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The **TOWN CRIER** newsletter is issued periodically to keep ESHP members and the public informed of our activities. We welcome news and feedback.

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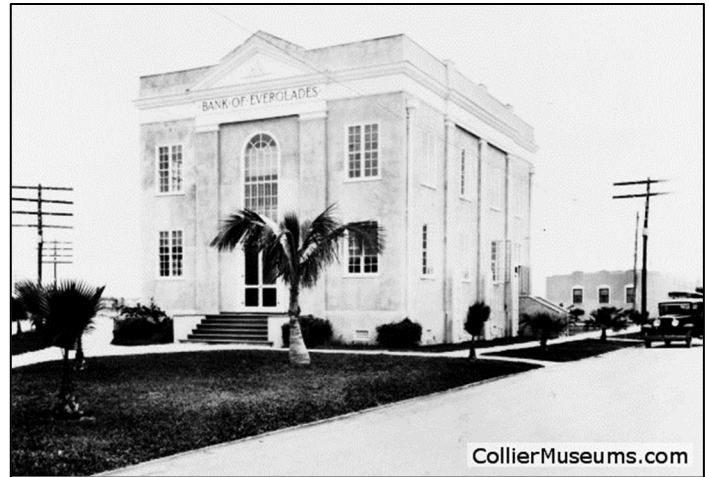
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WHAT'S HAPPENING?

In the old photo above, notice that the Courthouse (now City Hall) in the background is only half-built so the photo must have been taken before April 1928 when that building was complete in pictures taken during the opening of the Tamiami Trail.

We have started applying for grants and expanded our plans for fundraising **events**. See the *MARK YOUR CALENDAR* column inside this newsletter.

One way we can show support is to get signatures from Collier County residents on a **petition**. If you would like a copy, email us on ESHP@hotmail.com and we will send one with instructions about how to return it when it is full.

Another way to show support is to write a letter to us with simple wording "I endorse the efforts to ESHP to renovate the historic Bank of Everglades Building."

If you live locally, you will notice the building being tented for **termite eradication** on July 5th. Once that is done, we can move out some of the antique furniture which we saved for refurbishment and eventual sale or use.

To learn more, see www.SaveBOE.com. For info, call Kathy at (954) 662-7003.


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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, July 31: Exclusive Tour

 Limited to only 10 people. Starts at 11:30am. To book your places, see www.SaveBoE.com.

Saturday, November 6: ECity Bank Music Festival

12noon-late, Rod & Gun lawn

General admission \$20/person, reserved seats \$50.

 Book in advance at www.SaveBoE.com.

Familiar folk musicians are volunteering their time and talents to help us raise money for the Bank renovation project. There will also be an auction.

Friday, November 19: Welcome Back Historical Talk

5:30pm, venue t/b/a

Update on Bank of Everglades Building project.

Saturday, November 20: Art-in-the-Glades

10am-1pm, McLeod Park

Local artisans selling their creations.

Saturday, December 11: "Killing Mr. Watson"

A re-enactment at the Smallwood Store in Chokoloskee where the event really happened in 1910.

Performances at 11am and 2pm

General admission \$20/person, reserved seats \$50.

 Book in advance at www.SaveBoE.com.

Saturday, December 11: Art-in-the-Glades

10am-1pm, McLeod Park

Have fun shopping for the holiday season.

Friday, January 14: Golfing Extravaganza

5pm, Naples Depot, details t/b/a

Saturday, January 22: Art-in-the-Glades

10am-1pm, McLeod Park

Thursday, February 3: Dine & Dance Gala

5pm, Naples Sports Complex, details t/b/a

Friday, February 25: Annual Meeting & Historical Talk

5:30pm, Island Cafe, details t/b/a

Saturday, February 26: Art-in-the-Glades

10am-1pm, McLeod Park

Friday, March 11: Arsenault Art Show

5pm, Naples, details t/b/a

Saturday, March 26: Art-in-the-Glades

10am-1pm, McLeod Park

BOARD MEETINGS

 The Board of Directors meets at 9:00 a.m. on the first Monday of the month. The next meeting will be on **Monday July 5**, in the Visitor Center. Members are welcome to attend and contribute ideas. For info, phone Kathy at (954) 662-7003..


SHOP ONLINE

 We created a **new tote bag** to benefit the Save the Bank Fund. It is 17"x14"x5", big enough for a laptop, with lots of handy pockets so you should never again say "I can't find my pen".

Our thanks to Hannah Ineson for her sketch which we have adopted as our SaveBOE logo.

 Our re-designed website also has several books that you can download about the history of the area and of the bank building. See www.eshp.org which is the alias for www.evergladeshistorical.org.


MUSEUM UPDATE

The new exhibit in the Pauline Reeves Gallery at the front of the Museum features the Bank of Everglades Building and has some stunning photos so stop in to have a look.

The Museum is open from 9am to 4pm on Tuesday through Saturday and admission is free. For info, call (239) 252-5026.

Naples Nostalgia

 Palm Cottage is hosting "Croquet on the Lawn" on **Saturday, July 10**. For info and to make reservations, see website www.napleshistoricalsociety.org.


ESHP MEMBERSHIP

 We have 69 members who have renewed or joined for 2021. To show your support, just fill in the form on the back of this newsletter or use a debit/credit card at our website eshp.org.

Welcome to new members:

Pete Gallagher, St Petersburg

Harry Henkel, Everglades City

FAREWELL

 We just heard about the passing of **Wally Barton** (1936-2021) whose wife Jean was the daughter of Joseph Bryan, one of the early presidents of the Bank of Everglades.

News from the Historical Library



If you have old photos and small documents, we can scan them in our office on the first floor of City Hall while you wait if you do not want to donate the originals. We also welcome old books of local interest. For info and to make an appointment, phone Marya at (239) 695-2905.