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2019 Most Endangered Places List Announced

Preservation Oklahoma announced the 2019 list of Oklahoma's Most Endangered Places at a public unveiling event on Monday, March 4, at the newly-renovated Carriage House at the Overholser Mansion.

POK aims to promote the places where Oklahoma history lives by bringing awareness to historic landmarks across the state. Although inclusion on this list does not guarantee protection or funding, recognition for these structures may increase restoration efforts and possibly ensure their longevity.

"The past year has proved to be a difficult time for Oklahoma's historical structures with the loss of Founder's Bank, the fire and partial loss of Brookshire Motel in Tulsa and the uncertain future of the First Christian Church," POK Executive Director Cayla Lewis said. "Oklahoma's Most Endangered Places list was created to bring awareness to the importance of protecting our state's historic resources such as these. Our hope is to bring the issue to light so more Oklahomans are educated on what they can do to help advocate for these landmarks."

Each year, POK solicits nominations from the public which are voted on by a group of preservation professionals. An exhibit of the 2019 list, presented by Oklahoma Humanities and generously funded by the Kirkpatrick Foundation and the Cherokee Nation, will travel throughout the state to continue the discussion of preserving historic buildings.



Tonkawa Bathhouse, Photo: Evelyn Coyle

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SHPO May Workshop Series

The Oklahoma Historical Society, State Historic Preservation Office, is pleased to announce its May Workshop series. The sessions will be held May 8-10, 2019, in the Oklahoma History Center Musser Learning Lab, 800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive (immediately northeast of the State Capitol), Oklahoma City.

The workshops are free and open to the public, but we ask that you register by 5:00pm, Wednesday, May 1. Space is limited and will be available on a first-come basis. To register, contact Jesse Matthews at 405/521-6249 or jmatthews@okhistory.org. You may also register online at www.okhistory.org/shpo/workshops.php.

Design professionals who attend the workshops will 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. A certificate of attendance will be emailed to participants after the workshops. Self-report your attendance to the board.

If you have questions about the content of the workshops, contact Lynda Ozan, Deputy SHPO, at 405/522-4484 or lozan@okhistory.org.

Workshop Schedule and Descriptions:

May 8 (10:30pm-4:30pm) - The Section 106 Review Process: A Workshop for Agency Officials and Cultural Resource Management Consultants (Cate Wood, Historical Archeologist/Section 106 Program Coordinator)
 The workshop provides the basics about the review process in Oklahoma under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Topics include who are the participants in the process and what are their roles, identification and evaluation of historic properties, determination of effects on historic properties, and resolution of adverse effects. Step-by-step instructions will be provided for requesting the State Historic Preservation Office’s comments on federal undertakings and for completing the Historic Preservation Resource Identification Form for standing structures.

May 9 (10:30am-4:30pm) - Working with the National Register of Historic Places (presented by Sara Werneke, National Register Program Coordinator)
 The National Register of Historic Places is the foundation of the SHPO’s programs, and a basic understanding of the register is essential for those involved in historic preservation at all levels of government and in the private sector. The workshop provides detailed information about the National Register criteria, what listing means, the rights of property owners in the nomination process, tips for preparing successful nominations, and much more.

May 10 (10:30am-12:30pm) - Tax Incentives for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (presented by Jennifer Bailey, Tax Program Coordinator/Historic Preservation Specialist)
 Participants will learn about the federal and state investment tax credits for certified rehabilitation of a certified historic structure. A detailed discussion of the Historic Preservation Certification Application, Parts 1, 2, and 3, will guide owners and developers in successfully preparing the information needed for the State Historic Preservation Office to review the project and for the National Park Service to certify it. The session is designed as a stand-alone workshop or as a companion to the Secretary’s Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings.

May 10 (1:30pm-4:30pm) - The Secretary’s Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (presented by Jennifer Bailey, Tax Program Coordinator/Historic Preservation Specialist)
 The workshop features a discussion of the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards and Guidelines for Rehabilitation. Generally known as The Standards, these commonsense principles are widely used in the historic preservation field. Whether pursuing the 20% federal and 20% state tax credits for a certified rehabilitation, planning a rehabilitation project funded with federal assistance, serving on a local historic preservation commission, or rehabilitating your historic private home, you will find the session beneficial. It is designed as a stand-alone workshop and as a companion to Tax Incentives for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings.



