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August 2023



The Gulf View

Board Meeting
Monthly Meeting September 20th – 2PM
Zoom Call access available

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

Large Item Trash Pickup
941-493-4100

Commentary

Eric Martell, Editor

Welcome to the Dog Days of Summer. Why they call this time period that I did not know (*see page 3). I'm fairly confident that dogs don't like the extreme heat any more than the rest of us. My only consolation is that statistics show there are far more human deaths due to extreme cold than to heat. (That and the fact that our A/C is cranking along merrily.)

A brief caution might be in order for those of you who are unused to Florida Summers. Despite the humidity, it is easy to get dehydrated. As a result, heat stroke is possible. That's nothing to mess around with, no matter how healthy you are. Drink plenty of water if you're outside. Your friends don't want to hear about your ER visit.

Many of Gulf View's residents take the summer as a reason to go north to visit family, friends, and to enjoy the lower temperatures (hopefully), so the community seems relatively empty at times. When your neighbors are away, please be mindful of potential illegal activity around their vacant dwelling. I have no knowledge of this happening here, but, in some cities, vacant homes are prime targets for squatters.

Mediation regarding the fence on Garfield was held on July 31st. Details of the resolution will be forthcoming.

Just for fun, here is an Irishman's memory of his first drink with his son: I took my son out for his first drink. Off we went to the local pub, which is only two blocks from the house. I got him a Guinness Stout. He didn't like it, so I drank it. Then I got him an Old Style. He didn't like it either, so I drank it. It was the same with Coors and Heinken. By the time we got done with the Irish whiskey chasers, I could hardly push the stroller back home.

(No slur intended toward the Irish. It's just that they do have a wee bit o'reputation and someone has to play the role in the joke.)

Regards to all!

Eric

EC&R Reminder: Dogs and cats may be kept in the subdivision. 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 are permitted. No pets are permitted to endanger health, make objectionable noise, or constitute a nuisance or inconvenience to others.

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July

Board Meeting Notes

- **President's Report:** The fence restriction violation issue will be mediated on July 31.
- **Vice-President's Report:** Nothing to report at this time.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Fountain replacement final payment will be rendered, since the new fountains appear to be working correctly. Discussion over slow payments being made by Sunstate. Our treasurer, Jim Howard, asked to be able to inspect the Association bank accounts in order to monitor payments.
- **Architectural Review Board:** You do not need approval for replacing a roof with the same type of shingles. One house in the community slipped through with 3 tab shingles that were installed several years ago. This may mean that we have to implement ARB approval for roofing. Updating your landscaping does not require ARB approval. Storage of trash & recycling containers must not be visible from street. Replacing windows with no structural change does not require approval. Photovoltaic Panel installation requires no approval.
- **Streets:** The remainder of our streets are on schedule for resurfacing in late Fall, 2023.
- **Landscaping:** Blue Heron is responsible for our entrance and, as a result, it now looks upscale and pleasant.
- **Irrigation:** Detailed bids for service are being re-sent with scope of work in order to solicit more bids.
- **Management Company Report:** David Altiero is the contact. Board members will ride along on compliance drives in the future. Management company does a monthly drive-through and sends out non-compliance letters to addresses that show neglect or violations of the C&Rs. Residents brought some additional issues to the board's attention and there was a brisk discussion on how to approach the problems.
- **Newsletter committee:** House delivery is suspended 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:** A new resident welcome section is being added to the Newsletter. Thanks to all of the Ambassador Volunteers.
- **Compliance Committee:** *No political signs or flags are permitted.* If you get a letter regarding your property, first contact David Altiero at Sunstate. Call the County to report unscreened pools. All remaining hurricane damage needs to be repaired ASAP. Discussion held on implementing fines on non-responsive owners.
- **Homeowner's comments:** complaints about unscreened pool(s), partially down tree, vehicles leaking oil on roads and drives, tall grass, general appearance of some homes, some reported short-term/transient rentals – should be reported to David Altiero.
- **Maintenance:** The Post Office states the mail boxes are now the responsibility of the community. They will no longer repair or replace them. The board is checking with Congressman Greg Stube. The worst damaged package box will be removed. The USPS is supposed to deliver packages to residences if there is no box. Low voltage lighting at entrance to be repaired. Christmas lighting proposal is \$2700. There was some discussion on asking for volunteer help in putting up lights. This has been done in the past successfully.
- **Unfinished Business:** Plan to remove trash along Pennington side of pond will be taken up in the Fall. Frontier cable boxes with no lids are still a problem. Apparently, Frontier cannot source new lids. Consider covering the open box in your yard with plywood or marking it with yellow caution tape until something is done. The HOA is not responsible for this problem.

