



**HOLLY HILL HISTORIC
PRESERVATION
SOCIETY, INC.
Museum**

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EVENT CALENDAR
Events held at Sica Hall
Museum unless noted.

Holly Forest EXPO
At Holly Forest
Mobile Home Clubhouse
1000 Walker Street
October 5, 10am-1pm

Rescheduled:
**Membership
Annual Elections**
Tuesday, October 8, 6-8pm

History Nights
3rd Tuesdays 6-8pm
October 15
Speaker Arthur J. Byrnes

MOAS HistoryCon
Museum of Arts & Science
352 S. Nova Road
Saturday & Sunday November
16th 10am-5pm & 17th 11am

**Merci Boxcar 75th
Veterans Day Celebration**
November 11th 9am-1pm

Continental Breakfast and
Program at Museum

Ceremony at Boxcar
Lunch at American Legion
Post 120, 461 Walker Street

Visit our exhibit at the
Casements Hall of Trees
in December

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HHH Newsletter

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HOLLY HILL MUSEUM CELEBRATES REOPENING

Five months of hard work culminated on August 8th with a grand opening party at the Museum's new location at 1065 Daytona Avenue. No more parking shortage even with overflow from our Sica Hall lot. City staff and officials joined nearly 100 guests. Plenty of parking is a definite improvement for the Museum.

Volunteers are still needed to finish reviewing all our historic articles and artifacts. Thank you to those who donated funds and materials for our move. It was costly to do and everyone's help is appreciated.

Donations and new memberships all will help the Museum flourish! There are many opportunities for you to help. Please contact Society President Polly Cappuccio at 407-721-3348. Please note that our new mailing address is also 1065 Daytona Avenue.



Clockwise: Polly speaks on stage with our new sound system. Crowd celebrates and views exhibits. Volunteer Jacqui designed the banquet décor and settings. Jordan at the wine and table.

Members Tour First Schoolhouse



Members toured Holly Hill's first schoolhouse. The one room schoolhouse was built in 1885. Many do not know that the home next to it was the second schoolhouse built in 1888. The Society is working to have the schoolhouse, at 220 6th Street, restored and preserved. Will Harris was the first teacher. Early local development partners Benjamin Mason and Lockhart Carswell donated the property. Streets were later named after them.



Ride the Museums New Simulator

Okay, so it's not as exciting as Disney or Universal but it's still fun to sit in the Holly Hill Elementary School century old auditorium chairs. The oak and wrought iron seats are surprisingly comfortable.

L to R: Former students Dennis Bates, Emory Lunsford, & Don Bok enjoy a blast from their past.



L to R: Rex Stearns and Betty Bullock.

Group Tours Available for Museum

The Museum is a great place for your groups to visit for a fun outing. Call us to schedule.



The Museum hosted visitors from HarbourChase Senior Living. They also enjoyed viewing a video.

Supporters Donate to Museum

Right: A Celebration of Life was held for former Museum Director and Lifetime Member Rentha Flowers. Friends and family gave tributes and shared stories. Afterward the family donated the tablecloths and other items.



Left: Former Firefighter Emory Lunsford donated his fire suit.

Right: When the Holly Hill Wells Fargo branch closed, they offered to donate the lobby mural featuring historic photos. Sadly, it could not be removed without damage. Wells Fargo instead paid for a new one to be printed for the Museum. The mural makes an impressive addition to our lobby entrance. Thank you also to Flamingo Florist for providing a beautiful floral arrangement for the event.

