



*West Pasco Historical Society, Inc.*

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Dear Member:

At the annual meeting of the West Pasco Historical Society, Wednesday night, the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

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| President      | Julie Obenreder     |
| Vice President | Mary Ellen Grodrian |
| Secretary      | Lois Neubrand       |
| Treasurer      | Ida Brunner         |
| Director       | Janet Lewis         |

During this first year of its existence, your society has accomplished a lot. The history book "West Pasco Heritage" has been written, thanks to Julie and her drive to get it done. The book has been edited by Dr. James Hollingsworth, Ph.D., Professor of Political Science at the Pasco-Hernando Community College. It is now at the publisher and should be ready for delivery in October to coincide with New Port Richey's Golden Anniversary Celebration. The printing of the 350-page book (estimated), with approximately 75 pictures, is expected to cost near \$6,800.00 for 2,000 copies. The book will sell for \$5.95, plus tax (\$6.19). Several money-making projects have been held to raise money for the printing and so far \$1,450.00 has been paid to the publisher.

Now your help is needed. The renewal of your membership dues, from May 1, 1974, to April 30, 1975, will assure your continued participation and will provide financial assistance. Also, you may assist by purchasing your copy or copies of "West Pasco Heritage". We are now ready to reserve books for all who pay the full price of \$6.19 or a deposit of \$3.00 for the paper-back book. We are also taking reservations in the amount of \$52.00 for each copy of the collectors' item limited printing first edition. For this, we must know exactly how many copies to reserve and must have payment in advance. Return addressed envelopes and ~~membership applications~~ are enclosed for your convenience.

The next meeting of the West Pasco Historical Society will be a picnic to honor Dr. Hollingsworth and to show our appreciation for his talents and generosity in donating the many hours he spent editing the book. This could have been a very expensive item, but Dr. Hollingsworth did it without charge. The picnic will be held Sunday, June 16, at 1 p.m. at Sims Park, New Port Richey, east side of Pithlachascotee River, near the Hacienda Hotel. Bring a dish to pass, your beverage, table service, and (if convenient) folding chairs. You and your family are cordially invited.

Very sincerely yours,

WEST PASCO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

*Ida Brunner*

Ida Brunner, Treasurer

P.S. Regular meetings - 1st Wednesday monthly, N.P.R. Library, 7.30 P.M. starting September.