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Board of Directors' Corner

2023 ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the membership is scheduled for Wednesday, December 6, at 7:00 PM. You will receive your required first notice in early October, which is sent 60 days in advance of the meeting. This mailing is to inform you of the date, time, and location of the upcoming meeting, and will include a Notice of Intent to be a Candidate form.

For those entertaining the thought of becoming a Board Member, there will be four (4) director positions that must be filled at the December 6th Annual Meeting. All completed Candidate forms must be received at the office by 4:00 PM on Friday, October 27, 2023, no exceptions.

You will receive your official Annual Meeting information mailing in mid-November. This package will include an election ballot, should an election be necessary, as well as the two (2) proposed Amendments to the Garden Grove Covenants & Restrictions. Any Amendment change to the Governing Documents requires a majority vote of the entire membership (one vote per household).

The Board is proposing two (2) Amendment changes that will require a vote of the full membership:

1. There has been an interest from owners to allow screen enclosures for back patios, this is currently prohibited in your documents and would require a vote to change. The Attorney is working on the proper wording at this time since screen enclosures will require more secure foundation rather than our current paver patios.
2. Due to insurance premium increases and necessary expenses for an aging community, the Board will be supporting a vote to increase the Capital Contribution for home resales. Currently the fee for new buyers is the amount equal to two month's fee and we hope to change that amount to \$2,000. We are working with the Attorney at this time to consider waivers for family transfers.

The BOD will hold a "Town Hall" gathering in early November to review these two (2) proposed changes to the CC&R's. We will be able to share with you the exact wording of the two proposed votes and answer any questions that you may have prior to receiving your voting package in mid-November. We will also have the candidate forms back by then and should there be a need for an election, we will give you the opportunity to "Meet the Candidates".

The exact date & time of the Town Hall will be announced at the October Board Meeting and published in the November Clippings.

A BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESIDENT

What is the job of a Board President. According the GG By-Laws the president is the CEO of the Association, preside at all meetings, shall have general active management of the business and see that all orders & resolutions of the BOD are carried into effect.

The Board and Management would like to express their sincere thanks to Mary Lou Rush, who as your current Board President has upheld all of those requirements, and many more, in an exemplary fashion. We've had our share of challenges over the years with COVID, hurricanes and general peacekeeping, but there has also been a lot of fun and memorable comradery that we will miss.

We will all miss you Lou & Jan and we wish you the best as you venture back to your homeland to enjoy time with your wonderful family & 6 grandchildren. ♥♥ Ohio, really?

LAWN DEBRIS PICK-UP

Please be advised that the Landscape Contractor (as a courtesy) picks up resident lawn debris upon their arrival on Wednesday mornings. The acceptable lawn debris would be clippings or palm fronds in an amount that would fit into 2 normal size garbage cans. They cannot take any citrus cuttings or tree branches larger than 1" (one inch) in diameter.

Your lawn debris should be placed on your driveway at the street and preferably in a container or on a drop cloth. Be aware that an owner could incur a cost for any debris removal over the acceptable amount.

If you hire an independent contractor to trim or remove vegetation or trim trees on your property, that contractor is responsible for removing the debris from the property. The Association's hired landscaping contractor is not responsible for the removal of another contractor's debris.

Waste Management will often pick up lawn debris on Monday afternoons. We have found this not to be a very consistent program and they will only pick up small amounts.
Thank You



"Sympathy" cards sent to:

- Family of Carolyn Kates
- Family of Irene Densmore

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

Dear Garden Grove,

Since the loss of my beloved Dwight, I have been deeply moved and touched by the expressions of sympathy I have received from all of you. Your cards, phone calls and flowers were so very much appreciated. I am so very blessed to live in such a kind and compassionate community. My heartfelt thanks to all of you.

Sincerely, Penny Johnson

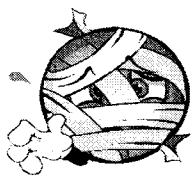
GARDEN GROVE BOOK CLUB

The GG Book Club will be meeting next on Wednesday, October 18th at 11:00 a.m. in the Clubhouse. The book we will be discussing is "Count Down" by Iris Johansen. This thrilling novel is about a young woman caught in a maze of secrets and stalked by a merciless killer.

November's book selection is "The Woman with The Blue Star" by Pam Jenoff. This book is based on the incredible true stories of two women in 1942 from extremely different backgrounds that meet and foster a friendship, and the extraordinary strength of the human will to survive.

If you are interested in reading any of the books the club has read throughout the year, copies are available in the GG library on the shelf below the return book case.

If you have any questions, or would like to be included in an attended meeting, please call or text Sheila Dilley at 727-741-0494.



