

GRA-GULL OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

BEST WISHES FOR A GREAT 2026!

Association News

Attached is a draft copy of the Annual Meeting minutes. They are only official after we approve them at the next annual meeting. Please review and ask if you have any questions.

The Park had a few maintenance items completed and is looking sharp! Kind of hard to see under the snow right now though! Updates this past year include the new fence and landscaping, painting of the stairs, bollards and chain along the street, the sign was repaired, a new life ring under the stairs. Some items we will be looking at in the new year will be continuing to evaluate and keep an eye on the pier and the plan to repair/maintain it, tree trimming and some additional landscaping. We will need volunteers this Spring to help install the cement scallops along the north fence to help protect it. We also will need a few green thumbs to help with the spring planting.

Our new Website, gragullownersassociation.org, is under construction but, you can look at the homepage and get an idea of what it will look like. Our goal is to create a Member's only area with log in for retrieval of information, to access a calendar with upcoming and past events, with the ability to sign up for activities, archive area to preserve and review historical information, and flexibility to grow with Association needs. The website will improve consistency in our record keeping and improve access to information and communication with the members. We have new board member e-mails. Emails will stay the same when board members change improving consistency and hopefully making it easier to reach us. I encourage your feedback and suggestions on practical uses for the future. The website is designed to evolve and grow with the association.

A couple of Board members have indicated they may be stepping down next year. If you are interested in volunteering in any form, please reach out and let us know you are interested. We can always use help with organizing events, maintenance, and various other projects. We have some new members in the neighborhood and if anyone is interested in being on the board or helping with activities, please feel free to contact me.

Neighborhood News

The garage sale was a success. Doreen got the word out and we had a steady stream of people all the way to close! We had good neighbor participation from full garages to a table in the front yard. We will have another one but, may skip a year or two.

The city heard our concerns about the street and water lines. The petition was signed by everyone in the neighborhood we were able to reach. It was delivered to all pertinent departments and personnel. Several people attended multiple budget and water department meetings. We were told it is possible they will do work by the end of 2026 but, more likely in 2027. We noticed they filled some additional large potholes. Prior to this effort, we were told our street had not been discussed, included in any list, and there was not money in the budget, "It would be at least a couple of years." At least now we are on their radar!

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The double poles have finally all been removed. A big thanks goes to Kirk for spearheading the effort and communicating with the city and electric company. The neighbors who made some additional 'noise' are also appreciated!

We have new neighbors who will be moving in this year. **Welcome!** We are looking forward to seeing you in the upcoming year.

Lisa and Ray (RJ) Edwards, at 64 Maplecliff, will be moving in fulltime after they finish an addition to their home.

Jeff and Laurie Kidwell, at 87 Gra-Gull, will also be moving in full-time after the completion of the building of their new home.

Robert and Monica Wolchko joined us last year at 98 Gra-Gull.

Sam Nauman, at 81 Maplecliff, has moved back full-time. Welcome back Sam!

Kristen, Matthew (Matt), and their son Elliot finished building their home in 2024 at 75 MapleCliff. Long time neighbor, Loretta Schroeder, passed away this past year. Condolences to her family.

The St Patrick's Day Party, hosted by Kirk and Doreen, will be happening again! Please see the attached flyer for details.

Last Summer's Anniversary party was a lot of fun and you should keep your eyes open for information on another gathering this Summer.

Best wishes for the new year,

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New Gra-Gull Board Member E-mails

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