



NORTH BREVARD HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM

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To Members and Friends of NBHS,

Welcome to the second issue of the NBHS Newsflash for 2026. In the event this wound up in your spam folder, make sure you allow emails from titusvillehistory@gmail.com.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to Summer (almost). School is out, the vegetation is greening up, the heat is on and the museum is open. Come visit downtown...see a rocket launch, enjoy some good food and drink, do a little sightseeing and shopping and, best of all, stop by the museum and learn about the history of our area. Better than best of all....we are FREE! We have a challenging scavenger hunt that can make your visit even better (with a special prize for those who complete it)!

I am happy to report that our visitor counts have increased so far this year. Our visitors come from all over the world just to see our museum (at least that is what I would like to think). Most of them were just walking or driving by and saw that we were open. Some have been referrals...so thank you to those of you who have referred people to us. We have some of the best docents around...which is reflected in the comments we receive from our guests.

We had a very successful function in April with our Tales of Titusville slide presentation. I would like to thank all those involved that helped to bring it off. We were crowded, but everyone left happy and all were saying "I didn't know that"!

Finally, I am also happy to report that we have made a small profit over the past few months. Thank you for your membership renewals, your donations, your attendance at our fundraisers and your purchases at our gift shop. Your support helps us to keep history alive in Titusville.

Talk to you all in September.

Pierre Alix

VILLAGE INN FUNDRAISERS

Our **June Dining for a Cause** fundraiser is **Tuesday June 16, 2026** at the **Village Inn Restaurant** in Titusville. We receive **10%** of all sales that occur from **4pm to 9pm**. We do this fundraising event on a monthly basis and look forward to your support. We attend these events with our display board and our smiling faces. We enjoy meeting all of you who attend. Here is our upcoming schedule: **June 16th, July 16th, August 18th September 17th, October 20th, November 12th and December 15th**. Mark your calendars now.

 NBHS Village Inn Flyer-6-2026.jpg

ELECTIONS

All Officer and Director two year terms are ending this year. Elections will be held this Fall to fill these positions. There are four Officer and seven Director positions to fill. These positions are open to anyone interested in fulfilling the responsibilities of the position. Start thinking now if you, or someone you know, would be interested in guiding the growth of the museum and in preserving history. Full details will follow in a separate email in a few months describing the positions available and how to become a nominee. Voting will occur in early Fall with the results presented at our Annual Business Meeting in November.

END OF ANOTHER SEASON

Another successful season of our History Workshops has come to a close. Debbie Coughlin, our Vice-President and educational guru, has concluded her History Workshops for the school year. Topics covered this school year were Kid Inventors, Farm to Market, Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade!, Holiday Symbols, Stories from the American Revolution, Presidents' Day, Clothing Then and Now, Ben Franklin, and United States Landmarks. These free workshops are for children ages 5-10 and are a fun, hands-on way of learning history. They run from September to May. Deb is a very clever retired educator who has a wondrous and unique way (patience) of teaching young children. Thank you Deb for expanding the minds of these young kids in a fun and exciting way. We can't wait to see what next year may bring! If you think you may be interested in having a child attend these workshops, keep an eye out at our website or follow on Facebook @ History Workshop.

TALES OF TITUSVILLE PRESENTATION

On **Wednesday April 29, 2026** we held our "Tales of Titusville" presentation " at the museum. We were overwhelmed with reservations (we were hoping we might get 15-20 guests...but wound up with reservations of 40...we just couldn't say no)!! It was a bit of a logistical challenge, but we pulled it off and entertained 33 satisfied guests. Debbie Coughlin, our Vice President and main developer of the presentation, wowed and amused the audience with the 40 minute slide presentation of the history of Titusville and North Brevard. Afterward, our guests had time to tour the museum and partake in the refreshments provided. A big thank you to Pierre Alix, Kathy Alix, Debbie Coughlin, Brenda Dornbush, and Lynda & Steve Siems for their help in bringing this event to fruition. A BIG SHOUT OUT to Trinity Lutheran Church who loaned us a number of chairs so we could accommodate our guests..



DOCENTS

We have new docents that have recently joined us. **A BIG WELCOME and THANK YOU to Chris Brown and Barbara Bewerse.** We appreciate you volunteering your time and hope you enjoy your experience with us.

Being a docent is a fun experience. It is a great way to meet people from all over the world and share our history with them. It is also surprising how much you learn about our history as a docent. We only ask for a minimum commitment of one four hour shift a month. No experience is necessary and there are no scripts to learn. You just have to enjoy speaking to people and being our Museum Ambassador. If you would be interested, please contact us through our website, www.northbrevardhistoricalmuseum.org, under the **VOLUNTEER** tab. We would love to have you as part of our staff.

MEMBERS

Welcome to the following new members who have recently joined:

Individual

Chris Brown
Donny Godfrey
Ken Parks

Thank you to the following members who have recently renewed their memberships:

Individual

Dr. James Clark
Deborah Coughlin
Robert Cutts
Dawn Koch
Madeleine Morris
Malinda Villain

Family

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Laurilee Thompson
Joan Threlkeld
Bill & Natalie Walls

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!!!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

We get asked a lot about how our membership renewals work. Here is the process we use for membership renewals: At the beginning of the month in which your membership expires, we send out an **"It's Renewal Time!!!"** email (or US Mail for those who do not wish to use email). If we do not receive your renewal by the end of the month, at the beginning of the following month we will send out a **"Just a Quick Reminder"** email (or US Mail). If we have not received your renewal by the end of that month, we change your status to "Inactive" and remove you from our email (US Mail) list. If you renew after this time, we will reactivate your membership retroactive to its previous expiration date.

When you renew, be sure to complete both the application and the payment form. If you are unsure when your renewal time is, check your membership card for your renewal date. Thanks in advance for your support.

GIFT SHOP

Sales are booming!!! Our Gift Shop is currently being featured in one of our display windows, so whenever you walk by check it out. **And don't forget that as a member you have special member pricing on most of our items.**

QR CODES FOR OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGES

To connect quickly to our website or Facebook pages, just scan these QR codes:



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

The Board of Directors meet monthly, typically on the third Monday of the month, starting at 10am. Visitors are welcome to attend these meetings. We only ask that you let us know ahead of time if you would like to attend. Meeting space is limited and this way we can ensure there is room for you. Contact us through the website or our email if you would like to attend.

That is it for our second issue of NBHS Newsflash for 2026. If you have any questions or concerns, contact us through our website or email us at titusvillehistory@gmail.com and we will respond as soon as we can.

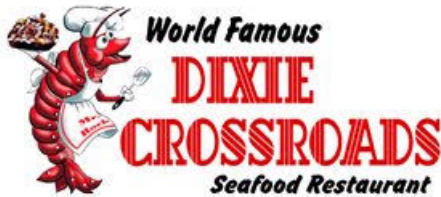
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