

# CRV HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

## NOVEMBER 2011 NEWSLETTER

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### The President's Message

Absentee ballots will be sent out to all HOA members in the first week of November. Most will be sent by email. Those without email will receive a ballot on your mailbox post (if you live in the Village) or by regular mail. If you plan to be at the meeting, you may vote then. If you cannot attend the HOA meeting on December 6, please submit your absentee ballot by December 2. Just be sure to vote; as of this date we need at least 84 votes for a quorum. This process worked well in July when we voted on a Nominating Committee.

This ballot will choose your HOA Board for 2012. The candidates on this ballot make a serious commitment to attend HOA and Board meetings as required by Article IX Section C of our Bylaws. Under our new Bylaws the four Directors, not the President, choose the Nominating Committee, so the position of Director has become even more important. Consider your vote well.

I wish to remind people to use companies on our Preferred Business List on our website. They have been recommended to be on that list by your CRV neighbors for giving fair and honest service. Supporting them helps all of us, since their ads support our website. Whether you are looking to purchase a car, buy fishing tackle, have a hearing test, get a massage, get your carpets cleaned, ship a package, buy or repair jewelry, fix your A/C, get medicines, get insurance or need rehab, they have a proven record of giving your neighbors good service. Give them a try, if you do not have a computer, the list is posted on the bulletin board. And if you have had a good experience with a business, let us know. Perhaps they would like to be included on our Preferred List.

Thanks in advance to Joan Helms, Bonnie Cates, Don Hudson and their team for all their hard work preparing for our Halloween Party. It promises to be great event.

Carl Preston (#340) 795-6458

### Veterans Day - November 11

A Veterans Day Service to honor our veterans will be held on Friday the 11th of November at 11:00 am at our Clubhouse. All CRV veterans and residents are invited. Coffee and light refreshments will be served after the ceremony. Richard Wood is coordinating this event. For more information, you may contact him at 563-2612.

All CRV veterans will receive a free meal at the Saturday Morning Breakfast on Nov. 12. Veterans, we thank all of you for your service.

### CRV Candidates Night

Those residents who are running for CRV HOA positions that have more than one candidate, will have the opportunity to speak at the next HOA meeting on November 1. Each candidate will have 5 minutes to introduce themselves and present their qualifications.

### CRV Thanksgiving Dinner

The annual CRV Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner will be held on Thursday, November 24 at 4:00 pm at the Clubhouse. Turkey, stuffing, gravy and ham will be provided, as will place settings. Those attending are asked to bring traditional dishes and desserts to share and complete the meal, as well as your own special beverage. There will be a \$2.00 charge for all who attend to cover the cost of coffee, iced tea, paper products and the turkey and ham. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the Clubhouse. Please indicate the number of persons attending in your group and what food items you plan to bring.

If you have a neighbor who will be alone on Thanksgiving, invite him or her to come with you. There is always room.

Volunteers are needed that morning at 10:00 am to help with arranging tables and chairs and after dinner to help with clean-up. If you are willing to assist please call Marsha Gibson (#420) at 794-6455.

## Congratulations & Best Wishes!

### November Birthdays

1	Joan Helms	(416)	14	Chip Huckins	(169)
1	Ty Lineberger	(282)	14	Peggy Johnson	(396)
3	Michael Kinnison	(440)	15	Alice Kelly	(499)
5	Nelly Benvenuto	(514)	17	Richard Decker	(520)
6	Annie Collie	(491)	19	Randall Brown	(179)
7	Judy Hood	(178)	20	Ray Kelly	(499)
8	Barbara Rundle	(332)	22	Mimma Allen	(535)
10	Art Devlin	(392)	24	Barbara Marion	(165)
10	Warner Lubrich	(419)	26	Lyman Sornberger	(539)
10	JoAn Whippie	(323)	26	Roger Weaver	(351)
10	Norma Willhoft	(286)	28	Nancy Hardin	(287)
12	Jim Kenney	(449)	28	Jim Harrison	(336)
14	Katie Gillis	(516)	29	MaryLou Benedict	(174)

### November Anniversaries

12	Ronald & Jan Hunt	(367)
17	David & Brenda King	(358)
22	Ralph & Mimma Allen	(535)

### Quote for the Month:

Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our thanksgiving.

