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DATES: June 3-5, 2015
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Bartlesville Community Center
300 SE Adams Boulevard
Bartlesville, OK 74003

PARKING: Onsite parking is available in front of the Bartlesville Community Center in the facilities lot, and designated parking for persons with disabilities is located near the front door. Additional public parking is available in designated lots across East 6th Street from the Center and in surrounding lots. Long-term on-street parking is available only with a parking pass that is available with your registration on-site.

Bartlesville is a city rich in history and loaded with big city amenities and events! From its humble beginnings on the banks of the Caney River, to the discovery of oil, to the annual International OK Mozart Festival, to impressive Modern architecture, Bartlesville has much to offer. The Bartlesville Community Center was designed by William Wesley Peters, chief architect of Taliesin Associated Architects, The Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation. Its smooth curves and rounded lines make an architectural statement in the downtown. Its ideal location is within walking distance of the famous Price Tower and downtown shopping, dining, recreational, lodging, museums and other entertainment facilities. OK Mozart International Music Festival (June 6-13) sponsors the conference’s use of the center. Consider extending your stay in Bartlesville and enjoy the festival (http://www.okmozart.com).

REGISTRATION: $40
Deadline for registration (at the $40 rate): May 23, 2015
See registration form in this brochure, or register online at http://downtownbartlesvilleinc.org. Payment for online registration can be made only with a credit card (Visa, MC, Disc., AmEx) via PayPal (PayPal account not required). For questions about online registration, contact Carol Ervin at 918/214-8500 or capitolhill.tif2@gmail.com.

CONFERENCE COSPONSORS:
Oklahoma Historical Society, State Historic Preservation Office; Oklahoma Dept. of Commerce; Oklahoma Main Street Center; Preservation Oklahoma, Inc.; Downtown Bartlesville, Inc.; Bartlesville Area History Museum; Bartlesville Chamber of Commerce; Bartlesville Convention & Visitors Bureau; Bartlesville Redevelopment Trust Authority; City of Bartlesville; Price Tower Arts Center; and Washington County Historical Society

QUESTIONS?
Contact Melvena Heisch, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, at 405/522-4484 or mheisch@okhistory.org or Chris Wilson, Director, Downtown Bartlesville, Inc. at 918/766-4847 or cwilson@DowntownBartlesvilleInc.org Also, see the conference blog at http://okpreservationconference.wordpress.com.

NOTE TO DESIGN PROFESSIONALS:
Conference sessions qualify for HSW hours needed to fulfill requirements of the State of Oklahoma's Board of Governors of Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects, and Interior Designers. Simply register for the conference and sign in at the SHPO’s table when you arrive at the Bartlesville Community Center. There are no additional fees for this service. The SHPO will provide a certificate of attendance after the conference. Self report your attendance to the board.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE (Required):
$________ $40.00 per person if postmarked by May 23, 2015
$________ $50.00 per person if postmarked after May 23, 2015 (or paid at the door)

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES (Fee Required) (See Special Events and Tours)
$________ $35.00 / Awards Banquet (June 4)
$________ $15.00 / POK Conference Mixer (June 4)
$________ $25.00 / POK Annual Meeting and Luncheon (June 5)
$________ $35.00 / Tour #1: Design for the Continuous Present: Frank Lloyd Wright & Bruce Goff in Bartlesville (June 3)
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$________ $25.00 / Tour #3: Living History: Bartlesville Heritage Trail (June 4)
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$________ $25.00 / Tour #5: Bartlesville’s Oily Past: From Oil Wells to Automobiles (June 5)

$________ TOTAL (Registration Fee + Optional Activities)

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES (No fees, just need to know how many.) (See Special Events)
Opening Reception (June 3)
Eggs & Architects, separate checks (June 4)
Archeologists’ Luncheon, separate checks (June 4)
Architectural Historians’ Luncheon, separate checks (June 4)

NOTE: Conference facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. If you require special accommodations, contact Melvena Heisch at 405/522-4484 or mheisch@okhistory.org by 12:00 noon, May 22, 2015.

