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MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 1995, MONTHLY P.O.A. MEETING

Meeting opened with the Invocation by Chaplain Pat Sims followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call of Board of Directors and Liaison Committee Members.

Secretary and Treasurer reports were given.

President noted the large number of residents in attendance and asked those who were attending our meeting for the first time to raise their hands; over eighty people responded. President Rich welcomed them to the meeting and invited them to return to future meetings.

President introduced Monica Andersen, Director of Resident Amenities Division who had requested to attend the meeting.

Special thanks was given to all the volunteers who distributed and picked up the pink Consent Documents. President expressed personal appreciation.

Vice President reported that the interlocal agreement between the "CDD" and the County contains a clause allowing the "CDD" to set and collect fees in the County Units 1, 2, 3, 3.1B, 4 and 5 as if they were in the district. A letter has been written to the County Attorney asking for clarification of the intent of the agreement and specifically the nature of the fees.

Chairman of Blood Bank reported the Bloodmobile will no longer be used for Blood Drives. All donations should be made at the Northwest Lake County Blood Bank located in the La Plaza Grande Center. Please remember to use OBG/POA Plan Number #961 when you donate.

Legislation Committee reported that the Legislation requiring accountability of amenity fees is progressing on schedule. Two Bills SB 1714 and HB 2041 will be submitted during this year's legislative session.

Bob Ledlie from "Invincible Roofing Systems" gave a short presentation on his company's product. As per usual Bob did a fine job.

Next speaker was Mr. Jeffrey Russell from the Firm of Abel, Bank, Russell, Collier, Pitchford & Gordon in Sarasota, Florida. Mr. Russell was invited to attend the meeting and to speak about the Consent Document. There were many questions from the audience and Mr. Russell was at the microphone for over an hour.

Bill Gaffney conducted the 50/50 drawing. Benediction was given by Chaplain Pat Sims. Meeting was adjourned.

Coffee and Strawberry shortcake was served after the meeting courtesy of "Invincible Roofing Systems, Inc." * * * *

A MESSAGE FROM P.O.A. PRESIDENT BILL RICH

In Units 1 through 13 the March Bulletin included a pink questionnaire titled FOR THE URGENT ATTENTION OF RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGES. At the bottom of the page was a statement that the paper would be picked up in 48 hours. Many of the Bulletin walkers were unable to return in 48 hours for various reasons. As a result papers in some units were not returned.

In order to give all residents of Units 1 through 13 an opportunity to voice their opinion, I am including a printed page in this issue that asks three direct questions, requiring only "Yes" or "No" answers and a signature and address. All residents in the household should sign.

Recent developments regarding the sale of the Recreational Facilities to the CDD and the use of amenity fees to make payments on Bonds caused much concern among many residents. The POA wishes to keep the residents informed on the progress and effect of this sale. In 1991 the Developer and the POA agreed that no legal action would be promoted or advocated without 50 percent of the residents supporting such action.

The POA is **NOT** promoting or advocating legal action. A group of residents has taken legal action. The POA does believe it is important to keep all the residents in all the Villages informed on the progress and effect of the action. For this reason it is important for all residents to have an opportunity to voice their opinions.

If you did not fill out, sign and turn in a pink form, PLEASE complete the next page. Those who did not have an opportunity to express their wishes should fill out this form and either deposit it in the POA Drop Box in the Recreation Hall or Mail it to: P.O.A./O.B.G

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Signing this form does not in any way involve you in any legal action or legal costs. We believe taking these steps is proper and in no way violates our agreement. We prefer to have the support of the majority of residents.

Bill Rich President

FOR THE URGENT ATTENTION OF RESIDENTS IN UNITS ONE THROUGH THIRTEEN (1 through 13) OF THE VILLAGES

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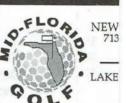
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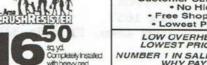
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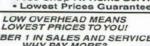
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We have been given the opportunity to move the location of our Monthly Membership Meetings to the new LaHacienda Center which is located at the North End of Avenida Central adjacent to the Hacienda Motel.

We will be meeting in the "Carmen Miranda Room" which is in the East Wing of the building. This building was recently remodeled and converted into an additional recreation center. It is a beautiful facility and the room is modern and spacious. So, REMEMBER, our APRIL 19th Meeting will be at 7:30 P.M. in the "CARMEN MIRANDA ROOM" in the new LaHacienda Center".

KAISER'S CREED

Several weeks ago, Mr. Henry Kaiser who lives at 1535 E. Schwartz Blvd. called your President Bill Rich and asked if he could submit an article for publication in the "Bulletin" Mr. Kaiser is 90 years young and a lifetime P.O.A. Member. I believe the article is worth everyones consideration.

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"Today Is The Very First Day Of The Rest Of My Life"

"This is the beginning of a new day. I have been given this day to use as I WILL. I can waste it...or use it for good. But what I do today is important because I am exchanging a day of my life for it!

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When you read this and share it with others, the world will be the way you have always wanted it to be, because you will be the kind of person that you have always wanted to be."

