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## FROM YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

t the Board of Directors meeting held on January 19, 2016, there were 16 shareholders present to observe the proceedings. Our financial report for the month of December 2015 indicates that income for the month was \$22,814 with expenditures of \$29,545. The financial statement for each month is posted on the bulletin board at the rear of the hall for everyone to review. Motions were approved to transfer the interest earned during 2015 on the reserve accounts into the deferred reserve painting account. The Board also approved the purchase a new tankless water heater from Scotto Plumbing Service Inc.























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## ANNUAL MEETING

The Association Annual Meeting is scheduled for 10:00 A.M. of February 16, 2016. A quorum of shareholders is necessary to even have this meeting so it is important that shareholders either come to the meeting in person, or submit their proxy. Proxies will be in the package being sent out at the beginning of February. The term of Rich Avitabile will expire in February, 2016. He has served for 6 years and is not eligible to run again. Paul Carter and Dennis Dufault will remain on the board until February 2017. Michael Sorenson will remain on the board until February 2018. There are two candidates for director, Dolores Hathaway and Jim Alaimo have submitted their resumes.

## RETURNING TO THE COMMUNITY

nowbirds (and vacationers) returning to the community MUST sign back in at the office. If you have any changes to phone numbers or other information I now is the time to update it since the new phone directories will need to be sent to the publisher by February.





## SHUT OFF WATER VALVES

f you are using the water outdoors, please remember to shut off the valve at the house instead of just turn the nozzle on the hose.

## ARTICLES FOR THE NEWSLETTER

ny article submitted to the Golden Gate Newsletter should have the author identified. If you have a computer with an email connection, articles may Let emailed to ggmedia@tampabay.rr.com, preferably by the Monday before the third Tuesday of the month. The Board of Directors' Meeting is the third Tuesday of the month and the agreement with the publisher gives us up to the day after the meeting to deliver copy to be published. If you don't have a computer you may continue to deliver a double-spaced paper copy, again, preferably by the Monday before the third Tuesday of the month.



## LIGHT UP AT NIGHT

f you are riding a bike or driving a golf car at night you should have lights on so others can see you.

## **WEED PROGRAM**

s most of you are aware, we have a problem with the growth of weeds during the summer months, typically May through September. The weed problem we are concerned about is in the planter boxes and the front of the homes. Even those homes that have mulch or stones in the planter boxes will have weed growth.

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The board does send "friendly reminders" to alert residents as stated in rule #16..."Each shareholder is responsible for the neat and orderly appearance of his or her premises at all times. However, the general response to the friendly reminders has been less than satisfactory.

We would like to aid in solving this problem by having our maintenance staff spray weed killer in the planter boxes or in front of the home for any resident that desires to participate. There will be a \$40.00 per year fee to cover the cost of the material for spraying from May through September. If you wish to participate in this program, send a check or pay cash to Jane in the office. If you choose to participate in this program, our maintenance

staff will spray, beginning in May and ending in September. However, if you have ornamental plants that could be harmed by the spraying, you will have to make other arrangements, since we will not be responsible for any damages.

If you choose not to participate, the weed issue for planters and the front of your home will continue to be your responsibility, and be subject to the terms of rule #16 concerning work done in your absence.



## **PARKING REQUEST**

Thenever you, your guests, or contractors need to park out on the street, please follow Community Rules!

- No parking on the sidewalks. Your maintenance fees pay for all repairs.
- Please use common sense and do not park near or on corners or close to intersections. We would encourage parking on the same side of the street to avoid traffic having to "zig-zag" to get by. This causes obstructions and creates a dangerous situation for cars, golf carts and bicycles trying to proceed by the vehicles.



## "TIS THE SEASON"

Just a reminder that once Pinellas County swells with our welcome "snow-birds" petty theft and vandalism tend to increase. It is wise to always keep your home and vehicle doors locked and lock up your bikes, trikes, tools and sheds even when you are home. As always, please remember there is no soliciting allowed in our Community and you should call the Police dispatch number 541-0758 to report all solicitors. Never invite them in to your home.



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## **MAINTENANCE STAFF ASSISTANCE**

If you identify a maintenance item around the Community, please ask someone in the office (Jane or a member of the board) to complete a work order for Lam or Jim. This allows them to track, prioritize and complete their daily work load. Thank you!

