

ratification of the Code, Davie residents envisioned a resolution of scandal tainted activities and an improvement in the quality of life as the reforms enumerated in the Code clarified lines of authority, focused responsibility and outlined policies for the day to day management of public affairs.

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS UPDATE

A survey of the programs of the respective historical societies throughout Broward County reveals numerous activities and a resurgence in membership partially stimulated by the Bicentennial. The following is a list of many of these projects.

Black Historical Society of Broward County (Mary Smith, President)

Guidelines are being devised to aid members in collecting, preserving and displaying the contributions of black citizens to the growth and development of Broward County.

Broward County Archaeological Society, Inc. (Michael Dallett, President)

This active society is excavating several prehistoric sites. Wilma Williams was installed as President of the Florida Anthropological Society when the Broward County Chapter hosted the Florida Anthropological Society's annual meeting in March, 1976.

Broward Genealogical Society (Audrey Sullivan, President)

This organization is involved with projects to assist members in lineage research and in tracing the background of the families that constitute Broward County. Workshops and a variety of programs have been held throughout the year.

Coral Springs Historical Society (James Miller, President)

The Coral Springs Historical Society was organized in May, 1976. Members are making plans for exhibits in the old police station which also housed the first city hall. This building is scheduled to be moved and used as a museum for the city. With the cooperation of Coral Ridge properties, a slide history and oral history are being prepared. A newspaper is published each month indicating historical information.

Dania Historical Society

At the present time, the Dania Historical Society is in the process of reorganization.

Davie Historical Society (Kenneth King, President)

An oral history continues to be collected and plans are currently underway to preserve the Murray and Frances Miller Joiner house.

Deerfield Beach Historical Society (Julie Brugnoli, President)

A Kester cottage has been restored as a pioneer house and is now open to the public. Several articles of furniture which once belonged to George Butler, the first mayor of Deerfield, are displayed in the cottage. Fourteen houses in Deerfield have been listed on the

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person who has the need and desire to apply inexpensive protective methods, using items easily obtained from local sources. Everyone has something of personal or sentimental value that warrants simple and inexpensive protection.

Many people have collections of a truly historic nature which justify the use of more expensive, professional techniques. A temporary simple method of preservation can be used promptly if care is taken to avoid the use of products which will ultimately cause damage. However, it is suggested that the owner of valuable historic materials inquire about the protective measures used by various nearby historical organizations. A "best" place can then be chosen — either as an immediate home or ultimate location — for historical records of long range value to a community.

Few historical institutions, in this locale or elsewhere, have sufficient funds to provide immediate, expensive professional treatment for all old and aging items, either for those on hand or for all new acquisitions. Before precious dollars are spent, each item must be evaluated for relevance, value, duplication and the contribution it makes.

The American Association for State and Local History publishes technical bulletins, comprehensive in scope. They are easily read, understood and applied by the layman. The methods advocated are accepted by most professionals as "The Bible." The publications are prepared with a view toward helping local organizations protect, and not damage, a wide range of historical materials, with minimum cash outlay. The complete set of these technical bulletins may be read and studied at the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society. Possibly, they are available for review at our local points.

Protection of historical, original source materials requires a delicate blend of products from this age of progress and enlightenment and of other products which are tested by time. The use of many current conveniences or "necessities" on original history sources must be eliminated if their integrity is to be preserved for use by tomorrow's historians.

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state historical society survey. Members are working on plans to restore the first schoolhouse built in the 1920s as a town hall and museum and are accumulating photographs from the early 1900s to the present in order to illustrate the oral history.

Fort Lauderdale Historical Society (Russell M. Gardner, President)

A \$5,000 grant has been given to the society by the state so that items of interest in the society's collections can be catalogued. A generous gift by an anonymous donor has enabled the society to purchase a copy of the movie, "The Idol Dancer," filmed entirely in Fort Lauderdale about 55 years ago.

