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The Association held its Spring meeting in Lufkin on February 26-27, 1988. Bob Bowman served as program chair and Ron Hufford handled local arrangements. Members attended a Friday evening session at the Texas Forestry Museum and enjoyed a reception at the Kurth House, courtesy of the Lufkin Chamber of Commerce. All Saturday sessions were held in the Holiday Inn.

The Fall meeting of the Association will be in Nacogdoches on September 23-24. Robert Sherer of Wiley College is serving as chairman of the Program Committee. Other committee members include, Tom Nall, Bobby Johnson, and Joe Devine, members of the Department of History at Stephen F. Austin State University.

The Board of Trustees of the Sam Rayburn Foundation have announced research grants for scholars to use the Sam Rayburn Library in Bonham, Texas. Grants for travel and expenses at the Sam Rayburn Library are available for graduate students and faculty interested in researching the life and times of Sam Rayburn. A two-page research proposal and a proposed budget are required. Applicants should contact H.G. Dulaney, Director, The Sam Rayburn Library, Box 309, Bonham, Texas 75418.

The Oral History Association will hold its twenty-third annual meeting on October 19-22, 1989, in Galveston, Texas. Papers, panel discussions, media presentations, and workshop sessions are solicited. All subjects concerning oral history are welcome. Each proposal should include the presenter's vita, plus a two-page typed prospectus with thesis statement, methodological description, and relevant biographical information. Proposals must be submitted by November 30, 1988 to Michael L. Gillette, Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and Museum, 2313 Red River, Austin, TX 78705.

The Panola County Historical and Genealogical Association, a new organization devoted to all facets of historical preservation and dissemination of genealogical knowledge, was organized in November 1987. The organization's pilot project is the restoration of the old Panola County Jail, built in 1891, for use as a historical and genealogical library. The organization's present library, the Panola County Historical and Genealogical Library, is located at 410 West Sabine, Carthage, TX. Anyone interested in Panola County history or genealogy is invited to become a member. Dues are as follows: \$10 - single; \$15 - couple; \$5 - student; \$50 - benefactor; \$75 - patron; \$250 - life; over \$250 - donor

(includes life). Mail dues to Jerry Graves, Membership Chairperson, Rt. 1, Box 201E, Gary, TX 75643.

“The Consumer Culture and the American Home, 1890-1930” is the title of the second annual McFaddin-Ward House Museum Conference to be held October 27-29, 1988, in Beaumont, Texas.

The Conference will feature sessions on “World’s Fairs,” “Advertising,” “Department Stores,” “Mail Order,” “Texas Architecture and Consumerism,” “Texas Interiors,” “Fashions,” “American Silver,” “Sports & Physical Fitness,” “Building Guides, Pattern Books and Designing the American Home,” and “McFaddin-Ward House: A Case Study in Consumerism.” Dr. Harvey Green, deputy director of Interpretation and Chief Historian of Strong Museum in Rochester, will deliver the keynote address.

For registration information and more information, write Glenda Dyer at The McFaddin-Ward House, 1901 McFaddin Avenue, Beaumont, TX 77701, (409) 832-1906. Registration deadline is October 7, 1988.

The Association For The Preservation of Civil War Sites, Inc. has been formed with headquarters in Arlington, Virginia. The APCWS offers “what well may be the last, best hope for a dozen or more of the battlefields spread across Virginia that enjoy no trace of permanent preservation — places like Kernstown, Cedar Mountain, Mine Run, Brandy Station, and Five Forks.” Benefits of membership include meetings, limited-edition prints, and a quarterly newsletter. Dues are \$20. For details contact the Association For The Preservation of Civil War Sites, P.O. Box 23, Arlington, VA 22210.