



**Torrey Pines  
Ski Club**

## YEAR ROUND SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

Find us on the web at [www.tpscscd.org](http://www.tpscscd.org)

FEBRUARY 2012



50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
1962-2012

### President's Corner



The New Year has started with a slow ski season. A big part of this has been due to the lack of snow. Compared with the record amount of snow last year, a lot of the ski areas, especially Mammoth, are hurting right now. Hopefully snow will fall soon. A few hearty souls have taken the trip to Mammoth. For us who stayed in San Diego, there are plenty of social activities to fill the gap. Especially successful has been the Winter Pops Concert on January 21 with almost 50 people signed up and the airport tour on January 26 has also filled.

We have several new events coming up: February 15 a free tour of the Deering Banjo Company, on March 4 a Sunday Brunch at the House of Blues and on March 14 a free tour of the Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista. I recommend signing up early if you plan to go. Thank you **Barbara Shramek** and **Bonnie Grim** for leading the events. This would be a good time to make your hotel reservations for the annual FWSA Ski Convention. The hotel rates have just been reduced. The convention will take place in Ogden, Utah, from June 7 to 10, 2012. See details in the newsletter.

Enjoy our social and ski program.  
*Hobe*



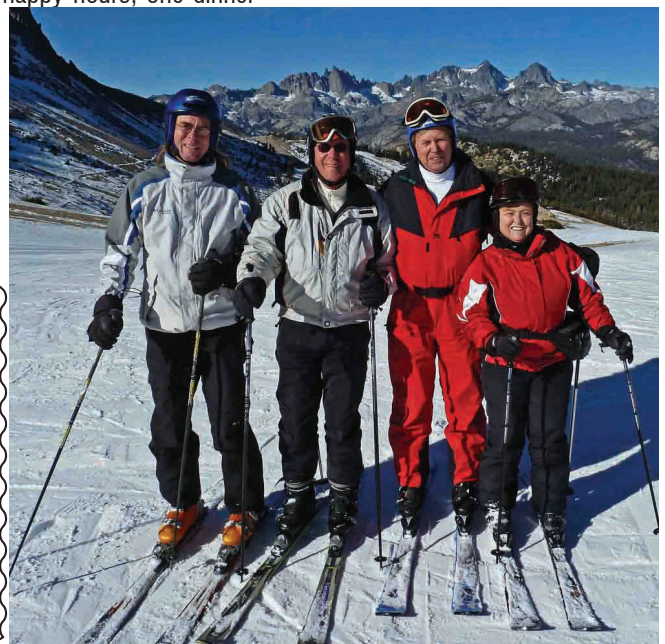
### 2012 Torrey Pines Ski Trips

**SIGN UP NOW TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT. ALL TRIPS ARE OPEN TO ANY SKI CLUB MEMBER IN THE SAN DIEGO SKI COUNCIL.**

**February 5-10, 2012 - PARK CITY, UTAH** - Trip includes round trip airfare from San Diego, ground transportation, five nights at Shadow Ridge Condos, (across the parking lot from the PayDay lift), four of five day or five day (approx. \$50.00 more) lift tickets, happy hours and skiing at nearby areas. Cost is \$1,225.00. **Send a \$250.00 deposit made payable to TPSC to the trip leader: Don Piller 1482 Eagle Glen, Escondido, CA 92029. dpiller@cox.net. 760-796-4007. Second payment of \$500.00 and Final payment of \$475.00 are DUE NOW.** This trip is committed for those already signed up. Any additional members will be placed on a wait list. If there are enough for another condo we will try to accommodate them.

**March 25-30, 2012 - MAMMOTH** - Trip cost is \$545.00. Cost includes round trip bus ride, five nights at the 1849 condos across the street from Canyon Lodge, happy hours, one dinner and snacks on the bus. Does not include lift tickets. **Send your \$100.00 deposit made payable to TPSC to the trip leader: Don Piller 1482 Eagle Glen, Escondido, CA 92029. dpiller@cox.net. 760 796-4007. Final payment of \$445.00 is due February 25, 2012.**

**NOTE:** People fully paid three weeks prior to the trip start date will be assured of being on the trip unless the trip is cancelled. Sign-ups paid in full within this three week window will be added to a waiting list. They will be notified that they are on the trip when a condo is filled. Should they NOT be added, their money will be refunded.



