

Gardens of Gulf Cove

Garden Spot Newsletter

April 2017

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Thank you to all those who attended and to all those who worked at the at the preparations at the annual dinner dance. Another successful dinner dance on Saturday, February 18. Great music by Judy Love and Tommy Lee and great food by Smoke 'N Pitt BBQ. Also, a special thank you to the following businesses for their generous gift contribution to the success of our raffle.

Sew Nice Alterations
Olde World Restaurant
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Diane' Gift Boutique
Smoke 'N Pit BBQ
Beyond the Sea Restaurant
Lickity Split Cafe
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La Stanza Ristoranti



**Dinner Dance
2017**

GARDENS OF GULF COVE POA, INC.

6464 Coniston St., Port Charlotte FL 33981

Coniston Office

941-697-4443 Club House

941-698-9274 facsimile

email: gardensofgulfcove@gmail.com

website: www.thegardensofgulfcove.com

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

Office Hours

Club House (6464 Coniston)

9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday

9:00 a.m-5:00 p.m. Tues.-Friday

Management Team

Jack SheehanLicensed Community Association Manager

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Community Garage Sale

The spring community garage sale will be held April 7-8th at your own garage from 8 am until 4:00 pm Friday & Saturday. Hurry clean out your attic & garage because a good sale takes time to plan.

Richard Liebel (gardens resident)

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

If you would like to join us just show up, all are welcome. Non-league playing right now still meets Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. at the tennis courts.

Billiards



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

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 starting back Monday & Fridays @ 8:45 a.m. at the Recreation Center.

Arts and Crafts

The Arts and Crafts will meet on Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Come and join us for art or working on your favorite crafts. We look forward to new members and ideas.

Bowling

Bowling is finished the season on April 11 and will resume in October at Treasure Lanes. If interested contact Lucille Breen 941-697-3809.



The Garden Club meets the first Thursday of every month at 10 am at the Club House. Next meeting is Thursday, April 6. Everyone welcome.

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.

Friends Out and About

Our visit for the month of April will be to a new restaurant and you will be required to R.S.V.P because once the tables are set up it will be difficult to add any new seating, as we will be sitting in front of a very large fireplace. The restaurant for the month of April will be the Longhorn Steakhouse, 1381 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte (Rt. on 776 to Rt. 41 turn right and right again into entrance) on April 26, 1:00 p.m. Call Herman at 941-697-0424 and **R.S.V.P. by Monday April 24th** to make your reservation.

Bocce

Bocce players meet on 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

Guys and Gals get out your dancing shoes and come join us at the Club House (6464 Coniston) Fridays at 11:00 am. -12:00. Line Dancing is coming to an end for the season it will continue for most of April, your instructor will be announcing the date of the last lesson in class.

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)

APRIL 13TH @ 5:30 P.M

Current and 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.

Annual Meeting

The 2017 Annual Meeting was a great success, your new documents have passed.

CAM Corner

Safety in the Community

Everyone wants a safe place to call home, and our association strives to make all residents feel secure. While we're diligent in our efforts to reduce possible dangers in our community, we only have so much latitude and time to dedicate to crime prevention. It's up to everyone to pitch in to keep crime rates down.

Roads, sidewalks, the grassy strip in front of your house and some of the drainage easements have been dedicated to Charlotte County by the developer. While this is unlikely to happen these days it is a huge advantage for the association from a financial, operational and law enforcement perspective. In dedicating the properties to Charlotte County, the association retained its rights to have all the dedicated properties subject to the GoGC declaration. However, it doesn't give us law enforcement authority.

Following are a few simple steps that can go a long way in keeping theft, vandalism and other felonies and misdemeanors out of the association.

Know Your Neighbors. And not just the neighbors on your block, but also the neighbors from all parts of the association. At the very least, you'll get a better idea of who actually lives (and in turn, who belongs) here. Talking with your neighbors will also give you the chance to find out if there have noticed any suspicious activity in the association recently so that you can be on the lookout as well.

Leave The Light On. A good way to deter felons from breaking into your home is to make sure your front porch light stays on all night, even when you're out of town. Not only does it signal that someone's home, it also makes it harder for vandals to hide among the shadows. If you're worried that you'll either forget to turn the light on at night or off in the morning, you can purchase an inexpensive timer or photocell that will automatically do that for you every day. Also, if you see any street lights around the association that are burnt out, please note the pole number and email Florida Power and Light <https://www.fpl.com/support/streetlight-single.html> , or call 1-800-468-8243 then press 3.

Lock Up. If you want to keep unwanted guests out, don't make your home inviting. Even when you're around, it's best to keep all gates, doors and garages locked at all times. It's also a good idea to keep your windows closed and locked when possible, especially if they're on the ground floor.

Put On Your Walking Shoes. Taking a stroll around the association isn't just good exercise. You can casually patrol the community for anything suspicious or usual, as well as swap notes about unusual activity in the area with other neighbors who are out and about. Also, when more residents regularly walk around the association, it can

help scare off hooligans who are afraid of getting caught in the act.

Clean It Up. Picking up litter and keeping trees, bushes and lawns trimmed not only makes the association look better, but also sends the message that our residents are diligent about keeping the neighborhood a respectable place to live. This can help discourage troublemakers from hanging around our community and encourage responsible and involved people to move to the association.

See Something, Say Something. If you notice a crime or a suspicious activity, regardless of how small the incident may seem, notify the association and the Charlotte County Sheriff immediately. Of course, only call 911 if it is an emergency; otherwise, contact the Sheriff's Department on their non-emergency line at 941-627-5977

We all have a responsibility to our community to help keep it safe, and incorporating even a few of these tips can go a long way. Do your part to make our association a place you're happy to call home!

