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Billie Wheeler, Volusia County Council Representative (*pictured left*), joins the Halifax Historical Society's Board of Directors as its newest member for a three year term. Ms. Wheeler and additional elected officers and board members were congratulated at a wine and cheese reception following the Annual Membership Meeting, Saturday, January 14, 2017.

Officers elected for a one year term were: Warren and Ruth Trager, (*pictured with Ms. Wheeler*) returning as Co-Presidents of the society. Also elected: 1st Vice President, newly elected Florida State Representative Patrick Henry; 2nd Vice President, Dr. Michael Link; 3rd Vice President, David Glasser, Esq.; Beth Mindlin, Recording Secretary; Elizabeth Beecher, Corresponding Secretary and Catherine Wharton, Treasurer.

Re-elected board members for another three year term were Elizabeth Beecher, Dr. Leonard Lempel, Dr. Michael Link, Matthew Romanik, Ruth and Warren Trager.

The Halifax Historical Society, housed in the 107 year old Merchants Bank Building at 252 South Beach Street celebrates its 68th anniversary in 2017. It is the oldest historical society in Volusia County. Its mission continues *Preserving Our History Every Day*.

The museum, again the oldest museum in Volusia County open to the public, celebrates its 58th year in 2017. The museum opened to the public for the first time in 1959 in its first home, the former home of Fulgencio Batista, on North Halifax Avenue in Daytona Beach. The museum settled in to its permanent home, the beautiful 1910 Merchants Bank in 1986, thanks to Volusia County, at its location in historic downtown Daytona Beach. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday. Call for hours at 386-255-6976 or go to the website at www.halifaxhistorical.org.

HHSM Photo Caption: Co-Presidents Warren and Ruth Trager (center and right) welcome Billie Wheeler (left) as a newly elected Board of Director of the Halifax Historical Society.