



**The South Brevard Historical Society**  
Presents

# Remembering When

**GROWING UP IN BREVARD**

**Saturday, June 10, 2017 – 3:00 PM**

**Melbourne Public Library  
540 E. Fee Avenue, Melbourne**

The South Brevard Historical Society (SBHS) is proud to continue recording the oral history of South Brevard and its residents. Our June program will feature a panel of three community members, born or raised in the area. Each will discuss their experiences growing up, working, and living in Brevard.

The group will be moderated by Wiley Elliott, long-time Melbourne resident and member of the SBHS Board of Directors. The panel will be comprised of:

***JOE DAVIS*** – Born in Melbourne, Joe was originally employed by Pan Am at Kennedy Space Center. He went on to form a group of local musicians who performed at the popular Johnny's Hide-Away in Cocoa Beach. Next he joined the Original Drifters, and performed with them off and on for 30 years. In 1971 his career took another turn when he became a patrol officer for the Melbourne Police Department. He retired from the Department in 1995 as the director of the department's community relations/crime prevention division. Joe was the first African-American promoted to division head within the administrative ranks of Melbourne Police Department.

***JIM POULOS*** – Moved to Melbourne Beach in 1956 as a young boy and is a graduate of Melbourne High. A U.S. Navy veteran, Jim's first civilian employment was with Radiation, Inc., followed by time at Harris Corporation. He continued his electrical systems career at DBA Systems, Inc., working there for 29 years until his retirement. Jim also served his community as a volunteer Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technician with Brevard County.

***DAVID WICKHAM*** – Was born in Melbourne in 1950. He graduated from Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida and is currently a commercial/residential inspector and realtor. David has served on numerous civic boards and organizations. In addition to his own story, he will share stories about his father, Joe Wickham. Joe moved to Eau Gallie in 1926 and was a Brevard County Commissioner for 24 years.

All of our participants have an abundance of local stories, memories and perspectives to share.

We hope you will join us for this program.

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