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Author and Historian Tim Hollis Presents "Miniature Golf in the Miracle Strip" at the Library

Author and pop culture historian Tim Hollis will present "Miniature Golf in the Miracle Strip" at the Bay County Public Library on May 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 2 p.m. to promote his new book *The Minibook of Minigolf* (release date April 14, 2015).

When asked which miniature golf course did he have the most fun visiting while working on this book, Hollis said, "Unfortunately, there aren't many of the old concrete-dinosaur-and-windmill courses left, but I think most people would agree that the great survivor is Goofy Golf in Panama City Beach, Florida."

Hollis's books focus on roadside history which he believes represents the documentation of any part of the American commercial landscape that has disappeared or at least changed drastically over the decades—restaurants, motels, roadside attractions and so on. Hollis says, "I enjoy seeing such documentation because it reminds me of my own past, but there are probably those who are too young to remember it personally and just enjoy it because they think it looks funky!"

Tim Hollis is the author of twenty-five books chronicling various aspects of popular culture and history, including *Hi There, Boys and Girls! America's Local Children's TV Programs; Mouse Tracks: The Story of Walt Disney Records; Selling the Sunshine State: A Celebration of Florida Tourism Advertising;* and *Ain't that a Knee-Slapper: Rural Comedy in the Twentieth Century.* 

The Bay County Public Library is located at 898 West 11<sup>th</sup> Street in Panama City. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.nwrls.com">www.nwrls.com</a> or call 522-2132.

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