## JUST FOR FUN

**Senior Monday at the Reuben  
H. Fleet Science Center**  
1875 EL PRADO (BALBOA PARK)  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2012  
\$7.00 ENTRANCE FEE  
(FOR SENIORS ABOVE 65)



**Pollinators in Peril: What's up with the bees? 2:00 PM IMAX Film-Wild California**

*\*Programs are subject to change.*

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

**Deering Banjo Company**  
3733 KENORA DRIVE IN SPRING VALLEY  
(TG 1271 C5)  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2012  
BE THERE AT 12:45 PM  
(TOUR BEGINS AT 1:00 PM)  
LIMITED TO FIRST 15 PEOPLE  
MEMBERS ONLY

Join us for a private tour of the **Deering Banjo Factory** located in Spring Valley. Greg and Janet Deering have been running their family run business for the past 36 years. They have produced more than 76,000 banjos with their team of 33 dedicated banjo specialists. Greg is one of the leading figures in the banjo world. They make beautiful banjos. Come view how these instruments are made. There is space for a limited number of people on the tour. Let me know ASAP if you plan to attend.



**Barbara Shramek 619-286-1250 bjshramek@aol.com (cell 619-876-1850)**

**Happy Hour  
Playa Grill &  
Margarita Bar**  
2401 FENTON PKWY (NEAR  
MISSION VALLEY COSTCO)  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2012  
5:00 -7:00 PM



I have had many requests to return to the Playa Grill and Margarita Bar. Our group really enjoys it there. Good prices on drinks and appetizers. Plenty of free parking and delightful atmosphere. Join your friends for a good time. Bring along someone new. This is a great way to greet possible new members.

**Janet Hanson 858-278-9581 dublbunny@aol.com (cell 858-336-8396)**

### **Winter Bocce Ball - Liberty Station - Grassy area at Farragut Road and Cushing Road**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2012 - 1:00 PM – NOTE CHANGE OF TIME.



JOIN US AT 1:00 PM SUNDAY...RAIN (OR NO ONE SHOWING BY 1:15 PM) CANCELS...IF IN DOUBT CALL.



**John Bauer 619-297-0937 johntbauer@aol.com (cell 619-213-3403)**

**Ethnic Dining  
Khan's Cave Asian  
Tavern and Grill**  
9350 CLAIREMONT MESA BLVD.  
SUITE F • 858-279-9799  
THUR., FEB. 23, 2012, 6:00 PM



Kahn's Cave is a hidden gem in Kearny Mesa. It is an Asian style Grill and Tavern with happy hour pricing. Check out their web-site at khanscave.com. Good parking, great service, separate checks—RSVP a Must to Diane.

**Diane Raines 858-560-5757 draines@san.rr.com**

**Bowling  
Kearny Mesa Bowl**  
7585 CLAIREMONT MESA BLVD  
858-279-1501  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2012  
ARRIVE 4:00 PM  
SPACE FOR 20  
\$13.00 - FOR MEMBERS  
\$15.00 - NON MEMBERS

The annual TPSC Bowling Tournament will take place on Saturday, February 25, 2012 at 4:30 PM. Kearny Mesa Bowl will again be giving us a low price per person for shoes and bowling. As usual, please get there at least half an hour earlier to get your balls and shoes so we can begin at 4:30 sharp. Awards will be presented at the annual dinner at Filippi's Restaurant immediately after the games. Time is approximately 7:00 PM.



**Address to Filippi's is: Filippi's Pizza Grotto - 5353 Kearny Villa Road. San Diego, CA.**

I have reserved 20 spots... so please send your checks for the event before February 15, 2012.

**Make checks payable to TPSC and mail to:**

**Bonnie Grim 1055 Donahue St. #10 San Diego, CA 92110  
619-272-0935 (cell 619-823-6661)**

**House of Blues  
Gospel Brunch**  
1055 5TH AVENUE  
619-299-2583  
SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2012  
11:00 AM  
\$40.00 PER PERSON  
HALLELUJAH!



Are you ready to sing and give praise on Sunday, March 4, 2012 at 11:00 AM? If so, come join your fellow club members at the House of Blues, downtown San Diego, for their Gospel Brunch. We will have a wonderful southern brunch while enjoying a gospel choir, sing their praises. TPSC did this once before and had a fantastic turnout so we decided to do it again.

Checks made payable to TPSC and mailed to Bonnie Grim **no later than Saturday, February 4, 2012.**

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## JUST FOR FUN

**Singing Color Art Exhibit**  
GALLERY 4311  
4311 THIRD AVENUE  
MARCH 11, 2012  
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
FREE



Our own member Charlotte Zinn will be showing eight of her recent watercolors March 3 to April 28 at Gallery 4311 located at Third Avenue (San Diego Hospice). Come to the reception Sunday, March 11 from 2:00 -4:00 PM. The illlusiveness and transparency of her latest watercolors reflect various subjects at the edge of the water and in the snow.

