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The Oak Tree

A TIME FOR COMMUNITY

It appears that we are experiencing a remission of COVID-19 and steady progress in returning to a pre-pandemic way of life. Thank goodness for that. It has been a long and arduous experience for everyone. We went through the last hurricane season without incident and Spring is here promising the renewed growth of plants, flowers and other vegetation throughout our community. Although we do not generally make Spring resolutions as we do at the beginning of the year, it is an appropriate time to re-evaluate our commitment to our neighbors, friends and to our Grand Haven lifestyle.

That lifestyle depends upon a mindset that extends beyond the boundaries of our property and encompasses those who reside in not only our Village but to all who share in our community. That philosophy is demonstrated in the Neighbor 2 Neighbor Program, The Neighborhood Watch Program, the Grand Haven Women's Club, the Haven Family Fund and the many other organization and events supported by Grand Haven residents. In thinking back over the concerns brought to the Board's attention, the majority were the result of a lack of awareness of the rules or a lack of understanding of the ultimate outcomes of one's behavior. For example, one of the most attractive aspects of Grand Haven is the numerous ponds that we enjoy. Although in actuality, they are detention ponds designed to collect storm water, they provide the opportunity for residents to fish (catch and release, please), to enjoy the many birds that stop by, the occasional visiting gator or otter and of course, the visual beauty of the scenery.

Although the ponds are owned and maintained by the CDD, it is the responsibility of every resident of Grand Haven to help protect the ecology and wellbeing of those ponds. For example, allowing grass clippings, which are contaminated with fertilizer to be discharged into a pond, by either a property owner or a landscaping service, is detrimental to the ecology of the pond, the fish and other wildlife. Blowing leaves and grass clippings into a storm sewer may make the task easier, but those items go directly into the nearest pond. In fact any man made material, such as loose debris from a roof replacement or similar items from a construction project will have a negative impact upon the water quality. The ponds are here for everyone to enjoy and if they are to remain healthy they must be protected. To do otherwise will result in algae growth and other issues that are both unattractive and expensive to remediate. Unfortunately, sometimes we forget that the money spent by either the GHMA or the CDD is provided by the property owners. We should all want to minimize unnecessary expenditures..

I am confident we can all think of other actions or lack of actions that create a burden for others. Residents who don't bother picking up after their pets and those who put their yard waste on a neighbor's property or on an undeveloped lot. We all enjoy the advantages of living a deed restricted community and have all agreed to adhere to those restrictions. Doing so is not only in the best interests of each property owner but also serves the needs of our

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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, May 20
2 PM, Friday, June 17
2 PM, Friday, July 22
2 PM, Friday, August 19

WHERE: Creekside Amenities Center
2 North Village Parkway

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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

I've learned that
people will forget
what you said, people
will forget what you
did, but people will
never forget how you
made them feel.

Maya Angelou

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entire community. Following those rules, even when we might not agree with them, serve to maintain the quality of our lifestyle, the beauty of our community and the investment in our properties.

The purpose of my message is not to be critical or even suggest that these acts are most often intentional. In fact, I have only the highest regard for our residents and believe that the overall majority of our residents take great pride in their property. For the most part, the concerns that I have expressed are the result of a lack of information regarding the existing rules and the eventual outcomes of their actions.

Spring would be the perfect time to reaffirm our commitment not only our homes, neighbors, and Villages but to all of our community. Grand Haven has been one of the premier locations in Flagler County for over 20 years and by working together, we can maintain that status for many years to come. We have built something very special, let's all work together to maintain and protect all that we have accomplished.

Submitted by: Rob Carlton, GHMA President

Tennis Players Show Support

Grand Haven's Saturday Morning Ladies Group and 5 PM Community Group support the people of Ukraine in their effort to remain a free, independent and democratic country! Our prayers are with these courageous people as they valiantly battle against tyranny and violence.



