



THE MOTI NEWS

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MOTI is looking forward to another successful season. Last year was the best that we have had in a very long time, and we are hopeful 2014-2015 will be another exciting season for us.

The first event to come up is the Christmas Open House, which will be held on December 6, from 9 to 1. We will have our own Island Frank playing his upbeat island music and Christmas carols. We have 14 local vendors lined up who will be there with their unique items; a children's scavenger hunt and other activities for the kiddies are also planned. We hope you will come and spend the morning with us.

Also during this season, new collaborations are being planned with the St. James City Civic/MOTI Collaboration Team. Following is a tentative list of events that are in the works.

December 18 – Evening in downtown Ft. Myers to include viewing the Edison Holiday Lights (flyer attached)

January – A locally themed program

February – “A Day in Naples” with a visit to the Naples Zoo

March – MOTE Marine visit with bus tour

SPEAKER SERIES: From the podium.....

December 1, 2014 — 7:00 pm — Fishers of Men Lutheran Church
Bob Macomber - His topic will be: The President and the Devilfish! Join Pine Island's own award-winning author and acclaimed lecturer for a brief look at the visit of former president Theodore Roosevelt to our islands. It's a fascinating adventure tale of one of our greatest presidents. You'll learn about why he came, where he stayed, who he met, the unique legacy of the visit you can see today. For more about Robert N. Macomber and his work, visit www.RobertMacomber.com

For more information, contact Beverly at bandbmuldoon@sbcglobal.net or call the museum at 283.1525

MUSEUM TOURS...Please contact **Carolyn Murphey** to arrange a tour of MOTI for individuals or groups. 239.283.6266.

NOTES FROM PRESIDENT AND CURATOR, VICKIE DUFLO



We had a very generous community this past summer! Island residents Kathi and Jerry Smith donated two very special items to MOTI: a Brunswick cabinet-style phonograph with record collection and a stand-up Philco cabinet radio. These are great pieces and I can't wait for everyone to see them this season!

Another very generous donation allows a new display of Island images done by Ron Mayhew. His fish shack prints were quite popular last year and we are just as excited about the new series. We made several changes over the summer, so stop in and have a look!

MEMBERSHIP NOTES



A note from Sal Anastasio, the new Membership Chair:

Recently, I was standing in line ahead of two couples who had just arrived on the island for the season. It occurred to me to ask if they knew that we had a very nice museum on the island. They did not! One couple had mentioned a coming visit of children and grandchildren. This prompts me to make the following suggestions to all our members. When you meet new people, tell them about our wonderful museum. Point out that, in addition to our Individual Memberships, we offer Family Memberships which allow them to bring their children and grandchildren with them, at no extra charge, for a visit which will be both educational and a lot of fun. Finally, spread the word about the exciting activities sponsored by the museum, including the Open House on December 6, the Holiday Evening in Fort Myers on December 18, and the other events mentioned in this Newsletter.

Membership dues: Individual \$15; Family \$20; Club \$25; Corporation (Ad) \$50; Life (per person) \$100.



ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS.....

We are so blessed to have dedicated volunteers without whom we would have to turn off our lights and close our doors. But...we need YOU. Please consider joining our team even if you can only commit to one day (3-4 hours) a month. If you are interested please contact Ced at 283-5050 or 850-9850.

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For information on activities and events, for flyers and registration forms, visit the MOTI website.



LYNN'S NOTES: The Collaborative Team has put together a delightful holiday evening in Fort Myers. You will have time to stroll and dine, do some shopping at the Franklin Market and galleries. Then, after a short bus ride, you will have two hours to visit the Edison Estate that is beautifully decorated with holiday decorations and lights.

A flyer is attached, and the information is also available on the MOTI website. Cost is only \$40.00, payable by December 8, 2014.

Kick off your holiday festivities with this care-free excursion ... on our comfortable 55 passenger restroom-equipped motor coach.

Please contact Mary Ann at 283-9337 for more information and a place on the waiting list.

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE SAT., DEC. 6



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SALE, OR LEAVE THEM AT THE MUSEUM
THE DAY BEFORE.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC. 1, Membership
Bob Macomber, Speaker

DEC. 6, Christmas Open
House

DEC. 18, MOTI/SJCCA
Trip to Edison Estate

JANUARY—Locally
Themed Program

FEBRUARY, Day in
Naples

MARCH—MOTE
Marine Visit



MOTI AND SJCCA are working together to provide programs of interest. These activities range from local programs to field trips to places of interest.

Watch for information in your newsletters, emails, and at the museum and the civic association.

**IF YOU HAVE IDEAS
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