyed seeing you on the slopes!

Melinda Hughes

President

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The March 10th General Meeting will be our Annual Meeting. Your attendance is very important because we are voting on the slate of officers for the 2014-2015 season.

Please mark your calendars!

having a BLAST



I'd like to steal a marketing slogan from Budweiser and change the phrase 'this Bud's for you' to 'this club's for you'. With that thought in mind, members occasionally approach me with their favorite activities and restaurants or bars. I am trying to accommodate all the club members' favorites.

In February, we gathered at Betty Donellan's favorite watering hole in the Granduca Hotel for Happy Hour. At the request of several members, we partied the night away parading with our decorated umbrellas to kick off Mardi Gras Galveston. Thanks to Marianne Pearce for leading our group through the crowded streets on the Strand.

March will feature Ali Pethick's favorite Happy Hour



hang-out, the MLK bar in the Phoenician Specialty



Foods downtown location. Jo Barrie will coordinate the Pedal Party Pub Crawl again this year but in a different location than last year.



A few members also expressed interest in a St. Patrick's Day party. A favorite locale for celebrating St. Patty's Day comes from Laura Carmine, who will join us at the First Tee Pub on Dairy Ashford

and Whittington. Join your SCSC friends on March 17th after work for complimentary corned beef and cabbage.



April will feature a Happy Hour at The Refinery Burger and Whiskey Bar on Dallas, recommended by Marsha Lutz. Our April activity will be at Top Golf, recommended by Camille Lopez. If you have a favorite place or fun activity let me or Ali know and with a little luck of the Irish we will try and make it happen.

Gayle Dale

VP of Activities

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MARCH HAPPY HOUR



WHAT: MARCH HAPPY HOUR

WHERE: Phoenicia Specialty Foods
MKT Bar
1001 Austin Street

MAP: <http://binged.it/1msepCJ>

WHEN: Thursday, 3/27
5:30pm - 9pm

ROCK THE VOTE!

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SEPTEMBER 19-30, 2014

TC: MELODY@SPACECITY.ORG

WAITING LIST IN EFFECT

become an AMBASSADOR

Have you ever gone to a meeting and felt completely out of place or, even worse, ignored? Any wonder that you might not come back if you felt that way?

The Space City Ski Club Ambassador Program is designed to address that very issue. Our goal is to make each new member and guest feel welcome and appreciated at our club meetings. Spending time with them will make them feel more comfortable, so they're much more likely to come back. After all, they may not remember everyone you introduce them to, but they will definitely remember YOU!



What does an Ambassador do? You'll be at the membership check-in table at our monthly meetings

and assigned to guests and new members as they arrive. Try to learn a little about the guest or new member, such as by asking them how they came to know about the club. Take them around to the activity and trip tables. Introduce them to other members and share some of the background you've just learned about the person.

Help the club grow by making these people feel very welcome and they may tell their friends and relatives how great we are! Contact me if you're interested in serving in this role during one of our General Meetings.

Spring is in the air!

Jan Ferrell

VP of Membership

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member SPOTLIGHT

Christie Burke

Are you a native Houstonian?

No, I moved to Houston when my husband was transferred here from Wichita Falls. Both of my children were born there.

I formerly was a high school counselor at Lamar. I have a son who lives here in Houston and a daughter in Austin. I also have 2 granddaughters and 2 grandsons.

How did you find SCSC?

I used to ski with a group of 12. At the time, one of the guys in that group belonged to Space City. We came to the meetings and thought they were a little wild, but after a while I decided to join. I first learned to ski in Innsbruck. I wanted to ski the Olympic Alps. I watched some folks ski jumping and thought 'If they can jump off the mountain with those 2 narrow skis, then I certainly can ski down the side of the mountain'. So I psyched myself into it!

What do you like best about our club?

