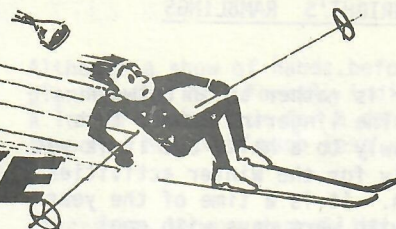


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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

November 11, 1968

7:30 P.M.

The Summitt Club
1801 Main
(In The Houston Bank & Trust Bldg.)

Gentlemen are requested to wear coats

- See Details Inside -



Our Officers?

Bill Wright, Sammie Lou Mavar,
Jay Castille and Don Holloway

OKTOBERFEST !!

After a while, everyone was sure they were in Munich.

Loewenbrau beer, um-pah music, non-stop polka, and a lot of noise shaking the rustic clubhouse put the Space City Ski Club's Oktoberfest on a par with the antics Munich's harvest festival is so famous for.

The Saengerbund's clubhouse was the perfect setting for the festivities, and the decorations provided by the local Loewenbrau representative added just the right touch of gaiety. It was the first time the club had held a meeting in the Saengerbund's hall, and the country inn atmosphere was a pleasant contrast to the Summitt Club's milieu.

Many club members screwed up their courage enough to come attired in real Lederhosen dating back to the Autostop trip through Europe taken during those carefree student days of not long ago. Others sported the latest in ski slope fashions---jump suits, chic sweaters, and the like, in colors from hot pink to mauve, previewing things to come this winter.

It was absolutely impossible for newcomers not to meet some of the veteran attendees, because the hall was packed with people. In the interest of politeness alone, you were forced to introduce yourself, with the pleasant discovery that the person at your elbow was having a blast, too.

Although the main business of the evening was considering the question of fun, courageous club officers managed to stand up in front of the crowd to deliver a few announcements, and introduce the film for the evening, "Skiing with Buick" starring Stein Ericksen.

Most of the announcements may have been lost in the din, but the pictures of snow and expert skiing technique massaged the ski psyches of the fans to remind all that winter sport is just around the corner, and that this would have to be the last fling before it was time to start getting into shape.

If next year's Oktoberfest is just half as successful as this year's, it will be a smash hit.



SPACE CITY SKI CLUB'S OKTOBERFEST - October 7, 1968

WRIGHT'S RAMBLINGS

November is rather an in between month. The lingering Summer funs come slowly to a halt, but it is yet too early for the Winter activities to begin. It is a time of the year filled with warm days with cool nights, but the brief icy blasts are the warnings of Winter's impatient waiting. We greet the sun on the way to work and bid it adieu on our way home. The long nights of Winter are almost here. The trees have abandoned their leaves in the preparation for Winter's coming and those that have not fallen have turned golden and are at the mercy of the wind. We, in the Ski Club have arrived at an in between also. In our preparation for the Winter many of the Summer ideas have fallen by the wayside and only those with real merit are left, and like the leaves, are at the mercy of the members of the Club.

This is the in between time for us, for the trips have been put into motion, but have not yet been completely spoken for.

Reservations have been made for the maximum expected to go on the trips, but was that guess we made last Summer too many? The people we deal with want to make their final plans also, and we are faced with questions like, "In order to hold the 23 four place rooms you requested we must have your deposit by ---." "We must have your decision on the 70 place plane for \$6600 by ---."

So you see this is really an in between time for us. Should we make the trip smaller, larger, or leave it as is? We know all the trips will have some people on them, but our crystal ball doesn't say how many.

We want the most people possible to go but we have the responsibility of not wasting the Club's money on vacant rooms and empty seats.

You can help the trip chairman by deciding now on a trip and getting your deposit down. Don't be caught in between, wanting to go, but not being able to get a place.

At the time of this writing one of our Summer ideas is fixing to be blown away because of lack of response from the members. The Fall Formal got good approval, but due to the lack of ticket sales it is in dire jeopardy of being cancelled. The dance committee is pledged for a minimum of 125 couples in order to "break even" and at this time they only have a 30% indication of people wanting to go. If it was your decision, what would you do? Gamble on people wanting to go, but just haven't gotten

their money in yet or cancel??


MEMBERSHIP REPORT

At the time of this writing, our membership stands as follows:

72 Married Couples
257 Singles
401 Total Membership

We have had 272 people renew their memberships and have signed up 129 new members.

We feel it is necessary to remind you again that at the monthly meetings all members will be required to present their membership cards at the door.

All guests will be asked to sign a guest registrar, and may attend only two meetings as a guest. Then they must become members in order to attend any additional functions of the Club.

LAKE TAHOE

March 1 - 8

The trip originally planned for Reno, Nevada has been changed to Lake Tahoe which is 55 miles West of Reno and in the "Bonanza Mountains." This is a trip which has been of considerable interest for a long while and many members have already expressed their intention to sign up.

We will stay at the beautiful new Sahara-Tahoe, one of the finest hotels in the area. It is located on the South shore of Lake Tahoe and from there we will buss daily to one of four great ski areas: Squaw Valley, Heavenly Valley, Alpine Meadows, and Ski Incline.

