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HEAD OF THE LIFTLINE

by Pam Holder



January was indeed a busy month around SCSC. One hundred ninety-two SCSCers went to Steamboat Springs for Traditional Texas Ski Week and ninety-six SCSCers went to Aspen Traditional at Vail. And we waved good-bye to our group headed for Kitzbuhel. Unfortunately at this writing, I do not have the results of the Texas Ski Week races at Steamboat. All the more reason for you to come to the February meeting this month and find out how we did, not only at Steamboat, but also at Vail and Kitzbuhel. There should be a lot of interesting stories, as always.

Around the home front, January also proved to be busy. The new Directory is out; if you did not receive one, contact Bill Vasen, VP Membership, or see him at the meeting. We will be publishing an addendum to the Directory in March (*for new members recently joining the Club, address and telephone changes, etc.*). Be sure to check your name, address and telephone number for correctness in the Directory and report any discrepancies to Bill. Also, to expedite delivery of your *Sitzmarke*, Bill recommends using your nine digit zip code; his computer program is ready to take all nine digits. If you do not know all nine digits, you can call your post office or check your incoming bills - the creditors already have us pegged. And one last note from Bill: if your *Sitzmarke* is not getting to you prior to the meeting each month, again call your Postmaster and

complain. The Sitz is mailed each month with sufficient time for bulk mail to be delivered; chances are that yours is being held at the post office.

Jerry Montgomery resigned as Chairman of the Nominating Committee and Tom Mercer took over the chair. Bill Kirk joined that committee as they made their final evaluations. You will see the Nominating Committee's recommendations elsewhere in this issue. Kudos to Tom, Bill, Joe Murphy, Melissa Frazier, Dick Howard, Rhonda Ross and Sharon Griffin for completing what proves to be one of the toughest tasks in SCSC every year.

We will nominate officers at the February meeting. If you want to nominate someone from the floor, be sure they are qualified to hold office and that they have consented to serve.

As for this month's activities, well it is February, so let's Rodeo! Howard Paillet has arranged for 100 SCSCers to Rodeo on two different nights (*50 people each night*). See the details in this issue or call Howard. The Casino Party which was postponed in January will take place on February 19. And Happy Hour this month on the 16th is at an old SCSC favorite, the San Antone Rose.

That's everything from this end. See you at the meeting.



SUN & SKI SPORTS HOSTS SCSC MEMBERS

On December 13, approximately fifteen SCSC ski enthusiasts were treated to a night of deck skiing at Sun and Ski Sports. Carolyn "Max" Stewart invited all members of the club to try out the ski deck, providing ski instructor, beer and munchies. The practice paid off as SCSC members took their new and improved form to the mountains on various club trips.

We would like to thank Max and Sun and Ski Sports for donating the ski deck and the instructors for the night.



FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING

Monday, February 13
7:30 P.M.

The Grand Hotel
Loop 610 at Westheimer

Nominations of 1989-1990
SCSC Officers

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

UNSUNG HEROES

A special thank you to those
members who volunteered their time
and assistance during the January
General Meeting.

MEMBERSHIP:

Shelly Bidvia
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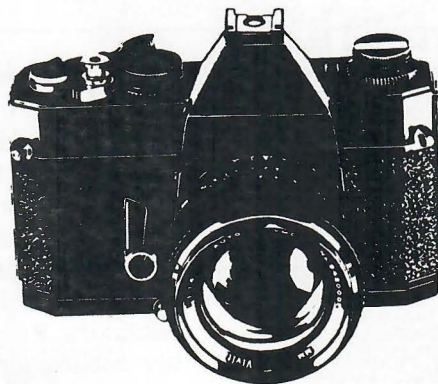
LOGO SALES:

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SITZMARKE DEADLINES

- ★ February 13, 1989
- ★ March 13, 1989
- ★ April 10, 1989

SCSC ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST



March General Meeting
March 13

REGISTRATION: Bring your
photo entries to the February
Meeting or contact **Lee Mixon** at
(H) 952-5761 to arrange for
pickup or delivery on or before
MARCH 3.

RULES:

- (1) The photographs (no slides) may be black and white or color.
- (2) Picture size must be a minimum of 8x10 and a maximum of 11x14.
- (3) Your name and address must be on the back of each photo.
- (4) Entry limit is three photos per person per category.
- (5) Pictures should be matted and unframed.

CATEGORIES:

- (1) Scenery (all seasons)
- (2) Portraits (people)
- (3) SCSC Activities (pictures of our members at various club events)
- (4) Architecture
- (5) Animals and Wildlife
- (7) Still Life

Judging will be done by SCSC membership at the March General Meeting. All entries will be returned to the owners. Winners will be requested to pose with their photos for a group picture for April publication.

