

Paper or Electrons?

Remember the good ol' pre-virus days when the bagger at Smith's would ask: "Paper or plastic?" A tough decision then, and now we have another to ask you: would you be willing to accept an electronic version of this newsletter, rather than a printed version? Before you answer, here are a few FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions) to consider about the process:

Q: What is the *Chronicle*?

A: The *Chronicle* is the official newsletter of the Four Hills Village Association (FHVA). It is published four times per year: March, June, September, and December.

Q: What is the e-Chronicle?

A. The e-Chronicle is a PDF image of the *Chronicle*.

Q: What is PDF?

A: PDF (Portable Document Format) is a file format that provides an electronic image of text and graphics that looks like a printed document; a universal, independent file format developed by Adobe Acrobat. Almost all computers come with an Adobe reader for PDF files. This reader can also be downloaded for free at Adobe.com (search: reader download)

Q: Why, when, and by whom was the e-Chronicle authorized?

A: All current FHVA members are entitled to receive a mailed hard copy of the *Chronicle*. Some members have indicated that they would prefer receiving the *Chronicle* by email as an electronic file in PDF format, and this option was approved by the FHVA Board.

Q: Why is the e-Chronicle advantageous to FHVA administration?

A: The PDF option will save FHVA mailing costs. All hardcopy *Chronicle* issues are now mailed by First Class postage. Printing and mailing of the two publications constitute a significant portion of the FHVA budget.

Q: Why is the e-Chronicle advantageous to FHVA members?

A: the electronic copy is identical in content to the hard copy but is in color, allows full search capabilities, on-screen enlargement for easy reading, and could be easily stored on a hard drive or in The Cloud.

Q: How do I sign up for the e-Chronicle?

A: send your request along with your name and email address to spbrugge@gmail.com and you will be placed on the PDF delivery list until such time as you request to go back to a postal service mailed copy.

Q: What if I want both the hard copy AND the e-Chronicle?

A: That is not the purpose of the option. You can receive a copy of the e-Chronicle by asking. If you like it, you will be placed on the PDF delivery list, and will no longer receive the hard copy.

Q: Is there a permanent file of all FHVA *Chronicle* issues?

A: The Publications Director maintains a hard-copy file and electronic copies. FHVA also posts some past *Chronicle* issues in PDF format on its web site: FHVA.org