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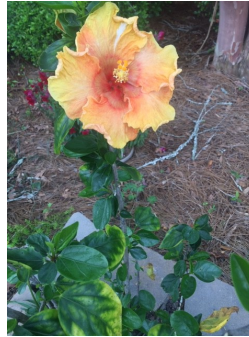


From the President

Dave Philo, President, Gulf Hills Civic Association

Well, here we are in the first month of summer. Is it just me or has it been hotter than I remember May and June being. In any case, be careful in the sun.

I want to thank the residents who stepped up to except the responsibilities of serving as board members. Our Secretary John Fleming and member Jeanette Lindsey were reelected and are joined by new board members Danny Guice, Jeanell Todaro and Kevin Kowalewski. Welcome to all. When you see any of the board members, please thank them for stepping up to the task. For the first time in many years we have a full twelve member board.



By now, most of you have heard that the proposed upscale RV park is not going to be developed. The hotel property is zoned C2 which allows for a lot of different uses which will not require a zoning variance. That means that when the hotel is sold, the residents may not have any chance to know what might be located on the property. I won't list all the permissible uses. I encourage all of you to go to the Jackson County web page and look up what is allowed in a C2 zone. You will find the information on page 84 of the zoning code.

All of you have a great safe summer.

GULF HILLS HOTEL & HURRICANE SEASON

Donna Brown, General Manager, Gulf Hills Hotel

Gulf Hills Hotel is pleased to offer accommodations to you and yours in the event of a storm bearing down. We extend the special Resident Rate throughout the year. We honor this as an Evacuation Rate before, during and after a major storm. The hotel has been a "Safe Harbor" for many Gulf Hills neighbors in the past, as well as for others from low lying and beachfront areas in Ocean Springs and Jackson County. It must be stated – Gulf Hills Hotel is NOT a Hurricane Shelter. We are NOT a Red Cross Shelter. You will be asked to sign a waiver releasing Gulf Hills Hotel of any liability associated with a pending storm before, during and after. Katrina changed a lot of things and lives 15 years. Katrina changed the way we are now able to offer our services:

1. If a storm ENTERS the Gulf anywhere as a Cat 2 or above – we CANNOT accept any guests. Those guests who might already be in the hotel will have to vacate.

2. We will accept guests for Tropical Depressions, Tropical Storms and Cat 1 ENTERING the Gulf and remaining as a Cat 1 or less. If a storm is in the Gulf and grows to a Cat 2 within 12 - 72 hours of reaching landfall, those guests who might already be in the hotel will have to vacate.

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3. We do allow you to bring your inside family pet(s) – housetrained dog and cats only – maximum 2 per room. You must let us know in advance that you will have the pet with you. We also ask that you bring a crate or pet carrier with you. We assign rooms based on this information. The pets must be on a veterinary prescribed flea and tick prevention medicine. We will need verification of this.

Gulf Hills Hotel does not have a back-up generator system. If the power fails, we will be without. That means no lights, A/C, phone or TV. We do not have a full service restaurant on property. We do serve an extensive continental breakfast to all guests. We make every effort to provision adequately for our breakfast needs. All guests who do check-in during storm times are asked to bring the following for their personal use: Battery powered or LED flashlights or lanterns. (Open flame candles ARE NOT PERMITTED in any of the sleeping rooms.) 1 gallon of water per person. Personal medicines. Snacks ,food and drink for your family in appropriate ice chest(s) and containers. 3 days' worth is usually the norm.

In years past, we have gathered together for group dinners, etc...That is something that just happens and all depends on who brings what, who shares what and who is willing to help. We are a small staff (and a much older staff!) and we cannot do it all. We have a couple propane gas grills and we keep four x 5 gallon tanks filled for these times. We will try our very best to provide traditional hotel and housekeeping services. Again, this depends solely on the power (or not) and the staff on hand. Everyone's safety and security is our primary focus. We will do our very best to accommodate everyone's needs to the best of our ability. **HERE'S PRAYING THAT OUR GULF COAST WILL BE SPARED THIS 2019 SEASON!**

FLASHBACKS

Van Arnold, Editor, Gulf Hills News

Way Down South Vol 4 No 1 January 1, 1927

History recounts Ponce de Leon was ever on a search for the Fountain of Youth and today many sections claim this doughty Spaniard located in "their town". For countless ages before the gallant and mysterious d'Iberville landed near Gulf Hills, the red men came hundreds of miles to drink of the healing waters of what is now Ocean Springs. E-ca-na-cha-ha is the name left by the native Indians and the deep-worn trails made by them in their pilgrimages to the "enchanted waters" are still in evidence. In the year 1925, having heard of E-ca-na-cha-ha, the "enchanted waters" of Ocean Springs, three brothers journeyed south by fast train. After landing on the shores of Biloxi Bay, within sight of the d'Iberville cross, these brothers of the house of Branigar declared 1325 acres of high, rolling land with twenty miles of water front as their lands, christened it Gulf Hills, and posted notices that they would spend as much in its development as the United States paid for all of Louisiana, that is, fifteen million dollars.

