



**EAST TEXAS HISTORICAL
ASSOCIATION
FALL 2015 MEETING**

**BAKER PATTILLO STUDENT CENTER
STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY
NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS**

OCTOBER 8 - 10, 2015

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THURSDAY OCTOBER 8, 2015

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING—Regent’s Suite B.....10:00 A.M.
REGISTRATION—BPSF FOYER, 2ND Floor.....1:00 – 4:00 P.M.
Silent Auction (Regent’s Suite A).....1:00 - 4:00 P.M.
Exhibitors (Regent’s Suite A).....1:00 – 4:00 P.M.

SESSION I.....**Multi-Media Room (2.106)**
Gender and Politics in Civil War Texas.....1:00 – 2:15 P.M.
John R. Lundberg, Tarrant County College, Presiding

The Balance of the Union: Central Texas Politics, 1857-1861
John R. Lundberg, Tarrant County College

“Women are you too proud to wear it because it was from Yankeedom?”
Texas Planter Class Women and Gendered Roles, Minerva J. “Peete” Van Zandt
In the Civil War
Katherine R. Skrabanek, Texas A&M-Commerce

Virginia Catherine Shaw Billingsley and Gendered Land Ownership
In Nineteenth Century Falls County
Cynthia Lofton, Texas A&M-Commerce

The original formation of the East Texas Historical Association was in 1927 when W.F. Garner, then the chair of the History department at Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College, called for a meeting of his colleagues from other East Texas colleges. It disbanded in 1932

SESSION II.....**Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)**

East Texas Agriculture: The People, the Land, The Literature.....1:00 - 2:15 P.M.
Debbie Liles, University of North Texas, Presiding

*Economic Class Mobilization and Slavery: A Case Study in the Importance
And Difficulties of Quantitative Agricultural History*
R. Nicholas Nelson, Texas A&M-Commerce

Farm to Table: The Home Management House as Rhetorical Space for Rural Women
Melissa Nivens, Midwestern State University

The Field of East Texas Agriculture: A Bibliographic Survey
Paul E. Sturdevant, Paris Junior College-Greenville

SESSION III.....**Tejas Room**

Expansive East Texas: Modern Tejano Culture, Anti-Communist...1:00 – 2:15 P.M.
Clerics, and Rural Bexar
Steven Boyd, University of Texas at San Antonio, Presiding

The Development of Towns in Bexar County
Jennifer Cain, University of Texas at San Antonio

*The Texas Catholic Church and the Mexican Catholic Persecution of the
1920s and 1930s*
Jason Surmiller, University of Texas at Dallas

Constructing the Selena Legend in East Texas
Angelica Fuentes, Northeast Texas Community College

SESSION IV.....**Multi-Media Room (2.106)**

Historical Perspectives on Drought in Texas.....2:30 – 3:45 P.M.
Patrick Cox, Wimberley, Presiding

A Want-to-be General in a Fog: Drought and Sibley's New Mexico Campaign
Charles Porter, St. Edward's University

More Water for Texas: Walter Prescott Webb and the Historians' Perspective on Drought
Michael L. Collins, Midwestern State University

Commentary by Patrick Cox

The East Texas Historical Association reorganized in 1962 as a result of the work of Dr. Ralph Steen, President of Stephen F. Austin State College, C.K. Chamberlain, the chair of that school's History department, and attorneys F.I. Tucker of Nacogdoches and F. Lee Lawrence of Tyler. Those four are considered the founders of the present Association.

