



The Sitzmarke

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Space City Ski Club May General Meeting

Monday, May 14th @ 6:30 pm to 9:00pm @Dave & Busters

From Mission Control

by Sandra McCunis, President

The 2012/2013 season for Space City Ski Club begins on May 1st. We had a great 2011/2012 season and the current Executive Committee is committed to providing our members with more exciting trips and activities in the upcoming year.

I am honored to be your President for a second term and I will work on planning some interesting programs for our General Meetings. Ann Rogers, V.P. of Trips, is planning a great slate of trips for the new season. Cindy Moore, V.P. of Activities, will be organizing some new and fun activities. Jan Ferrill, V.P. of Membership, Leyla Ozkardesh, V.P. of Publications, Chuck Pena, Treasurer, and Sarah Granbery, Secretary, will continue as officers for another term. Jim Hodges and Susan Blome, Directors of Trips, will assist Ann Rogers in organizing this season's trips and Lynda Meyers will be our Director of Communications. We welcome your ideas and suggestions on ways to grow and improve our club.

Please consider volunteering to be a Trip Coordinator or Assistant Trip Coordinator. You can contact Ann Rogers to apply for one of these positions. We will also need Activity Coordinators throughout the year so contact Cindy Moore to

organize an activity. SCSC relies on volunteers to be successful so please support our club by volunteering.

SCSC memberships expire on April 30th. If you renew by May 31st, you will receive a discount a \$5 discount on your dues. You can renew your membership at our meeting, complete the enclosed form in the Sitzmarke or download a form online at www.spacecityskiclub.org and mail or give it and your check to Jan Ferrell. You can also log in to our website and renew your membership via PayPal.

Our May General Meeting will be at Dave & Buster's on Monday, May 14th and will feature entertainment by Tim Janak who plays "Music of the Alps". Tim's performances include the sound of accordion, the Tirolean Cowbells and the Alphorn. You will have an opportunity to dance while he plays a mixture of polka's, waltzes, schottisches, two steps and chicken dances. Invite your friends and co-workers to join us for this fun and festive evening.

We are looking forward to the new season and I hope to see you at our May meeting. Don't forget to renew your membership!



Countdown to Liftoff

By Ann Rogers, V.P. of Trips

Thank you for your confidence in me to be your VP of trips for the next ski season. Jim Hodges and Susan Blome are the Director of Trips and will be assisting me this year.

We are looking forward to another exciting 2012/2013 ski season. The TSC trips have been determined at the recent bid fest that was held in San Antonio. I am so excited as the destinations are exactly what Space City wanted. The Traditional trip will be to Steamboat, it is the 50th anniversary of operation for Steamboat. I am sure this will be an exciting week. The Winter Expedition is going to Granada, Spain for those who are interested in international travel. We are working on a



week of activities for both skiers and non-skiers. The Winter Shootout will be in Telluride, Colorado in the month of February. The Final Showdown is going to be at Big Sky, Montana. This is a great destination with no crowds and plenty of room to ski. Lastly, the TSC Summer Expedition is going to Ireland. I have already heard that this is going to be a popular trip.

We are still finalizing club trips in between the TSC trips. We are working on trips to some destinations we have not been to in several years. We are also looking for volunteers to run trips. If you are interested in please fill out the Trip Coordinator application. Our club relies on volunteers and we need your help to keep our club running strong.

Remember to renew your membership so you are ready to sign up for a trip!

Having A Blast!

By Cindy Moore, V.P. of Activities

I am excited to be back in the saddle organizing some tremendous activities for the coming year! I will need a LOT of volunteer Activity Coordinators (ACs) to carry out my plan.

Some of the benefits included the following: 1) You get

to go free on the activity you organize; 2) You get excellent training to prepare you to be an assistant trip leader or even a trip leader for the following year; 3) You get invited to the huge volunteer party extravaganza for the year you volunteer!

I will be contacting new members to



Ski Trip Schedule 2011-2012

Destination	Trip Dates	FPD	Trip \$	TC	ATC
Galapagos	August 1-10, 2012	19-Mar-12	Land Only	Melinda Hughes	
TSC Summer Expedition	(Weds-Fri)		\$3,563	home@angeloproductions.com	
Cash Disc \$100 936-825-7039					

Having A Blast! (cont)

see if they would like to jump in and get involved in leading an activity this year. Most anything can be organized, with activities that cost less than \$20.00 usually being the most popular.

