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## SKI MEETING

MONDAY — OCTOBER 11, 1976 — 7:30 P.M.

Sonny Look's SirLoin Restaurant      So. Loop W. at So. Main

SHOW YOUR 1976-1977 MEMBERSHIP CARD AT THE DOOR

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## CALENDAR

SCSC REGULAR MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE SECOND  
MONDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM SEPTEMBER THRU MAY

OCTOBER 11 . . . . . OCTOBER MEETING  
SKI DECK DEMONSTRATION by SKI HOUSTON

OCTOBER 30-31 . . . . . BACK-TO-NATURE CAMPOUT

NOVEMBER 8 . . . . . NOVEMBER MEETING  
STYLE SHOW by J. RICH SPORTS, LTD.

## MEMBERSHIP CARDS

As you may have noticed, membership cards are being mailed inside the Sitzmarke. You should receive your card in the Sitzmarke issue the month after you submit your application. If you have not received your card, please contact:  
Duff Trimble - Ph. 529-1207

## MEMBERSHIP

October 1, 1976

Singles . . . . .	818
Married . . . . .	406
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>1,224</b>

## SITZMARKE DEADLINE

October 20, 1976

November 17, 1976

December 22, 1976

January 19, 1976



FOR SALE: Rossignol skis with Nevada/Look bindings. 1 pair Stratto 105 (Series R) 185cc. 1 pair ST650 195cc. Men's boots: Stroltz Pro, size 8; Koflach, size 8; Nordica size 10½. Men's parks (40) medium. Pants (34) regular. Call Jim Davis at 783-0234-(office) or Earl Longoria at 226-3142-(office).

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By Sy Liebergot

Wow, what a September meeting! 1159 hot bodies passed through the doors that Monday night as compared to 684 persons the same time last year. It was evident that you all came to sign up for trips as early as possible, judging from the fact that four of the more popular trips filled that night. However, *ne desesperez pas*, waiting lists are still a good bet so long as many people's long range vacation plans remain fickle.

In case you missed the news, Jim Benefield announced that Braniff International Airlines has re-applied to the CAB for group airfares to be effective through April 30, 1977. Here's hoping the other major carriers follow suit. So, as the trip prices become firmer (drop), we'll pass the information on to everyone as soon as possible.

I hope I didn't injure anyone at the meeting with the dreaded Jericho Horn - it's for sure that I really didn't intimidate a lot of you with its use. Calling a meeting to order of the size of the September gathering is not a goal likely to be achieved, but look for the Horn next meeting, also. I hope you like the brief business meeting format; I'll try to continue this.

Congratulations to Judy Allen, who, after eight months of patient

# head of the lift line

waiting, finally received her trophy for winning second place women's honors in last season's Texas Ski Week. Thanks also to Wayne Nichols of Continental Airlines, whose perseverance was required to produce the trophy.

Speaking of cups, I hope everyone took a look at the Texas Cup that SCSC will be defending this season during Texas Ski Week at Crested Butte. Jeff Nesrsta informs me that his San Antonio Club has signed 114 people to go to Texas Ski Week and will take the cup from us. I attended a Texas Ski Council meeting last month and the upcoming Texas Ski Week being held at Crested Butte which is sponsored by Continental Airlines promises to be a good one.

Responses are trickling in from the ski areas I've written inquiring into their improvements and/or lift safety as a result of the

Vail gondola accident; so far they all say their area has never been safer.

**HEY FOLKS, PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MEMBERSHIP NOW TOTALS 1,224! ARTICLE III, SECTION 6 OF THE CLUB BYLAWS ON MEMBERSHIP LIMITATION STATES:**

"The membership of the Club shall be limited to 1400 members. A waiting list shall be established and new members taken from this list. When the limit of 1400 members is reached, *beginning with the following ski season* members must participate on a ski trip at least every two years to retain membership.

I don't think a change to the 1400 limit is warranted, so if any of your friends or non-renewed members plan to ski this season, the applications are obviously due now!

## SKI SHOW '76 IS COMING.

Houston's biggest ski show ever is coming November 26-28. There will be plenty of action and attractions, whether you like your skiing excitement fireside or mountainside. Don't miss it!

