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New National Register initiative for Oklahoma

In September the Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) reached its goal of listing 1000 properties in the National Register of Historic Places. But, we still have much work to do to insure that all aspects of Oklahoma's heritage are represented in the National Register and that eligible buildings, structures, sites, districts, and objects from as many communities as possible are extended the benefits of this special designation.

The SHPO is pleased to announce its new National Register initiative designed to increase public awareness of Oklahoma's rich heritage, to increase the total number of registered properties for the state, and to emphasize nomination of properties from areas currently under-represented in the National Register. By Statehood Day 2007 the SHPO proposes to have at least five National Register listings for every county. There are now

fewer than five listed properties in 13 counties:

- Adair
- Coal
- Cotton
- Dewey
- Greer
- Harmon
- Jackson
- Love
- McClain
- Major
- Marshall
- Nowata
- Woodward

We are now contacting county historical societies and other groups in each of these counties to tell them about our initiative and invite them to join our effort. If you are interested in working with our staff to document properties for National Register nomination in any of these counties or anywhere else in Oklahoma, please contact either Jim Gabbert, National Register Coordinator, at (405) 522-4478 or jgabbert@ok-history.mus.ok.us or Melvena Heisch, Deputy SHPO, at (405) 522-4484 or mheisch@ok-history.mus.ok.us.

SHPO offers grants for National Register nominations

The State Historic Preservation Office is pleased to announce that applications will be available on February 1, 2003 for its annual National Register Nominations Grants Program. Two application rounds will be conducted and the deadline for Round One is April 1 and for Round Two is June 2.

The grant funds are from the SHPO's FY 2003 Historic Preservation Fund allocation from the U.S. Department of the Interior and are for the purpose of retaining a professionally qualified consultant to prepare individual property nominations to the National Register of Historic Places. The maximum

grant amount is \$750.

Applicants must provide a cash match from a non-federal source. The required match for a \$750 grant is \$500. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, tribal governments, and local or state government agencies. To obtain an application contact Shea Otey at (405) 521-6249 or sjotley@ok-history.mus.ok.us. The application is also available on the SHPO's section of the Oklahoma Historical Society's Web site. Go to www.ok-history.mus.ok.us and click on Preservation and then National Register of Historic Places.

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The Cooper Bison Kill Site represents one of the most significant archeological discoveries in North America in the past 50 years.

Goal achieved! Over 1,000 listings in National Register

*by Jim Gabbert
OK SHPO Architectural Historian*

The State Historic Preservation Office is pleased to announce the listing of seven Oklahoma properties in the National Register of Historic Places. Included among the newest honorees is the 1,000th listing from Oklahoma, meeting a goal set by the SHPO in 1998.

The National Register is a listing of buildings, sites, structures, objects, and districts that are significant in our nation's history. The 1,000th listing is St. Paul Baptist Church and Cemetery, located near Meeker in Lincoln County. The other new listings bring the total to 1,006 and are:

- Hopewell Baptist Church, Edmond
- The Rouleau Hotel, Idabel
- The Sapulpa Downtown Historic District
- The Marland Filling Station, Hominy
- The Foster B. Parriott House, Tulsa
- The Cooper Bison Kill Site, near Ft. Supply.

The St. Paul Baptist Church and Cemetery is located north of Meeker. The original congregation was formed around 1893 and met in the open under the boughs of a blackjack tree. The original church building burned in 1939 and was replaced with two buildings purchased by the congregation and moved to the present site. The church and cemetery served as social meeting grounds and as a base of community cohesion for this rural black community.

The nomination was sponsored by the Lincoln County Historical Society using a matching grant from the SHPO.

The Hopewell Baptist Church, now known as the Church of Edmond, was designed by noted architect Bruce Goff. This "Tipi on the Prairie" was constructed in 1950 by members of the congregation and other volunteers. Empty for a number of years, the church is in the process of rehabilitating the building for use again.

The Rouleau Hotel was once the finest hotel in southeastern Oklahoma. Constructed in 1916, the hotel hosted political and business figures as well as thousands of salesmen and tourists whose business brought them to Idabel. By 1971, though, business began to taper and the hotel closed, leaving only the commercial business on the first floor to occupy the building.

