Llano County Historical Markers



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Llano County Historical Markers are arranged chronologically

For your convenience they are cross-referenced alphabetically (below) and by category (pp 6&7)

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Early Explorers in Llano County — #24

(13 miles E. of Llano on Hwy. 71E.)



By commission of the Governor of Spanish Texas, Bernardo de Miranda in 1756 examined Cerro del Almagre, a red ochre hill supposedly rich in silver. His party of 23 from San Antonio struck Honey Creek near here, then went to the junction of the Llano and Colorado rivers. Three pounds of ore from Cerro del Almagre assayed only ten ounces of silver to 100 pounds of ore. Plans for further explorations were therefore abandoned as such low yield, coupled with transport problems and Indian threats, made mining seem unattractive. (1971)

Cooper, Dillard —#64 (Llano City Cemetery)



South Carolian native Dillard Cooper came to Texas in January 1836 with Capt. John Shackelford's Red Rovers, landing at Copano Bay and joining Col. James Fannin's command. Following the Texans' defeat at the Battle of Coleto Creek on March 20, the wonded Cooper was among many soldiers taken prisoner at Goliad. One week later, Mexican troops shot and killed more than 300 prisoners; Cooper was among a handful who escaped. He and companions spent two weeks traveling at night through enemy lines and abandoned settlements to reach Texian forces at the Brazos River. Cooper lived in Hays and Colorado Counties before moving to farm with his stepson Samuel Stoudenmer in Llano and San Saba Counties by 1887. Cooper died in 1896. (2008)

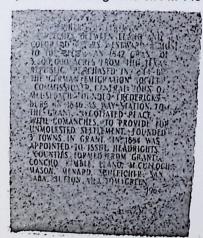
Enchanted Rock-#26

(15 miles South of Llano at intersection of Hwys 16 and 965)



From its summit, in the fall of 1841 Captain John C. Hays, while surrounded by Comanche Indians who cut him off from his ranging company, repulsed the whole band and inflicted upon them such heavy loss that they fled. Erected by the State of Texas 1936

Fisher-Miller Grant— #18 (1 mile E. of Kingsland on FM 1431)



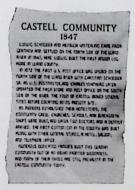
Stretches between Llano and Colorado Rivers westward almost to the Pecos. An 1842 grant of 3,800,000 acres from the Texas Republic, purchased in 1844 by the German Immigration Company. Commissioner General John O. Meusebach founded Fredericksburg in 1846 as a way-station to the grant. Negotiated peace with Comanches, to provide for unmolested settlement. Founded 3 towns in grant. In 1854 was appointed to issue headrights. Counties formed from grant: Concho, Kimble, Llano, McCulloch, Mason, Menard, Schleicher, San Saba, Sutton, and Tom Green. (1964)

Moss, Matthew Mark— #28 (On private property -1 mile E of CR 113 and 3.6 miles S. of Hwy 2323)



Was a soldier at San Jacinto in the Texas War for Independence, 1836. Erected by the State of Texas, 1962

Castell Community 1847— #34 (200 yards E. of Castell on FM 152)



Ludwig Schneider and Heinrich Vasterling came from Germany and settled on the north side of the Llano River in 1847. Here Ludwig built the first known log home in Llano County. In 1872 the first U.S. Post Office was opened on the north side of the Llano River with Christian Schneider Sr. as postmaster, and Charles Lehmberg later operated the first store and Post Office on the South side of the river. The town of Castell moved several times before locating at its present site. As pioneers established their homesteads, the community grew. Churches, schools, and blacksmith shops were built, and later two doctors and a dentist arrived. The first cotton gin in the county was built along with other general stores, a hotel, saloon, and telephone office. Numerous dedicated families built this German Community out of an Indian frontier wilderness, and many of their names are still prevalent in the Castell Community today. Erected by Community in 2005.

German Settlements-#38

(N. side of Llano River low-water crossing - Castell)



In 1847 on Fisher-Miller land grant, 3 settlements were begun by German Emigration Company under Commissioner General John O. Meusebach. CASTELL: Settled by Fredericksburg pioneers of the German Emigration Company. Was first and only permanent Llano County settlement. LEININGEN: Site 3 miles to east. Non-existent today. BETTINA: first communal settlement in Texas. Located where Elm Creek enters Llano River. Abandoned in less than a year, when supplies ran out. (1964)

Salt Works, C.S.A.—#15 (Roadside park at intersection of Hwys 29E and 261)



Located between Tow Valley and Old Bluffton, 15 miles NE. Since 1935 under Lake Buchanan. During Civil War made salt for table, curing meat and hides, and feeding cavalry horses. A day's boiling in 100, iron 250-gallon kettles produced 20 to 30 bushels of salt. Cooled, sacked and hauled out, this met Texas' wartime shortages. First Llano County District Court was held at Salt Works. Stagecoach stop was nearby. Brine here was from Cambrian Sea waters trapped 500 million years ago in sand and strata. Indians led first settler here. (1964)

Tow Cemetery — #10

(0.4 mile W on CR 219 off Hwy 2241)

TOW CEMETERY

THE 1850 DEATH DATE OF EIGHT-YEAR OLD MARGARET R. THORP, SAID TO HAVE DIED FROM A SNAKEBITE, DOCUMENTS THE AGE OF THIS BURIAL GROUND IN THE COMMUNITY THAT FORMED AROUND THE BLUFFTON-TOW SALTWORKS. AN OBELISK WITH AN 1846 DATE IS A MEMORIAL FOR A MORGAN FAMILY MEMBER BURIED ELSEWHERE. JOHN F. MORGAN, A SUCCESSFUL FUR HATMAKER, ARRIVED HERE IN 1853, THE SAME YEAR WILLIAM TOW AND FAMILY SETTLED TOW VALLEY. A LONG TRADITION OF CARING FOR THIS SITE BY AREA FAMILIES IS NOW OVERSEEN BY AN ASSOCIATION FORMED IN THE 1950s. THIS CEMETERY REMAINS AS A CHRONICLE OF THE PIONEERS AND GENERATIONS THAT ARE THE TOW AREA'S HERITAGE.

HISTORIC TEXAS CEMETERY - 2001

The 1850 death date of eight-year old Margaret R. Thorp, said to have died from a snake-bite, documents the age of this burial ground in the community that formed around the Bluffton-Tow Saltworks. An obelisk with an 1846 date is a memorial for a Morgan family buried elsewhere. John F. Morgan, a successful fur hat maker, arrived here in 1853, the same year William Tow and family settled Tow Valley. A long tradition of caring for this site by area families is now overseen by an association formed in the 1950s. This cemetery remains as a chronicle of the pioneers and generations that are the Tow area's heritage. (2001)

Maxwell, Isaac Byler-#12

(In Bluffton cemetery 8.2 miles N.E. of Llano on Hwy 2241)

ISAAC BYLER MAXWELL

ISAAC BYLER "IKE" MAXWELL WAS BORN APRIL 21, 1837, IN RIPLEY, TENNESSEE TO ISAAC D. AND NANCY LOVE BYLER MAXWELL. IN 1844, AFTER HIS MOTHER DIED, HIS FAMILY MOVED TO BLUFFTON, ARKANSAS. HE MOVED FROM THERE TO THIS AREA IN 1854, NAMING THE LAND BLUFFTON AFTER HIS FORMER HOME. AFTER SERVING AS A SCOUT FOR FRONTIER UNITS DURING THE CIVIL WAR, HE WAS A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE FOR THREE TERMS. LATER ELECTED TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE, HE HELPED ARRANGE THE EXCAYATION OF GRANITE FOR THE STATE CAPITOL. HE ALSO SERVED AS A CHURCH OF CHRIST MINISTER. WHEN HE DIED IN 1931, HE WAS REPORTEDLY THE OLDEST LIVING LLANO COUNTY PIONEER.

