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GULF VIEW ESTATES NEWSLETTER

The Gulf View

GVE Compliance Committee

Effective immediately, the Board will be implementing the authority granted by our Easements, Covenants and Restrictions (EC&Rs) and by Florida Statute 720 to consider fines for unit owners that do not comply with our EC&Rs. A Compliance Committee consisting of volunteer owners not on the Board is now in place and will sit in review of any violations that result in fines.

posed and voted upon in December 2008. See the Declarations of Ease-



ments, Covenants and Restrictions, Article 23. Every owner should have a copy of this document. It is now available on the GVE website *gulf-viewestates.com* or it can be obtained by contacting Keys-Caldwell at 408-8293.

If violation letters are ignored, as they have been in the past, your Board will review the offense as presented to them by the Compliance Committee and can assess fines of up to \$100 per day per infraction up to \$1,000 each. The corrective period of 14 - 30 days is dependent on the impact of the violation. The Board can choose whether or not to allow the Compliance Committee's fining recommendation. You have the right to appeal this action by attending a hearing which will be scheduled by the Compliance Committee.

The Fining Amendment was pro-

A copy of the State Statute Chapter 720.305 is attached to the newsletter. It is the law under which the Fining Amendment to the EC&Rs was written.

Your Gulf View Estates Owners Association exists to protect our property values by maintaining common elements and enforcing agreed upon standards. That mission becomes more difficult, but no less important, in these difficult economic times. Please help us to preserve Gulf View Estates and its unique character for all our residents.

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Animal Control Requirements

It has been reported to the Board that the increased number of pets in GVE at this time of year is causing some problems. Sarasota County Sheriff's Office, Animal Services Sections, Ordinance Chapter 14 covers most of these issues.

Here are the two most reported complaints:

2. Your dog or cat may not run at large on any public property or the property of another unless it is under the direct control of a responsible person. **Di**rect control means: Immediate and continuous physical control of an animal at all times by means of a fence, leash, cord or chain of sufficient strength to restrain the animal. Fine: 1st infraction = \$50.00 2nd = \$200.00 3rd = MCA ***Indicates a Mandatory Court Appearance.

3. Your animal may not cause or create a public nuisance. Fine: 1st infraction = \$100.00 2nd = \$200.00 3rd = \$350.00

This includes an animal that:

- a. is repeatedly at large;
- b. damages the property of anyone other than

its owner;

- c. chases vehicles on the public right-of-way;
- d. makes excessive, disturbing noise;
- e. is offensive or dangerous to the public health, safety, or welfare;
- f. attacks other animals

The county can only enforce this ordinance if the offending animal is reported. Please call Animal Services at 861-9500. In addition to the fines listed above, a surcharge will be imposed upon each violation, plus the cost of Impound and Daily Maintenance of the animal, if so ordered. For a complete list of Chapter 14 violations please contact Sarasota County Animal Services.

The other most reported offense is covered by our own EC&Rs #13, and is subject to a fine of up to \$100.00 per day, per infraction.

".....Pet owners shall be responsible for cleaning up any refuse created by the animals, whether <u>on their</u> <u>own property</u>, other property in the neighborhood, or public streets in the subdivision....."

Your responsible pet ownership will help keep GVE a lovely, friendly place to live.



Calendar of Events

February 16

<u>Monthly meeting</u> of the *GVE Board* of *Directors* is scheduled at 7:00 PM at Woodmere Park. All members of the GVE Association are welcome.

February 17

<u>R.O.M.E.O.s</u>, let's have breakfast! We'll meet at *Jim O'Hara's Café*, 3974 South Tamiami Trail next to the Anderson Administrative Building at 9:00 AM. Call Bill Cress, 493-0660, to reserve. Since the café is a small place, we need to know how many will attend.

February 24

<u>The Community Dinner Night Out</u> is planned for *Gold Rush BBQ*, 661 South Tamiami Trail, at 6:00 PM. Ann Vohsberg is taking reservations at 587-8942.

March 3

<u>GVE Ladies Luncheon</u> will be held at 12:00 noon at *Beckham's Osprey Grill* at 1272 South Tamiami Trail, just south of Blackburn Point Road on the southbound side of the road. Watch for the Beckham's sign on the right side of the road going

north. To make a reservation call Linda Sussman, 408-9486.



A Profitable Sale

We have Donna Mills and Dora Jean Banes to thank for a very successful Garage Sale. Advertising in local newspapers brought a large number of bargain shoppers many of whom look forward to this sale year after year.

There were 75 participants. Thanks to Rusty and Lynn Bradford, who made the rounds to collect \$1.00 from each household, the costs of advertising were covered.

Traffic? See Page 5.

March 31

<u>Community Dinner Night Out</u> will be held at 6:00 PM at the *Saltwater Cafe* located at 1071 Tamiami Trail North. It is on the south side of the road before Laurel Road. For more information and to make a reservation call Linda Sussman, 408-9486.

