

18th Annual
Alton C. Allen
Historical
Conference

**WORLD
WAR 1**

1914 - 1918

The Great War

A Century Later



October 18, 2014

American Legion Hall - Hallettsville, TX

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&
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Pre-registration Fees:
\$15/person; \$20/couple
\$5 senior citizen, K-12 & college student, &
teacher with school ID

October 18, 2014 Registration Fees:
\$20/person; \$25/couple
\$10/senior citizen, K-12 & college student,
& teacher with school ID

Directions:
American Legion Hall, Hallettsville, Texas located in the
Hallettsville City Park at 107 E. Park Street

From Victoria: take Hwy. 77N into Hallettsville. At the T,
turn right on to Hwy.90A/77. Cross the Lavaca River.
After first light, 1 block, take a left onto La Grange St.
and proceed north past the courthouse. The road will turn
left and the American Legion Hall will be on your right.

From Shiner or Yoakum: Stay on Hwy. 90A/77A
traveling east toward Hallettsville until you cross the
Lavaca River. After the first light, 1 block, take a left on
La Grange St. and proceed north past the courthouse.
The road will turn left and the American Legion Hall will
be on your right.

From Schulenburg: Stay on Hwy. 77S into Hallettsville.
In Hallettsville, turn right on Crockett St. (Across from
Granny and Popo's Haus). Turn right on La Grange St.
The road will turn left and the American Legion Hall will
be on your right.

From Eagle Lake: Stay on Hwy. 90A thru the intersection
of Hwy. 90A & 77 in Hallettsville. Go one block & turn
right on La Grange St. Proceed north past the courthouse
to where the road turns left and the American Legion
Hall will be on your right.

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Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Registration Includes Lunch, Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup with Chicken Salad Sandwich

Pre registration Fee Enclosed:

Lavaca County Historical Commission

P. O. Box 811

Hallettsville, Texas 77964

Please Check One

_____ \$15.00 per Person _____ \$20.00 per Couple _____ \$5.00 /Student/Teacher/Senior Citizen



William A. McWhorter is the Military Sites Program and Oral History Program Coordinator for the Texas Historical Commission (THC), he joined the THC in August 2005. He is a native of Eagle Pass, TX and holds a Master of Arts from Texas State University-San Marcos, with a focus in American military history. Mr. McWhorter heads up the THC's major initiative, Texas in World War II that consists of several commemorative, educational and heritage tourism focused projects, including a statewide survey of more than 1,600 military and home front sites. Mr. McWhorter handles the THC's military sites consultations part of the agency's Federal Review Program, from the state's war of independence to Operation Enduring Freedom.

Spanish Influenza
has endangered the prosecution
of the WAR in Europe.
There are 1500 cases in the Navy Yard
30 deaths have already resulted
SPITTING SPREADS SPANISH
INFLUENZA DONT SPIT

Heather Green Wooten earned a Ph.D. in the Medical Humanities from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston in 2006. Heather is now an instructor of American and Texas History at San Jacinto College. Dr. Wooten is the author of numerous publications concerning United States, Texas and medical history. Her book, *The Polio Years in Texas*, A&M Press 2009 was a recent recipient of the T. R. Fehrenbach Book Award by the Texas Historical Commission; and the East Texas Historical Association's Ottis Locke Endowment Award (Best Book Category) Her current project, a history of the UT-Houston Department of Surgery - co-authored with Dr. William Keller, is slated for completion in at the end of 2014.

Program

8:00 – 9:30 Registration

9:30 – 10:30

William A. McWhorter, MA
Texas Historical Commission, Military
Sites Coordinator
"Texas in World War 1"

Break 10:30 – 10:45

10:45 - 11:45

Heather G. Wooten, Ph.D.
San Jacinto College
*"Death by Many Names: The Influenza
Epidemic of 1918 in Texas"*

11:45- 1:15

**Chicken Noodle Soup
Lunch**

1:15 – 2:15

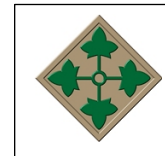
Paul Spellman, Ph.D.
Wharton County Junior College
*"A Million Kisses: Love Letters From A
Doughboy in France"*

Break 2:15 – 2:30

2:30 – 3:30

Doug Kubicek, BA
Hallettsville Texas
*"I Should Have Been Killed,
But the Angels Were With Me:
The Story of Pvt. Theofil Bujnoch"*

Dr. Paul Spellman teaches U.S. History as well as Texas History and has been a member of the WCJC history faculty since 1998. He received his B.A. from Southwestern University, his M.A. from the University of Texas at Austin, and his Ph.D. from the University of Houston. Dr. Spellman is a member of the Texas State Historical Association, and was inducted into the Western Writers of America in 2009. He has published six books to date; the most recent entitled the *"Old 300"*. Corpus Christi born, he now lives in Richmond with wife Kathleen, four grown kids, two grandchildren.



Doug Kubicek is a native Texian born and raised in Shiner, Texas. He graduated from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville with a BA degree in U. S. History and Cultural Geography. He is a 46 year member of the Texas Historical Commission and Lavaca County Historical Commission and currently is serving as chairperson and Archeological Steward. Specializing in Lavaca County History and Cultural Geography his publications include *Grand, Complete and Perfect: The Lavaca County Courthouse 1897 – 1899* and has had articles printed in various historical publications. Doug, a 7th grade Texas History teacher has 28 years in the education field and is currently employed by the Hallettsville Independent School District.