

Gardens of Gulf Cove

Garden Spot Newsletter

May 2014

Presidents Message

May and we are about done with spring and headed for summer in the Gardens of Gulf Cove. This is the quiet bridge for our community as the transition from the winter season begins and the staff and Board begin addressing the issues that need to be addressed and those we need to plan for the 2015 budget.

The budget process for 2015 will begin later on this month and will involve a walk about of the community facilities, as has been our custom for the last few cycles. You may anticipate that the budget for 2015 will develop slowly across two or three open budget meetings this summer and will as we go along confront us as a group will needing to develop a contingency fund to help with unanticipated substantial reconstruction issues and replacement issues for some of the facilities. We already know, for instance, that the bathhouse complex at the recreation center needs to be addressed by remodeling or by replacement and we know the financial impact will not be insignificant.

Our insurer has denied the damage repair bill for the recreation center office roof even though their appointed assessor affirmed the damage was covered and that we would receive a check for their portion of the cost. We are talking to them and have asked for a review of the decision in light of the first finding, a detailed explanation from the contractor on the damage and are hopeful they will reverse the decision. Fortunately we have the funds available to pay the bill in full without having to cancel other projects.

As you are aware the work is progressing slowly on the development on Coliseum and 776 and on the sidewalks in the development. We will keep you posted to the best of our ability.

We hope you all have a wonderful summer.

John W. Anderson
President, GGCPOA

*Happy
Mother's
Day*

*From:
Community
Media*



**Remember Memorial Day
May 26th**



**Thank You:
Active Military
& Veterans**

From: Community Media

GARDENS OF GULF COVE POA, INC.

6464 Coniston St., Port Charlotte FL 33981

Coniston Office

941-697-4443 Club House

941-698-9274 facsimile

Coliseum Office

941-697-1211 Rec Center

email: gardensofgulfcove@gmail.com

website: www.thegardensofgulfcove.com

- Club House office hours: Mon, Tue, Wed from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
- Rec Center office hours: Mon thru Fri from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.
- Pool Hours: 8:00 am to sunset, weather permitting.

For your convenience, after-hours lockboxes are available at both offices.

Management Team

Greg Smyth Licensed Community Association Manager

Stacey Andersen Assistant Manager

2013-2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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2014 term exp.

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ATTENTION PET OWNERS!

Please do not allow your pet to wander onto private property while out walking the community. Some pet owners are allowing their pups to "do their business" in others yards and leaving it for that property owner to clean up! If you do walk your pet on Association property, please carry a bag and pick up the fecal matter.



The community documents, as well as Charlotte County Code requires fecal matter be removed immediately. Please do your part, because failure to do so may result in an invitation to a Fining Hearing!

PEDESTRIANS ALWAYS HAVE RIGHT OF WAY... GIVE THEM PLENTY OF TIME AND ROOM TO CROSS!

Please do your part - take pride in your property!
Fix up, spruce up, paint & plant!

IMPORTANT:

The new deadline for newsletter submissions is the 12th of each month. This will be a hard deadline, meaning if you miss the deadline, your submission will not be included in the upcoming newsletter! If you have any questions, please contact the newsletter editor, Stacey at 941-697-1211.

Board Meetings, 7pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month,

Agenda Workshops, 7pm the Monday before.

All meetings are at the Club House, 6464 Coniston St.

MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE GARDENS OF GULF COVE!

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FUN at the Dinner Dance

The photos tell the story. The February 2014 Gardens of Gulf Cove Dinner Dance was a lot of fun for the 106 who attended the sellout event. The dinner dance band **Judy Love, Tommy C and the Barstool Mountain Boys** again kept people on their feet dancing.



The merchants below donated wonderful prizes:

Conch Care

Country Hound Café

Flatbread of Englewood

Hair Loft

Hair by St. Pierre

Home Depot

La Stanza Restaurant

Leverock's

Lickity Split

Mama's

Nicola's Italian Kitchen

Papa John's

Pig 'n Whistle

Publix

Sue's Styling Salon

The Cove

Treasure Lanes

Winn Dixie

The following friends and residents contributed items:

Janet Anderson

Anne Baldwin

John Arbogast

Barbara Borseth

Elaine Stevens

Just look at all those yummy desserts and the food. The room was beautifully decorated, and everyone seemed to enjoy the dancing and visiting with neighbors and friends.



