The Village Press March 2023

WELCOME

COME TO OUR PICNIC, MARCH 26TH AT TREE TOP PARK, 12 NOON (MORE INFORMATION INSIDE)

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March 2023 - News from our President

Bonnie Eichholtz

Hi Everyone,

This is our annual picnic month. For those of you who wish to attend and haven't signed up, you can do so at the picnic. Whoever has signed up and not paid may pay at the park. Our picnic is at The Tree Tops Park in Davie, Sabal Palm Pavilion, beginning at noon. The club offers Spiral Baked Ham, Fried Chicken, Rolls, Beverages and all essentials. We also have games to play from which you can win prizes. There is a 50/50 Raffle. Our members, Dianne and Chet Rosenbaum graciously offered their talents to provide us with song and dance. Thank you, Dianne and Chet. It's a great afternoon of socializing with our fellow members and having lots of fun while doing so. Just a reminder there is a fee of \$1.50 per person to enter the park. See you there!!!

Our day trip on the 11th was wonderful. I want to thank all of you who were able to join us. Christmas Etc in West Palm Beach was amazing. Never saw so much Department 56 and lots more. Then it was on to Port St Lucie to Santa's Workshop where we were greeted by Santa and Mrs. Claus. It was the most fantastic place and with many extraordinary things to see They are so dedicated to their community and geared toward the children. I must say we adults were in awe of it too!!

See you at the picnic!!

Bonnie Eichholtz

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY





THE VILLAGE PRESS - MARCH 2023 TREASURER'S REPORT by Bob Oben1and

	Actual
Bank Balance Date	2022
Treasurer's Report	Feb
	\$1,485.0
Beginning Balance	1
Deposits	
Advertising	\$0.00
Membership	\$170.00
Picnic	\$0.00
NCC Sales	\$0.00
Inventory Sales	\$0.00
Ronald McDonald display	\$0.00
Shirt Sales	\$0.00
other	\$0.00
Pin Sales	\$0.00
Donations	\$0.00
Raffle	\$80.00
total	
deposits	\$250.00
Expenses	
Bell South	\$0.00
Copies	\$0.00

Here is the Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2023.

See you at the PICNIC!

Bob





Bell South	\$0.00
Copies	\$0.00
Donations	\$0.00
meeting	\$90.00
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	\$0.00
Pins	\$0.00
Shirt Sales	\$0.00
Shirts	\$0.00
Stamps	\$0.00
total	
expenses	\$90.00
	\$1,645.0
Ending Balance	1
	\$50.00
	\$1,695.0

General Meeting Highlights from February 26th, 2023

by Kathy Tavernia

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Board Members Present: Bonnie Eichholtz, Gene Armeno,
Bob Obenland, Norm Barrett, Gisela Suarez, Jessica Spicer,
Frank Cavanaugh, Ken Moore, Jonathan Stout and Kathy
Tavernia. Bonnie called the meeting to order at 2:34 pm and
welcomed all.

Secretary: All members present received their Newsletter.
 There were no questions so the motion to accept the minutes was made by Norm Barrett and seconded by Nancy Fernon.
 The motion carried.

• Treasurer: Bob read the report. There were no questions so a motion to accept the report was made by Norm Barrett and seconded by Chet Rosenbaum. The motion carried.

 Prizes and Raffles: Gene Armeno said there would be regular door prizes and special raffles.



• Newsletter: Thanks Gisela Suarez for a great newsletter that's on our web site.

 Web: Jon Stout has updated our website. He has also announced that he will remain a member but retiring from this position on September 30th. A replacement is needed to be the club's webmaster. Members, please consider volunteering for this position. General Meeting Highlights from the meeting on 2/26/23 By Kathy Tavernia Page 2

Swap & Sell: 2 tables are free for April. Tables must be reserved via email <u>only</u> at <u>Ktavernia@aol.com</u>

Hospitality: Ken Moore and Frank Cavanaugh do an excellent job the Hospitality table. Thanks everyone for their delicious donations. Don't forget your side dish for the picnic if you signed up.

Programs: Jessica surprised us again with a wonderful Make'n'Take, a chocolate bunny, a reminder of the Spring Season and Easter Celebration. Thanks Jessica for your wonderful ideas!

Bob also reports that there is a display in Port St. Lucy with info at WorkshopSanta.com. The club decided and organized a field trip to the place including Christmas Etc. for March 11th. Some of the members signed up at the meeting.

All the Open Houses were great! Our THANKS.



Join us on March 26th for our Annual Picnic at Tree Top Park, 3900 NW 100 Avenue, Davie at 12 Noon.



