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HEAD OF THE LIFTLINE

by Pam Holder



SCSC's Pam Holder with Steamboat pro, Billy Kidd.

Traditions

Turkey on Thanksgiving Day

*The Christmas tie that doesn't go with
a thing that you own*

*The football marathon on the First
(unless the holiday falls on Sunday)*

Texas Ski Week in January

This is the time that every year sees 1,000+ ski-all-day and party-all-night Texans descend on some lucky ski resort that actually bids for the opportunity of having all the craziness of Traditional Texas Ski Week in their area. One hundred ninety-two SCSCers will participate in Tradition this month at Steamboat Springs. (Actually, by the time that you read this, they'll be ready to come home.) Every year this Texas Ski Council sponsored trip continues to grow in popularity and in recent years has been the biggest airlift SCSC does to any area. Having been to eight Traditional Texas Ski Weeks, it's obvious that I'm a patron of the Tradition.

And as part of this Tradition, SCSC participates in the challenge among the other Texas ski clubs for the Texas Ski Cup. After the trip to Keystone over Thanksgiving, SCSC mustered 1,035 points with only thirty-three (yes, count them--only thirty-three!) racers. Unfortunately, this was only good for third place as Los Amigos Ski Club out of San Antonio raced fifty-seven and gained 100 points more than we did. Too bad WE didn't have fifty-seven racers! I hope everyone will come to the January meeting to welcome back our fellow

SCSCers from Steamboat and see how we did at races. I have my fingers and toes crossed on this one.

At the December meeting we had the opportunity to welcome home some other SCSC Traditionalists. These are the people who have been members of the club for fifteen or more years. I would like to thank Dale Albritton, Jim McIntyre and Ron Rambin for their hard work to research our members who have so traditionally re-upped every year. (We even discovered another tradition--Jim McIntyre has never thrown away a club directory!)

As I reported last month, Jerry Montgomery is chairing the Nominating Committee for next year's officers. Time is running out. If you have an interest in being an officer, be sure to call Jerry. We will present the slate of officers at the February meeting and the Tradition will continue. These people will represent, in the Nominating Committee's best judgment, the most qualified candidates who understand the responsibilities of their respective offices and who will willingly serve if elected. If you and someone you know is not nominated by the Nominating Committee and would like to run for office, be sure to check out Article IV for qualifications of each office.

JANUARY GENERAL MEETING

Monday, January 16
7:30 P.M.

The Grand Hotel
Loop 610 at Westheimer

ATTENTION!! This meeting will be held on the **THIRD** Monday of January instead of the second so that we may bring to you the latest word from Texas Ski Week. Come hear how Space City finished among the participating clubs competing for the coveted Texas Ski Cup.

Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the February meeting. Double check that the person nominated from the floor will serve if elected.

Don't forget the traditional monthly Happy Hour at Cooter's on January 26. We will be participating in a newer tradition in Galveston on February 4--Mardi Gras on the Strand. Let me say that the Dickens celebration in December was a roaring success, so don't miss out on this next trip to the island. We are also bringing back a former SCSC tradition, a Casino Party, on February 19 (*see the ad in this issue for all the details.*)

Kudos this month go to **Cindy Garrett**, our Texas Ski Council Representative, for coordinating the TSC meeting in Houston on December 10th. And a big Thank You to the Clear Lake Area Ski Club for opening their annual Christmas Party to all attendees at the TSC meeting. We really enjoyed partying with our friends to the south of us.

UNSUNG HEROES

Listed below are volunteers who assisted in various areas to make the December General Meeting a success:

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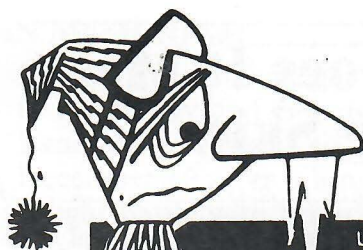
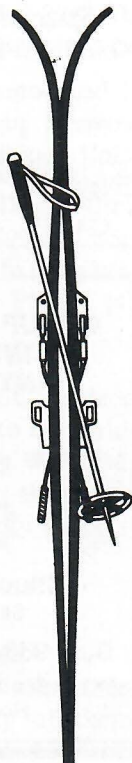
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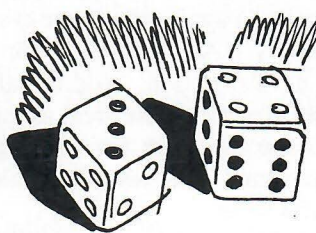
Larry Blake



CHILL FACTOR CHART

Wind Speed (MPH)	LOCAL TEMPERATURE (°F)						
	32	23	14	5	-4	-13	-22
EQUIVALENT TEMPERATURE (°F)							
CALM	32	23	14	5	-4	-13	-22
5	29	20	10	1	-9	-18	-28
10	18	7	-4	-15	-26	-37	-48
15	13	1	-13	-25	-37	-49	-61
20	7	-6	-19	-32	-44	-57	-70
25	3	-10	-24	-37	-50	-64	-77
30	1	-13	-27	-41	-54	-68	-82
35	-1	-15	-29	-43	-57	-71	-85
LITTLE DANGER FOR PROPERLY CLOTHED PERSONS				DANGER OF FREEZING OF EXPOSED FLESH			

Note New Date and Time!!!