METHOD OF PAYMENT (Sorry, no credit cards accepted unless you register online.)
Check enclosed, made payable to BCF-DBI.
Purchase Requisition # ______ (Attach copy of PR to this form. PRs cannot be accepted through online registration.)

RETURN REGISTRATION FORM WITH CHECK
OR PURCHASE REQUISITION TO:
Downtown Bartlesville, Inc.
401 South Dewey Avenue, Suite 812
Bartlesville, OK 74033

Deadline for Registration at $40 rate: May 23, 2015. No refunds will be possible if requested after the registration deadline.


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Organization/Firm ____________________________
Address ____________________________
City/State/Zip ____________________________
Telephone ____________________________
E-mail ____________________________

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Tour #2: History Among the Headstones: White Rose Cemetery & Mausoleum (Bus Tour): White Rose Cemetery, established in 1899, is the final resting place for many of Bartlesville’s pioneers as well as a few renegades. The guided tour will focus on the cemetery’s headstones and symbols and on those interred. Participants will visit the 1923 Neoclassical Revival style mausoleum which features ornamental leaded glass windows, bronze doors and imported white marble. Enjoy a box lunch in the shade of the gazebo as you learn about headstone restoration efforts at the cemetery. Wear comfortable shoes.

Tour #3: Living History: Bartlesville Heritage Trail (Walking tour): Listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1991, the Bartlesville Downtown Historic District is a treasure trove for preservation professionals, architectural enthusiasts and history buffs alike. This walking tour leads you through a downtown that cherishes its historic traditions while embracing its transition to the future. You will learn about Bartlesville’s past and also explore the exciting changes that are moving these traditional buildings into modern uses. The tour features the interiors of several buildings. Each tour participant will receive a complimentary copy of the Bartlesville Heritage Trail booklet, a 2010 recipient of the SHPO’s Citation of Merit. Wear comfortable shoes and dress for the elements.

Architecture from classical to organic.

Tour #5: Bartlesville’s Oily Past: From Oil Wells to Automobiles (Bus Tour, limited walking): Bartlesville traces its past to oil, starting with the Nellie Johnstone #1, the first commercial oil well in Oklahoma, to the rise of the automobile and its dependence on gasoline. Phillips Petroleum Company, founded in 1917, imprints the city with its presence – from the original buildings that housed its humble beginnings to the current sprawling corporate complex in downtown. You will start your tour with a reenactment of the Nellie Johnstone’s big blowout, and end with a tour of the Frank Phillips Home. In between you will view numerous architectural treasures that housed Bartlesville’s “oily” past.

Self-guided Tours/Thurs., June 4 and Friday, June 5
Not interested in an organized tour with lunch? Then, you may want to explore Bartlesville through a self-guided tour with lunch on your own. Tour brochures will be provided when you arrive at the Bartlesville Community Center, and your choices include (Tours coded T require personal transportation. Tours coded W are walking tours. Admission fees are noted.):

- W - Cherokee Avenue Historic Homes Tour, Free, 1 hr W/T- Frank Phillips Home, S$, Guided, 90 min
- W - Bartlesville Area History Museum, Free, 90 min
- W - Phillips Petroleum Company Museum, Free, 90 min
- W - Price Tower Tour, S$, Guided, 2 hrs
- T - Woolaroc, Bartlesville, OK, $10, 2-4 hrs
- T - La Quinta Mansion, Bartlesville, OK, Free, 60 min
- T - Dewey Hotel Museum, Dewey, OK, $3, 2 hrs
- T - Tom Mix Museum, Dewey, OK, Free, 2 hrs

TOURS

Tour #4: Into the 20th Century: Bartlesville’s Modern Architecture (Bus Tour): Bartlesville, founded just before the turn of the 20th Century, soon became one of the most prosperous oil producing regions in the world. Explore the East Coast taste for classical buildings developed into Art Deco and the explosion of mid-century modernism by Frank Lloyd Wright, Taliesin Associated Architecture, Clifford May, Hellmuth, Obata and Kassabaum, and Thomas McCory. Trace the development of 20th Century

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS AND THEIR PRESENTATIONS

- Julie Fitzpatrick, Assistant Director/Special Projects Coordinator, Pennsylvania Downtown Center, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania (see Special Events, Elm Street: It’s Not Just Main Street for Neighborhoods).
- Valerie Hauser, Director, Office of Native American Affairs, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Washington, DC, discusses the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (see Special Events, Protecting Our World Heritage) and explains how the ACHP works with tribes (see Special Events, Tribal Preservation Programs).
- Susan Allen Kline, Independent Historic Preservation Consultant, Fort Worth, Texas, in a session about the houses that oil built, discusses Documenting Wichita Falls’ Perkins House: A Rehabilitation Tax Credit Case Study.

