

# BLUE TREE TIMES



JUNE 2008

## Message to Owners from the Board

Dear Fellow Owners:

With the coming of another exciting year for Blue Tree Resort, we are very pleased with the status of the resort. Due to our rental program and lower property insurance rates, we were able to do what is very rare indeed for timeshare resorts, to lower the maintenance fees for 2008.

Our rental program is doing quite well, allowing us to both generate revenue from both units the Association has repossessed from delinquent owners and from units of owners who have not paid their maintenance fees. This also provides owners with an outlet for rental of their unit if they choose not to visit during the year.

Our activities program has continued throughout the year, and we are pleased to note that more owners and guests are taking advantage of the many activities offered. We have increased this program by offering movie nights and Nintendo Wii activities.

The response to the wireless internet implemented last year has been phenomenal. However, many owners voiced concern over the high prices charged by the company that we contracted to install and operate the service. The Board realized that this is an amenity that is very useful to many guests, and as a result, the resort has installed their own wireless internet access. We are pleased to announce that wireless internet access will now be available for the nominal cost of **\$10 per week** for owners. Renters will be charged higher rates. As a result of discontinuing the contract, the planned in-room movies will not be available.

We appreciate your continued support and look forward to another great year at Blue Tree Resort. Your Board and the staff at Blue Tree are always eager to receive your comments and suggestions for improvement. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact either of us.

Sincerely,

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## NOTICE TO OUR OWNERS !

**It has been brought up at several owners' meetings that some of our owners have been contacted by individuals misrepresenting themselves as employees of Blue Tree Resort who resell timeshare units for our owners.**

**Most of the time these people are NOT legitimate and most of the time they will ask for money up front.**

**Blue Tree Resort has never provided any information about our owners to any resale company and does not endorse one company over another.**

## BLUE TREE RESORT AT LAKE BUENA VISTA 2007 ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Blue Tree Resort at Lake Buena Vista Condominium Association was held on Monday, January 14, 2008. As in the past, there were not enough proxies submitted to hold an Annual Meeting. A total of 591 intervals were represented either by proxy or in person, however, a total of 2,103 were needed for a quorum to enable your Association to hold the meeting.

Directors James Bonds and John Sgarlata were present. Director David Seigel was absent.

Despite not having a quorum, the information update was presented and the two Directors present, along with resort staff and SPM Resorts management staff, entertained queries from the owners. It was the consensus of the owners and Directors present, that due to the expense involved, there will not be a rescheduled Annual Meeting.

A presentation was made during the meeting of the financials and projects of the resort. To view this presentation, please log on to the website at [www.bluetreeowners.org](http://www.bluetreeowners.org). The presentation is located in 'Owner Information' in the section labeled '2007 Annual Meeting.'

**NEW RESORT ACTIVITIES**

**Nintendo Wii Competition**

Nintendo Wii provides you with the action, sounds and interactive activities such as bowling, tennis, baseball and golf. This activity is held weekly in the Meeting Room of the Administration Building. Prizes and ribbons are handed out at the end of the competition. Come and join us in the fun.

**Family Movie Night**

Come and spend an afternoon with your family watching a newly released PG-13 movie on our large screen projector with surround sound which is also in the Meeting Room of the Administration Building. Popcorn, chips and drinks are available for a nominal fee.

**G.P.S. Daily Rental**

Now you can easily find your way through all that Orlando has to offer. We have a portable G.P.S. at the Activity Center available for daily or weekly rentals. Certain restrictions apply - a major credit card is required or security deposit.

**Concierge Services**

Expedia Local Expert Concierge Services are located in the resort lobby. They specialize in attraction tickets, transportation, dining and area information. They carry most theme park passes and create packages for all the guests of Blue Tree Resort. Come by and see them conveniently located in our lobby area.

*Resort Highlights and Accomplishments*

Greetings owners and guests:

Let me tell you all the exciting things that are going on at your resort in 2008. We will be resurfacing all four pools with Diamond Brite and new ceramic tiles.

