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The Official Newsletter of
Crestwood Village V Community Association

FEBRUARY 2026

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Fri 2/6 - Resident's Club Dance 7pm

Mon 2/9 - Quarterly Open Board Meeting 2pm

Tue 2/10 - Resident's Club Meeting 2pm

Mon 2/16 - Presidents Day - Clubhouse Closed

Sat 2/21 - Flea Market 9am



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Clubhouse Open

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
(Office Closed 12:00 - 1:00 pm for Lunch)

A QUOTE FOR FEBRUARY

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it is filled with lots of love
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Steve Berwanger – President
Communications, MCC Liaison, Office Liaison,
Clubhouse backup

Maryann Payne – 1st Vice President
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Modifications backup, Clubs Liaison backup

Betsy Gordon – 2nd Vice President
Snow Coordinator, Grass Coordinator

Eileen Ringen – Secretary
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backup

Steve Carroll – Treasurer
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Clubs Liaison, Clubhouse Representative,
Communications Coordinator backup, MCC
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Coordinator backup

Ed Kirkwood – Sergeant At Arms
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Work Order Maintenance backup, Snow
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All Trustees – Alternating Weekly - Inspections
including Trees & Violations

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Here we are, February. The winter will hopefully soon be over and we can look forward to Spring. Since the cost of electricity is a big topic we've included the township's explanation of their current energy program. There's also directions on how to opt out if you choose to do so.

If anyone has pictures of our various events that they would like to share in the Hilltopics please send them to the office.

- Steve Berwanger

CV5 Board of Trustees 2026 Schedule

The Board of Trustees meets every Tuesday morning at 10 AM, biweekly during the summer months (between Memorial & Labor days). All members are welcome to observe the beginning, open part, of these meetings.

If a member has an issue or problem that they feel needs to be discussed with the Board they should make an appointment. We will meet with them during the later Executive session of the meeting.

Additionally, our bylaws require quarterly open Board meetings on the second Monday of February, May, August, & November.

2026

February 3, 9+, 10, 17, 24

March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

April 7, 14, 21, 28

May 5, 11+, 12, 19

June 2, 16, 30

July 14, 28

August 10+, 11, 25

September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

(* Closed meeting (election day)

(+) Quarterly open meeting 2PM

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CV5 RESIDENTS CLUB

CV5 residents club meeting is Tuesday Feb 10th @ 2 in the clubhouse. Join us for snacks & sweets & free tickets to win prizes. Hope to see you all there.

CLUBHOUSE HOLIDAY CLOSURES

2026

- Feb 16 - Mon - Presidents Day - Clubhouse Closed
- May 25 - Mon - Memorial Day - Clubhouse Closed
- Jun 19 - Fri - Juneteenth - Office Closed / Clubhouse Open
- Jul 3 - Fri - Independence Day (observed) - Clubhouse Closed
- Sep 7 - Mon - Labor Day - Clubhouse Closed



SERVICES INCLUDED IN YOUR MONTHLY ASSOCIATION FEES

1. A Master Insurance Policy that covers rebuilding of a home to builders' grade in the event of a catastrophic loss. It is strongly recommended that owners purchase an HO6 insurance policy to cover the contents of the residence, liability and any additions or upgrades to the original structure e.g., replacements windows, doors, siding, etc.
2. Bus Service
3. Grass Cutting
4. Snow will be plowed from roads and driveways when the accumulations exceed 3 inches. Sidewalks will be shoveled for Units without a driveway.
5. Painting and Repairing of Garbage Cans
6. Mailbox Repairs and Replacements
7. Trimming of Trees that affect roof or siding.
8. Road Potholes and Maintenance of Street Signs
9. Yearly Termite Inspections of Crawl Spaces
10. Gutter Cleanings (1 in Spring and 1 in Fall)
11. Gutter Repair (not Replace) to original gutters.
12. Once yearly dryer vent cleaning

