



THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Tom Wiederhold

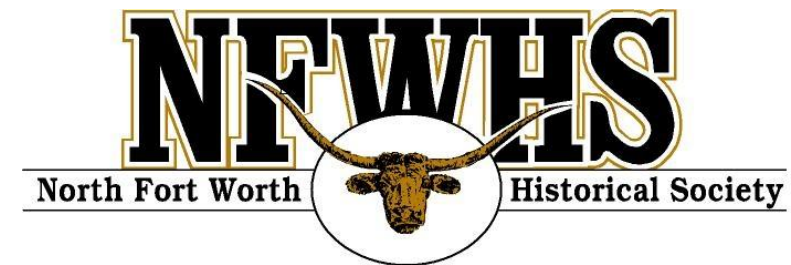
The year is moving right along and this month we have a program from Chesapeake Energy for your enjoyment. As you know Chesapeake owns the property where the Armour plant once stood and I hope to hear something about the progress on the development plans at this meeting. Of course questions will be welcome as always. There were several of us who photographed the complex remains and I was happy to be notified that one of my photos was selected to be used in a charity auction for the "Fort Worth Promotion and Development Fund". I'm always happy to hear when someone likes one of my pictures.

March has many activities planned, the Stockyards has "Cowtown Goes Green" and the Fort Worth Police has their Open House which will feature the 100 year anniversary of the FWPD Panther Badge. There will be three authors speaking at the open house which I'm sure you will enjoy. Rick Selcer and Kevin Foster will speak about their books, *Written in Blood I and II* at 1 pm and David Stokes will speak about his book on J. Frank Norris at 11am. As always the open house is open to the public! After a visit there, come back to the Stockyards and watch the parade! There are also other events planned for the 17th which include our friends at the National Multicultural Western Heritage Museum on the East Side of town. Search for the events on the Internet and see what all is happening.

The Board has been meeting regularly and it is my intention to keep doing so as we move forward with various projects and plans. I know I beat this horse a lot but let's continue to push for new members, always be talking about the Museum and push for involvement. I have been doing some speaking around town and we have managed to sign some new folks to the rolls! More folks means more ideas for the Museum and the Society. Along those lines I am working on some collaboration with Anne Dunnigan from Barnes and Noble to get the museum active again in book signings and author appearances. If you have a favorite local author you'd like to see that we have not had in recent years please let us know! I look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting this month! - Tom



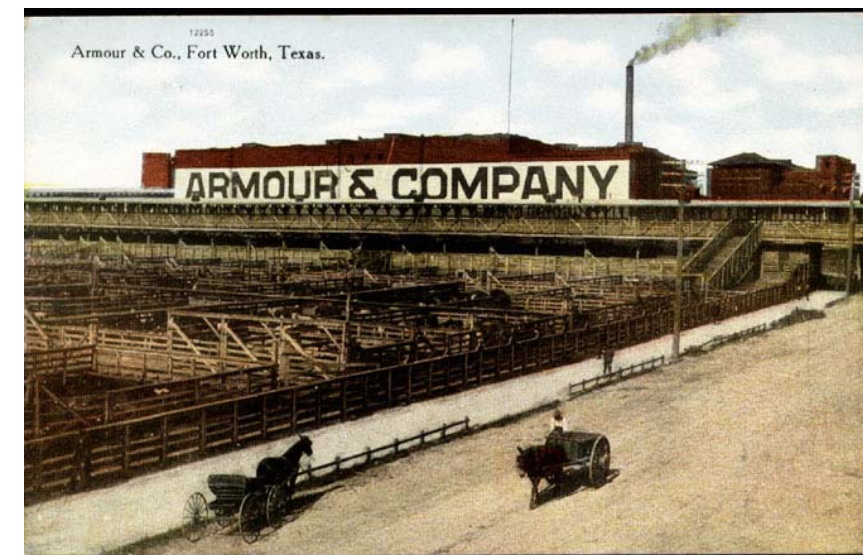
*Happy
St. Patrick's Day!*



Membership Newsletter March 2012

March Member Meeting is on the 8th at 7pm.

Come hear from Chesapeake Energy regarding the plans for the Armour property.



Meeting will be held inside the Livestock Exchange Building.

I have some questions for you...

Do you enjoy sharing our rich North Fort Worth and Stockyards History?

Do you enjoy meeting people from all over the world?

Are you proud of your affiliation with the North Fort Worth Historical Society?

Then why don't you volunteer in the museum?

It will give you the chance to tell people about our Western heritage and maybe even brag a little! With summer fast approaching we are looking for 3 couples who can commit to one Sunday a month from 12 to 5 for just a few months. We are also looking for someone who can pitch in at a moment's notice when one of the regular volunteers is out.

If this sounds like something you would like to do, contact me, Teresa Burlison, at the museum by calling 817-625-5082 or email me at nfwhs@sbcglobal.net. I look forward to hearing from you!

- Teresa



On March 14, 1911 a devastating fire swept through the Stockyards, destroying Mule Alley and killing the livestock there. The yards were rebuilt with an eye toward using as much non-flammable material as possible.

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Please choose your Membership Level

- \$25.00 Individual
- \$35.00 Family
- \$12.00 Student*
- \$150.00 Patron/Corporate
- Other \$ _____

* Student members will not have voting privileges.

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NFWHS News by Teresa Burluson



Everyone's favorite museum volunteer, Keith Bridwell, is not feeling as feisty as usual. He will be taking it easy for a few weeks and he will be sorely missed in the museum on Thursdays. Keith, hurry up and get back in the saddle partner!



Loretta Hudson aka Crazy Mary, is favoring an injured knee after a fall. She is getting better, slowly but surely. We wish you a speedy recovery Loretta!

We are trying to plan a couple of tours--one to the Burlington Northern Museum here in Fort Worth and one to the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City. If you would be interested, please email your name to nfwhs@sbcglobal.net or call the office at 817-625-5082. When enough people express an interest, we can start planning these trips.

A special thank you goes out from Skip Humphrey to Paul and Melissa Hunter. Paul and Melissa worked last Saturday and let Skip have the day off. (For those that didn't know, Skip works every Saturday.) Although Skip does admit that because he was off he went to Omaha Surplus and spent way too much money!

Mark your calendars for the 2012 Oakwood Cemetery Tour. It will be October 26-28 this year and it will be better then ever! If you would like to sign up to volunteer call 817-625-5082 or email nfwhs@sbcglobal.net.

March Events

Friday, March 2: Celebration of Texas Independence Day,.

Come join Cowtown Opry for music, muskets and cannons! 3pm on the steps of the Cowtown Coliseum. For info call 817-366-9675 or 214-532-8010.

Saturday, March 17th at 1:00 p.m.: Cowtown Goes Green. An all-day St. Patrick's Day event that is free! 4:00 p.m. Fort Worth Herd Cattle Drive followed by Cowtown Goes Green Parade. For more information contact (817) 625-9715.

Saturday, March 17th, 2012: Fort Worth Police Historical Association Open House and Centennial Badge Celebration at the Fort Worth Police Academy. 10 to 4pm. Free Admission. Family Fun. For more info go to pantherbadgecentennial.com