



OVER THE HILL GANG

COPPER MOUNTAIN OHG

November 2007

Copper opens on November 2nd - OHG starts on Tuesday, November 13th

Upcoming Activities

- Friday, November 2nd - Copper opens 2007/2008
- Wednesday, November 7th, Classic Residence by Hyatt is hosting a wine and cheese event at Highlands Ranch
- Tuesday, November 13th - OHG hits the slopes
- Saturday, December 8th - Cocktail Party at Frisco Community Center
- Monday, December 31st - Polar Bike Ride
- Saturday, January 12th Social Event
- Saturday, March 8th - Social Event.

THERE'S STILL ROOM FOR THE WHISTLER TRIP

Sunday, January 27, to Sunday, February 3, 2008

- * \$150/person to reserve a spot.
- * \$2300-\$2500/person for roundtrip air to Vancouver, roundtrip bus to Whistler, 7 nights lodging (including taxes) at the Westin Resort in Whistler Village (studio based on double occupancy or 2-bedroom condo based on quad occupancy), 5 apres ski & 3 dinners.
- * \$2100-2300 for 5 nights (1/27 to 2/1). Lift tickets are half price with a Copper season pass.
- * Mark (Sharky) & Roberta Fish will provide both on-mountain guiding & off-mountain assistance if necessary. Call Roberta at 800-874-3170 or 970-241-1822

Kicking off the OHG Winter Social Season with a Cocktail Party - Saturday, December 8th

Mark your calendars for the much awaited **Holiday Cocktail Party**. It will take place at the Frisco Community Center on Saturday, December 8th beginning at **6:30PM** (Note the change in starting time). Last season was the first time we did this event as a cocktail party rather than a dinner and it was a great success. Everyone seemed to enjoy the format as it gave them more of an opportunity to socialize and catch up with members they hadn't seen since spring. New members also had the opportunity to meet other OHG members.

- * Cost is \$8 per person for OHG member and guests
- * Dress is Holiday Cocktail or whatever you want to wear!
- * Last names ending in A - P bring an appetizer
- * Last names ending in Q - Z bring a desert
- * Please be sure **not** to bring food that needs to be heated or defrosted. Your dish should serve 12 people. If a serving utensil is necessary, please supply it. You might want to label your dish and utensil.
- * This is a BYOB event. We will supply glasses (plastic), ice and labels for your bottles. Decaf coffee will also be available with dessert.

Your check, made out to **OHG Social Committee**, should be mailed to:

Marcia Dalton
PO Box 4146
Frisco, CO 80443

If you include your email address with your check we will confirm receipt.

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**CHAIRMAN'S
notes**

There are a lot of benefits to getting older. You can get a discount on practically everything. Lift tickets, airlines tickets, movie tickets, McDonalds coffee, my mechanic and all other sorts of places give me a discount for being a senior. My membership to my health club is now paid by my health insurer. They also give me free entrance to the Silverthorne and Breckenridge rec centers. Practically every hotel/motel gives me a discount for being a member of AARP. If you are 62 or older, the US Park Service sells you a life time entrance to all national parks for just \$10. There are all kinds of good deals for survivors.

We are not subject to some of the current financial problems. I assume most of us do not have a huge variable rate mortgage. We have either paid off our mortgage, owe a little or have an old fixed rate mortgage. People our age are not as likely to be involved with a foreclosure.

I also don't think many of us are speculating in real estate. I would hate to depend on earnings from flipping real estate in Florida, Las Vegas or Phoenix right now. It is good to be old and not in the middle of these things.

Everyone seems to think more highly of you just because you have lived longer

We don't have to be competitive or a super hero. Linda and I were recently in Utah where I was attempting a century ride. It was a terrible weather day and it started to snow on the upper portion. I was cold and wet and decided the heck with it. I turned around and finished the rest of the ride. I was later congratulated upon my wisdom and nobody thought badly of me.

We can spoil our grandchildren and then give them back to their parents. We don't have to get up in the middle of the night to feed a newborn. If you are retired, you don't have to put up with nasty employees or bad bosses. You can spend all day at the library, or volunteer or just sleep. You can appreciate and enjoy friends that you have known for 25 years or more.

