The Gateway Statue: A Pioneer Family Traveling West on the El Camino Real in Historic Nacogdoches

The Gateway Statue, sculpted by Nacogdoches Artist Michael Boyett, stands in front of the Historic Town Center as a tribute to the Pioneering Families who Traveled West on the El Camino Real to settle Texas. Sculpted over a period three years, the bronze statue represents the figures in a life-size Grand Classic Style with contrasting rustic details such as the pine cone, frog, shawl and a dog. The Statue was dedicated in February of 2013 and honors Nacogdoches Philanthropist Charles Bright.

EAST TEXAS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION
FALL 2013 MEETING
FREDONIA HOTEL
NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS
SEPTEMBER 26-28, 2013
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2013

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ........................................ 10:00 A.M.  
Angelina Room

(No Association Luncheon)

REGISTRATION – LOBBY .................................................. 1:00 P.M.

Silent Auction (Banita Room) 1:00 – 5:00 P.M.

SESSION 1 ................................................................. 1:30 – 2:45 P.M.

Unorthodox Democracy in Two Eras:  
Louis Wigfall and James H. “Cyclone” Davis  
Kyle Wilkison, Collin College, Presiding

Miles Smith, Texas Christian University  
“Louis T. Wigfall and Gentrification of White Populist Democracy”

Jeff Wells, Texas Christian University  
“‘Something of a Pariah’: James H. ‘Cyclone’ Davis and the Demo- 
cratic Party”

SESSION 2 ................................................................. 1:30 – 2:45 P.M.

The Rich Medical Heritage of Galveston and the State of Texas  
David “Jay” Hrivnatz, Montgomery County Historical Commission, Presiding

Margaret Culbertson, Powell Library, Bayou Bend Collection and Gardens  
“The Medical Heritage of Sleeping Porches and Their Use in Texas”

Grace Cynkar, SWCA Environmental Consultants, Inc.  
“Fighting Fire with Hope: the Shriners Burns Institute and Dr. Truman Graves Blocker, Jr.”
SESSION 3  
3:15 – 4:30 P.M.
Resurveying Historic East Texas
Rusk Room
Leslie Wolfenden, Texas Historical Commission, Presiding

David “Jay” Hrivnatz, Montgomery County Historical Commission
“A 21st Century Survey of Montgomery County”

Natalie Bach-Prather, East Texas Baptist University
“Harrison County Historic Sites Survey”

Perky Beisel, Stephen F. Austin State University
“City of Nacogdoches Historic Sites Survey”

SESSION 4  
3:15 – 4:30 P.M.
Joint Session With the Texas Folklore Society
Raguet Room
Ken Untiedt, Texas Folklore Society, Presiding

Jerry Young, Arlington, TX
“The Gainesville Community Circus: The Strangest Circus in the World”

W. Floyd Elliott, Kilgore, TX
“Albert’s Famous Mexican Hot Sauce….. Since 1940”

Robert (Jack) Duncan, McKinney
“Red Overton, Sommerville County Cedar Chopper”

SESSION 5  
3:15 – 4:30 P.M.
No Ticker Tape Parade: Just Doing Their Duty
Angelina Room
Eric Gruver, Texas A&M University - Commerce, Presiding

Hayley Hasik, Texas A&M University - Commerce
“Drop’em, Brother’: Teamwork Won the War”

Brianna Crews, Texas A&M University - Commerce
“Escaping the Hurtgen: Then and Now”

Victoria Bass, Texas A&M University - Commerce
“A Family Tradition: The Garretts Go To War”

MAX AND GEORGINA LALE LECTURE SERIES  
7:30 P.M
Stephen F. Austin State University, Baker Pattillo Student Center, Grand Ballroom
Quintard Taylor, University of Washington
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2013

BLACK HISTORY BREAKFAST ................................................................. 7:30 A.M.
J. McKinney’s Café, Club Room

REGISTRATION – LOBBY ................................................................. 8:00 A.M.

Silent Auction (Banita Room) ......................................................... 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

SESSION 6 ....................................................................................... 9:00 – 10:15 A.M.
Black Women Historians and Their Scholarship: Rusk Room
Breakthrough Histories on African-American Texas
Antreec Lynette Baggett, Houston Community College, Presiding

Bernadette Pruitt, Sam Houston State University
“The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941”

Karen Kossie-Chernyshev, Texas Southern University
“Recovering Five Generations Hence: The Life and Writing of Lillian Jones Horace”

Yvonne Davis Frear, San Jacinto College
“An Emancipation of the Historically Minimalized: The Visible Existence of African American Texas Women in the Modern Civil Rights Movement”

Merline Pitre, Texas Southern University
“Southern Black Women in the Modern Civil Rights Movement and Launching The Handbook of African American Texas”