Make reservations by May 23, 2015, to receive the group rate. Reference “Conference Code 27A”.

Highway 75/Washington Blvd.

Candlewood Suites
3812 SE Washington Place, Bartlesville, OK 74006
(3.3 mi. from Bartlesville Community Center)
918/766-0044
King/Double Double/Double Queen, $94.00 plus 13% tax (includes breakfast)

Downtown Bartlesville Locations:

Inn at Price Tower
510 South Dewey Avenue, Bartlesville, OK 74003
(Across Street from Bartlesville Community Center)
918/336-4949
King/Double Double/Double Queen, $114.00 plus 13% tax (includes breakfast, reservation must be for a minimum of two nights)

Holiday Inn Express and Suites
4016 SE Price Road, Bartlesville, OK 74006
(4.6 mi. from Bartlesville Community Center)
918/336-0808
King/Double Double/Double Queen, $134.00 plus 13% tax (includes made-to-order breakfast)

Hilton Garden Inn
205 SW Frank Phillips Blvd., Bartlesville, OK 74003
(6 blks from Bartlesville Community Center)
918/336-0808
King/Double Double/Double Queen, $134.00 plus 13% tax (includes made-to-order breakfast)

Lodging
**SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3**

10:00am-12:30pm  
Pre-Conference Tour  
Design for the Continuous Present: Frank Lloyd Wright & Bruce Goff in Bartlesville (Tour #1, See Tours)

1:45pm-3:15pm  
TRACK A: Our Architectural Legacy  
- Price Tower, Bartlesville, Scott Ambler, Amy Haley

**TRACK B: Preservation Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st Century**  
Protecting Our World Heritage  
- UNESCO, the US and World Heritage, George C. Papagiannis  
- U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and How it Relates to Historic Preservation, Valerie Hauser

**TRACK C: Main Streets and Neighborhoods**  
Bartlesville: Settlement, Development, and Preservation  
- The Founding of Bartlesville, Barbara Garrison, Vicki Stewart  
- Adaptive Reuse at Work in Downtown Bartlesville, Chris Wilson

3:15pm-3:30pm BREAK

3:30pm-5:00pm  
PLENARY SESSION #1  
The Future of the Past: Reconceiving Historic Preservation for the 21st Century, Stephanie K. Meeks (See Special Events)

5:30pm-7:00pm  
Opening Reception (See Special Events)

**THURSDAY, JUNE 4**

7:00am-8:15am  
Eggs and Architects 2015, Ron Frantz, Organizer (See Special Events)

8:30am-10:00am  
TRACK A: Our Architectural Legacy  
The Phillips Legacy  
- Frank and Jane Phillips Home Restorations, Jim L. Goss  
- Woolaroc: A National Treasure, Bob Fraser  
- Waite and Genevieve, Tulsa’s Phillips Family, S. Michelle Place

**TRACK B: Preservation Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st Century**  
Tribal Historic Preservation Offices and Tribal Governments as Preservation Partners: Federal and Tribal Preservation Partnerships, James Bird, Joe Watkins

**TRACK C: Main Streets and Neighborhoods**  
Public Finance + City Planning = Stimulating Private Development & Preservation (Using TIF Districts, CDBG, HTC’s, etc.), Julie Miner

10:00am-10:15am BREAK

**Registration:**  
Bartlesville Community Center, Main Lobby  
300 SE Adams Blvd.  
Opens at 12:00 noon, Wed., June 3, and runs throughout the conference.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**TOURS**

