



Property Owners' Association of The Villages

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PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS

You can't preserve anything that you are unwilling to defend.

If you are unwilling to support the people who are defending something you believe is right, then you are living in fear of something or someone.

I get many, many phone calls telling me, "yes, you're right but, I can't join you because if they were to know that, they would do this or that to me." About the only disastrous thing they can do to you is fire you if you work for them. This reason I can understand. But, other than that, what can they do to you? Send you to a concentration camp? And that is not the American way of life. America is a democracy and we are all entitled to voice our opinions without fear of anyone.

Of course, we all know that the VCCDD is a dictatorship. We have no voice or rights. We can not even vote for the Supervisors because we do not live within the commercial section. The Developer's business associates are the Supervisors.

We are working to change the situation. It will not happen overnight but we won't give up the fight. How about you folks? Do you want to stand up and support us?

Have a good Spring and enjoy the beautiful weather.

— Joe Gottfried

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VILLAGES SECURITY

(Ed Note) Because of its length, we have condensed the following letter. All pertinent information has been retained.

Joe, you might want to include the following story in the POA Bulletin.

When it rains hard, my card will not activate the Santa Domingo entrance gate which is the gate I must use for my home. I reported it to management several times and nothing was ever done nor did I ever receive any response to my complaint.

Last Fall I pulled up to the sensing device and my card would not activate the gate. On several other occasions when this happened the guard would raise it from the shack. The guard was standing at the door watching. Three other cars were now behind me. One driver came up to me asking what the problem was. His card would not work either. He yelled at the guard, "Open the gate you stupid b--- don't you see there is a problem". The guard opened the gate.

When I got home, I called the Villages to voice a complaint. I was referred to a John Schronwolf. He stated that he definitely would not instruct the guards to open the gate in such a situation. In fact, if a guard did so, he would severely reprimand him. I told him by that type of action he was denying me access to a public road and illegally detaining me. He replied that all I had to do was back up and go through the visitors lane. (How do you back up with 3 or 4 cars behind you?) I also told Schronwolf that the next time this happened to me, I was going to drive through the bar, breaking it, and initiate a law suit for any damage to my car. He simply said I'd get into trouble. Schronwolf's attitude from the beginning was impolite and somewhat abusive. Later I found out Mr. Schronwolf is a retired teacher. When you wonder why our kids are not learning, think of Schronwolf.

I discussed this situation with an attorney and told him what I planned to do if this happened again. He said he was not advising me to do so, but if I did he would represent me on a contingency fee basis. He assured me that we would have no problem getting reimbursed for any damage to my car and quite possibly enough to take a nice trip to Hawaii.

I then called Monica who appeared to be astonished by the incident. She said she would check into it and get back to me. A few days later she called me back and said that it was a security issue and she could do nothing.

The gate security system works like this: At the residents gate your entry is recorded. At the visitors gate a camera takes a picture of your rear license plate (that is what is protecting you)

Think for a minute: 18,000 residents in and out of the gates several times a day, thousands of visitors, thousands of service trucks, hundreds of construction trucks, etc. etc. Every day construction trucks come in and out. Some trucks have several workers in the truck bed. Some have plates covered with mud and unreadable. Plus Morse Blvd is a cut-through to 466 and hundreds of vehicles use the street daily. And we have security!!!!

It would take the FBI, CIA, State Police, and local police months to figure out (if they ever could) who was in the Villages that day. How would that help the victim or even apprehend the criminal?

So neighbors, don't be too sure you live in a secure community. You live in one in which many problems occur but are never in print. Village security is sold to potential buyers. It actually does not exist nor does even common sense. I suggest Mr. Schronwolf go back to school and take a course in Public Relations and another in Logic.

Jack McCarthy
1407 Elana Pl

VCCDD 1998-1999 BUDGET

In the beginning when I discovered this so called "CDD" that I live in. I attended a few meetings conducted in a secluded farm on Rt 466 (this was before Prof. Pete came along - he has to be a professor - he is the only one that I know of that conducts a CDD school twice a week). I asked how the budgets were being made. Mr. Moyer explained that for each unit a portion of the bond was used to put in the infrastructure such as lights, roads, and landscape, and a few other things. To maintain this infrastructure a maintenance fee is imposed on all units. However, all units do not pay the same maintenance fee assessment. The low end is \$123.57 and the high end is \$644.06.

