

**Permian Historical
Society**

**The University of
Texas of the Permian
Basin**

Fall 1982



The Scroll of Permian Historical Society

Fall Meeting 1982 Will be Appreciated by All

Location: Prude Ranch in the Davis Mountains

Date: 30 October 1982

Winners of Permian Historical Scholarships

Three student winners of the Permian Historical Society initial fellowship grants will be at the fall meeting to report briefly on their research goals.

John Ben Shepperd, chairman of the scholarship committee, announces the winners' names as:

Susan Williams

D'Aun McGonagill

Catherine Halford

Although the announcement was made in the summer that the fall meeting would be in Monahans, the site has been changed. Permian Historical Society will meet at the beautiful Prude Ranch near Fort Davis in Jeff Davis County, Texas. Many members have indicated they wanted to spend one or two nights at the ranch, which has modern accommodations. Rooms are \$30 for single or couple; \$35 for three; \$40 for four. Meals for supper range from \$4.50 and up. Breakfast is \$3 and up. Attendees should make reservations promptly by writing Prude Ranch, Box 1431, Fort Davis, Texas 79734, or by calling the ranch at 915/426-3347.

Dr. Bruce Evans, vice president for program, has arranged an interesting, fast-moving program, which will include a special film on the Chihuahuan Desert to be shown the evening of the 29th for those staying overnight. Also either John Prude or his father will tell the history of Prude Ranch starting at 11:30 A.M. on 30 October 1982.

Immediately after lunch, the group will go to the historic, restored Fort Davis where there will be a special tour. A member of Superintendent Douglas C. McChristian's staff will tell how the fort functioned on the wild frontier. There will be sound effects to echo the past glories of the parade ground.

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Fall 1982 Meeting
Prude Ranch in the Davis Mountains
Jeff Davis County, Texas
30 October 1982**

- 9:00 A.M. Board of Directors Meeting
- 9:30 A.M. Registration and Coffee
- 10:00 A.M. Business Meeting

Program of Papers

- 10:30 A.M. The Death of a General **Bill Leftwich**
- 11:00 A.M. Ranching in Winkler County **Louise Thompson**
- 11:30 A.M. History of the Prude Ranch **John Prude**
- 12:00 NOON Lunch *
- 1:30 P.M. Tour of Historic Fort Davis

*Lunch at this meeting will cost \$6. Make your reservations with Secretary-Treasurer Bobbie Klepper, 1705 East 46th Street, Odessa, Texas 79762 (915/362-3654).

Directions to Prude Ranch: For those coming by Pecos, turn south on State Highway 17. As you approach the northern edge of Fort Davis, turn right on State Highway 118 north and go five miles until you come to the Prude Ranch sign on the right.

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Odessa, Texas 79762**



Of Interest to PHS Members

Symposium at Sul Ross on same weekend as PHS Fall Meeting

Ken Perry, archivist at Museum of the Big Bend is hosting a symposium, "The Texas Big Bend: A Western History Symposium" on Friday 29 October 1982 at Kokernot Lodge on the campus of Sul Ross State University in Alpine. J. Evetts Haley will be the featured speaker at lunch on Friday. For more details and reservations, contact Ken Perry, Museum of the Big Bend, Sul Ross University, Alpine, Texas 79830 (915/837-8143).

Dues for 1982 are Past Due

If you have not already paid dues for 1982, you need to do so now. You will not want to miss one of our meetings or a copy of *The Permian Historical Annual*.

Call for Papers for Spring 1983 Meeting

Dr. Bruce Evans, Vice President for Program, needs suggestions for papers for the Spring 1983 Meeting. Anyone can present a paper if he or she has researched the topic in the Permian Basin and has written a paper from that research. No educational level is required for presenting a paper at a Permian Historical Society meeting.

Other Places to See

Limpia Canyon and McDonald Observatory are on the scenic loop that bends back to Valentine, Texas, by Skilman's Grove, where Bloys Camp Meeting is held annually. The route goes by Point of Rocks picnic area under Blue Mountain. Marfa, Alpine, and Big Bend State Park are not far away.