



# Flatirons Ski Club

An Outdoor Multi Sports and Social Group

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## November 2019

**FSC Ski Club General Meeting at 7:00 p.m.**

**November 7th**

**General Meetings are held @ the Unitarian Universalist Church,  
5001 Pennsylvania Ave, Boulder, CO 80303**



Sunset at Whitehorse CG

### Message From The President

Hello all: I've put together some info on Front Range ski areas. A Basin and Keystone are open and Loveland opens 10/26. The drop-dead best deal in Colorado for lift tickets and passes is Loveland. Until Nov. 24, you can get a fully-transferable, **unrestricted** 4 pack there for \$169. If you are over 70, a full season pass is \$99, available all season long. Among other areas, the pass includes three days at Monarch, Ski Cooper and Ski Granby Ranch. As of 10/21, Copper still had non-transferable, **unrestricted** 4 packs for \$279 and Eldora for \$259, but both could sell out soon. **Opening days at other areas are scheduled to be 11/8 at Copper Mountain and Breck, 11/12 for Winter Park, 11/15 for Vail and Eldora and 12/14 for Ski Granby Ranch.** Regards: Donna

### TOPIC FOR NOV. 7<sup>TH</sup> GENERAL MEETING

"My Life as a Senior Peace Corps Volunteer", being presented by Nicole deLorimier, who served in rural Guatemala for three years. (1993-1996) Nicole will offer a glimpse into her rich and varied experiences of living and working in a Third World Country. Nicole was President of FSC in 1983-84, where she learned the art of communal living, thanks to many FSC ski trips. These skills were again put to use as a PCV!

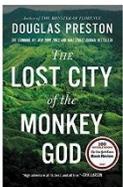
During the 3 months training period in country, she learned Spanish, aspects of her job in "Development of Small Business", as well as the culture. 'It was my responsibility to teach locals about our Culture too'.

It was truly "Life Changing" says she! At the end of her service, she backpacked around South America for several months, because "It was there!" Included in her presentation will be a slideshow and time for Q&A.

### ATTENTION: CROSS-COUNTRY SKIERS AND SNOW-SHOERS!!

There are many suitable trails both locally and on all winter club trips. One idea is to take the bus on Tuesdays to Eldora Mountain. There will be a meeting of interest in organizing ourselves for day trips or club trips at 6:30 pm before both the November and December General Meetings at the Unitarian Church in Boulder. If you can't make those times, please contact Dorothy and provide your name, email, phone number(s) and indicate whether you XCS or snow-shoe. Hope to see you on the trail!

### FSC BOOK CLUB - October 2019



**BOOK:** Lost City of the Monkey God by Douglas Preston

**WHEN:** November 11, Monday, 3:30 PM *NOTE TIME CHANGE*

**WHERE:** Richard's

**DISCUSSION LEADER:** Richard

Since the days of conquistador Hernán Cortés, rumors have circulated about a lost city of immense wealth hidden somewhere in the Honduran interior, called the White City or the Lost City of the Monkey God.

Indigenous tribes speak of ancestors who fled there to escape the Spanish invaders, and they warn that anyone who enters this sacred city will fall ill and die. In 1940, swashbuckling journalist Theodore Morde returned from the rainforest with hundreds of artifacts and an electrifying story of having found the Lost City of the Monkey God-but then committed suicide without revealing its location. Three quarters of a century later, bestselling author Doug Preston joined a team of scientists on a groundbreaking new quest and the finding of a large city site.

**DECEMBER BOOK:** --- Becoming by Michelle Obama

Contact: Richard

## FALL HIKING



Our hiking schedule has changed for fall and winter. We now meet at 8:45 a.m. on Thursdays at the Meadows Shopping Center at Foothills and Baseline. After deciding where to go, we leave promptly at 9:00 a.m. This lot has been full lately. Look for us. We are usually standing by our cars.

Hikes are usually 3 to 6 miles in the colder seasons and we usually stay at lower elevations. Come prepared for all kinds of hiking and weather. Layers are always good. Yak Trax type devices are essential. Bring food, water, good hiking shoes, and whatever you need to have a good hike.

