

CRV HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

MARCH 2010 NEWSLETTER

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The President's Message

We all owe one another thanks for keeping faith in our cause and joining in protest to protect our rights. I know it has been a long three months through one of the coldest winters on record here in Florida. The steps you have taken, putting 'for sale' signs in your homes, signs in your vehicle windows, and picketing, are effective and useful tools. We are close to getting our rights met under the law, and everyone needs to keep the pressure on.

There is a move under way by some to make you feel that our protest is a lost cause. Some residents have even been belittled by their neighbors for participating. Please be respectful of your neighbors and fellow residents. Placing unsigned notes of demand or derision on the bulletin board, on someone's car, boat, or house causes distrust and division. Treat neighbors the way you want to be treated. It is the right of every one of us to get the answers to which we are entitled in order to bring the unfair lot rental increase demand to a reasonable conclusion.

The 'Special to the Chronicle' article in the February 7, 2010 Chronicle by Jean V. Whitehurst was designed to avoid divulging the truth. My fervent hope is that the Owners will respect residents, the Homeowners Association, and the Law enough so things can work toward a positive future for the whole Village. All we are asking for is that our rights under Chapter 723 be recognized, nothing more.

This process is being dragged out for a number of reasons. The Owners hope that we will get tired and fade away. They have played the same game before, running out the clock through misdirection and misinformation. Well, I am happy to tell it is not working this time. With our attorney Karen Maller's expertise, the law is working for us now. Thank you for sharing your words of support for me and my family during this time when the Owners have attacked me personally and tried to spin it that I am responsible for the protest. I am not a quitter, but it is much easier to keep the faith with all of you standing firmly with me.

On a more positive note, I have seen people having a good time with one another all through this month. Bingo has had some good-sized pots. On a cold morning when we expected people might stay home, 90 came for breakfast and stayed to visit with friends and neighbors for a long time. On the afternoon of February 18 during the Rent Committee Meeting with Management, over 40 of you braved the cold to protest in front of the Sales Office. The results of that meeting will be discussed at the next HOA meeting on March 2, 2010. Over 60 came for Pot Luck, the food was great and the fellowship wonderful. Those attending might even have found a way to save a few hundred dollars on their homeowner's insurance. As I am putting this message together, we are preparing for our Annual Yard Sale. Many residents have donated items and others have committed to work on it.

So in closing, it has been a very positive month. I hope to see all of you at other events in the coming month, including our Spring Fling.

Carl Preston(#340) 795-6458

In Memoriam

Richard "Dick" Marion passed away February 16, 2010. He and his wife Barbara (#165) moved here from Maryland 15 years ago. Dick was a member of our HOA Board for many years and was active in the community as well until his health failed. He fought for and finally convinced the city of the need for a sidewalk on SE 8th Avenue. It was completed three years ago and named the Richard Marion Walkway in his honor. We send our sympathy to Barbara and her family.

Help Our Mail Carrier

Often Waste Management has not picked up the trash and especially the Wednesday recycling before Deb, our postal carrier, delivers the mail in our Village. Containers placed in front of the mailbox makes reaching the box difficult for her. Please help Deb by placing your trash containers and recycling bins to the other side away from your mailbox.

Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 14. Turn your clocks ahead one hour.

Congratulations & Best Wishes!

March Birthdays

1	Dot Maloney Binney	(410)	19	Christine Peterson	(329)
1	Demas Brubacher	(295)	22	Genevieve Urbaniak	(347)
1	Bonnie Hubbard	(283)	23	Lois Gage	(377)
1	'J' Lee	(356)	23	Wanda Kolb	(402)
1	Margaret Stevens	(496)	25	Bill Blaylock	(005)
2	Bob Taylor	(331)	26	Elwood Bailey	(300)
6	Charlotte Moore	(538)	27	Timm Gage	(377)
16	Bud Eastman	(423)	28	Joan Reed	(528)
17	Ruth Slaton	(438)	29	Bill Cate	(319)
18	John Topping	(351)	31	David Fox	(302)
19	Patty Ferro	(339)	31	Tiny Gosdeck	(439)

March Anniversaries

4	Camden & Connie Long	(445)
7	Richard & Trudy Wood	(523)
10	Demas & Ann Brubacher	(295)
11	Calvin & Hulette Hilton	(530)
14	Jim & Mary Gavaza	(505)
15	Blaze & Laura Autovino	(378)
17	Bob & Ann Collie	(491)
19	John & Linda Moore	(173)
21	David & Nancy Hardin	(287)
21	Mal & Judy Hood	(178)
23	Jim & Joan Kenney	(449)
30	Elwood & Diane Bailey	(300)

