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President's Letter

Happy spring Gray Wolves!! Wow! What an epic ski season! I know some of you Gray Wolf powder hounds logged over 100 days on the slopes....our heroes!

With record snow we have also had record lunch attendance on the hill and record happy hour attendance. Big snow brings big turnout! It seems like we meet new members every week excited to be a part of our fun-loving gang. We are delighted that our South Fork members have initiated a happy hour, on the east side of the hill, après ski.

Our themed lunches on the hill continued to be a highlight, with crazy outfits, lots of laughs and oh...yeah....a ski photo bomb brought to us by Gray Wolf Steve Dayton. Thanks to Mary Gamache doing a superb job of herding the ski cats, we got group pictures for all of our themed lunches as well.

And because many of you asked for it, we were able to provide Gray Wolf t-shirts for purchase. Mary Gamache gets many thanks for coordinating this time-intensive effort! We hope to see many of you donning our 'fashionably chic' T. Powder to the people!

This summer we have our annual business meeting to look forward to on June 25. Besides the usual great food and fun (thanks to Lassie Olin's exceptional organizational skills), we will have a bit of business to take care of as well.

We will vote on some bylaw changes (see more info below) and hold an election for the following four board officers: Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Publications Editor. If you would like to nominate a current member for any of these positions, you may either call me at 325-423-1358

or use the new online Board Position Nomination 2019 form on the website. Access with this link: <http://www.graywolfskiclub.com/board-nominations/>

While we may be sad that the ski season is over, remember that one of the reasons we had so much fun during the season is because of all the great friends we meet and get to know better and better. Start prepping for next years' ski season by coming to our highly attended happy hours every Tuesday afternoon. It is a great way to connect with new folks and strengthen relationships with ones we already know. I mean, what better way to connect than over a beer surrounded by friends!

Your Board would also like to remind members that if you are interested in how the Board works or you want to introduce something, you are welcome to attend a board meeting. We have approximately four per year. Simply contact any Board member with your request.

And, in remembrance and celebration of our friend and past president, Larry Olin, I leave you with his words from the April 2018 newsletter.

"Now I sign off with not words of wisdom but a thank you to all the members who enjoyed a great season and fellowship that embraces all of us who ski for fun, comradeship and connection. We have found the "Fountain of Youth" some Spanish dude was looking for. See ya' around town and at happy hour."

We miss you, Larry, and hold you in our hearts!

Gray Wolf Officers: 2018/2019

President <i>Janna Lilly 325-423-1358</i>	Publications Editor <i>Mary Gamache 970-731-8389</i>
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Secretary (temporary appt.) <i>Becky Gerze 303-921-6766</i>	South Fork Representative <i>Eve Wells 719-588-7752</i>
Treasurer <i>Stacy Mergens 303-870-9998</i>	Ski Area Liaison <i>Simon Fuger 970-264-1003</i>
Membership Coordinator <i>Cynthia Riski 817-938-8609</i>	President Emeritus <i>Ron Chacey 970-264-6275</i>

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To access our website click on the link below.

www.graywolfskiclub.com



2019 Membership Drive

August 15 deadline to qualify for preseason pass sale
NO EXCEPTIONS



Beginning April 15, please consider joining the club or renewing your membership for the 2019/2020 season.

You MUST pay your dues by August 15, 2019, to be eligible to purchase 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 person.

Membership for those 80+ is free if you have been a member for, at least, the previous 3 years, but you must still renew your membership each year.

***Please provide your current email address to stay up-to-date on Club news and activities.**

***Email addresses do not carry over from year to year.**

Some advantages of club membership are:

- Discounted pre-season lift pass.
- Free fountain drink of your choice at Base Camp every Tuesday and Saturday.
No free refills on drinks!
- Three lunches at the ski area, for which the club pays \$6. for each member.
- Other club functions: Christmas party, annual business 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.
- Discounts at local businesses. See website for listing. You may access with link: <http://www.graywolfskiclub.com/social-events/>

GWSC Calendar of Events

April	May	June	July
<p>After Sun. April 7, Wolf Creek will open for 3 day weekends: (4/12,13,14) (4/19, 20, 21)</p> <p>Closing day 4/21 Easter Sunday</p>		<p><u>Fri. June 7</u> 7:00pm</p> <p>GW Theater Night</p> <p>Mama Mia</p> <p>*((\$2.00 off price)</p>	<p><u>Tues. July 9</u> 7:00pm</p> <p>GW Theater Night</p> <p>Jekyll & Hyde</p> <p>*((\$2.00 off price)</p>
		<p><u>Tues. June 25</u> 11:00 - 2:00</p> <p>Annual Business Meeting & Luau</p> <p>PLPOA Clubhouse</p>	
<p><u>Every Tues.</u> 2:00 first Tues. 3:00 rest of month Happy Hour Coyote Moon</p>	<p><u>Every Tues.</u> 3:00 Happy Hour Mountain Pizza</p>	<p><u>Every Tues.</u> 3:00 Happy Hour Riff Raff on the Rio</p>	<p><u>Every Tues.</u> 3:00 Happy Hour Riff Raff on the Rio</p>

* Use promo code gw8 when purchasing tickets.

Annual Business Meeting & Luau

Tuesday, June 25, 2019

11:00am - 2:00pm



The meeting will be held at the PLPOA clubhouse located at [230 Port Avenue, Pagosa Springs, CO](#) (click on the address to see location on Google Maps)

The Club will provide meat (pork and chicken), plates, utensils, and beverages.

Please bring a side dish that will feed 8-10 people.

Last names beginning with:

- A-G Appetizers
- H-O Salads/Sides
- P-Z Desserts

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Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Publications Editor.

