

Barberville Pioneer Settlement's Newsletter Fall 2017

From the Director's Desk

It is October! In just a few days we will be welcoming back our seasonal volunteer staff, presenting our largest annual event - the 41st Fall Country Jamboree and kicking off our very full schedule of educational field trips.

With Thanksgiving just around the corner it seems appropriate to take a moment to reflect and give thanks for the many blessings that have taken place here at the Settlement this past spring and summer.

As noted in the last newsletter we have been fortunate to add new members to our staff, Steve Griffin, Stan Arel and Heinrich Hole, as well as a new board member Emily Mieras. It is essential that we continue to grow our staff and Board of Directors to meet the increasing demands of our aging infrastructure and volunteer base.

In the spring and just again last weekend we have been fortunate to expand the event offerings here at the Settlement. The leasing of our grounds to Buckler's Promotions - a local company that has been providing arts and crafts festivals throughout the state for over thirty years - has provided a very positive and unexpected increase to our revenue income. The Strawberry Festival in March and the Harvest Fest in early October brought many new visitors and young families out to the Settlement for a day full of fun activities for the kids.

Our partnership with Helpertunity and our volunteer Bridge House Curator - Eileen Callejas has begun in a good way and we are working to increase inventory, traffic and sales in our Bridge House Gallery. Make sure you stop by the Bridge House during the Jamboree to say hello and come back on November 25th for the Grand Opening, Gift Sale and Artists Reception.



Feedback for "Second Saturdays at the Settlement" has been positive and we have seen an increase in admissions on those days when we have activities going on. Thanks to the blacksmiths Heinrich and Mathew as well as Dr. Higgins with his antique medical exhibit. These three have stepped up to help us get this program launched and off to a good start.

We are excited to announce that our "Shabby but not so Chique" Curtains Campaign has exceeded our initial goal and we now have over \$5,000.00 to purchase new window covers. This enables us to cover even more windows in the schoolhouse than we had originally planned. A big thanks to all of those who so graciously donated to this effort!

The biggest thing for us to all be thankful for - is how we came through Hurricane Irma. We lost 15 trees, big ones! Amazingly, not a single branch harmed a single building! The clean-up was also blessed with volunteers that just appeared. A neighbor named Lady Di and her cousin Mr. Jerry spent days here helping us with clean up. Our friends from the West Volusia Tourism Authority – Georgia Turner and Kristine Spence, Jessica's fiancé Shane, and Heinrich's sister Heather all came out and helped as we hauled limbs and branches out to the roadside. *Continued on page 2* Continued from page 1







Staff members worked extra days and Stan actually stayed here overnight during the storm.

Mr. Frank Underhill showed up with the heavy equipment and two workers from the Underhill Ferneries and the three of them worked to cut and move the largest trees that were precariously supported off the ground by their branches. This enabled us to open up to the public on Friday, September 22nd after being closed for 10 days.

Steven Jones and his helper Jason came out and took the dangling loose tin and boards off of the top of the turpentine still and got our billboard repaired. Charles Gay of M & B Tree Services arrived just before the Harvest Fest with the bucket truck to take care of all the danglers and few additional damaged trees. We still have a little more to do and a lot less shade but we are very thankful that it wasn't worse.

As we get closer to the Holiday season and the year's end we are also mindful of a bittersweet parting and of how valuable a single person can become to an organization. We are going to miss our sweet Shiloh as she moves on and are so thankful that she gave us plenty of notice and time to prepare. We have asked Stan Arel to step into the role of caretaker and Lori King-Kocsis will be heading up our Marketing and Events department. They both have already begun working and will be around during the Jamboree, so if you see them please help us in giving them a warm welcome to the team.

Yes it is October! Things are changing like the leaves up north.

John C. Maxwell, an internationally recognized leadership expert, speaker, and author says, "Change is inevitable. Growth is optional."

As a very famous scientist once said "There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle." -- Albert Einstein 1879 – 1955

I prefer the second.

Thankfully Yours,







News, Announcements, Workshops

Additional opportunities are available to join our Board of Directors. Our meetings are on the third Thursday of every month at the Settlement at 7pm. Directors are required to hold a minimum annual level of a Patron membership and contribute to the annual fees for Directors & Officers Insurance. Those interested in a board position should send a letter of interest to directors@pioneersettlement.org.

Have you heard about the Barberville Historical Cosplayers Alliance?

The alliance has begun to give like minded folks that enjoy history, sewing & costuming or dressing in vintage style attire, the opportunity to meet one another, and to volunteer and mingle with visitors at the Settlement during special events. You can find and join this group on Facebook.

Participation at events must be pre-planned and is being coordinated by Eileen Callejas. You can reach her at 407-234-4768 or eileen@helpertunity.org.

Please sign-in for meetings at the Bridge House Gallery / Welcome Center when you arrive, to receive parking instructions and updated volunteer/member & meeting-spot information.

Barberville's Historical Cosplayers Alliance

All Eras & Abilities Welcome!

If you enjoy history, sewing & costuming, or dressing in any era of vintage-style attire and volunteering to mingling with the Pioneer Settlement's visitors and guests; then you are cordially invited to become a part of these unique upcoming costumed-gatherings:



Bruncheon Meeting & Social attendees are invited to bring NON-alcoholic beverages and/or snacks or covered dishes to share with others. Use of vintage-style picnic baskets and place settings is preferred. In-character support of the Event Vendors is encouraged on all event-mingle days.