- See experts perform spectacular stunts on the world's largest indoor ski slope.
- See the latest in ski equipment and accessories from the major manufacturers.
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# markemaker

By Beth Nolen



MIKE KELLY

"I hadn't ever thought of snow skiing as something I'd want to try," were the famous last words of now veteran skier, Mike Kelly. It all began while visiting friends in Vermont over New Year's holiday about ten

years ago. Although not exactly enthusiastic over the prospect of such an unlikely delight as sliding and tumbling down snowy hillsides, Mike was persuaded to try his hand (better yet, his feet!) at skiing Sugar Bush. He resolved this challenge in the words of the old mountain climber's motto, "I did it because it was there." And he's been doing it ever since.

Tipped on Space City Ski Club by word of mouth, he soloed to his first meeting six seasons ago, and has been one of our most active participants. Mike averages at least three trips a year, and has skied almost every area on the Club's agenda including Steamboat, Taos, Lake Tahoe, Banff, Purgatory, Telluride, Salt Lake City, Mt. Hood, Winter Park, and Vail. Aspen tops his list with five trips and he plans visit no. 6 this year: "The SCSC Aspen Traditional Trip is traditional with me." Vacation schedule permitting, he also hopes to make trips to Jackson Hole and Telluride.

Many fellow members may recognize Mike as their friendly trip

physician, having assisted with everything from colds and flu to cuts, bruises, breaks and hangovers. In actuality, he is a General Surgeon at Hermann Hospital, presently in Plastic Surgery residency. Mike has served as the President of the House Staff at Hermann for the past two years, and as Vice-President the previous year. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the American Trauma Societies of Harris County and of the State of Texas.

In any spare time he can find in non-ski season, Mike enjoys hunting, water skiing, sports car racing, and, when the wind is right, racing sailboats. And although retired from the pro ranks with his college recording group, Mike still finds pleasure in strumming on his guitar and banjo.

This Markemaker might be remembered for his beneficial contribution in the general interest of the Club with his pointers on skiing safety last Fall, or as the perhaps overshadowed partner of Bobbett Cross in the 1975 SCSC Fashion Show.

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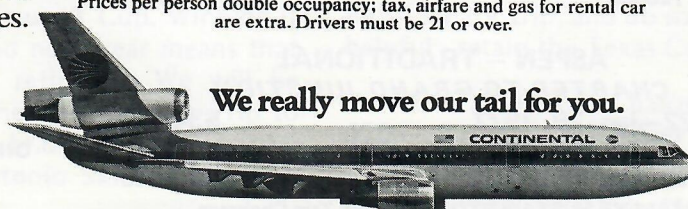
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MERLYN HARGER, Assistant Trip Chairman  
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## ASPEN — CHRISTMAS

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JOHN C. "EASY" THAYER, Assistant Trip Chairman  
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TOM MERCER, Assistant Trip Chairman  
Office: 238-1965 Home: 297-4922

## BRECKENRIDGE/CRESTED BUTTE

### TEXAS SKI WEEK

Jan. 7—16, 1977 \$365.00

JACK SPENCER, Trip Chairman  
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## CRESTED BUTTE

### TEXAS SKI WEEK

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ED TAYLOR, Trip Chairman  
Office: 658-8650 Home: 721-2986  
CATHY COATS, Assistant Trip Chairman  
Office: 790-4321 Home: 522-0410

## ASPEN — TRADITIONAL

### CHARTER TO GRAND JUNCTION

Jan. 22—Jan. 29, 1977 \$343.00

WARREN CROSS, M.D., Trip Chairman  
Office: 666-4224 Home: 665-6933  
SALLYE M. STAPLETON, Assistant Trip Chairman  
Office: 789-9747 Home: 789-9747

## VAIL

Feb. 5—12, 1977 \$380.00

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## TAHOE

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## TAOS, NEW MEXICO BUS TRIP

### Date to be Announced

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## BRECKENRIDGE / CRESTED BUTTE



*Nancy Scott and Jack Spencer*

**BRECKENRIDGE/  
CRESTED BUTTE  
JANUARY 7 - 16, '77**

**SKI FOUR AREAS ON ONE TRIP!** Sounds impossible, but it's true. In addition, you get Texas Ski Week as an extra bonus. This trip was so great last year, it just

had to be repeated.

