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#### MESSAGE FROM P.O.A. PRESIDENT EVA M. HAWKINS

Time does fly when you are busy even when it isn't all fun. We have had a busy year thus far. Early in the year we brought to your attention the gray pipe problem and offered assistance in getting an equitable solution. The majority of homes with two or more leaks have been replumbed and I don't think it will be too long before those persons who have had one leak are contacted. It was gratifying to have been able to help all of our residents in resolving this problem. I received calls from POA members and non-members and even assisted several people from the other side of the highway because that's what the POA is all about, helping and protecting our residents.

We also successfully concluded our Contempt of the Court Order action against Management. That success cost us close to \$4,000.00 and wiped out our legal defense fund. You recall that was money that was left from our original contributions for our Court fight. One newspaper article cited the fact that only twenty-two (22) people were involved in the decision. I'm not too sure if that is an accurate number but it wasn't a matter of numbers, it was a matter of correcting an injustice. I'm sure that the beneficiaries of the judgment are grateful and we are truly sorry for all the others who we felt should be included but who did not fall within the scope of the decision.

In January I stated that we would be working on increasing our membership and we have been successful. I personally do not understand why every resident in Units 1 through 13 is not a member of the POA. I guess there are people who just take advantage of the work and protection our organization provides without giving the organization any support. I do not think our organization is alone in this although it is a shame. As you can see, we have accomplished a lot this year and now can turn all of our efforts toward wording and getting passed legislation making developers throughout Florida accountable for the amenity fees they collect. We have discussed this with other parks and representatives of FMO who represent over 250,000 residents of mobile home parks, condos, resident owned communities and subdivisions. This is a huge undertaking and will need all of us working if we are going to be successful. We will be distributing more information on this in the near future.

I want to thank all of you for your kind words when I announced that I would be moving next year. I look forward to being extremely active until the day I leave. With the number of houses that are for sale who knows when that will be, you will probably have me around for longer than you want. I am grateful that you honored me by nominating me to run for another term as President.

Eva M. Hawkins

President

### MEET YOUR CANDIDATES

#### EVA HAWKINS - FOR PRESIDENT

EVA was with the Schenectady, New York Police Department for twenty-two (22) years. EVA is currently President of the POA and was instrumental in getting many of our privileges restored.

#### WILLIAM RICH - FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

BILL has owned his home in OBG since 1988, and is a long time member of the POA. He is on the Legislative Committee and is in charge of the 50/50.

#### LENORA (PUNKY) RADECH - FOR SECRETARY

"PUNKY" has lived in OBG for eight years and has assisted in various activities, exercise, Ladies Silver Lake Golf League. "PUNKY" worked for Jewel Corporation.

#### MARIE ARMADING - FOR TREASURER

Before moving to OBG in January, 1991, MARIE lived in The Colony, Texas. She worked as a Special Events Hostess and on a local golf course. MARIE worked at the Citizens National Bank as a part-time Teller.

#### FRANK BALLACHINO - FOR BOARD MEMBER

FRANK, an eight year resident in OBG, comes from Cincinnati, Ohio. He was a Business Representative for the United Food and Commercial Workers Union. FRANK has been a member of the POA since his arrival and was active on the picket line during the 1991 POA's dispute with Management.

#### PATRICIA CARTER - FOR BOARD MEMBER

PAT is originally from Niskayuna, New York before coming to OBG in 1989. She spent the last fifteen (15) years in Rochester, New York as Professor of Criminal Justice at RIT. PAT has been active on POA Committees, as a Board Member and as Secretary for the current year.

#### LEE PONDER - FOR BOARD MEMBER

LEE had a thirty-two (32) year career with the Florida Department of Labor. The last twelve (12) he was Assistant Director for Unemployment Insurance. LEE still does consulting for employers in hearings before the Department of Labor.

#### DOROTHY MOREHOUSE - FOR BOARD MEMBER

DOROTHY hails from Rockland, Massachusetts and has been a Bookkeeper all her working life. The last ten (10) years before coming to Orange Blossom Gardens, for a super market chain. DOT is a seven year resident and is currently Treasurer of the POA.

