

NOVEMBER
2020

**NEXT
GENERAL
MEETING**

November 9
Register [Online](#)

Location:
[Warehouse 72](#)
7620 Katy Fwy
Suite 305

Time:
6:30 p.m.

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NEWSLETTER

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From Mission Control



**Beverly Roberts,
President**

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Hi Ya'll!

I hope everyone is well.

Bizarre is the new normal. I never thought I would be assembling a wardrobe of face masks – from medical, to casual, to bedazzled. Strange days indeed. But bizarre and strange can also be funny. Here are a few Covid jokes to 'spread around'.

Why did the chicken cross the road? Because the chicken behind it didn't know how to socially distance properly.

You know what they're saying about 2020. It went viral faster than anyone thought it would.

And my personal favorite and hallmark of my covid hygiene practices:

What's the best way to avoid touching your face? A glass of wine in each hand.

Back to business – If any member that has not been an elected officer would like to help select officers for the upcoming year, we still have a place on the Nominating Committee for you. Just drop me a text or email. The group will soon be meeting (all

meetings will be virtual) to share ideas for candidates for the elected officer positions for the 2021-2022 term. Remember, this club depends on volunteers. You can help steer the club with your ideas.

My best to everyone – please be careful and stay safe.

Beverly



Ron Ramin, Rowena Roche. Photo contributed Rowena Roche

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Countdown to Lift Off



**Marsha Lutz,
Vice President of
Trips**

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Hello all!

Hope y'all are doing okay despite this extended time of COVID restricting the lives of fun-loving people like SCSCers. I usually say I never want to rush time (as if I could) because it goes by fast enough. But at this point I really do wish I could fast forward about 6 months. Hopefully by then we will have had 4 successful ski trips for those wanting to ski this next season.

Final payment dates have passed on Snowmass and Breckenridge and there were only a few cancellations and the spots were filled from the wait list. Jackson Hole is full while Snowbird has a few opening for singles or couples. If you haven't thought much about the Snowbird trip, take a look. When you take into account the price includes a 6 day lift ticket it is a very

good deal.

All of our 2021 adventure trips are those that got postponed from this year. Same place, mostly same trip leaders, close to the same price and all of the same fun! These were great choices in 2020 and I think they look even better in 2021 since most of us really desire some exciting foreign travel. The Greece cruise is full but does not have much of a wait list. Since this trip is not until September 2021 you should definitely get on the wait list if you want to go. Another boat trip option on a much smaller vessel is the bike and barge trip from Bruges to Amsterdam. This trip has some openings so if you like to exercise while you sightsee at beautiful and historic places, talk to the trip leaders for more info.

As you have seen in the email blasts we are now selling Zion/Grand Canyon and New Zealand – two adventure trips on opposite



Photo by Tom Thomas

sides of the world.

The articles with all the details are in this Sitzmarke and on the website with all the other trips.

As typical for the TSC Expedition trips, the main New Zealand trip comes with pre and post-trip options. I expect many of the people that signed up originally on each of these trips will register pretty quickly, so if you aren't one of those you might want to register soon.

The Trip Coordinators have been busy tweaking details and adding the little extras that make our trips so nice. They are also getting resort specific information on how things will be managed to limit COVID risks. A lot of thought has gone into this by experienced resort leaders so as to be protective while still allowing one to have a fun vacation.

The [next page](#) contains the 2021 trip slate. We dropped the potential Florida beach trip as the price and contract policies were not working out. All prices listed are credit card prices. Write a

check and save 2.99%.

And just to keep the more distant future opportunities in the back of your mind, below is what I shared last month as to what was selected for 2022 TSC trips. Early next year I will be adding in club trips so let me know of places you would like to see the club offer. I already have several destinations in mind.

- * *Traditional - January 8-15, 2022 - Park City UT*
- * *Winter Expedition - January 21-28, 2022 - Zell am See, Austria*
- * *Winter Shootout February 5-12, 2022 - Telluride CO*
- * *Final Showdown - February 26- March 5, 2022 - Mammoth CA*

We will have a general meeting in November so I will see many of you there. Come with questions, come with a checkbook!

Marsha



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2021 Ski Trips				
Destination	Trip Coordinator	Dates	Full	Land
Snowmass, CO – TSC Traditional	Cindy Moore	1/16 – 1/23/21	\$1725	\$1418
Breckenridge, CO	Susan Stanley	1/23-30/21	\$1170	\$813
Jackson Hole, WY	Rene Reed	2/13-20/21	\$1628	\$1085
Snowbird, UT	Ann Dorn	2/27 -3/6/21	\$1947 (incl. lift tickets)	\$1615 (incl. lift tickets)
Purgatory, CO- TSC Winter Shootout	Check with Clear Lake Area Ski Club	2/20-27/21		
Lake Louise, Canada – TSC Final Showdown	Check with Lone Star Ski Club	3/13-20/21		
2021 Adventure Trips				
Bike & Boat – Bruges to Amsterdam	Rita Cardenas/Leyla Ozkardesh	5/17 -5/25/21		\$3024—regular \$3621—suite
Greek Isle Cruise Check website for all pricing levels	Thuy Rocque	08/26 -09/05/21	\$4759	\$3445
Zion/Grand Canyon	Arlen Isham	9/25-9/29,2021	NA	\$617
New Zealand	Sarah Granbery	10/12-23/2021 main trip	\$4,125	\$2,330



