



2023 NEW DEAL SYMPOSIUM

June 1, 2024 | Sam Houston Memorial Museum | Sam Houston State University

8:30 – 8:45

Registration, Coffee, Donuts

8:45 – 9:00

Welcome and Introductions: Scott Sosebee - East Texas Historical Association
Sam Houston State University
George Cooper – Blinn College

9:00 – 10:15

“You Want Me to Move Where? Resettlement Communities in Texas”
Carroll Scogin-Brincefield, Independent Scholar, Hallettsville

“A Travesty of Justice: The Rape of Nannie Harrison, the Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation, and the Failure of the Texas Justice System”
Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, Ph.D. - Sam Houston State University - Huntsville

“The Political Insiders Knew Which Side They Were on: Lyndon Johnson, Coke Stevens, the Stolen Primary, and New Deal Politics in Postwar Texas”
Aaron D. Hyams, Ph.D. - Sam Houston State University - Huntsville

10:15 – 10:30

Break

10:30 – 11:45

Politics, Food, and Memory: The New Deal Then and Now
Chair: Mary Jo O’Rear - Independent Scholar, Corpus Christi

“The Politics of Transportation Infrastructure and the WPA in Zapata County”
Richard B. Wright, Ph.D. - Texas A & M International University

“Feeding the Future: School Lunch Programs in the New Deal”
Lynn Burlbaw, Ph.D. - Professor Emeritus, Texas A & M University

“The New Deal in Texas Historical Memory”
Keith Volanto, Ph.D. – Collin College – Plano Campus

12:00 – 1:00

Lunch

12:30 – 1:15

“African American Women in the Houston Workforce: African American Women Seek Welfare Assistance, A Dual Determination to Survive Both the Great Depression and Systemic Racism”
Bernadette Pruitt, Ph.D. – Sam Houston State University,
President - East Texas Historical Association.

Thanks to our Sponsors:

East Texas Historical Association - Scott Sosebee, Ph.D., Executive Director

Department of History - Sam Houston State University
Local Committee: Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, Ph.D., Bernadette Pruitt, Ph.D.

Special Thanks to Christal Gill, Secretary East Texas Historical Association

A Program of the East Texas Historical Association
Register at www.easttexashistorical.org/conference

