



Mistletoe Leaves



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Fort Gibson Historic Site to host Candlelight Tours

Fort Gibson Historic Site is taking reservations for the 2010 edition of its Candlelight Tours. The tours will take place on Saturday, December 11, between 6 and 9 p.m., with tour groups starting approximately every fifteen minutes.

This year's production is entitled "This Land is Whose Land?" and is set in 1824. Visitors will see the fort during its first year and hear the views of the officers, enlisted men, government officials, and tribal leaders about what was happening in the surrounding region during that time.

The year 1824 was a turbulent time for what would become eastern Oklahoma. While it appeared that the area had become the western part of Arkansas Territory, the issue was by no means permanently settled. There were many who wanted the region set aside for other purposes. While debates were held and decisions were made, the army and Fort Gibson were considered necessary to keep the peace and order.

Admission for tours is \$7, and reservations are required. For reservations or more information, contact 918/478-4088 or fortgibson@okhistory.org.



Holiday Spirit arrives at Chisholm Trail Museum and Governor Seay Mansion



In the Netherlands St. Nicholas is known as *Sinterklaas*. Dutch children are told that he arrives from Spain on a steamer on his feast day, December 6. The night before, they fill their shoes with hay and sugar for his horse, and in the morning the children awake to find them filled with gifts such as nuts and candy.

The Chisholm Trail Museum and Governor Seay Mansion invites visitors to come and learn about Christmas around the world. Throughout December the museum and mansion will sport their holiday finery and on Sunday, December 12, will host the annual

Open House from 1 to 4 p.m.

The Pioneer Village will provide guests with a taste of what Christmas was like on the prairie more than a hundred years ago. Visitors will be able to visualize families decorating their cedar trees using such items as bits of cloth and dried apples.

The halls of the museum will be decked out with trees decorated by area students.

The Seay Mansion will be adorned with ornaments befitting the beautiful 1892 Victorian home. A special treat will be waiting for mansion guests. The Gift Givers representing the traditions of many countries will be visiting again this year from 2 to 4 p.m. They will be wearing the beautiful costumes of their homeland, and each will be telling their own story.

From the log cabins to the Victorian mansion and spaces in between, there will be a feast for the eyes and soul—and even some refreshments!

The museum and mansion are located at 605 Zellers Avenue, Kingfisher. Hours of operation are: Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed Sunday and Monday. For more information, contact 405/375-5176.



Murrell Home hosts Christmas Open House

The historic Murrell Home at Park Hill will be hosting its 10th Annual Christmas Open House on Sunday, December 12 from 1 to 5 p.m. Visitors are invited to tour the 1845 mansion and learn about Christmas customs of the mid-Victorian period. The halls will be decked in Christmas fashions of the 1800s.

This year's theme is "Cherokees and Freemasonry." A special exhibit will highlight the Cherokees' rich history with the Masonic order. George Murrell's Masonic vestments will be showcased in the library of the home. Live music and craft demonstrations will take place throughout the day. The Friends of the Murrell Home will sponsor a reception with refreshments.

The Murrell Home Christmas Open House is free and open to the public, but donations will be appreciated.

The historic site is located three miles south of Tahlequah at 19479 E. Murrell Home Road in Park Hill. The home was built in 1845 as the residence of George and Minerva (Ross) Murrell, and it is a National Historic Landmark. For more information, contact 918/456-2751 or murrellhome@okhistory.org.





Director's Column

By Bob L. Blackburn
Executive Director

At the Oklahoma Historical Society, Indian national sovereignty is more than just an historical theme for interpretation of the past. To us, sovereignty is an opportunity for partnerships that accomplish a long list of shared goals today and in the future.

Our partnership with the Chickasaw Nation goes back to the 1990s when we wrote special legislation that allowed us to transfer both the Chickasaw Council House and the White House of the Chickasaws to the tribe.

Since then, we have worked arm in arm with Governor Bill Anoatubby and his staff to duplicate all Chickasaw maps, documents, and correspondence in our possession for use at their new cultural center. In return, the Chickasaw Nation has made several grants to the OHS to purchase a digital scanner for microfilm, a flatbed scanner that can digitize documents up to forty-two-inches wide, and contract labor to make the transfers.