February Happy Hour



1641 So. Voss at San Felipe

THURSDAY • FEBRUARY 16

5:00 - 8:00

First drink 25¢ . Complimentary Buffet and lots of fun!!!
Get ready for Rodeo and meet new people!

SANTA FE TRIP

(Commonly known as the Taos One Trip)

by Karen Friedsam, TC



Bernie Ybarguen, Gerry Simpson, Maggie Smith, Sam Ross, Sarah Beriner, Keith Huker, Frank Ybarguen, Myron Kolpack and Ed Kanyuck at Taos, Phoenix Restaurant.

Forty-two holiday travellers met at the Intercontinental Airport to depart for Santa Fe and a week of skiing, exploring and celebrating the New Year. At the airport, ATC Ed Kanyuck explained to SCSC members that the difference between an Indian Snow Dance and an Indian Sun Dance is only one step. Evidently, it was a difficult step, or the Taos Snow Dance is the same as the Santa Fe Sun Dance. At any rate, the weather was perfectly clear and cold with the least Santa Fe snow in fifteen years. In the Albuquerque Airport, we were joined by Jerry McGinty and Myron Kolpack. Laurie and Mike West dropped by the airport to visit the SCSC participants as well. Thus, forty-four strong, we boarded our Rocky Mountain travel bus and headed to Santa Fe. The first night in Santa Fe, several participants, including Rex Ritz, Myron Kolpack, Sam Ross, Ed Kanyuck, Chuck Ratliff, and Lauryn Ratliff went to La Fonda for dinner and to check out the location for the New Year's Eve party.

Very early Tuesday morning, 43 of 44 SCSC'ers boarded the bus for Taos. (Richard Uranker *who was your roommate?*) Irene Whitt took her cross country skis along. Karen Friedsam, Suzanne Arnette, Helen Meadows, and Sally Hintz stayed in Taos for a day of shopping and sight seeing while the bus delivered the rest of the group to the mountain. A temperature of minus six at the base sent several people down the mountain early for a visit to the Taos Pueblo. Gerry Simpson, Craig Campbell, Myron Kolpack, Jean Walke, Rex Ritz, and Carl Heller came out of the cold to chase the bus to the Pueblo. Jean Walke was the only one able to figure out how many people should still be at the mountain, since several people had gone into town. Arlene Bradley, James Wayne and Bryan Slaven were among those making one last run. Anne Benefield, Bill Brooks and Patti Richards were located warming themselves by the fire.

Trench coat clad Fred Vogel related his first day of skiing on the return trip. Linda Gonzalez and Lorelle Pottick also had a successful day at ski school.

Day three brought more sunshine and another bus ride to Taos for skiers and another day of shopping and touring the area for those allergic to such cold temperatures. Susan Whalen and Sharon Seelig helped out on the bus serving the breakfast of doughnuts, orange juice, and yogurt. Jim Sindlinger, Bryan Slaven, and James Wayne were seen hauling coolers frequently. Thanks, guys. Wednesday night brought all participants to Karen Friedsam's condo for a spaghetti dinner. Suzanne Arnette, Helen Meadows, Richard and Karen Uranker, Jim Franz, Chuck and Lauryn

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Carl Heller, Jean Walke, Linda Gonzales, Susan Whalen, Lorelle Pottick, Sharon Seelig, Myron Kolpack lunch at Santa Fe at the base facility.

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NEWS FROM THE SKI DESK

by Cheryl Clements



As January comes to an end, so do five SCSC '88-'89 season trips. These five trips have totaled 395 participants -- over half of the skiers for this season (not counting those of you who have ventured to join us on your own).

To give an update to those of you who did not make the January general meeting, SCSC took **FIRST PLACE** in Steamboat for Texas Ski Week Traditional, beating Cowtown Ski Club by over 1,400 points. This allegedly is the highest number of points ever earned by any one club in the history of the Texas Ski Council. *Congratulations on*

a job well done by all of our Steamboat participants. Let's do it again in Telluride!

If you're still interested in going to Telluride, please contact **Corky Ament** immediately. We're in the process of expanding this trip to the original number of 60.

If you are interested in joining any of the other remaining SCSC trips, contact the TC of that trip. There is still time to ski with us and as we all know, wait lists do move quite quickly -- especially in the eleventh hour!