Telluride 2017. Photo by Vicki Faulkner

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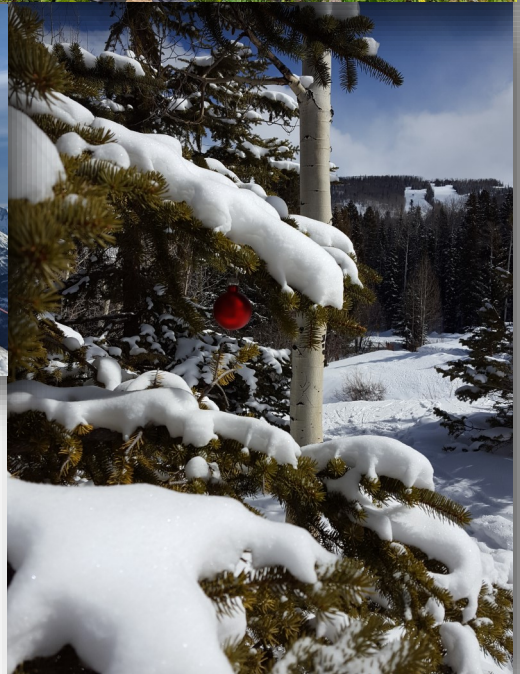
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Top picture: Ann Thomas. Photo by Tom Thomas

Bottom Left picture: Gordon and Lauren Top of Delerium.

Bottom Right Picture: Telluride 2017. Photo by Vicki Faulkner



What great memories would you like to share? Send them to me at dop@spacecity.org.

Melinda Hughes, Director of Publications



Lynn Burch,
Vice President
of Activities

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Having a Blast

We are having a November meeting where we will go over any openings in the trips and any activities we are having. Please sign up if you are coming, so Warehouse 72 we will know how many people to prepare for in staffing. Sun and Ski has again agreed to have the December meeting at the store but with several changes. There will be no snacks, wine or an additional 10% discount. They will have a talk about new ski equipment and there will be several nice door prizes. Our normal SCSC 10% discount does apply.

We are still having Zoom Happy Hours every other Thursday night to have some sort of contact. The Zoom get together is fun but only 12 to 18 people are joining us each time. Please dial in and join us.

Most of the time Bil comes up with some type of questions or topics to talk about. Our second date in November comes up on Thanksgiving so we will have Happy Hour 2 weeks in a row November 12th and the 19th.

Our October 24 Dinner will be held at Rudi Lechner's on Gessner for Oktoberfest. We have our own large room so there is no limit. Last time we went the accordion player came in and entertained us. The November 14 Dinner is at the Downtown Aquarium where we have tried to go a couple of times since April. Please, let's have 24 attendees' since they have been so kind as to keep moving the date for us. I moved it up one week so it will not be too close to Thanksgiving.

Even though it looks like the Governor is starting to open the bars somewhat, to keep us safe, there will be no live Happy Hours until after the first of the year.



Richard Rocque, Thuy Rocque, Dennis Hughes. Picture by Melinda Hughes

Hopefully before long we will be able to start having our monthly Happy Hours again.

This year our Holiday Gala will be a little different. It is at the Post Oak Grill on S. Post Oak and will be a sit-down dinner with several choices rather than a buffet. There still will be appetizers early before the dinner. We will have the entire bar area with tables around the dance floor. Lori Aubrecht is assisting me with the event and has her own play list of songs for our dancing pleasure. Please start signing up for this event now.

I am still waiting for the George Bush Library to reopen so we can go on our trip there. As you may recall, we were set to go on the Saturday after everything closed down.

For now, everyone please stay home and stay safe and we will get back to our fun activities once Houston opens back up. *Lynn*

Extracurricular Activities—November 2020 Upcoming Events



November 9

Member meeting at Warehouse 72

November 12 & 19

Virtual Happy Hour

November 14

Dinner at the Downtown Aquarium

December 5

Holiday Gala at Post Oak Grill



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October Dinner at Rudy Lechner's



More Dinner Participants



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Bruce Lowther,
Vice President
of Membership



CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW

Trip signup is happening. Make sure your membership is current so you will not miss out on trip sign up. Some trips fill up quickly, so don't wait.

Check your membership status by:

First, log in to spacecity.org.

After logging into the website, put the cursor on your name in the upper right hand of the Space City home page.

If your membership has expired, a renewal link will appear in the drop down so click on it to begin the renewal process.

Hope to see you at the next dinner, happy hour or activity! Bruce

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*Take a stroll down memory lane
and check out our [trip history!](#)*



Morris Covin, Ann Rogers, Leslie Casio, Janet McKenzie, Marilyn Swanson, Steve Slade,
Ron Rambin, Kate Clinton, Bernie Clinton Beaver Creek, 2015

What's in a name?

“Does anyone know who chose the name of Space City’s official publication?” I will surmise that we have all experienced a few sitzmarks in our time on the slopes therefore it was properly named.

Still waiting for the answer! I will publish it in the next newsletter: dop@spacecity.org



A depression left in the snow by a skier falling backward .

- *Merriam-Webster online dictionary definition*

ASPEN SNOWMASS.