Heritage tourism has been the common goal of the OHS and the Cherokee Nation in a number of partnerships. As early as the 1990s, we transferred the Cherokee Courthouse at Gore to the nation.

More recently, our archives staff worked with the new cultural tourism office of the nation to tell the story of the Cherokee Na-

tion Supreme Court Building in Tahlequah. Most of the documents on display are from our collections.

Two years ago, just as 17.4 percent budget cuts hit us, the Cherokee Nation stepped up and contributed a grant to maintain full operations at Sequoyah Home Site, the Murrell Home, and Fort Gibson. This past year, they continued the grant so these important Cherokee sites will be accessible to students and tourists.

When we opened the Oklahoma History Center, tribal partnerships were reflected in the fabric of the exhibits. Every year, we rotate one of four exhibit areas to another tribe. This year, it is the Caddo Nation. For more than a year, our staff worked with Caddo employees and museum board members on the story to be told, the objects to be used, and the design of the exhibit.

In the 1990s we worked with the National Chilocco Alumni Association to gather and preserve scrapbooks, yearbooks, oral histories, and biographical sketches. All of this information about students and teachers complemented official records of the school from 1884 to 1934 already in our collections.

On the other side of this partnership, the State Historic Preservation staff worked with officials of the Confederated Tribes of Chilocco (Osage, Kaw, Pawnee, Ponca, and Otoe-Missouri) to nominate the Chilocco school to the National Register of Historic Places. Then we used grant money to hire a historian to write a nomination for status as a National Historic Landmark.

Yes, to us tribal sovereignty is more than just a historical theme. It is the opportunity to forge partnerships based on respect and mutual benefit to collect and preserve our shared history.

Development News

By Paul F. Lambert

We have had a number of questions about possible contributions to assist the OHS in rebuilding the barracks building at Fort Washita that was destroyed by arsonists.

This facility was one of the most heavily used historic properties of the OHS, and at present, our plans are to rebuild. We are in the process of determining if the original stone walls are safe to reuse or if the heat compromised them in terms of safety. If they can be retained, that will reduce the reconstruction costs. In addition, we are working with our insurance adjustors to determine how much of the reconstruction costs can be covered by insurance. Finally, once we resolve the situation with the original walls, we can get a total cost for rebuilding.

Once we determine how much we need to raise, we definitely will entertain donations and will work with local groups who have expressed their intent to help. Fort Washita and this particular building are vitally important to the history of Oklahoma, and we appreciate all of those who have asked how they can help. Incidentally, three suspects have been arrested and are awaiting trial.

Other OHS museums and historical sites throughout the state need additional local support in the form of financial contributions, memberships in friends groups, and volunteerism. You may review our sites and museums on our website, www.okhistory.org, and contact the staff person indicated for more information. You can also contact me at 405/522-5217 or plambert@okhistory.org with any questions.



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Meetings

The Oklahoma Genealogical Society will hold its monthly meeting Monday, December 6, at 6 p.m. at the Oklahoma History Center in **Oklahoma City**. Chairman of Acquisitions Paul Quillin will present an overview of the information contained in the Southern Historical Society Papers (SHSP). The collection, published from 1876 to 1943 in fifty-eight volumes, describes the life of the Confederate soldier and the conduct of the Confederate armies and government during the Civil War. Mr. Quillin will also demonstrate how to use the SHSP and other online resources to search for information on a Civil War soldier.

Publications

The Noble County Genealogy Society has made *The History of Noble County, Volumes I and II*, available for purchase. *Volume I* was published in 1987 and includes seven chapters covering topics including Indian Territory, Opening of the Cherokee Strip, County Activities, Townships of Noble County, Communities Past and Present, Businesses, Family Stories, and has an appendix of homesteaders and their claim patent numbers. *Volume II* was published in 2008 and features chapters titled Before the Run; After the Run; Cities, Towns, and Communities; Businesses, Organizations, and Clubs; Schools of Noble County; Churches; Military; and Families. It also contains corrections to *Volume I*. If enough interest is generated in the county history, a third volume will be compiled, so Noble County family history submissions are encouraged. The society members also invite people interested in family history to join them at their meetings held on the third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Thelma Knox Brown conference room at the **Perry** Carnegie Library. Membership dues are \$15. To order copies of *The History of Noble County* at \$76.30 per volume, contact the Noble County Genealogy Society, P.O. Box 785, Perry, OK 73077 or at ncgs@mail@rocketmail.com.

