



# THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

*By Marty Humphrey*

Oh my goodness, it is almost time for Christmas! Have you gotten your Christmas shopping done yet? If not, don't forget the Museum has some pretty cool things that co-workers, friends, and family would greatly enjoy. In fact I have several of the posters we sell on my wall at work and people are constantly looking at them and commenting on what the pens looked like in the late 40's. I have even sold a few to co-workers. The Museum also has some hard to find books on Fort Worth and Stockyards history, including the soon to be delivered limited edition *Fort Worth Memories*. Drop by one day and put a huge dent in your Christmas list, it will help you and the Society.

Speaking of Christmas, I hope everyone will be coming to the NFWHS Christmas Party on December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the lobby of the Live Stock Exchange Building. Please give Teresa a shout if you plan to attend, we want to be sure to have plenty of food, drink, and conversation. The party is a great way to re-connect with friends, and not too friendly people too.

I hope you got to view the video that Teresa sent around a few weeks back on the plans for Mule Alley and the new Hotel Drover. It was quite interesting and I'd love to see what is going on behind those walls and fences. It's our hope that cultural, home-town type businesses move in and contribute in creating a glimpse into the past with a step into the future, never forgetting the hard work that went into the making of the Stockyards. We all know visitors to the Stockyards want to escape into another time and place, and we hope the future businesses in the area will pay homage to our past. It definitely will not be easy, but we must join together to keep that train on the tracks.

I hope to see you on the 13<sup>th</sup> and I wish you all have a very Merry Christmas. ~ *Marty*

**Want to give a unique gift this year?**

**What do you give someone that already has everything?**

**Give them a membership to the North Fort Worth Historical Society!**

For more information call: 817-625-5082 or go online at [www.stockyardsmuseum.org](http://www.stockyardsmuseum.org).



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*Merry Christmas Y'all!*

**You Are Invited To The NFWHS Christmas Party**

**December 13, 2018 at 7pm at the Stockyards Museum**

Bring a dish for the potluck supper and a gift for the White Elephant Gift Exchange. (See the list below for what food to bring. There is a \$25 limit on the gift exchange.)

**Christmas Party Pot Luck**

If your last name begins with:

A, B or C - Please bring a dessert.

D, E or F - Please bring a salad of some type.

G, H or I - Please bring an appetizer dish.

J, K or L - Please bring some type of bread.

M, N or O - Please bring a meat dish.

P, Q or R - Please bring a vegetable dish.

S, T, U or V - Please bring a meat dish.

W, X, Y or Z - Please bring a dessert.

\*Note: We appreciate your generosity but a lot of food was thrown away last year. Please bring food in moderation.

**We need volunteers to help set up and clean up. If you would like to help, please call Teresa at 817-625-5082 or email at [nfwhs@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nfwhs@sbcglobal.net).**

