# The Oak Tree

# **President's Message**

#### THE ECONOMICS OF DEED RESTRICTIONS

I am confident that by this time, as a property owner in Grand Haven, you have come to realize that you are a member of a deed restricted community. When you purchased your property, you agreed to abide by the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&R'S), described in both the Master Declaration and those relating to the specific Village in which you reside.

As with most things in life, CC&R'S have both upsides and down sides. On one hand, there are certain rules that you are expected to follow, and as a result of doing so, there is the benefit of living in a community that maintains standards regarding the exterior of your residence and surrounding property.

As a Board member, I have had numerous conversations with property owners regarding our CC&R'S. What I have found most interesting is that there are as many people who believe that the CC&R'S should be more strictly enforced as those who believe that there are too many rules. It is, of course, much easier to perceive the down side of deed restriction than the up side. There is no doubt that receiving a notice indicating that there is an "Area of Concern" regarding your property is not a positive occurrence and could require an expenditure on your part. So what's the tradeoff? What exactly is the up side of all of these rules? What are you getting in return for your efforts and cooperation?

You could say that in return, you would be a good neighbor and a productive member of your community. You could also say that it is basically, the right thing to do. Although those are accurate statements, that is not what this message is all about. It is about the bottom line, the value of your property and the quality of your life.

I have always thought of Grand Haven as a "Premier Community." I believed that when I purchased my property in 1998, and I have continued to do so ever since. It is a community that is approaching its 20th anniversary and is as attractive today as it has ever been in the past. There are a number of part time property owners in my Village. One of my neighbors recently returned from his residence up north and in my first conversation with him, he exclaimed that every time he comes back to Palm Coast, he is amazed at how beautiful the properties are in Grand Haven. I believe that most of us have had that thought at one time or another.

Without a doubt, the visual impact of home sites impacts "curb appeal" and directly translates to increased property values and a corresponding return upon your investment. I have been told by a number of realtors that properties within deed restricted communities are consistently of higher value than comparable properties in communities without restrictions. That is but one of the upsides of your efforts and involvement, a very important upside, money in the bank.

A secondary result of being a well maintained community is that when the real estate market went through a very difficult time, Grand Haven property values were significantly more stable than most. Throughout the years and es-

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## **GHMA Meeting Schedule**

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

WHEN: 2 PM, Friday, August 19

2 PM, Friday, September 23 2 PM, Friday, October 21 2 PM, Friday, November 18

WHERE: Creekside Amenities Center

2 North Village Parkway

## **GHMA Board Members**

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## The Oak Tree

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The Oak Tree is always looking for articles with ideas and topics 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....continued

pecially during that economic down turn, extremely conservative assessments prevailed, special assessments were not even considered and the governing organizations of Grand Haven continued to function in a fiscally sound manner.

It is incumbent upon each property owner, based upon their own values and needs, to evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of living in a deed restricted community. I am fully aware that from time to time, the enforcement of our CC&R'S "ruffles some feathers". However, I also understand that by not addressing certain issues and infractions, the GHMA Board and its management company would not be fulfilling their mandated responsibilities. In essence, the GHMA and its management company are your partners in protecting and enhancing the value of your residential investment.

Submitted by: Rob Carlton, President

**Editor's Note:** Apologies to the Grand Haven Hooligans for misspelling their name in the May issue of the Oak Tree.

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# How Well Prepared are YOU for a Natural Disaster

For those of us who have lived in Florida for several years, we have not so fond memories of events like Andrew, Charlie, Jean & Frances. All of these were hurricanes that occurred after mid to late August and into September. We have been VERY fortunate that we have not experienced a devastating storm in the last several years. However, **NOW** is the time to get prepared. Could you leave your home expediently with the necessary medications, paperwork, photos, jewelry, family treasurers?

With the heat and lack of afternoon showers we have been experiencing, we are always concerned about the incidence of fires. When a hurricane is forming, we do receive some notice (even though the track can veer); however, when fire strikes, time is of the essence.

