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*from Diamond Peak's General Manager...*

I'm honored and excited to be celebrating Diamond Peak's 50th Anniversary as the new General Manager of the Diamond Peak Ski Resort. I began working for Diamond Peak (formerly known as Ski Incline) in 1984 as a Parking Lot Attendant and Base Operations Employee. I worked my way up the ranks in almost every area of operations, and ultimately was promoted to the Mountain Manager position which I held just prior to this promotion. I've watched this mountain transform with new trails, upper mountain expansion, advanced snowmaking systems, lift technology, equipment technology, and even new ways of enjoying the slopes, including snowboarding.



We've always had a great group of employees through the years. I was always inspired by some of the longtime employees such as Jurgen Wetzstein, Jim Bradshaw, Ruth Marty, Bee Ferrato, to name a few. They were positive, engaging, and had a passion for their work. I have learned great lessons from co-workers and managers throughout the years and look forward to enhancing and promoting our workforce in the future.

And we can't forget about our community members. From Parking Lot Attendant to General Manager, it's been a pleasure working for the IV/CB community. Having been here for over 32 years, you become friends, or even family with many of our 'regulars.' The patrons make the mountain what it is. We owe it to our community for the great family atmosphere and support year after year. It's fun watching a child learn how to ski for the first time, race on the ski team, and even join our team as a young teenager.

I'd also like to give a shout out to those other IVGID departments who help to make the ski season possible: Human Resources for hiring our great crew, Public Works for providing water for our snowmaking, Safety Team, Finance & Accounting, and the Administration.

In anticipation of the 50th anniversary, we have been brainstorming, collaborating, and planning the upcoming ski season's activities and events for the past several years. We have a variety of historic films and speaker series to highlight the history of skiing and snowboarding in the Lake Tahoe region. We will have our usual popular events such as 55+ Ski Clinic Series, Tahoe Mountain Sports Nachtspektakel, 8th Annual Ullr Fest, Last Tracks Wine/Beer Tastings, Uphill/Downhill Dash, and of course, the ever popular Annual Dummy Downhill, celebrating 17 years of family fun.

We have more options than ever for people to enjoy our mountain with passes/tickets such as: Kids 6 & under (and 80+) ski free! BYOP (Bring Your Other Pass); Special 50th Anniversary Flex Pass; Interchangeable Parent's Pass; Local's Lunch ticket; Beginner Lift Ticket; Learn to Ski/Ride ticket; Free Birthday Ticket; and of course, Firefighters, Police, and Military discounts are always offered.

Whether you are new to Incline Village/Crystal Bay, or a long-time *Ski Incline* Season Pass Holder, we welcome you to enjoy all that we have to offer this winter.

*Sincerely,*

*Mike Bandelin*

Mike Bandelin  
General Manager, Diamond Peak Ski Resort

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# DIAMOND PEAK SKI RESORT

## Diamond Peak Ski Resort

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Diamond Peak Ski Resort is North Lake Tahoe's hidden gem. Located in Incline Village, the affordable, family friendly resort offers breathtaking views of Lake Tahoe, a summit elevation of 8,540 feet and a 1,840 foot vertical drop. Skiers and snowboarders can experience 655 acres of beginner to advanced terrain that includes wide-open groomers, incredible fall-line tree skiing and riding, and hidden powder stashes. For more information or to check the conditions report, visit [DiamondPeak.com](http://DiamondPeak.com).

### Season Passes:

FULL PASS	RATE	IVGID PICTURE PASS HOLDER RATES*
Adult (24-64)	\$469	\$349
Youth (13-23)/College**	\$249	\$189
Child (7-12)	\$179	\$149
Senior (65-69)	\$179	\$149
Super Sr. (70-79)	\$89	\$49
6 & under / 80+	Free	Free

MIDWEEK PASS	RATE	IVGID PICTURE PASS HOLDER RATES*
Adult (24-64)	\$329	\$299
Youth (13-23)/College**	\$209	\$149
Child (7-12)	\$159	\$119
Senior (65-69)	\$159	\$119
Super Sr. (70-79)	\$69	\$40
6 & under / 80+	Free	Free

\*Prices subject to change without notice.

- Midweek Passes not valid during the holiday periods but valid on weekends starting March 1, 2017.

- \*\*College Pass: must present current college ID & full-time course schedule (12+ units)



### Season Passholders Perks:

- **Bring-A-Friend Tickets:** (4) \$50 Lift Tickets, non-holiday
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- **Peak Pledge:** 100% money back guarantee for refunds requested by January 15th on unused season passes
- **Early Ups:** Lakeview Chair opens early when it snows 6" or more
- **50th Anniversary Appreciation Events:** Winter (12/16 Ski Film & Party) & Spring (3/18 Retro Ski Day & Party)
- **10% off** food & nonalcoholic beverages in the Base Lodge and Snowflake Lodge
- **20% off** equipment tuning in the repair shop
- **\$5 off** Last Tracks event tickets (21+)

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*Lift Tickets:*

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	STANDARD		HOLIDAY		STANDARD	HOLIDAY
	ALL DAY	1/2 DAY	ALL DAY	1/2 DAY	ALL DAY	ALL DAY
Adult (24-64)	\$74	\$69	\$79	\$74	\$25	\$35
Youth (13-23) & Senior (65-69)	\$54	\$49	\$64	\$59	\$20	\$30
Child (7-12) & Super Sr (70-79)	\$29	\$25	\$39	\$35	\$15	\$20
6 & under / 80+	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free
Beginner	\$39	\$39	\$49	\$49	\$18	\$28

- 1/2 day lift tickets start at 12:30pm
- Holidays: December 19, 2016 - January 1, 2017; January 14-15, 2017; February 18-26, 2017
- Punch Cards: Use your IVGID Punch Card to buy down lift ticket rates for your guests. They pay the IVGID Picture Pass holder price and the remainder of the regular ticket rate is deducted from your Punch Card.



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# DIAMOND PEAK SKI RESORT EVENTS & DEALS

## *Diamond Peak Signature Events for 2016-17*

Visit [DiamondPeak.com/Events](http://DiamondPeak.com/Events) for updated information and details regarding events.

Events are tentative, weather-dependent and subject to change.

### **December 15 - Projected Opening Day**

### **December 28 – February 1: 50th Anniversary historic film/speaker series**

Watch classic ski/snowboard films and listen as local historians tell stories about the history of skiing and snowboarding in the Lake Tahoe region. These events will take place at The Chateau starting at 5 p.m. Dates: Wednesdays, December 28 through February 15 (No event January 25).

### **January 6 – March 16: Wednesday 55+ ski clinic series**

Diamond Peak will offer a special ski clinic series for Adults 55+ as part of the Incline Village Parks & Recreation Department's Senior Programs. This 10-week program will begin January 4 and run through March 29 (no clinic February 15) and participants can sign up for the full 10 weeks or choose a five-week package or individual drop-in sessions. Diamond Peak's PSIA certified instructors will provide beginner, intermediate, and advanced instruction. Instruction is designed to help skiers improve, adjust, or modify techniques and encourage lifelong skiing. Skiers looking to get back into the sport after a break are encouraged to sign up to learn about the latest equipment and skiing technology designed for older skiers. Participants must have a valid day pass or season pass for Diamond Peak. Register at the Incline Village Recreation Center (980 Incline Way), or call (775) 832-1310.

### **January 28: Tahoe Mountain Sports Nachtspektakel**

The Nachtspektakel is a guided skin up the mountain, followed by a 3-course dinner and drinks at Snowflake Lodge and ending with a private nighttime ski down. Bring a headlamp, dress warmly, and pack a pair of sandals or comfortable shoes for the dinner. Backcountry rentals can be reserved through Tahoe Mountain Sports.

### **February 2-5: 8th Annual Ullr Fest**

The 8th Annual Ullr Fest, to raise funds for the Diamond Peak Ski Team, will be held February 2-5, 2017. The action-packed weekend includes a Torchlight Parade, bonfire and live music, competitions, food, entertainment and more. Come dressed in your Ullr attire as prizes will be given for best costumes.

### **Saturdays, February 4 – April 15: Last Tracks Wine/Beer Tastings**

Every Saturday, February through April, enjoy beautiful views of Lake Tahoe from Snowflake Lodge while tasting fine wines or craft brews paired with tasty appetizers. At the end of the event, ski or snowboard down a freshly groomed run at sunset. Last Tracks tickets are \$44 (\$39 for season pass holders) and include a lift ticket valid from 2-4 p.m. Participants must be 21 years old to attend and ski or snowboard at an intermediate level. Buy tickets at Guest Services or online at [DiamondPeak.com](http://DiamondPeak.com).

### **February 10 & March 10: Full Moon Community Snowshoe Hikes to Snowflake Lodge**

Hosted by the Incline Village Parks & Recreation Department, this award winning event encourages exercising in an intergenerational social setting for ages 9+. There will be light fare available for those who would like to purchase dinner at the top. Meet at Diamond Peak's upper parking lot at 5 p.m. The group will return around 9 p.m. Visit our website or call (775) 832-1310 for information. Pre-registration is required.

### **March 4: Diamond Peak Uphill/Downhill Dash!**

Earn your turns at the Diamond Peak Uphill/Downhill Dash! Race to the top of the mountain using whatever human-powered method you prefer: skins, snowshoes or running shoes. Then ski, snowboard, snowshoe or run back down before heading up the final uphill pitch to the mid-mountain Snowflake Lodge for the finish and awards. For those less competitive, a recreational course will be available from the base area up to Snowflake Lodge. Prizes will be awarded for both categories.

### **April 1: 17th Annual Dummy Downhill**

Join us for the 17th Annual Dummy Downhill where participants build a dummy on skis or snowboards that get launched off of a big jump and watch as unique characters fly down the hill or crash hard. This is the Flugtag for dummies! Dummies will be judged on creativity on the Base Lodge deck, followed by the jumping and an awards ceremony. Prizes and certificates will be awarded for creativity, best crash, furthest distance, and more.

### **April 16: Easter Egg Hunt & Scheduled Closing Day**

The Easter Bunny will be on the slopes for photos and hugs, and the big egg hunt starts right when the lifts open at 9 a.m., so you'll want to get here early. Eggs are hidden all over the mountain, including golden eggs with special prizes in them. Participants must have a valid lift ticket for the day of event or a season pass. At 2 p.m. there will be Easter service at the top of Lakeview Chair led by Tahoe Resort Ministries. The perfect way to close out a great season.



## Diamond Peak Deals

Special offers valid for the 2016-17 Ski Season

### **\$74 Adult Lift Tickets and Kids 6 & Under Ski Free**

2016-17 lift ticket rates for Adults (ages 24- 64) are only \$74 (\$79 during holiday periods). Other lift ticket rates include \$54 for Youth (ages 13-23) and Seniors (ages 65-69), \$29 for a Child (ages 7-12) or Super Senior (ages 70-79), and ages 6 and under and 80+ always ski free.

### **BYOP (Bring Your Other Pass) for \$40**

Have a season pass at another ski resort? Show your 2016-17 season pass from any other ski resort and ski or snowboard for only \$40 at Diamond Peak (\$50 during holiday periods).

### **50th Anniversary Flex Pass**

The more you ski, the more you save with a Flex Pass. Flex Passes are multi-day tickets available in 2-day to 7-day increments. This direct-to-lift Flex Pass is fully transferable, can be used any day, and is valid all season long. The Flex Pass is the best deal for people planning to ski multiple days, but not quite enough to justify a season pass. Adults ski for as little as \$50 per day with a 7-day Flex Pass which can be purchased at any ticket window or online.

### **\$74 Interchangeable Parent's Pass**

The interchangeable Parent's Pass is a transferable lift ticket for \$74 (\$79 during the holidays) which allows parents to take turns skiing while the other watches the little ones.

