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# NEWSLETTER

## A BIG THANKS TO LARRY CARLSON

A big vote of thanks to Larry Carlson who created and managed our website for many, many years. Larry has retired from this thankless job and the whole gang wishes him well.

## WEBSITE and MEMBERS DIRECTORY

Welcome to our updated website at <http://www.ssothg.org>. You will find all of our events by clicking on the 'CALENDAR' tab.

To access the PDF version of the OTHG Directory, click on the 'Members Only' tab. Once there, you must 'Sign Up' by typing in your email address and entering a password that you make up. (This is to ensure that the OTHG Directory is not available to the public.) Then click on 'Go'. The webmaster will verify that you are a member of the OTHG and send you an email approving your log-in information. After that, you will be able to log-in any time you want. You will also be able to

## AUGUST 11 CELEBRATION OF LIFE

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**ELIZABETH BRACKETT**  
**THE RANCH 4:00 - 6:00 PM**



## THURSDAY AUGUST 16, 2018 DRINKS AND NIBBLES



download the Directory and  
keep it on your desktop.

## FACEBOOK

### Social Media

We now have a Facebook page!  
For those of you who are  
interested, log into Facebook  
and search 'SSOTHG -  
Steamboat Springs Over The  
Hill Gang' Then 'like' this group  
by clicking on the icon that says  
'like' and shows a thumbs up  
icon. This is a PUBLIC group,  
meaning anyone can see all the  
posts.

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## CALENDAR

**AUGUST 11**  
**CELEBRATION OF**  
**LIFE FOR**  
**ELIZABETH**  
**BRACKETT**  
**4:00 - 6:00 pm**  
**THE RANCH**

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**AUGUST 16**  
**DRINKS & NIBBLES**  
**BOTANIC**  
**GARDENS**  
**TRILLIUM HOUSE**  
**4:30 - 6:30 pm**

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**SEPTEMBER 1**  
**CRANE FESTIVAL**  
**CARPENTER**  
**RANCH**  
**4:30 - 8:45 pm**

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**HAPPY HOUR**  
**EVERY TUESDAY**  
**4-6PM**  
**AURUM**

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**WELCOME**  
**NEW MEMBERS**

Alan Clemens



## BOTANIC GARDEN'S TRILLIUM HOUSE

**4:30-6:30pm**

**MEMBERS ONLY**

**BEVERAGES – BYOB**

**Bring some “finger food,” appetizers or hor d’oeuvres to share**

**PARKING IS NEXT TO THE SOCCER FIELDS**

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**AUGUST 29**  
**OTHG BOOK CLUB**  
**6:30 - 8:30 pm**

Our August book will be *Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall. The discussion will  
take place at the home of Cindy Kinnear on August 29 6:30 - 8:30. We  
have 12 free copies of the book at the library for you to borrow.  
If you have any questions, check out the 'Book Club' page  
<https://www.ssothg.org/book-club> under the 'Activities' tab on our  
website. You can also contact Karen Whitney at [bookclub@ssothg.org](mailto:bookclub@ssothg.org)  
for further information.

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**TUESDAY, AUGUST 14**  
**2ND OTHG GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
**HAYMAKER GOLF COURSE**  
**9:00 am**

The second Over the Hill Gang Golf Tournament for 2018 will be held  
on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 beginning at 9 am at the Haymaker Golf  
Course.

- This will be a four-person team best-ball event.
- Cost is \$20 per person, which goes to pay the prizes and does not include green fees or cart.
- Men will tee off from the white tees and women from the blue tees. Strokes will be awarded depending on each players handicap or average score, and the two lowest net scores will go towards the team score for the hole.
- There will be a prize for closest to the pin on #12 and there will be drawings after play for numerous other prizes.
- You do NOT need to be a member of the Over the Hill Gang to play.
- The field is limited to 20 players, so let Steve Richheimer know as soon as you can if you want to play. Email him at [richheimer@zirkel.us](mailto:richheimer@zirkel.us) and please include your USGA handicap, or if you do not have a handicap include an estimate of your average 18-hole score at Haymaker so he can assign your strokes properly. In the first tournament held July 17 there were five teams of four golfers. The team of Bob and Kim Chiampa, David Marshall, and Bill