Hobby Groups: The hobbies and interests list is starting to come together. So far, we have card players, golfers, bikers and readers to name a few. Please keep the ideas coming! If you have activities that you would love to get back to, or perhaps try for the first time, there may be others that would love to connect with you and join in! The best way to reach the coordinator, Peggy Roder, is to text her at 419-341-4005, or send an email to pegro123@gmail.com.
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Sarasota County has a FREE Title Fraud Prevention Service – DON'T Pay for this!

It's possible for a fraudster to deed your property into a different name, take out a mortgage on it, pocket the cash and then leave you with unexpected legal problems and owing a large amount on your home.

You can register with Sarasota County for a service that will alert you any time there is a change to your property record. It is free to do so and is highly recommended. Simply visit this site:

<https://secure.sarasotaclerk.com/ORFraudAlerts.aspx>

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Welcome New Residents

The Ambassador Program will be providing a list of new residents in the community on an on-going basis. This is intended to allow you to get to know your neighbors more easily. Please welcome the following people:

- Michael and Lisa Bonacquisti on Jackson, from the Philadelphia area
- Caythee Ruby on Taylor, from Maryland
- Nicole Heilman and Douglas Beede on Tyler, from Sarasota
- Ilir and Vanessa Iskali on Garfield, from Chicago
- Richard and Mary Eagen on Taylor, from Bradenton
- Charles and Mary Catherine Daly on Harrison, from CT

Help! We need more Ambassador volunteers!!!

Our Gulf View Estates street Ambassadors volunteer their time year-round to welcome new residents to our community. The Ambassadors are a friendly face as they introduce themselves to the new residents on their street and welcome them with a bag full of useful information about GVE, Venice and Sarasota. They also deliver the monthly newsletter to homes on their street October – May.

Each street has 1 - 3 Ambassadors. Some help out year-round. Some are here only seasonally. Some are back-up, helping when needed. We are in particular need of additional Ambassadors on the following streets: Washington, Lincoln, Taylor, McKinley, Wilson and Roosevelt.

If you'd like to participate in the Ambassador Program or have questions about what we do, please text or call **Lynn O'Neill @ 617-775-8830** or email to **lynnoneill50@gmail.com**

Community Dinner at Norma Jean's



* NOTE: The "Dog Days" of summer are the hottest and most unbearable days of the season, lasting from July 3 to August 11. The term originated from the Roman Empire and refers to the dates from July 3 through August 11, which is 20 days prior and 20 days after the star Sirius rises and falls in conjunction with the sun.01 Sirius was known as the "Dog Star" because it is the brightest star in the constellation Canis Major (Large Dog). The ancient Greeks regarded Sirius as the bringer of scorching heat, drought, sudden thunderstorms, lethargy, fever, mad dogs, and bad luck.

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Calendar of Events

Thursday August 3rd – 11:30 Ladies Lunch
Joey D's – 750 US HWY 41 Bypass N
Call Kathy Albers @ 314-487-5716

Wednesday August 16th – No Monthly Board Meeting

Thursday August 24th – 5PM Community Dinner
Landy's Restaurant – 1400 Aqua View Ln, Englewood
Call Kathy Albers @ 314-487-5716

September 7th – 12:00 Ladies Lunch
Anita's Restaurant – 441 Tamiami Trail S
Call Linda Urosev @ 708-476-9454

September 20th – 2 PM – HOA Board Meeting
At Jacaranda Library and via Zoom

September 28th – 5PM Community Dinner
Snowbird Grille – 417 Tamiami Trail S
Call Linda Urosev @ 708-476-9454

October 5th – 12:00 Ladies Lunch
Applebee's Restaurant – 4329 Tamiami Trail S
Call Jodi Howard @ 201-390-3595

October 18th – 2 PM – HOA Board Meeting

October 26th – 5PM – Food Truck Night!
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Your GVE Street Ambassador:

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