

THE NORTH BREVARD HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM

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OCTOBER 2019 NEWSLETTER

(Newsletter Editor - Judy Davis)

President's Message

by Bill Baldwin

Just a recap of the Membership meeting held at Dixie Crossroads during September: Two Certificates of Deposit held by Synovus Bank were cashed out due to low rates offered; Susan Nelson presented a BBQ summary and indicated a need for additional volunteers; Facilities Manager position is still open plus a request for additional Docent support; Face-to-face introduction of our newest Director ~ Debbie Coughlin; and a Volunteer of the Year presentation. Ed Calderon of the Canaveral National Cemetery was our guest speaker. The next Member meeting will be November 12th at 5:30 p.m. at Dixie Crossroads. Hope to see you there.

The Museum is ramping up for the annual *Afternoon in the Park* event at Fox Lake Park on October 19th. Tickets have been mailed out so please remit payment for those as soon as possible. Additional tickets are available at the Museum (and at the door on the day of the event). Also, if you would like to help support the event in any way, let any Director know.



Downtown Corner

By Katie McOuade

The Museum hosted the Downtown Titusville Merchants Association monthly meeting on September 11th and while the turnout was sparse (confusion due to hurricane cancellation the week before) it is always good to show the museum off to our neighbors. You may have noticed some new businesses downtown. Ohvino, a wine bar, has opened near Nevins Court. Mad Utter is now offering homemade ice cream in its location next to the *Hotpoint Boutique*. We're impatiently waiting for C's Waffles to open, in what used to be Eula's Coffee Shop in Baldwin Plaza. Mmmm – waffles! Construction is continuing on the *old Walker Hotel* across from the Museum. Office space may be ready in the old bank building by next spring, but the apartments and retail space to the south require extensive changes, and won't be finished till next year. Work has been "on pause" while budget issues were resolved, but the demo has been done, the steel is in, and we're looking forward to seeing what is next. The October 11th Friday Nite street party will have a Pumpkin Spice theme. The Museum will be open till 9 as usual for one of these events. Stop on by!



Another Volunteer Award

At the September Membership Meeting, Margaret Vessels was honored as the second recipient of this year's Volunteer of the Year award. Actually, her award was held up because Margaret could not attend the previous Membership meeting when Erich Konjevich received his. None the less, Margaret is ever-so deserving due to all the work she does at/for the Museum. The Museum is grateful for these two and both make us proud.



COOKIES * CAKES * CUPCAKES * PIES

by Gini Campbell



Ladies, please don't forget to bring your delicious baked goods to our Dessert table and thank you so very much!



26th ANNUAL AFTERNOON IN THE PARK & BBQ by Susan Nelson, Chairman

Well, folks, we are into the final countdown for our *Afternoon in the Park* & BBQ on October 19th at Fox Lake Park. Everyone keep their fingers crossed for nice weather and lots of good food and fun times. For those of you who have volunteered to help, we will be getting things going pretty early

in the kitchen and for the car show. I know I'll be out there no later than 8:30 that morning, and I imagine Ed Mezick will be on hand early. For those of you who have offered to bring goodies for the bake sale, Gini will be getting her tables set up and ready for the onslaught of customers. Everyone did a great job of donating desserts, so let's see if we can do as well or even better than we did last year! We will have quite a few displays and demonstrations this year, so there will be lots of things to check out. This is also a great time to buy a few items for Christmas gifts from our merchandise line that we will have at the BBQ. When you get your tickets validated, don't forget to get your ballot for the car show. We will have quite a few door prizes in the form of gift certificates from downtown merchants and more to give out, and everyone who votes will be eligible for the drawings. Make sure you get your votes in before 2:00 p.m., as we will be awarding the trophies and prizes for the car show around that time. In addition to the car show, we have the privilege of hosting the Titusville Police Department's Antique Police Car display. It is a replica of the original police car that the TPD had back in 1950! We have stick in the ground signs for the BBQ, so if you would like to help us advertise, please come in to the museum and pick one or two up. We also have flyers that you can post at businesses, churches, community centers, and anywhere you can think of to help get the word out about our event. We have had a significant response from some of the "Old Dawgs" who are going to come out and help us celebrate, since Cracker Day has been retired. We are very happy to have them join in with our event and look forward to their attendance. If you would like to help out, and haven't signed up to do so, please give me a call at 321-544-2814, and let me know where you would like to pitch in. Without the members' support we would be unable to have a successful event, and I thank all of you in advance for giving us a hand where you can! See you on October 19th!!

