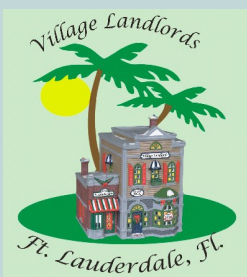


The Village Press

September 2012

Our Next Meeting is September 16th, 2:15pm at Champion's Hall, 6601 Blvd of Champions, North Lauderdale, FL 33068



Welcome Back, Landlords!

I hope you all had a good summer. It's hard to believe it's September already. We can all start thinking about this year's village displays. We even have one member signing up for this year's house tours. Robert & Sharon Cone have invited us all to their open house this December 1st. This will require a road trip. Look for more details later in the newsletter.

This month we will have a Swap 'n Sell so bring anything you have extra and also make your list of what you need and you may find it from another one

of our members. In addition to the Swap n Sell we will have the display contest using the items Jerry gave to you at the April meeting. Jerry has an article later to remind you of the rules. We will have three prizes, so good luck.



Melinda's Poinsettias & Mistletoe



Bob Obenland

This year there is only one gathering and it is in Chicago, September 20-23. We have a number of our members planning on attending. Melinda Seegers (Ms. Lit Town) will be there and will be signing the new piece named for her, "Melinda's Poinsettias & Mistletoe". We will try and get several signed pieces for the club for future raffles.

This month we are meeting at our new location on the 3rd Sunday the 16th. Don't forget your display. See you at the meeting.

September is a Hot Month!

Hi everyone. I hope you had a great summer. Your calendar committee has been busy with producing a "Village Landlords" 2013 calendar and I'm happy to report that we will have what I believe is a knockout one for you. At this point I don't think we will receive it from the printer early enough for our September meeting or the Chicago gathering, but we are expecting it soon.

So be ready to plunk down \$10.00 for each one you buy at the October meeting. It will make a great gift for your friends and family for Christmas. Your aunt Gertrude will love it and you get away with little cost.

You will not want to miss the September meeting on the 16th. I

am hoping that you all will bring a "Fall Display" using the materials I previously gave you and any other items you want to add. You have proven in the past that you can "rise to the challenge" and show some of the creative talent that you have. There will be a 1st prize, a 2nd prize and a 3rd prize for our lucky (and talented) winners; (nice prizes, I must say.) Please bring an extension cord if needed!

Gene Armeno has made a display using the provided materials and added more club owned items to produce a very nice vignette (see picture) that will be a special raffle. In addition a Halloween piece - "ghostly carousel", there will also be a "special raffle".

I plan also to show you how to make some neat "barbed wire" for your Halloween display.

The next big deal for September and back by popular demand will be a club Swap 'n Sell. So bring your extra pieces and lots of cash. See you on the 16th.



Jerry Fernon



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Meeting Highlights from April

Our last Village Landlords general meeting was way, way back on tax day, April 15th, 2012. If you missed the meeting, this should bring you up to date. If you were there, you might vaguely remember this!

Bob said the picnic was a big success, with 58 people attending. A great big thank you to **Bonnie and Marlene** for all their hard work.

Some Village Landlords shirts are left for sale and we will look into getting some new ones possibly in a different style. We are specifically looking into a ladies style that might be more comfortable to wear.

If anyone is interested, we can get Jack's Umbrella Shop. Please inquire at the Sunday meeting..

Gisela and Jerry will be working on a Village Landlord calendar over the summer and said they would like a few volunteers to help. Photos in the calendar will be from the 2011 open houses. Facebook is at 124 likes/fans but Gisela warned the site will have limited activity over the summer.

In Programs, Jerry is changing the September meeting's make and take because too much material is needed for the planned activity. Instead he passed out materials for everyone to create a small vignette to bring to the September meeting. Be as creative as you want and Gene will provide prizes for the best entries. Lastly, we will have a Swap and Sell.

