

CRV HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

MARCH 2017 NEWSLETTER

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The President's Message

Thank you Joan Helms, Louise Hosie and your team of volunteers, for an outstanding Valentines Pot Luck Dinner and Celebration. The food was excellent and the decorations were amazing. But, most of all thank you to the 81 residents, family members and friends who attended. Your support and participation is the reward that makes the volunteers time and energy meaningful, thank you again.

It was a great honor to present Ginger West of the Family Resource Center with a donation of \$250.00 to assist in their efforts to help the homeless families of Citrus County. Congratulations to Ron Mailloux as the winner of the Valentine's raffle. And a special thank you to Mary Ann Brennan for donating her 50/50 winnings to the Family Resource Center. Thank you to all who participated in the Valentine's fund raiser and 50/50 raffles.

March 17th is St. Patrick's Day and once again we will have our Corned Beef Cabbage and Fixings Dinner. Entertainment will be provided by DJ Ric Standard and a mystical performance by Magic Rik. Ticket sales will be limited to 140 so please purchase your tickets by March 9th. The price is \$12.00 per person. Reserved tables of eight will be available. Your CRV Board members have available tickets. I am looking forward to serving you, in my opinion, the best Irish dinner in the county.

It is noticeable that residents are slowing down, proceeding with caution and adhering to the 15MPH speed limit. Your cooperation is appreciated by all residents. Unfortunately not all drivers, especially delivery trucks, are as considerate. If you are travelling ahead of such a vehicle, one way you can slow them down is by slowing down yourself. It may frustrate them to wait behind you, and perhaps they will get the message.

A reminder to all pet owners, please be diligent in cleaning up after your pets. And bring a flashlight with you when you walk them after dark, so you can find and retrieve their leavings.

In closing thank you again for your support and participation. I look forward to seeing you at all the upcoming events.

Leo Lumpiesz 1-231-620-7762

St. Patty's Day Fun

Our annual **St. Patty's Day Dinner** will be held on **Friday, March 17**. The doors will open at 5:00 pm, and meal serving begins at 6:00 pm. The chef, Leo Lumpiesz and his crew are preparing a traditional Irish meal of corned beef & cabbage with all the fixings. The cost is **\$12 per person**, which covers the meal and entertainment by Ric Standard.



Ticket sales began on February 20, and are now available from any member of the HOA Board. 140 tickets will be sold through March 9 or until sold out. There will be no sales at the door. This event is being held in place of the March Pot Luck.

Daylight Saving Time...begins on **Sunday, March 12, 2017**. Remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour.

Annual Yard Sale April 1st

It's time again for the annual yard sale. It will be held on Saturday, April 1. Many volunteers are needed for this event; and any time you can donate will be appreciated. Also, if you would save your plastic shopping bags, it will be very helpful; we use many, many bags.

There will be no personal tables this year. All donations and proceeds will go to the HOA. Items can be dropped at my garage/driveway. If you have a large item, please hold on to it until March 30. We will arrange for someone with a truck/trailer to pick it up and take it directly to the Clubhouse. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me, Carole Nye at **352-795-1070**.

See the Yard Sale flyer attached to the newsletter with additional information and time schedule.

Congratulations & Best Wishes!

March Birthdays

01 Demas Brubacher 13 Lamar Howard
01 Bonnie Hubbard 14 Eileen Norod
02 Bob Taylor 18 Rhonda Distel
06 Linda Kilcullen 19 Patty Ferro
10 Pat Cox

March Anniversaries

19 Sharon Tow 7 Richard & Trudy Wood
22 Howard Hoover 10 Demas & Ann Brubacher
23 Linda Law 14 Jim & Mary Gavaza
26 Lynne Finman 21 Mal & Judy Hood
30 Velma Thurston

Shuffleboard

Jan 31 Annie Collie & Don Law
Feb 07 Rick Hall & Ken Nehring
Feb 14 Lorraine Fricke & Ken Nehring
Feb 21 Annie Collie & Bob Nave

Bingo Jackpot Winners

Feb 01 Shirley Vanover
Feb 08 Mike Price & Sue Koziarz
Feb 15 Geraldine Caul
Feb 22 Mark Therrell

Pot Luck News

The February Pot Luck celebrating Valentine's Day had over 80 people in attendance. There was an abundance of food and many delightful valentine-inspired desserts.

After the meal, Ginger West, from the Family Resource Center Director, spoke briefly. She thanked our Village for the many years of support both in donating food and clothing, and also sponsoring children for the Christmas Project. She shared some of what the Center provides for families. At the Connections Outreach Center, clients can take a hot shower, a real luxury if you are living in a tent. They can also receive a hot meal, do their laundry, and use a computer to find and apply for jobs. And thanks to a local grant, medical treatment and cancer screening is available. For the majority of people using their services, the Center bridges a gap while the family works toward self-sufficiency. If you would like to help, volunteers are always needed to assist with the food pantry and clothes closet.

