

Barberville
Pioneer Settlement's
Newsletter
Summer 2018

From the Director's Desk

The Butter Lady 's Life & Legacy



As a child during the depression era Luella Ross lived in Turpentine Camp #13 in North Florida. Luella's father and mother both worked at the Turpentine Camp. Her father died when she was very young and her mother became disabled when Luella was five years old. Another woman in the camp Cora Jackson became her adopted mother. Cora was a practicing midwife who taught Luella about the home remedies and the herbal folk medicines that later in life she would come to share with many visitors to the Pioneer Settlement.

During the mid-nineteen eighties Luella came to the Pioneer Settlement through a program that provided training and jobs for older people. Luella became one of the Settlement's most valuable resources. Luella was a teacher's aide for nearly two decades and earned the nick name of "The Butter Lady" although she would also share her folk medicines and home remedies and sometimes weave or spin if that was what was needed for a field trip.

In a 2004 local newspaper interview at the age of 79, Luella reflected on her family life. Luella was married to Reverend George Washington "G.W." Ross. She was the mother of nine boys and one girl and she quit counting the "grands" after number thirteen. Luella also fostered many children in her home and adopted four of them. Her favorite movies were westerns and she liked John Wayne, her favorite song was the hymn "Father, I Stretch My Hand to Thee' and The Holy Bible was her favorite book. Even though her life was hard

at times there were the simple joys of close-knit families and she remembers "being very happy growing up and in a good home."

Luella's love for children, her admiration for Marilyn Breeze the Settlement's director during that time and her "buddy" Pedro (the farm donkey) is what kept her working at the Pioneer Settlement on into her 80's. I imagine though, that part of her dedication was fueled by a passion to pass on and share history and traditions.

The passing down of cultural traditions and the history of how and why things came to be are even more important in today's world where mediocrity is acceptable and instant gratification has become the norm. Teachings about the pioneer lifestyle are critical for future generations to develop an understanding of values like freedom and faith and to garner an appreciation for integrity, personal responsibility and a strong work ethic. Whether she realized it or not, Luella had and shared all that.

Although I never had the opportunity to meet her I'm very much in awe of her legacy, her passion for children and her love of sharing history. As woman who lived in a turpentine camp, Luella brought something that no one else could to the

Luella Ross April 10, 1925 - July 18, 2018

Pioneer Settlement. They say everyone is replaceable but I don't think that is true about Luella.

Our long-time friend and former staff member Luella Baker Ross, 93, entered the sunset of her life on Wednesday, July 18, 2018. May her friends and family be comforted with the knowledge of the many lives she touched through her work here at the Barberville Pioneer Settlement and beyond. May she rest in peace.

News & Announcements

Board Member Opportunities — Those interested in joining our Board of Directors are encouraged to send a letter of interest along with a resume to directors@pioneersettlement.org. Our Board meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month at the Settlement at 7pm. Directors are expected to attend all meetings, hold a minimum annual level of a Patron membership and contribute to the annual fees for Directors & Officers Insurance.

We are looking forward to seeing a few new faces around here in October. Our new volunteers will begin arriving in October and we are very excited about having them join our team — Joanna and Jonathan Demarest, Richard and Rhonda McCutcheon, John and Lucy Rasmussen, Page Harris and Bob Pavlechko. These folks bring a vast array of knowledge and experiences that will be very beneficial to our successes in the upcoming season. Make sure you take a minute to welcome them next time you visit.

If you are one of our **beloved volunteers**, **demonstrators or musicians** we encourage you to join our new group on Facebook. This is a closed group which means that unless you join and become an approved member you cannot read or see our posts. The group name is **Barberville Pioneer Settlement Demonstrators**, **Volunteers and Team Members**. It is a great way for us to share ideas and Settlement related information with a large group at once.

