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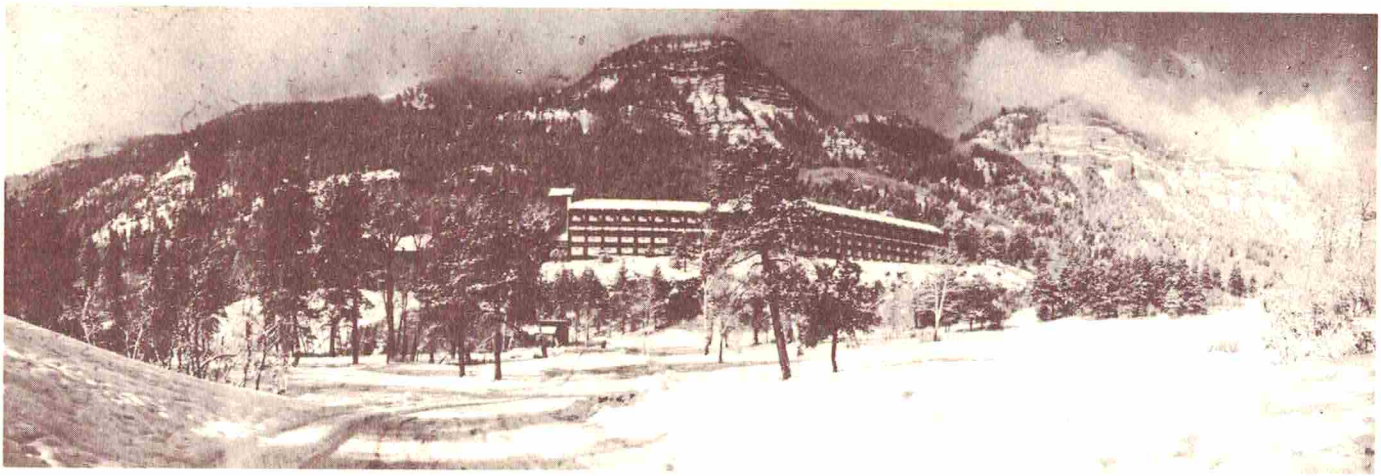
MAIN LODGE AND INN ARE OPEN



On December 1st the beautiful 138 room Inn and 65,000 square foot Main Lodge opened and all guests and owners are raving about the beauty of the rooms, the luxurious Main Lodge and the many interesting activities. The interiors, done by Sybil and Lee Kennedy, have already been reviewed by professional decorating publications. The library features four striking handmade lighting fixtures among plush overstuffed chairs. The library itself is backed in imported cork wallcovering. Guests are able to enjoy their favorite cocktail in this exquisite area.

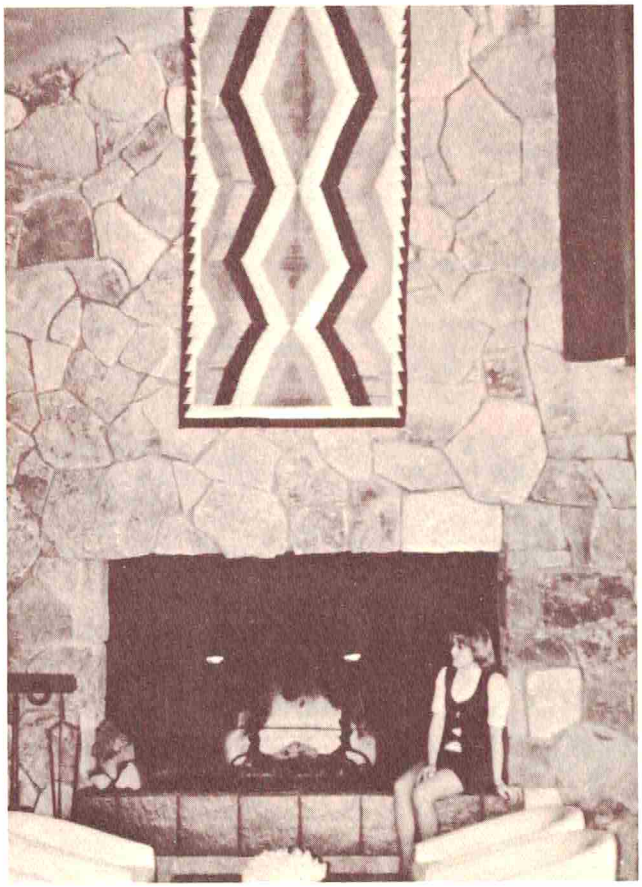
Around the corner is the contemporary Windom Peak lounge which, like most rooms in the Main Lodge, is arranged around a huge natural stone fireplace. As you dance in the intimate dancing area, multilight silver chandeliers dimly shine above. Immediately below is the spacious Le Canyon French gourmet dining room. Here the atmosphere is continental with Country English influence.