Charlotte Zinn 858-455-1411

**Olympic Training Center**  
2800 OLYMPIC PARKWAY,  
CHULA VISTA - (TG 1311 J7)  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2012  
10:45 AM  
TOUR BEGINS AT 11:00 AM  
LIMITED SPACE – FOR 25  
EIGHT SPACES LEFT  
MEMBERS ONLY

The U.S. Olympic Training Center is one of three in the U.S. (opened in June 1995). It covers 155 acres near Lower Otay Reservoir. The Center has sport venues and support facilities for the Olympic sports of archery, BMX, canoe/kayak, cycling, field hockey, rowing, soccer, softball, tennis, track and field and triathlon

It is almost always sunny in beautiful Chula Vista, but it can get windy/chilly, so dress accordingly, layers of clothing are suggested. It is recommended wearing sunscreen, a hat and comfortable shoes. (About a one mile long Olympic path and view the many training centers.) It is suggested you bring a water bottle. Be sure to bring your camera, as you'll see some very unique venues and photo opportunities on your tour. You'll also get the chance to feel like a true Olympian while standing on their medal podium. Always bring an Olympic spirit as this facility trains some of the best and brightest athletes in the world.



I'll send a map with directions when I get your RSVP.

Barbara Shramek 619-286-1250 bjshramek@aol.com (cell 619-876-1850)

**St. Patrick's Day Crazy  
Bridge Game Night**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2012  
6:00 PM  
\$5.00 PER PERSON  
LIMITED TO THE FIRST 24 PEOPLE  
MEMBERS ONLY



Diane Raines and Clint Messerschmidt are hosting a Crazy Bridge Game night on Saturday, March 17, 2012 at 6:00 PM. Guests are to BYOB and also bring a hearty appetizer to the event (**NO CHIPS OR NUTS PLEASE**). **DESSERT will be provided by the hosts.** Of course Diane will have her house decorated for this festive event. To RSVP please send checks made to TPSC and mail them to:

Diane Raines, 11112 Promesa Drive, San Diego, CA 92124  
Any questions call 858-560-5757 or draines@san.rr.com

## FEBRUARY BIKE RIDES

DAY/TIME	LEVEL	LUNCH	WHERE TO MEET	LEADER
Saturday, February 4 10:00 AM	A	Filippis 9669 Mira Mesa	Around Miramar Lake Meet in parking lot near restrooms (TG 1209 G3)	Kathy Hagenbach 858-485-5506
Saturday, February 11 10:00 AM	A	Victor's Parking lot north of	Bay Loop Visitor Ctr, Mission Bay (TG 1248 D7)	Group Leader
Saturday, February 18 10:00 AM	A	Mitch's Hudson Bay Seafood	Bay to Broadway Bali Hai parking lot N Shelter Island (TG 1268 C3)	Mary Coates 858-453-5376
Saturday, February 25	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

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.

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**CHECK PAGE ONE FOR DETAILS. SIGN UP NOW!**

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Joe Goldhammer 619-286-0624 jcgoldhammer@gmail.com  
TPSC Ski Coordinator



### San Diego Council of Ski Clubs

The Council Christmas Happy Hour at the Hotel Del was a huge success with a large turnout as usual. Everyone enjoyed the beautiful tree and the chance to mingle with other ski club members. We want to thank all Snow Jam volunteers from all of the ski clubs.

FWSA Convention this year will be in Ogden, Utah, June 7-10 at the Ogden Eccles Conference Center. Brad Davis will be representing the San Diego Council for Man of the Year so let's show support and sign up to join the fun in Ogden. Delegates will be staying at the Marriott Ogden (\$94) or the Hampton Inn and Suites Ogden (\$106). Mention Far West Ski Association to get these great rates. Fun optional activities will include a Historic 25<sup>th</sup> Street Pub Crawl, Mountain Hiking, White Water Rafting or Kayaking, Hiking and the Michael German Golf Tournament. All details are being finalized for the optional tours. Check out the fwsa.org for details.

FWSA will take you to Chamonix to ski this year with an extension to Morocco; skiing at Big White; diving at Rohora Tunga and relaxing on a cruise through the Panama Canal. fwsa.org has all details.

