



The Oak Tree

The President's Message

After a number of years on the GHMA Board, I am still amazed that a small percentage of our property owners are of the belief that the Board is totally autonomous, existing without rules or guidelines and makes decisions in a capricious and arbitrary manner.

In reality, your Board is governed by our Master Declarations, Village Declarations, Chapter 720 of the State Statutes, the ADC Standards and some portions of the Code of the City of Palm Coast. In addition, the Board must adhere to specific aspects of both Florida and Federal law. The Board is not able to disregard the rules and regulations of the above documents or agencies regardless of personal beliefs or at the request of a minority of property owners. To do so would violate their fiduciary responsibility associated with their elected positions.

I believe that it is reasonable to say that we all are aware of the challenges that are inherent in locating Live Oaks in the limited space that has been allocated for the street trees in Grand Haven. That being said, I would estimate that we currently have approximately 3000 to 3500 Live Oak trees on the developed residential properties in this community. I believe that the majority of our property owners are very much aware of both the pros and cons regarding these trees and therefore it is unnecessary to reiterate them here.

That being said, in response to resident concerns, the Board of your Master Association and the Community Development District (CDD) Board will be co-sponsoring a Community "Symposium" on the Live Oak street trees in Grand Haven. The symposium is scheduled to take place on September 1st and 2nd with additional information forthcoming. It is anticipated that this process will represent multi-faceted in-depth review of the various aspects of this topic and involve a historical over-view, the current benefits and burdens of our street trees, viable solutions, legal considerations, liability considerations and financial considerations.

I am of the belief that this community wide approach is most appropriate since decisions regarding this issue will have a significant impact upon the appearance, integrity and ultimately, the value of the 1901 properties in Grand Haven. Therefore, I urge you to become involved in order to better understand the facts and the realities surrounding this issue. The GHMA Board is committed to a decision making process that serves the needs of any given Village or our entire community. It should not and cannot be responsive to a vocal minority nor any special interest group. During my years on the Board, various issues have been addressed that have had an impact upon a Village or a group of Villages. I cannot, however, remember one that has had the potential to profoundly and permanently effect our entire community.

Moving forward, the GHMA Board will continue to live up to its commitment to perform in accordance with our various governing documents and in the best interests of our property owners. It is quite possible that this will not be accomplished in a manner that will satisfy the needs of everyone. As our community becomes larger and more diverse, so do the expectations of the residents. Issues will arise and will be resolved within the framework of the Boards obligations to all of Grand Haven property owners. The decisions made by your Board are driven by each Director's need to serve this community in a fair and equitable manner and in accordance with the rules every resident has pledged to follow.

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GHMA Meeting Schedule

The Board of Directors of the Grand Haven Master Association (GHMA) meets on the 3rd Friday of every month (unless otherwise noted.) All property owners are welcome to attend.

When: 2 PM, Friday, August 21
 2 PM, Friday, September 18
 2 PM, Friday, October 23
 2 PM, Friday, November 20
 2 PM, Friday December 18

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The Oak Tree is always looking for articles with ideas, topics and articles for future issues, especially those that would be of interest to Grand Haven residents—Grand Haven activities, clubs, happenings, sporting events, resident volunteer activities and opportunities. Please contact Nancy Carlton at ncarlton096@gmail.com with your suggestions.

President's Message....

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After speaking with a large number of the residents of our community, I am convinced that the vast majority are truly convinced that Grand Haven provides them with the lifestyle they have always desired. Issues will arise and in one way or another, they will be resolved. I am also convinced that the vast majority of our residents have confidence that the Board functions on their behalf and in their best interests. For those who have concerns, the Board welcomes your input and within our legal parameters, will address those concerns in the most productive manner feasible.

That being said, if we are to maintain the integrity of our Declarations and the value and beauty our community, the Board would be remiss by not reacting to any resident who blatantly believes that they are entitled to do as they wish and that the rules we all follow, do not apply to them. This mindset is detrimental to others, our community and undermines the very reason that our property owners had chosen Grand Haven as their home.

