# Crystal Falls Ranch HOA

## January 2015 Newsletter



#### President's Message

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Santa Claus visited the Clubhouse – but found only a few children ready to make their requests. The Board of Directors and the Activities Committee worked hard this year on Association activities. Don't miss out next year! Look to the website for event dates and times.

Fire Safety is always a concern for Crystal Falls HOA residents. Tuolumne County is woefully short of a Volunteer Firefighter force and Barry Rudolph Battalion Chief talked to the Board of Directors about the need for Volunteers. The Board opted to offer the Fire Department advertising space here in this newsletter as well as the use of the Clubhouse for <u>training</u> if needed. If you know of any men or women that are interested in taking the training and becoming a Volunteer Fire Fighter call 532-7424 for more information.

↑ The CF HOA Halloween Party has come and gone. Those in attendance seemed to have a great time. There were giggles in abundance while the children danced with the dancing skeleton in his dapper top-hat and tux. Everyone enjoyed the hot dogs, popcorn and candy. Krinklies the Clown painted faces on young and old. The hay ride to the haunted house at the barn was a cool ride. Games and a piñata bursting with candy topped off the evening. Next year we hope to see more folks. Thanks to all who worked so hard to make this event a great time!

Our Community Garden Committee plans to meet again January 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM There are many needs including fencing, but we are moving forward and hope to harvest vegetables this summer. There is still room in the garden so let us know (533-4877) if you want to participate. Tuolumne County Master Gardeners meet at 6:00 PM the first Tuesday of the each month at the Senior Center on Greeley Road.

A few of our members who are retirees shopped for a new supplemental medical insurance policy recently and lowered their premium rates. We are planning to have an insurance broker make a presentation at the Clubhouse available to all members during the month of October or November 2015 before the open

enrollment period. Hopefully some retirees can benefit from this endeavor.

Are YOU on Facebook? Crystal Falls HOA now has a Facebook page at "Crystal Falls Community Network". Join us there for news and events....

★ An Association member has a new business at the top of Crystal Falls at Longeway. If you enjoy cooking with infused 
is oils check out this exciting new business at Sierra Olive Oil Company.

The Association Board and office staff continues to hear of problems with aggressive and barking dogs. Please remember that dogs must be leashed when they leave your yard and if dogs continually bark when you are away you might have a complaint filed with the Board. Dog owners please do your part for the safety and peace of your Association neighbors.

Speaking of safety, burn days have commenced. Please take care with your fires. We recently learned that the Highway 108 Fire Safety Council has a program where they assist with chipping of trimmed tree limbs when there are at least 4 properties in close proximity that need the service. Call the Association Office for details.

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2015!!! Happy New Year! - Martha Wilson, President

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### Motions Passed September, October & November



#### September 18, 2014 Regular Meeting:

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Allan Beck made a motion to accept the minutes of June 19, 2014 meeting as prepared, seconded by Martha Wilson, all in favor.

Martha Wilson made a motion to accept the minutes of July 17, 2014 meeting as prepared, seconded by Allan Beck, all in favor. Allan Beck made a motion to accept the Draft Annual Meeting minutes of August 9, 2014 meeting as prepared, seconded by Martha Wilson, all in favor.

Allan Beck made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Martha Wilson, all in favor.

Allan Beck made a motion to form the CC&R Violation Committee as requested, stating that he would also participate with them, and would meet Tuesday September 23rd at 1:00pm to set up rules, definitions and guidelines fro the committee, seconded by Martha Wilson, all in favor.

Martha Wilson made a motion to increase existing dues from \$69 per quarter by the 8% Cost of Living (COLA) to \$75 per quarter effective January 1, 2015, seconded by Allan Beck, all in favor.

Allan Beck made a motion to put in a community garden for Crystal Falls home owners at the south end of the stables, seconded by Jeannette Sedlemeyer all in favor.

#### October 16, 2014 Regular Meeting:

Roger Mattson made a motion to accept the September 18, 2014, minutes as prepared, seconded by Martha Wilson, all in favor. Roger Mattson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Martha Wilson, all in favor.

#### November 20, 2014 Regular Meeting:

Delphine Tipper made a motion to accept the minutes of October 16, 2014 as prepared, seconded by Jeannette Sedlemeyer, all in

Allan Beck made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Martha Wilson, all in favor.

Martha Wilson made a motion to form a CC&R Re charter committee consisting of Martha Wilson, Allan Beck and Rich Painter, seconded by Delphine Tipper, all in favor.

