



DECEMBER 2009

YEAR ROUND SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

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47th ANNIVERSARY
1962-2009

President's Corner



Everyone loves the walks/community tours that Roy Martins leads for the club. He knows so much about San Diego you would think he grew up here. Roy was born and raised in the Queens borough of New York City. His family moved to New Hyde Park on Long Island where Roy attended Sewanhaka High School. Roy graduated from Lehigh University with a BS in Mechanical Engineering and then Rutgers University with a BA in Business Administration.

Roy was an officer in the Army Transportation Corp and received a Commendation Medal. He moved to California when he was assigned to Fort Mason in San Francisco. After leaving the army, Roy moved back east to New Jersey and joined Johnson & Johnson where he says he "made Band-Aids and taught manufacturing management". He also raised four children.

Roy left Johnson & Johnson and moved back to California, this time to Poway; near where his sister was living. In San Diego he worked manufacturing management jobs in the day and taught factory management certification classes at night. He also consulted on

computerized manufacturing control. It was at this time that he was introduced to the Torrey Pines Ski Club.

Roy met his current wife, Vonnice Varner, at the Del Mar Race Track when they were both attending a ski club event. Roy says that Vonnice "has exposed me to the joys of travel" and for several years they divided their time between homes in Pacific Beach and Victoria, Canada.

Currently Roy and Vonnice live in Carlsbad. Many remember the great TPSC Christmas party they hosted last year. Roy says he lives by the motto "Three Fun Things each Day" and he loves to celebrate his birthday. He says, "Torrey Pines members are always ready to help me do both."

"My current passion is leading walks/tours for the club. The support has been wonderful and makes me want to make the walks the best that they can be."

Join us on Saturday, December 12 when Roy will lead his annual holiday walk. He tells me that this one will be different from past years. I can't wait.

Ski Mammoth

JANUARY 10-15, 2010

\$535.00

DEPOSIT \$100.00

FINAL PAYMENT DUE DECEMBER 15, 2009

We will bus to 1849 Condo's which are located across the street from Mammoth's Canyon Lodge Lifts. The trip is the same as last years with refreshments on the bus, nightly happy hours, and if funds permit a club provided dinner one night. January is traditionally a great SNOW month so the skiing should be outstanding. The cost is \$535.00. **Send your \$100.00 deposit payable to TPSC, plus a contact phone number and email address to:**

Keith R. Bowen 3324 Cadencia Street, Carlsbad, CA 92009
Keithbowen@aol.com 760-458-9722



Let's
celebrate
the spirit of
Christmas

by putting a smile on the face of a child.

Bring a **NEW, UNWRAPPED** toy to the December 1 General Meeting. The location is the La Jolla Marriott Hotel at 4240 La Jolla Village Drive. This event is sponsored by the United States Marine Corps.

Barbara Shramek



Winter Pops Concert

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2010, 8:00 PM

MEMBERS-\$28.00 NON-MEMBERS \$31.00

LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE

Torrey Pines members had so much fun at the Summer Pops that we are going to a Winter Pops Concert! We will be attending "A Night at the Academy Awards" with guest Hollywood conductor Bill Conti. He has been the musical conductor for 12 Oscar nights! Relive your favorite memories and movies along with his original compositions such as For Your Eyes Only and theme from the Right Stuff. We will be sitting on the Main Floor somewhere in the last half of the auditorium with this special group discount price. We will gather early for a drink or appetizer at Symphony Hall. **We have a limited number of tickets so send your check soon made out to TPSC with your SASE to:**

Debbie Schroeder, 2331 Darlington Row, La Jolla CA 92037
858-551-9651 (cell 858-336-0887)

VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!

Help Needed

January 16th the Union Tribune is putting on a Successful Aging Expo. The admission is free. We are looking for six or eight members to attend and represent TPSC to pass out brochures. Anyone interested

in attending and helping please contact Mike McCutcheon 858-748-5202 or MMCC9000@aol.com

JUST FOR FUN

**Senior Monday at the Reuben
H. Fleet Science Center**
1875 EL PRADO (BALBOA PARK)
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2009
\$6.00 ENTRANCE FEE (FOR
SENIORS ABOVE 65)
12:30 PM LECTURE
2:00 PM IMAX FILM
619-238-1233 X 808 FOR
DETAILS



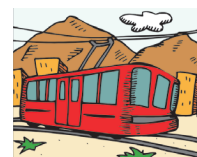
Visit this wonderful museum on the quietest day of the month and receive a fabulous discount! Join scientists from around the country to learn about a variety of topics as they share the latest information. The lecture takes place in the William and Grayson-Boehm Community Forum at 12:30 PM...this month **on Plant Pathology**. 2:00 PM IMAX Film-**Yellowstone**.

