

Bulletin

Compass Lake In The Hills Property Owners Association, Inc.

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March 2005

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT Rick Kummer

Well for February we've had about any kind of weather imaginable. Warm, cold and wet, but soon we will see the sun and feel the warmth that spring brings forth. I personally was never one who enjoyed cold weather. When I came to Florida in 1970, I was looking for the Sunshine State, come to find out I had moved to lower Alabama, Ha.

Spring brings out the property owners, visitors and their guests. The look of the newly refurbished cabins will be a welcome surprise to many. In addition to a soon to be completed upgrade of the RV Park, new lodge and pool we are going to be all spruced up for our busy season.

As I look ahead to the coming Town Meeting on May 3rd, 2005. I take time to reflect on my past 6 years on the board, last 4 years as President. I have been at the helm on all of these tasks and it is a feeling of both pride and accomplishments that I feel. There have been bumps in the road, but overall I endured them and overcame the majority. So many people have opinions, ideas and goals. Put these to use, seek out members of the nominating committee and run for office, and step up to the plate. Change is good, compliancy sets in and the board needs new ideas. Terms are for 3 years and it gives owners an opportunity to the future continued success of Compass Lake in the Hills. For those of you who have had complaints here is your chance to be heard and be a "Shaker and a Mover". We all now realize that Compass Lake in the Hills has been discovered, all of us have been receiving cards that offer to buy your property. It shows that like most the other places in the Panhandle there is now interest in us. I've always felt it was just a matter of time. We are a beautiful area located near a major Interstate and that is what progress is all about. We will all continue to wait and watch, I truly hope that we will be up to the challenge. What is Compass Lake in the Hills? It is a destination on the compass, it is scenic beautiful rolling hills. It is a true jewel of Jackson County. Be proud and look to our future with a smile and prideful warmth in your heart.

Hopefully we will all be equal to the future challenges. God Bless You All! Rick

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MARCH BOARD MEETING TUEDAY, MARCH 22, 2005 6:30 p.m. McCormick Lake House **ADVERTISING RATE** - \$10 per month for business card size ad. Or 12 consecutive months for \$100. Ads must be submitted by the 15th of each month.

SUBSCRIPTION RATE - \$5 per year for Property Owners outside the 32400 zip code area.

<u>All Ads and/or copy must be at the</u> <u>Lodge office by the 15th of the month</u> <u>prior to publication</u>.

Manager's Report Linda Brown

Let me take a few minutes and send out a heartfelt apology. I recently received a telephone call from the Jackson County Floridan requesting an interview concerning the growth of Compass Lake In The Hills. A short telephone conversation turned into a quarter page article. When I read the article I immediately realized that I was miss guoted. I contacted the Floridan regarding a retraction. They assured me a retraction would be made in the next day's paper. However, the damage was already done. I apologize for anv embarrassment this may or may not have caused the Association.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with the operations of the Association. We now have a full accounting department. We are in the process of implementing a new accounting system that will allow us to know exactly where we stand in relation to our annual budget. This system, for the most part, will let the property owners know exactly what is happening financially. in everv dav can language everyone understand. The Associations Accountants, Grimsley, Cavin and Rooks, informed us that the new system would save the Association а substantial amount of money each month. I am unsure of the exact numbers at this time. We must run this first month with the new system. When I get the exact savings I will let you know immediately. The Association Accounting Department consists of Mrs. Joann Cutchen, cont.

Manager's Report – cont.

she is responsible for Accounts Payable, Mrs. Carolyn Kirchner, responsible for Accounts Receivable and Mrs. Marlene Coker the Association Bookkeeper. These ladies are very conscientious and glad to answer any questions you may have. Just give me or any one of these ladies a call at the Lodge. The exterior of the cabins are painted and have a new fresher look. The kitchen units are also installed. We will all be proud of the Lodge facilities in general. They look really good.

The RV bathhouse is also going to get a face-lift. All the sights will be upgraded to 50-amp service. We are on our way to a new, fresher, Compass Lake In The Hills.

Lets all work together for a common purpose and make Compass Lake In The Hills a great place to live and visit.

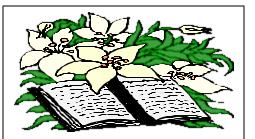
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I hope everyone is enjoying the warm weather we are having for the month of February. We all need to take the time to notice what is going on in the community. There is more activity as the weather changes bringing more people out that live in the Hills as well as strangers traveling around looking for properties for sale or just looking around. As you leave and return to your home, before you get out of your vehicle take the time too look around too make sure there is no person around, or any strange activities going on.