TREASURER'S REPORT

FISCAL PERIOD ENDING 11/30/2025

| Description | Current Month | Year-To-Date | | | RESERVE FUNDS: | |
|---------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------|
| | Actual | Actual | Budget | Diff | | |
| Total Income | 221,821 | 1,172,304 | 1,083,749 | 88,555 | Operating | 152,493 |
| Total Expenses | 231,708 | 1,204,857 | 1,083,750 | (121,107) | Replacement | 2,922,262 |
| Net Income / (Loss) | (9,887) | (32,552) | (0) | (32,552) | Deferred Maint | 151,583 |
| | | | | | Total Reserves | 3,226,338 |

STOUT'S BUS SCHEDULE - CRESTWOOD VILLAGE FIVE

EFFECTIVE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2025

REVISED: NOVEMBER 13, 2025

All reservations must be called into the office in advance as noted.

Provide name, address and phone #.

For Sunday pickup, also provide name of Whiting church.

Sunday: Whiting Churches – 9 AM pickup (3.5 hours)
(call in by 1:30 p.m. on Friday)

Monday: ShopRite Manchester – 10 AM pickup (4 hours)
(call in by 1:30 p.m. on Friday)

Tuesday: (2nd Tuesday) Ocean County Mall or (4th Tuesday) Brick Plaza – 9:30 AM pickup (5 hours)
(call in by 1:30 pm. on Friday)

Wednesday: Lacey Mall, Walmart, TJ Maxx, ShopRite & Aldi
10 AM pickup (5 hours)
(call in by 1:30 p.m. on Monday)

Thursday: No regular service – special trips only – 6x per year

December 11, 2025: Historic Smithville
April 16, 2026: Columbus Farmers Market
June 18, 2026: Columbus Farmers Market
July 16, 2026: Freehold Mall / Orchards
September 17, 2026: Historic Smithville
October 15, 2026: Freehold Mall / Orchards
December 17, 2026: Historic Smithville

Clubhouse pickup – 10 AM (must arrive by 9:45 AM)
(call in by 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday)

Friday: Stop & Shop Whiting – 10 AM pickup (3 hours)
(call in by 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday)

NOTE: There is a 3-bag limit on shopping trips

THERE IS NO BUS SERVICE ON:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| New Year's Day | Memorial Day |
| Independence Day | Labor Day |
| Thanksgiving | Christmas |
| Days of Inclement Weather (School Closings) | |

THURSDAY IS

BINGO DAY

AT CRESTWOOD VILLAGE 5!

DOORS OPEN 9:00 AM

Bingo Sheets Start Selling at 10:45 AM

BINGO CALLING STARTS AT 12:30 PM

TO ALL RESIDENTS:

We are in need of volunteers for the following positions:

- **SET UP CREW** — tables and chairs are set before and after all functions. Contact Ed 732-598-9420
- **BINGO CALLER** — 12:30pm to 3pm on Thursdays. Pick your own schedule.
- **BINGO FLOOR WALKER** — 12:30pm to 3pm on Thursdays. Verify numbers on winners' sheets. Pick your own schedule.
- **BINGO 50/50 SELLERS** — 10:30am to 12:30pm on Thursdays. Pick your own schedule.
- **KITCHEN HELPERS** — all functions that require food service. Pick your own schedule.

For more info call: Ronnie 908-303-7377



Apr 25th, 2026

1:00 PM

BINGO

| | | | | |
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| 7 | 20 | 35 | 47 | 72 |
| 12 | 16 | 42 | 42 | 61 |

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Snow Removal Guidelines

Below is a reminder of the procedures that all resident's in Crestwood Village V must adhere to during snow events.

- * Generally, snow removal will not begin until the snow has stopped falling.
- * Plowing will not start until snow accumulation has reached three (3) inches.
- * The main roads and finger streets will be plowed first.
- * Resident's that are on the medical plowing list (*for dialysis patient's only*) will have their driveways completed next.
- * Driveways will be plowed when main roads, finger streets and medical plowing is completed.
- * Any home without a garage will have their sidewalks shoveled. No other sidewalks will be shoveled by the contractor.
- * If your car is parked in your driveway at the time the plow comes along, your driveway will not be plowed. If you go out and move your car, the plows will not return.
- * If you have a paver driveway abutting your driveway, that portion will not be plowed.
- * The Resident is responsible for any snow remaining on the driveway after it has been plowed, this includes blowing or drifting snow.
- * Cars that are left on the street or finger street during a snowstorm may be towed, at the owner's expense, so that the streets can be adequately plowed.
- * Salting of roads will be based on conditions /temperature and at the discretion of the Trustees.

