



Homestead Happenings ~ August 2026

Roof Update!



Work has been progressing smoothly over the past month, thanks to the incredible engineering and roof teams. Our current phase requires replacing and priming wood, pressure washing, and painting 'this old house,' as we lovingly refer to it. This is an exciting opportunity for Field Manor as there is no way it could happen without the financial support from our fabulous donors and the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources. We thank the individuals and the entities for believing in our future in order to preserve Florida's past.





Music at the Manor

On Friday, July 31st we hosted our second Music at the Manor in our 2026 summer concert series. We cannot thank [Key Change](#) enough for providing the evening's entertainment. Shelly and Leslie are a powerful acoustic duo, playing the piano and singing crowd-pleasing popular tunes. Join us for our next Music at the Manor, relaxing under the pavilion, to enjoy great local music and the stunning view of the Indian River Lagoon from the Manor's riverfront lawn.

The third Music at the Manor will be on Friday, August 28th. Doors open at 6:30pm with live music from 7-9pm for a \$10 entry donation. Credit cards are accepted (processing fees will apply), but cash is preferred. Bring your own chairs, snacks, and coolers, but please leave your pets and tents at home. Check our [webpage](#) and [Facebook event](#) for updates and more information.

Preservation on Main Street 2026

Preservation on Main Street is a yearly conference hosted by the Florida Division of Historical Resources and this year Cocoa Village was the chosen main street! The Museums of Brevard hosted guests of the conference at the GFWC Community Woman's Club of Cocoa Village. If you would like to learn more about the MOB, check out the brochure.

[Museums of Brevard 2026 Brochure](#)



Making Hay!

We've partnered with Bill Marr to hay roughly 35 acres here at Field Manor, which has been a tremendous help. Each pass of the blade prepares the grass to grow even more lush and is useful to

Billy's cows and our trees. As you drive down our road, you can envision these fields in their heyday, supporting both cattle and citrus.

Field Manor's

Gatehouse Market

Monthly Sale



Third Saturday of the Month

8:00 am - 12:00 pm



fieldmanor.org/gatehouse-market

2355 N. Tropical Trail, Merritt Island, FL 32953
(Building with the Field Manor mural)



Field Manor Gatehouse Market

The third Saturday of every month, from 8A - 12P

Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

Armchair Archaeologist!

This old homestead yields mysteries that are fun to investigate! Walking from the river to the house the other day, this artifact revealed itself. Once recovered, the ceramic artifact shows signs of being run over by a mower, yet remains intact.

What do you think it is?

Email [Korinn](#) with the correct answer to win a tour for two of the house museum.



Private Events at Field Manor

If you check the [calendar](#) on Field Manor's website, you might be surprised to see days labeled as "Booked-Private Event" most weekends throughout the year. That's because in addition to being available for weddings, Field Manor's pavilion is also available to book for private events. In the past year, we've been honored by families around Brevard County and central Florida to be chosen as their location to celebrate new life (baby showers), the end of a journey (celebrations of life), birthdays, and more. We were selected by the [Foundry Theatre Collective](#) as the location for their February pop-up dinner theatre and the friends/family of the Artemis II astronauts as the perfect spot to celebrate a successful rocket launch. Our lawn, grounds, and pavilion might be the ideal location for your next celebration. For more information about hosting a private event at Field Manor, visit our [website](#) or contact us at events@fieldmanor.org.



Field Manor Wish List

- Access to a sandblasting machine
- ~~Microwave for staff meals~~ *Thank you, Bob and Lisa!*
- 4-6 functional vintage chairs
- Plumber to help with kitchen sinks and disposal AND help install new water lines to the house and garage
- ~~Electrician to help identify buried power lines installed decades ago~~ *Thank you, CEG and the Florida DOS!*
- ~~Vacuum cleaner~~ *Thank you, Clair!*
- Docents
- A volunteer to watermark over 300 historic photos
- Graphic designer - reformat two books

- [Shelving units](#)

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Thank you for your support!

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