

Baytown Historical Preservation Association

Saturday History Lecture Series



Presents

Gary L. Pinkerton
Author and Independent Researcher

Saturday, March 30, 2019
10:00 a.m. (Social 9:30 a.m.)

Republic of Texas Plaza Barn — 5117 North Main Street, Baytown

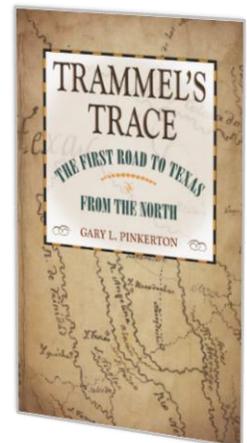
Have you ever wondered what trail David Crockett, Sam Houston, and perhaps your ancestors took to Texas in the years before the Republic? If so, you don't want to miss this fascinating lecture with Gary Pinkerton, author of "Trammel's Trace: The First Road to Texas from the North," who will be telling the story of this early route from Arkansas to Texas.

By the early 19th century, Trammel's Trace—named after Nicholas Trammell (two L's)—was largely a smuggler's trail that delivered horses and contraband into the region. It was a microcosm of the migration, lawlessness, and conflict that defined the period.

Gary Pinkerton is a native of East Texas (Longview), and Trammel's Trace crosses his family's land near Mount Enterprise. Gary has remarked that, "It was about 2005 when my father mentioned Trammel's Trace and I asked, 'What is that?' He told me it was that rut across the pasture and through the woods that I used to play in as a youth. When I googled it, I began to learn what it was about. That, and my curiosity and persistence is what led to the book. There was even a historical marker mentioning it in front of my grandmother's church and cemetery. It didn't register with me either. It became personal and present, and when history does that, interest begins."

Evidence of Trammel's Trace remains across seven Texas counties. Gary and his fellow "rut nuts" actively engaged in educating and informing landowners of this piece of history across their land and enlisted their support in preserving it.

Gary will have copies of his book available for purchase after the program which he will be happy to sign and personalize.



Admission is free but donations are always welcomed. Due to limited seating, reservations are highly recommended by leaving a phone message at 281.421.2099 (state your name, number attending, and phone number in case we need to contact you) or via email to info@baytownhistory.org.

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