



**EAST TEXAS HISTORICAL
ASSOCIATION
FALL 2014 MEETING**

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

OCTOBER 2 - 4, 2014

EAST TEXAS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

2014 Fall PROGRAM

The Baker Pattillo Student Center
Stephen F. Austin State University
Nacogdoches, Texas 75962

PROGRAM

THURSDAY, October 2, 2014

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING.....10:00 A.M.
Holiday Inn Express

REGISTRATION - BPSC Foyer, 2nd Floor..... 1:00 P.M.
Silent Auction (Regent's Suite A),..... 1:00 - 5:00 P.M.
Exhibitors (Regent's Suite A),..... 1:00-5:00 P.M.

SESSION I:..... 1:30 - 2:45 P.M.
Multimedia Room (2.106)
Remembering Archie McDonald: A Panel of Friends Reminisce
Patrick Cox, Wimberley, TX, Presiding

Panelists:

Portia Gordon, Stephen F. Austin State University (ret.)
Dan K. Utley, Texas State University
Cary D. Wintz, Texas Southern University

SESSION II:..... 1:30 - 2:45 P.M.
Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)
Land of Untamed Beauty and Biological Splendor:
The Big Thicket of Texas
Penny Clark, Lamar University, Presiding

Maxine Johnston, Big Thicket Association
Preservation History: 1936-2013

Pete A.Y. Gunter, University of North Texas
Maps of the Big Thicket: A Single Final Location

David Lewis, Gulf State Mycological Society
Big Thicket National Preserve All Taxa Biological
Inventory: Fungi in the Preserve

Penny Clark, Lamar University
*Archiving a Texas Treasure:
Lamar University's Big Thicket Collections*

SESSION III:..... 1:30-2:45 P.M.

Tejas Room
Texas and the "War to End All Wars": A 100 Year Retrospective

James Maroney, Baytown, Presiding

Abbie Grubb, San Jacinto College
The Great War in the Lone Star State

Heather Green Wooten, San Jacinto College South
*A Plague So Deadly: The Influenza Pandemic of
1918 in East Texas*

Brent Turnbough, Texas A&M University-Commerce
*Examining the United States Military Trial
and Execution Following The 1917 Houston Race Riot*

SESSION IV:..... 3:15-4:30 P.M.

Multi-Media Room (2.106)
Texas Politics Through Four Careers

Patrick Cox, Wimberley, TX, Presiding

Donald R. Walker, Texas Tech University, Emeritus
Beauford Jester and Allan Shivers Present the Peoples Path

Gary Keith, Incarnate Word University
Congressman Bob Eckhardt

Scott Sosebee, Stephen F. Austin State University
*Congressman Charlie Wilson, The Unique Career
of a Texas Democrat*

SESSION V:..... 3:15-4:30 P.M.

Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)
Digitization, The Internet, and Historical Research

Laura McLemore, Louisiana State University, Shreveport, Presiding

Panelists

Chris Brown, Centenary College of Louisiana

Tara Carlisle, Portal to Texas History

Linda J. Reynolds, East Texas Research Center, Stephen F. Austin State University

SESSION VI:..... 3:15-4:30 P.M.

Tejas Room

Jim Crow Segregation: Building and Breaking in Denton, Tyler, and Beaumont
Robert Robertson, Lamar University, Presiding

Chelsea Stallings, University of North Texas

Relocation and Resistance: The 1920s Forced Relocation of an African American in Denton, TX

Vicki Betts, University of Texas, Tyler

African Americans and the NAACP (1949) campaign to Desegregate Tyler State Park

Robert Robertson, Lamar University

The Summer of 1956: Civil Rights vs. States' Rights in Beaumont, Texas

MAX AND GEORGINA LALE LECTURE SERIES..... 7:00 P.M.

Stephen F. Austin State University, Baker Pattillo Student Center, Grand Ballroom

Paul Carlson, Texas Tech University, Emeritus

Painting Tom Sawyer's Fence: Lessons from Literature, History, Sports, and the Humanities

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2014

BLACK HISTORY BREAKFAST..... 7:30 A.M.

Regent's Suite B

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 VII:..... 9:00-10:15 A.M.

