

Archives Month Activities in San Marcos:
Archives Fair at San Marcos Public Library
Archives Reception at Alkek Library, Texas State University-San Marcos

SAN MARCOS, Tex. – On Saturday, October 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Special Collections Department at Texas State University's Alkek Library and the San Marcos Public Library will be teaming up to offer an "archives fair" for the community. The fair will be held at the San Marcos Public Library (625 E. Hopkins) and is intended for people who are seeking advice on how to best preserve their scrapbooks, photographs, letters, and other personal treasures.

Those interested in learning more about genealogical and oral history resources and techniques are also encouraged to attend. In addition to professional advice from archivists and librarians, catalogs, bibliographies and other handouts will be available. At 11:00 Kris Toma, Texas State's University Archivist will present a slideshow on preserving photographs.

The event is free and open to the public.

For questions, call the Special Collections at 245-2313, or the San Marcos Public Library at 393-8200.

On Monday, October 22, 2007 from 4 to 7 p.m., the Special Collections staff at the Alkek Library is hosting its second annual Archives Month reception in the Special Collections galleries on the 7th floor of the Alkek Library on the campus of Texas State University-San Marcos. Archivists, curators, librarians, and other custodians of archival resources are cordially invited to attend.

We are pleased to announce that this year's special guest will be state historian and Chair of Texas State's History Department, Dr. Frank de la Teja. In February 2007, Gov. Rick Perry appointed de la Teja to serve the first-ever two-year term as the state historian of Texas. Dr. de la Teja has a close affinity with archives, having worked as an archivist at the Texas General Land Office before teaching. More information about Dr. de la Teja's role as state historian is available at <http://www.txstate.edu/rising-stars/frank-de-la-teja.html>.

The reception is free and open to the public and will include hors d'oeuvres.

Please RSVP to specialcollections@txstate.edu with the names of attendees.

For parking and directions, visit:

<http://www.library.txstate.edu/swwc/misc/directions.html>