



# INNS OF WATERVILLE VALLEY TODAY

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## Welcome to Our NEWSLETTER



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Latest updates, upcoming events, exciting offers, fun and puzzles for families/kids and much more!

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Maximilian Kent

On Christmas Eve, owners alike received a beautiful email with a poem and we have gotten asked a lot who the author is of the wonderful piece. Feast your eyes! Maximilian Kent is the author! If you missed the email, don't worry because it's the next page for your reading pleasure.

Thank you, Maximilian for this wonderful poem!



Thank you to those whose colored some amazing pictures for us here at the Inns.



We even rearranged the lobby for a cozier experience!



# A Waterville Christmas Story

In the heart of the valley, where mountains stand tall, The Inns of Waterville welcome you all.

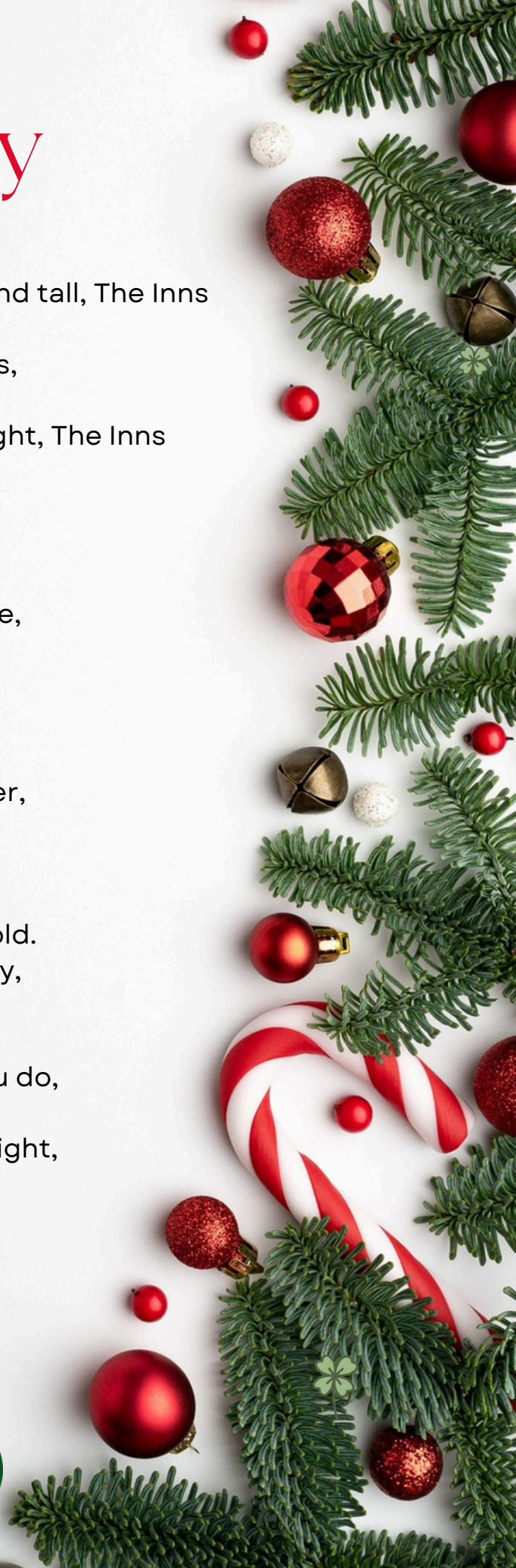
With snow gently falling and laughter that rings,  
This season reminds us of life's simple things.  
From the cozy fireplaces to rooms filled with light, The Inns shine so warmly on a cold winter night

Owners return to their cherished retreat,  
Where time slows down and memories meet.  
Each suite tells a story, each hall feels like home,  
A place where the heart never feels alone.

Guests, too, find magic in this special place,  
Exploring the valley at a holiday pace.  
From skiing the trails to the sleigh rides of cheer,  
The Inns make it clear why we all gather here.

But none of this wonder would ever unfold,  
Without you, dear owners, whose stories are told.  
Your love for this valley, your laughter, your stay,  
Bring life to the Inns in the most special way.

