

**“Sharing the Rich History of Ormond Beach through Education and Preservation”**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**, and welcome to our 2015

Board of Directors and officers, installed January 29 at our **Annual Meeting and Dinner** – it was a great evening! We welcome our new and returning board members and officers; see the left column on page 2 for a complete list.



**The History of Ormond Racing,  
Hosted by Dan Smith**

**Saturday, February 14, 1 p.m.**

Hear stories from former drivers and historians - more on page 3.



**ART SHOW and SALE WITH BARRY BARNETT,**  
world-renowned nature artist

Friday and Saturday, Feb 27 and 28, APMB

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**Family Day Open House and Dedication of  
Ormond Beach’s**

**Three Chimneys Sugar Mill Plantation**

**Sunday, March 22, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

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# President's Letter

## “It’s All about the Mission”

Ormond Beach Historical Society ended 2014 with its 8th successful Holiday Tour of Homes. This event truly captured the missions of the organization – preservation and education. The historical homes on Orchard Lane highlighted some of the original structures of John Anderson’s Santa Lucia Plantation from the late 1800s. Their very presence today is evidence of owners who have lovingly cared for them and preserved to keep them structurally sound for the future. Further, the stories that were told about their original builders and owners left the participants with new knowledge about the rich history of Ormond Beach. Congratulations to all who planned and implemented this event!

2015 began with the 39th Annual Dinner meeting with similar mission statement successes – preservation and education. A 1905 beautiful and personal journal with photographs from a lovely lady, Fannie Jaimeson, that had been preserved by Claudia Stanton Green, burst into print for all to share. A glimpse of A Winter in Ormond – 1905 was presented at the dinner. As we listened and relived her visit from 115 years ago, we experienced it through her eyes. Again, congratulations to all who planned and implemented this event!

Peruse the articles in this newsletter about more upcoming events for 2015. OBHS strives and thrives for the

mission.

Already we are planning for a “WOW” year in 2016 – the 40th anniversary of OBHS, the 125 anniversary of the Woman’s Club (founded as the Village Improvement Association,) and the 100th Anniversary of the Anderson-Price Memorial Building.

Don’t “blink,” or you may miss out on what it truly is “all about.”

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Diana Simmons

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## Annual Meeting and Dinner



Our January 29 annual meeting and dinner was excellent – Room was filled, food was great, all had a wonderful time!

The new Board was sworn in by Fred Costello, past Ormond Beach mayor, current state representative, and OBHS Life member.

The John Andrew Bostrom Memorial Award was awarded in memory of Mrs. Parker B. Robinson, Jr. Also, a bench honoring Jane was on display.

Our Anderson-Price Memorial Award was presented to Mary-Lu V. Leveroni. The Community Partnership Award winner was Greig Rabitaille of Rabbit & Sons Construction Company. The Volunteer of the Year this year is Shannon R. Julien.

The presentation was based on Fannie Jamison's handwritten journal describing events during her winter visiting in Ormond in 1905 by Ron and Alice Howell, Joyce Benedict, and Fannie's grand-niece Claudia Stanton Green, pictured above left, was captivating. The manuscript was published by Ron and Alice and is available for sale at the MacDonald House.



## Ormond Racing History Saturday, February 14, 1 p.m. Hosted by Dan Smith

At the Anderson-Price Memorial Building Former NASCAR drivers and historians will tell of racing exploits in this special program. Plus film about the history of racing from the Stanley Steamer "Rocket" to present day NASCAR will be shown. General admission is \$5, \$3 for Historical Society members.



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## SPECIAL ART SHOW & SALE WITH BARRY BARNETT



**Friday and Saturday, February 27 & 28, 2015**  
**Historic Anderson-Price Memorial Building**

### *Meet the artist during the show*

*Barry Barnett, a Florida native, is a world-renowned nature artist whose paintings are displayed in public and private collections throughout the U.S., including Tallahassee, Washington D.C., and in other nations.*

**Opening Reception** – Friday, February 27, 4 – 8 p.m.  
**Show Hours** – Saturday, February 28, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

200 signed and numbered prints will be given away.

A portion of the sales from this show will benefit the **Ormond Beach Historical Society** and its programs.

## **Three Chimneys Sugar Mill Plantation** **Sunday, March 22, 2015, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m**



**Be sure come to our Family Day Open House and  
 Dedication of Ormond Beach's  
 Three Chimneys Sugar Mill Plantation  
 715 West Granada Blvd.  
 Free Admission – park at the  
 Granada Professional Center, just to the west.  
 Lots of complimentary food and drink,  
 Come see our progress in preserving this  
 architectural site in Ormond Beach!**

**1 p.m. special event: Dedication of the new Boiling House Canopy,  
 funded by donations from local residents.**

### **Event Sponsors are:**

**Wayne's Solar, 357 Andrews St, Ormond Beach, and  
 The Arboretum, 3065 W. SR 40, Ormond Beach.**

**We thank them for their support!**

## Discover Our History Lecture Series :

Saturday, February 21 – “War of 1812 in Florida”

Saturday, March 21 – “The African Presence in Spanish Florida: Black Seminoles”

Saturday, April 25 – “Transparent Water: The History & Significance of Florida Springs”

Saturday, May 23 – “John James Audubon: The Artist-Scientist in Florida”

Presentations are at the Anderson-Price Memorial Building,  
42 North Beach Street. Refreshments at 9:30 a.m., program 10 -11 a.m.

