

CRV HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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The President's Message

The cold weather has not been conducive to outdoor activities. A hardy few have braved it to participate in Shuffleboard, but mostly we have been staying in. There haven't been many days to enjoy the pool or even a walk. Let's hope that temperatures return to normal soon so we can resume our regular activities.

For those residents who leave the Village for several months in the summer, remember you must have your yard cared for while you are away. Plants really jumped last summer with all the rain, and several units were overgrown with weeds. It is a requirement in the prospectus to maintain our lots, and it is only fair to other residents to keep yours looking neat. Even in the summer prospective buyers come through our Village, and we all want to make a good impression. Now is a good time to begin making those arrangements.

The most positive thing about life in Crystal River Village is our residents. We are a diverse group but we are much like family for each other. It is comforting and reassuring to know that a friendly face and supportive shoulder are as close as your neighbor. The more interaction we have with each other the better for all. So, as the weather warms, get out and join in some of the activities available to you and get to know your neighbors better. To paraphrase a familiar quote, "it takes many different people to make a happy Village."

Carl Preston (#340) 795-6458

Super Bowl XLV Party

Come to the Clubhouse on February 6 to watch the Green Bay Packers and the Pittsburgh Steelers battle it out at the Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas. Game time is 6:30 pm so plan to arrive 30-45 minutes early to get settled. Bring your favorite beverage and an appetizer/snack to share with others. For more information contact Leo Lumpiesz (#338) at 231-620-7762.

Are You Speeding?!

Speeding in CRV was a hot topic of conversation at the January Association meeting, as noted in the meeting summary, along with not obeying stop signs. Sometimes it is visitors to our Village, such as trades people or delivery trucks, who are exceeding the posted speed limit of 15 mph. But just as often it is residents who are the offenders.

Those at the meeting expressed their frustration and discussed possible solutions. If you have trades people, frequent deliveries, relatives and friends or therapists visit you, **please** remind them to obey the posted limit. If the speeder is a resident, some solutions discussed were to remind them through this newsletter article, speak to the offender tactfully and ask them to drive more slowly, and as a last option, which no one really wants to do, report them to the Office.

Obeying the **15 mph speed limit** is for the safety of all. Many residents are out walking or biking on our streets for gentle exercise, and they cannot easily or quickly move out of your way. Sometimes they do not even hear a car coming up behind them.

An additional hazard is having your view blocked. Be cautious when going around corners and observe stop signs. If you have a corner lot, please check that your shrubbery or bushes do not block the view of pedestrians and traffic.

Pine Needles Needed

Pine needles are needed to create a surface for the new golf cart parking area at the west end of the pool. If you are disposing of any, you can leave them bagged by the dumpsters. Just pine needles please, no other leaves or cones.

Membership Fees are due by the end of January. Renew now so you can participate in HOA meetings and continue to receive a newsletter. Contact Margie Jordan (#177) 563-9849 to join or renew your membership.

Congratulations & Best Wishes!

February Birthdays

1	Dianna Bupp	(512)	15	LuAnn Talamo	(536)
2	Carol Hilton	(398)	18	Mert Brown	(298)
3	Don Whippie	(323)	18	Marilyn Huckins	(169)
4	Laura Autovino	(378)	18	Bernice Nehring	(452)
4	Mari Smith	(529)	20	Virginia Audia	(307)
6	Harry Schoeller	(357)	21	Beatrice Pulsifer	(408)
7	Penny Hesselberg	(342)	21	Jack Shriver	(436)
7	Genny Woodfill	(181)	22	Ernst Keitel	(293)
12	Joyce Blide	(174)	23	Cindy Drew	(422)
12	Alan 'Rob' DeRemer	(002)	24	Donal Strother	(308)
14	Marilyn Snell Brown	(179)	25	Wendell Reed	(528)
14	Faye Cartner	(442)	26	Bill Pickett	(318)
14	Marilyn Plissey	(343)	28	Harry Chisholm	(320)
15	Russ Boersma	(385)	28	Hulette Hilton	(530)
15	Diane Kraemer	(531)	28	Margaret Kiesler	(175)

February Anniversaries

5	Tom & Genny Woodfill	(181)
10	Lynn & Beverly Krueger	(506)
12	Lou & Ann Talamo	(322)
17	Dick & Priscilla Ballagh	(348)
17	Ron & Caryl Kershner	(337)
29	Bob & Carole Frank	(317)

Please let me know if your special day is missing or incorrect. Susie

New Year's Eve Party Photos

can be viewed on our website by going to the link in Village Photos. It was a fun event for the 35 who gathered to ring in the new year.