The hotel offers free cocktails and fondue parties every evening and the usual good food, dancing, and entertainment. For those who wish to, there is an easy bus ride into Reno for gambling or the tables are available in the hotel and near by village.

Early Spring skiing is great in this area, so this should be an opportunity not to miss and one which could be one of our greatest trips of all times.

So be sure to see Trip Chairman Winton Adams, or Assistant Trip Chairman Bob Hightower at the next meeting.

Costs will be announced as soon as they are available. Also, there will be more information concerning this trip at a later date.

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SCSC REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
November 11, 1968

To continue building our enthusiasm for the coming season, a great ski film will be shown at the next Regular Monthly Meeting, "The Incredible Skis".

Reports will be given on the progress of our various trips.

Since the Oktoberfest, and the October 28 - Jackson Hole Meetings were all held so close to this meeting, November 11th meeting will be short.

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TO THE SLOPES!!

FALL FORMAL CANCELLED

According to early snow reports we have received, that white stuff is starting to come down like mad. If it keeps, up like we all hope it will then we're going to have one helluva good ski season. So get your gear all ready and sign up for the trips. Don't be left out because you waited too long to make up your mind.

Here's the current rundown on the scheduled trips:

RUIDOSO Dec. 5-9
We'll know by the November meeting if this trip is "GO" or not. It depends on the response we get at the Oct. 28 and Nov. 11 meetings. Neophytes take notice: This is a very inexpensive way to prove to yourself that skiing really is for you. Sign up now. Price \$59.00 This includes transportation, lodging and insurance.

VAIL Nov. 27 - Dec. 1
"Operation Head Start" was announced to you in the flyer you received last week. Full details were given, but for any further information on this Thanksgiving jaunt call Trip Chairman Dusty Smith at 464-2880 (Home or 622-5433 (Office)), and send your deposit checks to him pronto.

SANTA FE Dec. 27 - Jan. 1
Response to this trip has been great so far and it promises to be a sell-out. Don't be left behind; get your deposit in NOW to Trip Chairman Les Bennett. Call him at NA 2 5264 (res) or HO 2 3434 (office).

RUIDOSO Dec. 27 - Jan. 1
Spend New Years in Ruidoso on the "Budget Special", along with 4½ days of skiing. Leave Houston 6 P.M. Dec. 27 and arrive back in Houston in time to go to work on the 2nd. Total price of \$74.50 includes transportation, lodging, insurance and a wine-and-cheese party on the slopes. We'll also set up a New Years Eve Party. We're limited to one busload of revelers, so you better sign up RIGHT NOW. Deposit of \$35 is due by Nov. 11th meeting. See Trip Co-Chairmen Mike & Peggy Gay or call them at HO 5 2753.

ASPEN Feb. 1 - 8
The Aspen Trip has been selling like mad; there's already a waiting list for married couples and for single men. Girls take note: The odds are definitely in your favor, so sign up quick before it's too late. Get your deposit checks in to Trip Chairman Jerry Maley. For further information call him at NA 2 1243 (Home or JA 9 4951, Ext. 272 (Off.))

SAHARRA-TAHOE March 1 - 8
This promises to be one of the most exciting trips the Club has ever offered. For more information see separate writeup on this trip on Page 2. Trip Chairman Winton Adams HO 8 0132 (Home) or MO 6 4233 (Off.)

SANTA FE April 3 - 6
Details on this trip will be announced at a later date, but start planning now to spend the long Easter weekend on the slopes.

Although a show of hands, before we planned the Fall Formal, indicated a lot of enthusiasm for a dance, response has been much less.

Therefore, we are cancelling the dance which was scheduled for November 9th at Hotel America.

Those of you who have sent in your reservations and money to Chairman Barbera Nix, please be in touch with her at CA 1 6768 (Office) or 686 1982 (Home).

JACKSON HOLE MEETING October 28, 1968

A good turnout of SCSC enthusiasts attended the Special Jackson Hole-Pepi Steigler show at the Summit Club, Monday, October 28, 1968.

Pepi, a three-time Olympic medalist, started the evening off by showing color slides emphasizing a new skiing technique known as the "Wide Track" parallel approach, which is revolutionizing beginning skiing.

Next "Skiing The Wild West" was shown which was a special film produced by Dick Barrymore on the fabulous Jackson Hole area, and their magnificent deep powder skiing.

At this point everyone was just about ready to grab their gear and take off.

Afterwards, Pepi, and Tom Hansen of the Jackson Hole Corporation, answered questions on skiing technique and general information concerning the Jackson Hole Area.

Those who attended came away very enthusiastic about the area and were impressed with Pepi personally, as being rather shy, but having a very engaging personality.

Negotiations are still under way to bring Stein Eriksen of Snowmass at Aspen for a similar program.

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NOTICE !! CHANGE IN MEETING PLACE

OUR MEETING PLACE HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM THE SUMMITT CLUB TO THE WOODHOLLOW CLUB LOCATED
AT THE WOODWAY SQUARE APARTMENTS, JUST OFF SAN FELIPE AT VOSS ROAD. SEE YOU THERE !