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HHH Newsletter

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Monumental History

The 1924 Rio Vista development began as a great boom for the area. Like many housing developments, grand entrances were created to entice buyers of the quality of living to expect. Many houses and a hotel were built before the Great Depression ended the dream. Below are two photos showing the monuments that were on Riverside Drive. Rumors persist that they were demolished and used for a river shore wall.









History is all around us if we pay attention. Contact us if you know of any hidden treasures of the past. Above:

Recently the Museum added two planters from the 1933 Greenland Motor Court which were later at the First Baptist Church for 50 years. After the announcement a society member discovered three more at 144 15th Street.

Left: Seabreeze Blvd.

Right: Urn today.

Society member Jordan Hobson located this historic find. Urns lined Seabreeze Boulevard when Daytona Beach was still the town of Seabreeze in the early 1900s (picture left). In 1939 the city removed them. A tip led to the discovery of a remaining one (picture right) at a neighborhood home.

Hurricane Ian Report The Museum survived another

hurricane. The Museum lost power but it and the new Pictona did not have flooding. The newly installed electric auto charging station

panel box next door had to be replaced. Streets flooded as the Halifax River rose. The Holly Hill Gnomes evacuated with the help of neighbors who let them stay at their homes until they can safely return to their tree.



Above: Center Avenue near 6th

Museum Hours



Tuesday thru Saturday

12 - 4 pm

Notice: Holly Hill History Museum may be closed during scheduled hours due to volunteer availability. **Call first.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE MUSEUM TO BE OPEN!! **PLEASE VOLUNTEER!!**

To make an appointment or delivery please call Mr. Wiggins at 386-843-1616

UPCOMING EVENTS Society Board Meeting November 7, 2022 10AM

Christmas Parade December 3, 2022 10AM

SPECIAL!

Buy a Gnome Book Get a Free Crafted Gnome Topper. While supplies last.

The Gnome Tree located at Riverside Drive and San Robar Drive (south of LPGA)



is a popular attraction and now the 'little people' have their own book. "The Gnomes of Holly Hill" tells their story with illustrations, poems and notes of visitors from around the world.

Available at Museum \$10. If you want us to mail it to you it is \$12, which includes postage. This colorful paperback is also available on Amazon.com for \$14.95

The book "From Hotels to Motels: How the Automobile Changed Lodging in America" is available at the Museum or online at Amazon.com. Society Lifetime Member Dean Wiggins wrote the book compiling local history of motor courts in Holly Hill; as well as the local gilded age of



hotels, tourist camps, and motor courts to present day. 130 pages with over 280 color and black and white photos, postcards, and history.

On sale for \$19.95. Available at Museum or Amazon.com

This Corporation shall establish, maintain and conduct programs to preserve and protect the historical, cultural and natural resources of the Holly Hill area and shall promote the development and use of these resources through a program of public education for the betterment and improvement of the community.

Hall Gallery Opening

The Holly Hill Historic Society held the opening reception of the new Hall Gallery which will be a rotating exhibit featuring a new theme of historic photographs. 1800's tell the story of Florida's popularity with visitors and botanists. Over thirty beautiful framed photos are also available for order and

purchase as a fundraiser for the Museum.



Annual Corporation Meeting Held Every year, as required by our by-laws, an annual meeting of the Holly Hill Historic Preservation Board is held. New members of the Board were elected and sworn in. Reports were given on the 501(c)3 non-profit corporation. Completed and upcoming goals were discussed. It was a great opportunity for members to meet each other. A potluck dinner was enjoyed by all and a drawing for gift prizes awarded to three lucky attendees.



New Board of Directors

President Polly Cappuccio Vice-President Jordan Hobson Secretary Lynn Jones-Jackson Treasurer Dean Wiggins At-Large Director Kirk Hawk At-Large Director Carolyn Glass



Left to Right: President Polly Сарриссіо,

At-Large Director Kirk Hawk, Treasurer Dean Wiggins and At-Large Director Carolyn Glass are sworn in by Society member Joseph Vetter.

"Rubber Meets the Road" Meeting

There is a new Board of Directors with new and exciting ideas for the upcoming year. We want your input and help to make our Society thrive. A planning meeting will be held on October 24, 2022 at 10AM. We would love your advice as we continue to speed forward!



Help Promote Museum If you own a business or other venue where Museum brochures could be displayed and distributed let us know. We will provide you

with the materials to promote awareness and new members. Artifacts wanted Do you have items pertaining to Holly Hill history in storage?

Create extra space by donating them to the Museum for everyone to enjoy. Writers Wanted Share your stories of Holly Hill history for the Museum. Docents needed for the Museum. Volunteer today!! Friendly faces wanted.