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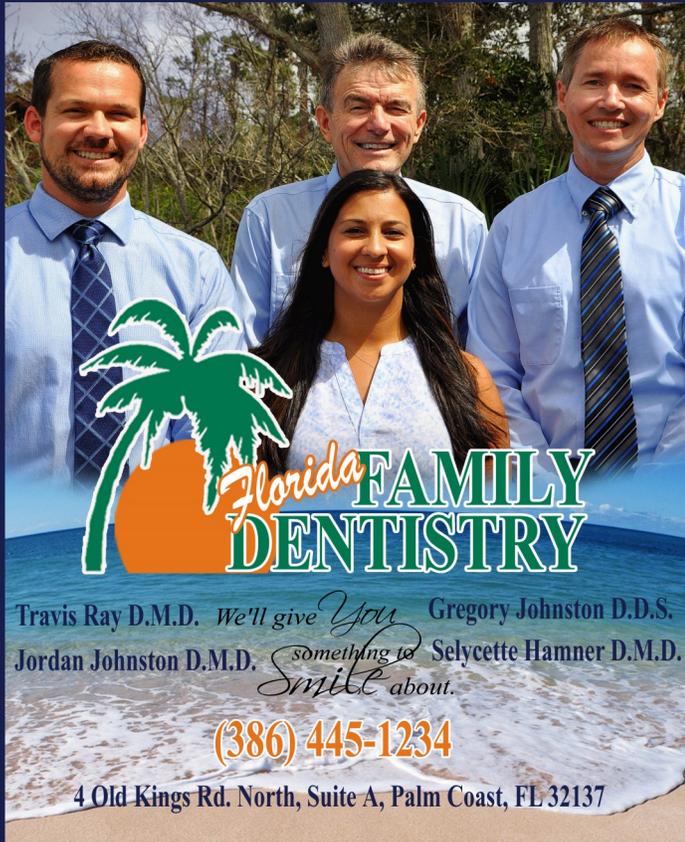
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This is a fun filled but serious class, to teach ladies how to defend themselves in times of trouble. Attendees come away with a great respect for our Sheriff's Department and their efforts to protect the citizens of Flagler County.

You must commit to attending all three classes, and the classes are free. The classes are available ages 12 and up. A previous class had three generations!

Be on the lookout for upcoming classes. Any questions, feel free to contact Lisa Mrakovcic, 386-447-4063 or lisa_mrakovcic@hotmail.com.

Stay vigilant, stay safe!

Submitted by:
Colette Moran



Save The Date

PINK ON PARADE 5K

PET WALK

Sunday, October 9, 2022

Join AdventHealth for our Tenth Annual Pink on Parade 5K and Pet Walk as we honor the incredible individuals in our community and their families who have been touched by breast cancer. Together, we'll raise awareness, celebrate our survivors and commemorate those we've lost

If you would like to join your neighbors in this effort, please contact Laura McBride, at McBrideLE3@gmail.com

MADC Corner

TO THROW STONES OR NOT TO THROW STONES

Forgive the pun. The purpose of this article is to review the most current Architectural Standards for the installation of organic and inorganic products used as ground cover. Simply said, mulch or stone. Frequently, homeowners, old and new, see a need to change or refresh the existing ground cover. Property owners should first review the standards for the necessary request. (Exhibit #4-ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW APPLICATION) The link at the end of this article will navigate to the current (2021) ADC Standards. The previous edition should not be used.

Now back to throwing stones and mulch. Both products have advantages and disadvantages. Mulch, beautiful when first laid down, quickly turns gray, disintegrates and thrown into the grass by the mowers who cut too close to the edge of the grass boundary. Although mulch is less expensive than stone, it requires constant attention and refreshing.

Stone, while three times more expensive than mulch, needs little or no refreshing. If laid in sunlit areas, stone will retain its natural color. In shaded areas, stone will be subject to the growth of moss and thus a change of color.

In addition, certain areas may require an edging product. Ground cover must conform to MULCH/MULCH ALTERNATIVE (Section 2.Y.20) and EDGING to (Section 2.Y.17).

Plant beds are to be mulched as follows:

1. Contiguous plant beds can contain one type of mulch, either organic or inorganic.
2. Plant beds in front of the home and adjacent to the structure must contain a single type of mulch or stone. Those plant beds in front of the home, even if separated by an entrance walkway or driveway, are considered as one plant bed including the contiguous portions that wrap around the side of the home.

Of course, the next step is to apply to ADC. For a positive outcome, make sure you include the existing architectural design for your property, drawings, and photos of the areas to be modified. Don't allow a contractor to begin work until your application is approved. You'll avoid a \$100 fee. This all sounds a bit ambiguous, but if you read over the standards a few times with your property in mind, you can make all the right decisions for your property. 

