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## Annual Membership Form

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Please make check or money order payable to Texas Heritage Museum. For your convenience, we also accept VISA, MASTERCARD, DISCOVER & AMERICAN EXPRESS.

- Individual \$25     Family \$35  
 Business \$50     Patron \$100  
 Benefactor \$250

## Medal of Honor Memorial Brick Campaign

If you sign up for a membership with the Texas Heritage Museum today, you may also sponsor a brick at a special low price of \$75. Using the space below, tell us what you would like your brick to say. Please limit to 15 characters per line and three lines per brick. If you decide to purchase more than one brick, please attach additional information to this form.

Those wanting to buy a brick without a membership may do so at the regular price of \$100.

Yes, I would like to sponsor a brick.

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# TEXAS HERITAGE MUSEUM

HOME OF THE OFFICIAL STATE MEDAL OF HONOR MEMORIAL TO NATIVE-BORN TEXANS

# LASTING LEGACIES

## NEWSLETTER



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### Letter From the Dean

Dear Friends of the Texas Heritage Museum: On May 19, 2021 Hill College returned to pre-COVID operations (Phase 5). This means that students, employees, and guests will no longer be required to wear face coverings, practice social distancing, or adhere to restricted occupancy limits. At this time museum sanitation procedures and hand sanitizer will remain in effect.

The museum galleries will be open during Hill College summer hours Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and the Historical Research Center will be available by appointment only by calling 254-659-7750, or you may also visit our website at [www.hillcollege.edu/Museum/Divisions.html](http://www.hillcollege.edu/Museum/Divisions.html) and complete the Civil War Veteran Research Request form for any research request. All research requests will be mailed/emailed for a \$30.00 fee.

We resumed our annual financial solicitation for patron memberships in January 2021. If you have not renewed, please do so. If you have already paid dues for this year, thank you for your generosity and continued support. If you have questions about your membership, please call Rosa Santos at 254-659-7750.

Please bring your family and friends to visit the museum this summer!

With kindest regards,

*John Versluis*  
John Versluis, Dean



John Versluis

### Medal of Honor Recipient Added to the Official Texas State Medal of Honor Memorial to Native-Born Texans

Master Sergeant Matthew O. Williams is the most recent recipient to be added to the Official Texas State Medal of Honor Memorial to Native-Born Texans. He was born in Boerne, Texas on October 3, 1981. Master Sergeant Matthew O. Williams distinguished himself by acts of gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty on April 6, 2008, while serving as a Weapons Sergeant, Special Forces Operational Detachment Alpha 3336, Special Operations Task Force-33, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.



Brad Nash from Nash Lettering Service LLC. is sandblasting Master Sergeant Matthew O. Williams' name into the Official Texas State Medal of Honor Memorial to Native-Born Texans.



The Texas Heritage Museum will be partnering with Kids Kollege on the Hillsboro campus this year June 28-July 1 with "History Made Fun" for 5th grade students.

Students will enjoy history by viewing the movie "Sgt. Stubby an American Hero." The movie chronicles how a plucky Boston Terrier ends up working himself into the 102nd Infantry Regiment's training grounds in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1917.

Also, students will participate in building and flying wooden airplanes!

For registration information, please contact:

**Hill College**  
**Continuing Education**  
 817.760.5820  
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## The Texas Country Reporter

We are very excited to announce "The Texas Country Reporter" hosted by Bob and Kelli Phillips filmed the Texas Heritage Museum on May 17, 2021. This upcoming episode on the Texas Heritage Museum will be featured in the fall of 2021. Texas Country Reporter is carried by local affiliates in every market in Texas, as well as nationwide on the cable channel RFD-TV.



*Community members and Hillsboro Junior High School students participating in the filming.*

## Witness Tree Stump From the Civil War Battle of South Mountain - September 14, 1862

This witness tree stump was donated by Richard & Edith Hamilton in November 2018.

After many Civil War battles, all that is left is a devastated scarring battle landscape. A witness tree stump remains as a biologically tenacious symbol of that battle.

This witness tree stump most likely came from the Beachley Farm which was right in the middle of the Battle of South Mountain in Frederick County, Maryland. This stump is riddled with bullets on both sides from both the Confederate and Union armies. The cannonballs fired in this battle splintered this tree stump to shreds.



*Witness Tree Stump*

## Texas Heritage Museum Showcases Hill College Art Teacher's Prints Collection

Hill College art instructor Tom Sale's new exhibit in the Texas Heritage Museum's temporary art gallery features 40 limited-edition engravings, etchings, woodblock prints and lithographs.

The exhibit, "A Small Teaching Exhibit of Prints from the Collection of Tom Sale," is comprised of 17th century to modern dated prints Sale began personally collecting when he started teaching.

"The core of the collection came from prints my parents bought in Paris when the Louvre was still selling restrikes of original plates and from artist friends of theirs such as the well-known American printmaker, Frank Stack," Sale said. "Over the years, I have added to this collection on my own."

Other known artists featured in the exhibit include Scott Winterrowd and Noyes Capehart. Various other American, European and Japanese printmakers, such as Honore Daumier, Albrecht Durer, and Rembrandt van Rijn, are also featured in the collection.

Hill College art appreciation classes have used the exhibit to learn about printmaking techniques. The exhibit is purposefully not labeled so students can find elements of art and search for clues about the techniques without being given the information usually seen on museum tags.

"The prints are beautiful works of art with a delicate surface and fine line quality," said Sale. "We have all seen mass-produced reproductions, but to see these in person printed on quality paper is a great experience."

The exhibit will be open to the public through July 31 during museum hours.



*Undated etching by Scottish artist William Brassey Hole (1846-1917) that is displayed in the "A Small Teaching Exhibit of Prints from the Collection of Tom Sale" exhibit.*

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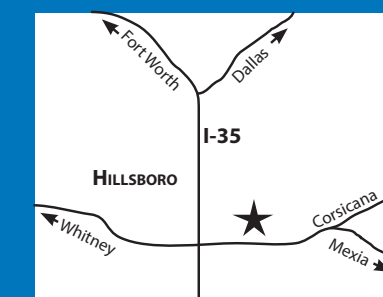
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## Summer Hours

**Gallery & Collections**  
 Mon. - Thurs., 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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