Allison Doglio  
 Art and Sandy Dye  
 Dan and Barbara Sheehan  
 Louie Pablon  
 Mary Davis  
 Charlotte and Mitch Zimmerman  
 Linda Knox

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## OFFICERS

**President** - Roxie Miles  
**Vice President** - Cindy Kinnear  
**Membership** - Barbara Swissler  
**Treasurer** - Beverly Hayes  
**Social Events** - Louise Wu  
**Communications** - Jan Dring  
**Community Contributions** -  
 OPEN  
**Public Relations** - Frank  
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## ACTIVITIES & LEADERS

**Adopt-a-Highway**  
 Karen Pharris  
**Biking - Mellow Road**  
 Jack Ferguson  
**Biking -Road**  
 Steve Hayes  
**Book Club**  
 Karen Whitney  
**Gravel Road Biking**  
 Dave Kinnear  
**Book Club**  
 Karen Whitney  
**Botanic Garden**  
 Emily Seaver  
**Fly Fishing**  
 Paul Inglefield  
**Golf**  
 Steve Richheimer  
**Hiking**  
 Lisa Kirkland  
**Pickleball**  
 OPEN  
**Sailing**  
 Mike Shuttleworth  
**Senior Housing**  
 Bill Dring  
**Snowshoeing**  
 OPEN  
**X-Country Skiing**  
 OPEN

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**PLEASE WELCOME  
 NEW MEMBERS**

Hinder won this this scramble format tournament with a score of 67 or 5 under par. Coming in second was the team of Nancy Ahitow, Tom Kelly, John Morrison and Tom Shelton with a score of 68, and Paul Goldstein won the prize for closest to the pin on hole #7.

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## **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**



## **OTHG & THE YAMPA VALLEY CRANE FESTIVAL**

**4:30 - 8:45 pm**

**CARPENTER RANCH ON RT. 40 NEAR THE AIRPORT**

**Shuttle from Steamboat (\$10 pp) optional**

**Picnic By Sharon, the Stay-at-Home Chef (\$16 pp) or BYO picnic**

**For reservations see below**

Picnic dinner, talk, and guided crane viewing or nature walk. Dinner will be held at The Nature Conservancy's Historic Carpenter Ranch in Hayden. You are welcome to come for all or part of the event and can provide your own transportation (carpooling is highly recommended) or register for a seat on the shuttles. Following the dinner and talk, those who have come on the shuttles will participate in the guided crane viewing. A nature walk will be offered by Ted Floyd and Betsy Blakeslee for those who have come on their own. No private vehicles will be allowed to follow the shuttles to the crane viewing site.

- 4:30 p.m. Shuttles depart Stockbridge Transit Center (\$10). You must register for the shuttles (see below).
- 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. Enjoy a delicious dinner prepared by Sharon, the Stay-at-Home Chef (\$16) or bring your own picnic dinner. Complimentary water and soft drinks will be provided to all attendees.
- 6:00– 6:45 p.m. Presentation by Ted Floyd, editor of *Birding* magazine and author of *ABA Field Guide to Birds of Colorado*
- 6:45 p.m. Shuttles leaves the Carpenter Ranch for guided crane viewing with crane expert, Paul Tebbel. A guided nature walk will take place on the Carpenter Ranch for those who have provided their own transportation to the event.
- 8:45 p.m. (approx.) Shuttles arrive back at the Stockbridge Transit Center or The Lodge at Steamboat.

### **RESERVATIONS**

<https://coloradocranes.org/2018-festival/registration/> In the box on the right of the page called "Festival Events" click on Saturday's events and then at the bottom click on Evening Shuttle and/or BBQ dinner and book and pay for the event.

