

# THIOKOL LEGACY NEWS

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#### **RESTORATION PROJECT: 1959 FIRE ENGINE**



Our Museum is expanding rapidly! Thanks to the thoughtful generosity of the workers, family members, and cities involved in the 1971 rescue effort artifacts are being added weekly. One of those recently acquired artifacts is the Woodbine Volunteers Fire Department's 1959 Ford Fire Truck. It has been donated to the future Thiokol National Memorial Museum. It needs a lot of work and tender loving care to bring it back to its former glory but, with the talented help of the members of the community it can be done. It is a huge challenge worthy of our undertaking which we graciously accept!! We were fortunate to find this treasure and blessed to have had it donated to the cause. You can volunteer your skills and talents to this restoration project by contacting our office at 912.576.1760 or via e-mail at thiokolmemorial020371@gmail.com.



#### **CHALLENGES**

"When we set an important goal for ourselves, we present to our minds a problem to be solved, a challenge to be successfully fulfilled."

#### THIOKOL MEMORIAL MUSEUM





The Museum is making it mark on the front street of Kingsland with a brand new window sign. The sign was designed and made by our talented friend and supporter Kelly Chatham of Kelly's Signs. Now, visitors will be able to clearly recognize our Museum's location as they approach our building.





The month of May was a busy month. Our growth and outreach didn't stop at our new signage, we grew and expanded within!! We have been fortunate to have made additions to three exhibits: COMMITMENT, COURAGE, and SPIRIT. In the Thiokol Exhibit named "COMMITMENT" we added several personal artifacts of former Thiokol Workers. We were able to expand both of the Cities of Kingsland and Woodbine historical pictures within the "COURAGE" Exhibit to include the Woodbine Volunteer Fire Department Chief, Fire Fighters and Fire Engine with Kingsland's exhibit being expanded to include the City of Kingsland Radio Dispatcher, Mrs. Dorothy Peeples. Last but not least, we obtained the historical pictures of the founding Chairman of the Board and first Director of the Camden County Day Care Center along with the first beautiful students of the facility. These pictures are now proudly displayed within the "SPIRIT" Exhibit.

#### WE REMEMBER AND HONOR



In January 2016, Mrs. Dorothy Peoples permitted us to record her oral first-hand account of February 3, 1971. We now pause to remember and honor Mrs. Dorothy Peoples, 93, that went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. Mrs. Dorothy served the City of Kingsland many years. We recognize and honor Mrs. Peoples for her service to the community during the 1971 Emergency Response to the Thiokol Plant Explosion. She answered the radio call from the Plant that fateful morning and alerted the Kingsland Volunteer Fire Department. When Fire Chief Morris Peoples radioed back with the message to send everyone, it was Mrs. Dorothy that made the hundreds of calls that brought the entire Southeastern Region to Camden County. From that first radio call from Thiokol, Mrs. Dorothy worked tirelessly long into the evening and the night making calls for help and answering inquiries from across the country. Through her efforts that day, first responders and medical facilities from three States, fifteen Cities, Georgia and Florida State Police, U. S. Army, Navy, and Coast Guard mobilized and responded to this emergency disaster. Hundreds of lives were saved as a result of her dedicated service. We are grateful for her service and may she rest in eternal peace.

#### \$300 VISA CARD RAFFLE

TMP is selling raffle tickets for a \$300 VISA CARD. The raffle tickets are being sold for \$3.00 each. The drawing for the Prize will be held on July 31, 2017. Winners do not have to be present to win. You can purchase your raffle ticket today from any of our volunteers or at the TMP Office. For more details give us a call at 912.576.1760.

## Join the Sponsor's Club

As a non-profit organization, our survival depends upon the generosity of sponsors. Thiokol Memorial Sponsor's Club provides a vast range from \$25 to \$50,000 where individuals, groups and organizations can donate. Every dollar donated helps promote the cause. You too can become a sponsor with a donation of the following:

TMP AMBASSADORS CIRCLE \$1,000-\$50,000

PLATINUM SPONSOR-\$500.00

GOLD SPONSOR-\$250.00
DIAMOND SPONSOR-\$150.00
SILVER SPONSOR-\$100.00
EMERALD SPONSOR-\$25.00

Thank you in advance for your Donation.

All donations are tax deductible.

### TMP MONTHLY MEETINGS

Meetings are held the 1st Thursday of each month at 6:30PM Please join us at:

Thiokol Memorial Project, Inc. 115 South Lee Street Kingsland, Georgia 31548

> Office Hours: 10:00AM-2:00PM Monday-Friday 912.576.1760

#### **INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE:**

"When faced with a challenge, look for a way, not a way out." David Weatherford