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# The Village Voice

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## Summer Fun!

Don't miss these fun, resident-organized activities! We have our own outdoor mini-golf course and shuffleboard courts. Join the golfers every Monday at 7 PM and the shuffleboarders every Thursday at 7 PM. Or test your skill at horseshoes on Saturdays at 10 AM. And there's plenty of room in the pool for those who like water aerobics. Foam dumbbells and noodles are available – just bring your sunscreen and towel. To avoid the afternoon heat, enjoy cornhole or line dancing inside in the auditorium. Cornhole games are played on Tuesdays at 3 PM, and line dance instruction is given on Wednesdays at 2 PM. And don't forget summer gardening. Crestwood's gardeners meet monthly on the first Tuesday of the month at 11 AM.



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# New Residents

## Welcome!

Please stop by the Management Office as soon as possible to complete a few important forms. Registering with Management provides critical contact and emergency information, ensures that you have proper parking tags, grants you access to Clubhouse amenities, and more!

## Monthly Meetings

<b>July</b> <b>23</b> 7:00 PM <b>Community Meeting</b>	<b>July</b> <b>30</b> 9:30 AM <b>BOT Meeting</b>
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# Crestwood Village at Frederick Homeowners Association, Inc.

## **Board of Trustees**

Elected by Crestwood Village HOA Members

**Paula Blundell**

**Vickie Johnson**

**John Kendall**

**Sally Livingston**

**John Morrill**

**D Nicewarner**

**Leslie Sullam**

The Board of Trustees' official positions have not been determined as of the printing of this issue. Please refer to the Crestwood Village website for more information.

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## **HOA Management Staff**

Employed by Clagett Management

**Shirley Davis**

On-Site Community Association Manager

**Erika Isaacoff**

On-Site Community Association Assistant Manager

## **Management Hours**

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

## **In Brief Board of Trustees (BOT) Meeting**

May 28, 2024

**Trustees Present:** John Kendall, Doug Dawson, Vickie Johnson, Doris Vierbuchen, Paula Blundell, Sally Livingston and John Morrill

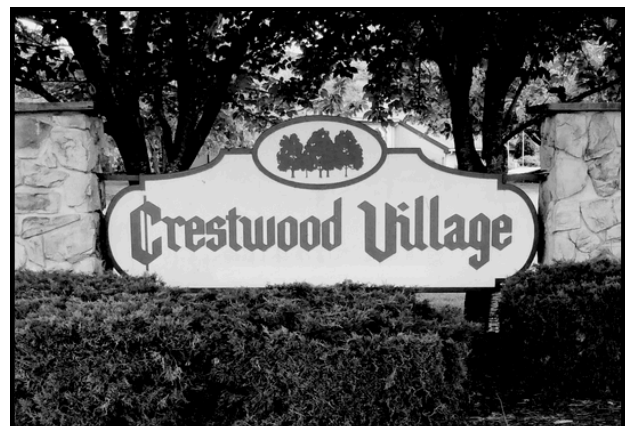
**Management Present:** Shirley Davis and Erika Isaacoff

### **Financial Report:**

- Year-to-date (YTD) operating expenses were higher than YTD income.
- Requests have been sent to several landscaping companies for estimates on the cost to water all the trees planted by the developer on the perimeter of our property.

### **Board Actions:**

- Approved previous minutes of April 30, 2024, as amended
- Approved proposals from High Sierra for pool repairs and maintenance
- Approved a request from the Clubhouse Funds Committee to purchase and install a wall-mounted rack to store smaller weights in the exercise room and to purchase a small table to store cleaning supplies
- Approved a proposal from Mehrl Harrison to paint the shuffleboard courts



## MANAGER'S CORNER

### ***Attention Crestwood residents!***

#### **New Fiscal Year! New HOA Assessment Rates:**

Don't forget to update your autopay if you pay your monthly HOA assessment online or through your bank. This time of year can be a bit confusing with the new rates, so for July, we will waive any late fees if you forgot to change your HOA assessment amount. However, please note that this waiver only applies to July. If you have not updated your information by August and still have the previous HOA assessment rate, you will be charged a late fee. If you would like a Coupon Book, please contact Shirley, and she can print one out for you. The cost is \$5.00 per book.