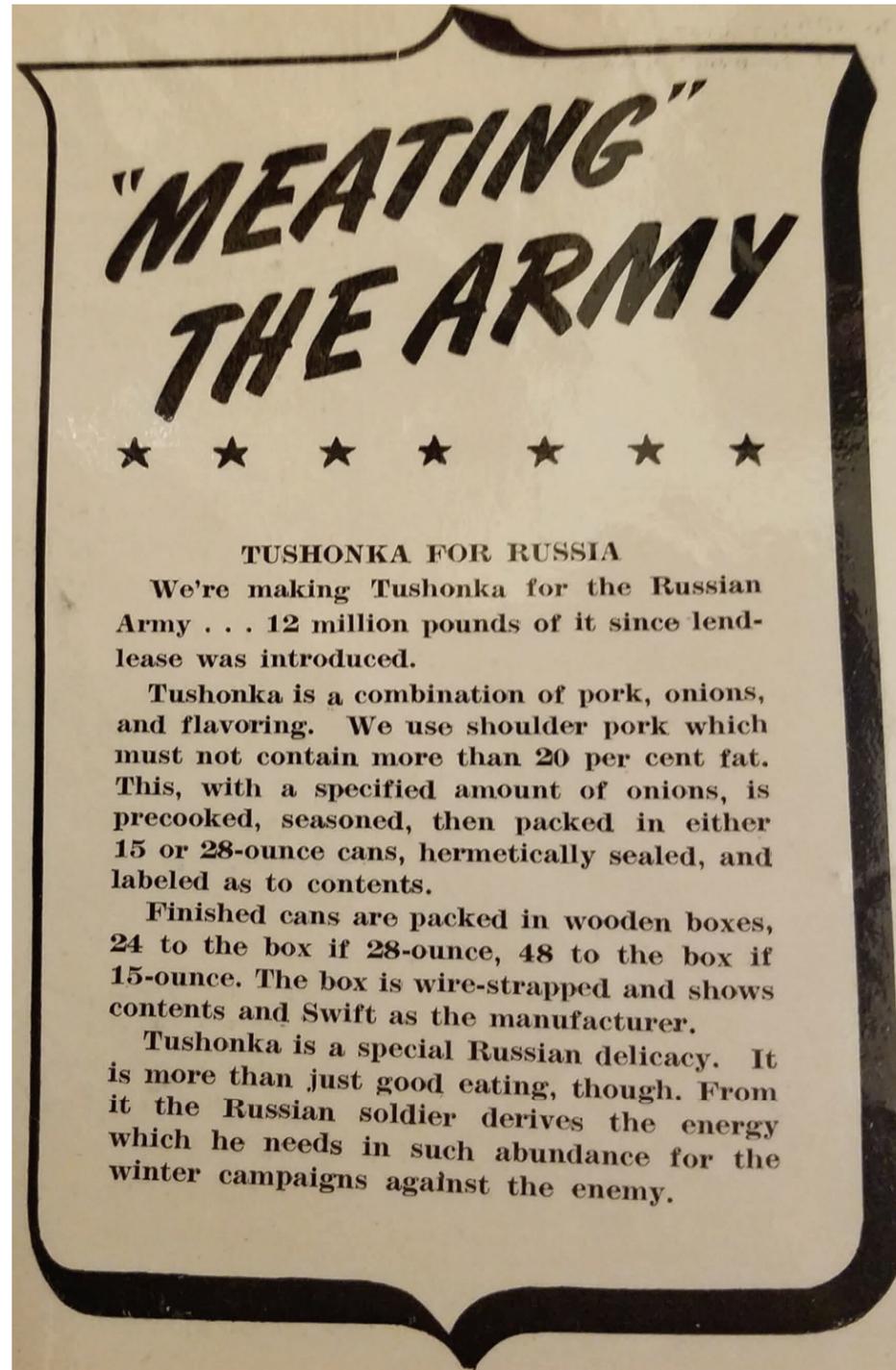
**Happy Holidays!**

**Please call or email and let us know you are coming.**

### Glimpses of the Past... Support for Russian Troops was no secret!

According to this article found in the October, 1943, "Swift Arrow" newsletter, a food product called Tushonka, was being produced for the Russian troops by Swift and Company in the United States and shipped to Russia. During World War II, Russia was one of our allies.

In order to ship products to Russia, they could not go through Europe because of the war so products were put on a ship and went through Antarctica and into northern Russia.



The Lend-Lease policy, referred to in this article, was an American program created to assist in defeating Germany and Japan by distributing food, oil, and other materials between 1941 and August 1945. The aid went to the United Kingdom, China, and later the Soviet Union, France, and other Allied nations. It included warships and warplanes, along with other weaponry. The policy was signed into law on March 11, 1941, and ended overnight without prior warning when the war against Japan ended. Some transport ships were returned to the US after the war, but practically all the items sent out were used up or worthless in peacetime.

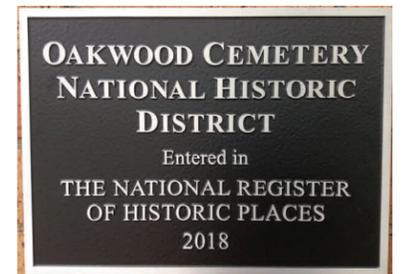
In exchange for the materials and supplies the U.S. was given no-cost leases on army and naval bases in Allied territory during the war, as well as local supplies.

### NFWHS News by Teresa Burleson



#### Congratulations to Oakwood Cemetery!

On November 3, 2018, Oakwood Cemetery was added to the National Register of Historic Places. Oakwood Cemetery partners with the NFWHS to produce the annual fund raiser, Oakwood Cemetery Saints and Sinner Tour.



#### Making Your List and Checking It Twice

The Stockyards Museum has a gift for everyone on your list.

Remember, NFWHS members get a 15% discount, be sure to remind us when paying for your items.



Books, Ornaments, Novelty Badges, Lotions, Sauces, Jellies, Salsas, Stockyards Caps, Documentary DVD's, Stuffed Animals, Cookbooks and much, much more!