



Homestead Happenings - July 2026

Work on our roof began on June 22 and it is progressing nicely!



How do you like this view?! Brian, from Evans Roofing, took the photo, while removing the old cedar shake shingles. What an angle!

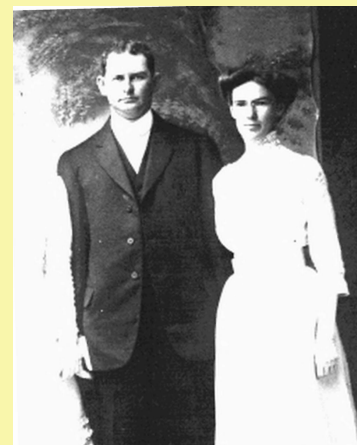


Thanks again to Dave Smith, and Casey and Curt from [Keystone Engineering](#) and Daniel and Jeffery from [Evans Roofing](#), and the state of Florida! This project is slated to last two months. Thankfully the summer rains are happening in the afternoon and has not impeded progress. The crew works smart and hard and they have been setting aside the original cedar shake shingles as they can to allow us to create an exhibit of the old and the new roof. The interior of the roof is a lovely sight, with its red-tannin stained wood and saw blade marks from 1880.

The 'first' wedding at Field Manor was 10 years ago!



Did you know that for the past 10 years, in addition to being a homestead and museum, Field Manor has also been operating as a historic event venue? The picturesque view of the Indian River Lagoon and the breathtaking sunsets over the water make Field Manor a coveted spot for weddings in Brevard County. Following in the tradition of the Fields who were married at the Manor (Emma Irene Field, Annie Eliza Field, and Joe Field), over 150 couples have been married at the Manor! We recently found the invitation for the first wedding at Field Manor and would like to wish Courtney and Gordon a happy 10-year anniversary! Their invitation is filed with other important artifacts. With every wedding, the Manor becomes part of the history of each new family, and we are honored to be included in their story. For more information about weddings at the Manor, please visit our [webpage](#) and [Facebook](#).



Happy 90th Birthday to Robert Otis Buck!

Robert Buck, second from the right, was born on July 16, 1936. Robert is the great-grandson of Samuel Field, the first postmaster of Indianola, Merritt Island, and grew up on Indianola Drive before moving to Rockledge. Robert is one of our most favorite volunteers, not just for his creative skills, but also for his anecdotes of growing up in Indianola. Some of our favorites are his tales of growing up along the Indian River and what the island looked like with orange groves.

Thank you for your time and sharing your memories, Robert, and a very Happy Birthday from your friends at Field Manor!



Also in this photo, left to right, are Rawson Ashley, Edgar Alonzo, and Mary Julia Buck

Music at the Manor



We'd like to thank everyone who attended our June Music at the Manor, the first in our 2026 summer concert series. We'd also like to give a huge shout out to [BroadBand](#), for providing their wonderful music for the evening's entertainment. We enjoyed great tunes, a cool breeze, a beautiful sunset, and had the opportunity to test out a new mosquito repellent for the pavilion. The July Music at the Manor will be on Friday, July 31. Doors open at 6:30pm with live music from 7-9pm. \$10 entry donation. Check our [webpage](#) and [Facebook event](#) for updates and more information.



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