PARK CITY I&II

by Susan Blome & Eddie Bayersdorfer

By the time this article is in print, our congenial group of 66 will have returned from Park City and are back at their normal routines for longer than any one of us would like. Ski trips are such nice diversions, especially this year's TSC Traditional! Now we would like to share some of the tales of our trip with our fellow travelers as well as those unfortunate members of SCSC who were unable to attend.

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Before the plane could take off, Phyllis Anders & Robert Reichek, decided to jump ship, plane that is, for a mere \$400 each to catch the next flight. Our mid day arrival in Salt Lake City was met by traveling companions, Nancy Lowrey and Marie Holmes from New Jersey, Steve Jones from California and Ted Widmer, fresh off the slopes of Montana. Once we arrived at Park City, we were joined by Mike Birowski of Dallas. Also joining us were Lotty & Karl Gautschi, who had arrived on Thursday, beginning their three week ski marathon.

Our Saturday night welcome party, held in Susan Blome's condo, turned out to be great fun for all. Imagine 66 people in one living room trying to exchange free Park City T-shirts for the perfect size. After a quick check-in for their lift tickets and TSC credentials, Terry Chamness and Karl Ferenczy made a mad dash to be the first of our group on the slopes via the popular night skiing. That evening, Judy Katany and Darlene Hirasaki discovered they had two things in common, the same earrings and braces.

Sunday was the first of six nearly perfect Spring skiing days, lots of sunshine and beautiful blue skies. Debi Altenbern, Joyce Bayersdorfer, and Judy Katany all started their group lessons, which were later traded in for private sessions. All claim the instructors and lessons were very helpful. Park Combest and his snow bunny harem, Carol Hudson, Phyllis Anders, and Susan Blome, enjoyed the first of several days of blue run skiing.

Every evening brought a chance to sample some of Park City's culinary choices. Among the list was Vietnamese food at "Taste of Saigon" where La Daune Ashley & Derek Shoobridge led the group of Debi Altenbern, Judy Katany, Marsha Lutz, Mary White, Terry McGuinness and Kevin Bishop. They shared quite a sample of dishes family style. Southwestern cuisine at the "Barking Frog" was enjoyed by Eddie & Joyce Bayersdorfer, Susan Blome, Randy Hassebrock, Phyllis Anders, Robert Reichek, Park Combest, Carol Hudson, Rick Wasson, Cindy Patillo, and Beverly Oberlin. Celebrating their first trip down from the top of the mountain were Barbara & John Weber with a Continental dinner at "Bistro 7000."

The TSC Welcome party was our first opportunity to try out our dance skills. The Macarena proved to be one of the popular choices with Linda Guice, Robert Clements, and Maria Tremontin among those trying the intricate moves. More tricky moves by a magician fascinated the crowd that included Jeff & Laurie Linden, Ron & Roberta Rambin, Davis Tucker, and Lotty & Karl Gautschi.

Nearby Salt Lake City attracted Martha & John Simmons who took in the sights on Tuesday and made a special trip to the genealogy museum where John left a copy of a book he had complied on his family tree. Marvin Volz was able to meet a friend and enjoy a guided tour of the city. Mid week the group experienced the pampered luxury of Deer Valley where, unlike Park City, every lift had boot rests. But, skiing was only part of the experience as Robert Clements & Linda Guice, Bruce Lowther & Maria Tremontin, Randy Hassebrock, Terry Chamness, Susan Blome, John & Barbara Weber, Joyce & Eddie Bayersdorfer, Kevin Bishop, and Marsha Lutz left the slopes early to enjoy Stein Eriksen's fabulous lunch buffet. But, the dessert table best suited Bruce's tastes that day. Ronnie Hotchkiss arrived to report that Neal Pleasant had unfortunately hurt his shoulder. Neal is now home healing but has declared that Deer Valley still ranks high on his list of resorts that he and Leona Bryan wish to return to.

The night before the club races TSC sponsored a fund raising Pub Crawl. Chris Carson made a special request to race last, so he could celebrate his birthday fully by going to all 8 pubs. He was among several of the group to catch the last bus home and was entertained by the exhippie bus driver / ski bum who teased us with the appropriate songs — "Long Way Home", "Down Main Street", "Magic Bus" — you get the gist of it! Another birthday was celebrated by Merlyn Harger. Mike Birowski gave Merlyn a gift of a day's rental of the new parabolic skis. He and Karl Gautschi will have to compare notes, but early reports are that they are "definitely different".