Recently, under the ownership of Southridge Apartments, Inc., the Rouleau has successfully been rehabilitated into apartments. The project utilized the federal Investment Tax Credit available for the rehabilitation of certified historic structures.

The Sapulpa Downtown Historic District comprises the heart of commercial activity in the Creek County seat. Bisected by historic Route 66, construction in the downtown area rode the wave of oil that flowed from the nearby Glenn Pool. The collection of buildings in this Main Street community represents the importance of oil to the city.



The Marland Filling Station, Hominy

The Marland Filling Station is located in downtown Hominy. Currently owned by the Hominy Heritage Association and used as a museum, this small, triangular building was the third filling station built by the Marland Oil Company.

Marland was a pioneer in designing buildings with a specific look. The triangular footprint of the Marland station mimicked the red triangle that was the brand logo for the company. This small station, constructed in 1922, remains the only unaltered Oklahoma example of this early design.

Built in 1929 for oilman Foster B. Parriott, the outstanding Colonial Revival house was designed by the Kansas City firm of Boilot and Lauk. Built in the high Georgian Revival style, the red brick house features a prominent portico, flanking dependencies, and an exquisite interior. This house stands out among other Colonial Revivals in Tulsa for its authentic design and correct proportions.

The Cooper Bison Kill Site represents one of the most significant archeological discoveries in North America in the past 50 years. Among the assemblage of bison bones discovered at this Folsom age (10,900 to 10,200 years before present) was a skull with a red "lightning bolt" painted on the forehead. This small zig-zag represents the earliest known work of art yet found in North America. Dr. Lee Bement of the Oklahoma Archeological Survey led the team that excavated this important site.

For further information on these or any other National Register properties, please contact Jim Gabbert at the Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office, (405) 522-4478 or E-mail at <jgabbert@ok-history.mus.ok.us>.



St. Paul Baptist Church, near Meeker

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Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., endowment

Preservation Oklahoma has been approved for a matching grant of \$10,000 from the Kirkpatrick Family Fund to start a Designated Endowment Fund at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation. To receive the grant, Preservation Oklahoma will have to raise \$10,000 between now and October 1, 2003 to support the development of this fund and begin with the minimum amount of \$20,000.

With a Designated Endowment Fund at the Community Foundation, organizations do not need to set up their own foundations, process gifts or manage the investments of an endowment. The Community Foundation accounts for all the contributions, oversees the investments and distributes the earnings to the organization once a year.

The fund may be established with contributions from the organization, individuals, other foundations or donors interested in the organization.

The endowment provides a central fund that provides a reliable source of income for organization operating costs. After the fund is established, additions may be made at any time and in any amount.

Endowment funds provide opportunities for new, larger and different types of donations such as bequests, real estate, securities, retirement plan assets, or other marketable assets.

The Oklahoma City Community Foundation was established in 1969 to provide simple, flexible, and

effective ways for permanent endowment funds to be established and managed. Currently, there are more than 250 organizations with a designated endowment fund at the Community Foundation, visit their Web site at www.occf.org. The endowment is key to the long-term financial future of Preservation Oklahoma and its ability to succeed and increase its mission.

If you are a member of Preservation Oklahoma, you recently received material on contributing to this important fund. If you are not a member but would like to contribute, please request contribution forms and more information from us at (405) 232-5747 or info@preservationoklahoma.org. Your contribution is fully tax-deductible and checks should be made payable to: Oklahoma City Community Foundation, P.O. Box 1146, OKC, OK, 73101-1446 with "Preservation Oklahoma" written in the memo line.

If you have further questions or need assistance please contact Gayle Farley or Susan Elkins at the Community Foundation at (405) 235-5603 or g.farley@occf.org or s.elkins@occf.org. Remember, thanks to the generous match of the Kirkpatrick Family Fund for this important cause, your donation of \$100 to the Designated Endowment Fund of Preservation Oklahoma becomes a total contribution of \$200 towards the long term future of the organization. Please consider contributing to this important cause.

