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September 2022

The Gulf View



Board Meeting
Monthly Meeting October 20th – 2 PM
Jacaranda Library – Watch for sign at front entrance.

Sarasota County Sheriff
Non-Emergency Number
941-486-2444

Commentary

Eric Martell, Editor

The summer break is over and the newsletter will be out monthly until next summer. However, you generally wouldn't know from the temperature by 9AM that it was Fall. As we used to say in elementary school: Spring sprung, Summer's come, Fall's fell and it's hotter than... uh, Florida? It's the reverse of up north. There you get sick of the cold, here it's the heat. Ah, well. It's a wonderful life and we should be glad for the opportunity to live in this great state. Besides, it will cool up eventually.

My problem with the Sarasota National pig gang has largely gone away (or the pigs figured out I didn't like them.) I got a driveway remote alarm that rings in the house when there's activity in the back yard. That gives me the chance to open the door and holler at 'em. They're pretty bold, but they don't like the sound of human voices. They're smart enough to know that humans are dangerous, I guess... or maybe it's the smell of bacon on my breath (haha).

Items that are important: The Covenants and Restrictions are posted online at GulfViewEstates.com. If you do not use a computer and want a copy, let me know. There are certain things we all agreed to when we purchased in this community. In general, these are not onerous or difficult tasks. They involve such things as not parking on the street overnight, only putting your trash out after 5PM on Thursday night, and keeping your house and lawn looking reasonably neat. Everyone benefits from these things. Still, some residents don't quite comply with the restrictions. Repeat offenders usually find that the Board of Directors feels strongly enough to impose a fine on them. These fines can add up and may eventually result in legal action. Get a copy of the EC&Rs and abide by them. Please.

For the most part I feel like I'm preaching to the choir, so enough of that.

We have several new board members serving in interim positions. There will be vacancies to be filled at our annual meeting. If you are interested in participating in our community, please consider volunteering. There's plenty to do.

We will be continuing the food truck night next month and there are quite a number of other activities being planned. See the calendar on the back page.

This month's funny is old but still good. A farmer and his wife would stop and look at the helicopter ride at the county fair each year. He'd say, "I'd sure like to go up in that thing." His wife would respond, "Henry, it's fifty dollars and fifty dollars is fifty dollars." Finally, one year, he said, "I'm 90 years old and if I don't ride that now, I may not get another chance." His wife responded with her usual statement about the price.

The pilot happened to be standing nearby and he thought he sensed an opportunity. "I'll give you both a ride for free, provided neither of you says a single word. Ride silently and it's free. Make one sound and it's fifty dollars."

Reluctantly, Henry's wife agreed that they could go up.

The pilot put the aircraft through all sorts of terrifying gyrations in an attempt to get them to cry out, but to no avail. Eventually, he gave up and landed. He looked at Henry sitting in the co-pilot's seat and said, "I thought for sure you'd beg me to stop or scream."

Henry shook his head and replied, "Well, fifty dollars is fifty dollars, but I did almost say something when Martha fell out."

Volunteer Luncheon Meeting Oct 13th @ 11:30AM

Street Captains and Welcome Committee restructuring meeting. Join us to discuss and get involved in making GVE a more welcoming and secure neighborhood. Bring your own lunch and chair. Sodas, water, and cookies provided.
Front Lawn of 5831 Wilson Rd. – Call Sally Martell @407-947-3618

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Board Business

There have been some resignations from the board due to illness or personal reasons. New board members are needed to apply for next year. Please consider volunteering.