Events

The **Oklahoma City** Train Show will be held at the Travel and Transportation Building at the Oklahoma State Fairgrounds December 4, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and December 5, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event is sponsored in part by the Oklahoma Railway Museum.

An 1880s territorial Christmas will come to life at the Harn Homestead in

Oklahoma City on Thursday, December 2, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Enjoy the period holiday decorations while sampling treats, making crafts, and visiting with Santa! For more information, contact Nancy Coggins at 405/235-4058. The Harn Homestead is located near the Capitol building at Northeast 17th and Lincoln Boulevard.

Visit **Guthrie** during December to celebrate the holidays! Candlelight trolley tours are available Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays during the month of December beginning at 6 p.m., 7 p.m., and 8 p.m. The tours board in front of the State Capitol Printing Museum. Adults are \$3, children under twelve ride for \$1, children under two are free. For more information call 405/282-6000. Guthrie will also host its annual Victorian Christmas Walks on Saturday, December 11 and 18, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Visitors can walk through the historic first state capitol while listening to carolers, sampling the wares from peanut vendors, and looking into more than sixty decorated store windows with live exhibits depicting nineteenth-century Guthrie. Admission for the Victorian Christmas Walks is free. For details, please call 405/282-1947.

Tahlequah's historic Thompson House will host a Victorian Christmas celebration Friday, December 3, to Sunday, December 5. Activities will take place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Characters dressed in Victorian clothes will take guests around the house and assist visitors through the hundreds of hand-crafted items for sale. The Thompson House kitchen will be selling homemade treats including its famous pepper jelly. For more information, contact Kate Kelly at 918/456-1595.

Live holiday music, storytelling, crafts, and photographs with Santa will all be available at the Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of History in **Norman** during its Holiday Happening on December 2 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The event is free, and special discounts will be offered in the museum gift shop to make a dent in that holiday shopping. Call 405/325-4712 with questions.

On December 19, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Fort Reno will observe an old tradition brought to the United States by German immigrants. The firing of the Christmas guns was believed to dispel the year's evil in preparation for the upcoming holiday. Along with the discharging of firearms, the fort will have storytelling and a visit

from St. Nick himself. Fort Reno is located four miles west of **El Reno**. For more information, contact Bob Warren at 405/262-3987.

Muskogee's Honor Heights Park will be illuminated with more than one million shimmering lights this December for the Garden of Lights Festival. The lights will be on from dusk until 10 p.m. each evening from November 25 until December 31 and admission is free. Contact Mark Wilkerson at 918/684-6302 for more information.

The citizens of **Pawnee** will be ringing in the New Year with a Courthouse Square Ball Drop on the evening of December 31, with the festivities starting at 10:30 p.m. Activities include a bonfire, music, and the ball drop. Visitors can warm up with hot chocolate and black-eyed peas, the traditional good luck dish for New Year's Day. Admission is free. For more information, contact Bill Gosnell at 918/762-2108.

Opportunity

The Carl Albert Congressional Research and Studies Center at the University of Oklahoma in **Norman** is seeking applicants for its Visiting Scholars program. The program provides financial assistance to researchers working at the center's archives. Awards of \$500-\$1,000 are usually granted as reimbursement for travel and lodging. The center's holdings include the papers of former members of Congress from Oklahoma as well as documents pertaining to public policy affecting agriculture, American Indian affairs, energy, foreign affairs, and the economy. A description of the collections can be found at www.ou.edu/special/albertctr/archives/. Graduate students researching for a publication, thesis, or dissertation are encouraged to apply. Professional researchers and writers are also invited to apply. There is no standardized application, but each applicant should submit 1) a research proposal of no more than one thousand words; 2) a personal vita; 3) an explanation of how the Carl Albert Center's resources will aid the researcher; 4) a budget proposal; and 5) a recommendation letter from an established scholar in the researcher's discipline attesting to the significance of the research. Applications are accepted anytime. For more information, please contact Archivist, Carl Albert Center, 630 Parrington Oval, Room 101, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK 73019. You can also call 405/325-5835 or email channeman@ou.edu for more information.

