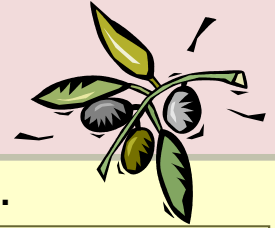


# GRAND HAVEN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



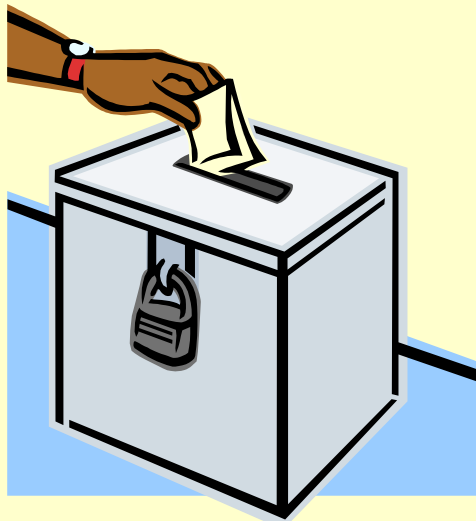
GRAND HAVEN MASTER HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

## Annual Meeting and Election, Saturday April 9, 2011

By Terri Friedlander

By now, you should all have received the ballot envelope to vote for your homeowners members. The CCR's indicate that in order for an election to be valid, at least 30 percent (or 219 votes) of the homeowners must be received. Please Vote! Follow the directions and either mail in your ballot by April 4<sup>th</sup> or come to the meeting to hand deliver. If we don't have enough votes, it requires a revote which would be very expensive and time consuming. Just Do It! Please send in those ballots today after you read about the 8 intent-to-be candidates who want to volunteer for our community.

The annual HOA meeting will be held on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at the St. Paul Anglican Church, 7200 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne. This year **there will be a special guest speaker, Wayne Ivey, from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.** He will offer a presentation that will help our community and hopefully increase the number of homeowners who attend.



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## Pineda Work is done?

In the January 7, 2011 issue of Florida Today some very interesting information was offered about the Pineda Causeway Extension. Remember the week before Thanksgiving when they announced that the extension to I95 would open by year end?? Sorry. We all know the "Road is Closed" without the signs blocking the nicely completed project. But Why? Something about a final deadline of November 1<sup>st</sup> in some State contract somewhere. Hard to imagine that there is a clause that is slowing down progress? But after several calls to Commissioner Mary Bolin, we still have no date.

We just have to wait and see. But beware! Last Sunday during a walk, my family and I witnessed not one but two cars driving around the barriers, heading west on the new extension and using the interchange ramps to head north on I95! Not 10 minutes later, appeared a Florida State Trooper driving up and down the closed exchange. Be careful. The Troopers know how tempting it is to save time and have seen the same drivers taking their chances. It's not worth the fines so sit tight until the road is opened legally.

Note from the Editor:

The purpose of restarting this quarterly newsletter is to provide information to all the residents of our community. We look forward to your comments about this effort and about anything written. Please send me any ideas or articles to my email address at [tdfriedlander@netzero.com](mailto:tdfriedlander@netzero.com)

## Board of Directors

By Terri Friedlander

Our community is very fortunate to have an amazing group of volunteers who manage and run our neighborhoods. These people collect the homeowner's dues from foreclosed properties, maintain the grounds of the entire 727 home community, obtain various quotes for work required in our common areas and do all this in their spare time. But that is only a fraction of what they do. They spend countless hours evaluating various requests for architectural changes, planning agendas for meetings and documenting the minutes to all meetings. If it weren't for their dedication, we would need to pay an outside property management service which would indeed result in a large increase in our homeowner dues.

There is currently an open position on the Grand Haven Board of Directors. This position is that of Representative of the Preserve. If you wish to be considered for this position, please submit a letter to the Board of Directors at PO Box 411988, Melbourne, FL 32940 and attend the next Board Meeting which will **start at 6:30 PM, May 16th** at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 7200 N. Wickham Rd. The meetings are usually held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month. Enter Parish Hall at Door on Front Left of Sanctuary Building.

A sincere **THANK YOU** to our Board of Directors!

