



The Museum of the Islands Society Newsletter

July 2023

by President Karen Hartshorne

Welcome to our newsletter. Pine Island is heating up with events, the main one being Mango Mania. Visit us at our table and enter a drawing to win a beautiful basket filled with items from our gift shop. Also, look for Karen doing Mr Mango Head with the children. Please stop by and say hi.



Lee County installed a new a/c unit for the museum. Look who jumped out of the air vent! Say hi to Coolio if you come in.

Events Coming Up

👉 Children ages 8-17 painting at Pine Island Library on Wednesdays 10-1

👉 Mango Mania, July 15th at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, 12175 Stringfellow Rd. Would you like to help with our booth? If so, please contact Jenny Olson, our Volunteer Coordinator.

👉 Kiwanis pool party, Saturday August 5th. Museum open to all free on this day with 10% off in the gift shop.

👉 Nov, Stone Crab Fest. Date to come later when it is announced.

👉 Dec 9th, Museum Open House

👉 Our Membership Meetings will resume this winter in December. We will let you know dates, speakers, time and location as we get closer. We can't wait to see everyone and have missed you so much!

Stay in touch. We are on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [linkedin](#).

Fun fact! ❤️

In the Lost Manuscript of Frank Hamilton Cushing he writes about giving a lecture at the Whiteside General Store here on Pine Island. We have the book in our gift shop.

💧 Why does a scuba diver fall backwards into the water..?
If he falls forward...he will fall inside the boat! 🚣

Recipe of the month:

Mango Pina Colada

3 oz Pineapple juice

1 oz Mango rum

1 oz Creme of Coconut

½ C fresh Florida Mango cubed

Pineapple wedge

Ice

Add pineapple juice, mango rum, fresh cubed mango, Creme of Coconut and ice to a blender, blend until smooth. Pour in glass and garnish with pineapple wedge. Enjoy!

THIS MONTH'S TOP STORIES

✨ Free art classes on Wednesdays during July at the library for children ages 8-17. We are having fun and the children are learning how to discuss their work in the critiques at the end of each class. For more information see [MOTI events](#). We hope to have an art reception in early August. The children are eager to show you their work, and discuss it with you.



✨ Local St James Artist Lyn Wightman donated a truckload of art supplies for the children's art program. She came to visit during our last critique at the library. Thank you Lyn! We can't wait to explore these new art materials.

✨ New items in the gift shop. Robert Macomber's Honor Series books are in, along with other books, including the graphic version of A Land Remembered, the Teacher's Guide to A Land Remembered, If I Were A Manatee coloring and activity book, and Native Americans in Florida.

🛍️ Would you like us to be your personal shopper? We are happy to ship to you. Please email

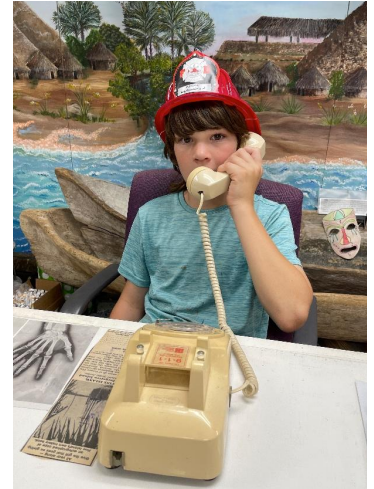


giftshop@museumoftheislands.com with your shopping list.

Volunteer!

The Museum of the Islands has something for everyone interested in giving back to the Community while sharing their expertise and talents. You receive 10% off in our gift shop if you are an active volunteer. Our Volunteer Coordinator Jenny Olson is here to help.

We still have open Volunteer positions here at the museum for Secretary, Historian, Building Committee, and Fundraising Committee. All of our volunteers are unpaid, love Pine Island, Pine Island Sound, and share their experiences with everyone. If you are of like mind, please think about joining our team. When you do, you are helping preserve the history of our island and surrounding areas. Contact Jenny Olson if you are interested.



Children painting in the library with acrylics.

Exploring drawing with vine charcoal.
This is a new concept in drawing for them.



Not A Member?

Why Not? By becoming a member of The Museum of the Islands, you'll participate in the Society's mission to preserve Pine Island and Pine Island Sound's unique and colorful history for generations to come.

[Click Here](#) to join! Our Membership Coordinator Stephanie Smith will help you sign up. If you need to update your address, phone, or email please let her know.

Need to get in touch with us?

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Kayak launch across from Randall Research
and bringing George Washington for a walk, after Hurricane Ian



Progress at the Bridgewater Inn site.