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PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.**

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

I was very proud of all the residents of Lady Lake who turned out to vote in this past election. Do you know that there were more of us voting than all the other Towns in the County combined?

I had hoped that the vote which was overwhelming against a "divorce" from the Town would put an end to this kind of talk. Therefore, I was shocked when I read Mr. Schwartz' editorial in the "Village Sun" November 19, 1993, addressing police policy for our Villages. In my opinion, articles such as this only serve to alienate further, residents in the Village from the rest of Lady Lake.

Anyone who understands proper deployment of police personnel knows that we cannot afford police officers in every neighborhood. For example, we do not have gangs of youths cruising our streets in the Villages committing acts of violence and vandalism so it stands to reason that police patrol those areas that are subject to that type of activity. What we do insist on and as far as I know we receive is prompt response when we do have an incident that requires a police presence. Therefore, isn't allocation of police patrols on the basis of percentage of taxes paid sort of ridiculous?

In terms of the fenced, limited-access RV Parking Lot where residents using it pay the Developer between \$120 and \$240 a year depending on the amount of space used, it would seem that the Developer should be taking responsibility for the security of vehicles parked therein. What appears to be needed, particularly at night, is a full-time watchman stationed at the gate checking people in and out. The lot is completely fenced, even topped with barbed wire. It was reported in the SUN that security patrolled the RV area on an average of once every three hours, 24 hours a day in October and there were still at least four reported thefts. It is obvious that patrol cannot do the job needed and questionable whether security personnel paid for through our amenity fees, should be taking responsibility for a lot that is a lucrative, private enterprise of the Developer. Shouldn't the hiring of a night watchman to safeguard vehicles he is getting paid to house be his responsibility?

During November a group from our Legislative Committee attended a meeting of similarly concerned people. There were several speakers and I was privileged to address the group. What emerged from this meeting was a sincere and serious interest



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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (Cont'd)**

in addressing the three most pressing problems facing residents of parks such as ours. Those concerns are: Disclosure, Governance and Accountability. Condominiums, Co-ops, Mobile Home Parks and Time-share Units have complicated Disclosure Laws requiring developers and single unit owners, in reselling a unit, make certain minimum disclosures concerning restrictions and assessment practices. We would like that provision extended to cover parks like ours. As to Governance, the restrictive covenants should be administered fairly with stated penalties for all violations on the part of either management or resident. The most important of these concerns is accountability. The developer with the purchase of said property or the homeowners' association if it applies has the right to levy and collect funds but must provide an itemized account of all expenditures of these collected fees and from whom these fees were collected.

There are exciting times ahead of us as we strive to get some meaningful legislation enacted. Please be ready to help!

I look forward to seeing you at our December meeting. **Wednesday, December 15, 1993.** Remember, it is our cookie meeting. If you want to share your special cookies with us contact one of the Committee Members.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and the Board Members to wish you a Happy Holiday and the best in the coming year!

*Eva M. Hawkins*

EVA M. HAWKINS  
PRESIDENT

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**REFRESHMENTS FOR DECEMBER MEETING**

As has become our custom, we will be sampling the baked culinary delights of our residents. If you want to share some of your cookies with us, please call:

RUTH KOSOVAN - 753-1785  
DEAN MASARIK - 753-5086

Let's have a super turnout of both cookies and members!!

### THE PASSING OF AN ERA

Orange Blossom Gardens' loss, in the departure of **CRICKET AND JANET JORDAN** is immeasurable.

On November 21st, **Cricket and Janet** left our park for California. Although we wish them every good fortune, we are saddened by their departure. They leave a void that can never be filled.

From the day **Cricket and Janet** came to OBG they stole our hearts. They worked long and hard and started a program of activities that is unparalleled in any retirement park in the Nation. In addition, they had the uncanny ability to involve all of us and in so doing making us feel as though the activity's success depended entirely on us. They never ceased to amaze one and all when, wherever you encountered them, they called you by name. The "**Twins**" are greatly loved by all the residents and they will be missed. We know that **Cricket and Janet** will bring the best to any future position they take and we wish them God speed.

### FREE PUBLICATION

The State of Florida publishes a magazine called "**Elder Update**". This publication is free and contains some very interesting and timely information for all senior citizens. If you would like this publication mailed to you, send your request to:

**Elder Update**  
1317 Winewood Boulevard  
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### INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

AARP will again be offering free assistance in Income Tax preparation here in the Gardens. Management has been most gracious in providing rooms to AARP for this purpose.

The schedule is from February 1st to April 13th and they will be using the Gable-Leigh Room every Tuesday from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and the Charlie Chaplin Room every Wednesday from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. during that period.



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Whether or not to join the EMS ambulance subscription service should be a decision made only after you have investigated what coverage you already have through Medicare and/or other hospitalization policies. We have been told by several residents that have been transported by ambulance in an emergency that their coverage fully paid the ambulance service.

Many of us have been contacted by a variety of insurance companies touting coverage for "everything-under-the-sun". Before you invest in ANY policy, you should check your present coverage; you may or may not need an additional policy.

## VOLUNTEER NEEDED!

A Liaison Representative for Unit 5 is needed. Please contact Sadie Woollard - Chairperson - 753-0615. Thank you!

## THANK YOU!!

ANDREA BRUNO of the ARC was most appreciative of the donation given to them by the Members at our November monthly meeting. We collected \$205.00 to which the Association added \$100.00. Thank you one and all!

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

First Tuesday of Month	7:30 P.M.	Board of Directors Mtg. Charlie Chaplin Room
First Thursday of Month	9:00 A.M.	Liaison Committee Mtg. Clark Gable Room
Wednesday, December 15, 1993 (Third Wednesday of Month)	7:30 P.M.	Monthly Membership Mtg. Recreation Hall

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 1994 - BLOOD BANK DRIVE - RECREATION HALL

For Appointment call: DOROTHY HOERST - 753-9021

BONNIE KILBURN - 753-1009

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### BLOOD BANK DRIVE

The next POA sponsored Blood Bank Drive will be on **Monday, January 24, 1994, from 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. in the Recreation Hall.**

Because many residents are going to hospitals North of us (primarily Shands in Gainesville) plus the fact that Civitan Regional Blood Center covers donors anywhere in the United States should an emergency occur where replacement blood is needed while you are away from this area, we have invited them to conduct this particular Blood Drive.

Attractive, free T-shirts are being made up by Civitan for all donors who come in for this special drive. To save you time and to get an idea how many T-shirts should be ordered, we encourage residents and employees to call **DOROTHY HOERST - 753-9021** or **BONNIE KILBURN - 753-1009** for an appointment; however, walk-ins are always welcome!!

### TELEVISION VIEWING

At the November POA meeting, the desirability of our residents being able to receive Lake-Sumter Community College programming was discussed. Because of the overwhelming response by those present that they would like to receive these programs, we have sent letters to the Manager of Lake County Cablevision, the Manager of LSCC television, the Town of Lady Lake's member of the Lake County Cablevision's Citizens Committee as well as our Developer asking them to jointly investigate how this can be accomplished. If you look in the newspapers' TV guide, you can see the number of interesting programs/courses coming through LSCC on Channel #2 and many more are now in the planning stage.

### SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

**ROSEMARIE DUNNE** heads the Alzheimers' Support Group which meets the **fourth Wednesday** of the month in the **Lady Lake Community Building**. There is a program 1:00 P.M. and the Support Group meets at 3:00 P.M.

**Ms. Dunne** asks that if anyone has a need for this type of support service, they contact her at **753-0863**. The group is not limited to Alzheimers, but includes any type of dementia.



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1640 West Schwartz Boulevard

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