We are currently accepting donations and applications for \$5.00 spaces for the **Annual Community Yard Sale** that we hold each year during the **Fire & Ice Chili Cook Off and Ice Cream Churn Off!** We also have a vacant spot or two for the chili and ice cream contests so lets **get those crocks a-cookin' and the churns a-churning!** Last years defending first place champions Diana Johnson — Chili, and Dennis Thomas — Ice Cream, are gearing up for the challenge! You can find the rules and applications for all of these activities on our website, or give us a call and we'll fill them out for you!

We need your old Christmas Cards! One of the lessons we do with the children during our Old Fashioned Traditions Program (when they visit England at the Cabin) is the history of the Christmas Card. For their hands on craft we provide a recycled card that they string with yarn and keep as an ornament. Our Christmas card supply has really dwindled so if you could pass the word and send some, we and the children would be very merry!

On October 6th and 7th we welcome **Buckler's Shows** as they bring the **2nd annual Harvest Fest** to our facility. This event **is not a members free event** as it is not our show. Please do not confuse it with our Fall Country Jamboree which happens the first weekend of November. At the Harvest Fest we will be selling apple and peach desserts out of our summer kitchen as a fundraiser and could use a few folks to help us out. Buckler's events happen twice a year and have quickly become a very important resource for us. During these events — the Harvest Fest and the Strawberry Fest — we make revenue from the rental of our grounds and the fundraisers in the summer kitchen. This added revenue has enabled us to do a better job of grounds maintenance and upkeep of our buildings and the property.

We are now accepting donations for our Silent Auction at the Fall Country Jamboree. We are attempting to raise the quality of the items that we accept into the silent auction. If you are thinking to donate an item please ask yourself if it is auction worthy or more of a yard sale type item. If the answer is yard sale we prefer that you donate it before Sept. 7th for our once a year yard sale as we simply do not have the storage space to keep items over a long time period. If you are not sure if an item is deemed as auction worthy please call ahead or email us a photo so we can help to determine that for you. Clothing—unless it is vintage and in good condition, will not be accepted. As with all donations and in accordance with our donation policy we reserve the right to retain, exhibit, loan, sell, or dispose of at our discretion the object in any way deemed best for the organization including the auction, sale or trade of any item.

There are **two new events** we want you to be mindful of! Our **Wedding and Events Showcase** is happening on Sunday, October 14th from Noon—3pm. Select vendors will be on hand to help you plan your event or wedding here at the Pioneer Settlement. Admission is free with pre-registration. See our ad on page 4 and read about the second new event on the next page!

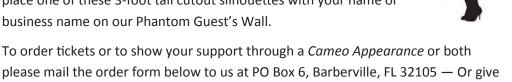
It's a ROARING TWENTIES CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION!

There are a limited number of tickets available for our 100th Anniversary celebration of the Barberville Central High School. The Roaring Twenties come to life on Saturday, January 19th, 2019 as Volusia County Sheriff's Officers reenact a raid on the Speak Easy at the Pioneer Settlement and arrest some of its most prominent guests and place them in jail where they will have to raise bail. Along with the 1920's music activities include a 1920's Costume Contest with cash prizes, dance demonstrations and lessons, a Silent Raffle, a Cake Walk and other games, heavy hors d' oeuvres and a beer & wine cash bar. Members of the Settlement will have the first opportunity to purchase tickets before sales are opened up to the general public.

On November 1st any remaining unsold tickets will be made available to the public on a first come first serve basis. Tickets are \$45 per person and include heavy hors d'oeuvres, two drink tickets, one cake walk ticket and a whole lot of fun!