Cary De Cordova Wintz, Texas Southern University, Commenting

SESSION 7 ....................................................................................... 9:00 – 10:15 A.M.
Tales of the Early East Texas Republic Raguet Room
Scott Sosebee, Stephen F. Austin State University, Presiding

Diana W. Compton, Hanover, PA
“Murder in Matagorda: The Death of Samuel Rhoads Fisher”

Michael Rayford Y’Barbo, Dear Park, TX
“Heroes and Traitors in East Texas: The Tejanos of Nacogdoches County, Republic of Texas, 1832-1842”

Scott Sosebee, Stephen F. Austin State University, Commenting
SESSION 8 ................................................................. 9:00 – 10:15 A.M.
When East Texans Met West Texans
Joint Session with the West Texas Historical Association
Pat Parsons, Luling, Presiding

Bill O’Neal, State Historian of Texas
“The First Annual Encampment of the Texas Volunteer Guard.”

Chuck Parsons, Luling
“John Wesley Hardin, East Texas Gunfighter.”

COFFEE BREAK (Foyer) ................................................. 10:15 – 10:45 A.M.

SESSION 9 ................................................................. 10:45 – 12:00 P.M.
King Ranch, International
Joint Session with West Texas Historical Association
Paul Carlson, Texas Tech University, Presiding

Toni L. Nagel Mason, King Ranch Visitor Center and Museum
“The King Ranch and the Civil War in South Texas”

Jeff Dickey, Midwestern State University
“Caribbean Kings: Santa Gertrudis Cattle and Diversification in the Cuban Economy”

Leland Turner, Midwestern State University
“King Ranch, Australia”

SESSION 10 .................................................................. 10:45 – 12:00 P.M.
The Kennedy Assassination: A Fifty-Year Retrospective
Paul Sturdevant, Presiding

Presenters:
Tom Crum, Granbury
Gwen Lawe, Dallas
Joe Atkins, Dallas
Gail Beil, Marshall

SESSION 11 .................................................................. 10:45 – 12:00 P.M.
East Texas Schools
Gene B. Preuss, University of Houston-Downtown, Presiding

Rick Sherrod, Stephenville High School
“The Boys of Fall: UIL Texas High School Football Dynasties - the First Ninety-Three Years, 1920-2012”
ASSOCIATION FRIDAY BUFFET .............................................. 12:00 – 1:30 P.M.
Convention Center

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

“The Reluctant Warrior: A POW Remembers”
Heino Erichsen & Jean Erichsen

SESSION 12 ........................................................................... 1:30 – 2:45 P.M.
Race and Reform in East Texas Angelina Room
Perky Beisel, Stephen F. Austin State University

Tom Wagy, Texas A&M University - Texarkana
“Sam’s Boy Orval: Race, Reform, and Resentment”

Norris White, Jr., Stephen F. Austin State University
“Racial Anxieties and White Masculinity:
Revisiting the 1910 Slocum Massacre”

Lynn M. Burlbaw, Texas A&M University
“Seven Thousand Project to Feed the Hungry:
The CWA in Texas, 1933-1934”

SESSION 13 ........................................................................... 1:30 – 2:45 P.M.
Early 20th Century Religion: Three Examples Raguet Room
Jerry Hopkins, East Texas Baptist University, Presiding

Mary L. Scheer, Lamar University
“Give Us That Old-Time Religion:
Maria Woodworth-Etter and the 1912 Dallas Meeting”

Joseph E. Early, Campbellsville University
“The Life and Legacy of R. C. Buckner”

John W. Storey, Lamar University
“Born of Discord: The Origins and Early Years of a Baptist Congregation in Port Arthur”
SESSION 14 .................................................................................................................. 1:30-2:45 P.M.
The Twentieth Century Texas Rangers Rusk Room
Bruce A. Glasrud, San Antonio, Presiding

Presenters:
Mitchel Roth, Sam Houston State University
Paul N. Spellman, Wharton County Junior College
Sharon E. Spinks, Comal County ISD
Harold J. Weiss, Jr., Leander, Texas

BREAK .......................................................................................................................... 2:45 – 3:15 P.M.

SESSION 15 .................................................................................................................. 3:15 – 4:30 P.M.
School Building Biography Project Raguet Room
ETHA Past Presidents Session
Lynn M. Burlbaw, Texas A&M University, Presiding

Mychelle Smith, Texas A&M University
“Museum for East Texas Culture: A Memorial to Educational Dreams”

Stephen Scogin, Texas A&M University
“A Biography of the Gaston High School Building (1932 – present)”

SESSION 16 .................................................................................................................. 3:15 – 4:30 P.M.
Oral Histories of East Texas Rusk Room
Paul J. P. Sandul, Stephen F. Austin State University, Presiding

Laura Blackburn, Stephen F. Austin State University
“Social Justice: Oral History and Charlie Wilson’s Quest to Help the Underdog”