2019 Most Endangered Places List Announced Continued

Brookshire Motel Photo: POK

The 2019 list of Oklahoma's Most Endangered Places include:

Brookshire Motel, Tulsa

The Brookshire Motel is a shining example of the roadside motels popular along Route 66, built in the 1940s, during the Mother Road's early heyday. Route 66 Motels were listed on the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Most Endangered Places list in 2007, and Preservation Oklahoma's list in 2008 as fewer and fewer historic lodging options remain on Route 66. Many have suffered abandonment and lack of maintenance. Brookshire Motel recently caught fire in February 2019, burning the main building but leaving the cottages and neon sign. It is currently under threat of being demolished if repairs are not made.

Mid-Century Modern Architecture, statewide

First Christian Church, Oklahoma City: The First Christian Church Historic District is an architecturally significant district in Oklahoma City with its organic form, sculpted shape and the extensive use of concrete and masonry. It is an excellent example of the Modern movement including specifically the Neo-Expressionist design of the main building. Designed by R. Duane Conner, Fred Pojezny and William Fearnow of Oklahoma City, the buildings are a representation of form and functionality. The entire

property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places, not just for its architectural styles, but also for the role it played in the large Oklahoma City community at the time of the Murrah Bombing.

The property itself is a landmark on the Oklahoma City landscape; people orient themselves in Oklahoma City by this iconic building. Adjacent to a major highway, buffered on either side by historic districts and along a major thoroughfare through the neighborhood, it is likely that this property could be demolished for housing development. First Christian Church was also listed on the 2017 Oklahoma's Most Endangered Places list.



Esquire Theatre, Photo: Okie Mod Squad



VFW #2270, Photo: Okie Mod Squad

VFW #2270, Enid: The VFW #2270 lodge in Enid was designed by local architect, Tom Rogers, a student of Bruce Goff's at OU who returned to his hometown and ultimately designed some of Enid's most distinctive mid-century modern architecture. Located on the outskirts of downtown, the VFW building features a thin-shell concrete dome with a band of windows between the base and the domed portion of the building. It was constructed for \$140,000 and opened to great fanfare in 1956, but today the windows have been painted, the building sits vacant, and its future is uncertain.

J Paul Getty Bunker, Tulsa: This home, known as the Getty Bunker, was built in 1942 and used by the infamous J. Paul Getty when he took over Spartan aircraft company during WWII. Built in an art deco style, it is known as the Bunker because it was built with 12-inch thick reinforced concrete to ease Getty's paranoia. The Bunker is deteriorating due to neglect. It sits on land previously owned by the Crane Carrier Company and was reportedly used for storage. It now stands at risk of demolition due to liability and lack of use, as a new company has purchased the property. If this building is not saved it will be gone forever. The 'Getty Bunker' was also listed on 2014's Oklahoma's Most Endangered Places list.

Fire Station #10, Oklahoma City: Fire Station #10 was designed by Harold Hite and opened in 1974, replacing an earlier bungalow-style station. The restricted lot size couldn't accommodate a conventional station, so Hite had to create a design that was compact but also met the growing requirements of the fire department. The result was an unusual prairie modern style building that featured interesting angles and a tower that could be used to hang and dry out wet hoses. In 2017, voters passed a bond issue that included either relocating or replacing the aging station in the near future.

Watch List:

Central National Motor Bank Annex, Oklahoma City

Small Town Movie Theaters, statewide

Throughout small-town Oklahoma from the silent era through the boom days after World War II and beyond, movie theaters were often the main social gathering places of entire communities. The theaters themselves were often the grandest buildings in town, featuring elaborate murals, comfortable seating and even air conditioning long before it was common in homes. However, as younger townsfolk left their hometowns for larger cities, the old theaters slowly began to die and there are just a handful of operating movie houses in most Oklahoma small towns today.

Okla Theater, McAlester: Support has been led by the community to raise funds for the theater's renovation. Most recently in 2014, Okla Theater was awarded \$200,000 from the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality for asbestos abatement.