Christmas Open House at Sod House Museum

Christmas Open House at the Sod House Museum will be held Saturday, December 18, from 2 to 4 p.m. Come and see the vintage Santas and enjoy the Christmas carols they will be singing. Friends of the Sod House will be serving cookies and hot cider.

The Santa Claus of twentieth-century America is the legacy of Christian tradition, ancient and modern social customs, centuries-old legends, historical facts, and the conception of a long line of writers and artists on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean.

The Oklahoma Historical Society developed this holiday program that depicts many of the historic Santas, who tell their own part of the Santa Claus story. They dress authentically in their time period and country of origin. This year the Santas also will be singing Christmas carols for visitors to the Sod House Museum. Come join the celebration and visit Grandfather Frost, Babushka, Black Peter, Weihnachtsmann, La Befana, Saint Nicholas, and other Santas.

The Sod House Museum is located north of Cleo Springs on State Highway 8. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, contact 580/463-2441 or sodhouse@okhistory.org.



“Pink Heals” Tour visits Pioneer Woman Museum and Statue

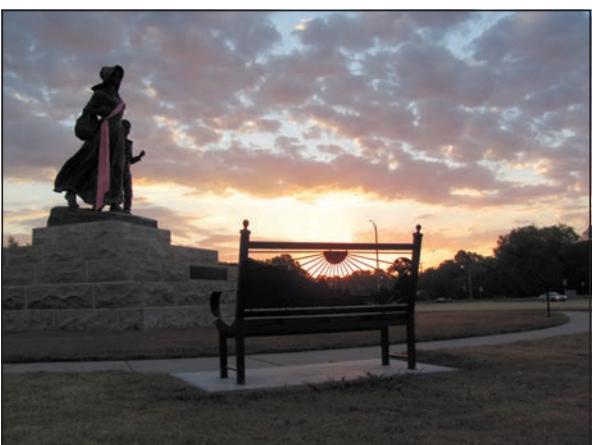
On October 21 the “Pink Heals” Tour visited the Pioneer Woman Museum and Statue. The Pioneer Woman Statue was added this year to the route for this annual tour that is conducted by the Guardians of the Ribbon, who are firemen fighting cancer.

These firemen wear fully pink fire gear and tour the nation in pink fire trucks to show their support for and offer hope to women battling cancer. They also encourage men to become involved in supporting these women. Survivors are encouraged to meet the tour members and sign the trucks, along with family members who may sign names of loved ones who have lost their battle with cancer.

Sherry Cable of Ponca City donated a pink sash that was placed on the Pioneer Woman Statue, and the museum was adorned in pink when hosting a lunch for the touring firemen and several local volunteers. The Pioneer Woman Museum and Statue will be on the national tour route again in 2011. You can visit www.pinkfiretrucks.org to learn more about the Guardians, their mission, and their touring schedule.

In December the Pioneer Woman Gift Shop will hold its annual clearance sale through the Christmas holiday, and it will celebrate the Pioneer Woman of the Year at the Renaissance Winter Ball that will be held at the Marland Mansion on Friday, December 17, at 7 p.m. Tickets for the event are \$40 and are on sale at the Pioneer Woman Museum and Marland Mansion.

The Pioneer Woman Museum and Statue is located at 701 Monument Road in Ponca City. For more information, contact 580/765-6108 or piown@okhistory.org.



Winter Solstice Walks at Spiro Mounds

At Spiro Mounds on Tuesday, December 21, archaeologist and site manager Dennis Peterson will lead guided tours starting at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., and 7 p.m. Each walk will take about two hours and will require a mile of easy walking.

During each tour Mr. Peterson will tell about this unique prehistoric American Indian mound site, the types of mounds, why they were created, and why some of the mounds are lined up for the sunsets of the solstices and equinoxes. He will share the history of the site's excavations, American Indian ceremonies and stories, and tales of unusual events associated with the mounds. For those wishing to see the sunset, the 2 p.m. walk will end just before sunset, which is when the alignment will take place.