Submitted by: Dr. Robert J. Carlton, GHMA President

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Calling all Senior Athletes

In 1992, the first Florida Senior Games State Championships were held in Bradenton. Over the years, the Florida Senior Games has continued to grow and together with the Local Games, provides fun, fellowship, fitness and competition for Florida's fastest growing age group. The focus of the Senior Games is not winning, but participating. The Florida Senior Games is dedicated to:

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- Providing Florida's Seniors with the opportunity to compete at the local, state and national levels
- Providing all Senior citizens of Florida with an affordable and quality multi-sport festival they can call their own Games

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And Speaking of Athletes....

The News Journal headlines said it all....Unseeded, Undefeated....Grand Haven's Reilly Opelka wins Wimbledon boys singles championship. CONGRATULATIONS to Reilly and his parents, Lynn & George.

Several people who watched Reilly play on the Grand Haven courts over the years are not surprised at this win. He was poised, polite and powerful as a younger player and clearly the discipline of his training over the past few years paid off at Wimbledon.

As a result of his recent win, Reilly vaulted to No. 4 in the International Tennis Federation's world junior rankings. His name will be etched on the event's trophy alongside tennis legends Bjorn Borg, Ivan Lendl and Roger Federer....impressive company.

We all wish him well in the future and look forward to following his career as he continues to compete in the sport in which he clearly excels.

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I Remember Better When I Paint

The Palm Coast Arts Foundation is proud to partner with Florida Hospital Flagler, The Flagler County Art League, and the Central and North Florida Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association to bring you a screening of "I Remember Better When I Paint: Treating Alzheimer's Through the Creative Arts". Stories of how people with Alzheimer's can regain capacities for exchange and communication through the impact of art and other creative therapies are the subject of an inspiring film by Berna Huebner. Berna was spurred to carry out this project by her mother's personal journey through this debilitating illness.

I Remember Better When I Paint, narrated by Olivia de Havilland, was the first international documentary about the positive impact of art and other creative therapies on people with Alzheimer's and how these approaches can change the way we look at the disease. Among those who are featured are noted doctors and Yasmin Aga Khan, president of Alzheimer's Disease International and daughter of Rita Hayworth, who had Alzheimer's. A film by Eric Ellena and Berna Huebner, presented by French Connection Films and the Hilgos Foundation. Free, but reservations are required due to limited seating; pcaf@cfl.rr.com or 386.263.2991

Monday, August 31, 2:00 PM, Florida Hospital Flagler
60 Memorial Medical Parkway, Conference Rooms A&B

ADC CORNER

The update of The Architectural Design Standards is finished, approved by the GHMA and is now posted on the Grand Haven website at <http://grandhavenmhoa.com/> for your review. After weeks and weeks of perusing each and every page for either suggested revisions or necessary corrections, the ADC Standards are done!

In our last article, we spoke about what was good for Grand Haven 10-15 years ago may not be suitable for Grand Haven today. And yes, while the review was being conducted, that's exactly what the task force discovered. Changes are necessary for a maturing community.

Although the number of approved submittals far outweigh the number of denied submittals; when the ADC denies something that you want to do to your property, it is imperative that the ADC have something upon which to base its decision. This is where the ADC Standards come into play and why all property owners must understand why a committee of seven people make decisions the way they do. No matter who is on the committee or what decision is made, the community of Grand Haven requires it to have an ADC. If it didn't, it would look like any other non-deed restricted community. Then ask yourself, would you still want to live here? Just like you as individuals, we live in a community that takes pride in the way it looks. When we have friends or family visit us, we put our best foot forward. We make sure there are no dirty dishes in the sink and all the furniture is dusted and the carpet is vacuumed. That's why we have an ADC so we can always put our best foot forward.

Please be an informed property owner. Come to the ADC meeting if you think you may have to explain your submittal request or offer valuable information. We want to approve your request, so please help us do just that!

