

West Pasco Historical Society - Museum And Library

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Showcasings for The New Season Will Be:

SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER

Antique radio broadcasting and receiving equipment and related objects in the collection belonging to Ralph Balsam. He also is showing a permanent display of similar ham radio collectibles in the foyer.

NOVEMBER and DECEMBER

Miniature art collection created by international artist, Adele Gregos. This includes one hundred oils, scrimshaws and icons on wood, ivory, inorine, polymer, fossil walrus teeth, togua nuts and horns. These tiny works detail cultures from Sumerian, Medievil, English, Irish, the Golden Age of Whaling, coldnial and up to the present time.

JANUARY and FEBRUARY

"The Beauty of Glass" will be a dazzling and colorful collection from many countries.

MARCH, APRIL, MAY (to be announced)

***Do You Have A Collection To Show?
If So, Let Me Know!***

1993 - 1994 PROGRAMS

September	16	Getting To Know your Society
October	21	Elfers
	23	Visit To The Baker house
November	18	Auction - Do Your Christmas Shopping
	20	Indian Festival In Tampa
December	16	Christmas Dinner
January	20	"Treasures From The Deep" <i>Doris Szymanski</i>
February	12	Fashion Show - <i>Seven Springs Country Club - Norma Nelson, Dorthy Nelson</i>
	17	Open
March	17	Open
April	21	"Cameras Of Yesterday", <i>Stephen Parag</i> Elections
May	19	Installation Dinner

1993 - 1994

OFFICERS and COMMITTEES

President - Adele Gregos
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CURATOR - Adele Gregos

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Norma Nelson

INDIAN AFFAIRS - Bill Hendrickson, Norma Nelson,
Belva Green, Sam Eaton, David Spriggs

MUSEUM STAFFING - Marion Swartz

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Arthur Revillac, Harry Webster

COUNTRY CORNER STORE

Be sure to visit our lovely corner gift shop. You will find a wide variety of one of a kind items, as well as original art works. Consignments are welcome.

RECAPITULATION OF WEST PASCO HISTORICAL SOCIETY ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE PAST YEAR

Signed building extension agreement with the City of New Port Richey.

Cleaned out unusable materials stored under our building, inventoried all furnishings, installed lattice skirting around building, all at the request of our insurer.

City requested bids for extension. Successful bidder was Schlotter Construction Company. Extension to consist of 660 square feet for storage, library and Florida Gallery.

Upon completion the following actions took place: building bookcases, moving library into new space, moving gift shop to former library, removing extra tables, chairs and other items to storage room.

Grand opening of addition attended by City officials and public.

Plexiglass installed on windows for hurricane protection.
Safe bought for valuable papers formerly kept in bank vault.
Reliable vacuum cleaner bought.

Several large Cash gifts were used to buy a Seminole patchwork long shirt, Indian clay pots, and an office copy machine.

Repairs were made to damaged roof, security system and hall transom after the March no-name storm.

Files were reorganized. Exhibit legends were retyped.

Gift shop and bathrooms were redecorated.

Nearly 1500 visitors signed the guest book. Nearly 1200 hours given by volunteers for staffing and maintaining the building.

Cultural, social educational and income producing activities: fashion show and lunch, rummage sale, slide show of, "What is in the Museum?" to civic center groups, special tours for children, showcasing of antique toys, sheet music, dolls, madonnas, wood carvings, teddy bears, Book of Kells reproductions, mustard pots and mustache cups, antique car show, Christmas parade, Christmas dinner, demonstrations in addition to the regular monthly meeting programs.

In round figures income was \$10,000 from dues, sales, donations, auctions, memorials, raffles, rummage, ads, interest. Expenses were \$8,000 for insurance, utilities, supplies, printing, postage, maintenance, plus \$15,000 to the City toward the building addition.

All the above was made possible by the following who were most generous with time, talent and money:

Dorothy Acey
Ralph & Kathi Balsam
Howard & Julie Chenoweth
Frances Dee
Sam Eaton
Andrew Gregos
James Grey
Miriam Grosse
Harry & Julia Hall
Winifred Harris
Edith Hempel
Bill Hendricks
Jessie Hyde
Betty Jones
Claire Lazio

Mary Leitch
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Gene Sniffen
David Spriggs
Walter & Marion Swartz
Doris Szymanski
William & Gertrude Ward
George & Susan Wolff
Ceil Zubrod

Compiled by Adele Gregos, President/Curator

♥ Valentine Fashion Show and Luncheon ♥

The annual Valentine Fashion Show and Luncheon will be held at the Seven Springs Golf and Country Club, 3535 Trophy Boulevard, New Port Richey, on Saturday, February 12, 1994 at noon. Cocktails will be available from 11:30 a.m.

The Fashion Bug, a ladies dress shop located near Walmart's Store on Route 54, had agreed to show their merchandise and to supply a commentator. They have also offered us a \$25.00 Gift Certificate for one of our door prizes.

