# Garden Clippings



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# **Board of Directors' Corner**

# **LANDSCAPE LIGHTING**

According to the Garden Grove Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, landscape lighting is currently not permitted.

Under Section 7.12 – H. Light Fixtures: Only exterior building mounted light fixtures shall be permitted, limited to those prevailing in the Community on the effective date of this Declaration.

This rule was implemented years ago before solar lights were available for the reason that earlier landscape lighting required wiring that was typically placed along the top of the ground, or under the mulch which didn't fare well with standard landscape edgers and trimmers. The BOD and Rules Committee are looking into changes in this regard as well as others.

# **OTHER AMENDMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

At the April Board Meeting the BOD reviewed several other items that are currently under consideration with the BOD and the Rules Committee. Here are a few of the subjects they are reviewing:

- Exterior Ornaments
- Holiday Decorations
- Exterior Lighting (as mentioned above)
- Rear Porch Enclosures/Property Line
- Retractable Awnings
- Spas

These changes may require a vote of the entire membership before implementation. Once everything is finalized you will be notified and a Town Hall will be scheduled for your full review. The basis at this point is to give you less restrictions, not more.

ANNUAL TREE TRIMMING - Common area tree trimming is a standard practice at Garden Grove before hurricane season. During this time, we offer the services of the Contractor hired by the Association to owners that may also have their own tree trimming needs.

Feel free to contact the office and have your name added to the "tree list" along with a description of the work you would like performed. The contractor will be happy to provide you with a courtesy estimate at a savings to you since your work will be scheduled along with the Association work.

# **CLUB PAVER WALKWAY**

The clubhouse Past & Present Memory Walkway is now complete, it is still roped off to complete some finishing touches. The forms to order your engraved brick are available on the counter outside of the clubhouse office. Remember this is for everyone to make your mark, there is no deadline as it will continue until we fill all the bricks! The only requirement is that you have resided in GG for over 1 year.

If you are an original owner, there is a small flower icon included on your brick. If you know of someone that once lived in GG, reach out to them as they may want to be included.

The cost for the brick & 3 lines of 14 characters is \$60, to add an icon is an additional \$15. The first 20 that were ordered will be installed next week. Some folks have come up with some really cute messages.

# PRECIPITATION / IRRIGATION

There does not appear to be any rainfall forecasted in the near future. As you know, the irrigation system helps to support Mother Nature but it can never replace it. We will continue to try to keep good coverage to the turf grass, but any new shrubs, sod or flowers may require your attention and watering. We hope not but, should this continue, the county could implement watering restrictions.

The areas of the turf that suffered Brown Patch fungus over the winter are now slowly recovering and will remain brown until they can grow out. Tru-Green recommended that in brown, thin turf and shaded areas we should try to minimize mowing to help retain some of the moisture. There is no way that the staff can address all the areas of the community, so if you can assist by blocking off some areas of your own lawn it will help.

So, get out there and do some rain dancing!





"Sympathy" card sent to:

- Jo Ann Barrett - loss of Pat

"Get Well" card sent to:

- Betty Sprague

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

# Hey All You Garden Grovers:

I was going to send a personal note to each and every one of you but I was afraid to mail them through our great US post office. Anyway, on second thought I felt the Clippings is the way to thank you for all the numerous beautiful cards, notes, flowers, orchids and even goodies of food. Also, thank you to all the elves that made Pat's Celebration of his Life possible.

I am so blessed to be a member of the Garden Grove "Family" .... Thanks a million.

Love to you all, Jo Ann Barrett and the Barrett Family.

P.S. Every card was special, and all different. How did you do that????

# **GARDEN GROVE BOOK CLUB**

The Book Club will meet next on Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 in the Clubhouse. The book we will be discussing is "The Lie Maker" by Linwood Barclay. This book is a fast-paces thriller with plot twists, when a man desperately tries to track down his father.

The Book Club is open to everyone, and you can join us anytime if you are interested in reading and discussing the book for that month. Book lists are available in the Clubhouse Library.

We meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month and several of us go out to lunch afterward. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sheila Dilley at 727-741-0494.