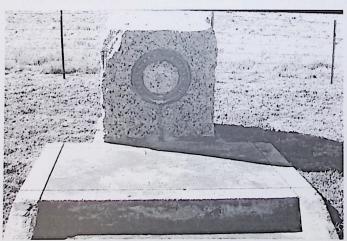
Isaac Byler "Ike" Maxwell was born April 21, 1837, in Ripley, Tennessee to Isaac D. and Nancy Love Byler Maxwell. In 1844, after his mother died, his family moved to Bluffton, Arkansas. He moved from there to this area in 1854, naming the land Bluffton after his former home. After serving as a scout for frontier units during the Civil War, he was a justice of the peace for three terms. Later elected to the state legislature, he helped arrange the excavation of granite for the state Capitol. He also served as a Church of Christ minister. When he died in 1931, he was reportedly the oldest living Llano County pioneer. Recorded – 2003

Llano County Seat—#42 (West side of Hwy 16 at S. end of Llano River bridge in Llano)



Near this site on June 14, 1856 Llano County was organized and Llano designated as the county seat. The organizing commissioner was Clement Oatman. Erected 1956

Llano County—#74 (West Side Hwy 16 North 3.2 miles from Courthouse)



THE NAME "LLANO," FIRST GIVEN BY SPANISH EXPLORERS IN THE 18TH CENTURY TO THE RIVER TRAVERSING THE REGION, IS A CORRUPTION OF THE FRENCH NAME GIVEN THE LIPAN INDIANS.

FIRST SETTLEMENTS WERE MADE BY GERMANS ABOUT 1850

THE COUNTY, CREATED FROM GILLESPIE, BEXAR, FEBRUARY 1, 1856, WAS ORGANIZED AUGUST 4, 1856, WITH LLANO AS THE COUNTY SEAT

Haynes, Charles-#21

(24 miles S.E. of Llano on Hwy 71E. in Pecan Creek Cemetery)



Born in Vermont, Charles Haynes came to Texas in 1836 with the "Buckeye Rangers" of Ohio to fight for independence. He settled at Lockhart, operated a blacksmith shop, was a member of the first county commissioners' court, a justice of the peace, and a leader in Masonic work. About 1859 he moved with his family to Llano County. At Comanche schoolhouse in 1860, he organized Llano Lodge No. 242, A. F. & A. M. Twice married, he was father of eight children. Recorded—1974

Hoover's Log Cabin-#72

(Antlers Hotel property in Kingsland)



This log cabin was constructed in about 1860 by the Rev. Isaac Hoover, an old time circuit rider for the Methodist church in Hoover valley. It served as a school for the Hoover and nearby children. In the late 1800's it became a homestead for the Ed Hoover family whose four children were born within these walls. April 2010

Llano County Civil War Veterans - #61

(N.E. corner of Courthouse Square)



TO OUR CONFEDERATE DEAD 1861 – 1865 Erected by Llano Co. Chapter U.D.C. 1915

Llano City Cemetery — #65 (City of Llano)



Area residents founded the City of Llano as the County seat for newly-formed Llano County in 1856. By August 1862, with interment of one-year old Tina Miller, this site served as a burial ground. Seventeen-year old Emily Young Wright was interred here a few weeks later, and their two gravestones are the earliest marked burials.

Kriewitz, Emil, Home Site of—#1

(2 miles N. of Hwy 29N. on CR 405)



Arriving on the Texas coast from Potsdam, Germany, at the onset of the Mexican war in 1846, Emil Kriewitz began his Texas exploits by serving in the U.S. Army. He later was engaged by the Adelsverein to assist German settlement along the Llano River, an area then occupied by the Comanche Indians. At great personal risk, Emil lived with the Indians as a gesture of good will. In 1857 he married Amalia Markwort. They built their home and a small Sunday house on this site about 1867. He served as justice of the peace and postmaster before his death in 1902. (1993)

Valley Spring Cemetery—#4

(1 mile W. of Valley Spring and 0.2 miles N. of Hwy)



This hilltop cemetery has served the local community since 1867 when Martha Epperson Eaker and Hattie Phillips, daughters of pioneer settlers in the area, were buried here. Burials continued, and in 1877 the Epperson family donated land for the "benefit and convenience of San Fernando Valley." Cemetery trustees acquired another acre in 1889, the deed referring to the "old graveyard west of the Valley Springs." Renowned pioneer physician Dr. W. Y. Fowler (1860-1935), who began his 46-year Llano County practice at Valley Spring in 1889, acquired the surrounding ranch in 1897 and provided additional land for the cemetery. More than 100 graves in this cemetery are marked only with a rock or unlettered stone; many are believed to be those of young children. Forty headstones record a birth date prior to Texas statehood in 1846. Veterans of the Civil War, World War I, and World War II also are buried here. Cemetery maintenance, dependent on volunteers, resumed with the formal organization of the Valley Spring Cemetery Association in 1994. Improvements include water piped to the site, and many trees and plants added for beautification. The "old graveyard" continues to serve the families of Valley Spring. (1996)

Baby Head Cemetery-#8

(8 miles N. of Llano on Hwy. 16)



According to local oral tradition, the name Babyhead was given to the mountain in this area in the 1850s, when a small child was killed by Indians and its remains left on the mountain. A local creek also carried the name, and a pioneer community founded in the 1870s became known as Baby Head. The oldest documented grave here is that of another child, Jodie May McKneely, who died on New Year's Day 1884. The cemetery is the last physical reminder of the Baby Head community, which once boasted numerous homes, farms, and businesses. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1991

Castell, Texas Rangers— #36 (200 yards E. of Castell on FM 152)



Ludwig Schneider, Christian Schneider, Sr., Wilhelm Schneider, Frederick Oestreich, Christian Oestreich, August Leifeste, William Fritze, Theodore Buchholz, Adam Schmidt, August Grenwelge, Jacob Hoffmann, Peter Birk, Jacob Birk, William Houy, Heinrich Vasterling, Sr., Heinrich Vasterling, Jr., and Johann George George Erected by Community in 2005.

McInnis, Richmond Alexander—#46

(1004 Bayley - Llano)



Mississippi native Richmond Alexander (R. A.) McInnis (1852-1922) moved to Llano as a young man in the 1870s. He owned and operated Llano Furniture Company on the town square, and served as Llano County sheriff from 1880 to 1882. McInnis married Martha Caroline Bozarth (1865-1949) in 1882. In 1892 McInnis was elected one of the first city aldermen in Llano. As president of the Llano Railroad Commission, he was instrumental in promoting railroad marketing from Llano. Built in 1882, this house was owned by McInnis family members for 110 years. (1996)

St. John Lutheran Church—#32

(0.5 miles E. of Castell on Hwy 152)



German Lutherans in this area were served by circuit-riding lay minister Dietrich Rode as early as 1870. A congregation was organized in 1893 on the north side of the Llano River in the Leiningen settlement (about 3 mi. E). A second church, known as Leiningen Two or Zion, was built on the south side of the river (5 mi. E) in 1907. The two congregations merged as St. Johannes Evangelische Gemeinde in 1926, and a new sanctuary was built. Worship services were conducted in German until the 1950s, and the name was changed to St. John Lutheran Church. (1990)

Trinity United Methodist Church Cemetery— #33

(18 miles W of Llano on Hwy 152)



The oldest documented grave in this burial ground, that of two-year-old Feodor Leifeste, dates from 1871. Two years later, Carl Lehmberg deeded land to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, setting aside this part of the property for a cemetery. Reflecting the area's German heritage, the burial ground contains both marked and unmarked graves and historically served the Castell, Mason and Llano communities. Burials here include those of German immigrants and their descendants, several ordained Methodist ministers, and veterans of armed conflicts dating back to the Civil War. (2001)

Gainesville Settlement-#71

(South side of CR 307 on Private Property)



Welcome to Historic Gainesville Settlement TEXAS EST. 1873

Packsaddle Mountain, Site of-#23

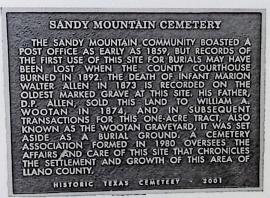
(14.5 miles E. of Llano on Hwy 71E.)



