



The Historian

The Newsletter of the Boynton Beach Historical Society

Serving Boynton Beach, Ocean Ridge, Manalapan, Gulf Stream, Briny Breezes, Lantana, Hypoluxo, the Village of Golf and all areas of West Boynton, in addition to supporting the preservation of the history of Palm Beach County and the State of Florida as a whole.

March 2020

THE PATH TO WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

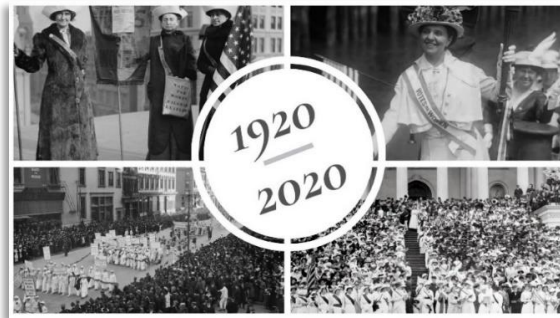
By Janet DeVries Naughton

Monday, March 16, 2020, @ 7pm (Doors open 6:30pm)

First Presbyterian Church, 235 SW 6th Ave, Boynton Beach 33435

From the 1848 Seneca Falls Convention to the 19th Amendment's ratification on August 26, 1920, women have nationally organized and championed for suffrage. The valiant women of the vote had their roots in abolitionism.

Florida's pioneer women organized suffragist groups in the late 1890s, with the likes of Ella Chamberlain, Caroline Mays Brevard, Ivy Stranahan, May Mann Jennings, Marion Horwitz, Cora Stickney Harper, Agnes Ballard, Bryd Spilman Dewey, Nellie B. O'Hara, Bertha Williams Chadwell and many others advocating and campaigning for women's rights. Tonight you will learn about these courageous women and the path they blazed.



About our Speaker: **Janet Naughton**, immediate past president of the Boynton Beach Historical Society, is an author, historian, librarian, researcher and professor at Palm Beach State College. She holds master's degrees in Information and History. Janet's research specialties include Florida history, women's history, African American history, library history and Palm Beach County history. She has published over a dozen books and articles on Florida's history, and promotes historic scholarship by delivering lectures and conducting history tours. She has researched for news, television and film productions, playwrights, exhibits, organizations, municipalities and individuals.

Join us in the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment, women's constitutional right to vote, and in honor of Women's History Month by wearing WHITE to the March meeting.

Boynton Beach Historical Society

Since 1968

2019-2020 Board of Directors

OFFICERS Elected Annually

President - Randall Gill
1st Vice President - Barbara Ready
2nd Vice President - Sheila Rousseau Taylor
Secretary - Anne Rimler
Interim Treasurer – Anne Rimler

DIRECTORS

2020 - Jeffrey Fine
2021 - Heidi Bell

TRUSTEES 3-Year Term

2020 - Sarah Thomas Bollenbacher
2020 – Steve Anton
2021 - Donna Artes
2021 - Susan Oyer
2022 - Virginia Farace
2022 - Ben Lowe

Non-Elected

Editor, *The Historian* - open
Archivist/Facebook/Webmaster – Janet DeVries Naughton
Facebook Admin/Webmaster – Ginger Pedersen

Boynton Beach Historical Society

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Questions or comments: **Programs?** bbhsprograms@gmail.com or **Membership?** bbhsmembership@gmail.com.

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The Historian, the newsletter of the Society, is usually mailed six times a year, October through April, to all dues-paid members (one issue per paid membership). An issue is not produced in December. Previous issues are posted to our website.

2019-2020 Season **Save the Date!**

Mon, Mar 16, 2020 @7p The Path to Women's Suffrage
Sun, Apr 19, 2020@5p Mango Mania, Annual Meeting & Member's Covered Dish

February 2020 Program **SPECIAL THANKS!**

- ✚ To **Clear Copy Inc** Boynton Beach for their superior printing services.
- ✚ To (left to right) **Selina, Anna, Katie Buckley-Jones** and **Jasmine** and for the spectacular program about the **Panther Ridge Conservation Center** in Loxahatchee.



The following represents our Membership Roll to date and dues received between Jan 24 & Feb 29, 2020

Thanks to our Life Members*

Lenore Raborn Boonstra
Candy & Doug Brueggemann
EasyPay Tire Stores Inc, Doug Besecker, Ruth Besecker
Robert and Jeanne Gaylor
Randall Gill
Robert & Christian Oyer Macoviak
Melear Bros., Cliff & Rick Melear
Wayne & Eva Brooks Knuth Netzler
Scott & Camilla Smith Richardson
Alexander "Sandy" Simon
Ernest G Simon
Voncile Marshall Smith
George & Christine Weaver Ternenyi
Dorian Beck Trauger
Curtis & Nain Weems Weaver
Bill & Elsie Winchester

Thanks to our 2020 Corporate Members*

Boynton Memorial Chapel, Stormet Norem
Delray Awning, Inc., Don and Regina Day
Scobee-Combs-Bowden Funeral Home & Crematory

Special Shout-Out to Our Patrons* Thank You!

Ron & Sarah Thomas Bollenbacher
Michael & Linda Martin Callaway
Robert & Virginia Foot
Ward & Martha Parker
John I Rogers
Robert & Sheila Rousseau Taylor
Suzy Winchester

2020 Membership Renewals* Thank You!

Amaya Family	Richard Philpott
David Blutworth	Barbara Ready
Georgen Charnes	Mary Pat Ryan
Nancy Fillion	Irma Stonecipher
Benoit Mailloux & Ben Lowe	Debra Tucker
Jayedda Marsh	Arleen Van Brunt
John Melear	Sheldon & Terri Voss
Gerald Murray	Dorothy F Whittaker & Paul Wenz

Gift Memberships, Memberships Given in Honor, or Given in Memory Available

Complete the Membership Form, available at meetings, and mail with your check. Or pay online securely using PayPal at www.boyntonhistory.org.

