

PLANT CITY NEWS

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BING HOUSE MUSEUM SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR SUMMER

Volunteers needed for summer



The Bing Rooming House Museum is seeking residents to volunteer at the museum during the summer.

Each summer the museum relies on local residents to greet visitors, guests and staff the museum for family reunion weekends.

You can volunteer for 2 hours or 4 hours.

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The Bing House Museum proposed hours during the summer are Monday through Saturday from 10am to 2pm.

A sign up list is available for those of you interested in helping. Stop by the Bing House Museum starting today through Friday May 18th, 2018 to sign up.

Enjoy some coffee and scan through some of the photographs and help us identify individuals in the pictures.

The Future is now– Lincoln & Madison Park Historic Districts

Two weeks ago the community celebrated the installation and dedication of the Bing Rooming House Museum Historic Marker.

The marker wording clearly spells out that this is just the beginning. Preserving the historic character, and founding accomplishments of Laura Street, churches, and former Marshall High will forever be etched for public display.

Stay tuned to the next community fish fry!



James McDaniel and Richard Glorioso worked with Jimmy and the League to make the museum a reality.

Improvement League needs YOU!

Friends and neighbors inquire on organization needs

The recent dedication of the historic marker and hosting of Dr. Robinson's "Two Ropes" book signing were both a huge success thanks to the community at large. So how can you support the effort of the Museum?

The Bing House Kitchen area is in need of general appliance and utensils such as a can opener, chafing dishes, and items used on a daily basis to include kid snacks, candy, coffee, sugar, tea, bottled water and creamer to serve the visitors and school students that stop by for tours.

Events

May 3 – National Day of Prayer

May 12– Hillsborough County Neighborhood Conference at Tampa/Brandon Sheraton

May 13 – MOTHER'S DAY

May 14 –City Commission Meeting 730pm

March 19 – Safe Summit Teen Conference w/ Safe & Sound Hillsborough @ Hillsborough High School.

May 21 – League Meeting @ Bing House

May 28 – Memorial Day Wreath Dedication

June 2 – Bealsville Banquet

Other events this month

Plant City Dodgeball May 19th YMCA

Downtown Food Truck Rally

FAMU Plant City Alumni Meeting

Marshall Class of 67 & 68 Meetings



Let's be a part of change and not watch change pass us by

Monetary donations are always welcome as we are now acquiring Bing House pens, pencils, mugs, souvenir pins, and postcards as souvenir items.

Join the League as a member for \$25.00 per year and be a part of something rewarding as we all dedicate ourselves to serving others.

Mayor Lott speaks at Habitat for Humanity new home presentation April 28th



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ON THE HORIZON

How does this benefit my neighborhood?

There are numerous community development projects underway by the City and its partners.

So how does all of this benefit us locally? Well jobs, property value and improving the quality of life for all.

The Midtown Project, Lakeside Station, new proposed MLK Community Center and future Sports Village all have employment opportunities to hire locally.

It also gives the community a sense of pride. Lincoln and Madison neighborhoods already have four parks, and walkable lake. Be proactive, have a voice and be part of great times ahead.



Striving for Excellence Academy, ATOLS and MLK 2019

The second half of the year 2018 will be a busy one as the Improvement League prepares for the Plant City MLK Fest 2019.

The Plant City Youth Forensic Science class is preparing for the fall semester, the SFEA will be implementing a youth leadership project, and the Bing House will host both a Business After-Hours in September and a food festival. Safe & Sound Hillsborough will continue funding our events in Plant City to engage youth

and families on how to build synergy working in partnership with our public schools.

Be on the watch for public forums as there are critical judicial, school district and legislative elections taking place this fall.

Anyone interested in volunteering on the Plant City MLK 2019 Committees please call 813-704-5800 to have your name, email and phone number added to the notification list.

What's been happening with the League- February to April 2018



*Historic Photos;
Help us identify and
preserve the memories
of our community!*



PLANT CITY JOB FAIR

Our community's top employers will be present and **ready to hire** for the following fields:

- Administration
- Health Care
- Construction
- Manufacturing
- Distribution
- Sales

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1206 North Park Road | Plant City, FL 33563
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Guns in Schools Conversation, Quarterly Community Development Fish Fry Meeting at St. Luke Church, Historic Marker Dedication, Job Fair at HCC and hosting Dr. Robinson's Book Signing.

Bing House Museum expands exhibits and finally "A Taste of Laura Street" coming Sept 2018

The Plant City Bing Rooming House Museum is steadily expanding its exhibit content thanks to residents who are loaning their historic items.

We are assembling a Laura Street Business District exhibit to tell the story of Hillsborough's black Wall Street. Danny Rogers recently loaned a picture of the Speakeasy joint from the 1940s which is now on display.

Last week a neighbor dropped off pictures which show part of Easter Monday.

Now "A Taste of Laura Street" is finally launching. No kidding this time. Our theme this year is "Flavors, Forks and Fun!"

Neighbors, families, churches, and/or local small businesses can enter their favorite African American Cuisine for judging and bragging rights.

Applications and promotions will be available online starting June 2018.



CAN YOU IDENTIFY THE NAME OF THE BUSINESS IN THIS PHOTO?

Thank you to our 2018 MLK supporters

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