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Annual Owners Meeting

The Christie Lodge management team would like to thank all those that attended the 2022 Annual Owners Meeting, held on October 8th at Venue 8600 in Scottsdale, Arizona. Elected to the Board were Mr. Gary Kujawski and Mrs. Kristen Nostrand-Junker.

Lisa Siegert-Free, Managing Director and General Manager welcomed and thanked the owners for attending the meeting and introduced the staff in attendance. She then asked for a moment of silence to honor the life of former Board Member, Bill McReynolds.

Lisa Siegert-Free's presentation included a comparison of owner maintenance fees to the industry average, noting The Christie Lodge fees continue to be significantly lower than the industry average. This makes us a very attractive timeshare to own and exchange with other timeshare properties. She shared statistics about The Christie Lodge's NPS (Net Promoter Score), which is above the National average for hotels and explained online reviews, like Expedia, Trip Advisor, Facebook. She also shared that Rentals were a very large portion of our revenue. In addition, she went over Vail and Beaver Creek's news for the 2022-2023 season. Also discussed in her presentation, was the ongoing community support of The Christie Lodge. Our staff, proudly volunteers to support the Spring Highway Clean-up and Fall Eagle River Clean-up. Lisa Siegert-Free mentioned a few "Off the Beaten Path" adventures and dining experiences that are worth exploring while in the Valley, as well as some Local Coffee Brewers and Distilleries that might be interesting to visit.

Mr. Rick Dameron, Executive Director of Operations updated the attendees on current projects, renovations and reservations at the lodge. He presented photos of the sprinkler system and wiring projects and discussed the difficulties of hiring employees and the housing crisis in the Valley. He reminded owners to book 360 days in advance or as soon as possible. He also talked about the busy year we had 2021-2022, with the fewest employees ever and spoke about capital reserves. The Capital Reserve fund is currently 20% of the annual maintenances fees to cover future projects.

The next Annual Meeting is projected to be held October 14, 2023, in Avon, Colorado. More information will be provided to you soon.

Pinnacle Lifestyle Solutions

We are always looking for ways to improve your ownership, both now and in the future. Through the years we've always had your best interests in mind. As your management team, we are also responsible for the financial wellbeing of the resort and the delicate balancing act of keeping operating costs in line with your vacation expectations. To do so we need to continue to expand our owner base and introduce the joys and benefits of Christie Lodge ownership to the next generation.

We have recently partnered with Pinnacle Lifestyle Solutions (PLS), a new consortium of industry professionals, whose specialty and sole focus is the improvement of legacy resorts like ours. You will be learning more about them in the months and years to come, but we have vetted their product and feel that it is the most attractive way on the market today to attract new owners to our family and maintain long term resort financial health.

As we endorse and support their efforts, we also strongly urge all owners to take an opportunity to learn more about what their product can do for you, our existing Christie Lodge owners and your family. We know you will be pleasantly surprised with their relaxed, modern-day approach.

PLS has secured a limited number of units for [Owner Getaways](#). We are excited to offer 3 days and 2-nights for the low price of \$239 plus tax and fees. Specialists are available to discuss how to maximize your ownership and lower your annual expenses.

Reservation can be made by contacting Plymouth Rock Travel Partners today at 970-230-3717 for reservation details.



Property Updates



We are more than half way through replacing our 40-year-old fire system. The project has transitioned to our east wing and is expected to be completed by May of this year. During this process, our indoor pool, fitness center, game room and east hot tub will not be available to our owners and guests, but we are offering some alternative options, so please let us know how we can make your stay more enjoyable during this process. The Christie Lodge management team is very appreciative of your patience while we improve the value of your ownership and continue to invest in creating memories for you and your families.

We recently completed our guest room improvement project that included; new wood floors, updated bathrooms and kitchens, a larger refrigerator, new countertops and sink and the addition of a single stovetop, new mattresses on a platform base with new headboard in the bedrooms and new murphy bed/couches in the living room area. In addition, we have improved our bedding with higher grade linens, installed larger TVs with additional channels and upgraded the high-speed wi-fi in all rooms.

RCI Silver Crown Award

The Christie Lodge has earned the 2023 **RCI Silver Crown Resort®** services. The award is a reflection of our commitment to delivering great guest experiences, which was reflected in a compilation of Exchange guest Comment Card assessments on resort quality, service delivery, and their overall vacation experience.

The RCI® Resort Recognition Program is part of our commitment to exceeding the vacation expectations of our owners and RCI subscribing members. Meeting the standards set by the Program proves that we are providing quality vacation experiences, and RCI is proud to be affiliated with our property.

Owner Benefits

Your Vacation and Owner Services team is here to help you

Take advantage of several discounted benefits we offer exclusively to RCI members.

This year we are limited on inventory due to our **fire sprinkler system project**. Owners will still be allowed to come to the lodge during your color season, however availability during this project may be limited. If you are not able to book your owner weeks during this time period due to the closure, we will encourage you to use a second week, in the same color season, over the next three-year period. **Maximize the value of your week** by booking your week early. The most desired weeks go quickly, so booking as early as possible will ensure the best chance of reserving your preferred week. The Christie Lodge's external exchange trading value is at an all-time high. Trading power can be affected by the week given and how far in advance the deposit is made, another reason to book as early as possible! Please click **here** for additional information about your owner benefits. Your Vacation and Owner Services team will be happy to assist you in understanding your benefits and help you get the best usage to meet your needs! Please call us at 877-697-7632.



