



ORANGE BLOSSOM GARDENS

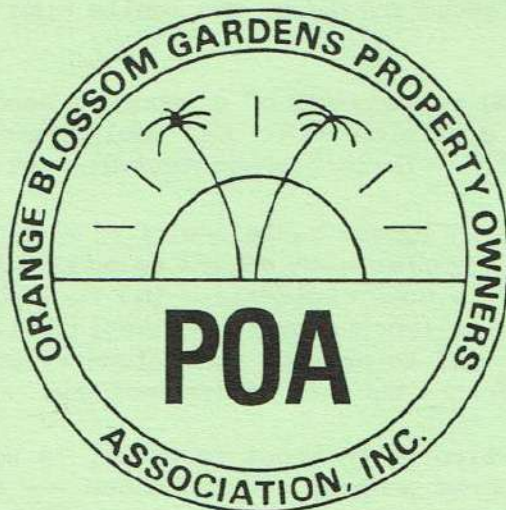
PROPERTY OWNERS'
ASSOCIATION, INC.

THERE ARE NO STRANGERS HERE ONLY FRIENDS WE HAVEN'T MET.

BULLETIN

NOVEMBER 1988

ORGANIZED 1975



A MEMBER OF THE FEDERATION OF
MOBILE HOME OWNERS OF FLORIDA, INC.

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TO: ALL NEW RESIDENTS, WELCOME!

We think you will find Orange Blossom Gardens is the best possible place to live in all of Florida!

In addition to becoming a neighbor and friend, we hope you will soon join the ranks of the membership of the **ORANGE BLOSSOM GARDENS PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.** Our membership as of September 17, 1988 numbers 2,012 and is growing steadily!

We are a duly-chartered, non-profit organization incorporated on November 20, 1975, with the following objectives:

(1) to preserve the mobile home subdivision lifestyle we have chosen; (2) to assist the developer, whenever and wherever possible, in establishing a community that will benefit both the developer and the residents; and (3) to protect the rights and privileges granted us by Florida Statutes under the provisions of **Chapter 723, THE MOBILE HOME ACT.**

Our association is a member of the **FMO** (the Federation of Mobile Home Owners of Florida, Inc.), which is a 25-year-old statewide non-profit organization dedicated solely to the mobile home population.

The **FMO** is composed of a group of nearly a quarter of a million individual mobile home owners like yourself. Their representatives work:

(a) to influence decisions of city and county government agencies with regard to proposals affecting mobile home residents; (b) to lobby in Tallahassee to improve statewide legislative programs; and (c) to provide special services and programs for the benefit of its members.

Of particular interest to us all is their special program whereby - - if needed - - our association can apply for financial and legal

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ORANGE BLOSSOM GARDENS
PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

OFFICERS:

President	ARTHUR W. SMITH	753-3586
Vice-President	EVA HAWKINS	753-4838
Treasurer	ROBERT HASEL	753-3162
Secretaries:		
Recording	MARIE NEAL	753-1862
Corresponding	RITA CHAPMAN	753-0074

LIAISON COMMITTEE:

Unit 1	ARNOLD TREMPER	753-3681
Unit 2	KITTY MANN	753-0174
Unit 3	GLEN SWINDLER	753-4635
Unit 4	SILVIO GRANDE	753-1581
Unit 5	CALVIN SODEN	753-2674
Unit 6	BILL PODVIN	753-1267
Unit 7	WILLIAM RENTZ	753-2424
Unit 8	DOROTHY D. SMITH	753-2054
Unit 9	DALLAS BEAMAN	753-5373
Unit 10	GEORGE LOUNSBURY	753-7221
Unit 11	(volunteer needed)	
Unit 12	LEO SCHLATER	753-1536
Unit 13	(not completed)	

Sergeant-at-Arms	DAN MCGRAW	753-2284
Chaplain	ARTHUR J. ZAHN	753-2951

Standing Committees

Blood Bank	CAROL ETHERTON	753-1859
Sunshine	RUTH VLAUN	753-3083

(Report sickness or hospitalizations to Mrs. Vlaun.)

Editor	JEAN TUTTLE	753-3610
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NOVEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER

- 3 - P.O.A. Executive Board Meeting
- 7 - Blood Mobile
- 8 - General Election
- 8 - P.O.A. Annual Meeting
- 11 - Veteran's Day
- 24 - Thanksgiving Day

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BLOOD MOBILE

The Blood Mobile from the Leesburg Blood Bank will be at the O.B.G. Recreation Club House on November 7th between 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon.

