



# Preservation Oklahoma News



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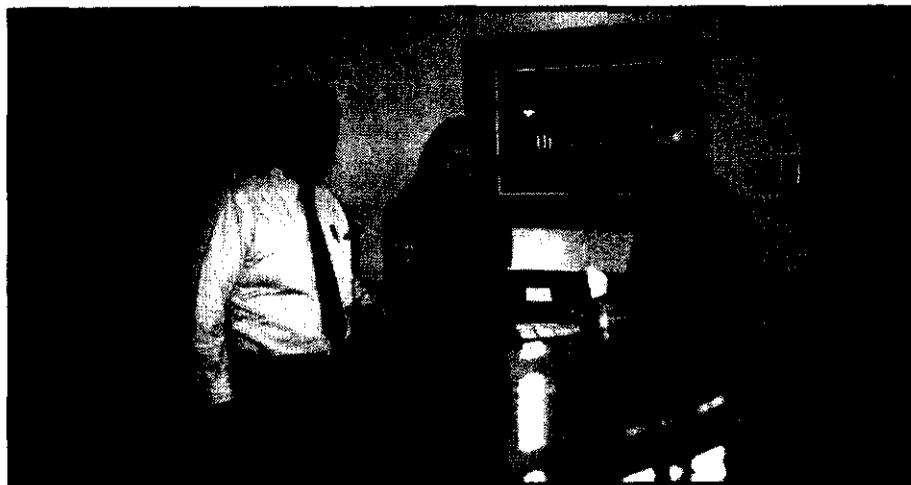
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## State Historic Preservation Office Receives Wiemer Collection



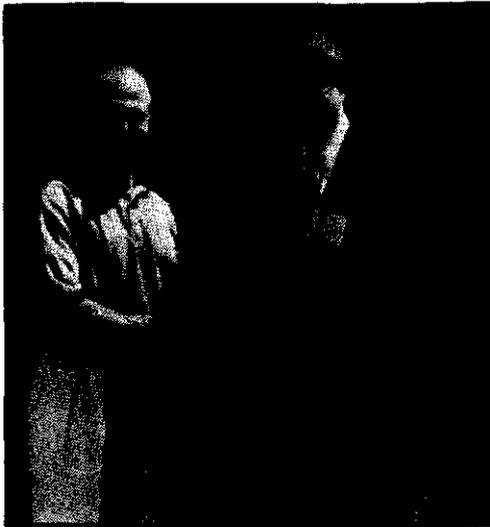
*Blake Wade and Melvena Heisch presented with slides by Fred Wiemer (left).*

Fred Wiemer of New York City has provided the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) with over 3,000 color slides of historic properties across Oklahoma.

The SHPO's existing slide collection contained images of most of the properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1985, with only random coverage of earlier register entries. Wiemer contacted the SHPO during his search for a place to deposit his extensive photographic work. After reviewing their collection and Wiemer's, the SHPO staff identified remaining gaps in the coverage of Oklahoma's National Register properties. Through a special arrangement with Wiemer, the additional slides provided expanded the SHPO's collection to include almost 100% of the state's current register listings.

Wiemer was born and raised in Drumright and graduated from Drumright High School. After completing his graduate studies and traveling extensively in Europe, he moved to New York City, where he is a freelance editor for book publishers. He has long had an interest in art and architectural history and, beginning in the summer of 1990, began photographing Oklahoma architecture during his visits home. Wiemer took the majority of the slides donated to SHPO from 1993 through 1995.

The Wiemer Collection is a major asset to the SHPO and to the entire Oklahoma preservation community. Many of the slides are of publishable quality and researchers and publishers are encouraged to use the collection.



Preservation Oklahoma president Hiram Champlin (left) welcomes new board member.

## Tulsa Architect, Michael Hall, Joins Preservation Oklahoma Board

Michael Hall, an architect with Stan Gralla, Architects, of Lexington and Tulsa, is the newest member of the Preservation Oklahoma board of directors.

In March, Hall participated in a retreat for Preservation Oklahoma's board of directors held in March at board member Leonard Ball's home in Oklahoma City. The retreat, facilitated by staff from the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Southwest Field Office in Fort Worth, focused on strengthening organizational capacity and resulted in the formation of committees to address Board Development, Membership Development, and Fundraising/Financial Development. Hall serves on the Board Development committee with fellow Tulsans Dave Huey and Martin Newman.

## Preservation Oklahoma Annual Meeting:

Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., (POK) held its annual meeting and luncheon in Duncan during the statewide historic preservation conference. Highlights of the event included:

⇒ POK board member Ralph McCalmont spoke on A Passion for Preservation -- Old Friends are Worth Saving.

