



The Gulf View

2014 Board Begins New Year

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The GVE Board welcomed three new members: Jim Henry, Frank Uttaro and Leontine Vander Meer who settled immediately into addressing items on the agenda. Some background legwork had already uncovered the fact that the community insurance policies needed to be investigated and updated. The Board directed Sunstate Management to begin that process..

The second item of interest to all residents of the Association involved the improvements to the front entrance. Several ideas were put forward and one in particular received a consensus of

opinion. They will move forward with requests for bids. It's important that the project stay within the allotted budget. See Page 2 for a "before" picture and an "after" picture of the current proposal.

Preparation work will start very shortly involving the removal of old growth, but the new design has yet to be confirmed and approved.

The Board reminds all owners that Annual Fees are due January 31st. Failure to pay on time will result in late charges.



**Martin Luther King, Jr.
Day , January 20, 2014**

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Garage Sale January 25

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Open to all GVE homeowners, the Annual Garage Sale will be held Saturday, January 25th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Participants may set up and arrange sale items on their driveways and/or in their garages. Over the years this has become a well-known event throughout the larger community and a great chance for residents to buy and sell things.

There will be some traffic direction and parking signs, but no police officers this year. Caution is advised for residents as the traffic becomes heavy. Some people rope off their lawns to prevent damage

to sprinkler systems. Some block their driveways so browsers will not park or turn around in them.

A member of the Association will call on each participating family collecting a donation of \$2.00 to cover the cost of advertising in the Sun and the Herald.

Any questions may be directed to Linda Sussman at 408-9486 or Ceci Kuelczo at 496-4453.

The next meeting of the GVE Board of Directors is February 19th, 2:00 PM at the Jacaranda Library.

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Thought for the Day

“The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.”

~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

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This “before” photo shows the sharp contrast between the tall Washingtonian palms centered on the median and the assorted low level plantings along each side of the driveways.

The “after” photo (a computer enhanced concept) shows a balanced, much more attractive view. Post lights out front easily identify the entrance after dark.



Bits and Pieces

Calendar of Events

January 2

Ladies Luncheon will be held at the *Left Coast Seafood Restaurant* (formerly Crossroads), 385 US 41 Bypass, at 12:00 noon. Please call your hostess, Nancy Burnham at 207-332-3164 for reservations.

January 25

Annual GVE Garage Sale is the only time during the year when homeowners can put things out for sale.

January 30

Community Dinner Night Out is at the *Pavilion Grill* (formerly Left Coast Seafood), 750 US 41 Bypass, at 6:00 PM. Ceci Kueltzo is taking reservations at 941-496-4453.

February 6

Ladies Lunch is at *Cedar Reef Fish Camp*, 4167 US 41, at 12:00 noon. Please call Lyn McConnell at 496-8687 to make your reservations.

February 27

Community Dinner Night Out is planned for the *Gulf View Grill*, 2095 North Beach Road in Englewood, at 6:00 PM. Lyn McConnell is also your hostess for this event and is taking reservations at 496-8687.

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

Volunteers came through once again and met to remove the lights from the front entrance. We are grateful to the loyal folks who never fail to come forward and to the new residents willing to become involved.

Online Newsletter

You can access *The Gulf View* online at the GVE web site. It helps eliminate the amount of paper (and trees!) that must be recycled and you can see it in living color!

If you have the computer capability, please sign up for the online version. Just go to:

gulfviewstates.com

under "Newsletters" on the home page.

Holiday Lighting Crew



It seems that Carol Armstrong came to the December Ladies Luncheon equipped with a far-reaching tool which she used to taste test another guest's dessert!

Photo by Angela Theriault