

# *Fleur du Lac*



*Winter 2023*



# Spotlight on the Stewart Family

Let's welcome the new owners of Unit 21 : Harry and Kim Stewart and their three daughters, Kaitlyn (30), Ellyn (27) and Maddy (24) and their two beloved labradors, Barge (14) and Captain (3). The Stewart family has enjoyed Northstar as their Tahoe home for many years and are very excited to create new memories on the West Shore. Lakeside living has been a long time dream for the Stewarts and they are happy to call Fleur du Lac their home away from home.

Harry and Kim have known each other since high school, both are from 5 th generation farming families and both graduated from UC Davis. The Stewarts are fortunate to maintain the family farming operations today, carrying on the tradition of pear production and the cultivation of wine grapes in the Sacramento River Delta Region.

Harry is a civil engineer and the CEO of The Dutra Group, a marine construction and heavy engineering company in Marin County. Harry is looking forward to the dredging project that started this month and offering his assistance when needed. Kim is a Landscape Architect and is very excited to see green emerge from under the large mounds of snow this spring. Kim's family called Northstar their Tahoe home since 1975 and the Stewart family carried on the family tradition.

After growing up in the Sacramento River valley, Harry's career took the Stewart family to a variety of locations across the country before settling in Lafayette, CA in 2000 where they raised their three wonderful daughters, Kaitlyn, Ellyn and Maddy.

The oldest, Kaitlyn attended Southern Oregon University and studied education and psychology. Kaitlyn lives in Walnut Grove, CA and works as a mental health service coordinator at El Hogar Community Services in Sacramento, CA. Ellyn, the middle daughter, graduated from Indiana University and majored in public relations and marketing. Ellyn lives in Corte Madera, CA, works at Dudum Real Estate in Lafayette, CA and is preparing to become a licensed real estate agent. Maddy, the youngest, is a graduate of San Diego State University where she studied business marketing. Maddy lives in San Francisco, CA, works in eCommerce Merchandising at Pottery Barn in San Francisco.

The Stewart family has enjoyed the historical snow fall this winter at Fleur du Lac and spent several weekends skiing, walking, entertaining friends and making unit 21 their home. In their spare time the Stewart family can be found golfing, running, water skiing, snow skiing, traveling and hiking. They look forward to getting to know the Fleur du Lac Spring, Summer and Fall lifestyle and the newly dredged marina!





WOW!



The  
Amount  
Of Snow!







# Record Breaking Snowfall 2023

Last year's (2022) survey was pitifully low. Water officials had just a small patch of shallow snow to measure after a disappointing winter. The snow depth on April 2 was just 2.5 inches – part of a disastrous multiyear dry spell that triggered water cuts across the state. But what a difference a year makes. Record snowpack, nearly full reservoirs. Here's the state of California's drought after an epic winter twelve months later: the mountains are now loaded with white gold. South of Lake Tahoe at Phillips Station, as snowflakes fell from the surrounding hills, officials measured a snow depth of 126.5 inches and a snow water equivalent – how much liquid water the snow holds – of 54 inches. Snowpack in the California Sierra is 221% of normal for this location at this time of year, officials at the Department of Water Resources said. Statewide, snowpack is averaging 237% compared to normal for the date. Sean de Guzman, snow survey manager for the state Department of Water Resources, said this is the deepest snowpack he has personally ever measured, noting that there have only been three other years in recorded history when California snowpack has been greater than 200% of average in April. “This year is going to join that list and be another year well above 200% of average”.

Reported by CNN 04/03/2023





# Spring Skiing

Typically, resorts close up shop by mid April. This year, however, several have extended their seasons – in some cases by several weeks.

Keep in mind that lift ticket prices change in the spring and some ski areas offer special deals and discounts. Some resorts will throw in spring skiing access this year when you buy a season pass for next winter. Also, resorts encourage people to buy their day tickets online in advance.

Here's the full list of closing dates for Tahoe resorts:

Palisades Tahoe, Olympic Valley: open through April 30,  
then on a reduced schedule through May

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then on a reduced schedule through July 4

Sugar Bowl: open through April 23, then the weekend of  
April 29-30

Boreal: open through April 16

Northstar: open through April 16, then weekends through  
April 30

Mt. Rose: open through April 23

Diamond Peak: open through May 1

Homewood: open through April 9

Heavenly: open through May 7

Sierra-at-Tahoe: open through April 23, with a special  
“Customer Appreciation Day” of partial lift operations on  
April 24

Kirkwood: open through April 30, then weekends through  
May 14

Note: In spring, ski areas often systematically shut down parts of their mountains, change operating hours, or opt to open only on weekends. Check each resort’s website for details.

fun in the sun





# Dredging - 2023



**Clearing a path from the YC circular driveway, between Unit #10 and the Kaiser Suite, all the way to the Dredging site at the harbor sure was a task. Each day was like Groundhog Day: clear snow, receive more snow, & repeat....**





**Here are the Pacific Built Crew members moving in the steal plates to protect our pavement, docks and the Bocce Ball court.**

**The barge is the working platform for the excavator. Let the Dredging begin... Finally !!!!**





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