So this Christmas, we thank you, for all that you do,  
For being the heart of this valley so true.  
May your holidays sparkle, your new year be bright,  
From the Inns of Waterville,  
Merry Christmas tonight!







## Ongoing

The fundraising committee is proudly starting off this New Year wonderfully. In this newsletter, you will find the flyer for our first Raffle! Please read the cover page, as well as the terms and conditions carefully!

The Fundraising committee is also taking cash donations.

- **CASH AND CHECK ONLY. All checks can be made out to LOWVA Fundraising**
- **See the FAQ page for more info on how to join the committee!**



## Valentine's Day



4:00 PM 8:00 PM Join in on lighting up the Exhibition ski trail. Bring and wear your BRIGHTEST gear, deck yourself out with glowsticks and hit those trails. There will be tons of fun for ALL ages at the Freestyle lounge. At 7PM: Grab an extra-bright foam glow stick (FREE) and join Waterville Valley for a snake run! With glow sticks illuminating their descent down Exhibition, they'll ski in formation to create the illusion of a large luminous snake! PLEASE NOTE: To take part in Snake Run, guests will need valid ticket or pass.



## Employee Appreciation Day



## Saint Patrick's Day!!





# The Inns of Waterville Valley

We're looking for anyone to draw a comic. The winner will be featured in upcoming issues of our Newsletter! This comic should include something about The Inns of Waterville Valley, Waterville Valley or NH in general.

Please include your name, age, town/state you're from and send submissions to: [frontdesk@innsofwatervillevalley.com](mailto:frontdesk@innsofwatervillevalley.com)

Or you can drop it off at:  
46 Packards Rd, Waterville Valley, NH 03215  
Our office hours are Monday through Friday 8am-4pm

**Please, NO AI or plagiarizing!**

**IOWVA Team Members**





PROUDLY BRINGS YOU

# New Year New Name

\$100 per spot

\$150 for 2 spots

Winner will be announced during  
the Annual Owners Meeting this  
June 2025.



*Help us raise money to go towards new things to  
better the Inns. Spots won't be sold after May  
31st, 2025*

**The winner of the raffle will get to not  
only name the infamous Moose for a  
year but also win a 1 week  
complimentary stay here at the Inns.  
Room/Week is upon our availability.  
Terms & Conditions apply. See next page.**

**Payment methods accepted: Check, Cash**







## TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY:

### **Spots will not be sold after May 31st, 2025**

- 1.) Spots are non-refundable.
- 2.) Winner will get to name the infamous moose in our lower lobby & win a 1 week FREE stay here at the Inns upon our availability!
- 3.) Prize cannot be exchanged for cash. Nor can it be redeemed to cover any maintenance fee(s).
- 4.) Winner will be informed via email and phone call.
- 5.) All contact info and Maintenance fees must be up to date.

By purchasing a raffle spot, you agree to be bound by these terms and rules. The Inns of Waterville Valley (46 Packard's Road, Waterville Valley, NH 03215) is conducting this raffle. Spots will be sold at 1 for \$100.00 or 2 for \$150.00 (if purchased in the same transaction). Funds are to be put toward upgrades for IOWVA. The Winner will be picked electronically by wheelofnames.com . You must be 18 or older to purchase a spot for the raffle or claim the prize. If you plan to assign your prize to someone else, or gift it, they must be 21 and over, and occupancy must not exceed room accommodations for the unit you are assigned. You do not need to be present at the time of the drawing to claim your winnings. Winner will have 10 days from the notification to arrange to claim their prize. Winner will be notified via contact info they supply at the time they purchase raffle spots. If the winner fails to claim their prize in the 10 day period for whatever reason, winner will forfeit the prize and an alternate winner will be selected. If a prize is forfeited, no compensation will be given and all decisions are final. If you owe money to IOWVA, the balance must be \$0 on your account to claim your prize. You do NOT have to be a current owner to participate in the raffle. To enter, please:

call 603-236-8366

email [frontdesk@innsofwatervillevalley.com](mailto:frontdesk@innsofwatervillevalley.com)