***** THINK SNOW!! *****

SCSC 1988-1989 TRIP SCHEDULE

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

TRIP	DATES DEPART HOU DEPART AREA	SKI DAYS	FINAL PAYMENT DATE	NO. SKIERS	LODGING NAME #BDRM/BATH	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	LIFT TICKET PRICE	TC/ ATC	HOME PHONE	WORK PHONE
*TELLURIDE TSC Winter Shootout	Feb. 11 Feb. 18	6	12/5	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	12/5	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	12/5	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	1/3	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	1/3	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

*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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Vice President - Trips
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(H) 341-6809

Director of Trips
FLOYD HANKS
(H) 485-6135

TEXAS SKI COUNCIL REPORTS TEXAS SKIER CONSISTENT!

by Cindy Garrett Fielden

Surprisingly, the Texas Ski Council '87-'88 season survey by member clubs shows that total number of skiers, skiers' days, and total dollars spent are consistent with the previous seasons. Even in spite of our economy woes here in Texas! On all trips taken, a total of 3,918 skiers (69% on TSC trips) skied for a total of 20,000 skier days (72% on TSC trips), for revenues totaling \$2,000,000 (includes air, ground, lodging dollars).

Just to summarize, the TSC "Traditional" trip to Winter Park alone, which represented only 1 of 4 of the TSC trips, generated 6,039 skier days or 31% of the total. Our "Winter Shootout" location of Banff, Canada, came in a close second with 4,378 or 23% of the skier days. Since ski areas vie for this business volume, the TSC trips are kept at a low cost to club

members and enables each individual club to negotiate on future trips to areas at a low cost too. All proving to keep lift ticket prices low and keeping the Texas skier on the slopes enjoying our skiing.

The ranking of ski destinations by states still shows Colorado as the leader, the number two area as Canada, the third area as New Mexico, followed by Utah, Wyoming, Idaho, and Switzerland. We, as Texans, do want to ski Europe as is evident by a return to Austria. Some of our favorite areas besides the TSC trips were Taos, Breckenridge, Park City, Crested Butte, Vail, Purgatory, Steamboat, and Jackson Hole. This TSC year, we have had Keystone and Steamboat already and look forward to Telluride and Big Mountain.

Accordingly, each participant on a

club ski trip can look for their dollars to go a long way through the TSC. Those dollars spent to snow ski can mean a great deal to SCSC's future ski trips by attracting the sponsors, resort companies, lodging companies, airlines, and bus companies to help us make snow skiing affordable for club trips. Each participant on a "TSC" trip can enjoy a reasonably priced trip, a format for racing other Texas skiers and enjoying the mountain "Texas Style" with happy hours, poker runs, and a whole lot more!



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Return this form with your \$30.00 check (payable to SCSC) to:
Ken Moredock, 5441 Pagewood Lane, Houston, Texas 77056 - (H) 626-0098

NAME: _____

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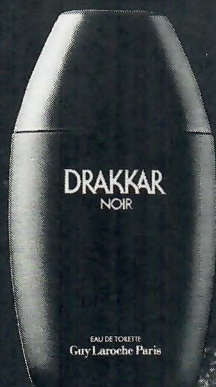
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Former SCSC members, **Jim and Morna (Simon) Raffel** welcomed the birth of **Peter Trent**, their first child, on December 14. He weighed in at 8 lbs. 14 oz. We wish them all well, and hope to see them back on the slopes with us next season.

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Another former member, **Peggy Widaman**, was visiting our fair city over the holidays and joined in the festivities of the season with some of her old friends. It was nice to be able to share our "California" New Year's weather with this Californian!

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Other holiday celebrations included the rather unique wedding of long distance SCSC member **Bob Marwin** and **Doretta Watkins** (both of Chicago). Their plan for a wedding on the slopes at Jackson Hole was slightly altered when Doretta took a spill and injured her shoulder and knee. Not to be discouraged, the couple was married in the Chapel of St. John's Hospital in Jackson, Wyoming on January 4, 1989. Congratulations to the newlyweds, and best wishes to Doretta, who is scheduled for knee surgery the first week of February.

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NAME THESE FACES..

In celebration of SCSC's 25th Anniversary, take a glance back in time and see if you can recognize some of the still-active members from earlier days.



PLACE: Salt Lake City

DATE: March, 1971

(Answers on page 19)

Gar and Barbara Bering announce the birth of their first child, **Edgar Andrew III**, on January 14. He weighed in at 6 lbs. 7 oz. Best Wishes!

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To round out SCSC's baby boom for January, V-P Programs **Lynn Eaton** and hubby **Harold**, finally announce the arrival of their daughter, **Erin Lynn**. She was born on January 26, weighing 7 lbs. 4 1/4 oz. Congratulations!

