

Barberville Pioneer Settlement's Quarterly Newsletter SPRING 2015

#### From the Director's Desk

"It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light, and winter in the shade." - **Great Expectations by Charles Dickens** 

Welcome spring! Much has transpired since our last newsletter in December. Our new Board Slate of Officers was voted on and approved at the annual membership meeting in January. The position of Secretary (and the pen) was passed from Jim Schrader to Diana Johnson. The Treasurer's position which was held by Dennis Thomas was filled by Joe Underhill. President John Case and Vice President Frank Paulhamus were elected to serve another two years in their present positions.

Our end-of-the-year fundraising appeal was put over the top, thanks to a \$10,000.00 donation from our good friend and lifetime member Mr. Lee Doughty! Because of Mr. Doughty's financial support we were able to purchase two slightly used golf carts. Combined with the negotiating skills of our Board President John Case we purchased two carts for the price of one.

That was just the beginning of a long list of items needing replacing or repairing—among them the cupola on the schoolhouse roof which was recently repaired by independent contractor Steven Jones with the help of staff member Jonathan Larsen. You may see them painting it in the near future. Not a job that many would want to tackle, that high up in the air!

Three computers with Windows 7 were donated in January by our friend Chris at Kenetic in DeLand. Chris also helped us out with the installation of upgraded Microsoft Office software. A much appreciated improvement in our office workflow.

Board member Jim Schrader has been heading up the renovations of the Bolin House which should be ready for occupancy very soon. Jim along with Settlement members, Paul Busch and Ken Jonas and friends, Gary Janiec and Terry Evans have made great strides in turning the 1960's block house into a rental home.

In addition to our Pioneer and Florida History programs, the *Rites of Spring* program is in full swing with hundreds of children visiting weekly for hands on crafts teaching about the symbols of the earth's reawakening like butterflies and bunnies, farming and planting seeds.

We've been very busy spring cleaning in preparation for a very full schedule of events.

We are the new host of the Golden Teacup Society's Ladies Encampment, on the second weekend of April. The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Frolic and our second largest fundraising event—featuring over 200 volunteer musicians this year—takes place on the last weekend of April. The Central School of Barberville Reunion is slated for May 16<sup>th</sup> and our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Celebration of Olde Florida is scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup>.

At the end of April, we say, "So long and thank you" to our beloved work campers Connie and Joe. Hopefully not for long though as they have promised that—barring any major life changes—they will return in the fall to help us with the 2015-2016 season. We also recently said a bittersweet goodbye to long-time volunteer Vicki McDonald as she moved to be closer to her family. If you know of anyone that can give some of their time we can certainly use help to fill these voids.

Our volunteers are essential to the success and future of the Settlement. Whether you are a board member, field trip assistant, demonstrator, musician, or helping at the gate or food services at an event—your dedication of talent, time and labor to the Settlement is exceptional and a much appreciated resource for our existence.

Wasn't Charles Dickens a master at the art of painting pictures with words? I wonder what words he would use to accurately express thankfulness? It really is a difficult emotion to put into a few words. What I will say is this—that because of **YOU**, our volunteers, we can and do have – *Great Expectations!* 

The Barberville Pioneer

Settlement

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#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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### April 25th & 26th 2015

#### Saturday 9am-9pm · Sunday 9am-4pm

- Admission: \$8.00 Adults \$5.00 Children 6-12
- 150+ Musical Performers
- Six Stages of Folk, Bluegrass, Old-Time, Living History Demonstrations Celtic and Gospel!
- Old Fashioned Barn Dancing
- Music Workshops
- Jam Tents
- Silent Auction · 50/50
- · Children's Activities
- Food
- · Art and Craft Vendors
- Antique Car Show (Saturday Only)
- · Horse Drawn Carriage Rides to the Underhill House 10am-2pm

#### Sponsored by:



#### **Barberville Pioneer Settlement**

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Join us at our Spring Frolic music and dance festival as we step back in time, to a by-gone lifestyle—before everything became automatic.

Your support of this unique cultural event is very important as the proceeds help us to "spring" into the survival mode of the upcoming summer season.

Sponsors of the Spring Frolic benefit from being recognized as advocates of both the preservation of local history and providing future generations with the knowledge and ways of the pioneer lifestyle. Being connected with this most distinctive event as a sponsor will bring visibility and promotion to your organization and encourage our visitors and fans to support you.

Sponsorships packages are available to fit every budget. Silent auction donations will help us reach our goal for the much needed roof and restoration of the Astor Bridge Tender's House. Other support helps us to keep our educational programs going year round, and allows us to continue our mission, through hands-on experience, folk demonstrations, preservation and historic exhibits.

Our goal for this year is to reach 4,000 in attendance. Your participation at any level will be very much appreciated.

> Give us a call 386-749-2959 or visit our website www.pioneersettlement.org for more details.

#### **Discover Yesterday Today!**

Come participate or observe—Authentic, Living History Reenactors

The Barberville Pioneer Settlement welcomes...



## The Golden Teacup Society's 15th Annual Ladies Encampment, Lectures & Workshops

April 10, 11 & 12, 2015

Public viewing welcome with paid admission— Saturday 9am-4pm Pre- Registration & Fees Apply for Participation • Beginner and Veteran Tracks

Sample of Sessions — Your Look and Persona, Cast Iron Cooking, Decorating a Straw Bonnet, Making and Using a Sewing Brick, Rolled Hems, Perforated Paper Needlework

One-Day Exploratory Track—Saturday only— for girls & ladies interested in learning more about living history, developing the look and acquiring period clothing. \$25 per person — includes lunch

**Encampment Participant**— Saturday through Sunday—

Adults \$60, Girls age 10-17 \$40 - includes 5 meals

#### Registration & Payment deadline is April 1, 2015

For more detailed information and a registration form visit www.pioneersettlement.org or email Shorty Robbins—goldteacup@aol.com

The Golden Teacup Society began in 1997 as a group of female reenactors interested in the accurate portraval of civilian women during the 1860-1865 Civil War period. The group has grown to be recognized in the reenacting community as an organization dedicated to authentic portrayals, attention to historic detail, and guiding new women on the path to accuracy in their impression.

