



# Behind the Gate

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## Valentine's Day is just for Lovers

This February, you may be thinking about those you love and all the friendships you have. One friendship that may often get overlooked is the friendship you have with yourself. With the holidays behind us, there must have been a lot of things you did to take care of everyone around you. Now may be the time to go on a "Treat Yourself" campaign. Self-love and self-care can take many forms. It can begin with self-care, taking care of your health and well-being. Maybe you need a "spa day" in whatever form that may take. Or, how about a new membership to a gym or attending a set of classes.

Don't forget the concept of love of friends and relationships. Do you need to reach out to someone you've been missing lately? Has a good friend moved away or lives far from you? Thinking of your friends and family can also be a form of self-care. You need your buddies as much as they need you.

So as Valentine's Day approaches, reach inside to take care of you, and reach out to take care of your relationships.

## UPDATE ON THE CLUBHOUSE



By Randy Rutan

The Grove will be running under the direction of EFS Catering's chief Chef, Larry Grosshans. Larry and their Director of Sales, Mahealani Hauata, attended Loch Rane's Annual Meeting and OPCC's Board Meeting on January 21st to provide the community with more details and insight into the plans for the new club. The main restaurant, The Grove Restaurant & Bar, will have casual fine dining and will initially be open Fri-Sun towards the end of March (date TBD). The second phase of the new club is set to open in May and will include the Ace & Anchor Lounge featuring a restaurant and sports bar. The Grove will provide amenities and event venue space for weddings, social gatherings, corporate meetings, and more. Visit [www.efscatering.com](http://www.efscatering.com) to view menus offered at events and see previous event photos.

Visit [www.thegrovetopcc.com](http://www.thegrovetopcc.com) to catch a sneak peek at the clubhouse. Photos here are some visions of what the inside of the clubhouse will look like.





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# OPCCOA Board of Directors Meeting

By Randy Rutan  
January 21, 2025

### Presentation By Larry Grosshans, the Chef for The Grove

Larry Grosshans asked to attend the Board Meeting so that he could bring us up to date on the plans for the Clubhouse.

The Clubhouse is currently under construction. Phase 1 includes a ballroom, a center room which will be called the Florida Room and will actually have an orange tree in it. It will be used for pre-function events. The Grove Restaurant will offer American casual fine dining. There will be a Terrace Area outside that will be done in pavers with lovely landscaping, outdoor seating and a firepit. They hope to have Phase 1 open by late March. They will start out serving dinner on Friday and Saturday and Brunch on Sunday. Phase 2 will include bride and groom suites for wedding events, and a casual restaurant and sports bar which will face the pickleball area. They hope to have Phase 2 open in May. You can get a clubhouse sneak peek by going to [www.thegroveatopcc.com](http://www.thegroveatopcc.com).

### Architectural Review Committee (ARC)

At the January meeting the ARC gave Initial Project Approvals to 1 Roof Replacement, 2 Tree Removals, and 1 fence installation. Final Project Inspection Approvals were given to 1 Fence Installation, 2 Exterior Modification Projects (Front Door Replacements) and 1 Paver Project. The development of a color Palette is still pending.

### Communications/ Website/Newsletter

Randy Rutan provided each Board member with a copy of the Welcome Pamphlet that is given to new residents for their review. She shared information about a new concept for the Welcome Package which will include a copy of the Covenants & Restrictions due to a new Florida Statute.

### VRC

Bob Johnson reported that the committee held a meeting with the new Community Association Manager (CAM), Darren Decker. No properties were discussed. He requested that the Board come up with a fining procedure for residents with malfunctioning barcodes. The Board tabled the issue and will discuss this with the Association's attorney.

