



Gulfport Historian

August 2009

Meeting and Events Schedule 2009/2010

Sept. 12th
General Meeting
Trip to Vinoy
9:30 am

Oct. 10th
Birthday Bash
at Museum
4 pm - 9 pm

Nov. 14th
General Meeting
Trip to Heritage
Village
9:30 am

January 9th
General Meeting
Trip to Ringing Circus
Museum
9:30 am

Feb. 26th
Centennial Night
Dance/Show
Casino

April 14th
Annual Meeting
Potluck Dinner
5:30 pm

HISTORIC TOUR & LUNCH AT THE VINOY

Come join us for our first general meeting of the new fall season and take a Historic Tour and have Lunch (see enclosed menu) at the Renaissance Vinoy Hotel. Cost is \$25.00 per person which includes the tour, lunch and parking. **Space is limited to the first 20 people that sign up and pay in advance.** Make checks payable to Gulfport Historical Society. Call Judy at 743-9276 to reserve your place. We will meet at the Museum between 9:15 and 9:30 am, to car pool on Saturday, September 12, 2009. If you are late, we will leave without you and you will have to drive yourself.

NEW APPROACH TO HISTORICAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETINGS

After several years of dropping attendance at our general meetings, at which sometimes only the Board attended, we have decided to try a new approach and schedule trips of interest instead. We are also dropping a couple of the months including December and March with October being the Birthday Bash and February the Dance & Show instead of general meetings. As a result, the general meeting months will be September, November, January, and April and also move the meetings to Saturday mornings except April. The Saturday, November 14th meeting will be a trip to Heritage Village, January 9th will be a trip to the Ringing Circus Museum in Sarasota, while the April 10th meeting will be Saturday evening at 5:30 pm, for the Annual Meeting, Elections and Pot Luck Dinner.

BIRTHDAY BASH for 2009

This year's Birthday Bash is the 99th Anniversary of the Incorporation of the City of Gulfport. The Bash is October 10th at the Museum from 4 - 9 pm. Of course we will have the Worthington Brothers famous Fish Fry, which will start serving earlier this year, along with the Hot Dogs by Jim. There will be live music on the front porch of Scout Hall by the *Island Boys* and *Bobby Tess Combo* for your listening and dancing pleasure. Since they will be on the porch you can sit outside and listen to the music or dance inside the building. The best of both worlds! Of course there will be the usual Mullet Toss, Children's activities, FREE Birthday Cake, guided Trolley Tours, Flea Market and much more. Check the back page of this Newsletter for special items that will be available for the first time.

Gulfport Historical Society, Inc. and Museum

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Historian Lynne Brown
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**Museum Hours
of Operation**
Monday - Friday
2 pm - 4 pm
Saturday
10 am - 12 Noon

NEW HISTORY BOOK ON SALE AT BIRTHDAY BASH

Historian Lynne Brown has finished Vol II of the *Definitive History of GULFPORT!* The book will be available for the first time ever on Saturday October 10th at the Birthday Bash with the author available to sign your purchase. This volume covers the period from 1920 to 1950, with all the history, events, and people, including pictures of the era. I am sure many of you will read about and see pictures of people and places that you are very familiar with or in some cases related to.

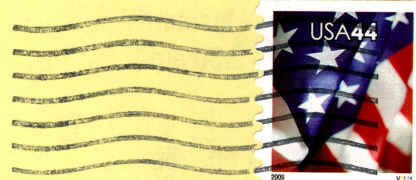
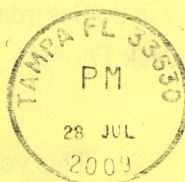
SPECIAL CENTENNIAL EDITION OF THE HISTORIC CALENDAR

A very special edition of the 2010 Centennial Historical Calendar is being prepared and will go on sale at the Birthday Bash for \$5.00. This will be a 15 month calendar starting in October 2009 thru December 2010 with all the Centennial activities listed, all City meetings and events, and all information that has been furnished to us by clubs and organization for meeting and events. Even the holiday sanitation schedule is listed on the calendar. In the back, is a two page listing for all clubs and organization with meeting days, location and contact phone numbers plus a page listing local churches. **This will be a must-have calendar to keep up with everything going on in the City.**

"GULFPORT The Musical"

Coming in January, "*GULFPORT The Musical*" by Gil Perlroth with history provided by Lynne Brown. This is an original musical and play that will have its **WORLD PREMIERE** January 8, 2010 in the Catherine A. Hickman Theater. Gil will be holding auditions for singers and non-singers at 7:00 pm on September 14 and 15, 2009, at the Gulfport Community Player's, Backdoor Theater, 4919 17th Ave. So. **WANTED:** as many Gulfport residence as possible to audition and be in the cast. Gil tells me this show will require a lot of people, some may only be in crowd scenes. So, if you ever wanted to get on stage, this just might be your chance!

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