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#### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Neighbors,

I'm excited to remind everyone about our upcoming neighborhood garage sale!

This event is a wonderful opportunity not only to declutter our homes but also to foster camaraderie among us. It's a chance to meet new faces, catch up with old friends, and celebrate the vibrant community we share. Let's come together, support one another, and enjoy a day filled with great finds and friendly conversation. Happy selling!



This event started as **National Breast Cancer Awareness Month** (NBCAM) in October of 1985. This was a partnership between the American Cancer Society and the pharmaceutical division of Imperial Chemical Industries to promote mammograms as the most effective tool to fight breast cancer.



Editor's note....

Fall brings change! Change in colors, in temperature, in landscape...here's wishing blessings on all the beautiful changes in and around our Poquito Bayou and surrounding communities!



#### **General membership meeting:**

**General Membership Meeting – October 26!** 

Join us for our general membership meeting on October 26th from 4:00 to 5:00 PM at Leo Norred Park.

Meeting followed by:

Trunk or Treat from 5:00 to 6:00 PM



### **CALLING FOR NOMINATIONS!**

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

Join the PBCA Board!



WE ARE CURRENTLY ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND WE'D LOVE FOR YOU TO GET INVOLVED. IF YOU'RE PASSIONATE ABOUT SERVING OUR COMMUNITY, NOW IS THE PERFECT TIME TO STEP UP!





# Are you a member of PBCA?

- MEMBERSHIP COST: \$20/YEAR
- ALL PROCEEDS DIRECTLY BENEFIT THE NEIGHBORHOOD
- STAY INFORMED ABOUT NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS
- HAVE A SAY IN LOCAL INITIATIVES
- BUILD A STRONG, CONNECTED COMMUNITY
- EXPLORE EVENTS, DONATE, AND SIGN UP FOR OUR NEWSLETTER

Join PBCA & Strengthen Your Neighborhood

Visit Our Website: poquitobayou.com

POQUITO BAYOU COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

'Joining the Poquito Bayou Community Association is a great way to stay connected and make a positive impact in our neighborhood! For just \$20 a year, your membership helps support park maintenance, children's community events like the Easter Egg Hunt, Christmas party, Halloween and more. When you enter Poquito Bayou you see the attractive entry sign, followed by our friendly little community park with playground equipment and picnic accommodations. Those items are the results of efforts of your PBCA, in cooperation with county government. Studies

Please complete this accepted, m	s form and submit it along with yo	our \$20 dues. Drop off at the PB 68 Poquito Road, Shalimar, FL	, INC. MEMBERSHIP REGI CA mailbox located at 17 Magnolia Ave (P. 32579 or pay vis Venmo/ at www.poquitol	am Martin's house). Checks will be
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Interest in Action Cor	mmittees? Street Maintenance &	Traffic Safety, Environmen	vents, Leo Norred Park & Clean-Up ! tal Matters, Emergency Action & Nei Community Emergency Response Te	ghborhood Watch
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- **PBCA** provides a platform to connect with neighbors, local businesses, and other community members, which can be beneficial for personal and professional networking.
- We frequently offer social events, activities, and other gatherings, which can help build relationships and feel more connected to your community.
- Being part of a community association can give you a voice in local decisions and initiatives. You might have a say in how community resources are allocated or in the planning of local events and improvements.
- Emergency Situations. PBCA has in past had a local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). We're trying to re-establish. Very much in need in times such as hurricane recovery. Maybe you can help restore our CERT?





#### Quilt of Valor (QOV) Ceremony

Last year we had a Quilt of Valor ceremony for a handful of Veterans during our annual Veterans Day ceremony. It was an awes ome ceremony. Some of the veterans who received a quilt had tears in their eyes. For this upcoming Veterans' Day Ceremony on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 4pm near the monument, we will host another QOV ceremony. We need Veteran's, to either nominate themselves or have loved ones or friends to nominate a Veteran.

You're probably wondering what is a Quilt of Valor?

A Quilt of Valor (QOV) is a quality, handmade quilt that is machine or hand quilted. It is awarded to a Service Member or Veteran who has been touched by war. The Quilt says unequivocally, "Thank you for your service and sacrifice in serving our nation."

How do I get a QOV or get one for a family member? You nominate a Service Member or Living Veteran. Awarding a Service Member or Living Veteran a Quilt of Valor Foundation is a shared responsibility of the nominator and the QOVF Volunteer. Our QOVF volunteer is Pam Martin

What's "touched by war"?

These examples are meant to help you better understand the phrase "touched by war."