I like the people. I am a people person. I just went on the Garmish trip and people would come up to me thinking I was German and then start speaking to me in German! One time my friends and I rented a van in Innsbruck and the German police stopped us. They asked everyone to get out of the van. When they started to question us, they looked at me and thought I was from one of

the villages, so they let us go!

What occupies your time?

I've been taking German lessons twice a week, I belong to TASS (Texas Association of Single Sailors), and I'm trying to keep in touch with friends from elementary school, high school, and college.

I also belong to a murder mystery club and I'm past president of the Delphian Chapter. There's also a ladies' group that meets once a month for lunch and to play cards. I have a friend who wants me to look into the Daughters of 1812 and the DAR.

The last trip I took with TASS was to the Lesser Antilles and we had 4 catamarans.

Do you like to plan things out in detail or be spontaneous?

Well, I have to do some planning but it is fun to be spontaneous, to just 'pick up and go'.

If money or time were not an object, what would you do?

Travel!

Last but not least—what is something most people don't know about you?

I'm pretty open so I can't think of anything.

It's been fun talking with you, Christie! See you at a meeting soon!

Member interviews by Jan Ferrell

VP of Membership

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countdown to LIFTOFF

The busy ski season is almost over. Vail-Dec, Park City, & Garmish, Jackson Hole & Vail-Feb have all returned and I've heard wonderful reports from each trip. Mammoth, Keystone, Breckenridge, & Winter Park all leave in March and all are promising to have good snow and lots of fun. Plus, in September we will embark on a wonderful bucket list trip to South Africa.

Last month I mentioned how stressful travel can be and at least two trips so far have had flight cancellations/delays or baggage delays. I was on the trip with the baggage delays as we arrived at Jackson Hole on Saturday and most of us didn't see our checked bags until Sunday! As often as I've traveled, I was not prepared to have my own checked bags delayed. Luckily, I did have my meds in my carry-on; however, in my rush to pack and leave my house, I forgot the charger to my laptop. Needless to say, next time I will be better prepared! As the season ends, it is time to start thinking about where' the club will travel to in 2014-15. We'll start with the Texas Ski Council BidFest the weekend of April 4-6 at the Drury Plaza Hotel in San Antonio, TX. If you are new to our club, the Texas Ski Council is a non-profit, all volunteer organization consisting

of 14 clubs throughout the State of Texas. At the BidFest, we will meet with the member clubs and hear presentations from various resorts and destinations to determine 'where' the TSC clubs will travel to in 2014-15. Once the TSC trips are decided, SCSC will then decide what additional club trips to add to our calendar.

While SCSC will have designated delegates at BidFest, SCSC encourages all our members to join us in hearing the presentations and participate in deciding what destinations SCSC prefers TSC to take. Once the presentations are completed, SCSC members will caucus on Saturday afternoon before we have dinner and a party Saturday night. Unfortunately, SCSC does not always get our 'first' choice of destinations; however, to me, it is an interesting process. Please let me know if you have any questions about BidFest, and [make your reservations](#) by March 12th to get the group rate. Once we have trip destinations, we cannot run them without the help of dedicated volunteers - Trip Coordinators. Please consider running a trip this next season. I am looking for leaders on TSC and club trips! The 'Trip Coordinator (TC)/Assistant Trip Coordinator (ATC)' on page 16 is included in this

countdown to LIFTOFF (continued)

Sitzmarke. If you are interested in running a trip, please submit this application ASAP. As you know, our team of DOTs, TCs and ATCs work throughout the year coordinating our club's fantastic ski and non-ski trips. Our DOTs, TCs & ATCs are a great group of volunteers and we appreciate their hard work!! Please let them know how much you enjoy the trip(s) you go on. When you are a trip leader, it is a great way to meet the members of the club and get involved. We love our volunteers!

Our next General Meeting is on Monday, March 10th. As I write this, all trips are currently full but the trip status can change quickly so please check with the TC of any trip you are interested in for the latest trip information. Trips that are full will accept wait/stand-by list registrations which are the first members contacted if a participant cancels and space opens up.

