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MESSAGE FROM P.O.A. PRESIDENT EVA HAWKINS

On March 1st, Judge Auls of the 5th District Court accepted the Orange Blossom Gardens Property Owners' Association as the legal representative for the settlement agreement between Orange Blossom Hills and the residents of Units 1-13.

Orange Blossom Hills, Inc., on March 14th will send to all residents in Units 1-13 a notice setting forth the basic terms of the agreement which management entered into with the POA on behalf of all of the residents in those units.

We, the Property Owners' Association, and Management are recommending that you approve the settlement agreement. The good news is that you do not have to do anything, if you approve you will automatically be included if you do nothing.

If you choose not to become a class member the notice will contain your obligations to be excluded. There will be a 10 day period to notify our attorney that you wish to be excluded.

If there is any problem in your mind as to your eligibility for any of the benefits we won in this agreement, please do not hesitate to call me and I will do my best to clarify the problem.

We feel that our cause was just and we have been most successful. Perhaps if we had continued instead of resolving the suit at mediation level we might have been even more successful, but that would entail lengthy, expensive court action.

Since the settlement agreement has been published in the "Sun" (February 7, 1991) there is no purpose in reviewing it in its entirety. I do, however, want to clarify that section having to do with the use of the Recreation Hall.

The POA stand has been that the Hall should not be rented out by Management as a profit-making operation to the detriment of our residents. The POA found, that increasingly, residents organizations were denied access for meetings and forced to go outside the Park because Management had rented out the Hall. Also, in their zeal to generate income, Management last year tried to charge groups like AARP whose representatives wanted to set up tables in a limited space to help residents file their income taxes. AARP set up tables at Barnett Bank and Town Hall (no rent charged).

We have no problem with Management occasionally donating the use of the Hall for charitable purposes as long as it is something the residents

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appear to want, and Management knows this because it came up in our discussions. A prime example would be the benefit Mathew Brody proposed to assist in paying expenses incurred in Scott Marflake's tragic accident.

The POA stand was directed against the rental of the Hall; now that this has ceased, as agreed by management except for prior commitments, most of our resident groups have moved back in and the Hall will be used more fully by and for the residents who, in fact, pay for its maintenance.

In another part of the settlement Management has agreed to refund the 1991 trail fees for the Executive courses to those persons eligible under the terms of the agreement. After the agreement is finalized you will be notified how to seek your refund. In addition, Orange Blossom Hills has agreed to pay to the Property Owners' Association attorney's fees and taxable costs we incurred in connection with our law suit up to \$20,000. When we have been reimbursed we will be sending refunds to those persons who contributed to the POA Legal

The loyalty and support of those who contributed made possible this victory for all the residents.

You have my and the Board's heartfelt thanks.

EVA M. HAWKINS PRESIDENT

FEBRUARY MEETING

Our thanks to Rosemarie Dunn, a resident of the Gardens for her informative talk on Alzheimer's Disease.

Rosemarie suggested that all
"caregivers" read the book
"36 Hours" and that joining a
support group was extremely helpful to her personally.

For further information regarding support groups, you can contact her at 753-0863.

THANK YOU ROSEMARTE!!

OBG/POA BLOOD BANK DRIVE

Our next Blood Drive will be Monday, April 1st. Please call for your appointment as soon as possible. We will be able to accommodate many more people because we will have two vans available. This should eliminate waiting and enable all who want to donate to be able to do so.

Since two vans have been requested, we trust the response will be sufficient to warrant them.

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The POA Board regretfully accepted the resignation of Jean Tuttle. Jean was elected as a Director for a three year term in November of 1989. Our members may know her better as the former Editor of our Bulletin, a job she fulfilled admirably. Jean also chaired the By-Laws Committee and was an original member of the Management/POA Negotiating Committee. Jean has resigned from the Board but we know we can count on her to remain active in the Association.

WELCOME ABOARD PAT!!!

The Board is happy to announce that Pat Carter has accepted an interim appointment as Director. This position will be filled by election next November.

Pat has been an OBG Property owner since 1988 and active in the POA since arriving here from Rochester, New York where she taught at Rochester Institute of Technology. Her most recent appointment within the POA has been to chair the Documentation Committee, a committee set up to gather evidence for use in our class action suit.

RAFFLE

One of our members has created a beautiful handcrafted quilt.

It is the shoo-fly pattern.

Tickets will be available at the March meeting. Drawing will be held during the POA Dance in April.

APRIL B.Y.O.B ANNUAL DANCE

Our annual dance will be Wednesday, April 10th, from 7:30 P.M. 'til 10:30 P.M. in the OBG Recreation Hall.

Entertainment will be provided by the Johnny & Sue Great Dance Band. Many door prizes. Drawing for handcrafted quilt will take place during the dance.

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Membership in the OBG-POA is open to all property owners in Units 1-13 regardless of style of home. We pride ourselves on being a truly independent voice dedicated to the protection of the interests of the property owner. Feel free to attend a meeting or to contact your liaison officer.

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR LIAISION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

GLENN SWINDLER, 810 Rose Apple is the UNIT THREE Liaison Committee Member.

Glenn and his wife, Helen, have been residents of OBG for over ten years.

Glenn is a past three term President of the POA and has been a liaison member for his unit for many years.

He is retired from the Research and Engineering Division of Ford Motor Company. Glenn is a Veteran of the Armed Services having served in the European Theater for three and a half years during World War II.

He is very involved with the Care Ministry at the Chapel of All Faiths Church; an active member of the Florida Mobile Home Owners' Association; and a lifetime member of the D.A.V.

Glenn and Helen have been married for thirty-eight years. They enjoy bowling in the Senior Pinshakers League.

ELECTION TIME NEARS

It is not too soon to be thinking of the 1991 election of officers. There will be four (4) openings for the position of Director. Three for three years and one for one year.

Marvin Jackson is Chairman of this Committee. If you have an interest in serving, please call MARVIN at 753-7874.

If we all take up our share of the work that is necessary to effectively operate an organization such as ours, the load becomes more manageable. We cannot let a few people constantly bear the burden for the rest of us.

We welcome you to join us and serve!

MARCH MEETING

We are pleased to have as our Guest Speaker, Lady Lake's Town Manager, JOHN LYNCH.

Come to the March Membership Meeting and meet your new Town Manager!!!

MARCH DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, March 7th - 9:00 A.M.

Liaison Committee Meeting Lady Lake Community Bldg.

Wednesday, March 13th - 7:30 P.M.

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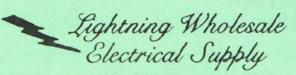
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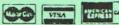


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