

The Newsletter of the Clear Lake Area Ski Club



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CLASC Annual Winter Wake Party

Come join us to say goodbye to the ski season

Date: Sunday, May 1
Time: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.



Location: the home of Laura and Rick Heiman (map on p.11)

Cost: Members \$15, Guests \$17

What is provided:

BBQ meal catered by Wild West Smokehouse: BBQ brisket, pulled pork, pulled chicken, BBQ beans, coleslaw, potato salad, sauce, and all the fixins!

What to Bring:

BYOB - coolers will be available for keeping your beer, wine, or sodas chilled. Members asked to bring an **appetizer or dessert** to share.

Lawn chairs

Swim suit, towel and sunscreen - the pool will be open!

Checkbook - renew your membership, and put down deposits on next year's trips!



RSVP please, by April 22, to Kent, 281-326-1173, kent0816@earthlink.net so that we have a head count for the BBQ.



It's not too late to get signed up for the Texas Ski Council SkiBidFest

April 15 - 17, 2011

in Houston, Texas!!

For details see page 7

CLASC Happy Hours

**Friday, April 8
Bakkhus Taverna**

**Friday, May 20
Berryhill's**



See page 4 for details.

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President's Message

...and another one bites the dust!

I can't believe another ski season is in the books! Our 40 plus ski bums/enthusiasts just returned from a week at Snowbird, Utah, to cap off the season. It was a great year with some phenomenal snow and great experiences.

It seems hard to believe that next year's trips will be chosen in a few weeks at the TSC Bid Fest here in Houston. If you want to be involved in the process, set aside the weekend of April 15-17 and join the fun at the Bid Fest. Listen to the presentations and join the discussion and provide your input into the decisions for next year's trips.

Now it's time to say farewell to our ski season. Join us at the home of Rick and Laura Heiman on Sunday May 1st for our annual Winter Wake. This event is to celebrate the conclusion of our ski season as well as to introduce the choices for next year's trips. We also take the opportunity to encourage our members to renew their membership for the upcoming season. We will have some good food as always.

At our March meeting we elected a new slate of officers who will take over the duties in May. Some Board members are returning, including myself as President, Keith Zimmerman as VP of trips and Kent Yokley as VP of Activities and Programs. Joining us this year will be Terry Weller as VP of Merchandise and Marketing, Jim Lovelace as VP of Administration and Membership, and Dallas Ives as Treasurer. Additional appointed members will be approved by the board in May. The club appreciates all of the folks who donate their time and skills to keeping the club running.



I hope to see you at the Winter Wake on May 1st!

Lori

The Prez

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Find us on Facebook!!
 Look for **Clear Lake Area Ski Club**
 Help us spread the word. Become a Fan!!
 If you have pictures to post, contact Lori,
lori.a.white@comcast.net

**Time to renew your CLASC Membership
 for 2011 - 2012**
Single \$30, Family \$50
Membership application is on p.9
Or on the CLASC web page:
www.clasc.org/forms



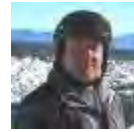
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Trip Tracks

Hi everybody,
With the completion of the Snowbird trip, the TSC/CLASC ski season for 2010-2011 has unfortunately come to

an end. What better way to celebrate all that great skiing than by attending the Winter Wake on May 1st. It will also be your first chance to sign up for next year's trips. A \$50 deposit will hold your spot on a trip, refundable until the Kickoff meeting in September.

There is a TSC summer trip this year but CLASC isn't supporting it as an official trip -- the **TSC Summer Expedition Alaskan Cruise (Sep 6-13, 2011)**. If you are interested in going on this trip, the Space City Ski Club has openings. You may contact their trip coordinate, Ellen Eastham, at 281-989-9935 or eeastham@prodigy.net.

It is already time to start thinking about next year's ski trips. Here are the finalists that will be presenting at the TSC Bid Fest on April 15-17:

Traditional (early Jan):

- Heavenly
- Park City
- Snowmass
- Squaw Valley

Winter Expedition (late Jan):

- Isola 2000/Nice
- Poland
- Tignes, France



Winter Shootout (Feb):

- Copper Mountain
- Heavenly
- Kimberley, BC
- Sugarloaf, Maine

Final Showdown (March):

- Banff
- Sun Valley, Idaho
- Telluride
- Winter Park



Summer Expedition (Summer 2012):

- Galapagos Island Cruise
- Galapagos Island Tour
- Santiago, Chile

We will be conducting a club survey by email over the next couple of weeks to help us get a general idea of the club members' interest in these specific trips, as well as a rough idea of our potential headcounts for these trips.

