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47th Annual Pioneer Day, Saturday, October 12, 2024

The East Hillsborough Historical Society is pleased to announce the **47**th **Annual Pioneer Day** celebration will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2024, at the historic 1914 Plant City High School Community Center, 605 North Collins Street, Plant City, Florida. Hours for Pioneer Day will be 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. We welcome food & craft vendors, pioneer exhibits, and the display of homemade and historic quilts. The family-oriented, free, all-day celebration will include live entertainment, a train ride for kids, and a day of fun.

Visit the 1914 PCHSCC Pioneer Museums, the Henry B. Plant Railroad Historical Society's model train layout, museum exhibits, heritage demonstrations, clogging, dancing, singing, and much more. Alumni from Turkey Creek High School will share their archives collection for their school's history with the community. We are extremely pleased to welcome back the Plant City Garden Club with their Small Standard National Garden Club Show, "Celebrate."

The Quintilla Geer Bruton Archives Center will host their annual Bake Sale with mouth-watering sweets and treats.

Exhibits in The Classroom Gallery include the **Seminole and Miccosukee People of Florida** and paintings by Dorothy Greenlee Fascenda and her mother, Marie D. Greenlee.

Artist John Briggs will be in his studio, talking about the lithograph press. Prints will be offered for sale.

Henry B. Plant will bring some of his fellow hotel staff from the Plant Museum, and they will tell the inside stories from Mr. Plant's famous Tampa Bay Hotel. Mr. Planter, the mascot from the days when the 1914 was a high school, will be visiting the classrooms from his days of reign.

Descendants of pioneering families who have lived in the Eastern Hillsborough County area for one hundred or more years are eligible to receive a Pioneer Certificate. Applications are available in the Archives Center or email info@ehhsoc.org.

Application forms for Pioneer Day vendors and events are available by contacting the EHHS office or visiting the website https://ehhsoc.org/pioneer-day-vendors/

Come out, enjoy the day!

For information, please contact EHHS (813) 757-9226 or email <u>info@ehhsoc.org</u> or or visit our website: http://www.ehhsoc.org

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