We will also be completing the following Board approved reserve expenditures:

- New awnings in pool #1.
- New HVAC units in several of the 2 bedroom deluxe units.
- Replacement of shower stalls in several 2 bedroom deluxe units.
- Replacement of balcony furniture in the 2 bedroom deluxe units.
- Repair several breeze-way roofs.
- Replacement of several washers and dryers.
- New pool furniture.
- Repair several Jacuzzi tubs.
- Installation of a television in all the second bedrooms.
- Installation of grab bars in the bath tub.
- Replacement of pool towels.
- Additional kitchen utensils and items will be added to the inventory.

When you visit Blue Tree, please note that we have painted all the common public areas and swimming pools. The property landscaping is showing great improvements and you will notice that the team is taking great pride in keeping your property clean and well maintained.

We hope to meet each and every one of you at our Meet & Greet for owners. This meeting occurs every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. in the new administration building. Come by and get some coffee and pastry and meet the team, learn about the resort history and about our Board of Directors.

Our Activity Department also invites you to come by and visit their new center, which is also located in the new administration building. During busy months, they offer a seven day activity program and a vast amount of activities for adults and children.

Your Board members, SPM Resorts, Inc., and all the staff at Blue Tree Resort would like to thank you for your continued support and confidence.

**2008 RESERVATION CALENDAR  
SATURDAY CHECK-IN**

**CHECK-OUT 10:00 a.m. CHECK-IN 4:00 p.m.**

WEEK		WEEK	
1	Jan 5—Jan 12	27	July 5—July 12
2	Jan 12—Jan 19	28	July 12—July 19
3	Jan 19—Jan 26	29	July 19—July 26
4	Jan 26—Feb 2	30	July 26—Aug 2
5	Feb 2—Feb 9	31	Aug 2—Aug 9
6	Feb 9—Feb 16	32	Aug 9—Aug 16
7	Feb 16—Feb 23	33	Aug 16—Aug 23
8	Feb 23—Mar 1	34	Aug 23—Aug 30
9	Mar 1—Mar 8	35	Aug 30—Sept 6
10	Mar 8—Mar 15	36	Sept 6—Sept 13
11	Mar 15—Mar 22	37	Sept 13—Sept 20
12	Mar 22—Mar 29	38	Sept 20—Sept 27
13	Mar 29—Apr 5	39	Sept 27—Oct 4
14	Apr 5—Apr 12	40	Oct 4—Oct 11
15	Apr 12—Apr 19	41	Oct 11—Oct 18
16	Apr 19—Apr 26	42	Oct 18—Oct 25
17	Apr 26—May 3	43	Oct 25—Nov 1
18	May 3—May 10	44	Nov 1—Nov 8
19	May 10—May 17	45	Nov 8—Nov 15
20	May 17—May 24	46	Nov 15—Nov 22
21	May 24—May 31	47	Nov 22—Nov 29
22	May 31—June 7	48	Nov 29—Dec 6
23	Jun 7—Jun 14	49	Dec 6—Dec 13
24	Jun 14—Jun 21	50	Dec 13—Dec 20
25	Jun 21—Jun 28	51	Dec 20—Dec 27
26	Jun 28—July 5	52	Dec 27—Jan 3



**2008 HOLIDAY**

EASTER	Week 12	Mar 22—Mar 29
MEMORIAL DAY	Week 21	May 24—May 31
INDEPENDENCE DAY	Week 26	Jun 28—July 5
LABOR DAY	Week 35	Aug 30—Sept 6
THANKSGIVING	Week 46	Nov 15—Nov 22
CHRISTMAS	Week 51	Dec 20—Dec 27
NEW YEARS	Week 52	Dec 27—Jan 3

### NEW RESORT RECOGNITION PROGRAM FROM INTERVAL INTERNATIONAL

Owners, have you heard the news? Interval International has retired the 5 star rating system and has rolled out The New Resort Recognition Program effective January 2008.

