

THE

Historical Society of North Brevard

Message from the President

September already! Gosh, where do the months go. Summers used to last so long, and now the older I get the faster they go by. Of course down here in Florida, they do seem to last longer than up in the frozen north.

There is much going on at your museum in the next two months. First, we are getting ready for elections of officers. This happens in October at our annual dinner at Dixie Crossroads on October 27th at 5:30 pm. If you would like to run for an office, please make your intentions known to us at the museum or give me a call. Joan and I try to be at the museum every Tuesday.

There will be a sign up sheet in the museum for you to sign up for the dinner. You can also call the museum to R.S.V.P.

We are also in the middle of membership renewal time, so if you have not sent in your renewal, we encourage you to do so. This is a major source of funding for the museum and helps to keep the bills paid. We want to thank everyone so far that has sent in their membership and also to those that have made extra donations. We know that everything is getting more expensive every day, and we appreciate your dedication. Your membership ensures that your museum will remain open for all to enjoy.

Another item of some importance, is our front windows. I have been told that we purchased storm panels for the windows. These are fabric panels that clip onto the front windows. I am sorry to say that after much searching, they are missing. If you know where they might be, please give us a call. I don't need to tell you what season we are in. *Help!*

The board of directors would also like to take a moment to wish the best of luck to Joe and Joy Merckson. They managed to sell their house and are getting settled in up north in Tennessee. Joe, you always told people that if they were not happy here I-95 runs North and South. Just kidding, we will see you back in November. We know that you can't stay away. We might even start a pool to pick the date you come back.

The museum is in need of 3 toilets. If you would like to contribute, I can pick them up and install them, but we need to buy them. They will run about 150.00 each with supplies.

Lastly, if you had a mail box in the Astronaut Trail post office downtown, please make sure we have your new address. Our newsletter is bulk mail, and the post office does not forward bulk mail. The post office will throw them away.

*~ Sincerely,
Edmund M. Kindle*

September 2008

*Greetings From The
Historical Society!!*



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What's

NEW This

Month

- ◆ Message From the President
- ◆ Vice President's message
- ◆ Speaker
- ◆ Memorials
- ◆ New members
- ◆ New mailing address
- ◆ Donations
- ◆ New Brochure
- ◆ New Book

*Stop in -
We'd love to see you again.*

A note from the Vice President

We reluctantly said goodbye to Joy & Joe Merckson as they moved to Tennessee for the summer. We will welcome them home in November. If you would like to write their mailing address is,

P.O. Box 353
Niota, TN 37826

On September 22nd at 2:00pm Mr. Ronald Morgan, author of “The American Spirit in the New Millennium” and founder & executive director of “The American Millennium Foundation” will be our guest speaker. Mr. Morgan’s topic will be, “History of the U.S. Flag” complete with an impressive display. Please welcome our Merritt Island neighbor.

~ *Helen Durian*

Special Event!

Saturday September 27th is **World Museum Day** sponsored by **Smithsonian Magazine**. We are registered for the event and need to be open - Please let me know if you would like to sit a shift for the event. The following is from an email I received from Caitlin McCarthy at Smithsonian Magazine...

“Museum Day was made possible by our sponsors Louisiana, the World Cultural Economic Forum (WCEF) and Citgo. As you all know, Louisiana has suffered through some tough times in the past few years and yet culture there is thriving now as much as ever. For the month of October, WCEF, a Louisiana Cultural Economy Initiative, is hosting a cultural celebration comprised of three main elements – Louisiana Passport events, the Forum, and the World Bazaar and Expo. Smithsonian Media encourages each museum to place the counter card in the museum lobby so that the brochures might spark interest in some visitors and increase cultural celebration in Louisiana. You are one of over 900 museums making this a truly powerful day!”

Let’s have a good showing! I will be putting this out to all the local media outlets, so I hope we will have a good crowd. I look forward to seeing you all there.



Memorials



Mr. Charles D. Price ~ Mr. & Mrs. C.P. Durian
Mr. S.A. Kittles ~ Mr. Doug Futch
Mr. S.A. Kittles ~ Mrs. Wanda Clark

Treasurer's Talk

Dues are arriving daily. If you have not sent in your dues yet, please send as soon as possible. Thank You.

~ *Joan Harper*

**The Museum's new
mailing address is
P.O. Box 5265
Titusville, FL
32783**

Donations

Dolly Boggs
Sudie Knortz
Betty Mattingly
Dorothy Price
Lyla Withers
Betty Parrish
Virginia Bohannon
Alecia Fragomeni
Joe Merckson
Linda & Charles Nolan
George Finly
Elizabeth Thompson
Jack & Sue Diamond
Dorothy Rhodes Johnson
Betty Nething

**We need a volunteer coordinator
for the Museum. If you are inter-
ested, Please call Ed @ 514-0096**

Election of Officers

This October is our time to hold elections for officers. All positions are open for re-election. All positions are for two years. My position is up for re-election, as I was appointed to fill the second year of Joe Lee Merckson's term due to his resignation for health reasons.

The Positions open are...

- President
- Vice - president
- Secretary
- Cooresponding secretary
- Treasurer

If you are interested in one of these positions, please let us know and we will add your name to the ballot. If there are no interested parties, then the current officers will remain in their positions for 2 years or until they resign, which ever comes first.

If you are interested in an office or board position, we ask that you submit a brief paragraph in writing so we can know a bit about you. The election will be at our annual meeting at Dixie Crossroads. See you there!

There is an open position on the Historical Society's board of directors. Interested persons should make application before October 2008. If you have any questions, Please call me at 321.514.0096 or Joan Harper at the museum. Thanks!

If you have an email address - let us know. We can send updates about the schedule or museum events and we can send out the newsletter to you which would save the museum postage and we could expand the newsletter. There is a sign up sheet in the museum. emkindle@bellsouth.net

Thanks for new items.

Mary Schuster - Old book of photos
 Don Ball - Advertising Copies
 Madison Middleschool - Yearbooks and scrapbooks.

I also have some Titusville Police Department Patches on the way that I got on eBay - They should be here soon. EMk

Welcome to our newest members

Boggs Gasses
 Mr. Gene Egge
 Charles Nolan
 Randy Alpha
 Mary Munnis
 Gary Carlson

Help...

Here are the open days and shifts that we need volunteers for August. If you can help please sign up for a shift.

If you are not currently volunteering for a shift, please consider doing so. The museum must be staffed by two people each shift or it cannot open for that shift.

- Weds - 9/3 am - 2
- Thurs - 9/4 am - 1
- Thurs - 9/4 pm - 2
- Fri - 9/5 am - 1
- Sat - 9/6 pm 2
- Weds - 9/10 am - 2
- Fri - 9/19 pm - 1
- Sat - 9/20 am - 1
- Sat - 9/20 pm - 2
- Sat - 9/27 pm - 2

Every time the museum is closed, we lose a chance to gain new members, volunteers and donations.

Bring a friend to the North Brevard Historical Museum!

Thanks to everyone who helped get the August newsletter mailed out while I was out of town.

Dorman Lowry
 Barbara Batchelder
 John Oster
 Ken Kaisler
 Joe Merckson
 Joan Harper

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Ex-Officio	Joe Lee Merckson

Board of Directors

Position open
Charlie Durian
Marie Braswell
Betty Mattingly
Herman Wattwood, Jr.

Museum Staff

Volunteer Coordinator ~ This could be you! Do you have what it takes?



**Got a question?
Ask us!**



**Got an idea?
Let us know!**