Please call Pat or Sue if you are planning to hike.

### **\*Park City\* February 11-15, 2020 3 spots left**

**LODGING:** Park City Peaks Hotel

**INFO:** The hotel is in Park City approximately 40 min from SLC airport and 8 hours from Boulder.

**PRICE:** \$470 per person for lodging- add on group airfare: Southwest \$187 (1 ticket left), ground transfer (TBD)

**INCLUDES:**

- 4 nights lodging (for a studio with 2 queen beds \ per room)
- No lift tickets – use your IKON pass at Deer Valley (30 min from PC), Solitude and Snowbird (40 min from PC), Brighton and Alta (50 min from PC), and the EPIC pass at Park City
- Welcome Party, light snacks and complimentary drink
- Hot breakfast each morning including bacon, sausage, eggs, waffles, fruit, yogurt
- Bus to ski areas and local bus to downtown Main St., restaurants on hotel property
- Small in-room fridge, microwave in common area
- Hot tub, steam room, sauna, indoor/outdoor pool, fitness room



**CONTACT:** Sandy

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### **SNOW MOUNTAIN RANCH (YMCA OF THE ROCKIES)**

**SMR 1: January 6 – 9, 2020**

**SMR 2: Second Trip: February 3 – 6, 2020**

The accommodations include large cabins, which sleep approximately 15 people. The trip fee includes use of the YMCA facilities, meals, and lodging. Snow Mountain Ranch offers cross country skiing, snow shoeing, swimming, roller skating, arts & crafts, and many other activities. Trip attendees prepare the group meals at the cabins, and food is available to take for lunch. Last year attendees had the option of playing board games in the evenings. For additional information, contact Beth.

### **STEAMBOAT SKI TRIP**

January 14,15,16 returning on 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

THINK SNOW!!

Contact: Carol

### **Utah and Aspen trip in 2020.**

Park City, Utah Feb 11-15

Aspen Mar 2-5 or 2-6

Contact: Sandy

### **Wolf Creek Ski Trip: February 26-28**

15 Flatirons members have already

reserved their place on our annual ski trip to the ski resort with the most snow in Colorado and no significant lift lines. Flatirons has reserved eight two bed rooms at the Spruce Lodge in South Fork, CO. There is still room for one additional male. (or female with low moral standards) Do not miss your chance to join this great ski trip.

Mail your \$30 deposit Flatirons check to Stewart



## Leadville Ski Trip – Leader, Elise

**February 18<sup>th</sup> -- 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020**



This year's Leadville visit will be a **different adventure** as we will not be staying at the Leadville Hostel. We have reservations at the **Columbine Hotel and Suites**. Some of us visited the hotel on a bike trip and found it very pleasant with lovely double rooms with 2 queen beds in each, plus bathrooms, of course. There is a spacious breakfast room serving continental

breakfast, which we may use for our hors d'oeuvres and get together in the evenings and also a basement room where we can store our skis. We will again look forward to skiing at Ski Cooper, a local reasonably priced ski area which generally has great snow and small crowds. If you are over 70 and buy a Loveland season pass for \$90 you may ski 3 days at Cooper FREE. Otherwise there are discounts for over 60, over 70 and over 80 is free. Some members enjoy travelling the short distance to Copper Mountain or skiing there on the way.



We stay the nights of Tuesday and Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, leaving on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Monday would have worked out better but it is President's Day and will be somewhat crowded. Those who may wish to join the Fraser trip on the 21<sup>st</sup> may consider driving directly to Fraser and staying the night somewhere closer to Granby.



The price for 2 nights is \$135 and a \$25 deposit is due at sign up.