TC: Cindy Moore
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January 16-23, 2021



ATC: Steve Ying
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Package Prices:

Full package: \$1,725
(Air, transportation, ground transfers & lodging)
Land package: \$1,418 (No Air)
Single Supplement: \$1,260 (additional)



All prices are based on payment by credit card. A 2.99% discount will be deducted for each payment by check. Deposit: 15% of your total package Final Payment Date: 10/12/2020
Total Participants: 34

Resort Pass Affiliation: IKON

Lift Tickets (includes Snowmass, Buttermilk, Aspen Highlands, Aspen)

PRICES	Adult Rate	Senior Rate
	Age 18-64	Age 65>
Daily Lift Ticket	\$128.00	\$ 128.00
3 out of 7 Day Ticket	\$ 314.00	\$ 210.00
4 out of 7 Day Ticket	\$ 314.00	\$ 257.00
5 out of 7 Day Ticket	\$ 418.00	\$ 321.00
6 out of 7 Day Ticket	\$ 523.00	\$ 385.00

Flight Information United Airlines—flight times & airline subject to change

1/16/21 UA 2106L IAH/DEN 7:32 am— 8:57 am

1/23/21 UA 2395L DEN/IAH 2:50 pm – 6:15 pm

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WHY CHOOSE THIS TRIP?

The world-class resort of Snowmass has been among the list of favorite destinations requested by club members year after year and for good reason. Your trip will be coordinated by the dynamic duo of TC, Cindy Moore and ATC, Steve Ying who have a long history of providing top notch fun. This trip promises to continue the legacy.



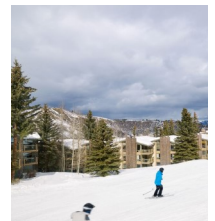
Mountain View, Jeremy Swanson Snowmass



Skiing a Groomer,
Jesse Hoffman Snowmass

To start with, the first-class skiing deserves all the hype with its diverse terrain which offers something for everyone. If the extensive uncrowded, blue intermediate terrain of Snowmass isn't inviting enough, your lift tickets include access to three other nearby mountain resorts by just hopping on one of the quick, free buses. Celebrity-favorite Aspen and Aspen Highlands will challenge seasoned experts, while the slopes of Buttermilk will satisfy tamer skiers and riders. Just learning to ski or board? Snowmass has some of the world's best ski/board instruction. Plus, we ski out from our lodging onto an easy green close to the base.

Furthermore, this trip is not just about the skiing and boarding. Skiers and non-skiers can revel in all the area has to offer in other ways, including the facilities at the Top of the Village such as the heated pool, hot tubs, close by spas and



TOV Ski Run, Kirstin Guinn

snow sports such as cross-country and snow shoeing. There is a vibrant slope side village bustling with shops and restaurants along with a new public plaza in the Base Village. Aspen offers world-class shopping including the bargain thrift shops of the rich and famous. Of course, everyone needs to experience the legendary après-ski and nightlife of Aspen.



Aspen, Daniel Bayer Snowmass

We will be staying 7 nights at the fabulous Top of the Village condos which are our favorite accommodations from

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Snowmass

previous trips that are truly ski-in/ski-out. There is no wasting time and effort on this trip lugging skis and boots around! This is also a TSC sponsored trip with an overload of activities included. Don't miss this "Must Do" trip of the year and be sure to check the website periodically for updates.



TOV Sign, Kirstin Guinn Snowmass

ACCOMMODATIONS

We will be staying in deluxe two and three-bedroom condominiums at Top of the Village which is currently ranked #1 out of 23 in Snowmass Village by Trip Advisor. We have stayed here before and know they deserve that ranking. These true ski-in, ski-out feature washers/dryers in every unit, a full kitchen, a full bath for every two occupants, a heated pool and several hot tubs for après ski fun. Other amenities include high speed wireless internet, fireplaces, sauna and fitness room, elevators, private shuttles within Snowmass Village, on-site parking, and overnight ski tuning.



Condo Interior, Kirstin Guinn Snowmass

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Alpine Coaster, Daniel Bayer Snowmass

THE MOUNTAIN—MORE THAN JUST GREAT SKIING

Snowmass boasts a Nordic Trail System with 60 miles of FREE show shoe and cross-country skiing. There is also an Alpine Coaster at the top of Elk Camp that you shouldn't miss, as well as snowmobiling and dogsledding. The highly rated Spa at Viceroy Snowmass is a short 5-minute ride or 15-minute walk and is just one of several spas available to pamper you.

Since our last visit two years ago, Snowmass is in the midst of a \$600 million dollar expansion of their Base Village which is the largest mountain resort construction project in North America. It features a FREE ice-skating rink, patio with outdoor fire pits and Colorado's tallest indoor climbing wall. The

Snowmass

heart of Snowmass Base Village is the new community center known as the “The Collective” with a bar, restaurant, game arcade and live entertainment.

TSC events include a Welcome Party, Pub Crawl, Poker Run and Final Dinner/Dance



Base Plaza, David Clifford Snowmass

Party. Our tour operator, Sports America, will also host a free California Wine Tasting Après Ski Party! There are very few SCSC members that can pass up free wine! Add to that an SCSC club party, and the usual one-night trip to Aspen for nightlife, and your evenings are already packed with fun!

RE-SORT	Snow-mass	Butter-milk	Aspen High-lands	Aspen
Vertical Rise	4,406'	2,030'	3,365'	3,267'
Top Elevation	12,510'	9,900'	12,392'	11,212'
Skiable Acres	3,342	470	1,040	673
# of Trails	98	44	144	76
Longest Run	5.3 miles	3.0 miles	3.5 miles	3.0 miles
Green Runs	5%	35%	0%	0%
Blue Runs	48%	39%	23%	48%
Black Runs	17%	21%	12%	26%
Double Black	30%	5%	65%	26%

Limelight Happy Hour, Jeremy Swanson Snowmass



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TRANSPORTATION

We have a private chartered bus secured to party down the road to Snowmass from Denver which includes a grocery/liquor stop.

