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November 2018

President's Report:

Dear Members,

We have had a fun month in October, starting with our monthly TGIF at Mi Tierra. Then we had our Annual Halloween outing at Bear Creek, with 9 holes of Scramble golf and Costumes, then dinner.

The TGIF at Mi Tierra was well attended again, great job Nina. The food was very tasty.

Our Golf outing at Bear Creek was also well attended and about ½ came in very creative costumes. Three teams were tied with a net 36 and in a score card play-off the 1st place winners were; Mike Gilroy, Marty Willits, Joni Boehm and Laird Spencer. Second place went to David Boehm, Peter Zych, Kim Hughes and Sue Spencer. Third place went to Paul Koepke, John Nowacek, and Sue Crespan.

The winners of the Costumes were: Fran and Robin Baselice, Jim and Kim Hughes. Dinner was very good and I think a fun time was had by all.

Please make sure your dues have been paid for the year.

We are looking forward to the next TGIF at Reilly's South End on 11/9, and our Annual Holiday Party on 12/2 at Indigo Run. So please look for the emails to sign-up.

Leslie Gilroy



Social Calendar:

Upcoming Events:

November 9th - TGIF @ Reilly's South End from 5-7 p.m.

December 2nd - Christmas Party @ Indigo Run starting at 5 p.m.

January 11th - TGIF @ Bonefish Grill from 5-7 p.m.

February 15th - TGIF @ Bomboras Grill Lagoon Rd. from 5-7 p.m.

March - Scavenger Hunt (time & date TBD)

2019 Upcoming Trips:

February 2nd - 9th for -Breckenridge, CO (see pp 4-5 below for details)

August 9th - 16th for -Chile Ski Trip (see pp 6-8 below for details)

Cruises:

January 6th -16th for -Caribbean Cruise (see p.9 below for details)

March 26th - April 6th for - 11 Day Authentic Cuba (see p.10 below for details)

Membership Director's Report:

Dear Folks,

I hope your Summer went smoothly and you're gearing up for the Holiday Season.

We have 161 active members and I will be getting the directory printed soon.

They will be available at the Christmas Party and the TGIF's after that.

Take care and hope to see you all soon.

Theresa Pleimling

Social Director's Report:

Dear Members,

Thank you for continuing to attend our TGIF and mingle with the new members. November 9th is at Reilly's (South End).

January 11th will be at Bonefish Grill

February 15th at Bamboras Grill South end on Lagoon Rd. since the skiers will be in Breckenridge February 2-9th.

I am working on future restaurants for the other months. if you as a member have a favorite restaurant, please let me know. It would be greatly appreciated if as a member you could help me set up ONE TGIF for the ski club during the year. This is what is needed: Contact the restaurant (Please notify me first) to host our Happy Hour from 5-7 the second Friday of the month and provide the group with FREE APPETIZERS. We are usually a group of 25-30 and some 10-15 will stay for dinner.

I want to thank Sandy Koepke who will assist me in 2019.

Nina Dunn



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Trip Report for November 2018 Halloween Golf at Bear Creek



Sunday, October 28th, was our golf outing at Bear Creek. What a great sunny day we had with fun shared by all. There was a three way tie for the finish. Marti Willits was the hero for her winning team by shooting an 80 foot putt for a 2 on the final hole.

2019 Ski Trip to Breckenridge February 2nd - 9th



Our trip to Breckenridge is all set. We have 42 people heading for the slopes. Airfares have come down to Denver so we will be getting new flights at a reduced fare for those taking the group option. I will be sending follow-up information to those going on the trip within the next week.

IMPORTANT: for those who plan on skiing more than 5 days, you might want to look at buying an Epic Pass. Check the pricing on www.snow.com.

Prices are per person -

Lodging: 2 bedroom/2 bath condo is \$697.07

Hotel room is \$637.00 breakfast will be added automatically for hotel rooms.

Lifts: 5 Day Senior pass \$520.77

Breakfast: Spencer's Breakfast Buffet \$112.00

Beaver Run has condos as well as Hotel Rooms which are located on the slope at Peak 9 in Breckenridge and is a short walk to town or a shuttle runs continually. We will go Saturday to Saturday since there is no difference in pricing for the rooms or airfare. We will fly into Denver and Transportation will be provided from Denver to Breckenridge.

Rooms

Make yourself at home in one of the 535 guestrooms featuring microwaves and iPod docking stations. Flat-screen televisions with cable programming provide entertainment, while complimentary wireless Internet access keeps you connected. Private bathrooms with bathtubs or showers feature complimentary toiletries and hair dryers. Conveniences include complimentary newspapers and coffee/tea makers, and housekeeping is provided daily.

Amenities

Pamper yourself with onsite massages, body treatments, and facials. You're sure to appreciate the convenience of ski-in/ski-out access at this resort, which also features an outdoor pool and an indoor pool. Additional features at this resort include concierge services, and an arcade/game room.

Dining

Enjoy a meal at a restaurant or in a coffee shop/café. Or stay in and take advantage of the resort's room service (during limited hours). Quench your thirst with your favorite drink at a bar/lounge.

