

# Flagler Beach Historical Museum

207 South Central Ave., P. O. Box 2136  
Flagler Beach, Fl. 32136

Hours:  
Tues.-Fri. 10am-4pm,  
Sat. 12pm-3pm

(386) 517-2025

www.flaglerbeachmuseum.com

Volume 7

Spring 2007

Edition 1

## What's New at the Museum...

**Ginn Clubs and Resorts** invited us to share in the exploration of an Indian midden one mile west of the Museum. After Ginn's **Jason Shepler** contacted us about donating materials, our Board members and a videographer took a fascinating field trip to the local site. See story on page 6. (Photo left: Professionals from Environmental Services, Inc. sift dirt from shells they used to determine age of midden site.) Stop by the Museum soon to see our new display. Many thanks to our friends at Ginn Clubs and Resorts and ESI.



ESI pros Greg Hendryx (L.) and Ryan Sipe (R.) sift dirt from shells used to determine age of midden site.

## Coming Attractions!

### Village Shoppes Raise Museum Funds at April 6th "First Friday!"

In September, the Museum joined with the Backstreet Merchants, a group of shops that combined efforts to provide after work fun on the First Friday of every month. With musical entertainment and shopping in the brightly decorated stores, customers also were able to contribute to good causes, as a portion of purchase proceeds have been donated to a different "not-for-profit" each month. The events also feature a "Parents Night Out" movie for the kids at the Wickline Center. Make a date to come downtown on April 6th and participate in the fun as a percentage of your purchases will benefit our own Flagler Beach Historical Museum!

Stop in to say "hi" to us, then enjoy shopping at the following merchants: Pegasus Books, Island Paradise Gifts, Beach Bazaar, Silver Belles, and the new Vibrations Art Gallery! For info on future "First Friday" events, call Mary Anne Bourrasa at Island Paradise 439-9949.

### Art in the Park - March 30

Join the City of Flagler Beach, the Museum, and the downtown merchants as they present an evening of entertainment with "Art in the Park!" Visit Veterans Park in Flagler Beach between 4pm and 7pm and drop off the kids at City Hall as "Parents Night Out" presents the movie "Flushed" from 5:30pm to 7pm. Call Tom Gillin 517-2031 or Caryn Miller 517-2040 for more information. Hope to see you there!

## A Great 2006! -- A Better 2007!

Spring symbolizes fresh starts, but what fun is planning ahead without reflection on the year past? A quick look at some of the successes of 2006:

**Visitor Totals:** Our expanded hours were a great success. Now open Tuesday - Friday from 10a.m. to 4p.m. and Saturdays noon until 3p.m., well over 3000 guests came through our doors - up 500 from 2005 totals. Visitors were split almost down the middle with half local and the other half from outside Flagler County.

**Volunteer Totals:** Coordinator **Shirley Putnam's** docents and assistant **Angie Black** did a great job covering the expanded hours. 52 amazing volunteers contributed 4601 hours, an amount that the State of Florida values at over \$83,000.

**Membership & Gala Results:** Thanks to a summer membership drive by the Board of Directors, Museum support swelled with 80 new members worth \$4200. The 2006 Gala-A-Go-Go was the most successful annual event yet increasing funds raised by 47% over 2005. Grant dollars from the Tourist Development Council also helped to keep our doors open.

**Projects:** One highlight of 2006 was the collection of interviews with over 18 long-time Flagler County residents. For more details of our other successful projects, check page 3 for a list of our ongoing efforts.

As Museum Director, I want to thank our members, our docents, our gala's volunteers, auction sponsors and attendees, the Museum Board of Directors, as well as the other Flagler County organizations who partner with us in ways both big and small on any given day. You have made our 2006 goals a joy to accomplish. 2007 - here we come!

~Teri Pruden, Museum Director

# WE TREASURE OUR VOLUNTEERS

I LOVE HISTORY! That is why you can find me volunteering at the Flagler Beach Historical Museum. I have worked at the museum for the past four years recording and posting membership dues and museum sales and preparing the weekly bank deposits. I also compile reports and work on other miscellaneous projects assigned to me by **Teri Pruden**, Museum Director. These duties are shared with **Tom McKinney**, who takes over when I return north to Pennsylvania during the summer months.

My wife, **Barbara**, and I have wintered in Flagler Beach for four years, splitting our time between here and our home in the Pocono Mountains in Pennsylvania. Our son, **Brian**, and his family live outside Philadelphia.