SCSC NEW YEAR'S GAMBLE Casino Party

GAMBLERS NEEDED! PARTY ANIMALS REQUIRED!

Advance Ticket Cost: \$15

Door Cost (with SCSC Membership ID): \$18

DATE:

FEBRUARY 19, 1989

TIME:

6:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.

PLACE:

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Sign up at the January Meeting, or call **MICHELE BROOKS** (Home 580-9099; Work 877-7657) for additional information.

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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (Home) _____ (Work) _____

GUEST'S NAMES: _____

NASTAR - What Does It Mean to the Beginning Skier?

by Jim Benefield

Many beginning and intermediate skiers unfortunately avoid participation in NASTAR because of fear or shyness. The NASTAR experience instead, is a helpful learning tool for any skier who has completed his/her fundamentals and can perform the basics. Many of us, myself included, think of NASTAR as racing and picture olympic skiers in our mind's eye which brings visions of speed and danger. This is not true. The course is normally layed out on an easy intermediate hill and can be completed by almost any skier who can accomplish a wedge turn.

Scoring is based upon a "standard." This standard is based on how the local pro's speed of the day relates to his peer group; then based on the skier's age and sex, your score is handicapped. This score, even if not worthy of a medal, can give a benchmark to a skier's progress. One of the truly meaningful experiences is improving your score with the eventual hope of a medal. It can be great fun to

compare times with members of your ski class.

The best advice for your first time down is not to go as fast as possible, but instead to complete the course and thus have a feel for it -- a second run is allowed for a nominal fee when you can "go for it".

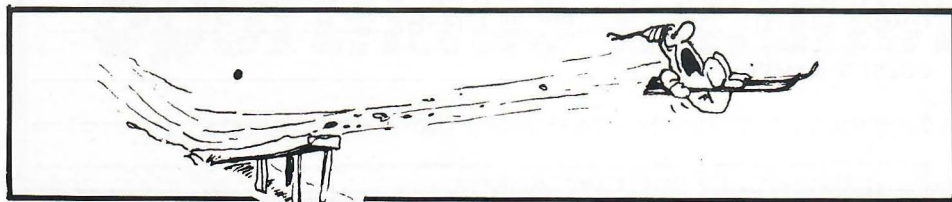
Most ski areas run NASTAR races two or three days a week. Remember to sign up in the morning, normally in the main ticket sales area. The race itself starts around noon. After your run is completed, you are notified of your time which can then be correlated with your handicap to see if a medal is awarded.

Check with your trip chairperson for complete information relating to each individual area for race locations and times. I again encourage every person to try NASTAR skiing for fun as well as instruction. Additionally, instruction comes if the area, as most do, videotape the races for viewing apres ski at some local watering hole after the lifts close.

NASTAR Handicaps

Your Age	Gold NASTAR		Silver NASTAR		Bronze NASTAR	
	M	F	M	F	M	F
4 and under	0-60%	0-55%	61-75%	56-70%	76-90%	71-85%
5-6	0-35%	0-40%	36-50%	41-55%	51-65%	56-70%
7-9	0-30%	0-35%	31-45%	36-50%	46-60%	51-65%
10-12	0-25%	0-30%	26-40%	31-45%	41-55%	46-60%
13-15	0-20%	0-25%	21-35%	26-40%	36-50%	41-55%
16-18	0-15%	0-20%	16-30%	21-35%	31-45%	36-50%
19-29	0-15%	0-20%	16-30%	21-35%	31-45%	36-50%
30-39	0-20%	0-25%	21-35%	26-40%	36-50%	41-55%
40-49	0-25%	0-30%	26-40%	31-45%	41-55%	46-60%
50-59	0-30%	0-35%	31-45%	36-50%	46-60%	51-65%
60-69	0-35%	0-40%	36-50%	41-55%	51-65%	56-70%
70 and over	0-40%	0-45%	41-55%	46-60%	56-70%	61-75%

EXAMPLE: You are a male 25 years old. Your area pacesetter skis the course and establishes a par time of 34 seconds. You ski the course in 39 seconds. By dividing your time by par time, you can see that you skied the course 15% slower than the pacesetter. Finding your age group on the chart and following the line over the 0-15% category male, you see you have won a gold medal.



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KEYSTONE FALL ROUND-UP

by Elyse Turla

Ever tried to get dressed to go skiing in sultry 80-degree Houston weather? SCSCers know how to layer-up! This ATC thought she might have a room all to herself when two of her roommates arrived just as the plane was boarding. Safely off the ground, it was a quiet, uneventful trip to an Indian summer plagued Denver...with hardly any snow on the ground. An inevitable "quick stop" at Applejack's Liquor Store and we were Keystone bound. Many thanks to the resort personnel for providing "bellboys" to help get the luggage to each condo. So far, only one casualty...a bottle of red wine didn't make it off the plane in one piece.

