



# The Gulf View

## Annual Meeting December 7

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As a property owner it is your responsibility to either attend the December 7 Homeowners Association Annual Meeting or return your Proxy Ballot prior to the start of the meeting. We hope you will attend and bring a neighbor to the meeting at the United Church of Christ located at 620 Shamrock Boulevard at 6:30 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to vote to approve our 2017 Proposed Budget and elect the Board of Directors. We entice you with home-made goodies, coffee and tea as well as a chance to catch up on the latest neighborhood news. You will also hear reports from the committees and the Board about what has happened in 2016 and our plans for 2017.

over funds from 2016 to 2017, as well as the Board of Directors election ballot. Please fill out these documents, then put them in a stamped envelope and mail them to: Sunstate Management, P.O. Box 18809, Sarasota, FL 34276. This should be done as soon as possible so it arrives in plenty of time to be counted at the December 7 Annual Meeting. As an alternative to mailing the Ballot and Proxy, you can give the signed documents to a neighbor who will be going. You can also bring it to our Annual Picnic and give it to me or drop it off at my home 5891 Madison Road. If you have any questions you can call Sunstate Management at 941-870-4920 or Linda Sussman, 941-408-9486.



If you can't make the meeting or just think things are going so well you don't have to go – **think again.** Our development is built in several phases and we need to meet a 25% minimum quorum of residents in each section to officially hold this once a year meeting. Bring your neighbors along so we won't have to reschedule if we don't meet both quorums.

**BE A RESPONSIBLE GVE PROPERTY OWNER AND ATTEND THE MEETING OR MAIL IN THE PROXY BALLOT**

Linda Sussman, President  
Board of Directors



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Management Group**  
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Property Manager  
P. O. Box 18809  
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Phone: 941-870-4920  
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For those who can't attend you can fulfill your obligation by Proxy Ballot. The early November mailing from our management company includes the "Limited Proxy" to approve the 2017 budget and carry

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**What Do You Think?**

Most of us are made aware of the GVE Easements, Covenants and Restrictions, however belatedly. They were put in place by the developer of our subdivision with the purpose of maintaining the appearance and flavor of the neighborhood. It does not sport cookie cutter homes of all the same style and color; nor are the homes built 8 to 10 feet apart with identical mailboxes planted evenly down the length of the streets.

It is a somewhat dated, old-fashioned neighborhood (emphasize *neighborhood*) with grassy lawns, well-kept houses, school buses, bicycles, an occasional basketball hoop and many other niceties that identify it. Those are the reasons that many owners decided to buy in and live here.

Younger families are moving in now and in the interests of “keeping up with the times” the Board of Directors and the Architectural Review Committee is allowing owners to widen their driveways with pavers and cement. One resident commented at the most recent Board meeting that she did not buy in here to live in a parking lot.

Buyers do not choose to do their due diligence and then expect GVE to change the rules when they move into a home with multiple cars and a one-car garage.

Your Opinion is important. Contact *The Gulf View* newsletter and state your opinion on this issue. All letters and emails will be kept confidential.

**2016 Board of Directors**

President	Linda Sussman	408-9486
V. President	Jim Henry	492-9792
Secretary	Bonnie McGuigan	375-8597
Treasurer	Fred Noren	882-4543
Directors	Rich Delco	493-5266
	Ed Kowalski	493-5584
	Mike Shlasko	493-3504
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Events/Social	Ceci Kuelczo	587-5621
Street Capt. Coord.	John Canon	496-7903

**Annual Dues Remain at \$190**

Owners will be happy to hear that the Board of Directors has maintained excellent control of expenses for the year 2016. The Association is in very good shape financially and yearly dues remain at the same rate of \$190.00.

A surplus amount has been applied to the Wall Reserve Fund for cleaning, painting and preserving the wall that fronts the Gulf View Estates Property on SR776.

A copy of the Budget will be included in the packet being mailed out November 7th. You can study the information and bring any questions or suggestions to the December 7th owners meeting.

**A Few Good Men**

Our neighborhood has lost two highly respected contributors in the past few months. Clyde Hudson served on the Board of Directors starting prior to 2000 and ending as President. During his term there were many projects initiated including the new wall that fronts SR776 and cleaning up the entrance in preparation for new landscaping plans.

Bill White joined the Board in 2001 and filled the position of Treasurer in 2002. He helped draft the budget system that is still used today. Bill was a “numbers” man, skilled in overseeing money matters. He and other residents were instrumental in re-writing the EC&Rs and bringing them up to date.

These men, both volunteers, leave a legacy of selfless service to their community. We are grateful and they will be greatly missed.

# Bits and Pieces

## Calendar of Events

### November 11

Veterans Day is celebrated locally with services and parades. See your local news stations and newspapers for locations and details.

### November 13

Annual Picnic to be held at the *Manasota Beach Pavilion* from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. See Page 4.

### November 16

The GVE Board of Directors is scheduled to meet on the usual third Wednesday of the month at *The Jacaranda Public Library* at 2:00 PM. Residents new to the neighborhood will be particularly interested to see how the Association is run by this Board of seven elected volunteers.

### November 24



### December 1

Ladies Luncheon will be held at *Pelican Point*, 575 Center Road, Venice, at 12:00 noon. Please call

your hostesses, Connie Gillespie or Judy Goffe, who are accepting reservations at 497-7934.

## Cookies !!!

What would a meeting be without coffee, tea and cookies? They will be served at the Annual Homeowners Meeting on December 7th.

