

*Proceedings
of the Semiannual Meeting*

APRIL 22, 2005

AUSTIN, TEXAS

THE SEMIANNUAL MEETING of the American Antiquarian Society was held in Austin, from Wednesday, April 20 through Saturday, April 23, 2005. The following members were present: Charles Arning, Robert Charles Baron, Henry Bowen Dewey, James Corcoran Donnelly, Ellen Smith Dunlap, Donald Farren, John Bixler Hench, Cheryl Hurley, Julian Lee Lapidés, John James McCusker, Catherine Jean McDonough, Harold Taylor Miller, Barrett Morgan, Donald Frederick Nelson, Calvin Peter Otto, Cynthia Nelson Pitcher, Ann-Cathrine Rapp, Daniel Grant Tear, Meridith Daniels Wesby.

On Friday, April 22, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., the members convened at the Driskill Hotel. Mrs. Wesby read the call of the meeting. Chairman Lapidés presided. The reading of the minutes of the annual meeting of October 22, 2004, was waived. Mr. Lapidés reported the following changes in membership.

Elizabeth Ann John, elected April 1990, resigned December 1,
2004

Louise Taper, elected October 1998, resigned December 1,
2004

Frank Everson Vandiver, elected October 1972, died January 1,
2005

John Munro Woolsey, Jr., elected April 1978, died January 8,
2005

Charles Henry Sawyer, elected April 1946, died February 25,
2005.

James Biddle, elected April 1968, died March 10, 2005.

Mrs. Hurley gave the report of the membership committee. The tellers were Barry Morgan and Donald Farren. The following persons were elected by ballot to membership in the Society: Richard R. Beeman, William T. Buice, III, Johnella Butler, Edward Countryman, Leslie K. Cutler, Wai Chee Dimock, Michael Dirda, Richard S. Gilder, John A. and Judith C. Herdeg, Thomas A. Horrocks, Walter Isaacson, Matthew R. Isenburg, Richard Moe, Beverly A. Morgan-Welch, Marc Pachter, Scott R. Reisinger, Linda Smith Rhodes, David J. Rushford, James A. Secord, Carol Sheriff, James Brewer Stewart, John R. Stilgoe, Jean Fagan Yellin, and Rafia Zafar.

The Report of the Treasurer was presented by James C. Donnelly, Jr.

Ms. Dunlap gave the Report of the Council.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Following the meeting Brenda Gunn, head of the archives, Center for American History, presented an illustrated talk on the manuscript 'Narrative of José Enrique de la Peña' and its account of the death of Davy Crockett at the Alamo.

Meridith Daniels Wesby

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