



May 2026 NEWSLETTER



One Barrel American Bistro

Thursday May 7th

3401 S. Broadway #110

Englewood, 80113

Recp. 5pm, Dinner 6pm

\$55

Salad

8oz NY Strip

Chicken Schnitzel, Mushroom Risotto

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RSVP by Monday May 2nd

President's Notes – May 2026

What a great evening at Luke's! Thanks to all of you in attendance. It was fun and the food was exceptional. We also had the opportunity to share the evening with Skal Colorado's scholarship recipient from Metro State University, John N. Bryan "JB." We look forward to his presence at many more Skal Colorado events.

May 7th takes us to a new venue for dinner – One Barrel American Bistro & Wine Bar near Hampden on South Broadway in Englewood. The wine selection is quite good, so be sure to get there at 5pm to begin your wine tasting!

Speaking of wine, as the cost of food and beverages continues to rise we are finding it more challenging to offer a meal, taxes and gratuity and wine for the Skal toast within the \$55 per person limit. Unless we have a sponsor to cover the cost we must ask each member attending to purchase his or her own beverage for the toast. For anyone interested in sponsoring, the cost is \$250, with the opportunity to speak to the group.

Don't miss our own Mert Nason, who will be singing with the Cherry Creek Chorale May 8th & 9th. "From Darkness into Light: The Soul's Journey" features the music of Elaine Hagenberg. Visit CherryCreekChorale.org for more information.

With a summer trip to Chamonix in Cripple Creek, our exciting Annual Auction in October, and a "Vision 2027 – State of the Industry" event in conjunction with Metro State University in November, we have some great plans for the rest of the year.

Warmest regards!

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Upcoming meetings

June 4th-Season's 52-Luncheon

July 23-25 Cripple Creek

April/ May Birthdays

4/27 Skyler Mason 5/8 John Icabone

5/28 Laurie Althen 5/29 Bruce Whitaker

Skal Auction
October 8, 2026
Lakewood Country Club

Starting preparations for this year's auction well in advance offers countless creative possibilities. With our club's strong foundation in Travel, Tourism, and Hospitality, we have the opportunity too transform ordinary items into captivating packages. For example, a simple gift card can be enhanced by adding thoughtfully selected accessories, making it a more attractive prize. Imagine a restaurant package paired with themed extras, or a duffle bag filled with essential travel comforts for a memorable, in-flight experience. Even a spa certificate can become a delightful pre-travel indulgence when bundled with complementary items.

If you're seeking fresh ideas or additional guidance, feel free to reach out to Olga Hellweg for inspiration. Remember, expanding your guest list not only heightens the energy of the bidding process but also contributes to increased proceeds for the event. By embracing early and imaginative planning, you help pave the way for a successful and engaging auction.



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Discount coupons in the works for local suppliers, retailers, restaurants including the Chamonix outlets

Inventory is limited with a cutoff date of 4/24/26. A special reservation code will be issued for booking

purposes. Please advise Olga Hellweg, olga@gtiunlimitedvacations.com, if you will be joining us. Click the video link below for more information.

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