If you visit <a href="www.fema.org">www.fema.org</a>, and search "Be Smart", there are numerous resources that provide checklists on: Protecting your critical documents and valuables, Family Emergency Communication Plan and Disaster Supplies Checklist. It is recommended that you scan important documents onto a thumb drive with pictures of EVERYTHING in your house for insurance purposes and send a copy of that to a trusted family member or friend for safe keeping in the event of loss. Make sure you have important phone numbers and contact information in your cell phone (insurance company, FPL outage line, local radar & weather alerts, etc.). Do you have an evacuation plan? Do you know what hotel chains accept pets?

Have you registered with CodeRED, a free service to all Flagler County residents? This Weather Warning feature alerts you to dangerous weather conditions such as tornados and severe thunderstorms. To be notified of such dangerous conditions, visit

<u>www.flagleremergency.com</u> and follow the CodeRED enrollment link on the right margin of the home page.

Hopefully we will all enjoy a tranquil summer into Fall; however, NOW is the time to get prepared!

#### Contributors to this article:

Mike Beadle, CFO, EFO, MPA, Fire Chief, City of Palm Coast Paula Benham, Grand Haven Woman's Club Home-Life Chair

# **Landscape Best Management Practices**

Algae growth in our storm water detention ponds (lakes) continues to be a challenge to our entire community. By adhering to the Best Management Practices in your yard, you can make a difference in algae growth even if you do not live directly on a pond. Remember that most runoff and waste material from your yard is likely to find a way to a pond through the storm water sewer system.

MANAGEMENT OF GRASS CLIPPINGS AND VEGETATIVE MATERIALS:

"In no case should grass clippings, vegetative material, and/or vegetative debris either intentionally or accidentally, be washed, swept, or blown off into storm water drains, ditches, conveyances, water bodies (ponds), wetlands, sidewalks or roadways."

Your cooperation in adhering to the above represents a significant step towards minimizing unsightly algae growth in the ponds throughout Grand Haven. Please notify your lawn service of this request.



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Located just outside the Grand Haven Main Gate. Call us at 503-9528 for an appointment.

Your first consult is free

# Grand Haven Woman's Club Begins its Second Decade

While the Grand Haven Woman's Club does not hold membership meetings in June, July or August, the Officers and Committee Chairs have been hard at work planning for an exciting Club year ahead. We will be starting off the year with 212 members and our first meeting will be Monday, September 19. The purpose of the GHWC is to provide support to educational and charitable activities in Flagler County.

We are truly blessed to have so many generous members in the Grand Haven Woman's Club. Last Club year, the GHWC members volunteered over 4,500 hours to local organizations and contributed an estimated \$35,000 in addition to the \$20,000 in contributions from the Club. The Grand Haven Woman's Club supports 24 local organizations, which includes educational, health, conservation, arts and welfare groups. And we are very proud of the positive impact our contributions have been able to have on these organizations.



As we head into our new Club year, we have some exciting events planned, not the least of which is our Cookbook. Over 300 recipes from some of our very talented home chefs will be featured. In addition, there will be a recipe from Village Café Head Chef, Stephen Winston as well as one from J. P. Roberts, Grand Haven Golf Club Head Chef. The books will be on sale in September.

If you would like to keep up with the Grand Haven Woman's Club, feel free to visit us on Facebook or our website at

www.grandhavenwomansclub.com.





### WONDERFUL FALL!

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## PLEASE, Do Not Feed The Alligators

While we enjoy Grand Haven's many beautiful ponds, we know that alligators frequently take up residence in them. It is also true that some residents are illegally feeding these dangerous animals and this must stop before an adult, child or pet is injured or worse!

#### The Florida Law:

"It is illegal to feed alligators or crocodiles in Florida. Statute 372. 667 makes it a misdemeanor to feed alligators or crocodiles. Feeding alligators causes them to lose their fear of humans." Do NOT feed these creatures.