What is the Eagle Mine and why did it close?

In 1870, gold and silver were discovered in the Gilman-Belden area, about 3 miles northwest of Red Cliff and 6 miles southwest of Minturn on US-24. The discovery of these metals sparked the establishment of the Eagle Mine. In 1905, as gold and silver ran dry, the mine shifted to primarily seek lead and zinc. Extraction of these materials occurred for 79 years. In 1986, mining operations closed and the electricity was shut off. Once the mine closed, this was only the beginning of what would be a long project to keep the Eagle River clean and healthy.

If you are interested in finding out more about our valuable water resources, visit the Eagle River Watershed Council at <https://erwc.org/>



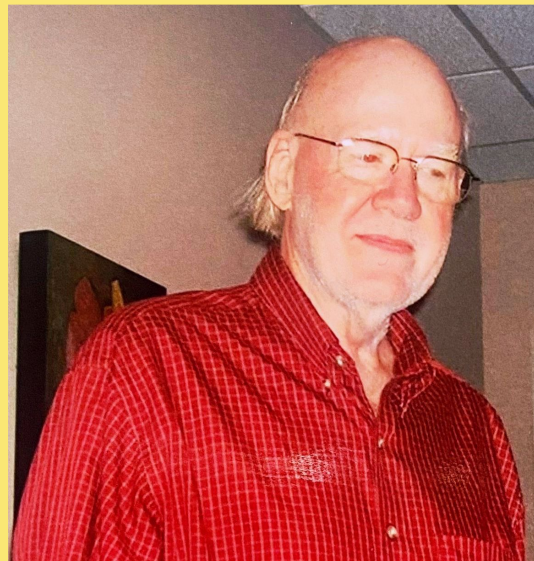
In memory of former board members



Bill McReynolds had been a consistent member and supporter of the board since 1984, serving as president several times. Bill also served on the audit/budget committee for all his years of service. In the 1980's, Bill was an integral part of getting The Lodge through a very hard time, due to struggles with a previous management company. Bill attended his last board meeting in June 2022. Bill passed away on September 16, 2022.

It has been an honor to work with Bill for so many years as a board member! We all cared and loved him very much. We send our thoughts and prayers to his family and friends. He will be missed!

Art Olson passed away on July 20, 2022 with his wife Jan by his side. Art was elected to the Christie Lodge Board of Directors in 1995 and served until his resignation in January of 2015. His dedication to the board was exceptional and he will be missed by many. He would have been 79 years old in October.



Vail Resorts and New Lifts



Great news for Vail Mountain this year! Sun Down Bowl in the legendary back bowls will see the installation of a new high-speed 4-person chair from the base of Chair 5 (High Noon Express) to the Wildwood restaurant. The new lift will materially reduce wait times on peak days at Chair 5 and create the opportunity for skiers and riders to more

conveniently access the trails in Sun Down Bowl. Vail Mountain will also see improved reliability and capacity in Game Creek Bowl with the replacement of the current 4-person chair with a new high-speed 6-person lift, increasing capacity by nearly 50%. Hope to see you on the mountain this year!

Camp Hale-Continental Divide National Monument, preserving history and conserving precious landscapes



This past summer, Camp Hale was designated a national monument. Camp Hale and its surroundings in the Tenmile Range were used to train the 10th Mountain Division, the 38th Regimental Combat Team, the 99th Infantry Battalion and others in mountain and winter warfare. The national monument designation builds on years of efforts from the descendants of the 10th Mountain Division, Colorado Veterans, federal, state and local elected officials, many surrounding communities, conservation and outdoor recreation advocates, to recognize and preserve this area.

Facing high altitudes and harsh terrain, deep snow, bitter cold, soldiers in Camp Hale learned to scale rock, ski and survive, preparing for the war they were about to fight. National monument designation is pivotal to preserving the story of 10th Mountain Division veterans who, after their return from World War II, applied their experiences and skills learned in the Camp Hale and Tenmile Range area to establish America's skiing industry. Camp Hale-Continental Divide National Monument is located within an hour drive of the Vail Valley and is well worth the visit.

Vilar Performing Arts Center debuts new state-of-the-art sound system and long-awaited chandelier



The Vilar Performing Arts Center has recently installed a new half-million-dollar, state-of-the-art sound system. Audience members and performers will enjoy an improved listening experience starting this winter. The Vilar Center is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year, and with each passing season has progressively pursued higher caliber artists to perform on its stage. Executive Director Owen Hutchinson is furthering the organization's strategy to invest in a higher quality and quantity of artists. The investment in new technology will help to elevate the significance of artists in upcoming performances.

Also, as part of the 25th anniversary was the gift of a blown glass art piece that was assembled into a chandelier created by the famous American glass artist, Dale Chihuly, whose work is known worldwide. The Chihuly chandelier is a fitting gift for this milestone because Chihuly was originally picked to provide artistic flair to the décor of the Vilar Performing Arts Center when it was being built in the mid-90s.

For more information on upcoming events, please visit: Vilarpac.org

We Care about the Community



Environmental stewardship issues in our community are a priority to the Christie Lodge. Our employees volunteer their personal time to work side-by-side with fellow community members on the I-70 Highway Cleanup in the spring and the Eagle River clean-up in the fall. The traditional community gathering hosted by the [Eagle River Watershed Council](#), returned this past September to help recognize the hard work of the volunteers.

Thanks to all of our volunteers!