

MUSEUM CALENDAR

Currently Through August:

EXHIBIT: *Then and Now: A collection by Art Ullmann.* A gathering of Naples and Collier County aerial photographs taken in the 40's, 50's and 60's counterpoised with photos of the area in the 21st Century. Mondays through Fridays, 9AM to 5 PM. Saturdays, 9AM to 4PM.

EXHIBIT: *Eternal Everglades: By nature photographer, Rick Cruz.* At the Naples Depot Museum. Twenty-five photos of Everglades plant species and landscapes. Mondays through Fri, 9AM to 5 PM. Sat, 9AM to 4PM.

EXHIBIT: *Everglades City School Student Art.* At the Museum of the Everglades, Everglades City. Original macramé, God's eye, dream catchers, portraits and more. Tuesdays through Fri, 9AM to 5PM. Sat 9AM to 4PM.

Through October 31:

EXHIBIT: *From Sea to Shining Sea – 200 Years Charting America's Coasts.* At the Collier County Museum. A review and celebration of America's oldest scientific research organization, the Coast and Geodetic Survey. Assembled by the Smithsonian Institution and NOAA.

July 11 through September 12:

EVENT: *Museum Movie Matinee.* Saturdays at 2 PM at the Collier County Museum. Motion pictures filmed in Florida – many in Collier and Lee Counties. Title list available at the Museum. Call 774-8476

July 14 through September 15:

EVENT: *Summer Wednesdays.* At the Collier County Museum. This program series at 2PM every Wednesday focuses on subjects from local history to ones of broader interest. Topic list available at the Museum. Call 774-8476

September 26:

FUNDRAISER: *A Taste for History.* At Fresh Market, Park Shore Plaza, North Tamiami Trail. Wine tasting gala with hors d'oeuvres. 7 to 9 PM. Admission only by advance sale \$25 tickets. Sales locations to be announced late summer. Benefits the Museum educational programs.

November 11:

EVENT: *WWII USO Show.* On the Naples Depot Museum grounds, 11:30AM. Event follows the community Veterans Day Memorial Service. Features music and remembrances of the hey-day of the USO Shows for US troops.

November 11-13:

EVENT: *4-H Livestock Show and Auction.* At the Immokalee Pioneer Museum. Concludes with Sunday Lawn Mower Races.

November 19:

EVENT: *Christmas Trees and Trains.* At the Naples Depot Museum. By popular demand, a repeat of last year's kick off to the joy and glow of the Holiday season. Will be presented thereafter to December 26th with special refreshments the night of the 5th Avenue Christmas Walk.

"COOL" DAYS AT THE MUSEUM!

Two new program series will be "cool" in more ways than just the air conditioning at the Collier County Museum at the Courthouse on US41 at Airport Rd!

Beginning in mid-July and continuing through mid-September, the Museum will present two fun, educational and entertaining glimpses at the history of Collier County. There will be no admission charge. And there is plenty of free, covered parking right across the street in the Courthouse's new parking garage.

Saturdays – just like in the youths of many of our visitors – will be **Museum Movie Matinee** day at 1:00 PM! But the interesting, "historical feature" of these features will be that they all have a Florida connection, many an even closer connection with Collier and Lee Coun-

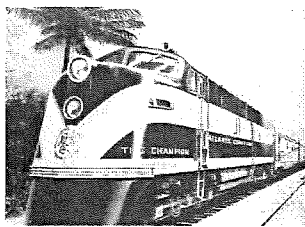
ties. For instance, you'll be able to see Hollywood epics that were filmed in Collier County ... or are based on a Collier County subject. How do these titles grab you: "Creature from the Black Lagoon", "Wind Across the Everglades", "Tarzan's Secret Treasure"? No double features or cartoons, sorry, but there will be popcorn!

A program series on Wednesdays at 2:00 PM will combine Collier County with other subjects. For instance, explore the life and times of Barron Gift Collier, the founder of Collier County. Or burrow into the controversy of Global Warming.

Detailed schedules of both series will be announced soon. You can call the Museum at 774-8476 to request a copy.

RESTORATION WORK AT DEPOT

The Collier County Museum located in the Naples Depot in downtown Naples at US41 and 10th Street is in the final phase of its restoration and renovation this summer. The work involves completion of the restoration of the building to its original internal configuration and appearance as a railway station.



The West Coast Champion streamliner – with passengers from the East Coast and Mid-West – pulled into the Naples Depot daily in the '40s, '50s and '60s.



The Depot is recapturing its original look and feel.

The work will limit the number and types of programs that can be offered during the next few months. But the Museum will remain open with lots going on. For instance, two photo exhibits of considerable interest will be in place. See the Calendar on page 1. The Museum at the Depot is open Monday through Saturday from 9 AM.

What's the Immokalee Pioneer Museum at Roberts Ranch?

Originally home to cattleman Robert Roberts and his family, this 15-acre living history museum offers a rare glimpse of daily life on an actual Southwest Florida ranch from the early 1900s. Displays and nineteen carefully preserved buildings tell the story of those who struggled to tame a sprawling wilderness on the edge of the Big Cypress Swamp at the turn of the last century. Open Monday-Friday 9 am to 4 pm + 239/658-2466 + In Immokalee at 1215 Roberts Avenue

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Museum Hosts NOAA/Smithsonian Exhibit

In 1807, President Thomas Jefferson recognized the need to chart the coastal waters of this country as vital to the independence and prosperity of the economy and to the security of this fledgling nation. This year, 2007, marks the 200th anniversary and will be celebrated nationwide in museums, ports, nature centers, schools and libraries.

The Collier County Museum is hosting 'From Sea to Shining Sea: 200 Years of Charting America's Coasts' through October 31, an exhibit created by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, in observance of this anniversary.



The Survey of the Coast charted the nation's ports and waterways, researched physical characteristics of the ocean bottom and explored many of the world's oceans. Our exhibit celebrates the history, accomplishments and scientific contributions of the nation's first federally funded science agency. Colorful posters, illustrated with photos, charts and artwork from the Survey's Archives, are included. It covers more than 95,000 miles of coastland.

Two hundred years after the Survey, waterborne commerce remains the backbone of the U.S. economy, contributing more than 13 million jobs and \$1 trillion annually.

For more information on the exhibit, visit www.sites.si.edu. For more information on the museum, call 774-8476. Exhibit hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Museum is located in the Collier County Government Complex at US 41 and Airport-Pulling Road. There is no admission fee.

"A few good people..."

The Collier County Museums are looking for "a few good people" ... (like the TV commercials for the US Marines)! If an opportunity to spend a bit of your time each week contributing to historical awareness of our communities intrigues you, consider becoming a volunteer at the Collier County Museums! Positions are available at all four locations. Currently, Director of Volunteers Mary Margaret Gruszka is focusing on the main Museum at the Courthouse on the East Tamiami Trail..

Also, keep in mind that you may have a special talent that could be used. For example, if you can play a cello or violin, you could possibly entertain at an opening reception. You may have computer skills, which could be utilized from time to time.

Please call Mary Margaret at 774-8287 to discuss the volunteering possibilities at the Collier County Museums.



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