TSC NEWSLETTER

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE KIDS!

TSC Fall Roundup Keystone Colorado November 20-25th, 2007

Bv Mike Morris

We had one of those Thanksgiving trips where the snow gods didn't cooperate too well. In spite of the snow conditions everyone had a great time getting the family and friends together in beautiful Colorado. We had 10 clubs and a total of 159 adults, 103 children and 5 TSC officers turn out for the trip. In addition, 83 of those children participated in the TSC Youth Foundation Ski and Snowboard Camp. This number has tripled in the three years of the program!

We had a good turnout on Wednesday night for the dinner and dance. It was quite a site to see all the kids out on the dance floor together. They were making new friends that will hopefully help bring them and their parents back for years to come.

Unfortunately, due to the snow conditions we were forced to cancel the club and individual races. There were just a few runs open, but the ones open were really in good shape. It made for crowded lift lines, but it was easy to find each other on the mountain!



Gangs all here, left to right: Gene and Diane Gilliam, Rollo Gurss, Hopper Struthers, and Mike Morris, VP Fall Roundup.



Our future racers from the Flatlanders club: Ryan & Alyssa Martin, Kaden Ellison, Hannah Barnhart, Christopher, Keva & Michaela Thames, and Caleb & Kali Chesnut

Another day on the slopes in Keystone.



Saturday we had a fun race at the top of the mountain for the kids. That evening we had an awards party for those kids and gave awards for the top 3 spots in six different categories of racers. The race was a great opportunity to get the kids involved in snow sports. Please help spread the word next year. We would like to have even more kids in the Ski and Snowboard camp.

I had a great time and hope to see everyone on another TSC trip next season.

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VAIL TRADITIONAL - TONS OF SNOW AND FUN

By Terry Lippold, VP Traditional



Snow was the operative word for this years Traditional ski week. Mother Nature started dumping in a wave of west coast storms that started the week before our trip. They say timing is everything, and all clubs made it into Vail in between storms and with minimal delays. A total of 54 inches of wonderful fluffy power fell throughout the week. This may have been one of the snowiest Traditional trips in many years.

The week at Vail was enjoyed by TSC participants from eleven clubs. Most lodging was in the Lion's Head area with easy access to the mountain through the village shuttles or within a short walk to the Eagle Bahn. With acres of terrain, plus the attractions of Vail Village, the week was

hardly long enough.

Of course we had the usual Welcome and Final parties. Other highlights of the week's activities included a "First Tracks" for a group of 28 early birds who got on the mountain an hour ahead of everyone else. 8 inches of untracked powder followed by a bountiful breakfast were enjoyed by all. On Tuesday many folks choose to travel to Beaver Creek for the day. And on Wednesday, Texans descended on Vail village for a Pub Crawl along Bridge Street. An added bonus was CMH's free power lessons with good reports from all who participated.

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DIVISION I	DIVISION II	DIVISION III
Lone Star	Capital Downhill	Dallas
Austin	Clear Lake	Club St. Bernard
Space City	Twisters	Armadillos
Los Amigos	Flatlanders	

VAIL Race results for Thursday's club races:

Individual Medals:

SUPER SENIORS	SENIORS	OPEN		
Women	Women	Women		
	1 st : Carol Bonn	1 st : Jo Cobb		
No Medals Awarded	2 nd : Jackie Young	2 nd : Lindsey Mclendon		
	3 rd : Marie Henry	3 rd : Catherine Morgan		
Men	Men	Men		
1 st : Joe Schultes	1 st : Dale Young	1 st : David Pennington		
2 nd : Steve Abrey	2 nd : Tom Mowdy	2 nd : Steven Davis		
3 rd : Rainer Vanoni	3 rd : Mike Murphy	3 rd : Lou Horwitz		

Jeff Allan McGuire May 21, 1956-January 12, 2008

Born May 21, 1956 to James and Janice McGuire, Jeff grew up in Beavercreek, Ohio as the oldest of three children and grew up on the family farm. Always interested in how things are put together, he gravitated to electronics, and earned a degree in electrical engineering from the ITT Technical Institute. After a short time living in Chicago, he ended up in San Antonio in 1979. He had a long career in electronics and communications. In recent years he became a builder, completing several houses.