- Engaging in direct combat, no matter when or where, in declared or undeclared wars or conflicts
- Being wounded or injured in training for combat or direct support of combat
- Serving while in harm's way delivering support, supplies, etc., to those engaged in preventing conflicts or engaged in battle or combat
- Caring for the casualties, injured, and ill service members or veterans on the frontlines, in-theater, deployed, or in hospitals and medical centers overseas or stateside
- Providing casualty assistance to families of the fallen, escorting the fallen or remains, and/or participating in honor guards
- Being there to listen, to minister, and to support others struggling with the demons of being in a war zone
- Supporting at home for those down range can be nominated. Please do not feel your contribution to any conflict is minimal. If you have served in time of war or conflict you made a sacrifice.

And more....

Who is eligible for a QOV?

Any service member or living veteran who served in one of the following branches: Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard. Members of the activated National Guard and activated or active duty-special work (ADSW) reservists are included. The Army National Guard and Air Force National Guard are components of the Army and Air Force respectively. Merchant Marines were activated from 1941 to 1945. Additionally, anyone who serves at the Dover Mortuary Facility is eligible.

- •Served during declared war, conflicts, police actions, peacekeeping missions, and counter terrorism operations and/or times of peace.
- •Service during, but not necessarily limited to; WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Panama, Beirut, Granada, Bosnia, the Cold War, Desert Storm, Desert Shield, Iraq, Afghanistan, anti-terrorism operations, and terrorism attacks against Armed Forces personnel is included.
- •Only veterans with an Honorable or General Discharge status are eligible.
- •Note: QOVF does not award QOVs posthumously. The individual must be living.

If you want to nominate an individual, please go to https://www.qovf.org/nominations-awards

Before you nominate someone or yourself, please read the Frequently Asked Questions. This will help you to fill in the details. The organization that is giving QOV is Flying Needles Quilt Guild in Niceville.

When the form asks who QOV coordinator is put Barbara Ouellette from FNQG.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Pam Martin at <a href="mailto:pcmartin1@outlook.com">pcmartin1@outlook.com</a> or 850-376-8283

If you know of someone who is eligible, please forward.







# Poquito Bayou 2024 Semi-Annual Fall Community Garage Sale Saturday Nov 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and Sunday Nov 10<sup>th</sup> – 7 am-12 noon



Time again to gather your 'extra' stuff for the semi-annual sale!! Some folks thought it would be great to Sell MORE STUFF!! So, let's go again! Gather your stuff, price it and set it up for the yard sale junkies to come out and peruse!!!

Saturday Nov 9<sup>th</sup> will be the start up and instead of having a rain date, we will just advertise that the sale carries over into Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup>. This also acts as a rain date. 7 am to 12 noon is the time. PBCA will sponsor an ad in the NWF Daily News that will run Thursday, Friday and Saturday, ending Nov 9<sup>th</sup> to invite our neighbors to COME ON OUT and see us. Sharing the date with each other tends to draw a greater number of shoppers and pickers... Everyone Wins! YAY!

For Everyone in Poquito Bayou subdivision who wants to participate.... Fill out the Below Form and get it to Nance either drop it off at 16 Walnut, text me a photo of it, or email it to <a href="mailto:nance.wendel@era-american.com">nance.wendel@era-american.com</a> and bring me \$10 for the ad and balloon!! Cash or a check (Payable to PBCA)! Or go ONLINE to <a href="https://www.poquitobayou.com/events-1">https://www.poquitobayou.com/events-1</a>. If you drop it by the house, please let me know so I can be looking for it <a href="mailto:RETURN PLEASE BY Wednesday 11/6/24">RETURN PLEASE BY Wednesday 11/6/24</a>.

If you wish, fill out the PBCA Annual Membership form in this newsletter and include that additional \$20 with your payment to take care of both at once! I will get it to our Treasurer with all due haste.

Late Friday afternoon, I will deliver the Balloon for your mailbox and maps will be placed at the northeast corner HOLLY and POQUITO for the shoppers denoting the addresses of participating neighbors.

#### PBCA Garage Sale Coordinator: Nance Wendel, 16 Walnut 850-461-8537

	PBCA Garage Sale COUPON
Name:	Address:
Phone:	\$20 paid by Cash Check #
Summary of Items for Sale:	
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#### PRESS RELEASE

**CONTACT:** Dave Hensley, President of People Protecting Poquito Bayou, (850) 582-3780, mdhensley13@gmail.com

**SHALIMAR** – Contamination has been found in the soil where a housing development is proposed to be built, according to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

The land at 106 Sunset Lane in Poquito Bayou is the site of the former APAC Southeast asphalt plant. National homebuilder D.R. Horton has submitted plans to Okaloosa County to construct 139 homes on 40 acres of land. The plans for the subdivision, called Legendary Cove, are still under county review.