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41st Fall Country lamboree







November 4th & 5th, 2017

History · Music · Arts & Crafts

Juried Handmade Art & Craft S	5how •Corn Boil
.Wagon Rides to Underhill House	
.6 stages of Live Folk Music	.Food & FUN!
.Historical Demonstrations	.Silent Auction
.18 Historical Structures	•Sugar Cane Boil
.Old Time Barn Dancing .	Children's Activities

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A. G. Pifer Construction, Blackwater Inn & William's Landing, Comfort Service, Florida Credit Union, Florida Victorian, Hidden Valley Park, Kaiser Buick GMC Truck, Total Comfort, Mainstreet Community Bank and Jerry Walker Mills, Sr.



We'd like to thank all members and volunteers for your support ! Please join us at our Annual Meeting — Pot Luck & Pick-N-Sing Saturday **January 20th** 11am—4pm Please bring one of the following: an idea, a comment, covered side dish, instrument or a song.



EVENT VOLUNTEERS

NOVEMBER 1ST—7TH

Set –Up	Food Services	Desserts	
Take Down	Parking	Silent Auction	
Yard Work	Security		
Ticket Gates	Admission Gate		

CONTACT SHILOH or LORI 386-749-2959

2017-2018 Calendar of Special Events

Oct. 21, 2017 S.T.E.A.M. Punks & Pioneers Social - Family Fun Historical Costumed Gathering

Nov. 4&5, 2017 41st Annual Fall Country Jamboree

Nov 25, 2017 Bridge House Gallery's Grand Opening/Gift Sale/Artist's Reception

- Dec. 9, 2017 A Florida Christmas Remembered
- Jan 20, 2018 Annual Volunteer & Members Meeting and Pot-Luck Pick & Sing
- March 17&18 Bucklers Shows— Strawberry Fest *Admission fee is charged for members!
- April 7&8 , 2018 14th Annual Spring Frolic
- June 9, 2018 Celebration of Olde Florida

Barberville Historical Cosplayers Alliance 2017 meetings are scheduled for 11/4, and 12/9. 1/13, 2/10 & 3/10.

First Saturday Jams—the first Saturday of every month—Free Music Lessons with paid admission or membership.

Second Saturdays at the Settlement—Every Second Saturday features different living history demonstrations, workshops and exhibits

The Family Farm Swap - MOST first & third Saturdays

Fiber Arts Guild meets on the third Saturday

Rug Hookers meets on the fourth Saturday

Square Dancing —the 2nd and 4th Fridays through October

All dates subject to change—For full listing of events and the most up to date information visit **www.pioneersettlement.org**

Stories of the Barberville Pioneer Settlement is now music to your ears!

This twin pack compilation is a special production of original folksongs recounting many stories of the Settlement's historic buildings, people and even our animals.

Thanks to all of the participating musicians that donated their time and talents to produce this unique recording.



Order on-line or by phone 386-749-2959.

Ambassador's Club Members

LIFETIME MEMBERS

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A Christmas Remembered

Saturday, December 9, 2017 Children 12 and under FREE with paying adult.





WANTED! History Demonstrators Lectures, Exhibits Workshops



Second Saturdays at the Settlement

Join us every Second Saturday for Living History Demonstrations and Workshops of the Traditional Arts, Crafts and Trades.

Programs and fees vary month to month see our website or call for details.

Exhibits and Demonstrations are included with admission.

Admission \$8 adults, \$7 for Seniors \$4 for Children ages 6-12

FREE for Members and Children 5 and Under

THANK YOU! To our EVENT SPONSORS!

Blackwater Inn & William's Landing Comfort Service, Inc Florida Credit Union Hidden Valley Park, Inc A.G. Pifer Construction Total Comfort Florida Victorian—Old House Salvage Jerry Walker Mills- Mil Z Arch, LLC Mainstreet Community Bank

Annual Event Sponsors receive passes for the Settlement's five regularly scheduled events including the Fall Country Jamboree and the Spring Frolic. The passes can also be used for regular admission for self guided tours. Sponsors also benefit from exposure of signage provided at the events and mentions in our social media postings.

This support helps us defray the costs associated with producing the events. The funds raised at our events help to provide low cost field trips that empower our children to have a better understanding of history through hands-on learning. Support of our programs enables families the opportunity to experience a by-gone way of life through our living history demonstrations and lets our senior relatives relive fond memories with a leisurely stroll through the past. Contact Debra West for more information on getting your business involved. 386-749-2959 or dwest@pioneersettlement.org.



Our annual Open House was held on Saturday, September 2, 2017 AND THE WINNERS ARE...

First Place Chili #1 Diana Johnson



Second Place Chili #4 Jim Schrader and Louise Stedman



Third Place Chili #2 Joe Thomas



First Place Ice Cream Chocolate Dennis Thomas



Second Place Ice Cream Guava Jim Rogers



Third Place Ice Cream Chocolate Marilyn Breeze & Lori Rogers accepted by Ernest Rogers





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Volunteer Salute



Jim Schrader—Member since 2011, Board Member 2012– 2016. Fully trained in the art of pulling pork and stand up comedy. We love you Jim! WIN THIS QUILT!

"Simple Nine Patch" - Jamboree Quilt 2017 Handcrafted & Donated by Sarah King



Quilt Size: 80x80 fits a twin bed. Hand Quilted. Valued at \$350+. Over 350 individual pieces. In the middle of each block is an animal print fabric.

Tickets available at the Bridge House or call us!

Raffle Donation: \$1.00/ticket or \$5.00/6 tickets. Need not be present to win; drawing Sunday, Nov. 5th 2017 at the Fall Country Jamboree