



# Village Press

January 2010

**Mark Your Calendar!**

**Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

**No. Lauderdale City Hall Complex Aquatic Ctr.  
701 SW 71<sup>st</sup> Avenue, North Lauderdale**

**Felix Cruz - D-56 Info and  
New Village Pieces  
Swap and Sell  
Vignette Contest  
Silent Auction**

## 2010 DUES ARE NOW DUE!

How time flies! It's time to pay our 2010 dues! Dues are \$15 per person or \$25 per family. If you joined in September or later no dues are due at this time.

Please pay at the January meeting or send to our mailbox if you cannot make the meeting.

**The Village Landlords  
P. O. Box 670093  
Coral Springs, FL 33067**

*Bob Obenland and Donna Fresquez*

## NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

**HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!**

The **Christmas Open House Season** has now drawn to a close with many memories of **FANTASTIC DISPLAYS!** I know that I can safely speak for all the members and express our appreciation to the hosts of the open houses. You have once again raised the standard for hospitality and decorations! We had a pleasant surprise when **Teresa Boivin** flew in from Denver and made a surprise visit to Bill and George's open house. For those of you that were not able to attend, you can view photos on our website. Thanks to **Jerry Fernon** for taking the pictures and **Jeffery Kirchner** for arranging and posting them on our website.

The **Toys for Tots** campaign was another success. Our members once again filled Bonnie's van with toys. Over 140 toys were brought to the meeting. Thank you for participating and bringing a smile to the face of a child!

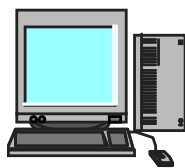
We had a nice group of members support the **Charity Tree Lighting Event** on Dec 5th at the **Ronald McDonald House** here in Fort Lauderdale. (See the photos on the website.) As always we got many nice comments and some good publicity for our club with the North Pole Village Display.

**Our next meeting (Jan 17)** will include a visit from **Felix Cruz of Dept 56** with the latest scoop on D56.

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### **Village Landlord Current Board**

Robert Cone	President	954-753-9950
Guenther Heil	Vice President	954-462-4368
Bob Obenland	Treasurer	561-752-0450
Open	Secretary	954-227-7691
Gene Armeno	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	954-969-0041
Jerry Fernon	Programs	954-753-5953
Bob Obenland	Membership	561-752-0450
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Bonnie Eichholtz	Hospitality	954-972-5045
Norman Barrett	Parliamentarian	954-943-9682
Sharon Cone	Publicity	954-753-9950
Jonathan Stout	Newsletter	305-545-1657



OUR WEBSITE:

[www.villagelandlords.com](http://www.villagelandlords.com)

Remember this will be a **swap and sell meeting** so you can pick up the missing pieces for your village and trade off the duplicates that you no longer need.

I hope you have your vignette ready for our **vignette contest**, we had some really great ones last time. See the rules in this newsletter.

Finally, this will be our election of officers meeting.

Since this will end my term as President, I would like to thank everyone for being so kind and helpful during my term of office. I think things ran rather well and I couldn't have done it without your help. I had lots of fun and gained satisfaction knowing my efforts made the club better and more enjoyable for everyone. If you haven't served as an officer, please do so, you won't regret it.

That's all the news for now. **See you at the meeting.**

**Robert**

## TREASURER'S REPORT

**October 2009**

Beginning Bank Balance		\$ 2,522.27
Deposits:		
Advertising	\$ 00.00	
Membership	\$ 65.00	
Picnic	\$ 0.00	
Pin & NCC Sales	\$ 0.00	
Special Raffle	\$ 0.00	
Raffles	\$ 220.00	
Total Deposits		\$ 285.00
Expenses:		
Copies	\$ 41.56	
Meeting	\$ 25.00	
Refreshments	\$ 8.08	
Stamps	\$ 0.00	
Donations	\$ 100.00	
Prizes Raffle/Door	\$ 111.50	
NCC Dues/Payments	\$ 0.00	
Shirts Sales	\$ -20.00	
Picnic	\$ 0.00	
Other	\$ 13.11	
Web Site	\$ 0.00	
Total Expenses		\$ 179.25
Ending Balance		<u>\$ 2,628.02</u>
Cash In Bank		\$ 2,628.02
Cash on Hand		\$ 50.00

Note: Cash On Hand used for change at meeting for raffle prize tickets.

**Bob Obenland**

## JANUARY MEETING

Along with our guest speaker, Felix Cruz from Dept. 56, Swap & Sell and Vignette Contest, we will be having a silent auction of items that have been donated to our club that you might like for your display. Since items will be listed at low starting bids, you may want to bring some extra cash to participate.

## NOVEMBER MEETING

Once again, our Toys For Tots Drive was successful. We collected well over 100 gifts. Following is a listing of the prizes donated and winners.