In San Antonio, Jeff developed intersecting circles of friends that endure to this day. While he was an avid scuba diver, the Texas Ski Council will remember him most for his passion for skiing. He was a core member and past president of Los Amigos Ski Club, and a fixture on many ski trips. As a Vice President on the Texas Ski Council, one of his last acts was to finalize arrangements for the TSC Winter Shootout trip to Telluride for 400+ skiers.

Jeff also committed a great deal of his time and was a longstanding board member of South Texas Charities. He helped arrange many fundraisers for the charity. His interests went well beyond skiing, scuba diving and his charity commitments, however, as he enjoyed golf, tennis, racquetball, soccer, travel, sailing, flying, waterskiing, barbecuing, but most of all being with his friends. A man of few words, he nonetheless was the natural leader and problemsolver wherever he went. In his quiet, observant and



thoughtful way he constantly took care of things behind the scenes, never drawing attention to his actions

Jeff will truly be missed by not only his friends, but his daughter, Jennifer Lynn, two granddaughters, parents, brother and sister. His friends will miss him for his generous free spirit; happy, positive, larger than life eternal optimism, and always being the first to offer a helping hand. You just had to call out his name, and he came running.

If you would like to make a donation in Jeff's name, please consider one of the following:

- Texas Ski Council Youth Foundation c/o Sandy Ellison, 1311 E. 49th, Odessa, TX 79762.
- Private College Fund for his two grandchildren (Children of Jennifer Lynn c/o Janet Hayes, 4319 Medical Drive, Ste 131, San Antonio, TX 78229
- South Texas Charities through its website southtexascharities.org





KEYSTONE KIDS FUN RUN RESULTS Female 5-8

Ist – Alice McDonald – Space City 2nd – Camille Eastin – Los Amigos 3rd – Trinity Curry – Ski Jammers

Female 9-11

Ist - Harriet McDonald – Space City 2nd – Keva Thames – Flatlanders 3rd – Chelsea Flowers – H-Town Renegades

Female 12 and up

Ist - Jascha Alexander – H-Town Renegades 2nd – Alexandria Age – Ski Jammers 3rd – Kathyrn Camp – St. Bernard

Male 5-8

Ist – Caleb Chesnut - Flatlanders 2nd – Neo Curry – Ski Jammers 3rd – Adam Spiegel – Los Amigos

Male 9-11

Ist – Emory Eastin – Los Amigos 2nd – Christopher Thames – Flatlanders 3rd – Bryce Barron – Austin Skiers

Male 12 and up

Ist – William Jackson – Ski Jammers 2nd – Dan Chilaresoo – Austin Skiers 3rd – Ryan Martin - Flatlanders

TSC Announces the Summer Meltdown 2008 !!!



OCEAN RESORT & CONFERENCE CENTER

After a few years' absence, the TSC Summer Meltdown is back. We are currently working with clubs to secure reservations at the Port Royal Resort. We will be planning a lot of really fun events during the weekend.

Port Royal is a beautiful, laid back resort on the Gulf of Mexico. It features a 4-tiered

September 25 – 28, 2008

(Thur-Sun, Fri-Sun also available)

Port Royal Resort at Port Aransas, TX

lagoon swimming pool with the "Twisting Dunes" water slide, four hot tubs and two swim-up cabanas...the largest in Texas! Condos are two and three bedroom luxury condos with fully equipped kitchens, sundeck balconies, incredible views and more. There is a full service restaurant with room service. Onsite activities include water and sand volleyball, shuffleboard, horseshoe pits and lighted tennis courts, as well as 16 miles of sandy shores and incredible sunsets!!