If a unit wants to upgrade the infrastructure, that unit should pay for the upgrade. It should not come out of the general budget. If it comes out of the general budget, all units should pay the same maintenance assessment fee.

— Russ Day

A WHIMSICAL HISTORY OF THE VILLAGES

There was, in Central Florida, County of Lake, a rural village named Lady Lake. And the land was bonny, with rolling hills, and lakes, and sunshine, and it's residents were few.

And there came to this land, from the far cold north, a SNOWBIRD, called Harold of Schwartz. And did he see the value of the land to other retiring SNOWBIRDS. And did he purchase large quantities of the land, and SUB-DIVIDE unto smaller LOTS, which did he offer for sale to other SNOWBIRDS.

And, he proclaimed, shall I call this land ORANGE BLOSSOM GARDENS (OBG) and shall I ADVERTISE in Modern Maturity, and shall I attract many SNOWBIRDS, and my SUBJECTS shall be legion.

And shall I favor them with SECURITY, and RECREATION, and their golden years shall be PARADISE. And shall I GIVE them GOLF, and BOCCI, and PICKLE-BALL. And all of these gifts shall be FREE, excepting for an AMENITY FEE to barely cover the cost. And there were no TRAIL FEES.

And did these things come to pass, and his SUBJECTS did love him, and did call him Uncle Harold. And MIGHTILY did he prosper. And there were no TRAIL FEES.

A great multitude of these SNOWBIRDS did visit, and did buy here, and new GOLF courses were built to meet the need, and the AMENITY FEES were raised to meet the cost, and a TRAIL FEE was assessed to all SUBJECTS using their golf carts. The Property Owners Association (P.O.A.) did battle in the Courts, and did win a limited victory for those early settlers. All other SUBJECTS did pay a TRAIL FEE.

And the P.O.A. was BANISHED, never ever to be mentioned on VNN, or in the DAILY SUN, and the Villages Homeowners Assoc. (VHA) was organized by Uncle Harold to represent his SUBJECTS, and his EMPIRE continued to grow. And it became necessary for him to enlist his family to help him rule his EMPIRE.

And the EMPIRE did grow, and did require expansion into the Counties of Sumter, and Marion. And the name was changed from ORANGE BLOSSOM GARDENS to THE VILLAGES of LAKE-SUMTER. And the AMENITY fee did increase to \$99. And a TRAIL FEE was charged to all new SUBJECTS.

And a VC CDD was created to operate the SECURITY and the RECREATION, and it did buy them from Uncle Harold at the price set by him, and to be paid for by future AMENITY FEES. And Uncle Harold did choose Peter of Wahl to rule the VC CDD, and did he Uncle Harold's bidding in all ways. But Uncle Harold's SUBJECTS were not consulted, nor did they have any say in the matter.

And thus it was shown that Uncle Harold could sell his EMPIRE for \$ Millions, and still retain his RULE over his SUBJECTS, disproving the old axiom against eating his cake, and having it too. And his SUBJECTS were RETIRED, and did not complain.

And this worked so well that a number of other CDD's were created to buy other assets, at Uncle Harold's prices, and ruled by MINIONS chosen by him. And the V.H.A. did not complain, and the P.O.A. was banished, and it's complaints were not heard.

And thus did THE VILLAGES prepare to enter a new century. And thus did Uncle Harold's dream succeed beyond expectation.

Win Shook, V.P., P.O.A.

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

Some of our current traffic problems could have been solved in 1995 when some people tried to address these problems. It was explained to them that this was a planned unit development and everything was being taken care of. Now, I ask you, what was the plan for this mass confusion? The transportation trails were planned before Morse Blvd was extended all the way through to 27/441. It seems that some dummies couldn't get it through their thick skulls that home delivery of the mail would solve a major portion of the traffic problem.

There are approximately 2,000 mail boxes in every postal pickup station. We have eight hours of daylight - that means 250 people have to pickup their mail every hour, or 4.16 people per minute. This situation will become worse as more people move in.

Another person writes "changes are inevitable". This person recommends traffic circles. Apparently, this person does not realize that traffic circles went out 35 years ago. It was proven that traffic circles cause traffic jams and create more traffic problems. The Cross Bronx Express Way eliminated their traffic circle 30 years ago. Shouldn't we be progress instead of backward?

