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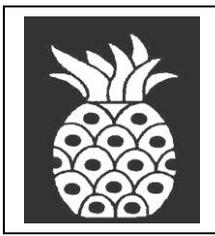
___ *Yes, I would like to help with SBHS projects*

Membership Levels:

Individual	20.00
Family/Library	25.00
Senior (age 65)	10.00
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CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

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Saturday, June 11, 2016 – 3:00 PM

Melbourne Public Library
540 E. Fee Avenue, Melbourne

Remembering When:

GROWING UP IN BREVARD

As we continue to celebrate 50 years of keeping South Brevard's history alive, SBHS begins their oral history project with a panel of three senior community members. These folks will be discussing their experiences growing up in Brevard in what was a much different era.

The group will be moderated by local historian and charter member of the South Brevard Historical Society, Bob Gross. The panel will be comprised of:

Dian Milligan – granddaughter of Ernest Kouwen-Hoven, founder of Indialantic. Dian grew up in Indialantic, married, raised her family here and has multi-generational experiences to share from her life during WWII, the era of the casinos, the surfing community and so much more.

Bob Barwell – was born and raised in Melbourne. He graduated from “Old Mel High”, worked as an electrician at the Melbourne Naval Air Station during WWII and was a postman for thirty-seven years.

Leon Tucker – owner of Tucker's Cut Rate Plumbing on South Harbor City Blvd. His company has the distinction of being one of the oldest continuing businesses in Melbourne, founded by his father in 1934.

All of our participants know a myriad of community personalities and have an abundance of local stories to share with us. We look forward to seeing you there!!

“No wonder oral history turns out to be more accurate than written history. The first is handed down from the many who were present. The second is written by the few who probably weren't.” ~ G. Steinem, My Life on the Road

DEAR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS....

As we approach the half way point of 2016 I think June's program titled "Remembering When: Growing up in Brevard" is a great way to begin our last meeting before our "summer break". SBHS has accomplished a lot over the years - running a museum, conducting home tours, publishing several books through the Kellersberger Fund and sponsoring monthly presentations that give a better insight to the history of Brevard County and Florida.

I am very excited about this month's meeting as we are fortunate to have a panel made up of several senior members who will share personal memories of growing up Brevard. Between their stories and the input from our audience, this will be a program to remember.

Like last year, this will be a working summer for some of us at SBHS. By the end of June, we will have completed the first three Traveling History Trunks. The supplemental educational resources and the materials in the trunks have been developed to support the 4th grade Florida history curriculum. SBHS would like to acknowledge the funding for this project was made possible through a \$500 grant from the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) and a generous \$500 sponsorship from the local Philip Perry Chapter, NSDAR. We are thrilled to receive these generous donations and realize that our grant is just one of many that they made throughout the year to preserve our nation's history. We feel fortunate that they have chosen to assist us in this effort.

Whether it's a new location, seeing something new in an old familiar place or just reading about another time and place, I hope all your journeys this summer are enlightening.

Don Jennings
South Brevard Historical Society President, 2016
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UPCOMING SBHS PROGRAMS

July and August – Summer Break

Saturday, Sept. 10, 2016 3:00 PM
Sir Robert Marx, Underwater Archaeologist
Underwater Archaeology in Florida Waters

Saturday, October 8, 2016 3:00 PM
Kevin Gidusko, Florida Public Archaeology Network

Visualizing the Unseen, New Approaches in Archaeology

*Programs are free and held the second Saturday of each month
(except during July and August - summer break)
at the Fee Avenue Melbourne Public Library
540 E. Fee Avenue, Melbourne, Florida*

SUMMER ACTIVITIES AROUND BREVARD

June, July and August
Ed Vosatka Exhibit on Melbourne's Logging Era

Evans Library - Florida Institute of Technology
2949 Science Circle, Melbourne

Wednesday – Saturday 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Brevard Museum

Temporary Exhibit – The Lives and Works of Zora Neale Hurston and Harry T. Moore
Permanent Exhibit – The Windover People
2201 Michigan Avenue, Cocoa
321.632.1830

Wednesday – Saturday 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Rossetter House and Gardens

Tours on the hour 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM
1320 Highland Avenue, Melbourne
321.254.9855

Thursday, August 25 6:00-7:30 PM
Tour of the Ruth Funk Center for Textile Arts

Lifelong Scholar Society at FIT Presentation
Ruth Funk Center
135 Florida Tech Drive, Melbourne
321.674.8382 for further information

SBHS VISITS FIELD MANOR

On Saturday, May 21, 2016 members and friends of SBHS enjoyed a tour of the historic Field Family Homestead, grove and farm. The home is considered the oldest *renovated* home on Merritt Island. President of the Field Manor Foundation, Jane Templeton shared stories of the settling of the Field family on Merritt Island, along with a history of the area.



Wiley Elliott with Jane Templeton



River View from the Front Porch



Jane Templeton Sharing Field Family Story

*To learn more about Field Manor
call 321.474.9142*

*The SBHS thanks AAA Malabar Mini-Storage, located across the street from the Malabar Town Hall, for their generous donation of air-conditioned secure storage for the Society's collections and archives.
We also wish to thank Y. (Rusty) Rutstein, SBHS member and owner of A Better Copy, located at 102 East New Haven Avenue, for providing discounted printing services for the newsletter.*

Green Gables Happy Hour Open House



Guests mingle on the lawn

The threat of a little rain did not stop more than 300 people from attending the second Green Gables Happy Hour Open House on May 20th. Guests were entertained by live music on the porch, sweet treats and libations. If you haven't stopped by one of these Friday evening soirees, plan to attend the next one! Check for information and updates on the Green Gables Facebook page.

History Before Florida Tech

The Lifelong Scholar Society at FIT presents SBHS Board Members Diane Barile and Ed Vosatka, who will discuss important activities in the history of Melbourne and the area that became the Florida Institute of Technology campus. Their talk will include the logging and turpentine industries, railroads and the history of the natural environment that makes this part of Brevard County what it is today.

June 23, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:30 PM
Evans Library, Florida Tech Campus
2949 Science Circle, Melbourne
\$10.00 for SBHS members and friends.