In the meantime, hope to see you on the slopes!

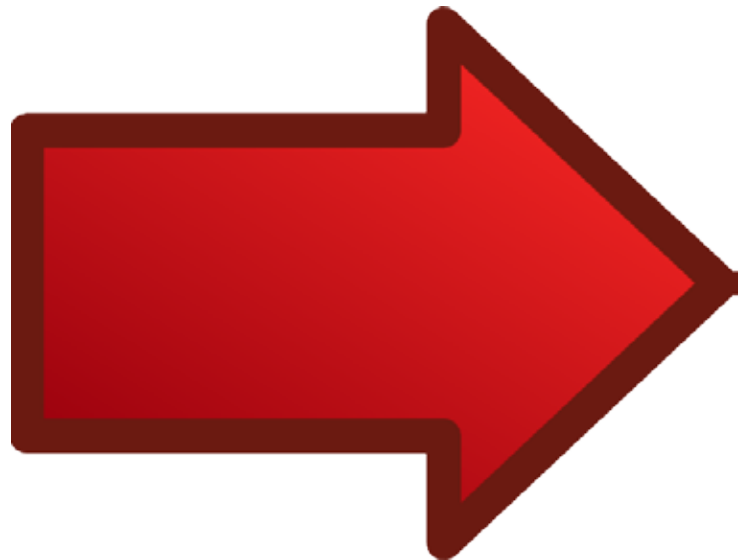
Take care & stay safe! Cheers!

Susan Blome

VP of Trips

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REGISTER for BidFest





TEXAS SKI COUNCIL

Ski Bidfest



Questions:: Contact Susan Blome
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Save the Date!

April 4-6, 2014

DRURY PLAZA

**105 S. Saint Mary's
San Antonio, TX
78205
1-800-325-0720**



AGAIN THIS YEAR! REGISTER W/CREDIT CARD!

Texas Ski Council Delegates, Texas Ski Club members, Ski Resort Representatives, Vendors and Guests from around the world, come join us for the 2014 Ski Bid Fest held by popular demand once again in Historic and fun filled San Antonio, Texas! The Historic Drury Plaza has been restored from the previous Alamo Bank Building. It features stunning architecture, comfortable rooms and suites, a rooftop pool and Drury's famous free extras, there's little missing from this hotel equation. Best of all, their riverside doors offer direct access to the beautiful San Antonio River Walk.

1. Go to texas-ski.org
2. On the left hand side, select 2014 Bid Meeting
3. You now have the opportunity to reserve a hotel room & register for the 2014 BidFest.
4. Note – for the Drury Plaza Hotel : our group number is **2168336**.
 - a. It will select the correct hotel but will have the dates listed as April 2 thru April 7.
 - b. Be sure to change it to just the dates you want or you will be reserving a room for 5 nights!
5. Also, register as a BidFest Guest which are club members that are not official voting members at BidFest



Mark your calendars now and attend this fun filled event.

[Registration Link](#)



Trip Coordinator (TC)/Assistant Trip Coordinator (ATC) 2014-2015 Application

Do you love to ski or snowboard? Do you enjoy working with people and making new friends? Are you good at planning and organizing? If your answer is YES to these questions, SCSC needs YOU to join the great team of Trip Coordinators and Assistants running fun ski trips to exciting destinations.

Please complete this form and return to **2014-2015 V.P. of Trips, Susan Blome, 5814 Weeping Willow, Houston, TX 77092** or email to **sgblome1@gmail.com**

Name:	Telephone-Home:
Address:	Telephone-Work:
	Telephone-Cell:
Preferred contact type: (circle all that apply) Telephone: Home Work Cell e-mail	E-Mail Address:
Occupation:	Year you joined SCSC (Approx):

Position you are applying for: _____TC _____ATC _____Either

(Note: In order to serve as an ATC, you must have taken at least one ski trip with SCSC. In order to server as a TC, you must have served as an ATC on at least one SCSC ski trip or an AC for a large activity or experience running trips with other organizations.)