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Submitted by: M. Leigh Jackson, Chair MADC

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PICKLEBALL POPS

Have you heard the "pop-pop" of Pickleball at the Village Center? That's the sound of Grand Haven Residents having a GREAT TIME!

Pickleball is sweeping the country as a recreation anyone can participate in; young and old, skilled or unskilled. A cross between ping pong and paddleball, it's easy to learn, and is very social.

With so much interest in the game, Grand Haven offers a free beginner's clinic on Friday afternoons. Coach Rich and his faithful side kicks, Patsy, Mike, Jane and Steve are committed to making you smile, and to helping you become proficient during your first lesson. They've taught over 120 new players- some with ballgame experience, some with none. One couple played tennis together for 35 years, until he injured his shoulder. Now, they play pickleball, and are completely hooked. It's easy, it's fun, and all it takes is a pair of sneakers to get started. (Amenities will lend paddle and balls).

So get off the couch, and into the sunshine. Follow the sounds of laughter and the pop of the Pickleball and prepare to have a terrific time. You can sign up at Amenities for a slot. Clinic begins at 1:30 every Friday. Come down and see!



Submitted by: Linda Lake

What Are Your Neighbors Asking?

The two issues residents most frequently ask the Oak Tree to address are speeding on GH streets and Pet Responsibility. And while we have published numerous articles about both, we still have speeders and residents who refuse to scoop poop!

While FCSO patrols our streets and will ticket speeders, Palm Coast City Ordinance, No. 2010-10, § 11, 7-20-10, states that animal owners are responsible for the removal of their pet's waste.

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Submitted by: *Kimi McBryde, Market Manager*



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The Eagles' Nest

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on their legacy and blessed their sacred nest teaming up with Gabrielle (Gabby). Through their devotion and honed skills, they have experienced a perfect season.

Right on schedule Samson and Gabby welcomed two feisty hatchlings on January 23rd and 25th. The first eaglet was given the name "Jasper", because the



hatch took place during a widespread storm, Jasper, that affected the area. The second eaglet

was named "Rocket" in honor of the Florida Space Coast and the poise this eaglet possessed while trying to feed. Jasper was bold and assertive and consequently got first dibs on the food delivered by the parents. Rocket was intimidated and submissive, which is typically the case with the second smaller hatchling. However, once Rocket got the chance, he/she went for the steal and snatched a bite quick as a rocket.

At eleven weeks the two appear quite close in size, and at this point they are full grown and as big as their parents. We will never know their gender; however, Jasper exhibits all the signs of a female eagle.....large and in charge! Both eaglets are perching on the nest tree branches soon to take their first flight (fledge). Jasper shows extreme confidence and will be a force to reckon with in the wild! Rocket no doubt will do just fine as well. Mom and dad will continue to deliver food to ensure their way until they have the confidence and skills to make their departure.

*Submitted by: Gretchen Butler
Audubon EagleWatch Nest Monitor/Volunteer*

March Madness on Grand Haven's Croquet Courts

After 2 1/2 days of intense competition the last weekend in March, we whittled the field in the first Grand Haven Golf Croquet Club Championship Tournament down to the **Sweet Sixteen**. The spectators that turned out were treated to some good competitive golf croquet. One more round of great games before the lunch break on Sunday produced the **Elite Eight** ready to square off in the quarterfinals.

Block play, on Friday and Saturday, was dominated by Gary Gamble, who went undefeated with 7 wins and a tie. But right before their quarter-final match on Sunday, Mijai Pagano was heard whispering to Gary that "nobody beats me twice." And she lived up to her promise and knocked out the tourney favorite.

The other three quarterfinal matches were all close, with Nancy Crouch knocking out Margaret Matuszak. Dave Paukovich knocking out Edmund Giancola, and Tom Shelko knocking out Dorothy Silliman. All great matches, resulting in a very exciting **Final Four**.

Mijai knocked out Nancy and Dave bested Tom to set up a battle of the sexes for the final. Mijai jumped to an early lead, but Dave battled back to become our first ever **Grand Haven Golf Croquet Club Champion**.

