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The Newsletter of the Texas State Historical Association

Fall 2016

ANNUAL MEETING

Enjoy three days of Texas history at TSHA's 121st Annual Meeting in Houston, March 2-4, 2017, at the Houston Hyatt Regency Hotel. With 46 academic sessions, special events, workshops, and more, the Annual Meeting features the latest research in the field of Texas history. In the Exhibit Hall, the Booksellers Association and university presses will purvey both new and rare books about Texas and the Southwest. Be sure to investigate the many gems also on display in the Hall for the Silent Auction.

EVENTS

Thursday

Women in Texas History Luncheon

Graduate Student Mixer

President-Elect's Reception at the
Julia Ideson Library

Friday

Book Lovers' and Texana Collectors'
Breakfast

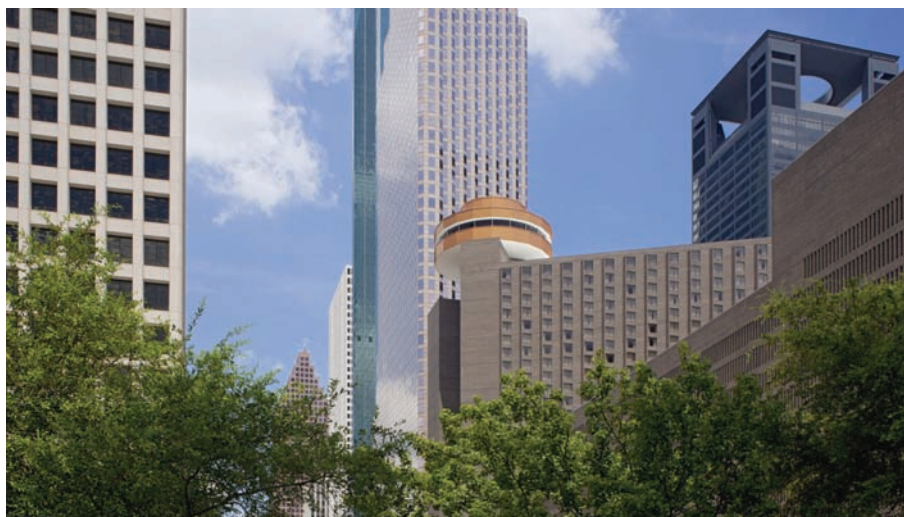
Fellows Luncheon and
Presentation of Awards

Texas Independence Relay Reception

President's Dinner at the
Historic Rice Hotel

Saturday

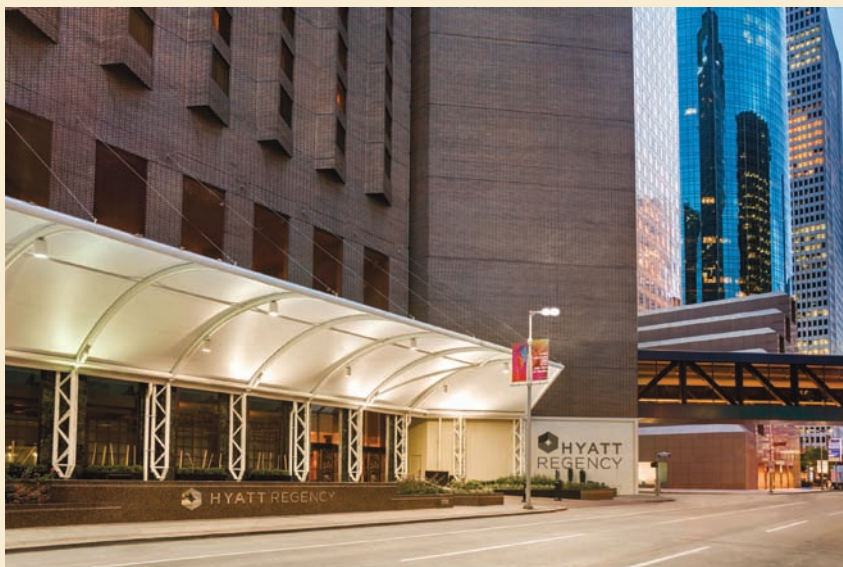
Post-Meeting Tour
of The Bryan Museum in Galveston



The 2017 Annual Meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Houston Hotel.