RENTALS AND SKI SCHOOL

Our tour operator is currently working on securing the TSC the best rates for both rentals and ski lessons. Prices will be updated when available closer to the trip.

Don't miss the SCSC trip of this ski season!



January 23 – 30, 2021



TC: Susan Stanley
(832-477-4436)

Package Prices:

Full package: \$1,170.00
(Air, transportation, ground transfers & lodging)

Land package: \$813.00 (No Air)

Single Supplement: \$763.00 (additional)

All prices are based on payment by credit card. A 2.99% discount will be deducted for each payment by check.

Deposit: 15% of your total package Final Payment Date: 10/9/2020

Total Participants: 28

Resort Pass Affiliation: Epic



Lift Tickets

ADULT		SENIOR (65+)	
4 day	\$503.00	4 day	\$496.00
5 day	\$596.00	5 day	\$587.00
6 day	\$681.00	6 day	\$670.00

Flight Information - United Airlines

1/23/21 UA 2076L IAH/DEN 8:40 am -10:22 am

1/30/21 UA 2395L DEN/IAH 2:50 pm – 6:15 pm

Andrew Sohikian (Beaver Run Marketing) , photo

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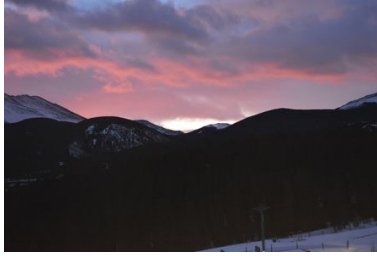
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Breckenridge

Why Choose This Trip



Breckenridge has something for everyone. The short commute of only 120 miles from Denver makes this an easy trip. Besides great skiing for all levels, the town of Breckenridge is a delight for skiers and non-skiers alike. Breckenridge boasts the largest historic district in Colorado. What started as a gold-rush base camp in the 1850s is now a bustling town that mixes western hospitality with Victorian architecture. Shopping, art galleries bars and restaurants are a shuttle ride away from our condos. With five peaks for skiers, every skiing ability can find runs that put a smile on their face.

The Mountain

Vail Resorts-owned Breckenridge Ski Resort boasts one of the highest summit elevations in the U.S. at 12,998 feet. (Base Elevation: 9,600 feet; Vertical Rise: 3,398 feet) The resort's several distinct peaks provide varied terrain to suite all skier types and ability levels (11% beginner: 31% intermediate; 58% advance/expert) and 34 Lifts including 1-8 passengers Gondola.



Accommodations

We will be staying at Beaver Run Resort, slope side at the Peak 9 base and just three blocks from Historic Main Street Breckenridge. They provide many amenities including heated indoor/ outdoor Pool, lift side heated outdoor Pool, 7 mountain view hot tubs, Sauna and Steam room, spa, restaurant and bar/lounge, fitness center and on-site skier services. (Note: Due to COVID, some amenities may not be open). All condos are 2 bedrooms/2-bathroom units, or 4 people per condo. We can use the resort's shuttle or the local area transit shuttle for sightseeing, shopping, and dining out. Ski rental & lessons are available right out



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Breckenridge

the back door.

Transportation

We will fly non-stop into Denver via United. The party begins with a 2-hour scenic ride to Breckenridge, after a stop at Applejack Wine & Spirits and groceries at King Soopers. We will be arriving early enough to pick up your rental ski gear or unpack your luggage before our Welcome party.

Join us and experience the variety of the mountain and fun of a great mountain town!

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TC: Rene Reed
JacksonHole@spacecity.org



Contact the TC to get on
the wait list

February 13—20, 2021

Package Prices

Full Package: \$1,628

(air, transportation, lodging, transfers)

Land Package: \$1,085 (no air)

Single Supplement: \$995.00 (additional)

All prices are based on payment by credit card. A 2.99% discount will be deducted for each payment by check.

Deposit: 15% of your total package Final Payment Date: 10/30/2020

Total Participants: 26

Resort Pass Affiliation: IKON

Lift Tickets

Days	Adult (18-64)	Senior (65+)
3	\$293.00	\$238.00
4	\$380.00	\$306.00
5	\$462.00	\$444.00
6	\$553.00	\$517.00

Flight Information—American Airlines (Subject to Change)

February 13: IAH-DFW 6:35am-7:51am DFW-JAC 9:30am-11:37am

February 20: JAC-DFW 3:27pm-7:30pm DFW-IAH 8:40pm- 9:51pm

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Jackson Hole

Why Choose This Trip

Space City Ski Club hasn't taken a trip to Jackson Hole since 2014, so you can consider this your once in a seven year opportunity!! Jackson Hole retains a very pure and authentic ski experience. Its scenery and wild vistas are meant to be enjoyed and photographed.



Tom Thomas

The Mountain



Jackson Hole Mountain Resort Base elevation is 6,311. There are 133 named trails that include 50% Expert, 40% Intermediate and 10% Beginner. Plenty of challenging terrain but also some good groomed slopes and corduroy for cruising! **The Tram is literally steps away from our hotel. No shuttle needed to get on the mountain.**

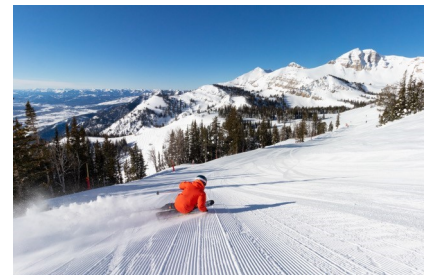
If Teton Village isn't enough to keep you busy, the town of Jackson is a 25 minute, cheap, bus or taxi ride away. The town has tons of galleries, shopping, dining and cowboy bars. Yeehaw!!

