

# **GULF HILLS NEWS**

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Octoberr 14, 2023



### President's Message

Heather Wagner, President, Gulf Hills Civic Association

As I write this article, the cooler temperatures have arrived, and we have finally gotten some much-needed rain! It really feels like fall, and before we know it, the Holidays will be upon us. As in past years, the fall is a particularly busy time with fun family events and doings in Gulf Hills, not to mention everyone getting out to enjoy the crisp breezes!



As always, this issue has a little bit of everything. From articles on wildlife and trees, to updates from the Golf Club and Racquet Club, to an important notice from our Sheriff, to special interests stories, there is no shortage of informative articles. As you will see, several of our neighbors have contributed articles. We welcome submissions of articles on topics of interest from our neighbors. If you are interested in writing an article (or column) or have a topic you would like to see addressed in an upcoming issue, please contact Van Arnold at <a href="mailto:vanmar-nold@gmail.com">vanmar-nold@gmail.com</a>. Our next newsletter will be published in January, 2024.

On Page 6 of this issue, you will find all the details for a number of regular neighborhood events sponsored by the Gulf Hills Civic Association. Halloween in the Hills spooktacular and Christmas in the Hills parade and tree-lighting ceremony are great opportunities to come out, visit with neighbors, and maybe be a little silly and have lots of fun. And in the spirit of friendly competition, we encourage everyone to get those "Hills" decked out for the annual Christmas decoration challenge. And get those closets and storage units cleaned out for the upcoming neighborhood Yard Sale!

The Gulf Hills Civic Association is also excited to roll out a new fundraiser, the "Bid to Hoist Your School Flag!" Check out the details on Page 8. What a great way to not only raise money for neighborhood projects, but also to show your team spirit (and stick it to the other teams!)

Remember to VOTE on November 7<sup>th</sup>! The polling place for Gulf Hills is located at 13000 Walker Road (West Jackson County Safe Room) located behind St. Martin East Elementary School. You may vote absentee in person from 8 a.m. to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> through November 4th at the Jackson County Circuit Clerk's office in Pascagoula. The County Circuit Clerk's Office will be open for in-person absentee voting from 8:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday, October 28, 2023, and Saturday, November 4, 2023. You also still have time to request an application for a mail-in absentee ballot, so please contact the Circuit Clerk's Office at 228-769-3040 to find out who is eligible to vote absentee or to request a mail-in application.

I want to extend sincere thanks to all our association members for your support of the activities and initiatives of the Gulf Hills Civic Association. This year, we have reached a total of 171 memberships, which is the highest in a number of years (but we can still do better)! We hope to keep growing our association, as the more members we have, the more good things we can do in and for Gulf Hills. If you have a neighbor who hasn't joined, please encourage them to do so!

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# Are any excuses acceptable for a DUI?

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l wasn't drinking, I just smoked a joint...

I'm not the kind of person who gets a DUI..

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### The Scoop on Sweetgum

Carroll Campbell

Liquidambar styraciflua (li-kwid-AM-bər sty-rə-SIFF of three to seven in number (baynelibrary.org). -lu-ə) goes by myriad common names: redgum, whitegum, star-leafed gum, liquid ambar, alligator tree, bilsted, satin walnut, and gumwood. South Mississippians know it as the sweetgum, named for the sweet and reputedly medicinal resin it exudes. It populates the Southeastern US, and is a hardy native species that merits our attention as a suburban garden/urban forest tree. (https:// ufi.ca.uky.edu/treetalk/ecobot-sweetgum).

Gulf Hills is a natural home for sweetgum. Gardnersworld.com stresses that sweetgum's preference is for acidic soil. Master Naturalist Steve Shepard states that our South MS soils are "mostly sandy loam and generally acidic." According to Shepard, Gulf Hills is former "bay head swamp" ecosystem, which is characterized by such soil, and he agrees that sweetgum "certainly belongs in Gulf Hills."

