



Gulfport Historian

December 2005

Meeting and Event Schedule 2005/2006

Sept. 13th
General Meeting
Guest Speaker 7:00 pm

Oct. 8th
Birthday Bash
at Museum
10 am - 3 pm

Nov. 8th
General Meeting
Guest Speaker 7:00 pm

Dec. 13th
General Meeting
Holiday Home Tour
7:00 pm

Jan. 10th
General Meeting
Guest Speaker 7:00 pm

Feb. 24th
Decade Celebration
1950s
"Birth of Rock n' Roll"
Casino

March 14th
General Meeting
Guest Speaker 7:00 pm

April 12th
Annual Meeting
Potluck Dinner
6:30 pm

DECEMBER MEETING-PARTY

For the past several years, we have had the opportunity to visit special homes during the December general meeting. This year will continue that tradition with a visit to the home of Dollie Tickell and Glenn Suyker at **5702 23 Ave. So.** across from Hoyt Field, (the house with the big blue roof.) We are asking that everyone go directly to the home instead of the museum this time. There is plenty of parking along Hoyt Field on 57th Street and along 23 Ave. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Dollie and Glenn, in advance, for their generosity and hospitality in opening their home to us. Happy Holidays to all.

THE 1950S DECADE CELEBRATION

We hope that everyone is planning their outfits and fun for the 1950s Decade Celebration set for Feb. 24th in the Casino. After all the fun of the 1940s just wait until you experience the 1950s and the "Birth of Rock n' Roll". Be prepared to drink root beer floats, dance to live music, watch and listen to "Elvis", our very own "doowoop" singers and a special visit from "Nat King Cole". Prepaid tables of 10 can be reserved as of January 2nd. Watch for a special mailing. Do you remember crinoline petty coats, saddle shoes, hot rods, duck tails, hula hoops, black and white TV and sock hops?

ARE YOUR DUES UP TO DATE?

If you look at the mailing label, the numbers under your name indicate that last time you paid your dues. The first number is the year and second number is the month i.e. 00/4 reads 2000/April. With the increased cost of printing and mailing, each newsletter now cost \$94.00 to sent out! Your dues help cover this expense. We really to not want to delete anyone from the mailing list, but will need to start purging if dues are not up to date. Dues can be mailed to Gulfport Historical Society, P. O. Box 5152, Gulfport, FL 33737 THANK YOU for your support!

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**Museum Hours
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Monday - Friday
2 pm - 4 pm
Saturday
10 am - 12 Noon**

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GULFPORT, A DEFINITIVE HISTORY

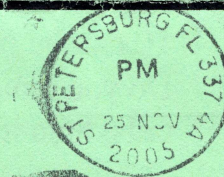
Remember, Volume I of "*Gulfport, A Definitive History*" by Lynne Brown is on sale now at the Gulfport Historical Museum for \$25.00 to non-members and \$21.00 to members. (Regular retail is \$26.99). After repeated ordering, Lynne's first book, *Images of America GULFPORT* has gone into a second printing and is now available for \$15.00. Together or separately these books make great Christmas gifts.

2006 CALENDARS ON SALE

In keeping with our 1950s theme, the 2006 calendar has pictures from Gulfport during that decade. January features our own Miki (Murphy) Vaughan standing in front of the Richard Gray mural that was on the south wall of Murphy's Pharmacy at 2832 Beach Blvd. and we think she still looks that same! There is an interesting class picture for August that includes future Mayor Mike Yakes, Louie Worthington and Art Trudell. Can any of you add more names? For the month of April we have a Girl Scout troupe that is missing some names also. As always, the calendar list many of the important events going on in town each month and the listing for the clubs, organizations and churches in Gulfport. Not to mention the City's pages that gives the Sanitation schedule for the entire year and important City phone numbers. Calendars are still only **\$3.00**. We also have Historical Society tee shirts for \$10.00 and coffee mugs for \$4.00 on sale at the Museum. All make great stocking stuffers.

Birthday Bash

Our annual Gulfport Birthday Bash was a success again this year. We want to give a special thank you to Bobby and Louie Worthington for the wonderful fish fry they put on! The City of Gulfport came through with great entertainment and bounce houses for the kids. A rain shower gave proof that Scout Hall is still a great port in a storm when the Jr. Dixieland Band had to go inside, followed by all our guest, to wait out the rain and listen to them play. The band loved the acoustics in that great old building!



Miki Vaughan
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