#### **Registration/Consent Forms:**

We kindly remind you to submit your Registration Forms and Disclosure of Personal Information Consent forms as soon as possible. We need to have up-to-date information for everyone in the community. If you haven't already done so, please pick up copies of the forms at the office. **Please note that if you did not turn in these forms, you will not be included in the Crestwood Phone Directory** as you did not opt-in by filling out the consent form.

#### **Community Inspections:**

During recent inspections, management has noticed several violations that need attention. These violations include overgrown weeds and shrubs in flowerbeds, dirty siding, unsightly gutters, excessive fake flowers and garden ornaments, and an excessive number of potted plants and hanging plants. (Each home is permitted to have 5 potted plants and 2 hanging plants visible from the front of the home.) Please address any violations promptly. We will be conducting more inspections this month and will send out more violation notices.

#### **New Temporary Guest Pass:**

Crestwood is introducing new temporary guest passes this year. When visiting the pool, please ensure that you stamp your temporary guest card for each guest you bring. Once you have stamped your card five times, please see the front desk personnel, and they will provide you with a new one. Remember, you must drop off your stamped card to receive a new one.

#### **New Pool Rule Concerning Food and Beverages:**

Attention all pool attendees! We would like to remind everyone about the new rule regarding food and beverages at the pool. This rule has been put in place as a privilege, and it can be revoked if not followed. We kindly ask for your cooperation and adherence to the following guidelines:

- **Only bring non-alcoholic beverages to the pool area.**
- When bringing food, please consider items such as sandwiches, veggies, cookies, granola bars, chips, and other snacks.
- Ensure that all beverages are in cans or plastic containers.
- Before leaving the pool area, please clean up any food or trash you have brought.

It is important to avoid any violations of these rules to ensure that all residents can continue to bring food to the pool. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in maintaining an enjoyable pool experience for everyone.

Thank you,  
Management





## ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Summer is here, and in between rainy days, it's time to enjoy the outdoors! On Wednesday, July 3rd we have a great crowd of Keys fans attending an evening game with holiday fireworks. Then the following day, Independence Day, we will be celebrating our freedom by serving free hot dogs and the works on the upper deck. Sign up and come on out for some relaxing time with friends.

After seeing the sold-out performance of *Daniel at Sight and Sound* on July 9th, we are taking a bus full of residents to Country Meadows for a free lunch on the 10th, and we're already set to take another full bus to see *Cirque du Soliel* in September.

We will have two food trucks on July 15th, lunch and dessert! Watch for the signs.

This month there are new opportunities to sign up for events and trips.

Lunch will be at the popular Friendly Farms in Upperco, MD on July 17th. Grab your seats on the bus early.

You are invited to attend our annual Community Birthday Party in the Clubhouse on August 12th. We will have free cake, ice cream and entertainment for all residents, but you must sign up.

On August 19th we will be traveling to Arundel Mills and Maryland Live! Casino. There is no cost to ride the bus, and you can get lunch, shop, gamble, or do all three as much as you want in air-conditioned comfort.

You can also sign up this month for a September 10th lunch and show at Hickory Bridge Farm in Ortanna, PA. We will have a delicious family-style lunch and enjoy the Country Variety Show starring the delightful couple, Forever Young (Kip and Dale). These seats will go fast, as they do for most of our other popular destinations.

As usual there is more in the works for the coming months. We are now taking deposits for a holiday motorcoach tour to Cape May, NJ. Keep an eye out for flyers describing the trip.

We are taking reservations for the February 1, 2025 cruise. A small deposit will secure your cabin. If you missed the cruise meeting last month, flyers will be at the front desk, and we will be able to answer any questions you may have.