### **\$39 First Time Learn to Ski/Ride Packages for Learn to Ski/Ride Week**

Diamond Peak will offer special Learn to Ski & Ride packages for just \$39 from January 9 – 13, 2017 in celebration of Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month. The packages include a first-timer lesson, beginner lift ticket and rental equipment all day long. See the events page at [DiamondPeak.com](http://DiamondPeak.com) for full details.

### **\$39 Beginner Lift Ticket**

Diamond Peak offers a beginner lift ticket valid for the Lodgepole and Schoolhouse chairlifts and the beginner terrain they access for just \$39 (\$49 during holiday periods). Skiers and snowboarders can also upgrade their beginner lift tickets to an all-mountain ticket at any time by paying the difference in cost.

### **Local's Lunch for \$35**

The Local's Lunch program includes a lift ticket valid from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, non-holiday and a \$15 food voucher. Local residency is not required.



### **50% off Rental Equipment with a Boarding Pass**

Take the hassle out of flying with your ski equipment. Get 50% off standard ski or snowboard rentals when you show your airline boarding pass. Boarding pass must show an arrival destination of Reno/Tahoe, Sacramento, San Jose or San Francisco within the last two weeks. Discount is valid for a standard all day adult, youth or child rental package.

### **Free Birthday Ticket**

Receive a free lift ticket on your birthday. Present identification with proof of birth date. Does your birthday fall outside ski season? Then celebrate your UnBirthday with us and get a free ticket on March 24, 2017.

### **Firefighters and Police**

Active and retired fire or police force personnel qualify for a \$59 lift ticket when they present their badge or ID, valid any day.

### **Military Discounts**

Active duty military ski for free midweek (non-holiday) or \$59 on weekends and holidays. Retired and military dependants qualify for a \$59 lift ticket any day. Present a valid military ID to receive discount.



# DIAMOND PEAK:

## A HIDDEN GEM WITH A RICH HISTORY

by Mark McLaughlin

**D**iamond Peak, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this winter, is probably the most overlooked and underrated ski resort in the Tahoe Basin. With an impressive 1,840 feet of vertical, a variety of easy or challenging trails and breathtaking views of Big Blue, Diamond Peak is without a doubt a premier Tahoe ski destination. This hidden jewel boasts miles of uncrowded runs, open tree skiing, and an intermediate cruiser called Crystal Ridge that is rated among the “World’s 100 Best Ski Runs” by CNN Travel.

Diamond Peak is geared towards an exciting family experience, but diehard skiers can challenge themselves in Solitude Canyon, an expert area that’s killer after a powder storm. Located east of the Sierra Crest, Diamond Peak gets plenty of snow with more than its share of sunshine too. The resort has something for everyone with 46% intermediate and 36% advanced runs.

Diamond Peak is owned and managed by the Incline Village General Improvement District, the quasi-governmental agency tasked with providing water, sewer, trash and community recreation for the communities of Incline Village and Crystal Bay. Because of the community support, the resort boasts a modern top-to-bottom snowmaking system that covers 75% of the resort’s developed terrain. A fleet of state-of-

the-art grooming machines equipped with SNOcat, a professional fleet and management system with snow depth measurements based on satellite guided positioning which facilitates more effective grooming.

### *From timber production to alpine skiing*

Like many Tahoe ski resorts, Diamond Peak has an interesting history. During the late 1800s, the region was logged of its timber to support the Comstock mining boom near Virginia City, Nevada. The first major timber mill at Lake Tahoe was located near South Lake Tahoe at Glenbrook, Nevada, but in the far northeastern portion of the Tahoe Basin another sawmill was built at Mill Creek by the Sierra Nevada Wood & Lumber Company. Following construction of the mill, the company’s general manager Captain Overton ordered his crews to build what he called the “Great Incline of the Sierra Nevada.”

Overton engineered an 18-foot wide narrow gauge tram to run cut wood straight up the side of the mountain just east of Mill Creek, similar to alpine funiculars and cable car railways of the time. Cord wood and cut lumber harvested from forestland along the North Shore were loaded into tram cars and hauled 1,400 feet up to Incline Summit by the double track tramline. The slope was so steep near the top that the maximum track gradient reached an amazing 67%. Built in 1880, this steam-



powered cable railway was 4,000 feet long and became known as “The Great Tramline of Tahoe.” The Incline tram was so spectacular that steamer captains ran special excursions past the area because their passengers wanted to see it in operation.

Powered by two massive 12-foot diameter iron bull wheels, the innovative logging operation inspired the moniker “Incline.” Just below the ridgeline of Incline Summit, the lumber and cord wood were unloaded from the trams and tossed into a water flume that carried the wood products to a lumber yard near Washoe Valley for pick-up and delivery by the Virginia & Truckee Railroad. The short-lived settlement of Incline Village formed on Incline Creek in 1882, but by 1897 nothing remained there except for stripped forest land, logging roads and crumbling flumes.

For the next several decades the area took a back seat to flourishing summer home developments at Glenbrook, Tahoe City and near Tallac south of Emerald Bay. Despite fits and starts, alpine skiing at Incline was still nearly 70 years in the future.

There was a flurry of activity in the late 1930s when it seemed that lift-served, downhill skiing was about to become a reality near Incline. Norman Biltz, owner of the Cal Neva Lodge in Crystal Bay, had returned from Europe where he was inspired by the possibility of building an Austrian-style resort at Lake Tahoe. In early August 1937, Biltz organized a team to produce a feasibility study for developing nearby Rifle Peak, elevation 9,488 feet, into a ski resort. The recently-opened, celebrity-studded Sun Valley ski area in Idaho showed Tahoe’s potential. Joining Biltz for the exploration of Rifle Peak was noted Reno architect Frederick De Longchamps, freelance Reno ski journalist William B. Berry, a bevy of engineers, and local skiers Halvor Michelson and Wayne Poulsen.

A preliminary report on the proposed ski site was released a few weeks later, but more detailed information regarding the mountain snowpack was needed. Wayne Poulsen, future founder of Squaw Valley, was a seasoned snow surveyor under the tutelage of Dr. James Church; developer of the Mt. Rose Snow Sampler. To study the site in winter conditions, Poulsen spent much of the 1937-38

season on top of Rifle Peak where he scouted skiing terrain and snow deposition. He was working with Biltz in this effort to develop an alpine ski area accessed by cable car from near the lake.

Poulsen and his buddies from the University of Nevada-Reno ski team had built crude cabins at the summit out of old flume wood for winter shelter. That winter, the snowiest on record in the Tahoe Sierra, Wayne lived off canned stew that his skiing friends would bring him periodically. Poulsen had long been familiar with the area because when he was in the Boy Scouts, every winter his Reno troop hiked on skis from Galena Meadows, over Mt. Rose and then down into present day Incline Village.

The Rifle Peak project caught the attention of Captain George Whittell, an enigmatic San Francisco real estate tycoon who owned most of the Nevada side of Lake Tahoe. In the summer of 1938, Whittell proposed building a \$1 million casino and hotel resort at Sand Harbor in hopes of cashing in on the much anticipated Rifle Peak ski development, but the savvy investor was waiting to see how successful Norman Biltz’s winter sports program would be. Although Biltz and his partners envisioned ski runs, jumps, tramways and tows, lodges, bobsledding, ice skating and other related winter activities in their “Tahoe Alps” project, Rifle Peak was the key cog in the whole plan.

Unfortunately, Wayne Poulsen came down from the mountain reporting that Rifle Peak was poorly suited for a ski resort. A southern exposure and proximity to Lake Tahoe resulted in a wet, unstable snowpack, and that in many years the snow on the lower elevations would melt too quickly in the spring. The United States’ entry into World War II would be the final nail in the coffin for the dream of a networked “Lake Tahoe Ski-Way.”



Television personality Art Linkletter loved to ski at Lake Tahoe.  
Courtesy Donner Summit Historical Society.



In 1960 George Whittell sold 9,000 acres of his land to Art Wood, an Oklahoma-based developer. Wood and his associate Harold B. Tiller envisioned the creation of Incline Village – a master planned vacation resort community. A cornerstone amenity for this concept was a new ski area called Ski Incline.

It was a stroke of genius that Art Wood hired legendary Austrian ski pioneer Luggi Foeger to design and build the \$2 million ski area. When Foeger looked over the initial layout of the project, he told Wood that the location was all wrong from a skier's perspective. The original proposal situated the resort on the slopes of Rose Knob Peak, a high-elevation flat-topped ridge not far from Rifle Peak. Foeger argued that the proposed runs were too steep for beginner and intermediate level skiers and the slopes faced south instead of north which better protected the snow. And in Foeger's mind, the proposed runs were poorly cut. Foeger successfully re-designed Ski Incline "to provide a pleasurable experience for the whole family." Over his career he had headed ski schools at Badger Pass in Yosemite National Park, Sugar Bowl and Alpine Meadows at Lake Tahoe. He also helped design Northstar California, now owned by Vail Resorts.

### *Luggi Foeger – Mastermind behind Ski Incline*

In 1940, Minot "Minnie" Dole, a Connecticut insurance broker and ski enthusiast who had previously organized the National Ski Patrol System to help injured skiers, convinced President Franklin D. Roosevelt and the U.S. War Department that the Army desperately needed a unit of mountain soldiers to fight in the high mountain country of Europe during World War II. The War Department asked Dole to utilize the Ski Patrol System to recruit skiers and mountain climbers from all over the country.

Any man who wanted to enlist as a ski trooper needed three written letters of endorsement testifying to his skiing ability and wilderness experience and skills. Recruiters



encouraged all outdoor-oriented men to volunteer for mountain soldier training at Camp Hale, Colorado. Park rangers, trappers, hunting guides, and ranchers signed up. Among the brave volunteers who joined were two former Truckee, California residents, the late Karl Kielhofer and Pete Vanni. Roy Mikkelsen, a national ski jumping champion with the Auburn Ski Club, was a second lieutenant at Camp Hale in 1943. Bill Klein (a longtime director of skiing at Sugar Bowl Ski Resort) also joined the mountain unit.

After the war, veterans from the 10th Mountain Division fired-up America's modern ski industry. They published ski magazines, managed ski shops, opened ski schools, designed and marketed ski equipment, and established ski areas, including Vail, Aspen, Sugarbush, Whiteface Mountain and others. At least 62 ski resorts have been founded, managed, or employed head ski instructors that were 10th Mountain Division veterans.

As a young man growing up in Austria, Luggi Foeger had flourished as a prodigal skier and mountaineer in that country's rugged Tyrol region. For 10 years he was also a top instructor for Hannes Schneider in St. Anton, Austria. Schneider is known as the "father of modern ski teaching" for his development of the Arlberg Technique where alpine skiers crouch and bend their legs with weight forward to initiate smooth turns.

During World War II, when he was in his early 40s, Foeger fled to the United States to escape the Nazis. After the war, he joined a select group of experts teaching ski and winter survival skills for the ongoing 10th Mountain Division. Foeger later moved to California to run ski programs in the Sierra, starting with Director of Ski School at Yosemite's Badger Pass.

The affable instructor was known as much for his sense of humor as for his care in resort design to preserve and protect the environment, while at the same time cultivating thoroughly manicured slopes for good skiing. Skiers who

Luggi was well known for his sense of humor.  
Courtesy North Lake Tahoe Historical Society



knew Luggi Foeger rated him as “one of the true complete mountain men” of the world. Foeger, who died in 1992, was inducted into the prestigious National Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame, an honor that represents the highest level of national achievement in ski sport. Indicative of their influence on the United States ski industry, there are a total of thirty-four 10th Tenth Mountain Division veterans whose names now appear in the Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame.