***Programs are subject to change.**

Barbara Shramek 619-286-1250 bjshramek@aol.com

Downtown Hotel Walk
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2009
2:00 PM
MEMBERS ONLY

Come see some of the new and exciting hotels and restaurants in San Diego. Meet at the Old Town Trolley Station at 2:00 PM on Saturday, December 12 and buy your trolley ticket. (Seniors 60 are \$1.25 each way) We'll take the 2:15 PM Blue Line Trolley to Little Italy and see the sights. After the walk we'll have an early dinner together in a fun restaurant downtown. We will end the walk at 4:15 PM and should be finished with dinner around 6:00 PM. Trolleys leave from Downtown to Old Town every 15 minutes on Saturday.



Wear your Holiday attire and bring your camera and best singing voice.

Roy Martins 760-752-9401 roymartins77@gmail.com

Bocce Ball
LIBERTY STATION
PARKING LOT AT END OF
FARRAGUT ROAD
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2009
2:00 PM



Join us at 2:00 PM for an informal afternoon of Bocce Ball at the location in Liberty Station. We will be at a large grassy area at the end of Farragut Road. (TG 1288 D1... Farragut Road is off Rosecrans in Point Loma). Novice players are welcome. Bring a chair, drinks and snacks and if you have a set of bocce balls, bring them along too. Spectators are welcome and afterwards we will see if anyone would like to go for Happy Hour or Group Dinner. Rain Cancels. (What is that?)

Tom Rothenburg 619-435-0662 (cell 619-990-0472)

Ethnic Dining
Little Italy Spaghetteria
1953 INDIA STREET
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2009
6:30 PM
\$35.00

We will be celebrating our Holiday Ethnic Dinner at this charming, colorful Italian location. Our prix fixe dinner includes: an Antipasto buffet, with a glass of Sangria or Chianti as a welcoming appetizer, Casa Salad, choice of 4 entrees: Pollo Picatta, Vitello (veal) Parmigiano, Linguini con Shrimp Diavolo, or Braciole (rolled beef steak stuffed with pine nuts and spices), accompanied with vegetables or pasta, Cannoli or Spumoni for dessert. Tax and gratuities are included in the \$35.00 price. **Your check made out to TPSC is your reservation. Mail to:**



Janet Spiro, 5865 Friars Rd, #3111, San Diego, CA 92110

Holiday Happy Hour
Hotel Del Coronado
BABCOCK AND STORY BAR
(DOWNSTAIRS)
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2009
5:00 – 7:00 PM



It was such a success last year that we are doing it again! Join us at the beautiful Hotel Del Coronado to view all the decorations and enjoy a Happy Hour with all of your San Diego ski club friends. We will meet between 5:00-7:00 PM downstairs at the Babcock and Story Bar. Happy hour prices start at 4:00 PM. We will follow Happy Hour with singing by the Del Christmas tree. Wear red and a Santa hat for the caroling! Don't miss this fun event!

Debbie Schroeder 858-551-9651

Barbara Blaise 858-270-0915

New Years' Eve Party
MOOSE LODGE
3636 RUFFIN ROAD
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2009
MEMBERS-\$35.00
NON-MEMBERS \$45.00
CUT OFF DATE FOR TICKETS –
DECEMBER 17.