People Protecting Poquito Bayou, an LLC made up of concerned local citizens, requested information from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) about the site.

"There is ongoing environmental work being conducted at the former APAC Southeast site in Shalimar, including assessment by the site owner," reads a statement from the Florida DEP. "Discrete areas of soil contamination have been found at the site, and EPA will continue to oversee the site (along with DEP) until its CERCLA (Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act) status has been resolved. This resolution would be either through confirmed removal of the contamination or complete site screening, after which the site would likely be referred back to the DEP for remedial oversight and closure."

CERCLA is informally known as the Superfund program. The first stage, according to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) website (Superfund Cleanup Process | US EPA), "includes a review of historical information and visiting a site to evaluate the potential for a release of hazardous substances. The EPA determines if the site poses a threat to people and the environment and whether hazards need to be addressed immediately, or additional site information will be collected."

Members of People Protecting Poquito Bayou have been closely monitoring the site's proposed development since 2022. They have been instrumental in ensuring an assessment addresses the potential contamination, and that an accurate inventory of any threatened and/or endangered plant and animal species on the site are noted.

Stay up to date via their Facebook page: (8) PEOPLE PROTECTING POQUITO BAYOU! (PPPB) | Facebook

#### POQUITO BAYOU COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

#### Minutes of the October 7th, 2024 meeting

#### Leo Norred Park. Shalimar

Meeting called to order at 18:00 (by Sean Cramer)

Present: Sean Cramer, Whitney Cramer, Bob Davis, David Boyd, Pat Hollarn (phone), Tricia Flaherty, Pam Martin, Mary Ann Leone, Ken Leone, Michael Aid, and Tammy Aid.

Minutes of the September meeting had been distributed; motion to approve was made by Michael and seconded by Bob, minutes were approved.

<u>Old Business:</u> For the Veteran's Memorial, Ken Leone has a plan to add poles, and the board voted (motion by Michael, seconded by Pam) to authorize up to \$600 to purchase ten poles which can be cut into twenty. The Bylaws committee sent proposed changes to the Board and those changes will be presented to the General Membership at the annual meeting for approval and signature by the President. On behalf of the Abandoned Homes Committee, Pam will send to a County Commissioner the addresses of those homes that appear to be in violation of various ordnances.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Treasurer's report for September was presented by Tricia. Income was \$392.62 and expenses were \$259.99. Total funds are \$9,883.68 and available funds (not obligated) for budgeted items are \$6,836.12. The report was unanimously approved after a motion by Mike and second by Pam.

Membership: Membership increased by 5 in September.

BHEV: Bob reported that the CMSAF Binnicker run on 05 October was successful.

<u>Poquito Boat Ramp Park</u>: No current issues reported.

Street & Traffic Safety: There was no update.

Street Directors: There was no update.

<u>Park Update:</u> Damaged benches have been removed and a discussion was held on acquiring new tables. The Leo Norred park sign is rapidly deteriorating and new sign ideas were discussed. Sean will pursue getting some additional quotes. The sign may be placed separate from the Veterans Monument.

Events: The General Membership meeting will be Saturday, 26 October at 1600 in Leo Norred Park, with light refreshments, prior to Trunk or Treat at 1700, organized by Felicia Murphy. The Board approved \$75 for refreshments which Mary Ann will create. The Veterans Day Ceremony will be held on 11 November at Leo Norred Park. The Honorable Judge Patt Maney will be guest speaker. Michael will be the MC. David and Don will read the names. Jeff will be asked to provide the podium and music (National Anthem). Pam is organizing the Quilt of Valor ceremony. The semiannual Garage Sale will be held 09-10 November. Friendsgiving will be held in November and PBCA will provide turkeys and water.

<u>Announcements</u>: Newsletter articles for next newsletter due to Tammi Aid by 12 October. Next PBCA board meeting scheduled 1800 on Monday, November 4th at the Wendell home, 16 Walnut.

Meeting adjourned at 18:48 pm.