...

Speaking of birthdays, the Metropol was the scene of a gala celebration on January 5, for a number of our illustrious members ... (names withheld to protect the guilty). The highlight of the evening was the "pallbearers" presentation to **Mike Moldofsky** of his (rented) "Over The Hill" coffin. He tried it on for size, but didn't stay down for the count ... apparently he's a firm believer in "Life begins at 40!"



"Harold!"



ATTENTION MARATHON RUNNERS: SCSC member **Arlen Isham** is coordinating a group to participate in the Grand Canyon Dip. The trip is scheduled for May 26-29, 1989. To sign up, or for more information, call Arlen at 455-4858.

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.

Mail to: **TIM MORTON, 8500 Nairn, No. 515, Houston, Texas 77074**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (Home) _____ (Work) _____

SUPER CHRISTMAS SEAS



*'Twas the week before Christmas, and all through downtown,
Robert Scott and Judy Hendrix wandered around.
The party was set to be at a club...
Was it Houston? or Texas? There was the rub.
At last they arrived to see friendly faces,
And lots of folks dressed in furs, tuxes, and laces.
Jerry Montgomery and Dave Pullin looked, oh, so dashing
With their red cumberbunds and bow ties flashing.
Lou Schultz arrived early and checked in with care,
In hopes that more revelers soon would be there.
The cocktail ice breaker was played with great vigor -
Was Billie Nowak a snowflake? Or something much bigger?
Stan Kuper, a wise man? Gerry Simpson, Kris Kringle?
The questions we asked encouraged us to mingle.
Terry McGuinness caught on fast, Jeri Hartman in a fog.
Then Bobbet Olsen finally guesses - she was a yule log!
'Fore dinner was served a few prizes were won -
A cap for Cindy Chandler; a shirt for John Boynton.
Then food was the draw; by the lines you could tell,
Carol Ragan and Charles Dutton had heard the dinner bell.
Groups gathered at tables to sample the fare,
And Bob Olsen went back for sauce extraordinaire.
When out from the hallway there arose such a clatter,
Bill Kirk sprang from his chair to see what was the matter.
Away to the door Layna Adams flew like a flash.
She'd heard some new guys just might make this bash.
When what to Michele Lamb's wondering eyes should appear,
But A. G. "St. Nick" Davis, without his reindeer!
He was dressed all in velvet from his head to his foot,
But glances toward the floor saw a cowboy boot!
With his bag full of goodies he passed through the crowd,
Giving candy to Janet Elfert, playing cards to Dee Brown.
Yarberry's eyes, how they twinkled! Johnson's dimples, how merry!*



ON CELEBRATION WRAP-UP

Wardell's cheeks were like roses! Kanyuck's nose like a cherry!
As Lynn Eaton sat on St. Nick's large lap,
Whose belly was bigger? There was hardly a gap!
A. G. "St. Nick" Davis, his presents all doled,
Gave a jolly old nod and to the dance floor he strolled.
It was there that the party took on a new flavor,
When Debbie Bergeron twirled with the turns that Ted gave her.
Ginger Howard and Floyd Hanks kicked up their heels,
While Charles and Kathy Morgan copped a few feels.
Throughout the evening some neat prizes were won -
More turkeys awarded; shirt, cap, anyone?
For these, thanks to Sysco, to Oshman's Poladsky,
To Dana Wardell, and, for sure, SCSC.
Anne Batten-Bishop and Glenn had made plans
To leave the fete early, but stayed on to dance.
As the party progressed, it was easy to see
Who the die-hard party elves were. One was Joe Murphy.
We watched with delight the dance floor romeos.
Among them, Charles Goodrich and Robert Ambrose.
There were gasps at the dips of David McGehee,
Causing sparkles in the eyes of Rose Tortorici.
And the laughs grew louder o'er by the door
As Joe Jackson grabbed Moldofsky to the dance floor.
The midnight hour came and went in a hurry,
But the DJ continued to spin platters a 'flurry.
It was hard to decide who could win a dance prize.
Merlyn Harger and Stan Woods stood out in our eyes.
When the lights came up on our festive ball
Harold Eaton soon realized he'd been there for all.
Linda and Vicki, the Celebration's party elves,
Wanted you all to have fun and enjoyed it themselves.
We heard your exclams, as we drove out of sight:
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night!"



