



The Houston Oak

The ancient tree shades a wide area just east of Peach Creek, 8.5 miles from Gonzales. In the vicinity of the tree on March 14, 1836, Sam Houston and several hundred Texas citizen-soldiers spent one of the worst nights of their lives. Houston's best scouts, Erastus "Deaf" Smith, Henry Karnes and Robert Handy had met Susannah Dickinson, her infant daughter and Travis' slave Joe leaving San Antonio with news of the fall of the Alamo and the advancing Mexican army. Karnes rode back to tell Houston while Smith and Handy escorted the survivors. Houston ordered the town of Gonzales razed, and he marched his troops eastward for the ultimate showdown at San Jacinto.

NEWSLETTER

March 2010

The San Jacinto Chapter

Of the

Poetry Society of Texas

announcing the monthly meeting

DATE OF MEETING: March 13, 2009

TIME: 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Sunset United Methodist Church, 709 Allendale, Pasadena, Tx. Please use the porte cochere entrance. We meet in the library, which is the 4th room on the left.

PROGRAM: **Ken Jurek** will present a program on "Angels" in Milton's *Paradise Lost*. The February program was presented by **Jo Ellen Cullison**, a retired English teacher and librarian. Ms. Cullison talked about the roles of journals in the writing process. Everyone enjoyed the program very much.

READ AROUND: Please bring your own original poems, or poems by your favorite poet, to share with the group.

OFFICERS: President, Marvin Trent; Vice President, Louise Peck; Secretary, Kathy Wieboldt; and Treasurer, Art Schramm.

QUESTIONS: Call Kathy Wieboldt at 832-754-4041.

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