The Citrus Playbill

In March **The Nature Coast Performers, Inc.** will present a new farce by FL playwrights Michael and Susan Parker titled "*Sex Please, We're Sixty*". Mrs. Sutcliffe's Bed & Breakfast has been a success for many years in spite of, or maybe because of, her neighbor "Bud the Stud". Her other neighbor, a retired chemist has developed a pill called "Venusia" to increase the libido of menopausal women, but it has not been tested. Bud gets his hands on some of the Venusia pills, and when three female guests arrive he attempts to entertain all of them. The women mix up Bud's Viagra with the Venusia and the fun begins. Show dates are March 20, 26, 27 at 7:30 pm and March 21, 28 at 2 pm. Tickets are \$12; all performances will offer an optional pre-show Italian meal for \$6. Call 527-9061 to reserve tickets.

Support Citrus County's Fine Arts!

Bingo Jackpot Winners

Jan. 27	Genny Woodfill	\$250
Feb. 3	Bob Ferguson	\$125
	Gerri Perlich	\$125
Feb. 10	Rosemarie VanDuzer	\$226
Feb. 17	Don Hudson	\$230

March Ladies Luncheon

The March Ladies Luncheon will be held at noon on Thursday, March 25 at Denny's, located north of the Crystal River Mall on the left side of Hwy 19 at Day's Inn. Your hostesses will be Norma Willhoft, Bonnie Hubbard and Ann Brubacher. Watch the bulletin board for information and sign-up sheets.

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The Resident Directory has been redesigned and updated. And as requested by several of you, a listing of addresses for seasonal residents (snowbirds) has also been added.

Most companies on our Preferred Businesses List have renewed their ads. Only businesses that have been recommended by CRV residents are invited to advertise on our website. Those recently renewed businesses are Citrus KIA, our web's first advertiser, offering reliable cars, friendly service and located just across Hwy 19. Cypress Cove provided free diabetes screening at our health fair. They and Brentwood continue to offer the area's best in rehabilitation and personal care services. Brentwood donates paper and printing for this newsletter. Nature Coast Insurance, a local agency, offers more home insurance for less money to a growing number of our residents. Jim Green Jewelers and Canada Drugs conveniently located in the mall nearby continue to give us quality products and personal service. Bay Area AC technicians are often in the village, mostly doing annual services. Ed's Tackle Shop donated prizes for our CRV fishing tournament. Pack-n-Post continues to offer a 10% discount to CRV residents. Please refer to the list and support them, as they support us by placing their ads and providing us with good service.

If you have used an area business that gave exceptional service, and you would recommend them to other residents, please call Carl Preston. He will contact that business and invite them to place their ad on our website.

February HOA Meeting Summary

The February 2 HOA meeting had all Board members present and 60 households represented. Toni Imbasciani encouraged residents to join the FMO (Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of FL). The FMO presently has 2 bills in committee in the State Legislature that, if passed, would be a vast improvement in our rights as manufactured home owners. They are Senate Bill #1016 and House Bill # 513. She also spoke briefly thanking those who have been faithful in protesting in front of the Sales Office. The HOA thanks Toni for coordinating the group.

Carl spoke about the letter from the Owners concerning the water main break. They did not contact Carl to say they were working on restoring water to the 23 residences before the first of the week. Trudy Wood said they did not indicate to her their intention to continue repairing the problem either, as they claimed. Within 1/2 hour of the February Newsletter being delivered to residents only, Mrs. Whitehurst called Carl to launch an angry tirade concerning his President's Message. Since the Newsletter was not posted to our Website until the following day, someone in our Village had to have contacted her immediately and either read or faxed the information to her.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports were read and accepted. Committee Chairs gave brief reports on their areas. Marylou Benedict announced her Tues & Thurs Exercise Group, which began with 12, now has 18 members. The meeting time has changed from what was listed on the Activity List, and now begins at 9:30 am. Barbara Bakes announced she needs to retire as Chair of the Helping Hands Committee. (If you or someone you know would be interested/willing to take over that position, please contact Carl or a member of the Board.) That Committee also needs more volunteers.

New Business: Rosemarie VanDuzer suggested adding snowbirds addresses to the website so they can be reached by fellow residents when they are at their other homes. All snowbirds present agreed to her suggestion. Toni Imbasciani would like a tax representative to speak to our HOA. Mert Brown announced people can get their taxes done for free by AARP at the Moose Club every Monday and Tuesday. They can also be done at the Crystal River Regional Library on Thursdays, but you must make an appointment.

