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

Meeting opened with the Invocation by Glenn Swindler and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call of Board of Directors and Liaison Committee Members.

Secretary and Treasurer reports were given.

President announced that this would be a short business meeting because a large amount of time has been set aside for the celebration of our 20th Anniversary which would immediately follow. Also, there would not be a Guest Speaker for the evening. Thanked those members who answered his appeal last month to fill vacant Liaison positions and to help with distribution of the monthly "Bulletin". However, we still need one volunteer to fill the Unit 13 Liaison position.

President Bill Rich stated that this meeting is for the purpose of electing Officers for 1996 and is open to members only. The Balloting Committee was counting the votes cast and results would be given during committee reports.

Frenchie Degree gave update on POA Charity Golf Tournament which is scheduled for Saturday, November 18th, at the Orange Blossom Hills Country Club. Presently have 230 people signed up, have openings for 288. So, if you want to enter, give him a call. You can enter as an individual, a couple or a foursome. The Tournament will be a two best ball scramble. Each team will be given a handicap based on eighty percent of the handicaps of the two best players in the foursome. Proceeds from the golf tournament go to our adopted charity, A.R.C. (Association for Retarded Citizens) in Leesburg.

Dorothy Morehouse, Chairperson of the Balloting Committee, gave the results of the election of officers for 1996. (Please see article "Results of the POA November Election" published in this edition of the "Bulletin")

President Bill Rich reminded members to purchase copies of "POA History" We still have several copies for sale at \$1.00 each.

The December issue of the "Bulletin" will include a self-addressed envelope for paying your 1996 dues.

The business portion of the meeting was closed.

The remaining portion of the meeting was turned over to the Committee in charge of the 20th Anniversary Celebration.

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

Enclosed in this month's edition of the "Bulletin" is a self-addressed envelope for paying your 1996 dues. We initiated this method last year and it was used by a large number of our members. Please take the time to fill out the printed form on the back of the envelope. Insert your check and mail to our P.O. Box in Lady Lake, or if you prefer, drop the envelope in the P.O.A. Box in the Paradise Recreation Hall. There is also a Membership Form printed on the back cover of this "Bulletin" which you may use.

This year was the Twentieth Anniversary of the Property Owners Association. We have been the representative of property owners in this community since 1975. For us to persevere that long means we have done a lot of things right. I know a lot of you older members will attest to that fact when you look back and recall the many accomplishments of this organization. Our willingness to take the extra step to help residents is proof of our continuing interest in their future.

Our membership is now open to all property owners in the Villages which means we now have members on both the East side and West side. This year I have had the pleasure of working with many of our West side members and they are a very energetic and enthusiastic group of people. Together we will become a stronger and more effective organization.

Next month the leadership of our organization will be turned over to Dorothy Hokr and I know she will do a very good job.

May all of you have a Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year!!!



Bill Rich
President

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RESULTS OF THE P.O.A. NOVEMBER ELECTION

Dorothy Morehouse, Chairperson of the Balloting Committee gave the results of our P.O.A. election at the Monthly Membership Meeting.

The Officers for 1996 will be: Dorothy Hokr, President; Glenn Swindler, Vice-President; Thelma Holt, Secretary and Carol Menci, Treasurer.

Four members were elected to the Board of Directors. Earle Snider, Frank Swenton, and Jack McMasters to three year terms. Norma Henretta to a two year term.

Congratulations to all of you!!

Celebration of the P.O.A.'s 20th Anniversary of our founding was a huge success. It was held in conjunction with the Annual Membership Meeting for the election of officers on November 15, 1995 at Paradise Center.

Members enjoyed the entertainment provided by the "Life of the Party" Barbershop Quartet and the special refreshments which followed.

Bill and Mary Campbell donated a gorgeous porcelain Christmas doll and sleigh as the prize for a special raffle. The winner was Nancy Moulton.

Charles Herring submitted the winning entry in the contest for the best P.O.A. Slogan. His entry was "**Neighbors United for Their Common Good**". His slogan will be published on the front cover of all future issues of the "Bulletin".

