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FEBRUARY 2016**



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News from the President

Hi Everyone,

Many now have a campfire to add to their display from our January Make n' Take. The campfire really looks like it is burning!! Thank you to Bob Obenland, Jerry Fernon and Joe McPhillips for their help and to all who participated. We welcome all ideas for meeting make n' takes and demonstrations to further enhance our village displays.

I'm happy to announce that Department 56 District Representative, Felix Cruz, will be our guest speaker at the February 28th meeting. We always look forward to Felix's visits. He is very informative and we learn a lot of what is new for Department 56, from the future pieces coming out to the retired ones. Also, he graciously answers any questions and listens to our suggestions. Nancy and Jerry Fernon will have items for sale at our February meeting. They may have that very special piece you have been looking for!!

Please keep our fellow member, Mark Reynolds, in your thoughts and prayers. He is going through an illness right now. I know Mark appreciates all your well wishes. Thank you!

Twenty-two members signed up in January for our March picnic. Attendance and Food Sign-up sheets will, again, be available at our February meeting. This is our 9th annual picnic at the Sable Palm Pavilion in the Tree Tops Park in Davie. The fee is \$10.00 per person, and guests are welcome. It starts at noon and goes to closing. The club supplies fried chicken, spiral ham, rolls ice and drinks. The members bring a variety of delicious dishes. On top of all that, we have fun games and great music. Chet and Dianne Rosenbaum have generously offered their talent again this year. Thank you Chet and Dianne!!

If you have a favorite recipe, please consider sending it to Gisela Suarez for the newsletter.

Miguel, from the Christmas Palace, will be our guest for the April meeting. I don't need to tell anyone of the fantastic displays he does. We are always in for a treat. He has such a creative talent. Kathy Tavernia will be selling items at our April meeting. If any members would like to sell at any of our meetings, please let the Board know.

There is a lot happening, you don't want to miss out. See you at the meetings!!

Bonnie



FINANCIALLY SPEAKING...



Bank Balance Date
Treasurer's Report
Beginning Balance

Deposits

Advertising	\$0.00
Membership	\$1,000.00
Picnic	\$500.00
NCC Sales	\$0.00
Inventory Sales	\$50.00
Calendars	\$0.00
Special Raffle	\$500.00
Special Auction	\$150.00
Pin Sales	\$0.00
Donations	\$0.00
Raffle	\$500.00
total deposits	\$2,700.00

Expenses

Bell South	\$0.00
Copies	\$50.00
Donations	\$500.00
meeting	\$300.00
NCC dues	\$36.00
Other	\$100.00
Calendar	\$0.00
Picnic	\$350.00
Storage	\$1,250.00
WEBSITE	\$0.00
PO Box	\$82.00
raffle prizes	\$200.00
Refreshments	\$175.00
Pins	\$0.00
Shirt Sales	(\$300.00)
Shirts	\$400.00
Stamps	\$60.00
total expenses	\$3,203.00

Ending Balance	\$1,755.76
	\$50.00
	\$1,805.76

Bank Balance Date
Treasurer's Report
Beginning Balance

Deposits

Advertising	\$0.00
Membership	\$1,104.64
Picnic	\$550.00
NCC Sales	\$0.00
Inventory Sales	\$50.00
Calendars	\$0.00
Special Raffle	\$455.00
Special Auction	\$143.00
Pin Sales	\$0.00
Donations	\$80.00
Raffle	\$516.00
total deposits	\$2,898.64

Expenses

Bell South	\$0.00
Copies	\$0.00
Donations	\$680.00
meeting	\$258.08
NCC dues	\$0.00
Other	\$89.00
Calendar	\$0.00
Picnic	\$369.63
Storage	\$1,219.56
WEBSITE	\$0.00
PO Box	\$82.00
raffle prizes	\$86.66
Refreshments	\$146.95
Pins	\$0.00
Shirt Sales	(\$60.00)
Shirts	\$0.00
Stamps	\$0.00
total expenses	\$2,871.88

Ending Balance	\$2,258.76
	\$50.00
	\$2,308.76

It's that time again
to pay dues so you
can pay at the Febru-
ary meeting or send
it to our PO box:

Village Landlords

PO Box 670093

Coral Springs, FL

Dues are \$15 for a
single member and
\$25 for a family. If
you joined in Sept,
Oct, Nov, or Dec of
2015 your 2016 dues
are paid.