As mentioned in the October Bulletin, credit is given for the donations from O.B.G. residents and is available to residents and employees when needed.

If you are able to do so, please plan to donate to this worthwhile cause.

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P.O.A. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The executive board will meet at the home of P.O.A. President Arthur W. Smith at 215 Maple on Thursday, November 3rd at 10:00 a.m.

All officers and liaison committee members are requested to attend.

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"No duty is more urgent than that of returning thanks."

- St. Ambrose

P.O.A. MEETING PLACE CHANGED

Orange Blossom Gardens Management and the Recreation Department have jointly decreed that all non-profit organizations and clubs will meet under **THE BIG TOP** rather than in the Club House, effective in October. Word was not received in ample time to place in the October Bulletin.

IF there is an advantage to this change, it is the fact it will no longer be necessary to change meeting dates when they fall on election days.

Therefore, the **annual meeting** of the P.O.A. will be held under **The Big Top** on **November 8th** at **7:30 p.m.**

As you know, the annual meeting is devoted to the nomination and election of officers.

Since only members may attend this meeting, names will be checked against the membership roster.

Following the business of electing officers, Mrs. Florence Hunter, area Silver Haired Legislator, will appear to relate details concerning the **People's law school** being conducted at the Lake-Sumter Community College.

Several sessions have been planned and the next session is scheduled to begin in January. It is an eight-week course which costs only \$2.00 for the entire session.

The sessions are held in the Fine Arts Building from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Judges, Public Defenders and Prosecuting Attorneys are invited speakers and a question and answer period is a part of the agenda.

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"If you can't be thankful for what you have received, be thankful for what you have escaped."

(Author Unknown)

OCTOBER 11th MEETING

Those in attendance at "The Big Top" endured the cold, highway noise, too-distant restroom facilities, and insufficient seating to hear the remarks of State Senator Richard Langley and State Representative Everett Kelly. They also engaged in a question and answer session with Mrs. Nora Hill, P.O.A. legal representative.

Both legislators pledged their continued efforts to improve existing legislation to further benefit the mobile home owner who owns (rather than rents) his lot.

Mrs. Hill explained the provisions of **Chapter 723** as they apply to property owners' associations.

She pointed out the P.O.A. was incorporated in 1975 while Chapter 723 (**The Mobile Home Act**) was not enacted until 1984. This means the Articles of Incorporation need to be amended before the rights and privileges granted by statute can be implemented.

Therefore, it is imperative that two-thirds of P.O.A. household membership units sign the "consent to membership" form (which has been circulating for the past several months) in order to amend its Articles of Incorporation.

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With the above in mind, wouldn't it be foolish not to take advantage of statutory provisions which protect our interests?

If you have not already signed the consent form, please contact the liaison committee member of your unit, or any officer, and he/she will be glad to bring the form to you.

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If only everyone else involved would do his share, then my not doing my share would have no significant effect on the outcome."

- George Principle ("Let George Do It")

PLEASE DISREGARD INFORMATION CONTAINED ELSE-
WHERE IN THIS BULLETIN REGARDING:

1) the MEETING PLACE for the November annual meeting of the P.O.A.; and

2) the DATE of the annual meeting.

Representatives of the P.O.A. and management met together to reconsider the matter of moving the P.O.A. monthly meetings to The Big Tent.

We are pleased to report the matter has been resolved satisfactorily; and we want to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to management for their cooperation in allowing us to continue holding meetings in the Recreation Club House.

Since the November bulletin already had been printed, we are inserting this page to correct information appearing on pages two and three and on the inside of the back cover.

The following corrects information contained on these pages:

The **MEETING PLACE** will be the Recreation Club House.

Due to the General Election on November 8th, the **MEETING DATE** necessarily is changed to the 15th.

(The information contained on the inside of the back cover will be changed in the December bulletin.)

TO ALL RESIDENTS:

Two matters have been called to our attention.

1) There are a number of people residing in Orange Blossom Gardens who do not own or drive an automobile.

Some residents are within walking distance of La Plaza Grande, the bank and the medical offices. Some residents utilize the O.B.G. bus service for their shopping needs. Still others must rely on friends or neighbors to transport them to other services or shopping areas.

