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I hope you enjoy the photos from the two albums GCEA has, showcasing our beautification projects over the past 47 years as well as past newsworthy events.

The board is currently checking with the city to obtain permission for future beautification projects and to see if we need to share costs with the city to make them happen. We welcome any suggestions you may have for initiatives that could make our GCEA neighborhood even more beautiful.

For more information, check the newsletter, curated by editor Lisa Ryan, for upcoming events.

I hope to see and chat with you while walking Gypsie through the neighborhood!

Best,

Neil Wiley

President's Message

Hello, Neighbors,

I would like to extend my thanks to Peggy and Buzz Talbot for hosting our last happy hour. We had a fantastic turnout, with many delicious home-prepared dishes brought by attendees.

During the event, we held a 50/50 drawing, and your generous donations will go to the Cape Coral Caring Center, which we've supported with food and cash for years.

Paul MacPherson, our membership chairperson, was present collecting dues and answering questions, as well as managing the 50/50 drawing. He is also compiling all the information for our membership directory, which is a valuable resource for reaching out to neighbors you would like to meet or for checking on them if you notice something unusual, like water running out of a garage door.

I have scheduled our annual cleanup day for March 8th. I hope many of you will join us in cleaning up debris from our neighborhood cul-de-sacs and medians. We will meet at my house at 9:00 a.m. (2321 SE 27th St.). I will bring my trailer to collect large pieces of trash from empty lots, including boards, metal, and a tree trunk.

Happy Hours



We had a great turnout for the February 7th Happy Hour at the Talbots. Thank you, Buzz and Peggy, for hosting.

Photos from the happy hour are on page 3.

Our next Happy Hour is March 21st at the Bourke's.

5-8 pm at 2335 SE 27th St

Please bring a dish to share, your favorite beverage, and a chair to socialize with your neighbors. We'll do 50/50 and have our usual food drive to benefit the Cape Coral Caring Center.

Beautification Efforts



Our next clean up day will be on Saturday, March 8th. We will be cleaning up debris from our neighborhood cul-de-sacs and medians. Meet at 9:00 am at Neil Wiley's home at 2321 SE 27th St.



Volunteering ☺

This is a little story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought that Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

Poker Run



Join us on March 18th for the 2nd annual Poker Run. (backup date in case of bad weather is March 20th). This is a fun event! Get your RSVP to Doug Shaw with how many passengers in your boat will be playing a hand of cards. Please contact Doug at 419-822-7113. 2239 SE 27th St.

Spring Fling



Join us for the Spring Fling on April 12th! The Spring Fling will be held on the 27th Street cul de sac. This is a fantastic event to gather with neighbors, enjoy delicious food and drinks, and listen to great music. Don't miss out on the fun!

Member Request

Our neighbors, Doug and Laurie Muck are looking for a boat lift to rent to keep their boat in while their docks are being repaired (again). They own a 23' Carolina Skiff with about an 8' beam. It is a semi V

hull 150 hp outboard. You can contact Laurie at (217)737-5589 or Doug at (217)737-9606.

GCEA Website



For those of you who may not know, we have a Gold Coast Estates website. It is full of information at www.goldcoastestates.org. It has an event calendar, information on our neighborhood, and copies of all past newsletters.

Local Events

Wednesday Night Market



Join Alliance for the Arts on March 12th from 5 pm to 8 pm for our monthly pop-up Market. We feature a selection of

local vendors, art, live music, food trucks, beer, and wine.

Alliance for the Arts 10091 McGregor Blvd
Ft. Myers

Shamrocked Pub Crawl



Enjoy a St. Patrick's themed pub crawl with Irish inspired drink & appetizer samples in Cape Coral's Entertainment

District. Put on your shamrocks, green, gold, and rainbows, and get ready to chase the pot of gold on March 15th from 7-11 PM! ☘ Tickets are \$25 in advance (\$20 for designated drivers) and can be purchased online via Eventbrite.



March show events



This local venue has great concerts, shows,

and events. If you haven't checked it out, go to <https://www.bbmah.com/> and see what they have to offer!

February Happy Hour





GCEA Historical Page



We invite you to share historical photographs of our GCEA and its surrounding area. Please email your photos, along with descriptions, to laryan01@gmail.com.

These contributions will be featured in upcoming newsletters.