For more casual dining, the San Juan Grill will provide a warm accent. The cathedral ceiling rises above the dining area three stories. Bentwood chairs in gaily covered fabrics lend a lively atmosphere.

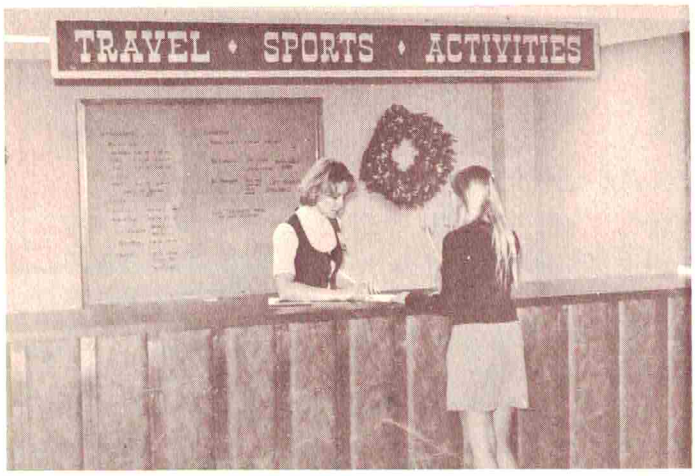
Climbing down the spiral staircase next to the front entrance, you will reach one of the most unusual hideaways ever --- the Mine Shaft Nightclub. You'll experience the real thing with old ore carts, rustic benches and old mining timbers.

Inn accommodations next door to the Main Lodge are very comfortable with two queen sized beds and a queen sized sofa. Even a compact kitchen is provided. Casual elegance is the theme throughout with marble bath floors, heavy wooden doors and nubby earth-toned upholstery fabrics. The view looks over no less than five holes of the golf course, two lakes, the ski hill and five miles away, the 11,000 foot San Juan Mountain Range. If your needs are for a slightly larger unit, Inn units with lofts are available.

Over 800 feet from one end to the other, the Inn and Main Lodge are an architectural wonder. The extensive use of cedar, oak, native stone, leather, brass, and copper blend an atmosphere you'll never forget.



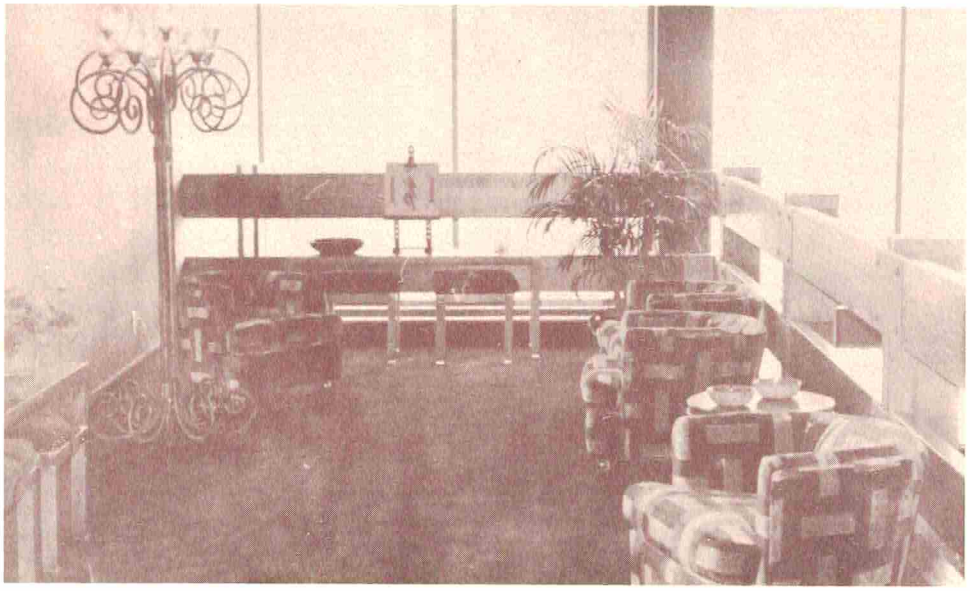
COLORFUL AUTHENTIC INDIAN RUGS HANG AT VARIOUS VANTAGE POINTS THROUGHOUT THE LODGE. ALL ARE FOR SALE THROUGH THE GIFT SHOP IN THE LOBBY