Can't make the date? You can still show your support with a Cameo Appearance and be our guest in Spirit! For a contribution of \$29 we will place one of these 3-foot tall cutout silhouettes with your name or business name on our Phantom Guest's Wall.

us a call to place your order over the phone. (386) 749-2959





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Barberville Ce	entral High School	1919—2019
NAME / COMPANY		
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I [] Please send # ticket(s) @ \$45.00 each for the Roaring Twenties Centennial Celebration on Saturday January 19th 2019 6pm—10pm		
Print legibly below how you want the name(s) to appear on the wall.		
I have enclosed a check or charge my credit card below for the amount of \$ Please make checks payable to Barberville Pioneer Settlement		
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September's Second Saturday at the Settlement

Saturday, September 8, 2018 9am-4pm

FREE ADMISSION !!!

CHILL COOK OFF AND

Cash prizes to be awarded to People's Choice Chili & Ice Cream Judging/Tasting —\$4.00 per person Tasting begins at 11:30am until it's gone, so arrive early.

Living History Demonstrations Community Yard Sale starts at 9am-2pm —\$5.00 Per Space Non-Profit Information Spaces—No Charge **Summer Kitchen Open**

ICE CREAM CHURN OFF Where You can Be the JUDGE!

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Relax...we got this!

From the quaint 1890's white chapel to the histori schoolhouse, barn and log cabin—we are overflowing with venue options that will bring your wedding dreams, anniversary celebration, family reunion or corporate event plans to life.

Join us for a free tour of our unique historic venue with many distinctive and charming historical buildings that will allow your imagination to soar! Speak to our carefully selected licensed and professional vendors who will be on-site to discuss all of you event planning wants and needs.

Free door prizes and raffles! Free admission with preregistration!

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Pioneer Settlement's Wedding & Events Showcase October 14, 2018 Noon to 3pm 1776 Lightfoot Lane Barberville, FL 32105 (GPS-32180)

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your event or wedding!

Presented by Barberville Pioneer Settlement & Stanley Arel Event Services

Pre Registration is necessary for Free Admission Call 386-749-2959 or visit us on-line to register

For vendor or other information contact Stan 508-847-4175 www.pioneersettlement.org





Second Saturdays at the Settlement

Join us every Second Saturday for **Living History Demonstrations and** Workshops of the **Traditional Arts, Crafts and Trades.**

Programs and fees vary month to month see our website our Facebook page or call for details.

Exhibits and Demonstrations are included with admission.

Admission \$8 adults, \$7 for Seniors \$4 for Children ages 6-12

> FREE for Members and Children 5 and Under

www.pioneersettlement.org 386-749-2959

Sharing History through Music! Stories about the Barberville **Pioneer Settlement** can now be music to your ears!



This twin pack compilation is a special production of original folksongs recounting many stories of the Settlement's historic buildings, people and even our animals.

Thanks to all of the participating musicians that donated their time and talents to produce this unique recording.

Pick one up here or Order on our website or by phone www.pioneersettlement.org 386-749-2959

Chairs, Curtains & Air Conditioners - Oh MY!

Over the last few years our fundraising campaigns have consisted of acquiring new Chairs, Curtains & now Air Conditioners. Providing a safe and comfortable atmosphere for you and your children while visiting the Settlement is a top priority for us. Having efficient and worry free climate control in our main building is part of that. So are the curtains and the chairs.

The day they told us that the compressor was shot in one of our 17 year-old 8 seer air conditioners was somewhat of a blessing in disguise. We are very grateful that our Board approved the expenditure to replace all five of the units at the same time. As we welcome our newest cooling and heating additions we have also acquired an expense that although we knew was coming didn't expect for this year. Thanks to great credit and little debt we were able to acquire a loan and are anxious to pay it off as soon as possible. **All Volusia & Flagler Heating and Air** was chosen from the seven bidding contractors by the Board to provide the new heat pump units. It was very much appreciated that they donated back to us \$1,000.00.





You probably remember in the summer of 2015 we launched our *Crappy Chair Campaign*. We keep the majority of the 84 chairs (that your donations made possible) in storage to be used for special events like weddings and we do not use them outside. Currently we have \$149.00 in the chair campaign and we continue to keep the crappy chair set-up in our school hallway because people love it and we still want to buy about 20 more chairs.