In regard to people reading traffic signs; somebody, someone, some devil keeps on stealing or taking down the signs: "No Golf Carts Beyond This Point". There is a purpose for these signs; mainly to keep carts from going out to play in the traffic. Citations can be issued for doing so. But this isn't all bad, Sumter County gets \$12.50 for every moving violation. This helps the county. So keep up the good work.

— Russ Day

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My sliding doors on my bedroom closet came off the runners. Who do I call? John - Now after 9-1/2 years I have two doors that slide back and forth silently and effortlessly. Seems the doors had never been properly balanced from day one.

Thank you John and Jane for being "Good Neighbors" I love you! God Bless!

S. Woollard

YOU HAVE TO BE THERE TO WIN

The POA is giving away \$100 (\$50 from Invincible Roofing, \$50 from Consumer Energy Savers, a bottle of wine and two tee shirts (from membership committee). To win you must be a 1999 POA member and be at the meeting for the drawing.



COOKING

Got a favorite recipe that you would like to share. Send it in, we'll print it. The following marmalade sounds delicious.

Calamondin or Kumquat Orange Marmalade

Cut fruit in halves and quarters - move seeds. Measure cut up fruit and equal amount of water. Bring to a boil and cook 25 min. Measure cooked fruit again and add equal amount of sugar (skim off all seeds as fruit is cooking). Bring to a boil again and cook about 35-40 minutes - stir as it cooks as not to burn. It will start to jell or thicken. To test for jelling, put a small amount on a cold dish for a couple of minutes in the frig, if it does not jell to your liking, cook about 10 minutes longer. Spoon marmalade into clean jars, tighten lids and turn upside down on a kitchen towel, let cool till the next day, invert the jars and tighten up the lids again.

Enjoy - Joyce Gottfried

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TROUBLE IN UTOPIA

One of the Developer's minions who truly believes that the Villages is "utopia" and that the Developer can do no wrong, writes articles supporting him (most recently - the elimination of entertainment at the Silver Lake Club was just an experiment - nothing definite). This minion also gets extremely upset and berates anyone who states the slightest negative comment about him. She apparently takes such a comment as a personal assault and a personal assault against the residents. When actually the reporter is talking about the Developer and his CDDs not the residents. However, this individual is extremely silent on major issues, ie, taxation without representation, paying inflated prices to buy the Developers property, etc.

She prefers to criticize the residents for some of their human foibles.

— Russ Day

VCCDD BOND INDEBTEDNESS

Now, let's talk about the "money maker" - the one that's costing you a fortune - the Villages Community Center Development District (VCCDD).

Under Florida Statute #190, after 6 years CDDs will be run by representatives voted in by the residents of that area called Districts. This can not happen here because this District does not have any residents living in it. It is the commercial part of the Villages. I do not know how Lake County Commissioners let this pass.

The VCCDD bought the Rec Dept. from the Developer for \$24M including some deals that enabled the Developer to make a lot of big money.

Deal 1 - \$24M bond issue. For any new home purchased after that date, the \$99 maintenance fee would go to the Developer - not the VCCDD. The Developer would continue to receive the \$99 until the next bond was issued. The next bond issue was a year later. All that year's maintenance money went to the Developer and not the VCCDD.

Deal 2 - \$11M bond issue for the family pool and DelVista Golf Course. The date of this bond was the new date from which the Developer would get the \$99 maintenance fee.

Deal 3 - two years later. Refinanced all bonds plus an additional \$33M to purchase the El Diablo golf course, two lakes, a post office station, and a guard house (Sumter County appraised the property for \$7-1/2M). Total bond indebtedness for the Rec Dept. \$67M.

Deal 4 - water and sewer refinanced at \$30M.

Grand Total of \$97M.

Deal 5 - In February the court approved the issuance of an addition \$40 bond.

Grand Total - \$137M (over \$200M including interest)

— Joe Gottfried

RESPONSE TO "CHANGE IS SCARY"

I read in Pete's Place, Change is Scary but Inevitable in the Villages (Daily Sun 2/25/99). It seems to me that he has confused the expressions of frustrations in one's personal and business life with changes in the world we live in. RE: putting your leg in the right leg instead of the left as usual - WHOA!