### Roads

David Sparks reported that 2 companies have been contacted to provide bids to repair a collapsed pipe at 710 Cherry Grove Road. Premier American Construction Inc. has submitted a bid in the amount of \$9,805.00. There will be an additional charge of \$1,250.00 if plugging and dewatering is needed. As reported at the Annual Meeting, the sidewalks and curbs need pressure washing and painting. The Board approved going out for bids for this project. A list of areas to be completed was provided to Board members. The Committee recommended to the Board that we investigate the possibility of taking out a loan to complete the paving project in OPCC. A complete list of all road projects needed was provided at the Annual Meeting. The roads were listed in alphabetical order and details about the work needed and the costs were provided. The total cost to repair all the roads listed was \$1,418,580.00. It was suggested that drainage issues throughout the neighborhood be investigated and that the drainage issues be fixed prior to doing the road work.

### Landscape

Ken Hahn was introduced as the new Chairman of the Landscape Committee

### Community Center

The deck work will be completed by community volunteers when the weather improves. A preventative maintenance contract with Air Max to conduct semiannual inspections of the heating and cooling systems was approved. Bids were received from 4 companies.

### Activities Committee

Out of respect for the restaurant plans at the country club, it was agreed that there will be no food truck events scheduled this year.

### Gatehouse Repairs & Maintenance

Gordon's Glass has replaced the damaged window. Atlantic Home Services' quote to do the internal and external repairs excluding camera work was in the amount of \$6,075.50. Some work has been done but is now on hold due to discoveries made about the camera replacement. The original estimate from IAS was in the amount of \$6,513.22 and only included the License Plate Capture Cameras. It has been discovered that all of the cameras and wiring need to be replaced. The updated estimate is in the amount of \$20,767.41. Dida of North Florida, Inc. provided an estimate of \$2,600.00 to do the interior and exterior painting. It is highly recommended that we have a quarterly maintenance contract for the camera equipment.

### Update on Amended & Restated Covenants

Tom Mackin is working with Darren Decker to put together a package including a cover letter, ballot, proxy form and a copy of the Board Approved Amended Covenants. Darren Decker will need to be provided the materials at least 21 days before a scheduled meeting so that the packages can be printed and mailed to owners to be received no less than 14 days prior to the meeting.

### Corrections needed regarding ownership of Loch Rane Blvd and the Gatehouse in the Clay County Property Records.

Loch Rane has been working on this with their attorney for some time. A report is being created and will be shared with our attorney so that a plan can be made for how to correct this.

The next meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday February 18, 2025, at the Community Center.

# Loch Rane Board of Directors Meeting

By Chuck Bryner

The January 2025 meeting of the Loch Rane BOD was held on January 28, 2025, with attendance in person of 19 and 7 additional attendees on Zoom.

## Board of Directors

The new board of directors was introduced. While all members are the same as 2024, the positions and responsibilities have changed. Please see the insert to the right.

## Steering Committee Membership

In 2025, the Steering Committee will have three representatives from Loch Rane. For this calendar year the three will be Kathryn Marko who will also chair the committee, Gary McMahill and Sonya Kirk. The committee meets the third Thursday of each month at 6 PM in the Community Center. Homeowners from either community are invited to attend.

## Infrastructure for 2024

Loch Rane spent over \$500,000 last year in addressing the most critical needs of repairing and repaving Devonshire, repairing a depression forming on Dunrobin and relining over 2300 linear feet of storm drains.

## Infrastructure for 2025

As we enter 2025, the rebuilding of Dunster Court where an abandoned drainpipe under the surface has begun to form a depression in the cul de sac and will deserve repair before the situation worsens. A first bid for the repair was obtained while Devonshire was being rebuilt. More of the drains that underlie the roadbeds are also being considered as a priority. The precise drains and cost are not yet decided. We are also expecting the permits from St Johns Water Management District to allow us to begin improving the three retention ponds owned by Loch Rane. Once a green light is given, we will begin to obtain estimates to repair the ponds in the manner approved by the St Johns Water Management District. Expect a large cost for this project.

## Shuffleboard

The shuffleboard sticks will have new, more durable heads placed to repair the sticks for future play. The shuffleboard court is located between the tennis courts and the pickleball courts.

