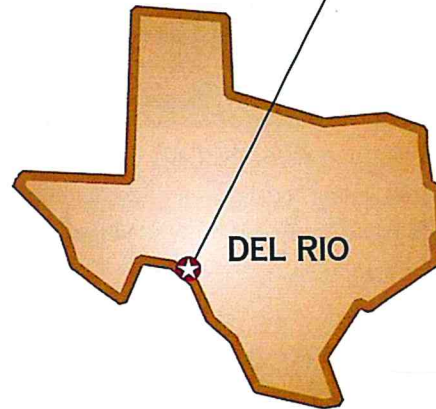


HERITAGE...

We welcome your visit to the Whitehead Memorial Museum when you are in the Del Rio area. We think you will find the museum to be a delightful and educational experience. Unlike many other museums, our exhibits are spread throughout several buildings, each of historical significance in itself. Our museum is dedicated to serving the community and preserving our local heritage.

The Whitehead Memorial Museum came to life more than 50 years ago. In 1962, a noted local ranching family, the Whiteheads, purchased the old Perry Mercantile Building and donated it to the City of Del Rio and Val Verde County for a Museum. Since that time, the museum has grown to include over 21 exhibit sites and occupies more than two acres of space.

Portions of the San Felipe irrigation canal flow through the back of the museum's property. This is part of the original acequia, built in 1871 to ensure sufficient water for crops.



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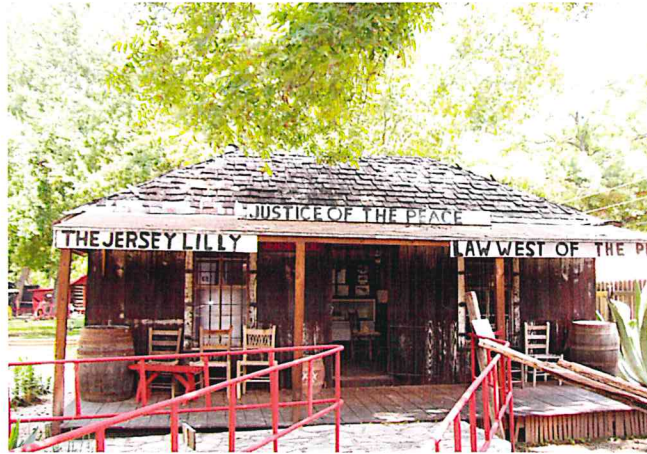
SOMETHING for EVERYONE, No Matter What Age...

The CABOOSE



The Caboose Exhibit showcases the now long gone caboose train car. This Southern Pacific Caboose was built in 1945 and was used until 1985. Railroad companies stopped using cabooses in the late 1980's.

The JERSEY LILLY



This is a replica of the Jersey Lilly, Judge Roy Bean's famous saloon and court. For several years, Judge Bean was the only "Law West of the Pecos." The remains of Judge Roy Bean and his son, Sam, are buried on the Museum grounds.

The CADENA NATIVITY



An awe-inspiring display of cultural folk art, the Cadena Nativity is the life work of Mrs. B. Cadena. You have to see it to believe it.

The FLOOD OF '98



In August of 1998, the remnants of Tropical Storm Charlie stalled over Del Rio. The large amount of rainfall caused the usually peaceful San Felipe Creek to overflow its banks and flood the San Felipe neighborhood. This exhibit showcases the pictures and stories of those involved.

The PERRY STORE



A Registered Historical Landmark, the Perry Store, built in 1871, was the largest mercantile store between San Antonio and El Paso. The Perry Store is now the Museum's general entrance and gift shop.

The WAR ROOM



The War Room showcases items from the Civil War, World War I and World War II. This exhibit also showcases the history of Laughlin Air Force Base.