What type of SCSC ski trip do you prefer to run?

_____TSC (Texas Ski Council) _____Club (SCSC) _____Either

What length of SCSC ski trip do you prefer to run?

_____Long (week long) _____Short (4 or 5 day) _____Either

Where would you like to run a trip (Destination/s)?

Availability: Dates that you are *Unavailable* to run a trip (If any):

Preferred dates (If any):

Are you available for monthly SCSC meetings usually the 2nd Monday of the month? (September-May)

Yes _____ No _____

Are you available for monthly SCSC happy hours usually the 4th Thursday of the month?

Yes _____ No _____

Are you available to attend 2 to 3 training sessions?

Yes _____ No _____

(Training sessions likely will be May, June or July 2014)

On what side of town do you live/work? _____

**Prior SCSC Volunteer Experience: TC/ATC/AC-Activity Coordinator /AAC-Assist. Activity Coordinator/Officer
(Start with most recent)**

Year	Trip/Activity/Office	Year	Trip/Activity /Office

SCSC-Ski Trips Taken

Non-SCSC Ski Trips Taken

Year	Trip	Year	Trip	Year	Trip	Year	Trip

Other Volunteer Experience: (Start with most recent)

Year	Organization/Office	Year	Organization/Office

Computer experience:

_____Microsoft Word _____Microsoft Excel _____Other

Do you have access to a computer at home or work? _____Yes _____No

Do you have access to a fax machine at home or work? _____Yes _____No

Can you make & receive SCSC related phone calls at work? _____Yes _____No

Can you send & receive SCSC related e-mail at work? _____Yes _____No

What other experience/skills can you bring to the position of TC/ATC?

Why are you interested in running a SCSC ski trip?

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

officer slate 2014-15

BIOS

Melinda Hughes - Nominee for President

I have been a member of Space City Ski Club for about 10 years and joined because skiing is my passion. This passion for skiing led to becoming involved in the club's leadership. I have been the TC on three trips and ATC on one. After gaining experience with the club, I became a Director of Trips and helped the VP select the next year's slate by participating in the Bidfest. This was a spring board for my work as VP of Trips two years in a row. My focus was on providing a slate that the club wanted; so, I listened to people and put together trips that tried to meet everyone's preferences. My participation in seven BidFests has helped the club with ideas on trip selection as well as destinations. The last trip that I TC'd was the TSC Galapagos in 2012 which has shaped my goal to help change the public's perception of the club from 'ski' to 'adventure and travel'.

As President this past year, I have tried to position the club as the authority on skiing by providing programming to enhance ability, understanding of the slopes, and more. Next year, we are attempting to move into higher profile areas to create exposure for our club and I look forward to the opportunity to help spearhead this effort.

Needless to say, I believe in this club and am very honored to be nominated as the president for 2014-2015 season. Thank you for your vote of confidence!



Gayle Dale - Nominee for VP of Activities

I had a great time serving last year as Director of Activities. I have many plans to introduce more fun filled activities in the coming year if elected to a second term. There are so many new faces in our club now and lots of energy and we continue to grow. The ski trips have all been successful and exciting. In addition to planning the activities and happy hours, I still managed to get in three ski trips so far this season and really enjoyed all the fresh powder and skiing with new and old friends. If you are looking for fun, adventure and the opportunity to make new friends, I will work hard to make that available to you in the year 2014-2015.



