



**HOLLY HILL HISTORIC
PRESERVATION
SOCIETY, INC.
Museum**

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HHH Newsletter

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Society Celebrates 75th Anniversary of City Hall's Dedication on Sept. 7, 1942



1942 City Hall nearing completion

Everyone is invited to our Open House at City Hall on the anniversary of the dedication this Sept. 7, from 1-4pm. Bring your friends, memories & photos of times you remember being there. We would like for you to be one of the hosts at this event! Call the Museum to let us know you will participate. Show your pride because this building is on the National Register of Historic Places. If you have any stories please provide them by email or in person to the Museum. See contact info to the left.

Happy Anniversary to the City of Holly Hill 7/1/1901

In June 1875, the area known as the Fitch grant was sold to William S. and Mary Fleming, residents of Delaware. After the Flemings completed the transaction for \$10,000 they constructed a simple wood frame dwelling on their newly acquired property which they named Holly Hill. One tradition contends that the Flemings appropriated the name Holly Hill from their ancestral home in Ireland, as the holly trees then growing along the ridge resembled it.

On July 1, 1901, residents voted at Cave's Cigar Factory to incorporate the Town of Holly Hill. Vet Cave, who owned the cigar factory north of Delaware (now 10th St.), on the river, was easily named the first Mayor. The new city council included I. M. Mabbett, A. H. Carter, W. A. McBride, Lotan Cave, and A. E. Mason. Citizens selected Charles S. Harris to enforce the laws, and W.H. Poston and G. Harris were elected city clerk and treasurer respectively. Charles Wetherell served six years as Postmaster and eventually City Marshal and City Clerk. He later remembered the city fathers had a problem protecting the Holly trees from being cut down and arrests for the offense became fairly numerous. In 1910 Holly Hill had a population of 207.

TOUR OF HOMES DATE ANNOUNCED

Our annual TOUR OF HOMES fundraiser is Saturday, November 18, 10am - 3pm. The price is still only \$15 per person. Tickets will be available Nov. 1 at the Museum. You will receive a Guidebook for the self-directed tour with your ticket.

Help get the word out now so no one misses out on this special cultural opportunity! Let all of your friends, neighbors, visitors—well, everyone know.

Upcoming Events



Society Board of Directors Meetings

July 11, August 8, September 12
3pm at Museum

Holly Hill Book Club

July 12, August 9, September 13
at Museum

City Hall Anniversary

September 7, from 1-4pm. City Hall

Tour of Homes

November 18, 2017
Tickets available at Museum

Thank you to our new Museum Lifetime Members!



If you want to leave a legacy, for only \$300 show your community support and have your name added to our Lifetime Member Honor Wall at the Museum.

COMING SOON

2018 CALENDAR

Featuring rare photos celebrating the 75th anniversary of our Historic City Hall.

That is why we want your stories relative to City Hall NOW.

There will be a lot of history included. You will want to keep this calendar.

Holly Hill Historic Preservation Society Mission

This Corporation shall establish, maintain and conduct programs to preserve and protect the historical, cultural and natural resources of the Holly Hill area and shall promote the development and use of these resources through a program of public education for the betterment and improvement of the community.



Museum Receives Donation of Table

The Museum has received the donation of a drop-leaf table and chairs made here in Holly Hill by the Bryant Furniture Company. Learn about this manufacturer by viewing its exhibit at the Museum. If you have any pieces made by this company please send us a picture.

Left: Board Member Dean Wiggins with the table and chair.



Authors Have Program at Museum in May



Authors Ron and Alice Howell presented the history of the Root family and their Coca-Cola bottle creation. Their story brought to life the local history of how the Root family built our country's largest independent Coke bottling company with its main office in Daytona Beach.

Volunteers created a special display for the event with 1935 Coke delivery photos discovered at a garage sale.

L: Rentha Flowers shows display

R: Mrs. Howell explains their many books and films on local history to a guest.



Museum Summer Hours Begin

The Holly Hill History Museum's summer hours began on June 1 and will end on Labor Day. This year we will open earlier at 11am for those who try to beat the summer heat.

The hours are :

**11am to 3pm Wednesday
thru Saturday**

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Left: Spend time at the museum like this fun group did. Something for all ages.



Holly Hill Museum Flowers

Thank you to Susan for the beautiful arrangement she created with flowers from her own garden. It really brightened up the Museum.



Longtime Bank Closes Branch

Holly Hill SunTrust Bank has closed as more clients do their banking online. As one of the original SunTrust Bank branches it has been a large presence on Ridgewood Avenue since 1972.

Right: Architectural rendering of the proposed bank in 1972.



Did You Know? The City approved the building of City Hall in 1936 and hired Daytona Beach architect Alan J. MacDonough to design the building. His plans for the coquina building were approved in November 1939 and WPA laborers completed the project at a cost of \$150,000 in 1942.