

Press Release

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HERNANDO COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT PRESENTS THE 2009 EDITION OF COLLECTIBLE CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

2009 COLLECTIBLE CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS! RESERVE YOURS NOW!

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The Hernando County Tourist Development Council is pleased to announce the 2009 ornaments, each depicting a unique renowned venue in Hernando County available for purchase November 18, 2009.



The Hernando County design celebrates the historical heritage of the Chinsegut Hill Manor House.

The **Chinsegut Hill Manor House** (also known as Tiger Tail Hill, Mount Airy, Snow Hill, or simply The Hill) is situated on Chinsegut Hill, a historic site approximately five miles northeast of the city of Brooksville Florida. Chinsegut Hill Manor House dates back 160 years to the days of territorial Florida and the Seminole Wars. On November 21, 2003, Chinsegut Hill Manor House was added to the U.S. National Register of Historic Places.

The depiction on the ornament is from an original work by local artist Lynne Simone. A native of New York, Ms. Simone currently serves as the Public Relations Chair and Historian for the Spring Hill Art League. Her works are primarily in pastels. She has exhibited throughout Hernando County and art shows throughout the state. The ornament features a gold imprint on a purple matte ornament. A limited number of the ornaments

will be signed and numbered by the Ms. Simone. Signed and numbered ornaments are \$15.00 each plus tax, and unsigned are \$10.00 plus tax.



The City of Brooksville design honors "**Rogers' Christmas House**", established in 1971 at its current location. Originally begun by the late Winnie Rogers, she started the business by selling Christmas items and gifts from her home in 1969. From there, this enchanting village evolved to feature five turn-of-the-century houses filled with an array gifts for all occasions, and highlighted with breathtaking Christmas displays. The depiction of Rogers' Christmas House is a silver imprint on a red matte ornament. The depiction was provided by Brooksville Printing, and the original artist of this drawing is unknown. These ornaments will sell for \$10.00 each plus tax.

The Hernando County Welcome Center is located at 30305 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville (inside the Quality Inn & Suites at SR 50 and I-75). For more information on additional sales locations, please call our office at 352-754-4405. Or, visit our website at

www.naturallyhernando.org where you will find a link to view the ornaments and how to place your order.