Barbara and I discovered Flagler Beach when her brother, **James May**, moved here over 20 years ago. He built a house and opened a business in town. A few years later his life took another path and he entered the seminary to become a Catholic priest. My wife and I jumped at the opportunity to purchase his house and we have grown to love the town and its people.

In addition to working at the museum, I volunteer one day a week at my brother-in-law's church, St. John the Baptist in Crescent City. I help him, now Father Jim, in the office with counting, posting and other computer projects. I also volunteer with the Florida Hospital Auxiliary as a substitute golf cart driver in the transportation department.

During the summer I work part-time at the Pocono International Raceway where I take people on track tours in the official pace car and sell merchandise in the Pocono Fanstore. During the two NASCAR races, I work in the Media



David Eichenberg

## 5th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

The Museum Board would like to thank the Flagler Beach City Commission and the City of Flagler Beach for co-sponsoring the 5th Annual Appreciation Day Luncheon. The event honors and thanks the very dedicated volunteers who ensure that the Museum doors are open to members and visitors all year long.

Center. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet fans from all over the world.

Before I retired in 2003, I worked for Florida's Department of Revenue as a state tax compliance auditor conducting audits of many Fortune 500 corporations headquartered in the Philadelphia area. As a sports nut, I must admit that some of the most interesting audits were of various professional sports teams operating in Florida.

My hobbies include working on my classic 1967 Pontiac Firebird Convertible, reading, traveling, genealogy, collecting antiques, and, of course, sports. Some of my favorite collectibles are old German beer steins, license plates, WWII weapons and old metal toy cars.

Throughout my career and my retirement, I have met many extraordinary people. Two of these people are Museum Board President **Catherine Wilson** and Board Member **Charlie Helm**, who never cease to amaze me with their knowledge and dedication to the Museum and the people of Flagler Beach. They are another reason why you will find me volunteering at the Flagler Beach Historical Museum. ~David Eichenberg

### JOIN THE FUN - YOU CAN HELP!

Begin volunteering this summer or fall as a Museum docent. From as few as 3 hours a month to a few days a week, the time you offer is greatly appreciated. For more information, contact Teri Pruden at (386) 439-6262.

#### 2007 OFFICERS

- President:** Catherine Wilson
- 1st Vice President:** Robert R. Creal
- 2nd Vice President:** Shirley Putnam
- Secretary:** G. Matthew Wilson
- Treasurer:** Cheri P. Reeves



- City Liaison:** Jane Mealy
- Museum Director:** Teri Pruden

#### 2007 DIRECTORS

- |                |                  |
|----------------|------------------|
| Phyllis Carmel | Mary Ann Ruzecki |
| Don Deal       | Tom Sheehan      |
| Kathy Feind    | Mary Stetler     |
| Charles Helm   | Lea Stokes       |
| Rosmarie Price |                  |

