



SARASOTA TIMES II

A SARASOTA HISTORY NEWSLETTER

HISTORICAL NOTE

2010 Bertha Palmer's 100th Anniversary

One of our ambitious Board Members, Hans Johnsson has been hard at work for the past several months, laying the groundwork for a huge year-long celebration of Bertha Palmer's arrival in Sarasota in 1910! Just a hint to keep you informed! Watch for more updates in the future.

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Saturday Volunteers: Ramsey Frangie, Del Henson, former City Commissioner Danny Bilyeu, Milton Rausch, Larry Kelleher and Arnie Berns. Photos by Jane Kirschner-Tuccillo

PROGRESS REPORT

We've been hard at work over the hot, sticky summer months, building, painting, installing all those needed items at the Bidwell House and the Crocker Church. We still have a long way to go, but hopefully we'll be able to have our **October Membership Meeting** in the Church, on Tuesday, Oct. 28th at 7:00 PM. **Kim Cool**, well-known local Ghost Buster, author, and historian will regale us with tales from the ghostly side of Sarasota!

IMPORTANT!!

Please email Lorraine Orr, Membership chair with your correct email address! We will not sell/rent your address, but sometimes, we NEED to be able to communicate fast! orroland@msn.com

Volunteers, We Love You!



Ed Greer and Milton Rausch, prime primers. Pres. Arnie Berns, chief foreman!

We can't say enough good things about our hard working volunteers, but we CAN tell you all how much we appreciate them:

Ed & Lorraine Orr, Milton Rausch, Ed Greer, Margareta Bering, Larry Kelleher, Danny Bilyeu, Ramsey Frangie, Del Henson, Doug Hamblet, Dwight Clay, Greg Tucci, Jane Kirschner-Tuccillo, Arnie Berns, Pete Esthus and Lee Hershberger. My apologies if I've missed someone!



For Sale 1926 Historic Home. Granada, MLS #A384568. Call Dede Curran Owner/Realtor Michael Saunders & Co. 941.928.3255 dedecurran@comcast.net

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 28, 2008 **Membership Meeting**
7:00 PM Crocker Church on 12th Street between Rte. 41 and Coconut Ave. Speaker: Kim Cool

Nov. 2, 2008 **Le Barge Cruise**
11am-1pm E.S.Time !!
Narrated Sarasota Bay Cruise - Always a sell out! Make your reservations now with Brenda Lee at brendaleehickman@netzero.net or 941-921-9392. Note: Reservations will not be confirmed till payment by check is received. Mail checks to: **HSOSC** 2110 Lusitania Drive Sarasota, FL 34231. Include the names of EACH passenger please. Check in at Marina Jack's dock begins at 10:00 AM. Rain or Shine!

Nov. 18, 2008 **Membership Meeting**
Pete and Diane Esthus Speakers.

Historic Thursdays begin in January. Tours to Historic Cortez Village, bus trips to Mt. Dora and Tampa's Historic Center, and the ever popular Walking Tour of Historic Venice are being planned.

Saturday Trolley Tours of Historic Sarasota are also in the works.

Editor's note: Please bear with me while I try to learn layout, borders, fonts and such as your new TEMPORARY newsletter Editor! I'm too old for this! Jane K-T

SAVE THIS DATE!!!

Sunday Feb. 8, 2009

For

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HISTORY DAY IN THE PARK

At

PHILLIPPI MANSION

We are planning a full day of events,
RAIN OR SHINE including:

Antiques/Arts/Crafts Flea Market
Antique Car Show/Sale
Children's Cane Pole Fishing contest
Children's Scavenger Hunt
Tour and Dinner in the Mansion

We are taking reservations for table rental space, inside the Mansion, on the front porch and on the lawn surrounding the home. (You don't have to be a dealer to sell!) Call or email Jane Kirschner-Tuccillo for reservations - 941 366 1323, jane@jaskdesigns.com.

We will need lots of **volunteers** for this fund-raising event! Plan to bring your snow bird guests, family and friends!

We still need Volunteers for the **Clyde Butcher Show/Sale** at Phillippi Mansion, which runs from Oct. 24th to Nov. 23rd.

Call Jane or email her to sign up!

It's not too early to start thinking about which VOLUNTEER JOB you'd like to sign up for, once we open the Bidwell House and the Crocker Church to the public! Let our Board know your talents and where you could fit in best! You CAN make a difference and we NEED you!

A note from our Prez:

Since our summers usually aren't over till October, our Season seems to start on Oct. 1. So you still have a month to travel, but here is an update on our "Home" in Pioneer Park, the Good and the Not So Good.

The Good is that we are VERY close to opening our doors. We've had volunteers on two Saturdays, helping us prime and restore the completely rotted west wall of the church. We are halfway done, and we hope to have a slew of volunteers on Aug. 23rd. We have submitted grant applications to the Selby Foundation and to the Sarasota Arts Council. With State and other sources of funds drying up, these local funds have double the amount of applications on their desks.

We still need funds to restore the summer kitchen (our future Gift Shop) and the rear porch of the Bidwell House. This shouldn't stop us from getting a Certif. of Occupancy though.

The Bad news is that in order to open, we must have a salaried **Executive Director**. This gem we're looking for must know how to write grants, rent the church space for weddings and meetings, and effectively run the "Museum", with the help of many volunteer docents.

So, what I'm trying to say is we need your help, and we need it now! Most foundations do not give funds for salaries.

Our **Historic Bricks** are still available for your inscription, at a donation of \$100.00. Call Pete Esthus to reserve one - 366-0787.

We have an exciting year ahead!
Regards, Arnold Berns, Pres.

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