

D.A. VARNADO STORE
MUSEUM
936 PEARL STREET
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EXHIBIT INFORMATION

July 2022 through December 2022



The Varnado Store Museum Board Members would like to say "THANK YOU" to all those individuals and clubs who have volunteered their time and energy to helping us throughout the year. We value your time and effort given to us at the Museum.



If you know of a group, individual or club who would like to Host at the Museum, please let us know. The museum is open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. till 4 p.m. and Sundays from 1 p.m. till 4p.m. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mary Jo Poole at Leader Printing or at home by calling (985) 839-2261 for more information.

MEMBERSHIP

Our non-profit organization is dependent on memberships, donations, and fundraisers to meet our expenses of operation and for the preservation of our history here in Franklinton. We are asking those of you who are members, to assist in letting others know of our foundation in hopes of obtaining new members. Attached to your newsletter is a 2023 Membership Application. If you have not renewed your membership, please do so at your earliest convenience.

EXHIBIT NEWS



JULY - AUGUST "Community Heroes Thru the Years" features items, photos, etc. of those who are currently and have in the past given of themselves in hard times and good times to make our community a better place. Many are first responders in times of distress including law enforcement, firefighters, medical

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personnel, disaster response teams and others. Also included are those community servants and educators who have influenced so many lives.



SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER “The History of the Washington Parish Fair” will feature a collection of all the Fair Posters, photographs, catalogs, historic fair documents and advertisements, daily programs which include information regarding the playground, Down by the Branch, and the Main Stage, the Mile Branch Settlement catalogs and much more.



NOVEMBER – DECEMBER “Holiday Time” covers all the holidays that fall between Thanksgiving and New Year. Featured will be tableware, China, decorations, old toys and games, an old-fashioned Christmas tree, collections of nutcrackers, Santa Figures, angels, and nativities. New Year’s Eve party materials and items about Hanukah and other holidays will also be shown.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Our Annual Membership Meeting will be on September 25, 2022 at 2 p.m., held in the Museum’s Annex. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

The Museum Board Members will be hosting a **YARD SALE** on October 1, 2022 from 8 a.m. till.....Please join us and shop, shop, shop!

The Museum’s biggest fund-raiser of the year is the **Christmas Festival**, held on the first weekend of December and in conjunction with the Pioneer Christmas. There will be art, crafts, food, visits with Santa, raffles, and entertainment in the Commercial Building at the Fairgrounds.



A **Teddy Bear Tea** will be held on the weekend following the Christmas Festival for youngsters ages 4 to 10. This is a fun event held in the Museum Annex. Spots are limited so please make sure you call and reserve your spot.

For information regarding any of the events, contact the Museum at 985-795-0680 during our business hours of 10 a.m. till 4 p.m. on Saturday and 1 p.m. till 4 p.m. on Sundays. Thank you!

A NEW ADDITION FOR THE MUSEUM

An antique bookcase has been donated to the museum; a gift from **Mr. Richard Watts**, a local attorney who has retired and is closing his office.

This bookcase has been positioned at the very front of the building. Made of solid wood, possibly oak or cherry, it features double glass doors with six shelves to be used to hold a myriad of books that have been donated to our museum thru the years. This lovely antique is more than 100 years old. The front façade has on the doors hand carving including lions’ heads. All original, there are no reproductions or replacement parts.

The original owner of the piece was **Mrs. Hallie Love**, a teacher of expression at Franklinton Elementary School. Her teaching focus was on leading her young charges to ‘expression’ in their recitations. She was a city leader who founded the original chapter of the Franklinton Girl Scout of America.

Some of the large items at the front of the store building have been re-arranged for better display and access. All are invited to come by to see what has been done to enhance the museum collection.

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*Our time of operation is on
Saturday 10 a.m. till 4 p.m.
and on
Sunday 1 p.m. till 4 p.m.*

**Should you need additional information,
you can call the telephone number
below during the time of operation as
listed above or via email or Facebook.**

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