The Museum Board meets at 2PM on second Tuesdays each month at the Mosby Fire Hall. Please feel free to join us. Upcoming dates are April 10, May 8, June 12, and July 10. For more information, call 517-2025 or 439-6262.

~~~~~ **NOW & THEN!** ~~~~~

The first issue of the Museum Newsletter was photocopied and distributed in March 2001. At right is a column from the front of the two page first edition.

Sometimes it doesn't take a lot of years to see major change. Today, besides the newsletter that you are holding and reading, you also have access to history news on-line! To check out recent Museum newsletters, go to :

**flaglerbeachmuseum.com**

**Flagler County History Coalition**

The Flagler Beach Historical Museum is a proud and active partner of the Flagler County History Coalition. The group's third on-line newsletter is now available. "History Happenings" is one-stop shopping for news and notes from all of the county's historic preservation organizations. Go to <http://www.flaglerlibrary.org/history/coalition/happenings.htm>

March, 2001

**WELCOME ALL CHARTER MEMBERS!**

\*\*\*\*\*

This is our first News Letter since opening our membership rolls. We want to welcome each and every one of you to our new organization. The response has been terrific. The interest shown in this historical project has been very gratifying and we have members from all over Flagler County. As of this writing we have over forty members and still counting.

We are open every Friday from 10AM to 2PM in our temporary quarters in the commissioner's room at City Hall. The City will be advertising for bids to renovate the three fire bays at city hall for our permanent location hopefully in about two weeks. We are anticipating completion of the project by Labor Day of this year. The number of visitors each week is growing as the news gets out. Our membership rolls will be open for charter membership until the end of 2001 and we plan to hang a plaque in the Museum listing all individual charter members with a separate plaque for businesses. Your membership card is enclosed and the business Certificates will be sent shortly.

If your are aware of anyone who is interested in sharing their family pictures and any artifacts they might have, please contact Catherine Wilson @ 439-2175 or any other officer or board member. We have the capability to scan photos if the original items are only on loan. A computer has been donated complete with printer and desk. We plan to change the displays on a quarterly basis and welcome any suggestions regarding areas of interest. Displays can feature areas from anywhere in the county or possibly a topic of high interest for which we have quality information. ###

**2006 Successes / 2007 Goals!**

Community pride, history, and education go hand-in-hand at the Flagler Beach Historical Museum. Now celebrating our 7th year, the Museum is visited by over two hundred fifty visitors each month. Your membership will help us grow and continue with many exciting projects including:

- \* Expanded Hours of Operation / Quarterly Newsletter
- \* Popular Student Field Trips - Junior Historian Program
- \* Update of Flagler County History Textbook for 4th graders
- \* Oral History Program Training - High School Students
- \* Oral History Program Archive - Videotaping Flagler County Elders
- \* Partnership Program (Other Civic and Historic Organizations)
- \* Family Movie Nights at Wickline & Special Events: Gala Fund-raiser, Annual Birthday Festivities, Holiday at the Beach, Fourth of July Celebration, and more...
- \* Downtown Historic District Identification & Walking Tour
- \* Building On-Line History Research Center

## **MEET YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS!**

**Have you met Sadie Perry?** If you've been in Flagler Beach for very long, you probably have. If not, it is time you meet one of our town's iconic figures.

Sadie, with her beloved husband **William Lamar (Lee) Perry**, began coming here in the 1960s. They would spend the month of April fishing and visiting with Sadie's sister and brother-in-law, **Mary and Robert Pressley**, who lived in what is now the Down-By-The-Sea Gift Shoppe.

The couple, who had moved around a lot with Lee's work, grew attached to small town life. They were both pilots and loved fishing, so the proximity of the airport and the draw of the city pier were too much to resist. In 1979, Sadie and Lee decided to move here permanently. Sadly, Lee passed away about a year later, but by then Flagler Beach was home to Sadie and she has been part of the fabric of the town ever since.

Sadie is 88 years old (she said it was OK to tell!) and plans to live to at least 110. She works every day, taking care of her rental properties, her flowers, and her gar-