Foeger’s award-winning layout of Ski Incline was called a model for modern ski slope development. Foeger’s wife Helen said, “Luggi wasn’t as interested in advanced skiers wanting to find new challenges. He worked more to develop skiers and design runs that everybody could enjoy. He did a wonderful job.”

### *Snowmaking and upward expansion*

Ski Incline was the first resort in the West to utilize a snowmaking system, and when it opened on November 19, 1966, it featured three chair lifts, a T-bar surface lift and nicely groomed terrain. Among the many skiers who visited that first winter was the popular American television entertainer Art Linkletter. Linkletter skied all over the world, but he loved the resorts at Lake Tahoe best.

Known for his humorous TV interviews with children in the 1950s, and writing the bestselling book, “Kids Say the Darndest Things,” Linkletter was also a remarkable athlete who first began skiing at age 50. He loved it so much he skied competitively in senior races until he was 93 years old. Art was finally forced to give up the sport when he returned from a speaking tour to discover that his wife had given away all his equipment, saying she “wanted to be a wife, not a nurse.” Art always said “Skiing is the closest thing to flying and dancing.” He got that right.

In the 1980s, improvements at Ski Incline added more chairlifts and expanded snowmaking capability. In 1987, under the direction of Ski Resort Manager Jurgen Wetzstein, the area doubled in size and was renamed Diamond Peak, to highlight the addition of longer, more advanced runs on the new upper mountain. The addition of the mile-long Crystal Quad chairlift was icing on the cake. Since then about \$15 million has been invested in capital improvements that produced new high-speed detachable chairlifts that cut the ride time in half, beautifully renovated lodges and a new, more efficient snow making system.

From a skier’s or snowboarder’s perspective, the resort was laid out with an experienced eye. While ski areas generally pitch their vertical statistics from a topographical viewpoint of maximum elevation change from top to bottom, a company called Mountain Vertical uses a new metric to judge how a rider experiences the flow of the hill. There are many mountains that it is impossible to actually ski from the highest point to the lowest point so the measurement has limited practical value. According to Mountain Vertical’s “True-Up Vertical Descent” evaluation, Diamond Peak ranks fourth among Tahoe resorts for the continuity and skiability of terrain between those high and low points — ahead of such notable resorts as Mt. Rose, Homewood, Alpine Meadows and even Kirkwood.

Diamond Peak is celebrating a big birthday this year. Make sure you join the party! The resort’s marketing slogan is “Thanks to you, we’re golden.” Check it out for yourself and see what all the excitement is about. 🏔️

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# DIAMOND PEAK: BUILT BY HAND

*Feature*

by Lee Koch,  
Former Director  
of Sales &  
Marketing,  
IVGID  
(1986-1993)



**T**here may never be another story like this one in the ski business, and it may even be hard to believe – yet the expansion of Diamond Peak was literally built by hand.

Turn back the clock to the summer of 1987 when Ski Incline finally received approval (under a building moratorium) to commence with what at the time was the largest ski resort expansion in America that summer. The financial investment: \$10 million. The physical investment: priceless.

The good news is that we received the thumbs up to proceed; the bad news is that the expansion had to be built by hand, with no trucks or large equipment allowed on the upper mountain - except for one run – what we know as Crystal Ridge today.

“Picture if you will”, said Marty Koch, former Mountain Manager, “... with the sun yet to rise over the top of the Eastern Sierra, a mountain crew of approximately 12 men gathered at the base of Ski Incline around 6:00 a.m. By

7:00 a.m. all had packed their chainsaws, oil, extra chains, shovels and other necessary tools, water bottles and lunch sacks and took their first steps on a long hike to the top of the expansion, only to return 10 -12 hours later to do it all over again, all summer long. That was just for clearing trails.”

According to Koch, it was a similar story for those who handled the felling of the trees, and the rigging of the trees, which were then lifted out by two large helicopters – run by Siller Aviation.

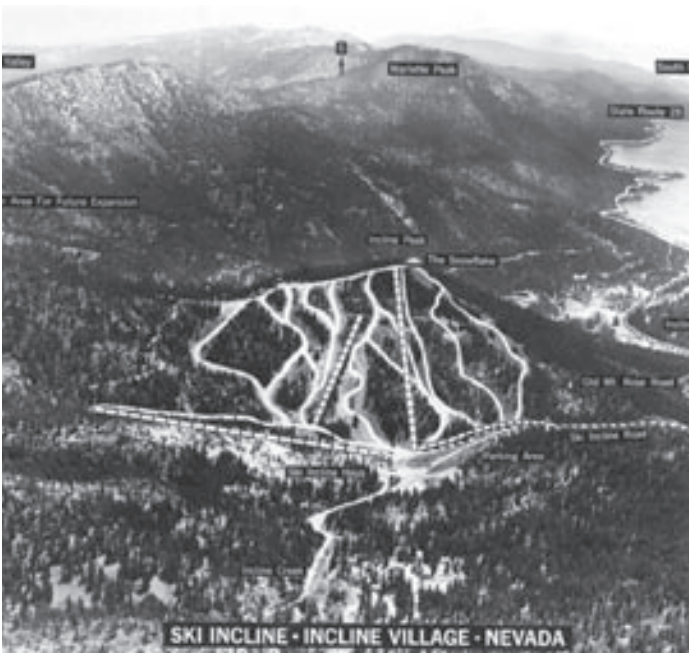
We all appreciate the beauty of the granite boulders that remain in place today, yet there were hundreds that needed to be removed so the trails could be cleared. As with the trail development process, the equipment needed to remove the boulders was hauled in on the backs of the crew.

“From 80-pound rock drills to miles of detonation cord, dynamite, and pounds of prill – all arrived on-site from top to bottom on the backs of the mountain crew,” Koch explained.

Here’s another visual. Except for the top and bottom terminals, all the holes for the tower bases were dug and blasted by hand. As part of the project, an underground 40,000-volt power line was installed to the top of Crystal Ridge.

When all was said, and done, the ski resort had doubled in size and vertical and was ready for the community to enjoy – for a brief 16 days that winter – due to unseasonably warm weather at that elevation. Fortunately, the crew managed to rent pipe and power to run a temporary snowmaking line up Crystal Ridge; all of which embedded the need to invest in a more significant snowmaking operation to supplement our 20+ year old existing system in years to come.

It was a year for the history books, indeed. 🏔️



# Q&A WITH DIAMOND PEAK GENERAL MANAGER, MIKE BANDELIN

*For this special Diamond Peak 50th anniversary edition of the IVGID Quarterly, IVGID Marketing Manager Paul Raymore sat down with Mike Bandelin – Diamond Peak’s General Manager and longest-serving current employee – to discuss what it was like working his way up through the ranks, helping build the upper mountain, what makes Diamond Peak a great place to work, and what he’s looking forward to in the future.*

**Paul Raymore: To start off, tell me when you started working at Diamond Peak/Ski Incline and how you got the job?**

**Mike Bandelin:** I started at Ski Incline on November 16, 1984 if I remember correctly. I interviewed for three jobs that day: one at the Crystal Bay Coffee Shop, one at Spitsen Lumber, and here at the resort. I lived just down the road in Mountain Shadows and only had to drive up Ski Way. I had been here for three days – I had just moved from Arizona – and after I filled out the application, I don’t think I actually left, they just put a shovel in my hands and I was shoveling the deck that day. We opened on Thanksgiving that year, so there was a ton of snow on the ground, and that was pretty much my first time seeing snow.

**PR: What was the first job you did here at the resort?**

**MB:** My specific position was in the parking lot, but I did a combination of Parking Lot and Base Operations work – pretty similar to what we do today. So I would shovel snow when there was shoveling to be done and park cars on weekends during the winters. And then in the summertime I went to work at the beach house at Burnt Cedar cleaning the beaches during the summer. And then came back up to the ski hill and did property ops work, then went back to the beaches... Eventually they started calling me back up to the ski resort earlier and earlier each year, until in the summer of 1987 I actually stayed here and received the chance of a lifetime working in the mountains to work alongside the mountain manager, ski area manager Jurgen Wetzstein and Design Workshops on mapping and flagging the newly proposed upper mountain trails. That early summer we were preparing to begin the construction of the 5 upper mountain trails, the

fixed grip four passenger ski lift, the construction of the vehicle maintenance building and the remodel of the old shop in the base area to our Child Ski Center.

In the summer of ’88 we put in snowmaking on Crystal Ridge and Sunnyside. And then in ’89 I became full-time year-round at Diamond Peak as the Assistant Lift Manager, and held that job until ’94. And then I became the Lift Manager...

Eventually, when Ed Youmans became the Resort Manager, he appointed me as the Mountain Manager. So from ’97 until last year I had that job – and actually still do until we can hire someone to fill that position now. *[Editor’s note: Bandelin served as Diamond Peak’s Mountain Manager and Interim General Manager during the 2015-16 season before being promoted to General Manager this past summer.]*

**PR: Speaking of former employees, who were some of the really memorable people you worked with while you were here?**

**MB:** I’d never leave Jurgen Wetzstein off of that list. I try to practice some of the same things today that he taught me as a manager – he was always upbeat and happy, he loved the sport of skiing and loved the business aspect of Diamond Peak and Ski Incline. He kind of gave his whole heart to this resort and you could see that. He was just a very genuine person who worked very hard at trying to make the resort profitable and also a really good place to be. Before there was really even a thing people talked about called “guest service,” we were practicing it here. When you asked him how he was, he would always say “Very good! Fantastic Mike. How are you?”

And then Jim Bradshaw and Marty Koch. I just learned a lot from them and I guess they saw something in me. And that’s a story I tell to our younger employees who seem like good prospects – there’s something to be said for just showing up on time everyday that you’re scheduled and working hard. What I was able to do for those guys was just performing duties and tasks without them having to ask me to do them. I kind of understood what had to be done next and I was always here.

There were also some really long-tenured employees here – people like Ruth Marty who would always have a big smile on



her face and was completely engaged in teaching young children how to ski. And Bee Ferrato who worked here for close to 30 years I think... So many people over the years.

And then there are the community members... It was a little different vibe back in the '80s. I'd be running around with my sweeper in the locker room on a beautiful bluebird day and all the guys would show up – they were all a little older and often retired pilots – and they all knew each other. They'd go out and ski Wiggle, Bunny, Upper Ballroom and Showoff on perfectly groomed trails (this is before the upper mountain was open) and then they'd throw out the checkered tablecloth and eat lunch and play checkers and take shots of whiskey. And the girls would be hanging around. It was like their own country club – they had their season pass here and their golf pass down the way and their beach privileges... It was just fun every day.

**PR: Why do you think employees tend to stay around for so long at Diamond Peak?**

**MB:** Here's a good example: I got to park cars and clean the toilets and shovel snow, but still every day the Mountain Manager or Jurgen Wetzstein would say "How's it going?" and know who I was. I just thought it was really cool that the upper management of the ski resort knew my name.

Plus, it's a smaller mountain. And for some reason, back then, the bar was packed every night with employees, so it was super close knit. It was actually a bar that people would come to from town after work. Back then, hardly anyone commuted from the valleys, so it was very close to home and so fun.

I didn't really know any better – and I still don't because this is the only place I've ever worked in the ski industry – but we pride ourselves in always having the best grooming around. So having that niche where we feel like we're able to teach people the sport of skiing, show them a great experience, and convert them into being skiers... Jurgen was really big on that. So we'd always have a really good grooming fleet.

We have employees returning year after year because I truly believe that we provide a great place to work. There is something to be said for being able to work at a place that provides fun and recreation, we have opportunities to bring smiles to our customers and our staff enjoys that type of environment. A large percentage of our staff also works with IVGID during the summer months at our beaches, recreation center, golf courses and tennis complex also enjoying providing a great experience to our customers.