Shuffleboard Winners

Dec 28	Cancelled
Jan 04	Jim Brown & Margie Jordan
Jan 11	Lorraine Fricke & Don Gibeau
Jan 18	Alba Falgiano & Bill Kuhn

Bingo Jackpot Winners

Dec 29	Lori Berro	\$157
Jan 05	William Craig	\$85
	Beverly Miller	\$85
Jan 12	Beverly Miller	\$186
Jan 19	Annie Collie	\$105
	Beverly Krueger	\$105

Saturday Breakfast

When was the last time you came to the Clubhouse for breakfast on the second Saturday of the month? If you haven't attended in a while, you may not know that now you have a choice of pancakes, waffles or French toast. And along with scrambled eggs, hash brown potatoes, and sausage, you can also have a biscuit and gravy. Add regular or decaf coffee, or tea, and orange or tomato juice and you have a great meal for the bargain price of \$4. Harry Rundle and his crew prepare quite a feast each month. If you haven't been before or it's been a while, give it a try. We think you will enjoy it. And it is a great opportunity to socialize with other residents.

New Residents & Renters

Unit #390 recently sold to John McMickle. There are also a number of renters here this season; at least 9 units and perhaps more are rented right now. Make them feel welcome; perhaps they will decide to become owners.

February Ladies Luncheon

The Ladies Luncheon will be held on Thursday, February 24 at noon at the recently opened Creek Side Grill & Lounge located on Hwy 19 in mid-Homosassa across from the entrance to the wildlife park. Your hostesses will be Bonnie Hubbard (#283) 563-5432, Norma Willhoft (#286) 794-0496 and Ann Brubacher (#295) 795-2905. Remember to sign up at the Clubhouse so the hostesses can give an accurate count to the restaurant. All ladies of the Village are welcome to attend and bring a friend.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Mark your calendar for a Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner to be held next month on St. Patrick's Day, Thursday, March 17 in place of our usual Pot Luck. You do not need to bring anything, just yourself. The cost is \$5.00 per person and will benefit the HOA. More information will be in the March Newsletter.

January HOA Meeting Summary

A moment of silence was observed at the beginning of the meeting in memory of the recent passing of Terry Chasmar and Bud Eastman. Five members of the Board were in attendance, but we did not have a quorum. Minutes from the previous meeting were read. Committees were acknowledged and gave brief reports. Marilyn Brown reminded everyone of the upcoming Health Fair on January 25. Membership is presently about 105. Bobbie Stahley, retiring Board member, was thanked for her years of service to the HOA. Dennis Lunney administered the oath of office to those Board members in attendance. Kay Hrabec, Carole Nye Polisson and Art Devlin were unable to attend.

President Carl discussed the Open House. He asked residents to be around and visible on that day, perhaps in the pool or at the Clubhouse. Susie Lunney said that a notice highlighting the three upcoming Open Houses has been placed on the website. Leo Lumpiesz, Chairman of the Rent Committee, will obtain copies of the Settlement Agreement for anyone who gives him their name. The merits of becoming a member of the FMO were discussed. Possible revisiting of sales tax on our monthly rent by the new FL administration could be an upcoming issue for the FMO.

The final issue, speeding and not stopping for stop signs in the Village, was discussed at length. Lots of input from many residents, some were even naming names. It was agreed that if it is a resident, we can remind them to slow down, and even call Delnora if no improvement is seen. Many noted it is often people from outside the Village, trades people, delivery services, and therapists visiting residents, who are the culprits. Susie was asked to put a note in newsletter asking residents to remind anyone who visits them to watch their speed. Our elderly people out walking are not spry and cannot easily step out of the way.