The first part of the trip is to Breckenridge, where we will stay four days at Tannenbaum-by-the-River Condominiums. Breckenridge has two connected peaks to satisfy every skier's needs. But, if that isn't enough for you, there is free bus service to Keystone and Copper Mountain.

After four full days of skiing at Breckenridge, we board a bus for Crested Butte to join another group of Space City skiers, plus groups from other Texas ski clubs, for Texas Ski Week (a whole mountain full of 'y'all'). The festivities will include parties and races - and we'll be working to keep the First Place Texas trophy.

We'll spend four full days skiing at Crested Butte; and this year we will stay at the elegant and convenient Village Center Condominiums which are located immediately adjacent to the lifts. The Crested Butte ski area is just a couple of miles (yes, there are buses) from the quaint little town of Crested Butte, you'll fall in love with it!

What more could you want? Eight full days of skiing, the possibility of skiing four different areas, and Texas Ski Week. This is definitely THE trip to take!

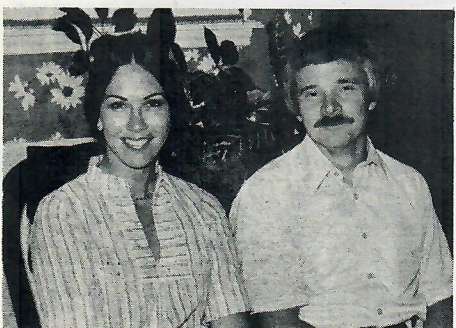
**Jack Spencer, Trip Chairman**

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**Nancy Scott, Asst. Trip Chairman**

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## CRESTED BUTTE — TEXAS SKI WEEK



*Cathy Coats and Ed Taylor*

**CRESTED BUTTE  
Texas Ski Week '77  
JANUARY 9 - 16, '77**

This is the trip that proves that Houstonians are the best skiers in Texas. Yep, the Space City Ski Club is going to Crested Butte to answer the challenge for, and defend The Texas Ski Council Cup. Ski six (6) full days in the height of the season. Enjoy skiing and partying with the other Texas Ski Clubs all for what may become (when the transportation cost is finalized) about the lowest per skiing day cost of the 1976-77 trips. **ALL LIFT TICKETS INCLUDED.** There will be a drawing for skis and poles

given away by Continental Airlines to a Texas Ski Week participant. Also there will be a chance to win a week's free skiing at Crested Butte with air transportation to and from Denver included, for two. **NO OTHER SCSC TRIP OFFERS A PACKAGE LIKE THIS.**

This is a much improved Crested Butte Texas Ski Week Trip. Our accommodations are at the Village Center Condominiums. Three bedroom, two bath, in-room phone equipped, split-level units at the base of the lifts. Condos located at the ski school, a ski rental shop, a shopping mall. Near the grocery store, liquor store, deli, ski shop, and the center of all the Texas Ski Week Activities!

Instinctively, the sporting purpose of this trip is to retain the Texas Ski Council Cup. Winning it this year and next year means that Space City retires it. We will be joined by the Breckenridge Trip to answer the brazen challenge from the San Antonio Ski Club for this cup.

Naturally, the real purpose of the trip is to ski, relax, enjoy our-

selves and party with the other Texas Ski Council Clubs. Included are two combined parties with the other council clubs, and three Space City only parties. For competition, there are three races. The most important, most fun and least strenuous is for the Texas Cup. There will be serious races for individual trophies and NASTAR Races.

The night life in Crested Butte is much improved over 1976. Within the town and on the mountain, there are nine new restaurants and clubs; four of which have live entertainment (Rock 'n Roll, Folk, etc.). The bus service has been improved with five additional buses. The restaurants at the area have been placed under new and improved management. Take advantage of the big bargain, small cost offered with this mid-January trip, and do something helpful - retain the Texas Cup!

