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Upcoming Conference News

CPC Update

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The 2014 NASIG Annual Conference, **Taking Stock and Taming New Frontiers**, will be held in Fort Worth Texas, May 1 through May 4, 2014. See the NASIG website for information (www.nasig.org). Fort Worth is the sixteenth largest city in the United States with a population of 736,200. The March to May temperatures range from the mid-forties to the mid-eighties. The conference hotel is the historic Fort Worth Hilton near downtown (see conference website for details).

There are so many things to see and do you might want to extend your trip (<http://www.fortworth.com/things-to-do>). Among the museums, you can visit the Sid Richardson Museum with its collection of western art by Charles Russell and Frederic Remington; The National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame; the Log Cabin Village, a living history museum; as well as the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame. You might also want to visit the Botanic Gardens, or the Bureau of Engraving and Printing where over half of the nation's currency is printed. If you feel like taking a stroll, Sundance Square is an area of about fourteen blocks of art galleries, bars and restaurants. The sports minded might want to watch the Fort Worth Cats play baseball (should they have a game during our visit). LaGrange field is described as a quaint stadium that seats 4,500.

The Stockyards (<http://www.fortworth.com/things-to-do/western-experience>), a national historic district,

hosts a rodeo every Friday and Saturday night. Twice daily at 11:30 am and 4:00 pm, you can witness a cattle drive. At the Visitors Information Center you can pick up a GPS-guided walking tour of the area. You can explore the Cowtown Cattlepen Maze of 5,400 square feet of wooden pathways. The area also hosts many restaurants and shopping venues. Some recommended restaurants include: Joe T. Garcia's (fajitas); Reata (chicken fried steak); Kincaid's (burgers); Railhead BBQ; Del Frisco's Double Eagle Steakhouse; Fred's Texas Café (burgers, chicken fried steak, and cold beer); and the Spiral Diner & Bakery (organic vegan). For the party animals among us there is Billy Bob's country music club (nearly 3 acres under one roof); Booger Red's, where you can order a local brew, Rahr's Buffalo Butt Beer; the Cantina Cadillac, which advertises the best drink specials in Fort Worth; the Library Bar with nearly 100 varieties of martinis; or, if you feel like singing along, there is Pete's Dueling Piano Bar. For more information check out the visitors site at:

<http://www.fortworth.com/>

Please contact the Conference Planning Committee at confplan@nasig.org if you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns. We look forward to seeing y'all in Texas!