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Bob Obenland

## *Catching up with Bob.....*

November is our Toys for Tots drive. Over the years we have provided over 1000 toys for the kids for Christmas. Remember you will get one ticket to win houses in the drawing for each \$10 or higher individual toy you bring. Also don't forget your \$20 gift for the Grinch exchange.

We were well represented at the Gathering in Connecticut on October 24-27. We had a total of 15 people representing our club. Gloria's quilt went in the auction for \$475, which went toward their charities. The winner was Jeanie Gorge. It was nice that it went to someone that know Gloria and really wanted her quilt. Jeanie and her husband were being honored at the Gathering for their years of support to the collector Peter was the editor of the Village Chronicle and the Green Book for years. They were also at Gatherings across the country including our SRGs.

It's time to be thinking about the open houses for this year's house tours. So far we have several so there are lots of open dates. Let Gene know that you want to have an open house and what date you would like. This year we are going to try something different. Take the directions we send you and get it signed at each house you go to. In addition, if you see something in the display you would like to get information as to how it was done mark it on your directions. For each house you visit and for each idea you note you will get a ticket for a drawing at the February meeting. We will also give one ticket to the person having a house tour. So the more you participate in this year's tours the better chance you will have to win at the February meeting.

This year we will be electing a new President, Vic President, Secretary and Treasurer. Bonnie Eichholtz has formed a nominating committee with Nancy Fernon and Victoria DeBonis. Be thinking about what you would like to do. The descriptions are in this newsletter. The idea of amending the length of time the term would be was discussed at the board meeting. Let Chris know if this would influence your decision to participate as an officer.

Bob



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Roseann Abrams

## *Editors Corner With Rosie!.....*

I can't believe its that time of the year again, its comes so fast. But I must say our next meeting "**THE GRINCH EXCHANGE**" is the best meeting of all, and hopefully we will have some new fresh faces at this meeting.

The Membership table at Christmas Palace went very well. We had over ten people sign up for our newsletter and two actually joined! It was great!

Our Toys for Tots rules are as follows: for every \$10 toy you bring in you receive a raffle ticket for some great prizes. **HOWEVER** this does not mean you bring in 10 one dollar toys and get 10 tickets. Your toy **MUST BE VALUED AT \$10**. Lets remember this is for the children, we are trying to make sure every child receives a gift in value of \$10 so please I beg you spend the \$10 dollars for the children's sake!

December there is no meeting but open houses to attend! We encourage everyone to please attend the open houses, they are lots of work for our members and our members are kind enough to open their beautiful homes up just for us.

Lastly lets remember the reason why we love this club so much. We all have one thing in common we are Christmas fanatics! Lets remember to **KEEPCHRIST IN CHRISTMAS! HE IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON!**



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Joe McPhillips

## Joe's Meeting Minutes.....

Village Landlords General Meeting October 27, 2013

Board Members Present: Gene Armeno, Joe McPhillips, Gisela Gaspar, Peggy Mead, Jonathon Stout, Elizabeth Bron and Roseann Abrams

Gene Armeno called the meeting to order at 2:25pm and wished everyone a Happy 22<sup>nd</sup> Club Birthday. Gene reported that several members were at the annual gathering and having a great time. Bob Obenland found some good buys on pieces we can use for raffle prizes.

**Secretary's Report:** The report was printed in the newsletter and there were no questions. A motion to accept the report was made by Mark Reynolds and seconded by Charlie Heinsinger. Motion was passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** The report was read by Peggy Mead. There were no questions and a motion was made by Donna Fresquez and seconded by Mark Reynolds to accept the report. Motion was passed.

**Membership:** Elizabeth Bron reported that we currently have 82 members and 7 who have not renewed. If you know anyone who has not been at a meeting recently, please contact them and tell them we miss them and would like them back.

**Hospitality:** Bonnie is away at the gathering so Peggy and Dan Layton and Mark and Gail Reynolds stepped in to handle food and drinks. Peggy brought a delicious birthday cake for us. A great Big Thank You to all of them for their efforts.

**Newsletter:** Roseann is doing a great job and received many compliments on the newsletter. She is looking for articles and suggestions for future editions.

**Website:** Jonathon updated the site with the King's Halloween House and our sponsors and charities.

**Prizes/Raffles:** With Gene busy running the meeting this month, Debbie King stepped in to run the raffles and door prizes. Debbie did an outstanding job and deserves a big round of applause.

