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Board of Directors' Corner

The Garden Grove Club Board of Directors would like to wish all of our owners, residents & their families a very Merry Christmas.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the membership is scheduled for Wednesday, December 11, at 7:00 PM. We thank you for turning in your Proxies early, as a total of 72 (or 30%) is required in order to establish a quorum for the meeting.

At the meeting we will be announcing the results of the six (6) Proposed Amendments to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions. The voting envelopes have been distributed or mailed to all owners of record. Please contact the office if you have not received your voting information.

You will also be casting your vote for the 2025 Board of Directors. There are three (3) candidates for two (2) open positions, so vote for two (2). Information sheets on each of the candidates are posted on the clubhouse bulletin board for your review. Please remember that your Voting Certificate must accompany your small ballot envelope in order to validate that the small "secret" ballot envelope was submitted by an official owner of record.

We encourage everyone to cast your votes as it is very important that everyone's opinion be represented. We hope that you can attend as this is a membership meeting giving you the opportunity to share your ideas for the future of Garden Grove.

Feel free to stop at the office if you need some assistance with any of the voting material.

REMINDERS

Section 8.4 D – Vehicles and Parking:

#5. No motor vehicle can block the sidewalk.

#8. No parking shall be permitted on the lawns.

Section 8.8 – Trash and Garbage Storage: All trash containers must be stored inside the garage or on the side of the house hidden from view from the street.



TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED BUDGET - 2025

At the Board of Directors monthly meeting held on November 14, 2024, the Board of Directors approved the Operating and Reserve Budget for the fiscal year 2025. The Finance Committee held several meetings to review and discuss all projects, reserves and intended expenses for the 2025 year. At the conclusion of the sessions, they recommended a budget to the Board of Directors for their consideration.

The Finance Committee is comprised of:

Rose Truglio – Chairman.

Members: Marvin Bilheimer, Gordon Kemp,
Dave Parrillo, Sharon Reid & Amy Cavasinni.

The Board of Directors made their adjustments and adopted the budget at the November 14th meeting. Thanks to the good budgeting practices of our Board of Directors, Finance Committee and Management we were able to keep your increase to a reasonable level. Due to increases in utility costs, contract services and insurance premiums, it is necessary to increase the monthly fees by \$15.00 for the 2025 budget year. This \$15.00 represents a 5% increase.

The 2025 Operating Budget will be \$810,651.00 and the Reserve Funding will be \$83,996.00 for a total of \$894,647.00 -- bringing the monthly homeowner's contribution for 2025 to \$312.00 per home, per month.

Also, at the November 14th Board Meeting a Special Assessment was approved in the amount of \$1,500.00 per household. This can be paid in 1 -to- 3 payments. The Special Assessment will give the Association the ability to cover the cost of several projects that are necessary for our aging community. These projects include: Storm drainage, pool deck concerns, clubhouse deck-doors-windows and south perimeter repairs.

A copy of the approved 2025 budget is posted on the clubhouse bulletin board for your review.



--**NOMINATIONS:** Nominations of the Social Club Board took place at our November meeting. Linda Ferkinhoff agreed to chair the board for another 2 years. Collette Wilkinson also agreed to put in two more years as your treasurer.

Although, Kathy Vogel still had another year as Vice Chair she will be stepping down. Sheila Dillely has agreed to move from her position of At Large to finish Kathy's term. This does leave the board in search of someone willing to take the position of At Large. This person's main role is to act as secretary during the summer or when the secretary is absent.

Thank you to Kathy for all your help.

--**TRIVIA:** On November 22, four teams competed for the coveted Garden Grove Trivia Trophy. Although the scores were very close, team Super Six came out on top! Members of the winning team were Mike & Sharon Bonfiglio, Gina & Scott Tilton, and Kelly & Jeff Patterson.

Steve Crapo won the 50-50 and Tommy Frost and Scott Tilton each won a drawing.

--**THANKSGIVING:** Thursday, Nov. 28

a small group gathered together to enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner. Thank you to everyone who brought a delicious dish to share. A huge thank you to Camille Wheaton & Collette Wilkinson for taking charge.

--**TRIM A TREE:** THANK YOU --THANK YOU--THANK YOU to everyone who came out to help transform the clubhouse into a Winter Wonderland.

UPCOMING NEWS

--**BINGO:** Bingo dates for Dec. are Wednesday, Dec. 4 & Wednesday Dec. 18. 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.

--**SOCIAL CLUB MEETING:** Our next meeting will be Dec. 10 @ 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! There is a lot of decisions to make.

--**LADIES LUNCHEON:** We will be returning to Ocean Grill on December 11 at 12:30. If you have not called Shirley Johnson (772 538 6868) to reserve your seat at the table, please do so as soon as possible. Christmas is a busy season for Ocean Grill. We currently have reservations for 20, however, it will be hard to increase that number at the last minute if they are fully booked.

--**BAKE SALE & MARKET PLACE:**

We will have our annual Marketplace/ Bake Sale at the December annual meeting on Dec. 11. We will also be collecting Chinese auction items. Items can be dropped off at Linda Ferkinhoff's house 375 Hawthorne Lane any time before Dec. 10. If Linda is not home feel free to leave things on her porch.

