

## FLORIDA CITRUS HALL OF FAME

The Florida Citrus Hall of Fame was established in 1962 to pay tribute to those who have made significant contributions to the Florida citrus industry. Seventeen nominees were inducted the first year and members of the industry have been inducted each year since. A committee representing various facets of the industry and all production regions of the state was created to select deserving recipients and stage the annual presentations. Selection committee members are elected for five-year terms and comprised of people who were actively involved in the citrus industry – many of whom are also Hall of Fame inductees.

The Florida Citrus Hall of Fame conducts the annual induction ceremonies during a luncheon held in Lakeland every March at Florida Southern College. Both The Florida Department of Citrus and Florida Citrus Mutual co-sponsor the luncheon ceremonies, with The Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Selection Committee coordinating the event.

The Florida Citrus Hall of Fame and Florida Southern College are in a unique partnership to honor and preserve the history of our inductees and our heritage. The college has constructed the Sara D. and L. Kirk McKay, Jr. Archives Center, which now houses the Florida Citrus Hall of Fame display along with the State of Florida Citrus Archives, Florida Southern College's Center for Florida History, the Frank Lloyd Wright Archives and the Florida United Methodist Conference Archives.

The Hall of Fame provides funding to enable Florida Southern College students and faculty to research and supplement the information on all of the Citrus Hall of Fame inductees, providing public access via both the school and through our web site: www.FloridaCitrusHallofFame.com In addition, materials in the Florida Citrus Archives are being digitized and catalogued, and we have created a digital catalog and database of Florida Citrus Crate Labels from several private collectors that will eventually be the largest collection of Florida labels in the world. Other projects currently underway include an Oral History Presentation containing video interviews with prominent citrus industry pioneers, a speakers' program, the Miss Florida Citrus Competition and educational outreach efforts to schools and community events.

These programs are made possible through monies from the Florida Citrus Hall of Fame's permanent endowment fund, which supports six annual student fellowships under the direction of Florida Southern College faculty. The fellowships are: The D. Victor Knight, Sr. Fellowship, Frank S. Bouis Family Fellowship, Frank S. Bouis Fellowship, John M. Kennedy Family Fellowship, John M. Kennedy Fellowship and The Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Fellowship. Thank you for your interest and we hope you will join us in supporting the accomplishments of industry leaders and our quest to make their contributions known to future generations for many years to come.

# **Endowment Fund**

## Named Fellowship \$50,000

Provides funding for Annual Student Fellowship

Annual publicity on each student selected in trade magazines and local media

Plaque on Hall of Fame wall

Four Complimentary tickets to annual Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Luncheon (5 years)

Recognition from stage during annual luncheon

Prominent listing in annual Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Luncheon program

Listing on Hall of Fame web site

### **Pioneer**

Plaque on Hall of Fame wall

Two Complimentary tickets to annual Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Luncheon (5 years)

Recognition from stage during annual luncheon

Prominent listing in annual Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Luncheon program

Listing on Hall of Fame web site

### Florida Cracker

Plaque on Hall of Fame wall

Four Complimentary tickets to annual Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Luncheon (2 years)

Listing in annual Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Luncheon program

Listing on Hall of Fame web site

### **Archivist**

Plaque on Hall of Fame wall

Listing in annual Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Luncheon program

Listing on Hall of Fame web site

Specific project-based donation towards Citrus Archives preservation and database projects

### **Queen's Court**

Listing in annual Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Luncheon program & Miss Florida Citrus program Complimentary appearance by Miss Florida Citrus or Miss Winter Haven





# Sponsorship Opportunities

Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Luncheon - \$5,000 Co-sponsored by Florida Citrus Mutual & The Florida Department of Citrus

- OJ "Meet & Greet" Reception \$1,500
   Sponsored by: Florida Citrus Processors' Assn.
- Inductee Video Presentations (12) \$500 each The major focus of the luncheon is the video presentation on the contributions of the annual inductees. Sponsors are listed on the opening screen, in the program and on the web site.
- Printing Sponsors (2) \$2,500
   Sponsors receive priority seating for 8, table signage and are listed in the program and on the web site.
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- Bus sponsors (2) \$600 each Sponsors receive signage on the shuttle busses and in the program.
- Patron Tickets \$125
   General admission to the luncheon.

Miss Florida Citrus Centennial Celebration

March 2, 2024 – Nora Mayo Hall, Winter Haven

#### **Crown Circle**

Gold \$5,000 – Presenting Sponsor

• Bronze \$2,500 – Co-Sponsor

Silver \$1,000Grass Roots \$ 500

- Table Sponsor \$1,500 (8 tickets)
   Sponsors receive priority seating for 8, table signage and are listed in the program and on the web site.
- Patron Tickets \$125
   General admission to the luncheon.

#### **BOTH EVENTS:**

Table Sponsor \$3,000 Patron Ticket \$ 200

Includes complimentary tickets to the Miss Florida Citrus Competition on March 1st at 7PM at Nora Mayo Hall in Winter Haven.

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