

# Garden Clippings



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## Board of Directors' Corner

At the Board of Directors Meeting held on Thursday, February 27, three motions were unanimously passed. All three are for the start-up projects that come under the special assessment. They are as follows:

1. Storm drain cleaning by Shenandoah for \$6,200. After inspection, several drain areas require clean out, this allows us the capacity to hold as much storm water as possible in the event of a storm.
2. Retention pond erosion by Armadillo for \$19,908. This is an ongoing project to take care of the erosion around the retention pond culverts.
3. Pool deck leveling by PGI for \$5,750. This process will level and fill any void under the surface of the deck which is required prior to any top surface coatings.

As the special assessment funds are realized the board is lining up estimates and researching the best means to address these issues.

## LANDSCAPING SCHEDULE

Just to refresh the schedule with the new landscapers:

-The mow crew will mow ½ of the property on Wednesday and the other ½ on Thursday. It appears they start with the south portion on Wednesday & move to the north portion on Thursday. They are still on an "every-other" week schedule until April

-The trim crews will be here the first week of every month. They start on the south portion and return every day until the trimming of the entire community is completed. They will then return at the beginning of the following month.

-Debris pick-up will now occur every Thursday, NOT Wednesday.

-Special work requests should still be delivered to the office for submittal. Please refrain from giving the crews individual requests as they work from a work order system.

Again, let's try to give them a chance to get to know the property and thank you for your patience.



Happy St Patrick's Day

## RETRACTABLE AWNINGS

Please note that a new rules booklet will be distributed in the near future. Per Florida Statute 163.04 retractable awnings will be permitted. They are considered an energy savings device that this statute addresses. See Statute below:

*163.04 (2) A deed restriction, covenant, declaration, or similar binding agreement may not prohibit or have the effect of prohibiting solar collectors, clotheslines, or other energy devices based on renewable resources from being installed on buildings erected on the lots or parcels covered by the deed restriction, covenant, declaration, or binding agreement. A property owner may not be denied permission to install solar collectors or other energy devices by any entity granted the power or right in any deed restriction, covenant, declaration, or similar binding agreement to approve, forbid, control, or direct alteration of property with respect to residential dwellings and within the boundaries of a condominium unit. Such entity may determine the specific location where solar collectors may be installed on the roof within an orientation to the south or within 45° east or west of due south if such determination does not impair the effective operation of the solar collectors.*

The board has the right to determine specifications for the installation of these devices and with the assistance of the Rules Committee and the Architectural Advisory Committee, the rules for Retractable Awnings will be as follows:

--The installation of a retractable awning is permitted, within 10 feet, at the rear of the house.

--The awning can extend the entire length of the house but cannot extend beyond the house on either side.

--The awning can retract out to a maximum of 10'.

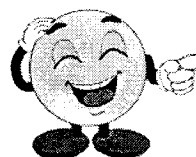
--Awnings must be retracted from 11:00 p.m. – 7:00 am every day.

--Of course, ALL installations must be approved in advance by the AAC Committee and The Board of Directors.

## ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

The Annual Inspections have been completed and your task lists will be mailed soon. A majority of the homes were found to be in tip-top shape and those owners will receive a THANK YOU email.

We thank you for keeping Garden Grove a community we are all proud of.



**\*\*Give him 2 spades and tell him to take his pick.**

# THE Social Club

## PAST EVENTS:

--**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION:** This month we had to move our celebration date a week earlier but that did not stop residents from coming to celebrate.

--**LADIES LUNCHEON:** On February 12, a small group of Garden Grover's had a delightful lunch at CJ Cannon's. We sat with a good view of the runway amid the hustle bustle of a busy restaurant. As always good conversation and smiles abounded.

--**THEATER-GOERS:** We were a small group attending January's production of Mystic Pizza. We skipped our usual pre-theater luncheon to attend the important board meeting. The play was a perfect diversion from the clubhouse business. The music and dancing were lively. The vocal talent on a single stage was simply amazing!

--**SUPER BOWL:** Bruce was not able to be with us at this year's Super Bowl Party, but that didn't stop Joanie from taking over the grill in his absence with Rita Bilheimer stepping up to help her.

--**FLAPPER PARTY:** Johnny Nick & Kent Taylor Brown took us back in time to the 1920's at our first Garden Grove Flapper Party. Everyone looked dashing in his or her 1920 attire. We danced the Charleston, took part in a Speak Easy, "Arrests" were made! Without a doubt it was a fun evening for all. A huge thank you to Linda and her idea, Pam Gagnon for awesome centerpieces and decorations, Mike Bonfiglio for his Speak Easy skills, Kathy Dalbey and Sharon Bonfiglio for their creativity and help. A huge thanks to Dave Parrillo who helped put together our wanted board. We also want to thank the clean-up crew who came early Saturday morning to return the clubhouse back to the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

--**MEET-N-MINGLE:** Unfortunately, our Meet-N-Mingle had to be cancelled this year due to new residence unable to attend.