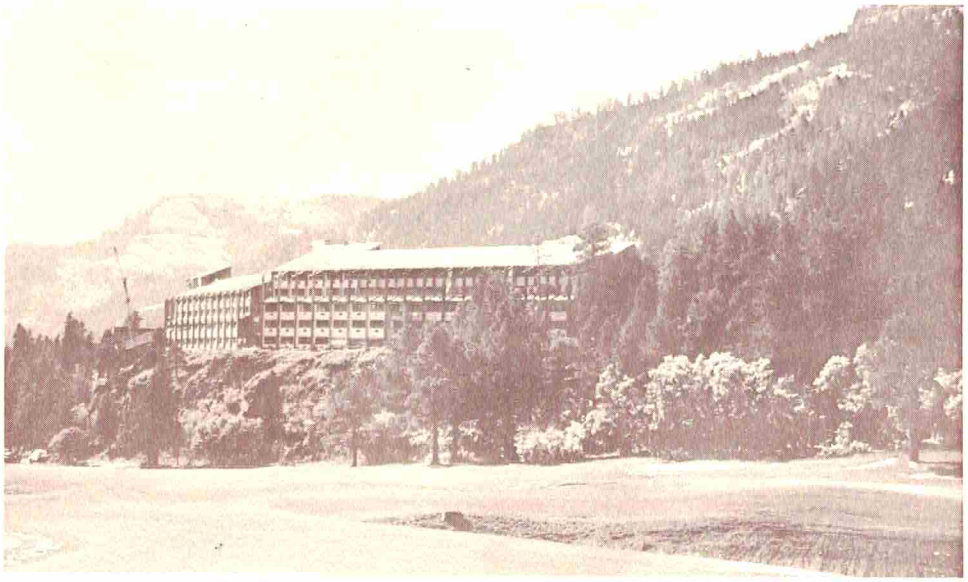
THE RECREATION DESK IS THE HUB OF DOZENS OF ACTIVITIES OFFERED AT TAMARRON. AS EXTENSIVE AN ACTIVITIES PROGRAM WILL NOT BE FOUND ELSEWHERE IN THE ROCKIES

THE LEATHER AND COPPER-FRONTED REGISTRATION DESK GREETS YOU UPON ENTRY INTO THE MAIN LODGE. ALL KEYS ARE HIDDEN FROM VIEW ---- ANOTHER TAMARRON FIRST

JUST ONE OF TAMARRONS MANY BARS BUILT OF DARK WEATHERED OAK; COORS AND MICHELOB ON TAP ---- NOTICE THE NOVEL WAY THE GLASSES HANG FROM RACKS ABOVE



