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**The Village Landlord's Newsletter**

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**Welcome**  
**Spring**

## NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hi Everyone,

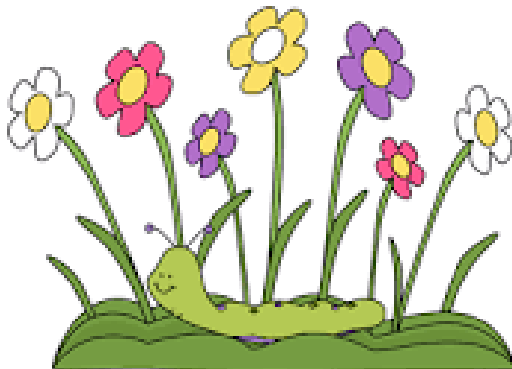
It's that time of year again – "Picnic Time". March 19th. See full details in newsletter. Anyone wishing to attend, that hasn't already signed up, please contact me by March 12th, if possible. If you haven't decided on the dish you are bringing, please let me know as soon as you do. The club supplies a spiral ham, fried chicken, rolls and drinks.

I'm sure all of you who attended our February meeting would agree it was quite an enjoyable time. We were in "Awe" watching Miguel, from The Christmas Palace, demonstrate his amazing talents. We always look forward to Miguel's visit!!!

Please make a note that our April meeting will be on the 30th, the fifth Sunday.

See you at the picnic!!

Bonnie





## TREASURER'S REPORT

	Actual
Bank Balance Date	2017
Treasurer's Report	Feb
Beginning Balance	\$3,268.76
<b>Deposits</b>	
Advertising	\$0.00
Membership	\$240.00
Picnic	\$350.00
NCC Sales	\$0.00
Inventory Sales	\$259.00
Ronald McDonald display	\$0.00
Special Raffle	\$0.00
Special Auction	\$0.00
Pin Sales	\$0.00
Donations	\$0.00
Raffle	\$132.00
<b>total deposits</b>	<b>\$981.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Bell South	\$0.00
Copies	\$0.00
Donations	\$0.00
meeting	\$0.00
NCC dues	\$0.00
Other	\$0.00
Ronald McDonald display	\$0.00
Picnic	\$0.00
Storage	\$0.00
WEBSITE	\$0.00
PO Box	\$0.00
raffle prizes	\$0.00
Refreshments	\$8.00
Pins	\$0.00
Shirt Sales	\$0.00
Shirts	\$0.00
Stamps	\$0.00
<b>total expenses</b>	<b>\$8.00</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$4,241.76</b>
	\$50.00
	<b>\$4,291.76</b>

It's that time again to pay dues so you can send it to our PO box:

Village Landlords  
PO Box 670093  
Coral Springs, FL  
33067

Dues are \$15 for a single member and \$25 for a family. If you joined in Sept, Oct, Nov, or Dec of 2016 your 2017 dues are paid.

The 2017 budget in the last newsletter was voted on at the January meeting and approved.

I hope to see you at the March picnic.

Bob

# The Village Press — March 2017

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE GENERAL MEETING

### FEBRUARY 26, 2017

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

Bonnie Eichholtz called the meeting to order at 2:40 pm. She welcomed Miguel who will be doing our demonstration today.

Secretary's Report: 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 Eileen O'Connor and seconded by Norm Barrett. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Obenland read the report and the proposed budget. This includes \$200 from the Club towards the replacement of the display. The motion to accept the report was made by Eileen O'Connor and seconded by Norm Barrett. The motion carried.

Membership: Jessica Spice stated that there were 91 members to date.

Prizes and Raffles: Gene spoke about the various prizes and raffles that were offered today and about Gunther's List. Miguel's display will also be part of the Door Prizes.

Newsletter: Gisela Suarez requested the email addresses of our new members.

Picnic: Our annual picnic is next month on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at Tree Tops Park. Please note date. There is a park charge per person at the gate of \$1.50 each. There are sign-up sheets on the front table to sign up for the goodies (Salads, Sides or Desserts) that you would like to bring.



# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE GENERAL MEETING

## FEBRUARY 26, 2017

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**Web:** Our Web Master, Jonathan Stout sent word that our site is up-to-date.

**Other News:** Joe spoke about the replacement cost of our display for Ronald McDonald House. Some members have already been generous but the cost of the materials will be expensive so please think about adding to our kitty.

