

THE ACORN newsletter

from little nuts do great communities grow!

From the President

DATES TO KNOW:

July 10, 9:00 am, Lot #22, Regular Board meeting

Sep 4, 11:00 am, at the Pond - Annual meeting, Board election, Picnic

So long 2020! Welcome to Galena Oaks 2021! Spring has sprung. The flowers are blooming, the swans are swimming, and the gnats are swarming.

For the first time in as long as I can remember, we go into this season as a "full house" so to speak. No homes are currently for sale* or pending proving the desirability of Galena Oaks.

With this full house in mind, please remember to be especially cautious while

driving. Our streets are shared by lawnmowers, golf carts, pets, and pedestrians.

On the maintenance front, pond restoration treatments began in April. Pathway, bridges and fencing improvements will be ongoing. We also anticipate having volunteer days this season for those wishing to get involved in common area improvements. For those of you who have not yet joined, the best way to keep up to date on community

happenings is through our private Facebook group, GOPOA.

Whether you live here full time or seasonally, you are part of a unique community, and we welcome your comments and suggestions.

Sincere wishes from me and everyone on the Board for a season of fireflies, friendships, and lifelong memories made in your backyard, made in the Oaks.

Rob Miller

*One home *just* went on the market: 55 Oak Valley Drive, as listed on realtor.com

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Vice President's Corner

I hope you have all been safe and well, what a crazy time this past year has been. If it were not for Galena Oaks, it would have been a much tougher time for Linda and myself.

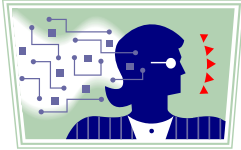
We are so happy to be a part of this growing

community and everything it has to offer.

As our outstanding Board continues to work with GOPOA owners on improvements throughout the year, I look forward to what lies ahead and the future that Galena Oaks has to offer. We are preparing

for more fun and even more improvements for 2021 and hope you will all be a part of it.

Best regards,
John Herza



Confused about communications?

Below is a quick summary of how to help keep yourself informed about the Association and the Elizabeth area.

The public portion of the GOPOA website (gopoa.org) includes:

- Board members' contact info
- Info of interest to prospective buyers
- Property map of the community
- Links to properties listed for sale on Zillow or realtor.com

The members-only portion of the GOPOA website includes:

- Board meeting minutes
- Financial reports
- Contact info for all property owners
- By-laws and Covenants of the Association

To access the members-only area, use the signup form on the website; your request will be forwarded to the site administrator.

The private Facebook page for GOPOA includes:

- Postings about local events, news, and places
- GOPOA neighborhood announcements

To access the private Facebook page (open only to GOPOA homeowners), send an email or text to the group moderators. (current moderator is Rob Miller, 630-267-0867 or sundaystudio@yahoo.com)

“What did the acorn say when he grew up?”

“Geometry!”

Newsletter resurrection!

This is the inaugural issue of ***The Acorn***. The Board felt it would be helpful to issue a newsletter periodically as has been done by some Boards in the past.

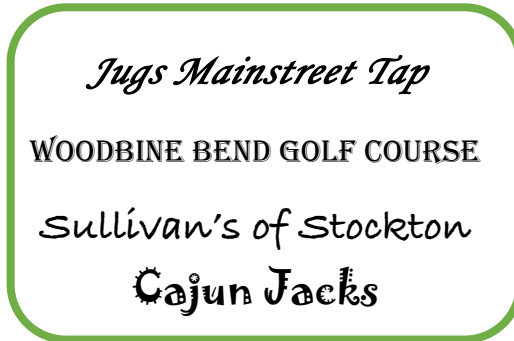
We expect most copies to be delivered by email; with snailmail to those lacking an email address on file. Issues will also be posted on the Members portion of the website (gopoa.org)

Please submit your ideas for future issues to any Board member. Topics could include places, events, businesses, and questions about Galena Oaks. What would YOU like to see here? We'll do our best to supply it.

A now for a word about our sponsors....

BIG **“THANK YOU!”** TO:

Many of you have participated in recent years in the annual Poker Run fundraiser, and various raffles held on Labor Day weekend. We’d like to give a shout out to local businesses who have supported our fundraising efforts with prizes in recent years.



When you're done hiking Galena....

Some of our homeowners have discovered some good hiking right outside our back door. Next time you want to stretch your legs, try heading to one of these nearby locations.

Valley of Eden Bird Sanctuary

5559 E Rush Creek Rd, Stockton, IL 61085
jdcf.org/properties/valley-of-eden-bird-sanctuary

Schurmeier Teaching Forest

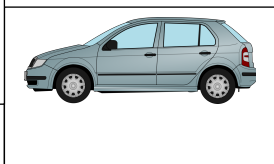
147 E Reusch Rd, Elizabeth, IL 61028
jdcf.org/properties/schurmeier-teaching-forest/

What's red and bad for your teeth?

"A brick"

Recommendation heard on the street....

When you need help with:



OR



**TRY
 CALLING
 BILL AT**

BUS (815) 858-3803
 CELL (815) 541-0990

WOODBINE SERVICE GARAGE
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Web!

See us at:

gopoa.org

TO KEEP GALENA OAKS SAFE AND DESIRABLE....

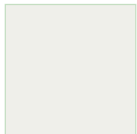
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- Please ... drive at safe speeds on our residential roads
- Please ... drive golf carts with safety and consideration of others foremost
- Please ... use headlights or other front illumination on all motorized vehicles after dark
- Please ... keep your dogs leashed and under control when they are not in your own yard
- Please ... pick up after your dogs when they are not on your property
- Please ... don't let your dog be a barking nuisance
- Please ... keep grass mowed and weeds tamed
- Please ... if you will be using a tent trailer or RV for short-term visitors, please advise a Board member
- Please ... respect quiet hours after 10pm
(some of the above are enforceable by County ordinance)

If for any reason you are concerned for your safety or the safety of others, please call 9-1-1 to dispatch the Jo Daviess County Sheriff.

Thank you for keeping our community desirable and safe!

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