

To become a member or sponsor of the Allen Heritage Guild, please complete this form and mail it to the address below.

Membership Level	Per Year
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$25.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$40.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Student	\$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior—Age 65+	\$10.00

  

Sponsorship Level	
<input type="checkbox"/> Supporting	\$250.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining	\$500.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Patron	\$1,000.00

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*Thank you for supporting  
the Allen Heritage Guild!*

**Allen Heritage Guild**  
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# *History of Allen*

The Houston & Texas Central Railroad was constructed through Allen in 1872 to facilitate the transport of people and agricultural products. Allen was named for Ebenezer Allen, a former attorney general of Texas and one of the promoters of the railroad.

In 1915, the town suffered a devastating fire that destroyed most of the business district between the interurban tracts and the railroad.

Allen remained an agricultural community during the world wars and depression era.

The interurban closed in 1948 and the importance of agriculture to the economic base of Allen began to diminish after World War II.

With the relocation of high technology companies into Allen in the 1960's through the 1990's, the population has increased significantly and Allen is becoming widely known as an ideal community in which to live and work.



## ALLEN HERITAGE GUILD



*Preserving and promoting  
Allen's heritage and spirit*

# Allen Heritage Guild History

The Allen Heritage Guild was established in 1996 as a project of the Leadership Allen Class VII. The Guild's objectives are: to create a sense of community spirit by providing service and implementing projects that create a distinctively positive image of Allen, and to assure tomorrow's heritage by recording past and current milestones.



## Projects

### Past and present projects include:

- Photographic Display
- Driving Tour
- Antique Appraisal Fair
- Preservation of Allen Station Dam
- Placement of Allen historical markers
- Participation in revival of the Central Business District
- Creation of Allen Heritage Village
- Restoration and renovation of St. Mary Baptist Church
- Assisted with production of historical videos
- Assisted in recreation of Train Depot

## Meetings

The Guild meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Allen Heritage Center (Train Depot) to discuss the status of current and proposed projects, and frequently features guest speakers on topics of historical significance.

## Membership

The Allen Heritage Guild offers two levels of participation: membership and sponsorship. Membership offers single family and student participation levels with the following dues:

Individual	\$25/year
Family	\$40/year
Student	\$10/year
Senior (65+)	\$10/year

Sponsorship is offered for individuals and companies who wish to strengthen Allen's spirit of community by serving as partners with the Guild through the following participation levels and dues:

Sponsoring	\$250/year
Sustaining	\$500/year
Patron	\$1,000/year