SANTA FE

(cont'd from page 4)

Ratliff, Arlene Bradley, Anne Benefield and Gerry Simpson all helped prepare and run a dinner for forty-nine. Wait listed SCSC'ers Sharon Griffin and Bill Freeman made it to Santa Fe on their own and joined us for dinner and skiing. Graham Barnes and his sons were responsible for getting the grocery store group (Annie and Karen) to Albertson's before he even got to unpack. A close call. Thanks to Graham for that SCSC volunteer spirit, and he wasn't even part of the trip.

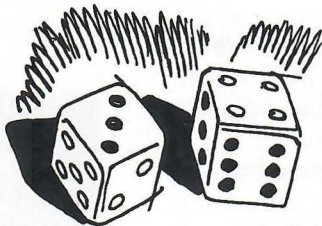
Thursday, the bus went back to Taos with about 15 hearty skiers, including Gerry Simpson, Jay Clark, Beverly Crawford, Jim Sindlinger, and Sarah Bernier. Others headed on Santa Fe detours to visit Indian cliff dwellings in Bandelier. Lou Schultz, Rex Ritz, Bill Brook, Anne Benefield, Karen Friedsam, Arlene Bradley, Cecil Smith and Sarah Bryan wandered among the ancient homes of the summer people and the winter people. Anne Benefield was a well-dressed cliff dweller, climbing into caves in her fur coat.

No SCSC trip is complete merely dealing with airlines and weather. We are all grateful that Lou Schultz' trip to the coronary care unit turned out as well as it did. Lou had a heart valve decide that it did not like the altitude and he became rather ill. Karen Friedsam, Rex Ritz, Anne Benefield and Graham Barnes all pitched in and got Lou back to sea level where he is doing well. While some were at the CCU, others were skiing the lower slopes of the Santa Fe ski area. Susan



On Santa Fe Mountain: Lorelle Pottick, Craig Campbell, Jim Franz, Anne Benefield and Bill Brooks.

Note New Date and Time!!!



SCSC NEW YEAR'S GAMBLE Casino Party

GAMBLERS NEEDED! PARTY ANIMALS REQUIRED!

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Reservation Deadline February 16

DATE:

FEBRUARY 19, 1989

TIME:

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

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Make check payable to SCSC and deliver or mail to:
Michele Brooks, 2419 Brush Hollow, Houston, Texas 77067

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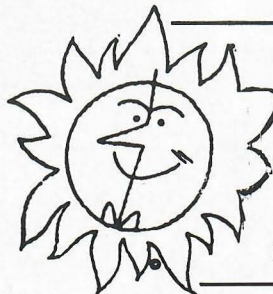
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GUEST'S NAMES: _____

Whalen was seen leading her group through some trees. Frank Ybarguen and Bernie Ybarguen and Betty Tindall were seen enjoying the Santa Fe terrain. Maggie Smith, Debbi Chrissinger and Woody Shiflett all gave the Santa Fe mountain a try. Even the experts reported the mountain was fun. Ed Kanyuck tried to recruit a new member by locating and photographing a lady on the mountain while she was skiing and then calling her "Lorelle" several times. He claims to have mistaken her for SCSC'er Lorelle. The look-alike was a great sport.

New Year's Eve was a day for Santa Fe mountain, trekking back to Ski Tech by bus and gearing up for the New

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FUN IN THE SUN!!
Don't miss the SCSC
BEACH BLASTOFF

More details in the next issue of the Sitzmarke.



BURN, BABY, BURN

by Warren Redmond, M.D.



For many new and older skiers the feverish desire to hit the slopes the first day is rapidly replaced by a fever of an entirely different kind. It usually takes the form of a bright red and painful sunburn on the nose, cheeks, and lips. Although it may become somewhat of a status symbol back at work, that does not lessen the initial discomfort associated with obtaining it.

"But I thought you couldn't burn in the winter." "How does that happen?" Simple. First, by winter, your summer tan is ancient history. That opens the door for the second and most important factors, altitude and reflection. Up in the mountains where the atmosphere is thinner, the filtering effect for ultraviolet light is less. The morning and afternoon light reflected from the snow will add to the total dose. Thus the result of a more intense and prolonged dosage on unprotected skin is a humdinger of a sunburn which might very well ruin or at least hamper the rest of your vacation.

Unfortunately for some individuals, sunburn is only the beginning. The injury of the burn is followed by the insult of America's favorite social disease, *herpes simplex*. It is quite common to see the dormant virus activated by the sunburn. The mechanism is unknown, but even knowing it would not halt the formation of the all-too-familiar blisters once the initial damage has been done. And if this were not bad enough, these blisters contain viral particles that have the capability to infect others. So now the burn keeps you off the slopes, and the herpes messes up your sex life, or at least the kissing part of it.