Way Down South Vol 4 No 2 January 8, 1927

THE CALL OF THE HILLS

Come for a spin along the white sandy beach; head the auto east from Gulfport, to the right are the blue-green waters of the Gulf of Mexico, on the left tall pines and mighty oaks beside the roadway.

Passing between the sea and bright-roofed cities for twelve miles the traffic of the busy city of Biloxi causes a momentary delay. With a flash, the car crosses the new d'Iberville bridge. The iron cross marking the spot where the French discoverer landed nestles among the magnolias beside the highway which rises gradually until, with a sharp turn, the beauty of Gulf Hills bursts into view. From the hill-tops open a panorama of green sward, the fairways of a modern golf course, the azure Bay of Biloxi is seen through natural green archways edged with the soft green lace of pine needles. White-sailed ships cross and recross before these windows of nature; beside wide curved streets are the homes of contented people; bridle paths, rustic bridges, orange trees and flowers complete the picture of Gulf Hills, set in atmosphere so clear and rare, the cities of Biloxi and Ocean Springs seem within the **call of the hills.**

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Status of Gulf Hills Golf Course

George Canaga

Since our "Status Of The Golf Course" article which appeared in the February newsletter, there have been substantial changes in the playing conditions of the golf course. The winter rye grass which covered the greens has disappeared and the good Tiff Eagle Bermuda grass is coming back. It is still a work in progress, but for the golfers who have played through the transition period from last year to now, the improvements have been significant. Jimmy Fayard remains as a consultant, and we are grateful for his services in bringing these improvements.



At the risk of being optimistic, it seems like there has been a slight up-swing in number of golfers playing the course as well as income. It is too early to tell yet because of the normal seasonal changes from Winter to Spring, but it is looking

better.

One new wrinkle which is being considered is a working/playing partnership with the Gulf Hills Racquet Club Manager, Doug Hague, to discuss a combination package for individuals and families who would be interested in combining both activities. A special combination rate would be available. If interested, please contact either Doug at the tennis courts, or the Golf Course Pro Shop.



The course still needs your help, if you are a golfer, to patronize your home course, and invite friends and relatives to join you in a round of golf. The Course's Men's Club plays regularly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday with a 12:00 noon tee-off time, and they would be happy to have you join them. As Gulf Hill residents you are encouraged to keep your properties as eye-pleasing as possible, particularly those whose property abuts the Golf Course. Neat looking surroundings on the golf course impress our visitors and encourages them to return.

From Our Sheriff - Mike Ezell

Greetings Gulf Hills Citizens, I believe we have skipped spring and jumped right into summer with these 90-plus degree temperatures and triple digit humidity we've been having. The hot weather means people will spend a lot



of time on the water. Our marine patrol deputies are out in full force, patrolling all the Jackson County waterways, including the barrier islands. Our five boats are used for specific purposes, whether it be for search and rescue in swampy, marshy waterways, or on the open rivers. We also help other agencies, such as Department of Marine Resources, Coast Guard, and Department of Fish and Wildlife.



The marine patrol has served Jackson County for many years. Being surrounded by water, we know people enjoy spending as much time as possible on their boats

and jet skis. We are ready when a call for help comes in.

Our investigators are also busy with the increased number of car break-ins/burglaries that unfortunately occur during the school summer break. To date, 74 car burglaries have been reported countywide. We cannot emphasize enough how important it is that you lock your vehicles, regardless if they are parked in your driveway, garage, or in front of your home. Citizens are leaving money, credit cards, computers, guns, and phones in their vehicles, and in 99% of the cases, the vehicles are unlocked.



Enjoy your summer and remember, If you see something, say something. We are ready to assist any way we can. Help us help you.

GULF COAST HEALTH & VITALITY (with Some Lithuanian Flair)

Treva Goff, President, Gulf Hills Garden Club

A new book authored by Gulf Hills Resident and Gulf Hills Garden Club Member Regina Nedas* is causing quite a buzz (think honey) in the community. The Therapy of Natural Living is hot off the press and is offering loads of natural remedies, recipes and beauty tips.