The Shabby but not so Chic Curtains Campaign began the summer of 2017 with the goal of raising \$3,500.00 to purchase blackout shades, curtains and hardware for the 14 windows in the high school auditorium. Thanks to you, gracious givers, we raised \$5,050.00 and have installed blackout shades in all of the 14 auditorium windows as well as 6 in the inside kitchen and 6 in our administrative library/meeting room. We saved money by opting to make our own curtain rods and repurposing some curtains as valances. Our goal now is to expand the campaign to eventually cover thirty more windows! Thanks to our



friend Mike Arminio at **Bay Breeze Blinds** for helping us out with this project. The blinds are MADE in the USA – Orlan-

do to be exact.
As of now we have \$880.00 in this campaign.

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Our new Air Conditioners Campaign that we just launched the end of June has raised \$1,525.00 already through our Facebook page post. We are very thankful to those of you who have contributed. We are not setting a goal for this campaign as we are just looking for help towards paying off our new loan.

Some might say that Pioneers and Seminoles didn't have air conditioning, blackout shades and cushioned chairs. To them we say we are grateful that we do! We have had visitors and staff experience heat related health issues here on occasion and I can't imagine not having a comfortable place to take them to cool down. We owe all of what we do and what we have to the generosity of our donors.

Between the new blackout shades and the new air conditioning you will notice a difference on your next visit to the Settlement. While you are here take an extra moment to sit and relax and soak up the air in our 100 year old Schoolhouse! Feel the cool, cool air (or the heat if its wintertime) and know that we are very thankful to you.

For your convenience we have enclosed a return envelope for you to use to make your donation. Make sure you let us know which project you want your contribution to go to. These envelopes were printed last year so the A/C Campaign is not listed as a choice and you will have to write it in. You can also use them to send your order form in for our 100th Anniversary Roaring Twenties Party. (See page 3 of this newsletter)

Support of any amount for any of these projects is greatly appreciated.

Many thanks in advance for your contributions and we hope to see you soon here in Barberville!

Best Regards,

Debra

Debra Ann West, Executive Director

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Now Offering Levels one and two Blacksmithing Classes!

We also sell Coal and Mild Steel Stock



Classes are limited to 2 students—Ages 18+

Cost—\$75.00 includes all materials.

Classes are held on Second Saturdays and most Fridays

Register at 386-749-2959 or email blacksmith@pioneersettlement.org

2018-2019 Calendar of Special Events

Sept. 8, 2018 Fire & Ice Annual Open House - Chili Cook Off and Ice

Cream Churn Off, Community Yard Sale and Second Saturday

Living History Demos - Free Admission—Donations Encouraged

Oct. 6&7, 2018 Bucklers Shows— **Harvest Fest** *Admission fee is charged for members!

Oct. 14, 2018 Weddings & Events Showcase - Free with pre registration at our website

Nov. 3&4, 2018 42nd Annual Fall Country Jamboree - Members Free

Dec. 8, 2018 A Florida Christmas Remembered & Second Saturdays - Members Free

Jan. 19, 2019 **Centennial Celebration—Roaring Twenties Party—**100th Anniversary

of the Barberville Central High School - Tickets Required

Jan. 26, 2019 Annual Membership Meeting - Members Only

Mar. 16&17, 2019 Bucklers Shows— Strawberry Fest *Admission fee is charged for members!

April 6&7, 2019 15th Annual Spring Frolic - Members Free

June 8, 2019 5th Annual Celebration of Olde Florida - Members Free

First Saturday Free Music Workshops & Jam—the first Saturday of every month—our renowned volunteer teachers offer Free Music Lessons with paid admission or membership.

