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**AUGUST**



# The Lone Star Cruiser

**August 2023**



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**Lone Star Skiers and Adventure Club**

# A cool note from your President.

I hope you are all staying cool in this 100-degree heat!

Let's start thinking about cooler activities like skiing in 2024.

- Stay tuned because we have an entire line up of exciting trips we are putting together. Most of the contracts have been signed, so we will be releasing the trips for sign up right **before our August Happy Hour**.
- When you come to the Happy Hour, you will be able to ask questions, get information and sign up, all in one place. Some of the trip directors will be there to tell us about their trips. We have had several people already volunteer to be trip directors, but we need more.
- Also, we have a whole line up of fall activities, as well as our annual **Holiday Party, which will be at the Renaissance Dallas North again on December 9, 2023**. Expect to see this party open for sign up very soon.

Your Board has been working hard to make sure that you have plenty of great things to do with your Lone Star friends.

So, come to the August Happy Hour and see what we have to offer and bring some guests as well!

Elizabeth Lutton, President.

*See if you can be the first to find this August Ice Cube  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 ICE CUBE in the subject line to [katherine.nelson@verizon.net](mailto:katherine.nelson@verizon.net) wins! You could win an amazon gift card.*

# THE BACK 9

This is also our Quarterly Meeting –  
Meeting will begin at 6:30pm.

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

\$3.50 Draft Beer  
\$3.50 Well Drinks  
\$5.00 Call Drinks.

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



## Happy Hour Tues, August 8, 2023 The Back 9

4060 Belt Line Rd  
Addison, TX 75001  
214-272-7028



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

# **A Taste of the West Coast**



**Saturday, August 19, 2023 from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm**

**Winetastic Wine Bar  
4140 Lemmon Ave, Suite 130, Dallas, Texas 75219**

**Lone Star Skiers & Adventure Club +  
Wine Society of Texas DFW Chapter**

**Come taste wines from California, Oregon and Washington. These wines are considered to be some of the best in the world and known for their bold, yet refined style.**

**Presented by: Sommelier Teri Burney**

**\$58 pp includes 5 wine tastings, tax, tip and light snacks. RSVP to Elizabeth - Pay at the door.  
Dinner on your own (in the area) afterwards. Come experience the Best of the West!**

**Elizabeth Lutton, President -Lone Star Skiers and Wine Society of Texas - DFW Chapter Chair,  
ealutton@hotmail.com**



**Hold the  
Dates!**



## **Ready to get Your Royal On? Now You Can!! 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Tyler Rose Festival & Piney Woods Train Ride**

Ready to attend the Queen's coronation? How about attending the Queen's tea? Instead of dinner and a movie, how does dinner and a train ride through the Piney Woods sound?

Join Lone Star at the 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Rose Festival in Tyler, Texas! Rich in heritage and tradition, the Festival offers enchanting ceremonial events – the Queen's Coronation, Ribbon Cutting and Rose Presentation, the Queen's Tea, and the Rose Parade – all amidst a backdrop of brilliant roses as vibrant and colorful as the community they represent.

The event is free except for the Queen's Coronation. Tickets go on sale September 1<sup>st</sup>. Click on this link to see all the activities. [Rose Festival Brochure](#)

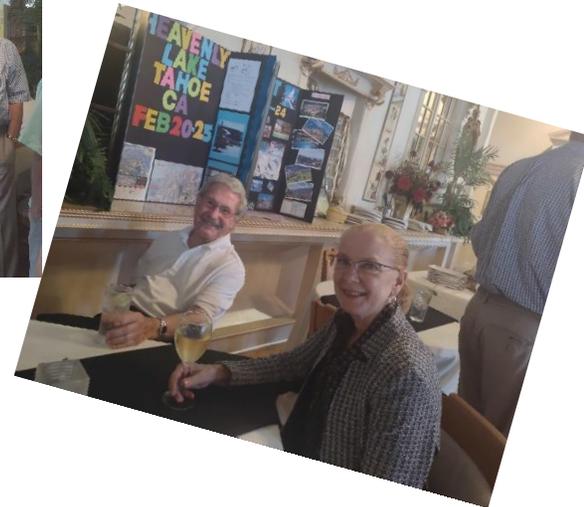
**WHERE:** 420 Rose Park Drive Tyler, Texas 75702

### **DATES AND HOURS:**

- Thursday, October 19 - Saturday, October 21 from 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 pm
- Sunday, October 22 Noon- 4:00 pm
- LSS plans are PROBABLY Friday 10/20-10/21, but there will be options for hotels, or just for the Rose Festival. Exact dates are being confirmed! We will send an email blast once everything is final.

