

# Washington Area Museum Foundation / D.A. Varnado Store Museum

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Open Saturday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM,

Sunday 1:00pm to 4:00 PM,

Other times by Appointment

## NEWSLETTER

### JANUARY - MARCH 2018

### EXHIBIT NEWS

#### Note from our Director, Terry Seal

**The Christmas Festival** was a success-lovely weather, big crowds, great crafts, art and food booths and musical entertainment.

We are grateful to those who sponsored with monetary gifts and those who gave gifts for our raffle. The raffle tree was beautifully decorated and the winner was very pleased.



Santa Claus was his usual jolly self and he was a hit with everyone. He brought his lovely wife this year and the children loved her.

Thanks to the FHS MCJROTC cadets who helped put up and take down the decorations, and the Rodeo and Fair Queen who drew the winning tickets.

Especially, thanks to our hard-working board for their faithfulness and dedication.



**The Teddy Bear Tea** was so much fun for the children and the board members who helped host.

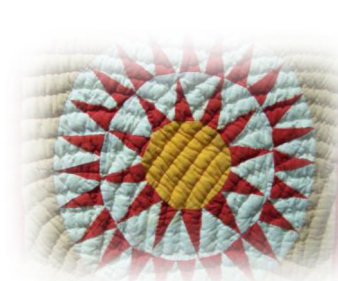
Beth Bankston, our president, was in charge and she did her usual great job. Mrs Santa, Jackie Smith, was a hit with the attendees and they all went home with a photo with her.

The Fair Queen came and read a story, the children sang, made crafts, picked out gifts for Mom and Dad, had delicious refreshments and took home a filled stocking.



#### January and February

##### Quilts, Old and New



This exhibit will feature quilts and quilted items from the museum's collection, as well as those loaned by the public. This is one of our most popular exhibits.

Jackie Smith will be in charge of this event. Be sure to read her notes later in this newsletter.

#### March and April

##### Student Art Show and Competition



A themed show for all students in Washington Parish. It is a judged show in which the winners and their schools' art departments receive cash prizes.

We had over 240 pieces on display last year and look forward to showing the art talent of students in our parish once again. Students are also allowed to sell their work if

they so desire.

Ellen Barrett is in charge of this event. Read her notes later in this newsletter.

### VOLUNTEER HOSTS

#### Note from Mary Jo Poole

In **January**, The **SHASTA** Club will be hosting one of our most popular exhibits, "Quilts, Old and New."

The **Museum Board** will host in **February**.

In **March**, The **WAVERLY** Club will host.