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Deputy Sheriff – cont.

If there is anyone or anything that looks suspicious, please contact me at the Jackson County Sheriffs Dept. **850-482-9648**. Please help in keeping Compass Lake in the Hills a safe place to live. Deputy James Speights



Happy Easter Easter Sunrise Service March 27, 2005 7:00 a.m. McCormick Lake Large Pavilion Service Conducted by Compass Lake United Methodist Church All Are Welcome



Come One, Come All Compass Lake Assoc. Fish Fry, Saturday March 19th from 11am till 2pm \$6.00 a plate.

Compass Lake in the Hills Vol. Fire Department

"Your Volunteer Fire Department" By: Capt. Don MacLaren

Your Compass Lake in the Hills Vol. Fire Dept. is continuing to upgrade our equipment and vehicles to provide more efficient service to our community. We have acquired several newer. used but reconditioned, MSA Air Mask selfcontained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for our fire fighters. This equipment will allow our fire fighters to stay in a smoky environment for longer periods of time without endangering their health and safety. This acquisition is a most important piece of fire fighting apparatus and replaces out of date and potentially dangerous SCBAs in our inventory.

In addition we have acquired and installed newer emergency lights and sirens on our fire trucks that will enhance fire fighter safety both to and from the fire scene as well as while we are at the fire scenes. The fact that most of our emergency lights and sirens did not work properly had become a big liability issue with Chief Fred Freed and his staff. Several fire fighter deaths in the U.S. each year are attributed to improperly operating or no adequate emergency lights and sirens on emergency vehicles.

Some of you may have noticed new flags on our flagpole. On January 31st the Smith-Kelly Post #100 of the American Legion in Marianna donated a new American Flag to the Fire Station. We want to thank American Legion Post Commander Tom Sanson and Legionnaires John Padgett, Pete Hilton for their donation of this symbol of our proud country. Chief Freed acquired a "Fire Department" flag to fly alongside the new American flag. We think the new flags make our Fire Station look alot more professional.

CLHVFD cont.

We had 2 fire calls during the last month, the volunteers put in 245.75 volunteer hours. This brings the total fire calls for the year to 8 and the total Volunteer hours to 572.0

On the fire calls, one was a dumpster fire on HWY 167 with 4 Volunteers responding, the other was a call for assistance from Alford Fire-Rescue to a brush fire, 2 Volunteers responded.

Flag Presentation to CLHVFD on January



Smith-Kelly Post #100 American Legion presentation of American Flag to the CLHVFD 01/31/05

Left to Right: John Padgett, American Legion, Asst. Fire Chief Joe O'Brien, Fire Capt. Don MacLaren. POA Gen. Manager Linda Brown, Fire Chief Fred Freed, American Legion Post Commander Tom Sanson, POA Bd. Member Bruce Codrington, Pete Hilton American Legion

Board Meeting Minutes Summary January 25, 2005

The Board of Directors took the Following action at the Jan. 25, 2005 Monthly Board Meeting.

1. Approved payment of \$20,000.00 for settlement of Flagg lawsuit.

2. Approved payment of \$4,700.00 to repair large dump truck for Road Department.

3. Approved payment of \$2,355.00 for upgrading Accounting System.

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4. Approved Employee Manual and Policy & Procedure Manual.

5. Approved payment of \$21,887.35 for all sick hours accrued by employees from time of employment to January 2005.

6. Approved the omission of the weekly and monthly rates for Compass Lake house and replace it with 10% discount for a minimum of a four-day stay during the months of November 1 thru March 31.

DIRECTORS

Rick Kummer, President Marvin Steffen, Vice President Bruce Codrington Brian Dern John Gaffaney

OFFICERS

Linda Brown Manager / Treasurer Marlene Coker / Secretary

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COMMITTEES

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> CIRCULATION POA Staff

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Marvin Steffen, Director Rena Woolever Bill Homrig Leah Reagan

This is probably worth knowing

A 36-year-old female had an accident several weeks ago and totaled her car. A Texas resident she was traveling from her place of work to her home. It was raining, though not excessive, when her car suddenly began to hydroplane and literally flew through the air. She was not seriously injured but very stunned at the sudden occurrence. When she explained to the highway patrolman what had happened he told her something that every driver should know NEVER DRIVE IN THE RAIN WITH YOUR CRUISE CONTROL ON.