Currently there are more than 250 organizations with a designated endowment fund at the Community Foundation.

National Trust PSA campaign created

The National Trust for Historic Preservation and the Ad Council have joined forces to create a public service advertising campaign (PSA) that encourages people to preserve their piece of American history and share it with the younger generation.

This national campaign seeks nothing less than to build a new American preservation ethic, one that cherishes and protects important places in every community. The three-year PSA campaign includes Arnold Worldwide Communications providing creative work *pro bono* and leading corporate marketing executives lend their time and expertise to review the campaign. The media generously donates advertising time and space to reach millions of Americans with consistent frequency. The typical Ad Council campaign is valued at \$32 million annually.

The National Trust has allocated \$500,000 to launch the campaign and the Ad Council has committed its expertise and the resources of industry volunteers and media outlets. The staff of *The Campaign for America's Historic Places* will be pleased to work with you to design a gift to the PSA campaign and appropriate recognition for your support. Please contact them at (202) 588-6168 if interested.

Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., has joined at the Heritage Partner level with the National Trust to begin running these advertisements in print and

Web links. Beginning in January, public service announcements designed and sponsored by the Ad Council are scheduled to appear in newspapers and the printed media in Oklahoma, so please let your local newspaper know you are interested in these ads. The advertisements are directed towards the general public in addressing what we lose as a society when our historic resources are lost, specifically in the name of misguided progress and urban sprawl.

If successful, Preservation Oklahoma has the option of increasing its partnership to the President's Partners level, which includes TV/Radio advertisements as well as the printed media.

Home & Garden Television has also formed a partnership with the National Trust to increase its production of programs related to historic preservation. This increased attention will improve efforts of many citizens to maintain important links with our country's heritage.

Over the last few years, HGTV has featured hundreds of preservation and restoration projects on television programs such as "Restore America," "If Walls Could Talk," "Old Homes Restored," and "Homes of Our Heritage."

There is a Web address where preservationists can provide information and share local restoration projects to be considered for national coverage by these shows. Please submit ideas to <http://resourcedirectory.hgtv.com>

This national campaign seeks nothing less than to build a new American preservation ethic.

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UPCOMING

JANUARY

- 13-17 National Main Street Institute, Real Estate Development, Washington, DC, www.mainstreet.org/institute.htm or (202) 588-6219
- 24 Unveiling of Oklahoma's Most Endangered Historic Properties List 2003 at Church of Edmond. Arn Henderson will present on Bruce Goff's National Register listed properties in Oklahoma. (see back cover of this newsletter)

FEBRUARY

- 3-7 National Main Street Institute, Professional Downtown Management, Economic Restructuring and Design Units, Washington, DC www.mainstreet.org/institute.htm (202) 588-6219
- 6-8 Colorado Preservation Conference: Saving Places 2003: Preserving Western Heritage, at Denver Athletic Club. Registration/information (303) 893-4260 or www.coloradopreservation.org
- 22-23 Chandler Route 66 Oral History Workshop - National Park Service. The workshops offer tips on recording, how to prioritize and organize interviews, and sources for basic research. Each participant also receives an oral history handbook to take the initiative and properly document Route 66 memories. Sign-up will begin January 27. Class size is limited to 20; anyone interested in participating should first E-mail the Oklahoma Route 66 Association President, Kathy Anderson, at kand66@hotmail.com or (405) 948-8889 to ensure the workshop is not full. The registration fee is just \$15 for the two-day event.
- 24 Most Endangered Exhibit and Event at the Ritz Theatre in downtown Shawnee

MARCH

- 20 Most Endangered Exhibit and Event in downtown Cushing; National Trust representative will present on the "Economics of Preservation."

Preservation Oklahoma, Inc. an official statewide partner of the National Trust

Thank you to the past executive director of Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., Robert K. Erwin; current director, Trent Margrif; past and current board of directors; and membership for contributing to this important effort.

Over the past five years, Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., has demonstrated considerable organizational improvements to reach this goal

and has met the requirements of new funding sources each year to receive continued support. In total, Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., has demonstrated \$90,000 in diverse funding sources to receive \$35,000 from the National Trust over the past five years. Truly this effort would not have been possible without the determination of all those involved.

