

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

Message from the President

Happy New Year 2009! What a great year we had. 2008 was a great growth year for the museum. We started some new projects, finished some old ones, the displays got a bit of a face lift, we made some new friends, and sadly, lost some good friends as well.

We are looking to continue our momentum in the coming year and hope to have a few surprises along the way. We have ideas for new displays and maybe a new event or two - we are looking to expand our membership and volunteer base and we are always looking for new items from our area that tell the history of the North Brevard Area we love so well.

We are starting to plan for the "Afternoon in the Park" on March 28th - several of our regulars will not be able to help out any more due to health concerns, so we are looking for some new folks to step up and give us a hand - We will have a kitchen supervisor this year and are looking for many hands to make light work of the event. We need a couple of people for each position so everyone gets to rotate shifts and enjoy the event. We are also in need of a few strong guys to help the gals in the kitchen move things around.

I would like to thank everyone who has supported the museum in the past and although there is not enough space to list everyone - I would like to thank all the volunteers who staff the shifts at the museum. Without them we simply cannot be open for the public. I would also like to thank our friends who continue to support the museum with their renewed memberships.

I would also like to take a moment to thank everyone for the wonderful comments about the museum's new look. It is reassuring to me to know that our members and volunteers are happy with the direction the museum and society are going.

Lastly, I would like to thank the board of directors. I am honored to work with these folks who contribute so much. You truly have a "Working" and dedicated board of directors.

I am looking forward to the new year leading the society and museum. We are living the history that our decedents will be preserving in the future and I am proud we can leave them a firm base on which to build.

*~ Sincerely,
Edmund M. Kindle*

If you have an idea for the "Afternoon in the Park" barbeque - Please don't keep it to yourself! We are looking for new ideas to make the event larger and better each year! We are looking for new volunteers, new displays, new vendors and things we don't even know of yet! Please let us know if you can help us improve your event - remember, this is the major fundraiser for the Society and Museum - so we need to make it count! Watch for updates. ~ Ed

Treasurer's Talk

On November 5th I went and gave a talk to the Seniors at lunch - It was very enjoyable and the questions asked were very interesting. We gave a tour of the museum to about 40 students from Jackson Middle School on 11/12/08 - They were working on a project based on the Carlile and Dunn Homes being used for the Health Village at Parrish. We also showed them 2 slide shows. On 11/13/08 we gave a tour of the museum to a group of very nice folks from the Westside Baptist Church. They brought a bus full and seemed to enjoy the museum very much.

A note from the Vice President

At 2pm on January 26th - we will have the privilege of hearing Mrs. Rose Wooley discuss the Cape Canaveral Lighthouse. When Rose was employed at the cape, her interest in the lighthouse was aroused. She visited the site and became intrigued with The Mills O'Burnham (the first permanent lighthouse keeper) Cemetery. Rose has researched the genealogy and as a result, become friends of his decedents, so much so that they have adopted each other. Rose has been an active volunteer at the lighthouse for 10 years and is extremely knowledgeable. Please plan on attending to show your support.

~ *Helen Durian*

~ *Joan Harper*

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



Memorials

Mrs. Ruth Neslon Barnhart ~ Mrs. Kay Phillips
Mrs. Ruth Neslon Barnhart ~ Mr. & Mrs. C. P. Durian
Mrs. Ruth Neslon Barnhart ~ Mr. & Mrs.. Herbert Geiser
Mrs. Ruth Neslon Barnhart ~ Mr. & Mrs. Carl Threlkeld
Mrs. Betty Wattwood ~ Mrs. William Mattingly

Ruth Ann Nelson Barnhart ~

We are all saddened at the passing of Ruth Ann, A Titusville native, she was a founding member of the North Brevard Historical Society and served as Vice-President of the society and museum. Ruth Ann was a dedicated member of the The United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday School for 47 years. We will miss her lovely smile, her stories and her ability to make everyone feel welcome. She along with Marge Threlkeld and Kay Phillips was a faithful Friday volunteer. To her family, "thank you" for sharing her with us.

Betty S. Wattwood ~

A lovely Christian lady has left us. She had an amazing number of people with whom she shared her love and her beliefs. She and her husband Herman prepared and served coffee and tea at our barbeques. They both had wonderful smiles. Our prayers and love to her family.

~ *Helen Durian*

Titanic Program

The Titanic Program was a wonderful learning experience. We featured three performers in costume, Mr. Goldsmith, whose father was a 9 year old survivor and another gentleman who is an extremely knowledgeable historian. Did you know that 10 year old boys were considered men and were not allowed on the lifeboats? Many of the lifeboats were not filled to capacity. Some boats were only filled with 10 to 20 onboard, others were overloaded. It is estimated that over 1000 could have been saved if the boats were filled. These and other facts will remain in our memories forever.

~ *Helen Durian*

To live happily is an inward power of the soul

~ Marcus Aurelius

We are sorry to say - if you have not yet renewed your membership - this will be your last newsletter - We simply cannot afford to print and mail newsletters to expired memberships. If your address label has a red mark on it, this will be your last mailing and you will be dropped from the rolls. Please, please renew if you have not yet done so. The museum needs your continued support and we hate to lose anyone.

~ The Board of Directors

Photos Online

If you have internet access and would like to view old photos from the museum's collection - I have posted many on my flickr page. You can go to...

http://www.flickr.com/photos/ed_kindle/

I am sharing my page with the museum so people from around the area and the world can see some of our history. I hope to get the museum it's own page soon.

Welcome to our newest members

Keith Moore
Debbie Strenecky
Bonnie Bates
Sue Fuqua
Mr & Mrs James Chaudoin
Gwen & Cash Register
Mary Smith
Dell & Kay Murray
Denise Vanaria
Jamie Thomas
Chris Gray

Donations

Dr. Pat Manning
Marcia Newell
Dell & Kay Murray
John Plotnicky

New Items!

Childs wooden hoop & rod
Early photos from the Susie Darden and Ernest Brown Estate
Porcelain Top Table
~ Loan - Dr. Pam Tronetti
Easy Brand Copper Washer
~ Donation - Sharon Eberhart
Old Titusville Jaycees vest
~ Brown Estate
Early "Ike" Jacket and Photos /
Early Soda Fire Extinguisher
~ Donation - Ed Kindle

An infinity sign is called a lemniscate.

I would like to take a moment to apologize for the article that appeared in the Florida Today in early December - I was severely misquoted and my words were taken out of context. The negative tone of the article was chosen by the Florida Today writer and editor - If anyone was offended please forgive me. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to call me.

~ Edmund M. Kindle

In an average lifetime, an American consumes: four tons of beef, four tons of potatoes, two tons of chicken, twenty thousand eggs, three and one half tons of sugar, one hundred eight thousand slices of bread, two thousand gallons of milk, eighteen hundred gallons of beer, and eighty thousand cups of coffee.

~ Ripley's Believe it or Not

There are shifts available at the museum - Check the calendar on the desk to sign up - Thanks!

**The Museum's new mailing address is
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Volunteer Coordinator ~ Position open.



Got a question?
Ask us!



Got an idea?
Let us know!