Congratulations to **Dave Paukovich** - The first Grand Haven Golf Croquet Club Champion. Croquet can be as competitive or social as you want to make it. For more information check us out at www.ghcroquetclub.com.

Come join us to try something new, make new friends, and have just have fun. **See you on the courts!**



Back row: Gary Gamble, Dana Silliman, Jim Hester, Rich Iuliaci, and Tom Shelko; Middle row: Harriett Engle, Dorothy Silliman, Margaret Matuszak, Kathie Gamble, Cass Gaisor, Patricia Blinn, Cheryl Adamonis, Jane Stanton, Dave Paukovich, Edmund Giancola, and Joe Zilligen (Tournament Director); Front row: Nancy Crouch, Mijai Pagano, and Addie Szabo.

Submitted by: Patti Paukovich & Joe Zilligen



RELIEF

"Great opportunities to help someone rarely come around, but small ones surround us every day." (Sally Koch)

Two definitions to share today ...

Relief ... "ease or deliverance through the removal of pain or distress"

Joy ... "great delight caused by something exceptionally good or satisfying"

And I thought I'd also share a couple testimonials ...

Please know how grateful I am to have the help we receive from Haven Family; such a great group of people who have spent many hours making life better for us. These many volunteers have been helping us so willingly by spending time with my husband walking, listening to music, painting with him and engaging in conversation. This lets me attend medical appointments, support groups, and do errands, which is a blessing and the answer to my prayers.

Thanks to everyone in the Haven Family for your time given to drive neighbors in need. One mile or thirty, they are ready to assist! The burden of how I get there is a worry I now live without. Thanks to all of the members of HFF for making a difference in my life and giving me the opportunity to stay in my home.

Thank you to all who attended our Fire/Sheriff program, the Meet and Greet seminar, and our Arts and Crafts Festival. In addition to these events, our Transportation group provided 72 roundtrips and the In-Home teams have offered their support 30 times so far this year. We will be offering more programs throughout the rest of 2022 and will give you advance notice via E-Blasts. Visit our website at TheHavenFamilyFund.org to see more information about our programming or, if you are led, to offer donations online.

Transportation, In-Home Visits, Education, understanding Community Resources; these are the primary gifts that 87 of your neighbors are offering to you. Please let us know if you need HELP; we want to provide RELIEF, for lots of reasons, but mostly because it gives us JOY.

Submitted by: Brad Scott, Haven Family Fund



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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. 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.

Signs by Contractor/Vendors – Please note that a contractor or vendor working at your property should not post a sign in your yard or on your property advertising their services. Examples of this would be a roofing contractor or a power washing vendor/contractor putting a sign in your front yard while they are working at your property.

If you have questions about any of these items, please contact Troy Railsback at 386-446-6333.

CRITTER CORNER

Horseshoe Crabs?

We call them that, but being more closely related to spiders and scorpions, they are not crabs at all; they are a sub-species of arachnids. Fancy that! They are little changed after being around for 4 hundred million years. Although it takes them 10 years to mature, their carapace does not grow with them, and molting so frequently, we find those "shells" on the beach.

Docile and not at all dangerous, they use their tails for propulsion or to flip over. With flaplike structures near their bellies they can breathe underwater. Besides front legs with pincers, they also have a gizzard to help crush the mollusks and carrion in their diet. With 10 eyes, plus other light receptors, they have excellent vision. The main eyes are handy for detecting mates. Speaking of which, into several holes, the female will deposit about 4,000 eggs, or 20,000 per night and 100,000 per season. It may sound a lot, but when birds, sea turtles etc. are done feasting, not many eggs will hatch.

Horseshoe crabs have no white blood cells to ward off infection, instead, powerful amebocytes clotting together trap pathogens. These creatures play a vital role in medical research when in the 1950s, Dr. Frederick Bang at Johns Hopkins, discovered this amazing clotting material had an incredible ability to fight off infections and could be used to test for bacteria. Today, this system is used to test all FDA approved vaccines, implantable devices medical tools, needles etc. Anyone with a pace maker, joint replacement or has had an injection owes thanks to the horseshoe crab. Many thousands are routinely harvested for their blood by biomedical companies and since it is not synthesized, the medical field depends entirely on this valuable blue blood. Good on horseshoe crabs!



