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# On The Vine

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## “EARTHLY STORIES FROM A HEAVENLY PLACE: 150 YEARS IN GRAPEVINE”

Reverend John Mollet, the current Senior Pastor of the First United Methodist Church Grapevine, will present a very interesting and inspiring history of the 150 years that the church has served families and neighbors through times of trial and tribulation.

Reverend John Mollet has been the Senior Pastor at First United Methodist Church of Grapevine since June 2011. He graduated from Highland Park High School in 1970 (Voted most likely to become a minister out of his graduating class), Centenary College of Louisiana with a B.A. degree in Religion in 1974 and Perkins School of Theology, SMU, with a MTh (Master of Theology) in 1978. (Usually, the degree is called Master of Divinity, but they changed it for a short while at Perkins - some say because they knew he could never master divinity.)

Prior to serving at First Methodist Grapevine, John was Senior Pastor at Stonebridge United Methodist Church in McKinney for eight years. John also served at First Methodist Church Lewisville, Chapel Hill United Methodist Church in Farmers Branch, First Methodist Church Iowa Park and First Methodist Church Denton.



## Grapevine's Florence Nightingale

Georgia Hurst Breeding was born in Grapevine in 1905, she attended Grapevine High School and graduated from Baylor School of Nursing. She worked at Baylor in Dallas a numbers of years, she married Roy Breeding and they lived most of their life in Grapevine. She never learned to drive so she walked everywhere. If someone in the community was ill she would be there to care for them, day or night, rain or shine. If a person needed insulin shots she would be there to give them. Her compassion was to care for the sick and she never met a stranger. I have heard her referred to as the Florence Nightingale of Grapevine. She never took pay for her services, it was her gift.

Upon meeting Georgia you would assume she was a farm lady, her dress was simple and common, but it didn't take much conversation to realize she was smart and nothing got passed her without full examination. She collected Indian artifacts, wild flowers, knew the history of Grapevine, the people who lived here or had lived here and remembered where their final resting place was in the community. Georgia and her husband traveled and she always came home with stories, plants, and artifacts, not the tourist type items.

She was an avid gardener and followed the Farmer's Almanac in planting her garden. Her home had a hand dug well, her yard was a garden of wild flowers she had gathered from her travels. Every spring she would bring me a handful of tiny flowers and tell me where she found the seeds of each one. She was a beautiful caring flower in Grapevine.



Joe Ann's  
Scratch  
Pad

I hope you have enjoyed your directory. Please let us know if any of your information is incorrect or if you move, change phones or emails. We want to stay in contact.

Note in your Directory that Judith Davis address is incorrect, change to it to 1207 W Wall St.

Notice signs around town: October 9 the "First United Methodist Church" will celebrate 150 years since the Charter was signed and the evening of October 8 at 6:00 PM there will be an Organ Concert given by world-class organist Bradley Welch.

On 9-11 a beautiful service honoring those who served with their lives 15 years ago. May we never forget the change it made in the lives of Country. What lasting memories do you have of that day?

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### In the Museum

Fall means new beginnings and therefore we will have some endings also. Take the opportunity during the next month or two to take a final look at our "Made in Grapevine" exhibit in the Museum. We are starting to plan a new exhibit for that area and so the new exhibit will mean an end to the old one.

With the changing season we also seem to change our schedules. If you find you have some time to devote to the Museum now that fall is here, please contact me. We need to have people to do additional research on the items in our collection; peo-

ple who would enjoy putting that research into writing; people who would enjoy cleaning some of our newest acquisitions; workers who would take care of everyday cleaning and maintenance on our exhibit area; etc. If you have a particular skill set I haven't mentioned, let's talk because I probably have a job for you too!

The next time you visit the Museum, take note of the items in the "ice blocks" of the donor wall. One of those is a metal ring which came from Main Street. It is one of many that were once along the street and were used to hitch horses while their owners went about business on Main Street. Did you ever wonder why the sidewalk is raised in so many places along main street? Before the street was paved, it helped keep the mud in the street and off the sidewalks. You might have been able to step off your horse or buggy directly onto the sidewalk—especially nice for the ladies with their long dresses. The hitching ring was embedded in the raised sidewalk for your convenience.

During the month of August we had 942 visitors, including those from outside the U.S. (The Netherlands, Australia, England, and Russia) and those from other states (Louisiana, Minnesota, Maryland, Arkansas, Florida, Indiana, Colorado, Illinois, Oklahoma, New Jersey, Missouri, and Alaska). With school in session now, we anticipate more groups and fewer visiting families. That's just another sign of change.

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Carolyn Ernst, Museum Curator

## October Preview

Mark Lucas Kelly presents: **"Resurrecting some of Grapevine's Most Unforgettable Characters"**

**Be sure to join us on Monday October 24 at 7 PM in the Program Room of the Grapevine Public Library for some Halloween refreshment, fellowship and hear some wonderful historical information. The programs are always free and open to the public.**

### GRAPEVINE HISTORICAL MUSEUM HOURS

TUESDAY- SATURDAY 10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
SUNDAY 11:00 am-4:00 pm CLOSED MONDAY

**The Grapevine Historical Society normally meets the 4th Monday monthly except May and December**