Garden Grove Bowling League

The GG Bowling League will begin its season this week on Thursday, October 5th and will run through April 11th. At this time, we have 40 bowlers, making up 10 teams. If you are interested in becoming a substitute bowler, no experience is necessary, please contact Sheila Dilley, President at 727-741-0494 or the newly appointed Vice President, Jerry Tierman at 573-480-7459.

We all want to give a special THANK YOU to the former League President, Jan Sokolnicki who raised his hand and took over in 2019 when no one else volunteered. He continued his leadership role through the trials and tribulations of Covid until 2022. Jan has decided to turn in his bowling shoes for snow shoes and move to Ohio to be closer to family. He and his wife, Lou will be greatly missed.

SOCIAL CLUB OFFICER POSITIONS

Your Social Club officer positions are volunteer. New officers are voted in by those in attendance at the November Social Club meeting.

Each term is a 2-year term, alternating with the Chair & Treasurer.

AVAILABLE POSITIONS THIS YEAR:

***Vice Chair:** presently filled by Kathy Vogel

-The new term will be up Dec. 31, 2025

Duties:

- Run the meeting in the absence of the Chairperson
- Assist in writing the Social Club news for the Clippings at the end of each month & forward to Amy
- Assist the Chairperson in duties (ex. Help with events, shopping, planning, be a part of set up & clean up)

***Secretary:** presently filled by Pam Gagnon

-The new term will be up Dec. 31, 2025

Duties:

- Take notes at Social Club meeting
- Send notes to Chair for review
- Prepare & read minutes at the next meeting

***At Large B:** presently filled by Sheila Dilley

-The new term will be up Dec. 31, 2025

- Perform duties of secretary in secretary's absence

There is no limit to the number of people who can run for a position. If there is more than one person running for a position it will be a closed ballot. If you should have any questions feel free to contact Linda Ferkinhoff or any SS Officer. If you would like to run for a position, please submit your name to Lois McLean at 330 646 0256.

No later than Nov. 13, 2023



♥ BRIDGE SCORES ♠

Tues, Sept 5

1. B. J. Marnie
2. Lee Weiler
3. Sharon Reid

♥ BRIDGE SCORES ♠

Tues, Sept 19

1. Gordon Kemp
2. Rayma Kreider
3. Lee Weiler

♠ BRIDGE SCORES ♣

Tues, Sept 12

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

♠ BRIDGE SCORES ♣

Tues, Sept 26

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



FARKLE – FRIDAY'S at 6:30 PM.
We need more players !!

Farkle is an easy dice game & we have a lot of fun.
All are welcome, please come and join us.





THE Social Clubs

PAST EVENTS:

--PICTIONARY: There were 2 teams of 4 and the drawing was . . . let's just say there are no words to describe the drawings that took place but a good time was had by all!

--COUNTY FAIR: A great time had by all! Collette Wilkinson & Penny Johnson decided to step up and run the event. They put their heads together and came up with a plan (with just a few suggestions from myself) AND did a fantastic job. Thank you to everyone who took part in the chili cook-off as well as the bake goods as well as the behind the scene crew! If you were not able to be there, bragging rights in the chili go to Deb Katsaros (1) & Kathy Dalbey (2) In the baking Maureen James (1) & Kathy Dalbey (2) CONGRATULATIONS!! Way to go ladies!

--CHEESEBURGER in PARADISE: Another great event, over 80 people for an out of season event WOW! I am not sure if the draw was the margaritas, the awesome grilling done by Jerry T. & Max D. or just wanting to celebrate our little paradise but who cares!!!! Thank you to everyone who helped.

This too, was not my idea but one that was suggested, so don't be afraid to give your ideas – I will try and run with anything!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

--BINGO: This month bingo will be Oct. 4 & 18. Doors open at 6:00 with the games starting at 6:30. There are 10 games at \$1.00 per game. See you there.

--SOCIAL CLUB MEETING: There will be a Social Club meeting Oct. 10 @ 9:30 am. If you are new to GG all GG residents are automatically social club members, so please come and give your input. It is a new season so let's get some new ideas!

Feel free to bring your Halloween sign up money to the Social Club meeting.

--HALLOWEEN: Saturday Oct. 28

5:00 Bewitching Hour (Happy Hour)

5:45 Costume Parade: prizes for originality and best

6:00 Dinner by Maryland Chicken

Music: 5:30-8:30 Jim Moy

Reservations Oct. 11 10-12 -- \$15 PP (bring your social group if you want)

Deadline to sign up: Monday Oct. 23 4:00 pm

Questions call Kathy Vogel 781 738 3137

--DECORATE for HALLOWEEN: Saturday, Oct. 14 10-? The more goblins that show to help the sooner we get done. There are jobs for tall people, sitting down jobs, and just jobs so please come and help.