Submitted by: Anne Scuito

Palm Coast Historical Society

PALM COAST'S GOLDEN AGE OF TENNIS

International Telephone and Telegraph built Palm Coast's first two tennis courts next to the original Welcome Center along Clubhouse Drive in 1970. The original yacht club, opened in December 1972 near the intersection of the Intracoastal Waterway and main canal, included two additional tennis courts.

The opening of the I-95 interchange in May 1981 accelerated growth in the community. In order to develop Hammock Dunes and its golf course ITT dismantled the oceanside Sheraton that had offered "Stay and Play" packages during the early days. They replaced it with a new Harborside Sheraton Hotel along the ICW which was built on the site of the original yacht club and tennis courts.

ITT's Community Development Corporation more than compensated for the loss of the previous courts by building a new world-class, multi-surface tennis facility called the Players Club. Opened in 1986, players had the option of playing on grass, clay, or hard course at a facility that featured two 400-seat stadium courts. With a two-story, full-service clubhouse with a restaurant overlooking the grounds it became the crowning jewel of Palm Coast. Famous players like Andre Agassi, Monica Seles, and Jimmy Connors came to play and train.

Unfortunately an economic recession in the early 1990's led to a decline in sales. ITT reorganized its business model and began selling real estate assets including its resort amenities. A succession of new owners failed to maintain the property and by 2005 the Player's Club, once known as one of the ten best tennis facilities in the world, had become an overgrown, rundown site. The slowly deteriorating Golden Age of Tennis in Palm Coast sadly ended.



Submitted by:
Kathy Reichard-Ellavsky
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The Flagler County Education Foundation has created several opportunities for community members to get involved as mentors. You may be aware of the Peter & Sue Freytag Take Stock in Children (TSIC) program offered by FCEF. This program helps economically disadvantaged students achieve their educational goal of going to college or career & technical college by offering a free 2-year prepaid college scholarship upon completion of the program. The student works with their mentor throughout their 4 years of high school as a part of the program

Another mentoring program offered through the Foundation is Classroom to Careers Career Coaching. This program is made possible through a generous grant provided by United Way Volusia/Flagler. The program provides the opportunity for career veterans to be matched with an aspiring career-minded student. The partnership will result in gained knowledge regarding targeted industries, educational requirements for a particular career, soft skills training, and a bond to last a lifetime.

With necessary funding for additional students to enter the Take Stock In Children program secured, FCEF anticipates increased need for mentors to join the TSIC team. If you are interested in becoming a TSIC or Career Coaching mentor please contact Christy Butler, Student Services Coordinator for both programs at butlerc@flaglerschools.com or 386.682.0158.



CDD CORNER

The public hearing for the annual budget will be held on 8/18/22 at 5 PM in the Grand Haven Room at the Village Center. This is when the budget for fiscal 2023 will be formally presented and adopted by the board. A lot of work is going into next year's budget and the final budget will reflect a balance between increasing costs and the need to manage assessments. We hope you'll examine the documents when they are released later this summer and then attend the annual meeting. Check out grandhavencdd.org where you can find information about all our meetings.

We also plan to do a written resident survey by September to get opinions about whether to consider amenity additions/enhancements including things like a better dog park, café renovations and parking expansion around the Village Center just to mention a few. We will then consider the survey results as they may affect our long-term plan. Once that's done, we will hold a town-hall type meeting to present the long-term plan and listen to more questions and comments.

Additional dates to keep in mind

June 2 Workshop: Chuck Lippy (Advanced Tree Care, St. Augustine) and Louise Leister will speak about our Live Oaks as the board seeks to establish a policy that addresses the ever-increasing cost to repair CDD road and sidewalk damage caused by root growth.

August 4: Our pond contractor, Solitude, will speak to us about the condition of our ponds, erosion issues and strategies for proper maintenance.

Still not getting amenity and CDD email notices? Call Diane Guth (386-447-0192) for addition to the amenity list and the CDD office (386-447-1888) for addition to the CDD list.

Lastly, if you are not registered in the on-line phone directory go to www.grandhavencommunity.com and click on Resident Directory to sign-up.