Best of all, you can be a member of the Over the Hill Gang. My friend Stew Everard ends his emails with: "There is no shame in growing old as the only alternative is to die young". I say amen to that.

See you on the slopes,

Jerry Chamberlin

Welcome New OHG Board Members

Each member of the OHG Board of Advisors serves a three year term. Joining the board this year are:

- Mary Cavarra is a long-time member. She is retiring as Treasurer for the City of Wheat Ridge following November elections, after which she'll be spending more time in the mountains while retaining her primary Wheat Ridge residence.
- Mike Savage and his wife, Linda, joined OHG 3-4 years ago. Their primary residence is in Greenwood Village, & they have a condo in Frisco. Mike is a dental surgeon at University of Colorado Hospital.
- DeDe Parrett & husband, Donald, moved to Silverthorne from Florida 2+ years ago. She is a retired emergency room physician's assistant.

The latest OHG information is available at www.CopperOHG.com. This includes Activities, Member information and the current and previous newsletters.

Tenth Annual Polar Bear Bike Ride

Hard to believe, but yes, this will be the tenth year of this fun event. Since there is usually no guided skiing and the slopes are crowded anyway, it is a way to get you off your butt and out in the fresh air. This ride happens before the New Year revelry starts and before the football kick-offs.

We meet at the Dillon Town Hall parking lot on Lake Dillon Drive in downtown Dillon at 10:00 AM. Usually the bike path is plowed from Dillon to Swan Mountain Road, but mountain bikes are a must. Those skinny tired bikes just don't do well with the occasional patches of snow and ice. For the same reason (snow and ice), helmets are required. Since the date of this ride is Monday, December 31, 2007 you need to dress warmly with

special protection for all appendages. Depending on conditions, we might be able to ride on the Lowry section of the new bike path.

If you have put away all of your bike equipment, we usually have a group of hikers who participate. They go out for about the same length of time (1.5 hours).

After we have had enough exercise fun, we will reconvene at one of the local pizza establishments for food and adult beverages. The photo is from last year's ride--look at all those happy faces! No fee, no advance sign-up, just show up and have fun. Need more info? Contact Bob Guthrie rtguthrie@comcast.net 970-468-0405



"GET READY FOR WINTER" & OHG ORIENTATION

Classic Residence by Hyatt is hosting this wine and cheese event for our members, prospective OHG members, and Classic Residence active senior-living homeowners. Jerry Chamberlin, 2006-2007 Board Chairman, will present information about OHG. OHG guides will provide tips for pre-season conditioning. Bring a friend and join us for an informative and fun early-evening social.

Date: Wednesday, November 7

Time: 4:00 to 7:00 (OHG information session between 4:30 and 5:00)

Address: 2755 Classic Drive, Highlands Ranch

RSVP: by November 5 to Caroline Harms (CHarms@hyattclassic.com or toll free 866-415-1234)

Directions: From C-470, exit University Blvd southbound; in approximately one mile, turn west on Venneford Ranch Rd; Classic Residence by Hyatt will be on your left.

Special Thanks to our Retiring Board Members

The three retiring Board of Advisor members have served your Over the Hill Gang for three years and dedicated an immeasurable amount of time and energy to the benefit of .OHG. Chuck Armstrong, Doni Mathis and Tom Tate have served with distinction and will be missed in our future meetings. In addition, Susan Rose will be moving out of Summit County and has resigned her position on the Board, her replacement will be appointed at our next Board meeting.



OHG Business League Racing



We need you on the OHG sponsored race team! The OHG Business League race team will be starting a new season which starts in early January. I am always looking for OHGers interested in trying some races other than NASTAR, renewing a past career, or just wanting to learn to carve their turns better. The CM Business League races on ten Thursdays, ending in March.

This is a league of amateur ski racers of all ages and abilities. Rules allow for 8 racers on each team any given day. It is to the teams' advantage to field a full team each week. Because most people cannot commit to the full ten week season, we like to have more than the 8 team members available to race. CM also maintains an Individual category for anyone that doesn't have a team that day. If you like NASTAR racing or want to start racing are perfect candidates for this team. If you raced when you were younger and thought you were now too old (I started racing in this league with zero experience at age 61) you are welcome too. We like anyone with experience or those who want to try something new. There are always competitors others in your age group.