Multi-Media Room (2.106)

Must Every Status Be Quo: The Life and Civil Rights Career of Wendell H. Baker

Joreen Weddell, RN, Huntsville High School (Ret.), Presiding

Bernadette Pruitt, Sam Houston State University

Wendell H. Baker and a Family's Legacy

Jeff Littlejohn, Sam Houston State University

Wendell Baker, The Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation, and School Desegregation in Huntsville, TX

Milton Jordan, Georgetown, TX

A Friendship Renewed After Forty Years: Remembering Wendell Baker

SESSION VIII:..... 9:00-10:15 A.M.

Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)

Now Hear This: A Celebration of Naval History in Texas

Heather Green Wooten, San Jacinto College, South, Presiding

Kevin C. Wooten, University of Houston, Clear Lake

The Original Battleship Texas: A Confluence of Technologies and Tenacity

Kenneth Grubb, Wharton County Junior College

The Battleship Texas: A Century of Service

Richard L. Scheer, Beaumont, TX

The Resurrection of the Blue Ghost, The USS Lexington

SESSION IX: 9:00-10:15 A.M.

Tejas Room

Joseph Bonnell: *Unsung Hero of the Texas Revolution*

Seldon B. Graham, Jr., Austin, Presiding and Commentating

Stanley Bacon, Jr., Austin

Captain Joseph Bonnell, Unsung History of the Texas Revolution

Dan W. Hickox, Jr., Leander

Reunion and Recognition: A Lasting Tribute to the Bonnell Legacy

Frederick C. Bothwell, III, Georgetown

Documentary Video, Discussion, Q&A: The Joseph Bonnell Story

Coffee Break: Regent's Suite A 10:15-10:45 A.M.

SESSION X: 10:45-12:00 P.M.

Multi-Media Room (2.106)

Black Women Historians in the Texas Academy: Living, Teaching, and Writing for Future Generations, Part 2

Karen Kossie-Chernyshev, Texas Southern University, Presiding and Commentating

Yvonne Davis Frear, San Jacinto College

Fighting the Good Fight: The Emancipation Experience of a Beautiful African American Mind

LaGuana Kachet Gray, University of Texas, San Antonio

Close to My Heart

Mickie Koster-Mwanzia, University of Texas, Tyler

Climbing the Ladder When it is Broken: Journey Up Despite Race, Class, and Gender

Antrece Bagget, Houston Community College, Southeast

A College Administrator's Life Journey from Home: From Mississippi to Texas

Bernadette Pruitt, Sam Houston State University

The Double Consciousness of a Beautiful Soul

SESSION XI:.....10:45-12:00 P.M.

Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)

Joint Session with South Texas Historical Association:

New Perspectives on the New Deal in Texas

Pat Parsons, South Texas Historical Association President, Presiding

Mary Jo O’Rear, Corpus Christi

Seawall Struggle: Part One: Dams, Dames, and Depression, Corpus Christi on the Brink of the New Deal

George M. Cooper, Lone Star College

The Texas Gang: Part One: South Texans in Washington During the New Deal

Carroll Scogin-Brincefield, Somerville

Turning the Lights on in Texas: How the New Deal Programs Advanced the Quality of Life in Rural Texas

SESSION XII:.....10:45-12:00 P.M.

Tejas Room

Texas Historical Commission Session: 1936 Centennial Markers: Past, Present, and Future

Dan K. Utley, Center for Public History, Texas State University, Presiding

Bob Brinkman, Texas Historical Commission

Celebration

Sarah McCleskey, Texas Historical Commission

Commemoration/Deterioration

Sunny Howard, Texas Historical Commission

Restoration

ASSOCIATION FRIDAY BUFFET Twilight 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.

Speaker:

Carol Wilson, Independent Scholar, Temple, Texas

The Fergusons of Texas; “A Retrospective Look at Ferguson in mischief or maleficence”

SESSION XIII:.....1:30-2:45 P.M.

Multi Media Room (2.106)

Texans and Southern Music in the Great Depression

Anne Jordan, Georgetown, Presiding

Kevin S. Fontenot, Austin ISD

Voices Unheard: William Owens’ Cajun Field Recordings and Their Forgotten Legacy

Caroline Gnagy, Texas State University

Pardon Me If I am Sentimental: Radio and East Texas Prison Bands in the New Deal Era

Commentating: Court Carney, Stephen F. Austin State University

SESSION XIV:.....1:30-2:45 P.M.

Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)

Religion in East Texas: An Institution's Legacy, A Preacher's Mission

John Storey, Lamar University, emeritus, Presiding

Jerry Hopkins, East Texas Baptist University

A Scholarly Trinity: East Texas Baptist College Historians' Scholarly Contributions

Joseph E. Early, Jr.

The Unyielding Ministry of Lester Leo Roloff

SESSION XV:.....1:30-2:45 P.M.

Tejas Room

New Approaches to Spanish Borderlands, Part I

Don Chipman, University of North Texas, emeritus, Presiding

Matthew Babcock, University of North Texas, Dallas

Territoriality and the Historiography of Early North American Borderlands

Francis X. Galan, Texas A&M University, San Antonio

"I Thought We Came From Mexico": The Mora Family and Other Spanish

Pioneers in the East Texas Borderlands from Exodus to Revolution, 1773-1813

David Rex-Galindo, Stephen F. Austin State University

Baptism, C-Sections, and Salvation: Missionaries and Early Obstetrics

On the Spanish Borderlands

SESSION XVI:.....1:30-2:45 P.M.

Ladyjack Room

The Desegregation of Huntsville, Texas: A Roundtable Discussion

Bernadette Pruitt, Sam Houston State University, Presiding

Panelists:

Linda Broussard, Huntsville Action for Youth

Milford Hawkins, Huntsville Action for Youth

Roy Moten, Huntsville Action for Youth

Linda Moten, Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Retired

Billy Roy Murray, Huntsville

Jaspyr Sanford, Sam Houston State University

Joreen Waddell, Huntsville Action for Youth

SESSION XVII:.....3:15-4:30 P.M.

East Texas Historical: A Mobile App and Website

Multi-Media Room, (2.106)

Wesley Phelps, Sam Houston State University, Presiding

Jeffrey L. Littlejohn, Sam Houston State University

The East Texas Historical Mobile App and Website

Lila Rakoczy, Sam Houston State University
Teaching Public History with the East Texas Historical App

Chelsea Branch, Sam Houston State University
African American Sites in Walker County

Elizabeth Neucere, Sam Houston State University
Prisons in Walker County

Katherine Gaskamp, Sam Houston State University
Civil War Sites in Walker County

SESSION XVIII:..... 3:15-4:30 P.M.

Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)

The Portia Gordon Student Series Session: Southeast Texas in War, Oil, and Peace
Mary L. Scheer, Lamar University, Presiding

Tyler Linder, Lamar University
Jefferson County: Decade of Change, 1850-1861

Tyler Quibodeaux, Lamar University
Pilgrimage of Perseverance: The Story of Anthony Lucas

Jordin Fenner, Lamar University
Mary Fenner: A Rural Woman's Life

SESSION XIX:..... 3:15-4:30 P.M.

Tejas Room

New Approaches to the Spanish Borderlands, Part II
George Avery, Stephen F. Austin State University, Presiding

Joaquin Rivaya-Martinez, Texas State University
The Comanches Viewed by the Spanish: A Linguistic-Ethnohistorical Reflection on the Independent Indians of New Spain's Northern Borderlands

Jeffery E. Roth, Stephen F. Austin State University
A Cartographic Reconstruction of the Nacogdoches Plaza and the Process Of "Americanization," 1779-1846

Samuel Tadlock, Stephen F. Austin State University
Reinterpreting the "Oldest Town in Texas:" A Review of the Public Memory Of the Spanish Past in Nacogdoches

SESSION XX: 3:15-4:30 P.M.

Ladyjack Room

The Mary Perry Show Quilt (circa 1860): Catalyst for Historical Research from Texas

To Louisiana’s West Florida Parishes, 2010-present

Terrie Gonzales, Rusk, Presiding

Deborah Burkett, Troup

Quilt Analysis

Mary Charlotte Decker, Jacksonville

Establishing the Provenance for the Mary E. Perry Quilt

Please join us for our special Friday evening “down home” Fellows Reception, Presidential Address, and barbeque supper at historic Millard’s Crossing. Wear your comfortable “duds” and come enjoy some special country music entertainment by Brad Maule, as well as a cash bar. Because of limited parking and to encourage safety, we greatly encourage all attendees to take advantage of our special bus transportation to Millard’s Crossing.

Buses will leave the Comfort Suites at 6:00 P.M., the Hampton Inn at 6:10 P.M., and Holiday Inn Express at 6:20 P.M. Buses will return to all hotels at approximately 9:30 P.M.