Submitted by: Kevin Foley, CDD Board of Supervisors

GRAND HAVEN WOMAN'S CLUB

WHO WE ARE...WHAT WE DO...THE IMPACT WE HAVE

WHO WE ARE...

The GHWC is a 501 (c)(3) organization, dedicated to supporting charitable, educational, and civic activities that make a significant difference in the lives of residents living in our community. It is a group of 200+ women of diverse backgrounds who have a desire to provide support to those in need in Flagler County and beyond. All members reside in Grand Haven.

WHAT WE DO...

Members volunteer with and provide financial support to 25 organizations in the Flagler County community, supporting arts, education, conservation, healthy lifestyle and civic involvement. In 2021, over \$118,000 in contributions and \$136,000 in-kind contributions as well as 11,000 volunteer hours were given.

THE IMPACT WE HAVE...

GHWC members cook for and feed the homeless, provide homemade comfort items to women recovering from cancer, donate shoes, clothing and hygiene items to students in need, provide musical instruments to students, food to the humane society, scholarships to deserving students, supplies for the domestic violence shelter, and support for those needing free medical care.

GHWC would like to thank its members and those residents who have helped us achieve our mission over the course of the last 10 months. We would also like to thank those businesses who have sponsored our activities. With this combined support, GHWC will provide over \$50,000 in financial support to those 25 organizations in addition to the thousands of volunteer hours that our members provide to these organizations.

Since the last issue, we have conducted a very successful Art Auction on March 28, thanks to the over 30 artists who donated their works to GHWC and the numerous patrons who made sizeable contributions for

Join Your Neighbors to Celebrate Memorial Day

Monday, May 30, 2022 at 7:00 AM

Grand Haven will once again be observing Memorial Day and conducting our annual ceremony in tribute to those who served in the defense of our country.

Please join us at the Village Center for this very meaningful event in remembrance of those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom and to honor all who served in our military.

It is anticipated that the ceremony will last approximately one half hour and refreshments will be served.

Grand Haven Military Memorial Committee

their art. Awilda Hamilton chaired this event and, along with her committee and several volunteers, the event raised over \$9,000. The 4th



Annual Tennis

Tournament chaired by Maureen Pellegrini raised over \$3,000 and the 16th

Annual Day
of Games

chaired by Lucy Crowley and Marcia Bugos raised over \$3,500. The GHWC Annual



Book Sale, chaired by Patsy Campbell, also returned to everyone's delight and raised over \$1,500.

With two more events before we wrap up our Club year, we again wish to thank all of you who have so generously supported the work of the Grand Haven Woman's Club. The true beneficiaries of your generosity are those in need in Flagler County. If you would like more information about the work of GHWC, please visit our website at GHWomansclub.org.

BEWARE: ROOFING CONTRACTOR SCAMS

ROOFING CONTRACTORS—SB 76

As our community matures, an increasing number of homeowners are faced with the reality that a new roof is in their future. A number of insurance companies are refusing to renew existing homeowner's policies unless the existing roof is replaced. Unfortunately, a very few unscrupulous roofing contractors are aware of this lucrative market and are illegally soliciting business from homeowners.

Fortunately on July 1, 2021, Florida Statute 489.147, 'Prohibited Property Insurance Practices' became law and specified a number of practices that were considered to be illegal with the violators subject to monetary penalties. The following are excerpts from the 44 page statute to assist you to more effectively deal with solicitors. First of all, be aware that Grand Haven has a "No Solicitation" policy which prohibits vendors from ringing your door bell or leaving materials such as leaflets or door hangers. Please contact Southern States Management Group at 446-6333 with information regarding any individual or company that is in violation of this policy.

Now, on to some of the more relevant points of the statute.

"Prohibited advertisement" means any written or electronic communication by a contractor that encourages, instructs or induces a consumer to contact a contractor or public adjuster for the purpose of making an insurance claim for roof damage. This term includes, but is not limited to door hangers, business cards, magnets, flyers, pamphlets, and e-mails.

"Soliciting" means contacting:

- a. In person
- b. By electronic means, including but not limited to, e-mail, telephone, and any other real-time communication directed to a specific person; or
- c. By delivery to a specific person.