The Barberville Pioneer Settlement presents

## A CELEBRATION OF OLDE FLORIDA

Saturday June 13th 10AM - 4PM

#### FREE ADMISSION

- · Experience the OLDE Florida
- · Living History Demonstrations
  - · Historical Lectures, Storytelling and Book Signings
    - · Music and Dance Demonstrations
    - · Summer Kitchen Open and serving up -Cornbread, Pulled Pork & Lassie Cake



JOIN US AT. THE BARBERVILLE PIONEER SETTLEMENT NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION DISCOVER

YESTERDAY TODAY



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in collaboration with the June Arts &

Multicultural Festival and MAC DeLand



### **Volunteer Opportunities**

We Need Field Trip Assistants! Learn about a trade yourself and share your knowledge with future generations, your children and grandchildren. Choose a demonstration that you would like to learn; Candle Making, Butter Making, Farming, Woodworking, Spinning, Blacksmithing, Pinch Pots, Weaving, Seminole Patchwork and more. Field trips are Monday – Friday 9am - 1pm. We can assist with period correct attire and the training for most demonstrations is easy. Must be able to pass a background check. With your help we can keep this tradition going for generations to come. If this opportunity isn't right for you, maybe you know someone that would make a great candidate that you could share it with? For more information call 386-749-2959 or email directors@pioneersettlement.org

**Adopt a Building**—Do you have a favorite building or room here at the Barberville Pioneer Settlement? Adopt one and support our mission. Just pledge to spend one day a month cleaning up in and around your adopted room or building and we will recognize you and/or your family or business as one of our *Pioneer Guardian's* in our newsletter and on our website.

#### THANK-YOU TO OUR PIONEER GUARDIANS

Brian Polk—Convict Cage & Quarters House
Diana Johnson—Country Store & Inside Kitchen
Marilyn Breeze—Wood Shop
John Case—Firehouse
Joe Underhill—Midway Church

#### SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

Help us CELEBRATE 40 Years! Interested members are invited to participate in our 40th Anniversary Celebration planning meeting at 4pm on Thursday, April 16, 2015. Meeting will be held in the Settlement's Library at the Elementary School.

#### 2015 Calendar of Special Events

First Saturday Jams are held the first Sat of every month. April 4, May 2, June 6, July 4, August 1, Sept 5, Oct 3 and Dec 5.



April 10—12 Golden Tea Cup Society's 15th Annual Ladies Encampment—Register by APRIL 1

April 25 & 26 11th Annual Spring Frolic Music & Dance Festival Sat: 9am-9pm Sun: 9am-4pm



May 16 Central High School of Barberville Reunion

9am—3pm

June 13 Celebration of Olde Florida - Free Admission

9am-4pm

Sept 5 Fire & ice—Chili Cook-off & Ice Cream Churn Off

Open House, Free Admission— 9am-4pm

Nov 7 & 8 39th Annual Fall Country Jamboree

Sat: 9am-5pm Sun: 9am-4pm

Dec 12 A Florida Christmas Remembered

9am-4pm

 ${\it Dates \ are \ subject \ to \ change. \ Please \ call \ or \ check \ website \ for \ changes.}$ 

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## Thank You! Ambassador Club Members

#### **ADVOCATE MEMBER**

Hidden Valley Park

#### **SMALL BUSINESS MEMBER**

Parramore's Campground

#### **PATRON MEMBERS**

Blackwater Inn / William's Landing
Underhill Ferneries

Gretchen & Dennis Delman

Joseph Schrader & Louise Stedman

Jimmie, Lori and Ernest Rogers

Rick & Bonnie Stam

**Dennis Thomas and Family** 

Marilyn & Rich Breeze

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John Case

Rick & Pam Rintz

Brian & Karen Polk

Marie B Schaefer

**Robert Stewart** 

Leah & Gabe Lynn

John & Carol Izzo

Mary Jo Errico

Anthony & Elisabeth Ehrlich & The Copello Family

#### **LIFETIME MEMBERS**

Lee & Kay Doughty

Dale Barnhart

**Howard & Snooky Grisham** 

Natalie Hazard & Family

Rachel Jackson

Don & Diana Johnson

Lester & Betty Hollenback

Bertha Lucas



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## Volunteer Salute

Please continue to pray for our Past Board President, Deacon Ed Rinderle as he battles leukemia. He is currently at the Mayo clinic in Jacksonville. If you would like to send a card expressing your prayers and support, you may send it to:

DEACON ED RINDERLE ROOM 349

4500 SAN PABLO RD. SOUTH JACKSONVILLE FL. 32224



We miss you Deacon!

## SAVE THE DATE! ... May 16th— 9AM-3PM

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# CENTRAL SCHOOL OF BARBERVILLE REUNION

Help us locate all former students, teachers and families of former students and teachers who had an educational experience at the Central School of Barberville between 1919—1969

Door Prizes, Best Photo, Best Story, Covered Dish History Booklet, Guest Speaker, Interviews and more! Please RSVP or call for more information 386-749-2959

#### **Barberville Pioneer Settlement's WISH List**

- 1. Field Trip Volunteers
- 2. Old truck in good condition for running errands and advertising
- 3. Storage building
- 4. New chairs for weddings and meetings.

For more information or to make a donation contact

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