Submitted by: Tom Byrne, MADC Chair

P.S. Thanks to all of those on the task force for the dedicated time and energy you spent on the ADC Standards.



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To automatically be notified of life-threatening or dangerous conditions, have your contact information added to the CodeRED notification system by visiting www.flagleremergency.com and follow the CodeRED enrollment link on the right margin of the home page. You may also visit your local library to complete the on-line registration. Those without Internet access may call Flagler County Emergency Services (FCES) at (386) 313-4200. Once registered, you will receive phone and/or email notification if a dangerous condition should exist in your neighborhood.

In addition, weather alert radios are a great way to stay informed in the event of severe weather watches and warnings in your area. The NOAA weather radio can also serve as an emergency broadcast system in the event of catastrophic damage to the community. Follow the programming instructions that come with the radio, or for further assistance in programming the radio, call FCES at (386) 313-4250. Weather alert radios may be purchased wherever electronics are sold.

*Submitted by: Frank Benham
For the Grand Haven CERT Team*

GRAND HAVEN EAGLES

The eagle's nest stands silent, Their annual labor done,
They've proven themselves worthy, Two nestlings raised,
they've won.

As wandering eagles see them, Without a word they'd say,
"This territory is taken, You'd best be on your way!"

Returning home as fall awaits, They'll breathe a quiet sigh,
United again in courtship, They'll dance across the sky.

Speechless through December, Atop that Slash Pine Tree
They patiently anticipate, Their hatchlings soon-to-be.

Then just before springtime, Their youngsters fully grown,
They branch with hesitation, And soon they both have
flown.

The eagle's nest stands silent, Yet has so much to say,
Until they soon return again, We await that special day.

*Written by: Jim Weller and Gretchen Butler
Audubon EagleWatch Nest Monitor/Volunteer
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A GALorious Event

On May 31, 2015 more than 147 women gathered at the Clubhouse to enjoy tasty tappas and delicious desserts along with a sneak peak into the colorful summer fashion trends offered by **Chico's** and **Accessorize n' Style**. The monies raised at the event went directly to support the newly formed **GAL7Foundation, Inc.** founded by one of Grand Haven's residents, Dr. Karen E. Finder.

Dr. Finder had been a State appointed guardian volunteer for more than 4 years before starting the not for profit 501(C)(3) organization, along with three other volunteers. Through the State mandated Guardian ad Litem (GAL) program foster children are assigned an advocate whose prime responsibility is to make certain that the foster child receives the services they need in order to succeed. Often times, the GAL volunteer is the only consistent, responsible adult advocating

for the best interests of the dependent child in the home, at school, and in the courtroom. It is often stated, "the Guardian ad Litem volunteer gives 'voice' to Florida's most vulnerable children."

Dr. Finder found that although the GAL program works to protect the safety and welfare of abused and abandoned children, there are many times that children need those "little extras" to make them feel safe, cared for or just like other children. Those "extra enrichment experiences" such as summer camp, music lessons, sport team participation, dining at a local restaurant, or an occasional movie, are just some of the experiences that the State GAL program does not fund. It is the mission of the **GAL7 Foundation, Inc** to help provide, whenever possible, the more than 1400 dependent children residing in the 7th Judicial Circuit, which covers Flagler, St. Johns, Volusia and Putnam counties, with some of those experiences. In addition to funding "extras" the **GAL7 Foundation, Inc** supports the unexpected expenses that occur when families are in crisis. The Foundation is also dedicated to helping efforts that promote the recruitment, training and retention of GAL volunteers. As a result of the funds raised at the GALorius Fashion Show, the **GAL7 Foundation, Inc** was able to provide each of the 5 GAL offices with (5) \$20 Gift Cards and (4) \$25 gas cards that will be used by the GAL advocates to support the needs of foster children.