Several members won beautiful bouquets of carnations which were raffled off as door prizes. The refreshments consisted of three large sheet cakes beautifully decorated with green, orange and white icing, fresh fruit, cheese and coffee and tea.

Copies of the P.O.A. History were offered for sale at this meeting. (A few copies remain and will be offered for sale at future meetings.)

Let's keep our membership growing so we may continue looking after the interests of our residents for many years to come.

Congratulations to Jean Tuttle and her "20th Anniversary" Celebration Committee for a job well done, Everyone had a good time!!

COPIES OF THE P.O.A. HISTORY ARE AVAILABLE

We have several copies of the "P.O.A. History" remaining from our sale at the November meeting. This is a very informative publication covering events that happened from 1975 up to the present time. I'm sure all of our members would find this both interesting and enjoyable reading. The publication was researched and written by our own Member **Jean Tuttle**, who spent many weeks and months of time in its preparation for presentation as a part of our Twentieth Anniversary celebration. Copies will be offered for sale at future meetings. The price is \$1.00 (one dollar) per copy. If you would like, a copy can be obtained with your 1996 membership card.

When you mail in your dues envelope (which is inserted in this edition of the Bulletin), make your check out for \$7.00 (seven dollars) instead of the usual \$6.00 (six dollars); (One dollar (\$1.00) for the copy of the P.O.A. History) and we will deliver the "History" with your 1996 Membership Card. Mark on the inside of the envelope at the top, "Please send copy of P.O.A. History" Please call **Bill Rich at 753-6871** if you have any questions.

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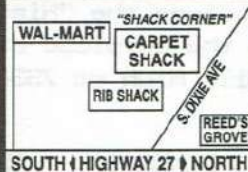
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SECOND ANNUAL P.O.A. CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Second Annual P.O.A. Charity Golf Tournament was a tremendous success. A total of 232 people (58 Foursomes) entered the event which was held at the Orange Blossom Hills Country Club on Saturday, November 18th. There were two shotgun starts; 8:00 A.M. and 12:30 P.M. The format was a two best-ball scramble. The winning team of Robert Vroom, Pete Savoia, Len Marchinkowski and Jim Lacy had a net score of 113 (31 under par). Eight team places were awarded with 121 net being high score in the money. Each team was given a handicap based on eighty percent of the handicap of the teams two best players. Awards were given to players closest to the pin on all four of the par three holes, two to the ladies and two to the men. Winners were Joe Pendergast (3rd hole), Peggy Savella (8th hole) Chip Gilman (14th hole) and Jeanette Hayword (17th hole). A total of ninety-one merchandise prizes and certificates were given as door prizes. Following the event, a pool-side beef barbecue plate with potato salad and beverage was served by the Country Club staff. A check for One Thousand, Three Hundred and Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$1,368.00) was presented to Program Director Rikki Kotz of ARC (Association for Retarded Citizens) in Leesburg. The money will be earmarked for their early intervention program, which helps children one to three years old.

Many thanks go to the people who helped make this charitable event a success!! Frenchie Degre and Pete Tutoli, Tournament Chairmen, who started working on the event many months ago. To the volunteers who solicited the door prizes, Ann Peck, Sue Lathom, Donna Miracle, John Fowler, Sadie Woollard, Glenn Swindler, John Tindall, Sydney Pendley, Mike Kope, Joe Sciassa, Lee Hokr, and Bill Rich. To the runners who helped at the awards dinner, Norm Hill, Len Bigelow, Dick Moulton, Frank Verhagen and Ross Bushnell, Special thanks to Doris Hill who did all the typing. Special thanks also to those wonderful merchants who contributed both money and merchandise certificates.

Many thanks to Steve Wresh and his fine golf staff for all their help and assistance. And, most of all, THANKS TO ALL OF YOU WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE TOURNAMENT TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS!! I hope you had a GOOD TIME!!

