

The Falls at Sheridan

Our Community Newsletter
Published every even month



The way I see it!

by Fred Prichard

Greetings from the President/Director for the year 2010. I am one of five members of the board of directors of the falls of Sheridan who have chosen to step up to the plate to help care for our community.

It will take all of us working together to accomplish this task. I believe it was Ted Turner who exclaimed, "move up, move back or get out of the way." ! We have a great volunteer force who do a lot of work in our community who are unpaid and mostly un-thanked! Try to thank some of them, it will make you feel good.

I, for one, would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the work done by the 2009 team of elected board of directors, the secretary, the treasurer, committee chairpersons and all volunteers who do so much for our community. There I feel soooo good.

Spring is almost here and our landscapes look kind of pitiful, We have had some very cold weather and I can hardly wait to start planting, fertilizing, grass cutting and doing all those things outdoors we enjoy. It won't be long before we say, I wish it would cool off some. My morning walks reveal a need for some residents to secure your loose trash on pick-up mornings. It blows

all over the BLOOMIN place, in the street, in your neighbor's yard and down our storm sewers. I also watched as a person was walking their dog and let it, uh fertilize, a yard that was not their own and didn't bother to clean it up.

How uncouth can you be, you ought to be ashamed.

We have come through a very rough time economically and are not out of the woods yet.

I say that to say this, we all have an obligation to pay our association dues and to keep our properties in good condition, sidewalks and gutters power washed, roofs clean of mildew, they look ugly, we can do it throughout the year and not expect it all at once.

Our community is a very nice place to live, let's do our best to maintain it that way.

It takes all of us working together to have a beautiful development but only a couple of lots to turn it into a slum.

Our annual meeting was well attended with the following being elected:

PRESIDENT/DIRECTOR- Fred Prichard
VICE PRESIDENT/ DIRECTOR – Russ Schaad
DIRECTOR / TREASURER – Elaine Bryson
DIRECTOR – Pete Fassman
DIRECTOR – Ruthe Faust
Chosen for Secretary – Joyce Jaeger / Rosalie Wareing

Did you wonder that a Fed Ex and UPS merger might be called Fed Up?.

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AROUND THE FALLS by Ruthe Faust!



CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS:

February:

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| Diana O'Neil | 2nd |
| Morgan Rogers | 5th |
| Don Nemeth | 12th |
| Chase and Hunter Carl | 12th |

a camp out for about 18 boys was held in the back yard.

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| Luke Markos | 20th |
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March:

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| Bruce Douty | 3rd |
| Brian Valentine | 6th |
| Bea Vargas | 6th |

CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES :

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| Betty and Sherwood Smith | February 6th |
| Ronnie and Dave Schultz | March 3rd |

TRAVELING

The Fischers went to the West coast of Florida to spend several days with two different groups of friends from Missouri.

Ronnie Schultz went to Ocala to visit and help her Aunt who had a knee replacement.

Barbara Smith recently returned from a wonderful and relaxing two week cruise .

Evey Borysiewicz went to Denver, Colorado to baby- sit for a couple weeks. She loves those Grandkiddies.

Carol and Erv Fischer were on the "GO" again. This time they flew to California and went down Mexico "Way" Then came back to L.A. and were off to beautiful Hawaii for 2 weeks where they toured 4 of the islands. Sounds like a little bit of heaven to me, particularly with Florida weather this year.

Candy and Steve Gray rented a motor home and traveled to Lake Okeechobee. It was a relaxing get away, even though it was cold.

And as usual, Dave Schultz was at the Daytona 500 .

VISITORS TO THE FALLS:

I can't imagine why people wanted to visit Florida this year. One of the coldest winters on record and now we have the rains. Oh well, I guess it's better than all the snow up North and in the Mid west. STOP complaining!!

Lorraine Douty had her son from Boston visit. Dave is also the older brother of **Bruce Douty**.

Jan Amos had two sisters visit. They came in from Missouri to celebrate their mother's (Jo Ellen) birthday. Jo Ellen has been visiting the Amos's the past couple months.

Carol and Erv Fischer had Carol's sister and husband from Illinois in between their trips..

Joyce and Stewart Jaeger had daughter, Janice visit them recently.

Betty and Sherwood Smith's daughter Sue drove in from Montana to visit them.

Russ Schaad's sister visited them from Rochester N.Y

Dot Prichard had her two sisters visit and also her son, Steve from W.VA.

I happened to run into former resident **Janet Powers**, who was back for a visit. She had visited **Marjo Whitt** and was with **Peggy Camp** when we met. Bob was out playing golf, at the time. Janet and Bob have 2 grandsons now. I was not aware that her mother, Mary, who lived with them, had died in November. It was nice to see Janet again.

Also back for a visit, was **Fran and Bill Nicholas** former Shoshone resident who now live in Bluffton,S.C .It was good to see them, too .It it nice to know former residents enjoyed The Falls so much they take time to visit us again. That is a good recommendation.