--**TRIVIA:** Team Super Six successfully defended their title as Garden Grove Trivia Champions. Winning team members included: Jeff & Kelly Patterson, Deb & Pat Barczak, and Scott & Gina Tilton. Linda Ferkinhoff won the 50-50. All four teams were within five points of each other so the competition was tight.

We hope many "frenemies" will come out to challenge the Super Six at our next Trivia event with a tentative date of April 25.

## UPCOMING NEWS

--**BINGO:** Bingo dates for March. will be the 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. There are 10 games at \$1.00 per game. The first game starts at 6:30. Garden Grove Bingo is for residents and houseguests only.

--**LADIES LUNCHEON:** Our next venture will be Wednesday, March 12. We are still thinking about where we would like to go. Our luncheon is the same day as the Irish dancing lessons; however, Patti Frost has graciously agreed to have the lessons a little bit later in the afternoon, so people are able to do both the dance class and attend the luncheon. Please contact Shirley Johnson (772 538 6868) if you would be interested in joining us.

--**THEATER-GOERS:** If you would like to join us for the classic Singing in the Rain, simply purchase a ticket on line or at the theater for the Thursday, March 6 matinee. Then let Shirley Johnson know so you can be part of the pre-theater lunch or carpool. (772 538 6868) You may purchase tickets any place in the theater, but Shirley's seat is K103

--**SOCIAL CLUB MEETING:** Our next meeting will be March 11@ 9:30 am. Remember **ALL** Garden Grove residents are automatically members of the Social Club, even if you are renting. Everyone's input is important, so come give yours!

--**BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE:** Cake and ice cream March 30 from 1:30 -2:30 to celebrate with your neighbors our Garden Grove's March birthdays.

--**OUTDOOR DAY:** Saturday, March 8 we will start off with a scavenger hunt at 11:30. Meet at the clubhouse @11:15. A team can consists of between 2-5 people. You will be taking pictures of items with a cell phone, from a designated list in a given amount of time. You are able to use a car, bike, golf cart, or walk. (we must have at least 3 teams)

Around 1:00 ish we will begin the Corn Hole Tournamet behind the tennis courts.

While they are playing corn hole we will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs.

You can take part in one event, both events, or a specatator. Please bring a chair and a beverage. Ice and shade will be provided. Though, there is no deadline please contact Linda if you are planning to attend so the correct amount of food is purchased.

Linda is looking for 3 grillers so if you are willing please let Linda know.

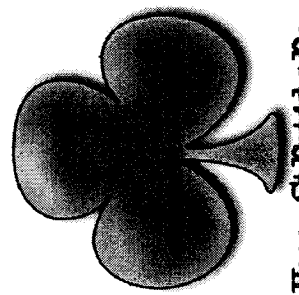
IF IT RAINS IT WILL BE CANCELLED.

--**ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY:** Saturday, March 15 we will have our annual St. Patrick's Day Party. Cocktails-5:30 with dinner catered by 14 Bones @ 6:30. Kent Taylor Brown will be providing music for the night. Cost is \$25 PP. There will be a 50/25/25 drawing.. Reservations took place on Feb. 26 but if you were not able to make that date you may contact Patti Frost at 845 797 2954. Cut off date is March 7.

--**IRISH DANCE LESSONS:** The St. Patty's Day crew is calling all the Charleston Dancers to show their foot work at the St. Patty's Day Party. They will be practicing the dance steps on March 12 from 2:30-3:30. Everyone is invited.

## **APRIL:**

Easter: April 20



### Happy St Patrick's Day

#### 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  
Bowling - 2:00 pm

#### 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

# MARCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Canasta Open House 12:30	5 11:00 Grounds Committee 6:30 BINGO	6	7	8 OUTDOOR DAY 11:15
9 Daylight Savings Time	10	11 9:30 SOCIAL CLUB MTG	12 Ladies Lunch 2:30 Dance	13	14 FULL MOON	15 5:30 ST. PAT'S PARTY
16	17 St Patrick's Day	18	19 11:00 Book Club 6:30 BINGO	20 Spring Begins	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 10:30 Board Meeting	28	29
30 Birthday Open- House 1:30-2:30	31	APR 1 April Fools	Mon - Wed & Fri Aerobic Exercise 9 - 10	Tues-Thurs & Sat 10:00 Floor Yoga 11:00 Chair Yoga		

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