den. She visits the pier often, where both Sadie and Lee have their names inscribed on planks. She volunteers on Fridays at the Farmers' Market where Sadie provides change and other assistance.

She spends a lot of time with her church family at the First Baptist Church in Flagler Beach. Look for her in photos of the Seaside Sisters, Flagler Beach's own Red Hat Society group. Sadie gets around.

One day, a while back, Sadie stopped by the Flagler Beach Historical Museum and picked up one of the newsletters. Her longtime friend, **Catherine Wilson** (FBHM President), told Sadie it was time she became a member. So, that's just what she did. Now she is sorting through her old photos for the Museum's pictorial history and she will soon be interviewed for the Museum's Oral History Program.

What keeps Sadie going? In addition to her love of Flagler Beach, its history and its people, there's her motto:



*Sadie Perry at the Museum (Photograph by Rolayne Wood.)*

"If the wind don't blow, row!" She plans to keep rowing for a long time right here in Flagler Beach and we believe it!  
~ **Rolayne Wood**

**Let us feature you in "Meet Your Fellow Members!" Just tell us how you found out about the Museum and why you joined. Call 439-6262 or e-mail: [teri@visitmemorylane.com](mailto:teri@visitmemorylane.com)**

## **Special Thanks To This Year's Premiere (\$50 plus) Members...**

### **Gold (\$300 - \$500)**

=====  
City of Flagler Beach  
Clemons Publishing, Inc.  
Coquina Real Estate  
& Construction  
Gerald Upson Family

### **Silver (\$200)**

=====  
Dale J. Abbott  
Congressman John Mica  
Shannon & Daniel Webster

Beachside Heat 'N Air  
Bova Construction  
Cypress Coquina Bank  
- Flagler Beach  
Flagler Beach Main Street  
Helm Financial Services  
Lighthouse Development  
Group  
S.E. Cline Construction  
Tee Times, USA  
Your Name Here! ©

### **Bronze (\$100.)**

=====  
Dr. Dennis & Laurie Alter  
Michael & Susan Boylan  
Phyllis Carmel  
Richard & Regina Clemons  
Tom & Kim Cooke  
Honorable James A. Darby  
Carol Elliott  
John & Catherine Feind  
Michael & Casey Kelley  
Steve & Holly Luther  
Shirley Putnam  
Hal & Virginia Rice  
Catherine Wilson  
Rotary of Flagler Beach  
Flagler Beach Chamber  
Chiumento & Associates, PA  
Darell Cone Dozer Service  
Daytona Beach News-Journal  
Lesla Douglas Interiors  
Favoretta Lawn & Garden, Inc.  
Flagler Beach Pharmacy  
Selby Group  
Strickland Sod Farm

### **Patron (\$50)**

=====  
Dan Bayerl & Teri Pruden  
Hallie Bradley  
Mikki J. Brown  
Suzanne Davis  
Don & Terri Deal  
Donald DeLisi  
Thomas Delisi  
Judi & Rich Demulling  
Jay and Lisa Gardiner  
Kim Hammond  
Ray & Linda Hunt  
Robert & Jean Hunter  
Barb Kelly  
Charlotte Keyt  
Jim Lenhard  
Mike Moretz  
Jackie Mulligan  
Richard & Rosmarie Price  
Mary Ann Ruzzecki  
Annemarie B. Schutz  
Greg & Kim Shugg  
Jeanne Sloan  
Robert G. Tate

Bill & Shawn Veach  
Sonia Wadsworth  
Doug Wiles  
G. Matthew Wilson  
Coastal Properties  
Cooksey & Associates  
Cypress Coquina Bank  
- Palm Coast  
Timothy J. Conner, P.A.  
Flagler County Chamber  
Flagler Woman's Club  
Golden Lion Cafe  
Howell Homes  
Intellaeon Corporation  
JDL Associates  
Local Color Computer  
Consulting  
Marina Bay Condominium  
Memory Lane  
OceanShore Graphics  
Preferred Management  
Services  
Re/Max Oceanside  
Your Name Here! ☺

**Upgrade your membership and be listed with these Premiere members in every issue!**

**Members are the foundation of the Flagler Beach Historical Museum. Please continue your support by renewing your annual dues and by spreading the word. Give a friend this newsletter and the application coupon below. When you show someone the benefits of membership and they join the Museum, we'd like to thank you both. Stop by and receive a gift of appreciation for your support.**

**Thank You December to February's New\* & Renewing Members!**

**Individual (\$12)**  
 Suzanne Bourne  
 Mary Ann Clark  
 Patricia L. Davis  
 Barbara M. Facius  
 Pauline Hayworth  
 Ginger Helm  
 Deborah C. Hill  
 Joan Hodge Iseminger  
 Maxine Kronick  
 Kevin J. Lally  
 Sadie J. Perry\*  
 Lorraine Ruhl  
 Toni Rugg  
 Connie Staniec  
 Beverly L. Zemlock

**Small Business (\$24)**  
 Flagler Realty  
 Joseph Pozzuoli Architect  
 Nature Scapes

**Family (\$20)**  
 Bernice & Ed Cilek  
 Michael & Gail Duggins  
 Joyce & Hal Edson  
 Allan & Margaret Ferver, Jr.  
 Joseph & Jo Ann Gardner  
 Joseph Kovalyak  
 Larry & Jeanne Long  
 Bill & Beverly A. Morris  
 Mary & David Norris  
 Grant & Alita Peddle  
 Kathy & Dennis Rossi  
 Harvey & Ella Shriver  
 Colman Sili

**Patron (\$50)**  
 Hallie Bradley  
 Donald DeLisi\*  
 Thomas DeLisi\*  
 Ray & Linda Hunt\*  
 Barb Kelly  
 Rosmarie & Richard Price  