HEALTH ISSUES

Elaine Bryson was wearing a boot again. Not because boots are in style but because she had another procedure done on her foot.

Betty Cammack is still in a nursing home and is slowly recovering.

Dot Prichard was in the hospital recently for an operation. She is home and recovering well after all the special care she received from her family. (2 sisters, son, and of course husband, **Fred**)

COMMUNITY SYMPATHY

The Community expresses its deepest sympathy to **Divinia and Gerald LeClair** on the loss of their daughter, Kimberly on February 15th. The loss of any loved one is always tragic The loss of one's child has to be unsur-mountable. Our deepest sympathy and concern go to you at this sad time.

The community also extends its sympathy to **Ken Sheaffer** on the loss his father.

REPORT ON THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual meeting has come and gone. Fortunately, we were able to establish a quorum to be able to vote on the necessary items on the agenda to begin a new year. We now have a new Board of Directors. However , it is important that we thank the last years board for their guidance throughout the year. Thank you for devoting your time and energy to serving the community. We know how busy everyone schedules are today. Thanks to the spouses of these directors for sharing them and encouraging them to fill these positions on The BoD These volunteers help make our community what it is today. An A #1 community and a great place to live. Special thanks to **Michele Bhambri**, **Bill Halbleib**, **Dean Hughes** and **Dan Young**. (The directors who went off the Board)

Ruthe Faust

In case you have seen the chain link fence paralleling our perimeter fence on Potomac Dr

The acreage (40+ acres) behind Potomac Dr. and off Ellis Rd. has been sold. The owner has installed a 9 ft chain link fence to secure his property. I know, it is not in my back yard, but I do look at it as excellent security for our community.

BUNCO NEWS

We have a celebrity in our midst. A QUEEN , in fact. Queen, **Pat Schaad** had 11 BUNCOS in February at hostess, **Lorraine Douty's**. This has got to be a record. Maybe I should contact Ripley's. Anyone wishing to be included as a sub or join permanently -- contact Ruthe Faust 727-3937.

NEW ARC CHANGE PLEASE NOTE.

The ARC form may now be picked up at 841 Potomac Drive. The Arc forms will be in the same housing unit as in the past, and will be located at the entrance near the garage.

Andrea Nemeth, ARC, chairman, has resigned. **Dave Schultz and Stewart Jaeger** will be co-chairing the committee. We wish to thank Andrea for her many years of dedication to our community. It is because of residents like Andrea, who always kept the best interest of the community at heart, that we have been able to maintain the quality of our community.. This was not always an easy job and sometimes the confrontations were difficult. But Andrea always kept her "cool" and was able to determine and support what was best for the community. THANK YOU ANDREA from all the residents for your years of service. If you see this nice lady tell her "THANKS It is always nice to know you are appreciated. And we do appreciate all you have done.

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| <p>Playground Corner by Robyn Merz</p> |  | <p>Easter Egg Hunt April 3rd</p> |
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The Playground committee chaired by **Robyn Merz** is planning an Easter Egg Hunt the Saturday before Easter. (April 3) It will be held at the Playground for children under the age of 12. A notice will be posted at the gate or playground to give you the time, etc. If you are in town please plan to bring your children. Past egg hunts did not receive enough response to warrant doing it again but we are giving it another try. Please come, bring the little ones and

join in some community FUN. Call **Robyn** (725-3387 or **Sarah Markos** at (952-6632). Anyone wishing to contribute candy, prizes, money or time call our 2 organizers. It will be appreciated. Thanks and Y'ALL COME.

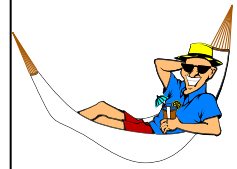
DIDJA KNOW????

I'm sure you are all waiting with "baited breath" for the return of this article. I find the history of our community interesting. I hope you do too. Anyhow, in the 13 years the community has had a Board of Directors we have had 8 Presidents. They were: **Lenny Macklin, Dick O'Donnell, Richard Wojak, Tony Ayala, Paul Mullins, Ruthe Faust, Joyce Jaeger and Russ Schaad.** Lenny was the 1st President and served the shortest term **Dick O'Donnell** has the honor of serving the community for the longest time. We have had 2 female Presidents and 6 male. WE DO APPRECIATE THE DEDICATION THESE PEOPLE HAVE GIVEN TO OUR COMMUNITY. By the way, what does "baited breath" mean?? Catch you next time. I welcome any interesting facts anyone may have. Just call me.

Ruthe Faust

An Airline pilot wrote that on a particular flight he had hammered his ship into the runway really hard. The Airlines policy required the Pilot to stand at the door while the pasengers exited, smile and give them a "Thanks for flying our Airline". He said that in light of the bad landing he had a hard time looking the passengers in the eye, thinking that some would have a smart comment. Finnaly everyone had gotten off except a little old lady walking with a cane. She asked "Tell me, did we land, or were we shot down?".