We are also close to Yellowstone National Park and various tours are available into the park—just be prepared for an all day excursion. Let me know if you need additional information. Shorter Snowshoe, snowmobile and dog sled tours are also available in closer proximity....a few have stops at Granita hot springs for soaking weary muscles!

Lesson, Mountain Tour and Rental information to be provided closer to date.

Accommodations

Our accommodations at the historical and intimate 42 room Alpenhof Lodge, are located just a few steps from the Tram. All the Bavarian rooms have either one king or two double size beds and daily housekeeping is included!



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Jackson Hole

There is a FREE expanded continental breakfast to power you up for the day. The Alpenhof Bistro will be an easy and festive spot for our group to gather for lunch or après ski and live music. The Alpenrose, the lodge's fine dining restaurant, is open in the winter for cozy Austrian/German cooking. You will also find a heated pool, hot tub, sauna and the availability to book a massage at the full service spa. A full trip guarantees us a fondue reception by Alpenhof Lodge and we will receive all our mountain information.



Tom Thomas

Lesson, Mountain Tour and Rental information to be provided closer to date.

Transportation

Roundtrip transportation is via American Airlines though Dallas. Once we arrive in Jackson, the shuttle drive is approximately 30 minutes to the Resort. We will make a stop in Jackson for necessary "provisions" along the way. Yup, our flight to Jackson Hole is early, but we can acclimate earlier and start the party sooner!!!

We can all get to know each other better at our Mountain Party and an optional dinner or wine tasting along with our lunch and après ski gatherings. I can hardly wait and I know you will be excited about joining this adventure, too! SpaceCity.org is the place to get updates!!



All Jackson Hole photos are courtesy of Jackson Hole Mountain Resort



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February 27-March 6, 2021



TC: Ann Dorn
(281-989-9594)
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Package Prices

Full Package: \$1,947
(air, transportation, lodging, transfers, 6 day lift ticket)

Land Package: \$1,615 (no air)

Single Supplement: TBD, Contact TC if interested (additional)

All prices are based on payment by credit card. A 2.99% discount will be deducted for each payment by check.

Deposit: 15% of your total package Final Payment Date: 11/25/2020

Total Participants: 24

Resort Pass Affiliation: IKON

Flight Information - Southwest Airlines (Subject to Change)

Feb.27, 21 : Hou IAH(8:00AM)- Dallas (9:05AM) #WN22
 Dallas (10:30AM)- Salt Lake City SLC(12:20PM) #WN4173

Mar.6, 21 : Salt Lake City SLC (2:50pM)- HOU (6:40PM) #4453

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Snowbird

Why Choose This Trip :



This trip will be the last trip of 2021 Ski season. The package price includes 6 days lift tickets at Snowbird (What a great deal!). If you already have an IKON pass or are a non skier, you will receive a \$372 resort Gift card valid for Snowbird owned/operated products and services including food/ Beverage, Cliff Spa, Retail, Ski School, equipment rentals and more.

Snowbird offers a 125-passenger Aerial Tram that zooms from an elevation of 8,100 feet to 11,000 feet in about 8 minutes, taking skiers to Hidden Peak and the infamous 2.5 mile Chip's Run. Along the way, skiers are transported into a fanciful world of spectacular scenery, amazing powder and superb customer service.



Alta Ski resort is accessible within minutes and is included on certain IKON passes or available with a dual resort ticket up-charge.

The Mountain

Snowbird has a skiable area of 2,500 acres for all levels of skiers (27% Beg, 38% Int, 35% Adv, total of 169 runs)

As a full-service resort, Snowbird focuses on both recreation and relaxation. A number of diverse restaurants, festivals, and retail opportunities give guests a full mountain community experience.

Travel:

One Stop via Dallas on Southwest Airlines into Salt Lake City airport.

Private Charter bus from SLC airport to Snowbird Lodging. The Cliff Lodge in Snowbird is just 29 miles from Salt Lake International Airport.



Matt Crawley, Snowbird im-
agerelay.com

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All Snowbird images are courtesy of Snowbird resort

Snowbird

Accommodations

The Cliff Lodge at Snowbird is one of North America's most iconic ski lodges and offers a world-class spa, diverse dining and numerous outdoor swimming pools and hot tubs. The majesty of Little Cottonwood Canyon can be explored from the views each room provides whether facing Snowbird's ski slopes or peering down the glacially carved canyons spilling into the Salt Lake City valley below. Enjoy ski-in/ski-out convenience and excellent service with a luxurious resort experience.



An on-site ski rental and repair shop and complimentary ski lockers add to the convenience of the hotel. Other amenities include an exercise room, resort-

wide internet service, room service, and concierge.

What else to expect

To get to know all our fellow skiers Pre Trip Party (Drinks and food are included)

- Welcome party & Ski Après Happy hour and Daily suggested lunch meeting
- Fun activities for non skiers
- Post Trip Party

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Bike and Boat Tour

Bruges to Amsterdam, The Netherlands

May 17—25, 2021

TC1: Rita Cardenas
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TC2: Leyla Ozkardesh
bike2@spacecity.org

Package

Land Package—Regular cabin \$3,024

Land Package—Suite \$3,621

Single Supplement—none

Final Payment 2/8/21

All prices are based on payment by credit card. A 2.99% discount will be deducted for each payment by check.

