



Svea, FL, 1918



Hope McDonald, Tommie Simon



Canoe Community, Church, ca 1920



Pyron Chapel Community, 1915

# Baker Block Museum

North Okaloosa Historical Association

## Newsletter

[Bakerblockmuseum.org](http://Bakerblockmuseum.org)

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Winter

Spring

Summer

Fall

### April, 2016

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## Celebrating the Crestview Centennial 1916 – 2016

STOP BY THE **BAKER BLOCK MUSEUM** TABLE:

**Saturday, 21 May, Family Heritage Wall of Honor Induction Ceremony. 11 a.m.**

**Saturday, 18 June, Baker Block Museum "Ouilt & Needlework Show & Sale" in the museum's park area. Call to reserve a space: 850.537.5714, or [bakermuseum@aol.com](mailto:bakermuseum@aol.com)**

**Saturday, 16 July, Baker Block Museum 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Baker. Open House. Meet Notables, Homemade Ice Cream & more.**

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## The Museum's Purpose Statement:

"The Baker Block Museum's purpose is to preserve and display artifacts and documents of the early development of the Florida Panhandle, particularly Okaloosa County, in order to educate the public on the technology, history and impact of historic events including early culture of Spanish, French, Dutch and Native Americans, the naval stores industry, the rail transportation industry and military installations in the State of Florida and more specifically along the Yellow and Shoal Rivers, early railroad routes, timber industries, pioneer communities and fisheries."

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## Accession Guidelines:

(donations to the museum's collections, artifacts and exhibits)

"Early" means different things to different generations - pre WWII means 'early' for many of us; however, increasingly, 'early' means before cell phones for most folks! Please help us as we construct collection standards to ensure we have a balanced collection of public interest to our patrons. There are many great items we know have value but we may presently not have room to store them.

--The umbrella you want to donate may have been precious to Aunt Jane, but she used it in New York City not in Pyron Chapel.

--Our present focus is on pre-WW II items native to Okaloosa County;

--If you have items from your family home and do not know if they meet museum collection needs/requirements, call us, we can help you decide.

## Florida Division of Historical Resources



## #ThisPlaceMatters

May is Preservation Month, and this year we're encouraging our friends and partner organizations to celebrate with three words that say it all:

**This. Place. Matters.**

This Place Matters is a national campaign of the National Trust for Historic Preservation that encourages people to shine a spotlight on the places that are meaningful to them and to their communities. It's a perfect way to raise awareness—and to spread the love—during Preservation Month. Ready to get started? Everything you need is right here:

[www.savingplaces.org/thisplacematters](http://www.savingplaces.org/thisplacematters).

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# Baker Block Museum

will be 20 Years Old in July 2016

On 16 July we will have an Open House with special introductions, homemade ice cream and other goodies. Save the date and join us!



*Have you found the us on the Baker, Florida **FACEBOOK** site, yet? Jayme B. has done a wonderful job putting the page together and he frequently includes Baker Block Museum. Find it. Enjoy it. Get in on the conversations!*

## 21 May 2016



The Induction Ceremony will be held indoors at the museum this year beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Once our pole barn type shelter is built in the park area we will be able to accommodate more people; and, it will give cooler temps and a nice shade from the elements.

We will begin accepting nominations for 2017 later this summer.

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*Baker Block Museum*

needs a few good

# volunteers

Who can type; help set up chairs; act as host to patrons attending special events; organize files, type. Talk with Ann Spann at the museum. (850) 537-5714 – one day a week; a half day; whatever you can give.

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