



THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Marty Humphrey

Did I miss winter, or has the weather been a little more Spring-like than in past years? Believe me, I am not complaining about not having ice, snow, and frigid temperatures. February is usually an awful month for the number of visitors in the museum, but this year it has been so nice to have visitors in the museum rather than silence.

I hope some of our members were able to get down to the Stockyards to see the "Wall that Heals" last month. The display is a tribute to the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country and is a half-sized replica of the Vietnam Wall in Washington D.C. For those of us who were around during that war, it warms our hearts that our brave soldiers and nurses are finally getting the recognition they so richly deserve for their dedication to preserving freedom.

Can you say ROAD TRIP? Skip Humphrey and Paul Hunter have been busy planning a Spring field trip for our members, and a test-run is in the making to be sure it will be a fun trip for everyone. We should have an announcement soon on the date and location for this Spring's trip.

We have been working hard to increase our membership and funding to the Society and we could definitely use everyone's help with that. If you have a friend or relative that likes history, wants to get out and meet interesting people, likes to organize and inventory, or is good at fund raising, then send them our way. To our members who have renewed their membership dues for 2017-THANK YOU. If you have forgotten or been too busy to renew your membership, then take a moment to write that check or call the office with your credit card number, the Society desperately needs the support of each of you so we can continue our mission to rediscover, perpetuate, and preserve the history of the Stockyards. ~Marty

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Membership Newsletter March 2017

Don't Miss The Meeting on March 9th! It's the first in a new series, "Meet Your Neighbor!"

Eddie Sullivan is the co-owner and operator of Risky's Barbeque. Risky's is world renowned and is known for its historic appeal and legendary food. Prior to joining Risky's he worked in strategic business development at several companies. Notably is his 10 years as the owner/operator of five grocery stores.

Eddie thrives on challenges and new business opportunities. His most recent endeavor involves a partnership with his daughter, Natalie, as the co-owner of an upscale retail store located in the Stockyards, Sassy Pants Boutique.

Eddie has a passion for service in his local community as well as internationally. He has served on the Board of Directors for the YMCA, been a member of the Steering Committee at Lake Country Christian School as well as the Head of Financial Committee at Lake Country Church. He has a heart for missions and travels to other parts of the world including Africa, China, Italy and Israel.

Eddie lives in Fort Worth with his wife, Stacy. They have three daughters and one grandchild. He attends Lake Country Church where he faithfully serves as an elder. In his free time, Eddie likes to hang out with his family, take his wife out on dates and spend time feeding and caring for livestock on their 60 acres in Wise County.



Attend on March 9th, at 7pm and meet our neighbor!

Located in the Livestock Exchange Building.

Cookies and coffee provided after the meeting.

Glimpses of the Past...

The date of this cute photo could be from the 1950's, but we are not sure. Does anyone know the ladies or the man leaning on the parking meter?

If you know the story behind this photo, contact Teresa at the museum. Call 817-625-5082 or email at nfwhs@sbcglobal.net



Historic Quote...

“This city (Fort Worth) has been a great western city, the defense of the west, cattle, oil, and all the rest. It has believed in strength in this city, and strength in this state, and strength in this country. “

- John F. Kennedy, November 22, 1963

NFWHS News by Teresa Burleson



Long-time friend of the NFWHS, Dr. Robert M. Platt, passed away Thursday, Feb. 23, 2017. He was among the first faculty members of Tarrant County Junior College, and remained there until retirement in 1990. He then established and operated "Books Etc." located in the Fort Worth Stockyards, across from the Stockyards Museum, until 2004. Our heartfelt condolences go out to the Platt family.



Welcome New Members!

Jim Bailey - Fort Worth & Western Railroad - Marshall and Kelly Harris

They Really Got His Goat!

On February 25th NFWHS member, Ed Brown, was asked if he would help with a Ziegen Bock beer commercial that would be filmed in the Stockyards that day. And Ed, always willing to help, said, "Why not!"

Ziegen Bock beer has a motto, "Greatest Of All Time" and the acronym spells GOAT. The beer company put a fence on both sides of the street and arranged to have goats run up and down East Exchange Avenue. No problem right? Wrong! Unfortunately, they mixed billy goats with nanny goats and it was love at first sight! The goats ran down the street half way and started trying to mate each other. Ed acted quickly to spare the sensitivities of children and tourists. He swatted at the love struck goats with his hat and they turned and ran back the other way. Then when the filming was over and it was time to load the goats back on the truck, Ed, with the help of some of the gunfight re-enactors, herded the stubborn billies and nannies onto the truck. It was quite the experience and Ed said he learned a valuable lesson, "NEVER DO TV WITH ANIMALS OR CHILDREN!"



Ed Brown and one of the "Love Struck" goats.