

Gardens of Gulf Cove

Garden Spot Newsletter

May 2017

Annual Pizza Party

Thank you to everyone who attended the March 18th Pizza Party and a special thank you to those who worked tirelessly at the preparation to make this event a success. We had great music by Bob Pomerleau and delicious pizza by Papa John's Pizza.

The following businesses donated gift contributions which added to the success of our raffle.

Garden Club Basket

Englewood Bank-Basket

Smoke n Pit BBQ

A Beyoutiful You Hair Salon

Red Lobster

Treasures Lanes Bowling

Lickity Split

Landy's Restaurant

Sue's Styling Salon

Beyond the Sea Restaurant

Pizza Party March 18, 2017



GARDENS OF GULF COVE POA, INC.

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Coniston Office

941-697-4443 Club House

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website: www.thegardensofgulfcove.com

Pool Hours - April till May 8:30 a.m. -7:30p.m.

Office Hours

Club House (6464 Coniston)

If needed please call for an appointment
(941-697-4443) or our office hours are as follows:

9:00am-4:00pm Mon, Tues & Thurs

9:00am-12:00 noon Wed. & Fri.

Management Team

Jack SheehanLicensed Community Association Manager

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Thank you to ALL the volunteers!

The volunteers that give freely of their time to Gardens of Gulf Cove were honored at a brunch on Sunday April, 2, 2017. Volunteers perform some of most thankless tasks in the community. Counting votes; being shhhd at when you have a question of one of your fellow counters, "who are those rude people in the corner over there"? Yet it is a critical task in Democracy and one that makes the annual meeting of the members run smoothly. Being on the fining committee, the absolute necessary task of impartial judgement against your neighbors. Activities; sometimes like herding cats in the community to keep our residents engaged and improving the quality of life. Organizing tennis, bocce ball, horseshoes, pickle ball, exercise, art class, bowling, billiards, men's poker night, cards day, line dancing, water aerobics, shuffleboard, field trips and cruises, Friends Out and About luncheons, Koffee Klatch meetings and luncheons, and the Gardens and Beautification Committee that organizes pot luck dinners and organizes and sells tickets to some of the best parties in Charlotte County, donating the funds for the betterment of the Gardens grounds. One of the most thankless tasks is stepping up to be on the board of directors or one of their committees, to attend countless meetings and make decisions in a distinctly diverse community of homes and residents.

Volunteering is the ultimate exercise of democracy, like no other. We all vote in elections every year or two. But when you volunteer you vote everyday about the type of community you want Gardens of Gulf Cove to be. And it is attributable to the volunteer efforts the kind of community Gardens of Gulf Cove is.

Jack Sheehan, CAM, CMCA, Realtor

Volunteer Thank You Brunch Sunday April 2nd, 2017



New Ladies Tennis Travel Team

New lady's tennis travel team now forming 3.0 Level. Starting October-March on Fridays at 10:00 a.m. If interested or for more information, contact Ellen Meninga 941-697-3582 emeninga@hotmail.com. \$15.00 to the League (50 plus).

Tennis

As a member of the Peace River Senior Men's Tennis League, the Gardens Squad won first place in their Division for the season just concluded.

Comprised of men 50 years and older, the League has over 35 teams. Ranked by ability they are assigned to divisions. The Gardens were assigned to Division B-3, consisting of 8 teams. League play spans the first Thursday of November to the first Thursday of April.

Our "at home" schedule will be announced in the Garden Spot each month. So, if you want to watch good tennis you are invited to bring your lawn chair and root for your team!

"Regular" play starts at 8:00 am every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. All are welcome.
Jack Kyle



Billiards

Billiards players we play on Monday's at 1:00 p.m. See you on the Billiards Court.

Bowling

Bowling is finished the season and will resume in October at Treasure Lanes. If interested contact Lucille Breen 941-697-3809.

Arts and Crafts

The Arts and Crafts are over for the season we will announce when we will resume.

The Koffee Klatch

The Koffee Klatch always welcomes new members. We meet every Wednesday of the month. The first Wednesday is a luncheon at various neighborhood restaurants at 12:30, the association calendar will display where we meet each month. The second (2nd) through the fourth (4th) Wednesday's we meet at the Clubhouse for coffee and pastries at 10:00 a.m. For further information, contact Jo Russo-697-9696, come join us.

Shuffle Board

Shuffle Board league player's games are on Monday & Fridays @ 8:45 a.m. at the Recreation Center.

Garden Club Future Events

If you plan early, mark your calendar for the following 2018 events sponsored by the Garden Club.