And I think it's still like that today. Those people in the ticket booths know my name and your name and they're not afraid to ask a question about why we do this or that. And that might not be the same at a mountain where you have a thousand employees.

**PR: Looking forward, what are you most excited about in this resort's future?**

**MB:** I would say working to develop sustainability efforts within the resort and the community along with a continued effort of providing a quality experience to our customers, community and our employees.

I am also excited that we have put together a new Master Development Plan replacing the 1986 Master plan that we have been working from for many years and have successfully completed projects in the plan such as the upper mountain expansion, establishing snowmaking on a number of trails, remodeling of the main lodge and the building of the new skier services and on mountain maintenance facility.



The primary purpose of the new Master Plan is to articulate the vision for future development and provide guidance toward achieving that vision. This new foundation ensures that the strategy provided in the Master Plan allows for future business decisions to be focused toward staying competitive and economically viable while remaining to be a great community asset.

**PR: In your mind, what makes Diamond Peak special compared to the other resorts in the Lake Tahoe region?**

**MB:** I tend to spend a lot of time in the parking lot and in the base area just trying to help out, answer questions and direct people where they need to go, and a lot of people are really amazed that they can park right next to the lifts.

Couple that with how all the runs end up at the same place – which is really great for families looking to meet up with each other – the fact that we don't have two separate mountains and that everybody can pretty much always meet up at the end of a run.

We've also set ourselves up with the equipment to help Mother Nature with our snowmaking efforts so that we can provide pristine grooming on all of the trails. We've traditionally been able to cover more terrain with our snowmaking and grooming than most resorts.


And nowadays we're unique because of our price point. We can still offer a really excellent day of skiing or snowboarding at an amazing price.

Also, the fact that our lift lines are really small compared to other Lake Tahoe resorts, especially around holiday periods through the end of the holidays.

And of course, there are always our views – you can't ever really forget about the value and views at Diamond Peak.

**PR: Final question: What would be your advice to someone who wants to follow in your footsteps and make a career in the ski industry?**

**MB:** Enjoy working hard in different seasonal environments, enjoy making people and customers happy and excited while visiting your resort. Develop a passion for providing an exceptional experience for your customer, fellow employees and the community. Engage yourself and be willing to be taught skill sets and learn all aspects of the industry from seasoned professionals.

— During the 2016-17 ski season, Mike Bandelin will be enjoying his 33rd season at Diamond Peak. On busy days, you're much more likely to run into him in the parking lot or helping answer questions around the Base Lodge than sitting behind his desk. So don't be afraid to say hello and share some of your own stories of Ski Incline/Diamond Peak. 

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DIAMOND PEAK

By Jean Eick

It's December and snow is now our favorite four letter word. At Diamond Peak the party begins on Opening Day and that is projected to be Thursday, Dec. 15.

We invite everyone to join us as we celebrate our 50th anniversary season. Let's hope Mother Nature is ready to party and provides the best anniversary present -- nonstop snow. We plan to get right at this anniversary celebration too. On Friday, Dec. 16 we kickoff with a season pass holder party featuring a couple of ski films!

The child ski center will bring out the popular theme days from Saturday, Dec. 17 through Sunday, Jan. 1.

Santa and Penguin Pete team up with a special visit on Saturday, Dec. 24 and Sunday, Dec. 25. This duo brings smiles to all ages out on the slopes.

All locals will want to see the Historic Ski Film Series featuring five different films. Films will be every Wednesday starting Dec. 28 and running through Feb. 15 (with no film on Jan. 25) at The Chateau.

Start off January at Diamond Peak by celebrating with fun community appreciation events from Monday, Jan. 2 through Sunday, January 8. IVGID Picture Pass Holders will enjoy free skiing and snowboarding during this celebration.

Then 55+ Ski Clinics begin on Wednesday Jan. 4 and will continue every Wednesday through Wednesday, March 29 with the exception of Wednesday, Feb. 22. No clinic will be held on that Wednesday.

Monday, Jan. 9 through Friday, Jan. 13 is Learn to Ski & Ride Week at Diamond Peak and is part of the national learn to ski and snowboard month. Packages are available for just \$39!

Do you Nachtspektakel? Join Tahoe Mountain Sports on Saturday, Jan. 28 to Nachtspektakel. And trust me if you like to ski, eat and drink you Nachtspektakel.

Mark your calendars now to Save the Dates of Thursday, Feb. 2 through Sunday, Feb. 5. The 8th Annual Ullr Fest event is not

to be missed unless you are prepared to answer to Ullr. Watching the annual Torchlight Parade or taking part in the Ullr Games, Party and Races help beat the winter blahs and keep Ullr happy.

Oh no you missed out on doing the Last Tracks Wine and Beer Tastings last year? Okay, I am giving you the dates but it is on you to sign up early. Saturdays in February and March will be the 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th. April Saturdays will be the 1st, 8th, and the 15th.

If you do not ski, or even if you do, a fun way to end up at Snowflake Lodge for a spectacular evening view is to put on snowshoes and do the Community Snowshoe Hike to Snowflake Lodge on Friday, Feb. 10 or Friday, March 10. This is always a special evening event.

The February Theme Days at the Child Ski Center will be Saturday, Feb. 18 through Sunday, Feb. 26. This is another Holiday Peak Period.

March hopefully will come in roaring like a lion with snow galore as the fun continues at Diamond Peak. First up on Saturday, March 4 is the Diamond Peak Uphill/Downhill Dash. Plenty of good viewing out on the deck for this activity.

Other events still to be determined in March will be The Village Ski Loft Demo Day and the Rental Shop Demo Sale.

The 50th Anniversary Retro Ski Day & Season Passholder Party with Live Music is Saturday, March 18 and the annual UnBirthday Celebration is on Friday, March 24.

And the deal and steal of the entire season is the 17th annual Dummy Downhill. This happens on Saturday, April 1 and is the best event of the spring. Sit out on the deck, enjoy a Tahoe Saturday as the community comes out to celebrate. The cheers from the crowd as the dummy's come down the hill keeps everyone entertained.

We are all keeping our skis and snowboards crossed that the anniversary party will carry us all the way to Sunday, April 16 for the Easter Egg Hunt and projected Closing Day. See you next season! 🏔️





# HOW TO GET INVOLVED WITH THE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

*Thanks to you we're golden! Now help us celebrate.*

During the upcoming 2016-17 winter season, Diamond Peak will celebrate its golden anniversary – 50 years of skiing and snowboarding in the most beautiful setting on earth – and we are inviting the entire community of Incline Village as well as our extended Diamond Peak family around the world to help us commemorate this milestone.

*How to get involved in the fun*

There are many ways you can contribute to the Diamond Peak 50th Anniversary celebration. Whether you've been a season pass holder since that first 1966 season, or you just discovered the resort this past winter, we'd love to hear your stories and see your photos or videos of spending time on our slopes.

## **We'd love to hear about:**

- If you learned to ski/snowboard at Diamond Peak: What was it like back then? Who taught you to ski/ride? Why did you learn at Diamond Peak?
- If you're a long-time Diamond Peak skier/riders: When did you first ski/ride Diamond Peak? What did you love about the mountain back in the day? What have the biggest changes been?
- If you ever worked at the ski resort: When did you work here? What department were you in? Who were the memorable characters amongst the employees? What is the best story you remember from that time period?
- If you are relatively new to the Diamond Peak family: What attracted you to this mountain? What's your favorite run and why?



## **And we want to see:**


- Your old photos: We would LOVE to see and potentially reprint some of your old photos of Ski Incline/Diamond Peak and the resort's employees. We're especially interested in photos from the 1960s through the 1980s, but any era is great. We'll scan them and make sure to give you back your originals unharmed. Or you can scan and email them to us yourself.
- Your old videos/movies: Anybody got old Super-8 movies shot at Diamond Peak? How about classic VHS home movies? We've got folks who can digitize those and edit them into a commemorative video we're making.
- Your old ski/snowboard outfits: We want to put together a fashion show of 50 years of ski outfit history, and we need your help! Dig through those closets and loan us those 1960s-era ski boots or that 1970s ski jacket for a one-of-a-kind fashion show down memory lane.

*Be part of the celebration – contribute:*

To contribute a story, historic photos, videos, a historic outfit, or anything else to our 50th anniversary celebration, please email your content to [50th@diamondpeak.com](mailto:50th@diamondpeak.com) or call (775) 832-1120 to speak with Marketing Manager Paul Raymore.

If you would like to mail us any historic materials, we'd love to see them. We will not be able to return any materials by mail, but can hold them for pickup at the resort.

## **Send those to:**

Diamond Peak Ski Resort  
Attn: Marketing - 50th Anniversary  
1210 Ski Way  
Incline Village, NV 89451 



# THE STORY BEHIND DIAMOND PEAK'S RUN NAMES

It's another beautiful bluebird day at Diamond Peak Ski Resort and you click in and head to Lakeview Quad. As you gaze at Lake Tahoe from the chair there's no doubt why this chair was named Lakeview. But what about the other chairs and trail names? Here's a little history from current and former Diamond Peak employees.

## *Chairlifts*

In 1966 Ski Incline opened with four lifts – one T-bar (in the location where the School House chairlift is now) and 3 double chairs: Blue Chair (now Lodgepole), Red Chair (was renamed Coyote then taken out), and Yellow Chair (now Lakeview).

"It was very common to name chairs by colors or numbers back then," said General Manager Mike Bandelin.

Two more lifts were added in 1969: Upper Yellow (now Ridge) and Upper Blue (where Spillway trail is now located). In the late '70s the T-bar was removed and replaced with B Chair and Red Fox was added. All the other lift names were changed to animal names including Yellow Bird (now Lakeview), Blue Bell (now Lodgepole), Blue Dolphin, Coyote, and Yellow Jacket (now Ridge).

In 1987 the Crystal Quad was installed to the top of Crystal Ridge and the resort renamed to "Diamond Peak at Ski Incline" because of all the advanced black diamond terrain added. All existing lifts were also renamed at that time to what they are called today.

## *Ski Trails*

### **Penguin**

This trail was "Bunny" from the late '70s to late '80s when all the trails were named after animals. It was renamed "Penguin" in 1987 because the Child Ski Center was built and their new mascot was a penguin. "It was a penguin because Bee's heritage is New Zealand and it's overwhelmed with Penguins! Bee loved penguins," said Lee Koch, former Sales & Marketing Director. Bee Ferrato was the Child Ski Center Director at the time.

### **Dusty's Delight**

In the early '90s the trail known as "Delight" was renamed "Dusty's Delight" to honor the late Dr. Dusty Trembley, a former ski patroller. "He was one of the original patrollers," said Dennis Griffiths Ski Patrol Director. "Dusty was also a sailor. He sailed around the world by himself." "Seven times he sailed around the world and between the ages of 65-80. He also had five master's degrees and was the most humble guy I've ever met," said Lee Koch

### **Flume**

"A lot of the trails, including The Great Flume, were named to capture the spirit of the Comstock era, the environment and the heritage of the land" said Bandelin. When they were building the upper mountain (by hand) they found a collection box from the flume and a lot of parts of the flume were still intact.

### **Battleborn**

This trail was named after Nevada's state slogan, "The Battle Born State." Nevada achieved statehood during the Civil War and the words "Battle Born" also appear on the state flag.

### **Diamondback**

Was named after the Western Diamondback, one of Nevada's five venomous snakes. "The name actually came from my brother, Ed Weber, who was the F&B (food and beverage) Manager at the time. He recognized the snake of the run and thought of Diamondback," said Lee Koch

### **Golden Eagle Bowl**

"Every so often we had sightings of the majestic Golden Eagle when we were cutting trails up there," said Bandelin. "You might still see some up there to this day."

