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The Gulf View

President's Report

By Linda Sussman

The calendar says it is officially fall, although you can hardly tell from the weather here in Florida. What is clear is that many of our residents are beginning to return to Gulf View Estates from their summer travels. I want to welcome you all home.

It has been a quiet summer here with no major problems or storms. We have had lots of rain that has made our landscaping very lush and our pools and ponds full to almost overflowing. Construction on the adjacent *Rapalo* development has

been moving quite quickly and we will have new neighbors in place for the season. Within GVE we will also have new neighbors moving into 20 homes sold so far this year and 24 rentals. Please take a few moments to welcome our new neighbors and invite them to join us at our monthly dinners and ladies lunches as well as our Board meetings. It is a great way to explore area restaurants and learn more about GVE.

See President Page 4



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Security Report

By Tina Glover

We've had a little unpleasant activity recently. It has been addressed and appears to be under control at this point in time. I would like to take this time to talk a bit about what we can do to be safe in Gulf View. It's mostly common sense and being a good neighbor. Let's just be aware of our surroundings and pay attention to our neighbors. If you see something, report it, call 911. If it's not an emergency, ask someone about it. The other day I walked past a house that had the front door wide open, screen door was closed. This seemed odd as it's still quite hot and we are running our air conditioning. I asked the neighbor that I saw in her yard if she

knew that person and if this was unusual. She told me he probably just took his dog around the corner. He does do this and said she would ask the person directly across the street about it. It just took a minute, I thanked her and continued my walk. We are a good community. It only takes a little kindness and concern for your neighbors to stay a good community. If someone comes to your door trying to sell you something, stay calm, politely decline, and once the person has left your property, please call 911. It is posted at the entrance that we do not allow solicitors. Do not get into any discussion with the stranger. Just call 911, describe the event, the person, their location and ask them to send a car to get the solicitor to leave.

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Thought for the Day

Black cats, swooping bats, and impish goblins green, Combine with witches riding brooms to challenge Halloween.

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Anon.

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Election Time

It's general election time and I'm sure that many of you look forward to the day when the battle of the Presidential candidates is no longer front page news. Many I'm sure are also not especially pleased with the choices that you have this year. Still, the most important thing that every citizen can do to participate in our great democracy is to vote!

The ballot this year will be extremely long and two sided. As a Citizen of the United States, the State of Florida, and the County of Sarasota, it is very important that you be informed about all of the candidates and issues on the ballot and that you do indeed vote all the way down both the front and the back of the ballot. Remember that at the local level, decisions that are made by your government impact you almost immediately so please do vote in the county races.

Vote by Mail Ballots are being mailed on October 4. The Voter Registration deadline is October 11. Early voting starts on October 24. And the last day to request a Vote by Mail Ballot is November 2. Also important, your Vote by Mail Registration is good for a maximum of 2 election cycles so if you don't get your ballot in the next few days, you probably have been dropped from the Vote by Mail rolls. Vote by Mail ballots are also not forwarded so if you do not have your current address on file you will not receive them.

Voting is the most precious right that our democracy affords to its citizens, please participate in this election.

Mike Shlasko

Gulf View Estates Board of Directors

Candidate, Charter Review Board District 5

Newsletter Delivery

Residents can receive *The Gulf View* newsletter in one of two different ways. If you have been reading it on the internet and are no longer receiving it, you may have changed your email address and not notified our Sunstate Property Management. The form found on the GVE website must be filled out with any changes to your information.

The newsletter is still hand delivered by Street Captains under the direction of John Canon to those who do not have access to the internet or simply prefer to receive a hard copy.

The information form on the GVE website must be used to comply with Florida State Law concerning the publication of personal and private data. Go to *gulfviewestates.com*



Calendar of Events

October 6

Ladies Luncheon will be held at Valenti's Ristorante, 1200 E. Venice Avenue, at 12:00 noon. All who wish to attend may contact your hostess, Ceci Kueltzo at 941-587-5621, for reservations.

October 19

<u>The Board of Directors</u> will meet as usual on the third Wednesday of the month at *Jacaranda Library* at 2:00 PM. All residents are invited to attend. A pause in the regular business meeting will afford residents time to address questions or concerns directly to the Board.

October 27

<u>Community Dinner Night Out</u> is scheduled by hostess, Ceci Kueltzo, at *Prime Time*, 5855 Placida Road, Englewood, at 5:00 PM. Please contact Ceci for reservations at 941-587-5621.