Potluck, Saturday, February 10th, 2018
Dinner Dance, Saturday, February 10, 2018
Pizza Party, Saturday, March 10, 2018

For more information, contact Lucille Breen, 941-697-3809 or email breenb1@centurylink.net



Garden Club

Meetings have ended for the summer and will resume in November, 2017. If interested in joining the Garden Club contact Lucille Breen, 941-697-3809 or email breenb1@centurylink.net

Garden's Memory Garden

Bricks are available for purchase to install in the Garden's Memory Garden. Each brick is either 4"x8" or 8"x8". The 4x8 has 3 lines of text. The 8x8 has 6 lines of text. Each line is a maximum of 20 characters including spaces. You may use less than 20 characters, but no more than 20 per line. Engraved text will be centered on each line of the brick. If you would like to add art/graphics on the brick, you then can only have 2 lines on a 4x8 or 5 lines on an 8x8 brick.

If interested in purchasing a brick, please speak or call Lucille Breen at 941-697-3809 or by email breenb1@centurylink.net

Thank you.

Bocce

Bocce players meet on Tuesday's and Thursday's @ 9:30 a.m. All residents are welcome to play and learn the game.



Horseshoes

If you like to play horseshoes no need for an invite just join us at the pit in front of the Recreation Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.

Line Dancing

Line Dancing has come to an end for the season.

Pickleball Players



Paddles, balls and instruction are available if you want to give it a try. We meet on Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. at the tennis courts.

Town Hall Meeting

Future dates will be announced.

2017 Board Meetings Clubhouse (6464 Coniston)

Future Meetings will be announced, check the Association Official Business Bulletin Board located in the Club House.

Board Meeting Minutes

Are available on the associations website www.thegardensofgulfcove.com and on the Association Official Business Bulletin Board located in the Club House.

Gardens of Gulf Cove Website

Please refer to our website <http://www.thegardensofgulfcove.com> for information you may need such as documents, newsletters, minutes, pool hours, office hours, announcements, activities calendar and contact information.

CAM Corner Annual Meeting

Congratulations to all the owners for the successful annual meeting of the members held in March. The three proxy questions all passed; should the association over-stripe the two remaining tennis courts for pickle ball? Should the association roll over excess funds if any into budget year 2018 to avoid adverse income tax consequences? And, most significant was the amendment to the articles of incorporation and the restating of the by-laws and declaration of covenants and restriction.

The election was held with the following results; Ray Forshee and Sandra Weaver were re-elected and Reed Ell was elected to the board.

The board of directors conducted a single agenda item meeting immediately following the annual meeting to select officers for 2017 / 2018. As a result the is configured as follows;

Tom Sullivan – President and Chairman

Helen Raimbeau – Vice President

Jim Newkirk – Treasurer

Marty Vanderbilt – Secretary

Sandra Weaver – Director at large

Herman Dahl – Director at large

Ray Forshee – Director at large

Reed Ell – Director at large

Jack Arlinghaus – Director at large

It is important to note that with the passage of the new documents the board size is reduced to seven from nine. Any resignations of the board will not be filled down to seven.

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Weather Bug Lightning System



As most owners are aware, southwest Florida has the dubious distinction of being one of the lightening capitol of the world. Lightening is one of the most studied weather phenomenon. Following some local headlining unfortunate deaths at beaches and on high school practice fields, a lot of emphasis was placed on technology of detection and early warning. Municipalities started purchasing the systems, then came golf courses and practice fields, and now community associations. The picture to the left is the newest addition to the life / safety technology that the board of directors have invested in. This particular model is the Weather Bug lightening early warning system. It

will detect the presence of lightening within a ten-mile radius and set off a visual and audible alarm which will close the pools immediately upon sounding. The audible alarm could be likened to a truck horn, it goes off for approximately 5 seconds, simultaneously a strobe flashes and remains flashing while danger is detected. Once the danger has passed, the horn sounds three short blasts and the flashing light shuts off.

Another benefit of the Weather Bug system is the ability of owners to monitor if the pools are open or closed from their smart phone. We have an app that is tied directly to our pools in real time that alerts owners of the pool status.

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More Technology - More Antennas

High atop the clubhouse and the rec center are antennas that will be sending the wifi signal from the clubhouse to the rec center. This will eliminate a large portion of the telecommunications bill each month. Last year we physically wired the buildings together to monitor the cameras at the rec center pool in the clubhouse. Wiring is not suitable for the wifi signal since the losses through the wire reduce the bandwidth of the wifi significantly. We expect to have the two buildings communicating by mid-May, a VOIP phone system will replace the landline for the alarms and the 911 phone service. Eventually, the office will be using VOIP phones as well reducing our telecommunications bill to a fraction of what it was.