# SAVE THE DATE FALL BASH October 22, 2016

The Grand Haven Master Association and Southern States Management Group will be cosponsoring the Fall Bash, inviting all registered Grand Haven residents to join them at the Village Center from 4 PM—7PM on Saturday, October 22. There will be a great menu and entertainment with the opportunity to share some relaxing social time with our fellow Grand Haven residents, so please save this date. Due to space limitations, this event must be limited to Grand Haven residents with valid I D cards and we will be unable to accommodate guests. Further details regarding advanced reservations and timelines will be provided via eblasts, so please be sure that your current email address is on file at the Southern States office.









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#### **Readers Wanted**

After searching for a Book Club to join and finding no openings, I have decided to start a new Book Club. Please contact me if you would be interested in joining me. I live on Osprey Circle and would like to meet during the week, early to mid-afternoon.

Rhoda Slifka, <u>buldawgs@gmail.com</u>, 225-4007

## When Do I Call the Main Gate??

In an effort to prevent unnecessary calls to the Main Gate Guard and to expedite visitor entry, please review the following guidelines regarding when to call the Main Gate.

#### **Do not call** the Guard for the following scenarios:

- If your visitor is listed on your VIP list with the Grand Haven CDD Office, you do not need to call the guard to allow entry. Please have your guests inform the Guard that they are on the VIP list. If you have questions regarding who is on your VIP list, you may call the Grand Haven CDD Office at (386) 447-1888 to inquire or update your list.
- Mail carriers such as UPS and FEDEX do not need prior approval to enter the gates. If you are expecting a mail delivery, please do not call the Main Gate Guard. The Guard will allow gate access to mail delivery personnel.
- ♦ Utility personnel such as Brighthouse, FPL, AT&T, and the City of Palm Coast do not need prior approval to enter the gates.
- For visitors entering by way of the North, South, Crossings or Wild Oaks Gates: If you are home at the time of receiving a visitor, please instruct your visitor to call your house using the directory call box located at the Gate prior to calling the Guard. When you receive the call at your home, press "9" on your phone to allow your visitor to enter. Use of the directory call box at these gates will help to allow the Guards additional time necessary to process visitor traffic entering through the Main Gate.
- ♦ Unless you have a landscaper, pest control, pool maintenance, or heating and air company coming in to do a consultation, most companies have multiple accounts and do not need prior approval to enter the gates.
- ♦ Do not call the Guard to report suspicious or criminal activity. If you have a safety concern, please call 911.
- ♦ Do not call the Guard to update your contact information. All updates to your contact information must be submitted in writing to the Grand Haven CDD Office.



## **Do call** the Guard for the following scenarios:

- If you are expecting a visitor who is not on your VIP list, you may call the Guard prior to your guest's arrival to authorize entry. Please do not call multiple times! If you are prompted to leave a voice mail message, please leave your name, address, who you are expecting, and when you are expecting them. Voicemails are checked on a regular basis, and all will be addressed appropriately.
- ♦ If you have a special delivery such as furniture, food, etc., please call the Guard prior to the scheduled delivery time to authorize entry.
- Following these guidelines will help decrease visitor wait time, expedite vehicle entry and help prevent excess backup of vehicles at the Main Gate Visitor's Entrance. Thank you for your patience and cooperation. Any questions or concerns regarding the above information may be directed to the Grand Haven CDD Office at (386) 447-1888.

Submitted by: Ashley Higgins, CDD Office



On behalf of the Palm Coast Arts Foundation, once again I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to our

Grand Haven community. One-third of our membership is right here amongst our own neighbors and friends, a true testament to support and belief in what a community rich in cultural benefits can provide.

Thanks to the support of donors and friends such as you, we have finished Phase I of a multi-phased cultural arts complex in Town Center. This phase was basically the infrastructure required to continue future phases (water, sewer, plumbing, electrical, landscaping) – all with a hefty commercial price! Part of this first phase was to relocate the PCAF offices on site – when you drive down Central Avenue (just east of the Epic Theatre) you will see our modular unit there – stop by and see us!

