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invite you to

The Lucy Pier Stevens Diary: A Texas Treasure

a talk by
Vicki Tongate

Ms. Tongate, an SMU honor graduate and Masters candidate is editing and annotating the two-volume diary for publication.

Thursday, November 15, 2001
7:00 p.m.
The Texana Room, DeGolyer Library

Refreshments to follow the program.

The writings of Lucy Pier Stevens offer a detailed account of life in southeast Texas during the Civil War. Lucy came to Texas to visit relatives, but could not return to her native Ohio for six years because the war broke out. The diaries chronicle her life from 1863 to 1867.

An excerpt…

Just four years ago today I bid adieux to home - & friends - with a heavy heart - ’tis true that the good byes must be said, but yet how happy did I then feel in comparison to the present . . . Alas, how great are the changes now - friends are scattered - no news been heard from home since two years ago the 19th of August and no hopes of getting any soon.

Lucy P. Stevens 12/13/1863

PARKING INFORMATION….. (Andrea – weren’t you going to add this?)