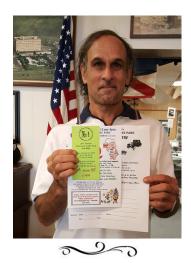


We Have A Winner!!!

By Susan Nelson

Our first week winner in the "Winner, Winner – Chicken Dinner (or Pork)!" is Ron Gasparine. Ron picked up his Free BBQ ticket Wednesday, Sept. 18th at the Museum. Below is a photo of our first

lucky winner holding his ticket, along with the BBQ/Car Show flyer and a car show entry form. Ron is going to be entering his 1965 BMW Motorcycle! It's not a car, but it is antique and it is a normal method of transportation, so we will look forward to seeing him on October 19th at our Afternoon in the Park BBQ and Antique Car Show.



Is A Room A Name or Number?by Bill Baldwin

In this case: **Both**. The Board has decided to "name" two rooms at the Museum in addition to the room number signs being used now. The rooms will be named "The Hinkson Room" and "The Mattingly Room". Room 2 is for Linda Hinkson who was a long time active Director and it didn't hurt that she left the Museum a hefty sum of money in her will. Room 3 is named for the Mattingly family. Bill Mattingly did most of the work in Room 3 after the Museum took over that area (a plaque to that effect hangs on the wall). Plus, Betty Mattingly has been a lifelong supporter (in every capacity) since the "beginning of time". The Museum owes a lot to these people.



Shop the Museum

by Amy Spillers

Did you know the Museum has a small gift shop area? We have an assortment of wonderful books, mugs, Christmas ornaments, CD's and more. Are you looking for a unique gift for that special person in your life? These items are limited in quantity so don't miss out on the opportunity to buy these now!

- Titusville High School mugs \$10 each
- Pritchard House ornaments \$10 each

- Bayview/Titusville High School 1916 ornaments \$10 each
- CD of *Vintage Post Cards of Old Titusville-*250 beautiful vintage images \$10 each CD
- CD of Titusville, a Bob Hudson presentation \$10 each
- Mural Prints of our beautiful mural on the North side of our Museum \$10 each
- *Historic Titusville* A beautiful watercolor poster \$1 each
- Cook Book \$12
- Images of America North Brevard County by John T. Manning & Robert H. Hudson paperback \$20 each
- Images of America Central Brevard County by A. Clyde Field, Ada Edmiston Parrish, and George Le-Land "Speedy" Harrell paperback \$20
- Images of America Merritt Island/Cocoa Beach paperback \$20
- Old South, New South, Down South paperback \$12
- *Undaunted* by Rebekah Lyn \$10 (formerly known as *Jesse*)
- Jesse by Rebekah Lyn \$10 only (1) left at this price!
- Destiny's Call \$10 (Seguel to Jesse)
- Titusville Quilt Post Cards @ \$1 each
- Spent Shells Along the Atlantic hardcover Sale \$27.50 only 3 left at this price!
- One Sealed 3 volume Set of *The History of Brevard County* \$100

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- Vol.1 History of Brevard County hardcover \$30
- Vol. 2 History of Brevard County hardcover \$30
- Vol. 3 *Photographic Memories of Brevard* hard-cover County \$45.00



Social Media

by Judy Davis

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Dates to Remember

- October 7thBBQ committee meeting at 10 tm (Museum)
- October 19th t Afternoon in the Park 11-4 pm (Fox Lake Park)
- *October 21st* Board meeting at 10 am (Museum).
- November 12th Membership meeting at 5:30 pm (Dixie Crossroads) ~ dinner, meeting, election. Please RSVP!
- November 18th Board meeting at 10 am (Museum).
- **December 16**th Board meeting at 10 am (Museum).