Esquire Theater, Hobart: The Esquire Theatre, formerly Kiowa Theater, in Hobart has been closed for several years and is in disrepair. The community hopes for renovation.

Archaeological sites under threat by unregulated development, statewide

Archaeological sites consist of the material remnants of past activities left behind by people who have occupied the area we now call Oklahoma for more than 12,000 years. These sites are often hidden from view below ground, yet they contain evidence that informs our understanding of the daily lives of the people who created them and represent the cultural heritage of their descendants.

More than 25,000 sites have been documented in all 77 counties across the state, representing a wide diversity of precontact and historic-period cultural groups of the distant and more recent past. Some of these sites are available for public visits and appreciation, like Spiro in Le Flore County, but most sites are located on private property and are generally not protected by historic preservation laws.

In the face of regulated development that is subject to compliance with historic preservation laws, significant archaeological sites may be preserved in place or thoroughly documented before they are destroyed so that at least their information is retained. But in circumstances where such laws do not apply, archaeological resources may be destroyed without anyone even knowing they were there or documenting what they contained.

It is for this reason that we highlight the threats posed by unregulated development to the preservation of non-renewable archaeological resources in Oklahoma.

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Luster Mansion, Oklahoma City

The modified Italianate Luster Mansion was built in 1926 by S.D. Lyons and was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1983. The estate was built by one of the city's most prominent businessmen and has been kept in the family ever since. Also known as the Melvin Luster House, the estate serves as a reminder of the wealthy black upper-class in the heart of Deep Deuce in Oklahoma City. Much of the interior is still intact but has been vacant for the last several years and is currently available for purchase.

RJ Edwards House, Oklahoma City

The Oklahoma Commissioners of Land Office has developed a multi-use plan for a parcel of land in Oklahoma City near the State Capitol, causing threat to the property where the RJ Edwards House is located. The RJ Edwards House was built in a Spanish-colonial style more than 4,000 square feet in size in the 1930s. It was also home to the Red Ridge Museum of Art in the 1960s and 1970s. It has been neglected and vandalized throughout the years but still appears structurally sound with many of the original features and wonderful use of wood on the ceiling, walls and staircase intact.

Tay-Lo-Rest House, Langston

Tay-Lo-Rest House was the home of James Taylor, the second African American extension agent in Oklahoma. The home of the first agent has been destroyed. It was built by the labor of students with quarried stones from Langston, Oklahoma's only historically black university. It was also the only off-campus lodging for girls of Langston University. The facility was the first home built in Langston worth more than \$500. The house was purchased by Reverend Cecelia Brooks to keep it from being destroyed.



RJ Edwards House, Photo: POK

Griffin-Goodner Grocery Warehouse, Tulsa

The historic Griffin-Goodner Grocery Warehouse was constructed in 1925 on the historic KATY Railroad, whose tracks ran next to the building. This large, two-story warehouse occupies the southwest corner of the intersection of North Detroit Avenue and East Cameron Street in Tulsa's Historic Brady District and is listed as a contributing resource in the National Register of Historic Places. It is also notable for being home to the first new commercial business in the district in many years when Spaghetti Warehouse opened in this building in 1992. The building is significant due to its role in the development of a lively arts and entertainment district. It contributes to the historic fabric of the Brady Historic District and today's vibrant downtown Tulsa Arts District. Adaptive reuse is preferred and demolition should be discouraged.

Tonkawa Bathhouse, Tonkawa

2019 marks the 84th anniversary of the Works Progress Administration (WPA) legislation, and today many of the structures constructed during this time have fallen into disrepair. The Tonkawa Bathhouse was built in the late 1930s as a WPA project and consists of the main bathhouse and swimming pool. The swimming pool is no longer operable, but the bathhouse remains in good condition, however vacant for several years. The City of Tonkawa is hopeful for its use again, but demolition is always a possibility with vacant buildings.

Edwards Store, Red Oak

The Edwards Store, established in 1850, is one of the few remaining original structures that were stage stops on the Butterfield Overland mail and stage line from St. Louis to San Francisco from 1858 to 1861. Stage passengers were served meals at this location. Thomas Edwards established the trading post on the Fort Smith-Boggy Depot Road and it later became the original post office and site of the town of Red Oak. The structure is of "dog trot" design typical of the 19th century and built from hewn logs. Edwards Store is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Edwards Store was on the Most Endangered Places list in 2013 and 2018.

