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THE GULFPORT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
NEWSLETTER
OCTOBER, 2012

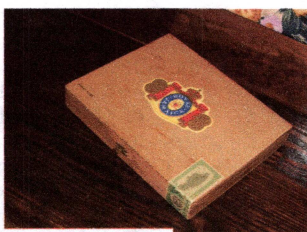
Saturday, October 6, 2012
Birthday Bash 10 a.m–4 p.m.

ALL DAY

* Artists, crafters, and collectibles in the park.

* Don't miss the museum's own yard sale! Everything from rolling pins and cigar boxes to books, hats, old cameras and vintage handkerchiefs.

Help us clean house!



* Gulfport's historic 2012-13 15-month calendars available for \$5.

* Inflatables, slides and obstacle course free for kids.

* Museum open – see the new exhibits.

* Mullet toss – you gotta try it!

* Hourly trolley tours of Historic Gulfport.

SCHEDULE

10 a.m. Flag raising and National anthem sung by Elizabeth Brown-Worthington, followed by dedication of the crepe myrtle remembrance circle to Mary Atkinson.



Noon Worthington brothers Fish Fry for \$8 – get it while it lasts! Hot dogs (\$2) and drinks (\$1) served by Gulfport's Cert Team.

Noon-2 p.m. Chalk art contest for kids.

1-3 p.m. Antiques appraisal, Scout Hall. \$5 per item or three for \$10.

3 p.m. Free Birthday Cake for all!

A Word from our President

Deborah Frethem and her actors made our Museum General Meeting a very enjoyable experience. We had a great turn-out and all enjoyed the "goodies" the Board provided. Hope to see you all again at Gulfport's 102nd Birthday Party October 6th. Miki

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GENERAL MEETING

The Society's first general meeting of the 2012-13 year was held Friday September 21.



The cast of
**"Henry's
 Cemetery"**

Craig Frethem,
 Carol Valdes,
 author Deborah
 Frethem,
 Deb Birchler,
 and Ralph Platt

Following the charming play, author Deborah Frethem answered questions from the audience about the fate of the neglected Glen Oaks cemetery site and told some of her own experiences with writing and speaking about local history.

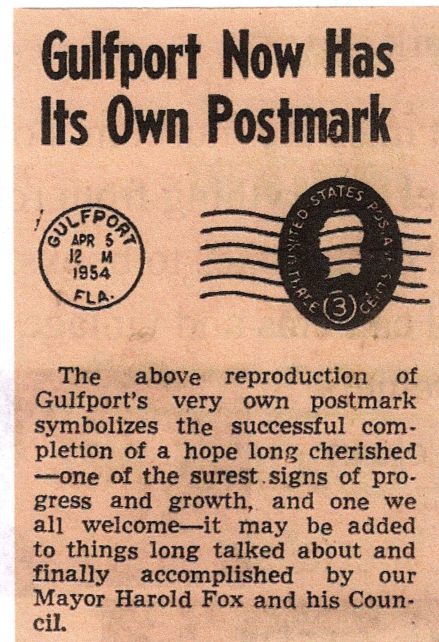
President Miki Vaughan then invited everyone to walk next door to the Museum for a delicious spread of desserts and a look round at the new exhibits.

We hope you all enjoyed this delightful evening as much as we did. Special thanks to Ward I Councilman Dan Liedtke for his interest and support.

This month's header is from a late 1950s promotional brochure.

NEW OLD NEWS

Thanks to Pam Shaffer Lanning, we have a new stack of old newspapers to search through for interesting tidbits. Who knew Gulfport ever had its own postmark?



The above reproduction of Gulfport's very own postmark symbolizes the successful completion of a hope long cherished—one of the surest signs of progress and growth, and one we all welcome—it may be added to things long talked about and finally accomplished by our Mayor Harold Fox and his Council.

And here's the "Artwill Building," newly built on the corner of Beach and Shore in 1953. It had room for six shops; Bell's Restaurant, Howard's Cleaners, Margie's dress shop, Helen's Exotic Aquarium, and Johnston Realty were the initial tenants.