We continue developing our strong partnership with the City of Palm Coast and are pleased to announce that the City's interest in this project has resulted in not only a longer-term lease agreement, but the construction of restroom facilities to accommodate the needs of our events. The outdoor stage will begin rising late this summer with an anticipated completion of mid-October; restroom facilities will take a bit longer with an anticipated completion of April 2017 (but in time for the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Picnic and Pops on May 7). The outdoor stage will be a large 4,500 sq ft concrete stage capable of accommodating major orchestras, bands and music of all genres, theatrical performances, ceremonies, etc. Following the stage construction, our Raise the Roof campaign continues as the roof system for this size of a stage is rather extensive and expensive. While we recently applied for a \$500,000 grant in which to help with this phase of the construction, matching funds will be required to meet the expense.

Some may ask why this is taking so long...simple math. PCAF is a not-for-profit and our strategy is to self-fund and we are progressing in a "pay as we go" mode. We rely on memberships, grant funding, and of course the wonderful philanthropy of our community of friends and supporters. Many of you know that construction on a commercial site costs much more than that of a private or residential nature.

We have approached major prospects for naming opportunities; but are always interested in engaging other possibilities. In the meantime, our Chair of Events, our very own Grand Haven resident, Awilda Hamilton and her committee including Linda Hellings (another GH resident!) offer the following upcoming events:

**Saturday, September 10** – Bertrand Green presentation on African Art: Ancient Egypt to Contemporary Works – Hilton Garden Inn (due to limited space, his presentation is offered In two sessions: 10-noon; and 2-4pm) - \$20 PCAF members; \$25 general public – this event is sponsored by Gerling Travel

Saturday, October 15 – The Art of Jazz with noted musician Longineu Parsons and featuring select oil paintings of Ev Niewoehner from his music themed work – Halifax Plantation - \$50 PCAF members; \$60 general public (buffet dinner included in ticket price)



**Saturday, November 4 – Date Night at Marineland** – Tapas style dining, music and dancing to Amy Alysia (and a dolphin show!) -- \$75 PCAF members; \$85 general public

**Sunday, December 11** – our annual luxury motor coach to Jacksonville to hear the Symphony perform their Holiday Pops concert, a favorite of many! \$95 PCAF members; \$110 general public (this fills up fast and tickets are being sold already) – includes transportation, premium orchestra level seating; and lunch at the Hyatt Regency in private banquet room.

Watch for programming of our stage events to be announced in the fall! In the meantime, don't forget to get your engraved paver! Be a part of Town Center history....many pavers have been installed inside the Park area, and the list continues; this will be an on-going campaign for the Building Fund - \$150 per paver (up to three lines on a 4x8 paver). Call 386-225-4394 or go to <a href="https://www.thepcaf.org">www.thepcaf.org</a>

Submitted by: Nancy Crouch, PCAF Executive Director and Grand Haven resident



# What's Happening at Grand Haven Golf Club

Have you heard about the Grand Haven Golf Club Trial Membership? Come experience the golf club for 3 consecutive months for only \$1,200! This membership includes all the benefits of a Full Golf Membership; unlimited green fees, unlimited range plan, 14 days advance booking tee times, guest privileges, access to select club functions and tournament, discount on non-sale items in the golf shop, and use of the club-house restaurant with no monthly food minimum. This program is an excellent way to try it before you buy it! For more information or to sign up for the Trial Membership, contact Jeri Harper at Grand Haven Golf Club. Phone: 386-445-2327 ext. 3206 or email: JHarper@GrandHavenGC.com.

Grand Haven Golf Club is now open on most Mondays for guests. We invite all golfers to join us on select Mondays to play at a special VIP Guest Rate. You can experience the Jack Nicklaus signature course including 18 holes, green fees and cart fees, as well as access to the practice facilities prior to play. Tee times begin at 7:30am. You may book tee times up to 3 days in advance. To book a tee time, contact our golf shop at 386-445-2327 ext. 1.