Though it prefers acid soils, sweetgum is adaptable (arborday.org) The red fill dirt commonly used in modern construction in South MS has a high clay content, and our native species generally do not thrive in it, but sweetgum can do fine. "Sweetgum can grow in just about anything," according to renowned Coast arborist David Minkler. However, sweetgum will not appreciate the addition of lime or calcium to soil, and it is not suitable for sites featuring limestone rock (dirtdoctor.com/garden/ Sweet-Gum vg2437.htm.com).

Sweetgum is a lovely tree. Its leaves are starshaped with serrated edges characterized by lobes Known for its autumn color, sweetgum's fall foliage exhibits shades of gold, coral, crimson, purple, and



oxblood; shades often apsimultanepear ously on the same (https:// baynelibrary.org).

Picture credit: PixabayCC

Are you a bird lover?

Sweetgum will draw birds to your suburban garden, as many species feast on its seeds, among them Eastern goldfinches, purple finches, mourning doves, bobwhites wild and even (arborday.org). Georgiawildlife.com notes other feeders at sweetgum trees are the red-winged blackbird, Carolina chickadee, chipping sparrow, evening grosbeak, pine siskin, yellow-bellied sapsucker, Eastern towhee, and white-throated and white-crowned sparrow, and that the ruby-throated hummingbird and other nectar feeders draw from the sweetgum. Importantly, sweetgum is host to 30 species of butterflies and moths, including the luna and promethea moths, two of the largest moths in North America, according to georgiawildlife.com.

Is your home situated on cleared land and thus utterly lacking in shade? Sweetgum is a great solution. Arborday.org reports it grows at a rate of anywhere from 13 to 24 feet per year, thus providing shade quickly. Fast growers

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### **4 LOCATIONS COVERING THE COAST**

Sweetgum Continue from page 2 usually are short-lived, but sweetgum's longevity of up to 400 years makes it a great investment (Wikipedia.org). Consider your site, though. Sweetgum's canopy can reach a spread of up to 45 feet, so plant where there is space. According to Arborday.org, a sweetgum can reach a height of up to 100 feet (150 in the wild), and its trunk can reach a diameter of up to three feet.

Are you concerned about energy bills? gum's lush canopy will shade your home in summer. Its leaves fall in winter, allowing sun to penetrate to the surface of your home to warm it.

How can I obtain sweetgum for my yard? Sometimes local nurseries carry sweetgum. However, it is reportedly easy to grow from seed. Dirtdoctor.com advises to simply collect seeds from the fruit, a spiky seedpod, after it has turned brown and dried out. Seeds "can be planted outdoors immediately after they are collected." Also, if you spot a sweetgum seedling in a friend's yard, you can dig it up and

transplant it.

Is my tree a sweetgum or a maple? A vexing question! According to baynelibrary.org, maple leaves grow opposite each other; sweetgum



Picture credit: Redlands.edu leaves grow alternately. Another clue lies in the bark. According to waterfordcitizensorg, "On a young Red Maple the bark can be smooth and gray. On older trees, bark can appear to be darker and rougher with peeling flakes." Sweetgum bark, however, features deep grooves and prominent ridges (baynelibrary.org).

### **Gulf Hills Racquet Club**

Jenny Cockrell, USTA Pro, Tennis Director

Gulf Hills Racquet Club is offering league play and we are proud that one of our league teams, our ladies over 40 combo team has won the Coast area division for the 2nd year & will be going to Jackson for the State Championship! Contact Jenny Cockrell, USTA Pro, Tennis Director to register, 310-720-5061 or jennifercockrell@gmail.com for information. Memberships are available.

Sat., Oct. 28th, 3rd Annual "Boo on the Bayou" Junior Halloween Kids Tennis Clinic Party (costumes), 9-10am (ages 5-11), 10-noon (12+)

Sat., Oct. 28th, 2:30pm: 3rd Annual Adult 'Boo on the Bayou' Doubles Mixer, costumes, food, all play levels welcome.

Sat., Nov. 18th, 3rd Annual Kids Thanksgiving Tennis Event, 9-10am (ages 5-11), 10-noon (12+)

Sat., Nov. 18th, 3rd Annual Turkey Trot- Adult Doubles Mixer. Food, fun. 4pm.

