Friends of the Museum of the Everglades

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FME Board Meeting
Tues. Feb. 5th 9:00 am
Comm. Church Annex
Members Welcome

Art in the Glades
In McLeod Park
January 19th 10 am - 2 pm

The Life & Times of Barron Gift Collier
an illustrated talk
January 31, 2 p.m.

Come see what's new!

Visit the Museum during
Seafood Festival
Feb. 2nd & 3rd

Tom & Tina
and the U.S. Express
performing bluegrass music in the newly enlarged theater.

Tracy Stokes
Signing her book
"***Birds, Bees & Cypress Knees***"

"Visions of the Big Cypress National Preserve"
...the photographic art of Clyde Butcher.

In the Pauline Reeves Gallery
January and February
MEET THE ARTIST
Saturday January 12 2008

The work of world-renowned photographer Clyde Butcher will be on display in the Pauline Reeves Gallery in January and February. His signature black and white photos reveal the fundamental elements of the remarkable beauty of the Everglades. The formations of clouds and sky with the native vegetation balance the scene giving his photographs three dimensions. While viewing these works of art you feel surrounded by the scenery he has captured with his lens. He was born in Kansas City, Mo, in 1942. While studying architecture at California Polytechnic University in the early 1960's, he was impressed by Ansel Adams' work. He and Niki were married in 1964. After college, Butcher had began a career in architecture and was responsible for a portion of the design of the TransAmerica Tower in San Francisco, CA. By 1970, he left architecture for landscape photography. The Butchers moved to Florida in the mid-1980s and purchased Orchid Isle, a former orchid farm in the middle of the Big Cypress National Preserve. Clyde retreated to the wilderness for solace and restoration after his son was killed by a drunk driver. He put aside color and became a black-and-white landscape photographer.

Butcher creates his images with large-format cameras ranging from 5x7" up to 16x20". Along with numerous other national awards, the State of Florida has given him The Artists Hall of Fame Award for his photographic excellence.

The Museum of the Everglades is at 105 West Broadway, Everglades City, telephone (239) 695-0008
Open to the public Tuesday through Friday, 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. Saturday 9:00a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Happy Birthday

to

The 80-year-old TAMIAMI TRAIL

and

The 10-year-old Museum

A letter from the FME President,

You should have received your renewal request in the mail by now. I hope that you will find time to renew your membership in the Friends for 2008. Before you write a check for the usual amount I would like to ask you to include a few extra dollars to help us fund the preparations for the celebration of the opening of the Tamiami Trail. 2008 marks the official opening of the Tamiami Trail in 1928 and the opening of the Museum in 1998. And, to keep you up on our history, Collier County was formed 85 years ago, Everglades City 55 years ago, Collier County Museum 30 years ago and the Chokoloskee Church of God 95 years ago. The celebration will be held April 26 & 27 2008. Saturday, the events will recreate the opening day of the Trail in 1928 including an antique car parade. Sunday, we will have the traditional Museum birthday party with cake and your favorite local storytellers. Some of the items we need to make this celebration possible are a 20 X 20 tent, funds to pay the entertainers and speakers, a website and, of course, birthday cakes, rooms for visiting performers ... just to name a few. Fireworks are $10,000 – is there anyone who can help us to obtain them?? If you are unable to donate for any of these larger items any extra amount will be appreciated and will help us prepare this celebration. I also encourage you to join the planning committee meeting. Thank you for your continued support. *Carol Moseman*

4th Annual Marjory Stoneman Douglas Festival

February 26, 27, 28, 29 & March 1, 2008

Plan to attend the educational and informational events during this week honoring the woman who helped preserve the Everglades.

Phone 695-0008 for further details

The Life & Times of Barron Gift Collier

an illustrated talk presented by

David Southall, CCM

Thursday, January 31, at 2:00 p.m.

in the new theater at the Museum

Refreshments hosted by ESHP

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

for Greeter desk and Sales table at the Seafood Festival, Feb 2/3

Call Carol Moseman 239-695-2159

Volunteers always needed at the Museum for the Greeter desk ... Meet People from around the World!

You don't have to an a expert in history to volunteer!!!

phone Martha or Tim on 695-0008 or stop in at the Museum