Not a golfer? We invite you to join as Social Members. The social membership requires a \$50 registration fee and participation in the food minimum program. What is the "Food Minimum Program" you ask? A very attainable minimum needed to be spent in the restaurant on food. This excludes monies spent on alcohol, tax and gratuity. We welcome social members to dine Tuesday through Sunday for lunch beginning at 11am and Wednesday through Friday for Ala Carte Dinner beginning at 5:30pm. We keep the calendar packed with events including Birthday Bash, Turkey Buffet, Wine Dinners, DJ Night, and Pub Night. For more information on social membership or to sign up, contact Jeri Harper at Grand Haven Golf Club. Phone: 386-445-2327 ext. 3206 or email: JHarper@GrandHavenGC.com.

#### A few "Save The Dates" to place in your calendar:

#### 20th Annual Navy League Golf Tournament

Monday, October 10th, 2016 9am Shotgun Start

To Register Contact Lee Figliuolo at 386-447-3640 or email: <a href="leefig@aol.com">leefig@aol.com</a> Proceeds to provide recognition for area active duty military personnel; support our Sea Cadet battalion; and provide scholarships for Nease, St. Augustine, Flagler Palm Coast & Matanzas High School Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) Members.

# Realty Exchange Golf Tournament Benefiting Flagler WARRIORS

Monday, November 7th, 2016 1pm Shotgun Start

To Register Contact Fred Ferrara at 386-446-0017. Flagler Warriors Foundation was founded by veterans who recognize from experience that soldiers coming home need a mission to serve. With their core values being HONOR, DISCIPLINE, COURAGE, RESPECT, and SERVICE, they coach youth football skills and leadership tools that will serve them beyond football.

#### **Flagler Humane Society Golf Tournament**

Monday, December 5th, 2016 9am Shotgun Start

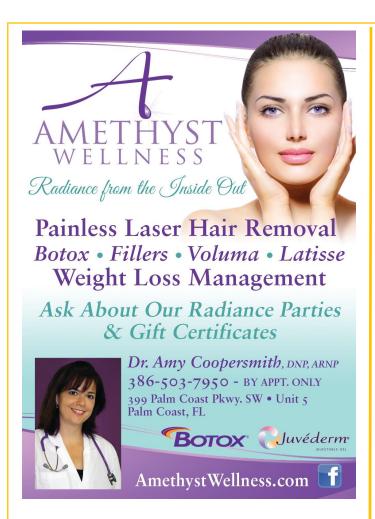
To Register Contact the Flagler Humane Society at 386-445-1814. FHS offers many needed services to the Flagler Community, with a focus on protecting and providing safe and loving homes for animals who find themselves without a family of their own.

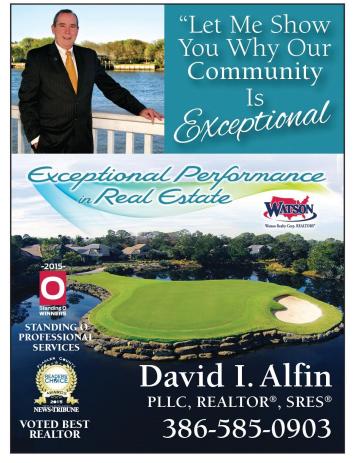
Submitted by: Jeri Harper, GH Golf Club

The Flagler County Education Foundation will hold its Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, October 14 at Plantation Bay with a shotgun start at Noon. For more info, contact Deborah Williams at 437-7526 x 3125

Golfers gather outside the Clubhouse before the shotgun start of the STUFF BUS tournament, Monday, July 25.







## OUR YARD WASTE DILEMMA

Yard waste should be placed at the curb no earlier than one day prior to the day of collection. In our community, collection is on Wednesday and therefore, yard waste should not be placed at the curb prior to Tuesday. You have to admit that these statements are kind of straight forward and not in need of interpretation.

