

Golden Gate Point Association, Inc

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SUNSET FROM GOLDEN GATE POINT

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Sign up now for Golden Gate Point's Annual Picnic where you can socialize with your neighbors, learn more about our street-scaping plan and enjoy the sunset. The picnic will be held April 17 from 5 to 7 p.m. on the Phoenix roof top. The cost of \$15 will include box lunch, beverages and dessert. Send your check to Pat Hooley, 590 Golden Gate Point, # 4, by April 12.

Gerri Laurino is chair of the committee. Carol Kopeck, Pat Hooley, Mike Adams and Brent Parker will be helping her. The box meals will be ordered from Neli's Deli.

This will be the first time completed calculations on our street-scaping project will be available. Your Board of Directors hopes to have petitions for a vote ready soon.

Come see the newest drawings and hear the details. Enjoy a meal with your neighbors. This picnic is open to everyone: owners and renters, members of the Association or non-members.

See you there!!

2004 GGP CALENDAR

April 17, 5 to 7 p.m.	Annual Picnic, Phoenix Rooftop
May 15, 9 a.m.	Board Meeting, Phoenix
June 19, 9 a.m.	Board Meeting, Phoenix
July 17, 11 a.m.	Breakfast at the Ritz
August 23, 9 a.m.	Board Meeting, Phoenix
Sept. 18, 9 a.m.	Board Meeting, Phoenix
October 16	Event to be announced
November 20, 9 a.m.	Board Meeting, Phoenix
January 15, 2005	Annual Meeting

FROM BAYFRONT CONDO ASSOCIATION

President of the Bayfront Condo Association, Ken Shelin warns condo owners to be aware of possible new legislation that could create major management problems for their associations. He asks that concerned condo owners write their state legislators urging the defeat of these bills. The e-mail site for Senator Michael Bennett is benett.mike.web@flsenate.gov and the site for Representative Donna Clarke is CLARKEDONNA@myfloridahouse.fl.us. Some examples of provisions in the bill that might cause problems are: requiring three bids on contracts for goods and services which exceed, in the aggregate, more than 2.5% of the total annual budget - this does not provide for situations where the association can't get three vendors to make bids or there is only a single source for those goods or services; giving owners of multiple units one vote no matter how many units they owned - there are a number of owners who have combined units and there are others who own multiple units they use for guests and friends and others who use them for investment purposes; and allowing only condo owners who live more than three months a year in their unit to serve on the board - this disenfranchises those who live here part time.

The hyper link which will get you to a detailed analysis of legislation pending in both houses of the Florida legislature is: http://www.callbp.com/media/836885_1DOC

JOIN NOW! If you have not joined the Golden Gate Association, call Pat Hooley at 366-3080 and join before Roster is printed

SAD BUT TRUE:

A Tale of City Bureaucracy from Jeri Cushman

Residents of GGP have found Waste Management no longer will pick up bulk items and landscaping trash. This has created a hardship for those of us who do not have a magic wand to cause our castoffs to vanish.

Your representative had a visit with city hall to find out what the heck is happening.

The city has a 20 year contract with waste management. There are seven years left to the contract. (not to be confused with county contracts that have been highlighted in the newspaper recently)

Each city household pays an amount according to the service received. Dwellings of three or more households (that's condo's folks) have never paid for pickup of bulk items or cuttings while single households have paid for that service. However the company picked up at **all** households until last fall.

At that time Waste Management decided they could no longer service commercial properties (again that's us condo dwellers) for bulk pickup. Upon asking what could be done to change this the unfortunate answer was "nothing at this time."

So it is not the current administrations fault ..or Waste Management driver's fault. It is just a fact of life. I am sure we would all be willing to pay for this additional service if it was available to us.

We will keep on top of this and next contract negotiation hopefully we can deep 6 our magic wands and be included in the pick up.

