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# HHH Newsletter

Holly Hill History Museum

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## Society President Retiring

President Rentha Flowers announced to the Board of Directors that she will be moving out of the area and would no longer be able to fulfill her duties. Ms. Flowers has been instrumental in the continued growth of the Museum and will be missed. Luckily she will still remain a member and be able to continue to be available to help with research.



Ms. Flowers was presented with roses and a plaque at the Historic Society meeting.

Join us in celebrating Rentha Flowers many contributions! The Holly Hill City Council will be presenting her with a proclamation at the beginning of the council meeting at City Hall on April 13 at 6PM. Afterward join us at the Red Pig Brewery at 2nd Street Market to share memories.

THANK YOU RENTHA!!!



## New President and Vice President Appointed

Gil Adams was appointed President with Rentha Flowers resignation at the March Board Meeting. Maureen France will replace him as Vice President. They will fulfill the remaining terms.

We are now looking for an At-Large Director position to fill. Please contact museum if you are interested.





## Museum Hours



**Tuesday thru Saturday  
12 – 4 pm**

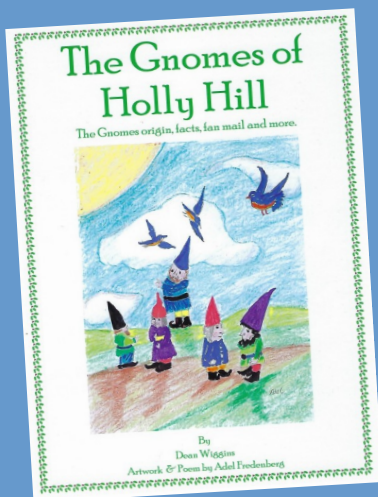
**Notice:**  
**Holly Hill History Museum**  
**may be closed during scheduled**  
**hours due to the Covid-19 alert**  
**affecting our volunteer**  
**availability.**

These events may limit parking  
at the Museum and force closure  
on Saturday.

**April 7-11, 2021**  
**Humana-Island Doctors**  
**Bainbridge Cup 2021**  
**Tournament at Pictona.**

**April 10 & 11, 2021**  
**Holly Hill Arts Festival at**  
**Sunrise Park**  
**Shuttle Service Available.**  
**10AM to 4PM**

The Gnome Tree is a popular attraction and now the 'little people' have their own book. The Gnomes of Holly Hill" tells their story with illustrations, poems and notes of visitors from around the world.



Copies are available at the Museum for \$10. If you want us to mail it to you it is \$12, which includes postage.

This colorful paperback is also available on Amazon.com for \$14.95

## 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 is Open for You to visit.

The Mainland Archive was recently updated by Nancy Szanto. The extensive collection is impressive. Let your Buc alumni know. Disc are available for only \$2.

Exhibits are being worked on and new items are donated every day.



Nancy (right) gives tutorial on use.



When this City Hall was being built in the early 1940s, Alex D. Littlefield was mayor. Leroy Lanier, of Holly Hill, was the lead stone mason for the coquina rocks, which were mined from a local quarry. According to a News Journal article printed after both men had passed away, Lanier's daughter, Virginia Lanier Wine, was credited with saying Littlefield and Lanier were big buddies, given to teasing and pranks. So Lanier carefully crafted a legacy for Littlefield by arranging the mortar in the above shown stones to portray Littlefield's initials!

ADL

Lanier was also the mason who built the six columns at the entrances to MacArthur Circle on US 1, in front of City Hall. A vehicle destroyed the southernmost column in 2019 but it has since been rebuilt.

Before working on City Hall, Littlefield and Lanier had worked together on the coquina Second Street Market in Holly Hill. Lanier also laid coquina stone for the bandshell in Daytona Beach, and very likely many of the other coquina projects.

Littlefield later became sheriff of Volusia County.

Virginia Lanier Wine became mayor of Holly Hill a couple of decades later.

Information provided by Rentha Flowers, President Holly Hill Historic Preservation Society, Inc.



The museum recently provided pictures and information to the author of a book being written on the FEC Railroad.

Museum programs will resume when it is safely allowed. Videos are available for viewing.

## Society Presents Marker to City

The Society presented a plaque documenting an almost lost bit of City Hall history. Did you know about the hidden initials of Mayor Alex D. Littlefield in the City Hall lobby? The marker now tells the story and shows the location in the coquina wall.

## What mysteries will you discover at the Holly Hill Museum?



Coming Soon!  
New  
Hall Gallery



Furnishings Sale Starts Friday

**Princess Issena Doors Close; Demolition Set**

The doors of the Princess Issena residents, White said he made a diamond, a Seabreeze Boulevard landmark. One to the Riviera Hotel in Holly Hill since 1968 closed forever this morning and made arrangements with the City.



What's this? Find out next time.