You are invited to come to Spiro Mounds to experience one of the most unique historical sites in the United States as seen through the eyes of an archaeologist.

The fee for the tours is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children. No reservations are required unless you are bringing a large group. Be certain to dress for the weather.

Spiro Mounds is located at 18154 First Street in Spiro. For more information, contact 918/962-2062 or spiro@okhistory.org.



History Center to hold movie on electric guitar history

On Saturday, December 18, from 1 to 3 p.m., the Oklahoma History Center will present the movie *Electrified: The Guitar Revolution*. Produced by the Smithsonian Channel, the movie details the history of the world's most popular musical instrument—the electric guitar. The movie's story line ranges from the early days of the "Model U" and Rickenbacker Frying Pan to the modern days with guitars made by Fender and Gibson. *Electrified* tells the fascinating history with vintage footage, interviews with rock historians, and live performances on the electric guitar.

Admission is free. For more information, call 405/522-0972 or email ttoney@okhistory.org.

Gift Shop News

by Russ Haynes

It's Christmas time here at the History Center. Decorations are going up and they are beautiful. Happy holidays everyone! I am sure you have heard about our Okie Cartoonist exhibit. Many of you have visited the History Center and have seen how many folks from Oklahoma have had an impact on the world of comics and cartoons. It is amazing how talented and imaginative Oklahomans are! Listed below are just some of the items we are now carrying in the Gift Shop related to this exhibit. There are many items just right for the kid—or adult—on your Christmas list who loves comics and cartoons. At this special time of year I also want to say "thank you." It is truly a joy for me to be able to serve you as one of the OHC Gift Shop managers. Please continue to offer suggestions and let us know what you would like to see offered in the future.

To order you can call us at 405/522-5214. Please make checks payable to the Oklahoma Historical Society. To facilitate orders paid for by check we ask that, if possible, you call or email first to check for product availability. If this is not possible, don't worry, we will do our best to fill any part of your order that we can. Overseas members must email us for a shipping quote before submitting an order. For questions and suggestions you can call us or email us at giftshop@okhistory.org. Thanks once again for your patronage, and we look forward to hearing from each and every one of you!

Bobble Heads:

Marvel Comics "Avengers, Captain America"	\$13.99
Marvel Comics "Fantastic Four, The Thing"	\$10.99
Marvel Comics "X-Men, Wolverine"	\$10.99
Marvel Comics "Avengers, Iron Man 2"	\$10.99
Star Wars "Yoda"	\$13.99
Star Wars "Darth Vader"	\$10.99



Come see some of the items available in the Gift Shop at the Oklahoma History Center!

Plush Dolls:

Justice League "Batman"	\$9.95
DC Universe "Superman"	\$9.95
DC Universe "Green Lantern"	\$9.95
DC Universe "The Flash"	\$9.95



Dick Tracy:

Dick Tracy's Yellow Hat, Size: Adult Medium	\$13.95
Movie DVD - <i>Dick Tracy</i> starring Warren Beatty	\$10.99
Dick Tracy Die Cast Hot Wheels-style Car	\$8.50
Dick Tracy Buttons, Assorted Styles	\$2.99
Dick Tracy "Detective Club" Metal Badge	\$6.99
<i>Dick Tracy</i> Movie Posters	\$7.99
<i>Chester Gould: A Daughter's Biography of the Creator of Dick Tracy</i> by Jean Gould O'Connell	\$45.00



Mugs:

Superman, "Man of Steel"	\$9.99
Star Wars "Yoda"	\$14.50
Star Wars "Darth Vader"	\$14.50



T-Shirts:

Superman, Sizes: Adult S-XXL	\$23.99
Captain America, Sizes: Adult S-XL	\$17.99



Toys:

Captain America's Shield	\$16.99
Thor's Hammer	\$18.95

Santa to visit Peter Conser Historic Home

The Peter Conser Historic Home is pleased to announce a very special visit from Santa! On Saturday, December 18, from 1 to 5 p.m., Jolly Old Saint Nicholas will be visiting the Peter Conser Home! Come see Santa, who will be dressed in late nineteenth-century clothing. Bring a camera to take your picture with him in this historic setting. Then enjoy the historic home, decorated for the holidays, with Mrs. Claus playing Christmas carols on her Appalachian dulcimer. End your visit with cookies and hot apple cider on the back porch.

