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April 2023



The Gulf View

Board Meeting
Monthly Meeting April 19th
2 PM @ Jacaranda Library

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

Large Item Trash Pickup
941-493-4100

Commentary

Eric Martell, Editor

Why must we have Easements, Covenants, and Restrictions in our neighborhood? My question is rhetorical and easily answered. Instead of answering directly, I could refer you to any of the local neighborhoods that do not have EC&Rs. A quick drive through will reveal that, while some parts of such neighborhoods are nice, others have numerous unkempt dwellings with litter and various types of working equipment or junk scattered across their yards. Part of Gulf View's charm, that leads to our increased property values, is due to the care that people take of their property. I don't know about you, but I purchased in here partially because I didn't want to have a pickup sitting on concrete blocks with weeds and a loose dog or two gracing the yard next to mine.

The Board of Directors (BoD) is currently working to resolve an issue with an owner who has deliberately chosen to violate the EC&Rs. I'm not going to comment on the specific situation, except to say the BoD has no alternative but to pursue the matter up to and including legal action. The community documents state that the cost of any legal action will be borne by the loser. If one home owner is allowed to decide that they are exempt from the rules, then we might as well not have any rules at all. Without rules, as I've illustrated above, we will soon see property values decrease as the neighborhood inexorably deteriorates. I don't want that, and I'm relatively confident that you do not want it, either.

Some of our newer residents may not be aware that a prior BoD agreed to begin strict enforcement of the EC&Rs. Since that time, the neighborhood appearance has improved, validating the desirability for observing the rules.

Alligators are now moving around, looking for new territory and mating opportunities. This means that the small 'gator you saw in our ponds yesterday might be replaced by a big hog of a gator today. Care when walking your dog near the ponds is prudent. Gators are not terribly aggressive, but they will come after a prey package that they think they can take. Usually, this is a smaller animal, but a large gator might decide to try for a human. Don't give them that opportunity.

That leads me to these awful things: What do you call an alligator in a vest? An investigator! What do you call an alligator that sneaks up and bites you from behind? A tail-gater. Did you hear about the law firm with the most intimidating lawyers? It's filled with liti-gators. What happens when an alligator drives a boat? He becomes a navigator. What do you call a SWAT team of alligators? Gator-raid. What do you call a gator that works on a sod-farm? An irri-gator. What do you call an alligator that makes others fight? An instigator.

Our kids used to say, "See you later, Alligator." The response was always, "After a while, Crocodile." Then they went too far with, "Pretty soon, you big Baboon."

See you later.... Eric

EC&R Reminder: Exterior Improvements – No Owner shall make any exterior improvement that is visible to any other Lot Owner, or apply for a permit for any improvement without obtaining written approval for the improvement from the BoD. Improvement is defined as, but not limited to, building, fence, wall, patio area, pool, spa, deck, grading, drainage, driveway, walkway, or any other change to the lot or exterior of any dwelling. Note: Maintenance and repair is allowed.

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February Board Meeting Notes

- **President's Report:** West Lake charges \$195/month for pond management – a copy of the contract was requested from Sunstate. The Board is investigating the responsibility for the debris on the west side of the ponds. Sharron Klahr is checking on the missing covers for the Frontier boxes. Apparently on back-order. Landscaping – Blue Heron contract was approved. There will be additional front entry island planting in April. Pond fountains – still need repair or replacement – bids are solicited from vendors and range up to \$16,000 ea. Other pathways are being explored. John Rathvon is working on getting lights repaired and realigned. Irrigation in front – bids are out. Street light problems – one is on continuously. Some bulbs seem to have different wattage. The Stump on Pierce – there seems to be little alternative but to file criminal charges for illegal dumping. The company that dumped it has refused to move it. Construction signs must be removed when construction/roofing/gutter projects are complete. Board is inquiring with Postmaster about new boxes to replace broken ones. Board will get a summary of the remaining roofs and pool cages needing replacement or repair. There will be a deadline set eventually. Working on plywood boarding up 1st house on Adams. EC&Rs are being reviewed.
- **Architectural Review Board:** Four projects were approved. Note: You do not need approval for replacing a roof with the same type of shingles. Updating landscaping – ARB approval not required. Trash & recycling containers must not be visible from street.
- **Compliance Committee:** No activity.
- **Management Company Report:** David Altiero is the new contact. Operating account ~ \$90,000 and Reserve ~\$31,000. ~60 owners past due on 2023 dues.
- **Newsletter committee:** Will be ceasing house delivery for summer months. Email blast from Sunstate will continue. Printed copies will be in box by bulletin board from May through September.
- **Street Ambassador Committee:** Working on obtaining general community demographics.
- **Homeowner's comments:** No substantive issues were raised.