**Wednesday, June 3**

Tour #1: Design for the Continuous Present: Frank Lloyd Wright & Bruce Goff in Bartlesville  
Bartlesville has the unique legacy of two of America’s foremost modern architects, Frank Lloyd Wright and Bruce Goff. Explore how Wright came to Oklahoma. You will see the exteriors of several homes, visit Holy Redeemer Church, and enjoy a picnic lunch in the shadow of Goff’s newly restored Play Tower in Sooner Park. Sponsored by Price Connors and Marty Smith. (Assemble at Bartlesville Community Center by 10:00am to board the bus)

architectural historians and preservationists for an informal, separate checks lunch at a most appropriate place for such a group (you will not be disappointed). Enjoy the food and ambience as we chat about preservation matters and historic places. For more information, contact Cindy Savage at archconsulting.savage@yahoo.com. (Separate Checks but Reservations Requested)

Pre-Banquet Reception/SHPO’s Annual Awards  
Banquet: The State Historic Preservation Office invites you to mingle with award recipients and your fellow preservationists as we recognize preservation accomplishments across the state. Festivities begin with a special reception. The celebration continues with the banquet and the SHPO’s presentation of certificates for recent Oklahoma listings in the National Register of Historic Places and the 2015 Citations of Merit.

Banquet guests will hear Scott W. Perkins, Director of Preservation for Fallingwater and former curator of the Price Tower, discuss what a UNESCO World Heritage List inscription means for Bartlesville, Oklahoma, and the United States and how the nomination was initiated in Price Tower: Oklahoma Landmark to World Heritage Nominee.

St. Luke’s Episcopal Church is the location for the reception and banquet. With its design influenced by the Gothic Revival style, the beautiful limestone church was constructed in 1956, and an addition for classrooms, office space and parish hall, was finished in 1983. Sponsored by Sikes Abernathie Architects. (Reservations Required)

POK Conference Mixer: Preservation Oklahoma, Inc. invites you to join them after the SHPO’s awards banquet to unwind with fellow preservationists in an extremely special space (you will not be disappointed). (Reservations Required)

**SPECIAL EVENTS/Friday, June 5**

Preservation Oklahoma, Inc.’s Annual Meeting and Luncheon: POK, Oklahoma’s only statewide historic preservation nonprofit organization, invites you to join them for their annual meeting and luncheon. Come learn more about the organization through a review of its activities and achievements and presentation of its annual awards. Members and nonmembers are welcome to attend. (Reservations Required)

Plenary Session #2: The closing plenary session will feature Tim Samuelson, Cultural Historian, City of Chicago, Cultural Affairs & Special Events. Tim is an authority on the works of Frank Lloyd Wright and Bruce Goff, as well as other Modern style buildings. He will present Thinking in Three Dimensions. Tim’s goal is to get people excited about history especially those who never imagined they would be.

Tim has been instrumental in celebrating and protecting Chicago’s past for more than twenty-five years. He is highly regarded for his stewardship of the cultural and architectural history of the city at the Commission on Chicago Landmarks and the Chicago Historical Society.
Special Events: Before dinner at a restaurant in downtown Bartlesville, join colleagues for conversation, music, wine, local craft beer, and appetizers at the historic Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe MKT Railroad Depot, the offices of the Bartlesville Regional Chamber of Commerce and Bartlesville Convention & Visitors Bureau.

The original brick building was completed in 1909, and stucco was applied during the 1940s rehabilitation. The locomotive No. 940, the sole survivor of 3-2-2 steam locomotives built for the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway is on display at the depot, along with a century-old oil tank car and caboose. Continue your evening with a stroll through historic downtown Bartlesville. Event sponsored by New Leaf Development and the Ross Group. (No Fee but Reservations Requested)

Special Events/Thursday, June 4

Eggs & Architects 2015: Eggs and Architects is an annual gathering of old building enthusiasts during the statewide Preservation Conference. You don’t have to have an architect. You don’t have to order eggs! There is no formal presentation. We simply gather to discuss all things about old buildings. Come join fellow architects, landscape architects, planners, building owners, and visiting speakers. The topics are sure to be as hot as the coffee; the architectural opinions, at least as strong. For more information, contact Ron Frantz at rfrantz@ou.edu. (Separate Checks but Reservations Requested)

Tribal Preservation Programs: Many tribal governments have established historic preservation programs, and some have assumed State Historic Preservation Office responsibilities for historic properties on their tribal lands as provided in the National Historic Preservation Act.