Why Choose This Trip

Another fabulous boat and bike tour on the schedule! Please Join Us!

During this bicycle tour, we will visit some of the most beautiful cities of Holland and Flanders (Western Belgium): Bruges, Antwerp, Utrecht and Amsterdam, where you still can feel the charm of the days long gone. We start in Bruges, the “Pearl of Flanders” with its picturesque medieval town center. We will cycle through and discover the Dutch province of Zeeland, essentially one big river delta of the Rhine, Meuse,



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and Scheldt Rivers famous for its fantastic beaches, water activities and Delta works and the Flanders region of Belgium famous for a reputation for superb food and drink

We will cross through a beautiful part of the Netherlands, before you bike along the winding Vecht River with its impressive mansions and country houses on its banks. You will visit a real Dutch cheese farm and the 19 Dutch windmills in Kinderdijk. Our destination is Amsterdam.

What's included in the package:

- Accommodation for hotel in Bruges the night before the boat tour begins
- Accommodation on board the Magnifique III boat (Built 2017). 8 days/7 nights. Climate controlled. The upper deck has salon with restaurant, bar, and lounge with large windows. Large doors open to the partially

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covered sundeck. The top deck includes a whirlpool/jacuzzi and deck-chairs to relax.

- Full board – 7x breakfast, 6x picnic lunch during bike tours, 6x three course dinner on board (dinner excluded in Bruges and Antwerp)
- Maid service
- Bike tour guides – instructions and detailed maps
- Some walking tourist tours
- Limited Free WiFi on board – most areas
- Hybrid touring bikes – 7 speed (e-bikes available for extra) with Pannier bag
- The tour follows flat terrain routes that has occasional hills. The route is on dedicated bicycle paths about 50% of the time, follows roads shared with traffic about 30% of the time. The remaining 20% of the route follows quiet roads.
- You will have an option to remain aboard if you wish not to cycle some days.

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Brief overview of Itinerary:

Arrival – Bruges – Overnight in Bruges @ Radisson Blu May 17 before embarking

Day 1: Arrival and embarkation in Bruges (6 miles)

Arrival and embarkation between 1-2:00pm in the beautiful city of Bruges, also called "Pearl of Flanders." Time to discover the beautiful historical city of Bruges. Overnight in Bruges.



Day 2: Bruges – Ghent (21 miles or 36 miles)

Your cycle tour starts early today on the outskirts of Bruges towards Ghent through the beautiful Flemish landscape. Guided small boat tour through the city before dinner. Overnight in Ghent.



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Day 3: Ghent – Dendermonde / St. Amands (24 miles or 32 miles)

Cycle along the tidal Schelde River to Dendermonde to St. Amands. Overnight in St-Amands.

Day 4: St. Amands – Temse – Antwerp (19 miles or 31 miles)

Cycle towards Antwerp. There are many highlights in the city to discover. Overnight in Antwerp.



Day 5: Cruise Antwerp – Kreekrak locks | Cycle Kreekrak locks – Tholen | Cruise Tholen – Willemstad – Dordrecht (23 miles or 13 miles)

The boat will cruise this morning to Tholen. From Tholen you will cycle along the impressive I Volkerak locks to Willemstad, then to Dordrecht, one of the oldest cities of the Netherlands.

Overnight in Dordrecht.

Day 6: Cruise Dordrecht – Kinderdijk | Cycle Kinderdijk – Schoonhoven – Vianen (19 miles or 36 miles)

We will start your tour with a fast ferry that will take you to Alblasserdam. Cycle to Kinderdijk, a village famous UNESCO windmills. Continue to Vianen. Overnight in Vianen.

Day 7: Cruise Vianen – Breukelen | Cycle Breukelen – Amsterdam (23 miles or 28 miles)

We will start in Breukele through the villages of Nieuwersluis, Loenen, Vreeland to Nigtevecht, where you can visit a traditional cheese farm. Continue cycling through Abcoude and Ouderkerk beside the Amstel River to reach Amsterdam. Overnight in Amsterdam.

Day 8: Amsterdam

After breakfast: end of the tour and disembarkation by 9:30am.

More details on the website! Come along on this trip!

All photos courtesy of BikeTours.com

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Greece Cruise

August 26—September 5, 2021

Post Trip September 5—7, 2021



Package Pricing is based on your cabin choice. See our website for the price.

Athens Post Trip—\$453

Single Supplement: none

Participants: 30 **Deposit:** \$300 pp **Final Payment Date:** 4/13/21

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WHY CHOOSE THIS TRIP?

Greece, the name conjures images of magnificent ancient ruins, crystal blue seawater with sandy beaches, white stucco building with colorful rooftops perched on steep cliffs, and of course delightful foods. Now you can turn those images into reality by joining us on this once in a lifetime trip to the Greek islands whether you're looking to relax on picturesque islands with unspoiled sandy beaches or stimulate your senses in places that have marked ancient history. Come and be serenaded by the romance of the Aegean Sea and visit the most enchanting Greek island destinations dotted around the Aegean Sea, where culture, history, pristine beaches, and fishing villages suspended in time all await. Set foot on some of the most magnificent ancient ruins in the world when we visit Athens, Greece as part of your adventure.



Greece

Our journey spans 2 countries and starts in the magnificent ancient city of Athens, then we embark on a 7 night cruise starting in Turkey (Kusadasi) then visit some of Greece's most popular islands (Mykonos, Santorini, Ephesus, Rhodes, Santorini, Milos, and Olympia), and finally disembark back in Athens for another half day of sightseeing. There's also the option of extending your journey for another 2 nights in Athens to explore a city that you've read about in history books.