Waynoka rail and air history gets boost from TEA-21

by Sandie Olson, Waynoka Historical Society

The City of Waynoka and the Waynoka Historical Society are working together to complete the restoration of the Santa Fe Depot and accomplish other related projects with funds awarded by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's TEA-21 program.

The restoration of the Harvey House and Santa Fe Depot complex began in 1995 with ISTE A funds. More than \$1.3 million has been spent to date.

TEA-21 funds will provide \$240,000, to be matched by \$60,000, to finish the restoration of the depot, pave the parking areas, landscape the complex, and complete the Waynoka History Museum.

Built in 1910, the Harvey House and Santa Fe Depot are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. They are among the most significant transportation history structures in Oklahoma. Fred Harvey built eating houses along the Santa Fe Railroad, and made Santa Fe the railroad of choice for traveling to California. Harvey launched a massive advertising campaign, glorifying the Southwest and its inhabitants. The promotion, along with the excellent food and service of Harvey establishments, were very successful.

Oklahoma's first transcontinental airport was built at Waynoka by Transcontinental Air Transport, the forerunner of TWA, in 1929. Charles and



Anne Lindbergh and Amelia Earhart were officers in the company, and visited Waynoka on various occasions, staying at the Harvey House.

The facilities at Waynoka currently sit alongside Oklahoma's fastest and busiest rail line, the BNSF main line from Chicago to Los Angeles, with 50-100 trains daily. Diners at the restaurant enjoy the nostalgia provided by the train traffic. Waynoka's transportation history museum is on the second floor.

Oklahoma Department of Transportation officials compliment the facility as one of the state's most successful ISTE A projects. Visit the Waynoka Historical Society's Web site at www.waynoka.org to plan your visit and learn how you can contribute to this important effort.

The future of transportation enhancements

The nation's surface transportation law, TEA-21, will expire on September 30, 2003. This law governs how Highway Trust Fund money, mostly federal gas tax revenues, is spent — roughly \$38 billion per year. The law both sets policy for how the money is spent, funding levels for spending categories such as CMAQ, Bridges, Enhancements, and Safety. About 5% of ISTE A and TEA-21 funds were earmarked for specific projects.

Traditionally, the U.S. DOT prepares a proposal that is then significantly revamped by Congress. Thus the focus for preservationists on the TEA-21 renewal campaign will be on the three

congressional committees that will author the bill; the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee, and the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee.

Please share your transportation enhancement success stories with your representatives in Congress to encourage this "bricks and mortar" funding for rehabilitation projects to remain a part of this reauthorization package. The following Web sites can help to provide more information also: www.fhwa.dot.gov/tea21 www.tea3.org, www.transact.org, www.antic.net

J.C. Wicks Building rises from the ashes

by Lloyd Lentz, III

As reported in the July 2001 issue of *Preservation Oklahoma News* a predawn fire in Guthrie's 1895 Wicks Building on December 9, 2000, lasted several hours and severely damaged the structure. The 50-foot-wide building was divided into two separate storefronts and housed Lloyd Lentz Co. Realtors on the east half and a restaurant on the west half. Fire investigators officially determined faulty electrical wiring in the restaurant caused the blaze. Renovation of the building nears completion and two years of work will restore the two-story masonry building again to its prominent place in the Guthrie Historic Preservation District. Special care is taken to preserve as much of the original structure as possible. Several period photographs found in a local collection guide exterior renovation of the Wicks building. This information gives guidance for repair of the original brick

façade and other elements.

The Wicks has been home to many businesses and offices over the years including various clothing stores, a furniture and appliance store, "duck pin" bowling alley and others. Old photos and city directories indicate the second level housed law offices, and at least one eye doctor. The Wicks was part of the early Guthrie Commercial building period that lasted from 1889 to about 1910. Many of the first buildings on the Guthrie townsite were hastily erected frame structures. In a short while the first masonry structures began to appear and give the downtown a more permanent appearance. The Wicks actually replaced an earlier and much smaller frame building on the same lots.