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Archaeological Workshops and 2019 Most Endangered Places Exhibit

Preservation Oklahoma is hosting four interactive workshops led by Oklahoma Archeological Survey in 2019. The workshops will be held from 11am to 2pm, with the discussion of prehistory and what to do if you have found a site beginning at 1pm. The first workshop was held in Alva at the Graceful Arts Gallery on March 30.

These free workshops will be presented by research faculty from the Oklahoma Archeological Survey (OAS) at the University of Oklahoma. Workshops will contain activities for all ages and are open to the public. OAS will have a simulated archaeological dig, hands-on activities with Oklahoma artifacts, and a chance to try out reconstructing pottery for children. For adults, there will be a chance to identify any artifacts brought in as well as a brief presentation on precontact Oklahoma and what someone should do if they find an archaeological site.

In addition to the workshops, Preservation Oklahoma will also be displaying its 2019 Most Endangered Places traveling exhibit. This annual list of historic properties serves to spread awareness and will travel throughout the state to continue the discussion of preserving historic buildings.

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Save the date for workshops coming near you!

May 18 - OKC, Henry Overholser Mansion
July 27 - Claremore, Claremore Museum of History
October 26 - Norman, The Moore-Lindsay Historic House Museum

For more information about Preservation Oklahoma's Most Endangered Places List, visit our website, <https://www.preservationok.org/most-endangered-places>.

This year, the 2019 Most Endangered Places list includes historic structures or categories that face uncertain fates for a variety of reasons. Please help Preservation Oklahoma advocate to save these historic icons so that we can preserve the unique buildings that enrich Oklahoma's vast architectural landscape.

To sign a letter of support for the structures listed, visit <https://www.preservationok.org/advocate>.

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OKLAHOMA HISTORY AND PRESERVATION CONFERENCE

April 24–26, 2019 | Chickasha

In honor of the 100th anniversary of women in Oklahoma receiving the right to vote in late 1918, the 2019 Oklahoma History and Preservation Conference theme is *Women Who Built History*. If you are “building preservation minded” come hear sessions on first time tax credit users, challenging rehabilitation projects, an award winning rehabilitation project, and school renovation projects.

Special sessions will feature a tour of downtown Chickasha, student projects evaluating parking issues, building reuse issues and interior design issues revolving around historic spaces.

Mark your calendar for April 24-26, 2019, to join us at the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma in Chickasha. Conference sponsors include the Oklahoma Historical Society, State Historic Preservation Office; Oklahoma Department of Commerce, Oklahoma Main Street Center; and the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma.

More information about the schedule of events can be found at <https://www.okhistory.org/about/conference>.

On-line registration can be found at <https://www.okhistory.org/register>.

If you have questions, contact Lynda Ozan, Deputy SHPO, (405/522-4484 or lozan@okhistory.org) or Larry O’Dell, Director of Special Projects/Development, Oklahoma Historical Society (405/522-6676 or lodell@okhistory.org).

Disaster Preparedness

Oklahoma’s weather poses one of the largest threats to historic resources throughout the state; it is not an if statement but a when statement. Winter ice storms, flooding from torrential rains, and tornadoes destroy historic buildings and archeological sites at an alarming and unpredictable rate. We have reached that time of year where Oklahomans start prepping for tornado season but the reality is that tornadoes can strike 365 days a year.

The threat of wildfires is a near constant in Oklahoma. Large expanses of flat land and high winds in the west often lead to multi-day battles for firefighters working for the Oklahoma Forestry Services and local fire stations.

Earthquakes continue to plague Oklahoma as well. In 2016, Pawnee experienced a 5.8 magnitude earthquake while Cushing experienced a 5.0 magnitude earthquake. There is no data on how many historic resources suffered earthquake damage during these two events but with the increase in magnitude in the earthquakes, there is no doubt that it is having a negative impact.