"Certainly, it is ideal if a preservation project is also economically viable," said McCalmont, "but sometimes you have to preserve something even when the bottom line is against you -- not because it is 'economically viable,' rather because it is a thing of beauty and deserves to remain part of our public life. If before we embarked on any important endeavor in our personal lives we first determined whether it was economically viable, nobody would ever get married or have children."

⇒ Awards for excellence in statewide historic preservation efforts presented to the Kirkpatrick Foundation and to Bill Hiser and Steve Lower of Riverside Parkway, Inc.

★ The Kirkpatrick Foundation received POK's annual award for Outstanding Statewide Support of Historic Preservation for its numerous contributions to the cause of historic preservation statewide, specifically its targeted donations to the National Trust's Preservation Services Fund to help plan Oklahoma projects and for its financial support of POK's heritage education project, a joint project with the SHPO.

★ Hiser and Lower received the annual award for Best Individual Contribution to Historic Preservation for their work through Riverside Parkway, Inc., a statewide partnership officed in Cleveland, that has financed restoration and rehabilitation of historic buildings in the Arkansas River Valley. Riverside Parkway's projects have included restoration of the Opera House in Ralston, rehabilitation of the Triangle Building in Pawhuska, and restoration of Pawhuska's Constantine Theatre. Preliminary work is underway by Hiser and Lower for rehabilitation of the historic sandstone building in Cleveland that houses the partnership's new office space.



Left to right: Bill Hiser, Myrtle A. Moody (Riverside Parkway partner from Duncan), Steve Lower, and Hiram Champlin.

⇒ President Hiram Champlin, of Enid, introduced POK's new board of directors and officers for 1996-97: Champlin was reelected as president. Other officers include Susan Guthrie Dunham of Oklahoma City, vice president; John M. Mabrey of Okmulgee, treasurer; and Ralph McCalmont of Oklahoma City, secretary. Other board members are Leonard Ball of Oklahoma City, Dave Huey and Martin Newman of Tulsa, Phil Kliewer of Cordell, and Pat Ringrose of Guthrie.



Left to right: Ralph McCalmont, Robert K. Erwin, Susan Guthrie Dunham, Dave Huey, Hiram H. Champlin, Michael Hall, and Martin L. J. Newman.

⇒ Executive Director Robert K. Erwin outlined the details contained in the organization's annual report:

- \* Biographical information on the 1995-96 board of directors.
- \* A list of FY1995-96 members and donors.
- \* An update and description of POK's programs.
- \* Financial statements for the organization.

⇒ Erwin also detailed POK's participation in the National Trust's Statewides Initiative Program. (For a copy of the annual report, contact the POK's office.)

⇒ And, continuing an annual tradition, Erwin ended the meeting with the first presentation of slides of the 1996-97 Oklahoma's Most Endangered Historic Properties (see related article, pp. 10-11).

## 1996 List of America's Eleven Most Endangered Historic Places

**An unprecedented twelfth entry on the National Trust's annual list is: Black Churches of the South,** "because of the urgency to mobilize support for some of the most important historic structures, as well as some of the most important community institutions, in America."

**Knight Foundry, Sutter Creek, CA** -- After serving the timber and mining industries for over 125 years, in 1995 America's last water-powered foundry closed its doors.

**Adobe Churches of New Mexico** -- Ranging from 150 to 350 years old, more than one-third of the state's 362 catalogued earthen churches are endangered.

**Sotterly Plantation, Hollywood, MD** -- Deterioration of key buildings threatens the future of this c. 1710 site.

**Historic Structures of Glacier National Park, MT** -- More than 300 historic structures enhancing the natural resources of the park are endangered.

**Uptown Theatre, Chicago, IL** -- One of America's largest and grandest movie palaces is in serious jeopardy from water damage and vandalism.

**Petoskey, MI** -- Recently singled out as one of America's best towns, Petoskey's historic character is being eroded as plans are underway for the construction of a shopping mall, a highway bypass, and residential sprawl.

**Harry S Truman Historic District, Independence, MO** -- Inadequate protection and urban blight have resulted in the razing of structures for large concrete parking lots and the loss of stable residential character in this National Historic Landmark District.

**Central High School, Little Rock, AR** -- A living monument to the tumultuous days in 1957 when federal troops escorted nine African-American students into the school, this still active high school suffers from structural damage after years of deferred maintenance.

