



# The Gulf View

## January 16 Board Meeting

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Two representatives from our new management company attended the January meeting of the Board. The GVE manager, Lynn Lakel and owner, Michelle Thibeault of Sunstate Management. They came prepared and had ready answers to questions posed by members of the Board. There were about 26 owners in attendance and a larger room has been reserved for future meetings.

The updated EC&Rs have been duly registered with Sarasota County. Rental application procedures are a part of that document.

There are 15 properties in GVE that have created problems for the Association. They include bankruptcies, foreclosures and abandonment. Most often they

are unkempt and unsightly. The Association is paying for several to be mowed and kept within some degree of neatness. Seven of these lots are in arrears and owe money for annual dues, lot maintenance and/or attorney fees.



The invoices for the 2013 membership fee (which was reduced by \$10.00 this year) went out in December 2012, due January 1, 2013. As of February 1st, 68 have not been paid. These are the funds on which the yearly budget is based. It is a serious loss to the Association to deal, not only with delinquent lot owners, but also with those in residence who simply choose not to pay on time.



## Newsletter Distribution

**Coming Soon – Newsletter via Email**

For those residents who have authorized the Owners Association to communicate with them via email, this will be the last hard copy newsletter that will be distributed to you. With our new Property Manager’s email blast capability we will be able to email a copy to your inbox faster than we delivered it to your door! Note that you can always change your preferences for email communication via

the form sent with your 2013 invoice, a copy of which is on the web site under Password Protected Directory. You may also obtain the form from your Street Captain, or from our Property Manager, Sunstate.



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**Thought for the Day**

*“What the world needs is  
 more love  
 and less  
 paperwork.”*

~~ Pearl Bailey

**2013 Board of Directors**

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Security Patrol	Tina Glover	445-5636
Social Committee	Ruth Cress	493-0660
Street Capt. Coord.	Bill Osborn	496-7505
Community Outreach	Stacey Schwartz	441-5500

**Alliance Meeting**

By Wallace Hewett

Christine Robinson, County Commissioner, was the featured speaker at the January 10, 2013 meeting of the South County Alliance of Homeowners Associations.

River Road – the north end is on hold; the south end is to be paved and work is proceeding on the River Road/US41 Junction.

Home sales are up 29%; home prices up 11%. Tourism is up 12.8%.

The Budget is in good shape due to previous planning and the discovery that \$3 million in medical bills was paid in error for residents of other counties.

The County is allotting \$3.8 million for small business development.

Unemployment is 8.2%, but there are many jobs available throughout the County with a lack of technically qualified people to fill them. They are working with the schools to develop programs to help in this area.

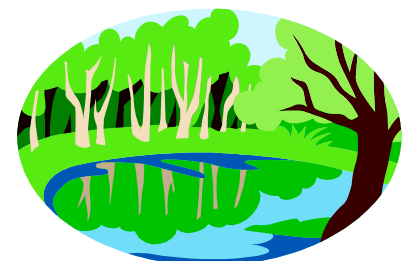
Capital Projects include Alligator Creek Storm Water Project, River Road Paving, Snook Haven and the extension of Pine Brook in Venice to Honoré Avenue in Sarasota. Despite all these projects, we have the lowest tax rate in the state.

The next meeting is February 14, 2013, 9:00 AM, at Foxwood, SR776 in Englewood. The speaker is Elaine Willis of The Green Street Project.

**Grant Approved**

Our Grant was approved by the Sarasota County Commission January 30th. President Mike Shlasko has asked West Coast Lake & Wetland Management to schedule aquatics installation for mid-March assuming that plant material will be available earlier than expected due to the mild winter. Get your boots, water shoes and shovels ready for our community planting day. The exact date will be announced as soon as possible.

Mike Shlasko remarked, *“Please think about projects that might be undertaken with grant funding assistance from the County. Now that we again have experience with the process and relationships with the new County Grant Coordinator, let’s try to take advantage of available funding in the November Grant Cycle and plan for 2014 improvement projects.”*



## Calendar

### February 16

GVE Community Garage Sale will be held from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Saturday.

### February 21

The Board of Directors will meet at the Jacaranda Library, corner of Jacaranda and Woodmere at 1:30 PM. All owners are invited.

### February 28

The Community Dinner Night Out will be at *The Bimini*, 576 Blackburn Point Road (former Aqua Restaurant), 6:00 PM. Call Linda Sussman, 408-9486, for reservations.

### March 7

The GVE Ladies Luncheon is at *Englewood's on Dearborn* and hosted by Ruth Cress. Please call her at 493-0660 for details and reservations.

### March 28

The Community Dinner Night Out will be hosted by Ruth Cress at *Howard's Restaurant*, 1400 Aqua View Lane off SR776 in Englewood. Dinner is at 6:00 PM; call Ruth for reservations at 493-0660.



## Speaking of Street Captains

It has been some time since we published that list which is available on our web site. Below for your reference is the most up to date Street Captain Directory. These are your neighbors who volunteer their time and who are an essential link in the communication between our residents and the HOA Board not simply newsletter distributors. When you next see them please thank them for the great job that they do.

### Street Captains

**Coordinator: Bill Osborn**

Marge Stirling – Adams Road, all houses

Marie Buchanan – Buchanan Road, all houses

John Cannon – Cleveland Road, all houses + 1500 Pierce Dr

Judy Russell – Garfield Road, all houses

Becky Collins – Harrison Road, all houses + 1434 & 1438 Pierce Drive

Roland Vachon – Jackson Lane, all houses

Wallace Hewett – Jefferson Road, all houses

Bonnie Conant – Lincoln Road, all houses

Linda Sussman – Madison Road, all houses

Bob Kozuch – McKinley Road, all houses + Pierce Dr #1540

Naz Magnifico – Monroe Road, all houses + Pierce Drive #1398-1404

Karen Mann – Roosevelt Drive #1300-1396

Sandy Tustin – Roosevelt Drive #1401-1482

Diane Jerome – Roosevelt Drive #1490-1514

Manuela Hudson – Taylor Road, all houses + 1482 Pierce Drive

Donald Schroeder – Tyler Road, all houses

Beth Delp – Washington Drive, all houses

Christine Uttaro – Wilson Road, all houses

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## Annual GVE Garage Sale

Get ready for the bargain hunters to descend on the GVE community Saturday, February 16th! It has been very successful in the past. Shoppers look for this date every year and many will arrive earlier than the 9:00 AM start time.

### Correction

Last month's newsletter announced the Garage Sale fee would be \$1.00 collected from each participating family. It is \$3.00 this year driven by the costs of advertising in local newspapers.

Note also that there will be a Police presence as well to provide some control of traffic.

## New Neighbors

The newsletter used to have a column welcoming new neighbors to Gulf View Estates. We have new families moving in and your editor would like to reinstitute this practice which would involve the Street Captains reporting their names and addresses to the Welcome Committee. Permission would be requested before publication. Any thoughts on this would be appreciated.