

# Miami Pioneers / Natives of Dade

celebrating and preserving the local history of Miami-Dade County, Florida

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## Next Meeting Sunday, February 4 at 2:30pm

Central Christian Church  
222 Menores Ave, Coral Gables 33134

Enter the door at the south side of the building on Mendoza Ave. Parking in west lot is also available if you enter from Menores Ave. Street parking is also free on Sunday.

Please bring \$1 donation to cover the cost of the room. We very much appreciate those who can provide refreshments such as cookies, crackers, brownies, etc.

## Correspondence

Send to MP/NOD at:  
14900 SW 71 Ave  
Miami, FL 33158

MP/NOD Facebook Page  
<https://www.facebook.com/MPNOD/>

## Dues

Please bring your annual \$20 dues to the meeting, or mail your check made to MP/NOD to our Treasurer: Marlene B. Carlin, 14900 SW 71 Ave, Miami, FL 33158. If your envelope is marked, your dues are past. Please help by sending in your payment as soon as possible.

## 2016-18 Officers

our president is Jim Hartnett  
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past president, Caesar Philips  
treasurer, Marlene B. Carlin  
corresponding secretary, Mary Pyle  
recording secretary, Cele Diaz  
sergeant at arms, Gerda Marchese  
parliamentarian, Linda Hertz

## February 4 Sunday Meeting

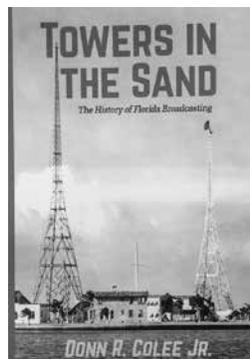
The next meeting of the Miami Pioneers and Natives of Dade will take place at the usual location at 2:30pm.

## Donn Colee: Towers In The Sand

Miami Pioneers and Natives of Dade historical society is proud to present a delightful, entertaining and informative program for the Sunday, February 4th monthly meeting, featuring author Donn Colee and his recently published book: *Towers in the Sand -- The History of Florida Broadcasting*.

Here is the definitive story of the people, the radio and television stations, and the events that built an industry and a state. *Towers in the Sand* is the only comprehensive history of Florida's broadcasting industry 1922-2016, the people who brought those stations to life, and the events that saw the state grow from boom to bust and back again to now the nation's third most populous.

Over a decade in the making and fully referenced and indexed, *Towers in the Sand* tells stories from over eighty Florida broadcasting pioneers and current leaders from the Keys to the Panhandle. A celebration of broadcasting's proudest moments through hard-hitting journalism and editorials, lifesaving moments through decades of hurricanes, and lighthearted moments with favorite personalities and promotions, *Towers in the Sand* also laments the loss of a national treasure as most stations were transformed from local community partners to lines on corporate balance sheets. As broadcasting sits at the precipice of a very uncertain future, the author hopes through this work to engage thought, conversation, and action to ensure its continued relevance in society.



## February Birthdays

- 1 Nancy Bahn
- 3 Richard Fandrey
- 5 George & Sharon Grunwell
- 8 Bernice Lawton
- 9 Dr. William Culbertson IV
- 10 Ava Gunderson
- 11 William Fisher III
- 12 Leonard Hoffman
- 12 Alberta Pallot
- 12 Juan Riera
- 13 Robert Hilliard
- 20 Audrey Ross
- 21 John & Mary Reed
- 23 Henry Langston
- 24 Ann Slosser
- 26 Jean Boccard
- 27 Larry Wiggins

## Memorium: Gerda Marchese

Our club's longstanding Sergeant At Arms -- and one of the original members of the Natives Of Dade -- has passed away. Her dedication to this historical society and her consistency was admirable. We could always count on Gerda to greet members and guests, hand out the name badges and present new members and guests to the group.

Save The Date

Mark Your Calendar for a delightful presentation on March 4th, the first Sunday in February.