~W.T. Purkiser

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### Bingo Jackpot Winners

Sep 28	Shirley Decker	\$173
Oct 05	Kay Hrabec	\$184
Oct 12	Waneda Bragdon	\$62
	Joan Helms	\$62
	Barbi Nichols	\$62
Oct 19	Joan Helms	\$160

### Shuffleboard

Shuffleboard resumed meeting on October 18. The winning team was Bill Kuhn and Bud Shott. Shuffleboard meets every Tuesday at 10:00 am at the Clubhouse. You do not need to have a partner to participate, partners are chosen at random each week. If you have questions or wish information, contact the new coordinators Don & Margie Buschbascher (#497) 794-3753. Many thanks to Judy Hood (and Mal) for their many years of coordinating the activity.

### New CRV Residents

We have new residents in our Village. Welcome to Roger Weaver, a part time resident in #351. Roger is from the Pennsylvania and Ohio area and is a retired teacher. Pat Ragland has moved into #307. She is a sister to Ed Bakes, and is also from Ohio and will be seasonal. We look forward to meeting and greeting you both at events here in our Village.

### Let's Recycle!

Coming from a state that was one of the first to put deposits on aluminum cans, and has supported that and many other types of recycling, I have always been keenly aware of what I place in the trash. Whenever there is a social event at our Clubhouse, much of the trash at the end of the evening consists of empty bottles and cans, along with a fair amount of snack containers. Most of these items could be recycled.

I propose that we each take our empty containers home with us after any event we attend at our Clubhouse. Sort of "carry in, carry out" like in our National Parks. Whether they are wine and liquor bottles, soda and beer cans, or empty plastic and aluminum snack containers, almost everything can be rinsed out and recycled. We now have those new big blue bins that hold all our recyclables, so why not put them to good use?

Randy Messer from FDS, our new waste management company, recently spoke at our HOA meeting. He shared that when our Citrus County landfill is full, we will have to ship the trash further away and pay 5 times as much per ton. The county landfill is filling up, so it is in our best interest to recycle as much as possible, so it will last longer.

We have the Halloween Party coming right up. It is a perfect occasion to begin working toward leaving this planet in as good a condition as possible for future generations. Let's all pitch in and recycle!

Susie Lunney, Newsletter Editor

## October HOA Meeting Summary

David Burnell, the Crystal River Public Works Director, and Randy Messer, a representative for FDS Disposal, our new waste management vendor, addressed members at the beginning of the HOA meeting. They reviewed the reasons for the new "Big Blue" recycling containers and answered questions. Any resident who does not wish to use the Big Blue can call the city to request a pick-up. If they prefer, residents may still use their old small bins. For those not wishing to keep the small bins, The HOA will designate a spot at the Clubhouse to leave them for pick-up by the City.

A quorum was not present for the regular meeting; only 37 families plus the full Board were in attendance. The secretary and treasurer reports were given. Committee reports were given. Joan Helms reported on the new Book Club. They are reading *The Help* this month. Joan also reported on the Halloween Party. All-inclusive tickets are \$14 per person, and cover hors d'oeuvres, dinner, dancing, costume and door prizes. Jane Bryan, of the Home Sweet Home Committee, read a thank you note from Wanda Jenkins, thanking the HOA for the recognition of her efforts. Suzanne Dost reminded people of the first Bible Study meeting later this month. Trudy Wood reported the CRV On the Move Committee had to cancel the Biloxi trip. They are looking into other events.

Leo reported on the Rent Committee meeting with Management. Items discussed were emergency services having difficulty locating addresses inside park, shuffleboard courts condition, burned out home on lot #304, and notifying residents when there are water breaks.

An updated resident directory was requested. Susie Lunney can print a copy for anyone who does not have a computer. The directory is available on our website.

President Carl reported on a proposed bill that is being presented to the Senate. It would change the rules of FL Statute 723 with regard to mobile home owners' ability to transfer rental agreements. A petition was circulated to urge this proposed Bill be voted down.

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

### CRV Book Club

The Book Club's first book was *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett. The group really enjoyed their discussions on this book. Some who are from the South could remember people having "help," and shared first hand experiences with those from the North. The club's next book is *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* by Stieg Larsson. If you would like to join us, we meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 10:00 am at the Clubhouse. Plan to read the first 15 chapters for discussion at the next meeting on Monday, November 7. The remainder of the book will be discussed at the November 21 meeting. For more information contact Joan Helms, (#416) 794-6220.

### Daylight Saving Time Ends

It's that time again. Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 6. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday. You will be getting that hour back you lost last spring.



