



# Rockwall County Historical Foundation

December 2018

Preserving the past for the future

## Excellent response

### Bailey House Exhibit huge success

A traveling Exhibit of rarely seen photographs of Cynthia Ann and Quanah Parker, sponsored by the Texas Lakes Trail Region and Texas Trail of Fame was displayed from August 19 through September 31. Local artists Doug Agee, Jim Bryant and Susie Varner enhanced the display with their Western artworks.



Sixteen members of the Parker Family attended along with over 40 students researching history assignments.

Out of state visitors came from Arizona, Arkansas and Oklahoma. North Texas visitors included those from Dallas, Ft. Worth, Arlington, Benbrook, Denton, Canton, Mt. Pleasant and Tom Bean.

Over 300 visitors took advantage of this special opportunity to learn more about the unique history of these two individuals.

Many visitors asked "What are you going to have on exhibit next?" That's a very good question! Be looking for announcements for future Exhibits.

## Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells...

Looking for the perfect books for Christmas gifts? Stop by The Museum. We have a great assortment of books about the history of Rockwall, Heath, Royse City, The Rock Wall. etc.

View these and other gift items, including coffee mugs and decks of cards on our website, [www.rockwallcountyhistoricalfoundation.com](http://www.rockwallcountyhistoricalfoundation.com)

## An Answer to Your Prayers!

FOLKS! Are you or your group in need of a meeting place? How about a special venue that has charm, personality, historical significance and tons of available parking???

The Bailey House is your answer! It is located at 903 E. Washington St., next to our Museum. For your use we boast 3 large rooms, 4 six-foot long folding tables, and 30 padded chairs---all in air conditioned/heated comfort. We also have a huge, wonderfully welcoming parlor, kitchen (soon to have a small fridge), and separate prepping area.

Fishing ponds, playground, picnic tables and baseball diamonds are just feet away; consider the Bailey House to be Command Central for your next workshop, seminar session, prayer group or reunion!

The usage charge is \$75 per hour for a 2-hour minimum. Come check us out!

*The Sheri Stodghill Lecture Series* presents programs of historical interest from noon to 1 p.m. in the third floor courtroom at the historic downtown Court-house in Rockwall on the second Friday of the month unless otherwise indicated.

Lectures are free and open to the public. Mark your calendar and join us!

### December 14: Rockwall Revisited

The annual "revisit" of the rock wall mystery presented by David Campbell.

## Plan Ahead!

Mark your 2019 calendar now with these dates:

Jan. 13 at 2:00 pm,  
Annual Meeting  
at The Bailey House;

May 5, American Gothic  
Dinner and Art Auction  
at Summerfield-Tate Farms.

## News you can use

An outstanding Slate of Officers submitted by the Nominating Committee consisting of Peggy Atterberry, Chairman, Jan Self, Laurie Bostic, Marci Hall and Budd Pierce were unanimously elected at the November meeting.

New officers for 2019 will be: Mark Russo - President, Jennifer Drake - First VP (Membership), Dick Clark - Second VP (Programs), Carolyn Francisco - Third VP (Fundraising), Kaaren Mahoney - Treasurer, Jan Johnson - Recording Secretary, Jan Self - Corresponding Secretary, Jerry Wimpee - Two Year Director and Sarah Keeney, Two Year Director.



PO Box 916, Rockwall TX 75087  
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 Foundation.com

## Need museum information?

Call 972-722-1507 or email:

rockwallhistory@gmail.com

The Rockwall County Historical Foundation Museum is housed in the Manson-LaMoreaux-Hartman House located at 901 E. Washington Street in Harry Myers Park.

Admission is free.

If you would like to be removed from the Newsletter mailing list please call 972-722-1507.

### Museum Hours

Tuesday & Thursday: 1-5 pm;  
 Saturday 10 am to 2 pm

## Membership renewal

It is time to renew your membership. Complete the form below and mail to:

PO Box 916, Rockwall TX 75087. Or you may go to the General Store page at our website to become a member or renew online.

If you prefer not to have your phone number and/or address in the directory, please check the appropriate line on the membership form. Your participation in the Rockwall County Historical Foundation is very much appreciated.

### Membership Renewal

#### Classifications:

Young Historian \$10.00  
 (age 18 & under)

Individual	20.00
Family	40.00
Business	50.00
Texan	100.00
Cornerstone	250.00
Lifetime	500.00

First Family designation is given to anyone born in Rockwall County or had an ancestor born in Rockwall County.

Emeritus: Board approval for members over age 80.

## RCHF Christmas Parade News

Les Gray and the Cullins Lake-Pointe History Club represented RCHF in this year's parade. Gail Kidd and her history club decorated Mr. Gray's 1950's red truck and rode in vintage style.

Thank you History Club students for being outstanding ambassadors for RCHF!



### New mobile friendly website!

Our website has a new face, new features and is now mobile friendly which makes it easy to check lecture updates and the latest RCHF news.

The web address is the same:

www.rockwallcountyhistoricalfoundation.com.

Let us know what you think through the "Contact Us" page!

## Second annual American Gothic fundraiser!

It is our pleasure to announce the date of our second annual American Fundraiser--- Sunday, May 5, 2019!

Remember, this is the event wherein we give area artists a 6"x6" canvas, they work their magic and generously give them back to us to sell via silent auction.

It was a huge success last

year and we're looking forward to another fun evening of BBQ and complimentary wine at the Summerfield at Tate Farms venue.

Our local talent is amazing and outstanding works of art (of any subject, any medium) can be had for little dollars. Added to the silent auction this year is a large painting,



"Breaking Camp", by Lee Her-ring. It is a masterpiece, we kid you not.

Folks, put it on your calendar---and artists, we have the canvases in stock---you are welcome to pick up your canvas anytime!

### Eagle Project

Eagle Scout candidate, Kagen Parks, Troop #390, rebuilt and painted the Tenant Cabin's porch for his final project. The porch had become severely deteriorated and was unsafe for visitors.

After inspection, Kagen and



his team decided that the porch should be completely rebuilt. Thank



you Kagen and your volunteers for an outstanding job! Well done!

### Membership Renewal Time

2019 Membership

Membership from January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address : \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

First Family \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Check here to opt-out your phone number in the Membership Directory

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Please enclose this form with your check made payable to the Rockwall County Historical Foundation