CRV Fishing Report

I haven't fished in the last month, weather was too cold for me, but I hear fishing is good if you know where to fish. I went to a meeting at the Pine Ridge Fishing Club. The guest speaker was Rick Burnes. If you don't know Rick, he writes articles on fishing for the Citrus Chronicle. He had a lot of good tips on cold weather fishing, more than I have space for in this report. I wonder if we could start a fishing club here in CRV? We would then be able to get some of the local fishing guides in to give a talk. Let me know if you are interested.

This is your newsletter column, so feel free to call me with anything about what's going, either here at CRV or elsewhere in the county, anything that would help us with our fishing. If you would like to go fishing or just take a trip up the Rainbow River, stop by or call Ollie Simon (#364) 220-6068.

In Memoriam

Charles "Charlie" Clapp, a resident in unit #521 for many years, died on January 15, 2011 in Massachusetts. He was active in fishing, boating and especially bingo while he and his wife, Shirley who predeceased him, lived here in the Village. We send our sympathy to his family and friends.

CRV HOA Open Houses


The January Open House was fairly successful. Several people stopped by to get information and were very interested. Some have made return visits since the event. Visitors were impressed with the Library, Exercise Room, and the variety of activities available to our residents. Those activities are thanks to you, our residents, who direct them. We are fortunate and grateful to you. These visitors had not known of our Village before the Open House, but now they do, and even if they do not buy they may spread a good word about us. Residents, you can help by passing the word to your friends outside the Village that it is a great place to live.

Our next Open House will be held on Saturday, February 19 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Perhaps it will be warm enough then to have the pool open. That seems to be an amenity that many are looking for in their choice of a park.

There was a fair amount of activity around the Clubhouse and Village this time even with the cool weather. Many thanks to those residents who helped with this Open House, Sue Dost, Kay Hrabec, Dottie Matteson, JoAn Whippie, Leo Lumpiesz, Joan Helms, Cindy Drew and Dennis & Susie Lunney, without you it could not have succeeded. If you are able to lend a hand next month, please contact me.

Carl Preston

Crystal River Village - February 2011 - Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 8am- Men's Breakfast Ladies included 9:00am - Exercise 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos 7pm - HOA Meeting	2 Groundhog Day 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	3 8 am - ALUM CANS AT CURB 9 am - Exercise 10 am - Painting Grp 1 pm - Mah-jongg	4 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 1pm - Craft Class 7pm - Men's Pool	5 10:30am - Horseshoes
6 SUPER BOWL PARTY 6:00 pm	7 9:30am - CRV Golf 7pm - Poker	8 8am- Men's Breakfast 9:00am - Exercise 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos	9 10am -Blood Pressure 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	10 9 am - Exercise 10 am - Painting Grp 1 pm - Mah-jongg	11 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 7pm - Men's Pool	12 8-10am -SAT MORN BREAKFAST 10:30am - Horseshoes
13	14  Valentine's Day 9:30am - CRV Golf 7pm - Poker	15 8am- Men's Breakfast 9:00am - Exercise 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos	16 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	17 9 am - Exercise 10 am - Painting Grp 1 pm - Mah-jongg 6pm - POT LUCK	18 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 1pm - Craft Class 7pm - Men's Pool	19 10:30am - Horseshoes 11:00 3:00 pm OPEN HOUSE
20	21 President's Day 9:30am - CRV Golf 7pm - Poker	22 8am- Men's Breakfast 9:00am - Exercise 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos	23 10am -Blood Pressure 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	24 9 am - Exercise 10 am - Painting Grp 1 pm - Mah-jongg 12 noon - LADIES LUNCHEON	25 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 7pm - Men's Pool	26 10:30am - Horseshoes
27	28 9:30am - CRV Golf 7pm - Poker			Upcoming March Events:	3-17 St. Pat's Dinner 3-19 Open House 3-21 Golf Scramble 3-26 Yard Sale	

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