We are going to ring in 2010 with a bang! Join us for a New Years' Eve Dinner/Dance party to be held at the Moose Lodge, 3636 Ruffin Road (between Aero Dr. and Daley Center Dr). Your price will include a buffet dinner, dancing to a live band and party favors. It will be a no-host bar with well drinks starting at \$2.75. The buffet dinner will start at 6:00 PM and the food will be available all night. The band "Back to Back" will start at 8:00 PM. This will be a very fun night and a great way to spend New Years Eve! There will be a limited amount of seats so sign up early. At this date the event is half full. **Send your check made out to TPSC to:**



Mike McCutcheon, 14910 Conchos Drive, Poway, CA 92064 858-748-5202

Debbie Schroeder 858-551-9651

DECEMBER BIKE RIDES

DAY/TIME	LEVEL	LUNCH	WHERE TO MEET	LEADER
Sat. Dec. 5 10:00 AM	A 12	Hudson Bay Seafood	Bay to Broadway Bali Hai parking lot N Shelter Island (TG 1268 C3)	Mary Coates 858-453-5376
Sat. Dec. 12	NO RIDE SCHEDULED (so people can attend Roy's walk)			
Sat. Dec. 19 10:00 AM	A 12	Victor's	Bay Loop Parking lot north of Visitor Center, Mission Bay (TG 1248 D7)	Bob Tauber 858-875-1313
Sat. Dec. 26	NO RIDE SCHEDULED			



Bike Coordinator: Kathy Hagenbach 858-485-5506 khagen@att.net

Although helmets are not usually required, they are strongly recommended for all of our bike rides. We are always looking for volunteer leaders for the A and B rides. Please call Kathy Hagenbach, coordinator, (858-485-5506) if you are interested.

• SATURDAY A RIDES – MOSTLY FLAT • SUNDAY B RIDES – GENTLE HILLS • ALL STAR RIDES A AND B ARE OFFERED.

TG = Thomas Bros. Guide followed by coordinates. Please note in case of rain - call the bike leader listed above. Also the ride will depart 15 minutes after the meeting time.



**Council
Bike Ride**

Pasadena Outing

The trip to Pasadena was enjoyed by 45 folks including six members of other San Diego ski clubs. The trip went very smoothly and everyone enjoyed their light breakfast and afternoon snacks on the way home. A few raffles and other activities made the ride go very quickly. The weather was picture perfect. Ten of us went to the Huntington Library and Gardens and the other 35 went to the JPL after having lunch in Old Town Pasadena. The tour guide at JPL was excellent and everyone really enjoyed the very informative tour. Watch for possible new tours in the future.

Debbie and Hobe Schroeder



**Ethnic
Dining**



**Council
Happy
Hour**





San Diego Council of Ski Clubs/Far West Travel

The Man and Woman of the Year 2009 were announced during the Winter Gala on Saturday, November 7th at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. The Man of the Year is Hobe Schroeder from Torrey Pines Ski Club. Woman of the Year and recipient of the Joe Harris award is Helen Harris from Don Diego Ski Club. Many thanks to Barbara Shramek for representing TPSC. The last time there was a Torrey Pines Man of the Year for San Diego Council it was thirty years ago when Brad Davis won.



TRAVEL

- Council Ski Trip to Aspen, Colorado – December 9-15, 2009 - \$1,099 - Includes air, 6 nights at the Gant, 5 day lifts, pre-party, post-party and ground transportation. Contact Mike Sanford 858-695-1442 or bubasanford@aol.com for details or to sign up. There is a possible opening for one female and one male.
- Far West Ski trip to Keystone - January 30 – February 6, 2010***. The trip will include 7 nights lodging and 5 day lifts with many parties and always a fun time! The approximate trips cost is \$985-\$1165 plus air/ground. Send your \$150 deposit to Susan Shaffer.
- Council Trip to Grindelwald, Switzerland – March 12 – 21, 2010*** \$1,897 per person. All including a 7-night stay at 3-star Hotel Derby, 1 night stay in Zurich, fly round trip from San Diego to Zurich on Delta. Private motor coach from Zurich to Grindelwald, daily breakfast and 5 days of dinners included, group dinner event, optional day tours and individual extensions. Post Trip – March 20 - 24, 2010 Ski Zermatt and Cervinia, Italy \$632 per person. There is an opening for one female and one male on this trip.
- *** For Switzerland or Keystone - Send your check to: Susan Shaffer, 12384 Sardina Cove, SD 92130. Phone 858-481-5043 susansnowdrifter@yahoo.com Checks made payable to San Diego Council of Ski Clubs (SDCSC).



Council Happy Hour December 17, 5:00 – 7:00 PM at the Hotel Del Coronado.