I would like to encourage people to attend the TSC Bid Fest this year. If you have ever wanted to help, or know, how TSC and CLASC choose the trips, then here is your chance. Since the meeting is in Houston it will be easy to attend. Our club is helping out with some of the admin duties at the meeting and we'll need some help. It's not all work of course, there are also some social activities and parties each evening. See the info later in the Lifeline for more details.

Finally, I want to thank Jim Robertson for all his help this past year as our Assistant VP of Trips. He did a great job helping us arrange all the trips this year and performing some of the VP duties for me while I was in Moscow for two months. Thanks Jim.

Have a great Spring !

Keith Zimmerman VP Trips,
keith.d.zimmerman@nasa.gov



Texas Ski Council: Visit the website <http://www.texas-ski.org>

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Member Announcements and Activities



CLASC Happy Hours




Friday, Apr 8 5:30-7:30 pm
Bakkhus Taverna
605A 6th Street
Kemah (map on page 10)

Friday, May 20 5:30-7:30 pm
Berryhill's
League City

April Birthdays	
Dawn Faust	1
Fiona Long	2
Terry Lippold	3
Ann Haugen	6
Lori White	7
Marlon Hickey	11
Charles Morgan	12
Kent Yokley	12
Terrie Becker	?
Eileen Hutchinson	16
Diane Jamail	17
Dale Woods	19
Jim Moncur	21
Michael Clayton	27
Dan Stoltzfus	30

Walk for Compassion with Companions *In Memory of Janis Yokley*

What: Charity Walk to benefit Hospice patients & families

-  Dogs are encouraged on the walk, but must be on a leash and picked up after.
-  Participants donate registration fee of \$25 and obtain additional sponsors
-  All registration fees and donations are tax deductible

When: Saturday April 30th
 Check-in: 10:00 am
 Walk begins: 10:30 am

Where: Sylvan Rodriguez Park
 1201 Clear Lake City Blvd.

Beneficiary: Hospice Compassus patients and families dealing with the difficulties of terminal illness and the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Donations are to be made to the CHA Foundation.

To register or to sponsor a participant, please visit:
www.hospicedogwalk.com or email to info@hospicedogwalk.com

For more information contact: Kent Yokley (281) 326-1173



Lyric
 Janis Yokley's
 companion



Member Announcements and Activities, cont.

Officers for the 2011-2012 season were elected at the March General Membership meeting.

Elected Board Positions

President: Lori White
 Treasurer: Dallas Ives
 VP Trips: Keith Zimmerman
 VP Activities & Programs: Kent Yokley
 VP Administration & Membership: Jim Lovelace
 VP Marketing & Merchandising: Terry Weller

The appointed board positions will be approved by the new Board at the May board meeting.

Identified Candidates for Appointed positions

AVP Trips: Jerry Funderburg
 AVP Activities & Programs: Laura Heiman
 TSC Rep: Dan Willett
 Audit Chair: Teresa Savage-Tate
 Members at Large (2): (1) Suzanne Joyner, (2) **open**
 Lifeline Editor: Gayle Brown
 Webmaster: Ken Goodwin

Your Name Here!



Do you have any great ideas for interesting activities for the club for the summer?!? Contact Kent Yokley, kent0816@earthlink.net

Member Announcements

If you know of announcements regarding births, retirements, engagements, weddings, etc., please email them to clasc@clasc.org. Member Ads (non-business) are available at no charge.



Has your EMAIL or other information changed?? Have you stopped getting member Evites and announcements?? Please send your updates to Terry Lippold at clasc@clasc.org

If you weren't at the CLASC March Happy Hour at T-Bone Tom's, here's a glimpse of what you missed!
(See you in April at Bakkhus!)



A beautiful evening on the patio with good friends, old and new!



