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Board of Directors' Corner

PAST & PRESENT MEMORY WALKWAY

Anyone who has ever lived in Garden Grove or who currently lives here (including pets!) are invited to purchase a brick for the "Memory Walkway", which is now in the planning stages to be installed in the front of the clubhouse.

The bricks to be engraved will include 3 lines of characters at a cost of \$60 each. Special icons are an additional \$15 each, checks payable to: Garden Grove Club.

For more information, stop at the clubhouse on Thursday, March 7th between 11:45 - 12:30 where we will have samples and sign-up sheets. Order forms will also be available on the counter outside the office. Or you can call Rita Bilheimer at 860 798-5875.

SWIMMING POOL LOUNGE CHAIRS

We hope that everyone is enjoying the newly repaired lounge chairs at the swimming pool deck. These lounges were repaired by your maintenance staff.

We went out to bid with several repair vendors, but the cost was either excessive, or they refused the work because our lounges are welded and there would be a risk of cracking the weld points.

We looked at purchasing new but not only were they very expensive, but they didn't compare to the quality of our current chairs.

Since the frames were still in perfect shape, one of the vendors was willing to order the finished sling fabric for us, which had to be cut to size, seamed & spline inserted in the seams.

When the fabric arrived, it was still missing some of the spline, so the staff inserted the spline, purchase several clamps and replaced the sling fabric, without breaking any of the welds. This saved the association approximately \$190 per lounge chair.

Thanks Guys !!



SIDEWALK REPAIRS

At the February Board Meeting, the Board approved an estimate to make repairs to the perimeter sidewalks. After years some have shifted due to tree roots and drainage.

Four contractor bids were reviewed by the Board and the Safety Committee. The bid was awarded to White City Land Clearing in the amount of \$21,786.00 to address approximately 950 sq. ft. of repairs.

Thank you to Gordon for working with the contractor in getting GG the best pricing, making the plan to address the correct areas and following up with the contractor.

The contractor started on Monday and the project will be done in stages. We may experience some inconvenience with machinery in the roadways, closed sidewalk sections & the sound of a busy concrete saw. We appreciate your patience.

ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

The Architectural Advisory Committee has completed their annual inspections and you should be receiving your task forms shortly.

Please contact the office within 30 days of receiving your task notice stating your plans for completion. The work does not need to be completed within 30 days; it is just to acknowledge that you intend to do so.

There are a total of 122 homes noted as "OK", which represents 51% of the community.

Thank you to everyone for taking pride in your community.

REMINDERS:

1. Please be courteous to your neighbors and avoid walking in-between resident's homes within the community. Always use the right-of-way easements.
 2. Do not allow your pet's leash to extend allowing them to wander about in a resident's front yard.
 3. Walkers – please avoid walking in the middle of the road & watch for vehicles.
- Thank you.*

Happy 
St. Patrick's Day





"Get Well" card sent to:
- Linda Lee Crossley

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

I wish to thank the community for all their kindness during the very difficult time after losing Paul Aleksinas. Your kind thoughts, loving hugs and beautiful cards were more helpful than you could possibly have imagined. Sincerely, Betsy Beebe

Sincerest thank-you's for the soup, the cards, visits, text messages and meals!

I am truly overwhelmed by the generosity and thoughtfulness of my neighbors & friends at Garden Grove. I am blessed to live in such a caring community. May God bless you all! Kathy Flynn

NEW CLUBHOUSE AED

Our new Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is now hanging on the wall in the clubhouse atrium!

I am so happy to announce that 55 residents took the AED/CPR course offered at the clubhouse. We had a great response!

Thank you to all who took the time to educate themselves.
Denise Crapo

GARDEN GROVE BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will be meeting next on Wednesday, March 20th at 11:00 in the Clubhouse. The book we will be discussing is "Sold on Monday" by Kristina McMorris. This book was inspired by an actual newspaper photograph during the depression era. After the original photo is ruined, in order to advance his career as a reporter, Ellis Reed fabricates a story that sets off a chain of events that he could not have foreseen.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sheila Dilley at 727-741-0494.



