



THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Marty Humphrey

We have had a pretty quiet July, which can be good. The floor in the museum is now finished and everything is back in place. We did have to close the museum early a couple of times and one entire day due to the sanding, dust and smell of the wood sealant. We are all glad it is over and we can finally get back to normal in the museum and office.

If you haven't had a chance to go by the downtown library you need to make the time. The "From Cowboy to Doughboy North Texas in WWI: Mobilization for The Great War" exhibit is featured and it is quite educational and interesting. The exhibit will be on display Jul. 9 - Oct. 19. There are various movies, and a series of speakers going on during that time. Check out the Library website for details.

This month the Wild West History Association had their annual conference in Fort Worth. Sarah Biles, Debbie Clark, and I gave the group a tour of Oakwood Cemetery. The group has numerous authors as members and they were able to share their research on Luke Short, Jim Courtright, Jim Miller, and the Cattle Barons. The group then boarded the buses and moved to the Stockyards for a tour and lunch. First stop was the Stockyards Museum where they learned the sites they needed to see and they also took the opportunity to buy some of our books.



Marty and Debbie giving a tour of Oakwood Cemetery to the Wild West History Association.

Speaking of Oakwood, we are gearing up for the Oakwood Saints and Sinners Tour on October 27th to 29th. The residents are anxious to tell their stories and we have our fingers crossed for pleasant weather. Please come out and join us and tell your co-workers, family, and friends to visit too.

Take care and stay cool... *Marty*



Mark Your Calendars!

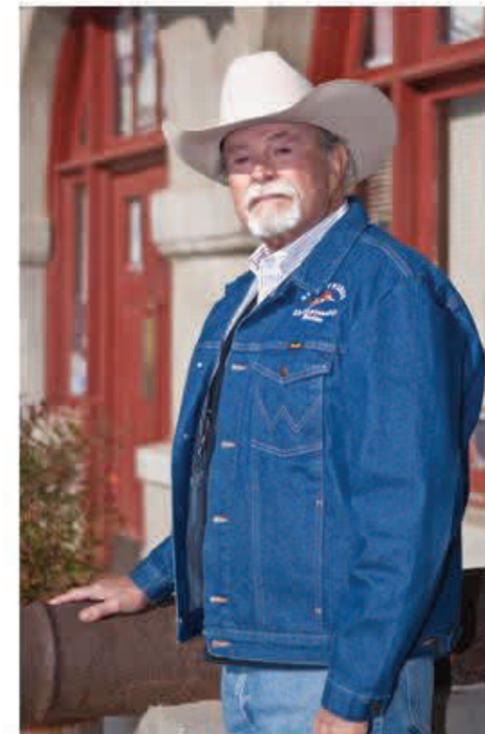
North Texas Giving Day is
September 14, 2017.

It is an opportunity to support non-profits in your community. Just go to northtexasgivingday.org and search for North Fort Worth Historical Society.

We thank you in advance for your support!



Membership Newsletter August 2017



Don't Miss the August 10th NFWHS Meeting with special guest Hub Baker.

Mr. Baker is the Executive Director of the Cowtown Coliseum, and will talk about the Past, Present and Future of the Historic coliseum.

The meeting will be at 7pm inside the Livestock Exchange Building.

North Fort Worth Historical Society's 12th Annual

Saints and Sinners Tour

Oakwood Cemetery

October 27—29, 2017

Twilight Tours: Friday the 27th and Saturday the 28th at 6:30pm
\$20.00 by Reservation Only (Reservations taken beginning Sept. 12, 2017)

Walking Tours: Saturday and Sunday at 1pm and 3:30pm

\$10.00 for adults ~ \$5.00 for Students & Children

Pay Admission at the Gate the Day of the Tour.

For Reservations or more information call 817-625-5082

Glimpses of the Past...

Legend has it that Theo's Café was the first to put Calf Fries, aka Mountain Oysters, on a restaurant menu, in the 1920's. Theo's Café would continue until mid-1980's. In 1993 the Risky family reopened the building as Risky's Steakhouse and adopted some of Theo's menu such as, Calf Fries and Kapusta soup.



READY FOR PIONEER DAYS RODEOS CELEBRATION-- May 30 - June 1, but was not too busy to stop a moment and have his picture made beside a welcome display. Jim McMullen, Manager of the North Fort Worth Business Association, has been busy making arrangements for the North Fort Worth Pioneer Days and Rodeo and Celebration, McMullen.

~Museum Musings~

On a recent visit to the museum a teenaged boy participated in the Museum Scavenger Hunt. Once he found all of the answers he took his list to volunteer, Wanda Wilkins, to be checked. He told Wanda, "This is the most fun I have ever had in a museum!"

If you haven't tried your luck at the scavenger hunt you should come in and give it a try!

NFWHS News by Teresa Burleson



The last 6 weeks have been a little crazy at the museum but we now have brand new floors, that don't slope, in the office and museum! Come in and see our new floors and a few other new additions to the museum.

Welcome New Members

Risky's Steakhouse
Commission Agent Level

Thank You for your support!

Proposed Board of Directors

Election to be held at the August Meeting.

President: Marty Humphrey
1st Vice President: Debi Carl
2nd Vice President: Sarah Biles
3rd Vice President: Paul Hunter
Secretary: Debbie Clarke
Treasurer: Skip Humphrey

*Election for Trustees will be held in September.

Don't forget that the Stockyards Museum is open on Sunday's, from 12 to 5, until Labor Day. Be sure to stop by and visit. You can also visit the museum gift shop for a large variety of books and unique gifts. If you are a member, be sure to remind the volunteer to give you your 15% member discount. We look forward to seeing you!

Important Dates in History in August

August 1, 1901—Fort Worth Stockyards Company met in Chicago to approve contract to Armour and Swift.

August 1, 1901—In spite of litigation to block annexation, Niles City became part of Fort Worth.

August 9th, 1930—Stockyards National Bank (now the location of Fincher's Western Wear) was blown up with nitroglycerin during an attempted bank robbery.

August 15, 1919—Camp Bowie, home to the 36th Infantry Division during World War 1, was closed.

“The most effective way to destroy people is to deny and obliterate their own understanding of their own history.” - George Orwell