



The Village Press

The Village Landlords Newsletter



**Next Meeting is March 27th, 12:00pm at Tree Tops Park
3900 SW 100th Ave, Davie, Florida 33328**

March 2011

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News From the President

by: **Bob Obenland**



With the start of a new year it is Dues Time again. If you have not been able to pay your 2011 dues



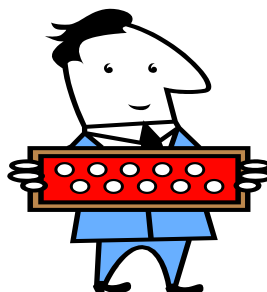
you can pay at the picnic or send to our address below. Individual membership is \$15 and family is \$25.

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Coral Springs, FL 33067**

We finally made it to the new meeting hall for the February meeting. The consensus was that this is a very nice room and better than the older rooms we

were using. However, the next meeting is the picnic at the Tree Top Park and the April meeting will need to be on the 3rd Sunday since Easter is on the 4th Sunday, therefore we will be **meeting at the old place in April**. In September we will start using the new meeting hall permanently.

If you have any candidate for the "Department 56 Collector of the Year" contest, please bring it to the picnic or e-mail it to me (obenland@aol.com) and



we will vote at the picnic. The deadline is March 31st and the winner will be announced at the Gathering in Arizona this September.

If you have not paid your \$10 per person for the picnic and you would still like



to go, you can pay at the picnic. Please bring a dish when you come. We will have games, prizes, lots of good food, and a **special raffle of one of the Williamsburg houses** and several of the accessories.

We hope to see you at the picnic.

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Our Next Meeting

by: **Bonnie Eichholtz** and **Marlene Bretl**



We are having our Sixth Annual Village Landlords

will be plenty of food as the club will supply fired chicken, baked ham,



rolls and drinks.

Marlene Bretl will be running the activities this year, and she says don't just come for the food, Come For The Games. Win thick-

Club Picnic and meeting this coming Sunday. The location is the same as last year, Tree Tops Park. There is a \$1.50 (per person) admission to the park on weekends so bring some bucks. Speaking of that, we will be holding a 50/50 raffle as well. Are you feeling lucky? There

ets for a chance at some awesome prizes. On the slate are some house races, an umbrella challenge, special bowling, a marble challenge and come discover ZONK!!!





Collector of the Year Contest

by: Bob Obenland

Dept. 56/Enesco will be sponsoring the "Collector of the Year" contest. The deadline for entries is March 31st. They request that you send just one digital photo along with a write-up (one hundred words) about your collection by email to mslittown@department56.com. Please include the name, regular mailing address, club name and what Village is represented. You can nominate yourself,

a relative or friend or fellow club member (in case they're too shy to nominate themselves). Dept 56 will post some of the finalists (chosen by their Creative Team) on the Dept. 56 web site in the COLLECTING SECTION. So, who do **you** know that would make a great Collector of the Year? The deadline is approaching!

Upcoming Events



03/27 — 6th Annual Picnic and VL Meeting at noon!

04/05 — Village Landlords Board Meeting at 7:30 pm

04/17— Village Landlords Meeting at 2:15 pm (old location)



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February Meeting Highlights

by: **Bonnie Eichholtz**

Here is what's happening from February!

It has been determined that because of Easter being the fourth Sunday in April, the club will have to hold the April meeting at our old meeting place. The meeting date will also be changed, to April 17th, the third Sunday of the month.

Gisela thanked all who have paid their dues and informed those members who have not to please mail their check to the club address. There are 24 members who have not paid.

Gene announced we had a special house as part of our regular raffle and the *Snow Village Mrs. Claus' Northwood's' Nursery* as a special raffle.

As Peggy passed around the sign-up sheet for April, Chris Barrett spoke on new volunteers signing up to bring goodies. She also asked for a volunteer to bring the ice and drinks for the April meeting and Joe McPhillips volunteered.

Jonathan thanked Gisela and Carlos for the wonderful article they gave for the *Village Press*. He asked that each member consider sending in personal stories related to their experiences and collecting.

A motion was presented to membership to obtain a new storage shed and pay a year in advance. By paying in advance, one month is free. We would get twelve months for the price of eleven months. The cost is \$39.00 plus tax per month.