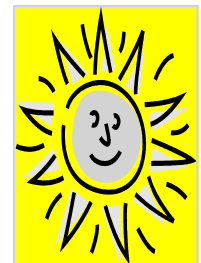
The races are run on Bittersweet in various formats, i.e., Dual GS, FIS GS, Dual Slalom and FIS Slalom. All races except the FIS races (only 1 or 2 out of 10) are over before noon. The NASTAR scoring system is used to level the field for age. At the after race party each race day videos of each race are viewed, and we have fun watching ourselves and others maneuver around the gates while enjoying the after race refreshments. We have a lot of friendly competitions between individuals as well as between teams. Results for the day are tabulated and distributed at the party. Door prizes are also given out each night

In short, racing in the Copper Mountain Business League is a lot of fun and racing can make you a better skier. I hope you will join us this season. For more info or to sign up, contact Tom Tate at (970) 468-2571 or e-mail tate-ski@msn.com. I will add you to our list of racers. I can't give you exact schedules and exact details yet, but will in the next newsletter. Note: e-mail me anytime, but I won't be at the phone # above until after Nov. 10, 2007.

spread some
sunshine

Best wishes to Sandy Franzen and Kelly Posiviata for speedy recoveries

Please let Laura Thomson know of anyone needing to be remembered
303-690-3202 or via email



2007/2008 OHG Information Summary

Our 31st Winter Season begins on Tuesday, November 13! The last day is Sunday, April 6

Meeting Days: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays.

OHG does **not** meet Sunday, December 2 (Guide Training), December 25-January 2 (Holidays)
February 16-17 (President's Weekend)

Times:

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Saturday: Meet in Jack's at 8:30 AM, on snow at 8:50 AM, on lifts at 9 AM.
Sunday: Meet in Jack's at 9:30 AM, on snow at 9:50 AM, on lifts at 10:00 AM.

Where:

We meet in Jack's Slopeside Grill (upstairs on the west end of the Burning Stone Plaza, Center Village) at the base between the American Flyer and Eagle Lifts. When inside Jack's, look for OHG guides, (wearing red and orange jackets with "Over the Hill Gang" on the back), any member with an OHG name tag and OHG members with greeter name tags. We gather on the snow between the Eagle and Flyer lifts in front of Jack's.

Name Tags:

Please wear your nametag on your jacket to help all members and guides know who you are. The annual sticker on your nametag and pass will identify you as a current member. Please contact the OHG Program Coordinator if you need a new nametag. You are representing Copper Mountain owned Over the Hill Gang. Please wear it with pride and a smile!

Parking:

From the Alpine lots (free parking), take the Blue bus to the Center Village.

Lunch:

Time and Location to be determined before the start of the winter season. Typically you lunch with your group – new members, be aware that people look quite different when they take off their headgear! There is no scheduled time or location for lunch on Sunday; it is up to each group.

Après Ski/Ride Socials - Time and Location to be determined before January 2008.

Annual stickers for your nametag and pass will be given out every morning at Jack's between 8:30-8:50am

REMEMBER! If you have purchased a different pass than last year you must pick up a new pass at Guest Services, open everyday from 8:30am-4:30pm

SEASONAL LOCKER RENTALS!!!!!!

This season Copper Mountain is offering its valued Over the Hill Gang members seasonal lockers to store ski and snowboard equipment right at the base of the mountain.

The seasonal lockers are six feet tall and two feet wide can hold a couple pairs of skis or snowboards. Each locker is equipped with shelves to store other equipment and some units even have a boot dryer (Units with a boot dryer are limited and available on a first

come first serve basis)! The seasonal locker room is conveniently located in the Copper One building of the Center Village just below Jack's. It is steps from both the American Eagle and Flyer lifts!

A Seasonal Locker Membership gives you access to the seasonal locker room from October 1, 2007 through May 1, 2008. Dues are \$499 for the season. As a member of the Over the Hill Gang you may purchase your Seasonal Locker Membership at the discounted rate

of \$400.

To reserve your 2007-2008 Seasonal Locker please call Copper Mountain Reservations at (866) 416-9872, or purchase in person at the Copper One Guest Services desk at Copper Mountain.

There are still plenty available, reserve early and have a better choice of locker location and boot dryer availability!