SESSION V.....**Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)**
Struggles and Successes: Education on the Texas Frontier.....2:30 – 3:45 P.M.
Kyle Childress, Pastor, Austin Heights Baptist Church, Presiding

The Origins of Texas' Oldest University
Milton Jordan, Georgetown

*On Old Baylor's Dear Soil: The East Texas Origins of the University of
Mary Hardin-Baylor*
Dan K. Utley, Texas State University

A Braided Path Ever Forward: Women and Education in 19th Century Texas
Linda L. Black, Stephen F. Austin State University

SESSION VI.....**Tejas Room**
The 1930s East Texas Oil Patch: Illusions and Myths.....2:30 – 3:45 P.M.
James Maroney, Lee College, Presiding

*Taming the East Texas "Black Giant:": Ernest O. Thompson and
Illusions of Independence*
Matthew Coulter, Collin College

"Dad" Joiner and the Mythology of the East Texas Oil Boom
Larry J. Frazier, LeTourneau University

SESSION VII.....**Twilight Ballroom**
Plenary Session.....4:00 – 5:15 P.M.
Dana Cooper, Stephen F. Austin State University, Presiding

A Plenary Session with Dwight Pitcaithley, Chief Historian of the National Park Service

MAX AND GEORGIANA LALE LECTURE SERIES.....**7:30 P.M.**
Stephen F. Austin State University, Baker Pattillo Student Center,
Twilight Ballroom

Address by Ambassador Robert Krueger

**There will be a hospitality suite available after the lecture at the Holiday Inn Express*

F. Lee Lawrence was the first President of the Association, and C.K. Chamberlain was the inaugural editor of the East Texas Historical Journal. He would serve in that capacity until 1971.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 9, 2015

BLACK HISTORY BREAKFAST —Regent's Suite B.....	7:30 A.M.
REGISTRATION —BPSC FOYER, 2ND FLOOR.....	8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Silent Auction (Regent's Suite A).....	8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.
Exhibitors (Regent's Suite A).....	8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

SESSION VIII..... **Multi-Media Room (2.106)**
Racism, Evangelism, and the Long Arm of History.....9:00 – 10:15 A.M.
John Storey, Lamar University, Presiding

*Nevertheless, The High Places Remained: Racial Attitudes of Texas Baptist Leaders
After the Civil War*
Samuel Tullock, Collin College

Evangelist Mordecai F. Ham's Texas Meetings, 1903-1940
Jerry Hopkins, East Texas Baptist University

SESSION IX..... **Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)**
Joint Session with the Center for Regional Heritage Research.....9:00 – 10:15 A.M.
The Voices From Small Places Projects: Documenting East Texas Communities
Kelly Snowden, Stephen F. Austin State University, Presiding

Panelists

Linda Reynolds, East Texas Research Center, Ralph W. Steen Library
Stephen F. Austin State University

Perky Beisel, Center for Regional Heritage Research
Stephen F. Austin State University

SESSION X..... **Tejas Room**
Analyzing the Late 19th and Early 20th Centuries' Texas.....9:00 – 10:15 A.M.
Working Class Experience
Michael Botson, Houston Community College, Presiding

Galveston's Maritime Workers in 1880
David R. Ryden, University of Houston-Downtown

Popular Anti-Unionism in Texas: The 1922 National Railroad Shopmen's Strike
Theresa Case, University of Houston-Downtown

Coffee Break:..... **Regent's Suite B**
10:15 – 10:45 A.M.

SESSION XI **Multi-Media Room (2.106)**

Joint Session with The Texas Archive of the Moving Image.....10:45 – 12:00 P.M.

History in Motion, A Roundtable Discussion

Dan K. Utley, Texas State University, Presiding

Panelists

Caroline Frick, Texas Archive of the Moving Image and
The University of Texas at Austin

Caitlin McColl, Texas Archive of the Moving Image

Sarah Marshall, Texas Archive of the Moving Image

SESSION XII **Tiered Classroom (2.201)**

Joint Session with the Central Texas Historical Association.....10:45 – 12:00 P.M.

Introducing the Central Texas Historical Association

Kenneth W. Howell, Executive Director, CTHA, Presiding

Damming The Brazos

Brandon Franke, Blinn College

“Somebody Around Here Wants to Start A Fire:”

The O. Henry Honeymoon Cottage Controversy

Bonnie Tipton Wilson, Texas Historical Foundation

Commentary by Kenneth W. Howell

SESSION XIII **Tejas Room**

History in the Classroom: Metro Houston.....10:45 – 12:00 P.M.

