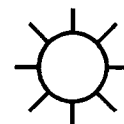


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Board of Directors' Corner

The Board of Directors Meeting will be held early in the month on Thursday, August 7th at 10:30 AM.

The following is a status of some of the projects in progress at this time:

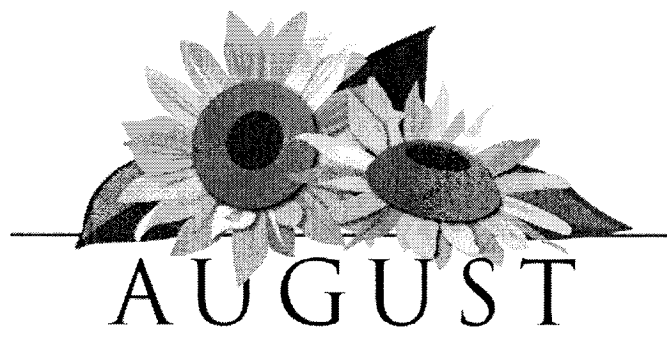
- Clubhouse decking - CARE is here waiting for the county to inspect the replacement of the metal joist hangers under the decking. Once they pass the inspection they will secure any of the boards they lifted for access. They will then move onto the three railing boards that are rotted and require replacement and the ten rusted column base plates. When fully complete they will paint the deck.

- Armadillo Dirt Works has completed the erosion project at the south end of Eden Lake. They have rerouted several owner downspouts underground to avoid future erosion, regraded & packed soil around the two culverts, installed a catch basin with piping to the lake to redirect the ground water and avoid future culvert erosion, installed geo-fabric with large coquina rock along the entire shoreline to hold the slopes, removed a high spot in the lake near the opening to the culvert drain opening and finished it off with fresh sod. It looks amazing.

- Armadillo has now moved onto the south fence perimeter where they are removing a lot of debris, cutting back overhanging tree growth, removing any invasive trees, regrading by adding soil or removing any existing railroad ties that are impeding proper drainage and once complete covering with sod. This grading will ensure that owner backyards will properly drain to the south.

We will stress upon residents along the fence-line asking that they do not throw any debris over their fences or they will be asked to remove it.

Clubhouse carpet cleaning is scheduled for Friday, August 1st. The clubhouse will be closed to activities until Monday, August 4th to allow the carpeting to properly dry.



WASTE MANAGEMENT & YOUR NEW CARTS

For any information regarding Waste Management and the new cart distribution, please feel free to contact the respective representatives below. The new cart distribution is being handled by Indian River County and billed through your individual homeowner's taxes.

As of October 1st, you will be able to exchange your new carts for other size choices: 35-gal, 65-gal, 95-gal.

For more information:

- Solid Waste Director: Himanshu Mehta (hmehta@indianriver.gov) 772-226-3211.

- Recycle Coordinator: Sue Flak (sglak@indianriver.gov) 772-226-3206.

JUNIPER LANDSCAPING

If you have a landscaping work request for your property, you can submit it directly to Juniper.

Their email address is:

customercare@juniperlandscaping.com. Please "cc" the office so that we can make note of your concerns.

REMINDER: Lawn trimming "reflector procedure"

- RED indicates that you do not want any trimming done in your yard. None!
- BLUE indicates that you do not want any trimming done to a specific plant or hedge.



SUNSHINE CLUB

"Sympathy" cards sent to:

- Loss of Rudy Romano – previous owner

"Get Well" cards sent to:

- Ted Riddle

Contact Antoinette Watson at 772-631-7851 if you know of someone that could use a SUNSHINE Greeting.

Thank you all for your prayers and concern during Charlie's recent back surgery. He is doing well.

Sincerely, Tina & Charles Horta

GARDEN GROVE BOOK CLUB

The GG Book Club will be meeting next on Wednesday, August 20th at 11:00 a.m. in the Clubhouse. The book we will be discussing is "The Frozen River" by Ariel Lawhon. This historical fiction is set in Hallowell, Maine, in 1789 and follows the life of Martha Ballard, a 54-year-old midwife who leverages her standing as a medical professional to investigate two crimes: a murder and a rape.

September's book choice is "Verity" by Colleen Hoover. This psychological thriller follows Lowen Ashleigh, a struggling writer hired to complete the final books in a successful series by the incapacitated author Verity Crawford.