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So, what are you waiting for??? Join me on my "Big Fat Greek adventure" and sign up today. Get your spouse, partner, significant other, friend, sibling or even a parent/son/daughter and sign up together to get the cabin class you want for this Bucket List trip. Cabin types are limited and leaving it to chance to get a cabin-mate who wants your exact choice of cabin price category is risky so find a partner ahead of time then sign up together as cabin mates! Oompah!!

TRIP AT A GLANCE:

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- Roundtrip airfare from Houston (IAH) (full package only).
- Airline taxes, fees & fuel surcharges.
- Intra-Greece ground transportation and transfers by air-conditioned motor coach.
- Accommodations pre and post cruise at first class and deluxe Athens hotels (1 night before and 1 night after cruise)

Greece

- 7-night “Idyllic Aegean” Sea Cruise aboard Celestyal Cruises Crystal Ship.
- Port charges.
- 25 meals: 9 full buffet American breakfasts (B), 7 lunches (L) and 9 dinners (D)
- Comprehensive sightseeing tours in Athens, Olympia and Delphi
- Three (3) included shore excursions (numerous additional optional shore excursions are available for purchase onboard).
- Professional guides for included sightseeing tours and tour director throughout trip.
- All tips & gratuities during cruise onboard ship and on included excursions

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Transfer from hotel to airport



cenae and Epidaurus.

Half day tour in Cape Sounion w/ English speaking guide

Optional half day Athens Markets walking tour or full day tour to My-



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Two nights at Springdale, Zion National Park, hiking and scenic views

Scenic drive - Zion National Canyon

One night at the Grand Canyon North Rim Lodge

Scenic drive to Point Imperial and Cape Royal on the North Rim

Scenic drive to the south rim Grand Canyon including many view stops.

One night at the Yavapai Lodge, Grand Canyon South Rim

Rt. 66 & Hoover Dam on
the return to Las Vegas

Optional extra time at Las
Vegas

Why Choose This Trip?

My wife and I first went
to the Grand Canyon in
1969. About 15 years
later, we visited Zion and



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both the North and South rims with our children. That started a long association with the Grand Canyon, where I organized 14 adventure trips with almost 400 people over the next 30 years. Many SCSC members have been on those Rim to Rim hiking adventures. You may have been to Zion and the Grand Canyon, but you missed what I will show you, including the amazing North Rim.

This is your chance to join me on a trip with SCSC next September, 2021. Travel with me as I show you the best way to maximize your experience on this scenic trip with the chance to hike a little bit of two of the top ten adventure hikes of the world. If you are not a hiker, you will still be able to see and enjoy these two great National Parks. There will be lots of opportunities to stop and gawk at amazing sights.

What is the Plan?

We fly to Las Vegas on an early Saturday morning flight via an early Southwest Airlines flight; but you can choose your own airline with an early arrival to Las Vegas. We will pick up our four 15 passenger vans with 7 or 8 people in each van. The drive to Springdale is only about 170 miles, so we will arrive in time for an afternoon visit to Zion to hike or sight see. You can join me as I lead a hike up into the famous Zion Narrows for a short distance on the next afternoon as one of the several options.

After our two nights at Zion, we leave Zion on Monday through the east side with more view stops. A stop at Kanab will acquaint you with that area of lower Utah on our drive to the North Rim.



Be in this picture, Monday, September 27, 2021 on the back patio of the North Rim historic lodge.

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The North Rim has spectacular views and is surrounded with forest of Ponderosa Pines. It averages 1,000 to 1,500 feet higher than the South Rim! It is isolated from the crowds of the South Rim and provides for a great laid back and relaxing afternoon and evening. We will eat dinner at the famous North Rim Lodge and also enjoy what many people say is one of the best Bloody Mary's in the world. An optional afternoon drive to Point Imperial is often considered the greatest viewpoint on the North Rim. We will continue to Cape Royal to see Angels Window and great views of the Canyon and the south rim.



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On Tuesday, our 3rd day, we will drive around to the South Rim with several stops, including down at the Colorado River to dip your hands into the 55 degree water coming out of Glen Canyon Dam, and maybe see raft companies launching trips down the 270 mile trip through the Canyon. The stop at Marble Canyon over the Colorado River may include sights of Condors under the bridge. The drive along the south rim of the Grand Canyon will take in the incredible views with stops for pictures.

Our arrival to Grand Canyon Village on Tuesday will be in the afternoon giving everyone a chance to wander the south rim area, including possibly walking down a little bit of one of the two rim to rim corridor trails, Bright Angel or South Kaibab. I will be leading a 1.8 mile round trip hike down the South Kaibab to **Ooh-Aah point!** Remember, down is optional, and up is mandatory. For those that want to see much of the south rim without walking much, take the Hermits Trail shuttle out and back. Most people never get the chance to do that.

On Wednesday morning, you may want to get up early and see the sunrise over the Canyon, then head back for breakfast at the Maswik or even Break-

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fast at the El Tovar. However, we will be leaving at 7:00 AM for one last great view of the Canyon at Yavapai point.

Our trip back to Vegas will include stops briefly in Williams, then a quirky stop at Grand Canyon Caverns. We probably won't have time to actually go in the Cavern, but you can find out about it.

Finally, we will do a drive through Hoover Dam and brief stop to see the Dam and Lake Mead.

