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## Green Cove Springs History Lesson . . . . .

If you were not at our meeting last month, you missed an extremely interesting program by Claude Bass, noted historian for Green Cove Springs and Clay County. This time, Claude's topic was people and visitors



Gwen, Claude Bass, Dee

to Clay County. You would be very surprised how many different celebrities and noted personalities have lived or visited our area over the years!! Did you know that Green Cove Springs had 27 hotels at one time?

An interesting fact is that Green Cove had the first golf course in the State – Magnolia Springs Golf Course, a 9-hole course built in the 1880's.

## Dec. 5 (Wed) - Christmas Tea . . . . .

The Annual Christmas Tea will be held on Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 3 - 4:30 at the club. The cost is \$12.50++ and reservations are required.

## Jan. 9 (Wed) - Get Ready for January . . . . .

You might want to prepare now for our January program as we will have author Jim Jordan from Savannah, Georgia. Mr. Jordan is a certified public accountant, but in 2001, began a second career as an historian, speaker, and tour guide in Savannah, Georgia. He has just completed his first book, *Savannah Grey*, an historical novel about life in Georgia during the thirty years leading up to the Civil War. It has been nominated for the Michael Shaara Award for best Civil War fiction.

## Thanks from the Food Pantry . . . . .

On behalf of the Green Cove Springs Food Pantry, I would like to thank the members of the MPWC and all the residents of the Magnolia Point Community who contributed so generously to our Annual Food drive. This food drive was an overwhelming success with 828 pounds of food collected and a cash donation of \$100.00. That was 128 pounds more than last year.

A very special thank you to Joe Wyzkoski for his support and a most grateful thanks to Dyal Randall for all her suggestions and assistance. ~ Geri Isgan

## Last Minute Luminary Kits Available . . .

Luminary Night is scheduled for Saturday night, Dec. 8. If you waited and didn't get your order in, don't be left in the dark!! There are a few last minute kits still available. All proceeds from the sale of luminary kits go to local charities. Kits are still selling for \$5.00 each. To order your kits or for more information, contact Barbara Barclay at 284-1331 or Pat Ezzell at 529-7123.

## Thank you to our "Elves" . . . . .

We have had a lot of elves busy working on holiday decorations. Many thanks to Sandy Magyar and Marsha Zupan, along with Mela Abate, Dyal Randall and Norm Magyar, for making the Magnolia Dining Room as beautiful as ever! Meantime, Nancy Nettuno and Cary Hanley were out front hanging the wreaths and decorating the guard house.

Quite a few of our members assisted with decorating the "Parade of Trees" in Spring Park. I hope I have not left anyone out, but I know

the following girls helped: Cindy Bonk, Sherry Cruse, Lucia Hipp, Marlene Jacobs, Mary Kendall, Lynn Kelly, Doe Sankey, Susie Snow, Sara Spurrier, Cindy Triay and Virgene Wildner. Many thanks to everyone!!!



Sara Spurrier & Cindy Triay

## Good Job, Chef Bill & Staff . . . . .



Val F. & Sandy E.

Many thanks to Chef Bill for the lobster dinner following the November meeting. The meal was a feast and enjoyed by many members. The kitchen staff took such care, that our lobster was not even dropped in the pot until we were seated. We look forward to having more dinners following our Wednesday meetings.

## President's Message .....

This is such a beautiful season. We are starting to see decorations going up around the neighborhood and occasionally we feel some cool weather - but this is Florida!!! We at the Women's club have our busiest month. So many of you are giving your time and energy to make this a merry Christmas for all.

Thanks goes to everyone working on the luminaries. So many have volunteered to sell, put together and deliver them. We also have those baking cookies, hostessing and providing the entertainment. Thanks goes to Barb, Pat and their many helpers!! What a job - we're almost there!!

Thanks go to the Santa's elves who decorated the front gate and clubhouse. Everything looks beautiful!!!!

A lot of us had a great time decorating the trees at Spring Park. Thanks to everyone that gave of their time to make the Parade of Trees sparkle!!!!!!!!!!!!

Shirley Orvosh has been working hard making our Bingo Nights very successful. (Thanks to those who have donated some of their winnings back to MPWC.) She has also done a wonderful job selling the candles that will make such wonderful gifts. Thanks to Paul, I understand that he does a great job calling out the numbers!!

We are all looking forward to the Tea on December 5th. This will be a great opportunity to visit each other and wear our favorite Holiday sweaters. Thanks to Gwen and Dee for planning this event.

Thanks to everyone who donated to CEB and especially those shopping and wrapping to make a child's Christmas extra special. You put smiles on a lot of beautiful faces.

I hope that I haven't missed anyone. You are all such special people and all of your work is appreciated. It will be fun to enjoy all the fruits of our labor. I'm looking forward to seeing each of you at the tea and luminary night. I especially can't wait to hear the voices of the CEB choir and our own Magnolia Singers!!

I wish for each of you a very blessed Christmas, happy holidays and Peace for all of us in the New Year.

Cindy

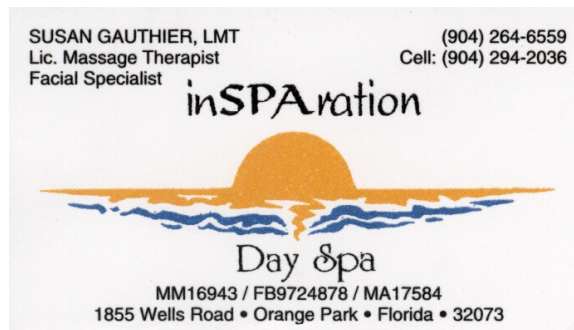
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