The latter raises the question of liability on the part of the insured - - - the automobile owner.

Our attorney recommends auto owners read their insurance policies carefully, particularly with regard to "entrance and exit of vehicle" and for exclusion of "use for hire."

It is possible a simple reimbursement of the driver's expenses by the passenger would be permissible and still be within the realm of the definition of "guest."

If you are in doubt about your insurance coverage, it would be advisable for you to ask your agent to interpret your provisions.

Car owners: don't take chances.

Passengers: don't take advantage.

Automobile ownership and maintenance are a considerable expense - - especially to persons on a fixed income!

2) We have been informed there are a few residents with handicapped tags who utilize handicapped spaces when the handicapped person is not a passenger.

We have checked into the legalities of this practice and are told, while it is not illegal to do so, it is certainly unethical and a handicapped driver/passenger who needs this space would be deprived of its use.

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JUST FOR TODAY

I will live the next 12 hours and not tackle my whole life problems all at once.

I will improve my mind, learn something useful, read something that requires effort, thought and concentration.

I will be agreeable. I will look my best, speak in a well-modulated voice, be courteous and considerate.

I will not find fault with friend, relative or colleague. I will not try to change or improve anyone but myself.

I will have a program. I might not follow it exactly, but I will have it. I will save myself from two enemies: hurry and indecision.

I will exercise my character by doing a good turn and keep it a secret. If anyone finds out, it won't count.

I will do two things I don't want to do, just for the exercise.

I will be unafraid, especially I will be unafraid to enjoy what is beautiful and believe that as I give to the world, the world will give to me.

I will because that's what God has given us to work with and enjoy.

SWEET POTATO SOUFFLE

1 No. 2 can of sweet potatoes
(or two cups mashed)

$\frac{1}{2}$ stick margarine

2 eggs

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup sweet milk

Mix well and place in 9" pie plate which has been greased with butter.

Topping:

$\frac{1}{2}$ stick melted butter

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup light brown sugar

1 cup chopped nuts

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup self-rising flour

Add sugar to melted butter and stir well. Add chopped nuts. Add flour last.

Mix well and drop over top of potatoes.

Bake 40 minutes at 350 degrees.

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"A man who has committed a mistake and doesn't correct it is committing a second mistake."

- Confucius

RECIPES FOR THANKSGIVING

Cranberry Sherbert

- 2 12-ounce packages of cranberries
- 2½ cups water
- 2½ cups sugar

Cook and run through sieve.

Dissolve 1½ envelopes of Knox unflavored gelatin in a little cold water. (Add a little of the hot mixture to the dissolved gelatin and stir before pouring into cranberry mixture. It should keep it from clumping.)

Add gelatin to hot mixture. When cooled, add 1½ pints of ginger ale (or 7-Up, or Sprite), skim "froth" and pour into container(s) for freezer.

Note: Can be served as dessert or on a bed of lettuce (topped with a teaspoon of mayonnaise) as a salad.

Pumpkin Pie Cake

- 4 eggs - slightly beaten
- 1 can pumpkin
- 1½ cups sugar
- 2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 can Milnot

Mix above ingredients as listed. Pour into a 9 x 13 cake pan.

Sprinkle one box of yellow cake mix over mixture. Melt two sticks of margarine and pour over cake mix. Sprinkle one cup chopped pecans over top.

Bake at 350 degrees for one hour or until knife comes out clean.

Serve with Cool Whip.

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P.O.A. INSTALLATION DINNER-DANCE

The P.O.A. Installation of Officers Dinner-Dance will be held on January 10, 1989 in the O.B.G. Club House from 6:00 p.m. til ____.

Tickets will go on sale November 1st and will be available by calling Eva Hawkins, Vice-President (753-4838).

You will also be able to purchase tickets at the November 8th annual meeting.

Admission will be \$8.50 per person. Only 300 tickets will be sold so you will want to buy your tickets as early as possible.

If you wish, B.Y.O.B. is permissible.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

How would you like to meet new friends and neighbors, get some exercise, and render a service at the same time?

You can do just that if you will volunteer to deliver the P.O.A. bulletins. Just a few hours each month and your assistance is much appreciated.

Please contact Earle Snider at 753-2190.