Volunteer Opportunities

Are you a fan of Boynton Beach? Invest in its future by upholding its past and become a volunteer with the Society! The Boynton Beach Historical Society is run entirely by volunteer members. Let us know if you would like to join us and make history happen!

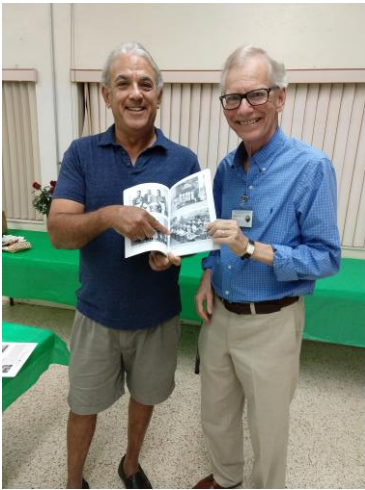
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



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You Never Know Who You Might Meet at Our Programs!

We had a special visitor at the February 2019 program: **Tom Inguanzo**. He's pictured in the left photo with **Randall Gill**, President of the Society. The two are holding the book "*Images of America: Boynton Beach*," by Randall Gill, and this month's speaker, **Janet DeVries Naughton**, in conjunction with the Boynton Beach City Library. The book is opened to page 73. Tom is pointing to the photo entitled "Miss Ruthann Ivey, 1969." The child in the plaid shirt on the left is Tom! It is always a pleasure to meet fellow Boyntonites who have had the good fortune to be memorialized in such a wonderful book! Thanks for stopping by, Tom!



Are you in any photos? Let us know!

Get your copy of "*Images of America: Boynton Beach*," sold at the Society's program meetings. Locally you can purchase a copy at the **Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center** on E Ocean Av in Boynton Beach, **Hand's Office and Art Supply** on E Atlantic Ave in Delray Beach, **Yesteryear Village** in W Palm Beach. Or, order online at ArcadiaPublishing.com.

Boynton Beach Historical Society Annual Meeting & Elections

Sun April 19, 5pm

The meeting on Sunday, April 19th at 5pm, will include the Society's **Annual Meeting**. The Officers (President, 1st VP/Program Chair, 2nd VP/Membership Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) are elected annually and terms for two Trustees are expiring.

President Gill appointed members to the **Nominating Committee** in January. The Committee, chaired by **Heidi Bell**, with members, **Donna Artes**, **Virginia Farace**, **Anne Rimler** and **Sheila Rousseau Taylor**, is charged with nominating candidates who are in good standing for the Society's offices. If you wish to be considered, please contact Heidi prior to the April meeting, by sending an email to boyntonhistory@gmail.com.

In 2019, we updated our Bylaws and those persons elected as *Directors* under previous bylaws serve until their terms expire or until they leave office. The term of Director **Jeffrey Fine**, will expire this year. In addition, the term of long time Board member, **Sarah Thomas Bollenbacher**, is expiring. Sarah will continue assisting the Board with Society projects you'll hear about in the coming months.

We sincerely thank, Jeff, Sarah and all those who have served or serve now and have given so generously of themselves and their time.

Review the bylaws at www.boyntonhistory.org.



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Archivist's Corner by Georgen Charnes, Library Archivist, Boynton Beach City Library

Here are more notable donations made to the **Local History Archive** in 2019. We look forward to building our collections in our new building and continuing to preserve and provide access to historical materials of our region.



One of the Boynton Woman's Club presidents, 2019.003.



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Accession Numbers: 2019.003 & 2019.004. Includes photographs of past Boynton Woman's Club presidents; papers pertaining to the purchase and mortgage of original Boynton Woman's Club land and building, including the land purchase from Emma Pence to Charles T. Harper, the mortgage and deed from Charles T. Harper to the Boynton Woman's Club (1911); the Boynton family donation (1925); other mortgages, deeds, and papers (1930-1978); and meeting minutes (2015-2017). Gift of Boynton Woman's Club. Final disposition: A0004 Boynton Woman's Club Collection.

Accession Number: 2019.006. Boynton Leisureville directories. Gift of Diana Dennis. Final disposition: A0025 Boynton Leisureville Collection.

Accession Number: 2019.008. Plaque for Boynton Civic Center. Transfer from within City of Boynton Beach. Final disposition: A0008.

OUR NEXT PROGRAM:

"Boynton Goes Mango!" & Annual Meeting, Excellence Award & Covered Dish Dinner

SUNDAY, April 19, 2020, 5pm, First Presbyterian Church, 235 SW 6th Av, Boynton Beach

Larry Grosser, Master Gardener and past President of the Palm Beach Rare Fruit Council, will speak about the history of mangos in South Florida, how Boynton Beach became the epicenter for the development of new varieties and the impact diseases are having on old time favorite mango varieties. Larry will share his homemade mango and lychee ice cream for dessert!

Covered Dish Dinner - Each member and guest is asked to provide a dish (salad, side, vegetable or dessert) to serve 6 or donate \$10 per person at the door. The Society will provide the entree, beverage, and place settings. This year, we encourage you to provide a dish representative of your ethnic background. What a joyful and delicious way to wind up the 2019-2020 Historical Society season.