Susan Blome - Nominee for VP of Trips

Thank you for your nomination of VP of Trips. I am happy to accept the challenge of being VP of Trips for the third time: 1997-98, 2013-14, and now 2014-15. I began my journey of running trips for SCSC over 20 years ago in 93/94 as an ATC, followed by TC, DOT, VP of Trips in 97/98 and Secretary of the Texas Ski Council from 2001-2003. When work demands interfered with volunteering to run trips for several years, I continued to take at least one SCSC trip since I joined my first trip in 1992. One major reason for going on SCSC trips is to take advantage of group ski and summer trips and meet new people. The friendships and memories I have made thru the years as a member of the club are priceless and I feel truly blessed. I retired from Shell Oil after almost 38 years at the end of 2011 and wondered what I would / could do with my time when I'm not working as a volunteer on two Rodeo committees or the Shell Houston Open. Someone suggested I become a DOT in 2012-13 and that was a great learning experience to discover the changes of the last ten years and prepare me for VP of Trips in 2013-14. So, 'why' become VP of Trips in 2014-15? I continue to learn about running successful trips and want to bring my experience from the last two years into a third year.



My BIG question for you is: Where are we going in 2014/2015? I don't even have a clue at the moment and I need your help in making these decisions. Space City is a big supporter of the Texas Ski Council trips and our first trip decisions will be made at the annual TSC Bid Fest the first weekend in April in San Antonio.

Although SCSC will have dedicated delegates at the meeting, all members are encouraged to come and voice their opinions when we caucus Saturday afternoon before the final TSC trip decisions are made on Sunday morning April 7th. Information on attending the TSC Bid Fest is included in this Sitzmarke. Once the TSC trips are decided, club trips will fill out our calendar of trips. Yet, once we have trip destinations, we cannot run them without the help of dedicated volunteers - Trip Coordinators. Please consider running a trip this next season. I am looking for leaders on TSC and club trips! The TC/ATC Application is included in this Sitzmarke. If you are interested in running a trip, please submit this application ASAP. I look forward to another great slate of trips in 2014/2015, working with great TCs & ATCs and 'Counting Down to Lift Off'.

Ali Pethick - Nominee for VP of Membership

I was a regular skier/adaptive ski instructor in Vermont when my husband, Fred, was transferred to Houston. First on our list to survive, was to find a ski club. We had always belonged to ski clubs, but here in Houston! We found The Space City Ski Club and discovered that we could still have friends who skied even in Houston. And two of the members are alumni of Fred's.

I served as Activities Director last year and made more friends and of course, went on more ski trips. I also fulfilled my childhood dream which was to ski the Alps. I was beginning to think that I would never get to ski the Alps but the Space City Ski Club came through for me.

Thank you for my nomination for Vice President of Membership. I hope to bring to the position some new ideas as a result of my membership in other ski clubs and leadership groups.



Lynda Meyer - Nominee for VP of Marketing

I was excited to learn I'd been nominated as VP of Marketing for a 2nd year. This past year, I took over responsibility for publications in addition to the website and email blasts. To make communication easier for you, I set up spacecity.org email addresses for all of our TCs and ATCs. For the Sitzmarke, I revamped the format, moving us to a digital edition that displays well on tablets, and created our first annual trip print edition, which was mailed to active members. These and other marketing efforts have been attracting new members, and raised our awareness within Houston.

For 2014-15, my goal is to do more outreach to media outlets for the club, expand our sponsorship program with ski resorts, and try advertising on Facebook. If time allows, I'd like to produce a promotional video for the club.

Professionally, I do marketing for HP and have been a senior IT executive in the past.

I've served on numerous not-for-profit boards and ran a successful start-up. I've been a member of the club for 5 years, served as Director of Communications, have been a TC, and enjoy giving back to the club since it's given me so many fun times, friends, and memories.

With your support, I look forward to again serving in this role for 2014-15. Thank you.



Sandy Fowler - Nominee for Secretary

I am one of those rare 'native Houstonians'. I am the middle child of a family of five. I attended J. Frank Dobie High School here in Houston, where I was active in the band and my church youth group. I have lived most of my life in Houston, except for my college days at Baylor University, followed by a brief stint in Ft. Worth, Texas. I returned to Houston in 1983 to work for Centerpoint Energy. Yes, that means I have been with the same company for almost 31 years! I guess you might say I have 'staying power'. I work in the Information Technology field as a Systems Analyst. I am blessed to have a job I really enjoy.

