

## *Month in Review – History Center – November 2010*

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### **New Acquisitions**

- The Avalon History Center & Historical Society has received a variety of acquisitions over the month of November. First, a large group of photographs were donated highlighting the Wells/Bonds families from around the turn of the century and before. These influential families helped change Avalon into a burgeoning community. Second, supplemental video regarding our historic lifesaving paddleboard will soon be added to our archives. After seeing our website's article on the paddleboard, Jeff Bacon, son of the paddleboard's original owner Howard Bacon, contacted us about adding the video footage. Last, is the acquisition of a modern surfboard, signed by local surfers commemorating the life of local enthusiast "Doc X." One side displays a bright yellow background with a red sun spreading the length of the board. The other side has the opposite markings: a red background with a bright yellow sun. The maker of the surfboard is Malcolm Campbell Shapes & Designs.



Above. Photos featuring our new acquisitions

### **Researchers Served**

- The Avalon History Center served two researchers for the month of November. The topics dealt with included Tatham family history and the Avalon Hotel. Photographs sampled date as far back as 1880's up through the 1980's.

### **Civic Organizations meet at the History Center's Library Room.**

- The Avalon Garden and Women's Civic Club both hosted their monthly meetings at the History Center.

### **Lobby Changes to come in the New Year**

- The Avalon History Center's lobby area will undergo significant changes in the coming months. A reinvention of exhibit spaces will include; a finished natural history exhibit of barrier island life, a modified history of swimwear exhibit, removal of store front to a more fitting backroom space, and removal of wall paper for a more ascetically appealing background for photo display. All of this will add to a professional and exciting new use of an already excellent space.