The drawing for the February "1/3" Raffle was held, with Ron Mailloux winning the \$250 prize. Leo then presented Ginger West with \$250 for the Family Resource Center, which was the charity earmarked to receive from this Raffle. Maryann Brennan was the winner of the Share/Share and donated it to Ms. West Center. Thank you to Rick Decker for providing the music for all those who stayed on, listening and dancing.

Reminder: Due to the Irish Dinner there will not be a Pot Luck in March.

Ladies Luncheon News

The **March Luncheon** will be **March 23** at **Seagrass Waterfront Restaurant** on Hall's River Road in Homosassa. Your hostesses are Eileen Norod and Linda Crown, 352-228-4389, and Carol Dulaney, 740-278-2179

A sample menu and sign-up sheet will be posted on the Clubhouse bulletin board. If you have any questions or concerns, or are interested in hosting a luncheon, contact Shirley Decker, 352-601-0307.

Super Bowl Party a Success

From the Patriot's amazing 4th quarter comeback, to players' helmets getting locked together, to the first ever overtime at a Super Bowl, it was an exciting evening for the 82 people who attended this year's Super Bowl Party. The delicious shared appetizers, and half time hot dogs and chili, along with the additional excitement of the entertainment boards made for a fun evening. Thank you, Leo for chairing this event again this year. And a special thanks to Doug, our maintenance man, for his assistance in doing the cable connections for many televisions arranged to provide great viewing for all.

Bylaws Revision

Reminder: A revision of the HOA Bylaws was handed out at the February meeting. It will be discussed and voted on at the March 7th meeting.

Beautiful Garden Awards

Beautiful Garden Awards were presented recently to five seasonal homeowners by the Awards Committee; Suzanne Dost, Chairperson, Ron Mailloux, Bitsy Donnelly and Mary Ann Brennan. The following homes were chosen based on the extra efforts these homeowners have made to improve the exterior beauty and appearance of their homes.

Receiving these awards were:

- ~Lenny & Angie Burton, 957 Nature Coast Lane
- ~Wayne & Lynne Finman, 1745 Lake Evelyn Ave.
- ~Frank Maurier & Bobbie Rosenberger
895 Serendipity Place
- ~Ken & Bernice Nehring, 954 Lillian St.
- ~John & Linda Pfister, 1141 Rocco Court

A new Committee will be named and five more homes chosen for Beautiful Garden Awards in August, this time selecting from homes of full time residents. Thank you to Crystal River Village Management for providing the signs.

Calendar of Activities Listings

Is there a Pinochle group meeting right now? Are a few of you already gathering for some other activity not listed on the Calendar of Events? I see from notices on the bulletin board that some of you are gathering for arts & crafts and painting projects. There may be others who would like to join you if they knew about it. Your HOA Newsletter is a perfect way to share this information with the rest of the Village. To have information included on the Activity Calendar, contact Susie at 352-794-4115 or at dslunney@gmail.com.

Or are you interested in something and wonder if anyone else is? Horseshoes used to meet each Saturday, but was discontinued last year. We also used to have a book club, line dancing, and an arts & crafts group. Is there any interest in having one of these resume? And would you be willing to help organize and run it? If you have some thoughts or suggestions, please let a member of the Board know.

If you notice incorrect information being listed, please contact me so I can make corrections.

Spring is Here

Spring officially arrives on Monday, March 20. That means warmer weather is on the way.

Concerns & Complaints for Office

Our HOA Board is frequently asked how to reach Management if something happens in the evening or on the weekend when the office is closed. Even the sign on the front gate indicates to call if the gate fails to work. Unfortunately Management has not provided a number to call in case of an emergency.

For other issues, the Board recommends that you send an email to the Office noting your concerns and send a copy to our HOA Secretary Rick Decker. That email address is info@crystalrivervillage.com. Please also copy it to rdeckermiami@gmail.com. Rick will ensure the matter is discussed at the next Board/Management meeting.

In Memoriam

Carol Joye Cheek, a resident who lived at 1549 SE Lake Evelyn St. with her mother, Helen Cheek, passed away on February 11, 2017 following a very brief illness. In addition to her mother, she is survived by two sisters and a brother and their families, who all live in Homosassa. We send our condolences to all her family and friends.

New Board Director

Sue Koziarz is the newest member on our HOA Board of Directors. Sue was chosen at the February HOA meeting to complete the term of Director Marsha Gibson, who had to resign for health reasons. There are 10 months remaining in the term. Here is Sue's contact information:

Sue Koziarz	915 SE Ninja St. (#410)
352-212-6600	skozyarz@yahoo.com

Farkle Dice Game

Do you Farkle? A group is meeting at the Clubhouse every other Monday at 6:30 pm to play the dice game Farkle. The group meets biweekly, next meeting is on February 27, then March 13th. You are welcome to join us. It is not a difficult game to learn.

The Farkle game that was in the Clubhouse Library with other games appears to be missing. If you borrowed it or know where it may be, please contact Cheryl Allen, 517-230-5006.

February HOA Meeting Summary

The CRV HOA meeting was held on February 7, 2017. All members of the Board were present and a quorum was in attendance. The secretary reviewed minutes from the January General meeting, Board meeting and Board/Management meeting; and all were accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Old Business: It was announced that Director Marsha Gibson has resigned from the Board for medical reasons.