Visit www.TSHAonline.org/annual-meeting to:

- ★ Download the Annual Meeting 2017 Program.
- ★ Make hotel reservations at the Houston Hyatt Regency Hotel.
- ★ Register for the meeting and events. We offer speaker, student, K-12 educator, guest, and one-day registration rates.



Photos courtesy of the Hyatt Regency Houston.

ANNUAL MEETING

A letter to TSHA Members from the Chief Historian and the Chief Executive Officer:

Dear Members:

On March 2, 2017, as the Annual Meeting opens, TSHA will celebrate its 120th birthday. Over the years, changes have occurred as the oldest learned society in Texas has gathered to hear the latest research on the history of the Lone Star State. The Annual Meeting, once a single-day event with consecutive sessions, has expanded to three days of concurrent sessions to accommodate the ever-increasing number of excellent presentations offered.

In 1968 the first Annual Meeting in decades was held outside of Austin. Since then, TSHA has moved to using a rotation of major Texas cities as hosts for the Annual Meeting. By 1985 TSHA instituted a registration fee for the meeting sessions. Historically, attendees were charged only for the luncheons and dinners. The addition of having to pay registration fees did not dampen Annual Meeting attendance, which often numbered as many as 800 people with a passion for Texas history.

For the 2017 Annual Meeting, TSHA must raise fees as noted in the chart below. Although since 2006 the charges for the events have remained the same and registration fees have increased only gradually, costs to produce the meeting and to pay for the catered events have gone up sharply every year. Registration fee increases have been held to a minimum by the success of TSHA President Stephen C. Cook and his wife, Allyson Cook, in securing many generous underwriters for the 2017 Annual Meeting. As in 1985, we are confident our loyal members will understand and support our need to change the fees, and we do not anticipate a decline in attendance.

In a cost-saving measure to offset the increase in registration fees, the traditional Annual Meeting program will be available at the meeting for the attendees but will not be mailed to the membership at large. However, to accommodate those planning to attend sessions, we offer an Annual Meeting pull-out section as a special addition to the *Riding Line*. The section includes a complete listing of all events and sessions and contains the times and titles of each session with the names of participants and the titles of their papers. Attendees can use the information to plan their individual schedules for the Annual Meeting.

These changes have been carefully considered and enacted with an awareness of TSHA's need to adapt to growth—today and in the future. We look forward to the opening of the 121st Annual Meeting on a solid financial foundation.

With Texas pride,
 RANDOLPH B. CAMPBELL, Chief Historian
 BRIAN A. BOLINGER, Chief Executive Officer



Stephen C. Cook with Brian A. Bolinger and Lynn Denton (l-r) at 2016 Annual Meeting.

ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION FEES

MEETING REGISTRATION

Session Presenter	\$50.00
Early Registration (ends February 1, 2017)	\$100.00
Registration (after February 1, 2017)	\$130.00
Guest (Spouse)	\$50.00
K-12 Educator	\$30.00
Student (college level and below)	\$30.00
One-day Registration	\$60.00

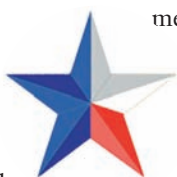
MEETING EVENTS

Women in Texas History Luncheon	\$45.00
President-Elect's Reception	\$45.00
Book Lovers' and Texana Collectors' Breakfast	\$35.00
Fellows Luncheon and Presentation of Awards	\$45.00
President's Dinner (If registered for the meeting)	\$75.00
President's Dinner ONLY (If not registered for the meeting)	\$85.00
Graduate Student Mixer (registration required)	no charge
Texas Independence Relay Reception (registration required)	no charge

MEMBERSHIP

Secure the Future of Texas History

As the year ends, we ask all who love Texas history to give your most generous donation to TSHA. Your tax-deductible gift will enable TSHA to seize the unprecedented opportunities of the digital age and reshape how history will be accessed, understood, and disseminated. With cutting-edge digital tools, improved access to history resources, and appealing teaching tools, TSHA can continue to provide more opportunities for everyone to better understand Texas history and appreciate the deeper



meanings of this place we call home. With your support, we have been able to offer a wide range of programs with far-reaching effects. Every month more than 400,000 online visitors access our Digital Initiatives, which include the *Handbook of Texas*, the Texas Almanac, and the *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*. Our Education programs directly affect more than 72,000 Texas students annually and indirectly enrich an estimated 600,000 more as educators use our resources. To maintain these exemplary publications and programs

and to explore new opportunities, we rely on your generosity.