Two and one-half miles East on the Packsaddle Mountain in a battle fought August 4, 1873 Captain J.R. Moss, Stephen B. Moss, William B. Moss, Eli Lloyd, Arch Martin, Pink Ayers, E.D. Harrington and Robert Brown routed a band of Indians thrice their number. The last Indian battle in this region. Erected by the State of Texas in 1936

Sandy Mountain Cemetery— #20

(5.6 miles N. of Hwy 71E. on Hwy 2233)



The Sandy Mountain Community boasted a post office as early as 1859, but records of the first use of this site for burials may have been lost when the County Courthouse burned in 1892. The death of infant Marion Walter Allen in 1873 is recorded on the oldest marked grave at this site. His father, D.P. Allen, sold this land to William A. Wootan in 1874, and in subsequent transactions for this one-acre tract, also known as the Wootan Graveyard, it was set aside as a burial ground. A cemetery association formed in 1980 oversees the affairs and care of this site that chronicles the settlement and growth of this area of Llano County. Historic Texas Cemetery-2001

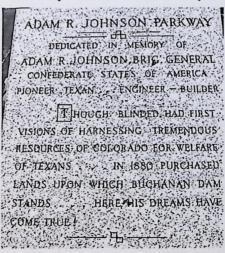
Valley Spring, Community of—#5 (On Hwy 71W. 9 miles N.W. of Hwy 29W.)



O. C. J. Phillips, first settler, arrived in 1853. Whistleville combined with Bugscuffle to form Valley Spring, with post office established 1878. This was birthplace of James Field Smathers (1888-1967), inventor of electric typewriter. (1970)

Adam R. Johnson Parkway-

(entrance to driveway to Buchanan Dam off Hwy. 29 South)



Adam R. Johnson Parkway, dedicated in memory of Adam R. Johnson., Brig. General, Confederate States of America, pioneer Texan...engineer – builder though blinded, had first visions of harnessing tremendous resources of Colorado for welfare of Texans...in 1880 purchased lands upon which Buchanan Dam stands...here his dreams have come true!

Charlie's Store INC .- #68

(South side of East Main Street in Llano)

CORNER OF CHARLIE'S STORE INC
IN BUSINESS SINCE 1936
THIS BUILDING BUILT IN 1880
BY J. K. FIRLAY, CONTRACTER
RESTORED BY CHARLES RATLIFF
IN 1985

CORNER OF CHARLIE'S STORE INC., IN BUSINESS SINCE 1936, THIS BUILDING BUILT IN 1880 BY J.K. FINLAY, CONTRACTER, RESTORED BY CHARLES RATLIFF IN 1985

Southern Hotel Building, Old—#63

(1 block NW of Courthouse Square on N. side of W. Main)

OLD SOUTHERN HOTEL BUILDING

J.W. OWEN HAD THIS HOTEL BUILDING CONSTRUCTED ABOUT 1880. STONEMASONS J.K. FINLAY AND JOHN GOODMAN BUILT THE ORIGINAL TWO-STORY STRUCTURE, WHICH WAS A STAGECOACH STOP. THE THIRD FLOOR WAS ADDED DURING THE OWNERSHIP OF COL. W.A.H. MILLER, WHO BOUGHT IT IN 1883 AN ANNEX WAS LATER ADDED TO THE WEST SIDE OF THE BUILDING, AND AN ADDITION ON THE NORTH SERVED AS A DINING HALL AND KITCHEN. THERE, FAMILY-STYLE MEALS WERE SERVED UNTIL THE BUSINESS, THEN CALLED THE COLONIAL INN, CLOSED IN THE 1950s. THE ADDITIONS WERE REMOVED IN 1977.

J.W. Owen had this hotel building constructed about 1880. Stonemasons J.K. Finlay and John Goodman built the original two-story structure, which was a stagecoach stop. The third floor was added during the ownership of Col. W. A. H. Miller, who bought it in 1883. An annex was later added to the west side of the building, and an addition on the north served as a dining hall and kitchen. There, family-style meals were served until the business, then called the Colonial Inn, closed in the 1950s. The additions were removed in 1997. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1980 (Entered in the National Register of Historic Places)

Oxford Cemetery— #25 (1/4 mile east)

(10 miles S. of Llano on Hwy 16S.)



The Oxford community was founded in 1880 when Confederate veteran A. J. Johnson came to Llano County and laid out the townsite. In 1881, a burial ground was established near this site for the use of the families of Oxford. Burials date from 1883, although some of the graves that were moved from a neighboring cemetery bear earlier death dates. Among those interred there are the town's founder, A. J. Johnson (1832-1912), and James R. Moss (1843-1924), who captained the Packsaddle Mountain fight, an 1873 battle that drove raiding Indians out of Llano County. (1983)

Valley Springs Primitive Baptist Church—#7 (2 miles N. of Hwy 71W. on CR 407)



Constituted in August 1882, this congregation elected one of its eleven charter members, Elder S. R. Woods, as its first pastor. The membership met monthly in the Valley Springs schoolhouse until 1886 when it moved to the Shiloh Community School building. In 1902 the church members constructed this building on land donated by Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Redford. Over the years, the Valley Springs Primitive Baptist Church has continued to meet here, serving a widespread rural area of Llano County. (1984)

Little Llano Public School 1883 - 1907-#9

(3.2 miles N. of Hwy 2241 on CR 216)



Families represented in class of 1900: Battles, Bragg, Carter, Clinger, Conner, Cowan, Crooms, Gray, Herridge, McCall, McQueen, Miller, Nobles, Scott, Starnater, Throp, Wells - Will P. Miller, Teacher – Erected by the 23 surviving members – 1966.

Merle Norman—#83

(South side of East Main Street in Llano)



MERLE NORMAN 1883 1ST FLOOR-F.J. SMITH, 1887 2ND FLOOR-LLANO MASONIC LODGE, 1944 REMODELED-JOHN CUMMINS, 1985 REFURBISHED-MADA WEST

Six Mile Cemetery—#30

(7.5 miles S.W. of Llano on Hwy 2323)



Six Mile Cemetery has served residents of Six Mile since the early 1880s. William A. and Jane E. Stephens, early residents of this farming and ranching community, donated land for a burial ground in 1883. The earliest marked grave is that of Charles Oscar Turner, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Munn Turner, who died in December 1883 at five months of age. Also interred here are veterans of the Civil War, frontier battles with Native Americans, World War I, and World War II. The cemetery has been maintained by a cemetery association since 1987. (1992)

Castell School—#37

(18.2 miles W. of Llano on FM 152 in Castell)



Education for students in Castell may have begun as early as 1852, according to local oral tradition. Earliest written records indicate that the Llano County commissioners court designated the Castell School as District No. 6 in 1884, and land was deeded for the school's use six years later. Members of the community built a two-room schoolhouse, which was expanded to three classrooms in 1929. Castell School housed ten grades, so students wishing to complete their high school education did so in Llano, Fredericksburg or Mason. Due to declining enrollment, the school closed in 1948 and was consolidated with the Llano School District, but the school building remained in use as a community center. (2001)

Huffman Cemetery—#3

(2 miles S. of Hwy 71W. at the end of CR 405C off CR 405)



James Jackson Larremore brought his family to Llano County in 1853. Daughter Martha met and married James S. Huffman in 1856, and the couple resided along the Llano River, rearing their seven children. Following service in the Civil War, Huffman purchased 300 acres in this vicinity, spanning from the western slope of Smoothing Iron, or San Fernando, Mountain westward past Cold Creek. The Larremores lived nearby, and the families and the many other settlers in the area soon needed a burial ground. The first recorded grave is that of Huffman granddaughter Laura Sessom (d. 1884). Other family members buried here include James and Martha Larremore Huffman, who both died in 1917. That year, daughter Maria Jane Simpson officially dedicated the existing burial plot as Huffman Cemetery. Family members maintained the burial ground throughout the 20th century, forming a cemetery association in 1980. The graveyard, which serves as a resting place for several veterans, chronicles the lives of Llano County's early settlers and the contributions of the Huffmans and their descendants. (2003)

Lappe House—#16

(On private property - 3.1 miles E. of Hwy 1431 on CR 302)



Near busy Ft. Mason crossing, Colorado River, home of Maurice Lappe, 1884 Swiss emigrant to Texas. Seat of local court. Was among first in Llano to have wire fence, orchards. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1964

Salem Cemetery—#6

(2 miles S. of Hwy 71W. on CR 402A)



William Leggette Lewis, a physician and ordained Methodist minister who served in the Civil War, came to Texas with his family in 1878. Lewis land probably was used for a family and community burial ground before 1884, when Rebecca Ann Stevenson, the daughter of Joseph M. and Eliza T. Stephenson, was interred in the earliest marked grave on this site. Dr. Lewis' son, M. Dee Lewis, was interred here a month later. Dr. Lewis and his wife, Isabelle D. (Palmer) Lewis, deeded 100 square yards of land for the cemetery to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1888. Of the more than 209 known graves in the Salem Cemetery, 61 are unmarked; a few have initials scratched on rocks. Twelve graves are those of Civil War veterans. Others served in World War I, World War II, and the Korean War. (1999)