THE LETTER WRITING AREA OFF THE LOBBY HAS A SPECTACULAR VIEW OF THE SKI AREA AND 18TH HOLE BELOW



LOOKING UP AT THE BACK OF THE INN FROM THE GOLF COURSE

ALL INN ROOMS ARE VERY ATTRACTIVELY DECORATED AND HAVE MAGNIFICENT VIEWS OF THE SURROUNDING MOUNTAINS

Court Activities Featured at Tamarron

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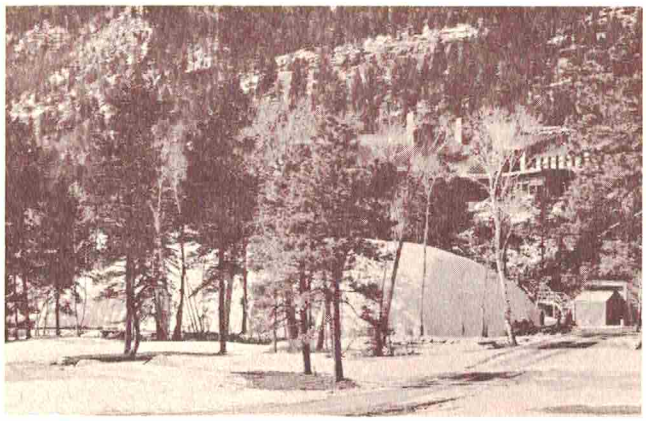
On December 15th, we opened our four indoor tennis courts that are housed in a bubble structure which will be used in the winter and then taken down in the spring. The climate and temperatures in the bubble are very carefully controlled and the temperature is kept at an ideal 68°. The lighting is also excellent and the courts will be open from 7:00 a.m. in the morning until 10:00 p.m. at night.



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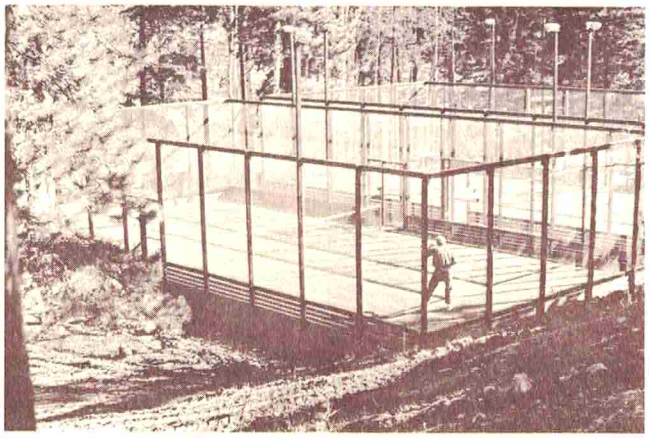

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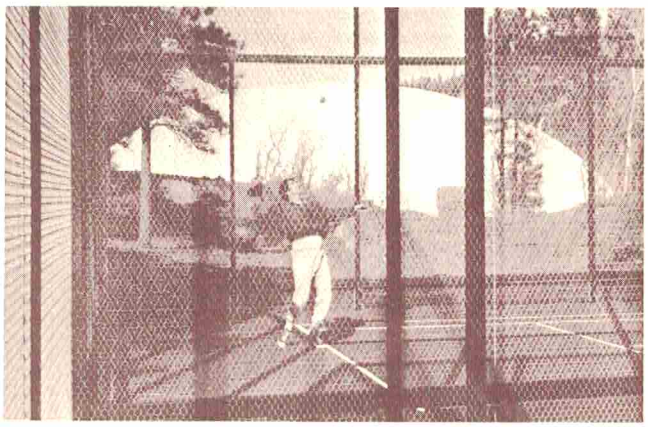
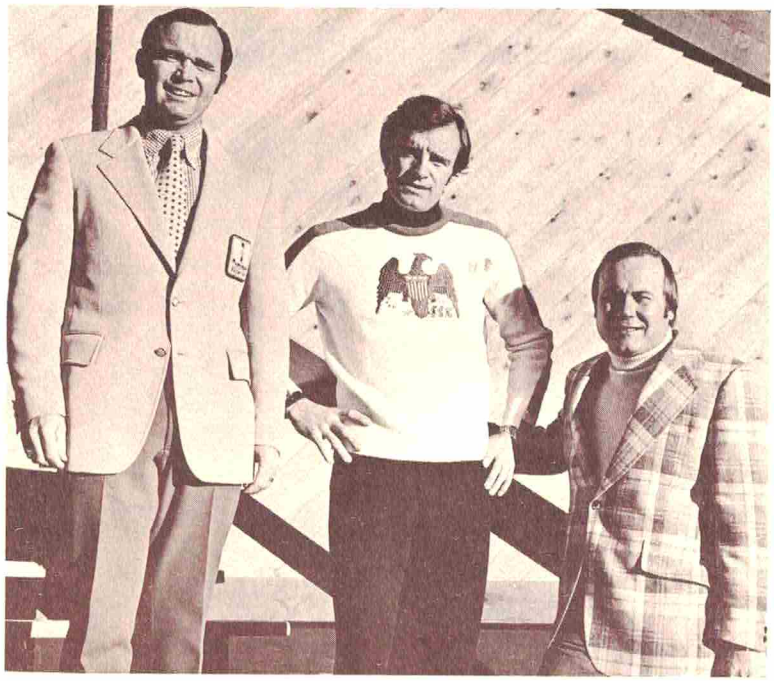