Board/Management meeting: We are still requesting additional pool patio chairs and umbrellas. The Office will send letters to FedEx, UPS, FDS Trash, etc. requesting compliance with our post speed limit. There is no emergency number for when the gates don't work, but a telephone number for Delnora is posted on the bulletin board. Bids for recovering the pool tables have been received and are being reviewed. We are still in discussions with management on the paving invoice.

Committee Reports: Current **Membership** is 113. Everyone is encouraged to return their forms promptly.

Bingo needs a couple of volunteers to train as emergency backups for Harry and Woody so they can take a break occasionally. **Aluminum cans** brought in \$30.55 for 63 pounds. Remind your new neighbors and friends to save them for the HOA monthly collection. A reminder that **Valentine's Pot Luck** and **Saturday Breakfast** are coming up. The **Beautification Award Committee** will begin meetings to review residences for the five awards going to snowbirds homes in February. All tickets for the first **Raffle** of the year have been sold, with 1/3 to go to the winner, 1/3 going to a local charity, and 1/3 to the HOA. Names of the five charities previously recommended to receive the donation were drawn at random. The first to receive will be the Family Resource Center, second the Citrus Pregnancy Center, third the Citrus County Animal Center, and the fourth will be CASA, Citrus Abuse Shelter Association.

New Business: **Sue Koziarz** was approved to complete the remainder of Marsha Gibson's term on the Board. Copies of the **Bylaws Revision** were distributed and changes discussed. The revision will be voted on at the March general meeting. **Ed Green** has asked for support from us and other area HOA groups for the Walden Woods request for a Declaratory Statement from the state requiring property owners be responsible for all underground water, sewer, tree roots, etc. on the lot and not the renter. Emails and letters will be distributed to residents so they can send in their support. (Editor's note: this request was not granted by the state.) **St. Patrick's Day** tickets will go on sale on February 20. The **Garage Sale** will be held on April 1st at the Clubhouse; preparations will be done on March 30 and 31.

Comments for the Good of the Association: A request to have live DJs at our parties instead of MP3 music was presented. The need for selling tickets to cover the cost was discussed, and a suggestion made of paying for it with our treasury funds. After lengthy discussion, the topic was tabled until the next meeting. The need for a stop sign at the north end of Lake Evelyn Avenue was presented. Leo will put it on the agenda for the next meeting with Management. Rick Decker suggested for anyone having a complaint to send it in an email to Management and copy it to him as well so he can be sure it gets discussed at the meeting with Management. Linda Shott expressed appreciation for all the calls, cards and encouragement received during her recent illness.

(NOTE: This is only a summary. Full notes can be viewed on the Clubhouse bulletin board.)

Weekly Men's Breakfast

For those who may not be aware, several men in the Village get together once a week for breakfast every Tuesday morning at 7:15 am. They presently meet nearby at the Olive Tree Restaurant, located within walking distance out the back gate. On the first Tuesday of the month ladies of the Village are invited to join the men. Anyone can attend. If you would like more information, contact Bud Shott at 352-220-6060 or Mal Hood at 352-795-1971.

Thoughts for our Times


Peace is not a relationship of nations. It is a condition of mind brought about by a serenity of soul. Peace is not merely the absence of war. It is also a state of mind. Lasting peace can come only to peaceful people.

~Jawaharlal Nehru

First keep the peace within yourself, then you can also bring peace to others.

~Thomas a Kempis

Crystal River Village - March 2017 - Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10 am - Bible Study 12:30 pm - Mah-jongg 1 pm - Bridge 7 pm - Bingo 7 pm - Men's Pool	2 8 am - ALUM CANS AT CURB 10 am - Painting Grp	3 9 am - Bone Builders 9:30 am - CRV Golf 1 pm - Cards & Games 6:30 pm - Poker	4
5	6 9:30 am - CRV Golf 6:30 pm - Poker	7 7:15 am - Men's Breakfast Ladies included 9 am - Bone Builders 10 am - Shuffleboard 12:30 pm - Dominos 7 pm - HOA Meeting	8 10 am - Bible Study 12:30 pm - Mah-jongg 1 pm - Bridge 7 pm - Bingo 7 pm - Men's Pool	9 10 am - Painting Grp	10 9 am - Bone Builders 9:30 am - CRV Golf 1 pm - Cards & Games 6:30 pm - Poker	11 8-10am -SATURDAY BREAKFAST
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19	20 <i>1st Day of Spring</i> 9:30 am - CRV Golf 6:30 pm - Poker	21 7:15 am - Men's Breakfast 9 am - Bone Builders 10 am - Shuffleboard 12:30 pm - Dominos 6 pm - HOA Board	22 10 am - Bible Study 12:30 pm - Mah-jongg 1 pm - Bridge 7 pm - Bingo 7 pm - Men's Pool	23 10 am - Painting Grp 12 noon - LADIES LUNCHEON	24 9 am - Bone Builders 9:30 am - CRV Golf 1 pm - Cards & Games 6:30 pm - Poker	25
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