### 2020 Flatirons Ski Trip Calendar\*

Dates	Destination	Lodging	Spaces Available	Nights	Lift Tix	COST per Person	Deposit	Balance Due	Trip Leaders
Jan 6-9	Granby, CO	Snow Mtn. Ranch #1	14	3	Misc.	\$165.00	\$25.00	Nov. 7	Beth
Jan 14-17	Steamboat, CO	Steamboat Mtn. Lodge	38	3	IKON	\$200.00	\$75.00	Dec. 5	Carol
Jan 24-27	Crested Butte, CO	Cristiana Guesthaus	24	3	EPIC	\$310.00	\$50.00	Dec. 5	Linda & Chris
Jan 29-31	Snowy Range, WY	Old Corral Hotel	16	2	\$49 +70 free	\$100.00	\$30.00	Dec. 5	Stew
Feb 3-6	Granby, CO	Snow Mtn. Ranch #2	28	3	Misc.	\$165.00	\$25.00	Dec. 5	Beth
Feb 11-15	Park City, UT	Park City Peaks Hotel	24	4	IKON EPIC	\$470.00	\$75.00	Jan. 2	Sandy
Feb 18-20	Leadville, CO	Columbine Inn	20	2	Misc.	\$135.00	\$25.00	Jan. 2	Elise
Feb 21-24	Fraser, CO	Fraser House	18	3	Misc.	\$140.00	\$25.00	Jan. 2	L. & C., Brenda
Feb. 26-28	Wolf Creek, CO	Spruce Lodge	16	2	65-79 \$43	\$95.00	\$30.00	Feb. 7	Stew
Mar 2-5 or 2-6	Aspen, CO	Element Hotel, Basalt	36	3 or 4	IKON	\$335 3n \$445 4n	\$75 3n \$100 4n	Feb. 7	Sandy
Dec – Apr	Mid-Week Skiing Mon & Thurs.				EPIC or IKON depends on ski area				Arlene, Mondays & Rich, Thursdays

## 2019/2020 FLATIRON SKI CLUB / MID WEEK SKI SCHEDULE

Join us for a day of pleasurable skiing without crowds and lift lines.

We meet at Marshall Road in Boulder at 7:30 am unless noted below. Please contact the trip leader as described below:

### MONDAY/TUESDAY

Arlene

### THURSDAY

Rich

(Please contact Arlene to be put on the Monday skiers email distribution list)

Dec 2 - Breckenridge	\$10*		Dec 5- Copper	\$10
Dec 9 – Keystone	\$10		Dec 12- WP/MJ	\$10
Dec 16 – Breckenridge	\$10		Dec 19- A Basin	\$10
Jan 6 – Keystone	\$10		Jan 2- Eldora	\$5
Jan 13 – Vail/BC ** 7 am	\$15		Jan 9- WP/MJ	\$10
Jan 21- Breckenridge (Tues)	\$10		Jan 16- Copper	\$10
Jan 27 - Keystone	\$10		Jan 23-WP/MJ	\$10
			Jan 30- Copper	\$10
Feb 3- Breckenridge	\$10		Feb 6- Eldora	\$5
Feb 10 – Vail/BC** 7 am	\$15		Feb 13- WP/MJ	\$10
Feb 18– Keystone (TUES)	\$10		Feb 20- Copper	\$10
Feb 24- Breckenridge	\$10		Feb 27- WP/MJ	\$10
March 2 – Keystone	\$10		March 5- Eldora	\$5
March 9- Vail/BC** 7:30 am	\$15		March 12- Copper	\$10
March 16 – Breckenridge 8:30	\$10		March 19- WP/MJ	\$10
March 23 – Keystone 8:30	\$10		March 26- A Basin	\$10
March 30- Breckenridge 8:30	\$10			
April 6- Keystone 8:30	\$10		April 2-Copper	\$10
April 13- Breckenridge 8:30	\$10		April 9- WP/MJ	\$10
			April 16- A Basin	\$10

\* CARPOOL FEE PER PERSON (CASH)

\*\* ADDITIONAL PARKING FEE (CASH)

**Locations are subject to change based on weather/snow conditions. A different ski area may be chosen if the entire group agrees. Occasionally, Arlene and Rich may need an alternate leader when they are away on ski trips. This information will be in the monthly newsletter.**



### WINTER Skiing in CRESTED BUTTE

**3 Nights Lodging - CRISTIANA GUESTHAUS: Jan. 24th, 25th & 26th (leaving Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> AM)**

If you are looking to cross country ski this winter, Crested Butte is the place for you. Crested Butte is a cross country skier's dream, with miles of groomed trails in town and many others in the vicinity. For the downhill skiers, Crested Butte Mountain Resort (Mount Crested Butte) specializes in intermediate terrain but includes plentiful expert and easy terrain, as well. Please join us for a great weekend in a great lodging and ski town. We will be staying in Crested Butte town at the Cristiana Guesthaus for 3 nights **January 24, 25, & 26** with check out on Monday the **27th**.