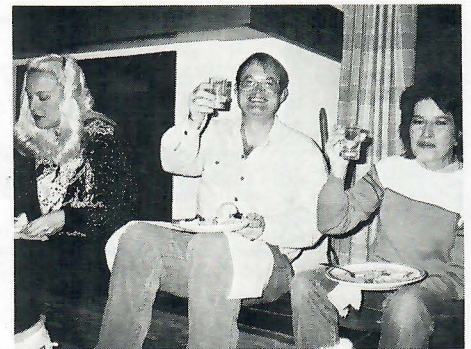
Everyone (*except me of course*) was up bright and early Wednesday to hit the rental shop and the slopes. Hot-doggers were disappointed to discover no black slopes were open unless you journeyed to A Basin. Unfortunately, they chose to zoom down the wide, *green* Schoolmarm run...and run over *Margie McIntyre* to give her a concussion and a badly bruised bod. Following the Mondo Condo Wine & Cheese soiree and pretzel wars at the newly opened Party Palace (*ATC's condo*), everyone chose sides and went out to dinner. Just how many pitchers of margaritas did *Ed Cain*, *Kay Ellig*, *Marlene Vail*, *Nelson Turner*, *Buddy Soland*, and *Elyse Turla* drink at the Old Dillon Inn!

Thanksgiving Day saw everyone back on the slopes and a late morning snowfall that continued through the day. By two o'clock the bar was full of football fans watching the Oilers cremate the Dallas Cowboys. Meanwhile, back at the condo, Party Palace Princesses *Ann Harvey* and *Joyce Ryan* had two turkeys in the oven by 2:30 P.M. and, with the help of all in

attendance, fed 21 hungry SCSCers a sumptuous Thanksgiving dinner. It was discovered *Ruth Dunnam* had managed to break two bones in her wrist while trying to miss a young beginner and a rock simultaneously. Thanks to her roommate, *Linda Strickland*, Ruth did not have to go around half dressed. Our Trip Race Director *Loren Gullede* almost missed the bird by getting stuck in a meeting at the mountain past 7:00 P.M. A special thanks to *Phil Nelson* for his turkey carving expertise. *Alex Potter* and his charming wife, *Louise*, drove in from Breckenridge and joined us for dinner.



(Clockwise from bottom) *Peggy Hankins*, *Terry Ullrich*, *Jean Walke*, *Shirley Hrabovsky*, *Andy Hrabovsky*, and *Derek Hankins* enjoy their bird Thursday evening.



First-year member *Margaret Easley*, TC *Randy Pavelka*, and *Liz Stansfeld* toast the tasty Thanksgiving Dinner they and their tripmates prepared.

Randy Pavelka announced plans for the Club Races on Friday and the availability of the self-timed race course. There was a heated contest to see who could come up with the best excuse, short of doctor's orders, not to race. As a result, *everyone* got a race bib.

Terry McGuinness broke out the Trivial Pursuit box and we split into three teams. Who cares what Sir Isaac Newton's dog's name was? (*Answer at end of article.*) It didn't take long to figure out that **Craig Campbell** knows everything about everything...and easy questions don't hurt. **Andy Hrabovsky**, why won't you ever let **Shirley** answer a question? **Tim DeRosa** kept letting himself get talked out of the

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SCSC CRUISE?????

YES! ... Well, maybe. I need to know if you want to go on a cruise. Please fill out this questionnaire and return it to me.

Which date would be best? ☐ Memorial Day Week ☐ 4th of July Week
☐ Labor Day Week

Which cruise do you prefer? ☐ 4 Day ☐ 7 Day ☐ 8 Day ☐ 10 Day

Where would you like to go? (Choose more than one)

- ☐ Nassau ☐ Puerto Rico ☐ St. Thomas ☐ Martinique
☐ Ocho Rios ☐ Grand Cayman ☐ Dominica ☐ Cozumel
☐ Cancun ☐ Other: _____

What's the best price range? ☐ \$500-700 ☐ \$700-1000 ☐ \$1000-1200

Thank you for your cooperation and maybe next summer SCSC will be CRUISE-ING.

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1988 OSHMAN'S DOWNHILL

by Anne Bertolet



SCSC DOWNHILL RACERS: (left to right, front row) Gene Davis, Anne Bertolet, Jeff Ross, Gail Quenneville, John Trachte (Oshman's). (left to right, back row) Tim Morton, Ray Naudain, Merlyn Harger, Dennis Bentley.

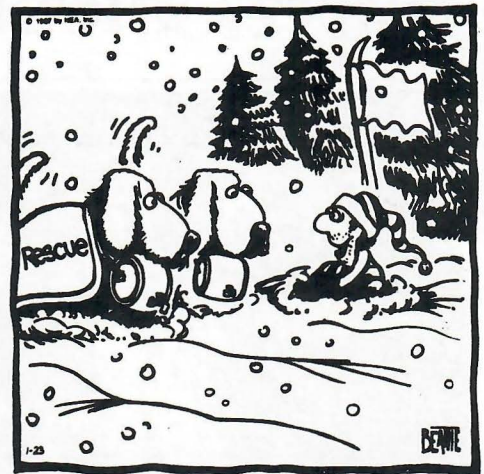
The 1988 Houston Downhill was held November 16th at Oshman's Post Oak store. Ten members of Space City braved the elements (*nylon, rayon, polyesters*) to compete against other ski clubs on the carpeted ski deck. Our bid to retain the trophy won last year failed as Clear Lake skiers dominated both advanced and intermediate divisions. **Merlyn Harger** captured second place in the intermediate group, winning a new set of bindings for his performance. Other SCSC participants included **Dennis Bentley, Anne Bertolet, Ed Cain, Gene Davis, Sue Harris, Tim Morton, Ray Naudain, Gail Quenneville, and Jeff Ross.**

To get our racers in shape for the race, Oshman's gave our club over two hours of free deck time. **John Trachte** and **Dennis Woodward**, ski instructors

at Oshman's, donated their time to patiently help us improve our deck skiing for the event.