The Nov./Dec. 2002 issue of *Preservation* magazine features the situation of the Wicks building and other historic properties regarding fire and fire prevention.

Endangered List Update

The preservation outlook has improved for several of Oklahoma's Most Endangered Historic Properties.

The purchase of the Skirvin Hotel by the City of Oklahoma City for redevelopment has been previously mentioned in *Preservation Oklahoma News*. The Skirvin developer will be required to follow the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and encouraged to use the 20% federal tax credit available for such projects.

The Mayo Hotel in Tulsa has also hosted several events on its renovated ground floor with current office space completed and future plans for other areas of the building.

The City of Pawnee has begun the National Register nomination process for the Pawnee Municipal Bathhouse and significant improvements onsite for its future use again as a regional recreation facility.

The Triangle Building in Pawhuska is now under the ownership of Preservation Pawhuska, Inc., and feasibility studies continue for its future use.

Negotiations for the former Citizen's State Bank Building "gold dome" continue with a new owner but no final agreement has been reached; a National Register nomination is being prepared.

Oklahoma's Historic Theatres were listed across the state and rehabilitation projects have begun for theatres in Ardmore, McAlester, Shawnee, and Tulsa among other locations.

The National Register-listed Tidal School near Drumright has been on the Watch List for several years. This property will be reused by the state's first automated wine bottling business, now known as Tidal School Vineyards, and intends to house wine production, sales, and special events in the historic schoolhouse.

Correction from Oct. newsletter

The Washita Battlefield NHS was correctly identified in its article context, but was incorrectly identified as the Wichita Battlefield NHS in the two headlines for this article. Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., apologizes for this error.



Don't forget the **Most Endangered Exhibit and Event at the Ritz Theatre** in downtown Shawnee on **February 24!** Call (405) 273-1080.

EVENTS

APRIL

- 14-16 National Preservation Institute, Section 106: An Introduction, Austin, TX (703) 765-0100 www.npi.org
- 24-26 Oklahoma Historical Society annual meeting, Guthrie Masonic Temple Center, (405) 521-2491

MAY

- 8-10 Oklahoma's 15th Annual Statewide Preservation Conference, Miami, OK (details available April 1); registration fee

JUNE

- 21-26 Fifth World Archeological Congress, Washington, DC, www.american.edu/wac5

SHPO WORKSHOPS

- 25 The Section 106 Review Process: Introduction & Overview (9:30 am-12:00 noon)
- 25 Determination of Eligibility Under Section 106 (1:30 pm-5:00 pm)
- 26 Working With the National Register of Historic Places (9:30 am-5:00 pm)
- 27 Federal Tax Incentives for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (9:30 am-12 noon)
- 27 Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings (1:30 pm-5:00 pm)
Location: Jim Lucas Checotah Public Library, 626 W. Gentry, Checotah, OK

OCTOBER

- 5-11 Adobe, Lime Plaster Conservation Workshop, Mesilla, NM
Description: Based at a late 1800s adobe house in the city's historic center, workshop activities will include making adobe blocks, mixing mud mortar to lay blocks, and/or preparing lime plaster for the exterior walls.
More Information: Heritage Conservation Network, 1557 North Street, Boulder, CO 80304. (303) 444-0128;
workshops@heritageconservation.net or visit http://www.heritageconservation.net/ws_adobe.htm

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Recent Donations

\$ 15 Senior/Student

Lurline Mabrey, *Okmulgee*
Charles Scott Perry, *Ada*
Lindsey Donaldson, *Tulsa*
Dave Farrington, *Midwest City*
Iva Lou Gibson, *OKC*

\$ 25 Individual/Family

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\$5,000

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solicitation of donors by the current Preservation
Oklahoma, Inc. board of directors in completing the
final year of the Statewides Initiative with the
National Trust

Updates from the National Trust Southwest Office

PSF grants of \$1,000 were granted to the Lindsay Community Historical Society to develop a rehabilitation plan for the Murray Lindsay Mansion in Lindsay and to the Wagoner County Historical Society to produce a feasibility study of their historic high school.