As with any other situation, if you have a medical emergency during a storm, do not call the Association office to be plowed out, please call 911.

PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE ANSWERING SERVICE AFTER HOURS BECAUSE YOU HAVE NOT BEEN PLOWED. THE ANSWERING SERVICE CANNOT PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION AND CANNOT DISPATCH THE PLOWS.

Issues/problems regarding the snow removal, as always should be in writing on a complaint form, available at the clubhouse. Complaints will not be taken over the telephone.

Recognizing that Crestwood Village V is not an assisted living facility, homeowner's have a responsibility to adequately prepare themselves and their homes in case of snow. Stocking up on food and emergency supplies is an extremely important safety step to take. Making sure that you are refilled on your prescription medication is also a vital step to take. When possible, rescheduling appointments is recommended. The Association Office sells ice melt and will deliver it to your door. The ice melt is \$8 for a 10 pound bag. Should you want a bag of ice melt delivered to you, kindly fill out a work order advising of how many bags of ice melt you would like and submit to the Association Office with your payment in cash or check. The Association's maintenance men will not lay the ice melt; that is the homeowner's responsibility. The Association's maintenance men will not shovel snow or clear paths due to melting or drifting snow (after the contractor does an initial clean up); this is a homeowner's responsibility. Although the Association recognizes that there are many elderly retired persons in the community who are no longer capable of these tasks, regrettably these tasks are beyond the Association's scope of services.

FEBRUARY 2026

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| 8 | 9 Sticks Alive Exercise 10 AM Open Board of Trustees Mtg 2 PM | 10 Dance w/ Michelle 9 AM Trustee Meeting 10 AM Resident's Club Mtg 2 PM | 11 Sticks Alive Exercise 10 AM Ceramics 10 AM | 12 BINGO DAY Doors Open 9 AM Selling Starts 10:45 AM Bingo Starts 12:30 PM | 13 Artist Guild 9:30 AM | 14 |
| 15 | 16 PRESIDENT'S DAY CLUBHOUSE CLOSED | 17 Dance w/ Michelle 9 AM Trustee Meeting 10 AM | 18 Sticks Alive Exercise 10 AM Ceramics 10 AM | 19 BINGO DAY Doors Open 9 AM Selling Starts 10:45 AM Bingo Starts 12:30 PM | 20 Artist Guild 9:30 AM | 21 Flea Market 9:00 AM |
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| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> Tickets for the Resident's Club dance and/or Travel Bocce trips can be purchased on Tuesdays in the Activities Room from 10am-Noon </div> | | | | | | |

MARCH 2026

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | |
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| 1 | 2 Sticks Alive Exercise 10 AM | 3 Dance w/ Michelle 9 AM Trustee Meeting 10 AM | 4 Sticks Alive Exercise 10 AM Ceramics 10 AM | 5 BINGO DAY Doors Open 9 AM Selling Starts 10:45 AM Bingo Starts 12:30 PM | 6 Artist Guild 9:30 AM Resident's Club Dance 7 PM | 7 | |
| 8 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS | 9 Sticks Alive Exercise 10 AM | 10 Dance w/ Michelle 9 AM Trustee Meeting 10 AM Residents Club Mtg 2 PM | 11 Sticks Alive Exercise 10 AM Ceramics 10 AM | 12 BINGO DAY Doors Open 9 AM Selling Starts 10:45 AM Bingo Starts 12:30 PM | 13 Artist Guild 9:30 AM | 14 | |
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| 29 | 30 Sticks Alive Exercise 10 AM Manchester Coordinating Council 1:30 PM | 31 Dance w/ Michelle 9 AM Trustee Meeting 10 AM |    Trash Removal is Every Tuesday & Friday Manchester Twp Recycling Every Other Friday Leaf & Branch Pickup is 1st Thursday | | | | |

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At the same time, we ask our residents that can, to please donate to our pantry. We can rehome non-perishable food products, shelf stable milk, canned fruit, canned chicken, paper goods, pasta, etc.