She had thought she was being cautious by setting the cruise control and maintaining a safe speed in the rain.

But the highway patrolman told her that if the cruise control is on and your car begins to hydroplane ... when your tires loose contact with the pavement your car will accelerate to a higher rate of speed and you take off like an airplane. You have little or no control over the car when it begins to hydroplane. You are at the mercy of the Good Lord. The highway patrol estimated her car was actually traveling through the air at 10 to 15 miles per hour faster than the speed set on the cruise control.

Each car should have a warning on the drivers seat sun-visor." NEVER USE THE CRUISE CONTROL WHEN PAVEMENT IS WET OR ICY", along with the air bag warning.

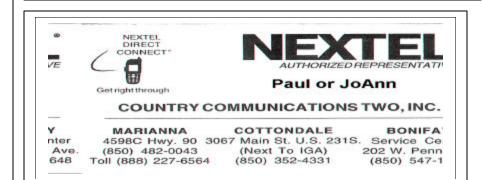
We tell our teenagers to set the cruise control and drive a safe speedbut we do not tell them to use the cruise control only when the pavement is dry.....



BINGO -will be on Friday March 11, 2005 7:00 pm at McCormick Lake House

Bailey's

of Compass Lake in the Hills Hours Closed Monday Tue thru Sat 11:00 till 9:00 Sunday 10:00 till 2:30 Brunch SPECIALS TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURDAY 4 p.m. till 6 p.m. \$2.00 Off All Dinner Entrees Phone 850-579-4400





Answering questions is just one of the many services we provide at the county extension office. Here are a few of them.

Q: The oranges from the tree in my yard are very sour. Do they need fertilizer? If so, what kind

A: Actually, fertilizer may not be your problem. Citrus trees grown for fruit production have been grafted. The original oranges trees have extremely sour fruit. Over the years sweet-fruited varieties have been developed. These varieties were not hardy for the area so they were grafted onto the roots of those very first trees. Look at the base of your tree. You should see where the trees were grafted together. In your case, it sounds like the grafted branch died and the root stock grew into the tree you now have.

Q: My neighbor has really pretty pink hydrangeas. Mine are blue. Can you tell me where to get the pink ones?

A: You can turn your blue hydrangeas into pink ones by simply changing the pH of your soil. Hydrangeas are unique in that when the soil pH is acid or under 6.5 the blooms will be blue. When the soil becomes alkaline or the pH is above 6.5 the blooms will be pink. In order to change your flowers you will need to add lime to "sweeten" the soil. How much Lime will be determined by a soil sample and take a full season to work.

Q: When is a good time to prune my Satsuma tree?

A: Most citrus trees produce their fruit in the winter so the normal dormant season rule does not apply. However, Satsumas are all but done with fruit production by the end of December. So, prune now, before the new blooms harboring next year's fruit appear. As for pruning other citrus trees: Since the trees produce flowers while the fruit is still ripening, it is important to watch closely and remove the fruit and prune as soon as it is ripe. If you prune after the buds have come out, you will be reducing next year's crop.

Gardening Tip: Trim all dead branches. Thin deciduous trees and bushes to improve air circulation and keep fungal diseases to a minimum. Remember, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure".

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Reporting Hunting Violations

To Report Hunting Violations, call Florida Wildlife Commission at Phone Num. 1-888-404-3922 or Jackson County Sheriff Dispatcher at 850-482-9648

Lost Horse Trailer Mat

On Thanksgiving Day a rubber horse trailer mat was taken from my trailer. It is about 3' X 6' in size with raised ridges. If it showed up at your house or anyone sees it in the woods, please call: Ann -5 79-4902 Thank You (CORRECTION TO LAST MONTHS ARTILCE - INCORRECT PHONE #, CORRECT NUMBER SHOWN BELOW) ITEMS FOR SALE BY PROPERTY OWNERITEMS FOR SALE BY PROPERTY OWNER

Sofa Bed with mattress & plastic cover - \$100.00 (2) Wooden Rockers (Cracker Barrel) Make Offer-Need Work (2) New Stainless Steel Sinks - \$20.00ea (2) Small Lamps (beige) w/green shades \$5.00ea Women's Golf Set w/bag (White-Ram) \$100.00 Bread maker - used 3 times - \$20.00 (1) Women's Suede Jacket (multicolor) \$20.00 (1) Knitted Handmade bed coverlet-like new \$50.00 Man's Suit - Worn once \$25.00 (2) Ladies Dressy Blouses \$5.00ea (2 Men's Summer Slacks - Size 43 - like new \$5.00ea

