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They're Ba-ack...

Your LSS South Africa Adventurers are back and they have tales to tell. Lots of wildlife and safari photos, Victoria Falls, etc. I've included a few photos in this issue but you can go online to the website or Facebook and see more. September was a month full of end of summer flings, like the trip to Port Aransas or the Adios Summer pool party. Now it's time to plan your winter adventures and LSS has plenty of ski options to offer. Then keep in mind that the Holiday Party is December 6th and the price goes up November 1st, so register soon.

*See you at next Happy Hour at
Queen of Sheba! ~susan*

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Adios Summer ! Party 2014

The Adios Summer party at the Greenslade's house was again a great success. Thanks to Debbie and John for their hospitality and to James and Cheryl Mer-shon for taking charge of the BBQ! By all accounts it was delicious!



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

03 Ethan Flute

05 Randy Gee

06 Cathy Grayson

08 Rick Roth

09 D'Ion Knox

09 Karen Hensley

10 Lisa Biddle

11 Maureen Murphree

12 Yolanda Sanchez

12 Nicholas Fekete

13 Dennis Arnold

14 Denise Weaver

15 Mitch Womble



16 Susan Jones

20 Sandra Hall

20 Theresa O'Brien

23 Debra Pittenger

26 Timothy Lanz

26 Bill Meyer

27 Donna Fry

27 Mike McKimens

27 Tracy Wassell

29 Ed Horton

29 Kathy Esposito

31 Natasha Black

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Holiday Party is Around the Corner Saturday, December 6, Omni West Hotel

Now is the time to make a reservation for the annual Holiday Party on December 6th. Price of \$50 members/\$55 guests includes a buffet dinner and dancing. The price goes up November 1st. We'll have drink discounts and special room rates if you don't want to drive home. We're limited to 80 people so sign up soon.

Go to www.lonestarskiers.com to register for this event or find our activities director, Maureen Murphree, at the next happy hour and write her a check!

TSC Texas Twisters Thanksgiving Ski Trip Vail, November 25-29, 2014

Accommodations for Vail - 3 bedroom condos at Vail Spa

- \$500 includes 4 nights lodging; 3 days lift tickets (no air)
- \$325 includes 4 nights lodging; no lift tickets (no air)
- \$438 for children (5-12) includes 4 nights lodging in own bed; 3 days lift tickets (no air)
- \$188 for children (5-12) sharing a bed or sleeping on floor includes 3 days lift tickets (no air)

If you are interested contact the trip leader, Beverly Davis, with the Texas Twisters Ski Club: bdavis@kamc.tv.

VAIL RESORTS
EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME

Announcements

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Welcome Our New Members

Marsha Atcheson
Jane Baer
Tommy Baer
Jon Barry
Kevin Carroll
Adrienne Curtis
Charles Gibbs
Nancy Gibbs
Debra Haire
Cassandra Mills
Luba Nemcow
Clo Prejean

October Events

14 Happy Hour @ Queen of Sheba
21 Board Meeting @ Pho House

November Events

01 Murder Mystery Dinner
11 Happy Hour @ Artin's Grill
18 Board Meeting @ Pho House

December Events

06 Holiday Party @Omni Park West
09 Happy Hour TBD

*Board meetings are
held at Pho House on
Alpha Road once a
month.



October HAPPY HOUR

We'll have a D.J.!

Tuesday, October 14, 2014

5:00-8:30 p.m.

QUEEN OF SHEBA

Hot Appetizers & Drink Specials

14875 Inwood Rd
Addison, TX 75001



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Saturday night beach party

Summer Meltdown in Port Aransas

The "Summer Meltdown" trip was fabulous!!! We started off with a welcome pizza party poolside on Thursday evening including salad, beer and wine.

Friday morning, eight of us went deep sea fishing. There were three sharks and a huge sting ray caught on our boat! Friday afternoon, we all lounged by the pool.

Saturday... What a fun day!!! We played pool games with the Los Amigos group... Then at 5 pm, we headed for the beach to start the bonfire party. We had roasted hot dogs, salad, S'Mores and more. We played a fun game where each person tells two lies and one truth about themselves... Very FUNNY!!!

~Thanks to Debbie Greenslade, trip director, for submitting this article.



Summer Meltdown, contd.

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Ed and Lori



Joe



Katherine and D'Lorah



Copper Mountain Spring Fling March 7-14, 2015

On slope, Copper Mountain's terrain is naturally divided for all abilities and includes fantastic bowl skiing. Off slope, Copper features three recently completed base villages that have redefined the Copper experience with accommodations, restaurants, bars, shops, and a kids-only lodge.

Copper Mountain is one of the largest and least crowded resorts in Summit County, a place known throughout the world for premier skiing and riding. The 9,700 foot base elevation at Copper Mountain ensures optimal conditions throughout the winter season.

Accommodations will be 2 bedroom/2 bath condos within walking distance of the base.

For more info contact, Debbie Rima at debbierima@yahoo.com

Copper Mountain, contd.

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Just \$1180 for full trip includes:

- Round trip air
- 7 nights lodging
- Transfers
- LSS activities

OR \$678 (no air) and includes 7 nights lodging and LSS activities

KIDS SLEEP FREE IN ROOM WITH 2 PAYING ADULTS

If we get 5 kids aged 14 and under, we qualify for the Youth Foundation offer of \$50 off of ski or snowboard lessons each day up to four days!



Copper Mountain 2 Bdr/2 Bath Condos



Copper Mountain Skier

LSS South Africa Adventurers Return

The trip to South Africa and Zimbabwe greatly exceeded our expectations in every way! It's almost overwhelming trying to put our trip into words.

