

83rd Annual Meeting
The West Texas Historical Association
Lubbock, Texas
March 31 – April 1, 2006

On the Cover

“The Chroniclers of West Texas” is a part of the 1300 square foot fresco mural that was executed in 1953 and 1954 on the walls of what was then The Museum (now Holden Hall) on the campus of Texas Technological College (now Texas Tech University) in Lubbock, Texas by Peter Hurd, nationally known master of the art media of watercolor and tempera.

Exhibitors:

National Ranching Heritage Center
Texas Oral History Association
Southwest Collections
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Pratt’s Books
Chiricahua Books

2005 Program Committee:

Keith Owen, Lubbock
Tom Alexander, Kerrville
Gene Pruess, Houston
Jean Stuntz, Canyon
Donathan Taylor, Abilene

Local Arrangements:

Robert Hall, Lubbock
Tai Kreidler, Lubbock
Connie Aguilar, Lubbock

Saturday Afternoon and Evening Program

2:00 PM - Blanco Canyon Site visit
4:00 PM - Floyd County Museum tour
6:00 PM - National Ranching Heritage Center
7:00 PM - Dinner at the NRHC
Program by Andy Wilkinson

Host Hotel – Holiday Inn Park Plaza, Lubbock
All Sessions and Saturday Lunch will be at the Holiday Inn Park Plaza, Second Floor Meeting Rooms.

West Texas Historical Association
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Friday March 31, 2006

**Registration – 12:00 PM – Holiday Inn Park Plaza
2nd Floor by elevator**

**Silent Auction – Magnolia Room – 1:00 PM till 5:00 PM
First Floor by the Hotel Registration**

SESSION I: 1:00 P.M. - 2:15 P.M.

**Sycamore - The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: Heroes,
Villains, and Failures, Keith Owen, Lubbock
Christian University, presiding**

William Bledsoe and the Ferguson Impeachment,
Chad DeMars, Texas Tech University

*The Dramatic Career of an Enigmatic Outlaw: Hill
Loftis, Bill Neal, Quanah*

*The Second Santa Fe Expedition: Jacob Snively
and the Mission to Disrupt New Mexico
Commerce in 1843, Troy Ainsworth, Lubbock*

**Aspen - West Texas Giants, a Panel Discussion, Tai
Kreidler, Texas Tech University, presiding**

Harry Igo, Don Dyal, Texas Tech University

*George Mahon, Janet Neugebauer, Texas Tech
University*

*Marshall Formby, H. Allen Anderson, Texas Tech
University*

**Redwood - The West Texas Beat, Christopher Smith, Texas Tech
University, presiding**

Buck Ramsey, Bette Ramsey, Lubbock

*The Only Mountain in Lubbock: A History of Music
Recording in West Texas*, Curtis Peoples, Texas
Tech University

Music and Sense of Place in West Texas, Andy
Wilkinson, Lubbock

Refreshments in the Magnolia Room by Hotel registration.

SESSION II: 2:30 P.M. – 3:45 P.M.

Sycamore - Art and Aqueducts: Building a Better West Texas,
Kregg Fehr, Lubbock Christian University, presiding

*Traveling the Lower Road: The Paintings of Leon
Trousset*, R.B. Brown, Museo Historico ex Aduana
Fronteriza de Ciudad Juárez

*Public Monument Sculpture in West Texas: Honoring
the Historical Heritage of Regional Values*, Holle
Humphries, Lubbock

John C. Williams and a Thirsty West Texas, Rusty
Hawkins, Texas Tech University

Aspen - Businessmen, Businesses, and Urban Life, Tiffany
Fink, Hardin-Simmons University, presiding

*F.E. Ruffini – Architect, Husband, Father: Building
Career and Family in 19th Century Texas*, Susan
Dickey, Diocese of Springfield, Illinois

*Oysters, Macaroni, and Beer: The Business Enterprises
of the Texas Pacific Mercantile & Manufacturing
Company*, Gene Rhea Tucker, Tarleton State
University

*Life on Both Sides of the South Pacific Tracks in the Big
Bend on the Eve of the Great Depression*,
Paul Wright, Sul Ross State University

Redwood - Culture Comes to the Panhandle, Clint Chambers,
Lubbock, presiding

The History of West Texas A&M University, Marty
Kuhlman, West Texas A&M University

*Texas Swing: Music in the Texas Panhandle from Bob
Wills to "Texas!",* Gil McNaughton, Southwest
Missouri State

*Ladies and Libraries: The Cultivation of Culture in the
Texas Panhandle,* Jean Stuntz, West Texas A&M
University

SESSION III: 4:00 P.M. – 5:15 P.M.

