
Tarpon Springs Area Historical Society

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Newsletter

March 2011

Vintage Fashion Show

Saturday March 19, 2011 from 11:30AM- 2:00PM

Tarpon Arcade 210 S. Pinellas Avenue

Tarpon Springs, FL

Vintage clothing presented by La France of Ybor City

Luncheon catered by Spuntinis

Door prizes will be included

Tickets \$20.00 in advance or \$25.00 at the door

Tickets available at the Depot or from any board member!

Call 727-943-4624

(All proceeds benefit the Tarpon Springs Area Historical Society)

VOLUNTEER DOCENTS needed at the Historic Train Depot !

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ **March 19, 2011 – 11 am – 2 pm – Luncheon & Fashion Show**
- ◆ **April – Easter Ham Raffle**
- ◆ **May- Annual Membership Picnic- Date and Place to be announced**

Thank You Mildred Wilson!

Many thanks to Mildred Wilson for putting together the fantastic program on the impact of the life of Ruby Jo Copeland from early times through her residence in Tarpon Springs. Mildred is one of our TSAHS board members and is always willing to use her multiple talents to assist us in any way possible.

Valentine Soiree at Currents Restaurant

A tremendous thank you to Cindy Comstock and Paulette Hooper, Co-Chairmen of the Soiree held at the Historic Train Depot and Currents Restaurant on February 13th, 2011. The delicious appetizers prepared by Currents were enjoyed while attendees listened to the musical entertainment by Ted Wray and Sarah Hagenman. The Historical Society hosted tours of the Historic Train Depot and the night was capped off by a raffle of items donated by local antique stores and restaurants. The Society is planning to make this an annual event with all proceeds benefitting the society's projects. Through the extraordinary efforts of Bobby Clark and Tracy Swade of Currents Restaurant, the Soiree was truly a special evening of food, fun and song!

COLLECTIONS CORNER

Do you remember when your morning milk used to come in a bottle and was delivered to your door? Peter T. Kapsalis came to America from from Hydra, Greece when he was 18, and came to realize, through hard work, the American Dream. In 1916 Peter took out a loan from the Greek American Bank of Tarpon Springs for \$10.00 to purchase two cows and the start of his dairy. First came The City Dairy, then Kapsalis Brothers and then, Kapsalis Dairy. Kapsalis Dairy supplied local residents with milk..... REAL Milk, the kind that was delivered in glass bottles, with paper lids and cream still standing on top. The cows were milked by hand daily and the milk delivered daily as well. Everyone was to be left a bottle of milk whether their account was paid or not. No-one was allowed to do without. Peter and his wife Laura (Harshaw) had four children: Teddy, George, Annie and Tommy . Papu's grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren still live in and around Tarpon Springs. Peter was one of the founders of the AHEPA and Laura and he were always involved in the community. Peter lived to be 91 years old and swore that all the garlic he ate (even for breakfast) kept him healthy. In our front commerce case here at the Depot, you will see a Kapsalis Dairy milk bottle donated by Richard Boekl. Our museum and Archives thrive on these artifacts that are relevant to Tarpon Springs' area history.