



## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

*By Marty Humphrey*

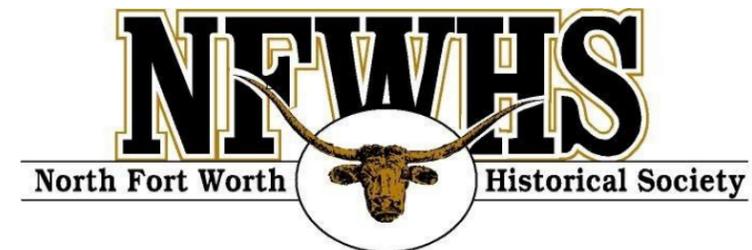
Can you believe it is already October? And speaking of October, that means the Annual Saints and Sinners Tour at Oakwood can't be far behind. We would love to see you, your family and your friends at the Tour on October 31st and November 1st. The Saint and Sinners Tour is a fund-raiser for the Society and your attendance would not only help the Society and Museum, but be a really fun way to spend a part of your Saturday or Sunday. Come meet a few long-time (and long-passed) residents of Fort Worth.

The Museum has a new addition, a scale that weighed trucks coming to the long-established McKinley Iron Works Foundry. The foundry closed a few months ago to make way for the Trinity River Vision and John Pugh and I went to check out their compressor. The compressor was a little (okay, a lot) too big for us to accept, but when we saw the scale it was a "got to have" moment for us. We truly appreciate the donation by the McKinley family to the Museum. Teresa will soon have a space for a display honoring the scale and the foundry for everyone to enjoy.

Mark your calendar for November 14th at 9:00am. The Society will be having a dedication in the Stockyards for the historic marker for the Belt Railroad. Dan Lamb put in many hours to get the marker and is now putting in the hours to coordinate the dedication ceremony. He would be thrilled to have anyone volunteer to help out for the event. Give Teresa a call if you would like to help out, in front of or behind the scenes. With changes coming to the Stockyards, this is our way to help save the memory of the things that made the Stockyards the magnificent historic landmark we all love. Be a part of it!

Paul Hunter has some special plans in the works for the holidays, watch your email, our website, and Facebook for an announcement soon.

The Task Force completed their mission for the Stockyards Design Standards and Guidelines at the last meeting. As you may know, there has been tension, misdirection and just plain confusion for the Task Force and for the many Stockyard followers. The final document is being prepared for the Mayor and Council. A few of us voted against sending it to Council without having another meeting to review the final draft. For me it was because I don't think it is prudent to sign-off on anything that hasn't been reviewed first to be sure all changes have been made...that just isn't good business. The document is a good start, but doesn't have the teeth that numerous people wanted who spoke at the Council meeting when they voted to grant the tax initiatives. Let's hope everyone has the Stockyards at heart as they follow those standards and guidelines. Let's keep it real... *Marty*



Membership Newsletter October 2015

Join us for a Very Special NFWHS Meeting!

**On October the 8th at 7pm at the**

**Billy Sills Archives**

**2720 Cullen, 2nd Floor**

**Fort Worth, TX 76107**

**Inside the Metro Opportunity School Building.**

Located 2 blocks east of Greenwood Cemetery, off of North University Drive.

Look for Central Animal Hospital on the corner of Cullen and N. University.

Lenna Russell Recer will be our hostess for the evening.