If you are interested in learning more about the State mandated GAL program please contact the local GAL Office in Bunnell at the Government Center at (386) 437-7457. If you want to become part of the **GAL7 Foundation, Inc** and wish to help raise our community's awareness of the GAL program and support the GAL volunteers, please contact Dr. Karen E. Finder at 386-447-9040- kefinder@gmail.com or visit the website at <http://GAL7Foundation.org> or like us on FACEBOOK. Your on-going support is graciously appreciated.

Submitted by: Dr. Karen E. Finder

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Grand Haven also specializes in small to medium size wedding ceremonies and receptions that are designed around your individual style and preference. Our spacious outdoor wrap around patio offers relaxing ocean breezes and a spectacular view of the Intracoastal Waterway. Whether you are planning an elegant black-tie wedding or a fun beach themed reception, we will customize all the details to make it an experience you and your guests will remember forever. We are now also taking reservations for holiday parties!

Make sure to save the dates for the following events going on at Grand Haven:

- Grand Haven Golf Club Birthday Celebration—October 5th, 2015
- Navy League Golf Tournament—November 23rd, 2015
- Angel Tree Golf Tournament—November 30th, 2015

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Submitted by: Jeri Harper, Director of Sales

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The Palm Coast Arts Foundation is pleased to announce their second State Cultural Facilities grant recently awarded for \$100,000 to help in the completion of the outdoor pavilion/stage underway in Town Center. This follows a \$150,000 grant received last year to help get our project started. PCAF is in the permitting stage and hopes to break ground for Phase I of a multi-phased project to eventually encompass almost 15 acres in Town Center. The outdoor stage, a 4,500 sq ft performance space, will be able to accommodate performances of all types and genres. We encourage public input – what types of performances would you like us to bring to Palm Coast? pcaf@cfl.rr.com

We are in the midst of a Raise the Roof campaign to erect a complex space frame of three arches spanning 140 feet. We look to attract 1,000 donors to contribute \$150 to make this happen! Our goal is to match existing funds of \$150,000 to get this up...until funds are raised we will continue tenting the stage for major performances. Both the stage and roof structure is designed by Grand Haven resident and architect, James Harter. Check out our new website: www.thepcaf.org Membership continues to grow – in fact, almost 30% of our members live in Grand Haven! Thank you for your continued support!

We are planning many events, but the following are confirmed, so in the meantime, save the date for:

- August 31, documentary: I Remember Better When I Paint
- November 13, stage performance of *Born Yesterday*
- December 13, bus trip and brunch to Jacksonville for the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra’s annual Holiday Pops concert
- May 1, 2016: 9th annual Picnic and Pops concert with the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra (on our own site in Town Center!)

Submitted by: Nancy Crouch, Executive Director

FABULOUS ART & INTERESTING OTHER THINGS

Fabulous art & interesting other things, initially a designation for the Flagler County Art League's annual Summer Sale and other interesting things, these words also became a theme that applied itself to a number of other major events and activities. Scheduled to run through August 31, the Summer Sale continues to fulfill its expectations.

A second major event this summer was the "Art in Public Places" program. Sponsored annually by the Gargiulo Arts Foundation, they are responsible for placing most of the public art you see around Palm Coast. The Flagler County Art League partnered with the Foundation to present the "Flagler Art & Poetry show at our Gallery, showcasing the art works and spoken words created by artists, sculptors and poets influenced by the public art. A week later a panel of artists who participated in the show came together to describe the creative process for the inspired work they had submitted to the "Flagler Art & Poetry" show. One of the works from this "fabulous and interesting" show will be announced as the winner of the Foundation's Purchase Award, and is expected to join the growing list of public art displayed in our community.

Not to be left out of our summer events are the area's plein air painters -- folks who paint outdoors, producing a different kind of community art. The exhibit of their paintings will be at our Gallery through August 31. Stop by the Gallery -- its fun to see how many places in their paintings you can identify.

On September 12, 6:00-8:30 pm, the FCAL will open the Gallery to a traveling exhibition of paintings by Alzheimer's patients in the "Memories in the Making" program whose dementia is still in the early to middle stages. For most of them, this is their first time painting. The paintings become their voice and their emotional expressions. The paintings are extraordinary. An absolute must see.