Much more, & clinics are available for adults on Tues/Thursday, 6:30pm, Adult League play, Junior Academy several times a week, beginner adult & junior programs, bootcamps, Cardio Tennis Wednesdays, 6pm.





# Cans of Kindness Patrica Dehaan, resident

Once again, we are reminded of the economic hardship many in our community are facing and in need of our help. The generosity that the Gulf Hills Community had given last year was a true example of the kind of people who believe in our shared values of kindness and compassion. We hope that this year will do no less.



One of our supporters, Mrs. Raegan Pfeiffer of the Gulf Hills Golf Course has graciously allowed the use of the golf clubhouse to be used as the drop off collection point for the cans of vegetables. There will be a collection box at that facility. You can also drop off additional items at te following collection site.

The Lord is My Help Food Bank, 1205 Desoto St., Ocean springs, behind Phoenicia's Restaurant off Government Street. Open 6AM - 1PM Monday—Friday.

I encourage everyone to help our community in feeding the many families as well the disabled and elderly by donating cans of food. This will be greatly appreciated by Mrs. Barbara Riddick, who has been operating the food bank for the past 40 years. Once again, Our community would like to thank Mrs. Pfeiffer and Mrs. Riddick for their dedication to our community and we hope the forthcoming holidays will be a blessing for all.

#### **Gulf Hills Hotel and Conference Center**

Gulf Hills Hotel & Resort is happy to share that we are wrapping up our interior renovations as we put the finishing touches on our new conference room and three new suites overlooking the pool and waterfront.



The Sunset Lounge opens daily at 3pm and at 11am on weekends. Come by to watch some football and order lunch or dinner from Capone's!

Finally, we are currently booking Hotel and Sunset Lounge for Holiday parties. Please reach out to Mike Davis at <a href="mike@raintravelcollection.com">mike@raintravelcollection.com</a> or (228) 547-1045 for more information on booking your next meeting or event.

### **Robert Cox Sr Monday Golf Game**

Papa (Robert Cox Sr) was instrumental in starting several golf games to bring friends and family together. Because of this, we decided in his honor to start a Monday evening golf game to do the same, to bring friends and family together, where everyone can feel welcome and meet new and old friends. We just finished week 3 of 5 and the turnout has been amazing. The first 4 weeks we are playing skins and setting individual handicaps. Week 5 will be a skins game that everyone can play in. To go along with the skins game there will be a Gross and Net championship that everyone who has played in at least 2 out of the first 4 weeks will be eligible for. A special Thanks to Mike Zuber for helping organize and put this together. Thank you to all that have participated.



**Gulf Hills Resident** 

## **Southern Black Racer Snake**

Roy Lipscomb, Marine Patrol Officer, Mississippi Dept of Marine Resources

This non-venomous diurnal snake is probably the most common snake seen in Gulf Hills. An

adult southern black racer has solid black scales on its upper body along with a white chin. It has round pupils, a slender, thin body, and scales are



smooth. The total length of this snake can be two to five feet. A baby/juvenile southern black racer measures just six inches upon hatching. Look at a baby southern black racer and an adult. Their coloration makes them look like two different species of snake. The coloring and patterns of baby racers allow them to blend in with their pineland or scrub environment. As they age, they quickly take on the solid black scales and white chin of an adult. The racer is an opportunistic feeder preying on mice, lizards, amphibians, snakes, and will even eat other road killed snakes. I've personally have had to

listen to many false stories from people about how this snake has chased them. I've experienced



it numerous times why people might imagine this as these snakes are extremely alert and when they feel vibrations or see something they will periscope up and move forward trying to see what it is. I've also surprised them and happened to be in the way of its escape route to its safe place.

The periscope habit of this alert snake while hunting or looking for danger can be seen on the edge of fields from a good distance once you know what to look for.