The trip cost includes an ample continental breakfast with homemade breakfast breads, fruit, yogurt, juices, oatmeal, granola, muesli and HB eggs each morning. Lunches and dinners are on your own. There are no cross-country trail passes or downhill lift tickets included as part of the trip. The Nordic Center day pass is free for those over 70 and reduced for those 65-69. The Epic Pass for downhill skiers now includes Mt. Crested Butte. If you do not have that pass, you can still come – there are online discounts through Mt. Crested Butte so you will not have to pay the full ticket window price if you don't have the Epic. Your non-refundable \$50 deposit per person is due now. Total trip cost is \$310 per person. Final payment of \$260.00 is due on December 5th either at the meeting or by mail. Both deposit and final payment checks must be made out to the Flatirons Ski Club. **Please call or e-mail Linda or Chris with questions.**

Oct. 25, 2019



## FRASER SKI TRIP

**3 Nights Lodging at the Fraser House: Feb. 21<sup>nd</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> (leaving Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>)**



There is no better experience than spending the weekend in the cozy home atmosphere of the Fraser House with good friends and great food. The Fraser Valley has an unparalleled variety of downhill and cross-country skiing opportunities close by. This trip is the perfect way to experience Winter Park/Mary Jane, Devil's Thumb Ranch, Grand Lake Nordic Center, or Snow Mountain Ranch, as well as many others, at the best time of the season. Trip cost is \$140.00 per person. Lodging is shared rooms and bunks. If nothing else, come for Brenda's signature salmon with tarragon sauce – it is not to be missed! Nonrefundable \$25.00 per person deposit is due now. Final payment of \$115.00 is due on January 2<sup>nd</sup> either at the meeting or by mail. Both deposit and final payment checks must be made out to the Flatirons Ski Club. **Please call or e-mail Linda or Chris with questions.**

### ATTENTION 2020 SKI TRIP PARTICIPANTS

Thank you to everyone who participated in the October sign-up meeting for Flatirons' ski trips this coming ski season. The modified sign-up process of members using *envelopes* for our individual ski trips seems to have worked well. We may be tweaking a few things next year, but, in general, we will keep to the same process.

Please know that you will be receiving an email soon from the trip leader for the trip(s) you have signed up for to verify that you are on the participation roster for that trip. Trip leaders will also be sharing with you the names of other trip participants. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact a trip leader, or me. Here's to a fabulous, snow and fun-filled ski season! Donna, Downhill Chair.



## CELEBRATE AT THIS YEAR'S HOLIDAY PARTY

**FRIDAY, DEC 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Arrive at 5:30p.m. for hors-doevres**

**Location – Unity Church of Boulder (Corner of Valmont and Folsom)**

Please bring wine if you would like. A dinner of ham and turkey with mashed potatoes, two vegetables, stuffing and gravy, followed by delicious pies and ice cream will follow.

We look forward to seeing new members as this is a wonderful opportunity to meet fellow members and enjoy the very friendly atmosphere shared by this club. **Sign up will begin at the General Club Meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup>.** Space may be limited as a result of seating space, so please sign up at the meeting or soon afterwards. **The charge for this event is \$10 per person so please bring a check with you made out to the Flatirons Ski Club.**

Each year we have asked for **5 volunteers to cook a turkey and 3 to cook hams.** These volunteers do not pay the \$10 and are much appreciated by all of us. If you are willing to volunteer please let me know. The club, of course reimburses you for the purchase of the turkey or ham. **Contact:** Elise

### COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES

**1500 Illinois St., Golden, CO 80401**

**303-273-3000 / 800-446-9488**

#### INTERESTED IN A GUIDED TOUR?

We need a **minimum of 10 people** to schedule our own tour. It would be \$6 or less per person.

