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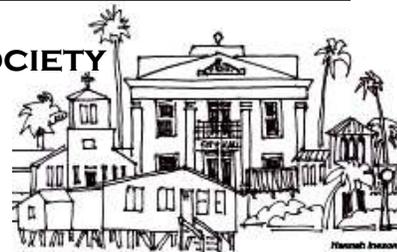
The *Town Crier* newsletter is issued periodically to keep ESHP members and the public informed of our activities. We welcome news and feedback.

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## Newsletter

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### ESHP ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

- Individual (\$25)
- Family (\$40)
- Patron (\$100)
- Benefactor (\$500)
- Business (\$100)
- Extra (\$\_\_\_\_\_)

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### MONTHS AT ALTERNATE ADDRESS:

JAN     FEB     MAR     APR     MAY     JUN

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### I would like to help with

- fund raising
- Historical Library
- special events
- merchandise sales
- publicity/website
- historical research
- legal/financial
- engineering/architecture
- other \_\_\_\_\_

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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

ESHP will have a booth at **Art-in-the-Glades** on **Saturday, March 14**. The event will feature a Silent Auction to benefit ESHP (*see story inside*).

There will be an **ESHP Social Evening** for members on **Friday, March 27**, at 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. so we can all get together before people leave for the summer season. For info and reservations, phone Pat at 695-4642 or Jean at 695-0202.

The next **Board Meeting** will be on **Tuesday, April 7**, at 9:00 a.m. in City Hall. Members are welcome.

### **"Adopt-a-Road"**

ESHP and the Wednesday Morning Ladies' Coffee group are the new sponsors of a section of CR-29, just north of the bridge into Everglades City. We have been picking up trash on the roadside on Thursday mornings. Our thanks to Parker Oglesby for the loan of fluorescent vests and to all the volunteers who have helped.

### **ELECTIONS**

The Board of Directors, elected by the membership and announced at the Annual Meeting on March 3, are:

- Mike Danosky
- Patricia Huff
- Jane Rackley
- Marya Repko
- Patricia Rinkevich
- Jean Schultz
- Terry Smallwood

The officers selected by the new board at a meeting on March 5 are:

- President - Marya Repko
- Vice-President - Mike Danosky
- Secretary - Patty Huff
- Treasurer - Mike Klein

The Directors and Officers will serve until the next Annual Meeting in March 2010.

### **BRICK-BY-BRICK**

We ordered 63 commemorative bricks on February 23 from the factory and expect delivery within two months.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

We have 71 members. However, there are 16 members who have not renewed for 2009 and will receive reminders.



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## SILENT AUCTION

Artist and historian Alan Pape joined us again this year at Seafood Festival with his easel and paints to create another picture that we can auction to benefit ESHP. Come along on **Saturday, March 14**, to Art-in-the-Glades to place your bids before 1:30 p.m.

**THANKS** to the volunteers who helped at our booth during the Seafood Festival on February 7/8: Mari Varallo, Jean Schultz, Pat Rinkevich, Robin Barnes, Pat & Jerry Fingeroff, Tom Leonard and Phill Lawry.

## COMMITTEES

We have the following committees and welcome members to participate on any of them:

- Events (dinners, talks, participation in outside events)
- Treasury, Membership & Fundraising
- Newsletter, Website & Public Relations
- Historical Library (catalog books, scan photos)
- Projects (buildings, signs, lampposts, etc)

If you can help, come along to the Board meeting next month or phone Marya at 695-2905.



Anne Gallagher, a member from Marco Island, helped at our table during the ORA Bazaar in Chokoloskee on February 28.



Photo: Courtesy Florida State Archives

## “Saving Old Buildings”

About 40 people gathered at the Seafood Depot on Tuesday, March 3, to hear a talk by Chris Busk, the landscape architect from Bonita Springs who was responsible for moving the Haldeman House from Naples so that it could be renovated.

The house, seen above in 1900, was built in 1876 near Naples Pier and sat in a large lot which was being redeveloped. No one wanted the building and Busk finally had to cut it into three pieces before trucking it up US-41 to Bonita Springs. This was his third project, having previously rebuilt the Nutting and William Packard houses. Because people live differently now, he has installed air-conditioning and rearranged the rooms, often adding more space and even lifting the roof.

Busk himself moved from his hometown of West Palm Beach to the Gulf Coast in 1979. He settled in Bonita Springs because there was a wealth of old buildings there, the town having been by-passed by US-41. For more about him and his work, see [www.cbusk.com](http://www.cbusk.com).

## News from the Historical Library



Our latest acquisition is *An Everglades Providence* by Jack E. Davis, a new academic study subtitled “Marjory Stoneman Douglas and the American Environmental Century”. The author spoke during the MSD Festival at the end of February.

## SANIBEL HISTORY ON TV

Local public broadcasting station WGPU will air an episode of “Untold Stories” on Friday, March 27, at 8:30 p.m. The subject is “Sanctuary Islands: The Sanibel Legacy”. The program repeats on Saturday at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday at 11:00 p.m. For more info, see [www.wgcu.org](http://www.wgcu.org) where you can also order DVDs.