Nedas, a 15-year Ocean Springs resident and Lithuania native, has been a student of nature her entire life. As a botany and microbiology instructor at an agricultural college, Nedas began in earnest an interest in medical plants and their subsequent use in natural remedies. "I developed an interest in folk medicine, and studied literature from around the world on harvesting, and collecting plants and then applying their curative properties," Nedas explained.

From aloe vera to zucchini, this easy-to-read, paperback book is structured to provide readers many options and uses for the planet's natural and, in many instances, abundant gifts. Whether the readers' interests are in clean eating or homeopathic remedies for illness, The Therapy for Natural Living has it all. Hard and electronic copies of the book are available through Amazon, where it has already received five stars review status.

The purpose of Gulf Hills Garden Club is to stimulate an interest in and a love of gardening. The club aims to protect native flora and fauna and to encourage civic beautification. Education, however, remains the primary focus.

***Philip L. Levin, M.D. served as editor and provided compilation assistance in The Therapy of Natural Living.**



Gulf Hills Garden Club

Gulf Hills Garden Club Executive Board for the 2019-2020 year:

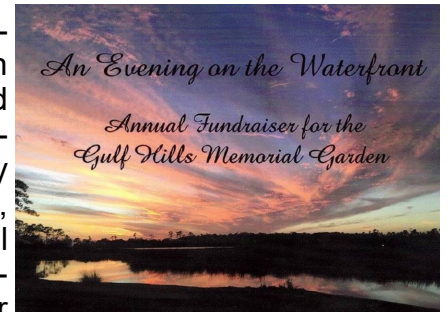
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AN EVENING ON THE WATERFRONT Jacquilyn Debra

Attend this candlelit, cocktail party on Point Porteaux and support the Memorial Garden! Heavy hors d'ouvres, wine, signature cocktail and live piano music. Look out over

Porteaux Bay and watch the sunset from the large front deck. We had a wonderful time last year and raised enough money to fund the Memorial Garden for 2018-2019. Please join us on October 26th to raise the funds for 2019-2020. This is going to be another very special event! Tickets are \$250 for Platinum Sponsors and \$100 for Gold Sponsors. Your name will be engraved on the plaque at the Memorial Garden. Please send a check to Jackie Parker at 6336 Point Porteaux or PayPal at jacquilyndebraparker@yahoo.com. Seating is limited to 30 to make this a delightful evening so please purchase your tickets no later than 9/30/19. Thank you for helping to keep your community looking beautiful!



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**1st Annual Non-Golfers
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Tournament**

Hosted by: the EMILE LADNIER AMERICAN LEGION POST 42

American Legion Post 42 of Ocean Springs, Mississippi want's to thank all sponsors and participants in the 1st Annual Non-Golfers-Golfers Nine Hole Tournament held at the Gulf Hills Golf course on Saturday April 13, 2019 with forty-four golfers. It was such a success that members want to repeat a Non-Golfers Golf Tournament next April, 2020.

This may be the first tournament on the coast or the USA when a Patriotic opening was conducted to include a POW/MIA Ceremony Honoring a veteran who sacrificed his life for our freedom and could not be in attendance. Nearly three score veterans and the general public present honored PFC James P. Alvin Shaw sacrifice a native of Mississippi and a Korean War POW/MIA. PFC Shaw was a member of Company G, 2nd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division, he was taken as a prison of war while fighting the enemy in North Korea on December 3, 1950 and died while a prison on June 23, 1951. His final resting place occurred this past week at Biloxi National Cemetery. Presenting the ceremonial POW/MIA FLAG on the empty chair was Post 42 member Andrew Jackson who along with other members of Post 42 and scores of veterans attended PFC Shaw's final resting place at Biloxi National Cemetery this past week. Post 42 wants to continue the event and open it to all American Legion Posts

on "Coastal Mississippi -the Secret Coast" as well as to the public as an annual event to honor the sacrifice of veterans who are not present so that WE can live in freedom.

Reserve Saturday April 25, 2020 at Gulf Hills Golf Course for a 3,5,9 hole tournament. We hope you will participate next year. Again thank you for making our initial tournament a success.

Bethesda Free Clinic

The First Annual Bethesda Free Clinic Duck Race fundraiser was a great success! Visitors to Gulf Islands Waterpark were excited about the deeply-discounted entry fee (with Duck Race ticket purchase), and a fun time was had by all!!!



The Duck Race is an annual event and we will be kicking off sponsorship and ticket sales in January, 2020. Mark your calendars.

