

**EVERGLADES SOCIETY FOR
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Nov 9: Klotz Collection Reception

1:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Everglades Arts Studio
see article inside

Nov 22: JFK 50th – Where Were You?

6:00 p.m., Everglades Community Church
see article inside

Dec 7: Swamp Heritage Festival

Big Cypress Swamp Welcome Center
3300 Tamiami Trail East, Ochopee
see www.nps.gov/bicy or phone (239) 695-4748
historical talks, music, food
ESHP will have a booth

Dec 14: Art-in-the-Glades

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., McLeod Park
arts & crafts, music, food
ESHP will have a booth

ESHP BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors meets on the first Monday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in Everglades City Hall. The next meeting will be held on **Monday, December 2**.

Everglades City **Building Inspector Joe Stinson** will talk at 9:00 a.m. during that meeting about the revised FEMA regulations for old buildings and the public is invited to attend. For info, call Marya at (239) 695-2905.

BRICK BY BRICK

If you want a unique holiday gift, order a commemorative brick to be installed on the walk way in front of City Hall. You can download an order form at our website and send it in with your check or pick up a paper copy in City Hall.

The campaign will close on **January 15**. For info, phone Patty at 695-2397.

MEMBERSHIP

We have 58 fully-paid members. Renewal notices will be sent by post in early January 2014. You can join or renew at our website with a credit/debit card.

Welcome to new member Greg Marshall of Bonita Springs.


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News from the Historical Library

Our thanks to Lynn Pierce granddaughter of F.J. Frankenhoff (Barron Collier's comptroller and superintendent of schools) for sharing her historical documents and donating a little painting of City Hall by Bob Klotz. She spent a day with us and promises to return with other members of her family. Juanita Weldon (*left in photo above*) joined us to talk about what she remembered of earlier times in the area.

Thanks also to Scott Ritter of Naples who allowed ESHP to copy the scrapbook of his relatives Frank & Anna Lewis. She was Postmaster in ECity from 1938 to 1943. Franklin Adams organized this donation.

The next time you have a clean-up, don't throw out old books, newspapers, or photos – they may be of historical interest. If you would like to give them to the Historical Library in City Hall, where they are safe from storms, phone 695-2905.

LOST BUILDING

We are sorry to report that another little old cracker house was knocked down recently. The building at 206 Allen Avenue was owned in the past by the School Board and used to accommodate principals and teachers. If you are concerned with old buildings, come to our meeting on December 2.



LOST ROAD?

There will be a public hearing about the road leading to the Smallwood Store in Chokoloskee on **Tuesday, December 10**, during the Board of County Commissioners' meeting in Naples to discuss whether the County should "vacate" Mamie Street and turn it over to the developers.

At a meeting on October 1, Commissioner Nance said he was not aware of the public interest in the road and at another meeting at Parkway Village on October 10 with the County Attorney, the attendees heard that it was only those with "direct interest" (ie, neighbors on the road) who were important.

Local area residents remember using the road to get their mail when the Smallwood Store was also the Post Office and are obviously upset that the right of way will be closed.

For more info, talk with Patty at 695-2397.



JFK 50th – Where Were You???

Join us on **Friday, November 22**, at 6:00 p.m. to recall your memories about that momentous day 50 years ago when President Kennedy was shot in Dallas. Our "Nostalgia Night" will take place in the Jinkins Fellowship Hall behind Everglades Community Church on the Circle.

If you can not be there, please email us at ESHP@hotmail.com with your story or send it to ESHP, P.O.Box 46, Everglades City, FL, 34139. Any old newspaper clippings that you do not want are also welcome!

For info, call Marya at 695-2905.



Klotz Collection

Paintings by Bob Klotz are on show during the month of November at the Everglades Arts Studio of Varick Niles. The Studio at 110 Camellia Street (across from the Ivey House) is open on Friday and Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and admission is free.

Several of the pictures in this special exhibit are on loan from ESHP who received a generous donation from the artist's late daughter Virginia and a grant from the United Arts Council of Collier County for framing.

Join us for a reception on **Saturday, November 9**, at the Studio from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

VISIT PALM COTTAGE

If you're in Naples, stop in at the Historical Society near the pier on 12th Avenue South to see how beautifully an old home can be restored. There are guided tours almost every day and a little theater that shows films of oral history interviews. For info, see www.napleshistoricalsociety.org or call (239) 261-8164.