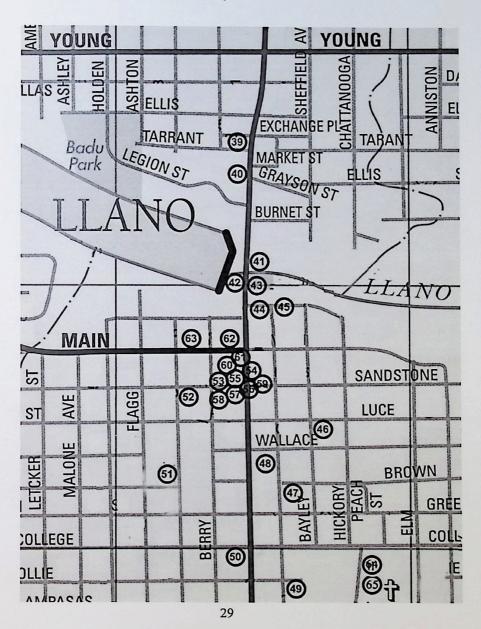
Six Mile School—#29

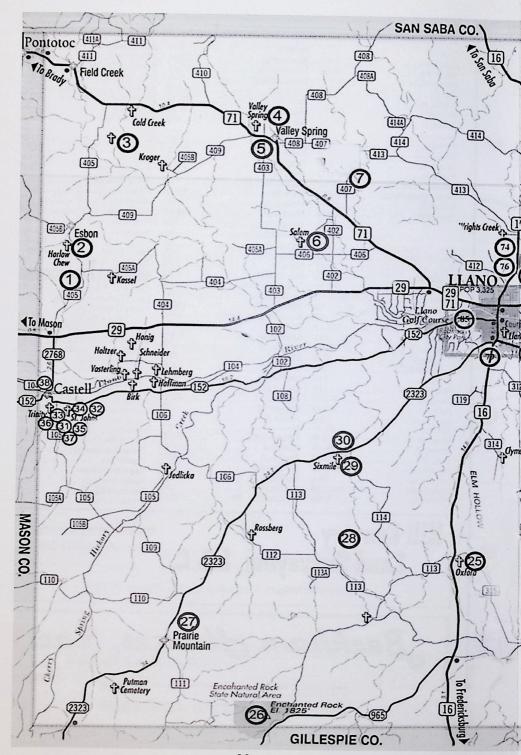
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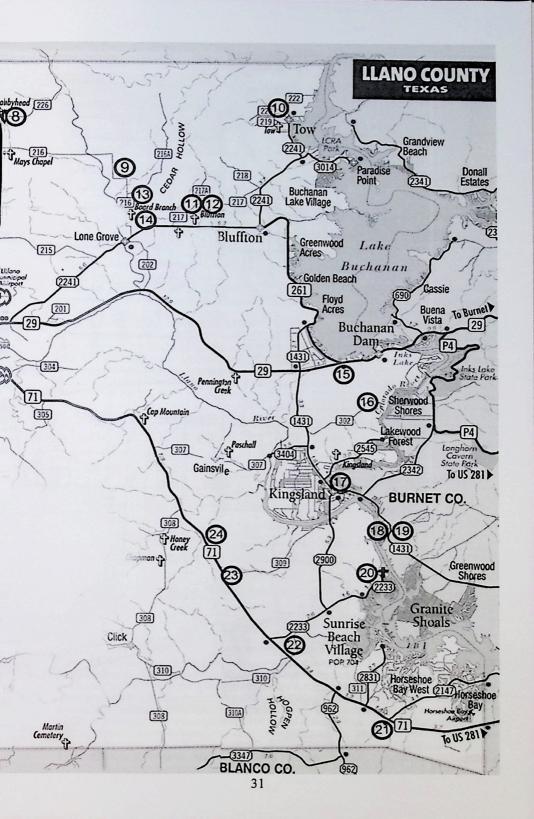


Six Mile community was established in the 1880s. Most residents farmed, ranched or worked in granite quarries. The land around this site was donated to Llano County by William A. and Jane E. Stevens for a school and cemetery in 1883. The first school, called Union School, was erected in 1884. In 1898 it was renamed Six Mile School. Like many rural schools, it was in operation only a few months at a time so that students could assist their families with farm labor. After the local Methodist church closed in the early 1900s the schoolhouse and land around it became the site of church services and revivals for the community. The schoolhouse was renovated in 1930. Classes were held at Six Mile School until 1945. (1999)

The Historical Markers in the city of Llano are mapped below with a majority located on or around the Courthouse Square







Chew Cemetery— #2 (4.5 miles N. of Hwy 29 on CR 405)



Born in West Virginia in 1832, George Oliver Chew came to Texas in 1839. He married Nancy Taylor prior to 1870, and they settled in western Llano County in 1883, purchasing 320 acres of land. This site probably was first used as a family cemetery about 1885 when their infant granddaughter was interred here. The second marked burial was that of a 2-year-old grandson, Osceola Chew, in 1887. George Oliver Chew was interred here in 1901. The Chew family continued to grow, operating a school and later a cotton gin. In 1927 they sold the land to another family, who donated back the one-acre cemetery twenty years later. There are more than 40 known graves in the Chew Cemetery. Both a Confederate and a Union soldier are interred here, as are veterans of other military conflicts. (1999)

Board Branch Cemetery—#13 (0.9 miles N. of Hwy 2241 on CR 216)



This graveyard developed as a public burial ground for the Lone Grove community and surrounding area on the property of W. A. and Sallie Templeton. According to oral history, the earliest grave on this site may be that of William Kinderly, reportedly killed by Indians in 1864. The earliest documented grave is that of Susan Reed (d. 1886), the wife of John S. Reed. There are more than eighty graves dating from 1900 or before. The cemetery is called Board Branch for a mill operation once located on nearby Board Branch Creek. Among the graves of interest on this site are those of Confederate veterans such as Dr. Cyrus Reeves, an Army surgeon from Alabama, and eight others. Veterans of World War I, World War II, and other wars and conflicts are interred here, as well. (2000)

O'Henry School Building-#49

(1500 Oatman - Llano)



The original section of this two-story schoolhouse was completed in 1887 to serve the Llano students living south of the river. Constructed of native sandstone and timber, it was known as the "College Building" because of the stately style. An addition to the north of the schoolhouse, built of locally-quarried granite, was completed in 1902. The school name was chosen to honor the noted Texas writer William Sydney Porter (O. Henry). The O'Henry School building housed all grades until 1925, when a separate high school structure was built. (1981)

First Christian Church of Llano-#48

(1105 Oatman - Llano)



This congregation began worshiping together about 1882. Early services were held in a two-room schoolhouse. By 1886, members were meeting in the county courthouse, and two years later, the church moved to this site. Early baptisms were held in the Llano River. The congregation officially became known as the First Christian Church in 1910. Over the years, classrooms and a fellowship hall were added to the 1888 sanctuary to accommodate membership growth and expanded programs. A part of the cultural history of Llano for more than 100 years, First Christian Church continues to uphold the ideals and traditions of its founders. (2002)

Llano County Granite Industry—#43

(In Grenwelge Park at S. end of Llano River bridge in Llano)



Llano County's granite industry can be traced to 1888, when J. K. Finlay first polished a stone from his mill site and David Stewart opened a quarry south of Llano. Prominent sculptor Frank Teich leased a quarry from Stewart and established Teich Monument Works in 1900. Thirteen varieties of granite were found in Llano County. Noted mineralogist N. J. Badu discovered in the county a form of granite called "Opalene" or "Llanite", which contains opalite flakes. Although difficult to cut, the excellent quality of Llano granite made it suitable for buildings and monuments. (1992)

Grace Episcopal Church—#47

(1200 Oatman - Llano)



Begun as Llano Academy, 1881. Venture failed. Bought 1883 by West Texas Missionary District, Episcopal Church. Building was completed and first worship service held 1889 by Bishop James Steptoe Johnston. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1965

Badu House-#39

(601 Bessemer - Llano)