## CAM Team Responsiveness

After anecdotal complaints from residents that the CAM Team was failing to reply to their phone calls or emails, we asked the CAM Team to supply the board with a log of each phone call and each email they receive from residents and their replies or attempts to reply. In December, the CAM team received 36 phone calls and 11 emails from residents of Loch Rane. In every case, they had documented their response, the advice provided, and the attempts to return calls when messages were left. There was one that did not have the response logged but had been answered. In one case, multiple attempts to return the call failed as the resident's phone was unavailable for messages or the mailbox was full and no message could be left. The response to emails was equally impressive. We will continue to monitor.

## Gatehouse Traffic Flow / Call ins vs Gatekey

The discussion continued from December as we explore options to reduce the phone calls to the Gatehouse to admit visitors. Allowing phone calls takes time for a staff member to answer the phone, obtain the information, enter the information into Gatekey as required. It is much quicker for the homeowners to do it themselves by computer or through the Gatekey Plus app on your phone (FREE app). This necessitates a second staff person to attend to that task while the first keeps traffic flowing through the gate. Eliminating the phone calls might well lead to less hours for coverage of the Gatehouse by a second staff which results in a significant savings for the two communities. Please refer to the summary from December for more of this conversation. We will continue to explore options to consider that will help traffic enter more smoothly and prevent backups.

Certain non-residents that enter on a very regular basis such as healthcare workers or home attendants that are visiting the same resident are now eligible to be admitted by the bar code reader in the residents' lane. The same is true for family members that still return often but have their own address outside of the community. An example would be a student attending college or trade school that comes home frequently on weekends to visit the parents. If your household has such a visitor, the homeowner can visit the gatehouse during bar code hours with the guest and their vehicle to purchase a bar code for that vehicle. Each of these vehicles will now be able to utilize the resident lane reducing time spent by the gatehouse staff to admit them each time they visit.

## Insurance

While not realized by many residents, the association maintains insurance against claims and lawsuits. While we had been insured by the same company for multiple years, the CAM Team reached out to other providers. One that offered the same or better coverage had a much smaller annual premium. The savings will be approximately \$2300 for the year.

## Fining Process

We are still smoothing out kinks in our new process for addressing violations. The new Florida statutes from 2024 forced changes in how we address violations. The biggest change is that no fine may be levied until a resident is given a chance to appear before the fining committee to address the violation. Only if the fining committee votes to uphold the fine will the violation be processed further. HERE ARE THE KEYS TO AVOID FINES: First, address the issue with the first notice. Do not allow things to reach the third stage where fines may be levied. Any time that the violation was corrected before the fine committee meets, the resident can inform the CAM Team or appear in person to show the problem has been fixed. When this is verified, the violation

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## 2025 Steering Committee

**Kathy Marko, Chairman**  
**Gary McMahill, Secretary**  
**Sonja Kirk, Member**  
**Daniel Butler, Member**  
**Randy Rutan, Member**

**The Steering Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the community building. The purpose of the committee is to oversee issues of joint interest in the common areas of Loch Rane and OPCC. Homeowners of both communities are invited to attend.**



## LRIA/OPCCOA Steering Committee Report

By Gary McMahill  
January 16, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 5:52 p.m. by chair Kathy Marko, with regular members Randy Rutan, Daniel Butler, Sonya Kirk and Gary McMahill in attendance. There was a quorum. There was considerable discussion regarding learning to use the Gate Key App and how to access community documents. If you are having issues with these please contact a neighbor, the gatehouse or a board member for assistance. We all need to be using Gate Key and stop calling the guards for each individual visitor of which there were 17,637 in November and 18,699 in December. Minutes of the November meeting, financials for November and

corrected financials for December were all unanimously approved. There was no December meeting, hence no minutes. There were no representatives of the Joint Landscape or Roads/Sidewalks committee in attendance. The need for crosswalk and stop bar markings to be redone on the boulevard was noted. Repairs to the Gatehouse interior were begun with the replacement of the window in the backside of the second floor for \$2,000. The interior demolition began with rotted wood and mold being found requiring replacement and remediation. Reconstruction work is currently suspended awaiting further evaluation and consideration of both the electrical and video systems. This needs to be completed before continuation of the interior remodeling. Thanks