On the first leg of our journey, many of us decided to enhance the 10+ hour layover in London by chartering a bus to take us to Windsor Castle for lunch, the castle tour and a river ride up the Thames. It was such a nice way to begin our adventure. Fortunately, Dee Dixon didn't get arrested for taking pics inside the castle even though she pretended to erase them! And yes, we did make the guard smile a little!

After our long flight to Johannesburg followed by a short flight to Port Elizabeth, we bused out to Kariega for our first safari. It was so incredible to be able to see the animals in their nature habitats. Some of our best experiences were just sitting and letting nature take its course. Hopefully, you've seen all the pics on our club Facebook page. Each evening, we enjoyed sun-downer drinks out on our safari before heading in to dinner and entertainment.



Giraffe, Kariega Game Preserve

Next stop was Tsitsikamma, a cute little town on the edge of a beautiful rainforest. Some ziplined, some rode segways, some did a Jeep tour, and the rest of our went out on what we thought would primarily be a lilo/kayak tour into some untouched areas. The idea was to kayak out across the ocean and into the Storms River, then hop on lilos (lie lows) to get through the shallower waters. The ocean currents were too strong so we donned our wetsuits and life jackets, then hiked, and hiked, and hiked, then climbed over rocks, and climbed and climbed, until finally we climbed a bit more and got into our kayaks. The scenery was absolutely beautiful but many of us were way too tired to enjoy it to its fullest. As it was getting dark, our guides debated whether it was a good idea to have us kay-

South Africa, contd.

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ak back out into the ocean to get back. We watched huge waves crashing over the rocks and made their decision for them, so they found us a little better way back. Definitely an experience!!

On to our next stop, the Featherbed, which is a nature reserve for some of the best flowers, plant life and scenery around. One of our guys thought it might be fun to slide down and see how close he could come to the cliff, scaring everyone else to death. Fortunately, he stopped right before going over and ended up with some scrapes and bruises.



Lori Parker in a microlight over Victoria Falls

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Visit www.lonestarskiers.com to register for a trip and make a payment online.

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The adventures continued on with a cave tour, a cablecar ride to the top of Tabletop Mountain, a tour of the prison on Robben Island, watching thousands of penguins beaching, whales, wineries, waterfalls, lion walks, elephant rides, bungee jumping, and ultra light flights. As you can see, this trip truly offered it all!

While we are all exhausted and trying to recover from jet lag, we still go back and look fondly at our pictures and remember the most awesome trip ever! We have all created an incredible bond of friendship, and are already discussing what next great adventure we can go on! It's sure going to be hard to beat this one!!



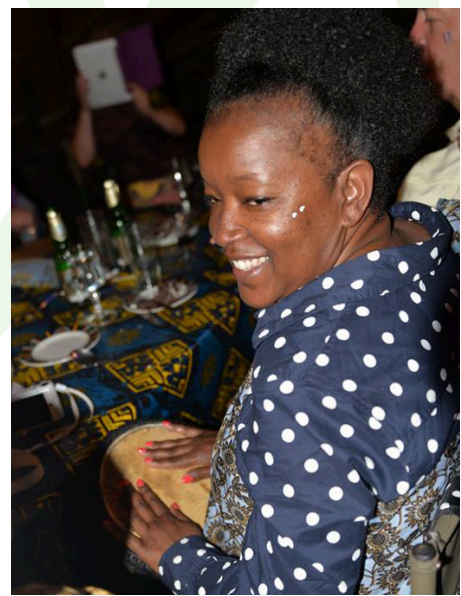
Victoria Falls



Petting lion cubs - Kariega Game Preserve



Debbie Rima



Dee Dixon

*Thanks to Trip Director Debbie Rima for writing this article

**For more information on trips or to contact trip directors,
visit our website, www.lonestarski.com**

Non-Skiing International Trips 2015

Tuscany, September 3-12, 2015

Highlights...Rome * Assisi * Basilica of St. Francis * Montecatini Terme * Siena * San Gimignano * Winery Tour * Florence * Tuscan Feast - 10 Days * 13 Meals: 8 Breakfasts + 5 Dinners with regional wines - 1st Class and Deluxe Hotel Accommodations - Tuscany is known for its landscapes, traditions, history, artistic legacy and its influence on high culture. It is regarded as the birthplace of Renaissance. Contact James Mershon at jhmershon@msn.com.

My Big Fat Greek Cruise! Mama Mia!!! October 14-21, 2015

Cruise the favorite Greek Islands after a fun night in Athens with an optional half-day tour before boarding your cruise ship. Enjoy history like you cannot imagine (we're talking ancient) while also enjoying some of the most fabulous beaches in the world. End your cruise in Rome and opt to stay for a few days to tour the city. This trip has it all! Contact Debbie Rima, trip director, debbierima@yahoo.com



Santorini, Greek Isles

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Mystery Dinner Theater Nov. 1st

TEXAS STAR DINNER THEATER
816 South Main Street
Grapevine, TX 76051



Dinner, theater, and a mystery! This event requires you sign up online where you can select dinner and dessert preferences. Be sure to note when you sign up that you are with Lone Star Skiers (do this in the comment box) so they will seat you with the group. The cost is \$59 + tax (gratuities and cocktails are not included). **Let's figure out who dun it together!**

<http://www.texasstardinnertheater.com/sales/products.php?cat=69>

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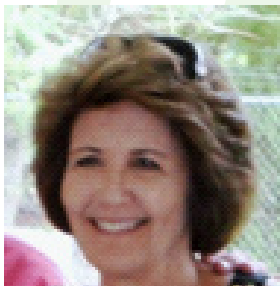
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