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Director of Development

Jessica Karlsruher is the Director of Development, responsible for leading TSHA development and marketing initiatives. Jessica received her B.A. in Communications from The University of Texas at Austin. She joins TSHA with more than twelve



years of experience in development and communications. A native Texan, Jessica grew up in Houston and has lived in El Paso, Dallas, Austin, and recently, Washington, D.C. We are fortunate Jessica has returned to her native state and now makes TSHA her home.

The December 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor is the focus of the latest in TSHA's *Texas Talks* Webinar Series. "The 75th Commemoration of Pearl Harbor and the Texas Connection" will air on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7th, at 6 pm as best-selling author



James D. Hornfischer discusses the history surrounding the attack and its connection to Texas. He will tell about Admiral Chester Nimitz of Fredericksburg being named the commander-in-chief of the Pacific Fleet weeks after the attack. The webinar was filmed in the Admiral Nimitz Museum Ballroom at the National Museum of the Pacific War in Fredericksburg and will include a live chat during the airing to answer questions posed by those attending the webinar.

Texas Talks is a free educational streaming program that engages the audience with Texas history experts.

Visit TSHAonline.org/education/distance-learning to register for the series, which is free to all participants. TSHA's Digital Library contains the full archive of all *Texas Talks*. Access to the Digital Library at TSHAonline.org is one of the many benefits of TSHA membership.



USS Arizona burns at Pearl Harbor; photo courtesy National Museum of the Pacific War.



Admiral Nimitz Building, National Museum of the Pacific War; photo by Jim Heupe.

EDUCATION

Webb Society Fall Meeting in Fredericksburg



Members of the Webb Society explored Fredericksburg's many historical offerings at the Annual Fall Meeting.

The Walter Prescott Webb Historical Society held its Annual Fall Meeting, October 21–22, 2016, in Fredericksburg. During the meeting, college students in chapters from all over Texas explored the rich heritage of this small town. The Pioneer Museum served as the host and provided unique experiences. Webb Society members toured the site, were served a delicious traditional German meal, and held their

business meeting, which concluded with a presentation on German culture by local historian Glen Treibs. Webb Society members also explored the Texas Rangers Heritage Center, Fort Martin Scott, and the National Museum of the Pacific War.

The Webb Society works through colleges and universities in Texas to encourage students to discover, research, write, and publish the history of Texas. The Webb Society meets twice a year at various locations in Texas. Discover more, including how to start a new chapter and how to affiliate a current student history organization with the Webb Society, at TSHAonline.org/education/students/webb-society/76 or contact Charles Nugent at Charles.Nugent@TSHAonline.org.

Nominations for Bryan Award

The Mary Jon and J. P. Bryan Leadership in Education Award is given annually to recognize an outstanding history teacher and a history professor in Texas. The two winning educators for 2016 will each be presented a certificate and a check for \$5,000 at the TSHA's Annual Meeting in March 2017 in Houston.

Any individual may nominate a



The 2015 Bryan Award winners Andrew Yox (l) and James Philips (r) with J. P. Bryan.

full-time educator presently teaching history in a Texas school or college. Letters of nomination sent to the Awards Committee must be postmarked by December 9, 2016. Supporting materials may include the nominee's resumé or vita, a list of activities and accomplishments, awards of honor, publications, and other support materials and accomplishments. The nomination letter and supporting materials should not exceed seven pages.

Nominations may be mailed or faxed to:

Chairman
Leadership in Education Award
Texas State Historical Association
3001 Lake Austin Blvd., Suite 3.116
Austin, TX 78703
Fax: (512) 473-8691

Call for Papers for Caldwell Award

Each year the Walter Prescott Webb Historical Society recognizes excellence in historical research and writing with the C.M. Caldwell Memorial Awards, open to both undergraduate and graduate students with papers on state and local topics. Entries for the 2017 awards are due by January 20, 2017, with award recipients announced at the TSHA Annual Meeting, March 2–4, 2017 in Houston. Cash prizes range from \$75.00 to \$400.00. Winning undergraduate papers will be eligible to be selected for publication in the Webb Society's journal, *Touchstone*. Options for undergraduates to publish are rare, making this an exceptional opportunity. As part of the celebration of San Antonio's Tricentennial and to encourage research and scholarship in the area of San Antonio history, TSHA is sponsoring the San Antonio Award. A \$500 prize will be given to the best undergraduate C.M. Caldwell paper with a focus on an aspect of San Antonio's storied history.