to Randy Rutan for providing four bids for the annual service of the gatehouse A/C system. The committee approved the Air-Max contract bid, the lowest cost, thus providing a small annual savings. There was minimal discussion of additional opportunities to reduce costs with Gary McMahill questioning the need for two guards, particularly from 7 to 11 PM. It was noted that The Grove is using the Gate Key system to issue individual passes for Disc Golf to individuals from outside the community and so far, this has been running smoothly. The next meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Thursday February 20, 2025.



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is voided by the fine committee without further action. When circumstances beyond your control prevent you from fixing the problem in this timely manner, please reach out to the CAM Team neighborhood representative, Ms. Gina Cabral, and explain the situation. She has been given the authority to act for the board and place a hold on any fine to allow needed time to complete the necessary correction. Delaying your response until the threat of the fine in stage three of the violation is not acceptable and will not be tolerated as an excuse to avoid compliance or avoid the fine being levied. Those working on the problem and showing clear progress will be so recognized. The goal is compliance with the rules which govern our community, not to exact a financial punishment. In the perfect situation, all the households will maintain their properties in line with the Covenants & Restrictions we have agreed as a community to follow and no one would ever need to receive a violation letter.

### ByLaws

Loch Rane operates under its original ByLaws drafted decades ago. As recently as 2008, several suggestions were made but they were never formally proposed and never presented to the homeowners for a vote. Similar to the project of updating the Covenants & Restrictions, the current board decided to take on revising the ByLaws in 2025 with a target to be completed in time for the 2026 Annual Meeting. Stay tuned for more information. Residents will be invited to provide input as we progress to a final product.

### February Meetings

We continue to meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Our next board meeting will be held February 25, 2025 at 6:30 PM in the Community Center.

*Annual Meeting Report on page 8.*

## SAVE THE DATE

The next community Ladies Luncheon will be February 19 at 11:30 at The Club Continental. The theme will be "Butterflies and Birds". The January luncheon was so much fun. Pictured here is Trudie Ann Mitchell who was one of the hostesses who helped us celebrate the new year. Contact the Luncheon Coordinator, Frances Smith, at 904-579-3008 or fksmith63@comcast.net if you are interested in participating. She will need your name and contact information so you can be sent notices about the monthly events.



### Women's Heart Week

Women's Heart Week is celebrated each year in the first week of February from February 1 to 7. The observation aims to educate, raise awareness, and teach the symptoms and preventions of serious heart diseases in women. Many local health centers organize screenings, talks, and awareness programs, and women are familiarized with gender-specific information on heart illnesses. This is a good time to get your heart checked especially if you have a history of heart illnesses in your family. Timely precaution can save you from suffering from major heart issues. Consult your doctor or health care providers on how to observe Women's Heart Week. It is crucial to recognize symptoms and risks, make necessary lifestyle changes, get regular medical care, and promptly seek medical intervention when the need arises. In the U.S., Women's Heart Week is observed as a national outreach campaign to save lives, especially that of women who are regularly neglected by the medical sciences.

## MABUHAY! JOIN US IN LAUNCHING



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**When :** March 07, 2025  
Friday 1 - 3 PM

**Where:** Community Center

For more information:

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**February 1 and 2 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm  
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**February 2 @ 10:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Orange Park Farmers' & Arts Market**

Orange Park Town Hall Park 2042 Park Avenue, Orange Park, FL

The Orange Park Farmers' & Arts Market is held on the First & Third Sunday of each month. Our season is September - June.

The Market was established in September 2012. We have grown tremendously since our opening day. We now regularly have over 75 vendors that offer a variety of homemade and homegrown products.