David Boyd Recording Secretary

# POQUITO BAYOU FINANCIAL SEPTEMBER STATEMENT

**Balance Forward from August 31, 2024** 

\$9,751.05

	Septem-	Year to	
	2024	2024	
Income			
Membership Dues	\$257.62	\$2,547.50	
Donations	\$105.00	\$793.17	
Veteran's Memorial	\$0.00	\$280.00	
Halloween Event/Fall Festival	\$30.00	\$30.00	
Easter Event Income	\$0.00	\$144.00	
Annual Meeting Bake Sale/Raffle	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Annual Meeting Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Crawfish & Shrimp Boil	\$0.00	\$1,153.21	
New Sign Fundraiser	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Advertising	\$0.00	\$220.00	
Donut Fundraiser	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$187.48	
Total Income	\$392.62	\$5,355.36	
Expenses			
Gulf Power	\$48.53	\$462.48	
Bank Service Fee	\$0.00	\$12.00	
Postage/P.O. Box	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Veteran's Memorial	\$0.00	\$172.14	
Garage Sale	\$0.00	\$92.36	
Annual Membership Meeting	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Childrens Christmas Party	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Friendsgiving Event	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Annual State Registration	\$0.00	\$61.25	
Website Expense	\$0.00	\$192.00	
Crawfish & Shrimp Boil	\$0.00	\$579.42	
Easter Event	\$0.00	\$225.68	
Candidates Night	\$211.46	\$365.27	
Halloween/Fall Festival Event	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Project/Repairs	\$0.00	\$163.83	
Membership Mail Out	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Leo Norred Mowing	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total Expenses	\$259.99	\$2,326.43	
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Regions Bank Reconciled Balance September 30, 2024			\$4,224.57
Venmo Balance as of 09/30/2024			\$3,932.97
Paypal Balance as of 09/30/2024			\$1,726.14
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President Vice President	Sean Cramer (Whitney)  Michael Aid (Tammi)	20 Poplar Ave 37 Hickory Ave	850-259-9034 334-379-2901	<u>cramedog97@gmail.com</u> michael.aid@outlook.com	updated 03/06/2023 Updated 12/31/2022	
2nd VP	Felicia Murphy (Matt)	16 Birch Ave	850-698-3686	feliciamurphy0319@gmail.com	Updated 12/31/2022	
Recording Sec	David Boyd (Sabrina)	3A Poquito Rd.	904-236-4712	s2d2Boyd@yahoo.com	Updated 02/26/2023	
Corresponding Sec	Pat Hollarn	139 Poquito Road	850-585-7768	integrityunlimited@cox.net	Updated 02/26/2023	
Treasurer	Tricia Bryant Flaherty (Bud)	68 Poquito Road	850-585-8334	tblm81@aol.com	Opacica 02, 20, 2023	
Past President						
		STREET DIRECTOR	S			
Birch	Felicia Murphy (Matt)	16 Birch Ave	850-698-3686	feliciamurphy0319@gmail.com		
Hickory	Tammi Aid (Mike)	37 Hickory Ave	703-789-3596	tamsaid@outlook.com		
Holly	Whitney Cramer (Sean)	20 Poplar Ave	850-830-8582	Whitneybcramer@gmail.com	Updated 05/18/2023	
Japonica	Felicia Murphy (Matt)	16 Birch Ave	850-698-3686	feliciamurphy0319@gmail.com	Updated 05/18/2023	
Magnolia	Allison Alley	18 Poplar Ave	850-499-8452	alstory1823@gmail.com	Updated 05/18/2023	
Maple	Cindy Henry (Richard)	9 Maple	850-803-3841	dianne4016@aol.com		
Poplar					Updated 02/14/2024	
1-51 Poquito	Mary Ann Leone (Ken)	30 Poquito Road	850-543-7054	maleone@cox.net	Updated 02/26/2023	
52-94 Poquito	Tricia Bryant Flaherty (Bud)	68 Poquito Road	850-585-8334	tblm81@aol.com		
95-149 Poquito	Ralph Johnson	147 Poquito Road	850-651-7906	dirajo147@yahoo.com		
Walnut	Nance Wendel (Rick)	16 Walnut Ave	(850) 461-8537	nanceadw@cox.net	Updated 1/29/2021	
	ACTION	COMMITTEE CHAIR	R PERSONS			
Event Director 1	Felicia Murphy (Matt)	16 Birch Ave	850-698-3686	pbcaeventdirectors@gmail.com	Updated 05/18/2023	
Event Director 2	Whitney Cramer (Sean)	20 Poplar	850-830-8582	pbcaeventdirectors@gmail.com	Update 05/18-2023	
PT Editor	Tammi Aid (Michael)	37 Poquito Road	(703)789-3596	tamsaid@outlook.com		
CERT	Cara Teeter	12 Hillcrest	(804)413-1778	poquitobayoucert@gmail.com		
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	Davi Todd (Richard)	35 Maple Ave	(325 )864-9245			
Email	, ,	<u>'</u>	,	<u>djtodd86@gmail.com</u>		
Emergency Action	Don Kreis (Vicki)	27 Magnolia	850-240-0544	donkreis@cox.net	updated 01/19/2024	
Flag		27 Magnolia				
Garage Sale	Nance Wendel (Rick)	16 Walnut Ave	(850) 461-8537	nanceadw@cox.net	Updated 1/29/2021	
	Matt Murphy (Felicia)	16 Birch Ave	(850) 525-3717	murphysoutdoorserv-	Undated 5/2/2021	
Leo Norred Park	iviatt iviurphly (relicia)	10 BIICH AVE	(830) 323-3717	indipilysoutdoorserv-	Updated 5/3/2021	
	Pam Martin	17 Magnolia Ave	(850) 376-8283	Pcmartin1@outlook.com		
PBCA Membership			,			
PBCA Sign	Tricia Bryant Flaherty (Bud)	68 Poquito Road	(850) 585-8334	tblm81@aol.com		
Poquito Boat Ramp						
PT Advertising						
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Street Maintenance	Bob Davis (Sally)	34 Poquito Road	(850) 651-3034	bobbyz55x@gmail.com		
Vet Mem. Plaques	Ken Leone	30 Poquito Road	850-543-7054	maleone@cox.net		
Candidate Night		34 Poquito Road	(850) 651-3034	bobbyz55x@gmail.com		
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Yard of MO 1	Pam Martin	17 Magnolia Ave	(850) 376-8283	Pcmartin1@outlook.com		
Poquito Website	Crystal Mayes	25 Hickory Ave	618-530-4541	-	Updated 4/6/2021	
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Welcome	Cindy Henry (Richard)	9 Maple	(850) 803-3841	dianne4016@aol.com		
XMAS Décor Com 1	Tricia Bryant Flaherty (Bud)	68 Poquito Road	(850) 585-8334	tblm81@aol.com		
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XMAS Décor Com 2	Nance Wendel (Rick)	16 Walnut Ave	(850) 461-8537	nanceadw@cox.net		



