

# The Lone Star Cruiser

October 2023



## **Lone Star Skiers and Adventure Club**



### **The Prez Says!**



Hello Lone Star Friends!

I think we are finally going into Fall after a long hot summer. Fall is one of my favorite times of year with the leaves turning and hopefully, a little cooler weather.

Time to be with friends and even travel a bit. We have three different European trips taking off this Fall, which may be a record for Lone Star. But, if you can't go on them, we will have a little piece of Europe for you at the next Happy Hour, which will be at the Londoner pub. Time to have a nice Ale and enjoy each other's company.

And, speaking of getting together, the Lone Star Holiday party will be here sooner than you think on December 9. Please, register online to get your spot. You won't want to miss all the gambling, dancing, great food and great company, as well.

See you there! Elizabeth Lutton President.



See if you can be the first to find the Oct ghost As a member, if you have not won in the last 12 months, you can play! First one to email Katherine with the correct location with I FOUND THE GHOST in the subject line to katherine.nelson@verizon.net wins! You could win an amazon gift card.



Time: From 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

\$1 off all drinks until 7pm
½ price bottles of wine – also until 7pm

Light appetizers provided by the BOD – but consider staying for dinner.



## Happy Hour Tues - October 10, 2023

## The Londoner Pub

14930 Midway Road Addison, TX 75001 972-458-2444



Please Drink Responsibly. Don't Drink and Drive. Consider Lyft or Uber.









## September Happy Hour @ Blue Mesa!















#### New & Renewing Members!

Dawn	Negley
Elizabeth	Garza
Manuel	Garza
Stanley	Marcieski
Susan	Swaim
Pamela	Twigg
Marcus	Tucker
Tonya	Stephens
Roberta	McAllister
Mary	Wine
Patricia	Anderson
Steve	Anderson
Linda	Smith
Dana	Lindberg
Paul	Campbell
Gregory	Herrman
Fred	LeVay
Treva	LeVay
Donna	Powell
Rich	Powell
Randy	Gee

#### October 2023 Celebrations:

01 Michael Phemister 05 Randy Gee 05 Catherine Walther 06 Sue Brooks 06 Cathy Grayson Wells 07 CF Sandy Pofahl 08 Tamara Gage 08 D'Iorah Robbins 08 Rick Roth 09 Renee Fernandez 09 Karen Hensley 10 Lisa Biddle 14 Pamela Twigg 14 Denise Weaver 15 Jennifer Mayrath 15 Mitch Womble

16 Margaret LaRoe
20 Sandra Hall
20 Theresa O'Brien
21 Bert Butkus
22 Treva LeVay
23 Debra Pittenger
23 Brad Thorson
26 Timothy Lanz
26 Bill Meyer
27 Donna Fry
27 Mike McKimens
29 Kathy Esposito
30 Richard Richey











#### LONE STAR SKIERS & ADVENTURE CLUB

#### ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

with Dinner, Live Music and a Casino Night! Saturday, December 9, 2023

> RENAISSANCE NORTH DALLAS 1590 LBJ FREEWAY DALLAS, TX 75234 972-869-4300

\$85 pp includes Dinner, Live Music, Casino Night + 2 drink tickets (Beer & Wine)

CASINO GAMES: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Try your hand at blackjack, poker or craps. Prizes awarded for highest chip winners

LIVE MUSIC by MAPLESHADE starting at 6:00pm DINNER BUFFET SERVED around 7:00 pm

This is one party you really don't want to miss! Dress is cocktail - formal.

Special Holiday Hotel Rates will be published soon. Self parking is free in the hotel parking garage

**Questions?** 

Contact Tamara Preston @ tamarap@kw.com

Sign-up is open on our website!

#### Sign Up for LSS 2024 Ski Trips. Registration is Open!

Are you ready to travel to amazing places and travel with friends? Enjoy the culture, food and just have fun? Now you can! The trips are open and ready for sign-up. Go to the website and look under Trips for more details and how to sign up. We will be opening the trips up to sister clubs mid-September.

- Interlaken, Switzerland (Jan 26-Feb 3): TSC Winter Expedition. So many things to do on this trip. Staying at the Metropole in the heart of Interlaken close to everything. Ski, post trip options to Zurich and Milan, day trips to Lucerne, Zermatt, Montreux & Chillon Castle, even a chocolate tour in Interlaken. Breakfasts and some dinners are included. There are so many option activities, it is too much to list. We have 10 air seats out of Dallas (LSS got the cheapest air!). Starting at \$2,442 with air and double occupancy. 5 SPOTS LEFT – THIS PRICE INCLUDES AIRFARE!
- Whitefish, MT (Mar 2-9, 2023): An LSS favorite. Whitefish is where small town charm meets world-class hospitality. Come and "Ski the Fish. Hotel and Condo options are available at the Lodge at Whitefish. Trip offers both air and land packages, free ground transportation and all the TSC & Club activities. Lift tickets are extremely affordable. Minutes from downtown Whitefish, 10 minutes to the ski slopes and less than a 30-minute drive to Glacier National Park. Pricing starts at \$1,632 for Hotel Rooms with double occupancy and \$1,674 for a pillow in a 2bd/2ba condo.