Donations will be gratefully accepted and will go toward the upkeep of the Peter Conser Historic Home. The site is located at: 47114 Conser Creek Road, Heavener, OK, 74937. For additional information, please call 918/653-2493 or email breid@okhistory.org. Come see Santa; he'll be looking for you!

Annual Fund Campaign July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010

In an earlier issue, we listed donors in FY10 (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010) who had donated \$1,000 or more and thus were being listed on our Annual Donor Board in the History Center. We also had many who made donations less than \$1,000 to the Annual Giving Campaign.

Because the list is so large we decided to break it in two sections, with the second group listed in this issue. We are grateful to all who made contributions in addition to their membership dues!

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Pawnee Bill Ranch events for the holidays

During December the Pawnee Bill Ranch mansion will be transformed for the holidays. The historic home will be decked out with festive, holiday decorations provided by ranch staff, community businesses, families, and individuals. In past years, the Pawnee Bill mansion decorations have been featured in the *Wall Street Journal*. Visitors can enjoy the decorations during the site's normal hours of operation: Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m.

On Saturday, December 4, at 10:30 a.m., the ranch will host a children's story time, crafts, and a snack hour. Children are invited to meet in the museum conference room for holiday stories followed by a hands-on crafts session. Snacks will be served. Photograph opportunities with Santa also will be available.

On Saturday, December 11, the Friends of the Pawnee Bill Ranch Association will hold its annual meal and meeting at 11:30 a.m. in the museum conference room. A short business meeting will be followed by a noon meal. From 1 to 3 p.m. the mansion will be opened for a special Santas of the World Tour. Santas representing different time periods and places from around the world will be stationed throughout the mansion to tell their stories.

On Tuesday, December 14, the monthly Quilt Block Class will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the museum conference room. Martha Ray will instruct the class. The class fee is \$5.

Pawnee Bill Ranch is located one-half mile west of Pawnee on U.S. Highway 64. For more information, call 918/762-2513 or email ebrown@okhistory.org.

The following is a list of new Individual Members from September 2010. Due to space constraints in the November issue, they are appearing in this issue of *Mistletoe Leaves*.

