

CRV HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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The President's Message

We all enjoy the activities and events held in our Village. They provide opportunities for fun and fellowship, and are vital to our sense of community. But they cannot happen without volunteers. You may feel you have served your time at volunteering, and it is time for the younger ones to take over. Well, in this 55+ community, the average age is approaching 75. There are very few residents under 65. If you wish the activities and events you enjoy to continue, you need to volunteer. As you will read later in this newsletter, we are in desperate need of someone to Chair the monthly breakfast. It will not be held in September, however, Leo Lumpiesz and the Board will run it in October for that month only. After that, without a Chair, it may not continue. We also have the Christmas Pot Luck, New Year's Eve Party, and the Spring Fling in need of Chairs. Those events are just a one time commitment. Please give it some consideration.

It troubles me that some residents have chosen to be openly critical of others or pit themselves against other residents. We should all be far beyond that type of petty childish behavior more appropriate to junior high school than a 55+ community. We may be walking different paths at this stage of life, but generally we are all looking for the same things; a stable environment, peace in our time, friendship, and neighbors helping neighbors. So I would ask again, as I asked at the August HOA Meeting, please respect your fellow residents, and observe their right to privacy.

The summer is about over, and with the advent of fall, I look forward to cooler temperatures and the return of our part-time residents.

Carl Preston (#340) 795-6458

Website Coordinator Note: I am working on updating the Resident Directory with our new street addresses, and hope to have it completed shortly. I will still use our lot numbers on occasion, because they are still valid, they're just not our mailing address now.

Thanks, Susie

Judge Thomas Ruling

On Thursday, August 9 we received a copy of Judge Thomas' ruling on our Motion to Enforce Mediation Settlement Agreement. The Judge ruled in favor of Crystal Blue Water, although the quality of the workmanship and timeliness of their repairs is questionable.

The Rent Committee feels we have accomplished several things despite the ruling. Management was forced to maintain their own property. Sadly, it took a court hearing to get them to take care of our Village in a safe and secure manner. Most importantly, Management has finally accomplished naming our streets. This alone helps ensure better safety and a higher quality of life for our residents.

The Mediation Agreement remains in force. The Rent Committee will continue to have monthly meetings with Delnora, and twice annually meet with the Owners. We will continue to review Mediation Agreement items, and bring up other items of concern brought to us by you, the residents. We would hope that Management will continue with projects to maintain and improve the community.

We will discuss this further at the next HOA meeting in September.

CRV Rent Committee

Nominations Committee Report

The offices of president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and two director seats are open on the HOA Board for 2013. If you are interested in running for one of these offices, please contact any of the following members of the Nominations Committee:

Bill Bryan ~ 352-257-9526

Demas Brubacher ~ 352-212-1899

Lorraine Fricke ~ 352-795-2802

Ann Hodge ~ 352-601-1264

You must submit your intentions in written form to one of the members by **October 15**.

Congratulations & Best Wishes!

September Birthdays

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Margaret Alampi (524) | 18 Linda Dix (515) |
| 2 Gino Corradina (536) | 18 Doug Newkirk (368) |
| 4 Arthur Norton (373) | 21 Kathy Shriver (436) |
| 5 Bent Hansen (006) | 22 Robert Benedict (174) |
| 5 Chet Zinkiewicz (526) | 23 Brenda King (358) |
| 7 Lois DeKalb (450) | 26 Dennis Bailey (428) |
| 9 Beverly Ellis (446) | 29 Mie Norton (373) |
| 13 Hank Matteson (443) | 30 Thomas Douglas (510) |
| 15 Jan Rymar (511) | 30 Robert Frank (317) |
| 16 Ken Gigante (376) | 30 Barbara Nichols (349) |
| 16 Joan Kenney (449) | 30 Al Solenberger (328) |

September Anniversaries

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| 4 Wendell & Joan Reed (528) |
| 11 Carl & Lynn Preston (340) |
| 12 Jerry & Joan Helms (416) |
| 12 Alan & Sylvia Solenberger (328) |
| 16 Lew & Kellee Clark (448) |
| 20 Jack & Kathy Shriver (436) |
| 22 Leo & Angie Burton (506) |
| 24 Don & Margie Buschbascher (497) |
| 26 Frank & Jan Rymar (511) |

Please let me know if your special day is not listed. Susie

Bingo Farewell

It's said that all good things come to an end, and my time as Bingo Chairman is now coming to an end. Effective September 1, I'm turning over my "Bingo Bob" title to the new Co-chairs, Richard (Woody) Wood and Barbi Nichols.

