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OLD COPIES OF ‘THE BEACON’ SOUGHT FOR ARCHIVES

TEMPLE TERRACE, FL. – (6/30/16) – The Temple Terrace Public Library has partnered with Hillsborough County and the University of South Florida to make formerly published newspapers available online for research. Now, librarians are reaching out to the public as well.

For the past eight months, personnel from USF’s Special & Digital Collections have been scanning and digitizing paper copies of the Temple Terrace Sentinel (1940-1946) and Temple Terrace News (1948-1949).

The City also has been working with USF grad students to digitize the Temple Terrace Beacon, which was published from 1931 until sometime in the 2000s. Unfortunately, the City’s collection only contains issues dating from about 1978 to 1995.

Librarians are seeking the public’s help in locating old copies of the Temple Terrace Beacon to add to the digital archives. The publication’s content included community news, civic announcements, local sports stories, letters from readers, business reviews, classified advertisements and more.

“We would love to complete the collection as fully as possible,” said Library Director Teresa Fraser. “We are hoping there are individuals out there who perhaps saved old copies, and would be willing to lend them to us for scanning.”

Historians, students or anyone else interested in learning about Temple Terrace’s past can view the newspaper archives at www.TempleTerrace.com/409/Library-Archives.

If you have newspapers you can lend, or have questions, please contact the Temple Terrace Public Library at (813) 506-6770.

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