So what can be done about all this? The old saying about an ounce of prevention holds true here. About four ounces, as a matter of fact, of an effective sunscreen. The most effective ones contain para aminobenzoic acid, or PABA for short. Some of the brand names are Sundown, Pabanol, Pabafilm, Block-out and Eclipse. For those of you who have red hair and green or blue eyes, you may need more protection. Products containing benzophenones with or without PABA should be used such as Sol-Bar, UVAL or Total Eclipse. There are also lipsticks containing PABA that can be used to keep the lips from burning. For those of you who do burn, zinc oxide or titanium dioxide paste (*aka, Zinka... in colors, no less!*) applied to the burned areas in a thick coat will allow you to get out in the sun again without doing any further damage.

Even if you do not ordinarily burn, you might if you are taking medicines that have the potential to increase sun sensitivity. This includes antibiotics containing sulfa or tetracycline, certain diuretics (water pills), antifungals, and major tranquilizers. Women taking birth control pills may develop a light brown discoloration around the eyes and mouth known as melasma. This does not mean that you have to stop taking the medicines, just use a sunscreen.

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Pick-up vehicles will be provided for those in need. Washington-on-the-Brazos is the main pickup point for those going half way. Refreshments will be provided along the way.

Possibly of extra interest, this weekend is Chappell Hill's Bluebonnet Festival - artsy-craftsy items, food, etc... So come early to visit the town and meet that afternoon for the ride.

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

MARCH GENERAL MEETING

★
SCSC
Photo Contest
★
Election of
Officers

APRIL GENERAL MEETING

"Out-of-Fashion"
Show

(See Peggy Donley or
A. G. Davis at the
March Meeting to
volunteer as a model.)



'89-'90 SLATE OF NOMINATED OFFICERS

The Space City Ski Club Nominating Committee has met and would like to place into nomination the following members to serve as the Club's 1989-1990 officers:

President

V.P. Programs

V.P. Trips

V.P. Membership

V.P. Publications

Secretary

Treasurer

Jerry Montgomery

Chuck Ratliff

Cheryl Clements

Robert Nielsen

Debbi Chrissinger

Gloria Rooney

Blaise Guerrero

Finding members who are willing to, and able to, manage a volunteer organization is more complicated than most people think. The Nominating Committee first solicited volunteers and then actively recruited potentially qualified club members to become officers. This was not an easy task.

Some of the criteria we looked for were:

1. Time available
2. Business experience
3. Previous contributions
4. Creativity
5. Enthusiasm - active in club
6. Accessibility - located in Houston vicinity
7. Stability - risk of relocation
8. Balance - male/female
9. Team work - complementary leaders

It should be noted that the Bylaws allow additional nominations from the floor at the February meeting. The election will be held at the March Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
SCSC Nominating Committee
Tom Mercer, Chairman
Melissa Frazier, Sharon Griffin, Joe Murphy,
Rhonda Ross, Dick Howard, Bill Kirk