David from **Christmas Palace** gave a great demonstration on working with Styrofoam and butcher paper to create mountains and waterfalls. His display was raffled off at the end of the meeting. We would really like to thank David for presenting at the meeting, and also acknowledge Christmas Palace for their support of our club.



Joe McPhillips



David Milian gave us a wonderful demonstration on how to make a fairly simple vignette. He even had some of our members participate in the construction. His use of brown paper for mountains added another dimension to a display that would not take up very much room. Members that don't have very large spaces to devote to a "village" were able to see how they can have a really nice display in a very small space. Thanks again David and Christmas Palace!



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S.V. For Sale Sign
Joe McPhillips

M&M Building/Snowman
Gisela Gaspar

Set of 4 Lampposts
Donna Fresquez

Gumdrop Tree
Phil Campello

Village Street Peddlers
Jonathon Stout

String of Chasing Lights
Charlie Heinsinger

Candy cane Lampposts
Pat Piccin

M&M Toy's House
Betty Hargrave

Raffle Prizes
Reindeer Training Camp
Dan Layton

Wintergreen Pines
Marlene Bretl

Tending the New Calves
Joe LaMonica

Sugar N' Spice Ferris Wheel
Bob Obenland

Mill Pond Creek
Kathy Tavernia

C.I.C. Red Brick Fire Station
Dottie Winzell

Mystery House
Dickens Queensport Custom House
Susan Roberts

Special Raffle
D.V. Fezzizwig's Ballroom Gift Set
Shelly Beauvais

David's Display
Donna Fresquez

Sheet of Styrofoam
Richard Piccin

Membership News, You Can Use

WELCOME BACK EVERYONE! Hopefully everyone enjoyed their summer and we are all gearing up for our VILLAGES! VILLAGES! VILLAGES! We are kicking off the September Meeting with a SWAP & SELL! If that doesn't get us excited about village planning, I don't know what does. So whether you are Swapping or Selling, I know that we are all going to have a great time!

This year's Gathering (My Kind of Town 2012) takes place in Chicago on September 21-23. I know that a group of Village Landlord's will be in attendance and the NCC has planned a gathering full of seminars, meet & greets and demonstrations. The NCC will be unraveling a new logo, and Department 56 will be introducing new buildings and accessories. I can't wait until our October Meeting to hear all about everything that took place!

Please be sure to visit our sponsors when you

get a chance. For those of you that don't know yet, The Silver Sleigh is no longer in its physical location. They are still in business, but do not have a store front. They are offering all members a current inventory list if anyone is looking for older pieces! Please contact Sandy at 954-943-4388, if interested.



Village Landlords 2013 Calendar

anyone who is thinking about selling off their collection to contact me. We can use Facebook to advertise the collections that are for sale. Please see me at the meeting for more information!

We have plenty planned for this FALL and hope to see everyone at the Meeting!

The Cross Stitch Cupboard has changed their name to The Cupboard. They are still at the same location and would love to see everyone stop by.

The Christmas Palace is getting their inventory ready for a busy selling season. Whether you visit the Fort Lauderdale or the Miami location, I am sure that you will see items and ideas that will inspire you for your holiday season.

And on Facebook, we are gearing up for an exciting season. Please be sure to check back as often as you can. I will be posting various videos, photos, and websites where we can all get ideas and inspiration. I would also like to encourage



Gisela Gaspar

Things To Put On Your Calendar...

