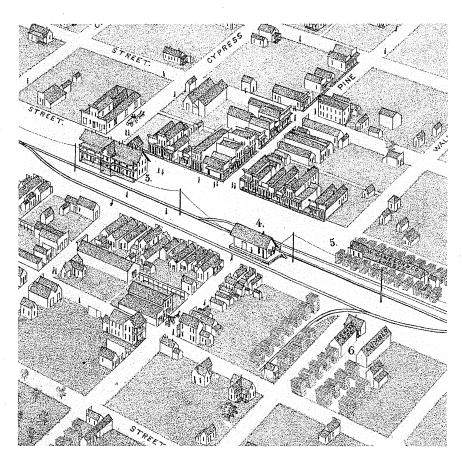
81st Annual Meeting of The West Texas Historical Association



Joint meeting with The Texas Map Society

April 2-3, 2004 Abilene, Texas On the cover: Bird's eye view of Abilene, Texas ca. 1883. The Texas & Pacific Railroad Station was located at the corner of North First and Cypress. This corner also became the location of the Grace Hotel, built in 1909. (Photo courtesy of the Virginia Garrett Cartographic History Library, Special Collections, The University of Texas at Arlington)

A special welcome to the members and families of the Texas Map Society and the East Texas Historical Association.

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* All session locations are in the Elwin L. Skiles Social Sciences Building on the campus of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas.

FRIDAY, April 2, 2004

11:00 am Registration. Continues until 5:00 p.m. and will Lobby open again from 8:15 – 10: a.m. on Saturday.

1:00 pm Silent Auction Viewing and Bidding. Auction items will be on display and available for bidding until 5:00 p.m. on Friday and from 8:30-10:00 a.m. on Saturday.

Session I: 11:30am – 12:45pm

Skiles 119 Mapping, Mining, and the Frontier, TMS Session John Crain presiding, Arlington

Mapping and Mining Enterprises: W. K. Gordon as Cartographer, Richard Francaviglia, Arlington

Mapping West Texas: The Development of the Topographical Relief Map for Frontier Texas, Don Frazier, Abiléne

Skiles 124 Religion, Politics and Colt 45 Justice, Mike Collins, Wichita Falls, presiding

Pistol Packin' Preachers in West Texas, Barbara Barton, Knickerbocker

Strange Bedfellows: 'Longhair Jim' Courtright and Political Influence in Fort Worth, Harold Rich, Fort Worth

Some Not-So-Serious Episodes of Frontier Justice, Bill Neal, Quanah

Skiles 210 Transportation in West Texas: Railroads and Airplanes, Lynn Whitfield presiding, Lubbock

It's Hard to Stop a Train, But Not Impossible: West Texans Take on the Fort Worth and Denver City Railway, 1948, Tiffany Haggard Fink, Abilene From New York to Los Angeles By Way of Sweetwater, Texas: SAFEWay Airlines and Air-Rail, 1929-1931, Erik Carlson, Dallas

Session II: 1:00pm -2:15pm

Skiles 124 West Texas Communities, Scott Sosebee presiding, Lubbock

Myth and Memory of Presidio San Saba and Menard, Texas, David Weir, Lubbock

Just Where are the Soldiers in Twentieth Century Texas? West Texas Community Study of Goodfellow Air Force Base and San Angelo, Texas, Dana Magill Cooper, Grand Prairie

You're From Where? Memories of Growing Up in Noodle, Texas, Winston Sosebee, Midland

Skiles 111 Bricks and Coal in West Texas, T. Lindsay Baker presiding, Thurber

Thurber Bricks, Joe Grimshaw, De Leon

Bridgeport and Newcastle Coal Mining Communities, T. Lisa Berry, Fort Worth

Rock Creek Community and Mines in Parker County, J'Nell Pate, Azle

Skiles 210 The Graham Texas Oak Tree Myth and the Changing Landscape of West Texas, Earl Elam presiding, Granbury

Barking Up the Wrong Tree: The Founding of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and the Making of Graham Texas's Oak Tree Myth, David Murrah, Rockport

Quantifying Present-Day versus Historical Distributions of Mesquite and Juniper using a Geographic Information System, Herb Grover, Abilene

Session III: 2:30pm -3:45pm

skiles 124 Religion and Education in West Texas, Preston Lewis presiding, San Angelo

Decatur Baptist College, 1898-1965, Wes Sheffield, Burleson

Caldwell Hall: Crown Jewel of the Fine Arts in West Texas, Larry Wolz, Abilene

The Establishment of Christoval's Mount Carmelite Hermitage, Gloria Duarte, San Angelo

Skiles 111 Frontier Justice, Mitchell Davenport presiding, Jacksboro

Shoot Out at Buffalo Gap: Solving a Mystery, Kevin Young, Buffalo Gap

They Hung the Preacher: The Only Legal Hanging in Wilbarger County, Keith Owen, Lubbock

The Assassination of Judge Cullen Higgins, Bill O'Neal, Carthage

Skiles 210 How to Submit An Article for Publication in the West Texas Historical Association Yearbook, Monte Monroe presiding, Lubbock

Protocol, Robert Hall, Lubbock

Technical Information, Monte Monroe, Lubbock

Style Concerns, Paul Carlson, Lubbock

Session IV: 4:00pm -5:15pm

Skiles 124 Grand Temples of Justice, Stanley O. Graves presiding, Austin

National Trends in a Regional Setting, Dan K. Utley, Austin

They Left a Legacy: Architects and Builders of Landmark Courthouses, Robert H. Brinkman, Austin

The Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program, Lyman Labry, Austin

Skiles 114 The Texas-Santa Fe Expedition, TMS/WTHA Joint Session, Eddie Guffee presiding, Plainview

Deathwatch on the Quitufue (Quitaque): Camp resolution of the Texan-Santa Fe Expedition, Marisue Potts, Floydada

The 1841 Santa Fe Expedition: Was it an INVASION?, Bill Gray, Floydada

George Wilkins Kendall and the Mapping of the Texan Santa Fe Expedition, Gerald D. Saxon TMS, Arlington

Skiles 111 Writing on Women of West Texas, Lou Rodenberger presiding, Baird

Minta Holmsley, Jean Stuntz, Canyon

Cornelia Adair, Fran Vick, Dallas

Commentary: Joyce Gibson Roach, Keller

6:00-7:00 Reception – Grace Cultural Center Honoring WTHA President Kenneth Davis

Banquet - Open Serving from 6:30 to 7:45

8:00 pm Paramount Theatre - Welcoming Remarks
President Kenneth Davis (WTHA) and President John
Crain (TMS)
Speaker - Jim Hoy, Emporia, Kansas, Singing the

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9:00 pm Paramount Theatre, Movie – The Searchers

SATURDAY, April 3, 2004

8:15 am Registration - Lobby

8:30 am Silent Auction Viewing and Bidding Skiles 128 (bidding closes at 10:00 am – pickup at 11:00 am)

Session V: 8:30am - 9:45am

Skiles 124 Life on the Frontier, June Steele presiding, Lubbock

Romance and Business in Colorado City, Texas, 1884-1886, Bill McCarron, Commerce

Kin to Outlaws: Allen and Susan James Parmer on the West Texas Frontier, 1876-1905, Everett Kindig, Wichita Falls

A Woman's Voice from The Runaway Scrape, Lou Burleson, Floydada

Skiles 111 West Texas Ranchers and the Search for a Western Identity, Don Walker presiding, Lubbock

Burk Burnett and the 6666, Damon Kennedy, Midland

Henry C. 'Hank' Smith: A Westering Man, Scott Sosebee, Lubbock

C. E. O. on the Range: Murdo Mackenzie and the Matador Ranch, 1891 - 1912, Leland Turner, Lubbock

Skiles 114 Mapping in West Texas, TMS Session

Kit Goodwin presiding, Arlington

Mapping West Texas Between Two Wars, 1848-1860, Larry Francell, Alpine

Tracking the Trace: From Maps to the Ground, Victoria Scism, Garland

Session VI: 10:00am -11:15am

Skiles 124 Issues in Tom Green County, Shirley Eoff, San Angelo, presiding

Psychological and Sociological Implications of Great Depression Relief Efforts in Tom Green County, Mary Bloodworth, Carlsbad

No One Stood in the Door at Angelo State University: a Case of Painless Integration, Richard Besch, San Angelo

Water Rights and West Texas Ranchers, Quint Melius, San Angelo

Skiles 111 Ranching in West Texas, Tom Crum presiding, Granbury

Tom King (1848-1897): Texas's Forgotten Cattle Baron, John Hanners, Commerce

Mattie B. Morris Miller: Ranch-woman, Matriarch, and Benefactor, Jack Becker, Lubbock

W. R. McEntire and the Founding of the U-Ranch, Monte Monroe, Lubbock

Skiles 114 Researching West Texas, Freedonia Paschall, Lubbock, presiding

E-History, or Googling West Texas: A Visual Case Study in Web-based Research, John Miller Morris, San Antonio

Our Dream was to Have a Home: The Pioneer Experience in Hutchinson County and the Texas West, David Holt, Canyon, Student Essay Winner

Evolution of "Barrilla Spring," Paul Wright, Alpine

Session VII: 11:30am – 12:45pm

Skiles 111 Giants of West Texas History, B. W. Aston presiding, Abilene

Lanier Bell: Gentle Giant of San Angelo's Polio Epidemic, Shirley Eoff, San Angelo

Kings of the World: Abilene High School Football in the 1950s, Rob Fink, Abilene

Abilene and the 1928 Annual Meeting of the West Texas Historical Association, Paul Carlson, Lubbock

Skiles 124 East Texans Write the West, East Texas Historical Association session, Mark Barringer presiding, Nacogdoches

A New Look at the Frontier Battalion: Judging Texas State Troops as Lawmen, Allen Hatley, LaGrange

The Warren Wagon Train Massacre, Mark Beasley, Abilene

"We are surprised any who ever a Mormon should engage in hunting Indians:" The Antebellum Mormon Cowboys of the Texas Hill Country, Melvin C. Johnson, Nacogdoches

Skiles 114 Indian Cultures and Trails, TMS/WTHA Joint Session, Richard Francaviglia presiding, Arlington

The Cultural Frontier: Indian and Anglo cross-cultural communication, Marie Louise Liebe-Harkort, Matador

Tracing the Comanche War Trail, John Yates, Benbrook, TMS

1PM Lunch Johnson Building WTHA Business Meeting and Awards WTHA President Kenneth Davis presiding





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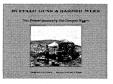
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