### CRV Bible Study

The Bible Study has been a success, and those participating have decided to meet every week at the Clubhouse at 10 am on Wednesdays. Brad Bresson from Nature Coast Community Church will lead the study. In the coming weeks, the group will be studying the book of Mark in the New Testament. For more information, contact Suzanne Dost (#299) 727-255-9255. All are welcome to participate in this non-denominational study. You do not need to be there every week, come when you can.

### HOA Home Sweet Home

The winners for November are:

**Home Sweet Home Golden Award**  
**Howard Rowe #359**

Thanks, Howard, for all your hard work to give your place such beautiful colors.

**Home Sweet Home Silver Award**  
**Suzanne Dost #399**

Thank you, Suzanne, for all your added touches to make a charming place.

HOA Home Sweet Home Committee

## CRV Fishing Report

I haven't been fishing lately, so I can't say for sure, but I hear bass fishing is good. A fishing guide from Inverness reported catching lots of bass in the 2 to 4 lb. range, averaging 15 bass per day. Water levels on our lakes are higher than they have been in years. If you're looking to get that big bass, fish in those areas that haven't been fished recently. You can now get to lots of areas that were unreachable due to low water levels. I found a lake that never gets a lot of fishing pressure. It is connected to two other lakes by shallow canals that were too shallow to navigate before.

This is your newsletter, so feel free to call me with anything about what's going on, either here at CRV or elsewhere that would help 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) phone 220-6068.

## CRV Yard Sale

This year's annual HOA yard sale is scheduled for the end of March 2012. That sounds a long way off, but it will be on us before we know it. If you are doing some clearing out or making new purchases, please consider donating your gently-used, but no-longer-needed items to the HOA. Items can be dropped off at Carole Nye Polisson's garage at unit #314. If the item is too large for you to move, contact Carl Preston to arrange for pick up. If you wish to have a tax exemption for your donation, that can be arranged. All items left over are donated to Key Training Center.

## CCCC Sponsors Town Hall

The Citrus County Citizens Coalition (CCCC) invites you to a town hall meeting with our area legislative leaders on November 30 at 2:00 pm at the Walden Woods Clubhouse, located at 7193 W. Walden Woods Drive, off Hwy 19, 1 mile South of the 19&98 intersection. Senator Mike Fasano and Rep. Jimmie T. Smith have confirmed their attendance. This event is hosted by Walden Woods LTD & Walden Woods North and the FMO of Districts 11 & 17. There will be a question and answer period where you can discuss issues concerning our state and affecting our lives.

## Family Resource Center Christmas Time

Once again we are looking for folks to help give a child a wonderful Christmas. These children will not have a Christmas without your help. We have all the information on each child.

We send a BIG Christmas thank you to the wonderful folks in Crystal River Village for their generous support for the children of Citrus County at Christmas time. Last year you gave 25 deserving children a wonderful Christmas -- either by adopting a child, giving money or games, art supplies, clothes, or coming to the center to help wrap Christmas gifts. Family Resource Center helped 2057 children find packages on Christmas morning, thanks to many loving people like you.

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

Lee & Mary will be at various HOA functions in the next few weeks and can give you the forms to adopt a child, or however you would like to assist. Or you can contact Lee & Mary (#386) 564-0391.

## 2012 Membership Forms

Your 2011 HOA membership expires at the end of January. Please fill out the enclosed green form and return it to **Geraldine (Gerry) Caul (538) 794-3548** of the Membership Committee before January 31, 2012. You may also give it to a member of the Board at any function at the Clubhouse, such as the HOA Meeting, Bingo, or Pot Luck.

The CRV HOA Newsletter is delivered to association members only; however this month all residents in our Village will receive an issue. If you have not been a member before, please consider joining and supporting the association. Receiving the newsletter keeps you informed on events in our Village and also those issues which affect you.

If you are unable to get out, contact Gerry or a member of the Board and they will come to you. Please be sure your directory information and your emergency contact information is up to date. If any information needs to be changed, please note it correctly on your Membership Form and your listing will be updated. The HOA Membership Fee for 2012 remains the same as before, \$10 per year.

## Saturday Breakfast

The new **Saturday Breakfast** Chairperson is Jane Bryan (#306), assisted by her husband, Bill. If you would like to volunteer to help with the breakfast, contact Jane & Bill at 352-257-9526. Many thanks to Harry and Barbara Rundle for their nearly 6 years of hard work and dedication helping to make the breakfast such a success.