**Inventory Sales:** Gene reports another \$287 in sales. That's profit for the club to help build up our resources.

**Ronald McDonald House:** Joe thanked everyone who volunteered and confirmed the date by email. We will have two teams working on the display to complete the tear down and rebuild in one day and then reverse the process in January.

**Nominations:** The positions up for election are President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Written descriptions of the positions will be provided. Gisela Gaspar brought up a suggestion of members sharing the positions to avoid taking up too much time of any one person. This would not apply to the Treasurer position due to legal and banking issues. Most of the current board members have been on the board for a long time and have done an awesome job. If you are a new member or if you have been a Village Landlord for years and have ideas to improve our club, please consider running for a board position.

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## *Joe's Meeting Minutes Cont'd.....*

**Open Houses:** We currently have only 3 open houses scheduled.

Robert and Sharon Cone on Dec 14<sup>th</sup>. Please RSVP to them by Dec 6<sup>th</sup> if you are going.

John and Chase on Dec 28<sup>th</sup> and  
Joe and Kathy McPhillips on Jan 11<sup>th</sup>.

Please consider having an open house, it is the highlight of our club year and we would love to see your display.

**Events:** Jerry is attempting to arrange a tour of house in Coral Springs with a large train collection display with Dept 56 houses. Gisela is looking to organize some trips in 2014 possibly an intercoastal cruise, a hotel suite to watch the boat parade, a van trip to our sponsors or a west coast trip.

**November Meeting:** It is time for Toys For Tots and the Grinch Exchange again. Toys must be at least \$10 and you will get a door prize ticket for each toy you bring. Grinch gifts must be at least \$20 and Christmas related.

### Door Prizes

- 01) Village Park Bench
- 02) Scrooge and Marley Counting House Ornament
- 03) A Bloomin Merry Christmas
- 04) Set of Trees
- 05) Village Double Street Lamps
- 06) Home Delivery
- 07) Catch The Wind
- 08) First Round Of The year

### Raffle Prizes

- 01) Poinsettia Delivery Truck
  - 02) Halloween A Gravely Haunting
  - 03) Skaters And Skiers
  - 04) Feeding The Birds
  - 05) Nettie Quinn Puppets & Marionettes
- Mystery House  
Drummond Bank

Elizabeth Bron  
Mark Reynolds  
Elizabeth Bron  
Peggy Layton  
Elaine Smith  
Gisela Gaspar  
Jonathon Stout  
Genevieve Alt

Peggy Layton  
Stephanie Taggart  
Pat Piccin  
Joe McPhillips  
Gene Armeno

Elizabeth Bron

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## *Financially Speaking With Peggy...*

I look forward to our November meeting every year. It is so festive! You can count on lots of great things to eat and the always fun Grinch Exchange. You just never quite know what wonderful treasure you will come home with. Remember to bring a brand new Christmas themed gift if you want to participate in the Grinch Exchange.

A special part of the meeting for me is the opportunity to participate in the Toys for Tots program. Our club makes it easy for us to help give deserving children something special for Christmas. The gifts you bring must be brand new, unwrapped and valued at a minimum of \$10.00. I strongly encourage you to shop the sales when you buy your gifts. The stores are already advertising great discounts on toys. I spend at least \$10.00 per gift and donate toys that usually retail for \$15.00 or more. So, put your shopping shoes on and see what great bargains you can find for the kids.

P.S. I shop the sales for the Grinch Exchange too. I always spend at least the required amount and try to see just how much more gift I can get for the money! It's fun! See you on the 24th!

	Actual
	\$ 2,010.00
Treasurer's Report	Oct
Beginning Balance	\$ 3,295.04
Deposits	
Advertising	\$ 120.00
Membership	\$ 25.00
Picnic	\$ -
NCC Sales	\$ -
Davie Dep.	\$ -
Special Raffle	\$ 110.00
Special Auction	\$ -
Pin Sales/Ed	\$ 10.00
Donations	\$ -
Raffle	\$ 105.00
Total Deposits	\$ 370.00
Expenses	
Awards	\$ -
Bell South	\$ -
Copies	\$ 18.00
Donations	\$ -
Meeting	\$ 30.00
NCC dues/payments	\$ -
Other	\$ 6.57
Picnic	\$ -
	\$ -
WEBSITE	\$ -
PO Box	\$ -
Raffle Prizes	\$ 240.88
Refreshments	\$ 14.85
Pins	\$ -
Shirt Sales	\$ -
Shirts	\$ -
Stamps	\$ 13.20
Total Expenses	\$ 323.50
Ending Balance	\$ 3,341.54
Raffle Bank	\$ 50.00
	\$ 3,391.54

*Gathering information with Gisella....*

## 2014 FALL DINNER CRUISE



I wanted to thank everybody for the wonderful suggestions on the various dinner cruises around town. Since some of you have experienced these first hand, I was looking for recommendations about the ones you enjoyed the most. Below, you will see a survey where you can write about your experience. After you have completed it, please bring it with you to the meeting.