Pot Luck

Over 60 residents attended the February Pot Luck and listened to two guest speakers. Ken Fischbach from SkyMed described his Emergency Air Transportation Service. If you are hospitalized anywhere in the US or its territories, they will transport you home or to wherever you wish to receive medical attention. It also covers return of your spouse and minors travelling with you, and they will arrange transport of your vehicle as well. The fee is \$144 per person per year. For more information contact Ken at 352-442-7420.

The second speaker was Kathy Sanders from Nature Coast Insurance Agency, a preferred business listed on our website. She is local, so can deal personally with any problems we encounter. Several CRV residents already use her company and are getting a good deal on their insurance. She is affiliated with Modern USA Insurance Company.

The speaker at the March 18 Pot Luck will be from A Crystal River Kayak Company. They rent and sell kayaks and canoes and all the necessary gear and accessories for them. They also give lessons and lead tours of waterways around the nature Coast.

Shuffleboard Winners

Jan. 26	Don Gibeau & John Moore
Feb. 2	Weather Cancellation
Feb. 9	Weather Cancellation
Feb. 16	Mert Brown & Bob Perez

Sugarmill Chorale Concert

The Sugarmill Chorale will perform their spring concert *America, A Patriotic Celebration* on Sunday, March 21st at 3:00 pm at Curtis Peterson Auditorium in Lecanto. This 30-35 voice chorus is composed of people from all areas of Citrus County. Its purpose is to provide enjoyment of good music to the entire community and also provide scholarship opportunity to high school students planning to pursue further education in Music. CRV residents Bob Hrabec and Susie Lunney will participate in this concert. Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$8 at the door and can be obtained from Bob or Susie.

Quote...Life is like an onion: You peel it off one layer at a time, and sometimes you weep.

Carl Sandburg

CRV Fishing Report

The cold weather made fishing during the first CRV Fishing Tournament for the dedicated only, or maybe with tongue in cheek, the *reel hardy!* Only six participated, and all but one caught fish, 30 of which were landed.

The very first fish was caught by Bob VanDuzer on his first cast at 8:00 am. First Place Jackpot was won by John Moore for the biggest fish and second place honors went to Jim Brown for the next largest. Ed's Tackle Shop, located on Hwy US 19 in Airport Plaza, donated prizes for most fish caught won by John Moore, and for smallest fish caught won by Shirley Peterson.

We had a drawing for 3 great gifts for everyone who participated. A \$25 certificate from AAA Outboard Motors located on Hwy US 19 across from Sweetbay was won by Shirley Peterson. Two \$15.00 gift certificates for lunch at Grannies Restaurant were won by Bud Shott and Jim Brown.

Thank you to all who helped with our CRV Fishing Tournament. A special thanks to Ed's Bait Shop, AAA Outboard Motors and Grannies Restaurant for their very generous gifts. It would not have worked without the help of Carl Preston and Bob Hrabec. Many thanks to them and to those who participated despite the cold and rain. If you would like to go fishing or just take a trip up the Rainbow River, stop by or call.

Ollie Simon (#364) Phone 220-6068

Spring Fling 2010 A Country Hoedown

Y'all must know by now, we're gonna have a hoedown! Come join in the fun at this year's Spring Fling. Dress in your best country type outfit, or any way you are most comfortable.

Who: All Residents & Guests

What: A Country Hoedown

When: Saturday, March 20, 2010

Where: At our Clubhouse 'Barn'

Why: To have Fun & celebrate Spring

Social hour starts at 5:00 pm. At 6:00 pm a country-style dinner of sliced pork, baked beans, coleslaw, and rolls will be served. Lemonade, coffee, and dessert will be provided, just BYOB. Then dance from 7-11:00 pm with **DJ Joe Dube**. This is a change from the previously announced DJ. He plays a mixed music genre so is sure to have something you like.

Cost is \$5 for HOA Members and \$7 for non-members and guests. Tickets are on sale through March 10. There will be NO ticket sales at the door, so buy them NOW if you plan to attend.



Remember to bring your ticket with your name written on it clearly, as they will be used to draw door prizes. A number of door prizes will be given away. Tickets may be obtained from Barbi Nichols 794-3285, Trudy Wood 563-2612, or Susie Lunney 794-4115.

Annual Bingo Audit

CRYSTAL RIVER VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. SUMMARY OF BINGO ACTIVITY

	2009	2008
INCOME:		
NET BINGO RECEIPTS	\$3,165	\$3,536
EXPENSES:		
Hall use, insurance, miscellaneous	1,255.00	600.00
Bingo Supplies and expense	555.00	588.00
New Bingo Board	_____	5,992.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,810	7,180
(Excess of Expenses) over Income	\$1,355	(\$3,644)
Bank Balance January 1,	992	4,636
Bank Balance December 31,	2,347	992
Cash Change Fund	150	125
TOTAL CASH AND CHECKING	\$2,497	\$1,117
# OF PLAYERS	2,996	3,500

Thanks to our Auditors

Many thanks to Bob Cardinal and Mary Gavaza from our Association for their recent audit of the 2009 Bingo (shown above) and 2009 Homeowners Association financial records (shown on following page). Their reports show everything is in order thanks to the efforts of our Treasurer Carole Nye and Bingo Chair Bob Hrabec.