Oshman's did an outstanding job running the competition as well as keeping the crowds entertained by handing (*tossing*) out many ski related goodies. We thank the Oshman's staff for the annual event, with special appreciation going out to Dave Swartwout (*Oshman's Ski Coordinator*), **Stan Poladsky** (*Oshman's Texas Ski Council Coordinator*) and Messrs: Trachte and Woodward for all their help to SCSC members.

SNAFU/by Bruce Beattie



"They send out two for one during Happy Hour?!"

SITZMARKE DEADLINES

- ★ January 9, 1989
- ★ February 13, 1989
- ★ March 13, 1989

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Merlyn Harger racing to 2nd place. Stan Poladsky and Dan Baker of Oshman's officiating.

HAPPY HOUR



5164 Richmond Ave. at Sage
(Just south of the Galleria)

Thursday, January 26
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 P.M.

- ★ First drink free to SCSC members and guests ★
- ★ Free Buffet ★

DICKENS ON THE STRAND

by Donna Repka



Tim Morton, Olga Moya, Ray Davis, Julie Luling, Peggy Donley.

On Saturday, December 3rd, 41 SCSC members boarded a bus that would take them "back in time" to celebrate an old-fashioned Victorian Christmas on Galveston's "Dickens on the Strand." Arriving in a variety of Victorian costumes, from hooped skirts and top hats to beggars' rags, everyone was ready to start off the day in high spirits. Even the bus showing up without air conditioning or a restroom

on board did not dampen the fun, although maybe a little less alcohol was consumed! However, Pat Scarber and Nancy Meiers did begin to show some concern when our bus driver took us for an extended tour of Galveston before parking the bus.

On reaching the Strand, everyone drifted off in groups to enjoy the entertainment and to explore the many different shops and booths. One group consisting of Jan Elfert, Joyce Margace and Sharon Inman were seen in the shops doing some serious browsing.

It was agreed on by Ronnah Passafuma, Jean Chynoweth and Billie Clark that while hooped skirts were a lot of fun to wear, they were a little hard to manage in the port-a-cans! They did look a little funny having to back in!! Even Taylor Mayou, dressed as Scrooge, enjoyed himself. He was actually seen smiling while spending money! Bah Humbug!



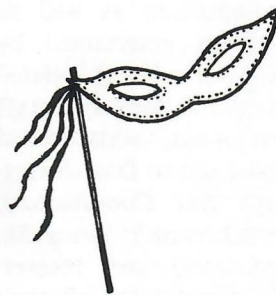
Debbie Williams, Billie Clark and Donna Repka.

Luann Nelson, dressed as the "artful dodger" from Oliver, kept her hands busy most of the afternoon picking Steve Rodgers pockets. Since she now has all his money, it's a good thing they are soon to be married!

Aubrey Passafuma was seen snapping shots of two scantily-clad wenches sitting on a second story window sill. Asked about his interest, all he could say was he wished he had brought along a zoom lens for his camera.

After finding out that a fellow SCSC member, Becky Hall, was sitting on a dunking booth to make money for the "Elissa," Ted and Debbie Bergeron rounded up a group consisting of Floyd Hanks, Ginger Howard, Tim Morton and Dave McGehee for a little pitching practice. With Rose Tortorici, Debbie Williams, Jerry Hartman and Michelle Keating cheering them on, they managed to dump Becky into the water at least five times. Poor Becky began to look as shriveled as the California raisins. What a way to support a good cause!

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GALVESTON MADRI GRAS Saturday, February 4, '89

\$13.00

(Includes bus transportation and refreshments on the bus)

Depart Houston: 1:00 P.M. Windsor Plaza Center
Bus Terminal (Richmond at 610)

Second Pickup: Wal-Mart Center, West side of I-45
just past NASA 1 Exit

Depart Galveston: 11:00 P.M. - Drop offs at each
location

☆ PRIZES FOR THE BEST MASK ☆

Galveston really goes all out for this celebration by putting on a spectacular nighttime parade and a day-long carnival. We'll show Galveston that SCSC really knows how to party!