Volunteers are needed to make treats for the meeting as well to help with coffee, count votes and to smooth the details. Please let Linda



Sussman know, 941-408-9486, if you can provide cookies or you are available to help.

## Trash Control

The Suncoast is generally windy year-round, but it seems that this year has been especially so including a near-miss hurricane. A concerned resident recently spent his personal time dragging Styrofoam and old newspapers out of the ponds a couple weeks. There was trash flying about several areas of the neighborhood.

Please secure all trash placed at the street for Waste Management.

## Safety Reminder

Once again it has become necessary to warn riders of traffic rules regarding bicycles and small personal vehicles.

Very young children have been seen riding motorized scooters on the streets of GVE. There are no sidewalks, so that is not an option. The children are equipped with helmets for safety and appear to be travelling responsibly, but are riding on the wrong side of the street.

Vehicles using public roads are subject to the rules of the road and must ride with the traffic, not against it.

The speed limit on the streets of GVE is 25 mph. Motorists must be alert, obey the speed limit and watch for these small vehicles.



## Neighborhood Watch

See it! Hear it! Report it!

Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency: 941-316-1201



**ANNUAL PICNIC  
NOVEMBER 13, 2016**



**MANASOTA BEACH PAVILION  
11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM**



**BRING YOUR OWN POT LUCK  
DISH TO SHARE AND YOUR  
OWN CHOICE OF BEVERAGES**

**Alcohol is permitted but NO  
glass containers!**



**MUSIC! GAMES! DOOR PRIZES!**

**HAMBURGERS HOTDOGS**

**WATER SODA CONDIMENTS**

**PROVIDED BY GVE**

Contact Bonnie McGuigan at 941-375-8597  
to let her know what dish you plan to bring.

## Letter from the President

By Linda Sussman

Activities in Gulf View Estates are moving into high gear as we head for the end of the year. Bonnie McGuigan is hard at work on our Annual Picnic to be held on Sunday, November 13th. Check out the notice in the newsletter for more information. She is definitely looking for help to set things up as well as pot luck dishes that we can all share. This is her first GVE picnic and she is looking for input to make it even better than in past years. There will be music as well as games and great food, so don't miss out on this once a year GVE activity.

We are also looking for goodies to share at our Annual Meeting on December 7th. If you can bring a plate to share with your neighbors or can help at our Annual Meeting please contact me. It will help make this meeting better than ever.

I have heard from some homeowners asking when our Annual Garage Sale will be held. Bonnie is in charge, but we haven't yet set a date. We are still open to suggestions for a Saturday in the first three months of 2017. Contact Bonnie or any other member of the Board with your suggestion and we will make a decision at our next Board meeting

When I first moved here in 2005 there were so many relatively long time residents who could and would fill me in on GVE history and news. As the years have gone by many of those people have moved or died. Just recently I learned about the death of longtime resident Joanne Veatch, She and her Kentucky accent will be missed, especially at our monthly Ladies Lunches. She was always giving me information and was instrumental in getting a large alligator captured this spring.

There are lots of new people coming to GVE and we need you to help. I hope new and long time residents will take the time to get involved with your ideas and approaches to our community issues and activities as we move forward. I must admit that all our younger residents often have very different ways of doing things. I believe that if GVE is to continue as a vibrant community over the next decades it is up to you to pick up the reins. I know that today there are many demands on your time and talents, but I hope all you busy people will find some time for GVE.

This year I am pleased to report that the current members of the Board of Directors are willing to serve another year, but we need others to step up and take on jobs this year so you will be ready to serve on the Board in 2018 and beyond. Bring your ideas as well as your problems to the Annual Meeting and our monthly Board Meetings in 2017. There is always a time set aside to hear homeowner comments.



## As a Dog Owner, Please Be Respectful of your Dog, and your Neighbors

A reminder, ownership of a dog comes with responsibilities, to the dog, and to your neighbors.

Chapter II, Article 14, Section 14-29 of Sarasota County Statutes defines nuisance animals

### **Sec. 14-39. - Public Nuisance Animals.**

(a) The term "Public Nuisance Animal" shall mean and includes, but is not limited to, any Animal that:

- (1) Is repeatedly found At Large;
- (2) Damages the property of anyone other than its Owner;
- (3) Chases vehicles on the public right-of-way;
- (4) Makes excessive disturbing noises, including but not limited to continued or repeated howling, barking, whining or other utterances causing unreasonable annoyance, disturbance or discomfort to the neighbors or to others in close proximity to the premises where the Animal is kept or harbored.
- (5) Is offensive or dangerous to the public health, safety or welfare by virtue of the number or types of Animals kept or harbored; or
- (6) Attacks other Animals in addition to being in violation of

Article III Section 7 of the Gulf View Estates Easements, Covenants & Restrictions also defines requirement for dogs

7. Animals. Dogs and cats may be kept in the subdivisions. Dogs must be kept on a leash and in visual range of the person walking a dog at all times when outdoors, all in accordance with Sarasota County ordinances. Other usual and common household pets which remain indoors at all times are permitted. No food or farm animals, such as, but not limited to, chickens, pigs, goats, or sheep, are permitted on a Lot. No pets are permitted to endanger health, make objectionable noise, or constitute a nuisance or inconvenience to others.

Nuisance dogs should be reported to the Sarasota County Sheriff for enforcement of County Statutes and to Sunstate Management for enforcement of Gulf View Estates Use Restrictions.