SCSC BOWLING NIGHT

Sunday, April 21, 1989

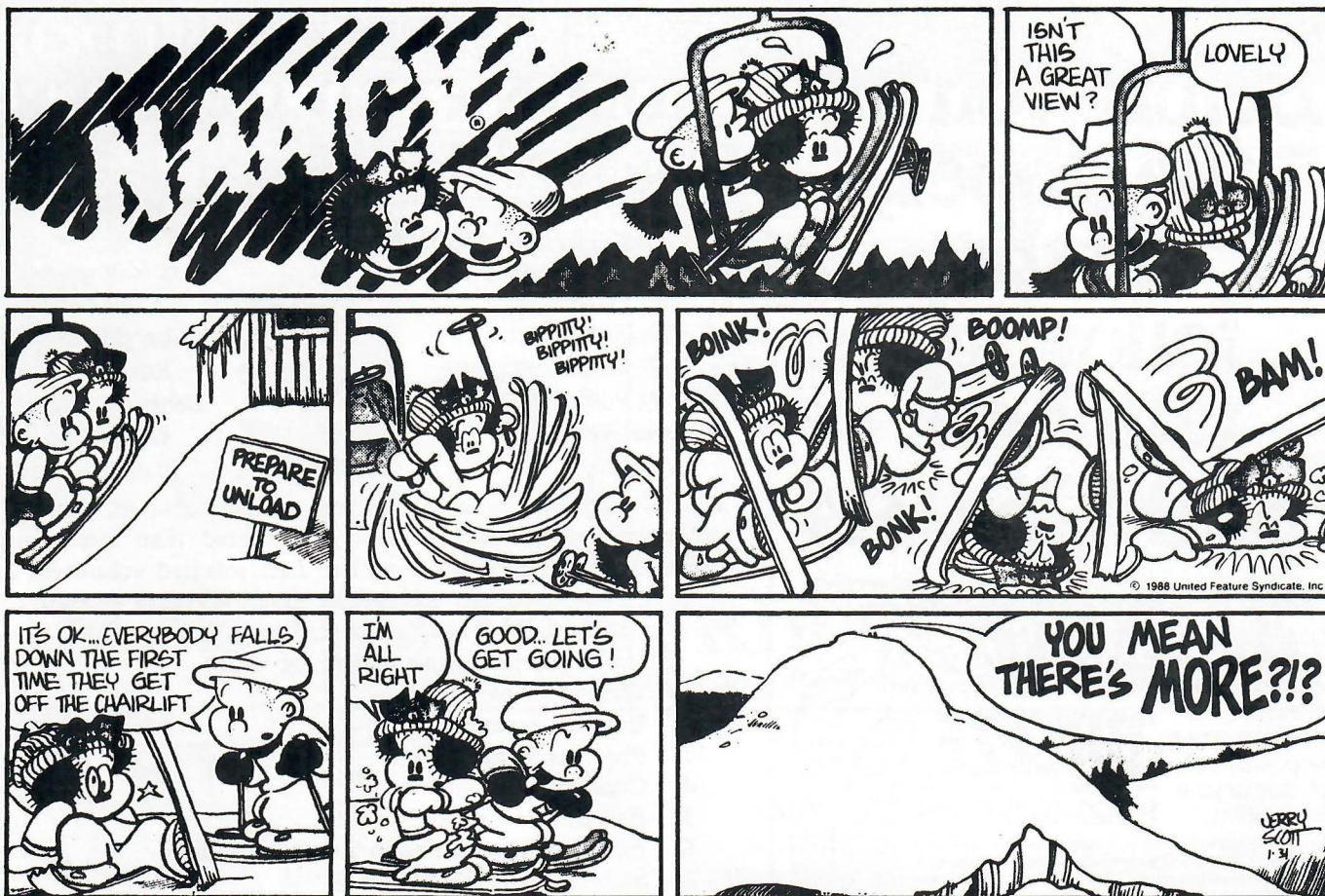
8:00 - 12:00 P.M.

Dust off the old bowling ball...and enjoy a new SCSC event. Team up with fellow skiers for a fun evening of bowling. Refreshments will be included.



Don't own your own equipment? Don't fret...rentals available at the Lanes for nominal fee.

Sign up at the February meeting, or call
Terry Cummings (995-0502) for additional information.



SKI PATROL



Name: RON RAMBIN

When did you go on first ski trip? 1967.

Where was it to? Vail, Colorado.

Had you ever skied before? Never had.
What did you expect to happen? Ha, Ha, Ha. ... You can't print that.
What did happen? Nothing - Ha, ha, ha.

What surprised you the most? I had trouble with the cable bindings.

What was your most unforgettable experience on any SCSC trip? Most unforgettable? Oh, brother .. ha, ha, I guess when I was TC to Lake Tahoe. We had Club America, a private club that had 3 of their own planes, book our flight for 5:00 a.m., and at 11:30 we found out that we did not have a plane. I had over 100 people on the trip and had to make reservations right there at the airport. We divided the group into two and all met out in Lake Tahoe. We only lost 7 or 8 people's luggage, had 1 divorce on the trip (ha, ha), or right after the trip. I think that it was the next week I proposed to Roberta - she wasn't on the trip.



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SANTA FE (cont'd from page 12)

Year. All participants returned to Karen's condo for a New Year's Eve buffet; (*Bryan Slaven and Jerry McGinty carved three turkeys*) then on to La Fonda for dancing the night away. Betty Tindall, Lorelle Pottick, Keith Huber, Sally Hintz, Woody Shiflett, Jim Franz and Sam Ross were seen several times on the dance floor, not necessarily in that order.



Suzanne Arnette and Helen Meadows on New Year's Eve.

The return trip to the airport in Albuquerque was more than the usual bus ride. The group stopped in the Indian village of Santo Domingo on New Year's Day because we could not decide if old town in Albuquerque would be open. Perhaps Mother Earth and Father Sky were watching out for SCSC'ers. At any rate, the members of the Pueblo were performing a ceremonial dance that day. The men were dressed in dance kilts, wearing a fox skin as a reminder of man's common ancestry with the animals. The women were dressed in traditional garb with their hair loose in imitation of the summer rain. The dances were an awesome experience.