The Book Club meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 11:00, everyone is welcome anytime. After our meeting, several of us like to go out to lunch.

If you have any questions or would like to be included in any correspondence regarding meetings, please contact Sheila Dilley at 727-741-0494.



The Garden Grove Book Club took a drive towards the Beach and we landed at the **LEMON TREE**.

An airy small Cafe type eatery located on OCEAN DR (772-231-0858). It is so pleasant for a great breakfast or lunch meal and the food is exceptional. This is the Book Club's second visit. An order of Crab Cakes (2) Entree was so sweet it did not need anything. It was served with coleslaw (replaced with fries) moist corn bread & salad garnish. A Rachel Sandwich was tasty & the bread was extra thick. The Avocado Toast with extra side FRESH Tomato was cleaned off the plate and the Quiche is a real treat. They are opened from 7-2:30. Afterwards a nice walk around the shop area is required.

Give them a try its worth the ride over the bridges.

Deborah Katsaros



♥ BRIDGE SCORES ♦

Tues, July 8

1. Lee Weiler
2. Gordon Kemp
3. Rayma Kreider

Tues, July 22

1. Rayma Kreider
2. Marcia Collins
3. Gordon Kemp



♠ BRIDGE SCORES ♣

Tues, July 15

1. B. J. Marnie
2. Rayman Kreider
3. Ann Sterling

Tues, July 29

1. Marcia Collins
2. Ann Sterling
3. Lee Weiler

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS 2025

You should have decided by now at what category of hurricane you would evacuate and have let your neighborhood coordinator know. Help us update our search list. There are some forms that were used to gather that information in the clubhouse that you can use if you have not already provided that information.

It's better to make preparations now and not need them, than it is to panic when it's too late. Your neighborhood hurricane coordinators have provided you (or attempted to provide you) with preparation information.

You've heard the survivors on TV after a disaster where lives were lost: "I've lived here for x years and we've never had a storm that bad before. I'm never going through that again." These same people before the disaster probably said: "We've never had a Cat x storm here and we are staying no matter what". The past is no predictor of the future.

Some high category hurricanes randomly strike Florida every year and the ocean temperatures that drive them continue to get higher. We've been lucky. In Garden Grove we have never had a Cat 4 hurricane. There are pictures in the clubhouse of the damage that a Cat 4 and 5 hurricane storms can do.

In 2004 we were on the edge of the eye of two Cat 3 storms. Sixteen homes in Garden Grove received significant damage; some possibly due to tornadoes. Unfortunately, we don't have any photos of the Cat 3 damage in Garden Grove. Every storm is different. Don't forget about flood risk, and be alert to the devastation that storm surges can cause if we were to get a large one.

PS Don't forget to remove objects and debris that become missiles in major winds: flower pots, flag poles, branches, hoses, BBQs, etc. Be a good neighbor!

Contact your coordinator to help them help you. For additional questions or if you are interested in participating, please contact Gordon Kemp at 772-724-695-7892.



THE Social Club

PAST EVENTS:

--**LADIES LUNCHEON:** We had a delightful lunch at Riverside Café on July 9. Our group was noticeably smaller with our snowbirds away as well as some of our regulars on vacation! However, our lunches are always a nice respite from our daily routine.

-- **JULY 4:** A wonderful July 4th BBQ was held at the clubhouse on Friday, July 4 with over 70 people in attendance. Thank you to everyone

--**TRIVIA:** On July 25 our Garden Grove Triaphiles gathered for a finger food buffet prior to our summer Trivia challenge. It was a tight competition.

The "Smartypants" won bragging rights and the Garden Grove Trivia Trophy by only one point! The winning team consisted of Mike Morris, Mary Beth Brown, Jo Ann Staszski, Dawn Vasquez and Terry Yarbrough.

Mary Beth Brown won the 50/50!

UPCOMING NEWS

--**BINGO:** Bingo dates for August will be the 6th & 20th. There are 10 games at \$1.00 per game. The first game starts at 6:30.

--**LADIES LUNCHEON:** We are planning a trip to Tuoy's on August 13. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Shirley Johnson at 772 538 6868 by Tuesday, August 12 at 4pm. If you are even thinking about attending please let Shirley know ASAP as she will be making the preliminary reservation the first week of August.

If you have not yet attended one of our lunches, I do hope you will consider attending.

