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302 Projects
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146 Issues
OF TEXAS HERITAGE MAGAZINE...AND COUNTING

THF Grant Helps Preserve Collection of Early Wine Authority

THF Vice President Michael Marchant, above left, recently presented a preservation grant to the Grayson County College Foundation Inc., Denison, to assist with digitizing the artifacts, catalogues, articles, and journals of the collection of T.V. Munson.

The story behind Mr. Munson's part in Texas history is an interesting one. He arrived in Denison in 1876, convinced that the area was a grape paradise. Through the remaining years of his life, he developed three hundred superior grape varieties from the wild native grapes of the area and found a resistant rootstock to stop an epidemic in the early 1900s that saved France's wine industry.

His work was the basis for a viticulture (cultivation of grapevines) and enology (the study of wines) curriculum at Grayson College--one of the few such degree programs in the country and the first of its kind at a Texas community college.

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New Arts Endowment is Off and Running

Above: a banner acknowledging THF's grant support, through the new William Jack Sibley Arts Endowment, was on display at a multimedia concert that Montopolis Productions presented at the Stateside Theater in Austin.

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Upcoming Magazine Focuses on Texas Rangers

In 1935, Governor James Allred took office determined to put a stop to the McClanahan-Burleson gang's criminal activities targeting the San Augustine African-American community. He dispatched newly commissioned Texas Rangers who launched a campaign that eventually ended the decade-long woes of the East Texas area. Convictions resulting from the Ranger investigations are all the more notable for that time and place because these verdicts were based exclusively on the word of black victims and witnesses.

Jody Edward Ginn, Ph. D., author of the newly released book *East Texas Troubles: The Allred Rangers' Cleanup of San Augustine*, wrote an article on the successful 18-month-long law enforcement operation for the upcoming issue of THF's award-winning Texas HERITAGE magazine. [Join as a member now](#) and receive a subscription to the quarterly publication.

John Coffee (Jack) Hays is the subject of another article in the issue, along with a piece about Ranger participation in the world premiere of *The Highwaymen*. That recently released Netflix movie retells the story of the pursuit and killing of Bonnie and Clyde from the perspective of law enforcement.

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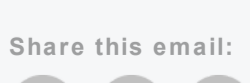
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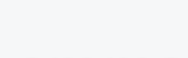
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