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Aloha



***At our Annual Business Meeting, we will vote on By-law changes (mostly typos and clarifications, plus two repeats of previous changes in the Article XI Meeting section). There are no major changes.**

Included are the current By-laws and the changes. Additions are highlighted in yellow. Deletions are highlighted in red.

We will need an affirmative vote from a quorum of 10% of current members to pass the By-law changes. Your attendance will be very important to ensure we meet the quorum requirement.

ARTICLE VIII: OFFICERS

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. The Board of Directors may appoint other non-voting positions such as President Emeritus, East Side Representative, Ski Area Liaison or others that support the ARTICLE II purpose. 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.

The President shall be elected for a two (2) year term in the even numbered years, and the Vice President shall be elected for a two (2) year term in the odd numbered years.

The President shall preside at the Board of Director Meetings and all meetings of the organization, shall be a member of all standing committees and shall perform all other duties normally associated with being the President of an organization.

The Vice-President shall participate and assist in all Presidential activities, and shall perform the duties of the President in his or her absence. ~~The Secretary and Treasurer shall serve for a two (2) year term and be elected in odd numbered years.~~ The Vice-President will also serve as local business liaison for member discounts and the coordination of happy hour locations and any other such local business relations issues.

The Secretary and Treasurer shall serve for a two (2) year term and be elected in odd numbered years. The Secretary shall conduct the necessary correspondence of the organization, maintain the records and documents of the organization, and record and maintain the minutes of all meetings of the organization and ~~it's~~ its Board of Directors.

The Treasurer shall collect, dispense, and be custodian of the funds of the organization in accordance with the By-Laws. The President, Vice President, and Treasurer shall be the only officers authorized to sign checks for the dispersal of funds. Only one signature of these officers is needed on a check. The Treasurer shall also maintain ~~the database and~~ financial books for the organization. The Treasurer shall provide financial reports for each Board meeting.

The Publications Editor shall serve a two (2) year term and be elected in odd numbered years. The Editor shall publish newsletters, election or voting notices. ~~and the organization's website,~~ or any other publication as needed.

The Program Chair shall serve a two (2) year term and be elected in even numbered years. This officer will develop and coordinate programs and social events, and is expected to present a program of the coming year's events at the annual meeting.

The Membership Coordinator shall serve a two (2) year term, and be elected in even numbered years. This officer will provide membership services including management of the member database, website and email notifications, and will oversee member recruitment.

ARTICLE IX: RESIGNATION OR EXPULSION OF OFFICERS: Should any officer resign, die, or becomes otherwise incapacitated or expelled, the Board may temporarily appoint ~~an~~ a replacement, and shall, in a timely manner, call a business meeting for the purpose of electing a replacement, who shall serve out the term vacated. Any officer shall be expelled from office by the affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the members present at any properly notified business meeting. In such case, an election shall be held immediately to elect a replacement. An officer shall also be expelled by a majority vote of the board for fraud, dereliction of duty or other like cause. Such removal shall be affirmed or rejected by a majority vote of the membership at the next properly notified business meeting, which shall also include an election following an affirmation.

ARTICLE X: DUES: Annual dues shall be assessed ~~from~~ each member of the organization. Current members, who fail to pay annual dues before August 15, shall be dropped from membership. Annual dues paid after April 15 shall provide membership through the following winter and until August 15 the following year. Any change in the amount of dues shall usually be recommended by the Board at the annual meeting, and shall require approval by a majority of the members present at a properly notified business meeting.

ARTICLE XI: MEETINGS: All organizational meetings will usually include a potluck, picnic, or social event. There shall be at least ~~two meetings,~~ one meeting annually ~~with at least one on each side of Wolf Creek Pass,~~ each summer. The annual meeting shall be a business meeting, held usually during June ~~and on the same side of Wolf Creek Pass where the current President resides.~~

The regular annual election of officers shall take place at the annual meeting. Business meetings shall be called by the Board of Directors or by petition of ten (10) members of the organization for the purpose of a vote of the membership. All business meetings shall provide thirty (30) days advance notification ~~by email and posting to the website. with regular mail notices to those for whom we do not have an email address.~~

Hippie Day



2/5/2019



Peace, Love, & Powder



A day of tie dye, peace signs, and headbands at The Lodge and on the slopes at Wolf Creek Ski Area.



As the old, hippie saying goes...
(Power) Powder to the People!





Photo bomb by Steve Dayton



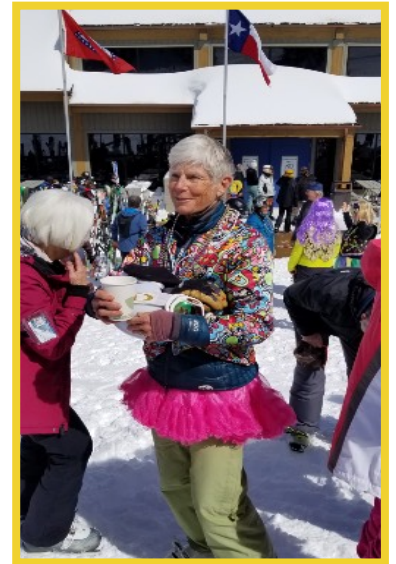


Mardi Gras

March 5, 2019



Let the Good Times Roll



Mardi Gras saw the largest attendance for a GW luncheon at the Main Lodge (I think ever). 139 lunches served Wow, it must have been the great powder and awesome weather. You all looked marvelous!!



*Laissez les bons temps
rouler!*





The celebration continued...

Happy Hour and a 90th birthday party for Will James at Coyote Moon. He began the celebration, earlier in the day, by skiing, under beautiful bluebird skies, at Wolf Creek.



Keep it going, Will.
You are an inspiration!!





Beach Party & Pot Luck

April 2, 2019