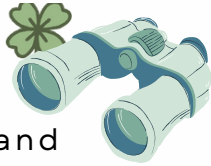
or

come to the front desk during business hours (Mon- Fri 8:30 AM - 4 PM)

Payment methods accepted: Check, Cash



# Dear Friends,



My name is Bob McKetchnie and I am a birder. I am a resident at Waterville Valley in weeks 41 and 42 of the calendar year. The rest of the year I live in Attleboro MA. My favorite thing to do is to get outside as often as I can and “bird” the states of MA and RI.

I know that many of you hike and ski when visiting the IOWV and I would like to share with you some additional opportunities for adventure while you are vacationing.

I can't tell you all I want to in this newsletter so please look for additional articles from me as time goes on.

There are a few places I have found ideal for hiking and birding. Some of them are not very far from the Inns.

One of my favorite spots in the area is the “Quincy Bog Natural Area”. It is located at 131 Quincy Bog Road, Rumney, NH. This trail is a 1.24 mile loop that encircles a bog that serves as a wonderful habitat for many wildlife species.

On my last visit to Quincy Bog, I saw more than 25 different bird species. My sightings included Two Bald eagles (one a juvenile), a Hairy Woodpecker, Ring-necked ducks, Swamp Sparrows, White-throated sparrows, and Yellow-rumped warblers.

Before going there consider visiting the [quincybog.org](http://quincybog.org) website for more information.

If you are slightly more adventurous consider a day-trip to the Pondicherry Wildlife Refuge in Jefferson/Whitefield. Pondicherry is home to the rare Black-backed Woodpecker. I spent a day trying to track one down with no luck although I heard them calling in the distance. You can be sure next year I will be back there again.

What I did find while I was there at Pondicherry was a Pileated Woodpecker, Brown Creeper, Hermit Thrush, Wood Ducks, and Green-Winged Teals.

You can learn more about Pondicherry by visiting the [nhaudubon.org](http://nhaudubon.org) website.

In future articles I will highlight other places I have visited and tell you about the “tools” I use for locating, identifying, counting and keeping records on the birds I find.

Happy Birding in this New Year,

Bob

**Here are some photos of a few of the birds Bob has seen! (These are not his photos.)**



Ring-Necked Duck



Yellow Rumped Warbler





Hello Inns of Waterville Valley Owners and Guests,

YAY!! We are so glad it is snowing. With the snow- skiing should be optimal. However, we need your help keeping the keep the upper and lower parking lots free of snow for easier movability of people and cars.

As the snow starts to fall move all your cars to the LOWER lot. Keep the cars(s) in the LOWER lot until the snow occurrence is completely finished. Our awesome snowplow driver comes continuously during the snow occurrence to keep the upper lot clear.

After he is COMPLETELY done with cleanup and snow has COMPLETELY stopped may you move your cars to the upper lot.

Also, if electricity goes out, please get to your safe place. The emergency lights will stay on for a short time and not the entire outage. When power and internet is restored, everything will come back on.

