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Annual Meeting, Saturday, January 25 - 2:00 P.M. Christian Church of Sebring

Four people have indicated that they wish to run for the three open Board positions:

Gail Cushing lives on Bunker Dr. She has been in management most of her life. She is a member in good standing as a contest representative and Board member of the FL Bar-B- Que Association. Gail attends South Florida Community College full time and also holds down two part time jobs. She has worked for South Florida State College, Florida Bar-B-Que Association, and Block Buster Video.

Shirley Kuznarik was born in Indiana and relocated to South Florida in the late 60's. She spent many years in sales and marketing. She also served on the board of the National Home Fashion League as well as the Interior Design Guild of South Florida.

Upon retiring in 2000 from their family owned fire sprinkler business, Shirley and her husband, John, moved to Golf Hammock.

Shirley is a member of several local service organizations. She volunteers for Guardian Ad Litem, is a member of The Women's Club of Sebring, Elks, and Highlands Little Theatre where she serves on the Board and chairs Anthony's Lounge.

She is currently chair of the Architecture Committee and serves on the board of GHOA. If elected to a second term, she would like to continue in that position as her background is best suited for that area.

Hardric McMillon served on the GHOA Board from 1997-2003. For the past year he has completed another Board member's term. His interests include traveling and listening to jazz. As a board member, he would work to ensure that Golf Hammock is a well maintained community.

Sandy Todd has lived at 3006 Divot Road for four years. Prior to that time, she lived in one of the Golf Patio Villas originally owned in the early 80's by her parents. Consequently, she has had a 30 year history with Golf Hammock.

Sandy came from Fort Wayne, Indiana, where she was a school administrator for 35 years. Golfing, bridge, reading and gardening are her passions.

Sandy is completing her first three year term on the GHOA Board where she has served as Vice President for one year and President for two years. She has served as Violation/Complaint Chairperson for one year and Front Entrance/Landscaping Chairperson for three years. She initiated and oversaw the completion of the renovation of the West Entrance and the new Golf Hammock sign at the main entrance. Sandy will continue to encourage quality maintenance and a forward thinking vision for the betterment of the GHOA community.

ESTATE SALES AND/OR GARAGE SALES, BY APPOINTMENT OR ANY OTHER WAY ARE NOT PERMITTED IN Golf Hammock. THE RESIDENTS HAVING SUCH ARE LIABLE FOR FINES.

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President's Message

'Twas the night before Christmas,

When all through the Golf Hammock community, not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse; the stockings were hung by the entrance to the new clubhouse, in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would visit the new lending library. The children were nestled all snug in their beds, while visions of repayed roads and new lighting danced in their heads, and mama thinking of the renovated west entrance and I of the installation of new fencing at Mills Ponds, had just settled down for a long winters' nap; when out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, that Neighborhood Watch had to check to see what Away from the window I flew like a flash to check the was the matter. newsletter on the new website and threw open the sash. The moon, on the breast of the new fallen snow, gave notice of the new *Quick Reference Guide*. When, what to my wondering eyes should appear, looking through the new directory was a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer, with a little old driver checking out all the new signs, bulletin board, and display cases, I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick. More rapid than eagles his coursers they came, and he whistled and shouted and called them by name: "Now, Barbara! now, Millie! now, Tom and Hardric! On, Shirley! On, Judy! on, John and Connie! To the top of the golf course, to the top of the pools, now, dash away! dash away all!"



2013 was a very busy year! Happy Holidays to all, and to all a Good Night!

Sandy Todd

NEWSLETTER WILL BE ON WEBSITE, THE LAST WEEK OF EACH MONTH!

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RULES TO REMEMBER

- Fences cannot be higher than 6 feet tall.
- If a lot owner is contemplating doing changes to his property, (fences, garages, new rooms, patios, new garage, pool, etc.) the change must be Okayed by the architectural committee. Please call Shirley Kuznarik 382-3656 or kuzfla@yahoo.com
- Contractors (including yard workers) are not allowed to work on Sunday in GH.
- Residents and contractors should not start yard work until AFTER 8:00 A.M.
- Residents are asked to keep outside lights on at night in order to provide security for the development.
- Residents are reminded that lawns are

to be sodded front to back and mowed once a week during growing season.