\*The OTHG group will be part of a larger group attending the Festival. For the complete festival schedule go to <https://coloradocranes.org/2018-festival/2018-detailed-schedule/>

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## **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 LABOR DAY PICNIC/POTLUCK MARABOU LODGE**

**5:30PM - 7:30PM**



**Bring a dish to share**

**paper goods, cups, silverware, etc will be provided**

**Directions:** At the intersection of US 40 and Rt. 120 (Elk River Road)

Alan Clemens  
 Allison Doglio  
 Art and Sandy Dye  
 Dan and Barbara Sheehan  
 Louie Pablon  
 Mary Davis  
 Charlotte and Mitch Zimmerman



Happy Hour at Aurum's Deck



Road Biking Group



Gravel Biking Group



Biking group spots a rattlesnake

**Directions:** At the intersection of US 40 and Rt. 129 (Elk River Road), go WEST on US 40 and then NORTH on CR 42 to the MAIN ENTRANCE of Marabou. (You will pass the back gate first -- keep going). The address of the main entrance is 41255 Marabou Loop, if using GPS. Turn into the main entrance and continue on Marabou Loop to Riverkeeper Drive. Turn LEFT on Riverkeeper and go down past the barn to the main lodge. There will be EXTREMELY LIMITED parking so please carpool! Call Karen Whitney at 443-695-5215 if you get lost.

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## SUMMER HIKING

Hikes will be leaving from Safeway at 8:00 a.m. weather permitting.

As in the past, we will be starting out slowly and increasing in length and difficulty as the summer progresses. Full hike descriptions can be found in Hiking the Boat II by Diane White-Crane.

For a complete up-to-date summer hiking schedule go to <http://www.ssothg.org/events> and click on Calendar and then click on item within the calendar.

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## OTHG'S GARDEN AT THE BOTANIC GARDENS

Work times: Wednesdays 9-12PM



OTHG'S a Garden for All Seasons

Thanks to Emily Seaver who is regularly overseeing our garden "A Garden for All Seasons" at the Botanic Park. There have been a few volunteers to help her out, but we really need more. Please consider helping out on Wednesdays 9-12. Meet at the shed (directly on your right as you enter from the soccer fields) at 9:00am, or at our garden if you arrive later.

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## GRAVEL ROAD BIKING

8:00 am

River Creek Park at Walton Rd

Dave Kinnear is leading a Friday group ride on area gravel roads. These rides are for people who would like to ride their mountain bikes or gravel bikes and prefer not to tackle single-track trails. This is a great way to experience some of the beautiful vistas of Routt County from the saddle of your bike! The group will ride 10-20 miles or so during each outing and no one will be dropped. A typical ride might be a loop around Stagecoach Lake, a beautiful out and back route on County Road 25 from Oak Creek or an exploration of the roads near Sleeping Giant.

The gravel road rides occur on Friday mornings. During August we will meet at River Creek Park, at the corner of Lincoln Avenue and Walton Road at 8:00 am. Weather permitting.



(see below)



Mary O'Brien leading Medicinal/Herb Hike



OTHG working at Botanic Park



Karen Whitney working at OTHG Garden

Creek Road at 8:00 a.m., weather permitting.

For the ride schedule and updates, see <https://www.ssothg.org/gravel-road-biking>. If you have any questions, please send an email to: [bikedirt@ssothg.com](mailto:bikedirt@ssothg.com)

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## ROAD BIKING

### 8:00 AM River Creek Park on Walton Rd

The Steamboat Springs Over the Hill Gang includes a number of people who ride road bikes for fun and exercise. We would love to have other cyclists join us. We meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays, weather permitting, at River Creek Park, Walton Creek Road and Lincoln Avenue. Look for the people in the brightly colored cycling clothes! At least two groups of cyclists will go out each Tuesday and Thursday: A faster group and a more leisurely group. The slower group will not leave anyone behind, so there is no need to be intimidated! The riders will decide on the distance for the day, which may range from about 10 to 45 miles. For the ride schedule and updates, see <https://www.ssothg.org/road-biking>. If you have any questions, please send an email to: [bikeslow@ssothg.org](mailto:bikeslow@ssothg.org)