**Swap & Sell:** There are 2 slots open in April for the tables. Please email Kathy Tavernia if you wish to sign up.

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

**March 19<sup>th</sup>:** Our famous picnic at Tree Tops Park in Davie begins at noon at the Sabal Palm Pavilion.

**April 30<sup>th</sup>:** Please note club meeting's date change. Bob Obenland will do a presentation on the European Christmas Markets he visited recently.

**Demonstration:** Miguel showed us the tools and techniques he uses with Styrofoam to create a winter scene for our houses. This wonderful display was used as a Door Prize.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 5:03 pm by Norm Barrett and seconded by Joe McPhillips. The motion carried.



# GENERAL MEETING, RAFFLES AND PRIZES, FEBRUARY 26, 2017



## Door Prizes

1. Bright Lights Santa
2. SV Fire Hydrant & Mailbox
3. Set of 4 Lamp posts
4. Testing the Water
5. 2 sets of 30 LED Teeny Lights
6. Railroad Crossing Signs
7. Flexible Sisal Hedge
8. Wispy Winter Trees
9. Buying Baker's Bread
10. Nutcracker Ballerinas
11. Styrofoam Rostock
12. Miguel's Winter Display

Kathy Kirouac  
Gisela Suarez  
Peggy Mead  
Kathy Tavernia  
Liliam Acevedo  
Linda Knecht  
Sandra Sanchez  
Rosemary DeJesus  
Sandra Sanchez  
Mary Spicer  
Elaine Smith, Cindy  
Betty Hargrave

## Raffle

1. Ginny's Cookie Treats Set
2. The Trout Stream
3. Holly Hedges, Set of 4
4. Winter Glow Trees, Set of 2
5. 1994 Village Express Van, Roberts

Jessica Spicer  
Norm Barrett  
Sandra Sanchez  
Dottie Winzell  
Betty Hargrave

## Mystery House

Grandma's Bakery

## Special Raffle

Collectors' Club House



Norm Barrett

Eileen O'Connor



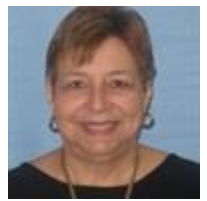
## MEETING DEMONSTRATION FOR FEBRUARY 2017

At our last General Meeting we had the pleasure of having the very talented Miguel, responsible for those magnificent displays at the Christmas Palace. The Village Landlord Club Members are grateful for this presentation and his personal time. Below are some images to show his abilities and some of what we learned. Thanks Miguel. You are always welcome.



March 2017

## A Note from the Editor...



Gisela Suarez

Spring is a miraculous experience. It is my second favorite time of the year, Christmas being the first. The whole world comes filled with color and the scent of delicious greenery. The plants and trees are preparing for rebirth. Spring gives us hope for rejuvenation in our own lives as well. Spring is a time to renew the excitement and zest for life that lives inside. To celebrate the Spring I would like to share this poem with you: Lessons From Nature, author John Bunyan.

I watch the waves crash in, breaking on the shore  
All their anger dispensed on the oceans floor  
I look at the sky so blue, sun shining so bright  
Spreading heat and happiness with its blinding light  
Long blades of grass swaying in the gentle breeze  
Dancing in rhythm with so much ease  
Look up at the trees hearing the singing of the birds  
Happily chirping singing at ease without words  
Sitting here holding my knees to my chest  
Watching and hearing nature at it s best  
I ponder how Nature could get it so right  
When we have let Natures lessons get so out of sight  
We hold our anger, let our happiness slip away  
Making our survival a struggle each and every day  
We have forgotten the little things that mean so much  
Like the laughter, the freedom, and someone's loving touch  
If only I could make people stop, watch and listen to Natures tale  
We could all sit back happily and our world would not be so frail  
In each others existence in harmony we could all survive  
I'm sure like the sun, wind, tree, and birds our lives we could revive  
If only we let nature take its course in each one of us each day and night  
As I sit and ponder how Nature got it so right and we lost all sight







The Village Landlords will be hosting their annual picnic at the Tree Top Park on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. This is a fantastic time for our members to spend some leisure time together. Like every year, there will be game prizes, a 50/50 raffle and Chet and Dianne Rosenbaum will be providing the entertainment: Chet as the DJ and Dianne with her wonderful voice.

The Club will be providing ham, chicken, bread rolls and drinks. If you have not done so, please sign up and bring a side dish. Please contact Bonnie by March 12<sup>th</sup> at 954-972-5045.