- PLEASE DO NOT PLACE YARD DEBRIS ON UNDEVELOPED LOTS. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT LAWN CLIPPINGS ARE REMOVED FROM PAVED AREAS AND THE STREET WHEN MOWING THE LAWN.
- Only 2 dogs are allowed per household.
- Dogs are to be confined to their own yard or on a leash when being walked.
- OWNERS ARE EXPECTED TO CLEAN UP AFTER THEIR PETS.
- No signs, other than "For Sale" signs may be erected on any lot.
- Garage and estate sales of any kind are NOT permitted in Golf Hammock.

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NEW NEIGHBORS!

Four new residents were called on but were not at home.

There may be more families that we are not aware of so if you know of new residents that have not been welcomed, please contact either Ellyn Losse @ 385-6294 or Trish Broksch @ 471-3737.

"Recipe of the Month" Buttery Peanut Brittle



Ingredients

2 C Sugar 1 C Karo 1/2 C Water 2 Sticks Butter 2 C Salted Peanuts 1 t. Soda

Directions

Combine sugar, corn syrup and water in 3 qt. Saucepan. Cook and stir still sugar dissolves. Add nuts at soft crack 280 degrees. Stir until hard crack, removed from stove quickly, stir in soda. Pour onto three cookie sheets that have been lined with parchment paper. Spread thin very quickly. Let cool and break into pieces.

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GOLF HAMMOCK OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. MEETING MINUTES December 6, 2013

Members present: Sandy Todd, Barb Akus, Judy Trier, Hardric McMillon, John McAngus, Shirley Kuznarik

Absent: Millie Grime, Tom Senior

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President, Sandy Todd

President Todd told the audience that Jean Carlton had resigned from the Board due to recent shoulder surgery and a long recovery period. Barb Akus moved that the Board accept Jean Carlton's resignation. Seconded by Hardric McMillon. Passed unanimously. Barb then moved that the Board replace Jean with Connie Wilhite who has been working with Jean on the data base. Judy Trier seconded. Passed unanimously.

Minutes, Millie Grime, 471-9979,cnmgrime@embarqmail.com

The minutes were approved.

Entrance and Landscaping, Sandy Todd, clb1919@embarqmail.com, 385-4774

Sandy Todd thanked Pete Broksch and Chuck Grime for decorating the front entrance.

Treasurers Report, Tom Senior,314-0644, tomseniorjr@aol.com

The total income for November was \$1,741 which included assessments of \$601, fines and finance charges of \$269, reimbursed legal fees of \$426, reimbursed lot maintenance costs of \$375, advertising income of \$60 and interest of \$10. Total expenditures were \$5,785 which covered common grounds maintenance of \$3,476, electricity of \$698, clubhouse rent and our share of utilities of \$447, website changes and maintenance of \$200, and administrative costs of \$973. Consequently, the total cash (including savings) at the beginning of November was \$145,816 and decreased to \$141,772 at the end of November since expenses exceeded income by \$4,044.

Common Grounds, John McAngus, JohnMcAngus@yahoo.com, 440-935-4708

Nothing new to report.

Architecture, Shirley Kuznarik, 382-3656, kuzfla@yahoo.com

Approved: one new shed

Preliminary Review: Spoke with homeowner and met with contractor, addition to include enclosed patio and pool

Lakes, Barb Akus, akusba@centurylink.net, 314-0255

Aquatic Weed Control did our regular treatment of lakes on 11/6. He came back on 11/21 and treated 2 lakes for algae and all lakes fro submersed weeds. He also did a treatment on Lake Elaine for the small bit of Bladderwort that remained. It is now clear of that weed and all the lakes are looking great. The cooler weather helps and it seems we're getting just enough rain to keep our lake levels up.

