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Board of Directors' Corner

Where did the summer go? Hello October and welcome back to our returning snowbirds. We hope you have all had an enjoyable summer. Your board has met several times over the last few months to take care of our community.

Founded in 1987, this community has an aging infrastructure and needs to be cared for. We are looking at a number of repair and maintenance issues and need your feedback to help guide our decisions. We hope you will attend our upcoming Town Hall meeting on October 18th at 4 PM. An informative event with a little wine and cheese afterward.

An ongoing safety issue that keeps coming up is speeding on Hawthorne Lane. Please be mindful that there may be oncoming traffic, bicyclists, or walkers around that corner and slow down.

We have changes to our governing documents, the Declaration of Covenants, which are mandated by new legislation passed by Governor DeSantis. There are additional changes that will require a vote of our households. A summary of these appeared in August Clippings. Look for an informative insert in the October mailing before you receive the final voting document in November. Once this vote occurs, a new printing of the Covenants and Rule Booklet will be scheduled early in 2025.

The cost to rent the clubhouse for a private event has increased to twelve hundred dollars (\$1200). Five hundred (\$500) will be refunded if the clubhouse is left clean and free of any damage or loss. This is an amendment to the current rule booklet page 6 item 2. Private events are not permitted the use of the TV/Billiard Room, Library, Exercise Room, Media Room, Swimming Pool, or Tennis Courts as stated in item 6 pages 6 and 7 in the rule booklet.



Two positions on the board will be voted on at the Annual Meeting in December. If you are interested in serving on the board the application will be mailed to all owners of record in early October. We welcome all applicants. Members of the board, volunteers, serve for 2 consecutive years.

We are so grateful for all of the work done by our committees to make our community a vibrant, safe, and welcoming place to live. If you are new to Garden Grove, please consider volunteering to work on one or more of our committees. You can find a listing of them on the bulletin board in the clubhouse.

SWIMMING POOL & SPA

Please be aware that the pool area will be closed beginning Tuesday morning until Friday at 1:00PM. The contractor will be repairing the tiles in the area of the pool steps. Some of the tiles are loosening up and we are hopeful that it is a simple repair, but we will know for sure once the area is opened up.

They will also be checking the spa for any loose grout and addressing that as well if needed. We will keep you posted.

ENTRY PEDESTRIAN GATE

Several weeks ago, a Sheriff's Deputy was called out to the community regarding a concern that someone captured on their "RING" front door camera. Two men were seen early in the AM canvasing their front porch and the deputy described them as "porch pirates". During his visit he recommended that we lock our entry pedestrian gate, alert residents about leaving packages on their porches and that they would make frequent drive throughs at night.

We immediately installed a combination lock on the gate and a few owners that use the access contacted the office for the code. A few weeks went by & the office was informed that the lock was gone and that someone had written the code number on the face of the lock. This sort of defeats the purpose of why the lock was installed!!

We will be installing another lock and if you need the code, please contact the office.



"Sympathy" card sent to: Bob Decker - loss of Margie

"Get Well" cards sent to: **Antoinette Watson** Kathy "Sully" Sullivan Ralph Francavilla Carol Sugrue

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

Attention Coffee Gang,

Thank you so much for honoring the ole" Coffee King with a memory brick in his honor.

It was a sweet surprise.

The Barrett Family



GARDEN GROVE BOOK CLUB

The GG Book Club will be meeting next on Wednesday, October 16th at 11:00 a.m. in the Clubhouse. The book we will be discussing is "Abuse of Authority" by Edward Caputo. This 2020 novel is about a smart, ambitious and relentless female police detective who must stop a serial rapist and killers in Miami while unearthing scandal in the police force and her own family.

November's book choice is, "Killers of the Flower Moon" by David Grann. This 2017 nonfiction is about the Osage murders in the 1920s and the launch of these investigation was the birth of the FBI.

The Book Club meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 11:00, all are 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.

♥ BRIDGE SCORES ◆ ♣ BRIDGE SCORES ♣

Tues, Sept 3

- 1. Lee Weiler
- 2. Ann Sterling
- 3. B.J. Marnie
- Tues, Sept 17
- 1. Gordon Kemp
- 2. Lee Weiler 3. Ravma Kreider

Tues, Sept 24

- 1. B.J. Marnie
- 2. Gordon Kemp

3. Lee Weiler



Garden Grove Bowling League

The GG Bowling League will resume on Thursday October 3rd at 2:00 pm at Vero Bowl-Lanes & Lounge located at Majestic Plaza, 929 14th Ln, Vero Beach, FL 32960 opposite the parking lot of Green Marlin Restaurant.

Vero Bowl offers \$2.50 per game and \$4.00 for shoe rentals for league members if you want to practice. This is a good time if you have never bowled, haven't played in a while or just want to keep your game sharp.

If you are interested in being on a team, a substitute bowler or have any questions, please contact Jerry Tierman, 573-480-7459.

GARDEN GROVE LADIES GOLF

Fridays 2:00pm at Fairwinds New players welcome at all levels of play Come join us for an afternoon of

FUN & SOCIALIZING

Contact: Marcia Collins (603) 305-1236

Hurricane Season is NOT OVER

We've been very lucky so far this year, but we also know that hurricanes build faster than ever before.

Some residents assume that our hurricane coordinators are trained and will advise them what to do if a hurricane approaches our area. Not true! Our volunteer hurricane coordinators are not CERT trained but have two roles.

- 1. Is to provide general information and encourage residents to make their own plans and decisions. We recommend that everyone should have an evacuation plan & supplies on hand to be prepared.
- 2. Is to maintain a current list of those who evacuate and those who do not. Should we have a storm, this will aid your coordinators in post-storm check-ins. Please let your coordinator know your plan.