ACTION ON PADDLE TENNIS COURTS WITH TENNIS FACILITY IN THE BACKGROUND

Purgatory First Ski Area Open in Colorado

Many people have long known that Southwestern Colorado and the Purgatory Ski Area consistently has had the finest snow conditions of any ski area in Colorado. This certainly was borne out this season with an opening on November 2nd with excellent skiing. Purgatory was the first ski area to open in Colorado and the fine snow conditions were evidenced by both the U. S. Ski Team and many of the Professional Skiers coming here to train.

Purgatory has already set early season records of numbers of skiers and they are on their way to their finest season ever. The well planned ski area provides for uncrowded conditions --- which is extremely important to ski enthusiasts. Purgatory has an outstanding ski school headed by Fritz Tatzer. Besides lessons there, Mr. Tatzer's staff will also be available at the Tamarron Ski Area for professional instruction.



JEAN CLAUDE KILLY STAYED AT TAMARRON WHILE TRAINING AT PURGATORY. HE IS SHOWN HERE WITH TAMARRON'S VICE PRESIDENT OF SALES, DENNIS A. O'BRIEN, AND VICE PRESIDENT OF RESORT OPERATIONS, JURGEN MORITZ

Many out of state skiers have long gone to Aspen and Vail to ski. Each day more of these people are skiing at Purgatory and staying at Tamarron. The combination of the fine Tamarron resort and the good skiing at Purgatory is something that is not available anywhere else in Colorado.

PROFESSIONAL SKI RACERS STAYING AT TAMARRON. L. R. TERRY PALMER, GREG GORDER, DAN MOONEY, JEAN CLAUDE KILLY, MICHEL ARPIN, TYLER PALMER, GORDI EATON AND DAN LAFFERTY

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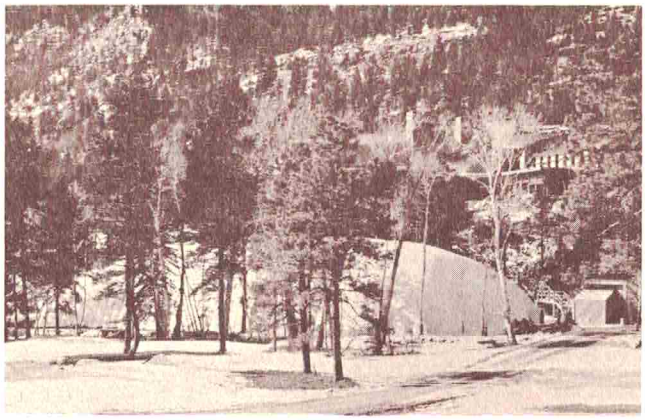

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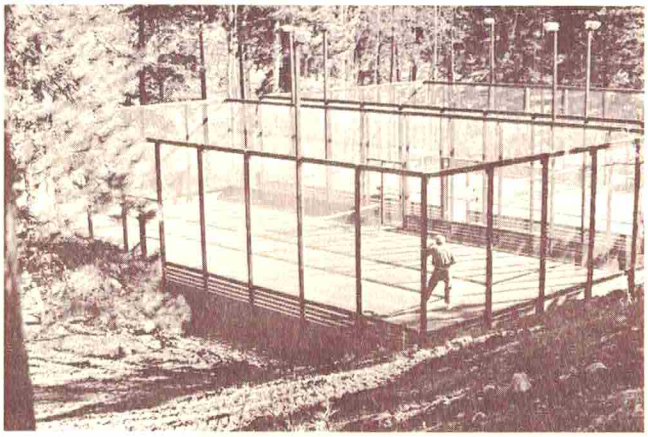

