

DEPOT

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one book given to us not long ago. It was in bad shape."

Preservation is key.

"We try not to handle these books any more than we have to," Hoover said. "Some are really fragile. We have maps we don't touch without wearing rubber gloves. You've got to really convince us you need that map for us to get it down."

The archives are utilized primarily for family research.

"The first thing we ask is if the person has done family research," Hoover said. "If they have, we ask them to please give us a copy. We have a filing cabinet full of research on various families."

Among Granbury Depot current projects is recruiting new members to the genealogical and historical societies.

"We would love to have new blood," Hoover said. "Anyone out there who's interested in genealogy, we'll put them to work."

Granbury Depot is presently open on Thursdays from noon to 4. Additional volunteers could man the facility on additional days.

"We'd like to keep it open on Tuesdays and Saturdays as well," Hoover said.

Granbury Depot is also open by request. Hoover is not averse to filling the bill.

"There are three of us who can open it. If I don't have family in the house, I'll drop what I'm doing and come down here to let them in."

"If I have grandkids with me, I'll tell callers to go to the next phone number."

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Melba Hoover (at left) navigates through shelves of archives at Granbury Depot.

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At left, Hoover holds apparatus used by depot attendants to deliver orders to moving trains. At right, an antique typewriter sits next to a newfangled copier at the depot.



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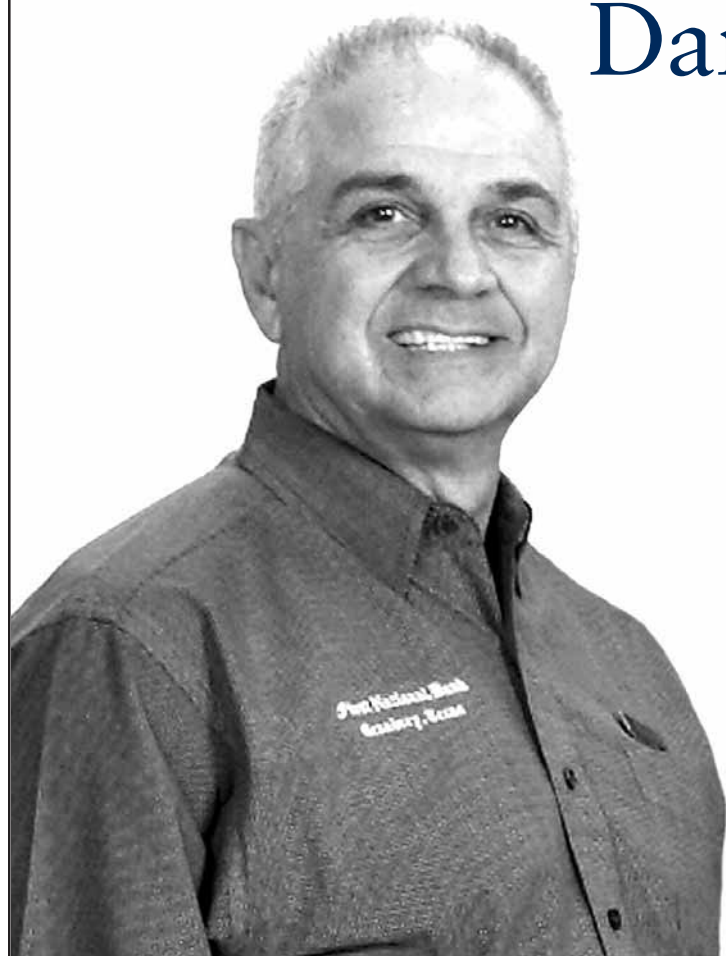
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