Name of Cruise: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Price: \_\_\_\_\_

Did it include dinner? \_\_\_\_\_

How was the food? \_\_\_\_\_

Did it include drinks? \_\_\_\_\_

Did it include dancing? \_\_\_\_\_

How long was the boat ride? \_\_\_\_\_

What did you like about it? \_\_\_\_\_

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## GRINCH MEETING

Our November meeting is the "Grinch" exchange. Yes, it is better to give than receive, but it is more *fun* to be a Grinch! The Grinch Gift is to be a new \$20.00 gift - village or holiday related and gift wrapped. The game is fun because each person gets to select a wrapped gift, unwrap it and then possibly lose it to someone else and have to select again. The suspense of being able to select from unwrapped gifts or "steal" a gift that someone is holding is what makes the game so much fun.

### HERE ARE RULES:

Each person bringing a gift will be given a ticket and the stub will be placed in the container. The Host will draw the first ticket from the container and that person (number 1) will select a gift from the table and unwrap the gift. Number 1 will then draw another ticket from the container and that person (number 2) can either select a wrapped gift and unwrap it OR choose the unwrapped gift from number 1. If number 1's gift is taken, then number 1 must go to the table and select another wrapped gift, unwrap it and draw another ticket for the next person (number 3). Number 3 then has the choice of gifts from either number 1 or number 2 or selecting a wrapped gift from the table. If an unwrapped gift is selected, then that person goes to the table and selects a wrapped gift. If a person's gift is stolen then he/she must go to the table and pick another wrapped gift. The game continues until every wrapped gift has been selected. Then number one has the opportunity to select again, by taking someone else's gift if they want to, but they are not required to do so. That one forced trade is allowed. The game is over. Free trading among players is allowed after the game is over.

Don't be afraid to swipe a gift from someone else. The more takeaways and turnovers there are, the more fun the game seems to be. Some of the best times have been when a particular gift gets swiped several times. There are always lots of laughs and sometimes gifts get swiped just for the fun of it.

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## BOARD POSITION RESPONSIBILITIES

### **PRESIDENT**

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Board and General Meetings of the organization, and shall be a member Ex-Officio of all committees except the nominating committee. May create other committees or select chairpersons not otherwise provided for in these By-Laws. Shall co-sign all checks with the Treasurer. Shall sign all contracts after approval of the Executive Board. Shall serve as the Club liaison to other clubs, regional organizations or shall appoint a representative as appropriate. Shall be one of the NCC Representatives. Shall appoint a Parliamentarian.

### **VICE-PRESIDENT**

The Vice-President shall perform the duties of an absent President and shall arrange for door prizes for the General Meeting. The Vice-President shall be a liaison with NCC (NCC-REP), and Department-56 for functions requiring their participation.

### **CLUB SECRETARY**

The Secretary shall keep appropriate written minutes of General Meetings and Board Meeting and present such minutes to both. Shall incorporate motions, Treasurer's Report and appropriate correspondence in the minutes. Shall carry on the correspondence of the Club as needed.

### **CLUB TREASURER**

The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all funds, collecting fees and dues and paying all authorized expense vouchers and keeping records of income and disbursements. The itemized account of all receipts and disbursements shall be part of the records of the Secretary, covering the balance period time from Board Meeting to Board Meeting, and be read at each Board and General Meetings. Shall co-sign all checks with the President or in absence of the President, the Vice-President. Shall chair the Budget Committee which shall meet annually, prior to the Annual Meeting. Shall provide all records and checkbooks for an annual audit, to be done by appointment from the Executive Board and to be presented prior to the Annual Meeting.