In addition to the
Treasury report this
month enclosed is
the proposed 2016
budget for your re-
view and voted on at
the February meet-
ing.

I hope to see you at
the February meet-
ing where we will see
what D56 has in
store for us in 2016.

Bob



Meeting Highlights from January 2016



Board Members present: Bonnie Eichholtz, Gene Armeno, Jerry Fernon, Joe McPhillips, Bob Obenland, Norm Barrett, Jessica Spicer, Mary Spicer, Gisela Suarez, Jonathan Stout and Kathy Tavernia.

Bonnie Eichholtz called the meeting to order at 2:40 pm. She wished everyone a Happy Holiday. She then spoke about Mark Reynolds and Charlie Heinsinger who are in ill health and asked that we keep them in our prayers. She spoke with Gunther Heil who is doing better.

Secretary's Report: The report was published in the newsletter. Bonnie asked if everyone got the Newsletter and read it. There were no questions. A motion to waive the reading and accept the report was made by C.J. Roth and seconded by Bill Shields. The motion was passed.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Obenland read the report. The motion to accept the report was made by C.J. Roth and seconded by George Fells. The motion passed.

Membership: Jessica Spicer reports that there are now 99 club members.

Prizes and Raffles: Gene Armeno spoke about the special raffle with 2 prizes that was being held today.

Newsletter: Gisela Suarez has done her first newsletter for the club and has done a wonderful job. She asked for any ideas.

Hospitality: Mary Spicer will be filling this position and has passed around the sign-up sheet for our next meeting.

Ronald McDonald House: The \$500 checked was cashed. There are still some Snowmen to purchase!

Other News: Bonnie thanked all who had Open Houses this season and how we all enjoyed their displays. Bob, Bonnie and Jerry will investigate new shirts for the club. The Village Landlords is the oldest Department 56 club in this region. Some great ideas for bringing in new members through newspaper articles, club meetings, workshops, progressive Open Houses and carpooling were brought up by Frank Cavanaugh and Joe LaMonica. We all agreed we were a great bunch of people to know.

Elections: As per our By-Laws, elections were held and voted in were: President - Bonnie Eichholtz, 1st Vice President - Joe McPhillips, 2nd Vice President - Gene Armeno, Treasurer - Bob Obenland, Secretary - Kathy Tavernia, Membership, Publicity - Jessica Spicer, Hospitality - Mary Spicer, Parliamentarian - Norm Barrett, Webmaster - Jonathan Stout, Facebook - Jessica Spicer, Newsletter - Gisela Suarez. Congratulations!

Make and Take: We made a glowing campfire, assisted by Jerry Fernon, Jonathan Stout and Bob Obenland.

Our Program Director for over 7 years, Jerry Fernon, is stepping down. A big thank you from all of us to Jerry for all those wonderful, creative projects. We are seeking a new PD and need more members' ideas for future workshops.

Upcoming Meetings: February 28 – Our speaker will be Felix Cruz, our Department 56 Representative with some interesting information. The 2 positions are open for the Swap & Sell table.

March 20 - Note new date for our famous picnic at Tree Tops Park in Davie. The festivities begin at 12 Noon. See Bonnie to pay and for food sign-up sheets. Park fee at gate, \$1.50, then on to the Sabal Palm Pavilion for great food, games and music. Jerry & Nancy Fernon signed up for the Swap & Sell. No pets, please, because of members' allergies.

April 24 - TBA. Kathy Tavernia signed up for the Swap & Sell.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 pm was made by Norm Barrett and seconded by Joe McPhillips.