Sign up at the December Meeting, or call
RHONDA ROSS (869-6714) for additional information.
Make check payable to SCSC and deliver or mail to:
Rhonda Ross, 121 East 12th, No. 8, Houston, Texas 77008

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (Home) _____ (Work) _____

SCSC 1988-1989 TRIP SCHEDULE

(Any Information Shown On This Sheet Is Subject to Change)

TRIP	DATES DEPART HOU DEPART AREA	SKI DAYS	PRICE OF TRIP	NO. SKIERS	LODGING NAME #BDRM/BATH	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	LIFT TICKET PRICE	TC/ ATC	HOME PHONE	WORK PHONE
VAIL I	Jan. 14 Jan. 21	6	\$424.00	60	Simba Run 2 Bdrm/ 2 Bath	Club Race Hot Tub Party Group Breakfast	\$23/day	Chuck Ratliff Kim Page	870-9126 952-7212	988-4720 877-6146
VAIL II	Jan. 14 Jan. 20	5	\$397.00	36	Simba Run 2 Bdrm/ 2 Bath	Club Race Hot Tub Party Group Breakfast	\$23/day	B.J. Scott	489-7407	663-5414
*KITZBUHEL** Texas Expedition	Jan. 28 Feb. 4	6	\$1,010.00	21	Scharzer Adler 4* (Incl. Continental Breakfast & Dinner)	TSC Activities	\$25/day	Shirley Andries	879-9663	579-4700
*TELLURIDE TSC Winter Shootout	Feb. 11 Feb. 18	6	\$536.00	44	Lulu City 2 Bdrm/ 2 Bath	TSC Activities Valentine's Party TSC Club Race	\$19/day	Corky Ament Donna Repka	568-7212 980-4403	666-8443 654-4484
TAOS	Feb. 21 Feb. 26	5	\$389.00	44	Quail Ridge Inn 2 Bdrm/3 Bath	Group Dinner HOT Tub Party Wine & Cheese	\$26/day	Rose Tortorici	772-7610	
BRECKENRIDGE	Feb. 25 Mar. 4	6	\$475.00	44	Christiana/The Loft - 2Bdrm Loft/3 Bath	Pub Crawl Group Dinner Hot Tub Party	\$21/day	John Rice Kathy Walsh	530-2517 498-4944	797-3038
*BIG MOUNTAIN TSC Final Showdown	Mar. 11 Mar. 18	6	\$562.00	60	ANAPURNA/ALPINE VILLAGE HOMES	TSC Activities Street Dance Group Meal	\$18/day	Debbi Chrissinger Jim McIntyre	568-4929 558-5617	556-3283
WINTER PARK Family Optional	Mar. 18 Mar. 25	6	\$487.00	44	Beaver Village 2 Bdrm/3 Bath	Tubing Party Italian Dinner Game Night	\$21/day	Bob Nielsen Craig Tharpe	496-1345 665-0189	493-7326 789-7950

JANUARY

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FEBRUARY

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*Texas Ski Council sponsored trips.

**Kitzbuhel requires a special \$300 deposit, a \$100 cancellation fee or \$35 transfer fee.

All regular trip deposits are \$75 due at sign-up. All or part of deposit is non-refundable in accordance with the Standing Rules.

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As a tribute to our long-time members, SCSC has chosen to recognize those members who have maintained their membership for 15+ years by designing and issuing a pin of distinction. If you have been an SCSC member for 15 years or more, and your name does not appear on the list below, please notify Vice President-Programs, Lynn Eaton, at or before the January General Meeting so that a pin will be available for you at the February meeting.

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Pictured below are honored members in attendance at the December General Meeting; the center photo are those attendees who have renewals for 5+ years.



G-TIME MEMBERS

worthy of recognition are those members who have been with SCSC for 10-15 years. Many are well on their way receiving their 15+ year pin in the very near future! Thank you one and all for your continued participation in and support of Space City Ski Club!

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Roy Schmidt
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Ron Smith
Mary Stapp
Dennis Stockton
Judy Stringer
Ed Taylor
Mickey Trainer
Robert Truly
Gene Turboff
Marlene Vail
Colette Wagh
Sue Walker
David Walter
Penny Watts
James Weiskoff
Ted Widmer

Member General Meeting. The far left depicts members with 15+ years of membership; the picture on the right shows



NEWS FROM THE SKI DESK by Cheryl Clements



LOOKOUT STEAMBOAT - The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You!! As the first two trips of the season have come and gone, SCSC *en masse* (192+ participants) is invading the slopes of Steamboat Springs. SCSC's first entourage of 44 will depart IAH *early* Saturday morning, January 7, 1989 with another 88 ready to party on the mid morning departure. **Are you ready Continental?** -- Here we come! TC A. G. Davis and ATC Peggy Donley escort the remaining 60 up early Tuesday evening to show the TSC that SCSC is alive and kicking and ready for the good time that's been promised. **Celebrate! Celebrate!** Now the challenge will be for SCSC to go for FIRST at Steamboat! Don't forget to make the January meeting for the latest race results and news of the Club's standing.

For those of you who haven't heard, SCSC took *third* place in KEYSTONE over Thanksgiving. Congrats to those 32 participants for doing a really fine job. SCSC brought home 17 medals!

Karen Friedsam and **Ed Kanyuck** prayed daily for some of those winter

storms to veer south to make this season's Christmas/New Year's trip a sweet success. I understand there were some really fun activities planned for all who attended.

Vail departs January 14 with a crew of 96, followed closely by **Kitzbuhel** on January 28.

Telluride departs on February 11 with only a group of 44. It's not too late to get a space on this trip. If you're interested in helping SCSC keep in the running for the Texas Cup, give the new TC **Corky Ament** and new ATC **Donna Repka** a call. The snow is promised to be wonderful and the skiing the best of the season. I would like to take this opportunity to thank **Diana Altrichter** for doing such a fine job as TC in the initial planning stages of this trip. If you are not already aware, Diana has been transferred with her job to San Francisco. Diana, I know



SKI PATROL



Corky misses you already!

