

**EVERGLADES SOCIETY FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

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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**

**Saturday, March 10: Art-in-the-Glades**

Headquarters for the Homes Tour plus Arts & Crafts sale and live music in McLeod Park, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Saturday, March 10: Everglades Homes Tour**

A chance to visit older private houses and public buildings. Ticket is a souvenir booklet. *See article inside.*

**Saturday, March 10: Fakahatchee Coastal Cruise**

Chartered boat trip at 3:00 p.m. to historic Fakahatchee Island. Learn about native plants on the trek up the shell mound to the old cemetery. See [www.orchidswamp.org](http://www.orchidswamp.org).

**Friday, March 23: Movie Night**

Screening of 2 episodes of 1960s TV series "The Everglades". *See article inside.*

**Friday, March 23: Social Evening**

Casual meal in a local restaurant and a chance to say farewell to seasonal visitors before they leave Florida for the summer. *See article inside.*

**Saturday, April 14: Talk about Local History**

Illustrated presentation about the history of the area at 1:00 p.m. in the Big Cypress Swamp Welcome Center.

**Saturday, April 28: Museum Birthday**

Celebrate the 14<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Museum of the Everglades and the 84<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Opening of the Tamiami Trail with hot dogs & cake, antique cars, and live music. See [www.evergladesmuseum.org](http://www.evergladesmuseum.org).

*You can download a calendar of events at our website [www.evergladeshistorical.org](http://www.evergladeshistorical.org).*

**ESHP BOARD MEETINGS**

The Board of Directors meets on the first Monday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in our Historical Library in Everglades City Hall. The next meetings will be held on **April 2**. Members are invited to attend.

**MEMBERSHIP**

We have 53 active members . There are also 10 members who are in arrears from 2011 and will be sent final reminders with this newsletter. You can join or renew with a debit/credit card at our website.

*Welcome to new members since our last newsletter:*  
Marilyn & Jerry Bracket, Everglades City  
Mike Maxwell, Naples  
Lana Whidden Withers, Marco Island



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## MOVIES & A MEAL

Our next Movie Night on **Friday, March 23**, at 6:00 p.m. will feature two of the 38 segments from the TV program "The Everglades" which ran for one season 1961-62. Ron Hayes stars as Constable Lincoln Vail, an "Everglades County Patrol" officer, who travels by airboat to solve crimes in the area. The series was produced by Budd Schulberg who had made "Wind Across the Everglades" which we showed in January. Come join us for popcorn and coke in the Everglades Community Church Jinkins Fellowship Hall.

It is followed at 7:30 p.m. by our End-of-Season Social when we gather for dinner at Camellia Street Grill to say farewell to our winter friends before they leave for the summer. Meals are from the menu and dress is informal. Everyone welcome!

For info about both events, call 695-2905.

## SMALLWOOD STORE

The fundraiser on February 25 was a huge success but the road remains rough and the court battle continues to have Mamie Street restored. If you would like to donate, visit [www.smallwoodstore.com](http://www.smallwoodstore.com).



## Successful Dinner

The Annual Members' Meeting & Dinner/Talk was attended by 62 people, some of whom were guests from the Marco Island Historical Society and the Friends of Fakahatchee.

Thanks to Carolyn & Gus Fischer and Gerry & Mary Helen Masters for counting the ballots to elect directors.

Thanks to the Everglades Seafood Depot for producing a delicious meal with attentive service.

And, thanks to our speaker Craig Woodward who gave an informative illustrated presentation about the problems of early surveyors in this area.

## OFFICIAL BUSINESS

ESHPP directors elected to serve until March 2015 are: Helen Bryan, Mike Danosky, Pat Fingeroff, Patricia Huff, Elaine Middelstaedt, Jane Rackley, Marya Repko, and Craig Woodward.

At the Board Meeting on March 5, the existing officers were re-elected to their previous positions. They are listed on the back page of this newsletter.

## News from the Historical Library



You can see a list of the books in the library on our website. We also have magazines and numerous clippings & pictures.

The next time you have a clean-up, don't throw out old newspapers or photos – they may be of historical interest. If you would like to give them to the Library, phone (239) 695-2905.



## EVERGLADES HOMES TOUR

This is one of the popular houses that can be seen during the **Everglades Homes Tour** on **Saturday, March 10**, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. The souvenir ticket booklet is available at \$20 in McLeod Park at **Art-in-the-Glades** which takes place on the same day from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

## HISTORIC SIGNS

Notice the oval sign under the window on the house above. We have provided almost 20 signs for original Collier houses in the City. For more info, call Mike at 695-2244 or see our website to download an order form.



*THANKS* to member Tom Leonard who helped with the raffle at the Antique Air Aficionados Fly-in.

*THANKS* to Triad Seafood for providing stone crab claws for the raffle prize and to Chuck Gretzke of Wings 10,000 Islands Aero Tours for feeding the crowd with pancakes and sausages at the Fly-In.



*THANKS* also to Tom Leonard for his help with our booth at the Everglades Seafood Festival.

## BOOK REVIEW



June Jolley Dyches, who grew up in Everglades City, has published a book of memoirs *A Jolley Good Time* in which she recalls her life here in the 1940s and then later in Naples during high-school years. She describes married life as a military wife and retirement on Marco Island where her husband Jim came from. The book is a "jolly good read" with lots of photos. It is available from at the Collier County Public Library or from the publisher at [www.blurb.com](http://www.blurb.com).