Thank you! Jack Sheehan CAM, CMCA, Realtor

Landlords; Please Note

Renting your house within the restrictions of the declaration is your right. Most landlords do a good job maintaining their properties per the declaration and good neighbor standards. Others, put their tenants in place, assign all the maintenance to the tenants and go back to wherever they are from. Some landlords have been fined, call me from up north and try to defend their poor property maintenance or parking situations.

Please be advised and understand; it is the responsibility of the owner to make their tenants aware of all the restrictions within the Gardens of Gulf Cove sub-division. It is the responsibility of the owner to maintain the property to the standards set forth in the declaration that you agreed to when you purchased your property. I have been asked by some owners why we don't give warnings. Warnings for blatantly obvious violations of parking or maintenance makes me your property manager; the association does not pay me to be your property manager or quality control department. Enforcement of the covenants is secured by a continuous lien held by the association upon your property.

The association has a lot of tools in the tool box of compliance, fining is only one. The association has the right (and is doing so) to force place maintenance upon a property the cost of which becomes an assessment and is collectable as



an assessment. The association can (and does) demand rent from the tenant for any debt which is owed to the association including force placed maintenance. Any retaliation from the owner against the tenant is illegal. The association can (and does) demand that a lease not be renewed for repeated violations. The association can directly evict a tenant through its attorney, the cost of which is charged to the property. The association can (and does) file a lawsuit against an owner for not registering tenants per the declaration.

The above restrictions are in place for a purpose, all are supported by written and case law and all are available to be used to bring homes into compliance. Compliance is the objective!

Thank you, Jack Sheehan CAM, CMCA, Realtor



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April Sudoku

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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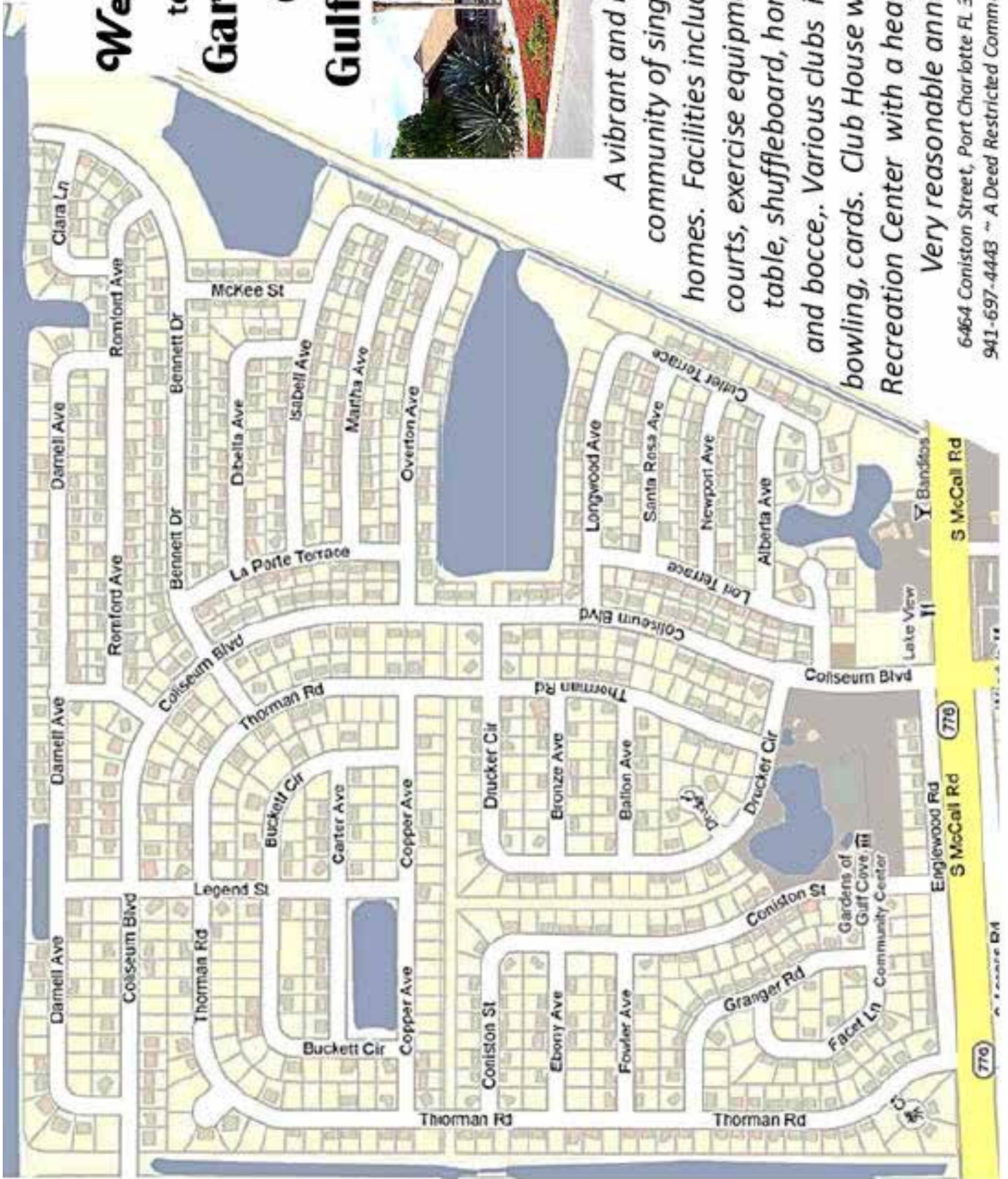
Welcome to the Gardens of Gulf Cove



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.

Very reasonable annual fees .

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