Entertainment by Ezra Charles and the Work!
The Funderburgs can really cut a deck!



And lots of good food
(and a beverage or two)!!

ADVERTISING RATES

10% discount if you buy space for 3 or more months.

Full page	\$100
Half page	\$55
1/4 page	\$30
Business card	\$15

Member Ads



Almost new girl's ski outfits ... jackets, pants ... various sizes (7/8 and 10/12) and colors. Also boots and gloves.

Contact Elena at

elenawindsurfer@yahoo.com

Texas Ski Council News



TSC SKI BID FEST 2011

April 15-17, 2011

Marriott Houston West Loop

1750 West Loop South

Houston, TX 77027

Bid Meeting Event Schedule

As a Ski Bid Fest participant you are invited to attend:

Friday, April 15 - A fun-filled TSC Golf Scramble Challenge or a Wine Tasting. See sign up forms on the TSC web page for these event costs.

Friday evening - Early registration and reception with cash bar and appetizers.

Sat. April 16 - Bid presentations from ski areas from around the world. New destinations and some of your favorites. Saturday lunch included in registration.

Sat. The Ski Bid Fest Vendors Show, which attracts over 50 ski resorts and other travel and ski business related vendors.

Sat. night - Silent Auction with great items donated from participating vendors and ski clubs.

Sat. night - Cocktails, plated dinner and party with music by Dave Thomas.

Sun. - Announcements of 2011-12 destinations

Education - Come find out how your Council works and return home with new ideas for your ski club.

Delegate/participant registration is \$55 pp if paid by March 31, \$65 if paid after that. Registration forms on TSC page. <http://www.texas-ski.org/insidetsc/Meetings.htm>

This hotel is located near the Houston Galleria with access to great restaurants, entertainment and shopping. Room rates will be only **\$89.00**, plus applicable taxes per night with reservations made **by March 29, 2011**. On April 1, 2011 regular room rates will apply. Rooms must be booked by March 29, 2011 to be included in the TSC room block for participants only.

Clear Lake Area Ski Club is helping to host this event by coordinating and staffing the club participant registration. Ken Goodwin is spearheading this effort, but he needs helpers!

Contact Ken, krgoodwin@comcast.net, for more information.

Thanks, Dan
CLASC TSC Rep

**Volunteers
Wanted**



Trip Table

2010-2011 Season



Trip	Trip Dates	Estimated Price	Trip Size	Avail. Spots	TL/ATL Contact Information
TSC Traditional Beaver Creek, Colorado	8-15 Jan 2011		12		Done!
TSC Winter Shootout Crested Butte, Colorado	5-12 Feb 2011		13		Done!
TSC Final Showdown Snowbird, Utah	12-19 Mar 2011		49		Done!
<p>CLASC is not supporting the following TSC trips. If interested, contact Keith Zimmerman keith.d.zimmerman@nasa.gov for referral to another TSC club.</p>					
TSC Winter Expedition Bad Gastein, Austria	21-29 Jan 2011				Done!
TSC Summer Exp. 2011 Alaska Cruise	6 - 13 Sept 2011				CLASC not supporting. If you are interested in this trip, Space City Ski Club has openings. Their contact is: Ellen Eastham 281-989-9935 eeastham@prodigy.net

**Trip Leaders and Assistant Trip Leaders will be needed for 2011- 2012 season.
Contact VP Trips, Keith Zimmerman if you are interested.**

Help us make this another great ski season!!



Clear Lake Area Ski Club (CLASC) Membership Application May 1, 2011 to April 30, 2012

MEMBER INFORMATION (including dependent children):

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION LEGIBLY (If more rows are needed, please add to back of the form or a separate list)

Last Name	First Name	Nick Name	Date of Birth MM/DD/YYYY	E-mail Address
			/ /	
			/ /	
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Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Home Phone () _____

Mobile Phone () _____ Work Phone () _____

Type of Membership (Check All That Apply): Single (\$30) _____ Family* (\$50) _____ New Member _____ Renewal _____

* Family is defined as adults or adults with dependent children residing at the same address. TSC Reciprocity Member _____

I/We volunteer to help with these areas: Trips/Races _____ Activities/Parties _____ Meetings/Membership _____ Marketing/Publicity _____

If you are unable to receive e-mail notices or the CLASC newsletter electronically please check here _____

*** Membership Directory -- Information Release Authorization ***

All members' names, home, mobile and work phone numbers, mail and e-mail address will be listed in our membership directory, unless **noted otherwise** by initialing in the boxes below. The membership directory is only for CLASC members, and is not meant to be used for any marketing purposes.

