



President's Letter 2024-2025

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The 2024-2025 season is here, all we need is snow and cooler temperatures. Some areas out west are looking powdered with snow. It won't be long. It has been a hectic spring and summer with all the tornados and storms and dealing with all the clean-up. I am looking forward to skiing and relaxing in the hot tubs. We have also had to deal with the loss of our dear friends and longtime members of the ski club: Steve Grunberg, Ruth Rahn and Jim Arbuckle. May they rest in peace. They will be missed!

This season, we chose to use the EPIC Pass since FSA was at Telluride and lift ticket prices were almost as much as an EPIC Pass. Teri has some great trips planned for us, visiting resorts that we haven't be to for a long time. I hope you enjoy this season!

First, we begin our season at Keystone Resort in December for some early season skiing. We will stay at the Evergreen condos and shuttle to the resort. This will be a great trip, with lunch on the mountain and a welcome reception. You can also visit nearby Breckenridge for a day if you wish. In January, we join up with the Flatland Ski Association (FSA) for a week-long trip to Telluride. We are staying in cabins and condos at the beautiful Mountain Lodge, only steps to the slopes and a lovely hot tub for après ski time. In addition, we can see our friends, have friendly races and enjoy a nice banquet during this trip. Teri has a couple other dinners for us to enjoy together in the cabin. Following this trip, we travel to Crested Butte CO. We haven't been there since 2015. Ten years is too long. We got great pricing for our 5 night stay at the Three Season's Condos. March takes us to Park City UT for a week-long trip to Park City/Canyons Resort. We are staying at the Park Avenue Condos which have been newly renovated. The huge hot tub remains the same. It has been a few years since we skied here. The last time we stayed at the Park Avenue condos, they were very retro 70 style. It will be fun to see what has changed. We will try to schedule a day trip to Snow Creek when we have sufficient snowfall in the Midwest. We will announce this via email a week or two in advance. We can carpool to Weston MO, just northwest of Kansas City for the day.

We have the trips planned; now all we need is YOU! It is a bit different this year working with Vail Resorts. The trips need to have 20 people to get the group lodging rates. Let's work to recruit friends and family members to fill these trips. The club offers our members \$25 trip vouchers for every new member you recruit! Let's fill these trips!

I want to welcome our new and renewing members. We hope to see you at our social gatherings and on our trips! We continue to have an Omaha Ski Club because of people like you. It is all about the members!

Our Board Members are amazing! Pebbles Forster has done a great job planning our social events. We have had a good turnout for them. Everyone is welcome to join us. Ben Novograd sees to it that we get a newsletter monthly and keeps our website current with events, as well as posting photos of events and trips, sometimes a daunting task knowing how many pictures Teri can take! Mark Johnson tracks all the checks going out and coming in for trips and membership. Teri Hammon works many hours planning trips for you to enjoy. And I, Phil Bintz, preside over the Board as President. Thank you everyone for all that you do to keep this club running smoothly.

I will close by saying, "Thank You!" to all of our members, reciprocal clubs and Board Members who keep the Omaha Ski Club alive and going strong. Get out and meet your fellow skiers at one of our future events. All of these can be found at omahaskiclub.com. Enjoy the ski season!

Cheers to the 2024-2025 Season!
Let it Snow!

