

# LEMON BAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

October, 2017

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Tues., October 24 7 PM Historic Green St. Church Museum Membership Meeting, report of Nominating Comm. and program. See below.

Wed., November 8 10 AM Punta Gorda Airport 28000 Airport Rd., Dedication of Punta Gorda Army Airfield Historical Marker.

**Please note the following two date changes for the holidays.**

Tues., November **14** 7PM Historic Green St. Church Museum Membership Meeting, election of 3 Directors. Program to be announced.

Tues., December **12** 7 PM Historic Green St. Church Museum Membership Meeting. Program to be announced.

Our October program is "Secrets of the Cemetery." Just in time for Halloween, Charlie Bush, past President of LBHS and one-time custodian of the Historic Lemon Bay Cemetery will share some little-known information about this historic burial ground. He also promises to relate some interesting, if not completely believable, experiences he and others have reported regarding a few of our local "ghosts." Many early Englewood pioneers are laid to rest at this cemetery which was established on top of a rare sand ridge.

The Memorial Service for Diane Basch, a long-time LBHS member and officer will be held at Englewood Methodist Church on Tuesday, November 21 at 1 PM.

Charlie Hicks, President and Esther Horton, Vice President will be attending the meeting of the Historic Preservation Board on October 24 to learn if LBHS will receive a Certificate of Appropriateness. This Certificate will allow the Society to proceed with permitting and all the other steps necessary to move our historic building to a permanent location. We'll keep you posted. A big thank-you to all who have contributed funds to moving our building.

The OEVA Winter Fine Arts Festival will be held on Sat. and Sun., December 2nd and 3rd. In the past, they have graciously allowed us to have a free booth. We'll need people to man or woman the booth both days.

Cracker Fair is February 10, 2018. Please cancel any trips, cruises, etc. and be prepared to lend your talents to this event. We are trying to make it bigger and better and would appreciate any help. E-mail us at [info@lemonbayhistory.com](mailto:info@lemonbayhistory.com) or leave a message at Carol's phone, 941 474-7668.

The DeSoto County Historical Society is holding its 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Indoor Yard Sale on November 4<sup>th</sup> from 8 AM to 2 PM at the Fairgrounds, 124 Heard St., Arcadia. Carol Mahler has given several programs for the Society over the years and she is a member of this organization. Arcadia is a neat town, visit, eat lunch and maybe pick up some items you never thought you would need until you saw them. "Irma" was not their friend and any help would be appreciated.

A belated Happy Birthday to Ola Caruso who celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 15. She is the mother of Marila Sciarrello. Jim and Marila are LBHS members and volunteer for the early shift at Cracker Fair to show vendors to their booth spaces. Congratulations, Mrs. Caruso!