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LEESBURG HUMANE SOCIETY

The L.H.S. - - one of the few "no-kill" societies in the country - - is deeply appreciative of the donations from O.B.G. residents. Please continue to keep us in mind when you have saleable items for our bargain store. Contact our shelter 787-4422 or Jean Tuttle 753-3610.

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DEAR P.O.A. MEMBER:

It's that time of year! Since we have converted to a calendar year basis for dues, your membership will expire on December 31st.

We have devised what we hope will be a convenient way for you to renew your membership.

Just complete the form on the outside of the back cover of this bulletin and enclose it, together with your check (or cash) in amount of \$6.00, and mail it in the self-addressed envelope provided.

A membership card will be issued upon receipt of your payment.

You may, if you prefer, hand your completed form and payment to any P.O.A. officer. We will also make arrangements to accept renewals at the December and January monthly meetings.

With thanks for your past support and hope for your continued support, I am

Sincerely yours,

Arthur W. Smith
ARTHUR W. SMITH
President

NOTE TO NEW RESIDENTS:

We invite you to join our association and you may utilize any of the methods outlined above for doing so.

We think you will find membership worthwhile and informative.

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"Stand still and watch the world go by - - -
and it will!"

(Construction Digest)

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NEW MEMBERS

The following residents have joined the Orange Blossom Gardens Property Owners' Association, Inc. between September 18th and October 10th.

<u>Names</u>	<u>Unit</u>
M/M Julio Avvenire	11
Ms. Ruth Bennett	12
M/M Maurice Black	9
M/M William Brown	5
Mr. Manuel Cardoza	6
M/M Leonard Ceglie	12
M/M Michael Ceponis	12
M/M R. Clark	7
M/M Felipe Cubas	6
M/M Donald Cushing	9
Mr. Edward Duhamel	3
M/M Mayland Furrow	8
M/M Edward Gwozdz	12
M/M Raymond Haack	9
M/M Rex Kalins	5
M/M Henry Krell	8
M/M John MacFarlane	2
M/M Paul Marzullo	5
Ms. Irma McKinzie	8
M/M Norman Moshiek	8
M/M Howard Paisley	11
M/M William Povallo	9
M/M Norman Rostrow	7
M/M Edward Regneir	7
M/M Wilmer Samples	4
M/M Paul Tate	9
Ms. Prudence Tedder	3
M/M John Thomas	7
Mr. William Thomas	3
M/M Jim VanHoose	12
M/M L. Volpicelli	9
M/M Donald Wickline	9

This brings the total number of P.O.A. members to date to 2,137.

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TO: ALL NEW RESIDENTS - continued.

assistance in the event of disputes with the developer resulting from violation of our statutory rights.

With the combined efforts of our association and the developer (management), residents and management will derive mutual benefit in our community's continual development.

MEMBERSHIP in the property owners' association (P.O.A.) IS OPEN TO ALL O.B.G. property owners who wish to join.

Information regarding **membership dues** can be found on the outside back cover, together with the membership form.

P.O.A. MEETINGS are open to all residents except the annual meeting in **November** when the officers are nominated and elected by members.

MEETINGS are scheduled for **7:30 p.m.** on the second Tuesday of each month from September through May.

Beginning in October 1988, meetings will be held under "THE BIG TOP" at La Plaza Grande.

Every attempt is made to obtain speakers who will present topics of interest to the membership following the business portion of the meeting. Speakers are announced in advance whenever possible.

A social hour is held following the meeting and refreshments are available.

We hope to meet you at our next regularly scheduled meeting.

We invite you to come and meet your new friends and neighbors!

Arthur W. Smith
ARTHUR W. SMITH
President

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P.O.A. MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

All property owners are cordially invited to join the **Orange Blossom Gardens Property Owners' Association, Inc.**

Membership dues are **only \$6.00** per calendar year for each **household**.

Dues to **new members** who join during the year will be pro-rated at **50¢ per month**. All renewals will be due **January 1st** of each year thereafter.

Please send a check or cash to:

ROBERT HASEL, TREASURER
7-859 Ann Avenue
Lady Lake, FL 32659

Remittance can also be made to any officer listed in the bulletin.

Please complete the following form and include it with your payment.

MEMBERSHIP FORM
(please print)

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Telephone: 753 _____ Unit Number _____

I (or we) hereby consent to membership in the Orange Blossom Gardens Property Owners' Association, Inc.

_____ New

_____ Renewal

Signature(s)