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## ASPEN TRADITIONAL



Warren Cross and Sallye Stapleton

### ASPEN TRADITIONAL JANUARY 22 - JANUARY 29, '77

Aspen is gearing up for our *Traditional Space City Ski Trip*; it takes all year! One hundred sleepy people will depart Houston International near the hour of 4:30 a.m. January 22. We are to arrive in Grand Junction at 7:00 a.m. and either fly to Aspen to take chartered buses, nice to have a choice! We will arrive in Aspen before lunch,

giving us time to eat, rent skis, acquire lift tickets and for those especially speedy, there will be a half day of great skiing! The beginning of six full days and two half days of skiing; the best Colorado has to offer. With free transportation to four mountains: Aspen Mountain, Aspen Highlands, Buttermilk, Snowmass; it's hard to decide which one first.

For the beginners and intermediates Buttermilk/Tieback offers slopes especially developed for those new at skiing. Aspen Highlands has a vertical rise of 3,800 feet and provides 50 miles of trails. Snowmass, consisting of Campground, Sam's Knob, Big Burn, Alpine Springs and Elk Camp offers 1,420 acres of fine skiing. Last, but not least, Aspen Mountain for advanced and advanced intermediates (high intermediates?) offer 500 acres of trails.

We will be staying at Chateaux Eaux Claire and Roaring Fork across the street from each other and within walking distance of Aspen Mountain lifts. The accommodations feature 2 bedroom/2 bath units, and also 3 bedroom/3 bath units, each equipped with living room, fireplace and kitchens. The Chateaux also offers a great heated pool (bring your swim suits), and whirlpool for those with tired bodies; and for those not so tired, there is a paddle tennis court and a coed sauna.

After a day of skiing, an hour in the whirlpool and sauna, it's time to eat! And eat we will! Aspen offers restaurants and night life par excellence. Warren assures me he has sampled them all. Restaurants of all countries and all prices, hot dogs to fondue, you'll be sure to find something that suits your taste.

We are ready for Aspen and, as mentioned, it's getting ready for us. The trip is planned for 100. Sign up for a week of fine skiing, great parties, being with your friends and meeting new ones. SEE YOU!

Warren Cross, M.D., Trip Chairman  
Hm.: 665-6933 Off.: 666-4224

Sallye Stapleton, Asst. Trip Chmn.  
Home and Office: 789-9747

## SCSC NEWS

More marriage fever: Congratulations to Ed Williams and Jennifer Fowler, July 17; Neil Williams and Jeanette Duchesne, September 4; Wanda Edwards and Charlie Smith, September 4; and Bob Petner and Jan Hart, September 18.

SCSCers, we need your help! Attendance at our meetings is great but our **PARKING SPACE IS LIMITED**. Please park in Sonny Look's lot only. The security guard is on duty only during the meeting period. Don't leave your car on the lot after meetings. Most of you go home with a friend; so carpool to the meetings and help us with the parking problems.

Look for Frank Reisenberg in the dramatic musical of *Sacco & Vanzetti* by Frank Fields at the Tremont Auditorium, October 12-16 and 21-23, presented by the Kerygma Players. Phone 695-2828.