Raffles and Prizes, February 2023

Door Prizes

- 1. A Night on London Town
- 2. Fieldstone Walls
- 3. First Star I See Tonight
- 4. NCC Welcome Sign
- 5. Oliver Twist
- 6. Rest Stop
- 7. Set of 3 Trees
- 8. Sisters of the Abbey
- 9. Snow Kids
- 10. Two North Pole Trees
- 11. We Have A Deal

Raffle Prizes

- 1. Bringing the Fleece to the Mill
- 2. Elves Trade School
- 3. J.D. Nichol Toy Shop
- 4. Lord & Taylor Wagon
- 5. Set of 2 Large Trees
- 6. Summertime Family Picnic
- 7. Sliding Down Corn Hill
- 8. We're Going By Train

Mystery House

DV Flat of Ebenezer Scrooge

Special Raffle

SV Last Stop Gas Station





Bill Shields Carlos Suarez Jessica Spicer Gisela Suarez Bob Schankweiler Kathy Tavernia Frank Cavanaugh Frank Cavanaugh Janice Prescott Dottie Winzell Janice Prescott

Bonnie Eichholtz Valerie Williams George Fells Rosemary DeJesus Valerie Williams Rosemary DeJesus Chet Rosenbaum Chet Rosenbaum

Gisela Suarez

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NEWS

Another bit of info to pass along is the Vignette Contest that will be held every month by NCC. The password for the members only sections of the NCC website is NCCConnect20. It is case sensitive.

This month Newsletter features our own President, Bonnie Eichholtz, recently appointed the NCC Region 4 representative. Congratulations Bonnie.



Also featured are Gene Armeno's and Bob Obenland's Open Houses as part of the activities of The Village Landlords.

R.I.P.

It is with a heavy heart that we inform you of sad news, the passing of our former member, Linda Bower. Kathy Kirouac is hosting a Celebration of Life at her house on Friday evening, March 24th, from 5 to 10PM. The address 301 SW 34 Terrace, Deerfield Beach. Please RSVP to Kathy by either calling of texting Kathy at 954-415-6195

.PICNIC NEWS

As Bonnie mentioned in her article, our Annual Picnic is taking place on March 26th at 12 Noon at the Tree Top Park located at 3900 SW 100th Avenue in Davie. The picnic fee is \$10 per person.



The entrance to the park is \$1.50 per person ages 6 and up. You may pay at the park. Lots of fun, games, food, refreshments, desserts, prizes, 50/50 and old and new friends. See you there.

2023 Gathering - Washington D.C.

The NCC together with The Golden Glow of Christmas Past will host the 2023 gathering in our nation's capital, Washington, D.C. This year will be a little different than past gatherings. This year you will have the opportunity to not only enjoy all that we have come to love about our gatherings but also to participate in what the Golden Glow has to offer as well. By having our gathering with them provides us an opportunity to learn more about other items that we may already have that others collect As villagers, one of the greatest things that have always connected us is the love of collecting – and enabling other collectors. When the NCC hosted an event at last year's Glow convention in Chicago; Melinda Seegers said it best, "We don't just put up our tree at Christmas, we don't just put out our villages or our nativities, we put it all out."

A change to how gatherings have previously been is that this year, you will need to become a member of The Golden Glow of Christmas Past. The membership fee is \$60 and they are offering you the first year at 50% off – so \$30! You will receive a \$30 "rebate" check in the weeks following the conclusion of the convention. With your membership to the "Glow" (how they refer to themselves) you will receive their exquisite, full-color magazine.

The gathering will officially start on Wednesday, August 16th and will conclude Saturday, August 19th.

Our normal Saturday evening banquet that we typically hold will be hosted as a luncheon this year. Seating at the dinner is limited, be sure to register soon. (Our Luncheon is SM7 on the registration form). Your Base Registration includes all of our normal village gathering activities. Other items such as specialty lunches about other collectibles may be added for an additional fee. Registration begins February 3rd. Once You are registered you will be able to reserve a room at the host hotel. Make sure you let the hotel know that are attending The Golden Glow of Christmas Past to get the \$145 special rate per night at the hotel. Our Gathering is back with a fun "friend" to be on this journey with and to get to know along the way! It will be so good to get together again and see old friends and make new ones!

You don't want to miss this! The Registration is attached to this Email.

Images from our General Meeting on 2/26/23

Mardi Gras theme by our amazing hospitality team





Make'N'Take Chocolate Bunnies





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George Fells and Bill Shields Open House 2/17/23



The Open House coincided with Bill's Birthday which gave us an opportunity to celebrate twice















Norman Barrett Open House 02/18/23 Norman is an avid collector and his diplays show it.



LOCAL DEALERS WITH DEPARTMENT 56 STOCK



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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embership year is from January 1st—December 31. All information is confidential and used for club urposes only. Please fill out application and return along with the membership fee of \$15.00 per erson or \$25.00 per family. Make checks payable to Robert Obenland and mail it to 7747 iaGrande, Boynton Beach, FL, 33427.

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Would you be interested in hosting a Ch	ristmas House Tour in December or January?
YesNoPossibly	Need more information
/hat activities would you be interested in s	seeing at the meetings?
Display Techniques Guest Speakers	Social EventsWorkshops Other
Omments :	
 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 	