**And a late “Merry Christmas” to y’all!  
The Historical Society’s float in the 2014 Christmas parade.**



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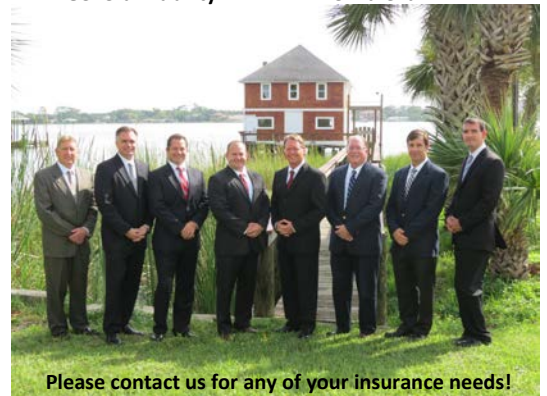
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## Bill Jones, Area Entrepreneur, Restores Many Local Landmarks

OBHS salutes Bill Jones, who has saved many of Ormond's buildings in the historic district along Granada Boulevard. More than just facelifts, his company, Highlander Corp., has restored many restaurants and businesses, such as the Buschman Building; the Ormond Garage; Rose Villa, which was on the OBHS Holiday Home Tour a few years back: Grind Gastropub; Frappes North; and the plaza on the south side of Granada which includes Miss Priss and Dunn's Attic. Jones also owns Metra Electronics in Holly Hill,

Bill Jones' latest new restaurant is called 31, its address on West Granada. Its theme is that of the fancy nightclubs and speakeasys during the prohibition era – many of the doors, lights, chandeliers, and art pieces are restored from the 1920s and 1930s. The large bar is from a 1930s Chicago speakeasy. 31 is open from 4:30 p.m. until midnight, Tuesday and Wednesday and until 1 a.m. Thursday through Saturday. The new restaurant's service and food have both received great reviews. Stop by and try it!

## Membership News

The Membership & Volunteer Committee, one of six standing committees of the OBHS, welcomes new and renewing members to the OBHS. If you have not already renewed your 2015 membership, please do so now. Not sure if you're current? Call Suzanne Heddy at the Welcome Center Office, [386-677-7005](tel:386-677-7005), Tuesday – Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Renewal notices were sent in early December.

The Membership Committee is officially designated the Membership and Volunteer Committee. So, you guessed it, we recruit and place volunteers --- Cemetery and Plantation Day re-enactors, Cupola docents, Tour of Homes hosts and hostesses, maintaining The Three Chimneys and the Anderson-Price Memorial Building, and lots more.

Those other five standing committees? Education, Museum, Preservation, Publicity, Special Events/Fund-raising. Each one of preserves the history of Ormond Beach and educates through its work whether lectures, tours, re-enactments or the sale of merchandise. And, each committee welcomes new members. So, check them out and pick one that's a good fit for you.

You joined the OBHS. Now, volunteer your time and talent --- a couple hours a year to a couple hours a week. Whatever your skill, whatever you like to do, the OBHS welcomes you as a member and as a volunteer.

## Open the Doors to Ormond Beach's Historic Treasures!

The Ormond Beach Historical Society invites you to take a tour, hear a lecture, see the sights of the "Birthplace of Speed," where early 20th century race cars competed on the beach, 18th and 19th century sugar mills turned sugar cane into molasses and rum, and 17th century Native Americans lived amid the natural splendor of east central Florida.

### Visit Us!

#### At the MacDonald House, Ormond Beach's Welcome Center and Museum

*Gateway to the Ormond Scenic Loop*

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#### Open 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday

See historical photographs and literature, visit our Merchandise Shoppe offering a selection of DVDs and books on local and Florida history, postcards, Birthplace of Speed T-shirts, caps, and more for purchase.

**Don't miss our 20-minute local history video, Ormond Discovery**

### Scenic Bus Tours

Ride in an air-conditioned bus to discover the hidden historical gems of Ormond Beach. Our tour includes 30 sites on the route – the Ormond Scenic Loop, Fairchild Oak, Three Chimneys Sugar Mill Ruins, Ormond Indian Burial Mound and historic homes along the way, and lasts about two hours, guided by a friendly, knowledgeable Historical Society volunteer tour guide.

**Tours are offered 2-3 times per month.**

**Adults \$20; OBHS members \$18; Children (5-12) \$7**

**Reservations required, space is limited;**

**Call the MacDonald House, 386-677-7005, for dates and times.**

### Hotel Ormond Cupola

Visit the remaining portion of the Hotel Ormond in Fortunato Park (northeast corner of the Granada Bridge) to see pictures and memorabilia about the hotel. No charge. Open Saturdays and Sundays, 2-4 pm, September through May.

### Anderson-Price Memorial Building

This historic building at 42 N. Beach Street is owned by OBHS and can be rented for weddings, receptions, luncheons, business meetings, etc.

*Call the MacDonald House, 386-677-7005, for reservations or questions.*





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### **Mark your Calendars – EVENT SCHEDULE**

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Thursday, February 26, 9:45 a.m. – **Scenic Historical Bus Tour**, leaves from The Casements. Reservations required, OBHS members \$18, non-members \$20.

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Saturday, February 28, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. - **Art Show & Sale with Barry Barnett** – APMB

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