

OFF President's Report

February 19, 2012

Hello from south Florida:

Since my last report we attended the IFF Workshop January 23rd - 25th at Ft. Lauderdale Fl. Janice and I arranged an all day tour on Tuesday the 24th of the sugar cane and vegetable growing area east of Belle Glade Fl. On Wednesday forenoon we took an inland boat tour where we saw some very expensive homes [up to 30 million dollars] and big yachts [up to 250 million dollars]. All I could think of was what a waste of money. Wednesday afternoon we went to Butterfly World, there were 83 members attending.

February 14th Don and Sally Apple hosted the annual snowbird fly-in at their winter home near Dundee Fl. After the meal and business meeting forty seven members were present to view and hear about the Apple's trip to South America. The March 17th meeting will be in Venice at the Crossroads restaurant, corner of bypass 41 and Albee Farm Road and will be hosted by Al and Barb Wadley.

Tom Eibling informed me that 12 OFF members attended the February 12th valentine party at Ohio Northern University, Ada Ohio. Present were Bob & Sue Arend, Glen & Susie Cole, Tom & Kay Eibling, Ray & Sharon Johanns, Mike & Bibby Nutter and Larry & Diane Schaller.

Our middle son Don and wife Linda spent 3 days with us in December and our youngest son Dale spent 4 days with us this past week. Dale's wife was not able to get off work. It had been over 20 years since either son had been here. Don did not have much luck fishing but Dale caught quite a few speckled perch [we call them crappies] . The weather this winter has been very nice and both boys really enjoyed the sunshine and getting on the lake each day they were here.

Mary Gruber is working on the region 3 tour in August and will get more info to you as details get worked out. Till next time, God Bless you and God Bless America.

Bob Lyme