

What's Happening At Fairmont?

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A Few Words From The Managers

We have had a most difficult year with the illness and death of our long time employee and friend, Lori King. She left some "big shoes" to fill at our front-desk and in the reservationist position!

Please note on your calendar the dates for making reservations for 2018 if you are a floating owner. About two weeks prior to the date of accepting reservations, you will receive a letter from us with the calendar dates in your season. Please remember the start time for reservations is 10:00 a.m. **our time**. We have to be fair to everyone! Sending your reservation request by email is the preferred method. We will respond that we have received your request and the email will be timestamped in the order it is received. If you do not have access to email, you may still phone us, fax us or send your request by snail mail. The dates are:

High Season – Sept. 19, 2017 10:00 a.m.

Swing Season – Dec. 5, 2017 10:00 a.m.

Prime Season – Jan. 16, 2018 10:00 a.m.

Hope you are having a great summer!

Don and Alice Crum



Jake Ketterling, John Scheetz, Don Millhouse,
Rick Forrette, and Richard Holets

Note From The Board

Hello to all you Owners of Condos at Fairmont Estates! Everyone that has lived in MT for a while realizes how quickly the summer can fly by! The Board of Directors hopes everyone has an uplifting summer filled with health and happiness for you and your families! The summer months at Fairmont are extremely busy with all units being occupied making it difficult at times to access them for needed upgrades. Rest assured our management team and employees are doing their very best to make sure your stay here is everything you want it to be. Next time you see one of our super team of people give them a "thanks", as they appreciate helping all of you and strive their very best each and every day.

So until the next season of weather is upon us, enjoy every day in your life here and at home!

Best Regards,

Rick Forrette, President of FECA

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Terms Ending

The three-year term of board members Jake Ketterling and John Scheetz will end in October. Both have agreed to run for another three-year term.

If you would like to have your name on the ballot for a board of director position, please mail, email, or fax a personal history to arrive at our office no later than August 11, 2017.

Annual Owners Meeting

October 7, 2017 is the date for the Annual Owners Meeting. It will begin at 1:30 p.m. in room 103 at Fairmont Hot Springs. President Rick Forrette will conduct the meeting.

We are pleased that board member **John Scheetz** will again give a short presentation on **exchanging your timeshare** to other locations and answer questions about exchanging. His presentation will follow the owners meeting. Your ideas and success stories of your trades are welcomed!

Donations Appreciated!

Our library of books, videos, games and puzzles continues to grow, thanks to the generosity of some of our owners.

Owners who have donated movies are Warren & Pat, Sherilyn, Tara, Janis and Dave & Heather. A box of videos was received from Sam and Gail!

Tom & Sally gave us movies, books and puzzles.

Books were donated by Maclean, Linda and Susan and Linda gave us videos and books. Jonathan, Tina and family gave us games.

Jig Saw Puzzles were added by Joyce & Dwight and Cindy & Terrie.

A **sincere** "thank you" to all of you!



R. I. P. Lori

Lori King began her career with Fairmont Estates in July of 1992. She was our front-desk person and reservationist. She always greeted everyone with a smile and was known to give out lots and lots of hugs.

Lori was diagnosed with cancer in July of 2016 and passed away the following month. She left behind her husband, son, daughter and three grandchildren.

She has been greatly missed by everyone.



"Gopher" Lyle, Roberta, Susan, Head Housekeeper Linda, Mami, Christina, Mikayla, Alesha, Carol, and Barb. Kneeling Margie, Lori, Dani, Janet, Mary Pat, and Stella. Not pictured – Melissa, Becky, Lisa, Kaylee, Shelly and Tammy.

Many thanks to this great crew!

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Adam

Adam's days are filled with grounds work, doing minor repairs inside the units and installing new appliances! When he is not working at Fairmont Estates (and doing family activities), you can find him at Montana Raceway Park in Kalispell enjoying (quite successfully) his latest hobby of racing. Here is a picture of one of his cars.



"The only limits to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today." Franklin D. Roosevelt



Meet Patricia!

Patricia joined Fairmont Estates in August of last year, following three years of experience at the front desk of a motel in Missoula.

She grew up in Whitehall but has lived in numerous locations and has a diverse background of experience.

Patricia has a son, a daughter, and two granddaughters..

Next time you are at Fairmont, stop in and get acquainted with her.

We are very pleased to have her on our team!

Increase In Bonus Usage & Cleaning Fees

After many years of no increase in fees, the cost for Bonus Usage has been raised modestly. The rate for a one-bedroom will now be \$85/night with a two night minimum and the rate for a two-bedroom will now be \$95/night with a two-night minimum. These rates are still less than half price of a hotel room!

Also, the split week cleaning fee was raised to \$55.

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Audited Financial Statements

We will be posting to our website – **fairmontestates.com** - our Audited Financial Statement for the Fiscal Year ending August 31, 2017. The posting should be completed by October 12, 2017. If you do not have access to the internet or would like to receive a copy of the Statements in the mail, please call us or drop us a note.

What's New ?

Since the writing of our last newsletter, dishwashers were purchased for A-1, A-4, B-2, C-2, E-4, F-2 and F-5. We have an additional eight dishwashers to be installed. With full occupancy, it is difficult to get into some of the units.

Units A-2 and E-10 have a new refrigerator and a new range was purchased for E-8.

A Maytag washer and dryer were installed in condominium D-2. Units C-4 and E-5 have new barbeques

Linoleum was laid in the kitchen and dining room of unit E-4 and the rest of the unit was re-carpeted.

Queen-size sofa sleepers were purchased for units C-9, E-8, E-9, F-1 and F-5.

Two Lazy-boy recliners were put into units B-2, C-4, E-4, and C-5. Condo E-2 has a new dinette set and bar stools.

We will continue to upgrade the furnishings in the units as occupancy allows.

