WINDJAMMER VILLAGE BREEZE

February 2012





Another mild winter seems to have passed us by without the snow experience we saw in February of 2010 (*picture above*). We are all looking forward to spring and the exciting events of the season!

Village Calendar

March 9: Winter Notes; 7 – 9:30 pm at the Clubhouse

March 17: St. Patrick's Day Social at Clubhouse; Sign-up Sheets are on the Clubhouse Bulletin Board

March 30: Winter Notes; 7 – 9:30 pm at the Clubhouse

Congratulations

to Kristen Smith (5:13:54) of Swamp Fox Circle and Bob Dawson (5:36:10) of Georgetown Circle for completing the Myrtle Beach full marathon.

GAC Committee

An updated status was given regarding the concerns that were submitted since the January meeting. The Board of Directors was asked to consider a special clean up weekend for collecting heavy bulky items to be taken to the local recycling center. *Jeanette Tripp, Chair*

Reminders

- All exterior home repairs/replacements must be presented to the Architectural Committee using the Project Application Form; this includes repainting your home the same color. Approval can usually be given very quickly.
- To prevent activity conflicts, anyone wishing to have the Clubhouse available on a regular basis needs to contact Pat Horne, the Social Chairperson, at 249-5026.
- Children are not allowed in the exercise room unless accompanied by an adult.
- Vacant lots are personal property; please ask your children not to play on these lots.
- We will be having a special board meeting in the next few weeks to discuss the reserve schedule; keep an eye out for info!

Architectural Committee

The committee approved 9 items. The Board of Directors voted to approve a dish antenna on Dykman Circle and a 4' high fence on Plantation Circle. The house on Swamp Fox Circle is complete and the dues will increase to \$66.00 per month. A revised fence guideline was submitted to the Board of Directors for review. *Ken Mayo, Chair*

Beautification Committee

The front entrance crepe myrtles have been pruned. The front entrance mulching will be done in March. Trimming of the shrubbery and crepe myrtles will be done this week at the Clubhouse. Plantings for the summer months are in the planning stages. The areas which are planted are the front entrance, the office planters and the pool area. *Jean Phalen, Chair*

Social Committee

A St. Patrick's Day Social is being planned. It will be held on Saturday, March 17th. The cost will be \$8.00. We will be serving corned beef, potatoes, carrots with bread and dessert. The sign up sheet is on the Bulletin Board at the Clubhouse. We are planning a yard sale in September so start collecting your items. We still have Bingo every Wednesday at 7:30pm. If for some reason we do not have Bingo, the sign at the entrance will be changed to No Bingo. The Clubhouse is rented once in March as of the date. The Winter Notes are planning to play on March 9th and 30th for your enjoyment. If anyone would like to serve on this committee, we can always use help. Hope to see you at the St. Patrick's Day Social. *Pat Horne, Chair*

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Hospitality Committee

New Owners: Robert Kardack, Jr. and Patricia Freeman purchased 2191 Gamecock Circle. New Renters: David and Joanie Martin at 2126 Lafayette Circle. *Katherine Hendershot, Chair*

Insurance Committee

The total budget for this fiscal year is \$26,000. All insurance premiums paid to date amount to \$23,428.20 leaving a balance of \$2,571.80. The Director/Officer premiums increased by \$3,400 due to legal expenses incurred from on-going legal proceeding against the Village. The property premiums were reduced by \$1,500 through negotiations. We remain within our budget projections. Dave Avery, Chair

Letters & Concerns

Three concerns were closed and three were put on hold for further review in March. Two concerns were submitted too late for the February meeting. A letter was sent advising an owner of an unkempt trailer.

If you have news to share in the newsletter, please email wjvpoa@sc.rr.com.



From the Winter Notes

This article is a **Thank You** to You, our village neighbors and friends that support the Winter Notes by attending our functions.

<u>History</u>: Three years ago, I decided to explore the feasibility of starting a band in the Village. The band would play during the months of October through April, thus the name, "Winter Notes." I knew that there had to be some *old time musicians* living here who may have retired a musical instrument to storage. These musical instruments, without having a good reason for being dug out, would most likely stay in storage collecting dust. Also tucked away were voices, now being used only to communicate rather than to sing as they used to for others to hear and enjoy. I put a notice on the clubhouse bulletin board recruiting band members. The result was four members of our current band and an additional three more in the years that followed. A band was put together that plays a variety of music including pop, rock and roll, country, etc.

We decided to play at the clubhouse one night per month, sometimes two. The original band members were myself, **Bob Cristina**, on the keyboard and vocals, and **Jim Mooshian** on the drums and vocals. The next person to join us with enthusiasm was **Donald Vitelli** (now nicknamed, "Swamp Fox,") singing country hits and playing guitar. While talking about the band in the office one day, Angela Marcotte, pointed out that **Rosey King**, who also worked in the office part-time with Angela, had a terrific voice. I contacted Rosey, and she became part of our band. During one of our events, I was approached by **Jeanette Tripp**. She told me that she had a steel guitar that had belonged to her dad; she was going to learn how to play it and join our band. She did. If you haven't heard her play, you are missing something special. This year, **Kathy Giambrone** joined us with her vocals; her husband, **Bobby**, bought a bass guitar, learned to play it, and has added the bottom notes that we needed.

All of the members are your neighbors, have many other interests, and are very busy. However, they still find time to get together and learn new songs for your entertainment. We are not professionals, but we do try hard to get it as close as possible. We could be sitting in our rockers on the back porch, but instead we chose to BE ROCKERS and play that old time rock n' roll music for you, our guests. Bring snacks and join us at the clubhouse on the following dates. Thank you for your support! Look for the reminder signs that just say "BAND, FRI 7 PM" on the community bulletin boards.

Friday Night, March 9: 7 - 9:30 pm at the Clubhouse Friday Night, March 30: 7 - 9:30 pm at the Clubhouse

Additionally, the band would entertain a request *to play for free at a charitable fund-raising event*. If you have a request, contact **winternotesband@hotmail.com**. The day and time would have to be considered.