## 2024 LSS and TSC Spring and Fall Trips

While we are exploring other trips, these amazing adventures are open for registration.

- Turks & Caicos Club Med Resort Turkoise: Dates: May 11-18, 2024. Sit on an award-winning beach at an adults-exclusive, all-inclusive paradise. Learn what it truly means to disconnect. You can sail away on the turquoise blue water, scuba and snorkel, enjoy live music, fresh smoothies, and cocktails right on the beach. There is so much included in this package, but you can also explore off resort if you wish. Air is not included, and pricing starts at \$2,116 for double occupancy. 14 SPOTS LEFT!
- Italy's Amalfi Coast Trip: Dates: October 22-31, 2024. Amalfi offers some of Italy's most iconic and beautiful scenery. A rare place where photographs simply don't do its sights justice. A region famous for vividly painted towns tumbling down cliffsides to a sparkling azure sea. Explore the glamorous island of Capri, a popular haunt of the wealthy for centuries and renowned for its natural beauty along with exploring Sorrento, Ravello, Positano, and Rome. Trip is offered with and without air. Pricing starts at \$4,570.00 Double Occupancy/ per person. Includes RT Airfare, RT Shuttle service, 8 nights lodging, with baggage handling,10 meals, motorcoach transportation, activities and admissions listed in the itinerary, and certain gratuities. 3 SPOTS LEFT! We can start a waitlist if needed.

## The Northern Lights of Finland!

#### DATES: Nov 9 - 16, 2023

Sorry, this is closed for registration



## **European Christmas Market River Cruise**

DATES: Nov 22 to Dec 3, 2023

**Currently Waitlisted** 



## WE WANT YOU- AS A TRIP DIRECTOR

Recruiting for trip directors for 2024 Ski and Non-Ski season. We are also looking for 2025 Ski Trip Directors. There is a **NEW** process for applying for trip directors. If you are interested in running a trip, go to the Club Webpage and under "Looking for Trip Directors" there is a Survey Button. Click on it and answer the questions. You are able to choose multiple known trips or an upcoming trip that is not planned yet. This will help us create a pool of trip directors for our trips!

Never ran a trip? No worries, Cheryl and Elizabeth can help you with the planning. Cheryl and Mike will handle financials. Trip Director training will cover many details.

Trip Director responsibilities:

- Communicate to participants prior and during the trip
- Create the Club Trip Page and Newsletter slides/updates.
- Market the trip. Attend Happy Hours if located in Dallas area, zoom calls, emails, work with Tour Operator to promote, etc.
- If TSC trip, communicate THROUGH the TSC Trip Coordinator for trip details.
- Plan the Trip Agenda (Club Dinner, Happy Hours, activities, etc.)
- After the trip, a short trip write-up for the newsletter and submit your expense report.

#### Lone Star Skiers & Adventure Club

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If you are a new member be sure to LIKE our Facebook page.

- Just search for LONE STAR SKIERS & ADVENTURE CLUB
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Keep Lone Star's Members informed! We encourage you to share member news by posting on our Facebook page. Feel free to share by posting photos, member announcements, and postings about yours and past members life events, anniversary, weddings, memorials, etc that you think would be of interest to our member. This is a private page so ONLY members will see the posts. (Special requests for email distribution, like hospitalizations and memorials can still be sent to Harriet Bonds at <u>h.bonds@sbcglobal.net</u>)



#### TSC Update:

The Board is focused on revising Bidfest, when trip RFPs will be submitted (more in line with the industry) and possibly updating Bidfest Policy and Procedures.

#### 2022-2023 Board of Directors Thank you for your service!

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#### **Newsletter Advertising**

- For advertising opportunities contact the VP of Communications
- Advertising a charitable event is free if a member is actively participating in the event
- A member may advertise a non-LSS sponsored event for \$5. Some restrictions apply
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I specialize in:

- ✓ Medigap (also known as Medicare Supplement) products
- ✓ Medicare Advantage plans (like HMO's and PPO's)
- ✓ Part D prescription drug programs

Represent several 'brand name' insurance carriers' Medicare Advantage and Medigap products:

- ✓ Aetna, Humana, United Healthcare/AARP, CIGNA, Wellcare, BCBSTX, Silverscript
- ✓ Assist with ancillary products like dental and vision options

#### LinkedIn profile at <a href="https://www.linkedin.com/pub/paula-lanigan/18/1a9/677">https://www.linkedin.com/pub/paula-lanigan/18/1a9/677</a>

#### Website at www.paulalanigan.com

Let me help you, as I have for many other LS Members, make sense of Medicare and the options available to you.

Contact Paula at 619-206-3433 or paula.k.lanigan@gmail.com for more information. Texas Insurance License 1787883 (licensed since 1989!)

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