Lisa Spotts

2008-2009 Texas Ski Council Nominees

The 2008 TSC Nominating committee of Sandy Ellison, Chairperson, and committee members Kathy DeMott and Joyce Bartell announce the slate of 2008-2009 TSC Officer Nominees:

President VP Marketing Secretary Treasurer Peggy Montgomery Cheryl Mann Tere Mayne Mary Beth Wilson

Trip VPS

Fall Roundup Traditional Winter Shootout Final Showdown Hazel Love Mike Morris Lisa Spotts Christine Augustine

Spring 2008

Texas Ski Council 2008 SkiBidFest

April 4 – 6, 2008 Omni Dallas Hotel at Park West 1590 LBJ Freeway

Have you made your reservations for the most informative fun-filled 2008 TSCBidFest yet? Time is running out with some deadlines already past but you can still make plans to attend. Get on the **Texas Ski Council Website**

<u>www.texas-ski.org</u> and follow directions to make your reservations. You can make reservations for the Omni Hotel and download forms for the TSC SkiBidFest, golf tournament on April 3 and other activities offered for guest.

The Dallas area ski clubs have worked hard to make this one of the best SkiBidFest ever. **Pat Bartell**, Dallas Ski Club Marketing VP and **TSC Marketing Chair for SkiBidFest**, and his committee have designed awesome tri-fold flyers and 22X28 posters to promote SkiBidFest locally. Plus they have recruited vendors from local ski businesses that will be selling ski merchandise. This will be a great opportunity for you to invite your Dallas area friends to participate and promote your club membership as well as purchase some great bargains.

James Mershon of Tuff Ski Club is a veteran golf tournament organizer. Plans are to meet in the Omni Park West Hotel lobby at noon on Friday April 4 where transportation will be provided to the Riverchase Golf Club. Tee time is @1:30 pm, cost \$55.00 per person for a 4 person scramble. Plans are to have lots of fun and lots of prizes. Again club member and vendor registration forms with check must be turned in to James Mershon . Forms are on <u>www.texas-ski.org</u>. Don't miss this one.

Registration for delegates and club members is being handled by **Terry Douglas, Janet Reed and Kelly O'Neal** with the Texas Ski Rangers of Dallas. Registration can be made by club group or by individual. Both forms are on <u>www.texas-ski.org</u>. Registration **deadline is March 1, 2008** for the \$55.00



Support our 2007 SkiBidFest Sponsors

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Northstar at Tahoe/Sierra at Tahoe Telluride Ski & Golf Company

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registration fee, \$65.00 after March 2, 2008.

Registration for ski vendors and participants of the SkiBidFest is being routed through **Gary Butler and Mike Lippold** of Houston. Forms are online at <u>www.texas-ski.org</u>.

Auction- We plan to have a lot more exciting auction items this year. Besides items from the ski resorts, we are asking each club to donate items of monetary value. For example: Texas Twister $-\frac{1}{2}$ day ski lesson from Rollo Gurss. Club St. Bernard is donating a sombrero of goodies loaded with gold (Cuervo Gold that is). So put on your thinking hat and come up with some real authentic ideas.

Please let me know what you are planning.

Volunteers – I have names of several people that are volunteering to help with different areas of the meeting. We are encouraging each club to have volunteers (with an operation of this magnitude **we need your help**) as a means of them learning the operation of the TSC. They will be able to return to their local clubs with a lot more understanding and information which will only help with the administration of the local clubs. Also maybe they might want to become active on the TSC level.

