

MUSEUM NOTES

A Publication of the

FRIENDS OF THE COLLIER COUNTY MUSEUM

FALL 2007

MUSEUM CALENDAR

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.

EXHIBIT: *Heart of the Glades.* At the Collier County Museum of the Everglades, Everglades City. Art of Jo-Ann Sanborn.

EVENT: *Wednesday Lectures at the Museum.* At 2PM at the Collier County Museum, through November 7. See story in this newsletter for topics.

Through December 29:

EVENT: *Museum Movie Matinees.* Saturdays at 1 PM at the Collier County Museum. See story elsewhere in this Newsletter for features planned.

November 1 – December 31:

EXHIBIT: *The Photography of Jeff Riple.* At the Collier County Museum. The works of a South Florida landscape photographer and natural history author who has devoted nearly half his life to exploring and documenting the natural wonders of Florida and the South.

EXHIBIT: *Butterflies Orchids and More ... Photos from the Swamp.* At the Collier County Museum of the Everglades, Everglades City. Works by Tom Andler and Bill Mesce.

November 11:

EVENT: *USO Show at the Naples Depot.* On the Naples Depot Museum grounds, 11:45AM. Event follows the community Veterans Day Memorial Service. Features music and remembrances of USO Shows during WWII.

November 11-13:

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

November 16-18:

EVENT: *Koi Show.* At the Naples Depot Museum. For show times and other information: John Sprinkle, (239) 860-3328.

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 continue to December 26th with special refreshments the night of the 5th Avenue Christmas Walk, December 6.

November 24-25:

EVENT: *Naples Renaissance Fall Art Festival.* The Naples Depot Museum will be an integral part of this event held along 10th Street South featuring 125 national, regional and local artists. Further information at 262-6517.

December 1 – 26:

EVENT: *Christmas Trees and Trains.* Continues at the Naples Depot Museum and grounds.

January 2-February 28, 2008:

EXHIBIT: *The Photographs of Clyde Butcher.* At the Collier County Museum of the Everglades, Everglades City. Reception January 12. For information, call (239) 695-0008.

USO SHOW AT THE DEPOT!

The second annual USO Show at the Naples Depot kicks off immediately following the Veterans Memorial Service in Cambier Park, November 11. A great hit in 2006, the event this year will offer all the most successful entertainments plus more!

The USO Swing Band (made up of WWII musicians) will begin playing tunes from the WWII era at 11:45 AM. Peter Thomas, WWII veteran and well known television program narrator from PBS' *Nova* and other shows will tell a bit about the USO shows and their effect on the troops in the war.



The grand finale, scheduled at 1 PM will be the appearance of three young ladies in the style of the famous Andrews Sisters singing songs popular during the '40s.

Refreshments will be available. Come enjoy! Seating is limited so bring your own lawn chair or beach blanket. For more information, call 774-8287. Made possible by funding from the Friends of the Collier County Museums.

FRESH MARKET & ON-LINE SHOPPING BENEFIT FRIENDS

The Fresh Market food store in the Park Shore Shopping Center on the North Trail entertained nearly 200 Friends of the Museum supporters at an elegant Wine and Hors d'oeuvres event in September. Proceeds from the ticket sales go to support the Friends of the Collier County Museums' programs in behalf of the Museums. Thanks, Fresh Market! It was great and we can't wait 'til next year!

Meanwhile, the Friends have been named a beneficiary of sales made at the online store, Giveline.com. Every transaction at Giveline generates a financial contribution to a charity you choose ... which now includes the Museum Friends. Giveline's unique supplier relationships and efficient technology make these contributions significant — between 7 and 33 percent of product sales with a store-wide average of nearly 16 percent per transaction. The amount donated varies by product; however, you see the exact amount on every product page as well as throughout the checkout process.

Find items like books, DVDs, CDs, video games, electronics, gifts including sports memorabilia and even travel! Go on Giveline.com for more information and help support your Collier County Museums!

WILL YOU HELP SATURDAY?

The Collier County Museums are in need of volunteers at the headquarters museum at the Collier County Government Complex. Greeters will welcome visitors as they enter. A small amount of record keeping and some help in the Gift Shop would be useful. The Museum is open Monday through Friday and help is especially needed on Saturdays. Please call Mary Margaret Gruszka at 774-8287.