 Mary Ann Ruzzecki  
 Annemarie G. Schutz  
 Sonia Wadsworth\*  
 G. Matthew Wilson  
 Flagler Woman's Club  
 JDL Associates  
 Local Color Computer  
 Consulting  
 Memory Lane  
 Your Name Here! ☺

**Bronze (\$100)**  
 Honorable James A. Darby  
 Shirley Putnam  
 Catherine P. Wilson  
 The Daytona Beach  
 News-Journal  
 Rotary of Flagler Beach  
 The Selby Group  
 Your Name Here! ☺

**Silver (\$200)**  
 Congressman John L. Mica\*  
 Shannon & Daniel Webster

**Gold (\$300 - \$500)**  
 City of Flagler Beach\*

**New!!**

*\*A very special Welcome to our Newest Museum Members!*

**The Museum is now offering Premiere members links from our Website to yours! Call Teri Pruden at 439-6262 for more information.**

**LEVELS OF MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP**

- = Individual \$12.00
- = Family \$20
- = Small Business \$24.00

**LEVELS OF PREMIERE MEMBERSHIP**

- = Patron \$50.00
- = Bronze Member \$100.00
- = Silver Member \$200.00
- = Gold Member \$500.00

**BENEFITS OF MUSEUM MEMBERSHIP**

- = Free quarterly newsletter
- = Recognition in newsletter
- = Discounts on museum merchandise and special events
- = Advance notice of new displays and upcoming events
- = Free gifts for bringing in new members

**ADDITIONAL BENEFITS FOR PREMIERE MEMBERS**

- = Recognition in **every** newsletter and on Museum website
- = Private and exclusive viewing hours available

**Member Application / Renewal Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Can you volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to **Flagler Beach Historical Museum**. Mail to: **P.O. Box 2136, Flagler Beach FL. 32136**

# The History Corner: *Exploring Indian Midden Sites*

The coastline of Flagler County contains Native American cultural deposits that shine a light on the area's rich cultural history. One such archaeological site is located about one mile due west of the Museum. Referred to as "The North



*ESI pro Greg Hendryx stands in the excavation area at the midden site.*

Midden Site," it was intensively occupied between ~ 6,000 and 4,000 years ago. Archaeological investigations at the site were performed by **Environmental Services, Inc.(ESI)** and sponsored by the **Ginn Clubs and Resorts Development Group.**

## Site Overview

The North Midden Site was occupied throughout much of prehistory, but was most intensively settled during the Middle to Late Archaic periods from about 6,000 to 4,000 years ago when Native Americans started manufacturing pottery in this region, and many of the artifacts recovered from the upper portion of The North Midden Site contained pottery of this early time period. However, it was also noted that below the pottery-bearing zone, there were dense deposits of shell and animal bone, yet pottery was conspicuously absent, indicating that there was an earlier component at the site. To document the time when the site was most intensively occupied, three samples were submitted for radiocarbon dating.

== A well-defined cooking pit that contained animal bone and shell was dated to 6,070 years ago.

== Another large pit feature revealed a date of 4,860 years ago.

== The most recent radiocarbon date from the site was 3,970 years ago. This date came from a pit feature that contained shell, animal bone, and some of the earliest pottery documented in the United States.

## The Pottery

The earliest pottery in the United States was tempered with vegetal fibers (perhaps Spanish moss or palmetto fibers) to help the construct of the vessel. More specifically, fiber-tempered pottery is common for the time period around 4,000 years ago. This time period is assigned to the Orange Period of the Late Archaic cultural stage. The earlier deposits at the site date to the Middle Archaic cultural stage and are assigned to a period referred to as Mount Taylor, which dates before the inception of pottery in the United States. Late Archaic Orange

Period fiber-tempered pottery often exhibits a plain surface. However, in many instances, incisions and punctuations were added to the exterior surface as a mode of decoration, examples of which are included within this display.

## Bone Remains

The North Midden Site contains dense deposits of discarded animal bone. Uniquely, the discarded shell at the site serves to neutralize the acidic soils of the region, which helps to preserve remains that would otherwise decompose. There were many bone fragments found at The North Midden Site that represent what the Native Americans were eating; these included: turtle/tortoise; white-tail deer; various fish species; shark/ray; snake, dolphin, and even whale. However, not all of the bones represent discarded meal remains. In some instances, bone was meticulously fashioned to function as tools or even ornamental objects. One of the bone items in this display exhibits ornate workmanship along one of its edges.

