



Charter Point Notes

February 2012

Be My Valentine

“Anyone can catch your eye, but it takes someone special to catch your heart.”



Friendly Reminder

The Charter Point Community Association 2012 Membership Drive is underway! The annual dues remain reasonable at \$215 and add value to our neighborhood -- security patrol, well maintained common areas, standards enforcement, residential directory and other perks. Thank you for renewing your dues promptly. ~ Bob Barletta, CPCA Membership Chair

Make check payable to Charter Point Community Association. If paying electronically, be sure your check is set for delivery to Bob Barletta, CPCA Membership, 4432 Fern Creek Drive, Jacksonville 32277. If more budget friendly, dues may be paid in two monthly installments if arrangements are made in advance. Thank you!

Save the Date



**Charter Point Community Association
Members' Meeting
Saturday, April 21, 2012
10:30 AM—12:00 PM
University Park Library Community Room**



February - Yard of the Month

**The Wren Family
4433 Maywood Drive
(Lot 148)**



Interested in offering your time and talent to help better Charter Point? Your volunteer service is needed on our Community Association Board!



**Charter Point Community Association
Board Member Election - 2012**

- Committee Chair openings -

**Community Improvements, Covenants & Restrictions,
Hospitality, Membership, Security, Social (2 year terms)**

Happy Valentine's Day!

Coco Chanel once said, "There are people who have money, and people who are rich." Valentine's Day is one holiday where this sentiment rings most true. Rich in love does not necessarily mean rich in pocket. If on a budget, but want to do something sweet for your family or a special someone, consider the following wallet friendly ideas.



Picnic in Metropolitan Park: Looking for a great family Valentines Day option? Assemble a cooler with kid-friendly fare, along with chips, fruit, veggies and beverages, plus Valentine cookies for dessert! Take in the sights of the park with a nice family walk afterwards and present your mate with some Valentines Day flowers!

A Romantic Dinner Out: Tired of the same-old, same-old and looking a new and different place to dine? Instead of asking around or walking through the Yellow Pages, check out www.urbanspoon.com. Key in the type of restaurant, geographical location and price range, then preview the menu and read the reviews. You'll likely find just the place you're looking for!

Bed and Breakfast Stay-Cation: There are a number of romantic Bed and Breakfasts in and around Jacksonville, each offering unique accommodations, meals and amenities, specially priced.

Wine and Cheese River Walk: Find a bench on the St. Johns River Southbank for a wine and cheese picnic followed by a moonlit stroll along the river walk.

Romantic Holiday at Home: Prepare dinner together, then savor it over candlelight. Curl up afterward to enjoy dessert over a romantic movie like Casablanca, Breakfast at Tiffany's, An Affair to Remember or Sleepless in Seattle.

A question sometimes asked by residents is "Why are the same people always on the Board?" Sadly, the answer is people seldom volunteer to serve. When asked, many say they're too busy and don't have time. So, the same individuals tend to run again and again to avoid a Board governance gap. And candidate opposition is rare.

Looking ahead in 2012, a nominating committee is forming to recruit candidates for the above positions. Contact Walt Holton, CPCA president, if you wish to serve on the committee, add your name to the ballot or to nominate a CPCA member in good standing, who approves of being nominated. See page 3 of this newsletter for more information about each Board position. Note: Only CPCA members in good standing may serve on the committee or run for office.

A slate of candidates will be published next month, along with a Semi-Annual Members' Meeting agenda. Thank you for stepping up to serve!

The election will be held at the Association Members' meeting on Saturday, April 21, 2012. If you are unable to attend the meeting, members may cast their vote by written proxy. One vote per household (per CPCA bylaws). Contact Jill Smith, CPCA Secretary, or Walt Holton, CPCA President, for more information about proxy voting.

**Charter Point
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SUMMARY REPORT

**CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CPAC) MEETING
Planning District 2 ~ Greater Arlington / Beaches**

Specific concerns discussed:

Jason Gabriel, Assistant City Counsel, City of Jacksonville and Soliman Salem, City Planner II, Planning and Development Department, COJ provided an update on the redistricting process, the CPAC reviewed the new proposed boundary maps, information in regard to the upcoming public hearings was provided and they discussed the various time lines (for Rules Committee, City Council and for the School Board).

The following motion was considered:

The Land Use & Zoning subcommittee discussed a number of applications, but presented 3 motions to the full CPAC; all of the following motions were unanimously approved by the full CPAC:

WLD-11-12 ~ 7640 Atlantic Blvd. Waiver of Minimum Distance Requirements for Liquor License Location ~ CPAC voted to oppose the application.

Rezoning 2011-0623 PUD to PUD for a 40 seat church; CPAC voted to support the application with one condition (for a site plan and written description to be provided with the application).

