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2016 ANNUAL MEETING

Our Annual meeting was held on Saturday, September 10 at Christie Village. This year we also had Autumn in OZ on Beech Mountain so we had the traffic to deal with. We had a great turnout and the weather was fantastic (quite different from last year). Last year we had a tent to help keep us warm—this year we needed a tent to keep cool and keep the sun off.

After the meeting we shared a New Orleans Style Shrimp Boil provided by Kevin Edgeman with Banana Splits and Ice Cream Sundaes for desserts.

The BIG NEWS of the day and for the future of Christie Village is that we voted to replace 70 windows in our building. Not the sliding glass doors yet but 70 WINDOWS AND SCREENS. All of the windows so that means those that have the fogging in the middle of them will be gone! It does mean there

will be an assessment but that is a small price to pay to get rid of the ugly fogged windows. Cost of these new windows will be \$26,778.00.

EcoView is the company that will provide the windows and do the installation. As soon as we do the maintenance billing October 1 and the payments come in we can make the required down payment. EcoView will then come out and make the final measurements.



Look for your statement to be in your mailbox by the first week of October. Mail your check ASAP so our Windows project can start.

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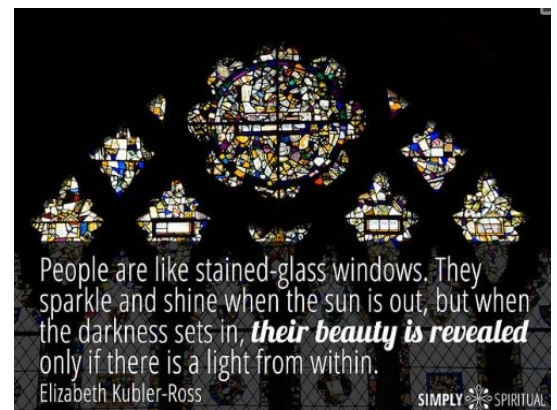
CHRISTIE VILLAGE WILLINGLY ACCEPTS DONATIONS

From: Barbara Freeman

For 3 1/2 years I have volunteered at Christie Village. I don't take a salary, my goal is to try to get Christie Village restored to a state of cleanliness and happiness where members can come with their families again. Someone asked me "what keeps you going?". This is what keeps me going.

- A family came recently after not having visited for several years; we had several good political discussion because we differ on our positions; as they left we hugged and I told them how happy I was to see them again at Christie Village after so many years. About a week later a box arrived with 10 hair dryers. I knew this family had sent the hair dryers. Immediately, I labeled them "PROPERTY OF CHRISTIE VILLAGE UNPLUG WHEN NOT IN USE". Excitedly I took one to each unit. I was so thrilled, I felt like the Marriott with a hair dryer in the bathroom for our guests to use.
- Another family was here and stayed in 3B, they were so tired because they visited Tweetsie with their grandchildren. They could only stay one night. But as they left they came into the office and gave me a big hug. He reached into his wallet and handed me \$200. I cried! I knew he was battling health issues. With this donation I could put some Christie Village money with it and paint 3B, it needed it so badly. When that was not enough I could personally pay my son to finish it up.

- We were blessed to receive not one BUT two \$500 donations in one week. Each person said they felt they wanted to contribute to help Christie Village. One said if they were closer and had more time they would be helping physically but just could not at this time, because of career commitments and distance. The second wants to remain anonymous. MAYBE these two donations are not enough to complete the replacement of the shutters at the same time we replace the windows. **But it is a very good start.**
- I have met so many good people. They are what keep me going. It's not the donations but the good people that give the donations willingly and the volunteers that come and give willingly of their time that keep me going.



People are like stained-glass windows. They sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when the darkness sets in, **their beauty is revealed** only if there is a light from within.

Elizabeth Kubler-Ross

SIMPLY SPIRITUAL

TAKING OUT THE GARBAGE CAN BE FULL OF SURPRISES

What a surprise Emily Boots received when she took out the garbage. She normally just tosses it in. But—she happened to look in to see more than just garbage. She then came to the office and said excitedly, “come look in the garbage can”.

Not something I wanted to do. But I do care a lot for Emily. She and her husband Marvin come to Christie Village every year. So I followed her to the garbage dump. And there huddled up in the corner were three cute raccoons. So I ran to get my camera to take their picture and of course I had to take Emily’s picture also. Knowing raccoons are rather resourceful, we found a board to stand up hoping they could crawl out. Sure enough all three had left the garbage dump after a few hours.



We felt like we had done a good deed for the day—we had helped something crawl out of the of the garbage .

This opportunity is still available!!! Would you like to VOLUNTEER?



Maybe you can remove wallpaper, paint, organize kitchens, put in shelf paper, rake leaves, build retaining walls. Perhaps you would like to “man” the office for a weekend. Christie Village has opportunities for you to use your skills.

If you’re interested, give us a call (828-387-2100).

VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION!!! THANK YOU!!!