I don't know of any residents who are frustrated and angry to the point of despair over the changes in our community. Maybe, plain upset.

They are upset about the lack of concern and compassion for their feelings regarding the continual changes to make this Retirement Community (once Adult Retirement Community) into a metropolis at their expense.

Loss of privacy, continual growth to make us into a playground for anyone who chooses to use the facilities.

Pete's Place is full of innuendoes that make it appear that the only "true facts" are those presented by his CDD School. Remember, and I quote - Don't depend on the guy who is more than willing to provide his interpretation of the way things should be. Depend on the person who tells you the way things are. Don't give credence to anything that cannot be backed up in LAW-RULE or POLICY. Facts are neutral. They aren't Good or Bad, Positive or Negative. They are just FACTS - unquote (Are: according to the dictionary, are is not defined as anything except to refer you to the word 'to be').

I end this article with what Walter Cronkite would say, "and that's the way it is".
S. Woollard

A WHITE KNIGHT

A few days ago I was reading an article in which a prominent psychologist advanced the theory that our difficulty in problem-solving stemmed from our over-protective mothers. They were at fault for smoothing the bumpy road of life to such an extent that as we matured, we were unable to cope with the real world. Ergo, once we leave the nest, we are not capable of confronting day to day problems and are required to seek assistance. So, not unlike Ponce deLeon with his fountain and Diogenes his honest man, we could waste years looking for our problem solver, or "white knight".

Maybe on this one occasion, the psychologists are correct. I do remember falling from my tricycle, getting up, and running to my mother for consolation. If ever there was a "white knight riding to my rescue", it was my mother's response to my pleas to "make it better." The miraculous cures she could achieve with a hug and a kiss on the cheek were phenomenal. Then, there was that time in my teens that I remember aimlessly drifting about. It might be that I was searching for help with some problem.

Could the stories of Ponce deLeon and Diogenes be symbolic? Telling us that our quest for a "white knight" can never succeed, as he only exists within us. Although we can accept advice from others along the way, it is up to each of us to deal with our individual problems as they come along, and allow each of our fellow men to do the same.

*Which leads us directly to the petition in this Bulletin. The document is self-explanatory, and in my opinion endangers my economic well being. We are looking for a signature from every member of a household who sees the danger stemming from the actions of the developer and his VCCDD. Please sign, have your neighbors sign, and return the petition to the Property Owners' Association by May 31, 1999.

SCHEDULED CDD MEETINGS

VCCDD - Villages Community Center
Development District

Meets on the last Friday of the month at 9:00 AM in Pete Wahl's office on the 2nd floor of the bank building on Main Street

CDD#1 - Meets on the last Friday of the month at 10:00 AM - El Santiago Rec Bldg.

CDD#2 - Meets on the first Friday of the month at 9:30 AM - El Santiago Rec Bldg.

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PETITION TO AMEND STATE STATUTE #190

For years, the POA has been valiantly and not too successfully trying to inform the residents of the Villages exactly what is going on in the Villages. How the Developer has taken advantage of a state statute that was originally enacted to help citrus farmers after the disastrous freezes in the late 1980's.

Developers took this law, interpreted it to their advantage and began building empires without using any of their own capital by creating and controlling Community Development Districts (CDDs).

Such is the condition here in the Villages. We live under the control of the Villages Community Center Development District (VCCDD). A quasi government controlled by the Developer through his appointed board of supervisors.

Our petition is simply asking the State Legislators to make amendments to Chapt. 190 that will give the residents some degree of protection. Currently, this VCCDD Board is not accountable to anyone other than the Developer. We feel that this is very wrong.

We believe that the only way we will ever improve the situation is to have Chapt. 190 amended. Therefore, we are asking all residents who agree with us to sign the following petition - get your neighbors to sign - take it to your club meetings.

We are also inviting the VHA, their officers, board of directors, and members to join us in this endeavor. We sincerely hope that they will endorse this project and assist us to get signatures on the petition for the betterment and benefit of all Florida residents who live under Community Development Districts.