2019 CASH WINNERS

1st Place \$1,000. Jerry Smith, 2nd Place \$500. Kellie Vicknair 3rd Place \$ 250. Crime Stoppers of MS 4th Place \$ 125. Barbara Nannery 5th Place \$75. Shannon Walker

We gave away many Door prizes as well

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FLASHBACK from January 26, 1926

TWELVE—THE DAILY HERALD, BILOXI AND GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

GULF HILLS WILL RIVAL GARDEN OF EDEN IN BEAUTY

Many people do not believe in dreams, but if one would journey to Gulf Hills this week-end he would see the dream of the Branigar Brothers in creating a golfer's paradise out of a forest of rolling hills dotted with tall stately pines and moss-covered oaks.

The writer's vision of the country surrounding the club house was realized after several minutes of breathing the wonderful atmosphere while waiting for the scores of ladies qualifying in the invitation tournament.

An elderly lady, probably from some snow-covered city of the North, when asked by the professional director for her card said: "Mr. Murphy, one cannot keep her mind on golf here, for noticing the beautiful surroundings on the links." If the lady were offering this as an alibi for her high score she certainly selected a good one.

A part of the \$100,000 worth of shrubbery of 40,000 plants of 60 varieties, already has been planted alongside the tees, fairways and greens by the capable hands of A. A. Hunt, landscape engineer of the Jungle Gardens, Inc., of Avery Island, La., who have been awarded the contract for the 130 car loads of bamboos 10 and 12 feet high are now circled on the west side of the club house and the giant timber bamboos

that grow 70 feet high and five inches in diameter will be placed along the water's edge near the site of the proposed yacht club on the shores of Fort Bayou.

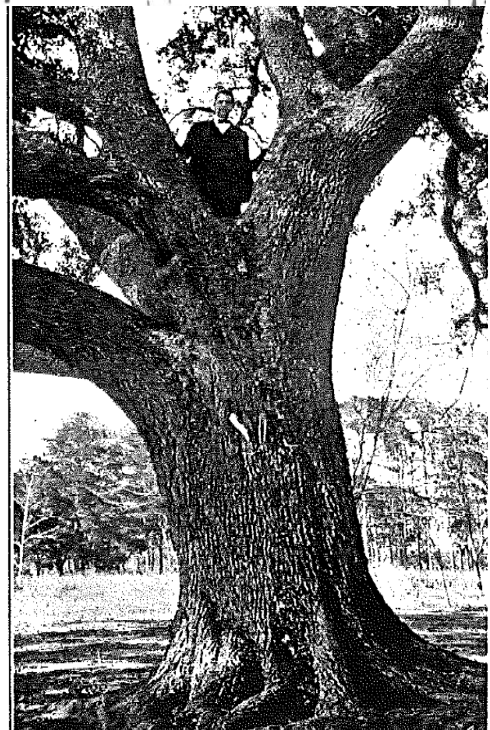
The tall bamboos and shrubbery of 30 varieties will take the place of the line of marshes that now cling to the shore. All will come in its turn, George Olmstead, sales manager of the Branigar Bros. Development Company, says.

As to what already has been done on the golf links and around the club house, one has a picture of Italian cypress planted in uniform order at each corner of the club house and the tees. Fifteen car loads have already been planted. With the wonderful transformation by man, nature's setting, and the various trees in the valleys and lakes, the Gulf Hills development will be as a paradise when the remaining 115 car loads have been placed in position fixed by the architectural drawings.

The Southern landscape specialist, whose headquarters are at the huge plantation in Louisiana where E. A. McInhenny, president of the Jungle Gardens, Inc., gives his personal attention to the growing of the various flowers and plants, will attempt to so transplant flowers in Gulf Hills that there will be blooms during every month of the year.

They will specialize in flowers to bloom during the winter months so that the Northern tourist will get the benefit of the investment. The Jungle Gardens, Inc., furnish the shrubbery in beautifying the Edgewater Park development, and have appointed the Williamson Seed Company of Biloxi its local agency.

The Mississippi Coast some day will be known as the land of beautiful flowers and shrubbery. Nature has been kind, indeed to this beautiful strip of beach front between the Bays of Biloxi and Bay St. Louis, which justly may be called the beauty spot of the entire Gulf Coast that stretches from the Florida peninsula to the Texas border.



GIANT OAK AT GULF HILLS

Please return this form with
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Gulf Hills Civic Association
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If the mailing label has PAID by your name, you have paid your 2019 dues.

Gardening in Gulf Hills

Mary Ann Westfall, Immediate Past President, Gulf Hills Garden Club

"Mistress Mary, quite contrary, how does your garden grow?" Well, not wanting to be contrary, I'll tell you how my garden is growing in this very hot, humid weather!

