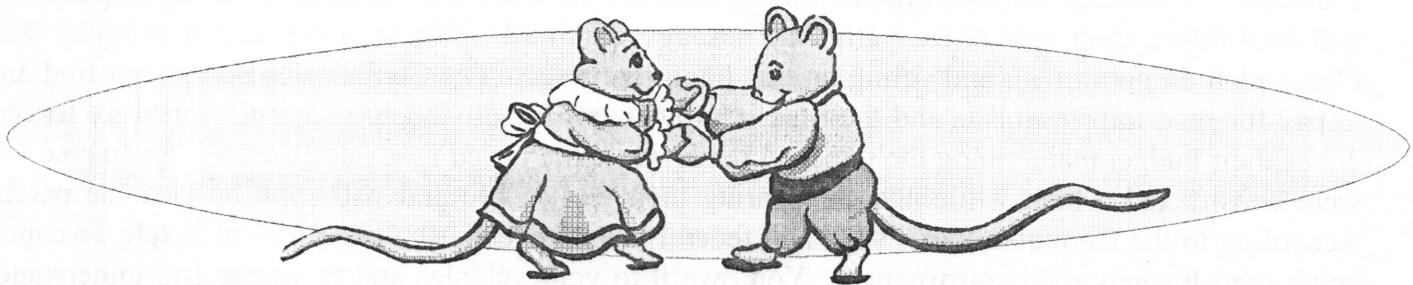


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Grandin Lake Shores Association, Incorporated P. O. Box 369 Interlachen, Florida 32148
A Non-profit corporation which is governed by its members, is in its 30th consecutive year of publication. The Lake Shore News is published each month in order to keep our interested and concerned property owner members informed of upcoming activities as well as local happenings. As paying subscribers, please let us know what you would like to see appear in the publication as well as any comments in its content. If you have any news or information that would be of interest to our community, please do not hesitate to let our secretary have the information on or before our monthly meeting. A "suggestion" mailbox is now available for your suggestion submission at the right side of the entry door at the Community Hall.

Hi neighbors! It is getting warm again outside and the Azalea blooms can't be far away.



Don't forget to come to our Sweetheart Dance which will be held on Saturday, February 17th, at 7 PM. Bring finger food, and enjoy live music and each other's company.

BULLETIN

Keep an eye out for strangers wandering in our area early in the morning and report suspicious activities to the Sheriff's Department. Just lately, there has been car parts stolen from cars near the cemetery on Hickory Road, break-ins to vehicles at the boat launch end of Holiday Drive, and plumbing parts stolen on the NW section of Grandin Lake Shores. The Neighborhood Watch could use some more active participants in their daily watch activity. If you have a few hours to spare a week, call Jim Adkins at 684-3298 and offer some help to the Watch.

The Board of Directors formally accepted a correction to the By-laws. Section 4, RULES AND REGULATIONS, paragraph (g) has been changed to read as follows: "*Failing to maintain a lot in clean condition or allowing trash or garbage to accumulate on a lot, since organized trash pickup is available, shall be considered a nuisance. After notice has been served to correct the condition, the owner/member shall be subject to remedial action by the Corporation at the owner's expense.*"

GLSA President, Sam Rosenfeld has appointed Jim Adkins, Marge Ford, and John Nelson to a **Nomination Committee** to establish a slate of replacement candidates for the Board of Directors. If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors or can recommend a person, please contact the above people to get placed on the election ballot. The ballots will be mailed out on or before March 6th to meet the By-law requirement of a 10 to 50 day notice of Election or of a Meeting of the Members which is to be held on March 16th.

The next scheduled Board of Director meeting is March 4 Th. The covered dish supper will be at 6:30 PM. Everyone is invited to attend even if you don't stay for the meeting.

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Welcome to our new associate members, Ivan and Dolores Grover, who have again joined us for these first new months of the year.

Bingo is enjoyed on Saturdays at 6 PM except for Feb. 17. On that weekend, Bingo will be held on Friday, Feb. 16, at 6 PM.

Yard of the Month goes to: Jim and Jimmie Dreier

The next **Many-Wings** meeting is Monday, February 12, 1996 at 12:00 PM. Members should bring their husbands and a covered dish. Guests are welcome to share.

Ruth Fletcher's name will soon be added to the Deceased GLSA Officer/Board Member Plaque displayed on the east wall of the Association Clubhouse.

The Putnam County Commissioners offered a presentation at the Board of Directors Meeting to explain the 1% Sales tax increase for Road Improvement, the reasons why, and the safeguards accompanying it. There will be a referendum vote at the polls on Tuesday, March 12, 1996 to either accept or reject this increase. Please plan on getting out and voting on this important issue. The Commissioners can not find another way to pay for road improvements and the road improvements are obviously required. They are forced to spend 2/3 of their budget maintaining the unpaved roads while the paved roads deteriorate. The paved roads which were constructed a long while ago are nearing their end of life and will soon be past the patching stage. According to the Commissioners, state and federal laws prevent Ad Valorem Real Estate Tax moneys from being used for new road construction. You owe it to your vehicles and to yourself to understand the issue and make a decision! Take the time to talk with a commissioner or read the available handouts.

Three documents have been generated to describe the manner in which our property here in Grandin Lake Shores may be used and how we conduct our business. Two are legal documents that are recorded with our government offices. The first, a **Restrictive Covenant**, is registered with the Putnam County Public Records and is referred to in each of the property owner land titles or deeds. The Covenant is a binding agreement between the property owners and the county that the property will be used in a controlled manner that is defined by the document. The second, our **Corporation Charter**, is registered with the Secretary of State in Tallahassee, Florida, and it describes how our business is to be conducted. The third is our **By-laws** which are controlled and generated by our Board of Directors as directed by the Corporate Charter, which more specifically detail our way of governing our Association.

Last year we had a major problem with the Restrictive Covenant in that we required more money today to fund the Association operations than was required when the Covenant was drafted in the early '60's. We also felt that property owners were generally apathetic to Association business and that an inordinate amount of time and money were required to complete our major business efforts. You property owners agreed through the voting process defined in the Covenant and after almost a year an amendment was filed with Putnam County to fix these two problems.

We also found a small problem with the Corporate Charter which set an unrealistic day (Friday) for a mandatory meeting involving property owners who are spread throughout the United States. We believe that we have corrected the problem with an amendment that is on its way to the Secretary of State,

We also found some problems with our By-laws that we have hopefully fixed for the moment. All of these changes have been brought to your attention according to the requirements of the three documents.

Our next paperwork task is to make minor corrections to the Restrictive Covenant which has some problems that previous Boards of Directors were aware of and had covered through the By-laws somewhat incorrectly. Changing By-laws requires only a majority vote of the Board of Directors (5 people) where Covenant Changes now require a majority vote of responding voters: If 100 persons respond with a vote, 51 positive votes would sanction the change. Before August 1995 ~196 positive votes were required (2/3 of the 294 property owners).

Two of the minor corrections would be to correct "typo" mistakes. Covenant 2 relates to garage (not garate). Covenant 4 relates to tents (not tests). Other changes should make the Covenant an easier to understood (less technical) document. These changes will be explained to you in the newsletter as space and time allow.