



Duck! Here comes the holiday season.

Personally, I'm thinking that the best event of the season will be the Timberline Toppers' New Years Eve dinner dance.

At 5:30, New Year's Eve, we'll have the following entrees prepared for us by the Keystone Conference Center banquet chef, Steve Nguyen:

Balsamic Marinated & Grilled
Beef, Wild Mushroom Jus Lie

Herb Baked Chicken Tarragon,
Dijon Cream Sauce

Then, starting at 7:00, Scott Byars will call a few Plus tips, followed at 7:30 by Main Stream tips. Some bubbly cider or grape juice will be available at 10:00.

Dinner reservations are limited, so quit reading this and immediately contact:

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The cost for the entire evening is the price of a nice dinner out,

minus the tip expense (and you get the square dancing called by Scott Byars).

Of course, you can just come for the dancing at 7 or 7:30.

So, you ask: "That's a pretty early evening for New Years -- how old are you?"

Hey, I'm NOT old! Its just that when I go to reunions, my classmates all have thinning grey hair, gnarled faces, and talk about ailments, retirement and grand kids. That's not my fault.

No sir, the early start is great for New Year's Eve. We all get a good meal, wild square dancing, and can still be home early enough to celebrate 2007's arrival in concert with relatives back in the midwest.

I plan to toast '07 with a large glass of water, washing down the pills I take to rejuvenate joints, blood chemistry, organs, and appendages.

Then I'll fall asleep wondering: How lucky am I? Every tip I was in the best square, well OK, the funniest square. And, all the new people I met! Gee Scott Byars was fun! How lucky am I? ... Zzzzz.

P.S. With this schedule, we can also hit the empty ski slopes in the morning, while the holiday crowds sleep in. I know a couple of good, steep, bump runs where we can discuss old age.

Oh, and hey, all you young square dancers out there: Have a safe Holiday season and a Merry Christmas.