General Meeting, January 24,, 2016

Door Prizes

Country Road Lampposts	Rae Campello
Winter Birch Trees	Jo Armeno
Bright Lights Fence	Dottie Winzell
Wintergreen Pines, Set of 3	Jessica Spicer
Election Yard Signs	Bill Shields
Brick Walls, Set of 4	Nancy Fernon
Bright Lights Adapter	Nancy Fernon
Krinkles for Sale	Mei Hua-Paige
Black Lamp Posts, Set of 4	Jonathan Stout
Lemax See-Sow Fun	Gisela Suarez

Raffle Prizes

Twinkling Lit Trees, Set of 3	Joe McPhillips
Village Square Snowman	Gene Armeno
Fieldstone Footbridge	George Fells
Up in the Apple Tree	Dottie Winzell
Here Comes Santa	Rae Campello
Peppermint Lit Bare Branch Tree	Carrie Erdman

Mystery House

North Pole Beauty Shop	Joe McPhillips
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Special Raffle

N.P. Cars Holiday Detail Shop	Mary Spicer
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

February 28th—2:15 pm Village Landlord Meeting

March 7th—7:30 pm Board Meeting

March 20th—Annual Village Landlord Meeting

Tree Top Park—12 Noon

April 4th—7:30 PM Board Meeting



FROM THE KITCHEN:

BONNIE'S MACARONI SALAD

Cook 1 lb macaroni in salted water for 8 to 10 minutes.

In large bowl, mix $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup vinegar, heaping teaspoon of mustard and a very small finely grated onion. Drain cooked macaroni and, while hot, thoroughly mix through above ingredients. Then add 1 cup finely chopped celery, 1 large grated carrot, 8 diced hard-boiled eggs and 1 jar (16oz) sweet relish.

(I use Mt Olive) Then add heaping Tablespoons of mayonnaise. It should be slightly soupy. The mayonnaise will get absorbed into the macaroni.

I make it at least a day ahead so the flavor sets in.



The following club members will be bringing in snacks this month:

Joe LaMonica

Carrie Erdman

Rae Campello

Bill Shields & George Fells

Carlos and Gisela Suarez



Notes from your Editor:



I hope you all had a Happy Valentine's Day!

Have you checked Bob Obenland's display at Department 56 Facebook page? It looks fabulous, well, it is fabulous...he has 5,220 views, 230 likes and 36 comments so far..you rock Bob!

Jerry and Nancy Fernon have a few D56 pieces for sale. They will have a display at our next meeting on February 28th.


If you get a chance, try Bonnie's recipe on page 6. I do welcome recipes to publish in future newsletters. Please send them to: giselas@citrushealth.com.

Remember, next month is our Annual Picnic...come ready to play, laugh and eat.

Gisela

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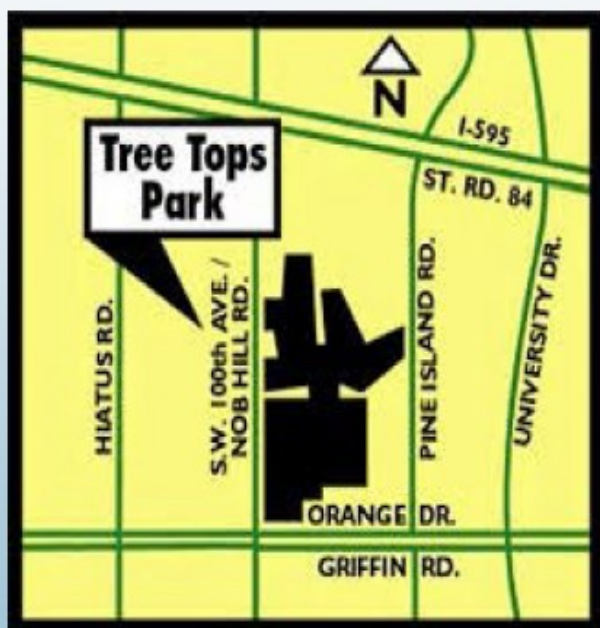
MARCH 20TH, 2016 Tree Top Park

NAME: _____

OF ATTENDEES: ____ @ \$10.00 PP = \$ _____

DISH YOU WILL BE BRINGING:

Detach top half and submit to Village Landlords Meeting on January 24th, 2016 along with payment. Thank You!



DIRECTIONS

FROM I-595: Exit at Nob Hill Road. Travel 2.5 miles South on Nob Hill. Tree Tops will be on the left hand side.

FROM i-95: Exit Griffin Road. Travel West approximately 8/2 miles to Nob Hill Road. Turn right. Travel a quarter of a mile North. The entrance to the park will be on the right side (East side) of the road.