**February 2 and 3 @ 5:30 pm  
Paranormal Cirque III**

Orange Park Mall 1910 Wells Rd, Orange Park, FL

Slow down so you can take it all in... but if you scare easily, you might want to run...as we welcome you into this new world of Paranormal Cirque! Under this Clown Castle, the black and red big top tent, Acrobats of the Air, Illusionists, freaks, mysterious creatures and all the elements that make one think WOW.

**February 5 @ 7:30 pm So Good:  
The Neil Diamond Experience**

Thrasher-Horne Center 283 College Drive, Orange Park, FL

Starring Robert Neary! This is a show unlike any tribute you have ever seen or

heard before. As a Broadway, television, and motion picture actor for over 35 years, Robert Neary creates a one of a kind, cut above the rest, production. He talks about the songs and tells stories behind them.

**February 8 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Besties & Bell Bottoms Dance Party**

Orange Park Mall 1910 Wells Rd, Orange Park, FL

Kids ages 4 - 12 are invited to boogie at the Besties & Bell Bottoms Dance Party on February 8 from 11 AM to 1 PM! This groovy celebration will transport you back to the 70s with fun crafts and funky dance moves. Kick things off by making neon bracelets, then hit the dance floor.

**February 8 @ 11:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Clay County Parks & Recreation  
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**February 8 @ 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm The Fabulous 50's Annual Gala**

Club Continental 2143 Astor Street, Orange Park, FL. Join us at The Club Continental for our 3rd annual charity Gala! Enjoy a variety of delicious cuisine from local Chefs and live music, auction, raffles, and more! Grab your poodle skirts and dancing shoes and enjoy a memorable night. Proceeds benefit the Orange Park Woman's Club's various community service programs.

**February 9 @ 6:00 pm Taylor Shines – The Laser Spectacular ft Jexxa**

Thrasher-Horne Center 283 College Drive, Orange Park, FL

Taylor Shines is an immersive experi-

ence that celebrates the illustrious music career of Taylor Swift. This family-friendly event, designed exclusively for Swifties of all ages, promises an evening like no other. The show features an epic laser display, large-screen video projection, and a live performance by the talented Jexxa. Relive the magic of Taylor's music and join in the singalong!

**February 12 @ 7:30 pm The Ozark Mountain Daredevils**

Thrasher-Horne Center 283 College Drive, Orange Park, FL

The Ozark Mountain Daredevils are a seminal American rock band renowned for their distinctive fusion of country, rock, and pop music. Formed in the early '70s, they are best known for their chart topping hit singles "If You Wanna Get To Heaven" and "Jackie Blue." They have toured relentlessly, captivating audiences with their timeless hits.

**February 15 @ 10:00 am 3rd Saturday Market in the Park**

City Hall 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, FL

Join us on Walnut Street in front of Spring Park for 3rd Saturday Market in the Park. Organized by Green Cove Springs Business League, each month features a variety of local vendors selling fresh produce and other freshly made goods. Live entertainment or music is also featured every month. The market is pet friendly.

**February 16 @ 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Orange Park Farmers' & Arts Market**

Orange Park Town Hall Park 2042 Park Avenue, Orange Park, FL

The Orange Park Farmers' & Arts Market is held on the First & Third Sunday of each month. Our season is September - June. The Market was established in September 2012. We have grown tremendously since our opening day. We now regularly have

over 75 vendors that offer a variety of homemade and homegrown products.

**February 22 30th Annual Northeast Florida Scottish Games & Festival**

Clay County Fairgrounds 2463 FL-16, Green Cove Springs, FL

Enjoy athletics, music, food and fun at the annual Scottish Games & Festival.