Second Saturdays at the Settlement—Every Second Saturday features different living history demonstrations, workshops and exhibits

Fiber Arts Guild meets on the third Saturday

Rug Hookers meets on the fourth Saturday

Square Dancing - almost every Friday evening at 6:30pm—Call to confirm

All dates subject to change—For full listing of events and the most up to date information visit our Facebook page or **www.pioneersettlement.org**

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Emily Mieras

News & Announcements (continued)

Have you found our **Peacock Wings** yet? As participants with the West Volusia Tourism Advertising Authority's Trail of "Wings of the West," artist Erica Group recently installed Peacock Wings on one of our exterior building walls. Visitors to the Barberville Pioneer Settlement first must find the wings, have their photo taken with the wings maybe posing as a peacock, and shared the photos on social media with friends! (#wingsofthewest) Thousands of people have been photographed in front of Erica's original angel wings from the alley mural in Downtown DeLand and now they have more to add to their collection. The bi-plane wings at Skydive DeLand and the newest set of Fairy Wings in Cassadaga. The next set to be painted will be scrub jay

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Old Time Barn Dancing
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wings at Lyonia Preserve. We are very excited to be included in this



fun project and encourage our visitors to look for the peacock wings on your next visit and share them with us and your friends on Facebook!



Help is needed any day
October 31st—
November 5th

Get free admission and lunch at the event—four hour flexible shifts

Set –Up, Take Down, Food Services, Parking, Security, Admission Gate, Desserts, Silent Auction

CONTACT LORI 386-749-2959 or email events@Pioneersettlement.org One of the many favorite things to do here during the Fall Country Jamboree is to visit the **Dessert Kitchen.**



This has always been a great fundraiser for the Settlement and the best way to satisfy any sweet tooth! We couldn't do it without all of our loyal volunteer bakers that spend their time and money to whip up these tremendous home made treats that so many of us look forward to each year. Thanks so much friends, these are the "sweetest" donations of all!

Speaking of Sweetness... isn't this class of eager young minds just calling out to you? We are in great



need of a few more **field trip volunteers!** We offer flexible hours and free training!

Help us keep the old traditions alive for our children and grandchildren.

Field trips are Monday – Friday 9am - 1pm. Once a week or once a month can be a big help! We can assist with period correct attire. Must be able to pass a background check. Contact us 386-749-2959 or directors@pioneersettlement.org

Christmas Spectacular!

STETSON MANSION

"Florida's First Luxury Estate"

Holiday Home Tours November 15—January 15 **stetsonmansion.com** We are excited to be, once again this year, marketing partners with the Stetson Mansion and highly recommend for you to take a tour there. The mansion is awesome to see anytime —but it is truly amazing to see the amount of artistic talent and creative work that goes into the Christmas Spectacular! Make sure you let them know that we sent you! Reservations are required and must be made on their website. Enjoy!



Barberville Central High School 1919—2019

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TWENTIES PARTY

Saturday

January 19, 2019

Speakeasy opens 6:00 pm

Raid Reenactment

provided by

Sheriff Chitwood and

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Silent Raffle



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Costume Contest—

Best Female, Best Male

and Best Couple

\$200 Total Cash Prizes

Heavy Hors D'oeuvres Speakeasy Cash Bar

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Advance Ticket Sales \$45 per person — Includes 2 drink tickets and one cake walk ticket

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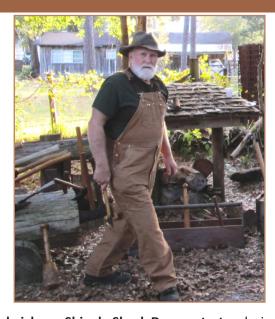






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Volunteer Salute



Allen Hardwicke — Shingle Shack Demonstrator during special events, Member of Florida Artists Blacksmith Association, long time friend and member of the Pioneer Settlement. Allen has always been generous with his time and professional advice. Please keep Allen and his family in your prayers as health issues have forced him to retire from his service/participation.

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Raffle Donation: \$1.00/ticket or \$5.00/6 tickets
Need not be present to win; drawing will be held
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