# CLUB PURGATORY

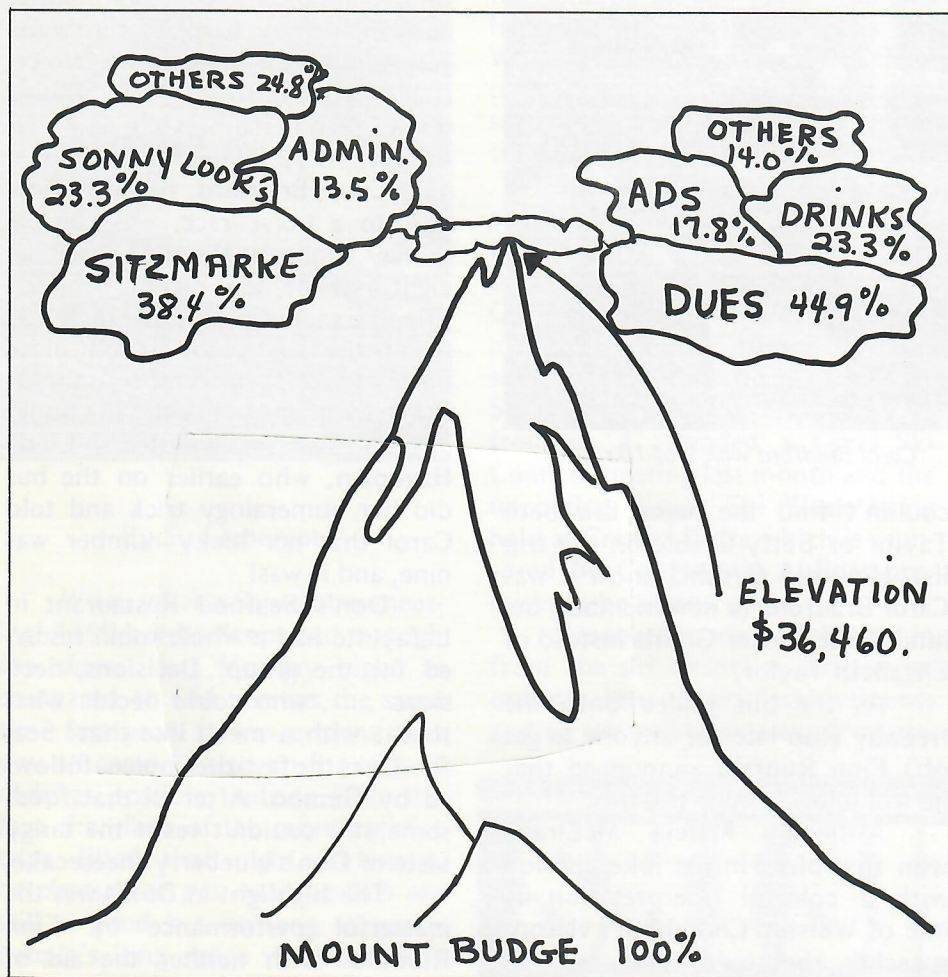
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# I think I know where it comes from, but I wonder where it goes



By Bob Marwin

Those of you who read the financial statement in the August Sitzmarke may have noticed that Members' Equity was \$21,439, (about \$15.30 per person), an increase of \$1,388 over 1974/75 (about \$1.00 per member). You might also have noticed that ski and non-ski trip income was \$205,355, and expenses were \$208,575.

Space City Ski Club is a pretty big operation, comparable in financial size to a McDonald's franchise. This article will try to show you where SCSC money comes from, and where it goes.

Ski trips, and most non-ski activities are budgeted for zero profit. The actual trip participants pay

for their trip or activity. Notice I said budgeted.

Your Executive Committee reviews and approves budgets for all trips. If a trip loses money, the Club absorbs the loss; if a trip makes money, the Club uses the profit. Losses can be quite large; profits are quite small.

*Where and who it will come from: 1976/77 Budget.*

Dues = \$16,360 (44.9%)  
Right out of our pockets.

Meeting Drink Sales = \$8,500 (23.3%)  
Here is where everyone can help. Those of you who observe and talk to me at the meetings can see that I'm doing my part. Bottoms Up!

Sitzmarke Advertising = \$6,500 (17.8%)  
Thanks to our advertisers and Cynthia Lackey.

Guest Fees = \$2,100 (5.8%)  
Keep bringing those guests.  
SCSC grows by work of mouth only.

Refund and Transfer Charges = \$2,000 (5.5%)

Interest Income = \$1,000 (2.7%)

*Where it will go: 1976/77 Budget*

Sitzmarke = \$14,000 (38.4%)  
\$10,350 for the printing and \$3,650 for postage.

Sonny Look's Room = \$3,500 (23.3%)  
We pay \$1.80 for every person who walks in the door. If you go back out to your car, flash your name tag to the counter on your way back in.

Administrative and Miscellaneous = \$4,892 (13.5%)  
The directory (\$1,000), the accounting computer service (\$450), Board of Directors and the Executive Committee meetings (\$510), stationary, name plates and other supplies (\$914) are the biggies here.

Liquor = \$2,200 (6.0%)  
20% bourbon, 20% gin, 20% vodka, 40% scotch.

Membership Processing = \$2,043 (5.6%)  
\$1,350 for computer service.

Officer and Trip Director Travel Allowance = \$2,825 (7.7%)

This comes out of the general fund rather than the trip fund, because the officers work for skier and non-skier alike.

Programs = \$1,500 (4.1%)

The volunteer party gets \$600, the Summer Bash got \$400.