Hobby Groups!

Peggy Roder is coordinating hobby and activity groups. Call her to discuss your hobby and possibly make contact with others who share your interests.

Peggy's Phone: 419-341-4005 or Email: pegro123@gmail.com

Important! – Sarasota County has released a new watering schedule. Please observe the watering day for your address. The County drives through neighborhoods and check on a random schedule.

-Monday – addresses ending in 0/1

-Tuesday – addresses ending in 2/3

-Wednesday – addresses ending in 4/5

-Thursday – addresses ending in 6/7

-Friday – addresses ending in 8/9

-Saturday – addresses with no number or ending with a letter

-Sunday – no watering

Reminder!

The street numbers in our neighborhood are the same on every cross street. Please! If you receive mail for your neighbor with the same street number on another street, be kind enough to deliver it to their door. The postal contractors sometimes mistake streets, particularly Taylor and Tyler. One resident informed me that her tax documents were lost due to being delivered to the wrong address. Sure, it's an imposition to ask that you go out of your way to do the postal service's job, but it's a relatively minor one. Besides, the next time, it might be your critical letter that is mis-delivered. Remember, what goes around, comes around.

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Food Truck Night in March Provided by Brown's Food Factory Entertainment by the Food Truck Band

There was a large group of attendees, all of whom seemed to have had a fun evening.

Notice: If you play an instrument and would like to volunteer for a Food Truck Night, call Eric Martell at 407-947-3617 to discuss.

50/50 Raffle Tickets for Sale!

The April 23rd Food Truck Menu will be sent out via email blast to all residents.

Last Food Truck of the Season!
Plan on coming!

Food Truck Events

The Food Truck event will happen once more and then cease for the hot months. It will resume in October. The March Food Truck served about 69 people. Entertainment was provided by neighborhood volunteers. Thanks to all who attended and supported the local Food Truck vendor. We appreciate these hard-working entrepreneurs for bringing their tasty food to us! Some residents take their food home to eat, others bring their own food from home. Either way, we hope you attend and enjoy an evening with neighbors.

We have added a 50/50 Raffle and it has proven to be popular. Proceeds will be used to fund the Embroidered GVE Welcome bags and their contents that are delivered by the Street Ambassador volunteers to new residents.

All communications about scheduled Food Truck Events and Menus will be in the Newsletter and sent by email updates from Sunstate. Make sure that Sunstate has your current email, so you can be up-to-date on community issues.

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Calendar of Events

Thursday April 6nd – 12:00 PM Ladies Lunch
Original Word of Mouth – 1740 E. Venice Ave.
Call Lisa Kyriakos @610-202-9221

Wednesday April 19th – Monthly Board Meeting
2PM @ Jacaranda Library

Thursday April 27rd – 5PM FOOD TRUCK NIGHT!
NAS Philly Steaks
On Pierce between Buchanan & Garfield

Thursday May 4th – 12:00 PM Ladies Lunch
British Pub – 367 Jacaranda Blvd
Call Rosanna Gibbons @410-382-7394

Wednesday May 17th – Monthly Board Meeting
2PM @ Jacaranda Library

Thursday May 18th – 5:00 PM Community Dinner
Carrabba's - 1751 S. Tamiami Trl.
Call Ellie O'Toole @508-631-1060

Thursday June 1st – 11:30 AM Ladies Lunch
Abbey's on Miami – 220 Miami Ave.
Call Karen McCann @716-708-8666

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