I will be setting up an AC training meeting/party in July to teach AC's how to run an activity and how to do the budget and transmittals. I will be happy to help with the budgeting and I will be approving all transmittals. In order to lead an activity you must be an active member of SCSC, you need to be able to come to all SCSC general meetings during the 3 months prior to the activity and most of the happy hours during those three months as well, you need to have a working email address and daily access to a computer, you need to have a phone number you are willing to put on the marketing materials, you need a little bit of excel experience and you need to be excited about your activity! That is it!

I regret I will have to miss the May meeting due to an extremely important prior commitment; however, I will be making all of the happy hours. Until I get my SCSC email set up, please email me at info@tscyf.org with ideas, or interest in being an activity coordinator. You may also call me at 713-984-1060. I would like to line up some activities that have never been attempted before, as well as some old favorites. I would like to get more family optional activities included this year, such as the mini-golf we have done in the past and an ice skating day or evening to cool off during the summer. I will have a tentative calendar for all of 2012, and even part of 2013, completed in June, so getting with me in the next few months is crucial! I would like all activities advertised in the Sitzmarke, by poster and fliers 3 months prior to the activity. The board voted to change the "Final Payment Date" to the "Final Refund Date" which will be on all advertising. I also plan to instigate some discounts for paying well in advance of the date of some activities.

Be sure to joining the Kayaking event on Saturday, May 19th Run by Kayaking pros Halcyon Learned and Steve Ying. The 26th Annual AIA Sandcastle Competition will be held

Saturday June 2, 2012. AC Ellen Eastham and Assistant Activity Coordinator (AAC) Tom Danowski have put together another well-organized event. I have personally only missed one of these since we have been volunteering as a club, and I don't think there is a more fun event one can volunteer for! Complimentary t-shirts, food and drink, are benefits for volunteers. Shift A will be 6 am-11:30 am and Shift B will be 11:30am-5 pm. After the event is over, bring food to BBQ, snacks & drinks to unwind. Join Tom & Ellen and many others as they BBQ & relax until sunset. If you have not seen the Sandcastle Competition, it is a must! Over 60 architectural firms' teams competed in 2011! Optional: Friday night BEACH BASH at the Galveston Hilton 6:30-10pm- \$20. Live entertainment, complimentary dinner, beer & sodas are included.

The Volunteer Party will be held July 14th, so if you volunteered as an AC, AAC, assistant trip coordinator or trip coordinator this year, you are invited and will be honored at this pool party event. If you didn't have a chance to volunteer last year, you can attend this party for free if you are an active (paid up) SCSC member and you volunteer to help with check in, food, and clean up at this party. See Ellen Eastham at the May general meeting to sign up to help with this party.

Helene Robinson is checking into a possible jet skiing activity this summer on Lake Conroe. Arlen Isham is putting together a huge "P" party that involves Pool tables, a (swimming) Pool, Putt Putt golf and Pinot noir and Pinot Grigio (among many other things) that will be sometime in September.

I would love to bring back the Road Rally which used to be a HUGE event back in my early SCSC days. I think we might need to put together a committee to make this a reality, as it is a lot of work for 1 or 2 people. If you could help with this event let me know. I am thinking November might be a good month for this event, but any month could work. See the Calendar of Events for the upcoming Happy Hour locations. Thanks to Leslie Ward for all of her hard work for the past year!

Calendar of Events

04/29/12	TUTS's La Cage Aux Folles @ Hobby Center 800 Bagby -7:30-9:30PM RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW!!!!!!!!!!!!
05/07/12	ExCom Meeting at Hin's Restaurant - 6:30 PM
05/14/12	May General Meeting - Dave & Buster's 6010 Richmond Ave. - 6:30 to 9:00 PM
05/19/12	Kayaking Activity - 8:30AM
05/24/12	May Happy Hour - Guadalajara - 9799 Katy Freeway (West Houston) - 5:30 to 9:00 PM
06/02/12	AIA Sandcastle Contest - East Beach Galveston, TX - 6:00 AM
06/04/12	ExCom Meeting at Hin's Restaurant - 6:30 PM
06/28/12	June Happy Hour - Rainbow Lodge -2011 Ella Blvd (Heights) 5:30 to 9:00 PM
07/14/12	Volunteer Party (Details to be announced)
07/26/12	July Happy Hour - Chuy's - 9350 Westheimer (Westchase) - 5:30 to 9:00 PM

Big Sky Montana—Home to America's Biggest Skiing®

February 26 – March 4, 2012

Thirty seven of us arrived in Big Sky to the best snow most had seen all season, and that was just the beginning.

