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Degrees Earned

1969. Ph.D., University of Oklahoma (Geography) Dissertation Title: *Some Economic Aspects of Commercial Cool Season Vegetable Production in the Texas Winter Garden.*

1968. M.A., University of Oklahoma (Geography).

1966. M.Ed., North Texas State University.

1963. B.S., North Texas State University.

1960. Graduate, Bryan Adams High School (Dallas, Texas).

Recent Publications – Books and Monographs

2010. Tiller, Jim. *Before the Line*, Vol. I, An Annotated Atlas of International Boundaries and Republic of Texas Administrative Units. Electronic version available from The Director, Newton Gresham Library, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas 77341. 2010. 124 pages.

2010. Gillespie, Marcus, Dennis Netoff and Jim Tiller. *eWeather and Climate*. Huntsville, TX: The START Group. 2010. 2006 edition, revised. CD. 467 pages.

2008. Tiller, James W. *Our American Adventure: The History of a Pioneer East Texas Family, 1657-1966*. Huntsville, TX: The START GROUP. 2008. 576 pages. Writing Award, First Place, Category I, Family History Book by a Non-Genealogist. Texas State Genealogical Society. October, Abilene.

1971. Tiller, Jim. *The Texas Winter Garden: Commercial Cool Season Vegetable Production*. Research Monograph Series #33, Bureau of Business Research, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas, 1971. 129 pages.

Recent Publications – Articles

2011. Tiller, Jim. "A Case for Dehahuit's Village, Part II." *Caddo Archeology Journal*. Vol. 21 (March 2011). pp. 107-127.

2011. Tiller, Jim. "Darby's Line." *Handbook of Texas Online*. Texas State Historical Association. 2011.

- 2010.** Tiller, Jim. "A Case for Dehahuit's Village, Part I." *Caddo Archeology Journal*. Vol. 20 (March 2010). pp. 1-30.
- 2010.** Morris, Nancy, Donald P. Albert, Jim Tiller. "International Date Line: Time Travel Made Easy." *The Pennsylvania Geographer*. Vol. 48, No. 1 (Spring/Summer 2010). pp. 100-114.
- 2010.** Tiller, Jim. "Teran's Line." *Handbook of Texas Online*. Texas State Historical Association. 2010.
- 2010.** Tiller, Jim. "Looking for a Few Good Family Researchers." Submitted to *Stirpes: The Quarterly Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society*. Vol. 50, No. 4 (December 2010). pp. 67-72.
- 2009.** Tiller, Jim. "Benjamin LaBree, Registrar of the Kentucky Society, Sons of the American Revolution ... and Forger Extraordinaire." *Stirpes: The Quarterly Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society*. Vol. 49, No. 1 (March 2009). pp. 32-35.
- 2009.** Gong, Gang and Jim Tiller. "Exploring Vegetation Patterns Along an Undefined Boundary: Eastern Harrison County, Texas, Late Spring, 1838." *Social Science Computer Review*. Vol. 27, No. 3 (August 2009). pp. 363-379.
- 2008.** Tiller, Jim. "Was Timber Hill the Last Caddo Village in the Caddo Homeland?" *Caddo Archeology Journal*. Vol. 18 (2008). pp. 11-21.
- 2008.** Tiller, James Weeks. "Are You Sure? Local Historians and the Myth of Biff Springs." *Stirpes: The Quarterly Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society*. Vol. 48, No. 1 (March 2008). pp. 10-26.
- 2008.** Tiller, James Weeks. "The April 7 and July 14, 1838 Petitions From Northern Shelby (Modern Harrison and Eastern Panola) County." *Stirpes: The Quarterly Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society*. Vol. 48, No. 3 (September 2008). pp. 10-26.
- 2007.** Tiller, Jim. "The Shreveport Caddo." *Journal of Northeast Texas Archaeology*. No. 26 (2007). pp. 159-167.
- 2007.** Tiller, James Weeks. "The March 11, 1837 Petition to the Congress of the Republic of Texas for the Creation of a New County Called Green." *Stirpes: The Quarterly Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society*. Vol. 47, No. 4 (December 2007). pp. 5-17.
- 2007.** Tiller, Jim. 2007. Mexican Surveying Activity South of Caddo Lake, 1833-1835. *The Texas Surveyor* (the journal of the Texas Society of Professional Surveyors, sort of a cross between a newsletter and a trade journal) (January 2007). pp. 25-28.
- 2007.** Tiller, Jim. 2007. The 1837-1838 American Surveys in East Texas. *The Texas Surveyor* (the journal of the Texas Society of Professional Surveyors, sort of a cross between a newsletter and a trade journal) (March 2007). pp.38-40.

