VOICE OF THE VILLAS March 11, 2023



IMPORTANT NOTICE From Past President **SAM DE ANGELO** re: Chestnut Creek Masters Association (CCMA)

The Villa Board Board encourages our residents to attend the upcoming meeting of the Masters to show support for the Board in our quest to be reimbursed for the tree removal which was the masters' responsibility. ***(see Sam's original letter to CCMA below)

We are having our Attorney send a demand letter to the CCMA which is expected to be received prior to the meeting and no doubt will be taken up at this meeting. The more people that can attend the better.

CCMA Monthly Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 15th 6:00 pm Isles Clubhouse

Villas Monthly Board Meeting

Thursday, March 16th 10:00 am Jacaranda Library

Special thank you to our expert grillers JIM GDOVIC, ED KERALLAH, MICHAEL SPANG and DAVE ALBERT, whose hard work made our Hot Dogs and Burgers gathering on March 5th a sell out event. We also thank all those dedicated neighbors who helped with set up and clean up and raffle sales. The turnout was terrific... 70+... to enjoy a wonderful afternoon, great food and fine fellowship.

Our gratitude to **GERI HAAS AND ALICE KIENITZ**, Social Events Co-Chairs.

Fabulous Four Fixes Fence

We gratefully acknowledge the prowess of **ART BACON, DAVE ALBERT, NEIL MILLIGAN and MICHAEL SPANG** who up-righted the falling fence separating the tennis court and pool area. Another amazing team effort!!!!



Please notice our new **American** flag proudly waving above the Villas, with gratitude to **BARBARA AND MICHAEL SPANG** for this donation, and to all those generous neighbors, past and present, who have donated a new flag when the current one needs to be respectfully retired after its service.

HOLD THE DATE

Saturday, April 1 (no FOOLING!) 5:00 pm Sign up sheet is on the board.

From **JERI HAAS**

Our last gathering before several of our snowbirds return North will be on April 1st at the Gazebo, 5:00 pm. It will be a hors d'oeuvres and dessert party, as usual bring your own drink. We look forward to a great turnout just like we had for our barbeque.

Beautifying the Villas With Appreciation to **ART BACON, JOE SILVA, JANE HUHN, RICH HUHN, DOUG LARSON, MICHAEL SPANG, SANDY HENDERSON AND LINDA LEWIS** who spent a busy day mulching the pool area parking lot. Truly, many talented, dedicated hands, make the Villas lovelier. See photo on the next page.



From Irrigation Chair ART BACON

A reminder to all residents that any irrigation repairs that residents feel is needed has to go through me. It's getting to be a costly problem with residents holding up our coverage inspections with adjustments and replacement parts not always needed. Thanks. (baconart3@gmail.com)

NEW ... NEW... NEW ... VILLA ACTIVITY Guys Gathering at Pool Gazebo (Brag & ????? Session) Wednesdays @ 4:00 pm ***My name is Sam De Angelo. I am a resident of the Villas of Chestnut Creek, a current Board member of the Villas HOA, and Past President.

I am shocked and appalled by the decision of the CCMA Board's decision to not reimburse our HOA for the removal of a downed tree in lake 9 from Hurricane Ian. The decision to remove the tree was made by our HOA after considering a number of factors.

First, we were advised that the CCMA had no funds to pay for removal. Being members of the CCMA we thought we would assist our neighbor association by having the tree removed completely and hauled away so as not to make an already dangerous road condition with debris even worse. We did so at a savings of \$4,900.00 as I believe the CCMA was quoted \$8,400.00 for the same job. In addition we were told it would be months before CCMA would have funds to attempt removal. This was an untenable situation as the degrading tree and stench was more than our residents could bear. We took the action that the CCMA could not take. It was a decision that was made out of the need to expedite removal and in my opinion in accordance with the emergency authorization that Ch720 allows during such conditions.

Instead of receiving a thank you from the Board of the CCMA we received a slap in the face and frankly total ingratitude by the very Board that we thought we were helping. Perhaps protocol was not followed but we were faced with extenuating circumstances that should have allowed some leniency from business as usual protocols.

We, as an HOA, are responsible to our homeowners to make the best decisions we can for their comfort, safety and quiet enjoyment of their properties. The CCMA likewise is responsible to us as members for the same. We are all volunteer board members not totalitarian entities. We expect consideration and cooperation.

I respectfully request that the Board reconsider our request for reimbursement in light of the facts which I have presented in this email.