Please keep this date in mind as we want everyone to attend a very enjoyable event, and to help us in any way possible.

INDIAN AFFAIRS

The committee held a meeting of interested parties in July; over 50 people attended. Most were not members of the society, but a number did join that day.

The committee, consisting of Bill and Carrie Hendrickson, Norma Nelson, Belva Green, Sam Eaton and David Spriggs have held meetings four times during the summer. They hope to have their programs and ideas recognized by the Board of Directors for 1993 - 1994 year.

TREASURERS REPORT

As Treasurer, I have had a chance to look at our finances, and it appears to me that what we will all have to do from now on is to save more and spend less. Our "Outgo" seems to be overpowering our "Income". We have had a lot of expenses due to the new addition, but that is now behind us. It is the time to start building a good reserve for the future.

Barring catastrophic damage to the building (which insurance may not cover) we must preserve what capital we have. Our biggest single expense is Insurance and we can expect higher premiums in the future, also rising utility rates. Expenses must be controlled and members are asked not to commit or spend Society funds except as authorized in our By-Laws.

As you know, our primary sources of income are from dues, donations, gift shop and rummage sales, and I sincerely hope everyone will pitch in and help with all projects we are planning for the coming year to help increase our income.

DOROTHY NELSON, *Treasurer*

The West Pasco Historical Society
will be sponsoring an
Antique Radio and Electric
display for the month of
September under the direction of
Ralph Balsam and for QIK.



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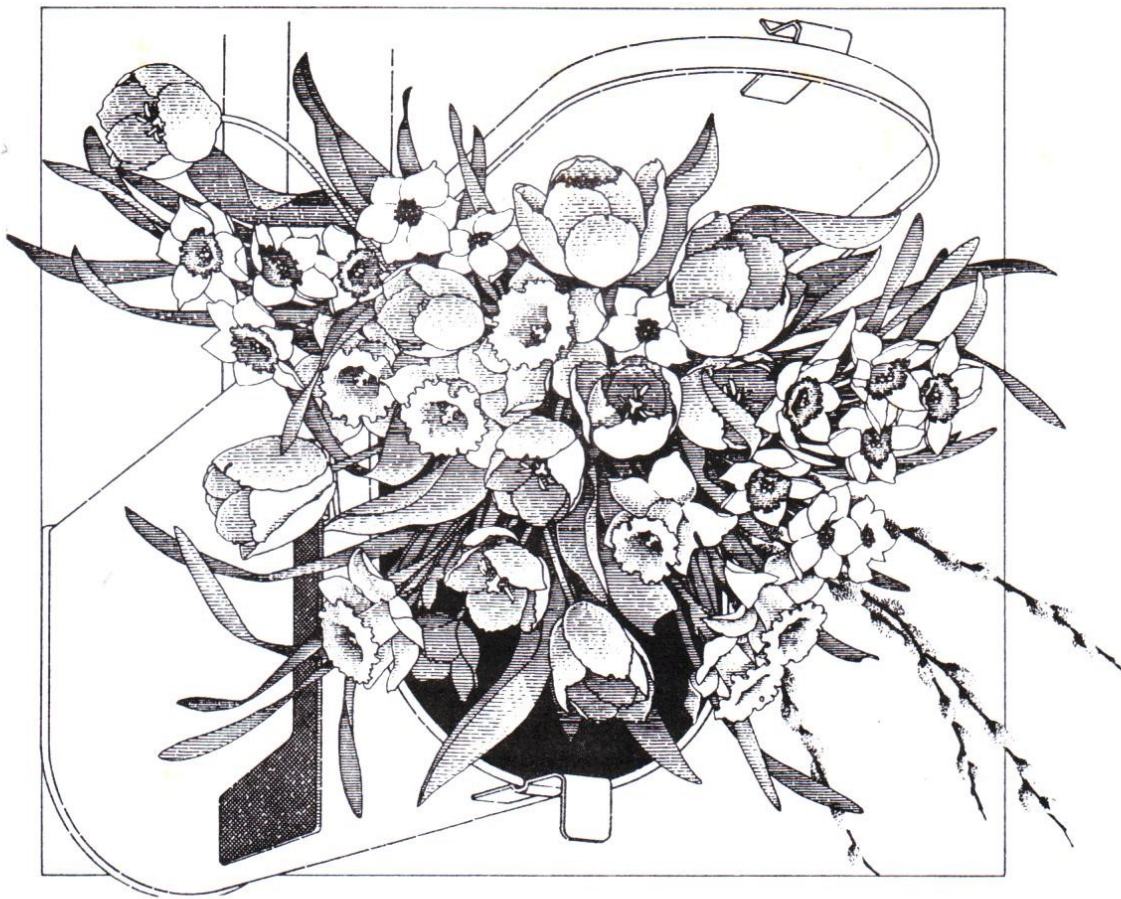


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