### **Christmas Palace**

\$50 Gift Certificate - Gisela Suarez  
 \$50 Gift Certificate - Bob Schankweiler  
 \$50 Gift Certificate - Gail Reynolds

### **Cross Stitch**

NP Santa's Tailor Shop - Bonnie Eichholtz

### **Silver Sleigh**

Gift Certificate in Gift Basket - Joan Heinsinger

### **Terri's Hallmark**

\$25 Gift Certificate - John Eckhardt

### **D. & C. Rosenbaum**

Christmas Tree Set - Mark Reynolds

### **Dept 56**

CIC Delivery Truck - Charlotte Wolfe  
 DV Elegant Ride - Carlos Suarez  
 SV City Light Christmas Trim - Marlene Bretl  
 Marjorie's Blue Ribbon Baked Goods plus  
 Accessory - Norman Barrett

Our "Grinch" Grab Bag was lots of fun. Below are some pictures to enjoy.



## HOSPITALITY

Thanks to those who brought the refreshments to the November meeting. The following members have signed up to bring goodies to our January meeting:

Jonathan Stout, Joe McPhillips, Marge & George Bennett, Mike & Roseann Abrams, Marlene Bretl, Gail Reynolds, Sharon Cone, Bonnie Eichholtz

*Bonnie Eichholtz*

## UPCOMING ELECTIONS

Following is the slate of officers to be presented at the January meeting. We will have a ballot ready in the event there are write-in candidates:

President	Bob Obenland
Vice-President	Chris Barrett
Secretary	Bonnie Eichholtz
Treasurer	Peggy Mead
Hospitality	Peggy Layton & Mei-Hua Paige
Membership & Publicity	Gisela Gaspa
Newsletter	Jonathan Stout

*Sharon*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

1/17 - Village Landlords Meeting  
2/10 - Village Landlords Board Mtg. Barrett's 7:30  
2/21 - Village Landlords Meeting  
3/21 - Village Landlords Picnic

## RONALD MC DONALD HOUSE

The RMDH held its 6th Annual Home for the Holidays, and lighting event which featured **Ronald McDonald** and activities for the entire family. Our own Jerry Fernon, Robert Cone, Norman Barrett, Gene Armeno and Mei-Hua Paige all contributed to the festivities by setting up a wonderful North Pole Display.



A Gala event for RMDH

*Chris Barrett*

## VIGNETTE CONTEST

In January we will be having a vignette contest. The following rules/guide lines will apply.

Due to table space limitations, your display cannot exceed 30" x 30". You may include from 1 to 3 buildings in the display. Electrical outlets are available if needed, but it would be helpful if you could bring an extension cord.

Each member will receive a ticket at the membership table to write the number of their choice and then deposit the ticket in a container in front of the vignette they are voting for.

Ribbons and a prize will be awarded for the top three vignettes.

*Robert*

## MEMBERSHIP

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT MEMBERS' NAMES, ADDRESSES, PHONE NUMBERS AND E-MAIL ADDRESSES ARE TO BE USED FOR VILLAGE LANDLORD BUSINESS ONLY. OUR BY-LAWS PROHIBITS THEIR USE FOR ANY OTHER REASON.**

Membership is at 112 members, 32 individual and 40 families.

New member:

Gendron, Peter & Vickey  
11559 SW 56th St  
Cooper City, FL 33330  
954-434-8124  
[pete9134@yahoo.com](mailto:pete9134@yahoo.com)

Remember, wearing your club shirt and name badge at our meetings earn you extra door prize tickets.

Be sure to mail any corrections, additions and e-mail changes to Village Landlords, PO Box 670093, Coral Springs, FL 33067 or e-mail Bob at [obenland@aol.com](mailto:obenland@aol.com)

**Bob Obenland and Donna Fresquez**

## VL FIFTH ANNUAL PICNIC

On March 20th we will be having our Fifth Annual Picnic meeting. Those who attended last year can attest to how much fun it was, and how delicious the food was.

The cost is \$10 per person. As we did last year, we ask that you bring a covered dish. Bonnie Eichholtz and Josephine Armeno will have more information at the January meeting.

## SPONSORING DEALERS

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**VILLAGE LANDLORDS      MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION      DATE \_\_\_\_\_**

(MEMBERSHIP YEAR IS FROM JAN 1 TO DEC 31) All information is confidential and used for club purposes only. Please fill out application and return along with the membership fee of \$15.00 per person or \$25.00 per family.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ When did you start collecting? \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ What do you collect?

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

- Dickens' Village
- New England Village
- North Pole
- Snowbabies
- Winter Silhouette
- Seasons Bay
- Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Christmas in the City
- Snow Village
- Alpine Village
- Snowbunnies
- Little Town of Bethlehem

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **The Village Landlords  
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Would you be interested in hosting a Christmas House Tour for club members in December or January?  
 Yes       No       Possibly       Need more information

What would you be interested in seeing more of this year at the meeting?  
 Display Techniques       Guest Speakers       Social Events       Workshops  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