Marcus Turner, San Jacinto College, Presiding

*Impact of the Big Inch and Little Inch Pipelines on the American War Effort
During World War II*

Herndon Eldridge, San Jacinto College

*The “Cowboy” of Pasadena, Texas: The Origins Behind the Pasadena Livestock
And Rodeo and Its Relevance Today*

Jeffery S. Hallinan, San Jacinto College

History of the Saint Arnold Brewery

Jonathan Zapata, San Jacinto College

SESSION XIV **Ladyjack Room**

Joint Session with Texas Folklore Society.....10:45-12:00 P.M.

Andrea Zarate, TFS Secretary Treasurer, Presiding

Home Grown Fun: House and Ranch Dances of Early Texas

Carol Bolland, Texas Folklore Society

Before I Was Five

Elizabeth Duncan, Texas Folklore Society

Commentary by Kenneth L. Untiedt, Secretary/Editor, Texas Folklore Society

ASSOCIATION FRIDAY BUFFETTWILIGHT BALLROOM

12:00 – 1:30 P. M.

Please join us for a buffet lunch. If you need to purchase a ticket for the event you may do so at the registration table.

SESSION XVMulti-Media Room (2.106)

Why Rural History Matters: An East Texas Rural.....1:30 – 2:45 P.M.

History Roundtable

Scott Sosebee, Stephen F. Austin State University, Presiding

Panelists

Andrew Baker, Texas A&M-Commerce

Debbie Liles, University of North Texas

Perky Beisel, Stephen F. Austin State University

Leland Turner, Midwestern State University

SESSION XVITiered Meeting Room (2.201)

History in the College Classroom: Leisure and Entertainment.....1:30 – 2:45 P.M.

Greg Smith, San Jacinto College, Presiding

The History of Surf Culture in Texas

James David Cook, San Jacinto College

Muddy Love: Watermen on Galveston Bay

Dirk Johnston, San Jacinto College

Houston's Richard Linklater: From Slacker to Master Filmmaker

Trung Vu, San Jacinto College

SESSION XVIITejas Room

From Freedom in the Age of Slavery to Terrorism in the.....1:30 – 2:45 P.M.

Age of Jim Crow

Yvonne Frear, San Jacinto College, Presiding

Navigating Freedom: Free Blacks in the Brazos-Colorado Basin

Austin Allen, University of Houston-Downtown

Read All About It! Newspapers and Lynchings in Texas, 1890-1920

Blakeney Hill, Texas Christian University

SESSION XVIIITejas Room

Adult Education Programs During the Depression:.....1:30 – 2:45 P.M.

The Texas Experience

Kyle Wilkison, Collin College, Presiding

Marion Holt, in 1980-81, became the first woman to serve as the President of the Association. Since then, thirteen women have held that position.

Panelists

Lynn Burlbaw, Texas A&M University
Eliel Hinojosa, Jr., South Texas Academy for Medical Profession

SESSION XIX.....**Multi-Media Room (2.106)**

Joint Session with Friends of Historic Nacogdoches, Inc. 3:15 – 4:30 P.M.
(FOHNI)

Preserving Heritage in the Oldest Town in Texas
Winston Sosebee, Nacogdoches, Presiding

The Role of a Local Historical Society and the Creation of a Local Heritage Walk
Jeff Abt, President, FOHNI

The Living History of Oak Grove Cemetery Walk/Creation of a Historic Homes Cookbook
Leslie Daniel, Secretary, FOHNI

*Providing the Public With a Time Honored Holiday Tradition:
The Nacogdoches Tour of Historic Homes*
Charles Bradberry, Chair, FOHNI Annual Tour of Homes

SESSION XX.....**Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)**

The Texas A&M University-Commerce Presidential 3:15 – 4:30 P.M.
Wives Project:

Teaching, Learning, and Coordinating Women and Gender
Through Digital History, a Panel Discussion

Panelists

Jessica Brannon-Wranosky, Texas A&M-Commerce
Andrea Weddle, Texas A&M-Commerce
Heather Stephenson, Texas A&M-Commerce