Any questions? Please contact Gordon at (724) 695-7892. If some of you want to organize a another hurricane preparedness group for presentation please do so and call Gordon.

CERT Basic Training Class:

- o Orientation: October 16, 7:00pm to 9:00pm
- o Training: November 2, 9:00am to 3:00pm
- o Training/Exercise: November 9, 9:00am to 3:00pm

To register, contact: Barry Jenkins 772 925-2552. Contact Gordon if you need more info. If this class is overbooked there may be stand-by options.



PAST EVENTS:

--LABOR DAY GET TOGETHER: Sunday, Sept.1, unfortunately Mother Nature prevented us from first meeting at the pool but that didn't stop a crowd of people from turning out for the potluck. As always, we had a variety of different foods and a good time.

--LADIES LUNCHEON: Our Garden Grove ladies enjoyed a delicious lunch at Waterfall restaurant. Most of us had not been to this restaurant before, but appreciated the menu variety.

UPCOMING NEWS

--BINGO: Bingo dates for Oct. are Wednesday, Oct. 2 & Wednesday Oct. 16. 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: The next ladies luncheon is scheduled for October 10 at Ocean Grill to take in their Halloween decorations. NOTE this is a Thursday not our usual Wednesday. Thursday was the only available day though it will conflict with other activities people participate in. However, if you miss the Halloween decorations, we will be returning to Ocean Grill in December to see their Christmas decorations.

Please contact Shirley Johnson (772 538 6868) by phone of text if you are interested in joining the Garden Grove Ladies Luncheon on Thursday, Oct. 10 at 12:00 pm.

You can either travel solo or be put into a carpool with those attending.

--THEATER -GOERS: The first show of the Riverside Theater's 2024-2025 season is upon us. Our tickets are for October 31, which is a Thursday matinee at 2 PM. The show is British farce- the Fox on the Fairway.

If you would like to join in, please obtain either a single ticket for this show or subscribe to the season and let Shirley Johnson know so you can be included in our car pool and preshow luncheon. You may select seats anywhere in the theater. . . just remember that Shirley's seat is K103 if you are interested in being near those of us with season tickets. Text or call Shirley at 772 538 6868

--SOCIAL CLUB MEETING: Oct. 8 @ 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.



--HALLOWEEN SIGN UP: Reservations will be taken for our annual Halloween party which will take place on Saturday Oct. 26. Reservations will be at the clubhouse from 10-12 on Wed. Oct. 16. If you cannot make it to the clubhouse feel free to contact Linda 907 362 2389 if you are planning to attend.

--HALLOWEEN DECORATING: Saturday Oct. 12 we will be decorating the clubhouse for Halloween. We will start at 10:00. Any bit of time you can spare will be appreciated.

--HALLOWEEN PARTY: Sat, Oct. 26. Cost: \$16 PP

-Bewitching Hour (cocktails) 5:30

-Dinner 6:00 / Maryland Chicken

-Costume Parade 6:45 (voted by your neighbors) with Best & Most Creative place winners

-Music by Sally & Marschal from 7:00-9:30

--BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE: Starting Sun, Oct. 27 from 1:30-2:30 we will be having a birthday open house for all the birthdays in October. We will be serving cake and ice cream. (no cost) We will continue our Birthday Open House on the last Sunday of each month. Our list of birthdays will be generated from the resident directory, however, if you do not want your name on the birthday list please let Linda know or if your name is not in the back of the directory and you want to be included also let Linda know. (I know there is a lot of new people)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our October birthday peeps!

--SOUP with FRIENDS: Please join us for Soup with Friends on Wednesday, November 6 at the Clubhouse between 11:30 am and 1:30 pm. This event is a benefit for the Samaritan Center, a facility on 41st St right here in Vero Beach that houses homeless families. Families receive free board and thus can work to save enough for their own homes. -There will be soup bowls for sale for \$20, made by Indian River Clay potters. Soup will be available to take out, cups (\$5) and quarts (\$15). Or you can enjoy a cup of homemade soup at the Clubhouse with your friends! Feel free to enjoy all of these

In October Linda will be reaching out for volunteers to make soup or you can sign up on the sheet across from the office.

Please contact Kathy Flynn at 717-682-9441 with

options. This is for Garden Grove residents only.

any questions or you can refer to our beloved Social Director, Linda Ferkinhoff at 907-362-2389.

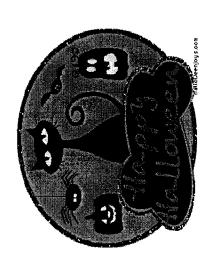
NOVEMBER:

-Veteran's Day: Sun. Nov. 10

-Welcome Back Band Night: Nov. 16 (Shepard's N Green)

-Thanksgiving: ???

-Decorate Trim-a-Tree



Every Day Activities

Water Aerobics - 8:00 & 9:15 AM

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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

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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

OCTOBER

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu

Sat

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w	12 10:00 Halloween Decorating	19	26 Halloween Party 5:30	Tues-Thurs & Sat 10:00 Floor Yoga 11:00 Chair
4	11	18 Board Town Hall 4:00	25	Ladies Golf Fridays 2:00
3 Bowling Begins Pool Closed	10 Ladies Lunch	17 FULL MOON	24 10:30 Board Mtg	31 Halloween
2 6:30 BINGO Pool Closed	9 10:00 AAC	16 10-12 sign-up Halloween 11:00 <u>Book</u> <u>Club</u> 6:30 BINGO	23	30
1 Pool Closed	8 9:30 AM SOCIAL CLUB MTG	15	22	29
	7 10:30 Safety Comm Mtg	14 Columbus Day	21	28
	9	13	20	27 Birthday Open- House 1:30-2:30

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