Exploring Texas workshop series

TSHA will hold the Discovering Texas History Conference on February 6–7, 2017 at the Thompson Conference Center and Bullock Texas State History Museum. This conference for fourth and seventh grade history teachers will focus on the time period 1900 to the present. The forum will feature timely and accessible historical content and resources from organizations and renowned scholars with expertise in the fields of history, geography, economics, civics, and skill-building. Participants will receive 14 CPE hours. For more information and to register, visit TSHAonline.org/education/teachers/exploringtexas.

PUBLICATIONS AND MORE

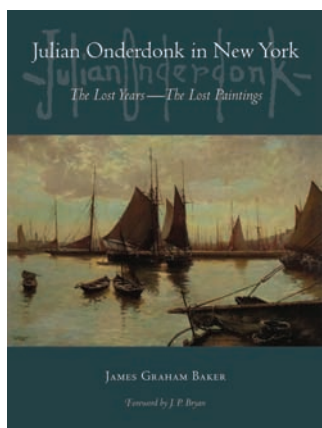
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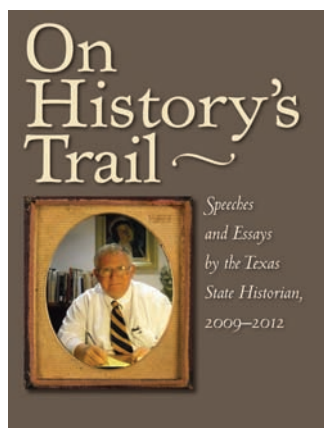
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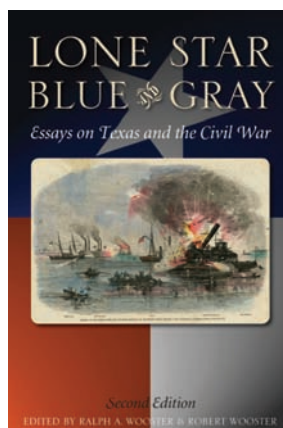
by James Graham Baker,
foreword by J.P. Bryan
230 pp., Cloth, \$49.95
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Famed for his bluebonnet landscapes, explore hundreds of works the struggling artist (using several pseudonyms) also painted during his time in New York City.



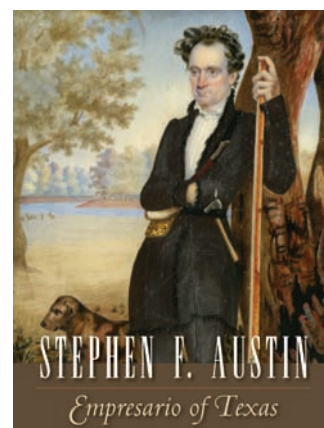
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foreword by Larry McNeill
300 pp., Paper, \$30.00
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Contains 29 engaging speeches and essays from the author's years as the State Historian of Texas, when he spoke to dozens of groups across the Lone Star State and beyond.



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OUT AND ABOUT WITH TSHA

A Southern Community in Crisis Launched in Marshall



Chief Historian Randolph B. Campbell discussed topics from the reprint edition of his book, *A Southern Community in Crisis: Harrison County, Texas, 1850–1880*, at the book launch on October 28th in Marshall, Texas, located in Harrison County. The book is available at LegacyofTexas.com and ShopTSHA.com.

Shawnee Trail Historical Marker Dedication

The Shawnee Cattle Trail Texas State Historical Marker placed by the Texas Historical Commission was dedicated on October 15th at Pecan Springs Ranch in Ellis County. Among the guests from TSHA attending the event were Board Member Nancy Paup, who was accompanied by her family, and CEO Brian Bolinger. Board Member John W. Crain also represented the THC in his capacity as vice-chairman. The Shawnee Trail was the earliest and easternmost of the principal routes used to drive Texas longhorns to northern railroads. Discover more in TSHA's *Handbook of Texas*.



Chad Parsons, Mary Catherine Parsons, Nancy Paup, Ted Paup, Jessica Paup Campbell, and Morley Campbell (l-r). Photo by Paul Lara.