FELLOWS RECEPTION: 6:30 P.M., Millard’s Crossing. Cash bar and light appetizers provided by the Liberty Bell Wine Bar and Bistro. All Fellows of the Association will receive special recognition, as well as the naming of new Fellows of the Association.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS BANQUET

Mary L. Scheer, First Vice President

East Texas Historical Association, Presiding

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS:

Gene Preuss, President, ETHA

East Texas and the Battle for Texas’ Past

SATURDAY OCTOBER 4, 2014

WOMEN’S HISTORY BREAKFAST..... 7:30 A.M.

Regent’s Suite B

REGISTRATION – BPSC Foyer, 2nd Floor..... 8:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M.

Silent Auction (Regent’s Suite A),..... 8:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M.

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

SESSION XXI:..... 9:00-10:15 A.M.

Multi Media Room (2.106)

*Women's History Session: Examinations of Gender and Sexuality
Activism in Dallas, 1937-1996*

Nancy E. Baker, Sam Houston State University, Presiding

Molly Bundschuh, University of North Texas

Of Machismo and Medicine: Aids and Dallas' Latin Men, 1987-1996

Allison Faber, Texas A&M University-Commerce

The Half-Citizen: Dallas Women and the Right to Serve on Juries

Karen Wisely, University of North Texas

Harryette Ehrhardt: LGBT Ally Extraordinaire

SESSION XXII:..... 9:00-10:15 A.M

Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)

*West Texas Historical Association Session: The Diverse Realities
of the Ranching Business in West Texas*

Gerald Betty, Del Mar College, Presiding

Debbie Liles, University of North Texas

Cowboys, Indians, and Capitalism on the Northwestern Frontier of Texas

Leland Turner, Midwestern State University

Lizzie Crosson: Cattle Baron of the Trans-Pecos

Mick Miller, The Colony

From Snowstorm to Snowstorm: Texas, Montana, and the XIT Empire

SESSION XXIII:..... 9:00-10:15 A.M.

Tejas Room

What Regional Journal Editors Want You to Know

John Storey, Lamar Univeresity, emeritus and former editor, Presiding

Panelists:

Scott Sosebee, East Texas Historical Journal

Jimmy L. Bryan, Texas Gulf Historical and Biographical Record

Monte Monroe, West Texas Historical Review

Alberto Rodriguez, The Journal of South Texas

Coffee Break: Regent's Suite A..... 10:15-10:45 A.M.

SESSION XXIV:..... 10:45-12:00 P.M.

Multi Media Room (2.106)

The East Texas War and Memory Project

Eric Gruver, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Presiding

Nick Sprenger, Texas A&M University-Commerce
All Over Europe. . .With a Taste of Pecan (Gap)

Margo McCutcheon, Texas A&M-Commerce
Brothers in Arms. . .Missing in Action

Jacob Ham, Texas A&M-Commerce
The Courage and Humility of a Vietnam Pilot

SESSION XXV:.....10:45-12:00 P.M.
Tiered Meeting Room (2.201)

The View from the Bayou: Doing Local History in Houston
Gene Preuss, University of Houston-Downtown, Presiding

Rachel MacDonald, University of Houston-Downtown
Love vs. Jim Crow: The Story of Houston's E.R. and Ann Taylor Park

Francisco Delgado, University of Houston-Downtown
Hell in the Fifth: The Great Fire of 1912

Mari Nicholson-Preuss, University of Houston-Downtown
A Horrible History of Houston: Using Local History to Promote Undergraduate Research

SESSION XXVI:.....10:45-12:00 P.M.
Tejas Room

Discovering Texas History
Bruce Glasrud, San Antonio, Presiding

Panelists:

- Jessica Brannon-Wranosky, Texas A&M-Commerce**
- Light T. Cummins, Austin College**
- Victoria Cummins, Austin College**
- Rebecca Sharpless, Texas Christian University**
- Cary D. Wintz, Texas Southern University**

ASSOCIATION AWARDS AND BUSINESS LUNCHEON:.....12:15-1:30 P.M.
Twilight Ballroom

Gene Preuss, 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 fine work:

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Please join us for the Spring Meeting, which will be held in The Woodlands at the Sam Houston State University Center at The Woodlands on February 27-18, 2015.