### **Thunder & Lightning**

During construction of the upper mountain, all the new trails were referred to by number... number one to five. "Thunder and Lightning were named after a thunderstorm that rolled through the area during the expansion. Lightning actually struck several trees on the run. The trails split left and right so we thought it was perfect," said Lee Koch.

### **Luggi's**

Luggi Foeger, the original designer and Ski School Director for Ski Incline, was known as "one of the true complete mountain men". When they brought Luggi to the originally planned site of Ski Incline, way above Mt Rose Highway, he said "the business of skiing is to provide a fun, pleasurable experience in the wintertime for the whole family. And if you take a housewife on top of a cliff and ask her to ski that, I'll leave it to your imagination to hear her reply." Luggi then studied the Incline area by plane, snowmobile and on foot and chose the present location of Diamond Peak, just above the northeastern shore of Lake Tahoe in Incline Village. Luggi was an icon in the ski industry and had the foresight to develop the first snowmaking system in the west. "He found old army surplus invasion pipe that had been unused to build the snowmaking system. It was installed during the initial development in 1966. They laid the pipe in the natural ravines and covered them up," Said Marty Koch, former Mountain Manager.



## Sunnyside

In the late '80s and early '90s Diamond Peak hosted the Collegiate National Championships on Crystal Ridge and Sunnyside. The G.S. and super-G races took place on these trails.

## F.I.S.

F.I.S. is short for Fédération Internationale de Ski, or International Ski Federation. This trail has a strong racing heritage with a world class slope angle and length, perfect for FIS races. It was one of the few runs in the United States that met the standards for official FIS competitions at the time.

## G.S.

"Ski racing was in its heyday when all of these trails were named," said Bandelin. G.S. stands for "giant slalom," a technical event in alpine ski racing.

## Corkscrew

Named for its winding terrain, this trail can be really fun on a powder day.

## Popular

"Popular was a very popular trail, and to this day is still the most popular trail on the mountain," said Bandelin.

## Freeway

This is the easiest way down on the lower mountain and the only beginner trail accessed from Lakeview Chair. The one caveat is that you have to ski down Ridge Run, an intermediate trail, to get to it. "The Master Plan includes a re-grading of Ridge Run to make it a green run and allow beginners to enjoy Snowflake Lodge," Bandelin said. Once this happens you really can cruise all the way down the Freeway. Freeway is also the summer road for mountain access.

## Crystal Ridge

This iconic trail made the "World's 100 Best Ski Runs" list by CNN Travel and Red Bull's "9 Most Stunning Places to Ski on Earth." Skiers often comment that it feels like you are going

to ski right into the lake since Crystal Ridge has somewhat of an infinity pool effect. "We ran a community contest to develop names for the ski resort and the two of the top names that were selected were Crystal Peak, because it overlooked Crystal Bay and Diamond Ridge because of the diamond runs added. Marty Koch actually suggested those two names," said Lee Koch. The ski resort was named Diamond Peak and then the ideas were merged together to call the ski trail Crystal Ridge.

## Powder

Because of the exposure of the trail it's a "great bowl on a powder day. That's where it collects," said Lee Koch

## Cappy's Corner

Cappy Cook was the Mountain Manager in the 1970s. "One of the greatest bosses anyone could have who inspired the staff everyday to be innovative and have fun," said Marty Koch.

## Spillway

All the upper mountain runs filter into this run.

## O.God

Oh god, this is steep! O.God is the steepest trail on the mountain. It starts off with the steepest pitch but after you dive down into the terrain you're rewarded by beautiful views of Lake Tahoe.

## Show-Off

This trail faces the Base Lodge so you can ski down and show-off to everyone at the lodge or in the chairlift lines. If you see a group of green jackets arching perfect turns down this run it may be Ski School doing clinics.

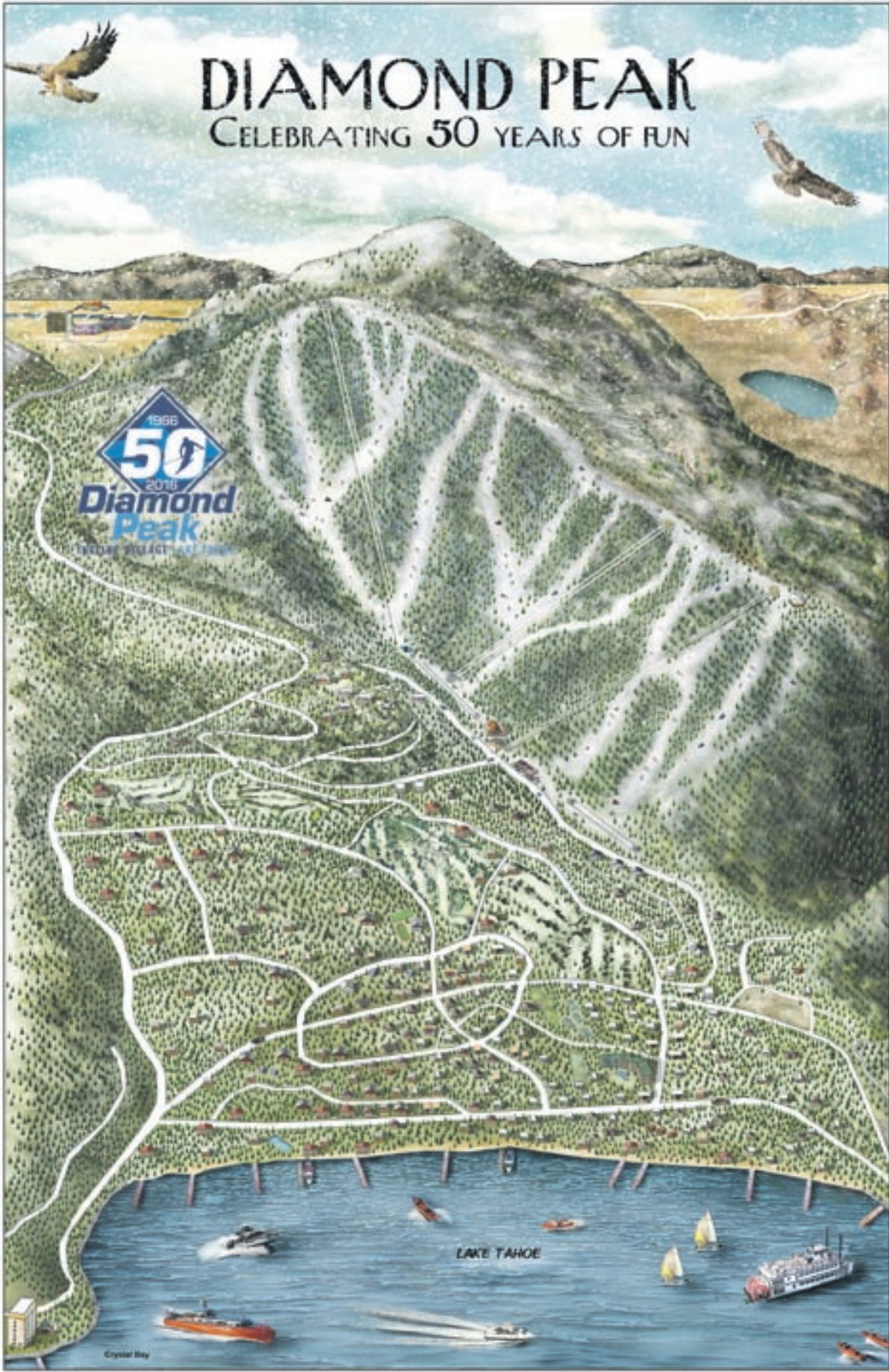
## Lodgepole

The Lodgepole Pine is a predominant tree in the Tahoe Basin and many were logged out during expansion of the upper mountain. 🌲



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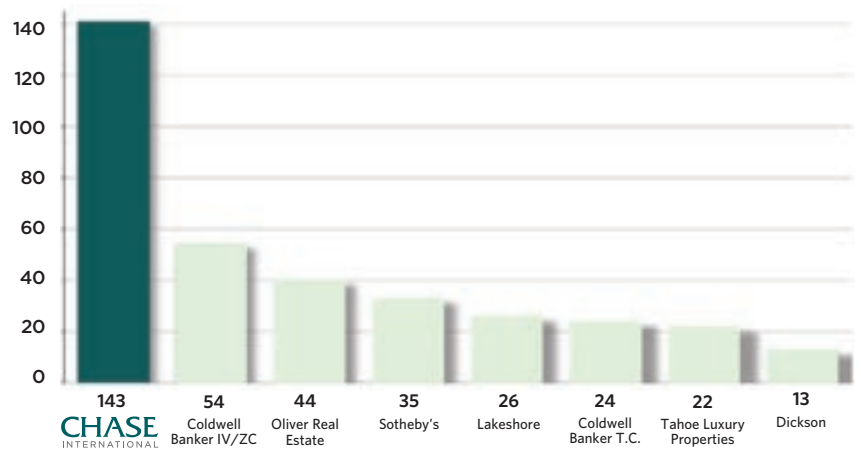
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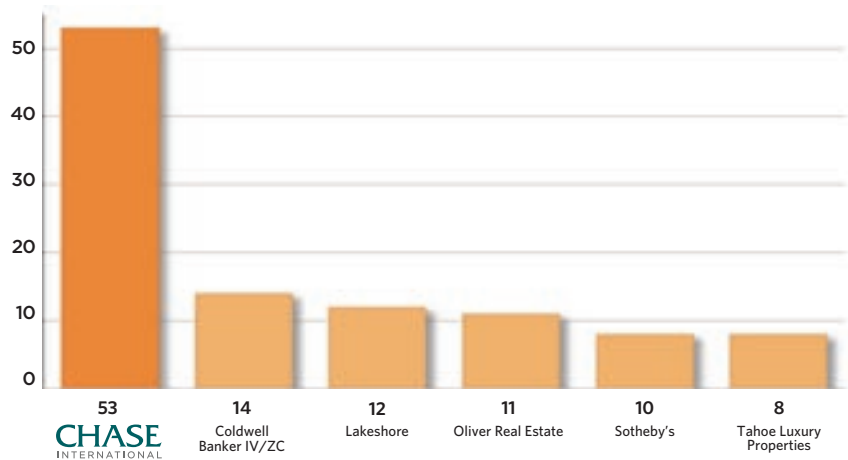
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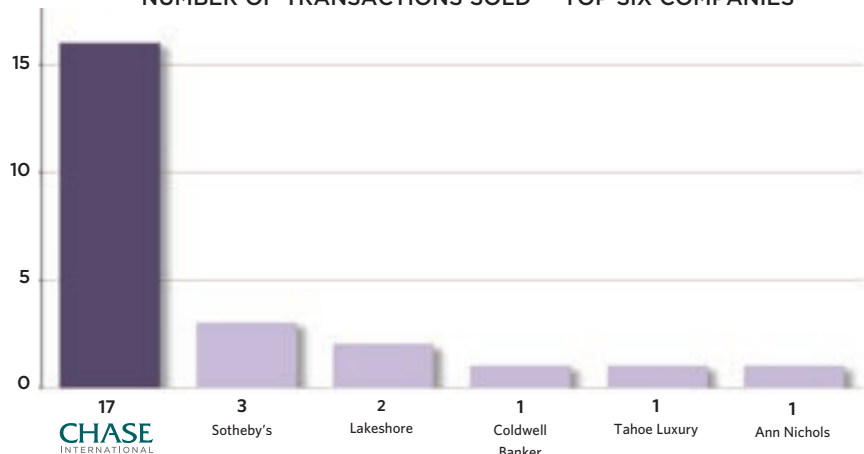
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# 50 YEARS OF DIAMOND PEAK MEMORIES

*Feature*

In anticipation of our 50th anniversary season, Diamond Peak put out a call for stories and photos from our customers over the past 50 years. Below are select excerpts from the responses we received.

