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Descent of Buggy-kind

There's a swamp buggy in your future; a lot of them, actually.

Plans are underway for a probably mid-October exhibit showing the evolution of the novel means of transport from the original "woods buggy."

Dates and other details are being worked on by director Peter Blackford.

MUSEUM TO HAVE NEW EMPLOYEE TO COORDINATE VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

County and Friends To Divide Expenses

A new phase in government-citizen body relations has been entered into for the benefit of the Collier County Museum.

The board of county commissioners has accepted a proposal of the Friends of the Collier County Museum to divide salary costs of a permanent, part-time employee who will coordinate activities of the Friends' volunteers.

The position will open October 1 at the start of the county's fiscal year. Under the arrangement, the county and the Friends organization each will contribute \$5,500 to cover salary costs.

Goal is to expand the scope of volunteer activities, including recruiting, selection, training, and orientation of volunteer workers, who have become increasingly important to the museum's larger programs.

Volunteers have always been a factor in functioning of the museum, notably in grounds upkeep, visitor assistance and maintaining the library and archives. Scope of activities should be enhanced Museum director Ron Jamro expects, with the presence of someone to better define activities and match needs with abilities. He expects that the part of volunteers will increase dramatically with the new position. He also sees the development as an expansion of the role of the Friends organization.

Myrna Elia, Lynn Wuesthoff Kolb, and Denyse Smith Mesnik joined Jamro in making the case for the position before the county commissioners.

TABLEAU VIVANT

Those People in the Lab: Are They Real?

An unwitting tribute to the verisimilitude the museum has put into its displays was made by a member of a school group making a tour of the grounds.

He and his classmates were on the porch of the Craighead archaeological laboratory, struggling for a place at the display window, through which they could see the volunteers inside identifying artifacts from a salvage dig.

Through the open door the lab crew heard the youngster, pointing to them through the window, ask his teacher: "Are they real?"

DAVID SOUTHALL NAMED CURATOR OF COLLECTIONS

The Museum has a new curator of collections, David Southall, who has been appointed to succeed Carrie Lee Welch-Teasley who resigned to join the U.S. army.

Southall is a familiar figure at the Museum, having done much volunteer work on the grounds, especially the Craighead Native Plant area.

Southall has been owner-manager of Lake Science and Service Co. of Bonita Springs and, before that, president/CEO of the Southall Corp., of Buffalo, N.Y. He has a B.S. degree in biology from S.U.N.Y. at Buffalo, and has been instructor at Millard Fillmore Col-
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EAGLE SCOUT REQUIREMENT NETS NEW FLAGPOLE FOR PARADE GROUNDS

The Museum's parade ground has a new, 30-foot brushed aluminum flagpole, with flag, thanks to 18-year-old John Siefried of Naples.

The impressive pole was formally presented to Museum Director Ron Jamro at a ceremony July 9 attended by representatives of veterans and civic organizations, part of a project required for him to attain the rank of Eagle Scout.

The \$750 project was funded partly by money earned through various activities Siefried organized, partly by donations from civic groups before which he made presentations and to which he will report.

The elaborate foundation required by county regulations is four feet deep, grounded against lightning and made of steel-reinforced concrete, all 4,000 pounds of which were mixed by hand by the scout and his friends. He made arrangements with county officials for required inspections in the course of the project.

Scout requirements for such projects include that they be of lasting effect, be for the public good, and demonstrate leadership and organization ability.

Siefried is no stranger to the museum, having been involved in other projects there in the past.

The pole replaced a wooden one which was removed.



The Presentation Ceremony

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lege, Buffalo, N.Y.; Niagara Community College, Niagara Falls, N.Y.; the Boy Scouts' Camp Miles at P:unta Gorda; and the National Rifle Association.

He has worked as a writer/photographer for Suncoast News, New Port Richie; Tribune Publications, Orlando; Naples Extra, Naples, and as a freelance. Florida native plants are a major interest, and his hobbies include nature photography, history, astronomy, and antique scientific instruments and weapons.

He and his wife Mary have one child at home and three other children.

**Next Friends meeting:
6 p.m. August 13**



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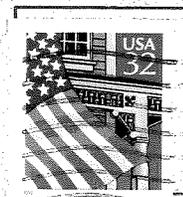
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All members are welcome
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