Jake McAdams, Stephen F. Austin State University
“Can I Get a Yee-Haw and an Amen? Collecting and Interpreting Oral Histories of Texas Cowboy Churches”

Pamela Temple, Stephen F. Austin State University
“Camden: The Deconstruction of a Company Town”

SESSION 17 .................................................................................................................. 3:15 – 4:30 P.M.
Memory and Meaning: Stories of East Texas Angelina Room
Milton S. Jordan, Georgetown, Presiding

Anne Elton Jordan, Georgetown
“Sing for Your Supper: An East Texas Pot Luck Tour”
Kyle G. Wilkison, Collin College, Plano
“My Reilly Springs: A Meditation”

Dan K. Utley, Texas State University-San Marcos
“Oral History and the Personal Historical Essay: Case Studies from Just Between Us”

RECEPTION ................................................................. 6:00 P.M.
There will be a reception preceding the banquet. There will be a cash bar and light hors d’oeuvres available. Please come and join in this celebration.

BANQUET ...................................................................... 7:00 P.M.
Gene Preuss, Vice-President
East Texas Historical Association, Presiding

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS:

Bruce Glasrud, ETHA President
“Anti-Black Violence in 20th Century East Texas.”

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2013

WOMEN’S HISTORY BREAKFAST .................................... 7:30 A.M.
J. McKinney’s Café, Club Room

REGISTRATION – LOBBY .............................................. 8:00 A.M.

Silent Auction (Banita Room) ........................................... 8:00 – 10:45 A.M.

SESSION 18 .................................................................... 9:00 – 10:15 A.M.
Hogs, Hens, and Wild Animals in East Texas
Women’s History Panel
Cecilia Venable, University of Texas at El Paso, Presiding

Presenters:
Vicki Betts, University of Texas at Tyler Library
“The Great Tyler Chicken War of 1914”

Linda S. Hudson, Georgetown
“Hogs Gone Wild in the Texas State Supreme Court”

Beverley Rowe, Texarkana College
“Wild Life in a Wild Town”
SESSION 19 ................................................................. 9:00 – 10:15 A.M.
World Wars and New Deals for East Texas
Raguet Room
Perky Beisel, Stephen F. Austin State University, Presiding

Whitney A. Snow, Midwestern State University
“Conservation and the American Tung Tree:
The Remaking of Cut-over Pinelands along the Gulf Coast”

D. Scott Barton, East Central University
“Democrats, Hoovercrats, and the Origins of the New Deal
Realignment in Texas”

Penny Clark, Lamar University
“Astute Leadership and Dynamic Achievement: Lamar
during World War II”

SESSION 20 ................................................................. 9:00 – 10:15 A.M.
Casualties, Characters and Cold Cases:
Rusk Room
Early-Twentieth Century Houston
Carolyn White, Stephen F. Austin State University, Presiding

Mari Nicholson-Preuss, University of Houston-Downtown
“Patients’ Penance: The Press and Jefferson Davis Hospital’s
Waiting Rooms”

Rachel MacDonald, and Aracely Garcia, University of
Houston-Downtown
“What Ever Happened to Railroad Laura?
Gender, Mental Illness and Poverty in Early Houston”

Ashley Fair, University of Houston-Downtown
“For Want of Evidence: Houston’s Unsolved Murders and Urban
Folklore”

COFFEE BREAK (Foyer) .................................................. 10:15 – 10:45 A.M.

SESSION 21 ................................................................. 10:45 – 12:00 P.M.
Texas Labor History
Rusk Room
James C. Maroney, Lee College, Presiding

Presenters:
Michael R. Botson, Jr., Houston Community College
Theresa A. Case, University of Houston-Downtown
Bruce A. Glasrud, San Antonio
Yolanda G. Romero, North Lake College
SESSION 22 ................................. 10:45 – 12:00 P.M.
Studies in East Texas History At San Jacinto College .......................... Angelina Room
Greg Smith, San Jacinto College, Presiding

Emma Armer, San Jacinto College,
“The Conquest of the Comanche Indians in Texas During the 1840s”

Philip Rask, San Jacinto College,
“The Texas Water Safari”

Corinne Miller, San Jacinto College,
“Lauren Anderson: The Dancer Who Could”

LUNCHEON .................................................. 12:15 P.M.
Bruce Glasrud, President .................................................. Convention Center
East Texas Historical Association, Presiding

INTRODUCTIONS

AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

BUSINESS SESSION

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

The Association would like to extend special thanks to the:
  2013 Fall Program Committee:
  Gene Preuss, Chair
  Perky Beisel, Co-Chair
  Jonathan Garland
  Gwen Lawe
  Charles Grear
  Cynthia Beeman
  Elizabeth Turner

And Association Secretary Chris Gill, the staff and management of the
Hotel Fredonia, and the student volunteers from the SFA Department of
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Make plans to join us in Emory, at the Best Western for our Spring Meeting on February 20-22, 2014.