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President's Letter

Hello Gray Wolves! Ski season is just around the corner. We are all gearing up and can't wait to hit those slopes with the Gray Wolf gang!

If you are a new member, welcome! FYI- many Gray Wolves hang out at the Base Camp building at the ski area to store gear, have a snack or find a ski buddy. Gray Wolves include folks of ALL ski levels, so you will be sure to find a ski buddy if you would like. Also, don't forget the free hot or cold fountain drink at Base Camp every Tuesday AND Saturday for all Gray Wolf members.

We also have several ways for Gray Wolves to communicate. The Gray Wolf website graywolfskiclub.com is updated regularly and is your go to place for all official news and updates as well as emails. You can also access a membership list on our website that includes names, addresses and phone numbers of all members using a code that is emailed to all members. For those of you on Facebook, we have a Facebook page called Gray Wolf Ski Club Group for Gray Wolf members only. It is a great place to share Gray Wolf pics and see who may be heading up the mountain.

We had a big turnout (approximately 180) for the annual tailgate party at Wolf Creek. It was a great opportunity to purchase our season tickets, meet and greet old and new members, enjoy some brats, beer and fixings and dance, of course! Thank you Mike Hayward for the fun music! Many thanks to Lassie Olin, Gray Wolf program chair, and the many volunteers that helped make this another fantastic tailgate!

And don't forget happy hours on Tuesdays! It seems like there are always new folks to meet and old friends with which to reconnect. Happy hours are at 3pm, but change to 2pm as soon as the ski area opens and remain at 2 through the ski season. We will be getting 'happy' in November and December at the Break Room and then to Coyote Moon for January. Come enjoy, fun, friends and occasional appetizers provided as a yummy surprise. Also a big thanks to Gray Wolf VP, Sheila Manzanares, for coordinating a great place for happy hour each month.

Our next big event is the Christmas party on December 10. Due to the size of venue availability in Pagosa Springs, participation is limited. Be sure to watch for the email in early November announcing the ticket sales and don't delay getting yours. As we have done in the past, there will be a charge for this event with the Gray Wolves subsidizing about \$15-\$20 of the total per person cost.

I also want to thank our other board members for each of their important contributions to the Gray Wolf Ski Club. Mary Gamache is the reason you are getting this newsletter, always full of great pics and information; Cynthia Riski is the one who handles memberships, the website and is the one who so quickly responds to many calls and emails; Stacy Mergens keeps our finances on the straight and narrow; Becky Gerze keeps all our notes and communications recorded; Simon Fuger keeps our relationship strong and positive with the ski area and community; and Ron Chacey provides historical knowledge and insight. What an amazing group of leaders!

We all can't wait to see you smilin' on the slopes!!

Janna

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To access our website click on the link below.

www.graywolfskiclub.com

GWSC Calendar of Events

October	November	December	January
	<u>TBA</u> Regular Season Opening Day Wolf Creek Ski Area	<u>Tues. Dec. 3</u> 10:00 am - Noon Forever Young Clinic Wolf Creek Ski Area	<u>Tues. Jan. 30</u> 10:00 am - Noon Forever Young Clinic Wolf Creek Ski Area
		<u>Tues. Dec. 10</u> 5:30pm until? Christmas Party Pagosa Springs Theater for The Arts	<u>Tues. Jan. 14</u> 11:00 am- 1:00 pm Luncheon at The Main Lodge Costume Theme: Favorite Sports Team
<u>Fri. Oct. 25</u> 7:00 pm GW Theater Night Men on Boats Promo code gw9	<u>TBA</u> 7:00 pm GW Theater Night	<u>Fri. Dec. 20</u> 7:00 pm GW Theater Night Very Perry Christmas Promo code gw9	<u>TBA</u> 7:00 pm GW Theater Night
<u>Every Tues.</u> 3:00 pm Happy Hour Coyote Moon	<u>Every Tues.</u> 3:00 pm until ski area opens...then 2:00 pm Happy Hour Break Room	<u>Every Tues.</u> 2:00 pm Happy Hour Break Room	<u>Every Tues.</u> 2:00 pm Happy Hour Coyote Moon



Gray Wolf Christmas Party



When: Tuesday, December 10, 2019

Where: The Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts

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

Time: Appetizers at 5:30 pm Dinner at 6:30 pm

Music: Our Club member, Mikey Hayward aka: D J Dude or Santa Claus

Menu: Pagosa Baking Company and The Buck Stops Here

- *Appetizers*
- *Salad: Mixed Greens with Carrots and Italian Dressing*
- *Entrée: Prime Rib and Salmon*
- *Side Dish: Scallion Polenta Cake, Green Beans, Julienned Onions, Slivered Almonds & Potatoes*
- *Dessert*

The cost for each member is \$30. If you bring a guest that is a non-member the cost is \$55. or your guest can join the club for \$15.00 and their cost will be \$30.

There is a limit of 130 reservations for our party this year.

Payment will be accepted online, through PayPal, beginning Mon. Nov. 11 and ending Tues. Dec. 2. There will be a link on the website. If the seating limit is met before Dec. 2 the reservation link on the website will be removed.

The first Club sponsored lunch, at the Main Lodge, at Wolf Creek Ski Area will be held on **Tuesday, January 14, 2020**. The Club will subsidize \$6.00 of whatever you choose from the menu. 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 '**Favorite Sports Team**' (can you guess mine)
Whatever sport you follow...get creative...wear a jersey, hat, colors, etc. of some team.

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

February 4 - 'We **Love** to Ski' in Main Lodge (wear red, pink, hearts, etc.)

February 25 - 'Mardi Gras' in Main Lodge

March 31 - 'Beach Party' Pot Luck in Base Camp

ANNUAL TAILGATE PARTY

The September 28, 2019 tailgate party was a huge success. Held on the first day of the pre-season pass sale, this has become one of the club's most popular and well attended events. Both the attendance and the food was fabulous!! As a bonus, the weather was perfect.

Thanks, as always, to Muriel Eason for the great photos!