Our baked goods have been low the last couple of years so let's work to get it back where it was, especially since we have so many new people. We ask you bake some of your favorite desserts and then during the day and before the we will be selling them. I know we have some awesome bakers in here so don't be shy.

All we ask is the you wrap your baked goods in clear individual bags so people can see what it is they are buying. Also list ingredient that a person may be allergic to.

If you don't like to bake but you are an awesome crafter we will also be selling crafts. We do ask that you price these items because you know how much time and effort was put into your work. All of the money goes to the social club.

You are welcome to drop your baked goods off as early as 8:00 am on Dec. 11, selling will begin at 8:30 and run until 2:00 and before and after the annual meeting.

RESERVATIONS: Dec. 11 we will be taken reservations for our New Year's Party. Music will be provided by Jerry & the Dolls. This will be their last performance as a group since a few of the members are relocating.

COST: \$20 PP

Champagne / sparkling will be provided

Call / text Linda with questions 907 362 2389

--**DINNER DANCE SET UP:** Friday Dec. 13 @ 11:00 we will be putting chair covers on over 100 chairs, as well as setting the tables.

--**CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE:**

This year's Christmas Dinner Dance will take place on Saturday December 14. It will be catered by Wild Thyme with Dave & the Wave as our musicians.

Cocktail Hour: 4:30 Wild Thyme will provide the appetizer. It is BYOB Dinner: 6:00

Music : 6:00-9:00

Unfortunately, the count has already been turned in so it is to late if you have not already signed up.

--**CHRISTMAS GOLF CART PARADE:**

The parade is being moved from Dec. 8 to Dec. 15. Decorate your golf cart or car and meet at the clubhouse at 5:00. We will go around the community 2x.

Hopefully, if you are not in the parade you will stand /sit on your front lawn supporting the Garden Grove Christmas Parade.

--**HELP the LESS FORTUNATE:** We continue to be collecting laundry detergent, canned goods and toys for babies to preteens. There is a drop box in the clubhouse entrance until Dec. 20.

--**BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE:** Meet at the clubhouse Dec. 29 from 1:30 -2:30 to celebrate with your neighbors our Garden Grove's Dec. birthdays.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY -- Dan P, Marilyn A, Marilyn K, Guido D, Fran K, Ken L, Mary B, Joe S, Carol S, Nora L, Penny J, Philip Z, John G, Loretta F, Casper M

--**NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY:** Dec. 31 8:30 -12:00

People have already eaten but we ask you to bring a **small** appetizer or a dessert to nibble on. BYOB

Music will be provided by Jerry & the Dolls.

--**THEATER-GOERS:** The next three shows at Riverside are musicals. On January 16 we will be seeing Mystic Pizza. It is based on the movie, which featured Julia Roberts in one of her first roles.

After purchasing your ticket, please let Shirley Johnson know if you are interested in joining in a pre-theater lunch or if you are interested in carpooling. (772 538 6868)

Remember, if you purchase all three of the remaining shows, there is a slight break in individual ticket prices. The other two shows are Singing in the Rain on Mar 6 and Beautiful on Apr 24.

--**BRUNCH:** Save the date for our Annual Pot-Luck Brunch, Sunday, Jan 19. Details to follow. Denise Crapo.

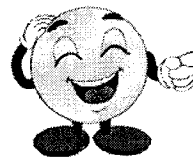
--**TRIVIA:** Our next Trivia is scheduled for February. We challenge each of you to join us in the next rve for the Garden Grove Trivia Trophy!!!

JANUARY:

-Take down decorations (Sat. Jan. 11)

-Brunch (Sunday Jan. 19)

-Band Night -Blaze (Jan. 25)



How much did Santa pay for his sleigh?

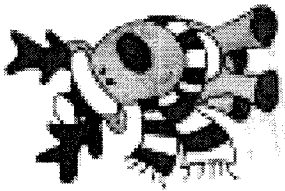
--Nothing it was on the house!!!!

What did the snowman say to the carrot?

--"Get out of my face"

**YOUR SOCIAL CLUB BOARD
WISHES YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS
& A HAPPY NEW YEAR**





DECEMBER

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 - 12:00 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
Shuffleboard - 11:00 AM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 6:30 BINGO	5	6	7 Pearl Harbor Day
8	9	10 9:30 AM SOCIAL CLUB MTG	11 8:30 Bake Sale & Market Reservations 7:00 Annual Meeting	12	13 11:00 dinner dance set-up	14 4:30 Christmas Dinner Dance
15 5:00 Christmas Parade	16	17	18 11:00 Book Club 6:30 BINGO	19	20	21 WINTER BEGINS
22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas Happy Hanukkah	26	27	28
29 Birthday Open- House 1:30-2:30	30	31 8:30 New Year's Eve Party	HAPPY NEW YEAR 2025	Tues-Thurs & Sat 10:00 Floor Yoga 11:00 Chair Yoga	Mon - Wed & Fri Aerobic Exercise 9 - 10	

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