Our History Begins Here. Let Us Start You on the Journey.

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Pleased to meet you, friends! This is your guide to discovering all of Thomasville’s treasures at home and across the community.

When you see a ☑️ that means there’s something you can find!

When you see a 🎨 that means there’s something you can color, a question you can answer, or an activity you can complete!

When you see a 🕵️‍♂️ that means you’re about to learn something new!

When you see a 🛠️ that means there is something you can make!

Remember, some items with a 🕵️‍♂️ don’t have to look exactly like the picture. Use it as inspiration to explore something new, find things that are alike, and things that are different.

Hello, from Thomasville History Center!

Thomasville History Center Word Search
Can you find all of the words that describe the History Center? Words may be horizontal (left to right), vertical (top to bottom), or diagonal (across).

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Lt. Henry O. Flipper

Lt. Henry O. Flipper, a Thomasville native, became the first African-American graduate of West Point in 1877. Henry was born into slavery in 1856. His parents were Isabella and Festus Flipper. Festus was a carriage maker and shoe maker. Lt. Flipper served with the U. S. Army 10th Cavalry known as the “Buffalo Soldiers.” This nickname was given to the African-American calvary unit by Native Americans. While out West, Lt. Flipper was accused of a crime he did not commit and was forced to leave the military. He went on to a different career and died in 1940. Long after his death, the President of the United States pardoned Flipper of the crime. Today, we celebrate Lt. Flipper’s achievements.