Our first activity was the Welcome Party at the Base Camp where the Sunday fliers met up with Frank Adams (who drove) as well as the six land packagers who arrived on Saturday. We learned that a few of our early arrivals ended up at the nearby Summit hotel since the Huntley Lodge was overbooked. Ron and Roberta Rambin really appreciated their Honeymoon Suite and found a great use for the indoor hot tub...to stow their luggage! At the welcome party, our Big Sky resort representative, Katie Grice, provided some great mountain information not to mention the generous wine and cheese party. Afterwards, many were off to the hotel theater where we were able to catch the Oscars on the big screen. At the front desk, Roger was thrilled to learn he was able to snag a corkscrew, and then was surprised to later learn that his big bottle of Blackberry Merlot had a screw cap!



Most awoke early on our first day to head down to that famous Huntley Lodge breakfast with made-to-order omelets plus a huge array of hot and cold breakfast choices! Melinda and Dennis earned the first beer fine of the trip for forgetting their lift tickets on the first day! (Usually the beer fines are for double releases). Peggy Schillinger, Chuck Britton, Marty Kaminsky and Jill Nanney took the morning tour to learn the mountain and found it was especially helpful to understand how to avoid those "fun" runs like Snake Pit, Wounded Knee, Sticks and Stones and Broken Promise! It was a blue-sky day, a perfect day for a tram ride up to Lone Peak. So guess where you could find the Big Dogs...they were skiing the incredibly steep runs off the Tram. This famous and invincible group of 13, led by Keith Kirkman, included Frank Adams, Diane and Ross Baker, Bill Bomberger, Gary Davis, Jim Hodges, Dennis and Melinda Hughes, Beverly and Charlie Roberts, Nancy Schultz, Carl Webb. We all (well most of us) met for lunch at Lone Peak Café in Mountain Mall (our daily meeting spot) and enjoyed après ski at Andiamo Italian Grill with \$3 drafts and \$10 pizza!

The following day, while Frank lolled in the hot tub, we had an impromptu happy hour at Chet's in Huntley Lodge and got to "experience" the Crazy Austrians. While Nelson watched with amusement, Marti Turner got pulled onto stage to play drums with the band while donning a crazy fur hat. Then Peggy was drug out to the dance floor by her chair to join the chicken dance. And what Beverly wouldn't do for a new pair of shoes - she was awarded the Jagermeister flip flops (not to mention to the Schnapps shot/s) after she and Charlie danced the first polka. Later, the bus picked us up for the optional group dinner at Buck's T-4 in nearby Gallatin Canyon. Besides the quaint rustic atmosphere, we enjoyed a house salad, 14oz Ribeyes /local Montana trout, plus a yummy chocolate torte for dessert.

On leap day, our third ski day, most were ready to experience Moonlight Basin which was a lift ticket option. Even though Diane Baker "hip checked" Craig Campbell off the lift, Craig still hung with the Big Dogs for the day! It was also fun to run into them at the appropriate moment to take a picture of the entire group in front of "Bad Dog" run! Chuck Pena and Steven Ying created their own Survivor episode while in search of a steep powder run. They almost landed in a creek and took most of an hour crawling out - Chuck had to do snowboard chin-ups to escape. "Cost me three runs" said Steve.

On Thursday, March 1st, we awoke to 4" of fresh snow. A group of ten was off early for their pre-arranged Yellowstone tour. Dennis and Melinda Hughes, Stan and Daniel Kuper and Marty Kaminsky rode the snowmobiles; while Peggy Schillinger, Linda Kuper, Mark Monroe, Beatriz Gomez and Al Smith enjoyed the snowcoach tour. Back on the slopes, the Roberts family set a ski club record with 4 double releases in one day. Beer fines for the double releases were paid at après ski at Whiskey Jack's!

