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## President's Letter

As a ski club we always want the right kind of weather. Last Saturday, September 30th, Mother Nature was against us. Lassie and I went up the hill to place notes about the cancellation of the tail gate function and found the right decision was made in postponing the function. It was bitterly cold, wet and a heavy drop of slushy snow. But it seems like a good omen for a great ski season when we have to reschedule the tailgate because of winter weather!

That's when the true spirit of the Gray Wolf Ski club kicked in when Dalas and Carrie Weisz drove up Lassie's packed Suburban to meet the wine totter Bruce Trenk and greet Mike Hayward and Muriel Eason who toted the cooking gear, brats & tortillas to grill on the BBQ that Stacy Mergens and Steve brought up. Simon Fuger brought the beer and Poppy Borland brought up the pulled pork. Ron Chacey and John Meyer were the 'brat masters'. Mike Hayward got everyone dancing around the parking lot with his great tunes. Other Board members and ski club members helped out with setting up and taking down too. Thanks to everyone! All this happened because your president and his wife the 'Function Coordinator' had to leave for California for doctors and lawyer appointments. We were quickly punished for abandoning the party by hitting a deer in Durango with our new truck. Dues will be going up next year at least \$5 for the \$5,000 dollar damage. LOL! Lassie says I can't do that but reread the top of this paragraph about "true spirit".

Seriously though, Tuesday was an absolutely perfect day—sunny, a breeze, warmish temps and a good Gray Wolf crowd of about 100 or more showed up to enjoy the music, the leftover pulled pork from the summer Luau and lots of brats from The Buck Stops Here, boiled in beer and grilled to perfection. Club members brought up lots of appetizers, sides and desserts to share, and the Club brought beer and wine.

There was a steady pilgrimage of ski club members filing up to the ticket office to get their season's passes. This year's season pass will allow you to go straight to the lifts where barcode scanners will be used (no more daily lift tickets). Wolf Creek Ski Area will provide lanyards and we'll provide an update when they are available along with updates on the 'direct-to-lift scanner process'.

I promise the Christmas party this coming December 12th we will have snow, be cold, but be indoors with real heat. We have limited the ticket sales to 130 people total, so get your reservations in early and bring your dancin' shoes. The website will be available for reservations in mid-November.

Check out our website <http://www.graywolfskiclub.com/> or look for a Club email for more information on this fun night and dinner and other Club happenings. We've had good turnout at the weekly Happy Hours at Bordé Rio at 3pm each Tuesday. This is a great way for new members to meet others with whom to ski and/or socialize. Join us if you can! Once the ski area opens, the Happy Hours will begin each Tuesday at 2pm so we can stop in on our way back down the hill.

Cynthia Riski, our Webmaster and Membership Coordinator would like to remind everyone to please check the website [www.graywolfskiclub.com](http://www.graywolfskiclub.com) for the most current news & updates. You will find 'New' members identified beside their names. Also, please check your spam/junk or social folders for club emails as some service providers filter the group emails.

Start stretching your legs muscles right now 'cause-the snow is coming and we are a year older than the last time you strapped your planks on.

Be safe out there.....the Shiny One.....Larry Olin

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# GWSC Calendar of Events

October	November	December	January
<u><b>Sat. Sept. 30 -</b></u> <u><b>Sat. Oct. 8</b></u> 8:30 am - 4:30 pm <b>Pre-Season Pass</b> <b>Sale at Wolf Creek</b> <b>Ski Area Ticket</b> <b>Office</b>	<u><b>Fri. Nov. 3</b></u> 9:00 am <b>Tentative</b> <b>Opening Day</b>  <b>Wolf Creek Ski Area</b>	<u><b>Tues. Dec. 12</b></u> 5:30pm until? <b>Christmas Party</b>  <b>Pagosa Springs</b> <b>Theater for The Arts</b>	<u><b>Tues. Jan. 9</b></u> 10:00 am - Noon <b>Boomers' Clinic</b>  <b>Wolf Creek Ski Area</b>
	<u><b>Date TBD</b></u> 7:00 pm <b>GW Theater Night</b>  <b>Play to be</b> <b>announced</b>	<u><b>Date TBD</b></u> 7:00 pm <b>GW Theater Night</b>  <b>Play to be</b> <b>announced</b>	<u><b>Date TBD</b></u> 7:00 pm <b>GW Theater Night</b>  <b>Play to be</b> <b>announced</b>
			<u><b>Tues. Jan. 9</b></u> 11:00 am- 1:00 pm <b>Luncheon at</b> <b>The Main Lodge</b>  <b>Costume Theme is</b> <b>'Anything Goes'</b>
<u><b>Every Tues.</b></u> 3:00 pm <b>Happy Hour</b> <b>at Bordé Rio</b>	<u><b>Every Tues.</b></u> 2:00 pm when ski season begins <b>Happy Hour</b> <b>at Bordé Rio</b>	<u><b>Every Tues.</b></u> 2:00 pm <b>Happy Hour</b> <b>at Bordé Rio</b>	<u><b>Every Tues.</b></u> 2:00 pm <b>Happy Hour</b> <b>at Bordé Rio</b>



# Gray Wolf Christmas Party



**When:** Tuesday, December 12, 2017

**Where:** The Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts

2313 Eagle Dr Pagosa Springs, CO [Directions](#) (clickable link)

**Time:** Begins at 5:30 pm Dinner at 6 pm

**Music:** Our Club member, Mikey Hayward aka: D J Dude

**Menu:** Provided by Smoke'n Moe's BBQ and Pagosa Baking Company

When confirmed, you will receive an email with the menu details.

The cost for each member is \$25.00. If you bring a guest that is a non-member the cost is \$40.00 or your guest can join the club for \$15.00 and their cost will be \$25.00. There is a limit of 130 reservations for our party this year.

Payment will be accepted online, through Paypal, beginning Nov. 15.

Tues. Dec. 1, is the cutoff for making your reservation, or before, if sold out.

There will be a link on the Club's website.



**Reserve Early!! We hope to see you there!**



The first Club sponsored lunch, at the Main Lodge, at Wolf Creek Ski Area will be held on **Tuesday, January 9, 2018**. The Club will subsidize \$6.00 of whatever you choose from the menu, which is a \$1.00 increase from previous years. You are responsible for the balance of the bill, including your drink.

Please show your ski pass to the cashier in order to confirm that you are a current member or if you are not a skier please give your name to the cashier.

The theme for the first luncheon will be **"Anything Goes"**.

This is the first year for this theme. We hope to see a record number of members participating by wearing some sort of great costume.

Get creative and impress your fellow ski buddies.

FYI - Save these dates for our other ski season luncheons and costume days:

February 13 - Mardi Gras in Main Lodge

March 6 - Hippie Day in Main Lodge

March 27 - Beach Party Pot Luck in Base Camp



# Annual Tail Gate Party & Pre-Season Pass Sale October 3, 2017



A pictorial  
account of our  
Annual Tail  
Gate Party at  
Wolf Creek  
Ski Area.  
Tues. 10/3/17









