



Gray Wolf Ski Club

Serving the senior skiers of the San Juans



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Letter from the President

Dear Gray Wolves, the 2012–2013 ski season is over and spring is in full bloom. It was another very good season on the mountain. The events we had on the ski hill were greatly enjoyed by all who were fortunate enough to participate. Starting with the 2nd Annual "Red Solo Cup Day" in January, the 4th Annual Mardi Gras in February, Our 2nd Annual "Pajama Day" event in March, the Gray Wolf climb to Alberta Peak in March, and ending with our closing week "Beach Party" in April, a terrific time on the mountain was had by all. We are now planning for our Annual Business Meeting and Potluck to be held at the Pagosa Lakes Club House on Sunday, June 30th beginning at noon. This will be the 3rd Annual "Luau and Pig Roast".

At this summer event, Simon Fuger will assume the leadership of the Board. For the upcoming 2013–2014 ski season, the Ski Club will be electing 4 new officers. The following positions are up for election: Vice–President, Treasurer, Secretary and Publications Editor. I am pleased to announce that we already have volunteers for three of these positions. Ron Chacey is throwing his hat in for the Vice President position, Lois Dacus for Treasurer, Carolle Hunt and Judy Collins volunteered to split the Secretary duties, and Mary Gamache is willing to continue as Publications Editor. If any Gray Wolf desires to run for any of these positions, please contact me or any other Board Member to get your name on the nomination list.

It has been my pleasure to have served on the Gray Wolf Board for the last 4 years. I have had more fun than any Board Member should be allowed to have. For any Gray Wolf who seeks a Board Position, you will have fun and work with a great group of skiers who have as much fun off the mountain as on. To all, have a great summer. I am already looking for the opening day of the 2013–2014 ski season.

Think Snow and an October Opening Day

David Lopez

Gray Wolf Officers - 2012/13

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The 2012/2013 membership directory is available online.
Click on the link below.

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Lynn & Shirley McCullough
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**A Warm Welcome to Our
Newest Gray Wolves**

Judy Schaefer
Louisa, VA

2013 Membership Drive

Beginning **May 1**, please consider joining the club or renewing your membership for the 2013/2014 season.

You **MUST** pay your dues by **August 31, 2013**, to be eligible to buy a pre season lift pass at the special Gray Wolf rate. Find the application on the website at: WWW.GRAYWOLFSKICLUB.COM

Dues are \$15. per single or \$20. per couple.

Some advantages of club membership are:

- Discounted pre season lift pass.
- Get your daily lift ticket at Base Camp if you have a pre season lift pass. No ticket lines!!
- Free fountain drink of your choice at Base Camp on every Tuesday.
- Two lunches at the ski area, in January and February, that the club pays \$5. for each member.
- Club sponsored Mardi Gras party with Subway sandwiches, chips, and cake.
- Other club functions: Christmas party, annual meeting in June, tail gate party at the ski area on the first Saturday of the pre season pass sale, and closing week pot luck.

It pays to join and you will meet some of the most fun people in the area!!

Newsletter Notice

Publishing the quarterly newsletter takes a considerable amount of time. The online edition is done in color with many photographs. They cannot be included in the mailed edition due to the length and the additional cost required to print.

The mailed edition requires the Publication Editor to produce a second newsletter, in black and white, and to eliminate the many photographs to keep it to the three page limit. It then needs to be copied and readied for mailing. Over the past four years, this has involved the time and effort of two Board members.

The Officers have agreed that it is time to either charge members to receive the complete color edition in the mail or discontinue it entirely.

Annual Business Meeting and Potluck

Pagosa Lakes Club House

Sunday, June 30, 2013 Noon

The theme for the meeting is “**Our Third Annual Luau and Pig Roast**”. The club will provide meat, plates, utensils, and beverages. Please bring a side dish that will feed 8 - 10 people.

We will have the annual reports from our President, Program Chair, and Treasurer, as well as hold an election of the following officers: Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Publications Editor. Anyone wishing to volunteer to be nominated for these offices, please contact David Lopez.

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

(to be voted on at the June 30, 2013 meeting)

Under ARTICLE VIII: OFFICERS -- **Replace:** (**Officers shall be elected at the annual business meeting, or any other business meeting when necessary, and shall include a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Publications Editor, Program Chair and Membership Coordinator. All officers, directors, and committee chairs shall serve without compensation, but the Board of Directors may employ an executive Secretary to carry out the policies and functions of the Organization as stipulated by the Board.**) **with:** (Officers shall be elected at the annual business meeting, or any other business meeting when necessary, and shall include a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Publications Editor, Program Chair, Membership Coordinator, **South Fork representative and President Emeritus**. All officers, directors, and committee chairs shall serve without compensation, but the Board of Directors may employ an executive Secretary to carry out the policies and functions of the Organization as stipulated by the Boar

Add: (The South Fork representative shall have voting rights on the board. The representative shall serve a one year term that is not required to be filled each year. This officer will represent the members on the East side of Wolf Creek Ski Area.)

Add: (The President Emeritus shall serve a one year, nonvoting term. The term shall immediately following the end of the elected term. This officer will provide advice and guidance to the Board or Directors.)

Gray Wolf Ski Club Discounts

The following retailers have offered to provide discounts to members of the Club.