Friday was our next to last day for the main group, and while the Big Dogs were enjoying a very rare cruisin' run down Little Calf, a small group of "Little Pups" mistakenly went down Lobo Meadows which turned into "Stump Farm". Let's just say it was a four-letter run! Later, Chuck B. asked Roger "did you mean to wear your goggles sideways like that"? Since it was the last night for the Sat-Sat crew, we celebrated this fabulous trip with a S'mores party at the Firehole inside the Lodge. Jim Hodges and Dennis helped entertain the crowd while engaged in a big stakes checkers match. And we were glad to hear from Larry Thompson that his wife Cindy, coping with pneumonia, was feeling better and they both were able to secure an early flight home. Dave George who was also feeling a little under the weather earlier in the week, made an appearance and told us how he had gotten caught up on The Godfather movie/s.

Our last ski day on Saturday was epic, with 7" of fresh powder! Those who skied were thankful the trip turned into Sun-Sun so we got to enjoy this marvelous ski day! Keith continued to lead the Dawgs on his favorite runs - anything that started with a yellow caution sign. Janet McKenzie took a rare tree run and said "I couldn't have made it through if my chest was any bigger!" The Kupers and Marty enjoyed their run namesake, Mr. K, and Mark Monroe and Craig Campbell tried cross-country skiing. At après ski at the Carabiner @ Summit Hotel, we watched in awe as a girl in her wedding dress (without a jacket) took photos in the falling snow. Later that evening, we celebrated at Bev's final bash; our impromptu pizza dinner at Mountain Mall (although some folks like Mary and Bob Simpson celebrated their last evening in a slightly ritzier establishment!)

Breckenridge, Co - March 3—7 by Patty Finch TC

Breckenridge is a beautiful, very high altitude ski town and we had perfect weather conditions -- Spring skiing temperatures. Our trip totaled 24 participants, including several new members. I was thrilled to be able to show our new members that skiing is a wonderful sport. New members were **Madhu Moza, Deborah Adams, Brett Rovey, Kristen Mogensen, Danny Miller** and **Kristin Koblis**. We also had **Harriet** and **Whitney Leavell** rejoining to ski. We arrived on Saturday to a pizza party with Vail Resorts representative providing us with information about the ski area. Many participants wanted to know about the 4 peaks so they could navigate between each with a wide range of skiing ability. **Larry Edmonson** and **Lori White**, who arrived a day earlier to enjoy skiing an extra day, joined us at the pizza party.

Our condos were located on the Four O'Clock run, with easy ski-in access to our units at the end of the day. The bus stop was right out our door to catch in the morning to go to the Snowflake lift or to the Beaver Run and QuickSilver lifts.

Sunday was a sunny day and everyone seemed to be out early to enjoy the runs. **Tom Hutcheson** and **Whitney Leavell** were ski buddies, as were **Chaille Hutcheson** and **Harriet Leavell**, skiing the blacks on Peak 10 and then would meet the guys at night for dinner. **Kristen** and **Brett** enjoyed cooking in the evenings. Very good cooks.

Pat Piech was our last minute add-on and enjoyed skiing with everyone. She was also a very good roommate. New members **Kristin Koblis** and **Danny Miller**, same level of skiing experience, skied together. **Kristin**, a Telemark skier, has lived in Denver and knew the mountain well. **Don Macken** skied with **Tony Loverdi**. **Don** was kind enough to share a bottle of wine one night with our condo. **Don** had lots of leftover food and wine. My suggestion to **Don** is to eat before going to the grocery store. **Brett Rovey** has skied before but this was **Kristen Mogensen's** first attempt, and she enjoyed it. **David Stotz** seemed to enjoy every aspect of the trip - skiing and dining out with wife **Diane** and friends, but rumor was he did work a little during the trip (as probably did others). Cell phone and computers make it harder to escape and just relax. **Ash Moza** encouraged his wife **Madhu** to try skiing. She took lessons, and on the last day was able to ski some of the blue runs. I think we have a new skier!

We also had non-skiers on the trip who are our black-diamond, professional shoppers. **Diane Stotz** and **Linda Guice** were out early and managed to shop until they dropped. On the last day I went with them on a bus trip to Frisco. We enjoyed a wonderful pastry in Frisco and then made every shop before returning to Breckenridge to shop some more. **Diane** and **Linda** were

also able to get in one day of snow shoeing. They got lost and found themselves on a black "Shock" route but they did manage to maneuver down. The nice thing about Breckenridge is there are many things to do if you do not ski.