## October

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MON - FRI 11AM-1PM



CATERING AND SPECIALTY CUISINE

30 HOLLY AVE. SHALIMAR, FL 32579 (850) 376-1916 CALL FOR AFEV CAMPUS DELIVERY

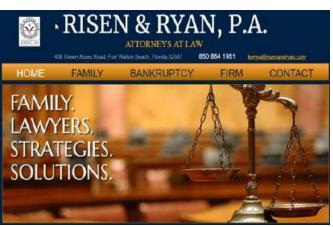
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	2)	CHICKEN QUESADILLA & guacamole salad	LASAGNA, garlic bread & salad	OPEN FACED TURKEY SANDWICH, mashed potatoes & veg	COCONUT SHRIMP, fries & coleslaw	5
6	CHICKEN FINGERS, tater tots & coleslaw	COLD SALAD PLATE (tuna, chicken, egg)	POT ROAST, potatoes & carrots	FRIED CHICKEN, mac-n-cheese & vegetable	CHEESE RAVIOLI, bread & side salad	32
13	BOURBON CHICKEN, rice & vegetable	BEEF BURRITO, rice & beans	SCALLOPED POTATOES with HAM & vegetable	CHICKEN PICCATA, orzo pasta & vegetable	COOKOUT grilled burgers & dogs (no regular menu)	19
20	CHICKEN FRIED STEAK, mashed potatoes & vegetable	SHEPHERD'S PIE & side salad	CHICKEN BROCCOLI ALFREDO & side salad	BEEF GOULASH & side salad	SHRIMP ETOUFFEE, rice & fried okra	26
27	STUFFED PEPPERS mashed potatoes & salad	CORNELL BBQ CHICKEN, beans & potato salad	MEATLOAF, mashed potatoes & veg	CHICKEN PARMESAN, spaghetti & salad		









Chef Carrie Knife

#### **ADVERTISING IN THE POQUITO TIMES- FOR THE COMING YEAR**

PBCA MEMBER: \$50 YEARLY FOR BUSINESS CARD SIZE. \$100 YEARLY FOR DOUBLE THE SIZE.

NON-MEMBERS: \$70 OR \$120 DEPENDING ON THE SIZE.

PLEASE DROP OFF PAYMENTS MADE TO PBCA, AT 68 POQUITO ROAD, ALONG WITH A BUSINESS CARD.