## Pot Luck News

There will not be a **Pot Luck** in November. Instead, we will have the Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner on November 24 at 4:00 pm. Plan to join your CRV family in attending.

Chris Rushton, the speaker at the October Pot Luck, did a great job explaining the changes in Medicare for the coming year. He is listed on our website as one of our Preferred Businesses. If you have questions, give him a call. He is very helpful and low pressure.

## CRV On the Move

The **Biloxi Casino Tour**, which needed at least 40 people to sign up before the deadline, had to be cancelled. Watch for other CRV On the Move events being planned in the future. A trip to Hard Rock is being considered for January. A bus trip to Key West is a possibility for February or March; general information is posted on the bulletin board.

## Ladies Luncheon

Due to Thanksgiving, there will not be a **Ladies Luncheon** in November. The December luncheon will be held at Thai-Phoon Restaurant located in the Big Lots Plaza on Thursday, December 8 at noon. Your hostesses will be Rose Peckham (#447) 563-9381 and Dottie Matteson ((#433) 795-8698. Watch for sign-up sheets and a menu posted on the bulletin board.

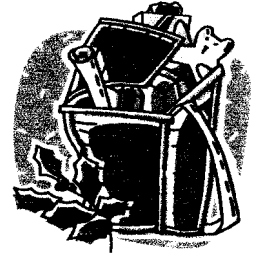
## Blood Pressure Readings

Dottie Matteson and Bev Ellis are still recuperating from having surgery, so there will not be any readings in November. They plan to resume doing every other Wednesday readings in December.

## Holiday Raffle

### Basket of Good Cheer

Our HOA Board offers you a chance to win a basket full of spirits and snacks to enjoy over the Holiday Season! The basket will be filled to the brim with lots of good beverages and holiday munchies to make your season enjoyable.



Tickets are only \$10 per ticket and are available from any Board member. Only 80 tickets will be sold. The lucky winner's name will be drawn at the December 15 Pot Luck Christmas Party.

Proceeds from the raffle will help replenish our legal fund.  
~The HOA Board

## Coming Events in CRV

The December **HOA Board** meeting has been moved up to Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 pm.

A **Pot Luck Christmas Party** will be held on Thursday, December 15 at 6:00 pm. Bring an entree, salad, or dessert as usual. Coffee and a cold beverage will be provided. Following the meal, we will share some in holiday festivities. There will not be any charge for this event. Watch for more information in next month's newsletter.

A **New Year's Eve** gathering and **Super Bowl Party** are in the works. More information next month.





CRV HOA **Open Houses** are being planned for Saturday, February 11 and Saturday, March 3, 2012. Suzanne Dost ((#399) 727-255-9255 is chairing these events. Contact her for more information.

A **Military Card Party** is tentatively being planned for February. These are always a lot of fun and do not require any card skills to participate. Watch for more details at a later date.

On March 15, we will have the second annual **St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner**. This will be in place of the March Pot Luck. Proceeds from this event will benefit the HOA.

# Crystal River Village - November 2011 - Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 8am - Men's Breakfast Ladies included 9am - Bone Builders 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos 7pm - HOA Meeting	2 10am - Bible Study 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	3 8 am - ALUM CANS AT CURB 9 am - Bone Builders 10 am - Painting Grp 1 pm - Mah-jongg	4 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 7pm - Men's Pool	5 10:30am - Horseshoes
6 <i>Daylight Saving Time Ends Turn clocks back</i> 	7 9:30am - CRV Golf 10am - Book Club 7pm - Poker 7pm - Women's Pool	8 8am - Men's Breakfast 9am - Bone Builders 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos	9 10am - Bible Study 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	10 9 am - Bone Builders 10 am - Painting Grp 1 pm - Mah-jongg	11 <i>Veterans Day</i> 9:30am - CRV Golf 11am - CRV Veterans Service 1pm - Cards & Games 7pm - Men's Pool	12 8-10am -SAT MORN BREAKFAST Veterans honored 10:30am - Horseshoes
13	14 9:30am - CRV Golf 7pm - Poker 7pm - Women's Pool	15 8am - Men's Breakfast 9am - Bone Builders 10am - Shuffleboard 1pm - Dominos 7pm - HOA Board	16 10am - Bible Study 1pm - Bridge 7pm - Bingo 7pm - Table Pool	17 9 am - Bone Builders 10 am - Painting Grp 1 pm - Mah-jongg	18 9:30am - CRV Golf 1pm - Cards & Games 7pm - Men's Pool	19 10:30am - Horseshoes
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