SESSION XXI.....**Tejas Room**

Reclaiming Cherokee County Cemeteries..... 3:15 – 4:30 P.M.
Kyle Ainsworth, Stephen F. Austin State University, Presiding

Characteristics and Traditions of Maintaining Historic Cemeteries
John Ross, Cherokee County Historical Commission

The Efforts of Locating Lost Cemeteries
Deborah Burkett, Cherokee County Historical Commission
Gordon Bennett, Cherokee County Genealogical Society

The Texas African American Historical Cemeteries Association
Richard Hackney, Hackney and Associates, LLC

The Association has held its Spring Meeting in Beaumont on five different occasions: 1967, 1978, 1992, 1999, and 2007. The Association will return to Beaumont for its Spring Meeting in 2016.

SESSION XXII..... **Ladyjack Room**
Dealing With Historical Research in the Twentieth Century.....3:15 – 4:30 P.M.
A Panel Discussion
Chuck Parsons, Luling, Presiding

Panelists:

Paul Spellman, Wharton Junior College
Anita Belles and John Porterfield, Boerne
Paul Ruffin, Texas State University System Regent's Professor

RECOGNITION OF ASSOCIATION FELLOWS..... **6:30-6:45 P.M.**
Mast Hall, 317 East Main Street

The Association named its first Fellows of the Association in 1982. The members of that first class were Randolph Campbell, Archie P. McDonald, Robert Maxwell, and J. Milton Nance. Since that year the Association has named 40 Fellows of the Association. It is the highest honor the ETHA can bestow upon an individual

PRESIDENTIAL RECEPTION..... **Mast Hall**
SPONSORED BY LAMAR UNIVERSITY..... **Downtown Nacogdoches**
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AND..... **6:45-7:30 P.M.**
THE HISTORY DEPARTMENT

Catering and Cash Bar by the Liberty Bell Wine Bar and Bistro
Due to limited parking at the site, we request that attendees please ride provided busses. The busses will leave Quality Inn at 6:00, and Comfort Suites at 6:15. If you are not staying at one of the local hotels and wish to ride the bus you may park your vehicle at either hotel.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS BANQUET..... **Mast Hall**
Kyle Wilkison, Association Vice-President, Presiding..... **7:30**

Mary Scheer, Association President
*Bound For Beaumont: Eleanor Roosevelt's 1939 Train Trip Through
East Texas and Beyond*

Max S. Lale endowed the Association's Georgiana and Max Lale Lecture series that is held annually on the first night of the Fall Meeting. The first lecture was in 1997 by notable Texana author T.R. Fehrenbach. Others who have delivered the Lale lecture include Congressman Charlie Wilson, journalist Bill Moyers, and historian Paul Carlson.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 10, 2015

WOMEN'S HISTORY BREAKFAST(Regent's Suite B).....7:30 A.M.

REGISTRATION—BPSF FOYER, 2ND FLOOR.....8:00 – 10:00 A.M.

Silent Auction (Regent's Suite A).....8:00 – 10:00 A.M.

**The silent auction will close promptly at 10:00; at that time all bids are final. You may check your potential winning bids at the registration table beginning at 11:00 A.M.*

Exhibitors (Regent's Suite A).....8:00 – 10:00 A.M.

SESSION XXIII..... **Multi-Media Room (2.106)**

Women's History Session.....9:00 – 10:15 A.M.

Women in the Public Sphere: Progressive Reform, Public Health,
And Crashing the Courthouse
Ruth Karbach, Independent Scholar, Presiding

The Power of Observation: Dallas Progressives and Prostitutes at the Turn of the Century
Leah LaGrone Ochoa, Texas A&M-Commerce

Fighting Tuberculosis: Public Health Reform in Early Twentieth Century Texas
Kelly A. Preston, Texas A&M-Commerce

Gendered Space: Reforming Courthouses in Twentieth Century Texas
Allison Faber, Texas A&M-Commerce

SESSION XXIV..... **Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)**

Making History Come Alive: Teaching History from.....9:00 – 10:15 A.M.