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### Board of Directors

President - Jon McNeilly (Hammock Pointe)  
Vice President - Tony Cortes (Sandhill Trace)  
Treasurer - Cheryl McNeilly (Hammock Pointe)  
Secretary – Yvonne Guyer (Sandhill Trace)

### Community Representatives

David Adan - (Westfield)  
OPEN - (The Preserve)  
Bob Schild - (Heritage Lakes)  
Tony Kelly - (Chastain Manor)  
Jose Bueiz - At Large

## Upgrades Coming

Some upgrades are being planned for Grand Haven in the next few months. Keep watch for the following plus more to come:

- A new fountain in the lake between Chastain and Sandhill Trace
- A beach volleyball court with sand in the Recreation area

And please tell us what upgrades you would like to see happen in Your community??!!

## County Road Problems

A homeowner e-mailed the HOA about a palm tree that was dangerously leaning. It was one of the palm trees planted by the County on our new Pineda Causeway Extension. Between Wickham Rd. and I-95 the only thing we are responsible for is the maintenance of our sign at the Wickham/Pineda entrance and the grass between Estuary and Hammock Point.

The grass is because we chose to do it to make sure it remains well maintained. If you notice anything wrong along Pineda Causeway in need of attention, please call the County's Public Work department at 617-7202.

## "I Read It" Contest

In the Winter Newsletter, we had almost 200 entries to determine our readership! The lucky winner of the \$50 gift card to Walmart is Sue Colescott who sent an email that she reads the newsletter! Thank you to all those who entered!

## Best Holiday Decorated House Contest Winners

Grand Haven Master HOA Board of Directors is pleased to announce the 2010 Winners for the Best Holiday Decorations in each subdivision:

Hammock Pointe: 3387 Peninsula Circle  
 The Preserves: 5482 Spicebush Ct  
 Westfield: 4953 Mandolin Ct  
 Sandhill Trace: 4032 Orchard Drive  
 Chastain Manor: 4538 Chastain Drive

Heritage Lakes and Grand Prize:  
 4446 Four Lakes Drive

Winners have already received their prizes (obviously). Many other houses also looked beautiful and were enjoyed by all.

## Pets and Golf Cart Restrictions

Our CC&Rs specifically prohibits pets from being taken into our recreational areas, i.e. playground, ball fields, pavilion, etc. Pets are not allowed beyond the fence that protects our recreational areas. We have received complaints of pets in the playground area and in our baseball field. Please refrain from taking your pets to our recreational areas. We will soon have signs posted at the recreational area letting you know about this. If you know a neighbor who has pets, please let them know about this restriction.

Golf carts are not allowed to be driven around GH according to the CC&R's and the County. Golf carts have been observed being driven around our communities. One was observed being driven on the sidewalk toward Wickham Road. It was reported that the driver was a young lady not old enough to have a driver's license. This is a dangerous practice. It endangers the lives of those in the golf cart and also pedestrians. We don't need a tragic accident in our GH community. Please, if you own a golf cart or know someone who does, please let them know that it cannot be operated within GH.

We are not trying to be hard on anybody. The last thing we want to do is to send you violation letters. All we want is that the entire GH community to work together in making this a great place to live. Thank you your support.

## Home Maintenance/Inspections

With the cold winter weather, most of our lawns have taken a turn for the worse.

We realize this and so our inspectors will not be writing any violations for lawns until the end of Feb or till the weather warms up. There are other things they will be looking for. Take a look around the outside of your homes. Make sure that you do not have rust stains on your walls, driveway, or sidewalk. Many of us have rust stains on our sidewalks but there is a product called "Snowcap well water rust remover" that may help with this problem. Also take a look at your mailbox. Does the post need a touch of paint? Is the mailbox kind of leaning toward the ground in danger of falling off? How about your shrubbery, is it in need of trimming? Those are some of the things the inspectors will be looking for. Make their work hard and do take care of those items before they write you up.

Also, if you get a violation letter from the HOA, please note that the first one is just a courtesy reminder that something needs your attention. The one you have to worry about is the one that comes via certified mail.

Those you can avoid by taking care of whatever the first letter warned you about. Since the inspectors make their round every two weeks or so you will have plenty of time to take corrective action on whatever was noted on the first letter.

## Hire a Sheriff Report

We get regular reports from the Sheriff we hire for after hours for usually 3 hours per day.

As of the last report, there have been 5 parking tickets so please remember that no parking is allowed from 2AM to 6AM.

There have been regular speed stops and many complaints about driving over 45 miles per hour on the extension. These tickets are not included in the Hire a Sheriff report.

The reports usually log in the hours of the Sheriff in Grand Haven and the people they were in contact with. The report also lists the cars that were stopped and other details.

And have you noticed the new, large Neighborhood Watch signs posted at the entrance of each development??

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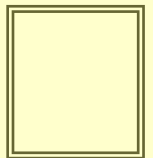
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