

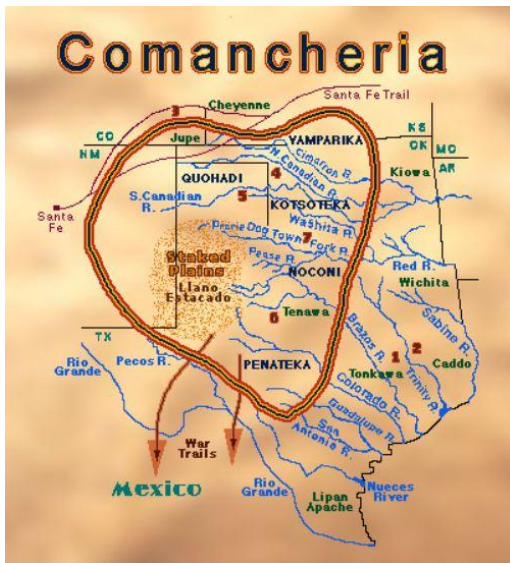
Billy W. Sills Center for Archives/FWISD

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Max Courtney

“Searchers and Skirmishers: Parker County,
Texas and Environs”

November 19, 2016



What was the Comancheria? What brought white men to Native American lands? What battles ensued in the Comancheria as a result?

This presentation looks at these questions and more. It begins with the era “long before the white man and long before the wheel.” As whites came, an explosive mixture resulted. Several battles or skirmishes occurred in the area that had marked the Peters Colony, especially the area west of Fort Worth and Weatherford.

Among their other works, the Comanche developed their skills in theft of horses and livestock, and in kidnapping women and children, often for ransom. The presentation will look at one barely known episode of kidnapping.

Max Courtney is officially retired from forensic science after forty-six years—most recently at Mansfield Police Department. He has participated in a number of high-profile cases and continues to work on some selected investigations. He has also worked as an educator (TCC, UTA and Baylor) and is an amateur historian, as well. This is his fifth presentation at the Billy W. Sills Lecture Series.

Join us for coffee and “nibbles” beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Saturday morning, November 19, 2016, 10:00 to 12:00

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