Therein lies the dilemma. You may ask, what do I do with the "stuff" that I cut from my plants and trees before Tuesday? What if my "lawn guy" comes on Thursday? Why can't I put out the yard trash on Monday.

Before that is answered, let's think about the yard trash that is put out by the curb on say, Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday. The presence of decaying yard trash does very little to enhance the attractiveness of our community and in fairness to those individuals who may be trying to rent or sell their property, certainly does not increase "Curb appeal". In addition, piling palm fronds, and other plant and tree cuttings on your grass for two or three days, especially in the hot weather, will ultimately result in your grass being stressed and perhaps dying. Also, placing your yard trash on a vacant lot may result in it not being picked up, since the City contractor is not obligated to do so. In any event, even if it is picked up, you are trespassing on private property.

Getting back to the very good questions that you may ask. If you are inspired to work in your yard earlier than on Tuesday, store the trash out of sight on the side of your house and put it out the day prior to collection. Your neighbors and your own grass will appreciate it. In regard to your lawn guy's service day, the solution is even easier. Any yard trash that is generated by a land-scape contractor should be taken and disposed of by that contractor and you should insist upon that. The City contractor who picks up your yard trash is not required to pick up yard trash generated by any company providing landscape services.

Oh, by the way, the Palm Coast City Code states that you may not place yard trash at the curb prior to 6:00 p.m. on the day prior to collection. Please don't tell them that Grand Haven has taken a more flexible approach in regard to this issue.

Some problems are truly complex, with difficult solutions. This is a simple problem with a simple solution. All it requires is awareness, empathy for your neighbors and perhaps, a little extra energy. That sounds like a good trade off for the attractiveness your own property and our entire community.

# Florida Panthers.... The Animal

America's largest cats are known by several names including, panther, puma, mountain lion, and cougar, among others. However, DNA indicates that the genetic differences among this subspecies are so insignificant that it is being reclassified as cougar. More closely related to domestic cats than to lions or tigers, panthers will purr or yowl but do not roar.

Panthers traverse forest, grasslands and swamp; a male requires 200 square miles of territory for his sustenance whereas the female needs only 75 square miles. At one time these animals covered a vast area of American states but gradually because of hunting, loss of habitat etc., they have been confined to the tip of south Florida in the Everglades and western U.S.

Mating is by chance encounter as panthers are loners and a male takes no part in rearing the two or three kittens. The kittens are born blind and have spots, probably to camouflage them in the brush. If they survive, they stay with the mother for two years until they must find their own territory. With diminishing habitat this is getting more and more difficult. Hunting at twilight and preying on deer mostly, a panther will eat rodents, small alligators and armadillos; if it can't finish a meal, it will hide it and cover it with leaves and twigs.

These cats that can jump up to 18 feet and leap from 20 to 45 feet are also fantastic climbers and can swim if necessary. It is unlikely we will encounter this particular cat here in Grand Haven although many sightings have been reported in St. John's County and as far north as Georgia. A very small percentage of these sightings are correctly identified by photography while the others are usually large bobcats often mistaken for the real thing. So we should not worry – too much!

Submitted by: Anne Sciuto



# THE EAGLE'S NEST STANDS SILENT (A tribute to Romeo and Juliet)



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

As wandering eagles saw 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 Longleaf 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.

(Tribute by: Jim Weller and Gretchen Butler)

Submitted by: Gretchen Butler Audubon EagleWatch Nest Monitor/Volunteer American Eagle Foundation/Partner/Volunteer Bengals2@earthlink.net

## ADC Corner..... A Question & Answer Column

The members of the ADC received such positive feedback from our May, 2016, article, we decided to share a few more questions and answers in this edition. It is always nice to get favorable comments, but most importantly to make sure this community is well informed.

