

# Billy W. Sills Center for Archives/FWISD

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## *Carmen Goldthwaite*

“Telling the Stories of Texas Ranch Women & Other  
Sassy & Savvy Dames”

**November 14, 2015**



*Three Centuries of Mettle and Moxie*

Texas would not be Texas without the formidable women of its past, the women featured in *Texas Ranch Women: Three Centuries of Mettle and Moxie*, published by the History Press, Oct 2014.

Beneath the sunbonnets, Stetsons or high-fashion couture, the women of the Lone Star carved out ranches, breathed new life into spreads and expanded acreage when husbands, sons and fathers fell. These

women ran ranches as independent women. Their stories cross the gamut of Texas terrain and include what life was like as Texas settled South and East and then North and West.

Throughout the centuries, the women of Texas' ranches defended home and hearth with cannon and shot. They rescued hostages. They nurtured livestock through hard winters and long droughts and drove them up the cattle trails. They built communities and saw to it that faith and education prevailed for their children and for the children of others. They were generous women.

Ms. Goldthwaite is making a return visit to the Billy W. Sills Lecture Series to share the heroic and, often times, ironic and humorous stories of these sassy and savvy Texas women.

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

**Saturday morning, November 14, 2015**

10:00 to 12:00

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