My family skied Diamond Peak when I was in High School back in the early to mid '70s, then again when I was in college. I have vague memories of the views of the Lake. Once my children were born, we started coming to Diamond Peak yearly for the family atmosphere. We have been skiing Diamond Peak every year since 1995. My parents have since bought a condo in Incline Village and it has been a great place for our multigenerational family to gather (4 generations - my Dad attempted a run last year at age 85).

I have always felt that Diamond Peak is one of the most scenic resorts in the Lake Tahoe basin. What's not to like about the Crystal Ridge run with incredible views of the Lake, and Snowflake Lodge can't be beat either for its location on the mountain. We look forward to many more years skiing at Diamond Peak and continuing the traditions that my parents started of bringing the kids, then the grandkids and now their great-grandkids.

Here's to the next 50! Happy Anniversary!

— Kathy O'Hara Ferraro

When Lila Lapanja was two years old, her parents took her to the bunny hill at Diamond Peak on Easter Day, put a little pair of skis on her, set a "course" of golden Easter eggs for her to ski after, and turned her loose. She's loved skiing and racing for the gold ever since. Lila came up through the development ranks on the Diamond Peak Ski Team program, with her dad, Vojko Lapanja (a former Slovenian National Team Member and U.S. Collegiate Champion), as her coach and inspiration. After racing one year with Sugar Bowl, mentored by coach Herman Gollner, Lila was then named to the U.S. Ski Team in 2011 at the age of sixteen. Lila has consistently place at the top of her national age group since she was a Tahoe League J6 racer until now, as a fifth-year member of the U.S. Ski Team.

Interviewed in 2014, Lila said, "This sport takes passion, persistence, focus, and resources. I am dedicated, my coaches knows that I'm dedicated, and they have worked with me every year on developing my technical skill and tactical speed in training; I now understand how to use my skills to be fast. My long-term aspirations have been the same since I was five – to be successful on the World Cup circuit with consistent podium results and to win a medal at an Olympic Games!"

For additional bio information and to follow Lila's travels and life as a ski racer, visit [www.lilalapanja.com](http://www.lilalapanja.com) or Instagram (@lilalapanja)





Did you know Luggi and Helen Ferger? How about Cappy Cook? Alex Brogal? I worked with them (along with about 20 or 30 others) at Badger Pass Ski school in Yosemite in the '50s .

Oh how Luggi hated to be called Loueggi (check the spelling on that). I once heard him blow up and say, "You gipskopf (plaster head), I'm Austrian, not Italian!"

He was giving a private, all-day ski lesson to Kim Novac and he invited the instructors to have lunch with him and Kim on the porch at Badger. I particularly remember that because she was the most beautiful, charming, lovely, gracious, friendly woman I have ever met. You just have to be the boss to have the luck to ski with some one like that.

Ah yes, well, Helen wasn't a ski instructor but she was the darling of the ski school.

Luggi left in , oh, 1956 or '57 (I don't recall) and became a consultant for other ski areas, including Ski Incline. Look for the plaque at the top of Luggi's Run.

He worked at.....oh gee, I don't know all the places: Incline, North Star, Alpine Meadows, Sugar Bowl, to name a few.

The last time I saw Helen, she was working in the Incline ski shop. In all ways she was a lovely lady!

Last I heard of Cappy Cook he was Ski Incline Mountain Manager or something like that. He was a tough, friendly, happy, outgoing friend.

I do know Alex went to Alpine and then to Mammoth Mountain.

I went to the Sun Valley ski school, in '58/'59 and lost track of everyone.

That's about all the memory has to offer at this time

— L.M. "Olle" Youngberg



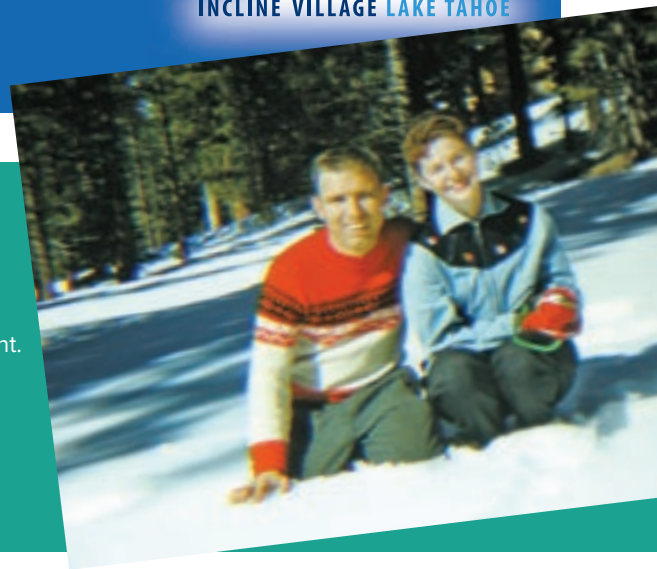
The subject of this story is "I will never complain about the price of a lift ticket again."

Here is an experience I had at Ski Incline...

One day while skiing at Ski Incline, the power went off. Everyone was disappointed because it was early afternoon. While commiserating about it with another skier, I suggested we climb the hill for another run. So off we went. The climb took much longer than we expected. We were exhausted when we reached the summit. I was almost too tired to make another run. But after a short rest we made down the hill and called it a day.

I will never complain about the price of a lift ticket again.

— Ron Seipel, with wife Cretia



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The Diamond Peak Ski Team has been at Diamond Peak resort for its entire existence. We've had a great relationship with the resort and our team has had some phenomenal results this past year...

Last year, our team was 200 strong – everything from little 6-year-olds all the way up to the 17- and 18-year-olds. Our program starts with the Mighty Mites and we had over 50 kids on that team.

The one thing I think makes the Diamond Peak Ski Team the best in the basin is our coaches. Our coaching staff is one of the best in the Basin – we hire some of the best coaches in the Basin and our athlete-to-coach ratio is kept very low. Our program gives a lot of individual attention to each athlete, and that's why our team has the success that it has had.

— Valerie Taylor,  
Admin/Race Director –  
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Happily my folks liked to gamble at Kings Castle [now the Hyatt Regency] and in turn I learned to ski. We would drive up in my Dad's '59 Caddy with no chains and somehow land safely in Incline.

I am guessing this photo is from 1967 at the rope tow. There I am in all hand-me-downs from my brother Rich, lace-up boots (toes stuffed with paper), wood skis, brother's pants and sweater – a budding ski bunny!

“Hot Dog” and still skiing at 56!

— Idana Davenport



Sid taking grandson Chris out skiing at Diamond Peak for his first time at age 3.



Chris, 20 years later, proposing to bride-to-be Haley on Crystal Ridge.



The wedding.



— Jane Bekowich

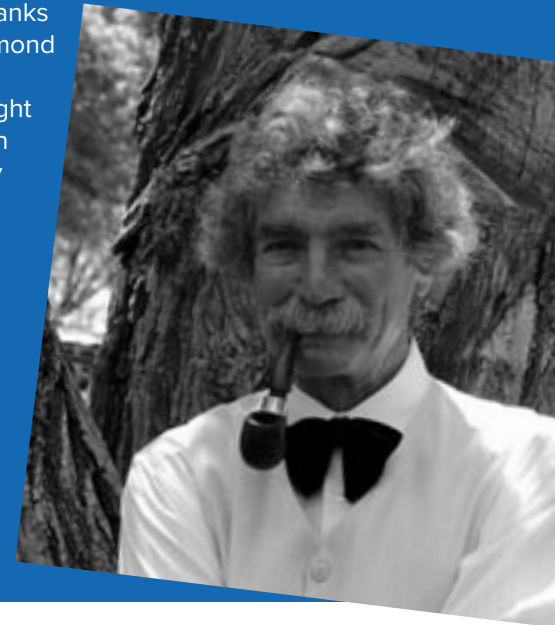
When Ski Incline expanded to almost 8,500 feet with a new quad to become Diamond Peak in 1987, Lee Weber Koch invited me to be the first civilian to ride up with her and mountain manager Jim Bradshaw and ski down. School was out that day and I didn't get off the air until 10 a.m. But they held the line and the kids were peeing in their pants while hating me for holding them up.

Well, to be the first civilian to glide down from atop Diamond Peak would have been nothing to George Galante, God rest his beautiful soul, but it was a memorable honor for me, and it was thanks to KLKT, and Diamond Peak of course. I asked if they might name the new run after me, but they said “Face Plant” would never do...

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I came to Ski Incline in 1969 to learn how to ski. My parents were avid skiers and they came to Incline on a frequent basis, but I had never been here. I still have the photos to prove I came in 1969 with my wonderful retro outfit. My mother had to take me to a ski shop an hour away from our home in Santa Monica to purchase this “ski outfit” with consisted of stretchy, spandex-style pants, that were high fashion at that time.

My most vivid memory is from the first time I rode the chairlift at Ski Incline, I missed the launch pad where you get off and slid right down into the net. And they had to stop the entire chair lift and get me out of the net.

After that, I took some lessons here and this is where I developed my love of skiing. And over the years I skied in Mammoth mostly. But Ski Incline was where it all started for me.

— Cheryl Lancaster

Please find attached a photo from winter 1989-90. It is of myself, my two daughters and a friend on the run down from the top. The girls are all grown now with kids of their own. Last season we started my 2 ½-year-old grandson on skis at Diamond Peak.

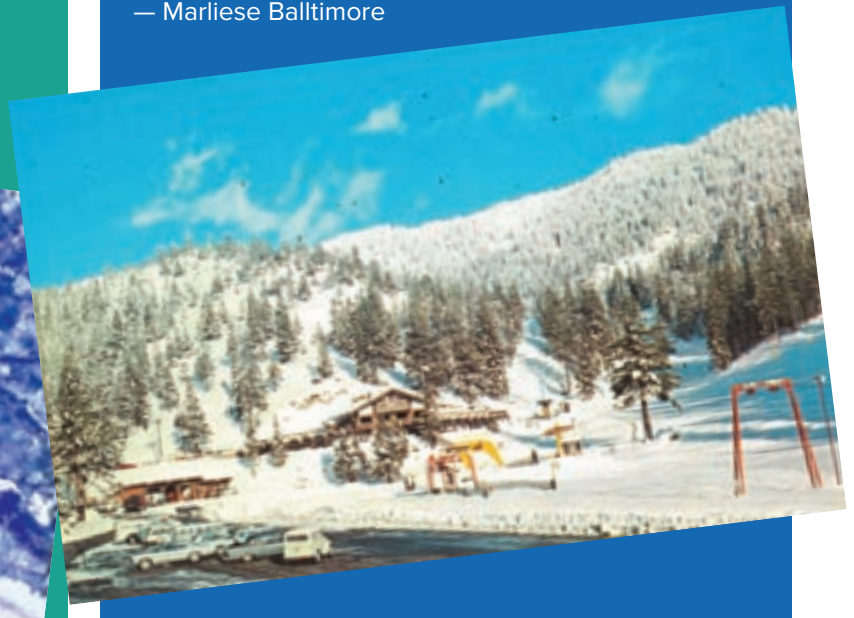
We’re looking forward to next season.

— Dianne De Cuir



My family skied at Ski Incline in the late ‘60s. I’m sending you a post card my mother sent to her family in Germany dated 1970. I’m so fortunate to still ski in this beautiful area.