Further, the Thorne Intervention Fund was used in Duncan to assist the Prairie House

Foundation in its efforts to save the W.T. Foreman House. A report was conducted that found the property structurally sound despite what local press and workmen determined, future restoration of the house will continue. For more information on the Southwest Office go to: http://www.nationaltrust.org/about_the_trust/southwest.html; be sure to read the latest newsletter.

Summer employment for preservation experience

The Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record/Historic American Landscapes Survey (HABS/HAER/HALS), a division of the National Park Service, seeks applications from qualified individuals for summer employment documenting historic sites and structures of architectural, landscape and technological significance throughout the country.

Duties involve onsite fieldwork and preparation of historical reports and measured and interpretive drawings for the HABS/HAER Collection in the Prints and Photographs Division of the Library of Congress.

Application forms are due 2/18/03 and can be found at: <http://www.crnps.gov/habshaer/joco/summerjobs.htm>

View examples of HABS/HAER/HALS documentation on the Library of Congress web site: <http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/hhhtml/hhhome.html>

Caddo Tribe is Oklahoma's first THPO

The Director of the National Park Service has formally approved the proposal of the Caddo Tribe of Oklahoma to assume State Historic Preservation Officer duties within the exterior boundaries of the land held in trust for the Tribe by the Secretary of the Interior (approximately 40 acres). The Tribe has assumed formal responsibility for review of Federal undertakings pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic

Preservation Act.

In addition, the Tribe has assumed all of the other SHPO functions set out in the Act. The Caddo Tribe's historic preservation officer is Robert Cast.

Full information regarding the Tribal Preservation Program and Section 101 (d)(2) of the National Historic Preservation Act can be found at <http://www2.cr.nps.gov/tribal/index.htm>

Oklahoma's 15th annual Statewide Preservation Conference set for May

Oklahoma's 15th Annual Statewide Preservation Conference is set for May 8-10 in Miami. The conference theme is *Cities, Suburbs, and Countryside*. The annual conference is presented in part as a celebration of National Historic Preservation Week, and we hope you will plan to attend.

Joining the State Historic Preservation Office, the Oklahoma Main Street Center; and Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., as conference sponsors are Miami Main Street, Inc., the Miami Area Chamber of Commerce and Convention Visitors Bureau, the City of Miami, Northeastern Oklahoma College, the Friends of the Coleman, and the Ottawa County Historical Society. Watch your mail and the April issue of *Preservation Oklahoma News* for conference details.

Working on the past in local historic districts

Learn all about historic districts, the local preservation ordinance, the creation and use of design guidelines to administer the ordinance, and why the most appropriate approach to work is so important. You can even take a quiz at <http://www2.cr.nps.gov/workingonthepast/quiz.htm>.

Visit the National Park Service's new information program developed especially for historic property owners, new members of historic district commissions, community officials, and design professionals. It's easy to navigate to topic areas depending upon what you know or what you want to find out.



Sapulpa Downtown Historic District

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Barn Again!

BARN AGAIN! is a national program that provides information to help owners of historic barns rehabilitate them back to productive use on farms and ranches.

They provide technical assistance through a BARN AGAIN! hotline, publish rehabilitation guides, sponsor workshops, exhibits and other events, and present annual awards for the best examples of historic barns rehabilitated for continued farming use.

The National Trust, *Successful Farming* magazine, and Toy Farmer are now accepting nominations for their 2004 BARN AGAIN! Awards. Farmers and ranchers who have made a special

effort to preserve and use their historical resources may nominate themselves, or by a local preservation or agricultural organization. There are cash awards to winners and a successful project in Oklahoma could significantly raise the visibility of barn preservation in the state. Winners are featured in *Successful Farming*, *Preservation*, and in press releases sent to 2,000 contacts nationwide. In addition, winners are presented their awards at public forums and events.

Deadline for the awards is July 15, and information and an application is available at www.barnagain.org or by calling (303) 623-1504.

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Oklahoma Centennial Farm and Ranch Program

To focus attention on the importance of agriculture to Oklahoma's development and to help increase the number of rural properties identified and evaluated for National Register eligibility, the Oklahoma Historical Society and the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture work together to carry out the Centennial Farm and Ranch Program.