Individual

Jessie Abraham, Yukon
 Tishia Agee, Oklahoma City
 Carolyn Alexander, Oklahoma City
 Rachel Allen, Oklahoma City
 Adam Alli, Kansas City, MO
 Sara Allison, Oklahoma City
 Azhar Amil, Edmond
 Sherry Anderson, Oklahoma City
 Amy Ankrom, Oklahoma City
 Gov. Bill Anoatubby, Ada
 Amy Anthony, Edmond
 Thomas Antrim, Oklahoma City
 Christy Aquino, Guthrie
 Cindy Ardrey, Ada
 Atif Asal, Oklahoma City
 Rita Baird, Edmond
 William Banner, Oklahoma City
 Joan Barker, Oklahoma City
 Brooks Barr, Austine, TX
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 Vicky Blaske, Edmond
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 Brad Britton, Oklahoma City
 Crystal Brockwell, Elgin
 Justin Brotton, Oklahoma City
 Dorothy Brown, Oklahoma City
 Jo Brown, Oklahoma City
 Michele Buthion, Oklahoma City
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 Gayla Calhoun-Wilson, Oklahoma City
 Sandy Case, Oklahoma City
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 Kirsten Chapman, Edmond
 Julie Choate, Moore
 C. Joseph Chouteau, Grove
 Jamison Cleaver, Oklahoma City
 Courtney Clever, Norman
 Carissa Collins, Oklahoma City
 Jennifer Conceicao, Oklahoma City
 Tom Coniglione, Oklahoma City
 Jodie Conner, Oklahoma City
 Luke Corbett, Edmond
 Price Coyle, Nichols Hills
 Harold Crain, Oklahoma City
 Ruth Crawford, Oklahoma City
 Karen Crespo, Oklahoma City
 Robert Cross, Oklahoma City
 Sami Dahr, Nichols Hills
 Sue Dameron, Oklahoma City
 Bansi Daniel, Yukon
 Marla Desmukes, Oklahoma City
 Heidi Diver, Oklahoma City
 Paul Donat, Oklahoma City
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 Rebecca Dugan, Oklahoma City
 Carl Dunbar, Oklahoma City
 Max Edgar, Oklahoma City
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 Patrick Elder, Oklahoma City
 Rusty Elkins, Edmond
 Lenzi Elliott, Yukon
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 Larry Evans, Oklahoma City
 Mona Feirl, Sacramento, CA
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 Eric Fields, Ardmore
 Nancy Freeman, Oklahoma City
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 Kim Garbutt, Edmond
 Clay Gates, Shawnee
 Carol Gaunt, Weatherford
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 Don Johnson, Oklahoma City
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 Ann Lacy, Yukon
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 Dara Norris, Choctaw
 Jeffrey Oliasami, Oklahoma City
 Rhonda Owen, Oklahoma City
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 Sarah Parrish, Oklahoma City
 Beth Pauchnik, Edmond
 Susan Paul, Oklahoma City
 Karen Perry, Oklahoma City
 William Perry, Oklahoma City
 Ryan Piersol, Edmond
 Aisha Pitts, Oklahoma City
 Mindy Price, Oklahoma City
 Craig Prom, Moore
 Robert Przybylo, Oklahoma City
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 Carolyn Rea, Oklahoma City
 Steven Reiler, Oklahoma City
 Mary Rice, Midwest City
 Yvette Richardson, Oklahoma City
 Mrs. Gene K. Ritchie, Atlantic Beach, FL
 Jennifer Rodriguez, Oklahoma City
 Rosemary Rogers, Oklahoma City
 Elizabeth Ann Rosales, Norman
 Al Ruble, Arcadia
 Shelley Rutherford, Edmond

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Individual

Brian Archer, Elk City
 Sam Barrett, Tulsa
 Terry Berry, Pleasanton, CA
 Phyllis Billy, Oklahoma City
 Bob Blasing, Oklahoma City
 Phil Clark, Nichols Hills
 Melita Davis, Tulsa
 Jesse Dillon, Oklahoma City
 Katherine Hale, Blair
 J.R. Irwin, Woodward
 Linda Lancaster, Ada
 Robert Lifset, Norman
 Richard Lillard, Miami
 Janet Little, Maysville
 Kjeld Mikkelson, Kolding, Denmark
 Bob Pletcher, Claremore
 Russell Robinson, Oklahoma City
 Clyde Wilkens, Oklahoma City

Riad Salem, Chicago, IL
 Debbie Sauerwine, Oklahoma City
 Jimmy Schaffer, Ardmore
 Violet Schlegel, Del Norte, CO
 Ira Schlezinger, Nichols Hills
 Elliott Schwartz, Edmond
 Shiloh Sherrill, Oklahoma City
 Louise Siddons, Stillwater
 Gary Sigle, Edmond
 Becky Skidmore, Oklahoma City
 Tracy Sligar, Edmond
 Sherry Smallwood, Mustang
 Daniel Smith, Oklahoma City
 Marshall Snipes, Oklahoma City
 Georgianne Snowden, Oklahoma City
 Nieta St. Clair, Yukon
 John Stallings, Fairborn, OH
 Janene Stewart, Norman
 Douglas Stowell, Tulsa
 Tracy Struck, Oklahoma City
 Shirley Thomas, Oklahoma City
 Steve Thomas, Oklahoma City
 David Thompson, Oklahoma City
 Chris Tornquist, Edmond
 Bali Tucker, Bethany
 Christopher Turner, Oklahoma City
 Robert Turner, Oklahoma City
 Christina Ward, Yukon
 Debbie West, Oklahoma City
 James White, Oklahoma City
 Phyllis Williams, Oklahoma City
 Rose Williams, Oklahoma City
 Franklin Willis, Oklahoma City
 Alexandra Wilson, Oklahoma City
 Mary Wilson, Oklahoma City
 Tyler Wilson, Oklahoma City
 Helen Woitcek, Oklahoma City
 Lauren Wood, Oklahoma City
 Brenda Wooten, Oklahoma City
 Holly Wright, Oklahoma City
 Stanley Yellseagle, Oklahoma City
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 Selma Zuhdi, Oklahoma City
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David Walter, Eufaula, September 1, 1972
Langston University, Langston, October 1, 1972
Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, IL, December 1, 1972
Bertie Mitchell, Oklahoma City, August 1, 1980
Darrel Walker, Konawa, October 1, 1981
Stanford University, Stanford, CA, November 2, 1982
Clarence Petrowsky, Weatherford, December 1, 1983
L. Ernestine Maphet, Gate, October 1, 1985
Lois Turk, Bethany, October 2, 1986
Charles Stuart, San Francisco, CA, October 15, 1986
Jerry Koelsch, Locust Grove, October 20, 1986
Francis Briscoe, Ardmore, October 20, 1986
Rob Hammons, Sallisaw, October 20, 1986
Alva Public Library, Alva, October 24, 1986
Wayne Harris, Shawnee, October 27, 1986
Marjorie Couch, Oklahoma City, October 27, 1986
Jack Welsh, Oklahoma City, October 28, 1986
John Lillbridge, Boiling Springs, PA, October 30, 1986