- SAVE THE DATE for the FWSA Convention – June 10-13, 2010 – The Annual FWSA Convention will be held at the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa in Indian Wells. San Diego Council will host the 2010 Convention. Hotel rates are \$139 for singles/doubles, pool view \$169.00, spa suite \$214.00 – make your reservation now at 800-446-9875 or 1-877-804-4070, or on the Internet: www.renaissanceesmeralda.com - group code is: FWSA

CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS:

Silent Auction, Travel Expo
 Celebrity Speakers
 Saturday Awards Luncheon
 Celebrity Multi-Media Presentation
 Saturday Awards Banquet & Dance
 FWSA General Meeting and Elections
 Snowsports Leadership Academy Fun Optional Activities:
 Pub Crawl – Scavenger Hunt
 Tour of Celebrity Homes & Lunch
 Jeep Tour of Canyons
 Tram Ride & Hike, Pool Party
 Annual Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament

RACING STRIPES

The San Diego Alpine League takes part in FWRA sanctioned Slalom and Giant Slalom races and all Torrey Piners are welcome to participate. All you need to do is fill out the necessary release and membership forms and show up. The club will take care of your membership and race fees. Most races are planned for Saturday and most will be at Mammoth.

THE RACE SCHEDULE FOR THIS SEASON, AS VOTED ON BY THE SDAL OFFICERS AT THEIR ANNUAL PRESEASON MEETING, IS:

Race 1 – Dec. 12, 2009 GS at Mammoth
 Race 2 - Jan. 9, 2010 SL at Mammoth
 Race 3 – Feb. 3, 2010 SL (at Keystone during Far West Ski Week)
 Race 4- Feb. 20, 2010 GS at Mammoth
 Race 5 & 6- Mar. 20 & 21, 2010 GS & SL at Mammoth
 2010 Championships- April 10 & 11, 2010 GS & SL at Mammoth

Note that there are a few changes from what was printed in past newsletters. Also, please note that sometimes schedule changes must be made, sometimes with very little notice.

This schedule and other info and updates can be found at: <http://www.skisandiego.org/sdal/>. If you would like to race or have questions contact: Laura Meldrum 858-483-7290 (cell 858-245-1641) lauragale@usms.org 1356 Pacific Beach Dr., San Diego, CA 92109.

Race Director



Those Were the Days... ...Our TPSC Santas



Santa Bill



Santa Chuck & Elves



Santa Brad & Louise



Santa Roy



Santa Sid & Elves

TPSC Shirts - Neck Wallets - Visors - Caps

We are now offering new style Torrey Pines shirts. They are \$19.00 each with the TPSC logo embroidered on them. For an additional \$4.00 you may also have your name embroidered. TPSC caps are \$10.00 and visors \$5.00. We still have some of the TPSC green shirts in various sizes at \$15.00 and the black neck wallets for \$5.00. Call or see Mike McCutcheon or Nance Thielen at the general meetings to order yours.

Something new! You could be a winner!

Wear your Torrey Pines Ski Club shirt to a club sponsored event and you can be entered to win. Just pick up a ticket when you wear your shirt and enter it into the drawing at the monthly meetings for great prizes. Drawings will be held every other month (next drawing in January) and there is no limit to the number of tickets you can enter to win. It's that easy!

We have something new...Ski Pole Flags. They are \$6.00 each.

Make checks payable to TPSC for any of the TPSC items.

Nance Thielen 858-695-0269 nthielen@ucsd.edu

Mike McCutcheon 858-748-5202 mmcc9000@aol.com

Norton Simon Museum



DIANE RAINES WON THE 50/50 AT OUR NOVEMBER MEETING

Winter Pops Concert, Friday, January 22, 2010 • Members \$28.00 • Non-Members \$31.00
Limited Tickets Available • See Article on Front Page

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**PASS THIS
APPLICATION ON
TO A FRIEND!**



SASE = (Self Addressed Stamped Envelope)

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Torrey Pines Ski Club

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Sign this application, with your dues check, to
Torrey Pines Ski Club, P.O. Box 82087, San Diego, CA 92138

Membership Application

Membership begins upon receipt of dues and approval of application and ends July 31st. **Full year dues are \$35. New members joining after April 1st pay \$15 for April-July 31st membership.** For more information, call 619-583-8832.