**Question:** I want to remove a tree so I completed the ADC request form and submitted it in the white mail box. Now I hear that ADC wants additional information. Do I need to fill out another request?

Answer: No, additional information can be appended to the original request. The ADC needs supporting information to make an informed decision. Normally, this means supplying enough documentation so the ADC has all the pertinent facts prior to the meeting. In the case of a tree removal, the ADC will need a current tree count, a site plan showing where the tree is currently located, an explanation for removing the tree and pictures of the tree being removed. The ADC STRONGLY encourages all homeowners to attend the meeting so we can get firsthand information from the homeowner about their request. Attendance at the meeting can help to avoid a request being denied for lack of information.

Question: I'm thinking about putting in a full house generator. Is ADC approval required?

**Answer:** Generators are permitted and do require ADC approval for location and view from neighboring properties and street. Shrubs used to screen equipment shall be a minimum of seven (7) gallon size and 28 inches in height. Shrubs should be large enough to obscure at least seventy five (75) percent of the equipment at the time of planting and provide one hundred (100) percent screening after one growing season. A servicing entry/exit point shall be located facing towards the rear of the property where possible.

Question: I don't have gas running to my home. Are propane tanks permitted?

**Answer:** Propane tanks are permitted only if they are completely buried or totally enclosed with opaque vegetative materials. Shrubbery matching existing landscape material, of no less than seven (7) gallon plants, shall be considered acceptable if it completely screens the tank from view of the street and neighboring lots. Any tank exceeding one hundred twenty (120) gallons shall be buried.

Question: Can I install hurricane shutters on my home and do I need MADC approval?

**Answer:** Hurricane shutters are acceptable upon review and approval of the MADC with the following operational criteria:

Hurricane shutters are to be closed no earlier than the official hurricane watch as defined by Florida Statute 627.4025 and are to be taken down or opened seventy two (72) hours after that official watch has been lifted.

The ADC members are very grateful that you take the time to read these questions and answers. We are hopeful that they will give you information that will help you in deciding what you do to the exterior of your home. The main thing to remember is any exterior change to your home must be approved prior to commencing. You can log on to the Grand Haven website at <a href="http://grandhavenmhoa.com/">http://grandhavenmhoa.com/</a> to obtain an ADC application and to review all of the ADC Standards.

We invite you to come to the meeting to see what it is all about. If you have a pending submittal, we encourage you to attend so that you can answer any questions that arise regarding your submittal.

Submitted by: Tom Byrne, MADC Chair on behalf of your Architectural Design Committee



The fist ever cookbook to be produced with mouth-watering contributions from members of the Grand Haven Woman's Club will be available in September

You won't want to miss this!

To reserve your copy, please
email Jenny Scott at
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## It's More Than Just a Primary Election

While we are all a little weary of the national campaign advertising and media coverage, we need to focus on the importance of the upcoming elections in Palm Coast and Flagler County that will be held on Tuesday, August 30. Some races will be decided in this Primary. Every eligible and registered Flagler County voter may vote in this election. All registered voters, regardless of party affiliation, may vote on issues, universal primary contests and nonpartisan candidates during a Primary Election. Learn about the candidates and issues so that you are prepared to vote for the candidate you believe will do the best job. Grand Haven residents will again be able to vote in the Grand Haven Room, with polls open 7 AM – 7

# RACES AND ISSUES WHICH WILL BE DECIDED IN THE AUGUST 30, 2016 PRIMARY ELECTION INCLUDE:

#### **County Offices**

Supervisor of Elections – Universal Primary Contest – candidate with most votes is declared winner

#### **Party Offices**

Democrat and Republican State Committeeman Republican Precinct Committeepersons in Precincts 11, 18, 21, 23, 27, 29

#### Nonpartisan Offices

Circuit Judge, School Board, City of Palm Coast Mayor, City of Palm Coast Council Member Districts 1, 3

<u>Nonpartisan races with two candidates</u> – One candidate will receive a majority of the vote; therefore a General Election is not necessary for this race.