The races on Thursday went off without a hitch. Space City may not have won first place, but we are told we had the prettiest race director (not Mr. McGuinness), and several of our group did come home with medals. Gold was won by George Hirasaki (Nastar and Sr. Men's Individual); Silver was won by Steve Jones, Terry Chamness, Merlyn Harger, and Kevin Bishop; Bronze was won by Bruce Lowther, Mike Birowski, Ray Naudain, Ron Ripps, and Robert Reichek. Bronze was also won by Laurie Linden, Maria Tramontin, Lotty Gautschi, Darlene Hirasaki and Nancy Lowrey (Nastar and Sr. Women's Individual). Nancy's Bronzes were especially exciting for her since it was her first time to race with SCSC and she had a broken hand and a black eye. Wow!!

After the races, Helen & Merlyn Harger joined Diane Jamail & Ray Naudain for an underground tour of the silver mines. That evening Marie Holmes was so anxious to meet her Space City friends at the "Cactus Moon" for our party with Park City III that she slipped crossing the street running to catch a bus. Instead she ended up at the SLC hospital and missed a great party. Just goes to prove that crossing the street can be more dangerous that skiing. Later that evening, Mike Stenberg found himself as a guest at a hot tub party without a swimsuit. We understand that it didn't stop him from joining in, with his jockey shorts.

Friday found the group scattered to resorts beyond Park City. Terry Chamness, Chris Carson, Ron & Roberta Rambin, Steve Jones, Mike Birowski, Randy Hassebrock, Ronnie Hotchkiss, Terry McGuinness, and Marsha Lutz caught a 7:45 am bus to Snowbird, the hardest mountain in Utah especially on the sixth day of ski legs! But, the spectacular views made the long day worth it. Davis Tucker enjoyed short sleeve weather at Alta. Chris Goll skied at Deer Valley and was proud to report on his return that he had beat the Nastar time of his lifetime idol Stein Eriksen.

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Each and all found a way to make the TSC Traditional truly a vacation to call their own. The Timmreck Family, Carol, Erik, Lorna and Kevin, enjoyed a very active and special family vacation. The Carson's, Vicki, Jefery and Chris, also spent family time together. Mike Carr took great care of the girls in his condo wife Barbara, Debi Altenbern, and Judy Katany. He made them coffee every morning and fire and hot chocolate was awaiting them at the end of each ski day! Diane Jamail is making plans to introduce synchronized skiing an official Space City event, with Mike Birowski as the choreographer. The rest of group's only words of wisdom - "Diane lacks discipline". But maybe Diane could take lessons from Mike Carr who managed to ski hard and stay on his diet — that's discipline! Mary White had trouble keeping the Rick's straight (Wasson & Sanford) and could not remember who offered to take her skiing. Luckily she did not meet up with Rick Wasson ... just ask Donna Stewart who found herself (regrettably) in Jupiter Bowl. Rick Sanford recommends that the Logo Ladies add pillows to their inventory so he'll have a softer landing for his next ski trip.

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Lost (and found) were two pieces of luggage belonging to Maria Tremontin and Bruce Lowther in the room of Chris Goll and Ron Ripps - they each thought the luggage belonged to the other. And, how about those truly honest folks in Park City? Cindy Patillo found her lost camera on the slopes with a note that read "We found your camera and have taken a picture of our group. Please mail to..." Unfortunately, Robert Clements was not quite so lucky. His skis were switched on the bus on his return from Deer Valley on Friday.

Rootie Moore was concerned about skiing after her recent back surgery; however, several can attest to how well she skied with husband Don. Rootie and Vicki Carson also found time to shop the outlet malls. And, as if skiing was not enough exercise, Kevin Timmreck was spotted working out in the exercise room and Steve Jones and Mike Birowski started each morning with push ups.

Our final gathering was the Awards Party Friday night. Those that had either already packed or do not require much sleep stayed and danced the night away. **Ronnie Hotchkiss** was reported at week's end as the man with the most used credit card - treating lots of fellow skiers to their favorite drink. But Ronnie, what's the story about the "Stop" sign?

With regrets the week had to end, but not before one last bit of excitement Friday night - a fire alarm. Many of us found our way into the halls or out into the cold, but **George Hirasaki** could not find his way without his contact lenses. And, **Steve Jones** and **Mike Birowski** slept through the commotion...while others were still having fun at the awards party. Luckily, it turned out to be a false alarm and Saturday morning we packed our buses for the return home.

Another successful TSC Traditional...with pictures and memories we hope can last until our next opportunity to go skiing.