

# Schalamar Creek Homeowners Association

## Member Meeting

## February 8, 2016

The February member meeting of the Schalamar Creek Homeowners Association (HOA) was called to order at 7:00 pm by Past President Ron Simmonds. Board members attending: Ron Simmonds, Norma Miller, Barb Griffin, Ginny Reid, Chris Eaton, Marge Short, Linda Gledhill, Ray Mitchell, Adrian Verwegen, Russ Weiderman. Absent: Bo Bohannon, Dick Rae. The Board members were introduced to the gathering.

Secretary, Norma Miller- The minutes of the January 11, 2016 member meeting were accepted as printed.

Treasurer, Barb Griffin- She reported that money was collected during January from items that come up at the beginning of the year. Cash balance at this time is \$38,000.

### Committee Reports:

Crafts Committee- Sandy Slack-

The Board meeting of the Crafts Committee will be held this Thursday, February 11, 10:30, to approve the changes to the Bylaws. All crafters are invited to attend. "What's Cookin'" will be the new theme in the Gift Shop, with emphasis on kitchen items. The Gift Shop is open again during their regular weekly hours. New classes are posted on the Craft Room Board with the February 25 class making several items that are on display in the Craft Room cases.

Deb Weiderman, President of the Crochet Guild of America, then gave information on the Crochet Guild which meets on Tuesdays, 2:00-3:30. Crocheted items were displayed by members which are then donated to several charitable organizations. Yarn can be donated to them. She thanked Jerry Miltner for his service as President for several years. Several items are being donated to the Watson Cancer Center.

She then spoke about the Fabric and Friends Group which meets on Fridays, 9:00-3:00. Tonight, a quilt was displayed and donated to the Watson Cancer Center. Connie Bamburg accepted the quilt and thanked the group from the Watson Cancer Center.

Pictorial Directory- Norma Walker-

February 22 will be the start of the photo taking for the Pictorial. Participation is very low at this time. The last day to make an appointment for a photo session is this Saturday, February 13. There is no pressure to purchase and everyone who has their picture taken will receive an 8 by 10 photo, but more importantly, will receive a pictorial directory. None will be available for purchase afterwards. Everyone is urged to have their picture taken since the Directory is such a valuable resource to put names to faces of our residents.

Activities Committee, Sue Carroll-

Upcoming events:

- 2/18- Pot Luck- Signup sheet posted
- 2/20- Coffee/Donuts- Signup sheet posted
- 3/3- Fashion Show & Luncheon-\$12, tickets available from Joanne Dorsey and Sue Knapp.
- 3/7- Cliff Erickson Show- tickets from Marge Short
- 3/11- Karaoke in ballroom
- 3/17- Corned Beef Dinner
- 3/26- Easter Egg Hunt/Schalamar Singers Spring Serenade

The Activities Committee is looking for new members and also volunteers to help with events.

They are also looking for donated empty wine bottles.

Marge Short thanked all those who supported their recent shows. The Atlantic City Boys has sold out. She announced two future shows: 11/29- Boone Country Band with 3 singers and 1/27/2017- New Odyssey will return!

Loan Closet- New personnel helping with the Loan Closet are: Rich Baxter, Joe Galanti, Ellen Coffey, John Russell, Stan Kubik, and Ron Simmonds. Do Not Leave items in front of the closet door! They must be checked back in by a committee member. If anyone has ideas for new items to loan out, please let a committee member know.

Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida, Inc. (FMO)- Russ Weiderman- Russ will be attending his first District meeting this week so look for more information next month. He stressed that everyone should be a member of the FMO.

CAP Program- Ray Mitchell-

He introduced the other managers of the CAP program; Sandy Schultz and Gary Ross. This program is always in need of more volunteers to do patrolling in the park.

Guest Speaker, United Way representative, Sarah Massey-

Chris Eaton introduced the guest speaker for the evening, Sarah Massey. She discussed the United Way Three Pronged goals; Giving, Advocating and Volunteering, including:

Dial 211- This is a 24/7 referral phone number for anyone needing help of any kind.

Reading Pals- This program is an opportunity for volunteers to read to kindergarten children in their classrooms in Polk and Highlands counties. Early literacy is a key strategy to academic success.

Old Business-

#467- Continuing pool problems is a concern of the residents. Ron noted that this problem has been ongoing for a long time with many discussions with management on the issue. He suggested that all residents regularly call the management office about this with the hope that this might bring a solution.

#471- The importance of participation in the photo taking for the Pictorial was stressed again. All residents should have their photo taken. As well as putting names to faces in it; it is also a good memory book to refer to for remembering past residents.

March 19 and 20- The Schalamar Players will give their newest production.

New Business-

Victory Casino Cruise Trip- February 18, \$38 per person. See Stan Kubik for info.

Carol Black expressed interest in offering other trips. She volunteered to look into this.

Motion to adjourn by #254. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Norma Miller, Secretary