Ski and Bow Rack: (Pagosa Springs)

10% off any ski tuning, ski repair and clothing.
Also ask for locals discount on demo rental skis

Pagosa Ski Rental: (Pagosa Springs)

15% off any ski tuning.

8200 Mountain Sports: (South Fork)

10% off any retail sales and 50% off any demos during the week.
They have a very wide range of powder skis.

Alpine Bike and Ski: (South Fork)

25% off any demo rental skis and 15% off any retail items.

Hot Springs: (Pagosa Springs)

\$8.00 entrance fee on Tuesday's.

\$8.00 for any Gray Wolf group of 14 people or more at any time except holidays.

Overlook Hot Springs: (Pagosa Springs)

Tuesdays - buy 1 get one free on beer and wine purchases.

Summit Ski and Sports: (Pagosa Springs)

Monday - Thursday - 50% off hot wax application for skis and snowboards.

The Outfitter: (Pagosa Springs)

10% discount

Gray Wolves Theater Night

Saturday May 25, 2013

The Gray Wolves Theater night is scheduled for Saturday May 25th. The play is "Hidden: Stories from the Dutch Resistance". Researched in part in Holland, it weaves together true stories from the underground resistance during the Holocaust and WWII to create a thought provoking inspiring piece about the human spirit and the difficult situations that bring out peoples true nature. It is a story of hope and how we cope with life under the most trying of circumstances. The cast consists of a combination of national touring, state and local actors. The play is appropriate for ages 12 and up.

Tickets will be discounted for the Gray Wolves for \$16.00. These tickets will be available on a first come first served basis. Purchases can be made online at www.pagosacenter.org and accessing the promo code "greywolves" or by contacting the theater box office at 970 731 7469. If you have any further questions contact Simon Fuger at 970 264 1003.

The first Club luncheon of the year was held, at the Upper Lodge, on January 22.
It was our 2nd Annual "Red Solo Cup Day"



The Red Solo Cup creations were quite imaginative! I wonder what next year will bring?

Our 2nd Annual Pajama Day was well attended and many came dressed for the occasion!

The group photo gives you an idea of how popular this theme day has become.

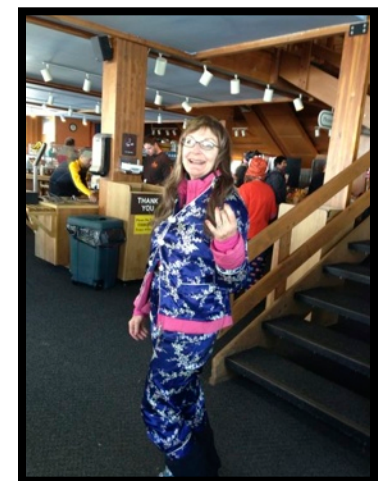
It was also another chance to take advantage of a club sponsored luncheon at the Lodge.

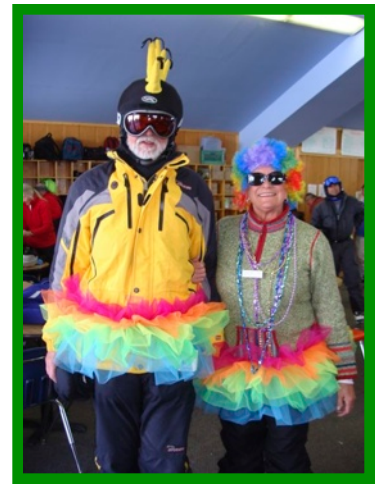


Members enjoyed lunch items of their choice. The club paid \$5.00 of the cost for each member's lunch.

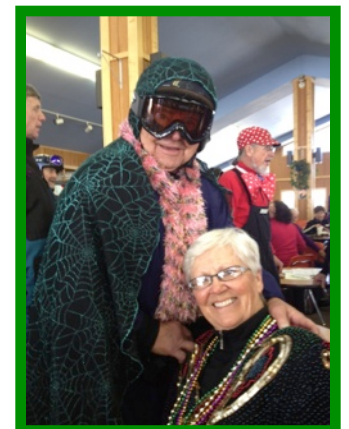
We schedule two lunches at the Lodge each season.

In addition, the club provides lunch for the Mardi Gras party at Base Camp.





On February 12, Gray Wolf members gathered at Base Camp for our 4th Annual Mardi Gras celebration. More & more members are getting creative with their costumes. The club served Subway sandwiches, assorted chips, and cake for lunch. It was a FUN day!



On Tuesday, March 26, a group of 18 Gray Wolf members met at the top of Treasure Lift to hike Alberta Peak. This hike was scheduled to celebrate the 80th birthday of Del Peckum. It was the largest group, to date, of Gray Wolves to hike the Peak together. A champagne celebration was enjoyed on the Peak.

Upon returning to Base Camp, cake and refreshments were served. Those who hiked basked in the accomplishment that has now become a Gray Wolf tradition for those members who turn 80 and want to celebrate by hiking the Peak. The 80 year old members who complete the hike and ski down receive their nameplate on the trophy that hangs on the wall in Base Camp.



Congratulations, Del!!!

Closing Week Beach Party & Potluck - April 2, 2013



Celebrating another great season for the Gray Wolf Ski Club at Wolf Creek Ski Area!!!