



August 25, 2009

Dear Valued Community Member:

The Plano Conservancy for Historic Preservation, Inc. is pleased to inform you of a fun and worthwhile opportunity to learn about the history of our community. Starting in the fall of 2009 all fourth grade students enrolled in the Plano Independent School District will visit the Interurban Railway Museum in historic downtown Plano to participate in a museum program tailored especially for this grade level. The field trip incorporates Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS), the state standards on which all school curricula is based. Students engage in history through hands-on activities.

The mission of The Plano Conservancy, a non-profit organization, is to protect heritage resources and provide educational programs to increase awareness of the rich history on which our city is built. We rely solely on volunteer assistance to provide this valuable program to our youth. The museum is in need of community members like you to help support our educational outreach by volunteering as docents for the upcoming school year. As a volunteer docent, you will receive all the training and materials you need to help guide our students through active participation in a stimulating environment.

Almost all of the 43 elementary school campuses require two days at the Interurban Museum to accommodate the entire grade level. Field trips begin in early October. As a member of our docent body we promise you the camaraderie of a spirited and enthusiastic volunteer corps. We encourage you to volunteer as frequently as your schedule permits. We guarantee that your time will positively impact our future generation of citizens and you will be rewarded with the knowledge that you have indeed made a difference in our community.

To volunteer, please complete and return the enclosed form and indicate which of the following docent training sessions you will attend:

Tuesday, September 15, 2009	9:00 AM – 11:30 AM
Tuesday, December 8, 2009	9:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Please direct any questions to The Plano Conservancy's Education Department at 972-941-2117 or by email to planoconservancy@earthlink.net. Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to seeing you in September!

Sincerely,

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