Joe Ford, Lawton, October 31, 1986
Frank Heaston, Norman, November 4, 1986
Tim Morgan, Norman, November 4, 1986
David Huff, Killeen, TX, November 5, 1986
Pat and Betta Ferry, Little Rock, AR, November 10, 1986
David Petty, Guymon, November 10, 1986
Janice Johnson, Edmond, June 13, 1988
Robert and Mary Haught, Reva, VA, September 13, 1988
Sallie Rae Andrews, Decatur, TX, September 15, 1988
Checotah Landmark Preservation Society, Checotah, October 17, 1988
Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Parrott, Okeene, September 20, 1989
Gary Gallagher, Ponca City, October 27, 1989
Jean Phillips, El Reno, January 4, 1990
Spencer Historical Society, Spencer, September 28, 1990
J.M. Jackson, Oklahoma City, October 9, 1990
Richard Lowitt, Concord, MA, October 15, 1990
Plains Indians and Pioneers Museum, Woodward, October 31, 1990

New Oklahoma National Register Listings

The Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office is pleased to announce two new National Register of Historic Places listings. The newest listings are located in Tulsa and include one commercial property and one historic district. The National Register of Historic Places is our nation's official list of properties significant in our past.



Casa Loma Hotel, or the Max Campbell Building, in Tulsa (photo courtesy of SHPO).

Casa Loma Hotel, also known as the Max Campbell Building, is located on East Eleventh Street in Tulsa. It is significant for its role in commerce and transportation as it is associated with Historic Route 66. Casa Loma Hotel is also significant for its architectural merit. The hotel is representative of the Mission/Spanish Colonial Revival style. The building remains a significant reminder of the Route 66's presence along Eleventh Street in Tulsa with its automobile-related architecture and commercial strip. Cathy Ambler of Tulsa prepared the nomination for the property owners.

Also in Tulsa is the Brady Historic District. Located along East/West Cameron and East/West Archer streets between North Boulder and North Detroit streets, the historic district is significant in the areas of Commerce and Community Planning/Development. The Brady Historic District grew in response to its proximity to and local dependence on the railroads that served Tulsa beginning in the late nineteenth century. Its strategic location, adjacent to multiple railroad corridors, was critical to Tulsa's growth and enabled the area to thrive for more than sixty years. Cathy Ambler of Tulsa and Rosin Preservation of Kansas City, Missouri, prepared the nomination for the City of Tulsa.

Listing in the National Register is an honorific designation that provides recognition, limited protection, and, in some cases, financial incentives for these important properties. The SHPO identifies, evaluates, and nominates properties for this special designation.

For detailed information, contact Lynda Schwan at 405/522-4478 or email lschwan@okhistory.org.



The Brady Historic District, Tulsa (photo courtesy of SHPO).