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Edelweiss Maintenance Commission

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Winter 2015 Newsletter

Message from the General Manager:

The Board of Directors and Management of Edelweiss wish you all best wishes for the New Year. 2015 brought several important changes, and we anticipate that 2016 will do the same.

You will soon receive our invoice for Edelweiss dues and fees for the coming year, and we ask that you respond promptly with your payment. This will ensure that that Edelweiss will continue to operate smoothly, and that the amenities that we all enjoy will continue to be provided uninterrupted. If you have a credit amount due from last year's fees it will be reflected on the statement that accompanies your invoice.

Budget - The Board of Directors and Management have approved the Edelweiss budget for 2015, and it has been posted on the Edelweiss website. The public meeting for the ratification of the 2015 budget will be held at 10:00 AM at the campground building on February14, 2016.

<u>Dues and Fees -</u> The Edelweiss By-Laws call for dues increases to be based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). However, for the calendar year 2016, there will be no increase in dues, as the CPI was unchanged in 2015.

As in previous years, fees and dues may be paid in installments, as follows:

- **1 The first installment** includes association dues, amounts in arrears and the first snow plowing charge. These are due no later than February 28^{th} .
- **2 The second installment** includes yearly water fees, garbage fees (where applicable) and the pool assessment for 2016. These payments are due no later than April 15th.

3 - The final bill for snowplowing and sanding will be due one month after it is invoiced in May.

<u>Late Payments</u> - Dues, and fees which are more than one month in arrears are subject to accumulated interest at the rate of 10% per annum, plus a late fee of \$20.00 per month, both of which will continue to accrue until the balance is paid. Properties with balances unpaid by September 30th will be subject to lien.

Sadly, a few property owners are habitually extremely late in the payment of their fees and dues which, frankly is not fair to those owners who, with their timely payments, carry much of the burden of support for the operation of Edelweiss. The Board of Directors thanks all those who pay their fair share when it is due. This saves considerable time, effort and the cost of collecting bills which are outstanding.

<u>Our appreciation</u> - For the opportunity to work with all of you and for the magical place we live. Over five feet of snow so far, and snowing as I write this. Indeed, in a few moments, I'm planning on playing hooky and taking off on the Big Valley Trail with Spirit, our golden retriever. He thinks I need the exercise!

Happy New Year to all – Enjoy our winter wonderland, and hope for at least five more feet of snow!

Dick Volckmann