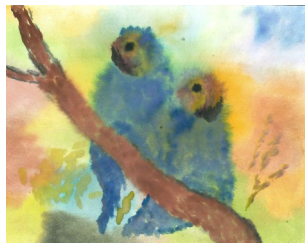


The Flagler County Art League will start our 2015-2016 exhibit season shortly. Filled with fine art and sculpture, our shows are celebrated by Second Saturday free opening receptions offering food and wine along with the "fabulous and interesting" art. The season starts off on Saturday, September 12, with the theme "It's About Time." A judged show opening Saturday evening September 12, it's about impressions of the past, the future and the present, change, growth, transformation -- however the exhibiting artists choose to express the theme.

Something new added to our line-up this fall will be figure drawing classes with live models, a silk-painting workshop and a class by an acrylic artist who brings her own influence to her work.

It's all good at the Flagler County Art League. We're a friendly group, active and curious. Did I say "fabulous and interesting?" Join us.

FCAL is located at City Marketplace, 160 Cypress Point Parkway, Suite 207C . Gallery hours are Monday to Friday, noon to 4pm, and Saturday, 10am to 1pm. Visit our website at flaglercountycastle.com or call us at 386-986-4668.



Original art, the "lovebird" is a piece from one of the art therapy patients.



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CUBAN BROWN ANOLE: \ə-nō-lē

Though mistakenly called geckos (family gekkonidae), what we find in abundance around our homes are Cuban Brown Anoles (family iguanid). Native to Cuba and the Bahamas, they arrived “by boat” to our seaports during the 1940’s and rapidly became established. The Brown Anole is an invasive species which has reached high population densities to the detriment of the Green Anole. Observed mostly in tree canopies now, the Green Anole population is vastly reduced.

Like other reptiles, Brown Cuban Anoles also molt their skin but in small pieces and may consume it as a source of calcium. Anoles thrive in humidity and without it are unable to shed their skin which causes skin to build up around their eyes preventing them from seeing their food source and thus causing starvation.

An interesting feature of the male anole is the dew lap, also called a throat fan. It is a flexible rod of cartilage which can be swung out to display a bright patch of red skin. He uses this to defend territory and court females. If courtship is successful, the female will lay a single egg every two weeks during summer.

They eat crickets, moths, grasshoppers, spiders, green anoles, lizard eggs, cockroaches and even their own detached tails. As a defense ploy, they detach most of their tails which continue to wiggle in hopes of distracting predators. They will re-grow their tails. Provoked, the brown anole will bite, urinate and defecate. Predators are rats, snakes, birds and sometimes kids! Unlike the Green Anole which, (although not a true chameleon) can change color from green to gray and brown, the Brown Cuban Anole may only darken.

Differences between anoles and geckos:

1. Anoles have eyelids – geckos have a membrane which they must lick to keep moist.
2. Anoles have dewlaps – geckos do not.
3. Anoles are diurnal feeding during daylight – geckos are nocturnal feeding at night.
4. Anoles rely on body language to communicate – geckos chirp at each other.
5. Anoles have claws and climb vertical surfaces – geckos have large feet with adhesive pads and can walk even on ceilings and glass.
6. Anoles reside in and around shrubs – geckos are arboreal, preferring the view from above!

Submitted by: Anne Sciuto



Helping Those In Need

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a familiar name to many as a place to donate old clothes or used household goods, but not much else is known about its wide-reaching ministry. In fact, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP for short) is an international charitable organization founded to help people in times of crises. Its beginnings date back to the 19th Century when a young French lawyer, Frederick Ozanam, founded the society as a way to help the poor of Paris. His inspiration was an 18th Century priest, Vincent de Paul, who devoted his life to serving the poor.

