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Strengthening T.H.S. for the Future

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As we move into the 1990s, we find ourselves having to modernize and change in order to preserve the past.

Two-plus years without a director has taken its toll, and I am enormously pleased to announce that THS now has a director. She is Patricia Davies, and she has become a very busy person by catching up with our past and planning for the future. Our activities are increasing manyfold. We are now enjoying a monthly lecture series in conjunction with The Henry B. Plant Museum. Also newly introduced are monthly "bring a friend" socials at the Knight House, to not only socialize, but bring in new members. On tap, too, is an overnight "field trip" to St. Augustine. Historical markers honoring West Tampa and the Scottish Chief have been unveiled and our quarterly newsletter has been reintroduced.

Continued cooperation with the History Museum of Tampa/Hillsborough County board brings us ever closer to the reality of a history museum in which to exhibit our rich heritage.

T.H.S. hosted a reception for this year’s Florida Historical Society’s annual convention which took place in Tampa and was a big success.

So, as we face the challenge presented to us in the ’90s, I would like to ask each of you to help us with your program ideas, volunteerism, your membership (and that of a friend), and professional and financial assistance.

I would like to thank my predecessor, Terry Greenhalgh for paving the way for me, our board of directors who work so hard to make it happen, our volunteers, Patricia Davies, and especially Lois Latimer for her countless hours of dedication.