Deb Cini and **Ann Dorn** flew to Denver separately and met us at the Denver airport. **Deb Cini** was busy encouraging **Ann Dorn** to ski the blue runs, which I think she accomplished! Another accomplished skier on our trip.

Mary Jo Loverdi, **Tony Loverdi** and **Suzan Meaux** were ski buddies and fun entertainment, especially on the bus. **Deborah Adams** greatly enjoyed her first SCSC ski trip and being condo mates with **Mary Jo**, **Tony** and **Susan**. **Tony**, an avid fisherman, was envious of the ice fishermen on the lake at Georgetown.

We anticipated poor weather conditions when leaving, so we left Breckenridge early to arrive

safely at the airport in time for some of our participants to get on an earlier flight home



Sun Valley, ID - March 10—17, 2012 by Ann Rogers TC

Sun Valley, Idaho was the destination for the TSC Final Showdown. Saturday was a travel day and many of us arrived late Saturday night. Those that arrived early were enjoying dinner at Sun Valley Lodge. Our accommodations in the Lodge Apartments were spacious and comfortable.

Sunday was a day to ski or get acquainted with our new surroundings. Sun Valley is a beautiful place unfortunately, we did not see the sun much during our week there. The TSC Welcome party was held Sunday night at the Sun Valley Inn. It was a chance to visit with friends from other clubs, eat some tasty appetizers and enjoy the music.

Monday, we had some new snow and some sun in the afternoon. **Matthew Baker, Andrew Baker, Alexandria Quigley, Elizabeth Quigley, Ava Gami, Dara Gami and Drew Gami** were the 7 kids enrolled in Kid's Camp. Space City is the only club that had children participating in this program. Monday night was the Pub Crawl into Ketchum, **Charles Albright, Paige Albright, Kathy Quigley** joined the group on this outing.

On Tuesday the snow was not the best due to the warm conditions but we hit the slopes. Most of the group went over to Bald Mountain where the more challenging terrain was. **Helene Robinson, Ellen Matson and Barbara Bank** skied together. **Ross and Diane Baker** were skiing with **Charles Albright and Paige Albright**. **Ehud Barak and Jim James** explored the mountain and did the black runs. **Candace TenBrink** and **Ann Rogers** felt their way down the mountain in the fog. Tuesday night **Ann Rogers** and **Ray Villarreal** hosted a pizza party in the condo. **Julie Rothermund** brought homemade cookies to the party. The gathering was well attended and fun was had by all. The game Apples to Apples was a big hit and kept the group entertained. **Michael Rothermund, Julie Rothermund, Diane Baker, Ross Baker, Matthew Baker, Andrew Baker, Ehud Barak** all played the game. There was also the game of Uno, **Elizabeth Quigley** loves this game. .

On Wednesday the **Gami** family had to leave Sun Valley, so we said goodbye to **Abhi, Ava, Apoor, Lisa, Dara and Drew Gami and Candace TenBrink**. Wednesday was a snow day; big wet snowflakes fell most of the morning. The lunch spot was Seattle Ridge and **Ross and Diane Baker, Michael Rothermund, Ehud Barak, Ellen Matson, Helene Robinson, Charles Albright, Paige Albright** were all there. **Ray Villarreal** and **Ann Rogers** arrived late after skiing from one side of the mountain to the other which was not easy in the wet snow. **Jim Jeans** was injured today and drove himself to the hospital for medical treatment. He was walking around Wednesday night with a boot on his right leg. The sleigh ride dinner was Wednesday evening, **Leslie and Don Caldwell, Leslie Adams and Steve Ellsberry, Jim Jeans, Ehud Barak, Charles Albright, Paige Albright, Kathy, Alexandria and Elizabeth Quigley, Marsha Lutz, Ray Villarreal** and **Ann Rogers** attended. **Elizabeth Quigley** performed with the accordion player after dinner, rang sleigh bells while he played a song.

Thursday was race day. It was a gray, cloudy and wet day. However, 8 of us did our best and completed the course. Space City won the 1st place trophy for Division 1!!! Lone Star was awarded the 2nd place trophy for Division 1.