NOTE: Door Prize tickets 557019 -- 557060 -- and 557089 are UNCLAIMED!! Call Frenchie Degre at 753-7941 if you have one of these numbers.

"TOYS FOR TOTS"

The North Lake Detachment of the Marine Corps League is conducting their annual ""Toys for Tots"" drive to collect toys for the needy children in our area who would otherwise be forgotten at Christmas time.

Bring to our December meeting a new unwrapped toy that would be suitable for a child three to fifteen years old and place in the "Toys for Tots" collection barrel. Your participation will be appreciated. Thank you!!

CHRISTMAS IN FLORIDA

The visitor sadly shook his head
as he basked in the tropical sun.
"Call this Christmas?" to me he said.
"Well not where I come from!"

"Christmas needs snow and ice and cold
and the sound of sleighbells' ring.
As for me, I can't be sold
on weather that feels like Spring."

"My poor misguided friend," I said
"Your lament does not ring true.
You're mixed up by things you've read
and from a myth you take your clue."

"For no snow fell on Bethlehem
on the night the star first shone.
There was no blizzard nor howling gale
that swept with a shriek and moan."

"The breeze was soft and what is more
the night the Christ child came
hibiscus bloomed near the stable door
as Mary murmured his name."

"Bougainvillea of violet hue
arched in a graceful bower.
Poinsettias wet with midnight dew
enhanced that sacred hour."

"The Heavenly Host in the starry sky
proclaimed the birth of a King,
and rustling palms echoed the cry
as the whole earth seemed to sing."

"So here in our sun-drenched land
untouched by ice and snow
the spirit of Christmas is near at hand
and we feel God willed it so."

(author unknown)

The December Meeting of the OBG Property Owners' Association will be held at 7:30 P.M. on December 20, 1995 at the "Paradise Center" Recreation Hall.

The Guest Speaker for the evening will be "Mr. Tony Powell" owner of Lady Lake Realty and "Lady Lake Magazine". The subject of his talk will be "Freedom of the Press".

Tony moved to Florida in 1974, starting Lady Lake Realty in 1975 and has been involved in the realty business since then. He is a Charter member of the Lady Lake Kiwanis Club and Lady Lake Chamber of Commerce. Tony started the "Lady Lake Magazine" in 1981 which has been published every month for the last fifteen years. He lived in Orange Blossom Gardens from 1981-1985 and presently lives on five acres on Lady Lake Blvd with his wife Valerie.

Tony will be happy to answer questions on any topic of interest to the members of the Property Owners' Association. This promises to be a very interesting and enjoyable evening. All residents of The Villages are welcome to attend.

"COOKIE NIGHT" -- DECEMBER MONTHLY MEETING --

As has been our tradition for several years, we are asking the Members of our Organization to bake their favorite cookie recipe and bring them to our December Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, December 20, 1995. December brings out the "Cookie Monster" in all of us!! Bring your cookies and share them with your fellow P.O.A. members.

The Refreshment Committee will help you with the display of your culinary delights. Let's all participate and make this a festive evening. Please call Rose Geeze at 753-7131 if there are any questions.

IMPORTANT DATES TO BE REMEMBERED

First Tuesday of Month	7:30 P.M.	Board of Directors Meeting Charlie Chaplin Room
First Thursday of Month	9:00 A.M.	Liaison Committee Meeting Lucille Ball Room
Wednesday, December 20, 1995	7:30 P.M.	Monthly Membership Meeting Paradise Recreation Hall
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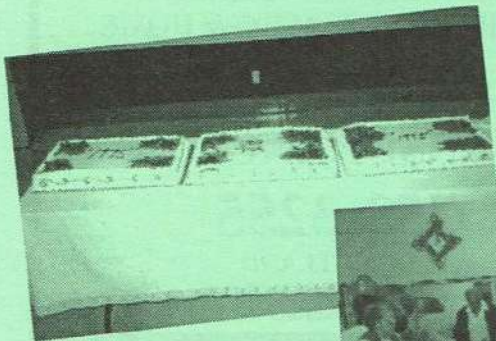
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