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The Gulf View

November Board Meeting

The Gulf View Estates Board of Directors met November 20th at 2:00 PM at the Jacaranda Library. The meeting was shorter than usual, the main topic being plans for upgrading the entrance land-scaping.

There are old plants and trees that need to be removed since they have outlived their appeal. Ideas proposed did not include changes to the median, but to the outer part of the entrance which borders SR776 and the areas between the driveway and the ponds.

Jim Henry has contacted several local companies to submit plans to create a more dramatic impression of our neighborhood as you approach the entrance. Royal palms and Sylvester Palms were suggested as a possibility. They are tall trees which can be seen bordering the entrance to Venezia off Jacaranda Boulevard.

The last meeting of the Board of Directors for 2013 was the Homeowners Annual Meeting, Tuesday, December 3.

~~ HAPPY NEW YEAR ~~

Living with Coyotes

By Mike Shlasko

Coyotes are now well established in our area and living on all of the undeveloped land surrounding our development. We have had many recent reports of sighting throughout Gulf View Estates and at least one dog has been attacked.

Members of your board have attended County and State FWC seminars on the coyote problem and have spoken to the local FWC experts on the subject. Unfortunately this is not a problem confined to this area, or this state, but rather it is nationwide. In my mothers' retirement community in California a small dog was taken by coyotes while the owner held the leash.



Important things to remember:

- Coyotes are afraid of and rarely if ever attack people
- Coyotes are most active at night but may be seen at any time of the day

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Thought for the Day

"I have somewhere met with the epitaph on a charitable man which has pleased me very much. I cannot recollect the words, but here is the sense of it: What I spent I lost; what I possessed is left to others; what I gave away remains with me."

~~ Joseph Addison

2013 Board of Directors		
President	Michael Shlasko	493-3504
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Street Capt. Coord.	John Canon	496-7903
Community Outreach	Stacey Schwartz	441-5500

Report EC&R Violations Promptly

We are a Deed Restricted Community. Recently we had yet another situation where some of our residents were reluctant to report violations of our Easements, Covenants and Restrictions. When this occurs residents typically complain to other neighbors until eventually and many days, weeks, or months later, our property manager or a member of the Board finally finds out about the problem, often quite by accident.

Please, if we don't know about it we can't fix it! If it is not something that is obvious and in the front of a home during a drive by inspection it likely will not be caught. The more quickly you report a problem the faster it will be resolved. You can report in person, via telephone, via email, via fax, via US mail or via the mailbox next to the bulletin board. You can report to our property manager, Sunstate, or you can report to any member of the Board, all contact information is in this Newsletter and on our Web Site. You can report anonymously or you may include your name and contact information. The more detail you include in your report the more effective our response will be. Dates, time, pictures are all helpful. To obtain the fastest possible response, contact Sunstate via telephone or email

In almost all cases our process for requesting correction of violations results in very prompt compliance. If necessary, Florida Statutes and our governing documents provide the HOA with very ample tools to enforce our EC&R's. Should an owner or renter refuse to correct a violation, daily fines accrue from the initial date that the violation is officially recorded up to a maximum of \$100/day and \$3,000 per each individual violation. We can put liens on homes, we can even evict tenants.



Paraphrasing a wise old bear, only you can prevent deterioration of the community, please report all violations promptly and in detail.

Mike Shlasko

Bits and Pieces

Calendar of Events December 19

Community Dinner Night Out will take place at the *Boca Royale Golf and Country Club*, 1601 Englewood Road, at 6:00 PM. Please call Ceci Kueltzo for reservations at 496-4453.

January 25, 2014

Save the Date! Annual GVE Garage Sale is the only time during the year when homeowners can put things out for sale. The Association will handle publicity and over the years this has become a well-known event for the larger community and a great chance for residents to sell or buy things.

December 19

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January 2

<u>Ladies Luncheon</u> will be held at the *Left Coast SeafoodRestaurant,* (formerly The Crossroads), 385 US 41 Bypass, at 12:00 noon. Pleas call your hostess, Nancy Burnham at 207-332-3164.

January 30

<u>Community Dinner Night Out</u> is planned at the *Pavilion Grill*

(formerly Left Coast Seafood Company), 750 US 41 Bypass, at 6:00 PM. Ceci Kueltzo is your hostess at 941-496-4453.

Note: It is important that you let your hostesses know that you plan to attend or if you sign up then have to cancel. The restaurants all require notice of the number of people to expect.

Volunteers Come Through!

Twenty four of them, including many new community residents, participated in our Annual Holiday Lighting installation at the front entrance. Coordinated by Tina Glover and Mike Shlasko, this team effort provided a stunning display.

Many thanks to:

Frank Uttaro, Helen Fleahman, Geraldine Kowalski, Ed Kowalski, Norm Sherwood, John Moritz, Leah Hazelton, Mike Benson. Joe Belliveau, Kristina Zornig, Tony Polidoro, Tom Miller, Wanda Miller, Bonnie McGwigan, Tom Meyers, Bob Armstrong, Rich Delco, John Unnerstall, Amby Nolan, Roberta Nolan, Ceci Kueltzo, Mike Shlasko, Tina Glover and Marty Glover.

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Annual Meeting

Attendance was very low for the December 3rd Annual Homeowners Meeting, but combined with the large number of proxies received, the required quorum was easily met.

This response seems to indicate that a majority of our residents are satisfied with the way our Association is being managed.

The officers for 2014 are:

President: Mike Shlasko V-President: Linda Sussman Treasurer: Frank Uttaro

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Secretary: Leontine Vandermeer



Welcome New Neighbors

Michael and Diana Benson 1300 Roosevelt Drive 702-647-0042

Daniel and Marianne Degnan 1498 Roosevelt Drive

Tom and Sondra (Clinton) Klstecke 1401 Roosevelt Drive 941-223-0729

Coyotes continued

- Please do not feed coyotes or leave trash outside unless it is in secure containers that cannot be opened by a coyote
- Do not let your cats outside, they are a favorite meal for a coyote
- Letting dogs out without a leash is illegal in Sarasota County and a violation of

- our EC&R's but also puts your pet in danger of attack by wildlife, especially coyotes. Leaving a dog tied up outside makes an extremely attractive target for coyotes
- noises so if you see a coyote chase it away by yelling at it, or banging something, or blowing an air horn or whistle, or shaking something like a can filled with rocks

There is no known way to eliminate coyotes. If they are hunted or otherwise removed from an area coyotes from an adjacent area move in. If they are killed they appear to overcompensate for the loss by increasing breeding and therefore the size of the population.

If you encounter an aggressive coyote please report it to the regional FWC office at 863-648-3200 or call the FWC wildlife hotline at 1-888-404-3922.





Results!