You can simply drop these things by the food pantry door. We can also accept monetary donations and gift cards as we use them to buy things like eggs and bread, etc. Just leave them for the pantry at the office window.

Crestwood Village Five Resident's Club Dance

Music by:

Alfredo & Eddie on Congos

Friday, April 3, 2026

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Manchester Community Energy Aggregation Program Summary

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| Constellation New Energy Information: | Constellation NewEnergy (BPU License # ESL-0016) Toll Free Telephone Number: 1- 844-551-8582 Website: https://www.constellation.com/nj-manchester Address: 1310 Point Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21231 Email Address: vst@constellation.com |
| Price Structure: | Non-Variable Price ² |
| Generation/Supply Price: | \$0.14644 per kilowatt-hour (kWh) |
| Statement Regarding Savings: | The contract supply price is below the current average JCP&L tariff supply price of about \$0.154/kwh. Savings, while not guaranteed, are estimated to be more than \$100 over the contract term versus the average JCP&L BGS tariff price for the typical resident. Actual savings will vary monthly due to fluctuations in JCP&L’s net price and customer usage. For budget billing details, see footnote below ³ |
| Amount of Time Required to Change Back to Default Service or Another TPS: | The request to switch out of the MEAPC program will become effective on the next available meter read date in accordance with processes implemented by JCP&L |
| Incentives: | None |
| Right to Opt Out / Rescind / Cancel: | IMPORTANT: You will be AUTOMATICALLY ENROLLED enrolled in the MCEA program unless you submit an ‘opt-out’ request within the 30-day opt-out period, which ends October 10, 2025. If you choose to ‘opt out’, please sign and return the enclosed postage-paid card, call Constellation NewEnergy (“CNE”) toll-free at 1- 844-551-8582 or email vst@constellation.com by October 10, 2025. If you do not opt out by October 10, 2025 you will be enrolled; however, you may still leave the MCEA program at any time thereafter <i>You may also opt out through the Township’s Energy Consultant at www.gabelassociates.com/GEA or gea-program@gabelassociates.com.</i> ✱ |
| Program Start Date: | Service will begin with your November 2025 meter read date |
| Program Term/Length: | 18 months, until your May 2027 meter read date |
| Cancellation/Early Termination Fees: | None. You can opt out at any time, with no penalty or cancellation fee ✱ |
| Renewal Terms: | No automatic roll-over or renewal. If a new contract is awarded by the Township, you will be notified, provided a new Program Summary, and will again be given the opportunity to participate in the program or opt out. If no new contract is awarded by the Township, program participants will be returned to JCP&L supply service in May 2027. |
| JCP&L Contact Information: | Toll-Free Telephone Number: 800-662-3115 Telephone Number for Emergencies and Outages: 1-888-544-8477 |

Para obtener esta información en Español por favor llame á este numero: 1-844-551-8582

Residents receiving this notice who are outside the geographic boundaries of Manchester, please contact CNE to be removed from the program. Manchester residents who do not receive this notice are permitted to join the program any time.

² Supplier cannot vary prices monthly or adjust prices for changed market conditions, or change the rate after an initial ‘teaser’ period. The contract price can only be changed in the event of a change law or regulation that imposes cost levels on the supplier that were unknown at the time the contract was executed, and that similarly impacts the cost of power supply under the JCP&L tariff.

³ Equal payment plans (EPP) will be provided to residents who currently have EPP billing with JCP&L. Under budget billing service, CNE will calculate your budgeted amount based on your average electric usage over the prior 12 months. Periodically, CNE will examine your budget and may adjust to more closely match your usage from the previous year. CNE will also conduct a final true-up at the end of the contract - or upon your leaving the program should you ‘opt-out’ before the end of the 18-month term - to reconcile between the amount of electricity actually used and the amount paid under the plan. The new budget amount may vary from the level of your current budget payment. You will continue to receive a leveled amount from JCP&L for delivery service, and you may experience true-ups with JCP&L during the contract.

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