On Thursday morning, James Bird, Chief, Tribal Preservation Program, and Joe Watkins, Supervisory Anthropologist and Chief, Tribal Relations and American Cultures, both with the National Park Service, U. S. Department of the Interior, will discuss federal and tribal preservation partnerships. Valerie Hauser, Director, Office of Native American Affairs, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, will explain how the ACHP, the independent federal agency that administers the review of federal undertakings per the NHPA, works with tribes.

In the afternoon representatives of several Oklahoma tribes will talk about the challenges they face in protecting the places of special importance to them. They will share their many successes and detail the programs they have initiated to document and preserve tribal heritage. These sessions offer an opportunity for Oklahoma’s preservation community to learn about tribal concerns and to find ways to increase collaboration among all of the state’s preservation partners.

Elm Street: It’s Not Just Main Street for Neighborhoods: As we watch Main Street succeed in historic commercial district revitalization in dozens of Oklahoma towns and in hundreds of communities nationwide, local leaders wonder how to achieve similar results in residential areas. Too many of the nation’s urban neighborhoods have fallen into disrepair.

Disinvestment, outmigration and aftershocks of urban renewal have left many of these historically rich communities battling for survival. Julie Fitzpatrick, Assistant Director/Special Projects Coordinator, Pennsylvania Downtown Center (PDC), will discuss her agency’s Elm Street Program, initiated in 2004 to address these issues.

The PDC recognized that these “core communities” are a major untapped asset, and with help from an Elm Street program, these historic, authentic and unique neighborhoods can once again thrive, supporting the downtowns and commercial districts that they surround. Similar to the Four Point Main Street approach, the five point Elm Street approach includes safe, clean and green; neighbors and economy; design; image and identity; and sustainable organization (read more at http://www.padowntown.org).

Architects’ Luncheon: Professional architects and archaelogists interested in the study of Oklahoma’s distant past are welcome to join an informal, separate checks lunch and discussion at a local restaurant. Talk about current research projects and the challenges for preservation of archaelogical resources. For more information, contact Cate Wood at cwood@okhistory.org. (Separate Checks but Reservations Requested)

Architectural Historian’s Luncheon: Join other

Schedule at a Glance

10:15am-11:45am TRACK A: Our Architectural Legacy
Certified Rehabilitation: The Application Process Step-by-Step, Antonio Aguilar, Harry Simms

TRACK B: Preservation Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st Century
Tribal Historic Preservation Offices and Tribal Governments as Preservation Partners (Cont’d)
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and Its Tribal Program, Valerie Hauser

TRACK C: Main Streets and Neighborhoods
Elm Street: It’s Not Just Main Street for Neighborhoods, Julie Fitzpatrick

11:45am-1:45pm
(See Tours for the following)

• Tours with Lunch
History among the Headstones: White Rose Cemetery & Mausoleum (Tour #2)
Or
Living History: Bartlesville Heritage Trail (Tour #3)

• Self-Guided Tours with Lunch on Your Own
Archeologists’ Lunch, Catharine M. Wood, Organizer
Architectural Historians’ Lunch, Cynthia Savage, Organizer

1:45pm-3:15pm

TRACK A: Our Architectural Legacy
Rehabilitation Roundtable
Bartlesville’s Arvest Bank, Scott Ambler
Washington County Hospital, Mark Larson
Bartlesville’s McCoy Building/Yale Theater, Davna McCoy
Oklahoma City’s Rock Island Plow Building, Timothy Neville-Lee

TRACK B: Preservation Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st Century
Oklahoma THPOs and Tribal Preservation Programs
Using GIS to Protect Choctaw Historic and Sacred Sites, Ryan L. Spring
Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma’s Preservation Programs, Robin Dushane

TRACK C: Main Streets and Neighborhoods
Neighborhoods and Preservation
Muskogee’s Historic Neighborhoods and Their Preservation, Jonita Mullins
Oklahoma City’s Miller Neighborhood, Katie Freddie, Bruce Hall, Cynthia Savage