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## **GOLF CART PARKING**

Board of Directors

It has been brought to the Board's attention that many unit owners are leaving their golf carts parked between units. This causes a problem for the Association's Lawn Contractor, for it impacts his ability to perform his responsibilities in a proper manner. Please refrain from parking the carts on the lawn areas, especially on Mondays, the designated day for lawn cuttings. Your cooperation is truly appreciated.

## **BICYCLES**

Please remember that bicycles are vehicles and must obey all traffic laws including stopping at all stop signs. This applies to residents and visitors.

## REMINDER

he Association continues to collect aluminum cans for recycling. For your convenience, four (4) stations have been designated as pick – up areas.

- One is the trash building behind the Clubhouse.
- One (blue container) is in the east area of the Shuffle Court.
- One (blue container) is at the Maintenance Area.
- One on the rear patio.

Thank you for your contributions and cooperation.

**Returning Residents** 

U.S. Postal Service Carrier

If you are returning to the Community after being gone for the summer, please put a note on the outside of your box stating you are back. Also please remove sticker dot from your box. Thank you.

## A COMPLETE LISTING OF RESIDENT SERVICES CAN BE FOUND ON THE PAGE BEFORE YOUR CALENDAR

## **RECYCLING ON WEDNESDAY**

To plastic bags please!

Aluminum Cans – Empty aluminum cans used for drinks or food. Rinse and crush if possible.

Cartons – Empty gable-top beverage containers such as milk, half and half or orange juice cartons. Rinse and crush if possible.

Glass – Empty glass bottles or jars (all colors). Labels okay. No caps or lids.

Mixed Paper – Any clean, dry paper item that tears, such as white or colored paper, shredded paper, office paper, magazines, catalogs, phone books, junk mail, envelopes, wrapping paper, or paperboard items such as cereal boxes. No paper towels or tissues.

Newspapers – Clean and dry newspapers (including inserts). No string or twine. It's okay

to put the news-papers inside a paper bag.

Plastic Bottles – Empty bottles such as water, soda or mouthwash bottles. Rinse and crush if possible. No need to check for a number—just "check for a neck" (i.e., an opening smaller than the base). Bottles only; no tubs, cups or bags. Labels okay. Caps okay but remove the cap from the bottle so that liquids dry out. Place the cap and the bottle in the bin.

Steel (Tin) Cans – Empty steel cans used for food such as soup cans. Labels and lids okay. No paint cans. Aerosol cans okay. Rinse if possible.

## **GOD BLESS AMERICA!!**

want to reply to a comment that was directed my way not that long ago. This is how it was heard: "The Canadians are taking over in this park". Now, because of the fine men and women that serve and protect this great nation, we (Canadians & Americans) are free citizens which gives us the right to choose and to speak. Canadians CHOOSE to get away from our harsh winters and immigrate to sunny Florida for 6 months because we can. We have landed at GG for different reasons but we are all happy to be part of such a great community. At Golden Gate, we have residents from all parts of the world, but we are all equal in status. Golden Gate is vibrant and thriving with energy. GG has so much to offer. Now you can CHOOSE to stay home and complain about what is happening in GG or you can CHOOSE to participate, attend meetings, join clubs, join a sport, go to functions and socialize and make new friends and just plain have some fun.

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## **THANK YOU**

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### Thank You from the Fisher family

Many thanks to all of the Golden Gate friends and neighbors who have sent sympathy and consolation cards to those who have personally responded with hugs and comments following the recent death of my oldest daughter, Janet.

Morey Fisher, Joni Fisher, Joy Shaw

### Thank You From Your Staff: Lam, Jim, & Jane

To all of the wonderful residents of Golden Gate, we thank you for all of your gifts, cards, baked goods and well wishes. We also want all of the Clubs (Men's, Women's, Nuggets, Theatre, Shuffle and The Church in The Park) know how much we appreciate their generosity. To the Board of Directors, we thank you for your Christmas gift and all of the kindness you show us throughout the year. Of all the things we have to be thankful for, Golden Gate is at the top of the list. We hope your New Year brings you health and happiness.

### FROM JOAN GLENNON

My sincere and most heartfelt thank you from the Foster children of Pinellas County to the generous residents of Golden Gate. Each and every tag on our Angel tree provided so many children with such a wonderful Christmas. Many thanks to the members of the Men's Club and the Neighbors Helping Neighbors project for their generosity. Those of you who gave of your personal time and effort to help make our Angel tree such a success again this year. Each year so many of you are so caring and keep so many children believing in the true meaning of Christmas knowing that so many people care. A special thank you to Lam and Jim for setting up the Angel tree and to Jane Hotchkiss for receiving each gift as it is returned to the office. I have received over 100 thank you notes from the children whose Christmas was made a little merrier thanks to your effort.