FRIENDS OF THE COLLIER COUNTY MUSEUM

Post Office Box 2181 - Naples, FL 34106-2181

239/793-8393

www.coltermuseum.com // museum@naples.net

in support of

Collier County Museum
at the Collier County Courthouse
3301 Tamiami Trail East, Naples
239/774-8476

Naples Depot Museum
1051 5th Ave South, Naples

Museum of the Everglades
105 West Broadway, Everglades City

Immokalee Pioneer Museum
1215 Roberts Ave, Immokalee

NON PROFIT ORG

US POSTAGE

PAID

Permit # 71
Naples, FL

Address Service Requested

FREE MOVIES AND LECTURES SCHEDULED AT THE MUSEUM**Museum Lecture Series**

Wednesday Lectures at the Museum conclude November 7. Held at the Collier County Museum on the Courthouse Complex at 2 PM, they are free and cover a range of topics.

October 17th will explore Florida as the home of over thirty species of epiphytes orchids. From the cryptic "Ghost Orchid" to the common "Bee Orchid", this will be an interesting introduction into the arboreal world of these fascinating plants.

The seemingly monotonous Pine forest of Southwest Florida will be explored October 24th. Despite nutrient poor soil, long winter drought, inundating summer rain and regular ravages of fire, hundreds of species of finely adapted plants and animals make these woods one of the most diverse ecosystems in North America.

On October 31, attention turns from the Pine Forests to the Mangroves and Estuarine Ecosystem. SW Florida has the second largest mangrove forest in the world and you can learn about the specialized trees which make it up as well as the strange creatures that make their homes in it.

To mark the conclusion of the 2007 hurricane season a week later, on November 7th the Museum presents a Hurricane History of Southwest Florida. You'll learn how these storms shape the coastline and the major storms, which have impacted this area plus the climatic conditions, which result in serious threat to life and property ... or minor inconveniences.

Museum Movie Matinees

The free films continue at the Collier County Museum on Saturday afternoons at 1 PM!

For the rest of the year, the films each month will have a common theme. In October, for instance, they are mysteries.

We opened with a Basil Rathbone classic, "Sherlock Holmes Faces Death", from 1943. On Saturday the 14th it's "Double Indemnity" (1944) starring Barbara Stanwyck and Fred MacMurray, directed by Academy Award winner Billy Wilder. On October 20th, come see "The Thin Man", the original from 1934 with William Powell and Myrna Loy starring as Nick and Nora Charles, private sleuths. The month closes on the 27th with "The Stranger" (1946) starring and directed by Orson Welles with Loretta Young and Edward G. Robinson.

November brings movies, which were popular during WWII and were about WWII. There will be films with many stars of that era who also served in the armed services.

December is all about the Oscar. You can do your Christmas shopping (including at the Museum's Gift Shop!) on Saturday morning and come watch an afternoon film that won Academy Awards during the 1940's.

MUSEUM OF THE EVERGLADES

The building which today houses the Museum of the Everglades in Everglades City first opened in 1927 as a commercial laundry in the days when construction of the Tamiami Trail was underway and the tiny settlement of Everglades served as both a frontier trading town and the County seat.

Permanent and traveling exhibits provide visitors with an in-depth look at 2,000 years of human history in the area and tell the story of adventurers stubborn enough to settle Southwest Florida's lush "River of Grass." Carefully restored to its 1920s appearance, the museum is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Open Tuesday-Friday 9 am to 5 pm, and Saturday 9 am to 4 pm; (239) 695-0008 / 105 West Broadway — Everglades City, FL

FRIENDS OF COLLIER COUNTY MUSEUM
P.O. Box 2181, Naples, FL 34106-2181
239/793-8393 / E-Mail:museum@naples.net

Officers and Directors, 2007-8

F. Joseph McMackin, III, President
Lawrence B. Litt, Vice President
David Pfaff, Treasurer
Lisa Blankenship, Secretary

Don F. Craig, Director
Patty Huff, Director
Mary Kux, Director
Nick Niles, Director
Lynn Wuesthoff, Director

Liason: Ron Jamro, Museum Director