If you would like to be a part of this committee, join us at our planning meetings on the first Thursday of the month at 10:00 AM in the Club House.



Watch February 2015 for our next annual Country/Western Dinner Dance and keep looking at the

improvements to our grounds that these fundraisers make possible.



Living the Good Life at the Pizza Party

The February 2014 Gardens of Gulf Cove Pizza Party spoke to the good life we live in Gardens of Gulf Cove, our own little neighborhood in Paradise. Eighty-nine residents ate pizza, slaw and great desserts, enjoyed chatting and visiting with each other and dancing to the music of Kenny Anderson and his keyboards.

The partygoers not only had food and dancing, they had prizes and gift baskets donated by the following businesses:



**Englewood Bank
Country Hound Café
Flatbread of Englewood
Hair by St. Pierre
Home Depot
La Stanza Restaurant
Johnny Leverock's**

**Lickity Split
Nicola's Italian Kitchen
Pig 'n Whistle
Sue's Styling Salon
The Cove Bistro
Winn Dixie**



In addition to the business gifts, the following residents contributed items:

Barbara Borseth Elaine Stevens
Doris Dizinno Thelma Shannabrook

The odds were great that you would go home with a gift certificate, a basket of goodies, a handmade gift or a flowerpot and many partygoers did. Not only do the ticket holders participate in living the good life, they also help create the good life since all the proceeds from the party go to improving the grounds of the Gardens of Gulf Cove.



If you would like to be a part of this event, sponsored by the GGC Gardening and Beautification Committee, watch for the announcement next season. The Pizza Party in 2015 will be March 21, 2015. Watch for the beginning of ticket sales next season and join in the Good Life at the 2015 Pizza Party.

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May Sudoku



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Memorial Day**

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**** MEETING HIGHLIGHTS ****

The following meeting information is unofficial and has not been approved by the Board of Directors.

Once approved by the Board of Directors, the official meeting minutes are available at the Association office upon request.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held at the Club House on April 09, 2014. President Jack Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Directors present in person: Jack Anderson, Jack Arlinghaus, Lucille Breen, Herman Dahl, Charles Petit, Fred Streif, Martha Vanderbilt and Sandy Withrow; not present: John Arbogast. A quorum was present. Also in attendance: Greg Smyth, Licensed Community Association Manager (LCAM) and Stacey Andersen, Assistant Manager.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Set Agenda

3. Speaker on the Agenda Deputy Dan Cotton, Charlotte County Sheriff's Dept., not present, report given by G.Smyth.

4. Veteran's Memorial Park M.Vanderbilt presentation for support of memorial park in Rotonda.

5. Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes as presented from the Regular Meeting of 03/12/2014 and the Agenda Workshop of 04/07/2014 made by H.Dahl, seconded by J.Arlinghaus. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Correspondence none

7. Treasurer's Report: Report given by H.Dahl, Treasurer.

8. Manager's Report: Report given by G.Smyth, LCAM.

9. Streets & Drainage Report: Report given by G.Smyth, Chairperson, next meeting scheduled for April 16, 2pm.

10. RV Storage Lot Report: Report given by J.Arlinghaus, Chairperson.

11. Committee Reports:

a. Activities:

i. **Bocce**: Ambrose Biondo, Chairperson, not present, no report.

ii. **Bowling**: Report given by Lucille Breen, Chairperson.

iii. **Friends Out & About**: Report given by Herman Dahl, Chairperson.

iv. **Garden & Beautification**: Janet Anderson, Chairperson not present, report given by L.Breen, Vice Chairperson.

v. **Shuffleboard**: Bob Whitney, Chairperson, not present, no report.

vi. **Tennis**: Report given by Jack Kyle, Chairperson.

b. Audit Committee: Janet Anderson, Chairperson not present, report given by D.Voza.

c. Covenants & Restrictions:

i. **Compliance Committee**: The Compliance Officer continues to send out violation letters and fining notices.

ii. **Fining Committee**: Hearings are held the first Saturday of each month. Fining recommendations under New Business.

d. Maintenance Committee:

12. Old Business:

a) Club House Pool update: Update given by G.Smyth.

b) Cutler Terrace lots: Update given by J.Anderson.

c) Hazeltine Irrigation update: Update given by J.Anderson.