E-11-053 6999 Merrill Road ~ zoning exception for a pawn shop to move into the former Blockbuster store (Merrill & Townsend Roads); the CPAC voted to support the application with one condition (no firearm transaction on the premise).

There was some significant discussion in regard to the new Poker Room and the zoning application from CCG1 to CCG2. Additionally, the CPAC discussed the changes in staffing that have occurred. There was also discussion on the Mathews Bridge project and the traffic problems that have resulted from the project.



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4336 Charter Point Blvd.



Those who can, do. Those who can do more, volunteer.

Charter Point Community Association Board Committee Chairs Needed!

Nominations for Committee chairpersons are being accepted for election to the 2012- 2014 Charter Point Community Association Board. Elections will be held in April. No experience is required to chair a committee, just enthusiasm for the Charter Point community and Association membership in good standing. Volunteer helpers are standing by to join in and looking forward to working with committee leaders.

Committee Summaries

- Social:** Help plan and organize neighborhood activities; assist with holiday luminary project
- Community Improvements:** Monitor common area upkeep; liaise with lawn service providers; promote volunteer Work Days; coordinate seasonal plantings; help obtain bids for services
- Membership:** Assist with dues notices and other mailings; help edit the residential directory
- Covenants & Restrictions:** Monitor compliance; review exterior improvement applications
- Security:** Help promote safety awareness and assist with related activities
- Hospitality:** Greet new residents with a personal visit and a welcome packet; collates related materials

Special Project Volunteers

- Newsletter:** Submit articles and news items; assist with editing and proofreading.
- Civic Engagement:** Help represent Charter Point at civic meetings.
- Marketing:** Assist with the development and distribution of marketing materials to Realtors, Community Groups, etc.

Charter Point is still one of Jacksonville's premiere upscale communities, it can only remain so through the efforts of its residents. Neighborhood pride, upkeep and community service are essential!



If you're looking for a delicious lunch, served hot, tasty, plentiful and reasonably priced, **Clara's at the Cathedral** is the place to go. A training café featuring an upscale menu, Clara's at the Cathedral is an outgrowth of Clara White's Culinary Arts Program, providing students with extensive hands-on training in production, presentation and front of the house restaurant service. Operated in collaboration with St. John's Episcopal Cathedral Church, the Cafe offers a relaxed dining experience within the Cathedral's historic Taliaferro Hall, located in downtown Jacksonville at Duval and Market Streets. Light classical musicians add to the dining ambiance. Clara's at the Cathedral is open to the public each Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All proceeds benefit the culinary school (\$10 all inclusive).

Buffet Menu for Friday, February 3

SOUP - Butternut Squash

SALADS - Artisan Salad with Tomatoes and Onions; Raisin Carrot Salad

ENTREES -

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce; Vegetable Lasagna; Sausage with Peppers and Onions

VEGETABLES – Corn, Rice, Green Beans

ASSORTED BREADS - Dinner Rolls

DESSERTS – Brownies, Bread Pudding, Strawberry Shortcake

BEVERAGES - Tea (Sweet & Unsweetened), Tropical Tea, Coffee – Regular & Decaf

To receive a weekly menu via email, contact

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Volunteer

The Carpenter's Shop Center is dedicated to transforming the lives of less fortunate children, teens and families living in the Arlington community.

With Us!

Volunteer Opportunities!

- ✚ After School Enrichment Activities
- ✚ Benevolence Food Pantry
- ✚ *Born Free* Women's Program
- ✚ Career Counseling
- ✚ Financial Counseling
- ✚ Fundraising & Resource Development
- ✚ Health & Wellness
- ✚ Newsletter/Website
- ✚ Speaker's Bureau
- ✚ Special Events
- ✚ Spiritual Support
- ✚ Sports Activities
- ✚ Summer Camp
- ✚ Tutoring & Mentoring

For more information, please visit our website, www.thecarpentersshopcenter.org or contact our Volunteer Coordinator at 904-945-4937 or LRHsolutions@aol.com.

The Carpenter's Shop Center is a faith based 501(c)(3) organization that improves the health of families by connecting them to resources, providing programs and services that empower and educate families to navigate the issues they face today.

The Carpenter's Shop Center was built from a deep love for the people of the Arlington area. We grew up here, formed relationships here, went to school and church here, and this is our home.

Over the last eleven years, The Carpenter's Shop Center has been transforming the lives of families in our community. We are committed to this area because it is *our home*, plain and simple.

It has been said "the only way for evil to triumph is for good men and women to do nothing." There is a place here for you to partner with us to help plant the seeds of change, not just for a neighborhood, but for a generation.

We invite you to stand with us as a valued volunteer to be "A Bright Light for Kids" in the Arlington Community.