### **Foster Parent Association of Pinellas County**

The Foster Parent Association is a non-profit organization that supports foster parents and the children in foster care in Pinellas County. This area stretches from Tarpon Springs to the Pinellas Bayway.

There are up to 800 plus children from ages 0-18 at any time in state custody at any time throughout the County. There are many reasons that bring a child into care. Most resulting from abuse, neglect, or abandonment.

There are many services provided by the agencies serving the community but there are no funds provided for field trips, school pictures, birthdays or Christmas. These extras are the reason the F.P.A. reaches out to the generosity of organizations and private donations from the community.

Being away from family members is very traumatic for a child and it is very important for these children to lead as normal an existence as possible. With your generosity, be it food, clothing or monetary donations, you can feel assured that you are supporting those in need within your community.

Our heartfelt THANKS and gratitude are graciously extended to you.

## LIFE IN THE PARK

By: Harvey Hodder

olden Gate is special to all of us who live here whether we are part-timers or full-time residents. Being an adult 55-plus community, it is a great place to enjoy our "senior" or retiring years!

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While there are many factors that make our Park so successful....the friendly neighbors, the abundance of social activities, our well-functioning clubhouse, very competent employees, etc., we must not forget the outstanding contributions of our Board of Management and their ability to coordinate our municipal services, manage our financial resources, govern the Park so well under the sell-governance guidelines of the State of Florida, and assure our quality of life is satisfactory to all residents.

I express my views from the perspective of having served my community in Newfoundland as an elected Councilor, Deputy-Mayor, and, for four consecutive terms, as the City Mayor.

For me, it was a very rewarding part of my life-experiences in spite of its obvious challenges in managing budgets, setting tax rates, and assuring the high standard of services that residents expect.

At Golden Gate, we have been blessed by successive Boards of Management that respect the State's self-governance principles. Board members can be seen at the Clubhouse almost every morning attending to their mandates. Starting in 2005-06, our Boards have operated without the assistance of a contracted management Company. The average cost associated with hiring a Management Company varies from about \$35,000 to \$50,000 per year. Thus, our Boards of Management over the past 10 years have cumulatively saved our residents between \$350,000 and \$400,000. Or to put it another way, if our homeowners had to pay this extra cost, our fees would have to be increased between 12 and 15 per cent!

Thanks to each Board Member who has taken on elected office. It is not always easy and there are times when difficult decisions need to be made. That is to be expected and is part of the governing process. All of us should be thankful for their volunteer service. Our Park is a corporation and every owner is a shareholder. The Board is our leadership among equals.

Today, Golden Gate maintenance fees are among the lowest in any similar park in this Region. And the relationship between the Board of Management and the residents functions well in an atmosphere of understanding and respect. Congratulations to all homeowners, including those who, over the years, have offered themselves to serve!

## **BOCCE BALL IS BACK**

ur long dormant bocce court is alive again! Every Sunday at 1pm, residents gather for 2 hours of fun and laughter! Teams are randomly chosen and most players have little or no experience in the sport. All are welcome to join us! If you are unsure about the sport, come and be a spectator. In no time, you will be swept up by the enthusiasm both on and off the court. Hope to see you on Sundays!

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## Now You Have More Chances to Win!

We are now offering unlimited entries into our Monthly Mania drawing by just SUGGESTING a business to advertise.

### Here is how is works:

- 1. Call our office and suggest a business to advertise in the newsletter
- 2. We will take down your information (name, address, phone number) and enter you into the next month's drawing for over \$400 in cash prizes

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On Sunday February 21, 2016 we will be hosting an evening of Gospel Music with "Simple Faith Quartet" which will be open to all our friends. Please invite your friends. There will be no charge however, a "Love Offering" will be greatly appreciated.

