

Need a Speaker for your Organization ?

VAHS has a cadre of knowledgeable individuals available to educate and entertain your group on various aspects of the Venice area.

Available Topics

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These programs are made available through volunteer efforts of VAHS members. Some topics are available on a limited basis. Timely scheduling of a topic is suggested.

- ◆ **Bertha Palmer:** *in-character representation of the famed benefactor of the South County area*
- ◆ **Mable Ringling:** *in-character informative portrayal of the wife of circus magnate John Ringling*
- ◆ **A Reflective View of Venice - from the Calusas to the Present Day:** *a broad, historical perspective on our area*
- ◆ **The Venice Depot - Then and Now:** *a view, over time, of a historic facility in the life of Venice**
- ◆ **How The Devil in the White City Connected Englewood and Venice - Exploring Area History Between 1893 and 1928:** *a historical perspective on local area times from the settlement period up to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers' construction of Venice*
- ◆ **Eagle Point:** *the story of an early area in our community established by Bertha Palmer; now a historic district within the City of Venice*
- ◆ **Sarasota County Centennial 2021:** *describes the County's plans for celebrating its 100th Anniversary during the year 2021 and the role that county-wide organizations can play in the year-long celebration*
- ◆ **The Historic Venice Train Depot:** *an overview of railroad and Depot history in Venice*
- ◆ **History of the Intracoastal Waterway:** *how the project came to be and its implementation**
- ◆ **The Skies Were Filled with Airplanes - History of the Venice Army Air Base:** *the story of this area's role in World War II and its legacy*
- ◆ **History of the Kentucky Military Institute (KMI) in Venice:** *an overview of the 37-year relationship between America's oldest private military school and its winter campus and the small, struggling town of Venice*

* Limited number of engagements for this topic; allow ample lead time for booking.



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