Allan Beck made a motion to approve installation of electric fence at the barn, seconded by Jeannette Sedlemeyer, all in favor. Allan Beck made a motion to send a letter to Cimarron Trustee Services to terminate our business relationship, seconded by Martha Wilson, all in favor.

Allan Beck made a motion to prepare an application to the Sonora Area Foundation to assist our homeowners with Cal Fire Requirements, seconded by Jeannette Sedlemeyer, all in favor.

Delphine Tipper made a motion to approve the annual safety award of \$100 to our two full time employees, seconded by Roger Mattson, all in favor.

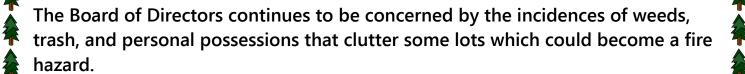
#### BEHIND ON YOUR DUES????

The Association does not wish to send lots to lien. We will make every attempt to work with you to help you get caught up. Please call or contact the CFA office to make payment arrangements. Once we send you to lien, we cannot accept any monies from you. 533-4877

**Crystal Falls Ranch HOA Meetings** 

The regular meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at 12:00 p.m. at the clubhouse. Next meetings will be held January 15th, February 19th & March 19th.

Please Join Us.



The Association is renewing its commitment to improving the appearance of all the common areas and to enforcing adherence to the CC&R's & also enforcing the monetary fee schedule for those who do not live on the property or are too busy to respond to CC&R violations. We are also in contact with Cal Fire, who will cite homeowners for weeds and debris that may cause a fire.

Please consider your neighbors and the visitors to our area.

Keep your yards clean and free of debris.

Together we can improve the visual ambiance of our beautiful community.

The following documents are available anytime at our website: crystalfallsranch.com

By-Laws CC&R's

Articles of Incorporation 12 Months of Approved Minutes

Budget Summary of Insurance

12 Months of Newsletters Policies and Various other Forms

If any member does not have access to the internet and would like to have any of the above mentioned Documents mailed—Please contact our office and we will be happy to assist you.

### **Mark your Calendars!**

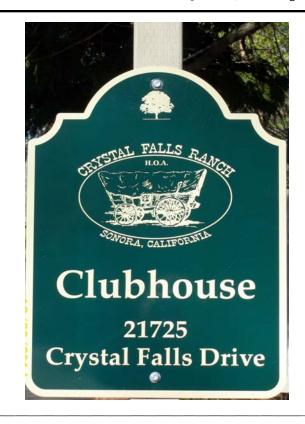
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### **2015 Upcoming Events**

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- ⇒ Thurs. February 19th.....Board Meeting 12:00pm
- ⇒ Thurs. March 19th.....Board Meeting 12:00pm
- ⇒ Sat. April 4th.....Easter Egg Hunt 1:00pm
- ⇒ Thurs. April 16th.....Board Meeting 12:00pm
- ⇒ Thurs. May 21st.....Board Meeting 12:00pm
- ⇒ Sat. May 23rd.....Lake Opening Celebration 1:00pm
- ⇒ Sat. June 6th.....Car Show & Chili Cook Off 10:00am-4:00pm
- ⇒ Thurs. June 18th.....Board Meeting 12:00pm
- ⇒ Thurs. July 16th.....Board Meeting 12:00pm
- ⇒ Sat. August 1st......Annual Meeting & BBQ 3:00pm
- ⇒ Thurs. September 17th.....Board Meeting 12:00pm
- ⇒ Thurs. October 15th.....Board Meeting 12:00pm
- ⇒ Sat. October 24th ......Halloween Party 5:30pm
- ⇒ Thurs. November 19th.....Board Meeting and Turkey Raffle 12:00pm
- ⇒ Friday December 11th.....Christmas with Santa 4:00pm
- ⇒ Thurs. December 17th.....Board Meeting 12:00pm







# Just a note from the Tuolumne County Road Department:

Tuolumne County Ordinance Code Section 10.28 "Snow Removal" prohibits parking on the <u>pavement or road shoulder</u> (the shoulder is ten feet from the edge-of-pavement for purposes of snow storage) during snow removal operations. Snow removal is complete when all snow is removed from the pavement and the snow is "crowded" off the pavement and onto the road shoulder.

Vehicles left parked on the pavement or shoulder <u>will</u> be towed and stored at the owner's expense.

For your convenience we have a Drop Box at the Clubhouse Office. Please feel free to utilize our Drop Box should you have the need to drop something off or state a concern, after business hours.