I express my sincere thanks to Carl Preston who helped often and willingly during my almost four years as chairman, and offer special thanks to Woody and Trudy Wood, who both stepped in to help whenever I was out with illness or traveling. Their help was/is invaluable. Kay and I never had to worry about the Bingo table when they were on hand. Thanks also go to our other Bingo table helpers, and the Bingo callers, past and present. The callers are the "voice" of Bingo and much appreciated. Without a caller, there is no Bingo!

We all like to play, but as with all fun things, volunteers are needed to make it work so it can be a good experience for all. Please consider helping at the table, calling (being a voice), or assisting with kitchen duties.

It's been fun. See y'all at Bingo!

Bob Hrabec

Bingo Jackpot Winners

| | | |
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| Aug 01 | Ellen Gilleo | \$88 |
| | Dottie Matteson | \$88 |
| Aug 08 | Bill Craig | \$129 |
| Aug 15 | Gloria Apfel | \$53 |
| | Joan Helms | \$53 |
| Aug 22 | Barbara Lohfink | \$140 |

Bible Study Break

Bible Study will resume weekly Wednesday meetings in October. Come join us for our first session on **October 10 at 10 a.m.** at the Clubhouse. Pastor Brad Bresson, from Nature Coast Community Church, will again be leading us. We enjoyed studying the book of Mark earlier this year. We will begin another New Testament book this fall.

Suzanne Dost, 727-255-9255

Shuffleboard

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| July 31 | Jim Gavaza & Don Gibeau |
| Aug 07 | Thelma Bachert & Don Gibeau |
| Aug 14 | Mal Hood & Art Norton |
| Aug 21 | Thelma Bachert & Don Gibeau |

From the Bingo Table

At this time, I would like to thank Bob and Carl for having the faith in me to ask that I become Bingo Chairman. I would not have agreed if not for the lady who is going to be my Co-chair, Barbi Nichols. Hopefully, she can keep me in line.

Come to Bingo and have fun with your fellow Bingo players. And remember, without callers, there is no Bingo. If anyone would like to learn to be a caller or help out in some other way, contact me at 563-2612 or speak to me on Wednesday night. Come to Bingo, and may all your cards be lucky!

Woody & Barbi, Bingo Chairmen

August HOA Meeting Summary

The HOA meeting on August 7, 2012 had 28 households in attendance, plus 8 members of the Board. Since there was not a quorum, it was an unofficial meeting.

Notes of the July meeting have been posted to the bulletin board. A letter was read from American Legion Post 155 recognizing our July 4th celebration. The treasurer reported on income and expenses through July.

Committee Reports were given. Camden Long, Don Gibeau, Bud Shott, and Bill Cate were thanked for their help with taking the collected aluminum cans for recycling. Bob Hrabec announced he would be stepping down as Bingo Chair on Sept. 1. Richard Wood and Barbi Nichols will be taking over as Co-chairmen. Marsha Gibson encouraged all to come to Bone Builders and join the 6 who have continued to attend over the summer.

Leo Lumpiesz, Chairman of the Rent Committee, reported Judge Thomas had cancelled the phone conference slated for that afternoon, and would be submitting her verdict in writing. He also reported on the July meeting with Delnora. A concern was raised about Delnora's cell phone not working. (Delnora later noted that her battery had to be replaced and she expected to receive it soon. That is not very reassuring for residents to hear, with the hurricane season on us, and not knowing if we can reach her when needed.)

Street names and numbers were discussed; residents should be getting them soon. We will be responsible to change our own house and mailbox numbers. Residents should take the letter from the City with them to the title office. With that letter, your driver's license can be changed for \$6.25. Then the letter should be retained with your other documents to tie the lot address to your new street address.

A question was raised about items being removed from the bulletin board. Any postings should be signed, dated, and show your lot number (address). The bulletin board is for the entire community. The HOA does police the board, but Management has the final say.

There will not be any sponsored CRV events for Labor Day. The Board is holding another Gas Card raffle; Board members have the tickets. The ticket will be drawn at the September HOA meeting.

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

New CRV Residents

As of this printing at least two homes have sold recently in our Village, 1790 Plumbob Way (#383) and 947 Serendipity Place (#309). If you happen to see the new owners, welcome them. I hope to be able to provide their names for the next newsletter.

HOA Home Sweet Home

The winners for September are:

Home Sweet Home Golden Award

Elwood & Diane Bailey (#300)

1433 SE Hub Street

This corner shows off your appealing landscape. Very nice, Sonny and Diane.