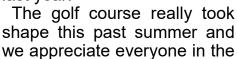
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### **Gulf Hills Golf Course News**

Scooter Huckabee

We want to thank everyone for your favorable comments and support we received this last year.





neighborhood that supports and plays here. We have several key projects that we will be addressing this fall. First is the irrigation system, It is very evident where are deficiencies are and we are addressing those areas first. The drought this summer exposed a lot of weak areas and moved irrigation to the forefront of projects. We have a lot of work to do with our bunkers; many of them have sluffed off and the edges have become hard to define. We are looking into several possibilities for the reconstruction of those. We are always looking for ways to improve our golf course and your experience. Once again, we appreciate everyone's support and thank you.

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## **Fall Events in our Neighborhood**

Tammy Smith Lee, Board Member and Events Chairperson

#### October 21, 2023, 4 pm - 7 pm

Once again, GHCA will sponsor "Halloween in the Hills." Back by popular demand is the Haunted House, held in the cart barn next to the Gulf Hills Hotel. Entrance fee to the Haunted House will be \$1. We will also have a trunk or treat, games and face painting for kids of all ages. A costume con-



test will be held for age groups 0-2, 3-6, and 7-12, 12 -21 and adults over 21. GHCA will provide free hotdogs for kids under 12. We are looking for volunteers to decorate golf carts, vehicle trunks or tents for the Trunk or Treat – you will need to provide your own candy to hand out. Contact Tammy Lee at 228-217-6633 to participate in the Trunk or Treat or Haunted House.

#### November 11, 2023, 8 am – 1 pm

GHCA is organizing a fall yard sale. Households wishing to partic- Community ipate and get on the list and community map should contact Tammy Lee at 228-217-6633 no later than November 7th. We will post an advertisement in the Sun Herald and there are always good



crowds for these community-wide sales. Food will be available for sale, look for more details to come on the GHCA and Gulf Hills Living Facebook pages.

#### December 3, 2023

Christmas in the Hills returns! This fun day will begin with a golf cart parade through the neighborhood. Line up for the



parade starts at 3 pm at the Golf Club with the parade beginning around 4 and proceeding through the neighborhood. The parade will end at the Memorial Garden for the Tree Lighting at 5:30. Santa and his elves will be on hand for photos with the kids. This year we will have a golf cart decoration contest, with prizes for the top three! Food will be provided afterwards at Capones.

#### **December 17, 2023**

GHCA will presenting awards to the best decorated homes in Gulf Hills! This friendly competi-



tion always brings out the creativity and Christmas spirit of our neighbors. Six top winners will each receive a \$30 Gift Card to Capones. Judging will occur the evening of December 17th.

If you are interested in volunteering to help the GHCA with any of these events, please get in touch with Tammy Lee at 229-217-6633. Keep in mind these are all good opportunities for your high schoolers to earn service credits required for various organizations!

# Capone's Restaurant

Hey Everyone from Capones! We are very excited about the Holiday Season and serving your needs. In addition to the restaurant being open 6 days a week, our catering business is doing great and we are lining up events for the Holidays. For any occasions, please give us a call to discuss the different options available. Exciting news beginning Saturday Oct 28. We will be introducing a breakfast buffet from 8:30-10:30 Saturday mornings. It will include scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, grits, biscuits and gravy for only \$13. Great for families and kids who are looking for a great meal that will be easy and quick. As a reminder, our current hours are as follows:

Monday: 5-8 Tuesday: Closed Wed: 11-2, 5-8 Thurs: 11-2, 5-8 Fri: 11-2, 5-9 Sat: 11-2, 5-9 Sun: 9:30-2:30, 5-8 We look forward to seeing everyone soon and appreciate everyone's continued support!! Happy Holidays.

## **Hugh Seymour Lane Extension**

Robert Manley, Roads Chairperson

The Seymour Road extension has been constructed. They need to move some telephone poles that are in the way. The new road will not be paved until November. The road department plans to move the pavers to Shore and Ridge when they are through paving the Seymour Road extension and pave the temporary repair of the culverts under Shore Drive.



# Deck The Hills



# **Deck the Hills**Patricia Dehaan

Here in the Hills,
The Fall has arrived.
Soon will be Christmas,
When the Hills Come Alive.

Home will be festive, With Lights All Aglow. Wreaths on the Doors, With Streams of Mistletoe.