Jerry read a letter from Ronald McDonald House expressing their appreciation for a bag of beanie babies and Disney stuffed animals that he and Nancy donated for the children. The letter also stated how much they appreciate all that our club does for the Ronald McDonald House.

D-56 is doing collector of the year again and the winner will be announced at the Arizona Gathering in Sept/Oct 2011. Nomination criteria should be based on how active



the member is in our club and their charitable work. The nominees should be in by March 21st.

Jerry distributed all materials necessary to create the electric street lamp. **Jerry had hours of prepared steps** ready for the project. All went well and we have a new neat streetlight. Jerry remarked, "it seemed to go well and everyone enjoyed making "street lights". He continued, "I will ask that members voice their ideas on what to do or what they would like to see at our meetings in the fall."

Door Prizes:

Set of Trees-**Josephine Armeno**
 Set of Lamp Posts-**Gisela Gaspar**
 Starry Lights&Williamsburg Bag-**Gisela Gaspar**
 Bright Lights Merry Christmas-**Debbie King**
 Hot Wire-**Joe McPhillips**
 (2)SV Cars-**Donna Fesquez**
 Lemax Bridge-**Charlie Heisinger**
 SV Nativity Scene-**Joe LaMonica**
 Set of Trees-**Joe McPhillips**
 Heritage Village Accessory-**Jonathan Stout**
 Bear Branch Tree-**Debbie King**

Raffle Prizes

Snowman Street Lights-**Dan Layton**
 Stone Corner Posts&Archway-**Dan Layton**
 Bears in the Birch-**Norm Barrett**
 SV Hayride-**Donna Fesquez**
 DV Pearce&Crump Silversmiths-**Charlie Heisinger**
 Special Raffle-SV Mrs. Claus Northwoods Nursery
Bonnie Eichholtz
 Mystery House-NP Sugar Hill Row House
Kathy Tavernia
 Halloween Backdrop-**Mike Abrams**



The Treasury Report

by: Peggy Mead

Treasurers Report for February

Beginning Balance \$3,873.83

Deposits

Membership	\$ 110.00
Picnic	\$ 290.00
Raffle	\$ 91.00
Special Raffle	\$ 66.00

Total Deposits \$557.00

Expenses

Meeting	\$ 75.14
Picnic	\$ 20.00
Storage	\$ 550.13

Total Expenses \$ 645.27

Ending Balance \$ 3,785.56

Raffle Bank	\$ 50.00
	\$ 3,835.56



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Hospitality Helpers

by: Peggy Layton

Since we have the picnic this week, there are no reminders to publish! Enjoy all the great treats that will grace our wooden picnic tables at this years festive event.



Phone: 954-529-





Membership Insider

by: **Gisela Gaspar**

Did you get a Frowny Face today? If so, this might be your last newsletter. It's time to pay our 2011 dues! Dues are \$15 per person or \$25 per family. If you joined in September or later no dues are required at this time. Please pay at the picnic or send to our mailbox if you cannot make the meeting. The address is noted here.

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The Frowny face means we have not received your 2011 dues and we will miss you dearly. So pay up today!

We have 72 PAID Members. Please **RENEW**
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The Silver Sleigh has a few things going on this spring. Mr. John Klingel, a renowned florist from Palm Beach county, will give a floral class on Saturday, April 2, 2011 from 12pm to 3:00pm. The class will cost \$10.00



Also, our mom, Val who has been an icon here at the Sleigh is turning 90 on April 14th. We are hosting a birthday party for her on Saturday April 16, 2011 from 11:00am to 3:00pm. We invite you all, to come and celebrate with us. Call the Silver Sleigh (954) 943-4388 for more information.



VILLAGE LANDLORDS

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE _____

Membership year is from January 1st—December 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. Make checks payable to **The Village Landlords, P. O. Box 670093 Coral Springs, FL 33067**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE #: _____

E-MAIL: _____

What year did you start collecting? _____

Would you be interested in hosting a Christmas House Tour in December or January?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Possibly ☐ Need more information

What activities would you be interested in seeing at the meetings?

☐ Display Techniques ☐ Guest Speakers ☐ Social Events ☐ Workshops

☐ Other _____

Comments _____

What do you collect?

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

Other _____