Rose Tortorici is soloing a group of what appears to be 30 for a short week at **Taos** beginning February 21. Remember, sign up on the wait list. Every trip has people who at the last minute have to cancel and YOU could be next in line.

John Rice is running the **Breckenridge** trip this year from February 25 to March 4. Rumor has it that **Kathy Walsh** has a lot of interesting activities planned for you Breckenridge enthusiasts!

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Name: KEVIN HILL

When did you go on first ski trip? 4 years ago.

Where was it to? Aspen.

Had you ever skied before? Just once for two days; I was a rookie--novice skier.

What did you expect to happen? Hahaha...I expected to be covered with snow and meet a St. Bernard with a jug of brandy, and then party all night long in Aspen. **And** I wanted to get down the slopes without anyone laughing at me.

What did happen? Everything but the St. Bernard -- and I learned to ski.

What surprised you the most? That I came back in one piece, and I liked everybody 'cause they were so helpful to me. They took me under their wings and taught me how to ski. Gordon Wise, Sherry Lewis, Gene Davis, and Ken Moredock really helped me, and by the end of the week I was keeping up with all the others. I became addicted to skiing.

What was your most unforgettable experience on any SCSC trip? Hahaha...(repeated question)... hahaha...It can't be printed. But my second is after I ATC'd the Steamboat trip, I took a picture of TC Becky Hall, who was exhausted, sitting on an ice chest.



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TSC FINAL SHOWDOWN -- Big Mountain, Montana. At present, SCSC is taking 60 participants and has a wait list exceeding 40. We are presently pursuing the possibility of securing additional air from other TSC member clubs in the Houston area. Please keep in close contact with TC **Debbi Chrissinger** and ATC **Jim McIntyre** concerning the status of additional air.

Bob Nielsen continues to plot and scheme for the final trip of the season to **Winter Park**, our only SCSC family trip of the year. The trip is presently full, but as all wait lists go -- some more rapidly than others! Be sure to sign up.

Good Luck Steamboat SCSC Skiers! *Let's have a good time and bring home the Texas Cup!!!*



DICKENS

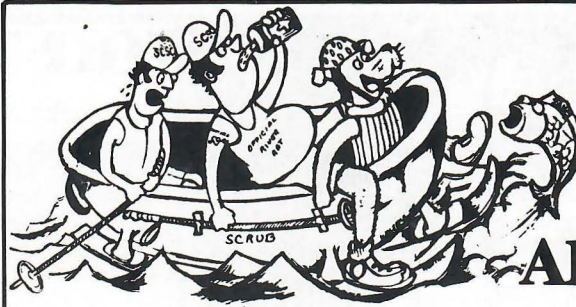
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Space City was given a little press coverage as the Channel 2 camera caught **Billie Nowak** and **Tim Morton** walking down the Strand. Did anyone by chance recognize them on TV?

Olga Moya and **Ray Davis** came across **Rhonda Ross** looking a little lost on the Strand. After being separated from **Dee Brown** and **Mark Russek**, she wandered around for hours on her own without seeing anyone she knew!

After walking miles on the Strand and consuming large amounts of ale, wassail and mulled wine, everyone met at the 1894 Grand Opera House to see the musical production of Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol." The general consensus of the group was that the musical was *very entertaining* and the seats excellent! **Lynn Eaton**, however, had to give **Harold Eaton** a few nudges to keep him from dozing. What a patron of the arts!

After hours on the Strand, everyone was ready for the ride home. Prizes were drawn for Best Costume with the winners being **Trudy Usler** and **Manuel Valle**. We arrived safely back in Houston exhausted, but having thoroughly enjoyed ourselves in Galveston!



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ABOVE: **Ronnah Passafuma, Billie Clark, Ray Secrist** and **Jean Chynoweth** strolling on the Strand. BELOW: **Billie Nowak, Floyd Hanks** and **Ginger Howard** "shipping out" aboard the *Elissa*.



ABOVE: **Beth Nolen** and **Manuel Valle** enjoying the opera "A Christmas Carol." BELOW: **Deb-bie Williams, Taylor Mayou, Aubrey Passafuma** and **Tim Morton**.





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KEYSTONE

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correct answer. After only an hour, we had our winning team and *nobody* voted for a Scrabble match.

Friday morning found us at Pack-saddle run preparing for our club race. Just who was that puff of smoke tumbling down the practice run? Unfortunately, the self-timer was being utilized so we didn't get to practice parallel to the NASTAR course. ATC Elyse Turla knows what it feels like to be a fly caught in a spider web when she wiped out into the boundary net. When the smoke cleared, SCSC came out in third place. A few of us had an early happy hour in the Last Lift Bar.

LITTLE KNOWN FACT: Bob Olsen has little or no rhythm and cannot play the washboard. **WELL KNOWN FACT:** Kay Ellig plays great knockers! That evening's TSC Bar-be-cue Dinner found our group gathered around the TV monitor reliving the races. Just where did Keystone find all that watermelon? Ask Cindy Gates why she always has to be asleep before midnight. Rick Yeager braved the zero degree weather up top to try his hand at the Poker Races, but he kept forgetting to ask for cards at the lifts. After trying to drink all the beer at Mountain House, Liz Stansfeld and Randy Pavelka just had to have one more back at the condo.