BADU HOUSE BUILT IN 1891 DURING THE CITY'S IRON PRODUCTION BOOM DAYS, THIS STRUCTURE ORIGINALLY HOUSED THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LLANO. IN 1898 IT WAS PURCHASED BY FRENCH NATIVE N. J. "PROFESSOR" BADU, A NOTED LOCAL MINERALOGIST, FOR USE AS A RESIDENCE. DESIGNED BY THE AUSTIN FIRM OF LARRAMOUR AND WATSON, IT FEATURES RENAISSANCE REVIVAL DETAILING AND A DISTINCTIVE BAND OF NATIVE GRANITE IN A CHECKERBOARD PATTERN. BADU'S DESCENDANTS LIVED HERE FOR MANY YEARS. RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK-1981

Built in 1891 during the city's iron production boom days, this structure originally housed the First National Bank of Llano. In 1898 it was purchased by French native N. J. "Professor" Badu, a noted local mineralogist, for use as a residence. Designed by the Austin firm of Larramour and Watson, it features renaissance revival detailing and a distinctive band of native granite in a checkerboard pattern. Badu's descendants lived here for many years. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1981

Acme Dry Goods Building—#62 (109 W. Main – Llano)

ACME DRY GOODS BUILDING
BUILT IN 1892 BY LLANO BUILDER
AND STONEMASON JOHN GOODMAN
(1852-1935), THIS TURN - OF-THE-CENTURY
COMMERCIAL ROW STRUCTURE HAS
HOUSED A SUCCESSION OF DRY GOODS
MERCHANTS: INCLUDING MRS. RILEY'S
MILLINERY, CARLTON'S DRY GOODS,
AND A STORE OPERATED BY MARTIN
JACOBS. IT WAS PURCHASED IN 1919
BY THE ACME DRY GOODS COMPANY.
THE ONE-STORY BRICK STRUCTURE
FEATURES ROUND - ARCH TRANSOMS
KEYSTONES, AND DOUBLE STORE-FRONT
WINDOWS.
BECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMERK - 1989

Built in 1892 by Llano builder and stonemason John Goodman (1852-1935), this turn-of-the-century commercial row structure has housed a succession of dry goods merchants, including Mrs. Riley's Millinery, Carlton's Dry Goods, and a store operated by Martin Jacobs. It was purchased in 1919 by the Acme Dry Goods Company. The one-story brick structure features round-arch transoms, keystones, and double store-front windows. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1987

Llano County Courthouse-#60

(On Courthouse at East Door)



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Designed by Austin architect A. O. Watson, this building is the fourth courthouse for Llano County. Work on the structure began in 1892 and was completed one year later. The contractors were J. A. and G. H. Wilson of Sulphur Springs. The courthouse was later surrounded by an iron fence, but only the stone foundations remain. Exterior styling of the building features detailing of sandstone, marble, and granite. Fires damaged the interior in 1932 and 1952. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1980 Entered in the National Register of Historic Places 1977

Seaholm, Edna J. Moore – House— #51 (1105 Wright – Llano)

EDNA J. MOORE SEAHOLM HOUSE

BUILT IN 1892 FOR FRANK H. AND ALICE HESTER HARGON WITH MATERIALS PURCHASED FROM THE LLANO BRICK AND LUMBER COMPANY FOR \$600, THIS HOUSE IS A NICELY DETAILED ONE AND ONE-HALF STORY L-PLAN VICTORIAN COTTAGE. NOTABLE FEATURES INCLUDE THE TURNED PORCH COLUMNS, JIGSAWN FRIEZE AND BARGEBOARDS, AND THE BOX WINDOW ON THE PRINCIPAL FACADE. THE HOUSE WAS SOLD IN 1892 TO EDNA J. MOORE (1877-1953) FOR \$1,000. A RANCHER AND BANKER, SHE CONTINUED TO LIVE IN THE HOUSE AFTER HER MARRIAGE IN 1928 TO JULIUS SEAHOLM AND FOLLOWING HIS DEATH IN 1931 UNTIL HER OWN DEMISE.

RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK . 1998

Built in 1892 for Frank H. and Alice Hester Hargon with materials purchased from the Llano Brick and Lumber Company for \$600, this house is a nicely detailed one and one-half story L-plan Victorian cottage. Notable features include the turned porch columns, jig sawn frieze and bargeboards, and the box window on the principal facade. The house was sold in 1892 to Edna J. Moore (1877-1953) for \$1,000. A rancher and banker, she continued to live in the house after her marriage in 1928 to Julius Seaholm and following his death in 1931 until her own demise. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark — 1998

Llano County Jail-#45

(700 Oatman - Llano)

THE LLANO COUNTY JAIL THIS BUILDING WAS ERECTED IN 1895 BY THE PAULY JAIL BUILDING AND MANUFACTURING CO. OF ST. LOUIS, MO. THE GRAY GRANITE FOR THE EXTERIOR WAS QUARRIED IN THE COUNTY. THE RED ROOF OF THE ROMANES QUE REVIVAL JAIL PROVIDED THE BUILDING ITS NICKNAME, AND PRISONERS OFTEN SPOKE OF STAYING OVER AT THE "RED-TOP." THE FIRST FLOOR WAS USED BY THE JAILER FOR HIS OFFICE AND LIVING QUARTERS. THE SECOND FLOOR HAD FOUR CELLS AND TWO DRUNK YANKS. THE THIRD AND FOURTH FLOORS HOUSED THE GALLOWS. RECORDED TERMS KISTORIC LANDMARK - 1979

This building was erected in 1895 by the Pauly Jail Building and Manufacturing Co. of St. Louis, Mo. The gray granite for the exterior was quarried in the county. The red roof of the Romanesque revival jail provided the building its nickname, and prisoners often spoke of staying over at the "Red-Top." The first floor was used by the jailer for his office and living quarters. The second floor had four cells and two drunk tanks. The third and fourth floors housed the gallows. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1979

St. James Lutheran Church— #50 (1401 Ford – Llano)



Founded in 1897, St. Jakobi Evangelish Lutherisch Kirche was organized to serve German Lutherans in the growing community of Llano. Pastor Hugo Krienke, also serving churches in Mason and Leiningen, held German-language services first in Llano's north side school, then in a small frame house on the south side of the river, and later in the First Presbyterian Church until land was purchased in 1908. By 1910, the Lutherans had a small building, and after 1920 services were conducted entirely in English. The members of St. James Church dedicated a new building in 1958. (1997)

Antlers Hotel—#17

(Kingsland - 0.1 mile N. and 0.3 mile W. of Hwy 1431 bridge across Lake L.B.J.)



The juncture of the Llano and Colorado rivers has attracted visitors for millennia. European settlers, including Martin D. King, began moving to the area in the 19th century. King purchased land here in 1877, and it is for him that Kingsland is named. In 1892, The Austin and Northwestern Railroad built a railroad bridge at the Llano-Colorado confluence and a depot between the tracts in Kingsland. At the same time, the railroad company purchased this land from Mrs. N.J. King. The company started construction of the Antlers Hotel in 1900. The two story wooden hotel, which opened in 1901, was designed to welcome railroad passengers, who could easily walk here from the train. Hotel porches afforded views of both rivers, and guests could also stay in small cabins later built on the grounds. Visitors walked across the street to enjoy a park full of cottonwood trees that featured a pavilion with stage and dressing rooms. Behind the hotel, guests and residents fished in the adjoining lake, then called crescent lake. Pleasant and convenient, the railroad resort was frequented by tourist as well as business travelers. As the automobile's influence slowed rail travel, the hotel business quieted; C.E. Schults purchased the hotel in 1913 and later sold it to the Van Der Stucken family in 1923. Former hotel guest Thomas H. Barrow of Austin bought the Antiers, and he and his family spent summers and vacations here. He also purchased surrounding land and after his death in 1936, his family continued to enjoy the property until they sold it in 1993. The hotel and cabins were refurbished and reopened as a hotel complex in 1996, once again offering Texas hill country scenery and recreation to its many guests. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark - 2002

Teich, Frank— #56 (On S.E. side of Courthouse Square – Llano)