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## ♥ BRIDGE SCORES ◆

# Tues, Apr 2

- 1. Mary Ann Harris
- 2. Rayma Kreider
- 3. Gordon Kemp

# **♥ BRIDGE SCORES ◆**

# Tues, Apr 16

- 1. Rayma Kreider
- 2. Ann Sterling
- 3. TIE -Lois McLean & Lee Weiler

## **♣ BRIDGE SCORES ♣**

## Tues, Apr 9

- 1. Holly Dickinson
- 2. Lee Weiler
- 3. Gordon Kemp

# ◆ BRIDGE SCORES ◆

# Tues, Apr 23

- 1. Phil Dickinson
- 2. Marcia Collins
- 3. TIE -Holly Dickinson & B. J. Marnie

& Lee Wener & D. J. Manne



# **A WORK in PROGRESS**

People have asked about the purchase of the bench for my parents . . . the bench has been purchased and is presently sitting on the deck of the clubhouse.

I will be getting a plaque and a garden stone. Then it will be moved over by the pond east of the clubhouse so everyone can reflect on their day-to-day thoughts.

Linda Ferkinhoff

# 911 - Be Aware

If you have occasion to call **911** be aware that sometimes you may be connected to the wrong call center. That is because the nearest cell phone tower to Garden Grove is in St Lucie County, Precious time can be lost because only Indian River Emergency Services come to Garden Grove.

Confirm that you are speaking to Indian River County 911. St Lucie will transfer you to Indian River but they have to know that you want Vero Beach (Indian River County) 911. If you are calling from the clubhouse, the address is 1900 South Garden Grove Circle.

Thank you, Your Safety Committee



# Garden Grove Bowling League

The Garden Grove Bowling League has completed their 2023–2024 season. The year-end results are included on a separate page showing the big winners and the runners-up (losers)!



# Social Club

# **PAST EVENTS:**

- --LADIES LUNCHEON: The Ladies Luncheon took place at the Twisted Lime on April 10. They were a small but energetic group and enjoyed a tasty lunch. --THEATER GOERS: A small group went to lunch at Too Jays and then attended On Your Feet—the final production of the 2023 to 2024 season at Riverside Theater. It was another exceptional musical! We all left the theater feeling the "rhythm of the beat" of Gloria Estefan!
- --If you're interested in going to one or more of next year's shows, please let Shirley Johnson (772 538 6868) know so you can join us for a pre-performance lunch. You will need to make your reservations at the theater or online for the Thursday matinee during the second week of each production.
- --MY HOUSE TO YOUR HOUSE: Once again Pam went above and beyond pulling off another great sale. A huge thank you to all of those who helped make the sale a success. A special thank you to Bob Marquis for allowing us to store so many of the treasures in his garage.
- --SCAVENGER HUNT: Our numbers were small but the fun we had big. Next year we told Linda she has to do the hunt earlier in the season so everyone gets involved. It truly was a good time!
- --POOL PARTY: Who doesn't enjoy the pool party and with Smitty on the side how can you go wrong? Thanks to Sue Peterson, Patti Frost, & Anne Fiden who 5 years ago had this great idea to host a Caribbean pool party; they took their idea and ran with it and we have been reaping the benefits.
- --BAND NIGHT: Shepards-N-Green the definition of what a night of great entertainment sounds like. Unfortunately, we had a small group but those of us who were there kept the dance floor in full swing. But if you were one of those who chose to stay at home, we will be having them back so hopefully we will see you then.





## **UPCOMING NEWS**

- --DERBY: This Saturday, May 4 we will be hosting our annual Derby Party. It will be catered by Blue Ribbon who enjoy our party just as much as we do!! If you did not sign up, it is too late but that does not mean you cannot come to the clubhouse and place a bet. The betting table will open at 3:30 and you are welcome then. Winners will be notified.
- --BINGO: Bingo during the month of May will be the 1 & 15, which will put us back on schedule.
- --TRIVIA: There will be a May Trivia, the date has not been set, but we will let you know.

JUNE: with northerners heading home, our season has wound down. We are definitely quieter but we don't stand still we just don't have any plans yet. . . but we will!

# WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT THE SOCIAL CLUB:

- Let the person chairing the event know you are attending
- Event checks are not deposited until after the event
- New ideas are welcome
- As a resident of Garden Grove, you are a member of the social club.

