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EAST TEXAS COLLOQUY

The Association held its Annual Meeting in Nacogdoches on September 27-28. Program Chairman Joe Ericson of Stephen F. Austin State University provided an excellent program that included a tour of the restored Adolphus Sterne home, a reception at the home of President and Mrs. William J. Brophy, and papers by Tom Cutrer and David De Boe, both of the Texas State Historical Association; Michael Hooks, archivist at the State Land Office; Janet Schmelzer of Tarleton State University; Sam Malone of San Augustine; and Ericson.

The luncheon address by State Librarian Dorman Winfrey detailed plans for the Texas State Library's Sesquicentennial exhibits.



The twenty-fourth president of the Association is Jewel Goldsberry Cates, a native of Nacogdoches County who presently resides in Dallas.

President Cates graduated from Nacogdoches High School. She moved to Dallas to continue her education, then became a supervisor for Postal Telegraph. During World War II she served as a flight dispatcher for American Airlines.

In 1946 Mrs. Cates was graduated from the New York Institute of Finance and became one of the first women Account Executives for Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith. She remained with that firm for thirty-three years.

Mrs. Cates is listed in *Who's Who of American Women*, *Who's Who in the South and Southwest*, *Who's Who of Commerce and Industry*, and in *The Women of 85* (Dallas/Fort Worth). She has been honored as the Outstanding Business Woman by ten Business and Professional Clubs of Dallas County, is past president of Dallas I, Zonta International, past chairman of the Literature department of the Dallas Woman's Forum, past Matron, Order of Eastern Star, past president of the Poe Study Club, and member of many other organizations.

Mrs. Cates was married to the late Marshall H. Cates. They have one daughter, Julia Ann Minter, and two grandchildren, Shana Lee and Clinton Marshall Minter.

Since retirement from Merrill, Lynch she has kept busy with traveling and investments.

A number of awards were presented at the Saturday luncheon. Tommy Stringer of Navarro College in Corsicana received the C.K. Chamberlain Award for his article "The American Well and Prospecting Company," judged the best to appear in Volume XXII. Frank Smyrl of The University of Texas at Tyler and Margaret S. Henson of The University of Houston, Clear Lake, were named Fellows of the Association. And the first annual Ottis Lock Endowment Awards went to:

Excellence in Teaching

4 Year Institution

Garna L. Christian
University of Houston

2-Year Junior College

Linda Cross
Tyler Junior College

Secondary School

Linda Pelz
Marshall School District**Best Book****Land of Bears and Honey**

by Joe C. Truett and Daniel W. Lay

ScholarshipVista Kay McCroskey of Stephen F. Austin
State University, now a doctoral student
at Texas Christian University**Grants**

James Smallwood

Oklahoma State University

D. Jack Davis

North Texas State University

Priscilla Benham, Houston Texas

A new award, the Lucille Terry Historical Preservation Award, honors the leader of the restoration of Jefferson, Texas. The award consists of a sculpture by Buck Cheavens of Diboll, Texas, of a restored log cabin in Smith County owned by ETHA Past President Robert Glover. The first award will be given at the Spring meeting in Tyler. Glover, of Tyler Junior College, chairs the committee to select the winners.

The Spring Meeting of the Association will be in Tyler. Program Chair Linda Cross of Tyler Junior College has an excellent program in store for us. The Friday reception will be at the home of Director Emeritus and Mrs. F. Lee Lawrence. Our luncheon speaker will be T.R. Fehrenbach.

The Texas State Historical Association will hold its Annual meeting in Austin at the Marriott Hotel on March 6-8. The Director has a few small chores at this meeting, including a speech on Friday evening, March 7. It would be good to have the generous support of the ETHA on that occasion.

Visitors to the Lorenzo de Zavala State Archives and Library

building in Austin can view seven special Sesquicentennial exhibits, changed every two months, focusing on the laws, people, cities and events of Texas. Exhibit titles are: Texas Books and Writers, Legislative Landmarks, The Texas Revolution, The Republic, Governors, Wars, and Growth. For more information contact Melissa Roberts, Box 12927, Austin, Texas 78711 (512) 475-1523.

Mariam Nations of the Rusk County Sesquicentennial Committee (Box 1773, Henderson, TX 75652), asks all area organizations to take part in the Henderson Festival on April 19-20. Events include a parade, an oilman's ball, a play, and the dedication of a time capsule.

Lincoln King, teacher at Gary High School, was honored with the Texas State Historical Association's Leadership Award at its meeting in Fort Worth. King is the sponsor of the student publication, *Loblolly*. He is also a member of ETHA's Board of Directors.

The University of Illinois Press announces the release in paperback of John H. Lenihan's *Showdown: Confronting Modern America in the Western Film*. Lenihan teaches at Texas A&M University. For further information contact the press at 54 East Gregory Drive, Champaign, IL 61820.

The Gonzales city council minutes for 1838-1941 recently were deposited with the Texas State Library. After filming and restoration they will be deposited in the State Library's regional resource depository at Victoria College. The State Library operates twenty-four such centers, including one at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches. For information about the program, contact Marilyn von Kohl (512) 475-2449.

Longtime member Maury Darst has published a monograph entitled "Some Facts Relative to Fort Bend County History." Copies are available for \$5.00 from Maury. The address is 4910 Travis, Galveston, Texas 77550.

BOOK NOTES

Chuck Parson's *Phil Coe: Texas Gambler* (Box 203, South Wayne, WI 54587) is a brief biography that goes beyond the usual story of Coe's death at the hands of Wild Bill Hickok. It is limited to 400 copies, each numbered and autographed by the author.