Tour times begin at 10:00AM with the last available tour time at 3:00PM.

I suggest Nov 12, 13, 14 at 11 am or Nov 19, 20 at 11 am. Other suggestions are welcome. **Please email Sandy if you are interested and available the dates listed by Nov 1. I can't reserve until we get 10 people.**

Tours must be **booked and confirmed** by Museum Staff at least **one week in advance!**

#### MUSEUM GUIDED TOURS

- 45 minutes long, \$30 per tour, one tour guide, Earth Science topics can be customized

#### [BOB WEIMER GEOLOGY TRAIL](#)

- 45 minutes long, \$30 per tour, one tour guide, outdoor, guided walking tour, covers local geology, printed, self-guided brochures at the front desk, for more information about the trail, click [here](#)

## FSC GENERAL POLICIES

FSC Board approved 08-15-2019

Sign-up Procedures: FSC doesn't intend to profit from activities, but usually charges a fee to cover costs.

- 1.1 The deposit holds your spot on the activity. Deposits in general are non-refundable.
- 1.2 When an activity is full, sign up on the Wait List. Cancellations often occur.
- 1.3 If you must cancel, notify the Leader promptly so a replacement person can be found.
- 1.4 To replace a cancelling person, you must reimburse him/her for fees paid.
- 1.5 Pay your balance by the Due Date, or the Leader will replace you from the Wait List.
- 1.6 Pay separately for each activity, noting the activity name and date with the payment.
- 1.7 Make payments out to "**Flatirons Ski Club**" and give them to the Activity Leader.
- 1.8 Communicate any issues promptly to the activity leader.

Capability. When a person's capability is inadequate for the activity, it negatively impacts other participants.

- 2.1 For the group's safe enjoyment of a given activity, members and guests must participate only in those group activities (skiing, hiking etc.) that are well within their current endurance, ability and skill so as not to cause an incident.
- 2.2 An incident is defined as any accident or adverse disruption to the safety of the planned group activity, an increase in the group's time or cost to accomplish the planned activity, or undue imposition on the group or outside parties.
- 2.3 Recognizing that mistakes can occur and accidents can happen, repeated incidents caused by a participant's lack of capability may disqualify that member from group activities, and may result in use of FSC's Grievance procedure.

Guidelines for Conduct

- 3.1 During the activity, the Leader's decision on member participation is final.
- 3.2 Participants should be provided a list of contact information of all participants, when possible, being aware that mobile devices might not be in service in remote areas.
- 3.3 Group activities should be done with two people minimum in the case of rescue patrolled areas, and with four persons minimum in other cases (so one person can stay with the victim and two people can go together for help).
- 3.4 If a group member becomes incapacitated, the group must care for him/her because participation in the activity implies agreement to help out in case of trouble.
- 3.5 A group must not split up unless there is a clear plan for a regroup place and time.
- 3.6 Turn-around times should be determined so that return can be accomplished in a timely manner.
- 3.7 In case of separation, wait at the first fork in the trail or the base of the agreed ski lift.
- 3.8 Voluntary solo-diversion from the group is strongly discouraged, effectively removes the person from the activity, and relieves the group from responsibility.
- 3.9 Carrying communication devices (e.g., cell phones and walkie talkies) are strongly encouraged for all members.

Board Members			
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Newsletter	LeAnn		
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## November Board Meeting

**Date:** Nov. 14th  
**Potluck 6:30, Mtg. 7:15**  
**Location: Stew's**

November 2019						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 4 pm FAC	2
3 Daylight Savings Time ends	4	5	6	7 General Meeting Thur. Hike 8:45am	8 4pm FAC	9
10	11 Veterans Day Book Club 3:30	12	13	14 Thur. Hike 8:45	15 4pm FAC	16
17	18	19	20	21 Thur. Hike 8:45	22 4pm FAC	23
24	25	26	27	28 THANKSGIVING	29	30

Friday Afternoon Club usually meets at Rincon Del Sol

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