

85th Annual Meeting
The West Texas Historical Association
Canyon, Texas
April 4 & 5, 2008

On the Cover

The lighthouse

The natural geological structure known as “The Lighthouse” is located in Palo Duro Canyon just west of Canyon Texas. The Lighthouse is a fine example of west Texas wind and water erosion which forms many interest and unusual formations in the Canyon.

Exhibitors: Located in Room 213, Old Main Building

National Ranching Heritage Center

Texas Oral History Association

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2006 Program Committee:

Staff, Lubbock

Local Arrangements:

Jean Stuntz , Canyon

Marty Kuhlman, Canyon

Freedonia Paschall, Lubbock

Robert J. Hall, Pittsburg

Thursday 6:30 PM - Early Bird Reception and Dinner at

The Big Texan in Amarillo. We will meet at the hotel in Canyon at 6 PM. There are some seats available on the vans, on a first come first serve basis. Please contact the office to reserve space or note on your reservation form.

Saturday Afternoon and Evening Program

**A tour of Palo Duro Canyon with Jean Stuntz as host.
Dinner to follow.**

Host Hotel – Best Western – 806-655-1818

Or call 800-Western (937-8376) for Reservations.

Additional rooms at – Holiday Inn (806) 655-4445.

All Sessions locations are at the Old Main Building at West Texas A&M University, second floor.

West Texas Historical Association
85th Annual Meeting – Canyon, Texas

Friday April 4, 2008

**Registration – 12:00 P.M. – West Texas A&M, Canyon
Second Floor, Old Main Building**

**Silent Auction – Viewing and Bidding, 1 P.M. till 5 P.M.
Room 214, second floor, Old Main**

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

Room 203 - Ranching and the College Farm,
Shirley Eoff, San Angelo, presiding.

*David Nichols McBride Ranch Headquarters: Its History
and Its Enduring Story*, Gary L. Lindsey, Lubbock
*Correspondence between Cornelia Adair and Timothy
Dwight Hobart, 1915-1921*, Bill Green, Canyon
*Out there on that Old Cow Pasture: Life on the West Texas
State Teachers College Farm*, Matt Spangler, Canyon

Room 209 - Technology and Innovations in West Texas, Pat Clark,
Lubbock, presiding

*Harbingers on the Plains: Wind Turbines and the Dawning of
a New Age in Texas Energy History*, Kregg Fehr, Canyon
Doodlebugs: Motor Trains in West Texas, Bob Burton,
Snyder
Frank Ford: A Natural Food Man in the Cowboy West, Jim
Matthews, San Antonio

Refreshments on the second floor of the Old Main Building

SESSION II: 2:30 P.M. – 3:45 P.M.

**Room 203 - A Panel Discussion: "Beyond the Alamo: How Do Other
Artists, Architects, and Artworks Exemplify the Iconic
Texan West?,"** Lynn Whitfield, Lubbock, presiding
Chairperson

Panel Members: Robert Reitz, Oak Cliff (Frank Reaugh);
Troy Ainsworth, El Paso (Henry C. Trost: Architect of El
Paso); and Holle Humphries, Lubbock (Luis Jiménez)

Room 209 - Natural History and Calamities in West Texas Historical vs. Present, Cheryl Lewis, Hamlin, presiding

Flora and Fauna of Llano Estacado, Christena Stephens, Sundown
The Rocksprings Tornado: Devastation, Heroism, and Aid, Aaron Riley, Lubbock
Seven Year Drought of the 1950's and the Texas sheep and goat industry, John Caraway, Cisco

SESSION III: 4:00 P.M. – 5:15 P.M.

Room 203 - Capturing West Texas History and Photography, Holle Humphries, Lubbock, presiding

Ranch Portals: An Aesthetic Evolution, Robin Clark, Mason
People and Portraits: Cultural Geography in Real Time, Monica Hurtado, Laredo
Elevations, Darvin Harrison, Lubbock

Room 209 - West Texas Women: Myth Busters, Bronc Busters, and More! Marty Kuhlman, Canyon, presiding

Jane Gilmore Rushing, Revisionist of Western Myth, Lou Rodenberger, Baird
Winner – Best Student Essay
Founding Mothers of Deaf Smith County, Tracy Stewart, Hereford
West Texas Women in Ranching: Myth and Reality, Jean Stuntz, Canyon

6:00 P.M. - President's Reception – The Hazelwood Lecture Hall at the museum at WT A&M, Canyon

7:00 P.M. - Banquet – President Travis Roberts, Jr., Marathon, Presiding

8:00 P.M. - Program - Speaker – Robert J. Mallouf

Riders of the Rim Rock: Horse Nomads in the Big Bend During the 18th Century

Saturday, April 5, 2008

Registration - 8 A.M. to 11A.M. – Second Floor, Old Main

Silent Auction - 8 A.M. to 11 A.M. – Room 214, Old Main

SESSION IV: 8:15 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.