A native of Germany, Frank Teich studied under master German artists and sculptors before coming to the United States in 1878. By 1883 he was established in San Antonio as an accomplished stonemason and artist. His supervision of work on the State Capitol led to other jobs, including construction of the Tarrant County Courthouse and the creation of numerous Confederate memorials and other monuments throughout the South. In 1901 he founded Teich Monument Works near Llano, which resulted in the development of the area's granite production industry. He is buried in the Llano Cemetery. (1984)

Llano Woman's Culture Club-#53

(107 W. Sandstone - Llano)



Local music teacher Jennie Clopton (1861-1904) organized the Woman's Literary Society with 16 charter members in 1901. The club established a public library, first called Clopton Library for the club's founder. Other projects of the renamed Woman's Culture Club included landscaping in public areas and scholarships. Club members coordinated a Works Progress Administration project to build a public library building here in 1938-39. Meetings were held at the library until 1953 when George Watkins bequeathed his home to the club. (1997)

Ford Street Commercial Row-#44

(102 E. Havnie - Llano)



These three attached structures are believed to have been built by John Goodman, a builder and stone mason who immigrated to Llano from Germany in 1878. They exhibit typical features of early 20th century commercial structures, including corbelled brickwork. Since 1904, the buff and red brick structures have housed a variety of businesses, including furniture stores, liquor stores, cafes, saloons, mercantiles, bakeries, a saddle shop, domino hall, feed store, and theater. In 1989 the buildings were adapted for use by the Llano County Library. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1992

Prairie Mountain School, Site of-#27

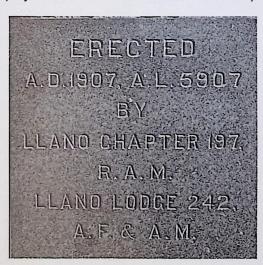
(20 miles S.W. of Llano on Hwy 2323)



German immigrants and pioneer settlers established the Prairie Mountain community, once known as Starks, in the mid 1800s. In 1906 the Putman School near Hickory Creek relocated to this site, and was renamed Prairie Mountain School. Community members built a one-room schoolhouse, which also served as a place of worship, on land leased from Bettie A. Rountree. A larger building, constructed in 1924, served school children until Prairie Mountain consolidated with the Llano school district in 1948. The Marschall family later conveyed the land to the community. The last worship service was held here in 1970, but the building continued to serve as the Prairie Mountain community center. (2001)

Cornerstone of Masonic Lodge Builing-#69

(Hwy 16 across the street East of the Courthouse)



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Lone Grove School—#14

(100 yds. N. of Hwy 2241 at CR 216)



Among the rural schools in early Llano County were Lone Grove, Flat Rock, Little Llano, McNutt and Spice Wood. These rural schools also served their communities as gathering places. Located on a major route between Llano and Burnet, Lone Grove grew, and when officials divided the county into districts in 1884, it became district number two. This schoolhouse dates to 1910, on a site donated by D.P. Speck and J.L. Templeton. In 1937, Lone Grove became one of two rural schools in the county to offer high school courses. Building additions served the growing population until consolidation with Llano schools in 1947. The building is now used as a gathering and polling place. (2002)

Watkins House-#52

(210 W. Sandstone - Llano)

WATKINS HOUSE

MERCHANT AND CIVIC LEADER GEORGE M. WATKINS (1863-1945) AND HIS SECOND WIFE, LUTIE (MCLEAN) (d.1921), FIRST PRESI-DENT OF LLANO'S WOMAN'S CULTURE CLUB, BUILT THIS HOUSE ABOUT 1916. THE HOUSE, PROBABLY BUILT BY LOCAL CONTRACTOR J.R. BLACKMORE, IS A FINE EXAMPLE OF A CRAFTSMAN-INSPIRED STRUCTURE. IT FEATURES FENESTRATION DETAILING, A LOW-PITCHED ROOF WITH DEEP EAVES, AND ORNATE WOOD CRAFTS-MANSHIP. IN 1945 G. WATKINS WILLED THE HOUSE TO THE WOMAN'S CULTURE CLUB WHICH OCCUPIED IT IN 1953. RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1994

Merchant and civic leader George M. Watkins (1863-1945) and his second wife, Lutie (McLean) (d. 1921), first president of Llano's Woman's Culture Club, built this house about 1916. The house, probably built by local contractor J. R. Blackmore, is a fine example of a craftsman-inspired structure. It features fenestration detailing, a low-pitched roof with deep eaves, and ornate wood craftsmanship. In 1945 G. Watkins willed the house to the Woman's Culture Club which occupied it in 1953. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1994

Llano County World War I Veterans-#54

(S.E. corner of Courthouse Square)



In grateful memory of the men of Llano County who made the supreme sacrifice in the World War 1917-1918. Lee M. Anderson, William E. Britton, Otto L. Click, Oscar H. Clinger, Elmer Lee Crockett, Newlan Culbert, William F. Griggs, Homer Grindle, Harry Hedeman, Calvin S. Leverett, Claude Maxwell, Crist H. Paehler, Albert D. Ratliff, Jackson S. E. Rogers, Jacob Tompkins, Walter W. Watkins, Boyd McCutcheon Williams. "If ye break faith with us we will not sleep" Erected by The Shakespeare Club - Llano, Texas.

Cassaday Grey Granite Office Building—#40

(501 Bessemer - Llano)

CASSADAY GREY GRANITE COMPANY OFFICE BUILDING LLANO BUSINESSMAN TYE YATES HILL THIS STRUCTURE פנפנ אנו BUILT HOUSE THE OFFICE OF THE CASSADAY GREY GRANITE COMPANY, SO NAMED NEARBY LAND MAN WHOSE for the CONTAINED A RARE DEPOSIT OF HIGH-QUALITY STONE, THE BUILDING'S ALAMOTIF" PARAPET AND ARCHES REVIVAL FEATURES OF THE MISSION STYLE, AFTER THE 1939 STOCK MARKET CRASH RUINED HIS GRANITE BUSINESS, HILL USED THE BUILDING FOR OTHER A NUMBER OF BAKERIES PURPOSES HAVE OCCUPIED THIS SITE SINCE 1967. RECORDED YEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1973

Llano businessman Tye Yates Hill built this structure in 1919 to house the office of the Cassaday Grey Granite Company, so named for the man whose nearby land contained a rare deposit of the high-quality stone. The building's "Alamotif" parapet and arches are features of the mission revival style. After the 1929 stock market crash ruined his granite business, Hill used the building for other purposes. A number of bakeries have occupied this site since 1967. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark – 1993

Bruhl's Drug Store—#41

(Llano at 310 Bessemer)

BRUHLS DRUG STORE LLANO, TEXAS ESTABLISHED" -1957 OCCUPIED THIS BUILDING GIVEN TO THE LLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC. IN LOVING MEMORY OF PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS ADOLPHUS HERMAN BRUHE AND ANNIE STRICKER BRUHL LOUIS H. BRUHL AND LEDNIE H. BRUHL BY THE A HEBRUHL FAMILY DEDICATED ILANO COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM MAY 4: 1968

Bruhl's Drug Store - established Llano Texas 1900 Occupied this building 1922 - 1957: given to the Llano County Historical Society, inc. 1967 in loving memory of parents and grandparents: Adolphus Herman Bruhl and Annie Stricker Bruhl, Louis H. Bruhl and Leonie H. Bruhl By the A. H. Bruhl family

Dedicated Llano County Historical Museum May 4, 1968

Bruhl's Drugstore, Former Site Of—#41

(310 Bessemer - Llano, on E. side of Museum)



Louis Herman Bruhl (1849-1931) immigrated to the United States from Germany in 1867. He became an American citizen in 1870, the same year he married Leonie Julia Hammale. A merchant and pharmacist, Bruhl lived in Waco and Rockport, and served as U.S. Consul in Italy (1894-1899) before moving to Llano to open a drugstore in 1900. His son Adolph (1876-1937), also a pharmacist, joined him in business. The drugstore building they erected here in 1922 was donated by the Bruhl family to the County Historical Society in 1965 and was later remodled for a museum. (1995)

Bluffton Cemetery—#11

(8.2 miles N.E. on Hwy 2241)