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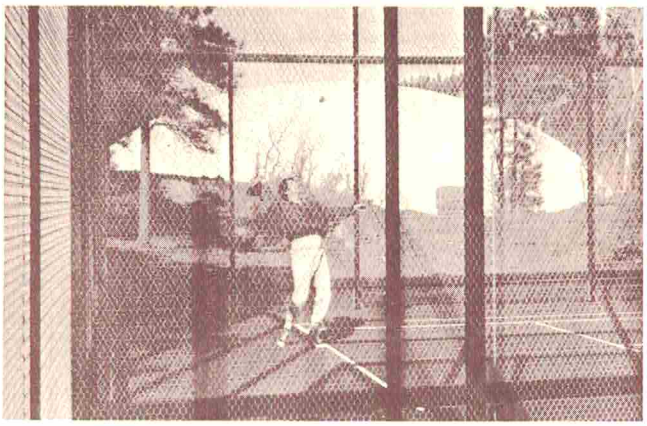

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At Your Service

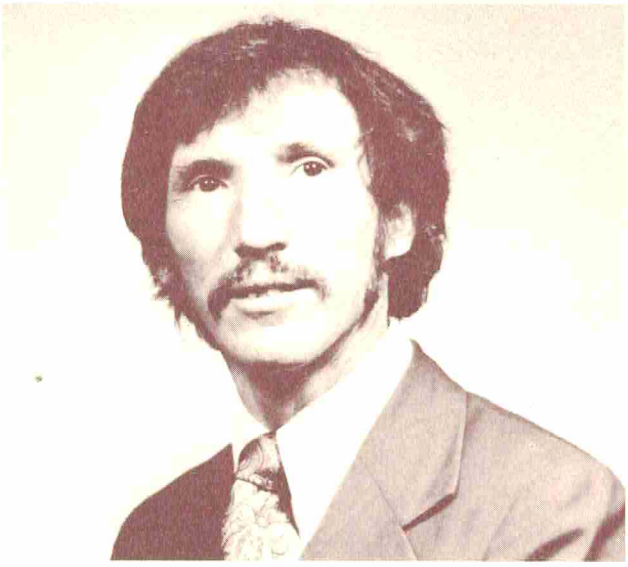
Chief Maintenance Engineer

Lothar (Louie) Heckel - Chief Maintenance Engineer. Louie was born in Germany and attended the University of Munich, where he majored in the field of Electro-Mechanics. Prior to his employment with Tamarron, Louie worked for several resorts in a management capacity. Most recently, Louie was with the Abbey in Lake Geneva as Executive Engineer. Louie has been with Tamarron since June, 1973.

Condominium Sales

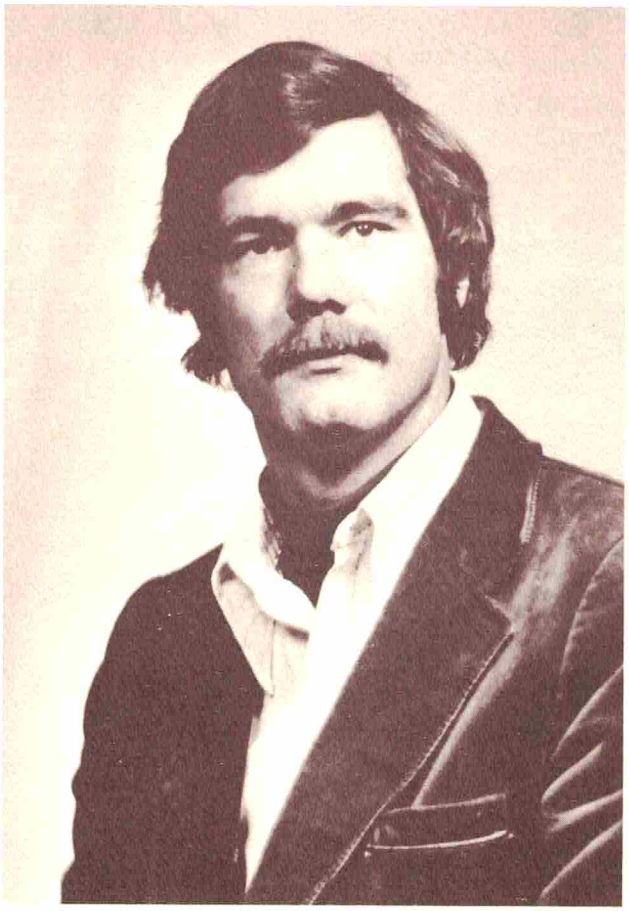
Jim Joyce - Condominium Sales. Jim is a graduate of John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio, and comes to us after working in condominium sales at Innisbrook. Jim has had extensive real estate sales experience having had considerable responsibilities with General Development Corporation in the Southeastern part of the United States. Jim also has a distinguished service record having been awarded twenty-five Air medals and the Bronze Star.

