

# Thiokol Legacy News

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## HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THIOKOL MEMORIAL PROJECT, INC.



## TMP RAFFLE QUILT



The Quilt is finished! Satilla Quilt Club has done an amazing job on this quilt. Thiokol Memorial Project thanks them, on the women hours spent and their time making our raffle quilt. December 16, 2016, this quilt will be raffled off here in the office, someone will win a beautiful quilt to display for years to come. Tickets are still available for purchase at the TMP office, \$2 for 1 and 3 for \$5, so stop by and get your ticket.

## MUSEUM EXHIBITS

We are currently collecting historical Thiokol Era artifacts, documents, and pictures for the museum exhibits "COURAGE" and "COMPASSION". Each of the 14 responding cities/jurisdictions, emergency response entity and 8 medical facilities played a vital role in this historical emergency response to the 1971 Thiokol Chemical Plant disaster. In keeping with the spirit of that history, we need you to partner and work with TMP in gathering these items for display in the Museum Exhibits.

We need and invite each of you to join us in this effort to preserve this legacy. We hope to open the Museum during the 2017 Commemorative Observance. We invite you to attend as our honored guest.

We are here in the office accepting these treasured items, Monday thru Friday from 10:00AM to 2:00PM. If that is not possible mail to:

Thiokol Memorial Project, Inc.  
P.O. Box 24  
Woodbine, Georgia 31569

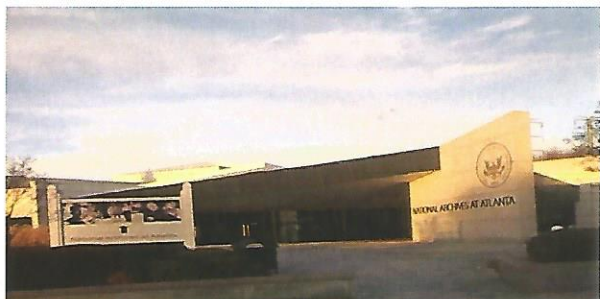
Look around your facility and dig deep into your storage bins, you may be surprised what you will find. Remember the success of this effort depends on your support.

## 2017 ANNUAL OBSERVANCE

The 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Thiokol Plant Disaster and Thiokol History Community Awareness Day will be held on February 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 2017. Volunteers are still needed for the Annual Observance. You are welcome to stop by the TMP office and find out how you may volunteer your time to make this event as successful as the last.



## Let's Make Plans to Travel



Recently we visited Georgia Archive and the Southeastern National Archives and examined their Thiokol related historical records. These facilities conveniently located next door to each other in Morrow, Georgia, which made it easy for us to do research at both facilities in one day.

Our research at the state facility led to the discovery of memorandums and correspondences of then Governor Jimmy Carter and Major General S. Ernest Van Diver, Director of Georgia Department of Defense-Civil Defense Division. We also discovered over 200 newspaper articles about the Thiokol Disaster aftermath in newspapers from across the state.

The visit to the Southeastern National Archive uncovered the case file of the 17-year court proceedings. The file is massive and is contained in 11 boxes. Our plan was to duplicate the file and have it readily available and on display in our future Education Center. It is estimated that the cost to duplicate each page at 30 cents per page, would be much too expensive. The cost was further discussed with the curators, we came to an alternative method of duplicating the files for much less. Since we are doing this for preservation they will allow duplication with a bed scanner or cell phone.

To retrieve and duplicate the file we will need to form two teams of three people and plan to make a future trip to these facilities, it will take three people two days to complete duplicating the court files, the memos and newspaper records will take less time if we download the files from microfilm to flash drives.

## TMP FRONT TAG



We still have TMP front tags for sale, they make great gifts for family and friends. Stop by the office and purchase yours today!

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### All Are Welcome

Bi-monthly meetings are held every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:30PM.

Please join us at:

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115 South Lee Street  
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10:00AM- 2:00PM  
Monday-Friday  
912.576.1760