— Marliese Balltimore



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If you are looking for a place to hold a social, sporting or special event in Incline Village, we have several venues available. The Recreation Center offers year round facilities for indoor events with amenities that include a lobby for birthday parties, indoor gymnasium and indoor pool. Incline and Burnt Cedar beaches have several Group Picnic areas available to beach access pass holders to reserve for spring or summer events. The designated beach sites include barbecue grills and tables offering you and your friends an area to picnic and enjoy the beach. Two sites are available at Burnt Cedar and two at Incline Beach. These sites can only be reserved with a valid beach access Recreation Photo ID. Each guest is still responsible for beach access fees. There is also one site available at Preston Park which is perfect for a family gathering or your child's birthday party and can be reserved by both IVGID pass holders & non pass holders

In addition, Village Green, Preston Field and Incline Park offer wide open spaces for activities and have multi-use fields for your soccer, softball and baseball needs. These sites are available to both IVGID pass holders & non pass holders. Reservations for all sites are taken on a first-come, first-served basis at the Parks & Recreation Department Counter. Payment is required with your application. For more information on rates, availability or to make a reservation please, call (775) 832-1310 or visit our website at [www.inclinerecreation.com](http://www.inclinerecreation.com).

## *Tennis Center*

**964 Incline Way, Incline Village**  
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The Incline Village Tennis Center, located next to the Recreation Center, offers eleven courts in a picturesque alpine setting along a year-round creek. Available in the Pro Shop is a selection of Babolat and Head racquets and tennis products, as well as the newest apparel and shoes. Racquet stringing is available with a wide variety of synthetic and natural gut strings.

## *Disc Golf*

The North Tahoe Lions Club Disc Golf course includes 18 par 3 holes in a picturesque setting located within Incline Park adjacent to the Tennis Center, Recreation Center, Skateboard Park and the Ball Fields. This is a free multi-



use area to be enjoyed by all ages. Parking is available at the Recreation Center at 980 Incline Way. Parking is not permitted at the Tennis Center. The 1st hole is located on the west side of the Recreation Center entrance road (980 Incline Way, Incline Village). Discs are available for purchase or rent at the Recreation Center.

## *Incline Village Fitness Trail*

The Incline Village Fitness Trail (previously known as the Exercourse) is an 18-station exercise course adjacent to the Village Green. The .8 mile course winds through the forest next to Incline Creek. The course contains accessible walking, running, snowshoeing, biking and exercise trails, and is used by many residents and visitors year-round.

## *Incline Village Golf Courses*

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### *Incline Skate Park*

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The Incline Village General Improvement District adopted a Strategic Plan on July 1, 2015, which provides direction and a planned pursuit of the mission, vision, values, long range principles and objectives and actions of the District. The Strategic Plan includes Long Range Principle #6, Communication.

## *Long Range Principle #6 - Communication*

The District will engage, interact and educate to promote understanding of the programs, activities, services, and ongoing affairs.

- Promote transparency in all areas including finance, operations and public meetings.
- Provide clear, concise and timely information in multiple, publicly accessible formats.
- Ensure that both internal and external communication is responsive, comprehensive and inclusive.

### **Objectives for 2015-2017**

1. Create function and dedicate full time staff to communications.
2. Invest in technology to improve access to information, better track citizen requests and inquiries and streamline customer service operations at venues.
3. Employ tools to enhance internal communications.
4. Implement best practices for sharing information with the public.

### **Budgeted Initiatives for 2015-2016**

- A. Expand the District's approach to communication decisions for the entire District for sales, marketing and communications. All venues and Funds will be served by the new Communications Coordinator.
- B. The District will be utilizing several online tools to improve Citizen Request Management and Financial Transparency.
- C. The District will replace existing Point of Sales systems to improve service delivery and extend capacity for registration and purchases.

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# COMMUNITY SERVICES MASTER PLAN

*Let's talk about what our community desires for IVGID Community Services in the future (CSMP)*

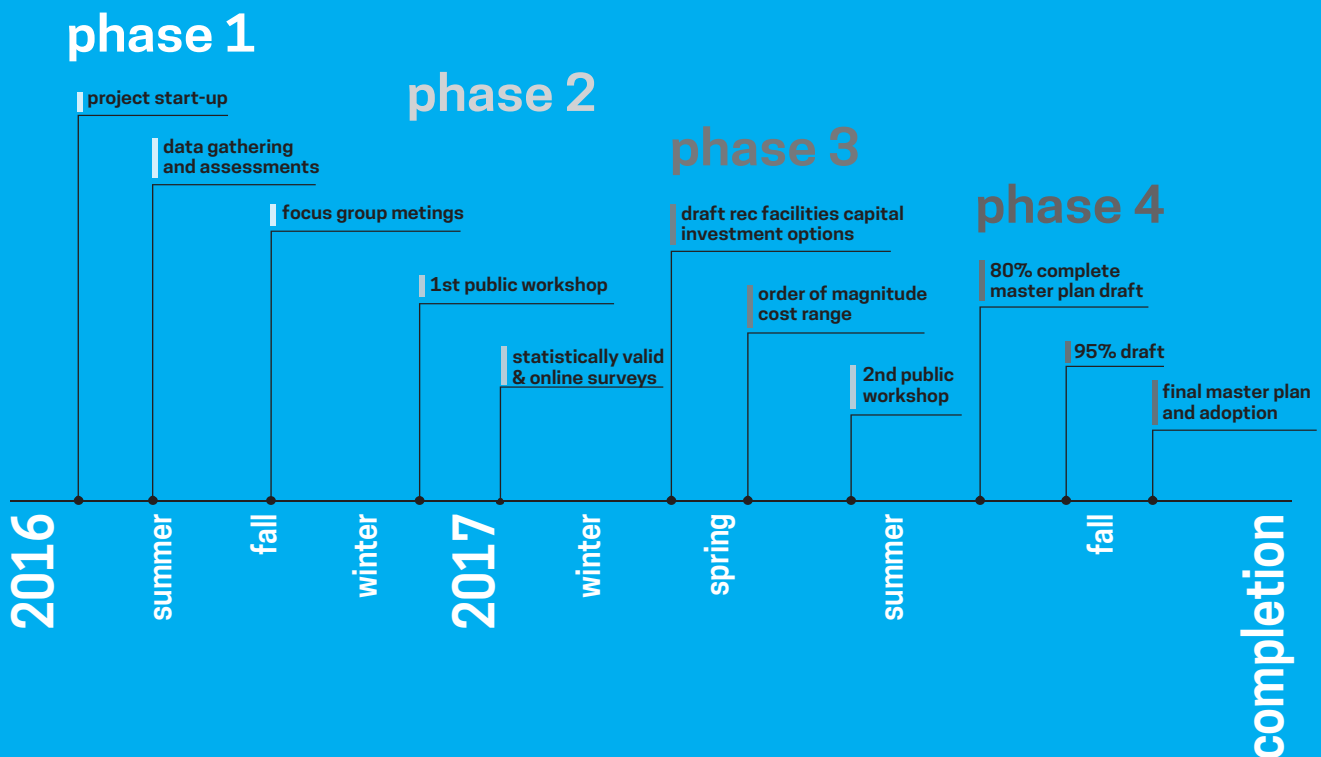
This Summer, we began the kick off of a year-long process of master planning for the future of IVGID Community Services and we need to hear what the community wants for its' facilities and programs. Community Services encompasses the Beaches, Parks, Recreation Programs, the Recreation Center, The Golf Courses at Incline, and Diamond Peak Ski Resort. The last effort was in 2000 when the Incline Village Recreational Facilities Master Plan was completed. Updating these plans every ten to fifteen years is considered industry good practice as it provides a road map for maintaining and/or revitalizing the existing community amenities and/or expanding the venues to provide the new features the community desires.

Together, we will develop a long-range community services master plan to identify and plan for the future of community driven recreation activities and facilities in Incline Village and Crystal Bay. To date, the District

has undertaken significant effort to assess many of the existing recreation facilities and operations and has developed planning documents, by venue, that identify the capital maintenance needs as well as the operational enhancement and future infrastructure investment opportunities. However, no major effort has been undertaken to assess the community priorities for future infrastructure investment in the existing venues or evaluate what services/facilities not presently provided by the District that are desired by the community.

Throughout this project we will conduct public meetings and community surveys to assess expectations, help set priorities, evaluate the opportunities for additional/expanded recreational offerings and facilities, and if identified, assess the community's willingness to fund new or different facilities and services. We hope you will join us for upcoming Community Workshops and participate in the conversation about current and future IVGID Community Services. 

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### Weekly Single Stream Recycling Collection

- WM began delivering 64-gallon wheeled recycling carts to every home in September 12, 2016. Recycling cart size matches trash service. (i.e., Customers with 64-gallon trash carts get 64-gallon recycling.)
- Collection now occurs weekly on your regular trash day.



### WM Provided Trash Carts

- 64-gallon wheeled trash carts are available to customers without existing wildlife resistant carts or bear sheds.
- Old personal trash cans may be recycled at the Incline Village Transfer Station for free through December 31, 2016.
- A wildlife resistant cart and service is available through WM. Please contact Customer Service for pricing and availability. (Customers do not have to replace their existing wildlife resistant carts.)

### Extended Yard Waste Recycling

- Curbside yard waste collection extended from 12 to 16 weeks.
- The number of stickers for bagged materials increased from 72 to 96, good for collection of bagged yard debris up to 40 pounds each. Stickers will be mailed via first class mail to the billing address on record.



### Quarterly Residential Billing via Waste Management

- WM has taken over account billing from IVGID Public Works.
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# TRASH COLLECTION IN INCLINE VILLAGE & CRYSTAL BAY

## FAQ's

### Can I use carts other than those provided by Waste Management?

No. The Incline Village residential franchise agreement requires the use of Waste Management carts. Waste Management carts allow for a more expedient collection allowing us to serve you better. (Existing wildlife resistant carts are exempt from this requirement and can continued to be used by customers.)

### How often is recycling collected?

Under the new agreement, recycling will be picked up weekly on the same day your trash is collected.

### Do I need to rinse out my recyclables before putting them in my recycling cart?

Liquids and loose food cannot be placed in the recycling cart. Food and liquids spoil the recyclability of paper and cardboard. Removing food from containers also reduces the risk of wildlife scavenging.

### What will happen if I put trash in my recycling cart?

The effectiveness of the program is a community effort. Just one resident can contaminate an entire load of recyclables. Therefore, if you put trash in your recycling cart, you may be billed for additional trash collection. You may also lose your option to participate in the recycling program.

### What if I have extra waste that won't fit into my trash cart?

In addition to curbside collection, customers are entitled to take one load of trash (up to 3 cubic yards per load) to the Incline Transfer Station four (4) times per year at no additional charge. Customers cannot place extra bags of trash at the curb. (See reverse side for rules about bagged green waste)

### What if I want an additional cart or different size?

If you find the delivered 64-gallon cart does not meet your needs, please contact customer service at (775) 831-2971 for additional sizes and rates. A one-time cart swap will be provided free of charge after January 1, 2017.

### How do I label recycling container in my bear shed?

A standard three arrow recycling symbol may be used to differentiate recycling bins from trash. Stickers can be purchased online or may be available at Incline Village Public Works.

### My trash/recycling pick up was missed, who do I contact?

Please contact customer service at (775) 831-2971.

### Where can I place materials not listed on the right?

Household hazardous waste, e-waste, pharmaceuticals and needles cannot be placed in trash or recycling carts. They must be handled separately. Please visit [www.yourtahoeplace.com/public-works/waste-not](http://www.yourtahoeplace.com/public-works/waste-not) for more information.



## Recycling

When in doubt if an item is recyclable, place it in the trash cart.