♥ BRIDGE SCORES ♦

Tues, Feb 6

1. Guest
2. Lois McLean
3. Rayma Kreider

♥ BRIDGE SCORES ♦

Tues, Feb 20

1. Lee Weiler
2. Sharon Reid
3. Marilyn Armstrong

♠ BRIDGE SCORES ♣

Tues, Feb 13

1. Rayma Kreider
2. Lee Weiler
3. B.J. Marnie

♠ BRIDGE SCORES ♣

Tues, Feb 27

1. Rayma Kreider
2. JoAnn Staszewski
3. Lee Weiler

Garden Grove Bowling League

Since last month's newsletter we've had some great scores by our bowlers:

Scratch Game – Men

- 217 Joe Scorpato
- 214 Bill Mahoney
- 193 Rich Sack

Women

- 182 Loretta Fill
- 175 Sharon Bonfiglio
- 164 Sharon Reid

Scratch Series

- 561 Mike Bonfiglio
- 541 Joe Scorpato
- 526 Tom Diebel
- 485 Loretta Fill
- 448 Sharon Reid
- 431 Nora Lichty

The league bowls on Thursday afternoons at 2:00, if you are interested, we are always looking for substitute bowlers. Any questions, please call or text Sheila Dilley at 727-741-0494 or Jerry Tierman at 573-480-7459.

LIBRARY UPDATING

The excess books from the library, that are on tables in the hall at the Clubhouse, will be taken to the Used Book Store on March 7th.

If you would like to take books to a church, senior's residence or other locations, feel free to take as many as you wish. If you would have difficulty transporting them, call one of us and we will be happy to help.

B.J. Marnie 772 794-2641
Judy Kemp 772 205-4225

Message from the Safety Committee

The Safety Committee is pleased to announce our Garden Grove AED is installed in the Clubhouse Atrium and ready for use. A sincere thank you for the Board approval and to Denise Crapo who helped orchestrate the appropriate purchase and follow-up of all the training sessions. Future training and updates will be planned annually.

Neighbor -to- Neighbor – As reported last month, we've had some neighbors in distress in their homes. In response, some neighbors have adopted comfortable signals for one another that may indicate a need for assistance such as: if my garage door is not open by 10AM; or my flag is not up; or my newspaper is not picked up by a certain time. Discussion should include the action to be taken such as: give them a call, provide a key to check the house, call 911, call a relative, etc.

Clubhouse Events – Parking is tight when GG hosts a large event. Please try to double up with neighbors in sharing rides to these events. Thank you, The Safety Committee

MEDICAL & BABY EQUIPMENT

On the bulletin board in the Clubhouse is a listing of neighbors who are willing to lend Medical and/or Baby Equipment. If you wish to add or delete any items from this list, or have any questions, please call Judy Kemp at 772 205-4225.

THE Social Clubs

PAST EVENTS:

--Garden Grove knows how to celebrate their own! A big thank you to everyone who came & made baked goods to help George White celebrate his 100th birthday.

--LADIES LUNCHEON: January 14 the ladies lunch group went to Katara Japanese. They were all entertained by the antics of the chefs and enjoyed the camaraderie of those in attendance.

--SUPERBOWL: Regardless of which team you were rooting for, you have to admit it was a good game. Thank you to Joan & Bruce Carley who kept our stomachs full by grilling hamburgers and hot dogs for everyone. Whether it was a hamburger or hot dog it all went great with the delicious sides people brought.

--MEET-N-MINGLE: Without a doubt this is one of our better events because we come together as a group to formally welcome new residents. However, we do apologize for our lack of seating which is why it is so important to RSVP. A big THANK YOU to Sheila & Max Dilley who were instrumental in making this event a success.

--THEATER GOERS: A small group of ladies attended the performance of Kinky Boots on Thursday February 29 and are still humming the tunes.

--TRIVIA NIGHT/POTLUCK: Trivia night was held on Wednesday, February 28. Shirley Johnson and Betsy Beebe prepared six rounds to challenge competitors of all levels. Competitors came armed with a potluck contribution and all the knowledge accumulated throughout their lives. After many laughs and attempts to recall events of the past and present, Linda's Team of Sue Wise, Joe LaTouche, Jackie Davis & Linda Ferkinhoff claimed both the victory and bragging rights edging out The Fireballs, previous winners, by 1 point

UPCOMING NEWS

--PRIVATE PARTY: There will be a private party March 2. As a resident you are able to use the exercise room, library, and pool room only.

