

Tarpon Springs Area Historical Society

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Newsletter

February 2011

Night in the City

Valentine Soiree

Event at the HISTORIC TRAIN DEPOT and
CURRENTS RESTAURANT

Downtown Tarpon Springs on Tarpon Avenue

Sunday February 13th from 6 PM to 9 PM

Wine, Appetizers, Live Entertainment

with Ted Wray and Sarah Hagenman

\$25.00 per person

A Chinese auction at 8:30 PM

Tickets available at the Depot or from any board member!

Call 727-943-4624 or 934-9255

(All proceeds benefit the Tarpon Springs Area Historical Society)

Memorial Tribute to Ruby Copeland

February 17th at 7:00 PM

Historic Train Depot at 160 E. Tarpon Ave.

Tarpon Springs, Fl

For more information call 727-943-4624

Ruby Jo Copeland

The impact of the life of Ruby Jo Copeland will be told through the eyes of her many friends and students. It will focus on her life from early times through her life in Tarpon Springs. Speakers will include Mildred Wilson, Annie Doris Dabbs, Gladys Wallace, (her best friend speaking through Yvonne Smith), Samuel C. Archie Jr., Alicia Roberts, William Emerson, and Eugene Scott. Music will be provided by Christine Austin with Pastor Eleanor Lake and Al Quarterman participating in the program. Don't miss this stirring account of an amazing woman that lived in Tarpon Springs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ All board meetings are on the first Thursday of each month
- ◆ February 13, 2011 – Night in the City
- ◆ February 17, 2011 at 7:00 pm – Mildred Wilson speaking on Ruby Copeland
- ◆ March 19, 2011 – 11 am – 2 pm – Luncheon & Fashion Show
- ◆ April – Easter Ham Raffle
- ◆ May- Annual Membership Picnic

43rd REMEMBRANCE TEA

The 43rd annual Remembrance Tea was a huge success. The Zoumberis/Pavlis, Poulos and Porter family's histories as told by Pauline Phillips, Zamarya and Jarma Morgan and Diane Porter were informative and entertaining. Mayor David O. Archie introduced the families of Tarpon Springs with sincerity and humor. Afterwards, everyone enjoyed the delicious wraps and sandwiches made by the Greek Pizza Kitchen located at 619 N. Pinellas Avenue and the Tarpon Springs Area Historical Society Board provided delightfully decadent deserts. Many thanks to the Chairmen Yasmine Pianese and Phyllis Kolianos and the TSAHS board for all the hard work before, during and after the tea.

Luncheon and Fashion Show

On March 19, 2011 from 11 am until 2 pm there will be a fashion show and luncheon catered by **Sputinis** at the Hotel Arcade 210 S. Pinellas Ave. The fashions will be from LaFrance in Ybor City. It will showcase vintage clothing. The cost is \$20/person with door prizes included. Tickets are available at the Train Depot or from any board member. (All proceeds benefit the Tarpon Springs Area Historical Society)

COLLECTIONS CORNER

In 1897 a young doctor named Andrew Phillips Albaugh learned that a new physician would be needed in Tarpon Springs. The town's only medical physician, Dr. Hilliard was leaving for Texas. Dr. Albaugh bought Dr. Hilliard's supply of medicine, his surgical instruments, his shotgun and pistol, his saddle and his Tennessee walking horse, old Tom. He then sent for his family in Ohio; his wife Adda, son Esten, daughter Iva and his wife's sister, Minnie Roof, who later became Mrs. Webster Little. At that time, Tarpon Springs was a wilderness and the outlying areas were covered with snakes, gators, panthers, deer and turkey.

Dr. Albaugh introduced the first automobile to Tarpon Springs to reach his patients. It was an unpredictable car called a "Jewel" which he then replaced with a two cylinder REO roadster. His granddaughter, daughter of Esten Albaugh is a board member of the TSAHS. Rachel Albaugh Spilman has recently donated numerous copies of photographs of early Tarpon Springs and also of her family in the late 1800's and early 1900's. These are invaluable additions to our Archives.