



April 2011

# Tahoe Sands Resort

## Resort Renovation...progress update

The Board of Directors is excited to announce the renovation completion of unit 509. Units 509 and 510 were converted from two studios into a beautiful two-bedroom unit. This mountain side unit features low E windows with gorgeous lake views, new flooring including engineered hardwood, tile and carpet, a functional full kitchen with stainless appliances and is ADA friendly. This unit has one and a half baths and comfortable living room and dining areas. We are in the process of preparing the unit for your use with new furniture, window coverings and final details.

Please be sure to ask if you can take a look at this unit during your stay. If the unit is available the staff will be happy to give you the opportunity to see the direction of improvements for the resort in the coming years.

Due to many unavoidable expenses in recent months 509 is the only unit scheduled to be renovated in 2011. Based on the availability of funds in 2012 the next units scheduled for renovation are 310 and 118.



Renovation of 509



The Tahoe Sands Resort Proudly Presents

# The Bear Paw



## President's Message

As the new President of the Tahoe Sands Time Share Owners Association, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the outgoing President Gary Duignan for his more than 9 years of service to the association as its President. He has held our Association together through some of the hardest times in its history. He and his wife Mary have made many sacrifices to keep the Association heading in the right direction. I along with the other members of our association owe Gary and Mary many thanks for a job well done. Gary has volunteered to serve another term as Vice-President.

As part of our ongoing upgrade of the Resort we have completed the replacement of all the Resort's sofa sleepers and mattresses. Additionally, the lake side of the resort has been repainted, a fire pit installed, as well as the installation of a bocce ball court.

As an Association we have continued to make progress towards achieving our goal of remodeling the resort. Progress, as you know, has been woefully slow; however, there are a number of reasons for our lack of progress. The chief reason is the Legal and Court expenses that the Association has incurred from past litigation (i.e., Ghandour judgment cost the resort \$363,000 for their attorneys fees). Most of these, unavoidable expenses, are behind us and we can now again concentrate on remodeling our resort in order to provide quality accommodations for our members. The repair, remodeling, and renovation of Units 509/510 have been completed, including some ADA friendly upgrades, and will be ready for occupancy shortly.

I would also like to remind everyone that serving on our Board of Directors or as Committee Chair are voluntary positions. As volunteers these folks donate their time, energy and effort to see that the Association is operated in the best interests of our owners. I am looking forward to working with the board, committee chairs and members to further our goal of making Tahoe Sands a truly exceptional resort.

- Robert Wemheuer



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## **OWNER SERVICES...More value and opportunity**

Having just returned from our annual meeting in Sacramento I had a chance to meet many of you. At this meeting we let everyone in attendance know about an exchange program that gives you a 2 for 1 Bonus Week. Another exchange program that actually gives you 3 weeks for depositing only 1 week! Many owners asked for detailed information on these programs. Exchange companies are creating special offers and I encourage you to look into them. I have sent packets out to all of the owners that expressed an interest and will be following up with each of them to make sure they understand exactly how they can get on board with these exchange opportunities. As your Owner Services and Sales Representative it is important to me that I help you to spend your hours enjoying your vacation, not planning it.

A renovation of unit # 509 was recently completed and this unit is a sight to behold! It has so much natural light with its many windows. It has a panoramic view of the lake which is quite an accomplishment as it is located on the mountainside. Be sure and stop by and if 509 is unoccupied I will be happy to get you in to see for yourself. The resort is in the process of planning some great activities for the upcoming summer season including kids activities such as potato sack races, sand castle building, arts and crafts and more. For adults we are working on putting together art shows and of course the Thursday night Owner BBQ, wine and cheese and ice cream social will be back.

I can be reached at (530) 546-2592 ext # 611 or by email at [sales.nsrri@gmail.com](mailto:sales.nsrri@gmail.com) - Chad Jenkins Owner Services and Sales.

### **\* RESERVATION WAITLIST \***

**Unable to get the dates you want? Ask about our waitlist option!**

### **Election results**

The 2011 election concluded when the vote count was completed during the Annual Meeting on March 13, 2011. Gary Duignan, Robert Wemheuer and Cindy Lott were re-elected to the Board of Directors. They will serve two years commencing March 13, 2011.

### **Assessment dues payment plan option**

Your ownership annual assessments are due every year on January 1st. Did you know that you can pre-pay your dues? Many owners have asked if they could pay their dues quarterly or monthly. The answer is **YES**. If you would like to start paying toward your 2012 dues you can send us a payment at any time and we will apply a credit to your account. When you receive your billing statement in November you will see the credit reflected in your balance due. If you have any questions feel free to contact Joanna Bailey at (530) 546-2592, Ext. 626.

### **2011/2012 Reservations**

Have you booked your 2011 week? And did you know we are booking into 2012? Planning ahead ensures that you will have your week to enjoy at the resort or to trade. As an owner, you can book up to **13-months in advance**. Don't delay, call and book your week today!

