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The **TOWN CRIER** newsletter is issued periodically to keep ESHP members and the public informed of our activities. We welcome news and feedback.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Oct 1: Blessing of the Stone Crab Fleet

10am-1pm, Rod & Gun Club

see article inside

Nov 18: Welcome-Back Historical Talk

5:30pm, Everglades Community Church

Nov 19: Art-in-the-Glades

10am-2pm, McLeod Park

Dec 3: Swamp Heritage Festival

10am-4pm, Big Cypress Swamp Welcome Center

Dec 10: Art-in-the-Glades

10am-2pm, McLeod Park

Download a calendar from www.evergladeshistorical.org.

ESHP BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Directors meets at 8:30 a.m. on the first Monday of the month in our Historical Library in Everglades City Hall. The next meeting will be held on **Monday, October 4**. Members are welcome to attend and contribute ideas.

MEMBERSHIP

We have 68 members plus 7 who have not renewed for 2016 and have been reminded.

It is easy to join or renew. Just fill in the form in this newsletter to send with a check or see our website evergladeshistorical.org to pay with a credit/debit card.

Welcome to new member:

Linda Levy, Key Biscayne

ART-IN-THE-GLADES

Several local history books will be featured at Art-in-the-Glades on **Saturday, November 19**, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in McLeod Park. Besides arts & crafts, there will be hotdogs for lunch and live music. Vendors are welcome to set up a table; phone 695-2905 for info.

MONROE STATION

The old building on the Tamiami Trail east of Ochopee burnt down during the night of April 9. We will be working with Big Cypress National Preserve to collect oral histories from people who remember it.


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News from the Historical Library

Over the quiet summer months, we have sorted out the books in the library and arranged them by subject on the shelves. They include:

Everglades Area History, Naples & Marco Island History, Fort Myers Area History, East Coast History, Lake Okeechobee Area History, Florida History, Everglades Environment, Marjory Stoneman Douglas, Tourism, Transportation, Native Americans, Pirates
An updated catalog of books is available on our website.

A very recent addition is:

Chicone & Burnette, *Florida Citrus Crate Labels* which was donated to us by Jean & Wally Barton. Our thanks to them for drawing our attention to this fascinating subject.

If you would like to give old books, newspapers, or photos to the Historical Library on the second floor of City Hall, where they are safe from storms, phone Marya at (239) 695-2905.



SIGNAGE

Thanks to an initiative by Kenny Brown of Outdoor Resorts, we replaced the welcome sign at the approach to Chokoloskee.

We are planning to install signs on the bridges at either end of the city and to update the panel on CR-29.



photo by Martha Hutcheson

Blessing of the Stone Crab Fleet

Join us on **Saturday, October 1**, from 10:00am to 1:00pm at the historic Rod & Gun Club for the annual send-off of our local boats.

The schedule of events is:

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| 10:00am | Arts & Crafts booths open
Kiddies' Contests (frog jumping, art)
Coconut Guava Cake Contest |
| 12:00noon | Welcome Ceremony
Blessing of the Fleet by local pastors |
| 1:00pm | Winners of Contests Announced
Winners of Raffles Announced |

For info and to volunteer your help during the day, phone Marya at (239) 695-2905.

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NEWSLETTER INDEX

If you are looking for an article in an old ESHP newsletter, we now have an index on our website.

Visit www.evergladeshistorical.org and click on "Activities & Publications", then scroll down to the newsletter archive.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Honorary ESHP member Jane Herren celebrated her 100th birthday at the beginning of September. She and her late husband Norman lived in ECity from 1938 until 1960 while he was working for the Collier interests.



FAREWELL

We are sorry to report that Margaret Webb passed away recently at age 95. She was a Lopez from Chokoloskee who married Carl Webb and lived in the Copeland area where they farmed tomatoes. Our commiserations to her family.