Sixth Grade through College, A Roundtable of Ideas
Mary Jo O'Rear, Del Mar College, Presiding

Teaching Texas History, Seventh Grade
Doug Kubicek, Hallettsville Junior High School

Teaching U.S. History and Geography, Eighth and Ninth Grades
Elizabeth Howson, Belton ISD

Teaching Social Studies and U.S. History, Sixth-Eighth Grades and College
Lisa Bentley, Stephen F. Austin State University

Teaching Social Studies and U.S. History, Ninth-Twelfth Grades and College
Carolyn White, Stephen F. Austin State University

SESSION XXV.....**Tejas Room**
Joint Session with West Texas Historical Association.....9:00 – 10:15 A.M.
A Little West Texas, A Little New Mexico, and Brazil, Too
Bruce Glasrud, San Antonio, Presiding

John Hittson, Texas Hero–New Mexico Bogey Man?
Tai Kriedler, Executive Director, West Texas Historical Association

Murdo MacKenzie and Brazil
Leland Turner, Midwestern State University

A Murder in Big Bend: The Killing of Will Noel at Shafter in October 1889
Troy Ainsworth, Executive Director, CARTA: El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro
Trail Assoc.

Coffee Break:.....**Regent's Suite B**
10:15 – 10:45 A.M.

SESSION XXVI.....**Multi-Media Room (2.106)**
Going Forward with the G-Word: Finding Genealogy's Place.....10:45 – 12:00 P.M.
In Historical Studies
Rick Sherrod, Stephenville ISD, Presiding

Panelists

Rick Sherrod Stephenville ISD
Doug Kubicek, Lavaca County Historical Commission
William D. Lindsey
Carol Taylor, Independent Scholar, Greenville

SESSION XXVII.....**Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)**
Petticoats, Politics, Prisons, and the Klan in.....10:45 – 12:00 P.M.
Early 20th Century Texas
Katherine Walters, Texas A&M University, Presiding

Paradigms of Hate: The 1920s Ku Klux Klan and Texas Politics
Micah Baker, Texas A&M-Commerce

*The Quintessential Texas Clubwoman: Mrs. S.J. Wright and Her Involvement
In the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, 1900-1911*
Gina De Angelis, Texas A&M-Commerce

*To Conquer the Body and Break the Spirit: Inmate Punishment in
Early 20th Century U.S. Prisons*
Chris Rowback, Texas A&M-Commerce

Commentary by Mark Stanley, University of North Texas-Dallas

SESSION XXVIII **Tejas Room**
Matters of Conservation 10:45 – 12:00 P.M.
George Cooper, Lone Star College, Presiding

Serendipity in Action: Hana Ginzburg and the Crusade to Save Armand Bayou
Alex Borger, Texas State University

Choices and Sacrifices: Preserving a Historic Family Ranch
Kent Hemphill, Texas State University

ASSOCIATION AWARDS AND BUSINESS MEETING LUNCHEON

Twilight Ballroom 12:15 – 1:45 P.M.
Mary Scheer, President, East Texas Historical Association, Presiding

Presentation of Awards
Business Session

The Association would like to thank the following members of the Program Committee for their outstanding service:

Kyle Wilkison, Chair
Carolyn White
Meredith May
Dan Utley
Yvonne Frear
Rick Sherrod
Theresa Case

Putting together a program is yeoman's work, and this group did so in exemplary fashion!

Also, a huge thank you to the following, who without their help and service our meeting would not be possible

The entire staff at the Baker Pattillo Student Center
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The Nacogdoches Convention and Visitor's Bureau
Stephen F. Austin State University, Department of History
Lamar University, Department of History
Mast Hall
Graduate Student Assistants, Stephen F. Austin State University
Officers and Board Members, ETHA
And particularly, the person who keeps everything running like clockwork,
Association Secretary Chris Gill

Please make plans to join us in Beaumont for the Spring Meeting, February 19-20, 2016 at the Holiday Inn.