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## ANNUAL PICNIC REGISTRATION

**March 19th, 2017 at Tree Top Park @ 12 Noon**  
**3900 SW 100th Ave, Davie, FL 33328**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**# of Attendees:** \_\_\_\_\_ **@ \$10.00 p/p: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dish you will be bringing:**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**March 1ST :** Board Meeting – Bob Obenland's Home

**March 19th:** (**Note date change**) Our famous picnic at Tree Tops Park in Davie. You still have time to participate. Call Bonnie Eichholtz at 954-972-5045.

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Board Meeting – Bonnie's House at 7:30 PM.

**April 30:** General Meeting: Featuring Bob Obenland's recent visit to European Christmas Markets. (**Note date change**)

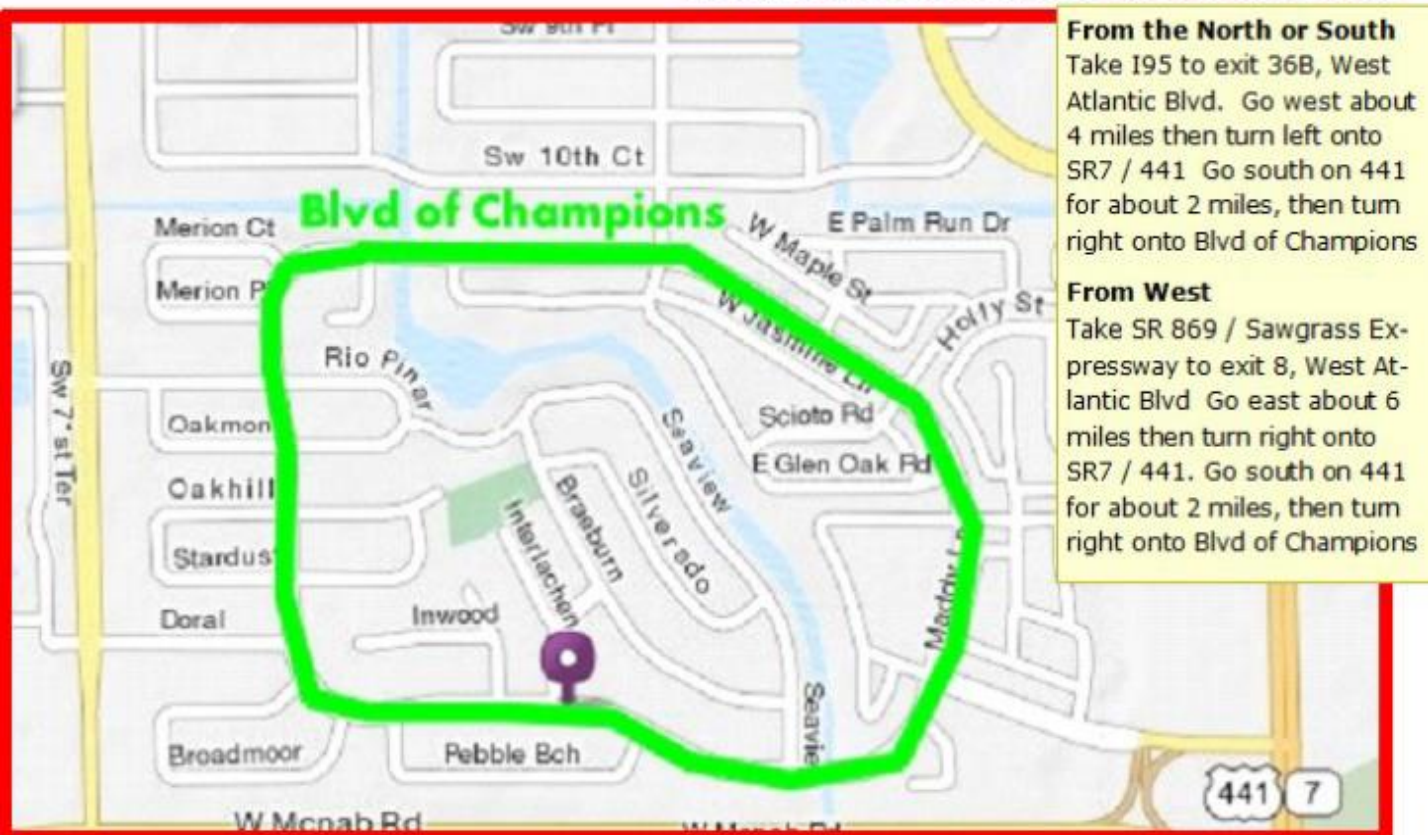
There will be an Auction at the April meeting, along with door prizes and raffles. The Auction is to benefit our Ronald McDonald Display Restoration Fund.



[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

# VILLAGE LANDLORDS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/2017

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: \_\_\_\_\_





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