Friday was the last day to ski or just relax in the hot tub. The farewell dinner was held at the Sun Valley Lodge. After the dinner then the music started and the dancing began. **Marsha Lutz** did a great job as the TSC Rep for Sun Valley.

Saturday was departure day and we left during a snow storm. It was a very pretty drive out of the valley but soon the snow turned to rain. Our bus had leaky windows and the rain was pouring in on some of the passengers. That made for an uncomfortable ride for some. Sun Valley is a great destination for a ski vacation and I am glad that the TSC held the final showdown there.

Space City Ski Club 2011-2012 Executive Committee

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SPACE CITY SKI CLUB

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

2012-2013 (MAY 1 – APRIL 30)

2012 APPLICATION # _____
 “CASH” OR CHECK # _____
 AMOUNT PAID \$ _____

MINIMUM AGE FOR MEMBERSHIP IS 18
 Make Checks payable to: “SPACE CITY SKI CLUB”
 Mailing Address: P.O. Box 22567, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77227-2567

For Club Information
 Visit www.spacecityskiclub.org

MEMBERSHIP DUES SCHEDULES (Check One)

☐ NEW MEMBER

1 yr. membership (4/30/13) ☐ \$40 Single ☐ \$60 Dual
 3 yr. membership (4/30/15) ☐ \$99 Single ☐ \$153 Dual
 5 yr. membership (4/30/17) ☐ \$148 Single ☐ \$234 Dual

Referred to SCSC by: _____

☐ RENEWAL of existing membership

Renewal by 5/31/12 ☐ \$35 Single* ☐ \$55 Dual *
 Renewal after 5/31/12 ☐ \$40 Single ☐ \$60 Dual
 3 year membership ☐ \$99 Single ☐ \$153 Dual
 5 year membership ☐ \$148 Single ☐ \$234 Dual
 *See discounted dues on back of form (¶ 1.0 B)

MAILING AND DIRECTORY LISTING DATA (Please Print Clearly)

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT SCSC?

(A1) APPLICANT 1			(A2) APPLICANT 2		
_____ LAST FIRST MIDDLE			_____ LAST FIRST MIDDLE		
_____ MAILING ADDRESS					
_____ CITY			_____ STATE ZIPCODE + 4 (See Phone Bill for Zip + 4)		
_____ Home Phone	_____ Applicant1 Work Phone	_____ Applicant1 Cell Phone	_____ Applicant2 Work Phone	_____ Applicant2 Cell Phone	
_____ APPLICANT 1 E-MAIL ADDRESS			_____ APPLICANT 2 E-MAIL ADDRESS		
_____ APPLICANT 1 BIRTHDAY: MO/DAY			_____ APPLICANT 2 BIRTHDAY: MO/DAY		
_____ APPLICANT 1 SIGNATURE			_____ APPLICANT 2 SIGNATURE		

Signature constitutes acceptance of Release of Liability and Standing Rules printed on page 2 of this application form.

TRIP/ACTIVITY PREFERENCES

(A1)(A2) (A1 = Applicant 1 A2 = Applicant 2)	(A1) (A2) (A1 = Applicant 1 A2 = Applicant 2)	(A1) (A2) (A1 = Applicant 1 A2 = Applicant 2)
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Cross Country Skiing	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycling – ON Road	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Camping
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Skating	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking/Trail Running	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Wine Tasting
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Running	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Wind Surfing	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Mardi Gras
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Water Skiing	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural/Theater	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Snowboarding
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Dancing	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Halloween Party	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Sailing
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Rodeo	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Rafting/Kayaking/Canoeing	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Golf
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Beach Party	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycling – OFF Road	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Road Rally
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Downhill Skiing	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Yoga

WE NEED YOU AS A VOLUNTEER – PLEASE TELL US WHERE YOU CAN HELP

(A1) (A2) (A1 = Applicant 1 A2 = Applicant 2)		
Ski Trips	Other Activities	Meetings
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Trip Coordinator	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Activity Coordinator	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Member Check-In
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Assistant Trip Coordinator		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Ambassador (Host)
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Race Director		

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA (for SCSC use only, not for publication purposes)

(A1) Applicant 1		(A2) Applicant 2	
_____ Male/Female Single/Married	_____ Year of Birth	_____ Male/Female Single/Married	_____ Year of Birth

1.0 DUES.

- A. Dues shall be \$40 per single person and \$60 for a dual membership. Two individuals applying for a dual membership must use the same mailing address.
- B. Members who renew their membership before May 31 will receive a \$5 discount per single membership and \$5 per dual membership based on a one-year renewal.
- C. Dues are nonrefundable, may not be pro-rated, and may not be converted to dual membership status during the membership year.