"Owner is Away"

If you are going to be away from your home for a week or more, for safety's sake, please leave word with a nearby neighbor and leave a contact with our management company, Keys-Caldwell at 408-8293. If your grass is growing, your newspapers are collecting, weeds are taking over your gardens, it is a sure sign that your house is unattended.

The worst that can happen in this climate is a water leak. There should be someone close by who can identify any problem that might arise and can locate you.



New Flag

A new American flag was raised at the GVE entrance Janu-

ary 27th. It flies in memory of Jerry Greenler and George Lindenberger—two good men who lived their lives well and enriched ours.

Missing Something?

A telescoping pole with a hook on the end was brought to the entrance the day the Christmas lights were taken down. Ed Kowalski is concerned that whoever left it would like to have it back. He has it in safekeeping. You can call him at 493-5584.

GVE Website

The new website, *gulf-viewestates.com* is gaining momentum. The newsletter can be found there each month. Announcements of events are being posted. Pertinent documents can be accessed. Items for sale can be advertised.

Take a few minutes to check it out. The possibilities are endless!



New Neighbors

We would like to extend a welcome to new

neighbors moving into Gulf View Estates. If you are one of those or if you know someone, please notify Sandy Tustin, our Welcoming Committee hostess at 493-4734.

SWCAHA Meeting

By Wallace Hewett

The January meeting of the Southwest County Alliance of Homeowners Associations was held in the historical Green Street Church.

The featured speaker was Christine Robinson, the newly appointed South county Commissioner for our District 3. She gave us a background of her experience, outlook on fiscal affairs and a pledge to support the interests and activities of South County.

Long time President, Tom Minnick, stepped down this year, but remains on as a member of the Executive Council. The new President of the Alliance is Gary Nieskes.

A roster of possible speakers for future meetings was discussed. The February meeting was held on the 3rd at Foxwood. The speaker was Commissioner Nora Patterson.

The next meeting will be held at 9:00 AM March 3 in Englewood Center for Sustainability, Kiwanis Park. The speaker is Erick Phelps, Steering Committee for ECS (Education Commission of the States).

The Board has appointed this writer once again as an active representative to the Alliance on behalf of GVE homeowners association.

Cook's Corner

People who love to cook are usually happy to share their recipes. Ruth Cress, Pat DiFrancesca and San-Dee Fagin are collecting recipes from members of the Association with a view to compiling a GVE Cook Book at some future date. If you have a recipe you would like to contribute, please contact one of these neighbors:

Ruth Cress	5895 Garfield Road
Pat DiFrancesca	1482 Pierce Drive
SanDee Fagin	5888 Taylor Road

One per month will be featured in *The Gulf View*. This month's is an appetizer; next month it will be the entrée; the third one will be the finish piece—dessert!

The recipe below is formatted so you can cut it out and attach it to an index card approximately $4 \ge 6$ inches to file in your recipe box.

SanDee Fagin



The editor would appreciate feedback on this column. Do you want to try new recipes? Would you like to see one of your own in print? What do you think about the possibility of producing a GVE Cook Book?

COOK-S COLLOR

Hot Seafood Dip

- 2 8 oz. pkgs. cream cheese, softened, and blended with
- 1 tbs. milk
- 1 can crabmeat
- 1 can shrimp
- 1 can chopped clams
- 2 tbs. chopped onion
- ¹/₂ tbs. white horseradish
- 3 drops lemon juice
- ¹/₂ tsp. each salt and pepper
- Slivered almonds

Mix altogether and bake in small casserole at 375° for 15 minutes. Serve dip with crackers.

On the Lighter Side . . .

Jack versus Florida

By Bob Kozuch, V. P.

We left Gulf View Estates on a balmy December 16, 2010, for our Christmas and New Year holidays in merry old New England with our family. Lawn was green; flowers were blooming; all was beautiful. The bougainvilleas were boogyin'; the plumbago's bagoin'; all was well.

We returned on January 5, 2011, to a brown out. Old Jack Frost did it to us again. We asked ourselves how this could happen when we are supposedly living in a subtropical zone - so much for tropical warming.

Mr. Weatherman said the jet stream is streaming out of the northwest, charging down to the southland and going across country and back up along the east coast, raising havoc with most of the country.

Sleet and freezing rain hit the southern states and frost descended on Florida. Old Mother Nature and her bag of tricks!

Talked to Jim Cunningham, our resident landscaper, who advises all of us to be patient with many of our frosted plants. Do not prune too early. It takes warmth, sunshine and rain to perk them back up.

I am still confused about global warming. Both poles are melting and the middle of the country is freezing.

Keep the faith GVE residents; Spring is coming.

Note: Bob Kozuch is Chairman of Landscaping



... and you thought US41 was bad?





. . wonder whích Garage Sale "guest" lífted an orange and left the peel ín my yard? Questions or concerns may be addressed to Property Manager, Jim Kraut, in a signed letter placed in the mailbox by the Bulletin Board or by telephone 408-8293.