CRYSTAL RIVER VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.		
SUMMARY of CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS		
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008		
	2009	2008
RECEIPTS:		
Membership Dues	\$1,820.00	\$2,570.00
Pancake Breakfast	2,641.00	2,652.00
Share & Share	1,010.00	1,180.00
Aluminum Can recycling	254.27	483.69
Bingo Reimbursed Expenses, Share & Share, etc	2,396.00	1,103.00
Yard Sale	933.90	628.47
WEB Ads	1,700.00	1,030.00
July 4th, Thanks, Spring Fling, Spaghetti, Potluck dinners	2,303.10	567.50
Swan donations	866.00	808.40
Halloween Party	586.00	546.00
Mgmt reimbursement, member donations, etc	500.89	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$15,011.16	\$11,569.06
DISBURSEMENTS:		
	2009	2008
PA System		\$2,695.07
Pancake Breakfast supplies	1,267.77	1,150.14
Website Expense	1,485.00	1,004.00
Swan purchase & expenses	970.22	902.11
Share & Share Payout	507.00	677.00
Kitchen Supplies, recycle fund used to buy equip.	921.46	451.64
Office Supplies, tags, cards, membership supplies	678.39	548.09
HOA Meetings, etc, Annual Report, Legal fees	1,669.07	321.92
Christmas & New Year expenses	674.91	477.81
Spring Fling, Memorial Day, 4th of July expense	1,932.84	1,016.29
Halloween Party, Spaghetti Dinner	1,765.70	917.34
Thanksgiving Dinner food, etc.	241.61	268.17
Bingo Supplies & expenses		257.45
Exercise equipment & expense		806.08
Board member insurance	1,045.54	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$13,159.51	\$11,493.11
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,851.65	\$75.95
Balance Beginning - Checking Acct.	<u>3,065.01</u>	<u>2,989.06</u>
Balance End-Checking Acct.	4,916.66	3,065.01
Certificate of Deposit (4.88%) beginning	2,727.44	2,635.92
Interest Income	<u>70.51</u>	<u>91.52</u>
Certificate of Deposit (1.69%) end	2,797.95	2,727.44
Balance End- Checking and Certificate of Deposit	\$7,714.61	\$5,792.45

Crystal River Village - March 2010 - Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9:30am - CRV Golf 7pm - Poker 7pm - Women's Pool	2 8am- Men's Breakfast Ladies included 9:30am - Exercise 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos 7pm - HOA Meeting	3 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	4 8am - ALUM CANS AT CURB 9:30am - Painting Grp 10am - Exercise 1pm - Mah-jongg	5 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 1pm - Craft Class 7pm - Men's Pool	6 10:30am - Horseshoes
7	8 9:30am - CRV Golf 7pm - Poker 7pm - Women's Pool	9 8am- Men's Breakfast 9:30am - Exercise 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos	10 10am -Blood Pressure 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	11 9:30am - Painting Grp 9:30am - Exercise 1pm - Mah-jongg 7pm - Card Games	12 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 7pm - Men's Pool	13 8-10am -SAT MORN BREAKFAST 10:30am - Horseshoes
14 <i>Daylight Savings Time begins Turn ahead 1 hour</i>	15 9:30am - CRV Golf 7pm - Poker 7pm - Women's Pool	16 8am- Men's Breakfast 9:30am - Exercise 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos 7pm - HOA Board	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	18 9:30am - Painting Grp 9:30am - Exercise 1pm - Mah-jongg 6pm - POT LUCK	19 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 1pm - Craft Class 7pm - Men's Pool	20 <i>1st Day of Spring</i> 10:30am - Horseshoes 5-11pm SPRING FLING A Country Hoedown
21	22 7pm - Poker 7pm - Women's Pool CRV Golf Scramble At Brentwood	23 8am- Men's Breakfast 9:30am - Exercise 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos	24 10am -Blood Pressure 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	25 9:30am - Painting Grp 9:30am - Exercise 12 noon - LADIES LUNCHEON 1pm - Mah-jongg 7pm - Card Games	26 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 7pm - Men's Pool	27 10:30am - Horseshoes
28 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	29 9:30am - CRV Golf 7pm - Poker 7pm - Women's Pool	30 8am- Men's Breakfast 9:30am - Exercise 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos	31 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool			

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