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#### TEXAS HERITAGE MUSEUM

Hillsboro, TX 76645

THE TEXAS HERITAGE MUSEUM'S MISSION IS TO EXPLORE TEXAS AND TEXANS DURING WARTIME AND HOW THOSE EXPERIENCES AFFECT US TODAY.







## **Letter From the Director**

Dear Friends of the Museum,

The Texas Heritage Museum has come a long way As we strive to fulfill our mission, it is our intent since its creation more than 46 years ago. I am to make the Texas Heritage Museum a vital asset to excited to lead the museum and further its mission future generations so they will have a firm foundation for Hill College, regional communities and the state of Texas. We are actively seeking new ways to improve the fulfillment of the museum's mission, "To explore Texas and Texans during wartime and have not visited the museum recently, I invite you to how those experiences affect us today." Together, stop by. we are enhancing an experience—the Texas Heritage Museum Experience. The proud heritage left to us by our ancestors is a legacy that must be preserved for present and future generations. Won't you consider museum membership and become a Friend of the Texas Heritage Museum at Hill College?

Becoming a Friend enables you to support our quality exhibits and programs.

As a member, you will receive the following:

- 10% gift shop discount
- Ouarterly newsletter
- Invitations to members-only exhibit openings
- Invitations to special museum events exclusively

for members.

upon which to build. The Texas Heritage Museum staff is conducting these affairs in a manner that will ensure your continued confidence and support. If you

If you are interested in becoming a member, please return the attached form with your payment. Thank you for being a Friend of the Texas Heritage Museum at Hill College!

Sincerely, John Versluis Director Texas Heritage Museum



### **Museum Unveils Medal of Honor Memorial**

On Oct. 26, 2007, the Texas Heritage Museum unveiled its new Medal of Honor Memorial honoring nativeborn Texans who had the courage to go above and beyond the call of duty.

The memorial highlights Audie Murphy from Kingston, Tex., as the most decorated soldier of WWII, and Samuel Dealey from Dallas, Tex., as the



THM Medal of Honor Memorial

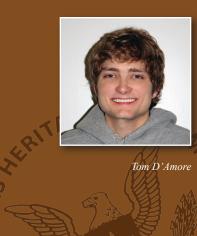
most decorated sailor of WWII as well as 54 more native born Texans of singular courage and character.

The memorial encourages the remembrance of men and women of boldness and bravery, whether they be soldiers, sailors, airmen or marines who, through the force of will or an

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## Museum Welcomes **New Intern**

The Texas Heritage Museum is pleased to announce that we have a new intern for the spring and summer. Tom D'Amore is completing his master's degree through the museum science program at Texas Tech with an emphasis on collections management and will be working at the museum through July 2008. He has had previous internships at the National Museum of the Pacific War. the Alamo, the Silent Wings Museum and the Buddy Holly Center in addition to a part-time job at the Museum of Texas Tech University. He is currently helping with accessioning and developing new exhibits. We are very happy to have him with us and hope to get much done while he is here.



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of war or inspired them to victory through unimaginable feats of sacrifice.

who stood, and continue to stand, behind each of these heroes. It is never too late for us, individually and collectively, to

unexpected twist of fate, saved their say we recognize your loss, we respect comrades from the unforgiving savagery your sacrifice, and we thank you."

If you or anyone else in your community would like to honor a loved John Versluis said it best in his speech one, the museum is holding a "Sponsor at the unveiling of the memorial... a Brick" program which allows for "America is eternally indebted to the individuals to purchase a personalized families and friends of our servicemen brick to be used in the Medal of Honor Memorial. Please contact the museum at (254)582-2555 ext. 295 for details.

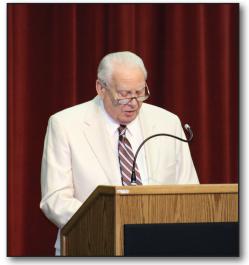
## **28th Annual THM Symposium Nears**

The theme for this year's History Symposium will be *Texas and Texans* at War: The Fragile Frontier 1835-1859.

There will be five guest speakers covering topics including: Sam Houston, Artillery, the Texas Indian Frontier, the Mier Expedition...and camels? There will also be a speaker luncheon, book show and other vendors. The Texas Heritage Museum has something for everyone at the 28th annual symposium.

Reservations for the symposium can be made for \$25 a person with the optional speaker luncheon for an additional \$12 per person. This year, symposium CD's can be purchased for \$15.

The event will be on Sat., April 5, on the Hill County Campus of Hill College in the Vara Martin Daniel Performing



Dr. James Pohl from Texas State University-San Marcos

Arts Center.

If you would like more information or to make reservations, please call the Texas Heritage Museum at (254) 582-2555 ext. 295.

## **Hill College Press Continues to Grow**

The Hill College Press was established The last two works published were which they fought and on subjects Harper Barnes. of regional importance in North and Central Texas.

in 1964, and has published, to date, Reluctant Rebels: The Eleventh Texas 43 books and monographs. The press Cavalry Regiment by Allen G. Hatley focuses on historical subjects relating and They Were There: Texas Veterans primarily to Texans and the wars in Remember World War II by Larue

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Hatley's work is the first history of the Confederate regiment formed in North Texas in counties that voted against secession. The regiment distinguished itself in battles from Pea Ridge in Arkansas in 1862 to the end of the war in the Carolinas in 1865. Harper's work focuses on 53 WWII veterans, most of whom were natives of Johnson County, Tex., and some of whom fought in all theaters of the war in Africa, Europe and the Pacific.

Works in progress include a history of Wichita Indians on the Texas frontier A few previously published works are



Dr. Earl Elam and Allen G. Hatley

Daniel's experiences as governor of Guam after WWII.

and an account of Governor Bill available in the museum gift shop.

## **Museum Awarded MAP Grant**

American Association of Museums their public service responsibilities. (AAM).

a cooperative agreement with the of being accredited by the AAM. Institute of Museum and Library

Texas Heritage Museum was one of Services (IMLS) and AAM. The only six museums in Texas awarded museum programs at IMLS are the a National Museum Assessment only federal programs solely devoted Program (MAP) Grant through the to assisting museums in carrying out

The Texas Heritage Museum will be The program provides a confidential able to use MAP as a very valuable process of self-study, peer review and assessment in moving forward with implementation supported through its strategic plan and long-range goal

## What's New in Galleries and Collection?

If you have not visited the Texas Heritage Museum, you are missing out! The galleries and collection will take you on a journey through time where you can explore the Civil War, WWI, WWII and the Vietnam War through exhibits, artifacts, short films and personal stories of native Texans.

Recently, a World War I case in the weapons gallery has been updated and now features artifacts and pictures from donors Frankie Wylie Head, Roland Tucker and Clyde Koehne, among others. Our next major exhibit project will be a section on the Texas



New WWI Case

Revolution.

There is always something new being added, so even if you have been here before, you have not seen it all.

## **Texas Heritage** Museum Hill College

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#### **Museum Hours**

Mon. - Thurs. 8 - 4:30 Fri. 8 - 4 June - Aug. Sat. 10 - 5 (galleries only)

#### **Contacts**

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## Share the **Experience**

Don't forget to visit our gift shop on your next visit. Whether you love history or just love Texas, we have great gifts for all ages.

### In The Know

Did you know that 2,540 people visited the museum this year and 629 people used the Historical Research Center?