Nonpartisan races with three or more candidates – If any one candidate receives a majority of the votes cast (50% +1 vote), the candidate is elected in the Primary Election and there will be no General Election. If no candidate for such office receives a majority of the votes cast for such office in the Primary Election, the names of the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes for such office shall be placed on the General Election ballot.

You can visit the Elections Office website at <a href="https://www.flaglerelections.com">www.flaglerelections.com</a> to review a sample ballot and learn of deadlines to register to vote or to switch your party affiliation.

# Also Save the Date for Candidate Night here at the Grand Haven Room on Thursday, October 13, 2016.

Come out to meet the final candidates running for your CDD, City of Palm Coast Mayor (if not decided on August 30), Flagler County Sheriff and Palm Coast City Council. You will have an opportunity to hear what the candidates have to say and speak to them one on one.



# Help Someone Along the Road to Recovery

Lack of transportation is one of the biggest challenges for thousands of cancer patients. Many need daily or weekly treatment and they don't have a car or are too ill to drive. The Road to Recovery program provides volunteer drivers to transport cancer patients to and from these life-saving cancer treatments.

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Volunteers are needed to drive cancer patients in our neighborhood to their treatments. The amount of time you spend and the geographic area in which you drive are your choice.

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#### In Memoriam

It is with sincere regrets that the Board of The Grand Haven Master Association mourns the passing, early in July, of one of the extended family members of the Board. Mrs. Linda Vestal had been a Grand Haven resident since 2004 and had served on the Board's Fine Committee since 2007. She devoted not only her time and energy to that volunteer position but also a dedication to serve the members of her community based upon her belief in equity and fairness. She has served us all in an exemplary fashion and she will be missed

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The Flagler County Art League is cooking up 'hot' offerings this summer and fall

The Flagler County Art league is not slowing down during these "dog days" of summer. Our July show opening featured a collaboration with the Gargiulo Art Foundation--our third—in which we featured an "Art in Public Places" exhibition and poetry competition centered around GAF-sponsored outdoor art in Palm Coast such as the beautiful herons at Waterfront Park.

This event is just one of many collaborations/ fundraisers, e.g., Greyhound Rescue and Alzheimer's Association, and we expect to feature a veteran's group this season. We are planning additional events where show visitors will find more than art—including more poetry for those of you who love art and the written word— at our monthly Second Saturday receptions.

Meanwhile, the FCAL-GAF show isn't the only event this summer. We have also been running our annual Summer Sales event in which artists offer their work at lower prices. This show continues until September 6th, along with a Plein Air exhibition opening in August highlighting work produced by regional artists who take to the outdoors to create beautiful pieces.

And, starting in August, FCAL will be offering monthly PAINTING PARTIES! No need to have any painting experience – just come and have fun! If you'd like to schedule one with your group, just call us.

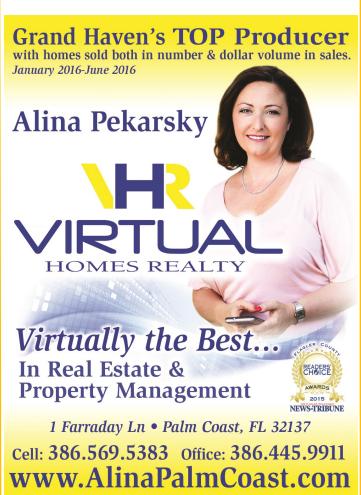
In the fall, we have more outstanding shows coming up, starting in September with "Color Splash." Our class and workshop offerings are really "hot" and we continue to offer weekly live model classes. One new class this fall will be landscape painting with award-winning painter Dex Westphal, whose work (abstracts, in this instance) you can see in the new Grand Haven Realty building on Colbert Lane.

Check out our full education schedule and line-up of events! Information is available on our new, updated website:

<u>www.flaglercountyartleague.org</u> or call us for more information: 386-986-4668.

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