

President's Letter**Permian Historical Society****PHS Officers**

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Dear Fellow Historians,

The very hot weather might be behind us now and we can enjoy some lovely Fall weather. It is time to mark our calendars for the Fall meeting of the Permian Historical Society. It will be on October 20, 2012 at the Convention Center in Monahans, Texas.

As usual it will open at 9:00 a.m. for "Happy Hour" which is coffee, juice, and delicious sweet breads and much visiting. At 9:15 there will be a short Board Meeting. 10:00 will begin the presentations of which we have scheduled only three this meeting as we wanted to have time to visit to some of the historical spots in and around Monahans.

Joe Specht will speak on "Sneaky Pete: The West Tenor Sax Stylings of Jimmy Seals; Glenn Williford will review one of his books and Travis Sawyer will speak on the Pyote Rattlesnake Museum which will soon move into Monahans from Pyote.

After an 11:00 lunch there will be a field trip. The first stop will be the Million Barrel Tank and Museum which has a rich history about the early days of the oil boom, the railroad, and other events that happened along the trail through Monahans. From there the trail heads farther East on old Hwy. 80 to the Sandhills State Park. Entrance to the Museum area is free, but if one wants to trek further into the park over and around sand, sand, & more sand there is a small fee. We hope that you as an audience and long time member will enjoy the change for this meeting. We will not only hear about history, but see the results of historical events.

The meal will be \$10 and pre-registration is encouraged so that we can get a head count and have plenty of food, but not too much which can be costly. Please reserve your meal through **Peggy Kelton—432-652-8738—peggy.kelton@gmail.com OR Box 901 McCamey, TX 79752** I hope to see many of you in Monahans on Oct. 20,2012 Peggy Kelton, President PHS

Permian Historical Society
Monahans Convention Center

20 Oct., 2012

Before General Meeting

9:00 A.M. **Registration**—Coffee and breakfast treats; Visiting; Viewing of displays. Buy books to benefit PHS.

9:15 A.M. **Board of directors meeting.**

10:00 A.M. General Meeting Welcome: Peggy Kelton—President of Permian Historical Society

Betty Cash—Program: Introduction of proposed presenters.

Glenn Williford/J. Tillapaugh: Ferguson Pardons as to corruption from the Milton Good article.

Joe Specht: The West Tenor Sax Stylings of Jimmy Seals of Rankin, TX

Travis Sawyer: History of Rattlesnake Bomber Base Museum and its move from Pyote to Monahans

Door Prizes:

11:00: Lunch: Provided by

Donna Bell: Casting of ballots for Best Presentation Award that will be given at Spring, 2013 meeting;

Best Presentation Award from the Spring, 2011 meeting:

Other awards and prizes.....Peggy Kelton

Best Costume Award

Oldest in attendance

Door Prizes

Youngest in attendance

First Timer

Guest (Introduce)



**Theme &
Dress for the
meeting :
Country
Musician,
Airman or
Rustler or
Sheriff**

Permian Historical Society has chosen for each of their meetings to dress according to a theme. It raises interest and provides fun. You Know, History can be fun!

NOTICE: Those paying for lunch in advance by mail (\$10) to Peggy Kelton will go to the front of the line to eat; those registering via e-mail or telephone(\$10) will be second and those showing up at the door (\$10) will bring up the rear. The reason for pre-registering is actually to get an accurate head count for ordering the meals—not too many nor too few. Please help us out and pre-register. Many thanks, PK

You authors bring your books to sell. There will be a table set up for Book Sellers. 10% of sales goes to PHS.



CALLING ALL AUTHORS

NOW IS THE TIME FOR YOU TO GET YOUR BOOKS OUT TO THE PUBLIC WHETHER THEY ARE NEW, HOT OFF THE PRESS, OR PUBLISHED A LITTLE WHILE AGO. HISTORIANS ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR A GOOD BOOK TO READ. BRING THEM ON.

ROSS McSWAIN

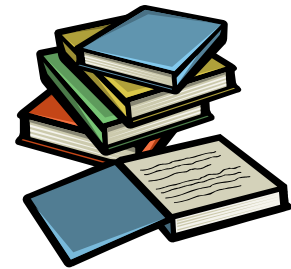
GLENN WILLIFORD

JIM COLLETT

PATRICK DEAREN (*To Hell or Texas*) NEW

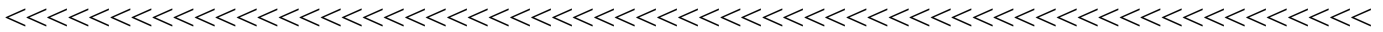
RUSSELL SMITH

DENZEL HOLMES (ANY OTHERS WELCOME)



When the power of love is stronger than the love of power the world
will know peace

“SAVVY SAYINGS” A guilty man runs when no one is chasing him. A snake-bit man is afraid of a rope.



Never approach a bull from the front, a horse from the rear and a fool from any direction!

NOTICE: If you are new to our meetings and wish to be a member you may pay your dues for 2013 at the time of the meeting. We welcome new members and hope this meeting is very enjoyable and informative to you and that you will want to become a member. The Permian Historical Society meets twice a year: in April at the Petroleum Museum in Midland and in the field by invitation in October. The dues are \$25 for a single membership and libraries and organizations. Family membership is \$30 per year. If you are a regular member and want to renew please wait until January when they are due. You will receive a notice in the mail. If paid in Oct. it is confusing to all whether it is for 2012 or 2013 and mistakes are made. Also only one copy of membership will have to be made if all come in in January and there will be no need for add on & reprints. HOWEVER: if by some chance you miss the January deadline we can certainly let you pay your dues whenever you can and we will try to keep the records straight. THANK YOU for your patience and your participation.



A few interesting facts about Monahans, Texas:

Monahans Sandhills State Park: Thousands of tourists each year visit Monahans Sandhills State Park near Monahans. Sand surfing and sand football games can be seen year round, but particularly between March and November. Monahans Sandhills State Park is host to many family picnics and youth activities. The park is also a site for weddings. Many people visit the Sandhills at night to inquire about the “Lady of Oil” legend.

The census population of 2010 was 6,953 and is probably much higher today due to the Oil Boom in the Permian Basin.

Ancestries: United States (10.4%), German (8.0%), Irish (7.4%), English (5.9%), Scotch-Irish (2.0%), & Scottish (1.5%).



Monahans also has a big celebration in July celebrating the Butterfield Cattle Trail which came through the area in the days of cattle drives. Monahans has



something of interest for everyone. Come check it out along with some stories from the Permian Historical Society on Saturday, October 20,2012 at the Monahans Convention Center.