- September 16th** — Village Landlords General Meeting
- September 21st thru the 23rd** — Chicago Gathering
- October 2nd** — Village Landlords Board Meeting
- October 20th** — Abram's Halloween Open House
- October 27th** — Eichholtz Halloween Open House
- October 28th** — Village Landlords General Meeting
- November 6th** — Village Landlords Board Meeting
- November 18th** — Village Landlords General Meeting
- December 1st** — Cone's Open House
- December 2nd** — Shetler's Open House
- January 8th** — Village Landlords Board Meeting
- January 27th** — Village Landlords General Meeting

The Abrams Halloween Open House

October 20th from 6:00 -10:00 pm.
No children, please. 22504 SW 65th Ave, Boca Raton, FL 33486.
Phone: 954-254-4365



The Eichholtz Halloween Open House

October 27th from 7:00pm to the Bewitching Hour! (Costumes Optional, clothing mandatory). 6708 Oakmont, North Lauderdale, 33068.
Phone: 954-972-5045



Cone's Christmas Open House

December 1st from 5:30pm —??
4492 Coachwood Lane, Mulberry, FL 33860.
Phone: 863-937-5980 Appetizers and a complete buffet will be served. At this time Marriott's Courtyard in Lakeside Village (approx. 15 minutes from the house) is offering the most accommodating rate and terms. \$89 + tax for a King Room or 2 Doubles if the reservation is made before Nov 1st. Cancellation Policy is 6 PM day of arrival. Breakfast is NOT included. More information to follow in October. Christmas in the City with trains, North Pole, Little Town of Bethlehem, and CHRISTMAS everywhere! Sorry, no children, please. Please RSVP by Nov 18th.

Financially Speaking...



Peggy Mead

	Actual
	\$2,012.00
Treasurer's Report	Apr-Aug
Beginning Balance	\$3,175.02
Deposits	
Advertising	\$ 60.00
Membership	\$ 55.00
Special Raffle	\$ 91.00
Pin Sales/Ed	\$ 35.00
Raffle	\$ 115.00
total deposits	\$ 356.00
Expenses	
Other	\$ 25.98
Picnic	\$ 244.31
PO Box	\$ 76.00
raffle prizes	\$ 132.50
Refreshments	\$ 23.47
Shirt Sales	\$ (40.00)
Stamps	\$ 15.75
total expenses	\$ 478.01
Ending Balance	\$3,053.01
raffle bank	\$ 50.00
	\$3,103.01



From the Goodies Department

For the September meeting, your hard working, dedicated and tireless board of directors will be bringing in the snacks and drinks for your enjoyment. Have a special request? Call them at the number listed on page one and give them your suggestions. I know I personally will be baking up a storm, getting ready for my big open house for the haunting season. I really hope to see you there!

Next month, we will have a special recipe from culinary artist, Betty Hargrave, but this month, I would like to share with you a special delight from the LaMonica's. Enjoy!

Layered Pudding Dessert from Diane and Joe LaMonica

1st Layer-1cup of flour, 1 stick of oleo, 1cup of finely chopped nuts. Mix and press into 9X13 pan. Bake about 15 minutes at 325 degrees. Let cool.

2nd Layer-8oz package of cream cheese, 1 cup sugar, 3/4 cup of cool whip. Mix pudding and cheese until creamy. Add cool whip. Spread on cooled crust.

3rd Layer-2 packages instant pudding (any flavor), 3 cups of milk. Mix & spread over 2nd layer. 4th Layer-Spread cool whip over 3rd layer. Top with finely chopped nuts.



Bonnie Eichholtz

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: _____

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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 _____

