

THE

Historical Society of North Brevard



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*Greetings From The
Historical Society!!*



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Hours:

10am - 3pm

Tuesday through Saturday

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What's

NEW This

Month

- ◆ Message From the President
- ◆ Vice President's message
- ◆ New Books
- ◆ Titanic Program & Display
- ◆ New members
- ◆ New mailing address
- ◆ Donations
- ◆ Volunteer scheduling
- ◆ Titanic Trivia



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

Message from the President

November is here and that means turkey day will be here soon too with lots of food! I had better punch a few new holes in my belt.

It is hard to believe how fast the year has gone. It seems like just yesterday I started filling in for Joe Lee and now I am at the beginning of my own first full term at the helm.

I want to thank the board of directors and our wonderful members for showing their confidence by allowing me to continue to serve you as your president for another term. Your support makes the work I do at the museum all the more rewarding, but I want everyone to know that it is the museum that is the star of the show.

I would like to congratulate our two new board members Esther and Linda on their appointment. I am sure that you both will fit in well. It will not take long before you are "one of the gang" We look forward to the skills and gifts you bring with you.

The election dinner was an enjoyable evening. - the staff at Dixie Crossroads always make us feel welcome. I would like to thank Laurilee and Dawna for all their help and the great food, and as usual I ate too much. I hope I was not alone in that.

It was nice to see everyone out and all dressed up - even June Carter made it to the event. We wish more of you could have joined us but we understand that you were all tuckered out from all the reunion weekend festivities.

I would like to again urge all who have not been to the museum lately to come and visit. Exciting things are happening and we want you to be a part of them. New items, new members and everyone seems excited about the place again. I am happy that everyone who sees the museum has had such wonderful things to say about it.

We are starting to work on the barbeque and we hope it will be bigger and better than last year. Our new board member Linda Nolan has volunteered to be the kitchen supervisor next year so I am counting on all our ladies and gents that work in the kitchen to serve her up a big helping hand until she gets her bearings.

On a personal note - I can't believe that Joe and Joy missed reunion weekend and Cracker Day. I think I am going to have to take him to a doctor when he gets back around the 15th.

See you at Main and Washington!

*~ Sincerely,
Edmund M. Kindle*

A note from the Vice President

Mrs. Denise Vanaria & Mr. Jimmy Thomas will present an outstanding program on the Titanic. They will bring to life stories of both both passengers and crew. There will be artifacts recovered from the wreck as well. Don't miss this one at 2:00 pm November 24th.

We enjoyed our dinner and friendship at Dixie Crossroads. We were sorry more were unable to attend. See you soon

~ *Helen Durian*



Twenty percent of the people in the whole history of mankind who have lived beyond the age of 65 are alive today.

“There is always one who kisses and one who only allows the kiss.”

~ George Bernard Shaw

Titanic is coming to Titusville.

Immerse yourself in the living history of Titanic at the North Brevard Historical Museum in the Antique District, US 1 & Main Streets, Titusville, Florida on **Monday Nov. 24, 2008 at 2 p.m.**

Sights to see...

Historical re-enactors & educators, some in period clothing, will present riveting eyewitness accounts of this most famous of maritime tragedies by her passengers, and crew, as well as grieving family members of those who perished.

Honored speakers will be Frank Goldsmith, Jamie Thomas and Denise Vanaria. Frank is the son of Titanic survivor Frank (Frankie) Goldsmith, who was 9 years old when the ship sank. Jamie and Denise are part of “Titanic, The Experience” in Orlando.

Also on display for your enjoyment will be many Titanic related items, artifacts, and clothing, including clothing worn during the production of the movie. The afternoon will conclude with an open discussion with the audience and a question and answer period.

Lies

Titanic Disaster Averted!

The Ocean Liner *Titanic*'s sinking was considered so improbable that every New York newspaper except the *Times* carried headlines on April 15th, 1912 stating that all hands had been saved.

~ Ripley's Believe It or Not!

Treasurer's Talk

We are still looking for those few members who have not yet renewed - please send in your dues as soon as possible. We would hate for this to be your last newsletter.

On October 7th - several girls from the Francis Walker Halfway House came by with their staff members. We were glad they came and they seemed to enjoy the tour - They asked many questions. This was quite a privilege for them, so we were very pleased they came.

We gave a tour on October 9th to the Prime Timers from Park Lake Presbyterian Church in Orlando - They came all the way from Colonial & Highland streets! This was quite the crowd totaling twenty one people. We have two tours scheduled already this month.

~ *Joan Harper*

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

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

Can you help?

A member of the International Wood Collector Society is looking for a speaker for their winter meeting in February 2009 in Lake Eustis.

They are looking for a speaker for one evening who can talk about how the Florida Pioneers used native wood or plants in the old days. An alternate talk could be on the timber or turpentine industry.

If you are interested, but cannot drive, they will make arrangements to transport you there and even provide overnight accomodations for you. If you are able and would like to participate, please call Susan Brooks at 321.505.2744 to discuss arrangments.

New Items!

I would like to take a bit of space here and personally thank Mr. Bob Hudson for his very generous donation of documents and photos from his personal collection from his years with the Star Advocate.

This is a very important addition to the museum's collection and we are honored to receive stewardship of it.

Other New Items

Gun belt, holster, THS Programs
and other items
John & Libby Day

1940's Wire recorder
Sheldon & Evelyn Berezein

Photo Book of Titusville
Mary Schuster

Pritchard Wedding Dress
Polly Phillips and Mary Schuster

An angry gorilla pokes its
tongue out.



Welcome to our newest members

Kerry Kennedy
Richard & Lorraine Merchant
Tim, Darlene & Brandon
Kennedy
Marlene Squires
John & Mary Richardson

New Books!

We have new books in the book shop
at the museum - New Titles include..

Railroad Depots of Central Florida
Florida East Coast Railroad
Tin Can Tourists of Florida
Florida Railroads in the 20's

Each of these books is \$20.00 each
and that includes the tax.

Get those great christmas presents
with out having to use much gas or
pay shipping and your purchases
also help the museum.

Help...

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

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

11/12 AM - 2 slots

11/15 PM - 2 slots

11/22 PM - 2 slots

**Bring a friend
to the North
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Historical
Museum!**

Donations

Linda Nolen
Mr. & Mrs. Rod Northcutt
Myrna Oglesby
Martha Long
Betty Mattingly
Giles and Eillen Norrington
Diane Styles
Ray Smythe

The world's largest 3-D jigsaw puzzle
was a replica of the Titanic assembled
in Dusseldorf, Germany and measured
15.4 feet in length and contained 26,500
pieces.

~ Ripley's Beleive It or Not.

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Got a question?
Ask us!



Got an idea?
Let us know!

