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The Gulf View 2018 Annual Fee \$185

Treasurer, Fred Noren, and others who have served before him, are credited by President, Linda Sussman, for helping to bring before the Annual Meeting a reduction in the Gulf View Estates annual fee to \$185. Linda wrote, "the Board has accomplished this without having to give up any of the things we have come to want like a well-designed and manicured front entrance and those great professionally installed holiday lights."

Attention Residents

By Linda Sussman

Mark December 13 on your calendars. One of the few things required of Gulf View Estates property owners is to attend the Annual Meeting or submit a Proxy. Just once a year we ask that you come to a meeting to elect a Board of Directors, approve the Budget and hear reports about the work your Board and volunteers have done during the year. It is also an opportunity to meet your neighbors and ask questions or make comments about what has been happening in Gulf View Estates.

The meeting with a sign in sheet, beverages, and home-made goodies begins at 6:30 PM and officially gets underway at 7:00 PM at the United Church of Christ (located at 620 Shamrock Blvd.) If you really can't attend you can fulfill your obligation by returning your proxy ballot prior to the start of the meeting.

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. So bring your neighbors along or we will have to reschedule if we don't meet the phase quorums and that will cost everyone more time, money and effort.

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VOTE!
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Thought for the Day

"Optimism is going after Moby Dick in a rowboat; chutzpah is taking the tartar sauce with you!"

~~ Mary Barry

2017 Board of Directors		
President	Linda Sussman	408-9486
V. President	Bruce Jenkins	525-2511
Secretary	Bonnie McGuigan	375-8597
Treasurer	Fred Noren	882-4543
Directors	Rich Delco	493-5266
	Ed Kowalski	493-5584
	Jim Gillespie	497-7934
Architectural Review	Rich Delco	493-5266
Security Patrol	Tina Glover	617-899-5149
Events/Social		
Street Capt. Coord.	John Canon	496-7903

Attention continued

The second mailing from our management company includes the "limited proxy," to approve the 2018 Budget, 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 our management company: 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 13 Annual Meeting. Remember if you come, you save the stamp and get goodies.

Alternatively to mailing the Ballot and Proxy, you can give the signed documents to a neighbor who will be going, 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.

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



Past Volunteers

Hours of research would uncover long lists of the volunteers who have kept the Gulf View Estates community running smoothly over the years. Here are a few of those dedicated individuals who have offered their time and expertise in recent years.

Jim Henry served as Vice President of the Board this year and was active in the improvements made to the front entrance. The new trees, shrubs, flowers and lighting now project a beautiful and professional image of our neighborhood. Jim found it necessary to retire from the Board in the summer and that is unfortunate. We are grateful for the time he served.

Joyce Connor organized the GVE social activities for several years before moving to another community. She was warmly welcomed to a Ladies Luncheon recently which speaks for most of the GVE population: residents enjoy living here and come back to visit.

Ceci Kueltzo lead the committee to plan social activities for several years. She also has downsized to a new community and her volunteer skills are sadly missed. However, she also visits a ladies luncheon or dinner occasionally to keep up with her many friends in Gulf View Estates.

These are three of the many people we can thank for caring about the neighborhood in which they live.

Bits and Pieces

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

First and Third Wednesdays

Gulfview Men's Lunch will be held at I-HOP, 12:00 noon. Look for sign at front entrance or call Doc Albers, 314-795-8842. No reservation is required.

November 12

GVE Annual Picnic will be held at the *Manasota Key Beach Pavilion* from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM All residents are invited to attend. See flyer on Page 6.

November 15

Board of Directors monthly meeting will be held at the *Jacaranda Library* at 2:00 PM. All residents are invited to attend.



November 30

Community Dinner Night Out has been reserved at *Saltwater Café*, 1071 N. Tamiami Trail, Nokomis, at 6:00 PM. Please call your hostess, Barbara Kopp, at 493-3735 to make reservations.

December 1

<u>Ladies Holiday Luncheon</u> is planned for *Pelican Point*, at 11:30 AM. Please call Angela Theriault at 497-6761 for reservations.

