Texas Oral History Association
Third Annual Conference

Vera Dugas and Ferguson Buildings
Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches
April 5, 2014

PROGRAM

8:15 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
Registration, Networking
Vera Dugas LAN 142

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.
Opening Welcome
Vera Dugas LAN 142

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
Session 1: Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
Ferguson 472

Chair: Dan K. Utley, Texas State University

Mark Lett and the Southwestern Megaphone: College Journalism and Labor Practices
Milton S. Jordan, Georgetown, Texas

Civil Rights Struggle in Southeast Texas: The Interview I Did and the Interview I Missed
Jo Ann Stiles, Beaumont/Comfort, Texas

Response: Dan Utley, Texas State University

Session 2: Dallas Gay Politics and Homophobic Fears
Ferguson 477

Chair: Michael Mims, University of Texas at Dallas

Connecting to Their Loss: Reaction and Response to the AIDS Epidemic in Dallas
Francis Bravo, University of North Texas

Dallas Gay Bars: Homophobia, Community, and Activism
Vogel Vladimir Castillo, University of North Texas

Commentator: Bruce Monroe, The Dallas Way: A GLBT History Project

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Break
Ferguson 480
Sponsored by ETHA, TOHA, SFA Department of History
10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Session 3: War and Memory

Chair: Eric Gruver, Texas A&M University-Commerce

Three Wars as a Tank Commander: Command Sergeant Major Dwight James
Jackson Dailey, Texas A&M University-Commerce

The World Comes to Paris...Texas, that is.
Hayley Hasik, Texas A&M University-Commerce

Documentary Film and Oral History: A New Film’s Link to Texas and Oral History in the Preservation of Memory and Community in World War II
Vernon L. Williams, Abilene Christian University

Session 4: Destruction, Creation, and Myth

Chair: Mary K. Brantl, St. Edward’s University

Camden: The Deconstruction of a Company Town
Pamela Temple, Stephen F. Austin State University

The Expansion of Waco during World War I
Steven Sielaff, Baylor University

But It Happened to My Friend: Folklore and Legend in Oral History
Lynn Burlbaw, Texas A&M University, and R. Matthew Clark, Magnolia ISD

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

TOHA AWARD LUNCHEON
Wyatt Room
Sponsored by ETHA, TOHA, SFA Department of History
Ralph W. Steen Library

1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Session 5: Education: From Board Room to Classroom

Chair: Lynn Burlbaw, Texas A&M University

On the “Up and Up”: The Establishment of the Mississippi State Textbook Rating and Purchasing Board
Paul E. Binford, Louisiana State University

Spreading the Wealth: The Use of Oral History Projects in the Classroom
Heather K. Caldwell, Texas A&M University

Thirty-eight “Wonderful” Years of Teaching: The Oral History of Award-Winning Lamar University Alumna Sally House
Vanessa Villate, Lamar University

Session 6: Re-Examining Texas Agriculture

Chair: M. Scott Sosebee, Stephen F. Austin State University

The Resurgence of Beef Cattle in Central East Texas
Jake Keeling, Stephen F. Austin State University
2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Break
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2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Session 7: South Texas Hispanic Farm Labor Communities
Oral History Project

Chair: Christine Reiser Robbins, Texas A&M University-Kingsville

The Rancho Colorado Farm Labor Cemetery Historic Preservation Project: Intersections and Outgrowths of Archaeology and Oral History
Christine Reiser Robbins, Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Gender, Labor, and Memory: Oral Histories of Women’s Experiences in South Texas Hispanic Farm Worker Communities
Jennifer Eiland and Christopher Martinez, Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Capturing a Middle Ground between Opportunity and Injustice: Oral Histories of the Robstown Migrant Labor Camp
Mark W. Robbins, Delmar College

Session 8: Undergraduates Can’t “Do History”

Chair: Eric Gruver, Texas A&M University-Commerce

Integrating Como and Pickton Schools: Socioeconomic versus Race
Austin Baxley, Texas A&M University-Commerce

“Doin’ What We Had To”
Samantha Weeks, Texas A&M University-Commerce

Enduring Women: An Interdisciplinary Oral History Adventure
Mary K. Brantl, St. Edward’s University

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Break

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Wrap-Up and Evaluation
Vera Dugas LAN 142

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

TOHA Board Meeting
Vera Dugas LAN 142