#### SADIE WOOLLARD - FOR BOARD MEMBER

SADIE moved to OBG in 1989 after living in Orlando for over twenty years and working at Orange County Veterans' Services. She has been a member of the POA since her arrival, has attended POA and Town Meetings regularly. SADIE has been a Bulletin carrier and currently is Chairperson for the Liaison Committee.

#### THANK YOU!!

A BIG THANK YOU to all the volunteers from both sides of the highway who delivered the POA Position Paper on the "Straw" vote. We trust it was useful in providing you additional information to help you make an informed decision!!

#### GUEST SPEAKER - ANDREA BRUNO

ANDREA BRUNO is the Early Intervention Program Director for A.R.C. (Association for Retarded Citizens). This program serves infants and toddlers up to three (3) years of age with developmental delays and disabilities. Prematurity, seizure disorder, genetic imbalance and drug exposure are among the causes of these problems. Ms. Bruno will have a short slide presentation. This Division of A.R.C. will be the beneficiary of our Christmas donation. There is a need for sturdy play equipment.

#### BLOOD BANK DRIVE - ANOTHER SUCCESS!!

Eighty-nine (89) people came to the October 18th Blood Donor Drive. Once again, we thank them and all of our volunteers. Mark your calendar for MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 1994, our next Blood Drive with Civitan Regional to serve Shands and the Northern Region Hospitals. Call Dorothy Hoerst - Chairperson - 753-9021 for appointment. Walk-ins always welcome!!

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For further information call Myrna Merron, President - 753-3183 or Ceceilia Ollar, Membership - 483-0849.

#### THANK YOU KAREN!

A large crowd attended the October Membership Meeting to hear Senator Karen Johnson. Senator Johnson has been working on developing legislation to improve conditions in Florida for residents of mobile home parks, etc. We thank the Senator for taking time from her busy schedule.

#### COME HAVE FUN!!

Looking ahead to our December meeting! The business meeting will be very short, and then we will adjourn for a time of "Fellowship". We will be enjoying the different cookies that you will be asked to bring. Brush off your favorite cookie recipe and share those culinary delights with all of us.

#### A SPECIAL THANK YOU!!

Many people labor to make the POA Association a success! Thank you to all of them and a special thank you to Glenn Swindler, who has handled our advertising this past year, and to our Hospitality Committee, Vi Tranchida, assisted by Louise Marzullo, Dean Masarik, Nancy Weiner, Ruth Kosavan and several others who are often in attendance! You are much appreciated!

DATES TO	REMEMBER
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First Tuesday of Month		
Wednesday, November 17, 199	3 7:30 P.M.	Monthly Membership Mtg.
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First Thursday of Month		

<sup>\*\*</sup> MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 1994 - BLOOD DONOR DRIVE - RECREATION HALL \*\*

#### PROXY BALLOT

I, a member of the Orange Blossom Gardens Property Owners' Association, Inc. appoint the Secretary of that Association as my proxy to attend the November 17, 1993, POA meeting and any adjournment or further meetings held within ninety (90) days after that date, with full power to vote and act for me to the extent that I might were I personally present.
I ask that the Secretary vote in favor of each candidate where I have placed an "X" in the square in front of the name.
OFFICERS One Year Term:
PRESIDENT  VICE-PRESIDENT  SECRETARY  TREASURER  DEVA HAWKINS  WILLIAM RICH  LENORA (PUNKY) RADECH  MARIE ARMADING
BOARD MEMBERS
Vote for Three (3) each for a Three Year Term:
FRANK BALLACHINO  PATRICIA CARTER  LEE PONDER  DOROTHY MOREHOUSE  SADIE WOLLARD
All of the above were nominated at the October 20, 1993, meeting of the POA, are members in good standing, accepted the nomination and, following that, gave their permission to be placed on the ballot.
Printed Name Signature

A quorum, which means a majority of eligible voters must vote, is necessary to validate the election so it is extremely important for all POA members who cannot attend the NOVEMBER 17th meeting to vote by proxy. Please note that there is only one vote per member household. Ballots can be mailed to Ballot Chairman: CARL DIEHL, 1650 KILEY COURT or placed in the POA mailbox which is directly below the POA Bulletin Board in the Recreation Hall. PROXY BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 15th.

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