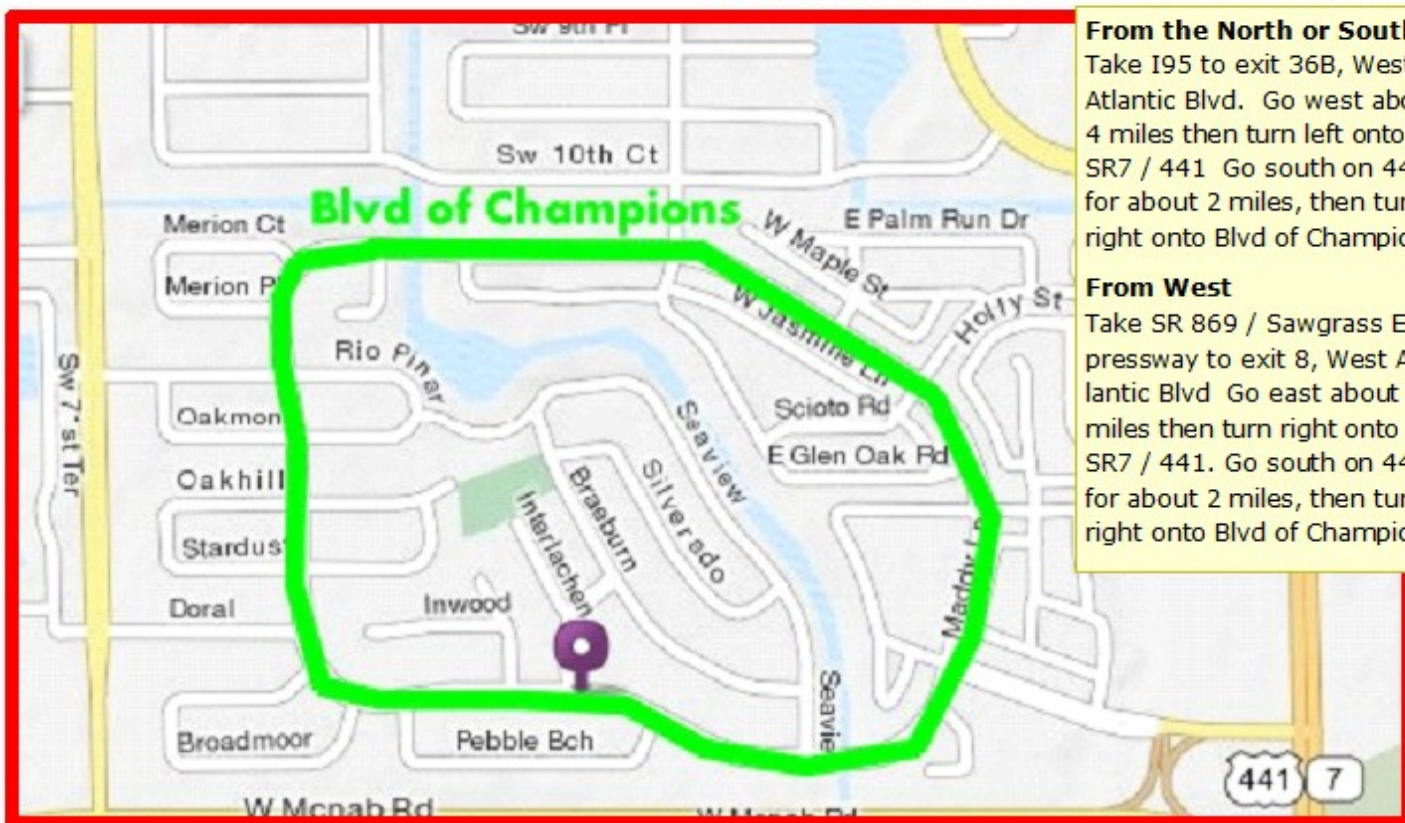
Comments _____

What do you collect?

- ☐ Dickens' Village
- ☐ Christmas in the City
- ☐ New England Village
- ☐ Snow Village
- ☐ North Pole
- ☐ Alpine Village
- ☐ Snowbabies
- ☐ Snowbunnies
- ☐ Winter Silhouette

[Map to the NEW site for the Village Landlords Meeting Location](#)

New Meeting Location: Champion's Hall
6601 Blvd of Champions, North Lauderdale, FL 33068



From the North or South

Take I95 to exit 36B, West Atlantic Blvd. Go west about 4 miles then turn left onto SR7 / 441. Go south on 441 for about 2 miles, then turn right onto Blvd of Champions

From West

Take SR 869 / Sawgrass Expressway to exit 8, West Atlantic Blvd. Go east about 6 miles then turn right onto SR7 / 441. Go south on 441 for about 2 miles, then turn right onto Blvd of Champions