U.S.S.A. and Texas Ski Council Dues = \$500 (1.4%)

Now you've been numbered and visual-aided. I hope you see that this ain't no schlock operation; we're big, baby, big! If you have any questions or suggestions, grab me at the meeting; I've got lots of free time until the meetings over. And, all of the officers can use help and helpers. Even Sy.



# lafayette horse races

By Cynthia Lackey



*Bill Chalmers eyes the track.*

After all that organizing, Cynthia Lackey, Trip Chairperson was unable to go on the Lafayette trip due to back surgery. But, she was on the bus before departure, checking off names. One new member could not believe that Cynthia



*Carol Bradford won 9 of 10 races!*

couldn't find the name Elizabeth Taylor or Betty Grable on the trip list. How did Cynthia know it was Carol Bradford (a new member) behind those Foster Grants instead of Elizabeth Taylor?

As the bus pulled onto the freeway (too late for anyone to get off) Finn Runfalo announced that he would be running the trip.

Although Marcia McElravy won first place in the joke division with a colorful interpretation of one of Winston Churchill's victory speeches, she could hardly wait to get off the bus in Lafayette to hear Trisha Page and Linda Hagopian sing the "Twelve Days of Rugby" - a ballad sung only in the gutters of England.

The bus wheeled into the Sheraton in Lafayette about 2:00 p.m., leaving a few hours of leisure before the trek to the track at 6:00. Several of the group chose to swim and sun around the pool, while others walked around the block to a small French cafe noted for its Cajun and seafood quisine. The food was tremendous. It was decided that Jambalaya is the Louisiana counterpart for Georgia grits and Texas hashbrowns.

At the track: Lanny Lamb, after talking a number of people into joining a betting pool for the daily double, took half an hour to divide up the winnings! Marion Levin, Jimmy St. Clair, Mary Kay Mc-

Murrough, Wayne Cook, Jane McCormick, Beth Grunden, Bruce Grunden and Jill Beaman, all shared the winnings after confidently allowing Lanny to place the aggregate sum on the horse of his choice. It take a while to divy \$47.60 nine ways - each person getting \$4.18 return on his \$2.00 bet.

Carol Bradford, her first time ever to a horse race, was the big money winner at the track, winning eight out of ten races, including three "Exactas", races in which you select the first and second place horses in exact order of finish, plus the daily double. How did she do it? Her success was attributed to Linda Hagopian, who earlier on the bus did her numerology trick and told Carol that her lucky number was nine, and it was!

Don's Seafood Restaurant in Lafayette had a whole room reserved for the group. Decisions, decisions . . . who could decide what to eat with a menu like that? Seafood was the favorite choice, followed by Gumbo. After all that food, some still couldn't resist the tangy taste of Don's blueberry cheesecake.

The highlight at Don's was the masterful performance by Finn Runfalo. With neither the aid of limb nor utensil, Finn artfully tied a cherry stem into a knot with his tongue! Finn suddenly became more popular with the gals.

Some things just can be explained, but the Lafayette trip bus was the same bus used for the Taos ski trip last spring. Maybe Bob Marwin's "Magic Taos Bus" really is magic!

A special thanks go to Tricia Page and Carol Bradford for all their help on the trip. They assisted Finn in all activities during the trip.

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would have sat behind, not in front of them.

Luckily for our group we got to share some time with a couple of newlyweds, Linda McDuffie (Sitzmarke Editor) and her spouse Max Langley. For some reason they seemed to stay quite close to each other. Wonder why?

On the plane to Dallas, Allan Simpson and Linda MacFarland impressed us with their useful knowledge. For example, did you know that another name for a "better steamship" is a "finer liner". Other SCSC members who helped make this trip enjoyable were Club President Sy Liebergot, Judy Allen, and a new member with a great sense of humor - Sidney Rojo.

Everyone who attended this game will be glad to know next year's game is in the *air conditioned* Astrodome. For you guys who decided not to go because you figured only guys would go, you made a big mistake!! The women outnumbered the men 2 to 1.

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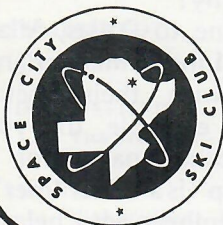
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