Room 203 - Medicine Mound, Spider Rock, and Water, Jake Sheffield, Burluson, presiding

Medicine Mound: A Look at Our Past, Myna Potts, Medicine Mound

Mining the History and Mysteries of Texas, Bill Townsley,
Generations Apart, *Water in Common*, Rusty Hawkins,
Amarillo

Room 209 - WASPS; Communists; , Heather Soyka, Lubbock, presiding

WASP (Women`s Air force Pilots) and the Avenger Field in

Sweetwater, Marina Nemir, Sweetwater

The Red Scare at West Texas State, Marty Kuhlman, Canyon

SESSION V: 9:45 A.M. – 11:00A.M.

Room 203 - Germans in West Texas, Gene Preuss, Houston, presiding

When Patriotism Turns Ugly: Anti-German Sentiment in Runnels County, Texas, 1917-1920, Shannon Sturm, San Angelo

Völkerwanderung: German emigrants in San Angelo, Texas, Amy Fields, San Angelo

The German Freethinkers in West Texas: Their quest for a better life, Doris Miller, Hobbs, New Mexico

Room 209 - East Texas Historical Association Session, Beverly Rowe, Texarkana: President ETHA, presiding

The Heritage of Texas Country Music: A Musical Connection Between East and West Texas, Bill O`Neal, Carthage:?"

W.E. Penn: The Apostle of Texas, Joe Early, Williamsburg, KY:

Room 219 – Big Bend Borderlanders, Gerald Raun, Alpine, Presiding

*American Red Cross Activities at the Battle of Ojinaga,
December, 1913 – January, 1914, Glenn Willeford,
Alpine*

Title TBA, John Klingemann, San Angelo

Title TBA, Ruben Osorio, Chihuahua

SESSION VI: 11:15 A.M. – 12:30 A.M.

Room 203 – Joint Session - Center for Big Bend Studies

*Myers Springs, Pictographic Images of Native American and
Spanish Cultural Exchange, Reeda Peel*

*A Turtle Effigy Petroform in West-Central Brewster County,
Texas Tech University, Richard Walter, Alpine*

*San Esteban Rockshelter: Historic Rock Art on the
Chihuahua Trail, Roger Boren, Alpine*

Room 209 - Phi Alpha Theta , Matt Spangler, Canyon, presiding

The 1939 Re-Run of the Pony Express, Kay Neal, Canyon

*Feminism in Latin America: Lessons of War, Hillarie Easley-
McPherson, Canyon*

Fly Girls of World War II, Lindsay French, Canyon

Room 219 – Violence, West Texas Style, Travis Roberts, presiding

A Shooting in Sanderson, Chuck Parsons, Luling

A Shooting Near Presidio, Pat Parsons, Luling

One Ranger, Alpine Style, Mildred Sentell, Snyder

Lunch and Business meeting – 12:45 – 2:15 PM. Room TBA

Room TBA – WTHA President Travis Roberts

*The Trans-Pecos Region, A Review of 500 Years
of Its People, Its Places, and Its History*

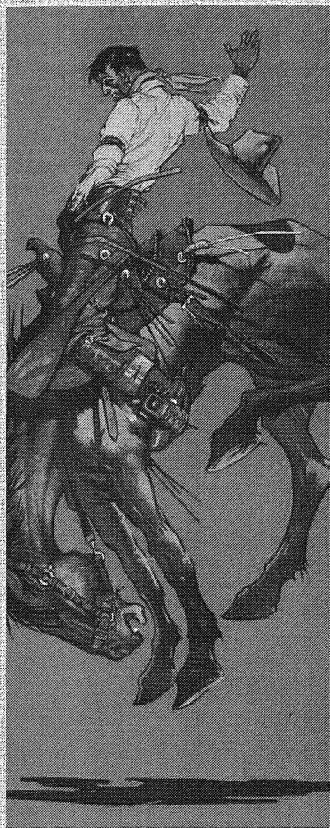
**Saturday Afternoon Program and Tour 2:45 PM. Departing
from the Best Western Hotel**

The National Ranching Heritage Center

38th Annual

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FREE ADMISSION!

Come try your hand at:

Horseback Riding

Rope Making

Stick Horse Rodeo

Cowboy and Pioneer Activities

Music and Dancing

Saturday, April 26, 2008 ★ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

3121 Fourth Street ★ Lubbock, Texas

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Notes and Comments