# July Happy Hour – A fun time was had by all!

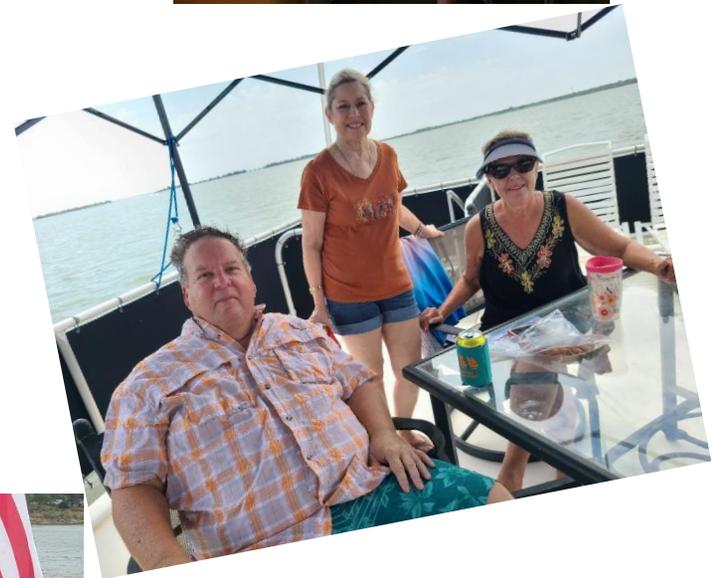
We had a wonderful turnout for the July Happy Hour! The total, from both Clubs, was 105! Elsa (owner of QofS) did a fantastic job and served a delicious chicken dinner, plus a salad. Thanks to all for coming! See you in August.



# House Boat party! Cruising Lake Lewisville

Sat., July 15, 2023

Hosts: Mike & Cynthia Birowski



Thank you!  
Capt. Mike & Cynthia



### August 2023 Celebrations:

- 01 Michael Birowski
- 02 Vera Weldon
- 03 Mitch Budlong
- 04 Bruce Alger
- 04 Elizabeth Lutton
- 05 Karen Mann
- 09 Charlotte Alger
- 10 Charlene Mayer
- 14 Debbie Rima
- 16 Susan English
- 26 Martin Mayrath
- 27 Robert Lamson
- 28 Cheryl Slaughter
- 30 Ilze Kalnajs
- 31 Vivien Benjamin

### New & Renewing Members!

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| Harriet    | Bonds        |
| Mike       | McKimens     |
| Judith     | Lamson       |
| Elizabeth  | Lutton       |
| Katherine  | Nelson       |
| Cheryl     | Slaughter    |
| Michael    | Womble       |
| Judith     | Rayfield     |
| Cheryl     | Mershon      |
| James      | Mershon      |
| Jean       | Boney Jordan |
| Larry      | Jordan       |
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| Theresa    | OBrien       |



## Lone Star Skiers & Adventure Club



Have you Liked  
our  
Facebook Page  
Yet?

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

- Just search for LONE STAR SKIERS & ADVENTURE CLUB
- LIKE the page
- You will get all the updates in your feed.

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 [h.bonds@sbcglobal.net](mailto:h.bonds@sbcglobal.net))

# 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.

# A Culinary Tour of Italy

**DATES: October 10 - 18, 2023**

Time is running out to sign up and travel with Lone Star. You stay in one 4+ star hotel the entire stay. Thae begin to eat and drink your way through Tuscany, Italy. Premier World Travel has prepared a 5-star bucket list trip!

**TRIP INCLUDES:** International Airfare, 7 Nights at the Hotel, 17 Meals, Deluxe Motorcoach, and Portage.

## **WHAT WILL YOU SEE AND DO?**

Truffle Hunt & Tasting, Pasta Cooking Class, Volpaia's Castle & Winery, Tuscan Farmhouse & Winery with Dinner & Wine, Gelato Tasting, Boat excursion on Lake Trasimeno and so much more! Please see details on the website.

Contact Cheryl Slaughter, Trip Director for Details



# The Northern Lights of Finland!

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

Full and Partial Packages available. Both include ground transportation between travel locations, all lodging, a Welcome Party, City Tour in Helsinki, and all activities. Land only offers optional round trip airfare, airfare within Finland, airport transfers. Trip insurance offered by Collette is recommended.

Join Lone Star to experience the eerie majestic magic of the Northern Lights, spend a night in a glass igloo, mush a dogsled team and ride in reindeer sleighs. You even get to visit Santa's home and relax – often – in the famed Finnish saunas.

Contact Terry Smith, Trip Coordinator for details at [terrismithremax@gmail.com](mailto:terrismithremax@gmail.com)



# European Christmas Market River Cruise

**DATES: Nov 22 to Dec 3, 2023**

This trip has been waitlisted for a while now! It's so popular we may look at repeating it in the coming years.

Join Debbie Rima, Trip Director, on this magical, light-filled once in a lifetime trip! River Cruise includes 11 days / 10 nights of musical, yule-tide wonderlands mixed with historical sites and naturally beautiful landscapes.

The price includes much more than can fit on this slide so PLEASE: Check out this trip on our website!

Contact Debbie Rima, Trip Coordinator for Details



**WAITLISTED**

## **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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# Dazed and Confused about Medicare???

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With over 30 years health insurance/benefits experience, I'm your resource to make sense of Medicare benefits and available options when new to Medicare, or during the annual open enrollment in October through December 7 when you can review your current program or make changes.

I specialize in:

- ✓ Medigap (also known as Medicare Supplement) products
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- ✓ Part D prescription drug programs

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- ✓ Assist with ancillary products like dental and vision options



**LinkedIn profile at <https://www.linkedin.com/pub/paula-lanigan/18/1a9/677>**

**Website at [www.paulalanigan.com](http://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.

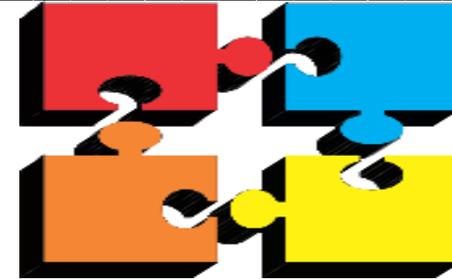
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