Please return petition to the POA as soon as possible. If anyone would like to help to get additional signatures, please call any POA Officer - we will gladly provide all the forms you can use. Remember, strength comes in numbers

Please return petition to the POA - PO Box 1657 Lady Lake, FL. or Drop in POA Drop Box at Paradise Center

SUBJECT: Amendments needed to Florida Statute 190

This petition is to change the law to represent the will of all of the people and not just the Developer

Whereas: We the undersigned residents and registered voters are requesting our elected officials to make necessary amendments to Florida State Statute #190, for the following reasons:

1. None of the people serving on the Village Community Center Development District Board, (referred to as VCCDD from herein), are required to live in the district therefore, do not have a direct interest in the area.
2. The VCCDD Board, had and has the authority to request and issue bonds at their discretion. The home owners, who live in this servicing district had no voice in this decisions whatsoever. The VCCDD is now approximately \$150 million in debt (including interest this figure would be over \$200 million).
3. The Developer directs his VCCDD Board to purchase specific properties without appraisals or comparative prices.
4. At the present time there are 10,000 homes and 17,000 residents, being serviced by this VCCDD. All the above paid for by the \$99.00 monthly maintenance fee each unit pays to the VCCDD, yet the residents have no voice on how the money is spent by the VCCDD Board.

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STANDING THEIR GROUND

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If the Villages can donate a former Dumping Ground to the Lake County School Board that cost \$250,000 for fill dirt to make it usable for the school and then cost an additional \$750,000 to pave a road to make it accessible, not only for the school, but for the Villages and their future plans, why should they quibble about erecting a noise buffer, with upkeep at the cost of \$100,000 to keep the Plantation R.V. Park the beautiful place it is?

I make a motion we agree to meet their request. Who will second it? "What's good for the goose is good for the gander" as the old saying goes.

--S. Woollard

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VCCDD MEETING

This meeting started off with a bang. I told the Board that reports are coming back that if the gate comes down on your car and does damage, their insurance company is not paying. So, if you have damage and have not been paid, call me. I would like to know the number of cars involved.

The next item was that a POA member was on an executive golf course and was playing with two renters and they were bragging that he puts in for golf with the computer and if he does not get a tee time he calls his real estate agent and they get him on to play golf — is this what we pay the extra \$800,000 to Steve for, this has to stop now. This man is not a buyer of a new home - he's a renter and he is the same as me. Pete Wahl was asked why the 'special treatment'?

— Joe Gottfried

APRIL MEETING SPEAKER

Lately there has been a great deal of talk about the health advantages of using magnets on the body. How a bed of magnets, a chair with a pad of magnets, or even a couple of magnets taped to a particular part of the body can ease pain.

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On March 19, John Fuller's Group of Tutors attended a beautiful luncheon reception at the Venetian Gardens.

Besides the delicious lunch, we were entertained by the Leesburg High School Jazz Combo directed by Jim Hart - "Mr. Hart's Opus" - we had the most delightful, motivating speaker, Carol Clendenin.

So, get involved. You too can become a part of a meaningful life. That's if you want to.

— S. Woollard

LETTER FROM MARK MORSE

(Ed Note: The following is Mr. Morse's reply to Jim West's letter suggesting several areas of improvement in the Villages. February's Bulletin carried a summarized version of his letter. The Lady Lake Magazine carried the letter in its entirety.)

Dear Mr. West,

Thank you for your letter of January 10th 1999. I appreciate your input on all matters that deal with the quality of life at The Villages. I do not look at your comments as negative. I do get a negative feeling from your actions. Sending your letter to the press, prior to getting a response from me and the appropriate manager in question, is a divisive and undermining action. I may be able to answer or get answers to your concerns that would eliminate or reduce the need to air your concerns to the press. Have I been unresponsive in the past? This would be the only reason I could understand your doing so.

Having said all that, please allow me to walk through your letter and the concerns therein. I will attempt to give answers, explanations, observations and comments for each.

First, an observation of Frank Topping and Sandy Mott's messages in the VHA Newsletter. The spirit of their presentation of problems to us is one of the "the glass is half full", approach, not, "the glass is half empty". That is what I think they mean. Pounding on tables, calling people names and rumor mongering is the "negative noise" they are trying to eliminate. Not the topics, not the concerns and certainly not the feed-back of anyone in The Community. Frank and Sandy are just trying to explain that positive attitudes from positive people bring positive change. I can assure you we do not think of our residents as a "flock of sheep". We have many focus groups representing The Community whom we meet with monthly to gain feedback to help us improve what we have, and avoid the same mistakes in the future.