	Home Phone	Mobile Phone	Work Phone	Mail Address	E-mail Address
Initial the appropriate block(s) if you <u>DO NOT</u> want this information listed in the membership directory:					

Trip and Activity Waiver Information

Please read this CLASC Trip and Activity Waiver Information and sign below.

A. I understand that I do not hold a reserved place on any trip until the required trip reservation deposit of fifty dollars (\$50) or the first scheduled trip payment has been paid to the Clear Lake Area Ski Club, Inc. (CLASC). Further scheduled trip payments that are delinquent in excess of ten (10) days are grounds for removal of the participant from the trip, and that in such cases cancellation penalties will apply, as described in Section B below.

B. I understand that if I cancel, or if I fail to meet the required payment schedule and am removed from the trip after a trip payment is made, I will incur a twenty-five dollar (\$25) per person cancellation fee and forfeit other payments in accordance with the cancellation schedule that has been established for the particular trip. Payments or fees may be refundable or partially refundable subject to the following conditions: If I can be replaced from the trip waiting list or by a replacement I find; If the Clear Lake Area Ski Club, Inc. (CLASC) is able to recover payments or fees from the tour operator, resort, airline, ground transportation, lodging or other agencies through which the trip has been arranged.

C. I hereby appoint the Clear Lake Area Ski Club, Inc. (CLASC), its officers, trip leaders and activity coordinators as my agent to perform all acts and to enter into any and all contracts as may be deemed desirable in connection with any CLASC trip or other activity. I understand that CLASC acts only as coordinator and accepts no responsibility for the services of any person, tour operator, resort, airline, ground transportation, lodging, or any organization whatsoever rendering any of the services or accommodations being offered on any trip or activity. Trip and other activity fees are based upon current tariffs and are subject to change without notice. CLASC accepts no responsibility in whole or in part for any delays, delayed departure or arrival, missed airline or other carrier connections, loss, damage, or injury to person or property, mechanical defect or failure of any nature howsoever caused, or for any substitution of hotels or of carrier, with or without notice, or for any additional expenses occasioned thereby. I fully understand that CLASC is a voluntary association run by volunteers who have no special training in conducting trips or other activities. By participating, I do not rely on the expertise of any officer, trip leader or activity coordinator, or the agents of any of the foregoing. I acknowledge that there are inherent risks and dangers involved in skiing and other similar activities, and I agree that I am solely responsible for my personal safety and conduct and for meeting all payment deadlines. Should I miss my departure, I understand that I may not be able to recover any part of my trip or activity payment. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless CLASC, its officers, trip leaders, and activity coordinators from any loss, cost or expense incurred by or attributable in any way to me in connection with any trip or other activity. I agree to abide by the Bylaws, rules and regulations of CLASC and the rulings of officers, trip leaders and activity coordinators in connection with any trip or other activity.

By applying for membership in CLASC, I hereby certify that I have read, that I understand, and that I agree to the acceptance of the trip cancellation and release of liability statements above. This acceptance also applies to all members listed on this application that are less than 18 years old.

Signature (Age 18 and over must sign) Date

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Mail form and check to: Clear Lake Area Ski Club, Inc. P.O. Box 58623, Houston, TX 77258