- President's Report – Our long-term President Rich Delco has resigned due to personal reasons. Ed Kowalski has resigned due to health issues. Kudos go to both for their many years of service. Vice-President William Hulshoff is now acting as president. He issued a request for volunteers for board positions to be elected at the annual meeting. The board appointed Jim Howard and Rick Troncone as temporary directors until the annual meeting.
- Treasurer's Report – Sean Noonan from the management company reported that we have \$44,865 on hand as of Sept. 18. \$30,485 in reserve. We are \$14,000 under budget at this time. A few residents are in arrears for annual dues.
- Secretaries Report – Street captain system and Welcome Committee are being combined. The functions will be restructured and currently need volunteers. (See notice on page one bottom.)
- Management Report – There are a number of compliance issues. All residents receiving a letter should respond to the management company as quickly as possible. Either call or email them regarding the issue and your proposed solution. Compliance runs are made during the day. Several residents have complained about commercial vehicles parked overnight, cars parked in the street overnight, post lights not being on, etc. Since these violations occur during the night, residents are advised to take a picture of the violation and email it to the management company.
- Florida Power will do a free conversion of our existing light poles to LED lighting which should save on electricity costs. Replacement LED Street Lights are now on order and will be installed sometime this summer. This has inexplicably been delayed by FPL, but will, hopefully, be done prior to year's end.
- Landscaping at front entrance: This work has been completed and comments from the attending residents indicate that it is well-received. The sprinkler system is going to be adjusted to avoid watering the asphalt. In my humble opinion, the entrance now presents a more prosperous look and that will help the property values in the neighborhood. The Entry wall is being eroded from the pond side. It is losing about 1 foot annually and will need repair shortly. One estimate is \$10,500 to repair 51 feet of shoreline. Board will meet on site to discuss prior to any action. A fountain light is out and is being bid for replacement.
- The existing mulch at the front wall was renewed at the beginning of summer and looks much better, although the plants in front of the wall are aging, they should last for awhile longer. Refreshing that part of the landscaping will be put off until next year. Michelle Brown is on the landscape committee.
- Landscaping/mowing/trimming currently done by Twin Palms will be re-bid for next year.
- Residents are not required to get ARB approval when replacing a roof with a similar product (no 3-tab roofs allowed), replacing windows with the same sized window, or painting (as long as the new paint is within the established earth-tone spectrum required by the community.) Expanding your driveway with pavers seems to be popular. Consult with Ron Weirks for ARB approval prior to starting that project.
- The Community-wide garage sale is the 1st weekend in February. No individual garage sales allowed.
- Roads – Resurfacing partially complete, Sarasota County apparently has the rest scheduled for 2023. Some potholes have been turned in for repair via the county's online system.
- The EC&Rs and amendments found on GulfViewEstates.com are up-to-date and correct. Those are the operating rules for Gulf View, so if you have any questions, please refer to them first.
- Newsletters are printing and color copies are placed in the box next to the bulletin board. If anyone you know is house-bound or does not use a computer, copies can be delivered to your home. We currently deliver to about 5 homes. The Management Company is emailing copies to everyone who has turned in an email address.
- Finally, current and archived newsletters can be found on GulfViewEstates.Com (click on Newsletters and follow the instructions to find the one you want.)

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1st Gulf View Trip to Hard Rock Casino (more planned...tbd)



August Gulf View Ladies' Luncheon



August Gulf View Neighbors' Dinner



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Calendar of Events

Oct 6th – 12:00 AM Ladies Lunch
The British Pub, 367 Jacaranda Blvd.
Call Jodi Browning @201-390-3595

Oct 13th – 11:30 AM Volunteer Luncheon
Brown Bag Lunch @ 5831 Wilson Road
Call Sally Martell @407-947-3618

Oct 27th – 5PM GVE Community Dinner
FOOD TRUCK NIGHT!
See Attached Flyer

Nov 3rd – 11:30 AM Ladies Lunch
Gold Rush Barbeque, 661 Tamiami Trail
Call Alice Burdo @941-223-0660

Nov ?? – Annual Picnic - TBD

Nov 24th – *Happy Thanksgiving!*
(No community dinner)

Dec. 8th - Annual Meeting

Dec 13th GVE Holiday Party
See Attached Flyer
(Replaces Dec Luncheon and Dinner.)

Board of Directors and Committee Chairpersons

President	William Hulshoff	518-524-7833
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Director	Jim Howard	201-906-7951
Director	Rick Troncone	267-761-8400
Director/Architectural Review	Ron Weirks	732-259-2555
Welcoming/Street Captains	Sally Martell & Alan Wrather	941-408-0905
Maintenance	John Brown	734-564-2073
Landscaping	Michelle Brown	248-437-0100
Newsletter Committee	Eric & Sally Martell	941-408-0905
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Submitting News Items: Please submit news items or photos that are of community interest via Email:
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