Maitre d' Hotel



Michel Babin - Maitre d'Hotel. Anyone who has spoken to Michel knows he is very French. Michel, a Parisian, served his apprenticeship in the Hotel Lutetia, Le Doyen, and La Tour Eiffel. He then moved to Canada and worked among Montreal's and Quebec City's leading hotels and restaurants. Prior to joining Tamarron, Michel was the Manager of La Mediteranee, Detroit.

People at Tamarron



Comptroller

Jim Rider - Comptroller. Jim was born and raised in New York City. He graduated from Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts in 1966, and received an MBA in Accounting from the University of Denver. Before joining Tamarron, Jim worked for Manufacturer's Hanover Trust Co., Arthur Andersen & Company, was Treasurer of F. H. Linneman & Company, and the Director of Finance & Administration for the Nemonic Data Systems Company of Denver.

Assistant Manager

Mike Sherman - Assistant Manager. Mike graduated from Cornell University School of Hotel Administration. Mike has been with the Chase Park Plaza, St. Louis; Lodge of the Four Seasons, Lake Ozark; and the Fairmont Hotel Company, Tulsa. Most recently, Mike was associated with the Tan-Tar-A Resort & Golf Club in Osage Beach, Mo. At Tamarron, Mike will be responsible for the Front Office, reservations, the PBX operations and the Bell Captain's operation. Mike will also be in charge of the travel activities desk, which will make all transportation arrangements.

Record Bookings

Association executives, travel agents, and corporate meeting planners are always on the lookout for new and exciting places to schedule meetings. Tamarron has certainly proven this to be true. Since we started our advertising campaign and direct mail programs, the response has exceeded our wildest expectations in advance bookings.

With the great variety that Tamarron offers in recreational activities, sight-seeing, and luxurious guest accommodations, we are attracting guests from as far away as South Africa. The convention and corporate meetings which are going to be held at Tamarron show that we are appealing to a large and diversified group of people; to name a few, General Electric, Charles Pfizer and Company, Colorado Trial Lawyers, Flying Dentists Association, National Automobile Dealers Association, etc..

Tamarron is destined to be one of the most sought after resort meeting sites in the United States.

Modern Technology with a Touch of the Old West

To improve our TV reception at Tamarron, we recently installed a new antenna on one of the highest points on the property. Concrete was needed to cement the tower in place. The only way it could be moved to the site was by horseback. In the picture you see Art Thompson, who will be managing our horse corral, loading the saddle bags with concrete for the trip up the mountain.

Streamlined Reservation Service

In order to provide all owners and guests with the best possible service, Tamarron has installed the EECO Host computer system to handle all advanced reservations and hotel charges. This system, currently in use at such fine resorts as Sea Pines, MGM Grand and Cerromar Beach, as well as Tamarron's sister property, Innisbrook Golf and Country Club in Florida, provides instantaneous reservation information for both group sales and individual reservations up to the year 1999. It provides current information as to each guest folio status, expected arrivals and departures, transportation requirements and room status.

The Host System has the ability to handle many different jobs at the same time. Reservations could be reviewing the availability of Inn units two years in the future while the front desk is checking in a group of 100 conventioneers. The information provided by this system is a boon to management in their effort to maximize guest services.

News of Owners

We would like to congratulate Billy Martin, the manager of the Texas Ranger's Baseball Club for being named American League Manager of the Year.

Rick Forzano, the Head Coach of the Detroit Lions is also to be congratulated for the excellent job he did with his team during the 1974 season.

Both these gentlemen are owners of units in the new Inn.

Next Issue

Tamarron Trails will feature stories on our complete Health Spa facilities as well as the spectacular Indoor/Outdoor swimming pool which is now completed.

Each month we add new people to our staff. The next issue will bring you up to date on these individuals and their qualifications to meet your needs.