The Spirit of Gulf Hills, Will soon Fill the Air. Come Join us and Show All, Your Holiday Fare.

### The GHCA Office of Safety Director, Brad Linder

Slow Down! Trick or Treat kids are out. Opossum's, and neighbors getting in shape are just around the next curve! 
Be Kind, Trim Those Vines. Your property and the vacant lot next to you. Shrubs or small bushes hanging out in the road can scratch your car, block sight-lines, or force you into the oncoming lane.



Did I mention: Slow Down!

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## Who has the most school spirit?



GHCA Board of Directors is excited to present the 1st Annual Bid to Hoist Your School Flag!!

Beginning on Friday, October 27, in 1 week increments, you can bid on having your favorite school flag raised on the azalea triangle flagpole (beneath the American flag) for 1 week. Details:

The prize: 1 week of showing the neighborhood who your fav school is on the flag pole at the Azalea Triangle (you must supply the flag).

To participate in the bid: When you post a bid, state the school and the dollar amount you want to bid. Bids will be totaled for each school for that week only. The school with the highest bid total will win that week. You must post on the original post the dollar amount you want to bid. You may bid as many times as you'd like. The highest bidder at the end of the period is the winner. All schools will start at \$0 the next bidding week.

Hoisting: A member of the GHCA Board of Directors will raise and lower your flag.

Winning bid: Payment from each person who contributed to the winning bid is expected at the time of flag hoist. Payment may be via cash, check, and Venmo to GHCA. The periods:

Bidding: 10/27 - 11/2 Winner announced: 11/3

Winning Flag Hoisted: 11/3 - 11/9

Bidding: 11/3 - 11/9 Winner announced: 11/10

Winning Flag Hoisted: 11/10 - 11/16

Bidding: 11/10 - 11/16 Winner announced: 11/17

Winning Flag Hoisted: 11/17 - 11/23

Bidding: 11/17 - 11/23 Winner announced: 11/24

Winning Flag Hoisted: 11/24 - 11/30

All profits are for future GHCA projects

### From Our Sheriff John Ledbetter

School is in, fall is upon us with festivals and Halloween, and we'll soon be in another holiday season.

Unfortunately when the holidays arrive, so do the scammers trying to make a quick buck. We see them throughout the year, but the holidays seem to be their favorite



time. A common scam we see is someone calling citizens claiming to be one of our deputies, even using the deputy's name sometimes. If you get one of these calls saying you owe old fines or there's a warrant for your arrest because you skipped jury duty, **DO NOT fall** for it and please do not give them any personal financial information. These are fake calls and we ask that you just hang up.

Also, keep an eye out for porch pirates. They're the ones who help themselves to packages delivered to your home and often left on your porch. If you're not home during the day consider having deliveries dropped off to a neighbor, relative, or to your place of employment.

We cannot stress enough that you should lock your vehicle doors. Auto burglaries during the last several months have topped the list of crimes that are keeping our investigators busy. We see too many citizens leave valuables in their cars and unlocked doors are an open invitation. Don't make it easy for thieves who scour neighborhoods looking to steal.

The Jackson County fair starts this Sunday, October 15. It's always a good time for the family and if you make it over our way we hope you'll stop and see us in the civic center. We'll be there all week.

I am honored to be your sheriff. My staff and I are always available to help so if you need us, just give us a call. We wish all of you a happy and safe fall and holiday season. In Jedbitter-

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### **Gulf Hills Garden Club**

Mary Ann Westfall, President, GHGC

Gulf Hills Garden Club has begun our 2023-2024 year. The first meeting was to introduce our members to the projects and programs for the year. We will learn a lot about Monarch butterflies and how we can help them survive, as well as to do the work to get our Butterfly Garden at the Memorial Garden certified as an official Monarch Waystation, sponsored by Monarch Watch.Org., and placed in their online directory of waystations.

Monarchs are endangered due to loss of habitat along their migration paths from far north America to Mexico, where the butterflies gather by the thou-



sands to overwinter before returning north as the weather warms. Monarchs can't survive winter's chill, so they head to warmer regions where a mild winter guarantees survival.