5.0 TRIP PENALTIES.

5.1 FINAL PAYMENT DATE

- A. If a trip participant withdraws from a trip after the published final payment date, the trip participant will lose the entire payment upon withdrawal. If the participant can be replaced from the waiting list, the participant will be refunded the entire payment less any costs incurred by the Club in addition to cancellation fees as specified in 5.2. If the trip participant cannot be replaced from the waiting list, the participant will be refunded the amount which the Trip Coordinator is able to recover by cancellation of lodging, transportation, and/or other commitments less any costs incurred by the Club and cancellation fees as specified in 5.2.
- B. If a trip participant fails to make final payment by the published final payment date the Trip Coordinator may replace the participant after making a diligent effort to contact the participant, who will be subject to cancellation fees as specified in 5.2.

5.2 CANCELLATION FEES.

A participant may forfeit his full deposit if he fails to notify the Club in writing of his intent to withdraw on or before the published final payment dates. A minimum charge of \$30.00 or 20% of the published trip cost, whichever is less, said amount not to be less than \$10.00 will be assessed for each trip cancellation.

- 5.3 Deposit, and cancellation charges for non-domestic trips shall be determined by the Executive Committee and included in the trip release form as well as in all trip publicity; in no case shall these requirements be less than those provided in Sections 5.2 and 5.3 of these Standing Rules.

5.4 NO SNOW

If the Club encounters a cancellation situation prior to the departure of a trip, the trip participant is entitled to recover the entire cost of the trip less charges incurred by the Club as a penalty for cancellation of lodging, transportation, operating expenses and/or other commitments made on behalf of a trip participant. Refunds to any trip will be made upon receipt by the Club of the total refund due the Club by the resort, airline and/or other entity or as approved by the Executive Committee.

7.0 RESTRICTIONS.

- 7.1 Allowing non-trip participants to occupy any room as a non-registered guest is strictly prohibited, and in violation of Club policy.
- 7.2 The illegal use of controlled substances and/or alcohol during Club trips, or any other official Club function, is in violation of Club policy, and is strictly prohibited.
- 7.3 No substitutions of trip participants shall be allowed without the knowledge and approval of the Trip Coordinator, and new additions to the trip shall come from that trip's Waiting List. The Trip Coordinator shall make all substitutions.
- 7.4 It is the policy of the Club not to allow the active solicitation of the general membership at a Club function or in the Club publication for any other than Club sponsored trips or activities without the consent of the Executive Committee.
- 7.5 No person may participate in a Club sponsored trip, or participant paid activity, without first completing a written and signed Release of Liability for that trip or activity, on a form approved by the Board of Directors.
- 7.6 No person may sign up on a wait list for a Club sponsored ski trip without being a member in good standing. A trip must be full before a wait list can be started. A deposit is required in order to sign up on a trip wait list.
- 7.7 A Club Officer, Director, Director(s) of Trips, Director of Programs, Assistant Treasurer or Audit Committee Chair shall not accept a gratuity in excess of \$25.00 from a vendor without notice to the Executive Committee.

8.0 MISCELLANEOUS.

8.1 SKI TRIP SIGN UP.

- A. Members shall be allowed to sign up for club ski trips each year by 1) following the directions for Mail-In Sign Up, as published in the August issue of the Sitzmarke newsletter, or 2) beginning with the opening of the September General Meeting, by contacting the Trip Coordinator and paying the appropriate deposit or amount due for the trip. No other methods of sign up will be accepted, except as authorized by the Executive Committee and published in advance in the Sitzmarke.

- B. Each member may sign up for him/herself and one other member on any ski trip or ski trip waiting list.

- 8.2 **WEATHER.** If a trip should be "weathered-in," the additional lodging expense will be left up to the individual, although the Trip Coordinator will assist in making accommodation arrangements and collection for same shall be left up to the lodge.