Help us to welcome our new committee members, Linda Brack, Beth Rizoulis and Michelle Sikora. Our sincere thanks to our outgoing members, Sally Livingston, Tammy Heicher and Nancy Thrasher, for all their hard work, and to all Crestwood residents for your participation and support.

Arlene Duda  
Chair, Activities Committee



**CRESTWOOD ACTIVITIES**

See Pink Sheet Insert

## NEIGHBORS-HELPING-NEIGHBORS

The Neighbors-Helping-Neighbors Committee (NHN) met on June 12th. Some of the topics discussed included Meals on Wheels, Elly Williams visits, community meeting display table information and League of Learners (LOL) programs.

The special Crestwood Village Meals on Wheels delivery route is now established and running smoothly under the supervision of Karen Galloway. Anyone wishing more information about Meals on Wheels in Crestwood Village can call Karen at 301-748-3893.

Elly Williams, a program specialist with the Division of Aging and Independence, comes to Crestwood on the second Tuesday of each month. She will be here on July 9th, and there are still open times. Contact the desk to make an appointment if you want to consult with her. There is no charge to meet with Elly.

Every month at the Community Meeting, NHN has a display table with relevant information for residents. There are also resource books, pamphlets and drug disposal pouches available for anyone interested. Please check out the NHN table at the community meetings.

Elder Expo is October 3rd, 9 AM-2 PM at Frederick Health Village, 11 Frederick Health Way. There will be many vendors, programs and a boxed lunch (for the first 600 attendees).

The next NHN meeting will be on Wednesday, August 14th at 1 PM. We are not meeting in July. Meetings are open to all residents. Anyone interested in learning more about the committee is welcome to attend any meeting as a guest.

Caroline Bolin  
Neighbors-Helping-Neighbors Committee

## HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

I hope everyone is enjoying this wonderful weather and taking part in all our outdoor activities.

If you moved into Crestwood after October 2023 and have not completed a Unit Information Sheet, please go to the Clubhouse and do it as soon as possible. This is the only way our committee will know you live here and can invite you to our annual reception for new residents, which we hold every October.

Since my last article, get-well cards were sent to Jane Parsley, Richard Nanson, Kathy Main, Bonnie Stup and Lou Hubshman. A gift basket was delivered to John Morrill.

Sympathy cards were sent to Judith Delauter on the death of her brother and to the family of Kathleen McVeary upon her passing.

If you should know of a neighbor who is ill, hospitalized or grieving the loss of a loved one, please let me or a member of our committee know so we can send them the appropriate card.

Our next committee meeting will be held on July 10th at 10 AM.

Therese Oseneek  
Chair, Hospitality Committee



## ARC COMMITTEE

ARC hopes all residents are enjoying the warmer weather. Applications for exterior improvements are steadily coming in, and we look forward to working with everyone on their projects.

**Important Reminder:** If you plan a project that requires digging in your yard, MISS UTILITY must be called at 811 prior to digging to avoid damaging underground utilities, i.e., cable, telephone, electric, water/sewer. This is a free service. If a contractor will be performing the dig, it is his/her responsibility to contact Miss Utility to have a ticket opened in the company name; a contractor cannot perform any work on a homeowner's ticket number. Homeowners only need to open their own ticket if performing the work themselves. Please ensure this will be done.

ARC would like to thank homeowners for their cooperation in referring to the ARC Guidelines to determine if a project is a type that has been pre-approved (Section III Guidelines) or if it will require completion of an ARC application to obtain approval (Section IV Guidelines) ... and for submitting an application when necessary.

Applications can be found online on the Crestwood Village website ([www.crestwoodvlg.net](http://www.crestwoodvlg.net)) or in the Clubhouse office.