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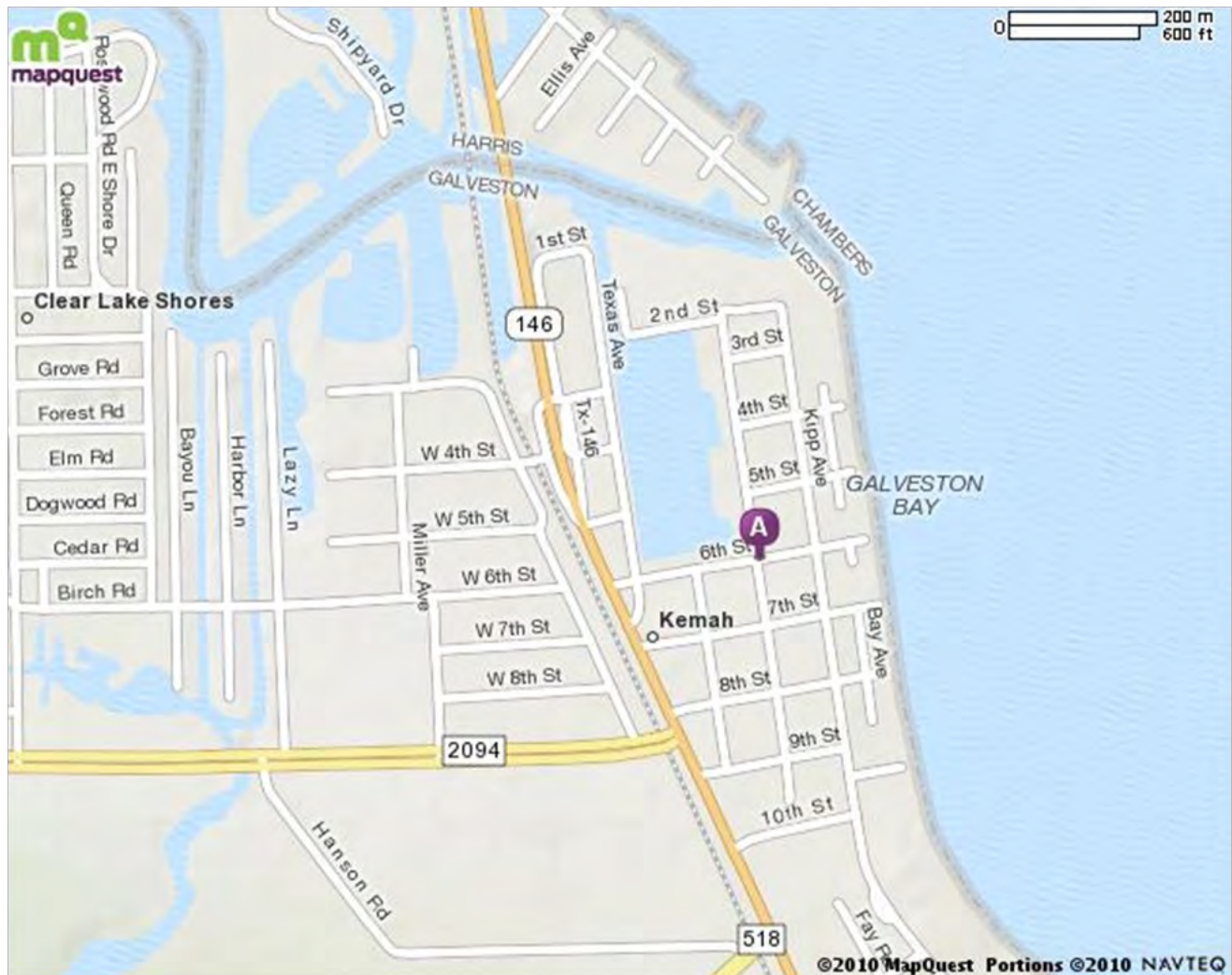
CLASC Happy Hour

Friday April 8, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Bakkhus Taverna
Greek Restaurant and Bar
605 A 6th Street
Kemah, Texas
www.bakkhustaverna.com
(281) 538-1800



Full bar, full menu.



CLASC Winter Wake Party

Sunday, May 1

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.


(Lunch reservations required.)



Rick and Laura Heiman
4714 Hamblen Ct, Seabrook
(281) 291-8384



April 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 Happy Hour	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 TSC Bid Mtg
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24  Easter	25	26 BOD	27	28	29	30

Events

April

(no further Membership meetings until September)

- 8 Happy Hour - Bakkhus
- 15 - 17 TSC Bid Meeting, Houston
- 24 Easter
- 26 BOD - White

May

- 1 Winter Wake Party
- 20 Happy Hour - Berryhill's
- 22 Turnover Board Mtg - Zimmerman

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