3:15pm-3:30pm BREAK

3:30pm-5:00pm TRACK A: Our Architectural Legacy
Rehabilitation Roundtable (Cont’d)
(Features Certified Rehabs of All Sizes for Tax Credits)

• The Tower Theatre, Main Street Arcade, and Townhouse Hotel, David Vanzer
Rehabilitation in Tulsa’s Brady District, Chris Lilly
Rehabilitation of 536 Osage, Pawhuska, Bruce E. Smith
Okmulgee’s Bringing Back The Mac: Completing the HPCA, Part 1, Margaret Hess
**THURSDAY**

**Federal Agencies and Oklahoma’s Archeology**

**TRACK B: Preservation Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st Century**
- Miami Tribe of Oklahoma’s Preservation Programs, Diane Hunter, George Strack
- Cherokee Nation’s Preservation Programs, Roy Hamilton
- Muscogee (Creek) Nation’s Preservation Programs, Melissa Harjo-Moffer, Johnnie Jacobs

**TRACK C: Main Streets and Neighborhoods**
- Houses and Neighborhoods that Oil Built
  - Documenting Wichita Falls’ Perkins House: A Historian’s Dream, Susan Allen Kline
  - Tulsa Neighborhoods that Oil Built, Amanda DeCort

**FRIDAY, JUNE 5**

**Preservation Oklahoma, Inc.’s Conference Mixer**
- 6:15pm/7:00pm

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  - **TRACK B: Preservation Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st Century**
    - Oklahoma THPOs and Tribal Programs (Cont’d)
  - **TRACK C: Main Streets and Neighborhoods**
    - How Main Street Works in Cities of All Sizes
      - The Urban Experience and Main Street, Ed Sharrer
      - Mid-sized Towns and Main Street, Kelly Tompkins
      - Small Towns and Main Street, Karen Dye
      - Ready or Not, Main Street, Here We Come!, Pam Shelton
    - Into the 20th Century: Bartlesville’s Modern Architecture (Tour #4)
      - Or
      - Bartlesville’s Oily Past: From Oil Wells to Automobiles (Tour #5)
      - Self-Guided Tours with Lunch on Your Own
  - **SPECIAL EVENTS/Wednesday, June 3**
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      - **PROTECTING OUR WORLD HERITAGE:**
        - **Protecting Our World Heritage:** With Modern architecture and international preservation issues featured in the conference program, a recent U. S. Department of the Interior announcement came at the perfect time. The United States is nominating Key Works of Modern Architecture by Frank Lloyd Wright to the World Heritage List (WHL). The group consists of ten buildings from seven states, including Bartlesville’s Price Tower. The UNESCO World Heritage Committee will consider the nomination in the summer of 2016.
        - First, **George C. Papagiannis**, External Relations and Information, UNESCO, will highlight the work of the international organization and its World Heritage List (WHL). The group consists of ten buildings from seven states, including Bartlesville’s Price Tower. The UNESCO World Heritage Committee will consider the nomination in the summer of 2016.
        - Then, **Valerie Hauser**, Director, Office of Native American Affairs, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, will discuss the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (also see Tribal Preservation Programs below). She advises ACHP leadership on policy matters and historic preservation issues affecting Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations and provides technical expertise to federal agencies regarding tribal and native Hawaiian consultation. Valerie also represents the ACHP on government-wide initiatives involving indigenous issues.
      - **Plenary Session #1:** Conference participants come together for a special welcome to Bartlesville and to hear from one of the nation’s leading preservationists, **Stephanie K. Meeks**, President of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. She will present The Future of the Past: Reconciling Historic Preservation for the 21st Century. Stephanie has been the president and chief executive officer of the NTHP since July 2010. Under her leadership, the organization has developed an ambitious strategic plan designed to refocus direct action on saving imperiled places, engage new audiences in preservation, and increase the organization’s impact by a factor of ten. The NTHP is working to bring a more diverse and younger group of Americans into the preservation movement, and support their efforts in their communities and across the nation. It has also launched an effort to highlight the critical connection between older buildings and vibrant cities, and spearheaded research reflecting the benefits of historic preservation in today’s urban areas.