## CALANDAR OF EVENTS



### NOVEMBER

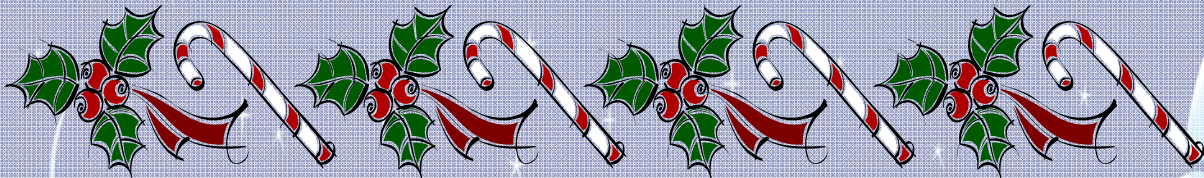
November 24, 2013 – Village Landlord Meeting @ 2:15 pm  
**(GRINCH MEETING- GET YOUR MEAN ON!)**

### DECEMBER

No meeting in lieu of open houses-open house  
list will be distributed once its final.

### JANUARY

January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013 – Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm  
January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013-Village Landlords Meeting @2:15 pm



Bonnie Eichholtz

*From the Goodies Dept. with Bonnie!!!*

Thanks to the following individuals for signing up to bring to  
our Grinch Meeting. See you all there.

Donna Fresquez  
Stephanie Taggart  
Jonathan Stout  
Pat Piccin  
Joan Heinsinger  
Peggy Layton  
Victoria DeBonis  
Roseann Abrams





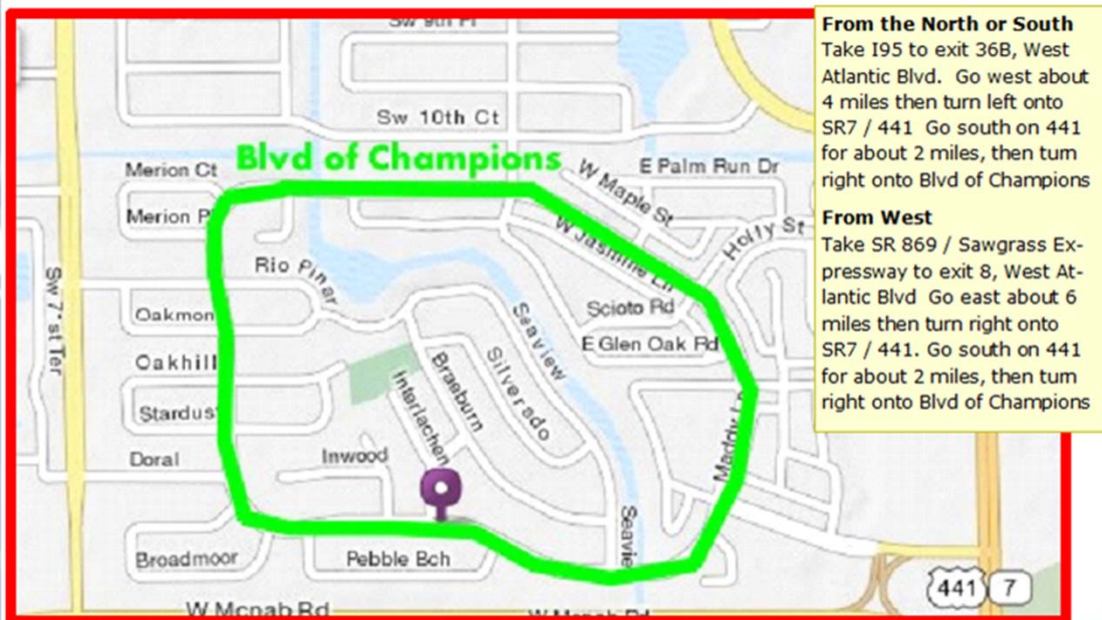
*Let's help Bonnie fill up her sleigh!*

It's that time of year again for our Toys for Tots drive. We have done this many times but just a reminder, we are looking for a \$10.00 minimum, unwrapped toy, that's one toy for \$10.00 not 10 \$1.00 toys. For which you will receive a ticket that puts you eligible for a chance to win a prize (good ones!) you may bring as many as you want too. Let's fill Bonnie's sleigh again.

Our **Next Meeting** is November 24, 2013, 2:15pm at  
**Champion's Hall, 6601 Blvd of Champions**  
**North Lauderdale, FL 33068**

[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**





- Wear your Village Landlords Shirt
- Wear your Village Landlords Nametags
- Volunteer to bring in goodies

***All to receive extra door prize tickets!***

### **VILLAGE LANDLORDS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**DATE: \_\_/\_\_/2013**

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 : \_\_\_\_\_  
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