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Friends Out and About

The restaurant for the month of May is Beyond the Sea (3555 S Access Rd, Englewood, FL 34224) on May 31st, 1:00 p.m. Call Herman at 941-697-0424 and **R.S.V.P. by Monday May 22nd** to make your reservation.



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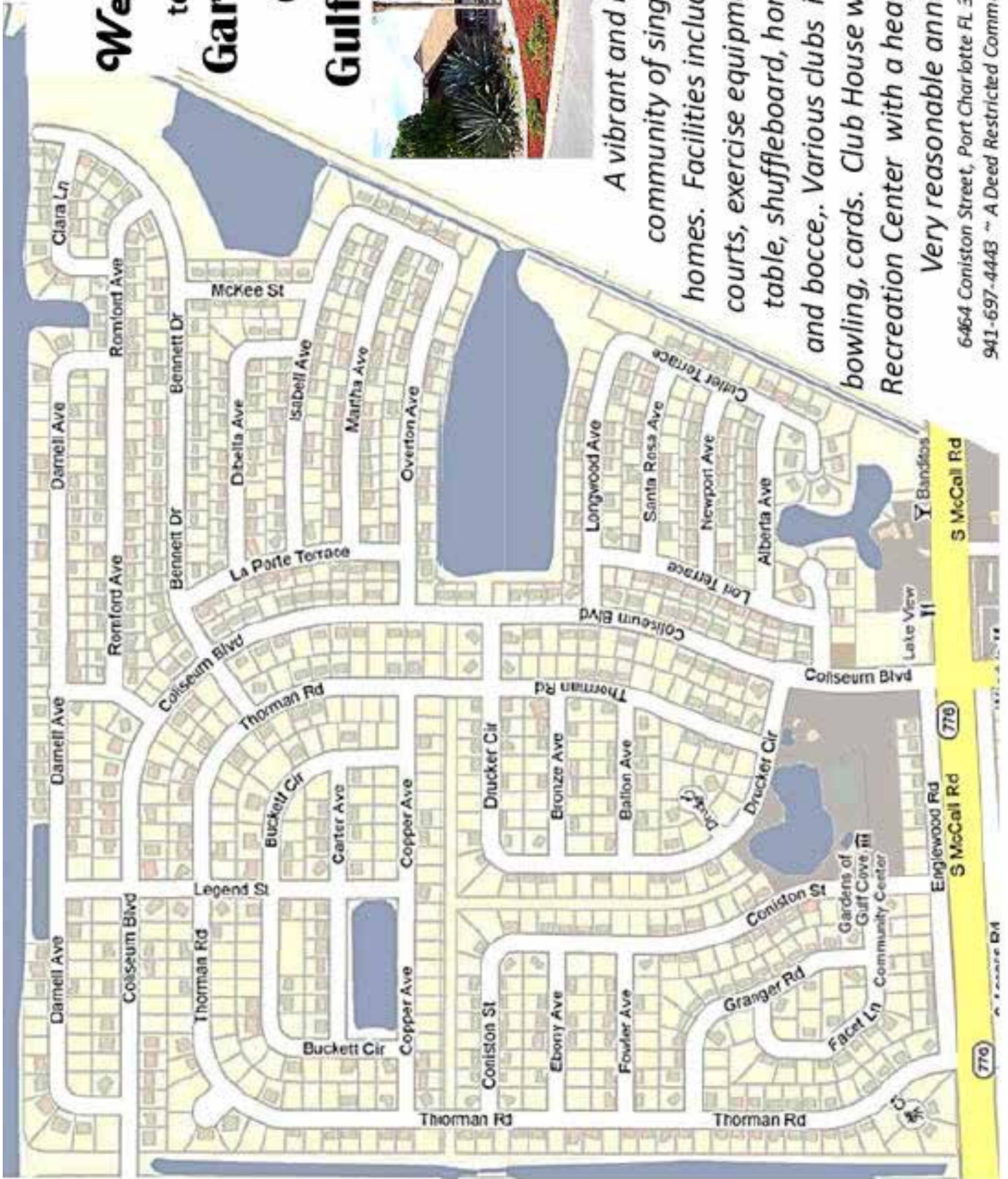
Welcome to the Gardens of Gulf Cove



A vibrant and beautiful community of single family homes. Facilities include tennis courts, exercise equipment, pool table, shuffleboard, horseshoes, and bocce,. Various clubs including bowling, cards. Club House with pool. Recreation Center with a heated pool.

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