



Summer Skindigs

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Gray Wolf Ski Club



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

We recently held our annual meeting, and the state of the Gray Wolves ski club is strong. We have about 1,200 members and we are doing terrific financially. We had a great turn out for the annual meeting even though we were competing against another huge event in town at the same time. Thanks to Suanne McLellan for organizing and all who helped with set up and take down.

Thanks to Stacy Mergens who retired from the board after serving as treasurer for many years. Thanks to Julia Appel for joining the board and agreeing to serve as treasurer going forward.

We have several events coming up that you'll want to consider attending. We have a trash pickup for the club's section of Hwy 160 that we've adopted. We have our first ever Liberty Theater Gray Wolf night where the club has rented out the theater. We have our weekly happy hours where lots of fun people mix and mingle. We have Gray Wolf nights at the Thingamajig theater. And to end the summer, we have our annual tailgate party. Check the newsletter and watch your emails for more details.

Make sure all your outdoor loving friends and neighbors know about Gray Wolves. Not only is it a terrific social avenue but the value is insane!

Take care and have a wonderful summer!

John Thomas

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July	August	Sept
<p>Gray Wolves Thingamajig Summer Theater – July 2nd and 31st</p> <p>Trash Pick up July 12th</p> <p>Gray Wolves night at Liberty Theater July 15th</p> 	<p>Gray Wolves Thingamajig Summer Theater – Aug. 28th</p> <p>Colorado Day – August 1st</p> 	<p>Ski Swap and Tailgate Sept 6th – Noon PLPOA Clubhouse</p> <p>Labor Day – Sept. 1st</p> 
<p>West Side Happy Hour Tuesdays from 3 - ? Pagosa Bar</p>	<p>West Side Happy Hour Tuesdays from 3 - ? Pagosa Bar</p>	<p>West Side Happy Hour Tuesdays from 3 - ? TBD</p>

Event Details

July 12th – Trash Pickup Day 10 – 12pm. Gray Wolves will provide water, brats, and chips. We are responsible for the area between mile markers 152 and 154. Gloves, trash bags and orange vests will be provided. BYOB and enjoy the brats afterwards. We will meet at Tractor Supply at 10 am. Email Suanne McClellan at sjmclellan85@gmail.com if you are participating so we ensure we have enough food.

July 15th – We have rented the Liberty Theater to watch National Lampoons Vacation. Free to Gray Wolves and \$10 for guests. Gray Wolves will receive \$5 token towards the bar or concession. The bar opens at 4:30, the theater at 5pm, and the movie starts at 6pm.



Update on Japan 2026

We currently have 34 participants for the Japan Trip and have closed out the reservation. There will be several social events prior to the trip to get to know all the participants so keep your eyes open for future announcements.

Given the popularity of this trip, we may consider future trips, possibly to Italy for the 2027 season and perhaps to Cortina d'Ampezzo and Bormio, site of the 2026 Alpine events for the winter Olympics.

2025 Membership Information

As of June 2025, the Gray Wolf Ski Club is 1,190 members strong!

The **annual membership renewal** period for the **2025 -2026** season runs **from April 15 to August 15, 2025**. Anyone over 50 is eligible to become a Gray Wolf!

- Annual membership dues, reduced by \$5 for 2025, allow members discounted season ski pass rates for those age 65+, and for those meeting the Wolf Creek Ski Area grandfathered clause issued in August 2023.
- Members who have been Gray Wolf Ski Club members for the previous 3 or more consecutive years as they turn 80 years of age or older can apply for their membership at no annual charge, however, they must renew membership as lifetime members each year.
- Additional benefits include:
 - Members can participate in many outdoor and social event opportunities as well as discounted luncheons at Wolf Creek Ski Area.
 - Local business discounts listed on the Gray Wolf Ski Club website are available to members. Members receive a group email for password access to the local business discount and membership lists.

Annual Celebration!

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Annual Celebration a success. Also, congratulations to all our giveaway winners!



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