- 8.3 **NON-SKI TRIPS/ACTIVITIES.** Reservations for participation in such activities may require full payment, instead of a deposit fee.

- 8.4 **DIRECTORY.** The directory will be delivered to the printer no later than January 31. A supplement will be mailed to the membership within 30 days of reaching the membership limit, but no later than the mailing of the April Sitzmarke. The cost will be offset by advertising and/or budgeted through the office of Secretary.

- 8.5 A member who does not follow/adhere to accepted business practices in financial dealings by, for, or with the Club is in violation of Club policy, is subject to disciplinary action, and may be held financially responsible for any resulting liability incurred by the Club.

- 8.6 A member who fails to abide by the laws of the state in which an activity or trip is being held and/or fails to meet policies and rules of our contractual vendors (airlines, bus lines, lodging and/or properties, etc.) while participating in a Club activity or trip, which results in placing himself, another member, or the Club into a position of liability, is in violation of Club policy and is subject to disciplinary action as stated in the SCSC By-Laws Article 2.4.

8.7 TRIP PACKAGES

- A. It is the policy of the Club to sell complete trip packages (air, lodging, and ground transportation) at the full budgeted price unless otherwise authorized by the Executive Committee.
- B. "Shadow participants" shall be defined as members making their own travel and lodging arrangements, but wishing to participate in club or Texas Ski Council activities on a trip. This type of participation will be allowed on each ski trip as authorized by the Executive Committee. Shadow participants shall pay the appropriate fee for the trip's activities plus a \$10.00 shadow participant fee, the sum of which shall be set forth on the approved trip budget.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I certify and recognize that SCSC is a non-profit organization, run entirely by volunteers who have no special training or experience at conducting trips or other activities and I do not rely on the expertise of any director or officer or their appointed representatives in conducting trips or activities. I am aware that SCSC carries no insurance nor maintains a reserve for liability.

I wish to participate on this trip or activity because SCSC provides me with the economics and discounts of group purchasing power, social interaction with compatible individuals, and does all the planning and reservation work for me.

In consideration of the above, I, for myself, my heirs, executors and assignees do hereby release and discharge SCSC, its directors, officers, members and any other person appointed by them, from all claims, damages, demands or actions whatsoever in any manner arising from my participation on this trip or activity. I agree that I am solely responsible for my personal safety and conduct. I also agree to indemnify and hold harmless SCSC, its directors, officers, members and agents, or contractors from any loss, cost, or expense, incurred by, or attributable in any way to me, in connection with this trip or activity.

I also certify that I have read, that I understand, and that I agree to abide by, all the Bylaws and Standing Rules of SCSC. I understand that payments made for trips or activities may not be refundable, in whole, or in part, and that all payments will be handled in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bylaws and Standing Rules.

I hereby appoint SCSC, its directors, officers and agents, as my agent to perform all acts and to enter into, any and all contracts as may be deemed desirable in connection with this trip or activity. I understand SCSC acts only as coordinator and accepts no responsibility for the service of any person, ski area, resort, airline, motorcoach, hotel or any organization whatsoever rendering any of the services or accommodations being offered on this trip or activity. Trip and activity fees are based on current tariffs and are subject to change without notice. SCSC accepts no responsibility, in whole or part, for any delays, delayed departures or arrivals, missed plane or other carrier connections, loss, damage, or injury, to person or property, mechanical defect or failure of any nature, however caused, or for any substitution of hotels or common carriers, with or without notice, or for any additional expenses occasioned thereby.

Spend the Day Kayaking

Saturday, May 19th 8:30am

AC—Halcyon Learned - halcyonrl@comcast.net

AAC—Steve Ying — sying@holophane.com

Members \$30 Non Members \$35

See Website for Details



Membership News by Jan Ferrell, VP Membership jferrell123@att.net

A new ski season is rapidly approaching. Can you believe April is almost over? It's time to renew your membership and you will receive a \$5.00 discount per household if renewed by 5/31/2012.

So whip out that checkbook or go on-line and used the automated system (PayPal) as directed on our website. You will need your login and password to access it. If you don't remember your login/password, please contact me. If you have never set up your account, the website will walk you through it and I am always here to help.

.The Texas Ski Council has selected some terrific locations for the 2012/2013 season and they will be published soon. THINK SNOW!

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