



THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Marty Humphrey

We have a exciting and busy month this October, and we are moving to the holiday season so things will start getting crazy very soon. We have already had a busy few weeks with funding, visitors, and upcoming events.

First off, the Museum did better this year with the North Texas Giving Day and contributions continue to come in. A huge thank you to each supporter who went on-line or mailed in a donation. Every dollar will help the Museum stay open.

In September we had some interesting visitors in the Museum. The grandson of Skeet Richardson came by one Saturday. Mr. Richardson took the aerial photo of the Stockyards that hangs on our wall. We also had the entire class of the Fort Worth Fire Department cadets tour the Museum. The Museum is also a recipient of a Portland Police Department shoulder patch given to Teresa by two Portland officers.

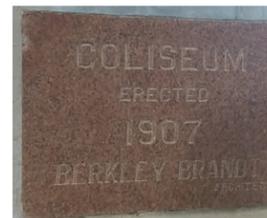
The Lightbulb celebrated its birthday this month and has now been burning for 110 years! People coming in for the day shared cake and Devon Dawson wrote and sang a special song for the Lightbulb. What a lucky bulb!

The Livestock Exchange Building has character and takes you a step back to the past...this past week it also had a flooded basement. Even though all that water was in the basement, the building was without water for a while until they could get things under control. This past weekend they were still trying to dry out the basement.

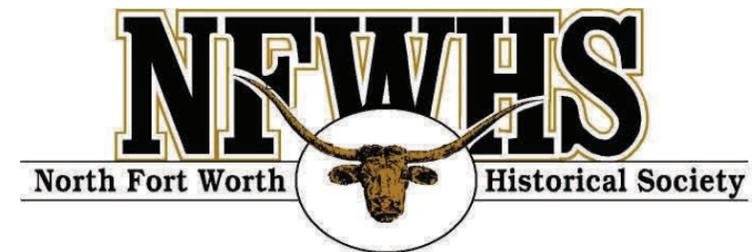
Don't forget to come out for the Oakwood Tour, it will be October 27th and 28th and bring your family and friends. ~ *Marty*

Special Dates in History for October

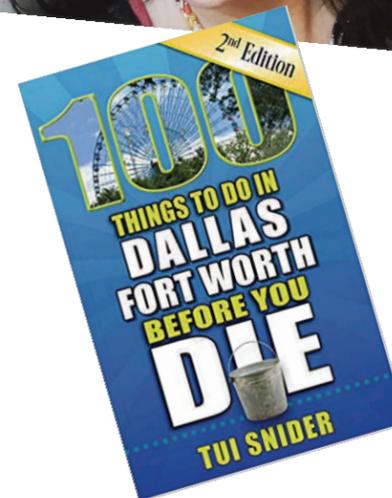
Oct. 3, 1907 - The cornerstone for the North Side Coliseum was laid.



Oct. 19, 1920 - The "World's Greatest Tenor" Enrico Caruso performed before a standing-room-only crowd at the North Side Coliseum.



Membership Newsletter October 2018



Join Us For the
North Fort Wort Historical Society
meeting on
October 11, 2018 at 7pm.

Tui Snider
will talk about
her recently released book,
**100 Things to do In
Dallas/Fort Worth
Before You Die.**

Located inside the
Livestock Exchange Building at
131 E. Exchange Ave., #113

(Cookies and Coffee will be available.)

The North Fort Worth Historical Society's **13th Annual Saints and Sinners Tour**

October 26 -28, 2018
Oakwood Cemetery
701 Grand Avenue

Walking Tours: 1:00 pm and 3:30 pm on Saturday and Sunday afternoons.
Adults-\$10 and Students/Children \$5 (Admission at the gate)

Walk under magnificent oaks on graveled paths to meet many of the famous and infamous characters of early Fort Worth as they tell the stories of their lives.

The World's Second Longest Burning Light Bulb Turned 110 Years Old!

On September 21st a birthday party was held for the Palace Theater Light Bulb and if you missed it then you missed a good time. The beautiful and delicious birthday cake was made by Gerlind Capling. Those in attendance were Eva Isbell, Wanda Wilkins, Cliff King, Gerlind Capling, Devon Dawson, Alan Scaia of KRLD Radio and a many number of visitors.

Devon Dawson sang Happy Birthday to the bulb and, she sang her rendition of, "I Saw the Light (Bulb)." She will be back to sing it again for us at the October 11th meeting.

Here are some photos from the party. Be sure to mark your calendars for next year when it turns 111 years old.



NFWHS News by Teresa Burleson



We have a new volunteer in the museum! Long-time member Jill LeClair recently retired and is now volunteering on Wednesdays in the museum. Thank you Jill!

If you are interested in volunteering one day a week, call the museum and talk to Teresa. 817-625-5082 or email: nfwhs@sbcglobal.net

DO YOU LIKE TO HANG OUT WITH DEAD PEOPLE?

We are looking among the living for volunteers at the Oakwood Cemetery Tour.

If you are interested, call Teresa at 817-625-5082 or email to nfwhs@sbcglobal.net.

DON'T FORGET!

When you are doing your Christmas Shopping, the Stockyards Museum has a great selection of books and DVD's to make your favorite history lover have a Merry Christmas!

The Center for Texas Studies at TCU and the Fort Worth Library present **Oakwood Cemetery: Exploring a Cultural Landscape** with Susan Allen Kline - Historian, Preservation Consultant, and Author **Saturday, October 6, 2018 - 10:30am to Noon** Tandy Hall, Fort Worth Central Library, 500 W. 3rd Street



In May 2018, historic Oakwood Cemetery was designated a National Register Historic District. Historian and preservation consultant Susan Allen Kline, who authored the nomination, will join us to discuss the history of the three cemeteries that make up Oakwood—City Cemetery and its additions, historically African-American Old Trinity Cemetery, and Catholic Calvary Cemetery. Covering more than 60 acres, these burial grounds are among the oldest in the city. They serve as the final resting place for a cross section of Fort Worth residents and provide an important lesson in local social and cultural history. Kline will share the primary sources that helped her illuminate the past and explain gaps in the story. She will also examine the outstanding collection of funerary art and architecture found within Oakwood's gates.