Oklahoma Emergency Management has the Oklahoma Emergency App that helps you prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters. Within their app you can upload real time photographs and information about the disaster which can help them with their planning processes. The app also includes information about preparing a plan, building a kit, where shelters are located, and much more. For more information about Oklahoma Emergency Management’s app, please go to https://www.ok.gov/OEM/Programs_&_Services/OKEmergency_App/.

The Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office in conjunction with Preservation Oklahoma Inc. will be working over the next 24 months to create a toolkit specific to historic resources regarding natural and man-made disasters. Watch Preservation Oklahoma News for announcements as things develop.

State Historic Preservation Office News

NRHP Matching Grant

The Oklahoma Historical Society, State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), is now accepting applications for its annual matching grants to state, local, and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations for the preparation of National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) nominations. The SHPO reserved \$10,000 of its FY 2019 Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) allocation from the U.S. Department of the Interior for these grants. The deadline for Round I is the first Friday in April (April 5, 2019). The deadline for Round II is the first Friday in June (June 7, 2019).

Each grant is limited to \$1,000, and the applicant must provide a nonfederal, cash match of at least \$700. Grant recipients will use the funds to retain an appropriately qualified professional to complete an individual property nomination for the NRHP.

The NRHP is the catalogue of our nation’s significant buildings, structures, sites, districts, objects, and landscapes. While listing in the NRHP is not a guarantee of preservation or of financial assistance, it is one of the most important components of the preservation strategy for any significant property. The designation provides increased public awareness of these irreplaceable resources, provides limited protection for them, qualifies property owners for federal tax credits under certain circumstances, and may qualify the property owner for grant assistance when such programs are funded.

To obtain an NRHP nomination grant application, just go to www.okhistory.org/shpo/nrgrant.htm. You may also obtain the application from the SHPO by calling 405/521-6249.

State Plan Update

The Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) reminds you that comments on the preliminary draft of *Sooner Rather Than Later: Let’s Preserve Oklahoma’s Past*, Oklahoma’s statewide historic preservation plan, are due no later than May 3, 2019. This update to the state plan focuses on what the State Historic Preservation Office role is in historic preservation and sets out goals, objectives and action items for the next five years, not just for the SHPO but for everyone in Oklahoma. The preliminary draft is available for comment at <https://www.okhistory.org/shpo/stateplan.htm> or in hard copy upon request from the SHPO. All comments received by 5:00pm, May 3, 2019, will be considered as the SHPO develops the second draft of the plan. Emailed comments are preferred but submissions via USPS are also acceptable.

To submit your comments or ask questions about the state plan content, please contact Lynda Ozan, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, at 405/522-4484 or lozan@okhistory.org.

To request a hard copy of the preliminary draft state plan, please contact Shea Otley, Certified Local Governments Coordinator, at 405/522-4485 or sjotley@okhistory.org.



Events at the Overholser Mansion

Mysteries of the Mansion

Mysteries of the Mansion tours have begun at the Overholser Mansion, 7pm every third Thursday through September.

Mysteries of the Mansion is a unique and special tour that explores some of the behind-the-scenes history and spaces not typically on a regular Overholser Mansion tour. Overholser Museum Coordinator Lisa Escalon will be leading this tour and will share interesting stories of the mansion and the Overholser family history. These events are offered for \$20, with a special discount for Preservation Oklahoma members.

Urban Campout

Join us for a fun evening under the stars on the grounds of the Overholser Mansion for the return of the Urban Campout, May 18 and 19! The evening will feature outdoor activities, a tour of the mansion, and sleeping under the beautiful Oklahoma sky! On-site security is provided. The cost is \$100 per campsite, which includes space for up to six people or a six-person tent (or smaller). We'll have all the fixings for your favorite campfire foods including hot dogs and s'mores, along with juice and donuts for the morning.

Summer Soiree

Preservation Oklahoma will host its fourth annual summer fundraising party, Summer Soiree, on Saturday, June 15, at 7pm, presented by Joy Homes. Taking place on the lawn of the Overholser Mansion, the Summer Soiree will include live music, dancing, drinks, heavy hors d'oeuvres, and a raffle as well as all the glitz and glamour of the roaring '20s. All proceeds benefit the work of Preservation Oklahoma, including its stewardship of the 1903 Henry Overholser Mansion. Sponsorship opportunities are available.