**There will NOT be a meeting at the Livestock Exchange Building!**

The North Fort Worth Historical Society's  
10th Annual

## *Saints and Sinners Tour*

**Oakwood Cemetery**

701 Grand Ave.

Fort Worth, TX

**October 30-November 1, 2015**

**Walking Tours**

**Saturday and Sunday**

1pm and 3:30pm—\$10.00 for adults ~ \$5.00 for Students & Children

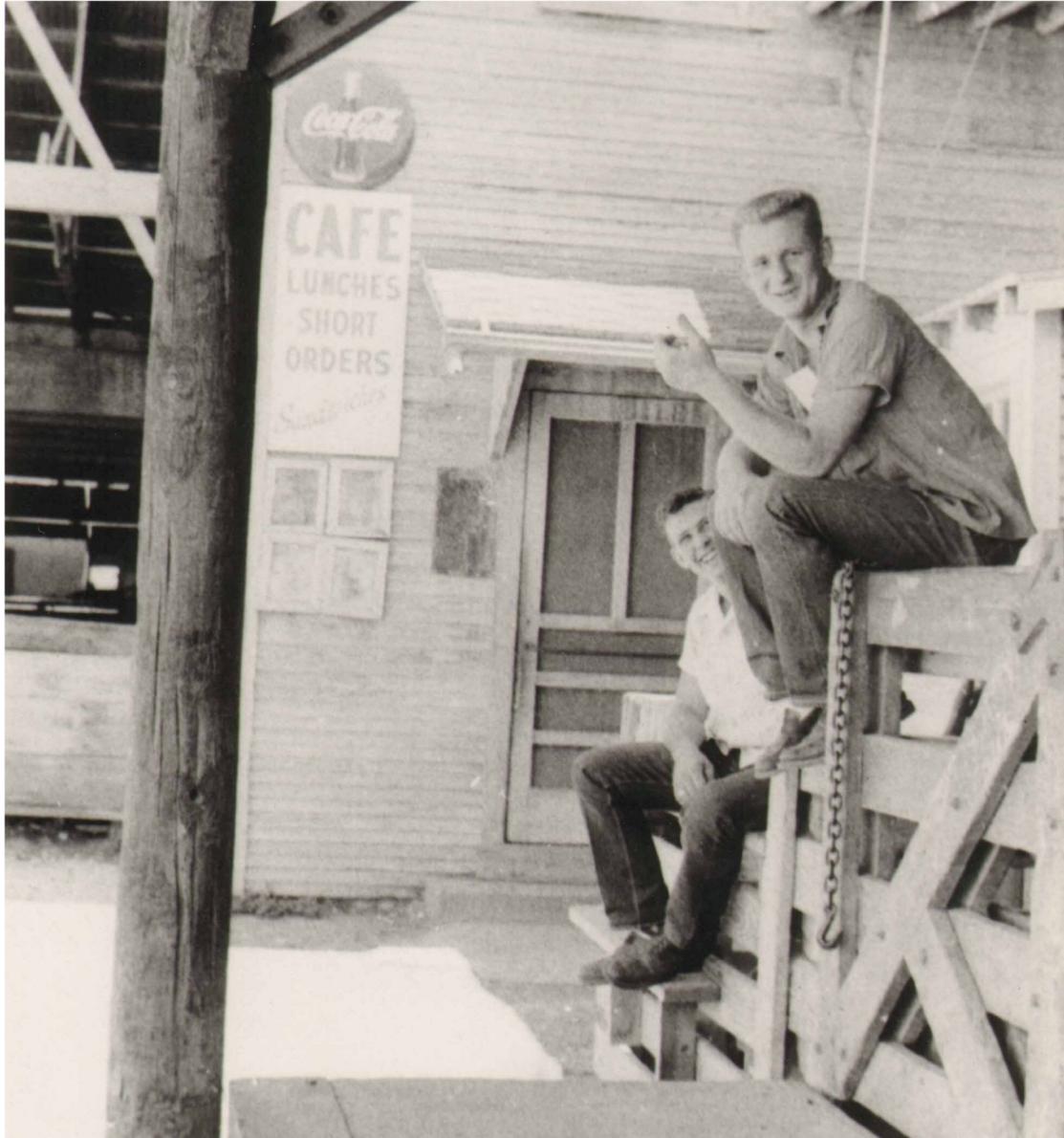
Pay Admission at the Gate the Day of the Tour.

For more information call 817-625-5082



*Glimpses of the Past...*

This photo was taken in the 1950's of two Yard workers in front of the Café in the Hog and Sheep pens. Wouldn't you like to step back in time and grab a greasy cheeseburger?



*"I have heard people say that the cattle industry made Fort Worth, but I am inclined to believe that Fort Worth had a lot to do with making the cattle industry in Texas"*

– J.S. Bridwell, Texas Rancher and Businessman

*NFWHS News* by Teresa Burlison



**Are you looking for a fun way to spend your Halloween weekend?**

We are in need of volunteers for the Oakwood Saints and Sinners Tour on Oct. 31 and Nov. 1. If you would like to volunteer to help, call Teresa at 817-625-5082.

**Keep Judy Bridwell** in your thoughts and prayers. She will be undergoing knee replacement surgery next week on Thursday, October 8th.

**Mark your calendars:** The NFWHS will have an unveiling ceremony of the Historic Marker for the Fort Worth Belt Rail Way on November 14th. More details will follow soon.

**The Texas Trail of Fame Awards** are held every year during the Red Steagall Cowboy Gathering. This year, on October 24th, one of the recipients is Joseph Sterling Bridwell. Keith Bridwell., NFWHS member, is a descendant of J.S. Bridwell. The ceremony will be held on the steps of the Livestock Exchange Building at 10am.

**The National Cowgirl Hall of Fame Induction Luncheon** will be held on November 5, 2015. This year the honorees and past honorees will be staying in the Fort Worth Stockyards and will be making a visit to the Stockyards Museum.

**All God's Creatures?**

We had a special visitor in the museum on Sept. 29th and her name is Penelope. Penny, as she is known to her friends, is the 4 year old grand daughter of Tuesday volunteer, Phyllis Morgan. Penny was concerned by all the "dead" animals in the Stockyards Museum. She wanted to know if we knew that these animals were "all God's creatures." Penny wanted her photo taken with the "dead" fox skin in the Native American artifact case. When they had completed their tour around the museum, she asked her mother if they could leave the "Dead Room." We enjoyed visiting with Penny and her family even if she didn't like our "dead creatures."



**Penny is pictured here next to the 'dead' fox skin that is in the Native American artifacts case. Even though she didn't like our dead animals she enjoyed her visit to the Stockyards Museum.**