I have been a member of Space City Ski & Adventure Club for many more years than I can remember. I love to travel, dance, read, ride my bicycle, and of course, ski. I took up skiing later in life and have loved it from the very first time I hit the slopes. I've been on dozens of trips and have a goal to take a ski trip at least once a year.

I am very active with my church and enjoy volunteer work in my spare time.

I live on the west side of town and I look forward to working with the Ski Club this coming year to help organize a great slate of trips and a multitude of fun activities, both on and off the slopes.

**Marti Turner - Nominee for Treasurer**

I appreciate the nominating committee providing me with the opportunity to serve as Treasurer for 2014-15.

I joined the club back in 1986, and have held numerous positions (including activity coordinator, trip coordinator, Treasurer, President, and Board member) over the years. I was convinced to get active in the club again and am currently serving as Treasurer.

My qualifications for Treasurer include my professional background in accounting and finance for ExxonMobil, as well as, my experience in working on various committees for SCSC and other organizations. I plan to work with the other officers and volunteers to ensure SCSC continues to have effective financial processes that support our programs.

SCSC has a tradition of outstanding volunteer leadership and I look forward to being part of Executive Committee. I have always believed that you get more out of volunteering than you give!



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3-7 CALIFORNIA WINE COUNTRY

DECEMBER

7-11 VAIL SHORT

7-14 VAIL LONG

JANUARY

4-11 PARK CITY

24-31 GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN

FEBRUARY

8-15 JACKSON HOLE

22-MAR 1 VAIL

MARCH

1-8 MAMMOTH

8-15 KEYSTONE⁽¹⁾

12-16 BRECKENRIDGE SHORT

15-22 WINTER PARK⁽²⁾

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SEPTEMBER

19-30 SOUTH AFRICA

(1) Spring Break & Family Optional Trip # 1

(2) Spring Break & Family Optional Trip # 2

Destination	Dates	Prices Full/Land Only (before cash discount)	Final Pay- ment Date	Trip Coordinator	Assistant Trip Coordinator
2013					
California Wine Country	Oct 3-7	\$773 - land & cash only	8/30/13	Linda Kuper linda@spacecity.org 713-478-9094	
Vail, CO - Short	Dec 7-11	\$756 - land only	10/14/13	Ann Rogers ann@spacecity.org	
Vail, CO - Long	Dec 7-14	\$1,229 - land only	10/14/13	281-703-0454	
2014					
Park City, UT <i>TSC Winter Traditional</i>	Jan 4-11	\$1,310/\$851	11/11/13	Betty Donellan betty@spacecity.org 310-702-2090	Leslie Hajdo leslieh@spacecity.org 281-419-6237
Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Bavaria, Germany <i>TSC Winter Expedition</i>	Jan 24-31	\$2,148/\$1,067	11/11/13	Barbara Brescian barbara@spacecity.org 713-516-5322	Sarah Granberry sarah@spacecity.org 713-392-5255
Jackson Hole, WY <i>TSC Winter Showdown</i>	Feb 8-15	\$1,327/\$753	12/2/13	Anne Thomas anne@spacecity.org 713-589-3660	Steve Ying steve@spacecity.org 281-433-4122
Vail, CO	Feb 22-Mar 1	\$1,204/\$860	11/24/13	Jim Hodges jim@spacecity.org 281-829-6155	Arlen Isham arlen@spacecity.org 713-560-0187
Mammoth, CA <i>WAIT-LIST ONLY</i>	Mar 1-8	\$1,385/\$901	1/13/14	Sandra McCunis sandra@spacecity.org 281-463-7717	
Keystone, CO ⁽¹⁾ <i>WAIT-LIST ONLY</i> <i>TSC Final Showdown</i>	Mar 8-15	\$1,135/\$709	11/11/13	John Burk john@spacecity.org 281-468-1912	
Breckenridge, CO - Short <i>WAIT-LIST ONLY</i>	Mar 12-16	\$578 - land only	1/13/14	Patti Finch patti@spacecity.org 936-520-1486	
Winter Park, CO ⁽²⁾ <i>WAIT-LIST ONLY</i>	Mar 15-22	\$859/\$520	12/9/13	Cindy Moore cindy@spacecity.org 713-628-7613	
South Africa <i>WAIT-LIST ONLY</i> <i>TSC Summer Expedition</i>	Sept 19-30	\$5,130/\$2,938	TBD	Melody Bohlmann melody@spacecity.org 210-410-7302	