Hallandale Historical Society (Betty Jo Moffit Cunningham, President)

A new history of Hallandale has just been formulated and has recently been published in a hard back edition. This book features old photographs and interviews with pioneers and relates the developmental history of Hallandale. This group is also refurbishing a 1910 schoolhouse.

Hollywood Historical Society (Kenneth Spry, President)

Members of the Hollywood Historical Society are collecting artifacts and photographs and working in conjunction with the Hollywood bicentennial task force on the Hollywood oral history project. A series of rotating exhibits are being prepared for display in the Hollywood historical room at the Art and Culture Center, 1301 South Ocean Drive, Hollywood.

Oakland Park Historical Society (Edward Bailey, President)

A \$10,000 grant has been appropriated by the City of Oakland Park to members of the Oakland Park Historical Society for restoration of Mayor Dewey Hawkins' house as a museum.

Plantation Historical Society (Dorothy O'Hare, President)

Oral history and collection of artifacts are two projects which have recently been initiated. The society was responsible for the installation of the cornerstone in the Plantation city hall on Independence Day, 1976. A booklet on local history has been compiled for third graders. Members are currently formulating plans for moving and restoring the old Peters home.

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Yesterday's Palm Beach, by Stuart B. Mc Iver, E.A. Seemann Publishing Inc., Miami, \$9.95.

This is one of those delightful books that combines historical accuracy with readability, the type of history book of which we need more.

As in the other entrants in Seemann's Historic Cities Series, the story is told mostly by picture. While I'm not sure whether a picture really is worth 10,000 words it, nevertheless, is a lot more interesting.

It should be added, as is noted on the title page of the volume but not on the cover, that the book is not restricted to the Town of Palm Beach but covers most of Palm Beach County as well. There are photos of the early Boca Raton Hotel and Club, the grand arch of Kelsey City (now Lake Park), and Belle Glade's packing house district in 1930.

"Yesterday's Palm Beach" is not a definitive account of that area's history. It makes no pretense to be. Rather, it is an entertaining, well-edited account in words and pictures suitable for either the newcomer wishing a glimpse into the past or the oldtimer seeking to refresh some memories.

—Bill McGoun

Look for in future issues of the *Legacy*.

Harassed, hounded, haunted Dr. Hughes. Broward's first resident doctor finds wilderness life no bed of roses.

Indian shoot out. Wily Sam Jones faces General Thomas S. Jesup in showdown in Broward.

Beacon of hope and safety. Revisit to Broward's Hillsboro Lighthouse.

Gambling and gamblers in rip-roaring Broward. The pros and cons of this controversial pastime.

Done in by reefs and gales. Part II continues the saga of life and adventure on Broward's beaches.

Book Reviews.

Pompano Beach Historical Society (Thomas W. Johnston, President)

Ongoing projects include the organization of a museum made possible by the gift of two cottages by the Kester family and the use of a rustic park site donated to the City of Pompano Beach by the Currie family. Society members are currently planning the second annual antique show and sale to be held November 26 through November 28 at the Pompano Beach Recreation Center, 1801 Northeast Sixth Street.

Wilton Manors Historical Society (Dianne Thompson, President)

The oral history of Wilton Manors is being accumulated and an attempt is being made to secure the original city hall for the historical society.

The University School of Nova University Junior Historical Society (Dr. Leonard A. Tomasello, Advisor)

The very first junior historical society in the State of Florida has been organized at the University School of Nova University. The youngsters' initial project has been the publication of a coloring book, HISTORIC BROWARD COUNTY, 1915.

Historic Preservation Board of the City of Fort Lauderdale: in line with a currently ongoing survey (a federally funded project) of the historic area (H-I) of The City of Fort Lauderdale, researchers are requesting persons having knowledge of the area as it was and is, having photographs of structures or historic happenings (for temporary loan, for preservation, or for annotation), or having family memorabilia relating to the historic area, to please contact Mrs. George Bolge, 563-8597 or Mr. Herb Sickle, planning and building department, 761-2121.

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