



Marion County Historical Commission

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Dr. Lee Niblock
Marion County Administrator
601 SE 25th Avenue
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RE: Request for Items to be placed on BOCC meeting Agenda for June 7, 2011
Requestor: Marion County Historical Commission

Dear Dr. Niblock:

The Marion County Historical Commission requests time on the June 7, 2011 Agenda for the Board of County Commissioners for it to present the BOCC with the time capsule which was compiled in commemoration of the Sesquicentennial of the War Between the States and in honor of the re-dedication of the Confederate Soldier Memorial Statue.

The Marion County Historical Commission organized the Re-dedication service for the Confederate Soldier Memorial Statue in conjunction with the recognition of the Sesquicentennial of the War Between the States which was held on Saturday, April 16, 2011 at the Marion County/Ocala Veterans Park. The event was very well attended. As a part of this event the Marion County Historical Commission requested from the several Confederate history and genealogical groups and Union history and genealogical groups that they provide documents and/or artifacts to be placed into a time capsule to be opened during a Bicentennial observance of the War Between the States which would occur in April 2061.

The Marion County Clerk of Courts, David Ellspermann, has graciously proposed to keep the time capsule in the Clerk's climate controlled environment as a part of its official record keeping capacity for Marion County. An inscribed granite marker describing the time capsule and its whereabouts has been ordered and will be placed in close proximity to the Confederate Soldier Memorial Statue.

Should you need anything further to honor this request, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thanking you for your anticipated assistance and cooperation in these matters, I am

Yours truly,

Vanessa Thomas
Chairman
VT/bj