

PSL Historical Pioneer News



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*Hello Port St. Lucie Historical Society Members and Friends,
There are a lot of exciting things happening with the Society in the coming months.*

First, on December 15th, we will hold our annual Holiday Gathering at the Santa Lucie River Club at Ballantrae. We hope you can join us this year. Invitations will be going out soon.

We also recently were advised by the City that the historic home renovations will commence this month with a completion of late summer 2022. This is good news, since we are so anxious to finally open the doors to our City's first museum and education center.

We have been receiving donations of items to display in the homes over the last year and will continue to accept items that fit within the era and are age appropriate. If you have such items, please consider donating them. We are also looking for early historical photos of events and people who made early Port St. Lucie history.

Our board is continuing to seek out residents who would like to volunteer on a number of different committees we are forming in preparation for the opening of the museum. If you are interested, please feel free to contact me.

As always, stay safe and thank you for supporting the Port St. Lucie Historical Society and Happy Thanksgiving.

All my best,

Patricia Christensen, Chair



GIVE A BRICK ... IT WILL LAST FOREVER

As The Port takes shape on Westmoreland Boulevard, and the restoration of the historic homes begins, the Port St. Lucie Historical Society took on a brick paver project to build a plaza between the two historic homes. The purpose of the project is to make the Society more financially sustainable, especially with the museum and education center opening in the Fall of 2022.

Be sure the names of your family, friends or firm will be cemented into Port St. Lucie's history. Show your pride and support in your city. You can purchase one or more bricks to go between the historic homes. Engraved bricks will be installed on the plaza between the buildings. Two sizes are available at \$100 or \$200.

Ordering a brick is easy. Go to the PSL Historic Society website at pslhistory.org to complete the form. This would be a great holiday gift or a way for your company to show its civic pride. A brick can ideal to memorialize a family member, friend or pet.



Thanks to those members who continually support the Port St. Lucie Historical Society in so many ways!!!!

TREASURE TROVE OF PSL HISTORY

The Port St. Lucie Historical Society has received permission to do research in the hundreds of bound volumes of area newspapers that have been donated to the Indian River State College Library in Fort Pierce. These include the *PSL/Stuart News*, *Fort Pierce/PSL Tribune* and the *Mirror*. Through these, we can provide an organized look at events in our city in the past.

A plan is underway to list and photograph these articles so they can be entered into our archives. Volunteers will be needed to do this, and we will investigate recruiting students to assist. Anyone willing to help in this project, please contact Mary Dodge, webmaster@pslhistory.org



SOCIETY BOARD MEETING

Our November Board meeting is cancelled due to it falling over the Thanksgiving Holidays. We will be back in December.

Consider joining us at our Board meetings. All of our members in good standing are invited to attend. We still meet on the last Tuesday at the PSL Botanical Gardens, however, meetings now begin at noon.

We also are looking for volunteers. We have a number of volunteer positions available. Just drop an email to chair@pslhistory.org and we will get you started.

PSL Historical Memorabilia Wanted

If you are cleaning those closets or drawers and you find old photos or newspaper clippings of our history past that might have some historical value to our organization, contact Mary at webmaster@pslhistory.org. We are preserving our history for the future.

Memberships

Later this month you will be receiving your 2022 dues invoice via email. If you don't receive an invoice by December 15th, contact us at info@pslhistory.org. We will be sure to send one out to you.

2022 is going to be an exciting year and you don't want to miss out on any of the exciting things that will be going on, especially with the new museum and education center opening in the Fall of 2022.

While you are renewing your membership for yourself, consider a membership for a family member or friend, especially with the holidays approaching. It's a perfect gift for someone who is hard to shop for.

Visit our website to buy the membership and while your at it, buy a brick or pick up a copy of *Port St. Lucie at 50* (also available at Shell Bazaar), along with a membership. It's also a way for you to support the Society as we preserve our city history. Happy shopping!!!

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE PORT ST. LUCIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY YOU CAN GO TO OUR WEBSITE AT
www.pslhistory.org