Female monarchs lay eggs on the underside of milkweed plants, which are the only type of plants on which the caterpillars feed. The caterpillars molt several times as they grow larger, until they are ready to molt one last time, resulting in a green chrysalis, or pupa. The caterpillar will develop into a butterfly in 1-2 weeks inside the chrysalis, until a butterfly emerges from the chrysalis. After a few hours, the butterfly is ready to fly away. From this point on, the butterfly will drink nectar as its food.

Garden Club member Mary Ann Westfall has been raising monarch caterpillars this summer, and while she was on vacation with her family earlier this

month, Sue Manley agreed to babysit the caterpillars, assuring they had milkweed to eat. Sue and husband Bob had raised caterpillars when they lived in Houston years ago. Mary Ann has released over 2 dozen Monarchs since she began raising them this summer. They can eat a LOT of milkweed! It's a very gratifying experience to watch these sweet caterpillars grow into Monarch butterflies and to release them to fulfill their destiny.

For the sake of our wonderful Monarch butterflies, we should have nectar-producing plants, and perhaps milkweed, if possible, growing in our gardens.

In addition to our Monarch projects, the Garden Club will continue to maintain the Butterfly Garden, the Daylily Garden in the triangle and the Memorial Brick Path in the Memorial Garden. These gardens will be replanted by the Garden Club as needed.

The Garden Club supports Plant It Pink each year and will do so by planting pink chrysanthemums this October.

We have a lot of interesting monthly programs planned for this year, including plant propagation and division, roses, houseplants that cleanse the air, com-

posting, and a field trip to a local family farm.

We're happy to report the addition of two new members to our Garden Club, and welcome anyone with an interest in gardening and the beautification of our yards and Gulf Hills to contact <u>any</u> Garden Club member, or Mary Ann Westfall, 224-424-0975.

## Helpful Phone Numbers

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,	-487-3275			
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COUNTY SERVICES				
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Health Department	875-1336			
Justice Court	875-4125			
Planning Department (Zoning)	769-3112			
Road Department	875-4545			
Rubbish Disposal (Landfill)	872-8340			
Sheriff– Hwy 609 substation	875-6963			
PUBLIC SERVICES				
Ambulance (Acadian)	762-0214			
Northwest Fire Dept. 911 or	818-0370			
Refuse (Waste Management)	832-3144			
St Martin Community Center	392-7361			
HEALTH CARE				
Singing River Hospital	809-5000			
Ocean Springs Hospital	818-1111			
Merit Hospital	432-1571			
Bethesda Free Clinic	818-9191			
Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence 875-5433				
OTHER				
Wild at Heart (Wildlife)	669-7907			
LIBRARIES				
Ocean Springs Library	875-1193			
St Martin Library	392-3250			

# Lighting District Reminder Van Arnold, Lightning District Commissioner

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

Recently, several residents have complained that MS Power has not responded to their reporting of malfunctioning lights. If you



have a malfunctioning or burned out street light, email: <a href="mailto:vanmarnold@gmail.com">vanmarnold@gmail.com</a> with the location of that light, who will report it to MS power for proper replacement.

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### Get Connected to Yahoo/Facebook

Join one or more of these social media groups to get involved and connected with your fellow residents of Gulf Hills.

◆Gulf Hills Living Facebook Group

◆Gulf Hills Civic Association Facebook Group Here's how to connect:

#### For Gulf Hills Living Facebook Group

1.Log into Facebook (get an account using your current email)

2.Search in Facebook for the group (*Gulf Hills Living*), then click a request to join.

3. Answer the required questions.

One of the administrators will review your answers and approve as appropriate.

#### For Gulf Hills Civic Association Facebook Group

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One of the administrators will approve as appropriate.

## **Upcoming Community Dates**

Halloween in the Hills: Saturday Oct 21 Peter Anderson Festival: Sat-Sun Nov 4-5

Election Day: Tuesday November 7 Veterans Day: Saturday November 11

Gulf Hills Community Yard Sale: Sat November 11

Christmas in the Hills: Sunday Dec 3

Christmas Lighting Judging: Sunday December 17

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.