If only the Oilers had won. We arrived at the airport in time to see the end of a sad playoff game. Our plane ride back was fairly subdued, and all arrived safely in Houston.

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WHAT IS A

SKIER?

A skier is someone who'll fly for two hours, then drive for two more hours to wait in line for 35 minutes in order to spend five seconds falling down a hill in a blizzard.

Skiers can be identified by their bright jackets, long poles, flailing arms, horrendous screams, and broken ankles. They'll usually be found surrounded by smiling companions, and, in most cases ambulance drivers.

People who ski are exciting to watch in the great outdoors, although many have been known to save their best moves for the great indoors!

Every skier appreciates lots of white snow, red sunsets, and blue Cross. And, all of them have their "ups and downs"...usually only minutes apart!

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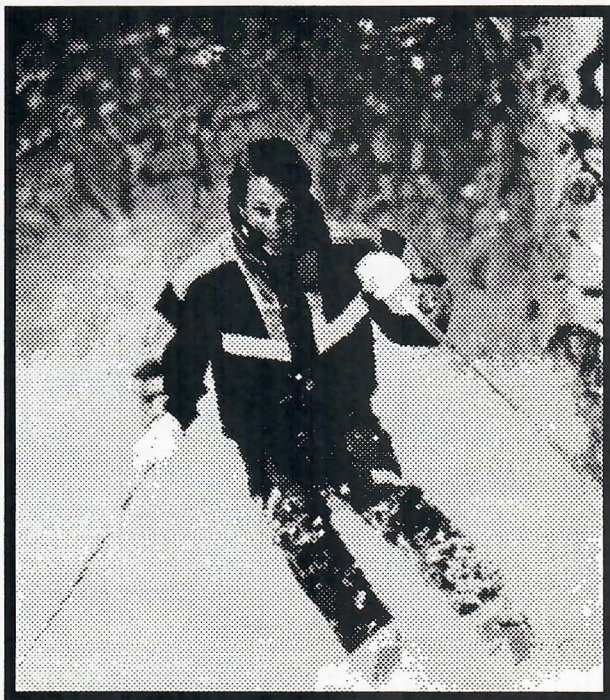
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HOW TO UNLOAD

As the chair nears unloading ramp, check to be sure no clothing or equipment is tangled in the chair. Hold poles in outside hand and place inside hand on front edge of seat. Raise ski tips.

Stay seated until you reach "Unload Here" sign, keeping skis straight on ramp. Push yourself up with inside hand, lean forward and ski straight down ramp. Don't snowplow. Ski to the edge of the unloading area to leave room for the skiers unloading behind you. Move away from unload area as quickly as possible.

THAT'S JAKE/by Jake Vest



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18 YEARS LATER...

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Jim McIntyre and Beth Nolen are still enjoying SCSC trips, shown here at The Fulton Ironworks for dinner during the Vail trip last month.

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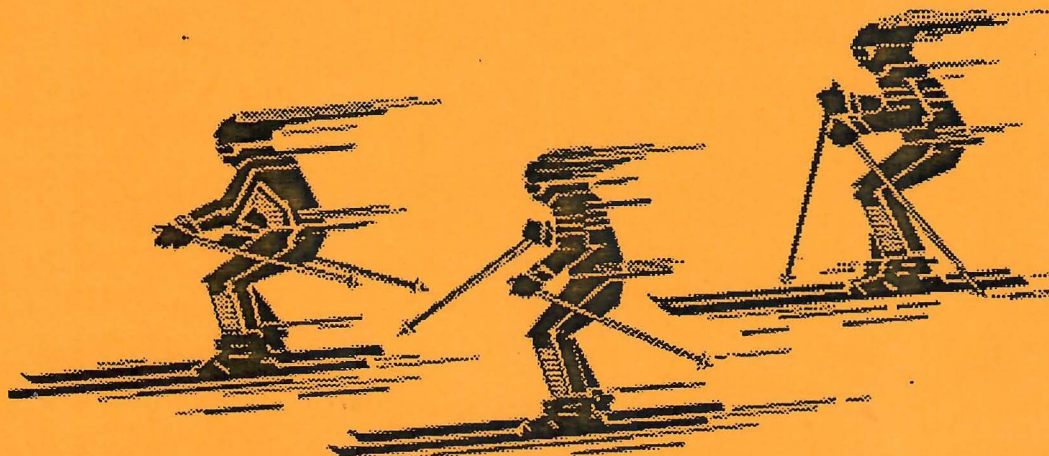
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