



THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Marty Humphrey

School has started and we are preparing for the Oakwood Saints and Sinners Tour, so fall must not be far behind. We got some great news a couple of weeks ago...the North Fort Worth Historical Society was nominated for induction into the Texas Trail of Fame and we were voted in!! We will be sharing space in front of the Livestock Exchange Building, right next to Charlie and Sue. It is a true honor to be inducted and we can't wait until the Red Steagall weekend to accept the award.

And speaking of Oakwood, that just so happens to be the weekend for the Red Steagall, so anyone planning to come out on Saturday at 1:00 pm, just know we will be there in time for the residents to appear. There will be new residents this year to tell you the story of their life and times, so if you thought you'd had seen and heard everyone, you are dead wrong...oops, I mean you are seriously misinformed. Remember the Saints and Sinners Tour is a fund-raiser for the Society and we want to see all our members, their neighbors, their friends and their co-workers at the cemetery this year.

Spread the word--Oakwood Cemetery on October 29 and 30 for the daytime walking tours and October 28 and 29 for the Twilight tours. The Twilight tours require reservations and they go on sale September 1st. Just call the Museum at 817-625-5082 to get your reservation in. Enjoy a very entertaining historical walk in a beautiful cemetery and help support the Society, that's a win-win for everyone! ~ Marty

And the rest is history...

In 1892, Boston financier Greenleaf Simpson visited the Fort Worth Union Stockyards and at the time of his visit a railroad washout had stranded several thousand head of cattle at the yards. "This is some market!" Simpson told his lawyer, W.C. Johnson. It is unknown whether Simpson ever learned the reason for so many cattle that day but, impressed by the magnitude of the market, Simpson decided to buy into the stockyards.

(Taken from, Livestock Legacy by J'Nelle Pate.)



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Don't Miss This Very Special NFWHS Meeting September 8th at 7pm in the Stockyards Museum

We are honored to have the unique opportunity to present the White Buffalo hide to a local group of Native Americans. The Buffalo hide has been hanging in the museum for over 25 years and it's condition is deteriorating. Native Americans regard the White Buffalo as a sacred animal so it is fitting to give it to those who hold it in high regard.

During the presentation there will be a special blessing by Eddie Sandoval, an Apache Spiritual Leader and Sun Dancer.



Look Who Is In The Stockyards!



If you remember Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, you probably remember their trusty sidekicks, Trigger, Buttermilk and Bullet. Now you can see the stuffed trio at the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame. When the Roy Rogers museum in Branson, MO closed, the animals were purchased by RFD-TV and they have loaned them to the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame for at least 6 months.

Glimpses of the Past...

Back in the days when the Auction Arena was used on a regular basis, they mounted billboard type signs on the wall for local businesses. Those signs are still there today.

Below is a photo of the sign for the Stockyards Museum that has been hanging in the Auction Arena since the 1980's.

Notice the hours have changed but the goal has not, "To Rediscover, Perpetuate and Preserve."



NFWHS NEWS by Teresa Burleson



Long-time friend and member of the NFWHS, Carrol Glen Mathews, passed away on Saturday, August 13, 2016. We send our heartfelt condolences to his wife, Jenna Mathews and their family.

We are sending our get-well wishes to our missing volunteers, Keith Bridwell and Pat Simpson. We look forward to your return!

**North Fort Worth Historical Society's
11th Annual
Saints and Sinners Tour
Oakwood Cemetery**
701 Grand Ave.
Fort Worth, TX

October 28—30, 2016

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**Twilight Tours**  
Friday, 28th and Saturday, 29th at 6:30pm  
\$20.00 by **Reservation Only**  
(Reservations taken beginning Sept. 1)

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Walking Tours
Saturday and Sunday at 1pm and 3:30pm
\$10.00—adults ~ **\$5.00**—Students/Children
Pay Admission at the Gate the Day of the Tour.

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For Reservations or information call 817-625-5082