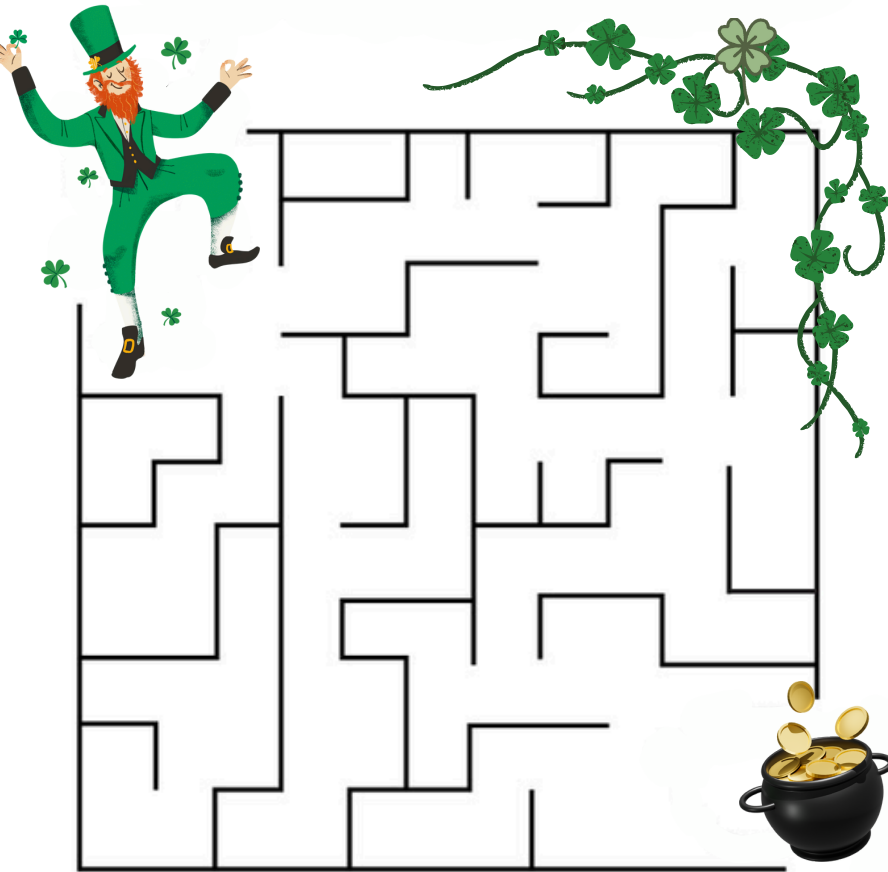
Thank you,  
IOWVA Team

\*There is no housekeeping services during your weekly stay. \*\*Please e-mail or leave a voice mail for any maintenance issues. The maintenance department will be notified and they will add the issue to their schedule.

*\*\*\*If conditions are extremely harsh there is a possibility that the IOWV on-site team might be delayed to the Inns. All of us do not live in Waterville Valley and would like to be safe.*

## LEPRECHAUN MAZE

Can you please help me find my Pot o' Gold!?



## THE LUCKY LEPRECHAUN HUNT

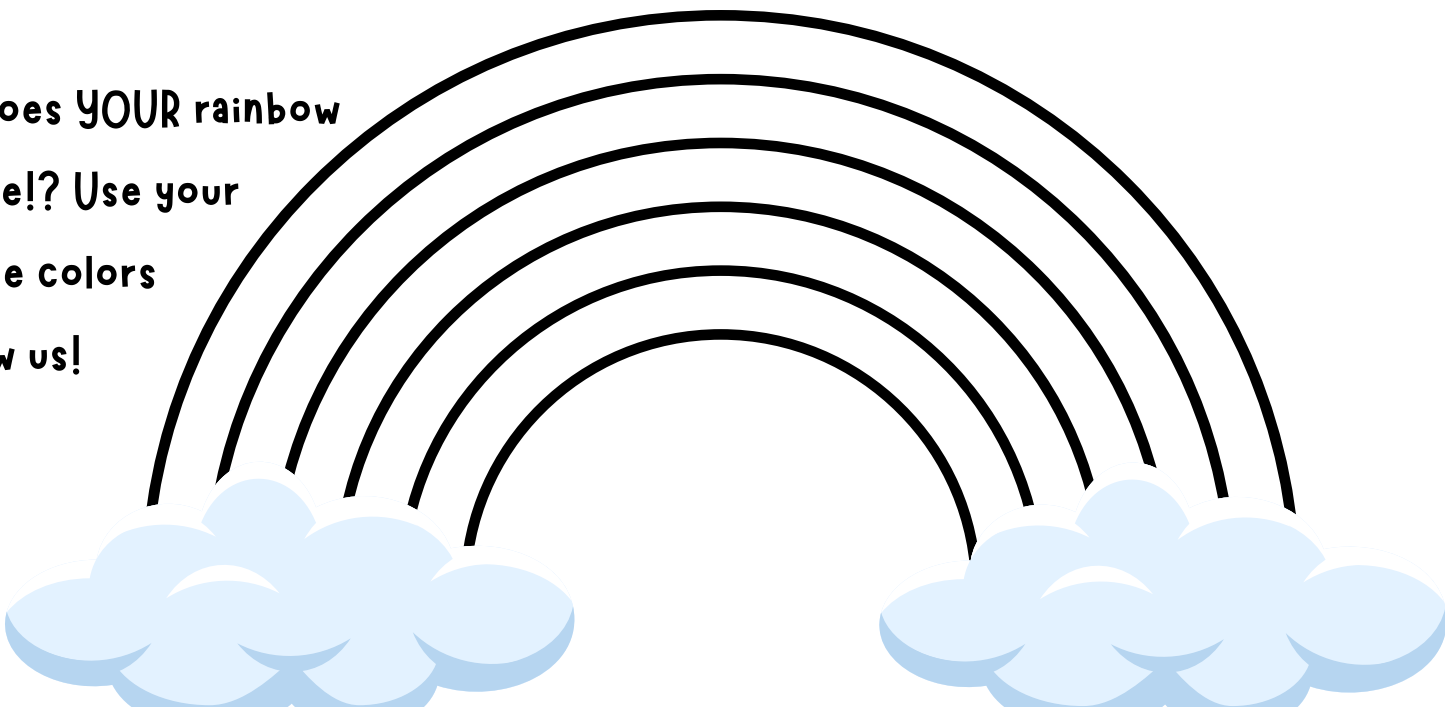
In this Newsletter, through out all it's wonderful pages, there are 20 hidden Shamrocks that look like this one. Now, keep in mind, they may be smaller.