New Membership ☐

Renewal ☐

PRINT	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	LAST NAME	()	AREA CODE	TELEPHONE: HOME
NUMBER	STREET		UNIT NUMBER			
CITY	STATE		ZIP			
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() BIKING	() TENNIS	() VOLUNTEER				
() OTHER _____						
SIGNATURE				DATE		

I hereby apply for membership in the TORREY PINES SKI CLUB. GENERAL RELEASE AND WAIVER - I release TPSC, its directors, officers, members and representatives from any and all claims or liability that may arise from participation in any of its activities and indemnify and hold them harmless from any claim by, or liability to, any guest of mine at club activities. I further waive my rights under California Civil Code Section 1542 which reads, "A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."



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GENERAL INFORMATION CALL 619/583-8832

Organization: Torrey Pines Ski Club is a non-profit California Corporation. Membership: Annual dues of \$35 are payable in full with the application for membership. Applications are available at any time at the General Meetings of the Club. Any donations made to Torrey Pines Ski Club for raffle tickets or other fund-raising events are not tax deductible.

TRIP RULES

- 1. RESERVATIONS.** A check for the full amount required, received by the trip captain, is a request for a reservation. The trip captain will make the initial count five days after the flyer postmark. Directors of the board and Officers will be given priority if they inform the trip captain before the initial count. If there are more checks than seats available, checks will be drawn at random until the trip is filled. The trip captain will strive to reach a 50-50 male-to-female ratio. Couples should send their checks in together and they will be drawn as a pair. All participants must sign a release before departure.
- 2. CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS.** In the event of your cancellation, a refund will be made only if the seat vacancy is filled or if monies are recovered by the club. There also will be a non-refundable cancellation fee for all cancellations whether or not your spot is filled as follows: \$10 for trips up to \$100; \$20 for trips \$100 - \$300; \$30 for trips above \$300. **There will be an additional \$20 charge for any returned checks.** All departure times, locations, lodging, and other travel arrangements are subject to change without notice.
- 3. WAITING LIST.** On ski trips, those on the waiting list due to the lottery will be accorded priority seating on the trip announced in the following flyer if they inform the trip captain before reservations are confirmed, i.e., the fifth day after the mailing of that flyer.
- 4. CHECKS.** Checks will be destroyed from those not going on that trip due to being on the waiting list.
- 5. CONFIRMATIONS.** You MUST call and confirm your status with the trip captain UNLESS a SASE (self-addressed stamped envelope) is requested in the trip write up. You MUST include your work and home telephone numbers with your check.
- 6. GUESTS.** Guests who are sponsored by a member are allowed on trips. TPSC members have 5 days priority after the newsletter announcement to sign up for a trip. After 5 days, members may sign up one guest by including an additional amount on their check as follows (unless otherwise noted): for trips under \$50, there will be either member priority or a guest fee; \$10 for trips costing \$50-\$100; \$35 (cost of membership dues) for trips costing over \$100. Guests, like members of TPSC, must be at least 21 years of age and agree to the club "General Release and Waiver."
- 7. EVENT GUESTS:** Members and guests not on the event/trip and who join a happy hour and/or dinner will be charged \$8.00 per person per occurrence for the happy hour; \$20.00 per person per occurrence for the dinner or combo happy hour/dinner.



Torrey Pines Ski Club
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Upcoming Events

December 1 Toys for Tots
December 7 Senior Monday
December 12 Walk
December 13 Bocce Ball
December 15 Ethnic Dining
December 17 Happy Hour
December 31 New Year's Eve Party
January 22 Winter Symphony

December 2009

FIRST CLASS



Bring a fun WRAPPED White Elephant gift to exchange
that is good for male or female but you don't want anymore.
* Dress in holiday attire and the best outfit wins a special prize.
Parking is validated for four hours.



* BRING A NEW UNWRAPPED GIFT FOR OUR FOR **TOYS FOR TOTS** DRIVE WITH THE USMC.
DECEMBER'S MEETING HAS A LOT OF HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES PLANNED.
7:00 ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HOLIDAY PROGRAM

* GIFT EXCHANGE:

LA JOLLA MARIOTT HOTEL- CHARACTERS BAR
4240 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DRIVE (TG 1228 C2)
6:00 SOCIAL

TPSC General Meeting
Tuesday, December 1, 2009