This site was purchased in 1930 by the Emery, Peck and Rockwood Development Company and donated to the Bluffton Cemetery Association in anticipation of the company's construction of what would become Lake Buchanan. They provided the red sandstone for the cemetery's fence, portico and well structure. A number of local cemeteries were relocated here to make way for the dam. Stones that date from as early as the mid-1860s mark burials that were original to the Old Bluffton Cemetery, as well as the Chestnut, Holland, Maxwell, O'Donnell and Olney Cemeteries, and a few graves from below White Bluff. Some 59 burials were not identified, but all graves in the water's path were said to have been relocated in three stages in 1931, 1936 and 1937. One of the first interments here that was not a reburial took place upon the death of Isaac "Ike" Byler Maxwell (1837-1931), who had named the Bluffton Community back in 1854. As a state legislator, he influenced the choice to use native granite for the construction of the state capitol. In addition to varied roles in state and local public service, he was a Disciples of Christ minister. This site, cared for by an association since the 1930s, chronicles the rich heritage of the Bluffton area. Historic Texas Cemetery-2001

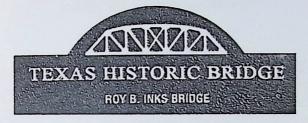
St. John Lutheran Church Cemetery-#31

(0.5 miles E. of Castell on Hwy 152)



The congregation of St. John Lutheran Church had been meeting in its new sanctuary for some four years when the death of one of its members, Anna Charlotte Lillie (Kowierschke) Bauer (1905-1930), led to the purchase of this half acre for use as the church cemetery. Her in-laws, J.W. Bauer (1874-1932) and Bertha (Flint) Bauer (1872-1956), are buried nearby in the same plot. The older grave of Christian Schneider (1838-1920) was moved here from an endangered location near the Llano River. Church members and family descendents care for this site that is a record of the lives of many of the Castell area's beloved citizens. Historic Texas Cemetery-2001

Texas Historic Bridge - Roy B. Inks Bridge-#87



Texas historic bridge, Roy B. Inks Bridge, named for a former mayor of Ilano. The Roy B. Inks bridge was built in 1936 to carry state highway 29 (now state highway 16) over the Ilano river. The inks bridge replaced an earlier 1892 truss bridge at this location, which had been swept away by a 42-foot flood crest on June 14, 1935. The Hayden Cartwright act provided emergency relief funding to replace this and other bridges lost during the catastrophic flooding of 1935.

The inks bridge was designed by the Texas highway department's bridge division during the fall of 1935. It is composed of four 200-foot parker truss spans resting on concrete "cutwater" piers. The construction contract was awarded to the Austin bridge company in January of 1936, and the new bridge was opened to traffic on September 16, 1936.

The bridge features the original west side pedestrian walkway with lattice railings and allriveted construction typical of the 1930's. In 2006, the Texas Department of Transportation added a new, wider pedestrian walkway to the east side in conjunction with this bridge rehabilitation project. Project year 2006

LAKE BUCHANAN— LCRA—#73

(entrance to driveway to Buchanan Dam off Hwy. 29 East)



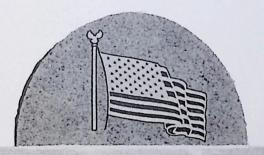
LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY, A Public multiple-purpose project dedicated to the happiness security and welfare of the people. THIS BOULDER GROUP GIVEN BY MR. A.G. MURCHISON

Liano County World War II Veterans - HONOR ROLL—#55 S.E. corner of Courthouse Square)



In memory of those men from Llano County who made the supreme sacrifice in World War II. Garland Banks, Albert H. Bales, Elmer J. Baker, Carl Adrain Beesley, Hal B. Breazeale, Johnie H. C. Clawson, C.M. Cooper, Hudson J. Davis, Alton E. Hodges, Willie Johanson, William H. Milliorn, Duane Murchison, C.A. Mouser, Gumescindo G. Najar, John D. Overstreet, Steve M. Peacock, George O. Powell, Oscar Randolph, Woodrow Ratliff, Elvin E. Simpson, George L. Spencer, Alton J. Tumlinson, W.W. Tyler, Donald Watson, Merle A. Westerman, Thomas W. Wilson, C.W. Willis E. H. Wittkohl Presented by Commissioners Court of Llano County, Texas November 11, 1953

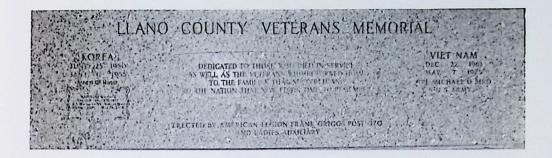
Liano County World War II Veterans— #54 (E. side of Courthouse Square)



LLANO COUNTY WORLD WAR II VETERANS

Names of 800+ Llano County WW II Veterans. Dedicated May 29, 2004

Llano County Korean War and Vietnam War Veterans—#59 (East side of Courthouse Square)



Llano County Veterans Memorial – Dedicate to those who died in service as well as the veterans who returned home to the families that suffered and to the nation that now finds time to remember. Erected by American Legion Frank Griggs Post 370 and Ladies Auxiliary. Korea - June 25, 1950 – January 31, 1955 Medal of Honor Whit Loyd Moreland – Awarded January 5, 1951, U.S. Marine Corps – Korean War – March 7, 1930 – May 28, 1951.

Llano Elementary School-#78

(Llano at 1600 OATMAN STREET)



LLANO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD – J.R. PHILLIPS, PRESIDENT – JIM WATKINS, VICE PRESIDENT – MEMBERS; G.H. KOTHMANN, W.A. ALEXANDER, M.J. STEWART, OTTO NIED, W.J. WILLIAMS. IVA VEST, SECRETARY – C.E. BROWN, SUPERINTENDENT – EITZE—KITCHENS CONSTRUCTION CO., CONTRACTORS – HERBERT E. KELLNER, ARCHITECT 1951

Huffhines, Elmo-#22

(19 miles S.E. of Llano in rest stop on Hwy 71E. at Sandy Creek Bridge)



The Texas Highway Department proudly dedicates this park as HUFFHINES PARK. This park site donated to the Texas Highway Department in 1956 by ELMO HUFFHINES.

Llano County Memorial Hospital—#77

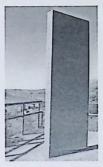
(Llano at 200 West Ollie Street)

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Lake Lyndon B. Johnson-#19

(1 mile E. of Kingsland on FM 1431)



This lake, originally Granite Shoals, was renamed for the President of the United States on April 22, 1965, by the Board of Directors, Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA); in gratitude for his work as U. S. Congressman and Senator toward the development of the project. Mr. Johnson devoted much time and skill to the completion of LCRA programs creating flood control, water conservation and low cost electric power for the people of the Highland Lakes country. A native of this hill country, Mr. Johnson maintains a home on the lake and uses it often as a place for relaxation and the entertainment of guests. It is near his ranch and boyhood home. The body of water impounded by the Alvin J. Wirtz Dam has 6,200 surface acres and 138,000 acre-feet. Construction was begun on the dam in 1949 and since its completion the lake has primarily been a source of hydroelectric energy from the overflow of Lake Buchanan to the North. It is also one of Texas' most outstanding boating and fishing areas. This lake, some 20 miles long, is one of seven in the LCRA which extend 100 miles up the Colorado from Austin. Together they form the largest hydroelectric system in the state.

Llano Jr. High School-80

(Llano at 400 HWY. 71 EAST was built in 1970 as the Llano High School and converted to a Junior High School in 2000 when the new Llano High School was built)



LLANO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES – JIM RENICK PRESIDENT – ELMER R. SMITH VICE PRESIDENT – MEMBERS: DR. POWELL G. CHARLTON, DR. DAN J. HOERSTER, W.F. (BILL) NEEDHAM, HERBERT STEHLING and JIMMIE STEWART – ADMINISTRATION: GLEN R. RHODES, SUPERINTENDENT and MISS IVA VEST, SECRETARY – NOONAN & KROCKER & 'DOCKERY & ROGERS & WHITTON, ASSOCIATED ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS – WALTER DROEMER, GENERAL CONTRACTOR

TEJAS PECAN TREE—#86

(Metal plaque at base of pecan tree on East side of Courthouse)



"TEJAS PECAN TREE" DONATED BY THE TEXAS FOREST SERVICE AND THE TEXAS FORESTRY ASSOCIATION AS A REMINDER TO OUR CITIZENS OF THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COUNTRY, "THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL". LLANO COUNTY BICENTENNIAL ASSOCIATION 1776 – 1976.