The sun came up on a beautiful Saturday morning with a forecast for high winds at the summit. Ron Honefenger was trying to catch a bug and gave up early with a fever. Other casualties included Terry Ullrich's little finger, but luckily she doesn't use it anyway. You should have seen the woman's eye she made contact with! It certainly didn't stop her from winning her division in the individual races. Jean Walke claimed battle fatigue, but made it to the group cocktail party

THAT'S JAKE/by Jake Vest



'I don't know when or under what circumstances man discovered fire, but I'm willing to bet it wasn't in a ski condo in Colorado.'

before the TSC Awards Ceremony. A Deutschland dinner of bratwurst and sauerkraut started off the evening with SCSC's own John Cook serving as emcee for the awards presentation.



Tom and Margaret Easley

New members Tom and Margaret Easley just couldn't resist a try at night skiing, but did arrive in time for the festivities. SCSC veteran Sy Liebergot won a door prize...just what he needed - another pair of skis! Pam Holder and Tom Mercer made it back from a side trip to Copper Mountain with club race director Anne Bertolet and appropriately sat at the head of the table. Following the announcements, an entourage took off for the Snake River Saloon and some don't remember coming home. What do you mean there isn't any champagne in the house?

A few people braved the high winds Sunday morning but were back around noon for the impromptu pot-luck lunch in the ATC's condo. Everyone brought their leftovers and enjoyed the homemade turkey noodle soup while it lasted. A final casualty count found Peggy Hankins with a

twisted knee, but hubby Derek left her in the condo and got lost on the mountain all by himself. Just who were you supposed to ski with, Derek? Peggy Schneider tried to ski down the mountain on her hip and came away just slightly beat up. Elyse Turla tried to tear her thumb off with the ski pole strap...on flat ground!



(left to right) ATC Elyse Turla, Joyce Ryan, Ann Harvey, and new member Kay Ellig enjoyed the good weather on Friday.

Seventeen of our 32 racers won medals in the club race Friday. Gold medalists included Ed Cain, Tom Mercer, Nelson Turner, and John Cook. Buddy Soland, Ann Bertolet, Alex Potter, Loren Gullede, Sy Liebergot, Mike Dzuiba, Ron Honefenger, and Rick Yeager came away with silver. Bob Olsen, Randy Pavelka, Pam Holder, and Tim DeRosa won bronze. In addition to Terry Ullrich, Ed Cain won a gold in the individual race in his division and Marlene Vail placed with a bronze. Let me know if I left anyone out!

Last but not least, many, many thanks to Miller Lite for the hangovers, Sun & Ski Sports for pre-trip door prizes, Continental for getting us there and back safely, and Keystone for their cooperation and terrific personnel.

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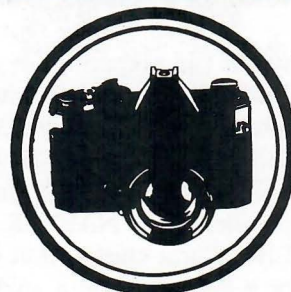


Back row, left to right: Bob Olsen, Linda Licarione, Don Lackey. Front row, left to right: Craig Meyer, Bob Tripp, Jim Plummer, Barry Kumins.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

PHOTO CONTEST - MARCH GENERAL MEETING

A volunteer is needed to head up the Annual SCSC Photo Contest, held at our March General Meeting. This person will need to organize and coordinate the displays of photographs submitted by the membership, as well as being in charge of the voting and awards for best pictures.



PUB CRAWL

Our first Pub Crawl last year was such a success that we want to have another. The interest in repeating this event has been voiced by the membership, but now we need a volunteer to coordinate it. Accept the challenge!



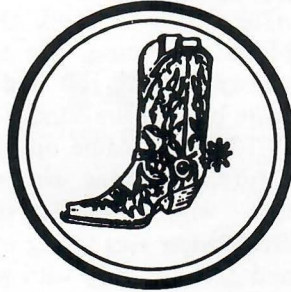
SAN ANTONIO FIESTA

This would be a new event for SCSC, but a can't lose weekend of fun. Enjoy everything the Fiesta has to offer and fill your spare time along the romantic Riverwalk or on an evening carriage ride, and cap this off with a Sunday at SeaWorld before returning to Houston.



COUNTRY-WESTERN NIGHT

Last June SCSC had a largely successful outing to The Wild West for an evening of Country-Western Dancing. Now we need someone to lead a repeat excursion.



Without volunteers, an activity won't happen. Please support our Club by offering your services; if none of the above events catch your fancy, suggest something you would like to run. Contact our VP-Programs, Lynn Eaton, so she can lock in appropriate dates on our social calendar!

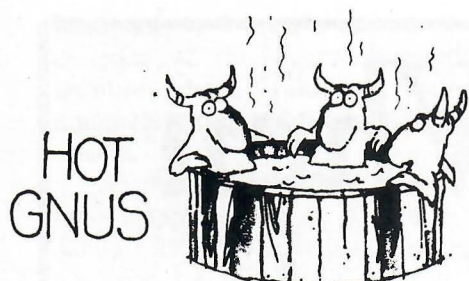
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COMING ATTRACTIONS FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING

★ Nominations of
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★ 15+ Year SCSC Members can pick
up pins at the Logo Table.