# Thank you!

These are 2 words that might seem overused but I truly couldn't think of anything else to say to everyone who so graciously gifted me at the pool party. I love Garden Grove & I equally love being a major part of the Social Club. It is everyone's appreciation that makes my job so easy; so again, I say *THANK YOU!* 





The Bowling League ended its season on April 11th, and the Banquet was held April 18th at 2nd Street Bistro in Fort Pierce.

Team Champions-Lucky Strikers-Sharon Bonfiglio, Mary Scorpati, Jerry Tierman

Team High Scratch Series (1823)-Alley Cats-Nora Lichty, Sheila Dilley, Joe Scorpati, Kriss Morris

Team High Handicap Series (2645)-GG Amigos-Bob Marquis, Jeff Haven, Rosa Tierman, Mike Bonfiglio

**Team High Scratch Game (659)-Pin Splitters-**Bob Caplinger, Marg Kiefer, Chuck Armstrong

Team High Handicap Game (958)-Split Enz-Jeanie Dillon, Tammie Morris, John Gagnon, Rob Tierman

# INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

WOMEN: High Average (133)-Sharon Bonfiglio

Most Improved Bowler –Nora Lichty High Scratch Series (473) – Mary Scorpati High Handicap Series (708) – Joann Doherty

High Scratch Game (201)-Loretta Fill High Handicap Game (237)-Rosa Tierman

MEN:

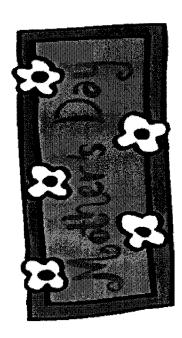
High Average (164)–Mike Bonfiglio Most Improved Bowler–Bob Dillon

High Scratch Series (528) - Chuck Armstrong

High Handicap Series (715)-Rob Tierman High Scratch Game (217)-Joe Scorpati High Handicap Game (274)-Bill Mahoney

The 2024-2025 season will begin in October. All Garden Grove residents, their family members and friends are welcome. No experience required. We play on Thursday afternoons at the Vero Bowl-Lanes & Lounge. If you are interested, and/or have any questions please feel free to call or text Jerry Tierman at 573-480-7459.

The league would like to thank Max Dilley for working on these rewards over the last few years -and- Maureen James for her work as our Treasurer.



# **Every Day Activities**

Water Aerobics - 8:00 & 9:15 AM

Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM Mah Jong - 6:00 PM Hand & Foot - 6:15 PM Tennis - 8:30 AM (mixed)

# Tuesday

YOGA - 10:00 AM CHAIR YOGA - 11:00 AM Tennis lady's - 9:00 AM Canasta - 12:00 PM Bridge - 1:00 PM

# Tennis - 8:30 AM (mixed) Wednesday

Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM Poker lady's - 1:00 PM Hand & Foot - 6:15 PM YOGA - 10:00 AM Crafts - 1:00 PM Thursday

CHAIR YOGA - 11:00 am

Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM Tennis - 8:30 AM (mixed) Ladies Golf - 2:00 PM Mah Jong - 9:30AM

Hand & Foot - 6:15 PM

Open Tennis - 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM CHAIR YOGA - 11:00 AM Shuffleboard - 11:00 AM YOGA - 10:00 AM Golf - 7:00 AM

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# Wed Mon Sun

Sat

	4 DERBY PARTY 3:00	11	18 Armed Forces Day	25 PRIVATE PARTY	June 1 PRIVATE PARTY	
	3 1 <sup>st</sup> Fri at pool 3-5	10	17	24	31	
	2	6	16	23 10:30 Board Mtg	30	
	1 11:00 Grounds Mtg	8 10:00 AAC	15 11:00 Book Club 6:30 BINGO	22 10:00 AAC	29	
	YOGA Tues-Thurs & Sat 10:00 Floor Yoga 11:00 Chair	7	14 Social Club Mtg 9:30	21	28	
	EXERCISE CLASS seated or standing 9:00 M-W-F	6 10:00 RULES Mtg 10:30 SAFETY Mtg	13	20	27 MEMORIAL DAY	
		v	12 Mother's Day	19	26	

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