I have shared your letter with Mackie McCabe, our Food Service Director. He will contact you on the food service items you have brought to our attention. He can deal at a higher level of detail on those issues than I. Just an observation on the food service at the Village though, our people are our greatest asset and can be our greatest detriment as well. Isn't it ironic that your reservation was mis-handled at the same club where you can get the best filet mignon. You are absolutely correct, the product is the same, so it is all about people.

NEXT POA MEETING

Wednesday, APRIL 21, 7:00 pm,
Paradise Rec Center is the next POA meeting. All residents are welcomed to attend. Come and find out what is going on in the Villages. If you are a member and at the meeting on Feb. 17, you could be the winner of a nice door prize - one door prize consisting of \$50 cash from Invincible Roofing, \$50 cash from Consumer Energy Savers - two POA tee shirts - and a bottle of wine.

in regard to the details of what happened, but I can tell you our philosophy is to contact all those expressing critical comments, and listen to the specifics. We can't fix it if we don't know it's broken.

Proceeding into your numbered items, let's begin.

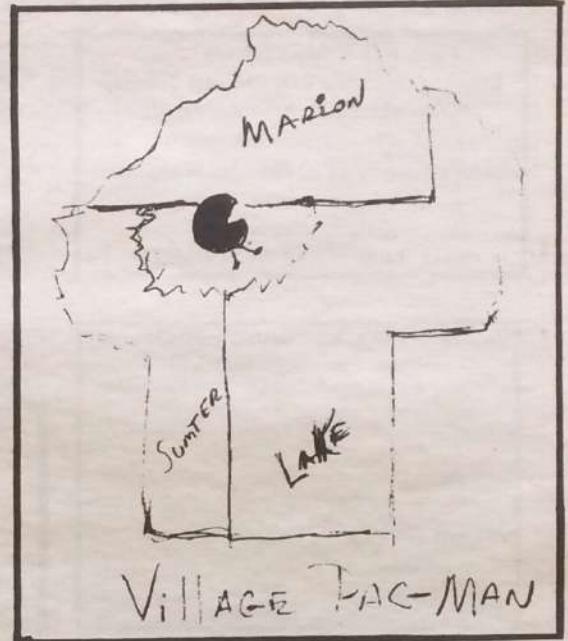
1. Entertainment at Silverlake: For the last several years at this time of year we received negative feedback about people not being able to get in to Silverlake for dinner. Our decision to take entertainment out was based on this feedback. People would come in for an early dinner, (and to hold seats) and stay for the entertainment. Thus, not allowing a second seating for those who arrived later. In this situation the cure created the problem we currently have. It generated false accusation that profit is the motive, and that we don't care and we ignore our residents. Maximum utilization of the facility for residents is our only motive. Sure, if we do our job right, profit may result. This concept has worked well in that regard. Meal counts on what were previously our entertainment nights, have increased. This means we met our objective. Unfortunately, however, our cure seems to be worse than our original problem. Rest assured we are listening to the concerns and will react positively. We will analyze our results and restore entertainment in some form that will help maximize the facility, not hinder it.

Regarding surveys, I'll use Silverlake again as my example. When we first opened we had about half as many seats and six pool tables in the area where the stage is. These tables were very popular. Had I surveyed the patrons, they would have objected to their removal. But in order to make the facility available to more residents, I removed them, almost doubling the seating capacity. This difficult decision paved the way for Silverlake to become what it is today.

Mackie is communicating regularly with the upset patrons at Silverlake, keeping them apprised of our findings and plans. We know we partially missed the mark here.

2. Music at the Gazebo: This is a Town Square Promotion and has nothing to do with entertainment anywhere else. It does create other options by virtue of it being available. We simply experience greater utilization of Town Square when we have activity there. Sunday Celebration, Fiesta Night, Texas Tuesday, etc. create a nice atmosphere and activity on the Square. We simply expanded this feeling to seven days a week. We know we have areas to consider for improvement, and we are listening to its users and adjusting constantly. We have heard the feedback about dancing on concrete and are looking into alternatives.

3. Restaurants: Mackie can talk to you about specifics, but my observation is that a series of training and people problems are the root cause.