A resident on Putter Ct. had asked our tech to spray a portion of Mills Pond Lake that touched on an empty lot (which the resident also owns). Alberto did this has put it on his list of areas to be treated.

Clubhouse, Barb Akus, akusba@centurylink.net, 314-0255

Thanks to the little elves (Judy McLaughlin, Dee Bilowith, Ellyn Scholl-Losse, Gladys Zitelli, Millie Grime) who decorated the Clubhouse for us. The women (Dee and Judy) from the Mah Jongg group provided the tree. They and other residents donated decorations, and a few were purchased. The end result is lovely and really helps put us in the Christmas mood. A big thanks for all that decorated, donated, or bought.

Violations and Complaints, Judy Trier, jrtrier@gmail.com

I have received no complaints for the month of November. I'm still working with Highlands Bank on the bankrupt property, Bogey Blvd. and we are now at the mercy of the court system when this land is taken over by the bank. At that time, they will begin taking care of the property. There is no way to know when this will happen.

There has been a problem of people holding estate sales in Golf Hammock. A resident who was holding this kind of sale was spoken to and a letter was delivered to his door explaining the fining procedure should he go on with the sale.

When calling or writing about a complaint, please give me the street name and the house number. The more information you can give me, the quicker I can get to the offenders. Thank you all for your cooperation.

Please send all future complaints or suggestions to Judy Trier at jrtrier@gmail.com or call 260-242-0612.

Secretary, Millie Grime, 471-99979, cnmgrime@embarqmail.com

Thus far 137 residents have asked for a hard copy of the newsletter.

The newsletter box is on the door of the Clubhouse closest to the driving range. If you need a newsletter, please stop by and pick one up.

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PLEASE REMEMBER THAT IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SELL, SEND A PICTURE OF THE ITEM TO RUTHIE, OUR WEBMASTER, ALONG WITH THE PRICE YOU WANT FOR IT. ALSO HAVE A PHONE NUMBER YOU CAN BE REACHED AT SO THAT PEOPLE CAN CONTACT YOU.

CHECK OUT OUR GHOABAY ON OUR WEBSITE. LOTS OF NEW ITEMS.

Data Base/Directory, Jean Carlton, 502-727-6911, jnjcarlton@comcast.net

The directory has been sent to the printer.

Roads, Hardric McMillon, hrmcmillon@embargmail.com, 382-9579

Two lights were out on Golf Hammock Drive. I reported this to Duke Energy and they were fixed.

Remember:

- 1. Duke Energy will install a street light in front of your for a monthly fee.
- 2. Report street light outages to Duke Energy by calling 1-800-228-8485.

Visitations, Ellyn Scholl-Losse 385-6294 mizles226@yahoo.com and Trish Broksch 471-3737, tbroksch@embarqmail.com

Visited four residents. No one was home. Will return soon.

Neighborhood Watch Russ Danser 382-9957 phoenenu@aol.com

The Neighborhood Watch was held on Nov. 19 at 6:30 P.M. at The Clubhouse. Nell Frewin-Hays was present. Sadly there were only nine people present. Russ and Nell shared information about crime in GH. There has been very little to date. Jason, golf club owner, reported that several of his cart chargers have been stolen. Residents discussed the problems about Halloween. Nell said that it is possible to have hired off-duty policemen in our area if we are willing to pay. The Board would have to call and get a watch order for this.

If you are having problems but it isn't an emergency, you should call 401-7200. The call goes directly to the dispatcher. 911 should be reserved for emergencies only.

Reminders:

- 1. Keep garage and golf doors closed especially if you are not at home.
- 2. Keep bushes low around your home.
- 3. Turn on outside lights at night. A LIGHTED AREA IS A GREAT DETERENT TO CRIME.
- 4. Keep an eye on your neighbor's property and ask them to keep an eye on yours.
- 5. Keep doors and windows locked. Use a dead lock on the door.
- 6. Put a peephole in your front door.
- 7. Ask for the ID of a delivery person.
- 8. Don't let strangers in your house.
- 9. Make your home look occupied if you go away.