Hazel Love – 2008 TSC Bid Committee Chair hazellea@aol.com 806-793-3444 --- 806-786-7690 ---

2008–2009 TSC SKI SEASON

The TSC Pre-Select Committee has invited the following ski area/tour operator to present their bid proposals April 4-6, 2008 at the TSC SkiBidFest in Dallas, Texas

FALL ROUNDUP 2008

Breckenridge, CO 08/Keystone 09 Winter Park-Rocky Mtn Tours

WINTER SHOOTOUT 2009

Lake Louise-Ski Canada Sunday River Coeur de' Alene/Schweitzer Panarama-Moguls **WINTER EXPEDITION 2009** Japan-Holidaze Grindewald-Snow Tours Interlaken-Ski Europe Lantania-Ski Alpine Bormio-Beyond Boundaries

TRADITIONAL 2009

Steamboat, CO Snowmass, CO-Sports America Heavenly-Vail **FINAL SHOWDOWN 2009** Mammoth-Ski.com Reno Tahoe-Sports America Big Sky-Sports America Sun Valley-Moguls **SUMMER EXPEDITION 2009** Chile-Travel Organizers New Zealand-Holidaze Peru-Ski Europe Panama-Beyond Boundaries

Sincere thanks to the following members of the TSC 2009 Pre-Select committee for their time and efforts in reviewing the bids for the upcoming season. Cheryl Mann – TSC VP Marketing Don Wilson, Los Amigos Karen Mann, Lone Star Skiers

Rachel Anderson, Ski Jammers Derlyn Gordon, At Large Member Karen Mann, Lone Star Skiers Rick Wheeler, Capital Downhill Kayleen Kill, At Large Member

A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PRESIDENT

By Peggy Montgomery

As this newsletter comes to you, it is with sadness that I advise everyone receiving this newsletter that Jeff McGuire, the TSC Vice President for the Winter Shootout at Telluride, passed away on January 12, 2008. However, club members can take a moment when skiing at Telluride in the future to remember him as some of his ashes were spread on а beautiful overlook the at intersection of See Forever and Lookout runs and among the trees of Happy Thoughts. (See the Memorial for Jeff in this newsletter - page 3.)

Many thanks to Mike Morris for responsibility assuming for Winter Shootout and for all the officers, committee chairs and trip leaders that pitched in to assist him on short notice.

With deliver of this newsletter, we will be just completing our final trip of the year - Final Showdown in Quebec. Check

out the final articles on all the trips in this newsletter and the next, as well as on the TSC website.

I hope all of you are planning on being with us and checking out the changes for the 2008 Bid Meeting being held this April 4-6 Rooms are still in Dallas. available at \$99 per night plus Thanks to the Omni and tax. the city of Farmers Branch for underwriting the cost of regular shuttle transportation from both Love and DFW airports. Details on how you arrange for the shuttle will be in your confirmation email/letter after registering for the Bid Meeting. See the information on registration for the Meeting, hotel and alternative Saturday activities for guests elsewhere in this newsletter.

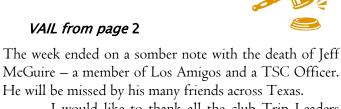
We are really looking forward to the new Round Robin event on Friday night. We are hopeful that this event will help the clubs learn more about the



lodging properties being presented in the bids, as well giving other lodging as properties the opportunity to discuss club trips with Club representatives.

We are very excited about the expansion of our Ski Show to include local area sports shops with end of the ski season sale merchandise. We also hope that opening the show to the public will provide our Ski Industry Partners the opportunity to meet with other clients in the Dallas area and to build new relationships, for both them and the Texas Ski Council.

Hope to see you at the 2008 **Bid Meeting**



I would like to thank all the club Trip Leaders for their efforts. They did all the hard work to bring everyone up to Vail. Thanks also go out to the TSC officers on the trip that were always there to lend a hand with all the activities. And a final thank you to Patrick Rothe of Ski.com and Brian Flickenger and the rest of the Vail Resorts staff who put together a wonderful week for the TSC.



Thanks to the club trip leaders for doing the hard work to bring this trip together.

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Vail Never Ever Skiers!



Vail Welcome Party



Friends together at the Welcome Party in Vail.



Getting ready to hit the snow in Keystone.



Boarding lessons at Keystone.

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