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## \*\*\*Members, please read!\*\*\*

### SURVEY RESULTS

OTHG Leadership Response to the 2018 Survey Results

Please click on this link:

[https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/1a84c7\\_e0552dbe491e4f72b0802c1fb950102b.pdf](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/1a84c7_e0552dbe491e4f72b0802c1fb950102b.pdf) to access to this document which provides you information on the Over the Hill Gang's past, present, and future visions.

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## CROATIA AND DALMATION COAST

### Bike Trip

October 6-11, 2019

Dubrovnik, Korčula, Hvar and Split

Some of the OTHG members have signed up for a Croatia & Dalmatian bike trip Oct. 6-11, 2019 through Trek Travel. There is still space available for more people to participate in this bike trip during these dates. Right now a group of 8 people has signed up and will receive the early price of \$4399. You, also, will receive this rate if you sign up by Aug. 3rd. (This price will rise as the travel dates get closer.) Trek is holding spaces until August 3rd for any of you who wish to join. Also, if we get more people to sign up for this trip, everyone would benefit from an additional discount of 5-10%. Please click the following link to get a detailed itinerary from TrekTravel. <https://trektravel.com/trip/croatia-dalmatian-coast-bike-tour/>

Any further questions can be answered by Jack Ferguson at [bikeslow@ssothg.org](mailto:bikeslow@ssothg.org). Come join the group !

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## PICKLEBALL

We are looking for a pickleball leader for the OTHG. In the meantime, here is the link to those of you who have expressed interest in learning

or participating in this sport. .

<https://www.sspa.club/events--clinics--tournaments.html>

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## **Activity and Board positions open**

### **-Please consider-**

The following is a list and a brief description of the open positions with the Over The Hill Gang. These are volunteer positions.

Please consider taking a role and helping out the Gang. Contact Cindy at [vp@ssothg.org](mailto:vp@ssothg.org) if you have any questions and/or you are ready to volunteer for one of the following openings.

**Community contributions** - involved in communicating and coordinating with the organizations we donate money to.

**Public Relations (PR)** - Publicizing the OTHG activities throughout the community

**Pickleball organizer**

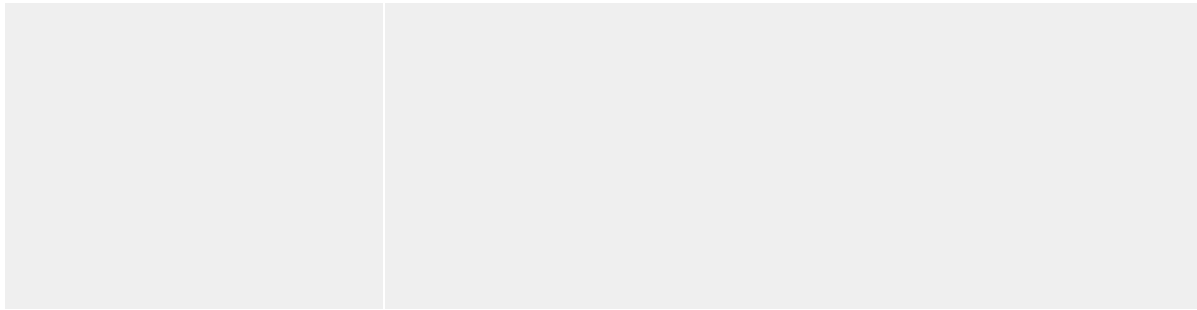
**Snowshoeing organizer / co-organizer**

**Cross country skiing organizer**

## **PHOTO GALLERY**

If you have any photos of the “gang” or gang activities you would like to share please email them to [janet.dring@gmail.com](mailto:janet.dring@gmail.com)

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