Sycamore - West Texas Movers and Shakers, Leland Turner,
Texas Tech University, presiding

*The Eccentric Dream: Entrepreneurism, Philanthropy,
and the Founding of Post City, Texas,* Sam Prose,
Texas Tech University

*Captain Charles Schreiner: Weaving the Golden Fleece
for West Texas Ranchers,* Aaron Riley, Texas Tech
University

*"I Never Saw Such Times:" The Life and Death of
Spottswood W. Lomax,* Michael L. Collins,
Midwestern State University

**Aspen - We Share the Land: Trails and Travelers across
West Texas**, Shirley Eoff, Angelo State University,
presiding

*Texas Panhandle Branches of the Old Santa Fe Trail in
the 1860s,* Clint Chambers, Lubbock

Mapping Texas from a Comanche Perspective, Linda
Pelon, McLennan Community College

Black Horse, the Last Comanche War Chief, Robert
Truitt, Jr., Midland

Redwood - Educators and Education in West Texas, Cynthia
Savage, Midland, presiding

Eva Camunez's Teaching Career, 1932-1942, Gloria
Duarte, Angelo State University

*Our Story: The Teaching of Texas History in Public
Schools*, Robert Fink, Abilene Independent
School District

The Texas Tech School of Black History: An Overview,
Bruce A. Glasrud and James M. Smallwood,
Seguin

**6:00 PM – President's Reception – United Spirit Arena
City Bank Room Texas Tech University
Campus**

7:00 PM – Banquet – President J'Nell Pate Presiding

8:00 PM – Program

Speaker – Donald Blakeslee
Wichita State University

Notes:

Saturday, April 1, 2006

Registration – Holiday Inn Park Plaza

2nd Floor by elevator

Silent Auction – Magnolia Room – 8 AM to 11 AM

First Floor by Hotel registration

SESSION IV: 8:00 A.M. – 9:15 A.M.

Sycamore - Center for Big Bend Studies Session, Tom Crum,
Granbury, presiding

The Battle of Sacramento, Glenn P. Willeford,
Universidad Autonoma de Chihuahua, Chihuahua
City, Mexico

The Trial and Execution of General Felipe Angeles,
Ruben Osorio, Sul Ross State University

*Death Records from the Big Bend: A Glimpse into Life
and Death in the Mining Towns of Shafter and
Terlingua*, Gerald G. Raun, Alpine

Aspen - Phi Alpha Theta Session, Michael Whitley, Lubbock
Christian University, presiding

*A Comparison of the Southern Plains Dust Bowl and the
1950s Drought*, Melissa Gonzales, Wayland
Baptist University

*Broadening the Scope: The Texas High Plains Klan of
the 1920s*, Nicholas Pruitt, Wayland Baptist
University

Letters Home, Shannon Sturm, Angelo State University

Redwood - East Texas Historical Association Session: Church and State in East Texas, Archie P. McDonald, East Texas Historical Association, presiding

Martin Dies and the Marshall Housewives' Rebellion, Gail K. Beil, Marshall

The Hayden Controversy, Joseph Early, Jr., Cumberland College, Williamsburg, Kentucky

Refreshments in the Magnolia Room by Hotel registration.

SESSION V: 9:30 A.M. – 10:45 A.M.

Sycamore - Concho Valley Criminal Commerce, Alice Olson, Lubbock, presiding.

Stand and Deliver: Robbing the Stagecoach, Robert Stiles, Angelo State University

Annie Black and the Soiled Doves of San Angelo, Suzanne Campbell, Angelo State University

Prohibition or Prescription? Rachel Bell, Angelo State University

Aspen - Vestiges of World War II in West Texas, Thomas E. Alexander, Commissioner, Texas Historical Commission, presiding

Uvalde and Eagle Pass: The Army Air Corps and Small Towns, William McWhorter, Military Sites Coordinator, Texas Historical Commission

Fort D.A. Russell in War and Peace, Bob Brinkman, Historian, Texas Historical Commission

San Angelo Army Air Field Bombardier School: A Forgotten Piece of the City's World War II Heritage, Shirley M. Eoff, Angelo State University

Redwood - Crimes of Greed, Don Abbe, Lubbock, presiding

A Bank Robbery in a Dust Storm, Jim Fenton, Lubbock

The 1927 Stanton Frame-Up, T. Lindsay Baker, Tarlton State University

The Crooked Path that Led through El Paso: Smuggling Chinese Immigrants into Texas at the Turn of the Twentieth Century, Joe Grimshaw, Texas Christian University

SESSION VI: 11:00 A.M. – 12:15 P. M.

Sycamore - Literary Elements in Some of the Works of Elmer Kelton, Lou Rodenberger, Baird, presiding

Major Tenets of British Romanticism as viewed by Elmer Kelton, Kenneth Davis, Lubbock

Frank Claymore as Tragic Hero, Becky Matthews, San Antonio

Following the Letter of the Spirit: Casuistry among Kelton's Lawmen, Lewis Toland, New Mexico Military Institute

Aspen - Building the Brands: Ranchers and Ranching in West Texas, Fred Rathjen, Canyon.