If you have any concerns or questions about a project, please contact an ARC member by one of the following methods:

- Call the office, and an ARC member will contact you.
- Send an email to ARC's email address: [crestwoodarc@gmail.com](mailto:crestwoodarc@gmail.com).

A link is available under the Architectural Review tab on the Crestwood Village website ([www.crestwoodvlg.net](http://www.crestwoodvlg.net)).

Jim Cullen  
Chair, ARC



## CRAFT CLUB

Samples of upcoming craft projects can be seen on the sign-up table at each community meeting. Craft Club meetings are held the second Monday of the month from 10 AM-noon. There is a \$3.00 fee payable at the time of the class. Sign-ups are important. Sign-up sheets are available at the community meetings or anytime in the Activities book. The June project was postponed to July 8th at 10 AM.

Linda Meyer

## FUTURE CLASSES

July 8th - Decoupage trinket box  
August 12th - Christmas ornaments  
September 9th - Canvas bag  
October 14th - Fabric pumpkin



## CLUBHOUSE FUNDS COMMITTEE

The Yard Sale was a success! A total of 37 homes participated.

We made a profit of \$113.29 for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

A thank you to our members Stephen Meyer, Carol Hubshman and Linda Brack for their support to the committee during the past year. We will miss having them on the committee!

Welcome Jean Alpern and Donna Dawson to the committee. They will be serving a two-year term. We are in need of one additional member. Please let the committee members know if you are interested in serving on the committee.

Our next meeting will be held at the Clubhouse on July 11th at 1 PM.

Thank you for your support!

Janice Cole  
Clubhouse Funds Committee

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Starting this month, Finance Committee meetings will be posted on *The Village Voice* calendar. The July meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 22nd at 1 PM.

These posted dates are dependent upon receiving the monthly financial reports from Clagett Enterprises, Inc. within the expected timeframes. If the documents are not received as expected, then the Finance Committee meeting will be rescheduled to a later date and time. Any homeowner can attend a Finance Committee meeting as an observer.

If you plan to attend a meeting, please contact the office the day before the posted meeting day to confirm that the date and time of the meeting are still accurate.

Bernadine Hoffman  
Chair, Finance Committee

### INVITING ALL CRESTWOOD VILLAGE RESIDENTS!

You are welcome to attend any Crestwood Village committee meeting as an observer.  
Please check the Calendar for days and times.  
We welcome your involvement and feedback.



## CRESTWOOD VETERANS

The next Veterans bus trip is to the Udvar Hazy Air and Space Museum in Chantilly, VA on July 18th. The bus departs at 0930 from the Clubhouse.

Lunch is available at the Shake Shack restaurant on the premises. IMAX theater schedules can be viewed online a week prior at

<https://www.si.edu/theaters/airbus>.

On September 14th, the Veterans bus trip will be to the Hagerstown Aviation Museum Wings and Wheels event. The museum has an extensive collection of aircraft manufactured in Hagerstown. Also, vintage car collectors will showcase their cars on the tarmac.

The next meeting is July 11th at 10 AM. All veterans of any uniformed service are welcome.

Stephen Meyer  
Crestwood Veterans

## DRAMA CLUB

There have been inquiries to see if we will bring back the Drama Club. As many of you know, we had a Drama Club and, in conjunction with the Activities Committee, put on murder mysteries. We also performed *Love Letters*.

If you are interested or for more information, please contact me at 301-693-1694. If we start again, I would like to present a murder mystery in October.

Bill Rucker

## GARDENERS

Summer garden season is here. We are eating greens in our salads and harvesting herbs to dry or use fresh. An herb can be grown anywhere from the kitchen window in a pot or in the ground. They are fun to grow, tasty to use, and easy to preserve. I dry herbs on a line in the garage, hanging them upside down with clothespins.

The following University of Maryland Extension Service classes will be held at 330 Montevue Lane, Frederick. Call 301-600-1595 to register.