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Information shown on this Trip Schedule is subject to change. Contact the Trip Coordinator (TC) or Assistant Trip Coordinator (ATC) for the most up-to-date information.

PRICING: FULL packages include air, all transfers, and per person lodging based on double-occupancy. LAND packages do not include air. Ground transportation will be included and available on selected trips for land package participants if they can meet the group at the destination airport in time to meet the group. Ground transportation will not be delayed for land package participants arriving later than the group. Check with your Trip Coordinator for ground transportation arrangements if you are choosing a land package.

Published prices do not include baggage fees, equipment rentals or lift tickets, and are subject to change. All trip deposits can be made with PayPal; however, final payment must be made by check to receive the discounted rate. Trips frequently have optional activities, such as a group dinner, or offer pre- and post-trip segments that are not reflected in the price published above. The TC is your source of information as to what is included in the package price and the cost of available options. Each trip has a different final refund date -- that is the last date you can withdraw from the trip without a penalty. Refer to the club's Standing Rules 5.1-5.4 for the governing policies on trips, cancellations, refunds, etc.

DEPOSITS: All trips require a per person deposit to make a reservation.

TRIP COORDINATORS FOR 2013-14

CALIFORNIA WINE COUNTRY

OCTOBER 3-7, 2013

Linda Kuper, TC

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713-478-9094

- 2 custom tailored, guided wine excursions
- Harvest season in Sonoma/Napa areas
- Quaint town of Healdsburg (reminiscent of Tuscany in the fall)
- Complimentary wine tastings at local wineries
- Fall is a beautiful time to visit Northern California – experience fall color & crisp weather

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Linda Kuper

VAIL CO

DEC 7-14 or 7-11

Ann Rogers, TC

ann@spacecity.org

281-703-0454

- Short & long options available
- Largest ski resort in the United States
- 5,289 acres of skiing
- Famous Back Bowls

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Ann Rogers

PARK CITY, UT - TSC TRADITIONAL

JAN 4-11

Betty Donellan, TC

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281-374-2172 / 310-702-2090

Leslie Hajdo, ATC

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281-419-6237

- World's Best Snow
- Three mountains to ski – Park City, Deer Valley, The Canyons
- Terrain for all abilities
- Park City is a charming mining town to explore

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Betty Donellan



Leslie Hajdo

and why you should choose their TRIP

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, BAVARIA, GERMANY - TSC WINTER EXPEDITION

JANUARY 24-31

Barbara Brescian
barbara@spacecity.org
713-516-5322

Sarah Granbery
sarah@spacecity.org
713-392-5255

- Savor the tastes, sounds and skiing of a Bavarian mountain resort town
- Ski the panoramic roof top of Germany
- Terrain for all abilities
- Step back in time to tour the 'real Disney castle'
- Historical sites, interesting excursions, art and culture

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Barbara Brescian and Sarah Granbery

