



UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC. 3— 9:30—1:00
CHRISTMAS OPEN
HOUSE

DEC. 5 — 7:00 PM
MEMBERSHIP MTG.
ROBERT MACOMBER

JAN. 2—7:00 PM
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
CINDY BEAR

JAN. 14—7:30 AM
WINTER FESTIVAL
ST. JAMES CIVIC

FEB. 7—7:00 PM
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
CHARLES O'CONNOR

FEB. 11—8:00 AM
MOTI RUMMAGE SALE
ST. JAMES CIVIC

MAR. 7—7:00 PM
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
CURTIS KLUG:
"ANCIENT POLLEN"
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MARCH 31—7:30 AM
SPRING FLING
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NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2011

NOTICE: GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING FISHERS OF MEN LUTHERAN CHURCH IN THE SANCTUARY DEC. 5, 2011: 7:00 pm "FLORIDA AT THE BEGINNING OF THE WAR"

Join award-winning author and speaker Robert N. Macomber, of Matlacha Island, for an evening of Florida history as he takes us back to 1861 and 1862 and tells of Florida's part in the beginning of the Civil War. You'll hear about Key West's crucial role, the call to arms across the state, Confederate victories at Pensacola, our local Rebels capturing enemy ships, and blockade-runners evading the U.S. Navy on this coast. Copies of Bob's novels will be available and he will be honored to personalize them.

Welcome to our returning Snow Birds. We hope you had a wonderful summer.

Once again, we had a storm-free summer for which we are very thankful. Naomi did her magic once again in getting volunteers to cover for the Summer, so we did not have to close at all. Many thanks to those of you who helped us stay open.

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE DECEMBER 3

9:30AM—1:00 PM

We will once again host a MOTI Holiday Open House on Dec. 3, from 9:30 until 1:00. We have several vendors lined up who will be exhibiting and selling their products. These include hand painted

items, special cards, pottery, original drawings, and photographers. As usual, we will have our very own Island Frank performing his island music; punch and cookies will be served; and admission to the museum is free on that day. There will also be lots of beautiful plants. Please bring your family and friends and come spend a fun-filled Saturday with us. One of our local residents, Kirk Walter, has recently completed a book about the local islands and he will be with us for a special book signing at the Open House ... the first sales venue for this new book!

MEMBERSHIP

It's membership renewal time again. As you know, we depend on our membership fees to cover operating expenses at the museum. A membership form is enclosed for your convenience. You can print it and return it with your check to MOTI at P.O. Box 12, St. James

City, FL 33956. Thank you in advance for your continued support of MOTI.

VOLUNTEERS

As a result of Naomi Brewer's perseverance, we have several new volunteers to welcome into our MOTI family. We appreciate ALL of our volunteers and want you to know that we could not remain open

without your help. If you would like to become a MOTI volunteer, please call Naomi at 283-4298. We will work with you to accommodate your schedule. We would like to offer a special welcome to the following new member volunteers:

**Harry E. Brown,
Vickie Duflo,
Tim Saulsbury, and
Bev Henderson**

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We think you will agree that our Gift Shop is a first-class shop with many unique items. Bobbie spends many hours purchasing and stocking the items for the gift shop, and we really appreciate all her efforts.



We have new Christmas items in the Gift Shop, including ornaments. And ... this year our drawing prize will be a **\$100 MONEY TREE!** Tickets are now on sale, and the drawing will be held on Feb. 11, 2012, at our annual Rummage Sale.

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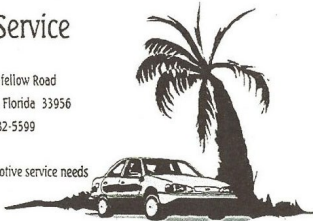
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