

## Hays County Historical Commission

Sunday, December 11, 2011  
Linda Allen's Fine Foods Restaurant and Catering  
Wimberley, Texas



The December meeting of the Hays County Historical Commission was called to order at 1:16 p.m. by Chairman Kate Johnson. Also present were members Jim Cullen, Luanne Cullen, Richard Kidd, Jerry Bullock, Robert Frizzell, SarahAnn Lowther, Betty Harrison, Marie Bassett, Samantha Bellows, Lila Knight, Bonnie Eissler, Linda Coker, Shelley Henry, Ofelia Vasquez-Philo, Dorothy Gumbert, Madeline Van Brunt, Celeste Zygmont, and Marianne Moore and seven guests.

Richard Kidd presented a framed portrait of Capt. Jack C. Hays that will be on display outside the second-floor courtroom in the new Hays County Government Center in San Marcos. A plaque will be installed later.



Kate described the new Center for Texas Public History at Texas State University. Lynn Denton will be the new Director and Dan Utley will serve as the Center's Chief Historian. The Center, staffed by faculty and students in the department's graduate program in Public History, will make its expertise in museum work, oral history, and cultural resource management available to government agencies, museums, historical commissions, and community organizations that need help in researching and interpreting historical information for the public.

Dates and times of upcoming HCHC events were presented and discussed:

Friday, Dec. 16--Ribbon cutting and open house for the Stagecoach House in Buda at 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, January 7--VOX POP showing at MOCHA (Manchaca Onion Creek Historical Association), 1:00 p.m. The Community Center is located at 11906 Sleepy Hollow Road, Manchaca, Texas.

Thursday, January 12—VOX POP showing at Buda Onion Creek Senior Citizens Center after their noon luncheon.

Thursday, January 19—VOX POP showing in Dripping Springs, First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.

Monday, January 23—Buck Winn showing at San Marcos Public Library, 7:00 p.m. Robert Frizzell said that display cases have been reserved for showing Buck Winn and Vox Pop items throughout January.

Thursday, January 26--HCHC January meeting at Hays County Courthouse, 6:00 p.m. Lynn Denton will be speaking on ways to display exhibits. With the departments in the Courthouse, Justice Center, County Clerks' Offices, and the Annex moving to the new Government Center, HCHC is taking over four rooms in the Courthouse on the first floor. One of the rooms will be an office and another will be a meeting room and archives (still in the planning stage).

Tuesday, January 31—VOX POP showing at San Marcos Public Library, 7:00 p.m.

After discussion of the minutes from October 27 meeting, Jim Cullen moved to accept the minutes as corrected and SarahAnn Lowther seconded the motion. Motion passed by all members. The sentence about the Auction Oak was corrected to include the exact date of the auction and the name of the railroad company that held the auction to sell town lots. "This spreading oak tree on Sledge Street in Kyle has the name Auction Oak because town lots were sold at that site on October 14, 1880, by the International and Great Northern Railroad Company."

Betty Harrison moved that the meeting adjourn, and Shelley Henry seconded the motion. The motion passed by all members, and the meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m. and was followed by lunch which included a cake decorated with images of HCHC meeting locations for 2011, Capt. Jack, the Hays County Courthouse, Vox Pop, etc.

Respectfully submitted,  
Luanne Cullen, HCHC Secretary

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