Enjoy the fun and excitement of hunting for the Leprechaun's lost Shamrocks. You never know...if you find all 20, it may just bring you The Luck of the Irish!

(This is just for fun! No prizes redeemable.)

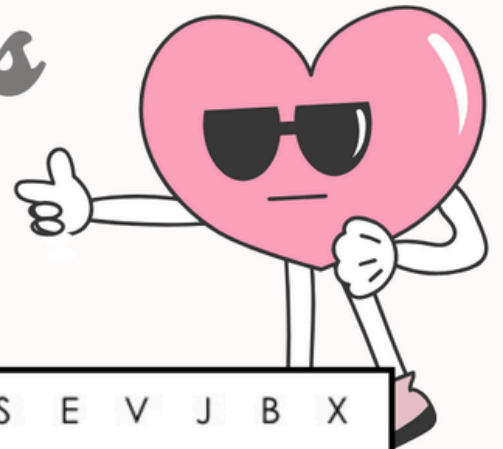
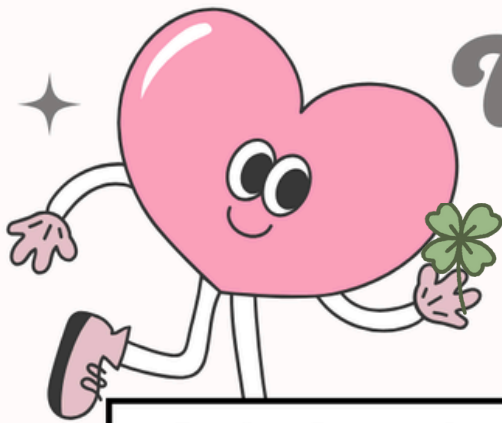


What does YOUR rainbow look like!? Use your favorite colors to show us!





