LCHS Newsletter

June 2019

Monthly Speaker Series
Thursday, June 27
7:15pm – 8:15pm
Helen Hall Library

A Word From The President

The League City Historical Society recently hosted a reception following the graveside ceremonies for hometown hero Seaman 2nd Class Richard Thomson who was killed during the attack on Pearl Harbor. The reception was at the City Recreation Center and was in conjunction with the Fairview Cemetery Association and the City of League City. There was a large turnout for the event and I want to thank the volunteers and in particular Phyllis White for coordinating the team who came together to make this a success.

Looking ahead to next month please join us for the Teddy Bear Parade July 4th. This parade has grown into a really big event with lots of kids from 0 – 16 years of age dressing in red, white and blue and decorating their wagons, bikes, scooters and strollers for the occasion. Lineup is at 10am at the West Bay Common School Children’s Museum. The parade kicks off at 10:30am and travels two blocks to Butler’s Courtyard where prizes are awarded to the best decorated contestants in each different age group.

The biggest event of the year for the Society is the annual Living History Dinner set for the evening of July 18th at Butler’s Courtyard. This year we were fortunate to secure historic actress Melissa Thibodeaux to portray Mary Elizabeth Bowser known as the black female spy in the Confederate White House. (continued on next page)
Ms. Thibodeaux shared her talents with us once before, portraying Harriet Tubman who was born into slavery, escaped and subsequently made some thirteen missions to rescue approximately seventy enslaved people. Seating for this event is limited and tickets sell out fast so please be certain you get your order in as soon as ticket sales begin. Information will be sent to all members by email and released on the Society’s Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/LeagueCityHistory/. Please visit our page and Like Us.

Ronnie Richards  ronnie@butlerscourtyard.com  281-797-1970

West Bay Common School Children’s Museum

June Message from the Marm
We have begun a partnership with the Girl Scouts of San Jacinto Council, our local council serving over 70,000 scouts in the Greater Houston area and one of the strongest councils in the nation. They will help with the registration process and marketing of WBCS’s GS badge and patch workshops. The next workshop around the corner will be held here the Saturday before CCISD starts, on August 17. It’s one of the liveliest programs, called “Playing the Past” for GS Juniors.

Sarah Eubanks
Director of Education

West Bay Common School Children’s Museum
OneRoomSchoolhouse.org  281-554-2994
Melodey Mozeley Hauch is a local historian and author as well as a longtime member of the League City Historical Society and a big fan of the Helen Hall Library since 1984 when her family moved to our city. Her articles and books have won numerous awards including two Sally B. Wallace Awards for Historic Preservation from the Galveston Historical Foundation.

Hauch’s Virginia Point presentation will discuss three families who settled there between the 1830s and 1852: the James Campbell, Solomon Parr and Judge William J. Jones families. Due to Virginia Point’s location on the mainland across the bay from Galveston Island, the area was vital in the changing face of transportation from ferry boats to steamboats to railroad bridges to causeways. The fort at Virginia Point was a staging area for the 1863 New Years Day attack on Union forces holding Galveston. Today the area is part of a huge preservation effort spearheaded by Scenic Galveston, Inc.
Create your own “Patriotic” Float and have a parade.

**Thursday July 4th, 2019**
10:30am Parade

Line up at 10am in front of the one-room schoolhouse

Annual

**TEDDY BEAR PARADE**

Presented by

**WEST BAY COMMON SCHOOL CHILDREN’S MUSEUM**
210 North Kansas, League City, Texas 77573

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Decorate your Bike, Scooter, wagon or anything on wheels!
March from the Museum along Second Street to Butler’s Courtyard.
Individual Prizes will be awarded for children 0-16 years

**QUESTIONS**... call 281-557-5551
The League City Historical Society presents our
Living History Dinner

Mary Elizabeth Bowser
A Spy in the
Confederate Whitehouse

featuring
Melissa Waddy Thibodeaux

Thursday, July 18th 2019
Butler’s Courtyard
122 North Michigan Avenue, Historic League City, Texas

6:00 PM Social & Silent Auction, 7:00 PM Dinner

Tickets $60 – Sponsor tables available

Tickets available online at leaguecityhistory.org
Also available at West Bay Common School Children’s Museum, 210 North Kansas or call 281-554-2994
If You Are Not A Member, We Are Hoping You Will Join!!

League City Historical Society

Thank you for being a member. The various types of memberships with the associated dues are listed below. To renew your membership or become a new member, select the membership level that is best for you, complete the form and mail to:

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