**Check out all Council details at [skisandiego.org](http://skisandiego.org)**

### Racing Stripes

The San Diego Alpine League takes part in FWRA sanctioned Slalom and Giant Slalom races and all Torrey Pines are welcome to participate. Usually all you need to do is fill out the necessary release and membership forms, pay your membership fee of \$20 to SDAL, and show up to check in and then race. The club will take care of your race fees. Most races are planned for Saturday and most will be at Mammoth.

The race schedule for this season is: Race 4- Feb. 11, 2012 GS at Mammoth – Race 5 & 6- Mar. 24 & 25, 2012 GS & SL at Mammoth – 2012 Championships- April 7 & 8, 2012 GS & SL at Mammoth.

Note that sometimes schedule changes must be made; often 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.

**Laura Meldrum 858-245-1641 [lauragale@usms.org](mailto:lauragale@usms.org)**

### *In Memory of our Friend*

*Jim Sheets*

*January 2012*



### On the lift with Laura

After Brad Davis' victory in the SDCSC's Man of the Year contest, I started wondering what other past club presidents were still active in the club. Before Hobe, I was president, then Debbie Schroeder, and Sue Sprouse. Other active former presidents that have already been mentioned are: Larry Benthien, Joe Goldhammer, Fred Blecksmith, Rusty Etzel and Barbara Shramek.

Bob Bradbury was the 41<sup>st</sup> president of our club. He was born and grew up in Mt. Vernon, New York. After graduating from A.B. Davis High School, Bob joined the Marine Corps and was sent to boot camp at Parris Island, South Carolina. From there he transferred to the Navy to join the NavCat (Naval Aviation Cadet) Program and attend Flight Training at Pensacola Naval Air Station in Florida. On completion of this 18 month program, Bob received a commission in the Marine Corps as a Second Lieutenant. The Marines sent him to Japan as a helicopter pilot. Unfortunately, he was in a helicopter crash in Okinawa and spent the next five months in the hospital and then eight months on limited duty at Brooklyn Navy Yard in New York.

After being medically retired from the Marine Corps, Bob moved to California where he attended Modesto Junior College and then UC, Berkeley. Before graduation, Bob accepted a job offer from IBM and moved to San Diego.

Twenty-nine years later, Bob retired from IBM and wanted to learn to ski. He joined Torrey Pines to ski and also for all of our great activities. In 1998 he became Club Treasurer and then served as Club President from 2000-2002. As you read this, Bob will have just returned from the club's January Mammoth trip. You can run into him at many club meetings and other club activities.



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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

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.

**SASE = (Self Addressed Stamped Envelope)**

The board has adopted a trip policy wherein an increase of up to 10% can be added and will not constitute grounds for cancellation without penalty. This is due to fluctuating airline costs. **TRIP INSURANCE IS NOT REQUIRED, IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED**

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



**Torrey Pines**  
**Ski Club**

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Sign this application.

**Make check payable to: Torrey Pines Ski Club.**

**Mail you check and application to:**

**Barbara Shramek, 7940 Forrestal Road, San Diego, CA 92120-1712**

**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.**

**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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CHECK INTERESTS:

( ) BIKING ( ) BOCCCE BALL ( ) CROSS COUNTRY ( ) GOLF ( ) HIKE/WALKS ( ) SKIING

( ) SPECIAL EVENTS ( ) THEATRE ( ) VOLUNTEER

( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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."

SIGNATURE

DATE



# TPSC General Meeting

Tuesday, February 7, 2012

Handlery Hotel and Resort in Mission Valley

950 Hotel Circle North - 619-398-8345

6:00 PM Social - 6:45 PM Announcements

7:00 PM Program



Our speaker will be WWII Veteran Jack B. Walker, recipient of the US Bronze and Silver Stars. Mr. Walker was at Iwo Jima when the US flag was raised and has been featured on Ken Kramer's program.

Jack's mother was a pioneering aviator who taught him to fly at the age of five. He flew with Amelia Earhart and Charles Lindberg and is here to tell us about it.

Parking is validated for four hours

Be Mine



**Torrey Pines Ski Club**  
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San Diego, CA  
92138-2087

## Upcoming Events

February 5 - 10	Ski Park City
February 6	Senior Monday
February 15	Banjo Factory Tour
February 17	Happy Hour
February 19	Bocce Ball
February 23	Ethnic Dining
February 25	Bowling
March 4	Gospel House of Blues
March 11	Art Reception
March 14	Olympic Training Center Tour
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