Those resorts recognized as Interval International *Select Resorts* and Interval International *Premier Resorts* exceed the affiliation requirements.

**Select Resorts** - Interval International Select Resorts provides a great vacation experience, and are distinguished by a comfortable and home-like atmosphere. As such, they are identified by the pineapple, a centuries-old symbol of hospitality, welcome, friendliness and warmth.

**Premier Resorts** - Interval International Premier Resorts, which debuted as the highest level of recognition, provide an outstanding vacation experience, with state of the art conveniences, and modern features and appointments. They are identified by the laurel, a symbol of distinction, high standard and status.

The determination of the tiers incorporates a number of criteria, including: desirability of resort location, size, style and décor, nature and scope of amenities, extent and variety of recreational facilities, condition and appearance of common areas, level of guest services, recent trends in vacation ownership products, overall guest experiences, member vacation evaluations and regular property inspections.

Where does 'Blue Tree Resort' rate in this new recognition program? We can all agree that your resort passes the first eight guidelines with flying colors, and within the last couple of years, the Interval International Member Evaluation Scores have been maintained at the highest level that has ever been seen. Property Inspection is the only area that is left and Interval International will have our property inspected before the end of 2008. We will keep you updated!



### RESORT NEWS

SPM Resorts, Inc. recently announced that Blue Tree Resort was awarded the 2007 '**Resort of the Year**' honor.

SPM Resorts made the announcement at the 2007 General Managers' Conference. The staff and management at Blue Tree Resort have consistently maintained an atmosphere of quality customer service, in a top notch resort, located just minutes from Disney World, Universal Studio and Sea World.

### EMPLOYEE NEWS

SPM Resorts, Inc. recently announced that **Joe Jones**, an employee at Blue Tree Resort was awarded the 2007 "**Employee of the Year**" honor. SPM Resorts made the announcement at the General Manager's Conference on December 4, 2007.

Joe has been employed at Blue Tree for almost two years and is in the Engineering Department. He is also an exceptional carpenter and is instrumental in saving the Association by building conference room tables and performing all types of repairs.

In his spare time, Joe teaches sign language at the KOA campgrounds in Kissimmee.

During the 2007 year, Blue Tree celebrated our Quarterly Employee General Meetings and the following employees were awarded for a job well done:

First Quarter	Santiago Toro—Front Desk Department
Second Quarter	Nitza Rodriguez—Housekeeping Department
Third Quarter	Orlando Perez—Front Desk Department
Fourth Quarter	Isaias Rodriguez—Owner Service Department

Blue Tree Employee of the Year: Nitza Rodriguez, Housekeeping Department

Blue Tree Manager of the Year: Vincent Ciminillo, Chief of Engineering



## Special Events



Balloon Bouquets: let us arrange a balloon bouquet for that special occasion. Balloon Bouquets are \$5.00 each. Call ext. 0 from your unit for more information.

Daily Activities are scheduled for all ages. Come check out the fun in the Activities Center, located in the new Reception Center, First Floor Lobby.



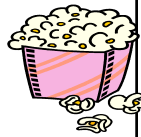
Discounted golf rates are offered at some of our local golf courses. Inquire at our Reception Center.

We now offer a weekly scenic Casino Cruise with transportation and meal. Reservations in advance are required, children under 18 are not permitted and a valid photo I.D. is required in order to board the vessel. Nominal Fees Apply.



We also offer discounted Dinner Show coupons at our Reception Desk. (Discount is based on availability and may change at any time).

The video rental machine is located in the Reception Center. Movie rentals are available for a 24-hour period. You must have a major credit card in order to rent movies.



## We're Here For You!

We are happy to assist you in every way possible, to answer any questions you may have regarding your vacation ownership here at Blue Tree Resort. Please note the following...

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