November 13

<u>The Annual GVE Picnic</u> is in the planning stages for Manasota Beach Pavilion. More details will follow in the November issue of *The Gulf View*. Coordinator Bonnie McGuigan needs volunteers to help plan and implement this yearly event which has had good attendance over the years. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided; accompanying dishes will be potluck. If you wish to lend a hand, Bonnie's number is 941-375-8697. See Page 4 for more details.

December 7

<u>The Annual Homeowners Associa-</u> <u>tion meeting will convene at the</u> Venice United Church of Christ, 620 Shamrock Boulevard, at 6:30 PM.

It's never too early to plan for important dates. Please note on your calendar.

Candidates for Board

Some of the GVE Board members have put in several years of service to our community. While they are doing a superb job, it is time to give them a break. There is a serious need for new faces with knowledge, skills and the desire to volunteer.

You don't have to be an Einstein; just willing to serve your community. The rules are already in place. The Board follows and enforces them in order to keep GVE a unique and beautiful place.

Please consider what you can do to contribute.

Relocation

As a matter of interest to GVE residents, Ceci Kueltzo has relocated to a new community. She has graciously agreed to host the October events as she has for several years, but will then withdraw to focus her interests on her new neighborhood.



<u>Daylight Saving Time</u> ends Sunday, November 6. Remember to turn all clocks back one hour at bedtime on Saturday evening.

Columnist

Changes in her situation have forced Angela Theriault to give up her column noting the beauty in the world around us. She has certainly made us a little more aware of our surroundings and given us an appreciation for the neighborhood in which we live.

She served as GVE's liason between our residents and the Venice Post Office. Her efforts raised the attention of postal employees to the deplorable condition of our mail boxes. Some have been replaced; others have been repaired. The Post Office prefers to repair before replacing since one box costs approximately \$1,100.

Angela recommends that residents who need to report problems should call the Post Office Annex at 941-485-0995.

Neighborhood Watch See it! Hear it! Report it! Emergency: 911 Non-Emergency: 941-316-1201

President continued

Even if you are long time residents but haven't gotten involved, please do so this year. Our annual picnic is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 13 under the leadership of Bonnie McGuigan. She will be looking for help to plan, set up and clean up for this event. The fun will start at noon and each family is asked to bring a dish to share and whatever you want to drink to the pavilion at Manasota Beach. GVE will be providing and grilling the hot dogs and hamburgers. We will have the plates, silverware, napkins, cups, rolls and condiments

It is also time to think about 2017. Our annual meeting will be held on Wednesday December 7th at the Venice United Church of Christ at 6:30 pm. Please save that evening now before your calendar gets too filled. You will receive official notification and documents to If you want more information about GVE, anything review including our proposed Budget and Board of Directors candidates for 2017. It is essential that we get a 25% quorum either in person or with official signed proxies. Otherwise we have to try again which

would be expensive and time consuming. To entice vou, we will be featuring homemade cookies and beverages as well as a great opportunity to catch up on GVE gossip and meet neighbors from the other end of our development or street.

Gulf View Estates works primarily on volunteer help. That means YOU need to step up and be a GVE volunteer. I know that your time and work are at a premium, but if you can help serve on one of our committees or the Board of Directors it will help keep GVE looking beautiful, running smoothly and our annual fee among the lowest in our area. Just give me a call 941-408-9486 or send me an e-mail sussman.linda@gmail.com. I would especially suggest that new residents get involved - even before all the boxes are unpacked.

from a copy of "Easement, Covenants and Restrictions" to our updated Directory, the place to go is our website: gulfviewestates.com. You can even find our newsletter on the web.

GVE ANNUAL PICNIC

COME ONE! COME ALL!

Enjoy the Manasota Beach Pavilion, a short walk from the beach, with tables, benches and barbecue equipment provided by

Sarasota County!

Hamburgers and Hotdogs provided by the Association.



Please plan to bring your own drinks (no glass allowed) and a potluck dish to share with your neighbors.

Contact Coordinator, Bonnie McGuigan, at 941-375-8597 to coordinate the dish you wish to contribute. Plates, silverware, napkins, cups, rolls and condiments will be provided. Bonnie could use help with planning, setting up and cleanup.

MUSIC!

GAMES!

FUN FOR ALL!