December 14

Community Holiday Dinner will be at *Rosebud's Steak and Seafood House*, 2215 S. Tiamiami Trail, Osprey, at 6:30 PM. Please call your hostess, Linda Urosev at 708-476-9454 for reservations.



Pet Advisory

An injured coyote was seen lurking around the Tyler Road area recently. Be aware of this when walking dogs. They should be kept on a short leash.

These animals when they are sick or injured may be a threat to people as well. Be vigilant when out for a walk and carry a flashlight.

Respect Your Neighbors

The Speed Limit is 25 mph
Parking on lawns is prohibited
Keep dogs leashed
Pick up after your dogs
Take pride in your property
Unkempt homes lower values

President's Message

By Linda Sussman

It is with mixed feelings that I write this – my last message as President of Gulf View Estates. I have been on the Board and then served as your president for several years – I am reluctant to go back into the records for the exact year.

It has been an "interesting" experience with many ups and downs.

I have welcomed many new residents and said goodbye to many old friends over time, but it is nice to be able to say that Gulf View Estates continues on and is doing well. Our community has met many challenges such as the construction of the Rapallo Development just to our north and successes such as a grant to put in new planting along the shoreline. There have been live and dead alligators as well as water rats to deal with. Mother Nature has sent us drought and flooding as well as wind and cold over the years. Abandoned houses, outdated directories and EC&R compliance are just some of the things we have dealt with over the years.

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Neighborhood Watch

See it! Hear it! Report it! Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency: 941-316-1201

President continued

No matter what the challenge I have had great volunteers who have stepped up to do whatever was needed: from Ed Kowalski handling maintenance to Rich Delco keeping up with our landscaping. Also the many people who do those special extras we didn't know we lacked until they were in place. A special thank you goes to John Cannon for the benches and Book Nook as well as keeping up with the StreetCcaptains. It was Angela Therault who filled the gap to keep our community dining events on track after longtime resident Ceci Kueltzo moved and reservations were not getting taken care of appropriately. It was Bonnie McGuigan who stepped up last year to take over organizing the Annual Picnic and the Annual Garage Sale. Stepping down at the end of this year is our Treasurer, Fred Noren, who balanced our income and expenses helping make it possible for the Board to bring before the Annual Meeting a reduction in our annual fee to \$185. We have accomplished this without having to give up any of the things we have come to want like a well designed and manicured front entrance and those great holiday lights.

There are so many people I would like to recognize but it would take more space than our longtime very proficient editor, Rose Lindenberger, would allow me. Anyway I am sure I would still miss mentioning so many. Everyone, please just accept my appreciation and I hope that you will continue to contribute in your special ways to our community and the new president as we go forward.

I would like to give a special thank you to Brian Rivenbark and Sunstate Management, definitely not a volunteer but a valuable resource. Since I have been President he has always been at my right hand with suggestions as well as pointing out where I might be going in the wrong direction.

I do believe that it is time for new leadership on the Board, for someone else to take over with another perspective, strategy and plans. A different eye on issues and policies can be important as we move forward. It is also time for me to turn over the many folders of GVE papers to make room for other stuff. I know I will continue to see you as I walk my dog Annie around the neighborhood and attend the GVE dinners and luncheons in the weeks, months and hopefully years to come.





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GALERY







Come to the Gulf View Estates Annual Picnic Sunday, Nov. 12th from 11 am to 2 pm Manasota Key Beach Pavilion

Everyone from our newest neighbors to Long Timers, Owners, Renters, Snowbirds and year-round residents. Families and singles are encouraged to come to this fun event. Setup volunteers are invited to come at 10:00 am.

This will be a Pot Luck, plus hot dogs and hamburgers and music provided by the Homeowner's Association. Bring a dish to share and your own beverages. Alcohol is allowed, but no glass. The Association will be supplying table cloths, plastic utensils, paper plates, napkins, plastic glasses and ice. The pavilion has grills, room for games, new rest rooms and changing facilities and easy access to the beach.

Bonnie McGuigan is planning this event and she can be reached at 941-375-8597 or by email vmcguigan10@yahoo.com to coordinate the dish you will be bringing.

Come early if you can help Bonnie with set up and cleanup.

MUSIC! GAMES! FUN FOR ALL!