- Pollinator Garden Basics - July 13th at 10 AM
- Container Gardening - July 20th at 10 AM

Keep your fingers in the dirt. The July meeting is Tuesday, July 2nd at 11AM.

Linda Meyer



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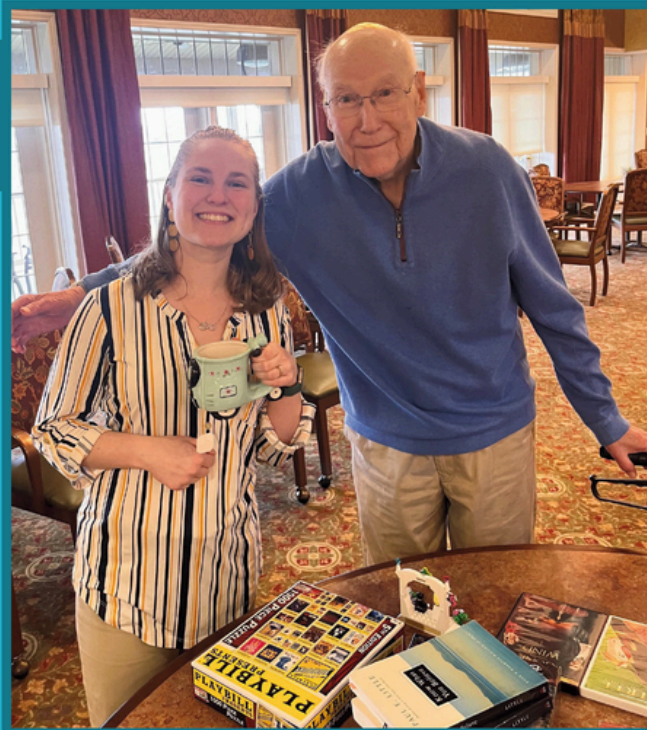


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We recently received a contract, but check with me to see if it is going through. Also, there is another condo coming on once it is painted & some new carpeting is installed. Stay tuned!

A QUICK THANK YOU to all my residents that entrusted me to sell them their home in the Village & a lot of you also let me sell your home so that you could move to Crestwood! Plus all of you that referred customers to me over my 30 years. I keep getting asked why I wasn't in the Village Voice last month. Since I am a senior myself, I am stepping back a little. But, I am still around, so keep my phone number 240 446 2692 & call or text me if you need any help with real estate. I will be working with wonderful agents that you can trust also. AND, I will make sure they take good care of you, your friends & family.

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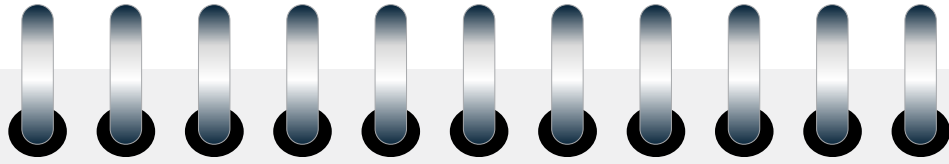
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# Upcoming Dates to Remember

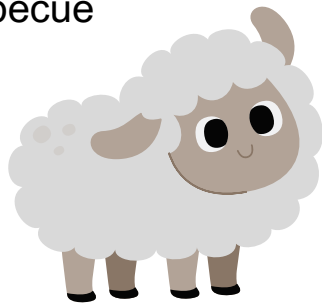
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<b>July 3</b>	Frederick Keys baseball game
<b>July 4</b>	Independence Day
<b>July 9</b>	<i>Daniel</i> at Sight & Sound Theater
<b>July 23</b>	Community Meeting
<b>July 24</b>	Pittsburgh Express
<b>July 30</b>	Board of Trustees Meeting

## JOKE CORNER

**What do sheep love to do in the summer?**

Baa-baa-becue



**When is a pool safe for diving?**

It deep-ends



**What does the sun drink out of?**

Sun glasses



**What did the pig say on a hot summer day?**

“I’m bacon!”