The Society's mission spread throughout the world, finally coming to Flagler Beach in 2006. Since then, SVdP has helped thousands of Flagler County residents who come to the office at 400 South Daytona Avenue seeking assistance. Sometimes they are threatened with the shut-off of a utility. After an interview with one of the volunteer counselors, a determination is made as to how best to help the person, whether by paying a portion of the bill and/or finding other means of assistance. Appointments are required for such interviews. Requests for food are filled from the small pantry stocked with non-perishable goods donated by supporters.

In addition to the generous support of members and patrons, SVdP operates the **Nearly New Thrift Store** located in the same building. Donations of clothing, small household appliances and other miscellaneous items – all at affordable prices – provide some of the funding used to help the needy. Monetary donations and government grants provide the rest.

Although affiliated with Santa Maria del Mar Catholic Church, SVdP is dedicated to serving anyone in need, regardless of race or creed. The workers are all volunteers, whose payment comes in the form of satisfaction, knowing that they have made a difference in someone's life.

Donations to the Thrift Store may be brought to

400 South Daytona Avenue on Monday, Wednesday, Friday or Saturday during normal shopping hours, between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Telephone 439-0071. Office hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 11 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Telephone 693-4806.

Historically, Americans are unequalled in their generosity to the less fortunate, extending help to people in need all over the world. It's hard to believe that, sometimes, those most in need are right in our midst.

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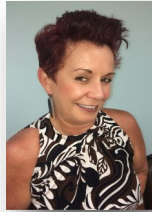
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WHAT'S ON THE CALENDAR?

GRAND HAVEN WOMAN'S CLUB

Monday, September 21, 2015—Opening meeting For membership information, contact Laura O'Brien. Membership Chair, laura.obrien51@cfl.rr.com

FLAGLER COUNTY EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Annual Golf Tournament Friday, September 25, 2015, Plantation Bay GC For more information, contact Deborah Williams at williamsd@flaglerschools.com



Alzheimer's Association Walk Saturday, September 26, 2015 Veteran's Park, Flagler Beach For more information, contact Karen Wolford, kwolford3@cfl.rr.com or www.alz.org/walk



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Let's talk about it...

BREAST HEALTH

October 2, 2015, between 10 am & 2 pm Join Dr. Karen Toppi & her panel of Breast Health Providers. Presentation, Lunch, Q & A session Event details will be posted to www.h2hf.org Sept. 1.

PEO Day of Games

Monday, October 12, 2015 Grand Haven Clubhouse Tickets—\$30 For more information, contact Carol Wolfe at carolRwolfe@aol.com

Advertisement for Austinteriors featuring Kim Johnsen, interior design photos, and a 10% off coupon for new customers.



Let's get the community looking great for the fall and upcoming holiday season... Please remember to and plan to address the below items in the near future...

Street Tree Canopy – Trimming of the street tree canopy is a continual maintenance item. Selective pruning on a regular basis will continually prohibit limbs from interfering with street and/or sidewalk traffic. The minimum heights are: 7 feet over the sidewalk, 9 feet over the curb, 11 feet over the traffic lane and 14 feet over the crown of the road.

Mold on Roofs and Concrete Surfaces – Each owner should take a look at their roof and consider having it cleaned. The roof itself can and will get dark in color and/or moldy (particularly tile roofs). Also the border or fascia around the edge of the roof may need attention as well. This is something to plan for at least annually if not more frequently.

Remember, driveways/walkways/sidewalks tend to develop mold this time of year. Cleaning roofs and concrete surfaces all at once can save time and/or money.

Lake Bank Maintenance – Each owner living on a detention pond needs to continually maintain their lake bank. Each lake bank (where there is not a concrete stem or retention wall) was originally developed and planted with spartina grasses. These are the feathery bushes or clumps of grass about 4 feet tall that were planted to keep the lake bank from eroding. REMEMBER – if your spartina has died or is not there, then you will need to replant them. Please go to www.grandhavenmhoa.com and click on "Detention Pond (lake bank) Planting Scheme" at the top of the page (under General Forms/ Documents) for further details on planting requirements. It is each lake bank owner's responsibility to preserve those spartina grasses and keep the lake bank free of weeds, vines and/or wild growth. This maintenance responsibility is best accomplished with regular monthly attention.