2019 Ski Trip to Chile - August 9th - 16th



I will be taking a survey of those who wish to still take this trip. Several people have dropped out that originally wanted to go because of other commitments. Pricing is also an issue.

In order to get the discounted pricing that I received previously the dates have changed by one week, since I did not ask anyone sign up.

The pricing below is at Puerto del Sol Hotel. Reservations must be made by December 30st 2018 with a 50% deposit. Final Payment must be made by March 30th, 2019.

I have reviewed pricing for roundtrip transfers from Santiago airport to Valle Nevado. We can use Sun transfers. Their rates are reasonable. For 3 people in a private car the cost is \$129.00 per person. The rate for 7 people in a van is \$70.00 per person.

Valle Nevado is also getting me pricing for transfers.

The most economical airfare pricing is to fly from Miami on Latam Airlines. They fly direct from Miami. The flight is about 8 hours. Currently the cost appears to be \$1273.00. This price may come down. Currently Latam is advertising flights as low as \$800 for other times of the year.

You can fly from Savannah to Miami on either Delta or American airlines. Delta is currently \$184.00 by way of Atlanta. American is \$277.00 but is a direct flight.

Delta currently has a flight from Savannah to Santiago for \$1524.00 via Atlanta. The flight times are reasonable.

Room Rates -

01 double north room per 02 people per 07 nights usd \$4064 (price include 25% discount) or \$2034 per person.

01 double south room per 02 people per 07 nights usd \$3770 (price include 25% discount) or \$1885 per person.

To book a 30% deposit is required with the final payment due December 31st, 2018.

Our rates do not include the 19% Value Added Tax (known as IVA); however, guests who are not residents of Chile do not pay IVA if they settle their room bill in dollars or with a dollar credit card. All foreign visitors without Chilean residence must present their international tourist card when checking in.

- . Quote subject to availability and rate valid for 7 days after quote has been sent.
- . Children 0 to 4 years of age stay free if they share a room (bed) with their parents.
- . Pets are not allowed. Smoking is prohibited inside Hotels.

Check-In: 4pm. If the room (or apartment) is available earlier, guests may check in before this time, if not, they may leave your luggage at the front desk and enjoy the mountain until the room is provided at the official time.

Check-Out: 10am. Guests who check out after 10am, will be charged a Late Check-Out fee to the room bill equivalent to one night's stay (rack rate).

*** No pets allowed

Rates Include:

- *Lodging.
- *Half board: Breakfast and Dinner (drinks are not included).
- *Dinner for guests at Hotel Valle Nevado or Puerta del Sol Hotel will be served at La Fourchette, Montebianco, Mirador del Plomo or Restaurt Sur..
- *Unlimited access to ski lifts. Valid until the day before Check-Out. Guests who check out before
- *10am will receive a FREE lift ticket for that day.
- *Two free interconnect tickets to neighboring ski areas per person (one for La Parva and one for El Colorado), valid, for reservations of 7 nights or more.
- *"Apres ski".
- *Welcome Drink only Saturday.
- *Access to outdoor heated pool, Children's daycare (3 to 7 years), Game Room, Pub, Planned activities.
- *Access to Fitness Center.
- *For guests at the Puerta del Sol and Valle Nevado hotels only: One full-body massage per person (basic treatment, 25 minutes), valid for reservations of 7 nights or more. This service is non-transferable, and subject to availability. Only for guests ages 11 and up. Massages available from 10am to 4pm. Reservations must be made before 10am.
- *Wi-Fi in public areas.
- *Free in-room Wi-Fi in Hotel Valle Nevado

Rates Do Not Include:

- *Transfers, drinks and alcoholic beverages, Room Service, Laundry, Medical Clinic, Sauna or massages, Cyber Café, Telephone, Fax, Snow School, Internet Connection, Minibar.
- *Corkage fee for liqueurs and wine in restaurants, bars and common areas.

Cruises for 2019

Caribbean Cruise

January 6th - 16th, 2109

Roundtrip from Fort Lauderdale onboard the Zuiderdam

Final payments have now been made for this cruise. 23 people will be heading south in January to the warmer weather and sunshine as we make our way from Fort Lauderdale and stopping at Half Moon Cay, Aruba, Curacao, Colon Panama and Costa Rica. In addition, we will be going through the Panama Canal and cruising on Lake Gatan

The Zuiderdam has multiple restaurants to choose from as well as newly renovated rooms and entertainment venues with dueling pianos and BB King Blues Band.

Details of this cruise have been sent out and may also be viewed on our website at www.hiltonheadskiclub.com.

11 Day Authentic Cuba:

March 26-April 6, 2019

Roundtrip from Fort Lauderdale aboard the Veendam:

Details of this cruise have been sent out.

This cruise will take us to the following ports of call:

Cozumel Mexico, Belize City, Belize

Mahogany Bay, Roatan, Honduras, Cienfuegos, Cuba, Georgetown, Cayman Islands, Falmouth, Jamaica and Half Moon Cay.

Six of us have signed up for this cruise already.

There is an onboard credit those who have 200 shares of Carnival stock. The credit is available for all the Holland America cruises. The number of travel days determines the size of the credit.

To sign up for any of the cruises please contact Grace Van Brunt at Valerie Wilson Travel 843-341-8911.