All funds raised from these events go towards the maintenance and upkeep of the Overholser Mansion.

Overholser Mansion Address:
405 NW 15th Street,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73103

For more information or to purchase tickets for any of these events, please visit www.preservationok.org.



Gravestone Conservation Workshops

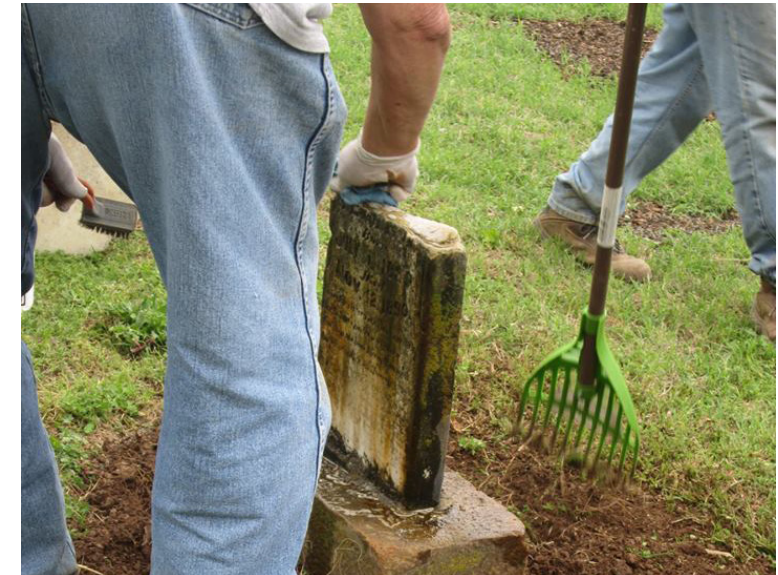
On May 2-3, 2019, Preservation Oklahoma and Cherokee Nation Cultural Tourism will host a two-day workshop at the Tahlequah Public Cemetery. The workshops will take place from 9am to 4pm each day. The cost is \$50 for both days and that includes lunch and materials. Participants may attend one or both days, but space is limited. This workshop is possible due to the generous support of the Cherokee Nation.

Dr. Appell will offer a similar, one-day workshop at Oaklawn Cemetery in Tulsa the following day, May 4, from 9am to 4pm. The workshop will include a light lunch. Tickets for the one-day event will be \$35.

Jonathan Appell, a member of the Preservation Trades Network, will lead hands-on, interactive training for participants, covering topics including how to re-set stones, repair to fragmented stones, appropriate repair materials, use of infill material, and methods for re-pointing and cleaning masonry.

Dr. Appell is a professional gravestone and masonry conservation specialist with expertise in cemetery preservation planning. He has performed gravestone preservation and planning projects on many historically significant cemeteries throughout the United States,

including Congressional Cemetery in Washington, DC; The Granary in Boston, MA; Sleepy Hollow Cemetery in Tarrytown, NY; The First Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Greensboro, NC; and The New Haven Crypt in New Haven, CT.



Gravestone Workshop in progress, Photo: POK
Please contact Preservation Oklahoma at 405/525-5325 or visit www.preservationok.org for more information and to register for the workshop; space and supplies are limited.

Preservation Oklahoma Welcomes New Board Members



In January 2019, Preservation Oklahoma Inc. voted in three new board members and is currently accepting nominations from Tulsa and rural areas.

New Board Members Include:

Chad Huntington, Bricktown Water Taxi
Oklahoma City

Carissa Stevens, Scout Studios
Oklahoma City

Brad Wilson, St. Francis of the Woods
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We thank them for their board service and are excited to have them join the POK team!

For more information on joining the POK Board of Directors, contact Cayla Lewis, director@preservationok.org



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Membership Benefits

Membership benefits include discounted tickets to POK events, complimentary tours of the Overholser Mansion, and invitations to our annual membership appreciation event.

Membership Levels:

Student	\$25
Individual	\$50
Family	\$100
Partner	\$500

To join, please visit <http://www.preservationok.org/become-a-member.html> and join through our secure online payment form. You can also join by calling the POK offices!