## Shell Remains

Discarded shell was commonly encountered at the site. Shell species included; oyster; clam; coquina; scallop; whelk; and snail. Not only does the shell inform archaeologists of what the Native Americans were eating, but it can help document such information as determining what time of the year a site was occupied or even help reconstruct the former landscape. For instance, coquina shell collected from a portion of

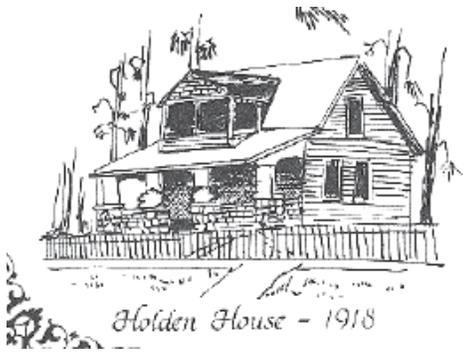


*Close-up of sifting process at the midden site.*

the largest pit feature at the site was measured and compared to modern collections, and as a result it was learned that these shells were likely during the Autumn season. Additionally, the high incidence of coquina shell associated with the Late Archaic component at the site (roughly 4,000 years ago) provides a good indication that this was the most available shell type. Because this shell type is found along the coast and not the rivers of the Intracoastal Waterway, this is an indicator that the temperatures were likely warmer at this time, which would result in higher sea levels (because the polar ice caps would have largely melted), and as such, the barrier island (within which the Flagler Museum resides) would have been submerged under open waters, consequently placing the Atlantic Ocean shoreline on the west side of the Intracoastal Waterway.

**Continued opposite page.**

# Your Museum's Partner in Preserving History:



## Flagler County Historical Society Presents: Picnic With the Pioneers at St. Johns Park

The **Flagler County Historical Society** (FCHS) is a fantastic organization dedicated to preserving our area's history. They also work diligently to share that history with quarterly oral presentations. In January, **Bill Ryan** led an interesting Power Point aided talk about his research and upcoming book about Old King's Road.

Another treat is right around the corner: On April 21st, a picnic at St. Johns Park will include the reminiscences of some of the area's pioneers. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. For more information call (386) 439-6262.

### Our Thanks to Other Partners in Preserving History:

Adult & Community Education  
Cinematique of Daytona  
City of Flagler Beach  
Daughters of the American Revolution

Flagler Beach Chamber  
Flagler Beach Rotary  
Flagler Beach Woman's Club  
Flagler County Historical Society

Flagler County Public Library  
Flagler County Schools  
Florida Agricultural Museum  
Halifax Historical Museum

### Share Your Stories & Photos!

If you have a tale or two about Flagler County in days past, we want to put you in the movies... or at least in print! If you or your family members have photos from the early days of Flagler County, we would like to scan them. Help us record local history with photos, your stories in the newsletter, or by allowing us to videotape you or an elder family member. For more info, contact Teri at 439-6262 or e-mail [teri@visitmemorylane.com](mailto:teri@visitmemorylane.com)

### County History Book Update

Work on a book about the history of Flagler County is currently underway. In the past few months, **Fannie Buckles Barker, Howard Hunter, Ruby Jarosz and Norma Turner**, among others, have all sat for interviews and shared stories about the early days of Flagler County. Howard alone, provided 21 pages of transcribed tales of life as it was lived in Flagler County when he was a boy.



*Hammockians Aaron, little Grace, and Michele Abel.*

In March, **Aaron, Michele, and daughter Grace Abel** (in photo) met with us to share photographs of the Hammock area in the 1950s. Little Grace represents a 4th generation of the family to live in and enjoy Flagler County.

A week later, **Cindy Miller** dropped off three boxes of negatives. This treasure trove arrived so recently that we haven't had a chance to take a look at them yet.

We have access to a scanner which means that no one has to worry about losing precious photographs.

As a courtesy and a way to say thank you for sharing, we can also make the photographs scanned available on a disc for you so that they can be preserved forever and/or shared with other family members.

If you have photos or stories from the early days of Flagler County, please help with this fabulous project. Call **Teri Pruden** at 439-6262 or email [teri@visitmemorylane.com](mailto:teri@visitmemorylane.com)