Trip Lodging

Our lodging at Zion will be the La Quinta at Springdale, which is less than 1.5 miles from the Park front entrance. From April through October, access into Zion Canyon is by shuttle bus only right outside the La Quinta. The shuttle will take you to 9 stops on the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive. You can get out at one of the stops depending on which hike you'll be conquering for the day or just to stop and stroll along the Virgin River. The La Quinta is in great walking distance to all of the eateries and shopping in Springdale.

Our lodging at the North Rim will be in the rustic Frontier Cabins. These are conveniently located close to the North Rim Grand Canyon lodge and the amazing views at the Lodge. Plan on relaxing on the back patio looking out to the south rim between Roaring Springs Canyon and Transept Canyon.

The Lodging at the South Rim will be at the Yavapai Lodge, close to the other major "On Rim" locations to sight see and have dinner. The south rim shuttle provides ease of exploration to the "over rim" sights near Grand Canyon Village

We return to Las Vegas about 3:00 PM for our return home or perhaps some of the group will decide to do an extension in Las Vegas (Lost Wages).

This trip will fill quickly, possibly in a couple days. Don't miss out. It is very possible this trip will be full before the publication of the September Sitzmarke. If so, get on the wait list.

Look on the SCSC website for more pictures and detailed information.

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New Zealand

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October 12-23, 2021

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Land Package C* Price:	\$2330 pp^		
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Deposit:	15%	Fiji Post-Trip	\$778
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^IMPORTANT NOTE: Does not include internal NZ flights or Australia/Fiji flights. Land package participants must obtain their own air on all flight segments.

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The Texas Ski Council Fall Expedition to New Zealand is back! COVID-19 concerns took it off the calendar for 2020, but it been rescheduled to Fall 2021. Don't miss this second chance opportunity to go on this spectacular journey.

FIVE REASONS TO VISIT NEW ZEALAND

- Auckland and north island lakes and forests
- Experience the Maori culture and the warm waters of Rotorua
- Queenstown – the Southern Hemisphere's premier resort area for 5 days of fun
- Spring temperatures for walks with views of mountains, glaciers, waterfalls and lakes
- Sample New Zealand's award winning "Pinot Noir" and other local favorites.

SPRING TIME IN NEW ZEALAND



Come and enjoy a spring adventure in New Zealand with other TSC members. The journey begins with a non-stop flight from Houston to Auckland. Enjoy the wonders of the North Island for 4 nights before flying to Queenstown on the South Island for 5 more nights. In **Auckland**, our home will be at the centrally located **Hotel Grand Millennium**.

Auckland Skyline photo from TSC brochure

New Zealand

Auckland is known as the “City of Sails” and is nestled between 2 harbors, providing an abundance of fresh seafood. Upon arrival we will enjoy a half-day tour of the city. The next



day we take a full day tour to **Waiheke Island**. This island is rated as one of the best island escapes in the world. It has an abundance of beautiful vineyards, olive groves and beaches to explore....only a 40-minute ferry ride from Auckland.

Waiheke Island Photo from TSC Brochure

As we head for **Rotorua** and our next home base **Hotel Millennium**, we stop for a tour of the Hobbiton Village. This “Lord of the Rings” movie set has been left for public tours. We will be treated to a beer at the famous pub. Get ready to belly up!!



From here we arrive in Rotorua, which is southeast of Auckland and is known for its geothermal activity (many hot pools to relax and enjoy), the 18 pristine lakes nearby, the wonderful forests for taking walks as well as the Maori

Hobbiton Village photo from TSC Brochure

culture. The Maori are the indigenous people of New Zealand. Currently on the agenda is an Evening Maori Experience. More info to come.

Following our stay on the north island, we fly south to **Queenstown** (known as the Adventure Capital of the Southern Hemisphere) to enjoy the next 5 days. We will reside at the **Novotel Lakeside Hotel** where the views of Lake Wakatipu and the mountains are fantastic. Our TSC Welcome Party will be at the top of the Skyline Gondola which overlooks the city, lake and surrounding mountains.

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Skyline Gondola restaurant photo from TSC Bro-

Another evening we will ride the historic steamship TSS Earnslaw across Lake Wakatipu to the Walter Peak ranch for dinner and a sheep shearing program.

In Queenstown there are many things to experience----

1. A beautiful botanic garden on the lake shore
2. Jet boat ride on the Kawerau River
3. Hike the Queenstown Hill for a panoramic view of the area
4. Charter a fishing boat and catch your dinner
5. Shop at the quaint stores in town

The final list of activities from TSC is still a work-in-progress. More info will be released as we get the full itinerary.

Also being finalized are a PRE-TRIP TO AUSTRALIA and a POST-TRIP TO FIJI. (Two more Bucket List Places to be removed from your list!!)

It seems a shame to travel all the way down under and not take advantage of a few other popular destinations such as Sydney, Australia. Sydney is a much publicized and photographed city with the famed Opera House, Harbor, bridge, and Crocodile Dundee. Well, maybe not that last character! You will have a chance to explore the city during our 3 night stay in Australia at the Holiday Inn Old Sydney.



View of Queenstown from Gondola photo from TSC Brichure

While some adventurers will go back to the USA after New Zealand an even more adventurous group will fly to the island of Fiji. Fiji is a Melanesian country in the South Pacific Ocean about 1/3 of the way between New Zealand and Hawaii. Fiji is considered a tropical marine island with temperatures in the mid -70s in October. We will have a chance to relax on the beaches and enjoy tropical fruit and excellent seafood. We will lounge around in Fiji for 4 nights before our flight to Los Angeles on Air Fiji.

Contact me if you have questions about this fabulous trip! Sarah

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