If you have questions about any of these items, please contact Troy Railsback at [386-446-6333](tel:386-446-6333).



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Fun at the Tiki Bar

On a recent Sunday afternoon, our Editor captured the smiles of some residents and guests enjoying the new service at the Creekside Pool Tiki Bar. Service includes a full bar (including draft beer), hamburgers, hot dogs, grilled chicken sandwiches or salad. Hours of operation at the Tiki Bar are Saturday and Sunday, Noon to 6 PM.



Football season is around the corner, so plan to come to the Creekside Pool Tiki Bar and watch your favorite game on our new 65" screen TV. First Preseason Sunday game is August 16.



You can check out all of the activities and sports available to residents at both Creekside and the Village Center at the Amenity Center's website, www.grandhavenamenity.com.



Did You Know??

Did you know that the flag that flies at the Village Center once flew over the US Capitol? It did indeed! The flag that is now flying at the Village Center was presented as a gift to the Community of Grand Haven on Memorial Day, 2015, by Turner Lett. This flag was flown over the United States Capitol on February 20, 1986. Turner was presented this flag as a birthday present from his Sister and Brother-In-Law, Phyllis and Bill Cramer who are the parents of Anne Byrne, another Grand Haven resident.

This flag was part of The Capitol Flag Program which began in 1937 when a Member of Congress requested a flag that had flown over the Capitol. Over the years the focus of the program gradually expanded to encompass the commemoration of national holidays and various special events, as well as to honor the work of groups such as schools and civic organizations.

Currently, the Architect of the Capitol fulfills on average more than 100,000 flag requests from Members of Congress annually, with the number of requests and the popularity of the Capitol Flag Program growing steadily each year.

So, the next time you are at the Village Center and you look up at that beautiful American flag, remember, it once graced the top of our Nation's Capital.

Your Amenities Team

CROQUET COMES TO LIFE AT CREEKSIDE!!

After some unexpected delays, it appears that our newly refurbished court is open and ready for play. Needless to say, the Croquet Club members are excited about returning to Creekside and looking forward to the new playing surface. Many plans are underway in anticipation of the return.



Croquet Club members celebrate opening

A new class for Beginners will start in September and we already have a number of sign-ups. The Croquet Club offers four free Beginner's Classes to Grand Haven Residents. These classes are taught by experienced instructors and coaches. There is no obligation to join the Club, but Beginners who have completed their first four 2 hour classes can look forward to more instruction and the great social occasions the Club is noted for. If interested, call our Membership Director, John Fitterman, at 386-585-4634. The first class is scheduled for Monday September 21st.

Also scheduled for this fall is our 8th Grand Haven Invitational Tournament that runs from October 21st through October 24th. This is the big event of the year for members. Non-member spectators are most welcome to watch the games and enjoy the skills of some of our best players. The games start at 8:30 AM and run through 5:00PM, so there is plenty of opportunity to watch. It is suggested that spectators bring their own chairs as seating is limited.

Also scheduled for this coming fall is the Club Championship and, in addition, a Rookie Tournament where new players learn the tournament experience and have a lot of fun doing it. The year closes with a gala Holiday party at one of our member's homes. All in all, it will be a busy fall on and off the Creekside Court.

*Submitted by: Cassandra Gaisor
President, GH Croquet Club*

GRAND HAVEN RIBBON CUTTINGS

On Saturday, July 25, three of the many amenities in Grand Haven celebrated ribbon cuttings. The day began with the opening of the Creekside Croquet Court.



Pictured above are CDD Supervisors Davidson, Gaeta & Lawrence cutting the ribbon to the Pickleball Court along with players of that sport.



And finally, the Petanque Court gets an official open.

Photos courtesy of: Robert Carlsen Photography

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