111 East Main Street in Llano-#70



111 EAST MAIN HAS BEEN LISTED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR 1989

Robinson Llano City Park—#85

(entrance 2 miles from Courthouse on Hwy 152 West)

ROBINSON LLANO CITY PARK

A TEXAS LOCAL PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE FUND PROJECT SPONSORED BY: THE CITY OF LLANO

TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT

DEDICATED MARCH 20,1989

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ROY GOFF JIMMY WALKER EUGENE RUSSELL R.L. ADAMS-LELAND KASSELL

JEFFREY HOPF

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Watkins Grocery—#88

(South side of East Main Street in Llano)

WATKINS CROCERY

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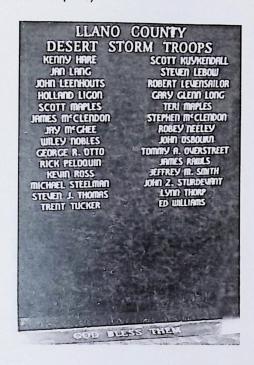
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Llano County Desert Storm Troops-#58

(E. side of Courthouse Square)





On the front: LLANO COUNTY DESERT STORM TROOPS,
DEREK W. ALMOND, LANCE AHRLETT, TOMMY BOSTICK JR., CHRISTOPHER
BRASE, LEE BRUMM, DAVID BURKE, MELANIE CASTRO, GERALD CHAFFIN, JERRY DEATHERAGE, MICHAEL GALLAGHER, BRIAN K. GOODSON, CHRISTOPER
GREENISH, SHANNON HAGINS, LARRY HAMILTON, SHAWN
HAMILTON, TAMMY BURNES HARDEN, KENT HARDENBROCK, DONNA HOPKINS,
HEATHER HOPKINS, JOHN L. HOPKINS, RICHARD T. INMAN, WENDY ELLERS
JAMES, R.L. JONES, BRYAN KERR, WILLIAM KOCH, MICHAEL KONARIK

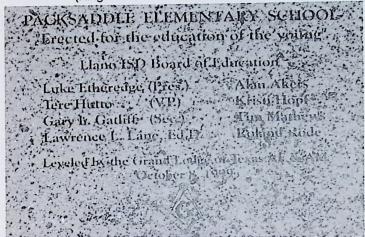
GOD BLESS THEM

On the back: LLANO COUNTY DESERT STORM TROOPS, KENNY HARE, SCOTT KUYKENDALL, JAN LANG, STEVEN LEBOW, JOHN LEENHOUTS, ROBERT LEVENSAILOR, HOLLAND LIGON, GARY GLENN LONG, SCOTT MAPLES, TERI MAPLES, JAMES McCLENDON, STEPHEN McCLENDON, JAY McGHEE, ROBEY NEELEY, WILEY NOBLES, JOHN OSBOURN, GEORGE R. OTTO, TOMMY A. OVERSTREET, RICK PELOQUIN, JAMES RAWLS, KEVIN ROSS, JEFFREY M. SMITH, MICHAEL STEELMAN, JOHN Z. STURDEVANT. STEVEN J. THOMAS, LYNN THORP, TRENT TUCKER, ED WILLIAMS

GOD BLESS THEM

Packsaddle Elementary School—#84

(Kingsland at 150 Pioneer Lane)



"Erected for the education of the young" Llano ISD Board of Education Luke Etheredge (Pres.) – Tere Hutto(V.P.) – Gary L. Gatliff (Sec.) – Lawrence L. Lane, Ed.D – Allen Akers – Kristi Hopf – Tim Mathews – Roland Rode – Leveled by the Grand Lodge of Texas AF & AM October 8, 1999

Also a Granite plaque which reads: "In Memory of The Victims Who Perished In The Attack On America" September 11, 2001 From The First Grade Class

Llano High School-#79

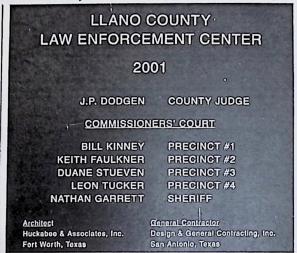
(Llano at 2509 HWY. 16 SOUTH)



LLANO HIGH SCHOOL 2000 – Board of Trustees 1999 – 2000 – Tere Hutto, President – Kristi Hopf, Vice President – Mark Chapman, Secretary – Members: Bill Kirkman, Mark Stephenson, Billy Ratliff and Bob Poole – Jack Patton, Superintendent – Fields & Associates Architect – Emerson Construction Company General Contractor

Llano County Law Enforcement Center - #76

(West side of Hwy 16 North 2 miles from Courthouse)



LLANO COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER 2001, J.P. DODGEN COUNTY JUDGE, COMMISSIONERS' COURT: BILL KINNEY PRECINCT #1, KEITH FAULK-NER PRECINCT #2, DUANE STUEVEN, PRECINCT #3, LEON TUCKER PRECINCT #4, NATHAN GARRETT SHERIFF. Architect: Huckabee & Associates, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas. General Contractor: Design & General Contracting, Inc., San Antonio, Texas.

Llano River Park Project—#82

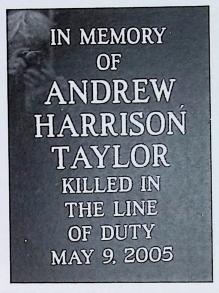
(Grenwelge Park on Haynie Street on South side of Llano River)



LLANO RIVER PARK PROJECT, A Texas Recreation & Parks Account Program Project, Sponsored By The City of Llano and Lower Colorado River Authority With Funding Assistance through the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department; Mayor Terry Hutto, Mayor Pro-Tem Joe David Yates, Council Randolph Franklin, Council Roger Pinckney, Council Lance Center, Council Sarah Franklin, City Manager Kenneth Dowell; City Secretary Martha Box; Contractor: M.B. Bender Company, Kingsland, Texas; Landscape Architect: Land Design Studio, Austin, Texas 2001

Andrew Harrison Taylor—#67

(Llano at Llano Volunteer Fire Hall 301 West Main Street)



IN MEMORY OF ANDREW HARRISON TAYLOR KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY MAY 9, 2005

Castell, Military Personnel—#35 (200 yards E. of Castell on FM 152)

IN GOD WE TRUST
IN HONOR

OF
THE GALLANT MEN AND WOMEN
OF THE CASTELL COMMUNITY WHO
SERVED THEIR COUNTRY IN THE
MILITARY FORCES OF TEXAS AND
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DURING WARTIME AND AT PEACE.
INDIAN WARS
MEXICAN -AMERICAN WAR
AMERICAN CIVIL WAR
SPANISH - AMERICAN WAR
PHILIPPINE - AMERICAN WAR
WORLD WAR I
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KOREAN WAR
VIETNAM WAR
PICTNAM WAR
PRISIAN GULF WARS

"DUTY, HORDA, COUNTRY, THOSE THREE MILLOUED BORDS
REVERDITY DICTITE BURT YOU WILL BE."
DOUGLES MECHANICA

In God we trust – In Honor of the gallant men and women of the Castell Community who served their country in the military forces of Texas and the United States of America during wartime and at peace. Indian Wars, Mexican – American War, American Civil War, Spanish – American War, Philippine – American War, World War I, World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, Persian Gulf Wars. "Duty, Honor, Country, Those Three Hallowed Words Reverently Dictate What You Ought To Be, What You Could Be, What You Will Be." Douglas MacArthur. Erected by Community in 2005.

Llano County Fallen Heroes of the Afghanistan & Iraq Wars—#75

(East side of Courthouse Square)



ON THE FORM: IN HONOR OF ALL FALLEN HEROES OF THE AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ WARS ON TERROR 'LEST THEY BE FORGOTTEN' And on the back: MAJOR TOMMY BOSTICK JR KIA 27 JULY 2007 AFG SGT MARK STONE KIA 28 APR 2008 IRAQ

Llano Municipal Airport—#81

(3 miles North of Courthouse on East side of Hwy. 16)



LLANO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TERMINAL DEDICATED IN MEMORY OF ALL AVIATORS AUGUST 4, 2007 Construction funded by Llano Economic Development Corporation Rick Tisdale President - Todd Humphries Vice President - La Nell McKinney Secretary/Treasurer & Board Members: Janet Mason, David Hussey, Sharon Keilin, and Jeff Kuykendall & Texas Department of Transportation