Old Business

The Board has spoken about the problems encountered this past Halloween and the outcome is that it will hire two off-duty police officers to control the traffic, to keep illegal golf carts out (those without lights front and back) and will also ask members of the Neighborhood Watch to circulate within the community.

New Business None

NEIGHBORS COMMENTS

Neighbors attending: Fred and Nora Norton, Elliott H. Rafferty, Eugene Musselman, Wendy Hardy, Joyce Rowe, Barb Norling, Clive and Judy Kelly, Jim and Rose Cookman.

There were no comments from the audience.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Barb Akus for Millie Grime

Workshop, Tuesday, Jan. 21, 4:00, Clubhouse

Annual meeting, Saturday, January 25 at The Christian Church of Sebring, 2:00 P.M.

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LAST CALL FOR GARAGE SALE



It is time to clean out your garages, storage units, and garden barns. We are offering all residents of Golf Hammock the opportunity to have a legal garage sale. We have contacted the Sebring Christian Church, located next to our west entrance, and they have given us permission to use their parking lot and grassy area for an addition-wide garage sale.

The sale date is January 18th. The hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The cost for a ten foot by ten foot area will be \$10.00 with a cleanup deposit of \$10. You will receive the deposit back at the close of the sale when your area is empty. You may reserve as many spots as you need. **The cut off date for signing up for this sale is Friday, January 10**.

Please contact Judy Trier at 260-242-0612 or jrtrier@gmail.com to reserve you site.

Merry Christmas! Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

WANT SOME CASH? WHY NOT ADVERTISE THINGS YOU HAVE TO SELL ON G-BAY?

Our new website www.ghoaonline.com offers residents a chance to advertise FOR FREE items that they would like to sell. All you have to do is provide a description and/or a picture of the item or items you wish to sell and e-mail it to our webmaster, Ruthie, at www.ghoaonline.com and the rest will be taken care of. PLEASE INCLUDE THE PRICE YOU WISH FOR THE ITEM AND A CONTACT NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS. HAPPY SELLING.

LIBRARY NEWS

We are happy to see the books from our library "out there". Please remember to replace them in their proper places. It's appreciated. Keep on reading. Millie Anderson

SCHOOL SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY

January 1-3 — Winter Break

January 6 — Student Holiday

January 17 — End of 9 Weeks (Early Release)

January 20 — MLK Holiday

January 29 — Report cards go home

IMPORTANT DATES

Trash Pickup is every Monday and Thursday Yard Debris pickup is the first and third Wednesday Sign up for the Community Garage Sale with Judy Trier jtrier@gmail.com or 260-242-0612. For January 18, 2014 from 9:00-2:00. \$10.00 per space plus deposit. Jan. 10 is the last day to sign up.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Non-Emergency -- call 401-7200. Emergency -- call 911.

LAKES IN GOLF HAMMOCK

Lake Judy (off Cormorant Point Dr and on golf course)
Mills Pond (at back of GH off Duffer Loop)
Lake Clara (between Divot Road and Par Road)
Lake Elaine (can see from Duffer Road)
Cormorant Pond (has an island in the middle, is in CP)
Lake Marlene (on Sugarpine Circle in CP)

RESTAURANT NEWS

The Grill Room at Golf Hammock Country Club's NEW Luncheon Menu: Hours 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

WEBSITE NEWS

PLEASE CHECK OUR NEW WEBPAGE -- WWW.GHOAONLINE.COM

The GHOA Website has been redesigned and is now live. The changes that were made should increase the speed of uploading. The design has been streamlined to make it easier to find the information you are looking for.

If you have any problems getting the website, please contact Ruthie O'Neill at her e-mail address webmasterghoa@gmail.com or call her at 267-885-4043.

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