

TRACKS OF TIME

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There will be NO scheduled meeting in September.

At the present time Zephyrhills Public Library is closed, and meeting rooms are not available due to precautions concerning Covid19. We will continue to publish a newsletter each month, so you will be notified in plenty of time whether we do or do not have a meeting in October.

Future Meetings

“I am in close communication with the Zephyrhills Public Library staff, and I can assure you they are looking forward to getting back into full operation. Given the current situation with the virus, however, it looks like it could still be awhile. We have already cancelled two Library Board Meetings, and those only involve five members and the Director, so we are being extremely cautious. I doubt seriously that we can schedule a regular meeting of the Zephyrhills Historical Association any earlier than October 6th.” This statement is what I posted in last month’s newsletter. I think October is now in serious doubt, but I’m not sure it’s impossible. I also suggested last month that we might have a Board meeting only in September, but I didn’t hear anything from others about that suggestion, so it, too, is in doubt. For the time being we are all just winging it! I’m confident we will all get together again sometime, but when is anyone’s guess. I will continue to put out the newsletter each month. In a couple of months I will put out the call for renewal of dues. More than likely I will plead with our members to contribute a little extra this year to the scholarship fund, since we have missed a bunch of fundraisers. I plan to forgo billing the Association for stamps this year. If we all pitch in a little I am confident we can continue with all we have done in the past.

There will be NO fundraisers for the time being.



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for the website.

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ZHA Mission Statement

The mission of the Zephyrhills Historical Association is to research, gather, and share local historical information with all generations, through our literature, programs, and scholarships, and to volunteer assistance to the Zephyrhills Depot Museum and WWII Barracks Museum.

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BETTY JANE COGBURN HALL
 MAY 7, 1924 – JULY 25, 2020

I was seven years old when Betty and Pete Hall came to Zephyrhills. Pete and my father worked together for Florida Power, and they moved into a house on 3rd Avenue about three blocks from our house on 20th Street. My sister Sandy drove us all to school in the Hall's jeep each day, since Betty never had a driver's license. Weesie was a year older than me. Frankie and Benny were younger. The boys and I were playmates when we were kids. Both of our houses had nice basketball goals set up, one of fringe benefits of having access to Florida Power lineman.



My sister is in front of Betty in this picture from 1961.

Betty was still the Librarian at ZHS when I got to high school. She got a brand new Media Center in 1968, and the building was part of my life from then until I retired from teaching in 2010. Betty had moved on to the high school by the time I came into teaching, but the Media Center she had opened was the one I knew at Zephyrhills Junior High/Raymond B. Stewart Middle School where I spent my entire career.

When Kathleen Burnside asked me to join the Library Board oh so long ago, Betty was there. She, along with Caroline Marlette and George Neukom treated me, the new guy, with great understanding and encouragement. It was during these times that we started discussing the need for a new library. It took us a long time to actually get it done, but the City and "Penny for Pasco" came through, and we now have a wonderful new Library. Betty did get to visit the new building I am told when she came to town. Betty has also been a member of our Association for a number of years. She was a wonderful friend to me, and I will miss her.



Caroline Marlette, Betty, & Terry Turner



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Betty Jane Cogburn Hall passed away on July 25th in Peachtree City, Georgia, at the age of 96. She is survived by her three children, seven grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Betty and her husband Victor (Pete) were residents of the community for over forty years. they arrived in Zephyrhills in 1958 with three small children and built a wonderful life together. Their children – Laura (Weesie), Victor Jr (Frankie), and Carl (Bennie) remember those years with fond memories and enormous pride in both their parents. Betty and Victor were married for over fifty years and spent most of those years in Zephyrhills, with frequent trips back to Georgia where Betty was born and raised. Betty never had a driver’s license but was a famous co-pilot for her husband, because of her GPS-like memory for the best routes linking Florida and Georgia.

Among her accomplishments and contributions, Betty was an educator and the high school librarian for over thirty years. Following her retirement in 1984, Zephyrhills High School honored Betty by naming the media room after her. Betty was also a long-time member of P.E.O. Chapter BG, an organization devoted to the education of women. Louise Lashley from Chapter BG remembers her... “Betty Hall is the reason that Chapter BG still exists, and because of her, we are a very strong chapter now.”

Her passion and commitment to educating and improving the lives of young people was a large part of her focus. It was in keeping with that commitment that Betty’s last gesture was her decision to donate her body to Emory University Medical School.

A devout Christian, Betty’s favorite hymn was ‘In the Garden’...”and he walks with me and he talks with me, and he tells me i am his own,” to quote her granddaughter, “she was a pillar of faith for our whole family and for so many friends and members of her community, laying the foundation for all of us to see and know the love of Jesus”.

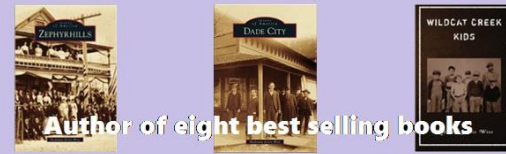



Her daughter, Laura (Weesie) recently dedicated a children’s book to her mother, saying: ”To my mother, Betty Jane Hall, who inspired me as a child - and whose unconditional love inspires me now to pay it forward.”

Laura “Weesie” Hall Makarushka (ZHS '68)

Carl “Bennie” Hall (ZHS '72)

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