To qualify as a Centennial Farm or Ranch, your property must meet the following criteria:

- Must have been occupied by a member of your family for at least 100 years.
- Must be a working farm or ranch with a minimum of 40 acres.
- Must have gross yearly sales of at least \$1,000.
- Must be either operated by a family member, lived on by a family member, or leased out by a family member over 65 years of age.

For detailed information contact Glenn Vaughn-Roberson at (405) 521-6387 or E-mail gvaughn-roberston@ok-history.mus.ok.us. Also consult <http://www.ok-history.mus.ok.us/shpo/sprecog.htm> for info.

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This program receives financial assistance for identification and protection of historic properties. Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, or handicap in its federally assisted programs. If you believe you have been discriminated against in any program, activity, or facility as described above, or if you desire further information, please write to: Office of Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, DC 20240.

Become a Member of the Statewide Preservation Network

Preservation Oklahoma's mission is to encourage the preservation of Oklahoma's historic places. Our strength lies in the working partnerships we have forged with people throughout Oklahoma. We welcome all people and organizations who care about the preservation of our historic and cultural resources. To join, complete the form below and send with payment to: Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., 120 N. Robinson, Suite 1408, Oklahoma City, OK 73102.

Name _____

From (if gift) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-m _____

I would like to make an additional contribution for the Statewide Initiative

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Plan to attend these upcoming events

The unveiling of Oklahoma's Most Endangered Historic Properties will take place on Friday, January 24, at the Church at Edmond located on the corner of NW 178 and McArthur in the metro Oklahoma City area.

From 5-6 p.m. the recently National Register-listed former Hopewell Baptist Church, Goff's Tepee Church, will be open for public viewing. A small reception in the currently used church facility will take place at this time and will be followed by several presentations including the unveiling of the 2003 list of endangered properties by Trent Margrif, Executive Director of Preservation Oklahoma, Inc.

The featured presentation will be from newly retired University of Oklahoma architecture professor Arn Henderson on "The Architecture of Bruce Goff in Oklahoma." Attendees will also learn of preservation goals for the historic church facility; for more information on these efforts or driving directions to attend please contact the church at churchatedmond@msn.com or Connie Golden at (405) 715-1810.

Oklahoma's Most Endangered Historic Properties List is a shared program with the Oklahoma Historical Society's State Historic Preservation Office. This program includes an exhibit and lecture series that will tour throughout the state on a monthly basis to increase awareness and education of endangered historic resources across Oklahoma. Registered architects will earn AIA/CES Learning Unit Hours for attending this event,



Hopewell Baptist Church

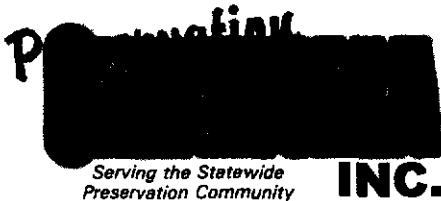
and possibly for attending future events in the most endangered program. Contact Catherine Montgomery at (405) 522-4479 or catherinem@ok-history.mus.ok.us for information about AIA/CES credits.

Another longtime supporter of this program is MidFirst Bank, which maintains low interest loan pools across the state for the qualified rehabilitation of historic properties. Oklahoma's Most Endangered Historic Properties program in 2003 is also made possible with the assistance of the Oklahoma Arts Council. More information on the events, programs, and interests of the Oklahoma Arts

Council can be found at www.arts.state.ok.us.

Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., was awarded a grant for this program which will also include the following events:

- February 24, 7:00 p.m. at the Ritz Theatre in Shawnee, Trent Margrif will present on the most endangered list and historic theatres in Oklahoma.
- March 20, 7:00 p.m. in Cushing, Daniel Carey or Megan Brown of the National Trust for Historic Preservation will present on "The Economics of Historic Preservation."
- April 24-26, Guthrie, the most endangered list will be included in the annual meeting of the Oklahoma Historical Society "Tipis to Temples: The Built Environment and Oklahomans' Sense of Place."
- May 8-10, Miami, the most endangered list will be included in Oklahoma's 15th annual statewide preservation conference.



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