

CEDAR HILL MUSEUM OF HISTORY

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Graveyard Cleanup Join us Saturday, Feb. 26th from 1 to 4 p.m. to remove the briars, thorns and limbs from the graves of the 1856 tornado victims. Wanda Pitt presented detailed documentation to the THC and received recognition of the site as a designated Historic Texas Cemetery. A book was written in the 1800's about this area called the Iron Clad Forest so dress accordingly.

Heritage House After 25 years of the Historical Society owning the property at 1420 High Pointe, Joe Potter and Jimmy Mobley successfully closed the sale at the end of the year. Purchaser was More Cabbage, an advertising firm which operates their offices from the top floor and rents the first level and grounds for events. The facility has an eclectic look now with a clean contemporary interior. A chef is even available for dinner parties. A nice road and sidewalk gives access to the graveyard at the site.



THERE'S A PARTY AT THE CEDARHILLHERITAGEHOUSE.COM

2011 Heritage Calendar-Kick Off at School Reunion



Sales of the calendar continue to be strong with many purchasing them for the wonderful photographs. Don't forget to tell you friends and family. Several of the girls from the basketball team that was pictured on month of

January posed for another group photo at the school reunion in September as the annual event is held in the same gym they played in back in 1947.

Acquisitions

Mary Ellen Taylor Lander oral history transcription and photographs of first Old Settler's Reunion. Mary was raised on the property where Hillcrest Baptist Church is currently. She said one hard job she had as a young girl was to walk to a well at Bentle Branch (near current Best Buy) and get two 5 gallon buckets of water every day. She taught Sunday school for 50 years at the Church of Christ and recently passed away.



Mary & Phyllis at Reunion



Hozdulick's have donated an oil painting of the old Tidwell home on Broad just south of Cedar Street and a 1970's drill team uniform.

Resource Room All the Museums records and bookcases were moved from the Library to the office at 332 Cedar St.

Country Day Thanks to lots of help and Jimmie Ruth White and her huge team, the Country Day was a great success with both funds and contacts. The Wylie family again allowed us one of the best spots on the square for our booth at the southeast corner of Cedar and Main along with use of their house nearby on the south side of Cedar for a rummage sale. We appreciate their support.



History Month October was History Month at the Library. The Video "Cedar Hill Now and Then -1995" was shown and J.R. Hickman and Marvin Chapman told stories to the group.

Registry of Private Collection

Carolyn Morley has registered a brass wall plate with profile of Mozart which decorated the home of Joseph Stewart in 1890. The home was near the northwest corner of Uptown Blvd on Belt Line Road.

Outstanding Citizens of the Month



The last quarter of 2010.... **Jimmy Mobley, Linda Patton and Shirley Hendricks** were honored as Outstanding Citizens. Visit cedarhillmuseum.com to find out what all they have done for our community.



January and February's honorees are **Joe and Wanda Pitt**. They are long time activist for our community. Recently Wanda acquired recognition for the Crawford Tornado Graveyard which is near the corner of Pioneer Trail and Old Cedar Hill Road. A clean up of the site will take place the last weekend of February.

Dr. Frank Crawford is our honoree for March. He received the Distinctive Character Lifetime Achievement Award from the City of Cedar Hill recently.

Progressive Dinner

A most special highlight of this year's dinner was the dance of the ballerina upstairs at the R.A. Roberts house.



Thank you to Stacia's Dance Studio, Éclair's Bistro, Jessica's Catering & Flowers and Mobley's and many others who helped make this a success.

Workshops

Karen Aruda and Carol Hanson are giving genealogy workshops at the Library. Several of the board attended Oral History and Strategic Planning workshops. The board is now in the process of developing a work plan for the Museum.

Don't forget to visit our website & displays in the Government Center and Library or contact us with information or artifacts. Memberships only \$35.00.