--LUNCHEON: There were 9 ladies who went to Vincent's in Sept. Ocean Grille is their hope for October. If you have never seen their Halloween decorations you might want to think about joining the ladies this month. You won't be disappointed! After a head count is determined, reservations are made and a carpool is put into place. Contact Shirley Johnson 772 538 6868 if you would like to join in.

--THEATERGOERS: The first performance will be November 2. If interested in joining for the 2 o'clock matinee with lunch before please call Shirley Johnson 772 538 6868.

Shirley has seat K103, however you can purchase your own seat anywhere. Reminder all the shows are a Thursday matinee. Feel free to sign up for one or multiple ones.

--TRIVIA: Our next trivia night will be Nov. 4 watch for details. You will have the opportunity to earn bragging rights and take home the Garden Grove Trivia Trophy if your team is victorious. We are working hard on challenging and interesting questions. --Shirley Johnson

-- OPEN SOCIAL CLUB OFFICER POSTIONS: See article with open positions on the previous page.

--BUFFETS: We have a lot of great buffets with ridiculously delicious food but too often so much goes uneaten and has to be discarded due to the ingredient that is in it. So please when you are making a dish for a buffet do not feel you have to make enough for everyone. Your dish should be for 6-7 peoples no more. Feel free to leave some of the extra at home for your dinner the next day or share with your neighbor.

--SILVERWARE: You are doing better, but I know some of you are new. I ask that when you bring a dish DO NOT bring a serving spoon or knife especially pretty ones you don't want to lose.

--MARKETPLACE: Crafters know you need to start working on projects now if you want to have them ready by the first of December. So, I am already putting the word out there that we will have our annual Marketplace / Bake Sale at the December Annual Meeting. We will also be collecting nice auction items. More details to follow but if you are new and have any questions don't hesitate to call or text Linda Ferkinhoff.

NOVEMBER:

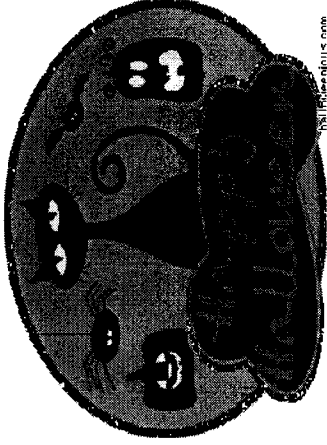
--Trivia

--Thanksgiving

--Veteran's Day

--Holiday Decorating

Catholic Charities' Samaritan Center
will hold its 31st Annual Soup Bowl fundraiser
Thursday, November 2, 2023, 9 AM – 7 PM at the Vero Beach Heritage Center. Donate to receive soup bowls handcrafted by Indian River Clay artists and/or a bowl of soup. Local businesses and places of worship throughout Indian River County will also provide soup bowls – all to benefit Samaritan Center and homeless families in the community. For details Renee Bireley 772 770 3039, or <https://www.facebook.com/SamaritanCenterSoupBowl>.



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

Tuesday

Tennis lady's – 9:00 AM
 YOGA - 10:00 AM
 CHAIR YOGA – 11:00 AM
 Canasta - 12:15 PM
 Bridge – 1:00 PM
 Bowling – 2:00 PM

Wednesday

Tennis – 8:30 AM (mixed)
 Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM
 Bridge - 1:00 PM
 Crafts - 1:00 PM
 Poker lady's - 1:00 PM

Thursday

YOGA - 10:00 AM
 CHAIR YOGA – 11:00 am

Friday

Tennis – 8:30 AM (mixed)
 Aerobic & Chair Exercise - 9:00 AM
 Mah Jong – 9:30AM
 Ladies Golf – 2:00 PM
 Farkle - 6:30 PM

Saturday

Golf - 7:00 AM
 Open Tennis - 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM

OCTOBER

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FARKLE
FRIDAY
6:30

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Bowling
begins 2:00

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BINGO 6:30

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COLUMBUS
DAY

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Halloween
reservations
10-12
10:00 AAC

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Social Club
Meeting
9:30

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Decorate
Halloween
10:00

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18
11:00 Book
Club
BINGO 6:30

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Bosses Day

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HALLOWEEN
PARTY
5:00
FULL MOON

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10:30
Board Mtg

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10:00 AAC

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United
Nations Day

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Nov 4

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Annual
Soup Bowl

Nov 1

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HALLOWEEN

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