## **BIRTHDAYS IN FEBRUARY**

1	Tom Leitch	25	12	Marvin Dearing	299
2	Peter Hervey	149		Donna Duffy	10
3	Doris Bigham	105	13	Anneliese Freund	57
	Joyce Fujimoto	146		Henry Saruba	161
	Dorothy Rissinger	424	14	Harold Harvey	141
4	Denise Ronnie Klein	91		Sheryl Schroeder	423
	Susan Leitch	25		Jerrold Thompson	271
	Jo-Anne Tullis	248		Richard Judd	203
5	Susan Cooper	40	18	Gaetan Cote	77
6	James Hollingsworth	156		Nancy James	85
	Kenneth Smith	100		James Kent	107
7	Harry DeLancey	2	19	Todd Szwec	195
9	Gladys Hunt	60	22	Jesse Link	310
10	Karl Freund	57	23	James Duncan	411
	Jerome Walsh	216		Ada Hopkins	27
11	Marilyn Fent	211	26	Frederick Hasse	38
	Rosemary McIlvoy	76			



## **SHUFFLE NEWS**

John Bankhead

The four intramural teams have started, and attendance has been fantastic, with each team signing more players than required. Frank Poirier has done a remarkable job of organizing the new league and managing the golden gate "b" team. The k-krewe Valentine's Day show on February 14th at 7:00 pm will be here soon, look for the flyer in your mailbox with additional information and ticket sales dates. Our annual in-the –park shuffle tournament will be in March at the end of league play, watch for this flyer also in your mailbox.

On Jan. 6th, 2016, the new IN-PARK FUN SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE had their first day of games. With the amount of people attending (45) it proves that the game of shuffleboard is alive and thriving at GOLDEN GATE. We had 32 players (95% newbies) playing two games and I think FUN was had by all.

The league plays every Wednesday at 12:45 p.m. and welcomes everybody that wants to learn to shuffle and have fun at the same time. If you want to know more, just show up on Wednesday or you can call Frank Poirier @ 498-6037



## **ANNIVERSARIES IN FEBRUARY 2016**

3 William & Betty Davis	185
14 Dennis & Ruth Hughes	309
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17 Eugene & Evelyn Lee	265



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## **WOMENS CLUB**

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Te ended 2015 on Christmas morning with a Christmas Brunch where more than 120 Golden Gate residents and guests enjoyed a wonderful meal prepared by Chair Judy Sornson and her many helpers. A Christmas Brunch and a plant was delivered to many shut-ins here in our community. Everyone enjoyed great food, time with friends and family, and the joys and blessings of the season. A big thank you to Judy and her elves.

Plans are still being finalized for our Flea Market. We have collected a huge amount of articles of which we are thankful. Erma Stevens and her helpers will have food to purchase and Don Kuzmickas will again be our Auctioneer. Many thanks to all who donated and participated to make this event a success.

Our next event will be Men's Night on February 12. This night will be offering good food

and many games of chance. All men of Women's Club members and all single men in the park are invited. Watch for more details to come.

On March 12 at 2:00 p.m. we will be presenting a Fashion Show with clothes provided by the Dress Barn. This has been a popular event in the past and we invite you to come and enjoy.

As you can see, we are starting off 2016 with many exciting and fun events and we invite all to come and join us.



## **GOLDEN GATE NUGGETS**

Anne Jones

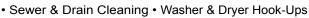
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Friday, February 5th, 2016, 5pm "POT LUCK". This dinner is hosted by Marcel and the Timmons Gang. I understand this is to be a BIRTHDAY BASH!!!! Remember that all the

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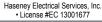
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Wednesday, February 10th, 2016, 8pm will be the DANCE hosted by Stan and Charlene Whitehead. "At Large" will be the entertainment-----this group is so talented and so much fun, make sure you come ready to party and dance. Tickets will be sold on Tuesday, February 2nd and Wednesday, February 3rd, in the poolroom from 9am-10am. Cost of the tickets is \$5.00 per person, and we only sell to Residents and Registered guests on the 2nd.

Tuesday, February 16th, 2016, 7pm, Meeting. After a brief meeting, we have our "50th Anniversary Party". The Nuggets honor our residents that are married for 50 years in 2016. We have lots of fun and laughter at this party, so don't miss it!!!! Check the billboard for the names of the couples to be honored.

Sunday, February 28th, 2016, 4pm, "Social Sunday". This is the time you can come and just relax and have fun. The Nuggets provide the food, drink, and entertainment. No dishes to wash, no meal to cook, and have fun to boot!!! The cost for this is \$5.00 for Residents and Registered guests and \$10.00 for anyone else. The entertainment for this evening is "Blinky & Fritz", and folks they are good!! Tickets will be sold in the poolroom on Tuesday, February 23rd, and Wednesday, February 24th, from 9am-10am. We only sell to Residents and Registered guests on the 23rd.