### **\*BOAT BUOYS\***

**Are you bringing a boat during your stay? The front desk is currently taking boat buoy reservations for 2011.**

**Check out our upgraded website at:**

**[www.tahoerandsresort.com](http://www.tahoerandsresort.com)**

## Helpful hints to trading

- Inform the front desk agent that you are planning to exchange so they can assist you in reserving a good exchange week.
- Enhance your exchange opportunities by depositing your week and placing your request as early as possible; 9 -13 months is ideal.
- Consider multiple resorts and travel dates to increase your trade opportunities.
- Be sure to check out the resort you are looking to exchange into so that you are informed and satisfied.



## Summer 2012 reservations

Many of you will be calling at 9am 13-months in advance to make your reservations for 2012.

A few key points:

- Only calls made on the reservation line will be accepted (888) 546-7575
- The phone system will put callers in queue in order of the call received...remain on the line, DO NOT HANG UP. If you hang up you will lose your place in queue.
- Call volume is extremely high on reservation days. With a majority of our prime owners wanting to book a couple months in the summer competition is tough.
- Remember, the front desk agent is working hard to assist you and understands the challenges of summer reservations. Please treat your agent with courtesy and respect.

### \* Correspondence to the Board \*

*For your information...Every letter or e-mail written to the Board of Directors is reviewed at board meetings. You will receive a response within a few weeks of the board meeting.*

**Tahoe Sands Resort—Board of Directors  
P.O. Box 109, Tahoe Vista, CA 96148**

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### \* Rules and Regulations \*

**Tahoe Sands Time Share Owners Association Rules and Regulations can be found on our website's owners page.**

**[WWW.TAHOESANDSRESORT.COM](http://WWW.TAHOESANDSRESORT.COM)**

## Work Party Weekend—May 21 & 22, 2011

Spring has sprung, and soon summer will be here. Please join your fellow owners in the event of the season--The Annual Spring Work Party, May 21 and 22. This is more fun than a barrel of mulch, a bucket of paint, it's a beachcomber's delight and there is fine dining al fresco!!!

This is a unique opportunity to lend a helping hand and take pride in our beautiful lakeside resort. Enjoy a weekend on the sunny shore of Lake Tahoe while volunteering in the activity of your choice. There planting, mulching, scraping, painting, trimming, collecting, raking and much more...bring a friend, your tools, a pair of gloves, sunscreen, a hat, and a healthy appetite...and help spring blossom into summer. Please make your reservation (limited number of rooms available) if you planning on staying the night. Then email K. Buty Work Party Coordinator at [kbbuty@yahoo.com](mailto:kbbuty@yahoo.com) with your RSVP and preference.

#### What to bring:

- \*Work gloves
- \*Work clothes
- \*Hat and sunscreen
- \*Tools

**\*Special room rates of \$35 per night for Friday and Saturday for participants, based upon availability. Contact the front desk to make your reservations today!**



## Your Board of Directors:

President

**Robert Wemheuer**

Vice President

**Gary Duignan**

Treasurer

**Cindy Lott**

Secretary

**Robert Philbrook**

Member-at-Large

**Tod Beach**

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## Board of Director Meeting Dates:

June 3 & 4, 2011

Tahoe Vista, CA

October 1, 2011

Tahoe Vista, CA

January 7, 2012

Tahoe Vista, CA

March 10, 2012

Sacramento, CA

## Annual Meeting

March 10, 2012

Foothill Community Center

5510 Diablo Dr.

Sacramento, CA



### Wishlist Fund

The resort has started a wishlist fund to give owners the opportunity to donate funds or items that are needed at the resort. Any monetary donations can be designated for a certain project or to the general fund. Together we can all be a part of making our resort a better place to own and enjoy!

### WISHLIST ITEMS

- Goose Machine
- Ping Pong Table
- Large Coffee Mugs
- New Playground
- Grills
- Knife Sets
- Replace Putting Green

If you have any additional items that you think should be a part of the wishlist fund please let the resort know.

To make a donation please call Maggie Schumacher at 530-546-2592, Ext. 627



### \* Join us on Facebook \*

**Tahoe Sands Resort is on Facebook! Become a friend and stay up-to-date on your resort.**



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### Important renovation information for owners

#### **What does renovation/remodeling mean?**

- Kitchen upgrades and redesign (granite countertops, range with oven, new cabinets, etc.)
- Bathroom upgrade and redesign (bathtubs and enlarged showers where feasible)
- Infrastructure upgrades and code compliance
- New energy efficient windows and doors
- New floor coverings including engineered wood
- Upgrade and replace amenities

#### **Renovation Strategy**

- Remodel most structurally-unsound units first
- Remodel units of every size equally and on both side of the property
- Base efforts on available funds, competing infrastructure requirements, operations & maintenance requirements and Renovation Committee involvement

### \*\* Friends and Family Bonus Time Special \*\*

Owners may offer Bonus Time to family and friends through May 26, 2011. Owners must make the reservation for the guest. Bonus Time rules apply and holidays are excluded. For more information or to make a reservation please call the front desk at 888-546-7575. Don't miss this chance to share your wonderful resort with your family and friends at YOUR owner rate! Bonus Time rates are:

**Studio: \$75.00**

**One-Bedroom: \$92.00**

**Two-Bedroom: \$106.00**