Jim and Suzanne from Michigan returned to Christie Village to continue the electrical project of swapping out the plugs and switches. This time Jim worked in 3B. You can’t believe the difference it makes to have new receptacles, switches and covers. Some were broken or just fall apart when he takes the covers off. Of course this is not all he does. He helped assemble the tent for the annual meeting. He hauled off some old mattresses They also did some additional upgrading of some light fixtures in 7B. I can’t even list all the things he did while he was here. Suzanne also did some spring cleaning in 3B. This is the unit we also painted. She cleaned some carpets and organized some drawers and cabinets. Suzanne stained the woodwork on some cabinets. And the list goes on and on. I can’t thank them enough for the work they are doing at Christie Village. I’m sure the owners will see a big difference when they visit these units again. Hopefully this will inspire others to volunteer at Christie Village.

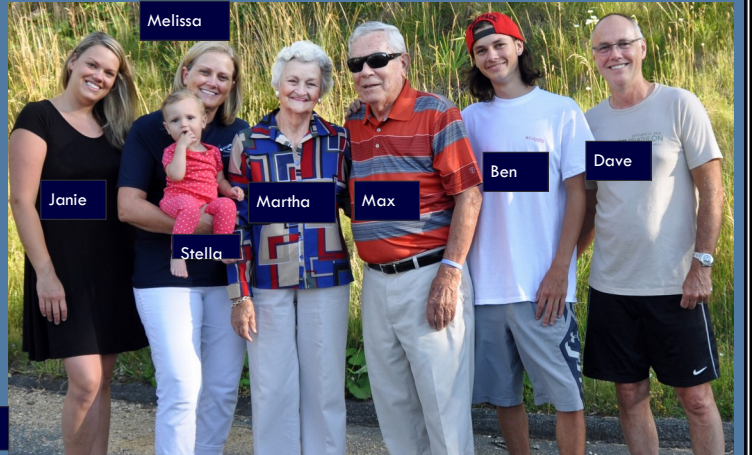
People may hear your words, but they feel your attitude.

John C. Maxwell

Meet Christie Village Owners Max and Martha Melton



Max and Martha during their Christie Village visit in July 2016



Max and Martha Melton are from Monroe, NC. They have four kids, 11 grandkids, 1 great grandchild Stella. They bought their two Christie Village units from a guy named Bill Smith in 1977 on Melissa's 13th birthday. It was brand new and had not even been completed. What a great birthday present! They have been regular visitors throughout the nearly 40 years.

Martha was a secretary and bookkeeper at the Prospect Elementary school for 28 years. Her grandfather actually donated the land for the school where she worked. Max served on the Union County School Board and was a Union County Commissioner. He also served a term in Raleigh as a NC House of Representatives from 1999-2000.

Max & Martha with four generations of family that has enjoyed visiting Christie Village. Their daughter Melissa and husband Dave and their son, Ben and daughter, Janie and the pride of the whole family, baby Stella (being held by grandmother Melissa).



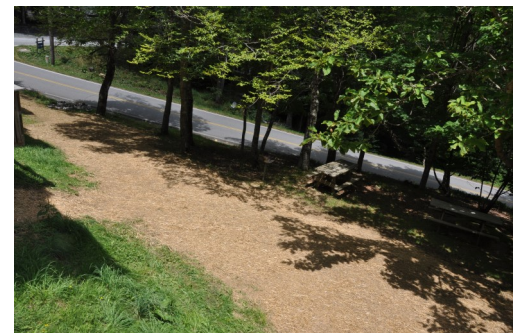
Janie the proud mommie of baby Stella .

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CHRISTIE VILLAGE!

Drain lines that came off the building just terminated and were making ditches in the back yard when it rains. A solution would be if we could take units 5, 6, and 7 to the storm water drain. Units 1,2,3 and 4 would drain to the street. Bob Foust an owner from Charleston and Greg Freeman offered to come to help with this project. Bob suggested renting an excavator to help us complete it this weekend; so we rented one for eight hours. Greg knew how to drive it and we could make the backyard look much better in the process. It would still be a lot of work but we could do it this weekend. These two guys finished it in two days and our

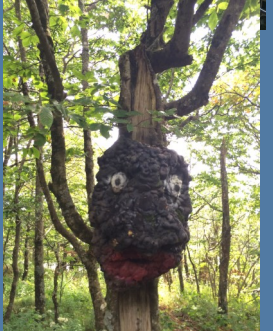
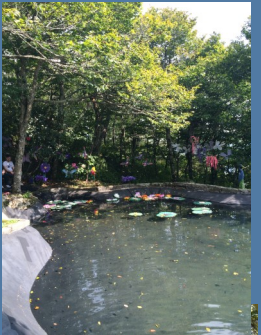


back yard looks so much better. Here's a picture of the finished product.



MAINTENANCE STATEMENTS WILL BE RUN OCTOBER 1

IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE YOUR STATEMENT BY OCTOBER 10, EMAIL ME AT info@christievillage.com.



Ricky and Faye Stevens from Edinburgh Scotland visited Christie Village through a DAE swap. During their visit, Beech Mountain celebrated Autumn at Oz. Ricky and Faye were lucky enough to able to visit OZ on the mountain. They really enjoyed their visit to OZ and Christie Village and Beech Mountain. We showed them some international hospitality and invited them back again next year.



ALBUM FROM OZ