13. New Business:

a) Prices for Arborist: Management Team to obtain three bids to "top" trees along Englewood Rd.

b) Bocce Courts: Discussion held between Ambrose Biondo, J.Anderson & F.Streif concluded with arrangement which Bocce to fund 50% and Association to fund 50%.

c) Telephone Directory: Update given by J.Anderson.

d) Mulch, Gardening & Staff Responsibilities: Update given by J.Anderson. Garden Club was unable to finish project, staff to assume responsibility.

e) Rental Restrictions (clarification language): Update given by J.Anderson.

f) Annual Renewal of Policies:

i. **Compliance Committee**: Motion to accept "Procedural Guidelines of the Board" made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by L.Breen. Motion to amend and accept as modified (striking "statement" requirement and "there" in decision) made by F.Streif, with no second. J.Arlinghaus and L.Breen agree to amended motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ii. **Policy Guidance**: Motion to accept the "Policy Guidance" made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by H.Dahl. Call the question by J.Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

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- iii. **Sign-In Procedures**: Motion to accept the “Sign-In Procedures” made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by H.Dahl. After discussion, motion to table “Sign-In Procedures” made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by L.Breen. Motion carried unanimously.
- iv. **Supervision of Employees**: Motion to accept the “Supervision of Employees” made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by H.Dahl. Motion to amend (strike “save”, insert “except” the CAM in the last paragraph) made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by H.Dahl. Motion carried unanimously. After discussion, motion to reconsider made by L.Breen, seconded by C.Petit. Those in favor: L.Breen, F.Streif, and M.Vanderbilt; opposed: J.Anderson, J.Arlinghaus, H.Dahl, C.Petit, and S.Withrow. Motion to reconsider failed.
- v. **Vandalism Policy**: Motion to accept the “Vandalism Policy” made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by L.Breen. Motion carried unanimously.
- vi. **Delinquent Assessment Policy**: Motion to accept the “Delinquent Assessment Policy” as presented made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by L.Breen. Amendment from “working” days to “calendar” days agreed to by J.Arlinghaus and L.Breen. Motion carried unanimously.
- vii. **Fining Process Operational Procedures**: Motion to accept “Fining Process Operational Procedures” made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by H.Dahl. After discussion, motion to accept as amended (probation period “up to 365 calendar days”) made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by H.Dahl. Call the question by J.Anderson. Motion carried unanimously.

g) Fining Committee Recommendations:

- i. Item #1, unanimous
- ii. Item #3, unanimous
- iii. Item #5, unanimous
- iv. Item #6, unanimous
- v. Item #7, those in favor: J.Anderson, J.Arlinghaus, L.Breen, H.Dahl, F.Streif, S.Withrow, and M.Vanderbilt; opposed: C.Petit.
- vi. Item #8, unanimous
- vii. Item #9, unanimous
- viii. Item #10, unanimous
- ix. Item #2,4,11,12 – (closed/hold matters), unanimous

14. Other discussions:

- a) M.Hartsock’s concerns regarding Rental Restrictions & clarifications.
- b) E.Duignan expresses infringement of rights and questions Board’s decision to ban smoking, including in personal vehicle on common properties.
- c) Aquacize’s request for Variance of Rules & Regulations, Section II,2(c): e.g. Allow use of plastic “resistance paddles” in pool: As this would be a rule change, any discussion and/or change requires proper notice. Draft language to be worked on for future meeting.