FROM I-75: Exit at Griffin Road and travel East approximately 4.7 miles to Nob Hill Road. Turn left. Travel a quarter of a mile North. The entrance to the park will be on the right hand side (East side) of the road.

ENTRANCE FEE \$1.50 PP AT THE DOOR

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 _____

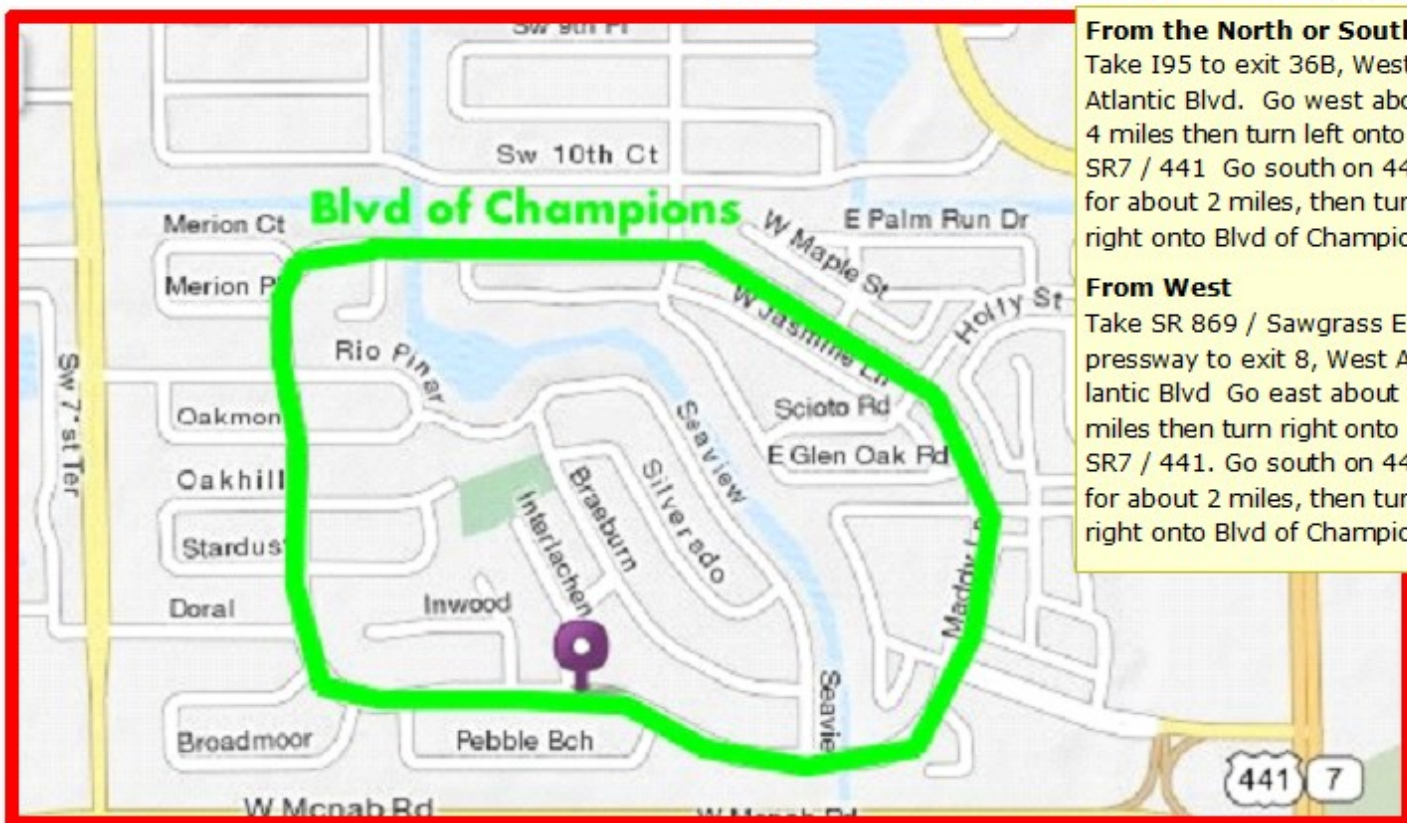
Comments _____

What do you collect?

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

[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