2007. Tiller, Jim. 2007. Range 17W: Gone But Not Forgotten. *The Texas Surveyor* (the journal of the Texas Society of Professional Surveyors, sort of a cross between a newsletter and a trade journal) (May 2007) pp. 38-40.

2007. Albert, Don P., B. Cody Barron and Jim Tiller. "Population Pyramids: Rapid, Slow and Negative Growth." *The Social Studies Texan*. Vol. 23, No. 1 (2007). pp. 57, 72.

Papers Presented

2010. *The Last Years of the Caddo in Northwestern Louisiana*, keynote speaker/presentation, North Louisiana Historical Association. Shreveport, Louisiana. April.

2010. *Tracking the Freeman-Custis Expedition in Eastern Harrison and Panola Counties*, paper presented at the joint meeting of the 52nd Annual Caddo Conference and 18th East Texas Archeological Conference. Tyler, Texas. March.

2009. *There Should Be No Doubt About It, Dehahuit's Timber Hill Was South of Caddo Lake*, paper presented at the East Texas Archeological Conference. Tyler, Texas. January.

2009. *Dehahuit's Village, 1805-1833*, paper presented at the 51st Annual Caddo Conference. Norman, Oklahoma. March.

2008. *Historic-Era Caddo Village Sites in Eastern Harrison County, Texas*, invited paper and participant in a two-day roundtable discussion with both academic and professional archeologists, East Texas Caddo Research Group. Nacogdoches Texas. December.

2007. *Three Caddo Villages in Eastern Harrison County*, invited paper presented at the East Texas Archeological Conference. Tyler, Texas. February.

2007. *Using Family History to Teach Social Studies: An East Texas Case Study*, invited paper presented at the Friends of Geography Conference in Houston, Texas, February.

2007. *Abandoning Timber Hill*, paper presented at the 49th Annual Caddo Conference. Magnolia, Arkansas. March.

2007. *The Origins of a Myth: Big Spring Village, Old Elysian Fields and a Local Historian*, paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Division of the Association of American Geographers. Bryan, Texas. November.

Posters Presented

2009. *What Was Teran Thinking?* poster presented at the East Texas Historical Association. Paris, Texas. February.

2008. *Darby's Corner in Eastern Harrison and Panola Counties*, poster presented at the Jefferson Historical Seminar, Northeast Texas Chapter, Texas Society of Professional Surveyors. Jefferson, Texas. May.

2008. *The 1837-1838 American Surveys in East Texas*, poster presented at the East Texas Historical Association. Nacogdoches, Texas. September.

2008. *Range 17 West*, poster presented at the Southwestern Division, Association of American Geographers. San Marcos, Texas. October.

2008. *Locating William Darby's Corner on the Sabine River*, poster presented at the Southwestern Division, Association of American Geographers. San Marcos, Texas. October.

Teaching Experience

1972-present. Professor of Geography, Sam Houston State University (Huntsville, Texas). Department Chair, 1972-1982.

1970-1972. Assistant Professor of Geography, Louisiana State University in New Orleans (New Orleans, Louisiana).

1969-1970. Assistant Professor of Geography, George Peabody College for Teachers (Nashville, Tennessee).

1967-1968. Graduate Assistant (Geographic Education), University of Oklahoma (Norman, Oklahoma).

1966-1967. Graduate Assistant (Physical Geography), University of Oklahoma (Norman, Oklahoma).

1965-1966. Classroom Teacher, Fifth Grade, Irving I.S.D. (Irving, Texas).

Awards

2008. Writing Award, First Place, Category I, Family History Book by a Non-Genealogist. Tiller, James W. and Albert Wayne Tiller. *Our American Adventure: The History of a Pioneer East Texas Family, 1657- 1966*. Huntsville, TX: The START GROUP. Texas State Genealogical Society. October, Abilene.

2007. 35 Year Service Award, Sam Houston State University, August.

2000. Knight Commander's Accolade, Kappa Alpha Order.

Other Activities

2010. *Adventures on the Road to Texas, Part I*. Presentation to the Walker County Daughters of the Republic of Texas. Huntsville, Texas, October.

2009. *Writing and Publishing Your Family History*. Presentation to the Walker County Genealogical Society. Huntsville, Texas, September.

2009. *Texas, So Close, But Yet So Far. The Story of Range 17 West.* Presentation to the Walker County Daughters of the Republic of Texas. Huntsville, Texas, October.

1990-2007. Faculty Advisor to Kappa Alpha Order (social fraternity), Sam Houston State University (Huntsville, Texas)

1984-present. Member of the Walker County Fair Association (Life Member)

1984-1987. Member of the Huntsville I.S.D. Board of Trustees

1973-1991. Member of the Huntsville Lions Club (Huntsville, Texas)

President: 1977

Lion of the Year: 1975, 1976, 1984

Tail Twister: 1979-1984, 1986-1989