KEYSTONE AT THANKSGIVING!

Obviously the place to be...as shown by this "gathering of eagles," all presidents of SCSC (past and present). Left to right: **Bob Olsen** (1975-76), **Sy Liebergot** (1976-77), **Keith Eastin** (1979-80), **Anne Benefield** (1981-82), **Bruce Maughs** (1982-83), **Tom Mercer** (1984-85), and **Pam Holder** (1988-89).



"MOVERS AND SHAKERS": Glynnda (G. A.) Addicks ran her third marathon of 1988 on December 4 in the Dallas White Rock Marathon. Glynnda (as a reindeer), **Debbie Kempler**, **Manual Valle**, **Jerry Montgomery**, and **Peggy Donley** participated in the Jingle Bell Run December 18. Look for Glynnda and other fellow SCSCers, **Jim Plummer** and **Gail Quenneville** in the Tenneco Marathon on January 15.

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In case you hadn't noticed that **Corky Ament** has been promoted to TC of the Telluride Trip, it's because **Diana Altrichter** was transferred to San Francisco! We were all sorry to see her move, and hope that she'll still be joining us for a ski trip now and then. If you'd like to drop her a note, her new address is: P. O. Box 6346, Concord, California 94524. Phone: (415) 686-3066.

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Thanks to all the SCSC readers who sent in their responses to the Field Species Contest. A drawing was held from all the correct answers that were submitted, and the three lucky winners are:

Michele Brooks
Louella Steller
Donna Hannaford

They will each receive a \$10 allowance toward the trip or activity of their choice. Congratulations!

IN MEMORIAM

SCSC extends its sympathy to the family and friends of **Landon Patschke**, who died December 12 after a long-fought battle with brain cancer.



In case you missed Dickens on the Strand in Galveston, you also missed SCSC's own **Sy Liebergot** performing with the "American Spirit Singers." Not to worry...this group has been performing at numerous activities and programs throughout the Houston area. Ask Sy about their next scheduled appearance.

EXERCISE: RX for JET LAG

To help ward off stress and stiffness from hours of sitting during a flight, try this sampling of isometric exercises developed for World Airways by doctors at the Sports Medicine Center of Capitol Hill Hospital, Washington, D.C. For maximum effect, repeat the exercises every two hours.

• **Neck and upper back muscles:** Sit up straight in your seat with both feet flat on the floor. Press your head firmly against the seat for five counts, then relax. Now face right, press back, relax; repeat for the left side. Continue several times until muscles begin to warm up.

• **Chest muscles:** Begin this variation of the familiar "bust developer" exercise by sitting straight, feet flat on the floor, palms together. Cross your thumbs and keep elbows about 12 inches apart. Press your palms together hard for five counts, then relax. Adjust the position of your arms until you feel your chest muscles respond. Press and relax four or five times.

• **Abdomen and lower back muscles:** While sitting up straight and breathing deeply, your hands in a relaxed position in your lap, slowly tighten and flatten your tummy for five counts, then relax. Repeat four times.

• **Buttocks:** Relax arms at your sides, but sit up straight with feet flat on the floor. Squeeze your buttocks together and hold for a count of five, then relax. Repeat four times.

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OIL THE BIKE CHAINS AND CHECK THE GEARS...

Tom Mercer will be leading a Bluebonnet Trail Bike Ride on April 8. See the beautiful blue-laced countryside from Chappell Hill to Washington-on-the-Brazos during a perfect bike-riding season. See Tom at the January Meeting for more information; he'll have a table for sign-up in February.

DUST OFF THE OLD BOWLING BALL

...and enjoy a new SCSC event. Terry Cummings will be leading a Bowling Night sometime in April. Keep posted to next month's *Sitzmarke* for more details.

AND

As we swing into spring, don't miss signing up for the...

NEW ORLEANS JAZZ FESTIVAL

Bob Fried will be leading a music-lovin' group of SCSCers to New Orleans for "Jazz and More" on April 28-May 1. Mark your calendars now for this popular event, and be ready to meet Bob at his table at the February meeting.

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8 Steamboat	9 Steamboat	10 STEAMBOAT IV Texas Ski Week	11 Steamboat	12 Steamboat	13 Steamboat	14 VAIL I & II Trips
15 Vail	16 GENERAL MEETING The Grand 7:30 P.M.	17 Vail	18 Vail	19 Vail	20 Vail	21 Vail
22 SANTA FE Post Trip Party	23	24	25 BRECKENRIDGE Pre-Trip Party	26 HAPPY HOUR COOTER'S 5:00-8:00 P.M.	27 STEAMBOAT I-IV Post Trip Party	28 KITZBUHEL Trip
29 Kitzbühel	30 Kitzbühel	31 Kitzbühel	FEBRUARY			

COMING ATTRACTIONS

February 2..... Big Mountain Pre Trip Party
February 4..... Mardi Gras, Galveston
February 11-18..... Telluride, TSC Winter Shootout
February 13..... GENERAL MEETING
February 16..... Happy Hour - San Antonio Rose
February 19..... Casino Party
February 21-26..... Taos Party
February 23..... Winter Park Pre-Trip Party
February 25-March 4..... Breckenridge Trip

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