



# Gray Wolf Ski Club

*Serving the senior skiers of the San Juans*



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# Happy New Year

## From The President

Your Gray Wolf Ski Club Board wishes all of our members Season Greetings and a joyous New Year.

Our ski season has had the best start in recent memory. On October 8th, a bunch of us Gray Wolves opened the ski season at Wolf Creek Ski Area to 44 inches of fine Colorado Powder. A week earlier, I was fortunate enough to join a number of Gray Wolves as we climbed Alberta Peak, at our Tail Gate party, in warm fall temperatures and brilliant sunshine. What a difference a week makes. Perhaps that is why so many of us live in this area. On Halloween, Gray Wolves dressed and skied in some great Halloween attire at Wolf Creek. The fun never stops for us and the early winter ski conditions are the envy of the state.

On 15 December, we enjoyed one of the finest Holiday parties that I can remember. Our Christmas Cowboy Stomp was a hoot!! Gray Wolves dressed in their finest Cowboy and Cowgirl attire. Everyone looked great. The Pagosa Lodge did a great job of setting up the ballroom for dining, mingling, and dancing. The entertainment was in a word "Outstanding". We were blessed to have Tim Sullivan play for an hour as we dined and mingled. He was joined by his band and Gray Wolves responded by filling the dance floor for 2 hours as we danced the night away. It was a great night and there were lots of smiling faces at the end of the evening.

Your Board is looking at events for 2012. Please read the newsletter to jot down the dates for our luncheons at the Ski Area and upcoming events like Mardi Gras. 2012 should be another great year of Gray Wolf activities. I would like to personally thank the Gray Wolf Board and all our Gray Wolf event volunteers who contributed so much of their time to make 2011 a very memorable year. We look forward to the New Year with a growing membership and another round of fun social events.

David Lopez

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## Welcome to Our Newest Members

<b>Jane Baker</b> Pagosa Springs, CO	<b>Sherryl Egy</b> Pagosa Springs, CO	<b>Harley &amp; Maureen Van De Wege</b> Silverthorne, CO
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  	<b>Alan Palmer</b> Chama, NM	  

## Mark Your Calendars for "Ski Season Socials"

Our first club lunch of the season will be held on **Tuesday, January 10**, in the Upper Lodge, at Wolf Creek Ski Area. Meet from 11:30 - 12:00 in the Lodge. Please join us, even if you are not a skier.

The Club will cover \$5.00 of the lunch "special" **or** anything else on the menu for each member. The "special" for each of the Tuesday lunches is Cheese Enchiladas. You are responsible for the balance of the bill, including your drink.

Last year's lunches were enjoyed by many Gray Wolf members, so come on up and join your friends for food, fellowship, and fun. Please wear your name tag. [RSVP by January 4, 2011.](#)

Be sure to save the date of **Tuesday, February 7**, for our second lunch at the Lodge. The same procedure, described above, will apply to this lunch. [RSVP by February 2, 2011.](#)

On **Tuesday, February 21**, we will celebrate Mardi Gras at Base Camp. The club will provide lunch. Start planning your costume to wear for this fun occasion. [RSVP by February 14.](#)

On closing day, **Sunday, April 8**, the club will host a pot luck luncheon at Base Camp.  
We hope to see many of you at this traditional Gray Wolf party.

There will be a sign up sheet in Base Camp prior to each event, except the January 10 luncheon. You may email your RSVP to [buckmarygamache@aol.com](mailto:buckmarygamache@aol.com) or you may call Mary Gamache at 970-731-8389. For the lunches at the Lodge, we need to know if you want to order the Cheese Enchiladas or if you will order from the regular menu.

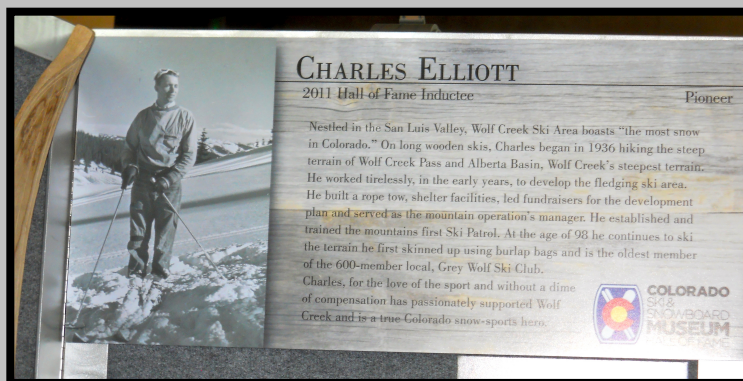
## Name Tags

Our treasurer, Ron Chacey wants you to know that he has extended the deadline for ordering name tags until **Jan 15, 2012**. Send your check for \$10 per name tag and a note with your name printed as you wish to have it on the name tag. Ron must receive your check by Jan 15.

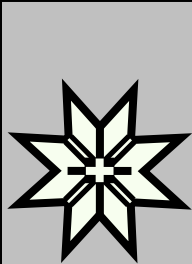
Name tags will be delivered, by Ron, at Base Camp on Tuesdays in February, unless you ask to have the tag mailed.



Longtime Gray Wolf member, Charles Elliott was inducted into the Colorado Ski & Snowboard Hall of Fame on Saturday, November 5, 2011, in Denver CO. Many members of his family attended, along with Gray Wolf members, John & Sue Bozek and Lee Cox. Below are some of the photos that John took at the Induction Gala.



Congratulations, Charles!



Charles, at Base Camp, with some of his mementoes from the induction ceremony.





# GRAY WOLF S\*KI CLUB COWBOY CHRISTMAS PARTY AT PAGOSA LODGE



Approximately 100 Gray Wolves gathered to celebrate the season, enjoy good food and beverages, and dance to the great music of Tim Sullivan and his band.



Some of the club's long time members and newest members gathered for a photograph.







A great time was had by all who attended!