GUEST SPEAKER FOR APRIL MEETING

ED HAVILL, Lake County Property Appraiser will be our Guest Speaker for the April Meeting. Mr. Havill will talk about recent changes in Florida property tax laws, especially Amendment 10 which caps yearly increases on property that has a Homestead Exemption. He promises to arrive on time, tell one funny story, to keep his presentation within time constraints and to answer all questions without beating around the bush. This promises to be a very interesting talk. Come Early! Get A Front Row Seat!! All residents are invited to attend. Join, Renew or Re-instate your Membership!!

As I reported last month, our membership is growing quite rapidly. We have many new members joining us from the West side of our community in both Lake and Sumter Counties. Also, we are continuing to receive new, renewals and reinstatements from the East side. With this growth comes the need for volunteers to help support the increase in membership. Russell Day, Liaison At-Large for Sumter and Don Lathom Liaison At-Large for Units 14 through 21 in Lake County could use some volunteers. If you would like to become Liaison Representative or deliver Bulletins in these areas, please contact Russell at 750-3108 or Don at 753-5429.

On the East side in Units 1 through 13 we can always use extra walkers to help with Bulletin delivery and standby or back-up Liaison members. Please call Tom Ritter at 753-2678 or Ross Bacon at 753-4445.

ODE TO A VOLUNTEER

"Many will be shocked to find When the day of judgment nears That there's a special place in Heaven Set aside for Volunteers

Furnished with big recliners, Satin couches and footstools Where there's no committee chairpersons No group leaders or carpools.

No eager team that needs a coach No bazaar with a bake sale There will be nothing to staple Not one thing to fold or mail.

Telephone lists will be outlawed
But a finger snap will bring
Cool drinks and gourmet dinners,
And rare treats fit for a King.

You ask who'll serve these privileged few And work for all they're worth?
Why, all those who reaped benefits
And not once volunteered on earth."

Author Unknown

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Just a reminder that the American Legion Veterans Memorial Post 347 is building a new Post which could be used as a hurricane/emergency shelter for our area. Donations can be made to **Joe Berube** - **753-5314 or Bill Podvin at 753-1267.**

ECHOES FROM THE PAST

Material for this article is obtained by researching previously published "Bulletins" going back as far as the first "Bulletin" printed May, 1978.

The following article was published in the November, 1979 "Bulletin".

"CHAPEL FUND GROWING

"Ruth Meoli, Chairman of the Chapel Committee, would like everyone to know that the Chapel will soon be under construction. The goal of \$10,000 has nearly been reached. Ruth sent a letter to Mr. Tarrson of Orange Blossom Hills, Inc. She received a very cordial answer. The following is an excerpt from his reply:

"I would like you and your committee to know that we are very much in accord with this project and shall lend our support where ever possible. To help your cause along, I am enclosing a check from Orange Blossom Hills, Inc. for \$100.00 and a personal check from Mrs. Tarrson and myself for an equal amount. Also, I am requesting Mr. Harold Schwartz of Chicago, one of our principal stockholders, to mail you a check in the same amount.

"Ruth has since received a check from Mr. Schwartz. This is a worthwhile venture and Ruth would like to extend thanks to all who have helped in so very many ways."

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

	7:30 P.M.	Oliver Tro Climbert
First Thursday of Month	9:00 A.M.	Liaison Committee Meeting Lucille Ball Room
Wednesday, April 19, 1995 (Third Wednesday of Month)	7:30 P.M.	Monthly Membership Meeting LaHacienda Genter Carmen Miranda Room

Please Note: All Members of the P.O.A. are welcome to attend the above listed Meetings.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 1995 - Village Community Development District Meeting at Guava Street - Community Center - Lady Lake at 9:00 A.M.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 1995 - Village Community Development District No. 1 Meeting at Sumter County Governmental Bldg. - 10:00 A.M.

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Profile of P.O.A. Members A Continuing Series



Fred Diana and his sister, "Betty" Hunter, are neighbors. Fred lives at 1404 Lester and Betty lives at 1012 Nell Way. Fred and Betty's husband were professional musicians and frequently played at community events.

Both moved to O.B.G. from Long Island in 1974. Fred worked for the Olivetti Company in Quality Control Management. Only in his mid-fifties when he moved to Florida, he bought an Orlando Sentinel paper route which he delivered until he finally retired.

Betty worked in the Accounting Department for AT&T before the birth of her daughter. Her son, Jeffrey, makes his home with her and he, too, is a P.O.A. member. She enjoys golf, Tai Chi, swimming and playing her organ. She has three grandchildren.

Fred stays active with golf, bowling, gardening, creating lawn ornaments, and he still plays his Vibraphone (or drums) with a quartet for local engagements. His daughter is a classical pianist, and he has three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Their knowledge of the difficulty in resolving problems without the community working together was their reason for becoming charter members nearly 20 years ago. They have remained members because experience has shown the P.O.A.'s interest in the community has been beneficial for its residents and can be counted on to

continue its efforts in their behalf.

TO JOIN POA: You may join at our meetings or simply fill out the membership form below, pay dues of \$6.00 per household, and place in the OBG/POA Drop Box in the Recreation Hall or mail form and check for dues to: P.O. Box 1657, Lady Lake, FL 32158-1657

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