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MERRY CHRISTMAS! HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Sunstate Association Management Group

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The Gulf View

Annual GVE Meeting

The Agenda for the December 5th meeting of the Gulf View Estates membership is attached to this newsletter. Also attached is a copy of the proposed Budget and a list of the candidates for the Board of Directors. An information sheet regarding the new management by Sunstate Association Management Group is also included.

By mutual agreement the contract between GVE and Keys-Caldwell is dissolved as of December 1, 2012.

As we head into the new year, the Association is in urgent need of volunteers. As is the usual case, a nucleus of members are doing all the work. It's time for

more people to step up and contribute to the structure of this organization. One person sorely needed is a Welcome Committee volunteer to call on



new residents. There are new owners who have been here since August and do not have the necessary tools to become a part of our community. It falls to us because some of the real estate people neglect to provide even our EC&Rs, for example.

If you can spare even a couple of hours to help out, you are needed and much appreciated.

From the President

From the very first time we drove into Gulf View Estates, I have loved this community more than most of you could ever imagine. So it is with great sadness that I write this last letter to you as a member of our Board. GVE has gone through many changes in the past four years, but I think that we are set upon the right course now. Our current team of Directors has worked hard to set up a working process for the continued management and maintenance of our assets, both physical and financial. Once you vote Yes for the changes we are presenting to you this December, we will have

a clearly laid out, properly funded system for timely repairs and regular maintenance. This provides a guideline that will help future Boards immensely, and maintains our "Not-for-Profit" legal standing. It also clearly establishes the rules that keep Gulf View Estates a lovely, friendly place for all of the owners to enjoy. I recommend a "Yes to all" vote.

Please plan to arrive at 6:30 PM to sign in. This is a new Time and a new Location.

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Thought for the Day

"Three grand essentials to happiness in this life are something to do, something to love, and something to hope for."

~~ Joseph Addison

	2012 Board of Directors	
President	Nanette Vuolo	244-2441
Vice-President	Michael Shlasko	493-3504
Treasurer	Charles (Dale) Conant	497-5965
Secretary	Linda Sussman	408-9486
Directors	Edmund Kowalski	493-5584
	Beth Lamprecht	813-728-8942
	Richard Vohsberg	587-8305
Architectural Review	Rich Delco	493-5266
Nominating	Dolly Lewis	493-2208
Security Patrol	Tina Glover	445-5636
Social Committee	Ruth Cress	493-0660
Street Capt. Coord.	Bill Osborn	496-7505
Welcome Committee		

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If you cannot attend the December 5th meeting, I urge you to participate by using your Limited Proxy/ *Ballot*. Think of it as your "Mail-In Ballot". You will need to do the following to have your vote counted:

- 1. One Owner must be designated as the voting representative on the "Certificate of Appointment" form. (Most homes have more than one owner, but each home site only has one vote.) All owners must sign the bottom of this form.
- 2. Print the name of your designated representative (Chosen in Step 1 above) at the top of the "LIMITED PROXY IF NOT PRESENT/BALLOT IF PRESENT" form. Mark your Yes or No Selections.
- 3. Date and Sign above the dash (-----) line. Ignore the bottom portion of this form unless you wish to assign your vote to another owner who will be attending the meeting.
- 4. Place these <u>2</u> documents into the *PROXY* envelope (Black), and give it to a Board member or an Owner who will be attending the meeting.
- 5. To vote for the new Board of Directors, mark your selections on the "BALLOT" form, place it in the

large *BALLOT* envelope (red), seal and sign the back of the envelope. Once again, give the envelope to a Board Member or Owner attending the meeting.

Of course, we would prefer that you attend in person, but if you cannot, I hope this makes it easier for you to participate in the decisions affecting our community. Gulf View Estates is a great place to live.

Respectfully, Nanette Vuolo

Grant Accepted

It takes a lot of volunteers who give willingly of their time to get special projects completed. The application for a Sarasota County beautification grant has been ac-



cepted thanks to Andrea Shlasko and John Cannon who prepared the required paperwork. Gratitude also goes to Bill Osborn who helped organize the Street Captains and others to gather the required signatures of GVE home owners in support of this project. All of the signatures were gathered within one week's time because some of the volunteers went door to door contacting residents. Great job!

Bits and Pieces

Calendar of Events

December 5

Annual Homeowners Meeting will be held at the *Venice Community Center*, 326 S. Nokomis Avenue.

Registration begins at 6:30 PM and the meeting will start promptly at 7:00 PM.

December 6

The GVE Ladies Luncheon will be held at *Pelican Point Country Club* at 12:00 noon. Please call Ceci Kueltzo at 496-4453 for reservations.

December 27

The Community Dinner Night Out is planned for *Waterfrontoo*, 2205 N. Tamiami Trail, Nokomis, at 6:00 PM. Ceci Kueltzo is taking reservations at 496-4453.

Call 811 Before You Dig!

Before you dig, remember that there are utility easements in the front, along all sides and the rear of your property.

Always call Sunshine 811 before you dig. They notify utility companies where you are planning to dig. The utility sends a locator to mark the approximate location of under-

ground lines, pipes and cables in your yard. The process takes two full business days—day 1 starts the day after your call.



COOKIES! COOKIES!

Cooks and Chefs of GVE, you are being called upon to demonstrate your special talents in the cookiemaking department. There are no prizes offered, but you can observe the membership at the Annual Meeting enjoying the fruits of your labor.

As always there will be an intermission to count votes. Coffee and cookies are the expected fare and it never fails to please. So you are invited to bring a plate of your favorite cookies for all to enjoy.

Please let Linda Sussman know that you will participate. You can call her at 408-9486.

Update on Ponds

Test netting of the tilapia in our ponds has been completed. It is not the Board's intention to rid the ponds of all tilapia, but to lower the population of this particular fish which feeds on aquatic plants.

A test bed of recommended aquatic plants is planted on the north side of Adams Road. The goal is to slow or prevent further erosion of the banks.

Wall Repair on Schedule

The stucco has been applied to the wall and even that made a big difference. The painting may be nearly finished by the time this newsletter is distributed.

Speaking of Volunteers!

By Bonnie Conant

We had 19 helpers to put up the Christmas lights! A big *Thank You* to all of these super volunteers:

Bob Booth

Nanette Vuolo

Tom Myers

Jerry Iwanski

Mike Shlasko

Andrea Shlasko

Joseph Bellwin

Tammy Riddle

Chris Cain

Bill Osborn

John Cawon

Chris Bohn

Karen Mann

Geraldine Kowalski

Ed Kowalski

Roberta Nolan

Andy Nolan

Dale Conant

Bonnie Conant



If you can help, please join us to take the decorations down on January 5th at 9:00 AM.