4. Golf: It would be difficult for us to build golf so that each golfer could play to the frequency of five times a week, year-round. However, there are many times this can be accomplished. Just as you cannot always get a seat in church on Easter Sunday, or a table in a restaurant on Saturday night in prime season, we are in peak season and play does become restricted. If a person is particular about when and where they play, the problem is exacerbated.

The amount of golf in our development has been consistent for many years now. We develop one hole of golf for every ninety homes. This fluctuates some because we build nine holes at a time, but we have been very consistent. Please see the attached document. We have also learned that twenty-seven hole complexes are more tee-time efficient delivering three times as may preferred tee-times. After you get this note, please call for an explanation of our development planning and monitoring. We are confident we will meet these levels going forward.

5. Traffic: Morse Blvd. is designed as a collector road. It won't get intersection improvements until it's level of service drops below it's design level. This is monitored annually to satisfy our development order. The intersection at Morse and Boone is just that, an intersection. It is very busy and I too proceed with great caution. The two lanes exiting Boone Ct. As with all intersections on the highway, are controlled by the DOT. This includes traffic controls such as turn arrows and striping for the lanes. The left lane is for left turns AND straight through traffic, while the right lane is for right turns only.

6. Golf Carts: You are correct on this issue except all laws must be applied to operation. There are extra restrictions placed on golf cart use on public streets such as no night driving. We are permitted to use our residential streets by special ordinance in the Associate Jurisdictions. (Lady Lake/ Sumter County). You'll note on our newer "major" roads, such as Camino Real and Buena Vista Blvd. that we built separate transportation trails so as to keep carts and cars from mixing. We have learned from our experiences.

I apologize for my delay in response. I feel like I am writing a novel to respond to your concerns. In the future, please let us deal with them one at a time. Sincerely,

Mark G. Morse
Vice President, Director of Operations

P.O.A. MEETINGS

Board of Directors- 7:00 PM - 1st Tuesday
 Charlie Chapman Rm - Rec Center
 (all POA members welcomed)
 General Meeting- 7:00 PM - 3rd Wednesday
 Paradise Recreation Center
 Refreshments Served
 (ALL RESIDENTS WELCOMED)

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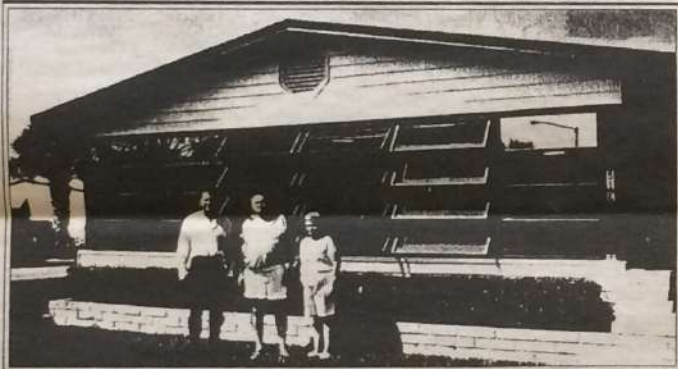
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NEGATIVE/WALKING TALL

What does Negative mean? In disagreement - oppose - demurring - just a few definitions.

Is it negative to disagree to something that is infringing on your rights? I think not.

Is it being negative to stand up for what you know is an infringement of those rights? I think not.

Why is it when you oppose the VCCDD, it's implied, "you just don't understand"?

Why would a judge say, "He understands your objections, BUT it's the LAW (meaning Chapter 190), and he has to abide by the LAW. So, what is the answer to your objections, Right or Not, "the law" has to be served. SURPRISE!! We know that.

What is Walking Tall? Standing up for what is right and defending that right against all odds.

So, HATS OFF!!! to Joe Gottfried, Russ Day, and all the residents who Walk Tall against those who think we are so stupid that we don't understand that Chapter 190 has put us in service to the VCCDD.

"What hath a Man if he Gains the Whole World and Loses his SOUL?"

QUASI-CONTRACT: Imposed by LAW independently of the will of the person/persons obliged.

QUASI: Origin Latin for 'nearly' According to Webster's Dictionary: Implying - appearance without Reality - sort of - sham. Can be used as a prefix-adver-adj.

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