A contractor may not directly or indirectly engage in any of the following practices:

- a. Soliciting a residential property owner by means of a prohibited advertisement.
- b. Offering to a residential property owner a rebate, gift, gift card, cash, coupon, waiver of any insurance deductible, or any other thing of value in exchange for:
 - 1) Allowing the contractor to conduct an inspection of the residential property owner's roof; or
 - 2) Making an insurance claim for damage to the residential property owner's roof.
 - 3) Offering, delivering or receiving any compensation, inducement or reward for the referral of any services for which property insurance proceeds are payable.
 - 4) A contractor who violates this section is subject to disciplinary proceedings as set forth in s. 489.129. A contractor may receive up to a \$10,000.00 fine for each violation of this section.
 - 5) The acts of any person on behalf of a contractor including, but not limited to, the acts of a compensated employee or nonemployee who is compensated for soliciting, shall be considered the acts of the contractor.
 - 6) An unlicensed person who engages in an act prohibited by this section is guilty of unlicensed contracting and is subject to penalties set forth in s. 489.13 and may be fined up to \$10,000.00 for each violation.

Although the above excerpts are not all inclusive, they will hopefully provide you with a certain degree of information that will be of assistance in effectively responding to unsolicited contractors and contractor's representatives.

Submitted by: GHMA Board of Directors



THANK YOU, ROBERT ROSS

For several years, many of us have become accustomed to “Robert” being the Amenity Manager at Grand Haven. With his Scottish accent, Robert would greet you and make every effort to enhance the activities at the Village Center. Robert was always looking for a special event or activity that would provide an opportunity for residents to enjoy the amenities.

Robert promoted themed dinners for Valentine’s Day, picnics for Memorial Day, Trivia Night, Bingo and other activities. Well, Robert has decided to retire and move to Spain and we wish him the very best.

Before he leaves, we have a few people who have remembered their relationship with Robert:

“Move to Music’ and Robert Ross grew up together. His generosity and his donations of time and energy contributed greatly to our successful fundraisers. Robert always gave 120% to us. We remain eternally grateful and will miss him dearly.

ROCK ON ROBERT!”*Amy Beilman*

“No matter what Robert was doing, he always had time to discuss the Grand Haven Woman’s Club’s events. “Let me know if you need anything at all and we can do this!!” Robert always did whatever it took to get the job done. His customer service was the best and he projected professionalism. Thank you, Robert, for working with us on so many activities”*Maureen Pellegriini, GHWC*

There is no doubt that Robert gained a great deal of satisfaction from efficiently managing not only the numerous amenities of Grand Haven but also by supporting the clubs, activities and organizations associated with our community. Over the years, his efforts and expertise helped in developing the well coordinated amenity program we all enjoy today.”

Rob Carlton, GHMA

Robert, we will miss you and we wish you the very best in your travels and retirement. Thanks from Grand Haven.

DODGE THE DUNES

Many of our residents enjoy Flagler Beach; however, are we all aware that our fragile sea dunes provide invaluable protection for the beach, nesting sea turtles, native wildlife & ecosystems, homes & businesses, scenic A1A and future storms.

Respect. Restore. Revive.

The natural sand dunes that line the gorgeous shores along Highway A1A are more than massive piles of wind-blown sand. Natural dunes play a much larger part in our lives than the average beach-goer might expect, which is why we have to do everything we can to protect them. Our coastal lifestyle depends on



the natural dunes for a variety of reasons. They provide the first line of defense against ocean storms for our homes, restaurants and hotels as well as inland and coastal ecosystems. Helping protect our dunes is easier than you think!

The two most important things you need to know are:

- Make sure you “Dodge the Dunes” by avoiding any walking, parking or driving on any grass or plants on the east side of A1A. Florida State Statute 161.053, Flagler Beach City Ordinance 5.02.04.
- Only access the beach using the approved stairs and access points. Do not walk, slide, jump or throw items down the dunes.

Did You Know? Dune grass grows by the inch, but dies by the foot and it only takes 10 steps to destroy it!

We need everyone’s help to continue to restore our shore and we must protect the dunes so they can protect us - do your part to help! It’s the law!

For more information about the “**Dodge the Dunes**” program, visit <https://www.visitflagler.com/beaches/dodge-the-dunes/>

Thanks to the Tourist Development Council , Visit Flagler, for this information.

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