

TRACKS OF TIME

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The next Zephyrhills Historical Association meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 5 at the Zephyrhills Depot Museum at 39110 South Avenue. Business meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. and program at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served.



Robert Judson & Irene Dobson

Speakers

Our guest speaker for the May meeting was Dr. Robert Judson, former President of Pasco Hernando Community College. He is a dynamic speaker and kept the audience entertained with stories from his youth and with an insightful history of the community college. He is certainly one to give this presentation, since he has been there from the very beginning. Dr. Judson grew up in South Florida and went to Florida A&M. He credits the GI Bill for having afforded him the opportunity to have this education and his sister for having pushed him when he needed it. Those present enjoyed his presentation immensely.

Our speaker for June will be Vivian Johns. She is a retired teacher and has been active in community affairs for many years. We look forward to hearing her presentation. Come and join us.

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ZHA Mission Statement

The mission of the Zephyrhills Historical Association is to research, gather, and share local historical information with all generations, through our literature, programs, and scholarships, and to volunteer assistance to the Zephyrhills Depot Museum and WWII Barracks Museum.

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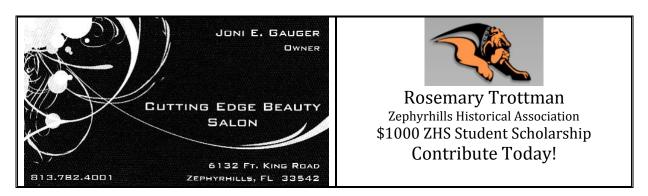
Several members meet for dinner at a local restaurant once a month. We meet at 5 o' clock on Friday, a week and three days after our regularly scheduled meeting. This past month we met at Piccola

Italia Restaurant. We enjoyed ourselves. Our meeting place varies each month. Usually whoever is having a birthday in that month gets to decide where we meet. It's great fun!

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The Curtain

By Bill Kustes



crew hang it in The Depot Museum, certainly an appropriate place for it to have a permanent home. We are happy to have this historic artifact. It served as a drop curtain for the stage at the Legion Hall, and was probably originally installed in the twenties. At some point advertisement space was sold to various businesses in the city. The American Legion Hall was the center of most public functions in Zephyrhills for several decades from the time it was built in 1910. We appreciate having this piece of history adorn the meeting place of our association.

The large canvas which adorns the west wall of The Depot Museum happens to be the curtain retrieved from the basement of the American Legion Hall in the early nineties. At some time in the past it had been taken down and stored under the stage. It was about to be tossed out. I was an officer in the Legion at the time, and I suggested the Post try to find a home for it. Kathleen Burnside, at that time in charge of the Zephyrhills Public Library, was delighted to have it. The City of Zephyrhills took it, had it restored, and had a





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Member Profile

By Clereen Brunty

Each month we plan to do a Feature Page on each active member of the Zephyrhills Historical Association. Thought it would be nice to get to know each other better...

PATRICIA "PATTY" THOMPSON

Patty was born on August 3rd in Oswego, New York. She attended and taught school there. She has now retired from teaching. Patty moved to Zephyrhills in1992 and has been a member of the Zephyrhills Historical Association for over 7 years. She has held the office of Treasurer for 2 years and been on the Advisory Board for several years. She is now our Assistant Treasurer and on the Advertisement Committee.

One of Patty's primary activities is her involvement The Lady Shriners. These ladies were organized in 1903 and established in 1914 in Wheeling, West Virginia. It is now international with 74 courts in the United States and Canada. This past year the Cairo Court #97 of Zephyrhills donated over \$8,000 to the Shriner's Hospitals for Children. For more information about Lady Shriners or interest to join, call Patty at (813) 780-8559.

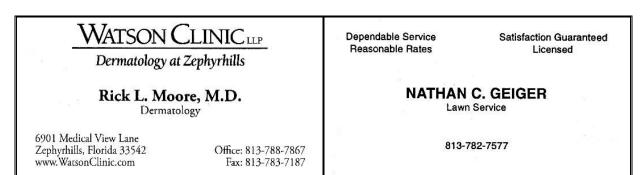
More about Patty and her involvement with The Lady Shriners to follow:



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Patty and The Lady Shriners



On March 25, 2012, Patty was installed as High Priestess of the Zephyrhills Cairo Court #97 of the Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America, Inc. (LOSNA). The Lady Shriners raise money for the 22 Shriner Hospitals for Children in the United States and Mexico. The money and donated items go to the hospitals "Seating Fund" which is for wheelchairs and "Child Life Fund" for toys, baby bottles, handmade clothing, bibs, etc. Lady Shriners try to make a child's stay at the hospital more comfortable and enjoyable and to brighten a child's life. Their fundraisers include monthly card

parties, dinners, fashion shows, yard sales and asking for

donations at local car shows and CiCi's Pizza. The Ladies also participate in parades, miniclinics and Shrine Circuses, just to name a few. The Ladies also may choose to be active in a variety of special interest units within the Order, such as Oriental Bands, Patrols, Clowns, Dancers, or various other units.









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From the Desk of the Editor

I want to acknowledge the invaluable contributions of Clereen Brunty to this newsletter. She has proven to be a great source of ideas, and she writes well. The idea for the Member Profile was hers, and I am confident it will prove to be well received. She and Madonna Wise wrote a series of profiles for The Zephyrhills News in connection with the 100 Year Celebration of Zephyrhills High School, so she comes to the project with much experience. Her preferred method is simply to interview and record. She has a series of questions and conversation proceeds from there. In all likelihood she is going to ask about your family, your education, organizations you belong to, your hobbies or other interests, things you collect , etc. So I hope you folks will allow yourselves to be part of this endeavor.

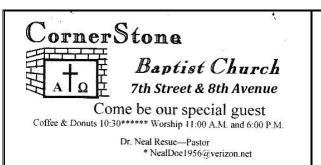
Also, Bill Kustes was the first to respond in making his own contribution by way of a written article. I hope others will follow.



Rosemary Trottman Scholarship Recipients

One of the primary contributions of The Zephyrhills Historical Association to the community is our awarding of the Rosemary Trottman Scholarship, a one-thousand dollar award, to a deserving graduating senior at Zephyrhills High School. We are proud to have awarded TWO scholarships this year. The Scholarship Committee, comprised of Clereen Brunty, Cris White, Jerry Pricher, and chaired by Margie Partain, met and reviewed the applications from many fine students. The two students we agreed should receive this year's scholarships are quite deserving,

Both of them have excellent grades, were very active in the community and at the high school, and they also wrote very nice essays about what Zephyrhills means to them. Those fine young people receiving this year's scholarships are Julia Hines and Sean Morehouse. We wish them good luck in their future endeavors.



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From son James

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