Empty Glass Bottles & Jars



Paper & Cardboard



Empty Aluminum, Tin & Steel Cans



Empty Plastic Bottles & Containers

## Trash



Plastic Bags & Utensils



Polystyrene Foam



Broken Glass & Ceramics



Diapers & Pet Waste



Food



Yard Waste



Hoses



Food Wrappers, Straws, & Juice Pouches

# On the Town

Photos captured by IVGID staff and posted on our social media accounts



3rd annual IVCB Veterans Ball



Diamond Peak Community BBQ at Snowflake Lodge



Dog Days of Fall was a huge SPLASH!



NLTFPD crew at the Sheriff's community picnic



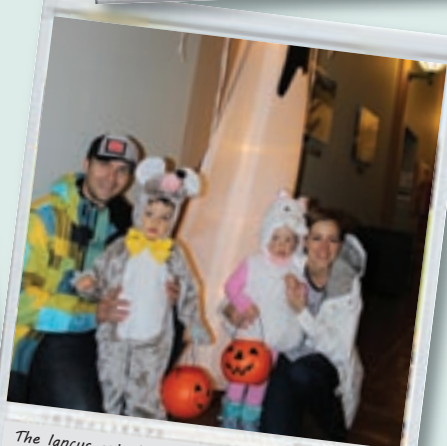
Participants loved the voice classes at the rec center instructed by Brad Perry.



Paul and John Wood get back-to-back hole-in-ones on the 14th green at the Championship Golf Course.



Sheriffs and The Raven at the Sheriff's Community Picnic



The lancus enjoying Trail of Treats and Terror at the Incline Village Recreation Center



The IVGID Board of Trustees honored and welcomed the new NLTFPD Chief, Ryan Sommers

# IVGID BOARD OF TRUSTEES



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Term expires 2020

**Kendra Wong** earned an M.B.A. from Arizona State University and a B.S. in Economics from UC Davis, where she also minored in Communication. She began her professional career with PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP in their audit practice. Kendra has worked in the ski resort, medical device, and power industries and maintains an active CPA license in California. Although her educational foundation is in economics, Kendra's professional concentration since 2001 has been in accounting and finance. She has extensive experience in general ledger accounting, SEC reporting, and SOX audits. Kendra joined the Sierra Nevada College faculty as an adjunct in spring 2007. She teaches accounting, finance, entrepreneurship, and general management courses and serves as a student academic advisor. Kendra has been recognized by faculty, staff, and students as an outstanding advisor and faculty member. Kendra was promoted to Business Department Chair in Fall 2013. Kendra was recognized as the Faculty Advisor of the Year by Nevada's Center for Entrepreneurship and Technology in 2013. In 2014, Kendra stepped up to lead Nevada's higher education institutions to put on the D.W. Reynolds Governor's Cup business plan competition. Outside of the classroom, Kendra enjoys the outdoors just as much as her students do. Kendra is an avid skier during the winter and enjoys running, hiking, and biking during the summer.

Ms. Wong is currently serving her first term on the IVGID board of trustees after being elected in 2014, and currently holds the position as the board Chairperson, and her terms expires in 2018.

**Matthew Dent** is from a small agricultural community in Watsonville, CA and moved to Nevada with his wife Tara in 2007. Since then, they have established roots in Incline Village as year-round residents and plan to have children in the next couple years. After earning a bachelor's degree in Construction Management from California State University, Chico and a Masters in Business Administration from University of Nevada, Reno, and Matthew worked in heavy civil construction. He has worked on an array of executive teams managing large infrastructure projects in both California and Nevada which totaled more than \$500 million. To establish a full-time way of life in Incline Village, Matthew founded two companies in separate industries: real estate investment and development and international education. When not running these companies, Matthew enjoys volunteering for several local and national organizations, reading, boating, skiing, golfing, and playing chess with his wife.

Matthew has been serving as our current IVGID Board of Trustee since appointed in 2015. He enjoys meeting local residents and encourages you to connect with him via email (matthew.ivgid@gmail.com).

**Tim Callicrate** is a sole-owner proprietor business owner and full-time, year-round resident since June of 1985. Tim has been a professional pianist/vocalist for over 30 years. He has been the staff pianist at the Hyatt's Lone Eagle Grille, Martis Camp, as well as the Director of Music at St. Francis Catholic Church. Additionally, Tim has been a substitute teacher at Lake Tahoe School and a Docent at the Thunderbird Lodge. He produced two compact discs of background piano music entitled 'Serenade From Tahoe' which have been steadily climbing the charts on Pandora, iTunes, Amazon and CD Baby, to name a few.

Tim had previously served on the Board of Trustees in 1997 - 2000. Tim is currently serving his second term as IVGID Trustee after being elected in 2014, and holds the position of the board Secretary, and his term expire in 2018.

**Phil Horan** and his wife Jan and have been property owners in IVCB since September 1990 and have been full time residents since March 2001.

Trustee Horan graduated from Creighton University with a degree in Business Administration. Prior to retirement in 2001 Phil worked 28 years for Bank of America and 9 years with Perot Systems with many years of executive management experience. He also spent more than 15 years living and working internationally.

For the past 15 years, Phil has been active and participated in a variety of local and Washoe County community activities in leadership positions which currently include Washoe County Planning Commission and Washoe County Board of Equalization. Locally he is a past President of Incliners and Treasurer of Marine 9.

Trustee Horan was appointed to the Board December 3, 2015 to fulfill a vacancy. He currently serves as Vice Chairman of the Board and is Chairman of the Boards Audit Committee.

**Peter Morris (Trustee Elect)** was born and raised in England and immigrated to the US 25 years ago. Working for major international corporations as well as numerous start-ups, his focus has been the delivery and implementation of technology in healthcare. He has worked with organizations and governments around the world including Europe, North America and South East Asia.

Peter owns BrightStar Care of Reno, a homecare and home health agency providing support for seniors and people of all ages to remain at home to receive care and enable to them to age in place. BrightStar serves northern Nevada including Incline Village.

An avid sportsman, Peter was a rugby player for most of his adult life. He is a passionate skier, snowboarder and mountain biker and it was in pursuit of the perfect combination of a snow and summer lifestyle that inspired his move to Lake Tahoe in 2005.

Peter is a very dedicated father with one young teenage daughter, two adult children and four grandchildren. Collectively they are all wonderful apples of his eye!

Peter is also passionate about the arts, and thoroughly enjoys being a part of our local Incline Follies' productions. Though his free time limits him to merely being in the audience of other productions these days, he still yearns to once again maybe 'tread the boards'.

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## December

**Youth Basketball begins in early December**  
**December – April** ongoing Pool Paddleboard Yoga

**Tuesdays:** 55+ Snowshoe Hike and Lunch  
**Thursdays:** Conversation Café at Aspen Grove  
**12/4:** Nevada City trip to “Victorian Christmas” with IVGID Senior Programs  
**12/7 & 14** Tai Chi at the Rec Center  
**12/10:** Brunch with Santa Claus The Chateau  
**12/14:** IVGID Board of Trustees’ Meeting at The Chateau (955 Fairway Drive)  
**12/14:** Special Chorus Kids will be performing at the Board Meeting  
**12/15:** Diamond Peak’s Projected Opening Day  
**12/16:** Seniors support IHS Basketball – opening season game!  
**12/16:** Diamond Peak 50th Anniversary Kickoff - Ski Film & Season Passholder Party  
**12/17-1/1:** Child Ski Center Theme Days  
**12/17** - Community Tree Lighting at The Chateau  
**12/18** – Christmas Voice Recital at Cornerstone Community Church  
**12/19-21:** Winter EPIC Base Camp  
**12/24-25:** Santa & Penguin Pete Visit Diamond Peak  
**12/26-28:** Winter EPIC Base Camp  
**12/28:** Historic Ski Film Series #1 at The Chateau

## January

**January 2017** – Registration of the 2017 Annual Health & Wellness Fitness Challenge – Journey to Wellness  
**January 2017** - Kids Dance, Adult Ballet and Kids Voice resume  
**Tuesdays:** 55+ Snowshoe Hike and Lunch  
**Wednesdays through March 29:** 55+ Ski Clinics at Diamond Peak (no clinic Feb. 22)  
**Thursdays:** Conversation Café at Aspen Grove  
**1/2-1/8:** IVGID Community Appreciation Week at Diamond Peak  
**1/4, 1/11, 1/18:** Historic Ski Film Series at The Chateau  
**1/5:** IVGID Board of Trustees’ Meeting at The Chateau  
**1/9-1/13:** Learn to Ski & Ride Week at Diamond Peak  
**1/9-1/13:** Registration for Session III of swim lessons at the Incline Village Rec Center  
**1/17:** Session III of swim lessons begins at the Incline Village Rec Center  
**1/25:** IVGID Board of Trustees’ Meeting at The Chateau

## February

**February 6 through April 2** - Journey to Wellness  
**Tuesdays:** 55+ Snowshoe Hike and Lunch  
**Wednesdays through March 29:** 55+ Ski Clinics at Diamond Peak (no clinic Feb. 22)  
**Thursdays:** Conversation Café at Aspen Grove  
**2/2:** IVGID Board of Trustees’ Meeting at the Chateau (955 Fairway Drive)  
**2/2-2/5:** 8th Annual Ullr Fest at Diamond Peak  
**2/10:** Community Snowshoe at Diamond Peak  
**2/20-2/24:** Registration for Session IV of swim lessons at the Incline Village Rec Center  
**2/22:** IVGID Board of Trustees’ Meeting at the Chateau (955 Fairway Drive)  
**2/26:** Session IV of swim lessons begins at the Incline Village Rec Center

## March

**Tuesdays:** 55+ Snowshoe Hike and Lunch  
**Wednesdays through March 29:** 55+ Ski Clinics at Diamond Peak (no clinic Feb. 22)  
**Thursdays:** Conversation Café at Aspen Grove  
**3/2:** IVGID Board of Trustees’ Meeting at The Chateau  
**3/4:** Diamond Peak Uphill/Downhill Dash  
**3/5:** Village Ski Loft Demo Day  
**3/10:** Community Snowshoe hike to Diamond Peak’s Snowflake Lodge  
**3/18:** Diamond Peak 50th Anniversary Retro Ski Day & Season Passholder Party  
**3/24:** Diamond Peak’s UnBirthday Celebration  
**3/29:** IVGID Board of Trustees’ Meeting at The Chateau  
**3/27-3/31:** Registration for Session V of swim lessons at the Incline Village Rec Center

## April

**Thursdays:** Conversation Café at Aspen Grove  
**4/1:** Diamond Peak’s 17th Annual Dummy Downhill  
**4/2:** Session V of swim lessons begins at the Incline Village Rec Center  
**4/6:** IVGID Board of Trustees’ Meeting at the Chateau  
**4/8:** Underwater Easter Egg Hunt at the Incline Village Rec Center  
**4/15:** Spring Eggstravaganza  
**4/16:** Easter Egg Hunt & Projected Closing Day at Diamond Peak  
**4/26:** IVGID Board of Trustees’ Meeting at the Chateau

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# Winter 2016/2017

Incline Village/  
Crystal Bay  
Community Events

# GALLERY

# CALENDAR



# Lake TAHOE

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CENTRAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
ONE DISTRICT - ONE TOWN  
Unofficial District Map

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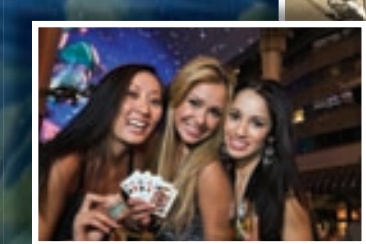
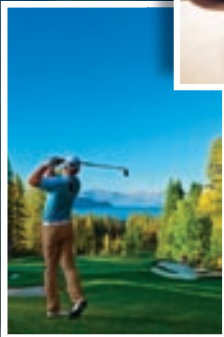
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