Home Sweet Home Silver Award

Bonnie Cates (#531)

1749 SE Ringo Place

In a short time, you have made your place eye-catching. Great job, Bonnie.

~HOA Home Sweet Home Committee

September Ladies Luncheon

This month's ladies luncheon will be on **Thursday, September 27** at noon at the **Olive Garden Italian Restaurant**, located on the north side of Hwy 44 in Inverness. Your hostesses will be Gerry Caul (794-3548) and Faye Phillips (794-3968). Watch the bulletin board for a sign-up sheet and sample menu.

Labor Day Raffle

Our HOA is raffling another \$250 RaceTrac Gift Card. This card is good for fuel or any other item at the RaceTrac store, or the winner can choose to take the cash amount (\$250) instead. Ticket price is \$10, and only 75 tickets are being sold. The drawing will take place on **Tuesday, September 4, 2012** at the HOA Meeting. There are only a few tickets left; contact Leo Lumpiesz at 231-620-7762 if you are interested.

Happy Labor Day
Monday, September 3, 2012

In Memoriam

Our Village lost one resident recently and also a former resident. Frank Hanson of 1768 SE Ringo Place (#519) died at a local hospital on August 10. Former resident Rider "Bud" Hofer, who had lived across from the Clubhouse for several years before moving into hospice care, passed away on July 30.

We send our sympathy to the families, friends and neighbors of Frank and Bud.

Family Resource Center Food needed!!!

All of the food pantries around the country are in need of more food for their deserving families and **Family Resource Center** is no exception. We have many more families needing help now than ever before. Many have never had to ask for help before and are embarrassed having to do so.

There is a tote box in the Clubhouse for donations of food, or call Lee & Mary at 564-0391 (or cell 603-207-8112). We would be happy to pick up anything you would like to donate.

Many thanks from Ginger West, Director
Mary & Lee Stiles and all the Volunteers

Note: Residents, why not check your pantries for canned goods and other items nearing their expiration date. Instead of disposing of them, you could donate them to this worthwhile cause.

FMO News & Information

Recent mail from our District 17 FMO Leadership singles out CRV Homeowners Association as the only one within the 158 mobile home parks in the district with all members in the paid-up column. Our FMO Membership includes 49 Annuals and 24 Three Years. You can take great pride in this acknowledgement from the District. You are the best resource we have to promote the value of belonging to and supporting the efforts of the FMO. Please invite a neighbor to come on board with this consumer advocacy association so vital to protecting our rights and interests. I have new membership applications and FMO-addressed envelopes, and I will get some to you if you will call me at 352-794-4115 or flag me down as I walk or ride my bike by your house each day. We can do this together; it takes a village!

Dennis Lunney, FMO Representative

Update on Saturday Breakfast

from Bill and Jane Bryan

Our six month commitment as Breakfast Chairmen is up, and we are stepping down. As we step down we would like to put to rest the rumor about us leaving breakfast due to it becoming too large, too fast. This is far from the truth!! Breakfast never got too big, nor did we get burned out or overwhelmed!

How many times did you hear us say at HOA meetings, "Please come if only for a cup of coffee; it's a great fellowship time together." We even put fliers out encouraging all to stop in. We loved doing the breakfast. Our goal was to make breakfast a big success and it surely was, with 100-135 Village friends attending breakfast every month. Seeing all our neighbors smiling and enjoying themselves was just an extra bonus for us.

We have enjoyed our time in the kitchen. Your smiles, hearing your great comments on the food, and having people come up to us and say thank you for the nice breakfast, made it all worth doing. You have given us such a special gift of your friendship, and that will not be forgotten.

A special "Thank You" goes to all the volunteers who served on the line, washed dishes, and cleaned up. You did an outstanding job! And a "Big Thank You" to the great men who cooked, Bill, Don and Ken...you men ran a great kitchen. We appreciate you so much.

We are stepping down as Breakfast Chairmen, but not from CRV. We truly love living here and appreciate all our friends. Thank you for all your support and kindnesses. See you around the Village.

Bill and Jane Bryan

A Breakfast Note...There will not be a monthly Breakfast in September. Leo Lumpiesz, with assistance from the HOA Board, will run the Breakfast on Saturday, October 13 from 8-10 am. The Board is looking for someone to Chair the monthly breakfast. It would be a shame to have to cancel this popular event for lack of a Chairman.

Quote for the Month:

Civilization is a method of living,
an attitude of equal respect for all men.