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## THE GOLDEN GATE THEATER CLUB NEWS

By: Harvey Hodder, Secretary

few weeks ago, my wife and I were visiting friends in another reasonably large retirement community when the subject of organized activities for residents came up in conversation. A comment was made by our friends to the effect that at Golden Gate, there are more activities in a month than they experience in a whole year. They were very complimentary about life in Golden Gate and we thanked them for their comments.

For the past four years, it has been my privilege to serve as Secretary to the Theater Club and the scribe who communicates our collective thoughts and Club activities by way of our monthly Newsletters. It is the volunteers that make all the Clubs and organizations work so well in our Park.....these are the folks who make such a difference in our everyday lives. Life is far more exciting when it is shared with friends who laugh, share a story or two, arrange competitive games in a friendly atmosphere, prepare a meal at the Clubhouse, host a dance, and a multitude of other activities. And, yes, we should always be thankful for those who offer an outstretched hand, a smile, or bring comfort when our lives go through personal difficulties, however predictable or inevitable.

A big "thank you" to the Nominating Committee whose task it was to secure volunteers for the 2016-2017 Executive of the Theater Club. In February, the following officers will begin

their terms: Paul Carter, President; Marie Avitabile, Vice-President; Charlene Whitehead, Secretary; and Erma Stevens, Treasurer. Congratulations to our new Executive. All of us will wish them outstanding success and each Club member will be there to work with them in a cooperative approach.

On Saturday, February 20th, the Theater Club will be hosting a Karaoke Show. This will be your opportunity to share a tune, sing your favorite song, or whatever you think will make your spill have \$2 admission for and this will have BYOD event.

us smile, etc. There will be a \$3 admission fee and this will be a BYOB event.

My thanks to our current Executive and to all those other Executives with whom I have volunteered over the past 4 years. It has been a real privilege!

And, as many producers of theater have noted, it is the audience that makes the Show a success! The theater tells us who we are, how we function in our world, and how society pushes us to the realities of understanding our "whereabouts" in the pathway called "life". Thank you for your participation and for assuring our Theater Club continues to be a light of hope, love and life in our Park.

## WINTERLUDE IS BACK

or those residents who were not at Golden Gate 4 years ago in 2012, let me tell you what "Winterlude" is all about....".Winterlude" is more of a fun party atmosphere. To start the evening off there is food! Then we get to hear all our super Karaoke singers.....then we get to dance to our favorite Country tunes, our favorite 50's/60's tunes, and our favorite Rock n' Roll from the late 60's and 70's. And if that isn't enough.....some of your favorite celebrities will be on hand to entertain us. A surprise performance promises to end this fun evening with a Bang!

Mark your calendars....February 20th from 6:00 - 10:00 PM. The flyer is posted on the bulletin board. Don't be left out; ticket sales will be Tuesday/Wednesday Feb 9th & 10th (as always residents & registered guest sales only on the 9th and any one on the 10th).

This is an evening not to be missed.

Marie Avitabile, Theater Club

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Saturday, February 6th, 8:30am-2:30pm. Garage sale, Shangri-La 249 Jasper St, Largo 33770, off Missouri. Many items & Bale Sale.

Carport Sale February 20th East Bay Oaks, 601 Starkey Road 9am until 2pm

Carport Sale at Sugar Creek MHP. Sat. Feb. 13th, 8am - 2pm. 10265 Ulmerton Rd., Largo (behind Pier One store)

CARPORT SALE - Gateway MHP, Sat. Feb. 6, 8am-2pm. 10100 Gandy Blvd. St. Petersburg

Annual Bazaar: February 20, 2016, 9:00am to 1:00pm. Shady Lane Oaks, 15777 Bolesta Rd, Clearwater. Breakfast and Lunch available. Collectibles, Household items, Furniture and more. 50/50 drawling, raffles.

PARADISE ISLAND ANNUAL FLEA MARKET, March 12, 2016. Paradise Island MHP 1001 Starkey Rd. Largo. EARLY ENTRY \$1 @ 8am. Very Large Market with over 65 vendors and Treasures Galore. Food from the canteen. For Tables call Marcia 727-953-3616

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE - DUNE-DIN, Sat, Feb. 27th 8 am to 1 pm. Lake Haven Mobile Home Park - Treasure Cove Club House, 1415 Main St (SR 580). Turn South on Lake Haven Road Turn East into Treasure Cove. Snack Bar Available

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CARPORT SALE February 26th Clearwater Cascades 9790 66th Street N 8am-1pm.

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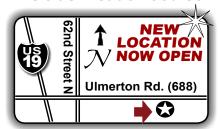
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