As I peruse my garden, I'm inundated with the heady scent of the gardenias blooming in my neighbors' yards (unfortunately not in mine) and the remaining confederate jasmine blossoms, which seemed to last much longer this spring.



Among the plants thriving in my small garden are agapanthus given to me by a neighbor who was dividing the ones in his garden, hydrangeas which have been growing for a few years, that are blooming pink, lavender and blue, and my faithful rosemary and chives.

There are the spent Easter lilies that simply showed up last year, uninvited but most welcome, several small oaks growing in pots planted by the squirrels, and a slow-growing very small camellia grown from seed.

In the patio garden containers, we have a bumper crop of jalapeño peppers, basil, dill and Mexican tarragon. The lavender seems to be holding its own, as do the dusty miller and creeping Jenny plants.

And, of course, there is milkweed! I've spotted several monarch caterpillars this season and hope for many more.

Not to be forgotten are the New Guinea impatiens, pink geraniums and begonias, as well as the periwinkles that self-seed. There are two types of dracaenas as well as a fully-blooming chrysanthemum.



An unusual plant growing on my patio is Mexican culantro, also known as "long coriander," which is an acceptable substitute for the taste of cool-weather cilantro.



We don't have a large area for growing flowers and herbs and such, but what we do have growing in our little garden is inspiring. My daughter says my plants are my "other children."

Hope you can take a little time to get out in nature and enjoy your plants, your neighbors' plants and the beautiful plants all around us!

SOUND OFF (from Yahoo Group)

In all my years of being in this email group, I've never seen any discussion on maybe putting in a sidewalk along Shore. It scares me to death to exercise along that street (mostly due to speeders on a 2 lane road). I know if there was one, my kids and I would use it to ride bikes on and walk to friends houses. Has this idea ever been thrown around?

Great idea, but some places there wouldn't be space for one. We do have a terrific traffic problem in Gulf Hills. Wednesday around 4:30 pm, I witnessed 3 drivers purposely, without slowing down, running stop signs. One on East Puerto and two on Shore! All within 3 to 4 minutes!

Drive along Shore and you will see elegant, majestic trees that would have to be removed in order to have a sidewalk all along Shore. Not to mention houses whose front yard sits on a hill that goes directly to the street. Utility poles that would have to be moved. The expense would be exorbitant!!!

Rubbish Reminder

Rubbish (no-household garbage) pickup is scheduled for the second week of every month and all limbs and debris need to be put out by 7:00 am Monday of that week.

Use the landfills whenever possible -- especially during the dry spells in an effort to prevent fire hazards - Plus the Seaman Landfill is free to residents!

Limitations of Rubbish Pick-Up

The maximum volume of trash, trees, debris and/or vegetation that Jackson County may remove per pick-up per month is 3 cubic yards.

Garbage Pickup Reminder



Household garbage pickup is scheduled each Tuesday. On **THREE** major holidays (New Years, Thanksgiving, Christmas) pickup will be postponed a day. Check the holiday schedule in the newspaper or on TV.



Lighting District Reminder

Gulf Hills Lighting Commissioners, ask that you report outages or malfunctioning streetlights to Mississippi Power at 800-487-3275. Give the address closest to the light. The District is being charged for each light, working or not.

Join Gulf Hills Yahoo/Facebook



Join Gulf Hills [Yahoo Group](#) and/or the Gulf Hills Civic Association [Facebook Group](#). These two social media groups help keep each other informed of activities -- from neighborhood watch observations of suspicious characters/vehicles/animals to community activities/needs and sharing of ideas. So if you have not already, please join one or both. **It's easy:**

- 1) You will need an email address to join -- a Yahoo email is needed for Yahoo Groups.
- 2) For Yahoo Groups, go to groups.yahoo.com/group/gulfhills
 - * Click the blue button that says "Join this group"
 - * Request membership using your Yahoo email
 - * The moderator, Barry Mends (mends1@bellsouth.net, 228-382-7723), will send approval.
- 3) For Civic Association Facebook Group,
 - * Log into Facebook (get an account using your current email)
 - * Search in Facebook for the group, then click a request to join.
 - * The administrator is Colleen Cutler, (crcutler113@gmail.com). You will receive an approval notice in Facebook

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Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence 875-5433

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Joe O'Neal, Road Manager	826-2547
Nick Elmore, Tax Assessor	769-3070
Janice Sharp, Tax Collector	769-3074

Upcoming Community Dates

Independence Day: Thursday July 4
Labor Day: Monday September 2
Columbus Day: Monday October 14
Veterans Day: November 11