# Valentine's Word Search



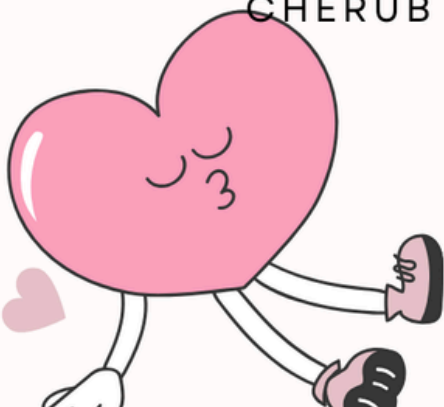
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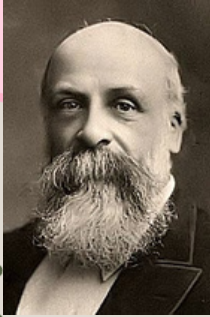
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TEDDY BEAR  
VALENTINE



CREATED BY:  
Elizabeth Helstein (IOWVA  
Assistant Manager

## VALENTINE'S DAY FUN FACTS

**1** The first heart-shaped box of chocolates was introduced in 1861, created by Richard Cadbury



**2** According to Hallmark, a whopping 145 million Valentine's Day cards are exchanged every February 14th, but that doesn't even include all those kids' valentines exchanged in classrooms. This makes Valentine's Day the second biggest holiday for exchanging greeting cards! The first is Christmas.

**3** Love birds are actual birds. The term "lovebirds" has become a popular term of endearment, it's also the common name for Agapornis birds. The Love bird is a type of parrot that is native to Africa and can be found throughout the eastern and southern regions. These birds typically travel in pairs, which is why many couples are referred to as lovebirds.



**A fun tip: Make a memory! With your loved one, family, kids, or even friends! Create a photo collage, turn a favorite photo into digital art, or bake their favorite treat!**



## FAQ:

**Q:** Do we have Freedom Pass?

**A:** No. We do not offer Freedom Pass.

Owners and guests receive complimentary WMAC Passes. These passes allow you access to the Athletic centers' pools, sauna, hot tub, free weights and outside tennis courts.



**Q:** Do we have AC?

**A:** No, we do not.

**Q:** Can you bring a pet?

**A:** No, we do not allow pets. We allow Service animals; a specifically trained animal (usually a dog) that preforms a task for a specific disability.

**Q:** Why can't you give your registration form and credit card information the day we get there to check in?

**A:** Here at the Inns we conduct a "Self Check-In" and travel your time. We have anticipated your arrival and all your information is due Monday before your Friday arrival. Your unit is ready and waiting for after 4pm check-in. Welcome to your home away in the mountains, We do not staff on the weekends.

**Q:** How do we get our keys?

**A:** Your welcome email sent prior to your stay has all the information that you will need during your stay. The key-box is located through the main doors to your left.

**Q:** Who took the beautiful photos on the front page of the Newsletter?

**A:** Our Front Desk/Assistant Manager, Elizabeth Helstein took those photos.

The top photo is of RTE 49 heading out of the Valley.

The second photo is of the front of the Inns after the first snow fall of this Winter season.

**Q:** How can you join the fundraising committee?

**A:** This is not driven by the board. The office staff can't wait to see what the Committee does! **Please contact Carol Dusablon today to join the committee!**  
**[cbdusablon@gmail.com](mailto:cbdusablon@gmail.com)**  
**(401)225-5085**

## A message from the General Manager!

Dear Awesome Inns of Waterville Valley Owners,

Happy New Year! I hope this newsletter brings a smile to your day. Winter vacation season is in full swing, your property is buzzing with owners and guests, and we couldn't be more thrilled. This is the perfect time to plan your next owned vacation week. Waterville Valley has something for everyone.

We are thrilled to welcome a group of new owners to the Inns,-9 since the prior year! Your presence enriches the Inns community, and we look forward to seeing all of you enjoy your time here.

Your team is working diligently and remains committed to maximizing your owner vacation property potential while ensuring your satisfaction. We value your participation, and we are here to support you. Thanks for your continued trust in us to manage the Inns. We have a great relationship with your Board of Directors. They are working to service all the needs of the Inns for all owners' behalf. The formation of Fund- Raising committee is exciting with great owner collaboration. The first fundraiser- name the *Moose* is underway. We can't wait to see all the great names for our old friend the moose. Good luck!

Thank you for being part of the Inns of Waterville Valley, Here is to a fantastic 2025 filled with joy, adventure and wonderful memories.

Happy trails,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gail Kent".

General Manager, Gail Kent