Call Ann at 850-579-4902 (leave message if no answer)

AUDIO BOOK CD'S & CASSETTES

Audio book CD's available. We have some very interesting books on CD's & Cassettes



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APPETIZERS

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DESSERT

Cheese Cake

CHILDREN'S MENU (10 & Under) Small Hamburger, Fries, Tea

2.95	3.20	2.95	3.95
Small Hamburger, Fries, Tea	add Cheese	Hot Dog, Fries, Tea	Chicken Strips (2), Fries, Tea
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DAILY LUNCH SPECIALS Good Home Cookin

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of Compass Lake In The Hills

Dine In or Take Out / Daily Lunch Specials Hours: Tue - Wed 11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Thurs - Sat-11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Sun 10:00 a.m - 2:30 p.m. Brunch **CLOSED MONDAYS** (850) 579-4400 At The Lodge

SANDWICHES (COMBO WITH FRIES)

Ribeye Steak Sandwich	5.95
Philly Cheese Steak	5.95
Grouper (fried or grilled)	5.95
Shrimp Po Boy.	6.95
Oyster Po Boy	6.95
Club Sandwich (bacon, turkey, ham,	
cheese, lettuce, tomato, mayo)	0) 6.95

SANDWICHES ONLY

Hamburger Jumbo 2.85	ŝ
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Breast	5
Fried Chicken Sandwich	5
Grilled Cheese 225	5
BLT (bacon, lettuce, tomato, mayo)2.95	10
Ham & Cheese	0
Turkey	0
Ham & Turkey	10
Hot Dog 1.65	5

Shrimp Basket (20 small shrimp)6	6.7
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Scallop Basket	6.9
Fish Basket (Pollock) 5	5.96
Chicken Strips (4)	6.7

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crab, 4 scallops

Catfish (whole or fillet)

Pollock (fried white fish)

2 pieces fish, 3 large shrimp, 3 fried oysters, 1 stuffed

Seafood Platter (fried or grilled)

Scallops (fried)

8.95 6.95

Oysters (15 fried)

Clams

11.95

Above served with choice of two side orders and hush puppies: Fries, Baked Potato, Slaw, Salad

SEAFOOD BUFFET

1/2 & 1/2 choice of two entrees.....

Stuffed Crab (4)

SUNDAY LUNCH BUFFET

Good Home Cookin' 11:00 a.m 2:30 p.m. Adult (12 years & Up)			6.95	Free	4.95	5.95
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STEAKS

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Ribeye Steak & Shrimp 8 oz. and 4 shrimp 12 oz. and 4 shrimp 16 oz. and 4 shrimp	15.95 17.95 19.95

Above orders served with choice of two side orders and Texas Toast, Fries, Baked Potato, Slaw, Salad

SEAFOOD Jumbo Shrimp (fried or grilled)

9.95

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4 Fri	11 Bingo 7pm at McCormick Lake House Bring \$3.00 quarters	æ	25 GOOD FRIDAY	
3 Thu	9	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY	24	3
Wed 2 Cards @ McCormick	Lake House 1:30pm Bring Snacks 9 Cards @ McCormick Lake House 1:30pm Bring Snacks	16 Cards @ McCormick Lake House 1:30pm Bring Snacks	23 Cards @ McCormick Lake House 1:30pm Bring Snacks	30 Cards @ McCormick Lake House 1:30pm Bring Snacks
1 Tue	ø	15 Volunteer Fire Meeting Cards @ McCormick 2 pm Fire Station Bring Snacks Bring Snacks	22 Board Meeting 6:30 pm at McCormick Lake House	58
Mon	7 Jackson County Bookmobile will be at the Lodge at 11:00 a.m.	14 Jackson County Bookmobile will be at the Lodge at 11:00 a.m.	21 Jackson County Bookmobile will be at the Lodge at 11:00 a.m.	28 Jackson County Bookmobile will be at the Lodge at 11:00 a.m.
Sun	6 Mah Jongg & Dominoes McCormick Lake House @ 6:00pm	13 Mah Jongg & Dominoes McCormick Lake House @ 6:00pm	20 Mah Jongg & Dominoes McCormick Lake House @ 6:00pm Mah Jongg Next Sunday also.	27 EASTER SUNDAY Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. McCormick Lake Pavilion