15. **Adjournment**: Motion to adjourn at 9:12 p.m. made by J.Arlinghaus, seconded by L.Breen. Motion carried unanimously.

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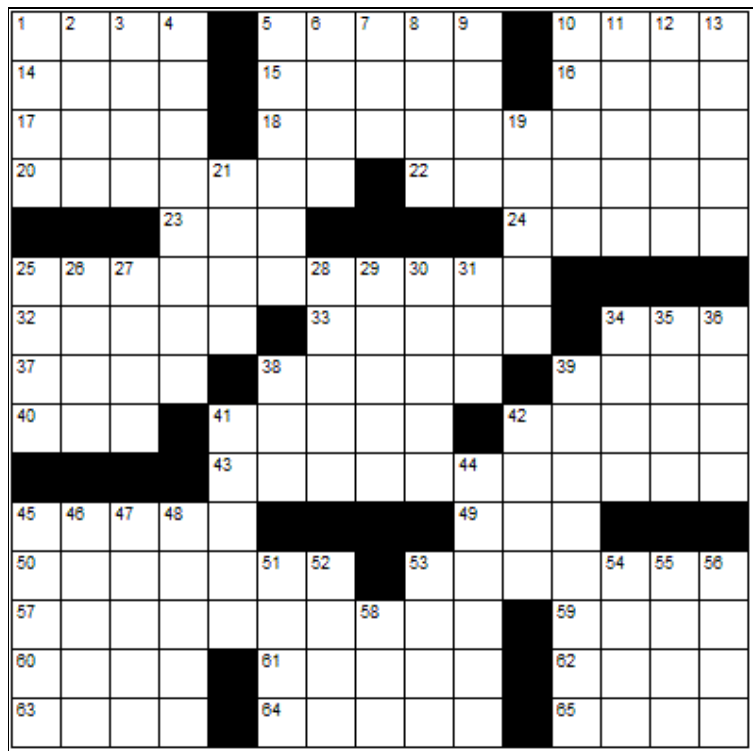
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- Historic Preservation Month
- Mental Health Awareness Month
- Military Appreciation Month
- National Bike Month
- Older Americans Month
- Physical Fitness & Sports Month
- Teacher Appreciation Month

ACROSS

1. Probabilities
5. Poplar tree
10. Playlet
14. Flippant
15. Craze
16. Walk in water
17. Winglike
18. Hades
20. Readable
22. Without a weapon
23. D
24. Prepared
25. A gaudy outward display
32. Gleam
33. Subtract
34. An old rustic dance
37. Lease
38. Small fatty European fish
39. Carpenter's groove
40. Female sheep
41. Minty drink
42. Also called Peter
43. Immeasurable
45. Cantaloupe for example
49. Gist
50. Filling material
53. Try
57. Excusable
59. Story
60. Not pre-recorded
61. Extraterrestrial
62. Biblical garden
63. Distinctive flair
64. Delineated
65. Chair



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| 2. Expunge | 25. Monster | 44. Have in mind |
| 3. Haul | 26. Killed | 45. Official tree of Canada |
| 4. ShriII | 27. Prong | 46. Electronic letters |
| 5. Talisman | 28. Enough | 47. Stage between egg and pupa |
| 6. Curse | 29. Rubber wheels | 48. Bygone |
| 7. Terminate | 30. Awkward | 51. A Freudian stage |
| 8. Place | 31. Not in | 52. French Sudan |
| 9. Acquire deservedly | 34. Doorpost | 53. Away from the wind |
| 10. Cursed | 35. False god | 54. Fabricated |
| 11. Fate | 36. Departed | 55. Urgent request |
| 12. Stagnated | 38. Our star | 56. Canvas dwelling |
| 13. Woman's undergarment | 39. Insulin deficiency | 58. Container |
| 19. Alerts | 41. Bellicose nationalist | |

May
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May 2014

A group of people are swimming in a pool at a beach resort. The pool is surrounded by a white fence, and there is a large umbrella on the left side. The water is blue, and the people are wearing swimwear. The background shows a beach and some buildings.

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