George Webb Slaughter, Barbara Barton, Knickerbocker

Starting Over: Charles Goodnight's Return to the Texas Panhandle, Tiffany Fink, Hardin-Simmons University

Life at the T-Anchor Ranch, Brenda Haes, Texas Tech University

Redwood - Protecting Our Heritage, Sharing Our History,
Gene Preuss, University of Houston, presiding

*Texas Last Frontier Heritage Ranch Tour, Sammie
Simpson and John Hope, Muleshoe.*

*The Muleshoe Heritage Center, Ann McElroy,
Muleshoe*

*Oral Histories of the First Responders in the Katrina
Disaster: The United States Coast Guard Disaster
Area Response Teams, Mark Howell, Texas Tech
University*

Lunch and Business meeting – 12:30 PM – 2:00 PM
Mahogany Room – Holiday Inn, Second Floor
WTHA President, J'Nell Pate
"A Syrian Immigrant in West Texas"

Notes:

Saturday Afternoon Program and Tour 2PM

Blanco Canyon Site and Floydada County Museum

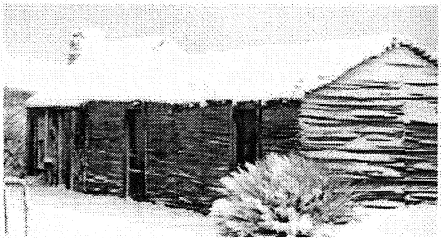
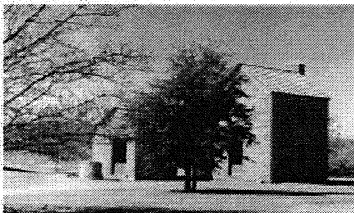
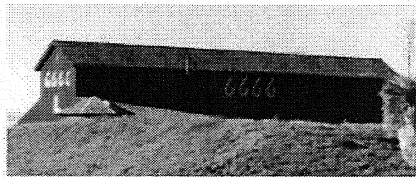
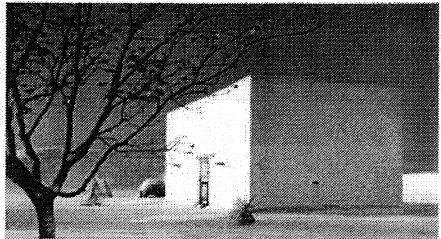
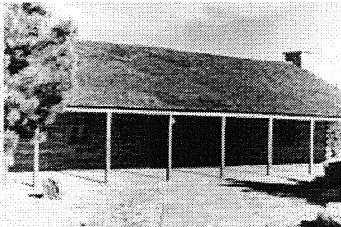
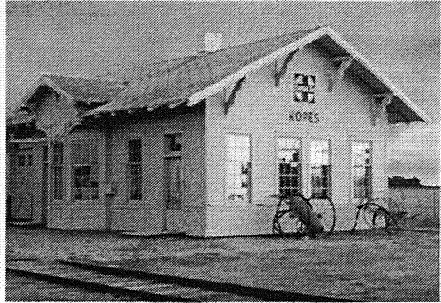
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Buffet supper at the NRHC

Evening program by Andy Wilkinson



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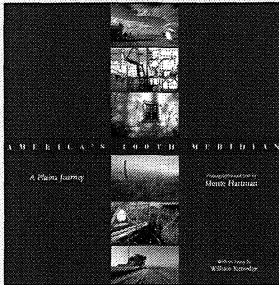
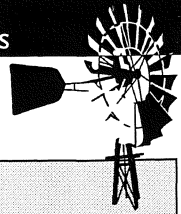
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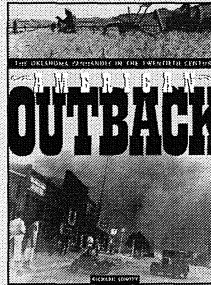
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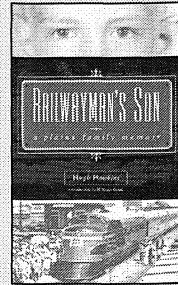
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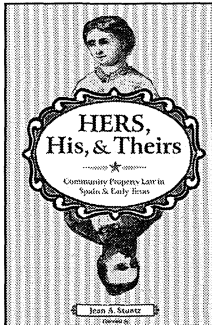
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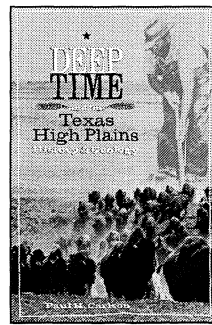
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