**February 25 @ 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Blippi: Join the Band Tour!**

Thrasher-Horne Center 283 College Drive, Orange Park, FL

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# Music Behind the Gate with Robert L. Hunt

By Randy Rutan

Recently I had the opportunity to sit down with our neighbor, Robert L. Hunt, to discuss a project he is working on. It turns out that Robert was a professional singer songwriter for years when he lived in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

His groups included Northwood, Burnham, Seltz and Hunt, the blues band Getta Grip and the rock band At Random. For years At Random was courted by major labels including Motown while they headlined at the larger venues in and around Detroit including the historic Fox Theater. Robert also recorded with Jakson Spires, aka Thunderfoot, drummer, vocalist, songwriter and founding member of one of Jacksonville, Florida's legendary southern rock groups, Blackfoot. While Robert and Jakson both attended the same school here in Jacksonville they didn't meet until Robert was at a meeting with Blackfoot's management company in Ann Arbor.

Now decades after retiring from the music industry Robert has been asked by Nashville based The Seraphim Collective if he would be interested in allowing them to produce reimagined versions of some of the hundred plus songs he wrote. This meeting has now led to new material being written and after listening to some of the songs that they plan to release starting in December I was quite pleased with what I heard.



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While Robert and The Seraphim Collective were completing work on It's Outrageous, the first EP which is a collection of music that is shorter than an album but longer than a single, a beloved friend and business associate of Robert passed away from Alzheimer's. Since Robert's father and grandfather also suffered with this terrible illness and, because The Seraphim Collective founders Tammy and Shiro Onedera are currently caring for a mother who is in assisted living due to this

disease, they each wrote a benefit song to raise funds in support of the amazing work being performed by the Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA).

Robert and I are hoping our neighbors will review this project to learn more about helping to raise funds to benefit Alzheimer's Care, Education and Research For A Cure. You can read about the project by visiting this link which leads to the secure Alzheimer's Foundation of America site:

Since both Robert and The Seraphim Collective are donating a major portion of the streaming royalties to the AFA all you need to do to support this worthwhile project is to listen to the songs for free. You will find links to both songs, Beside The Rage (On The Other Side) and Dementia Days, for Spotify, Apple Music, and iTunes on the AFA page. The songs are also available on Pandora and YouTube Music and TV.

Then, if the songs touch you, please "Like" and share the links with as many people as possible to aid the charity. If you happen to have loved ones or friends suffering from Alzheimer's there is also a link to make an additional donation to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America.

The first EP of songs written by Robert have just started streaming and can be found on your favorite platform under It's Outrageous, Robert L Hunt or The Seraphim Collective.

On behalf of Robert and myself we

greatly appreciate anything you can do to help.



## Submit Your Stories Help contribute to your community newsletter!

This newsletter is produced for Loch Rane and Orange Park Country Club.  
 If you'd like to offer content for publication here's how to get started.

**Stories/Photography:**  
 Send your articles and/or high resolution JPEGs to Randy Rutan at [randy@randyrutan.com](mailto:randy@randyrutan.com)  
 Articles should be sent as Microsoft Word attachments that are saved as ".doc" files. Photos should also be sent as attachments and not embedded in an email.  
 The February 2025 Deadline for content: Sunday, February 16.

## Loch Rane 2025 Annual Meeting Summary

By Chuck Bryner

The 2025 Annual Homeowners Meeting was held on January 21st at 7 PM at the Advent Lutheran Church. Due to the foul weather alert for that evening, attendance was very sparse with only 22 households represented. As the requirement for a 10% quorum of homeowners was not met, the meeting was adjourned as required with no business being conducted. Representatives from the company that will run the former clubhouse of the Country Club of Orange Park were in attendance and gave a presentation to inform our homeowners of expectations for the near future. While there are still some questions and delays in obtaining permits, the plan is to open

a casual dining room on Fridays through Sunday of each week in the spring of 2025. The menu will feature a variety of options regularly described as American fare. The same restaurant will offer a Sunday brunch with a full buffet, omelet bar and carving station with premium meats. Pricing options will begin with the buffet bar only and advance with the additions of the carving station, the omelet station, or both. All options will be eat as much as you desire. Yes, there will be mimosas. There will be a second restaurant option at the end of the clubhouse facing the future pickleball courts which will offer a much more limited menu of traditional sports bar variety. Details of pricing, availability and hours have not yet been set by The Grove.