--LADIES LUNCHEON: The next ladies luncheon is March 13. Shirley is looking into places now so she can reserve early, and get the best seating. So please contact Shirley Johnson at 772 538 6868 if interested.

--THEATER GOERS: If you are interested in joining the group for Riverside's final main stage production of the season, On Your Feet, please go online or into the theater itself and purchase your seats. Then, let Shirley know if you would like to be included in the pre-performance lunch.

--ST. PATTY'S DAY PARTY: Saturday, March 16 - Cocktails 5:30 dinner to follow at 6:30 catered by 14 Bones. Kent Taylor Brown will provide the tunes that evening.

St. Patty's Dance Schedule:

3/4	Monday	10:00 am
3/6	Wednesday	10:00 am
3/8	Friday	11:00 am
3/11	Monday	10:00 am
3/15	Friday	10:00 am

Contact Patti Frost with any questions 845 797 2954.

--BINGO: Bingo during the month of March will be March 6 & 13. Notice the date change due Linda being out of town.

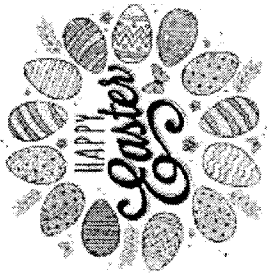
--MY HOUSE TO YOUR HOUSE: Next month we will have our annual "My House to Your House Sale". We have already been collecting goods from residents. This is a perfect opportunity for new residents who have been going through their boxes to let us know if there is anything they no longer need. If so, we would be happy to take it off your hands, as well as the rest of you doing your spring cleaning. We are open to taking pretty much anything except clothes & electronics. All the money from the sale goes to the Social Club. Watch your mailbox for details.

--HELPERS: I am continuing to ask for more people to lend a helping hand at the beginning & end of events. I am asking that you let the person in charge know how you would be willing help. Some jobs might consist of returning all the salt & pepper shakers to the kitchen, removing all the centerpieces by placing them on the ledge, OR making sure the ice buckets are emptied and in the kitchen. Presently, the same people are setting & cleaning up. The events are all a lot of fun but there is also a lot of time and energy that goes into them. If we could minimize this with more involvement it would be FANTASTIC. AND ALWAYS, ALWAYS PLEASE CLEAN UP YOUR OWN TABLE BEFORE LEAVING. (even if you leave before the end)



APRIL

MY HOUSE TO YOURS - Date not confirmed.
POOL PARTY - APRIL 19



MARCH

- Every Day Activities**
 Water Aerobics - 8:00 & 9:15 AM
- Monday**
 Tennis - 8:30 AM (mixed)
 Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM
 Mah Jong - 6:00 PM
 Hand & Foot - 6:30 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
 Practice Bowling - 2:00 PM (optional)
- Wednesday**
 Tennis - 8:30 AM (mixed)
 Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM
 Crafts - 1:00 PM
 Poker lady's - 1:00 PM
 Hand & Foot - 6:30 PM
- Thursday**
 YOGA - 10:00 AM
 CHAIR YOGA - 11:00 am
 Bowling League - 2:00 PM
- Friday**
 Tennis - 8:30 AM (mixed)
 Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM
 Mah Jong - 9:30AM
 Ladies Golf - 2:00 PM
 Hand & Foot - 6:30 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
	EXERCISE CLASS seated or standing 9:00 M-W-F	YOGA Tues-Thurs & Sat 10:00 Floor Yoga 11:00 Chair Yoga	Irish Dance Classes 3/4 10:00 3/6 10:00 3/8 11:00 3/11 10:00 3/15 10:00		1	2 PRIVATE PARTY
3	4 10:00 RULES Committee 1:00 SAFETY Committee	5	6 11:00 Grounds Mtg 6:30 BINGO	7 MEMORY WALK 11:45-12:30	8	9
10 Daylight Savings Time Begins	11	12 Social Club Meeting 9:30	13 10:00 AAC Ladies Lunch 6:30 BINGO	14	15	16 St. Patrick's Party 5:30
17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 SPRING BEGINS	20 11:00 Book Club	21	22 Good Friday	23
24 Palm Sunday	25 FULL MOON	26	27 10:00 AAC	28 10:30 Board Mtg	29	30
/31 EASTER						

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