### The History Corner (continued)

#### Stone Tools

Similar to pottery, the recovery of stone tools provides an exceptional means for estimating the age of a site. Specifically projectile points (often referred to as arrowheads) change in style through time. Some of the projectile points from The North Midden Sites are included with this display. The bulk of the projectile points are made of agatized coral, and close inspection of its surface reveals small starburst-shaped fossils. One of the other stone tools displayed here is a hammerstone that would have been used during the making of stone tools, as well as other activities that required battering.

*Many thanks for the information above provided as a courtesy of Ginn Clubs & Resorts and compiled by Environmental Services, Inc. (ESI). Greg S. Hendryx, ESI, 7220 Financial Way - Suite 102, Jacksonville, FL 32256*

\*\*\*\*\*

**Do you have a question or subject for  
The History Corner?**

**Call 517-2025 or e-mail:  
[teri@visitmemorylane.com](mailto:teri@visitmemorylane.com)**

\*\*\*\*\*

# Your Museum's Partner in Preserving History:

## Florida Agricultural Museum Presents: "A Walk Back in Time."

Another great partner in preserving and sharing history is the **Florida Agricultural Museum**. This March 24 and 25, we are invited to take a "Walk Back in Time Down Old Kings Road."

The event will take place on the museum property from 9a.m. to 4p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The time line will include "visits" with Timucuan Indians, Seminole Indians, folks

from the Spanish and British Periods, the naturalist William Bartram, the Civil War, as well as Florida Cow Hunters.

There will also be exhibits on turpentine production and moonshine making. Historic re-enactors, story tellers, demonstrators, vendors, and musicians will all be contributing to this enjoyable educational experience. For more information, call Reese Moore at (386) 446-7630

## Florida Wooden Piers Through the Years...

When **Ed Murphy** called us to volunteer his services, we were in the midst of researching where our Flagler Beach Pier fits into the history of Florida's oldest wooden structures. As you will read below, our Flagler Pier keeps some very rarified company.



that today's Main Street Pier was built by the Works Progress Administration in 1938. This unique oceanfront area includes the amphitheater composed entirely of coquina rock quarried from the Atlantic Ocean in neighboring Flagler County.

### GULFPORT - 1907 / 2001 -

Gulfport's fishing pier is at 54th Street South and Shore Boulevard. Originated in 1907, a series of Piers culminate in the most recent built in 2001.

### ANNA MARIA CITY PIER - 1910 / 1911 / 1921 / 1947.

Since Halley's Comet was beaming in the heavens, this City Pier in Manatee County has known how to endure, having withstood tropical cyclones in 1918, 1935, 1974, 1988 and 2001. The old pier, 636 feet of pine and barnacles, surrendered lumber to four hurricanes in 2004, yet still stands in Tampa Bay defiantly today.

### FLAGLER BEACH - 1928...

The Bruner Pier built in 1926 was replaced by the city's wooden Flagler Beach Pier which, with the help of subsequent re-

pairs over the years, still stands today. (See Winter 2006 newsletter for the history of the Flagler Beach Pier. It can be found on-line at [www.flaglerbeachmuseum.com](http://www.flaglerbeachmuseum.com))

**NAPLES - 1888.** Open 24 hours, the Old Naples' landmark 1,000-foot pier remains Florida's longest no-fee pier, attracting anglers, strollers, and sunset watchers, along with pelicans and dolphins. Built in 1888 as a freight and passenger dock, the Naples Pier stands as a community landmark. Narrow gauge train rails spanning the length of the pier transported freight and baggage in the early 1900's. Part of the structure as well as the post office located on the pier was razed by fire in 1922. Rebuilt after damage by hurricanes in 1910, 1926 and 1960, it remains a public symbol of the area's history.

**ST. PETERSBURG - 1899 / 1926 / 1988.** City founder **Peter Demens** hooked up the Orange Belt Railroad to a half-mile wharf, but it is the 1926 Million Dollar Pier, torn down in 1973 to house today's inverted pyramid structure, that long-time residents remember.

**DAYTONA BEACH - 1901 / 1938** - Original sources put the age of the Pier at over 100 years old, but others show

\*\*\*\*\*  
**Do you have an interesting history subject to share?**  
**Call 439-6262 or e-mail: [teri@visitmemorylane.com](mailto:teri@visitmemorylane.com)**  
 \*\*\*\*\*

The Flagler Beach Historical Museum Newsletter is published quarterly and mailed free to members. Address questions/comments to editor Teri Pruden at 439-6262 or [teri@visitmemorylane.com](mailto:teri@visitmemorylane.com)

**Writers/Researchers:**  
 Rob Creal, Ed Murphy, Teri Pruden, Rolayne Wood  
**Proofreader Extraordinaire:** Mary Ann Ruzecki  
**Photography:** Teri Pruden, Rolayne Wood  
**Publisher:** AGP Printers (386) 439-2250