--**SOCIAL CLUB MEETING:** We will not be having an August meeting but if you have any concerns don't hesitate to call or text Linda. Our next meeting will be Sept. 9th.

Remember **ALL** Garden Grove residents are automatically members of the Social Club, even if you are renting. Everyone's input is important.



--**ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** We will have our annual Ice Cream Social on Sunday August 17th from 1:30-3:30 at the clubhouse. No reservations, just come and enjoy. \$3.00 for all you can eat with all the trimmings.

--**UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS:** Keep your eye on the Garden Grove Clippings for details regarding various fundraisers we will be having to benefit Vero Beach. We will be putting to use our new BBQ.

--**THEATER GOERS:** Please contact Shirley Johnson if you are interested in attending the 2025-2026 main stage productions at Riverside Theater. You are free to purchase tickets any place in the theater, just make sure that if you want to participate in our pretheater lunch or carpool that your tickets are for the Thursday matinee during the second week of the play's run. Remember, there is a 20% discount for purchasing all four plays, a 10% discount for purchasing three plays.

The upcoming season promises some old favorites, as well as some less familiar plays—Little Shop of Horrors; Love and Murder; Jesus Christ Superstar; and Nine to Five.

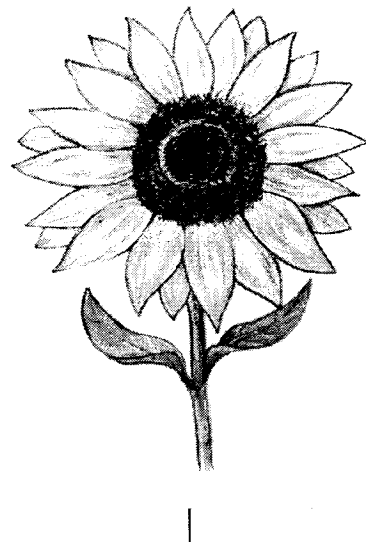
--**BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE:** The August Birthday celebration will be August 31 @ 1:30-2:30.

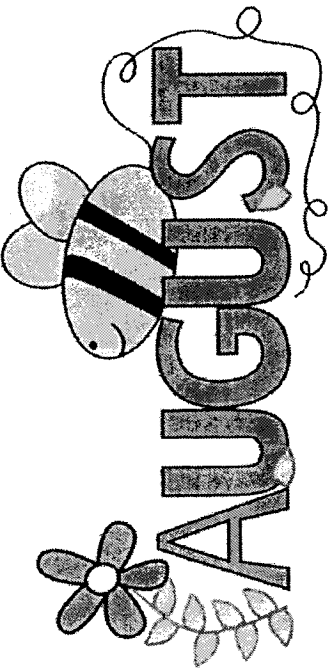


HUMOR:

--**WHY DID THE GOLFER BRING AN EXTRA PAIR OF PANTS?**

-- IN CASE HE GOT A HOLE IN ONE!





AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Clubhouse carpet cleaning	2 Carpet wet
3 Carpet wet	4	5	6 6:30 BINGO	7 10:30 Board Meeting	8	9 FULL MOON
10	11	12	13 Ladies Lunch	14	15	16
17 Ice Cream Social 1:30-3:30	18	19	20 11:00 Book Club 6:30 BINGO	21	22	23
24/ 31 Birthday Open House 1:30-2:30	25	26	27	28	29	30

2025

Every Day Activities

Water Aerobics - 8:00 & 9:15 AM

Monday

Tennis - 8:30 AM (mixed)

Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM

Mah Jongg - 6:00 PM

Hand & Foot - 6:15 PM

Tuesday

Tennis lady's - 9:00 AM

YOGA - 10:00 AM

CHAIR YOGA - 11:00 AM

Canasta - 12:30 PM

Bridge - 1:00 PM

Wednesday

Tennis - 8:30 AM (mixed)

Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM

Crafts - 1:00 PM

Poker lady's - 1:00 PM

Hand & Foot - 6:15 PM

Thursday

YOGA - 10:00 AM

CHAIR YOGA - 11:00 am

Friday

Tennis - 8:30 AM (mixed)

Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM

Mah Jongg - 10:00 AM

Ladies Golf - 2:00 PM

Hand & Foot - 6:15 PM

Saturday

Golf - 7:00 AM

Open Tennis - 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM

YOGA - 10:00 AM

CHAIR YOGA - 11:00 AM