Jane Addams

Upcoming CRV Events

- Oct 27 Annual Halloween Party
See more information in full article
- Nov 12 Veterans Day (to be observed on Monday) CRV Veterans History Project will recognize the service of Bill Pickett.
- Nov 22 Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner on Thursday at 4:00 pm
HOA will provide the turkey, stuffing, gravy, ham, coffee & punch
- Dec 20 Christmas Pot Luck

Guidelines for Living in CRV

For our newer residents, and a reminder to all of us, item 21 of the *Guidelines for Living in CRV* attached to our Prospectus, discusses attire in the Clubhouse and game rooms. Bare feet are not permitted inside the Clubhouse. Swim wear should not be worn in the Clubhouse during association functions and assembled meetings.

Additionally, if you need to access the Clubhouse restrooms in a wet swim suit, you should use the hallway entrance, not go across the main hall. The hall floor is slippery when it gets wet, so for the safety of all residents, please be considerate.

Three Reasons Why YOU Should Have Your Blood Pressure Checked

1) Hypertension (high blood pressure) is a major risk factor for stroke, heart attacks, heart failure, aneurysms of the arteries, and peripheral arterial disease, and is a cause of chronic kidney disease.

2) 50% of the hypertensive population worldwide are unaware of their condition.

3) Hypertension is rarely accompanied by any symptoms, and its identification is usually through screening.

Marsha Gibson (794-6455) and Ann Hodge (601-1264), both retired nurses, are offering blood pressure screening for CRV residents. Beginning **September 5**, they will be at the Clubhouse at 10 am every other Wednesday. If you need or wish to keep a record of your blood pressure, this is a great opportunity. Come check your numbers!

Marsha Gibson & Ann Hodge

CRV Pot Luck

Pot Luck meets on the third Thursday of each month at **6:00 pm** at the Clubhouse. After a summer break, it will resume on **Thursday, September 20**. Bring a covered hot dish, salad, or dessert to share. Coffee and a cold beverage are provided. Flatware is also available, along with plates, or you can save the hosts some work and bring your own. It's always a fun time and provides an opportunity to meet or catch up with other residents.

This is the beginning of a brand new season. Why not consider hosting Pot Luck just once this year? It is really easy, just putting tablecloths on the buffet tables, setting out silverware, napkins, pot holders and serving utensils, placing salt & pepper and table numbers on the tables, and preparing the coffee and a cold beverage. That's just about it, other than cleaning up afterward. Contact Chairperson Louise Hosie, 795-0830, and she will guide you in what needs to be done and assist you in doing it.

Annual CRV Halloween Party

The Halloween Party is always a fun event for our residents, and this year will be no exception. Come join the fun on **Saturday, October 27**. The social hour and costume judging will begin at 6:00 pm. Dinner will start serving at 6:30 pm. Chef Leo Lumpiesz has a tasty menu planned. Music for listening and dancing will be provided by the Carriers from 7-10:00 pm. Start planning your costume now. It isn't a requirement to come in costume, but it sure adds to the fun. The cost is **\$13.00 per person**. You can get your tickets from Chairperson Shirley Decker, 352-601-0307, Linda Shott, 220-6060, or Shelly Lumpiesz, 231-676-1526. Tickets must be purchased by Oct 20, tickets will not be sold at the door.

CRV Book Club

The Book Club continues to meet every other **Monday at 10:00 am** at the Clubhouse. Members are each presently reading a book of their own choice and sharing a brief summary with others in the group. This month's meetings are on **September 10 and 24**. If you enjoy reading and discussing books, we invite you to join us. For more information, contact Joan Helms, 794-6220.

Crystal River Village - September 2012 - Calendar of Events

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 10:30am - Horseshoes |
| 2 | 3 Labor Day 9am - Bone Builders 9:30am - CRV Golf 6:30pm - Poker 7pm - Women's Pool | 4 8am - Men's Breakfast Ladies included 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos 7pm - HOA Meeting | 5 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo | 6 8am - ALUM CANS AT CURB 10 am - Painting Grp 1 pm - Mah-jongg 7 pm - Men's Pool | 7 9 am - Bone Builders 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 6:30pm - Poker | 8 No Breakfast 10:30am - Horseshoes |
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| 23 | 24 9am - Bone Builders 9:30am - CRV Golf 10am - Book Club 6:30pm - Poker 7pm - Women's Pool | 25 8am - Men's Breakfast 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos | 26 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo | 27 10 am - Painting Grp 1 pm - Mah-jongg 12 noon - LADIES LUNCHEON 7pm - Men's Pool | 28 9 am - Bone Builders 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 6:30pm - Poker | 29 10:30am - Horseshoes |
| 30 | | | October Events 18 - Dist 17 FMO Mtg 27 - Halloween Party | | | |

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