JACKSON HOLE, WY - TSC WINTER SHOWDOWN

FEB 8-15

Anne Thomas
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713-589-3660

Steve Ying
steve@spacecity.org
281-433-4122

- SCSC/TSC trips are packed with activities on and off the slopes
- Offers 40% Blue Trails and ski terrain for all abilities
- Mountainside Lodging- No long bus rides!
- Elevation – base 6,311' is good for sleeping; summit -10,450' is great for skiing.
- Avoid Houston restaurant crowds by celebrating Valentine's Day in a skier's paradise

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Steve Ying and Anne Thomas

TRIP COORDINATORS FOR 2013-14

VAIL, CO

FEB 22-MAR 1

Jim Hodges
jim@spacecity.org
281-829-6155

Arlen Isham
arlen@spacecity.org
713-560-0187



Jim Hodges and Arlen Isham

- Largest, single mountain ski area in North America
- Vail International Condos located near Lionshead Village; walk or shuttle to gondola lift
- Dining and nightlife rated among the best in ski country
- Non-stop flight to Denver followed by a short 2 hr bus ride
- Skiing for everyone – wide open groomed runs, famous back bowls

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MAMMOTH, CA

MARCH 1-8

Sandra McCunis
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281-463-7717

- Mammoth Mountain has the most open terrain in the U.S.
- Average of 400 inches of snow and 300 days of sunshine
- Lodging in premier ski-in, ski-out condominium hotel
- The Village at Mammoth with shopping, dining and nightlife
- Overnight stay on Friday in Reno hotel with great entertainment included

WAIT-LIST ONLY



Sandra McCunis

KEYSTONE, CO - TSC FINAL SHOWDOWN, FAMILY TRIP

MARCH 8-15

John Burk
john@spacecity.org
281-468-1912

- Spring [Break] Skiing / Family Optional
- 3 Mountains at Keystone plus Breckenridge & Arapahoe Basin
- One scheduled day at Vail with transportation included
- Texas Ski Council (TSC) parties, activities and discounts
- Terrain for all abilities

WAIT-LIST ONLY



John Burk

and why you should choose their TRIP

BRECKENRIDGE SHORT

MARCH 12-16

Patti Finch

patti@spacecity.org

936-520-1486

WAIT-LIST ONLY

- Patti's favorite destination !
- Over 2,300 acres for skiing, including 800 acres of bowl skiing
- Breckenridge is an authentic mining town with lots of character
- Easy access from the Denver airport
- Terrific 'learn to ski' area



Patti Finch

WINTER PARK, CO

MARCH 15-22

Cindy Moore

cindy@spacecity.org

713-628-7613

WAIT-LIST ONLY

- Coincides with Houston & Spring Branch ISD, several college spring breaks, and the trip is geared for children of all ages
- Seven nights of value-priced lodging are offered
- Lift tickets are inexpensive and lesson packages for all ages
- Winter Park offers terrain for all abilities, with lots of gentle slopes for beginners



Cindy Moore

SOUTH AFRICA - TSC SUMMER EXPEDITION

SEPTEMBER 19-30, 2014

Melody Bohlmann

melody@spacecity.org

210-410-7302

WAIT-LIST ONLY

- 'Bucket List' South Africa destination with a 3 night pre-trip option available for Victoria Falls and a post-trip to Kruger Park.
- This trip has something for everyone – the adventurer, nature lover, animal lover, wine taster, historian, photographer, and the shopper.



Melody Bohlmann

our LEADERSHIP 2013-14

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Visit our [website](#) for the most up-to-date information.

MARCH

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Mammoth Ski Trip

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General Meeting

8-15

Keystone Ski Trip

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Breckenridge Ski Trip

15-22

Winter Park Ski Trip

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Happy Hour



APRIL

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TSC BidFest - San Antonio

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General Meeting

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Happy Hour

club CALENDAR MAY

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General Meeting

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Happy Hour

ROCK THE VOTE!

**The March 10th General Meeting will
be our Annual Meeting.**

**Your attendance is very important
because we are voting on the slate of
officers for the 2014-2015 season.**

Please mark your calendars!