Retiree's
News
By
Ruthe
Faust



It's about time!! Who can think of picnics when we have had this terribly cold winter, but I think we have seen the end and it is time to move onto the long HOT summer. Never thought I would be saying that after last summers heat. The Retiree's Annual Picnic will be held of May 13th at Ballard Park. A flier will be distributed soon and you will receive a call from a committee member as to your response. We are changing the menu a tiny bit this year. Mark your calendar now and plan to join the group for some fun and laughs.

The following article was in "Senior Life" Salute to Veterans, written by Maria Sonnenberg.

West Melbourne latest landing for Former Air Force Officer

A couple of pieces of paper changed Barbara Brotherton's life.

In 1965 Brotherton was about to finish college and, like many of her peers, was unsure what path her life would take. "I had noparticular direction, but I started getting material from the armed services", said the West Melbourne resident. "It piqued my interest."

Although never a military brat, Botherton was intrigued by the opportunities the Air Force could offer her, so she enlisted in officer training school.

"At that time, there were not that many women in the AirForce." said Brotherton. "We were oddities."

Her 25 year career propelled her from second lieutenant to lieutenant colonel by the time she retired in 1991 to be a stay-at-home mom.

"I had the pleasure of being a full-time mom, of going to all the hockey games and special events." she said.

Brotherton thought the Air Force was her ticket to exotic and distant locales.

"It was one of the reasons I joined," said the Chicago native. "I ended up at Scott Air Force base in Southern Illinois."

While she may not have been that far away, the bucolic base was a world away from Brotherton's inner city Chicago roots.

"We were living in the last street of officer housing and our place backed onto a corn field." said Brotherton. "I thought it was the most beautiful thing in the world."

The Air Force did get her to Alaska for nine years, a stint Brotherton didn't particularly enjoy, despite the scenery.

"I like beaches and palm trees", she said. "I'm not a cold-weather person."

Maryland and Texas were also in the list of assigned states as Brotherton worked in the Air Force administration, but she hit the jackpot in more than the weather department when she was stationed at Patrick Air Force Base for two years just prior to retirement, where she met Bill, a retired colonel who eventually became her husband. After Bill passed away, she was fortunate to discover Curt Brotherton.

"He doesn't know how to spell the word 'Military.'" she joked.

Insurance man Curt, however, was a pilot, as Brotherton herself had been years ago.

Before you envision Barbara Brotherton shooting into the sky in a gleaming Air Force jet, think again. Brotherton got her pilot's license not through the service, but as an avocation, a way to get a little puddle jumper in the air.

The way Curt and Barbara fly these days is more spiritual.

"He's a deacon in the Episcopal Church," said Brotherton. "Deacons can do everything a priest can except for consecrations and special blessings and absolution to certain sacraments of the church. I went from being a military wife to being a clergy wife. It's opened a whole new life for me."

The Brothertons are active with Holy Trinity Church, where Barbara is in charge of the newcomers' ministry and is a lay Eucharistic visitor.

Music is another shared passion for the two. She sings in the church choir and they both sing in the Brevard Community Chorus.

Curt is slowly cutting back on his insurance business, which often takes him to South Florida accompanied by Barbara, his computer "guru."

For Barbara, his retirement has brought a wealth of new opportunities.

"I wish I had some more hours in the day." she said.

Barbara and Curt Brotherton live in "The Falls" at 692 Linville Falls Drive.

Please don't forget to send in your Census form. It only takes a minute, that is unless you have 10 or more living in your house..... Do it now! This is a public service message and didn't cost the taxpayers one cent. The Editor



The next Epistle will be delivered by June 1, 2010

Please Email any articles of interest or photos to me at conestee782@aim.com. I would like them by May 20th. *The Editor*

Nostalgia just isn't what it used to be.



Board of Directors

- President* Fred Pritchard
- Vice President* Russ Schaad
- Secretary* Joyce Jaeger/
Rosalie Wareing
- Treasurer* Elaine Bryson
- Director* Pete Fassman
- Director* Ruthe Faust

Our Committees are:

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Dean Hughes
- Irrigation** Jerry Poole
- Landscape** Ruthe Faust
- Playground** Robyn Merz
- Welcoming** Pat Schaad
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- Contributing Editor* Ruthe Faust
- Web Master** Dick O'Donnell

We contract for these services:

- Covenants/Code Enforcement:** n/a
- Lake:** "The Lake Doctor" with Russ Schaad, coordinating
- Gate maintenance:** Florida Gate Control
- Plant/Shrub/Palm:**
- Mowing:** R&R Lawn Maintenance
- Fertilize:** Tru Green
- Waterfall System:** Pinch-a-penny/
Brad Magill