**East End Historic District, Newburgh, NY** -- High vacancy rates, widespread abandonment, and severe deterioration mark New York's largest historic district, once a showcase of American history, culture, and design.

**Wentworth by the Sea Hotel, New Castle, NH** -- The spot for seaside vacations in Victorian America and host to the treaty delegates who formally ended the 1905 Russo-Japanese War, this white wooden palace may be demolished unless a preservation-minded buyer steps in by October 1, 1996.

**East Broad Top Railroad, Huntingdon Co., PA** -- This rare, complete authentic railway system does not make enough tourist income to meet operating costs.

# Oklahoma Listings on the National Register Expanded

**by Cindy Smelker, Architectural Historian**

The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is pleased to announce the addition of nine properties to the National Register of Historic Places. This brings the total number of Oklahoma properties listed on the Register to over 880. The newly listed properties consist of one residence, one hotel, one town hall, and six schools.

Of the nine recent listings, six were listed under the Multiple Property nomination of "Works Progress Administration (W.P.A.) Resources in Lincoln County." All six properties were constructed by the WPA between 1935 and 1943. Five of these were schools. These include Chandler High School in Chandler, the largest extant school constructed by the WPA in Lincoln County; the Crescent School, a two-room country school in the Meeker vicinity; the Midlothian School, a two-room country school for the small rural village of Midlothian; the Spring Dell School, a one-room school outside of Chandler; and, the Warwick School, a two-room school located in the small hamlet of Warwick. The other Lincoln County property was the Meeker Town Hall, the only extant WPA-constructed local government building in the county.

The sixth school listed on the National Register is the Sumner School in Noble County.

The other newly listed properties are the Noble Hotel in Watonga, Blaine County, and the Angie Debo House in Marshall, Logan County.



*The Sumner School near Morrison in Noble County*

The Sumner School in Noble County is comprised of four sections, built in 1920-21, 1940-41, 1945, and 1954. The school, located in the vicinity of Morrison, is an outstanding example of both the Commercial style as adapted to a school building and WPA architecture in Oklahoma. The school reflects changing architectural styles as well as the needs of the rural community during its seven decades of operation as an educational facility.



*The Noble Hotel in downtown Watonga, Blaine County*

The Noble Hotel, built in 1912, with a rear addition constructed in 1937, is a two-story, brick commercial building in downtown Watonga, Blaine County. Originally one of five hotels in the commercial core, it is the only one remaining. The building is an excellent example of early 20th Century Prairie Commercial style architecture.

The Angie Debo House is a small Bungalow/Craftsman style residence constructed in 1928 in Marshall, Logan County. Angie Debo, renowned scholar of Oklahoma and American Indian history, wrote nine books, edited an additional three, and collaborated on another. Some of her more notable works include *And Still the Waters Run: the Betrayal of the Five Civilized Tribes*, *Oklahoma: Footloose and Fancy-free*, and *The Road to Disappearance: A History of the Creek Indians*. Debo's writing served as one of the earliest published records of the history of American Indians, particularly the Five Civilized Tribes, in the 20th Century. Taken in combination with her work on Oklahoma history, Debo made a significant statewide contribution to the literature available at the time concerning Oklahoma and its many citizens.



*The Angie Debo House in Marshall, Logan County*

**For more information, call the SHPO at (405) 521-6249.**

Whether your interests lie in architectural or engineering research, history, photography, design, preservation, or restoration, you'll find the records of the Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) and the Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) are an excellent documentation of the nation's architectural and engineering heritage. They represent the architectural and engineering wealth of the nation, recording not just images, but also historical principles of design, construction, and technology. Many structures listed exist only in the HABS/HAER collections.

A new reference tool -- *America Preserved: A Checklist of Historic Buildings, Structures, and Sites* -- has been published to provide an easy way to identify and order copies of the historical measured drawings, large-format photographs and captions, and in many cases histories and field notes, for more than 30,000 buildings, structures, and sites documented in the HABS/HAER collections at the Library of Congress.

Documentation cited in *America Preserved* is reproducible, copyright free, and available to the public. For information about ordering this publication from the Library of Congress, contact Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., at (405) 232-5747.

## **Park Service Holds Tribal Program Meeting in OKC**

On April 8th, representatives of the National Park Service (NPS) conducted an informational meeting about the new Tribal Preservation Program authorized in the 1992 amendments to the National Historic Preservation Act. Joining NPS as cosponsors of the meeting were the Working Group on Historic Preservation for the Seven Tribes of the Anadarko Agency, the Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission, Red Earth, and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). Fifteen Oklahoma tribes were represented at the one-day meeting held at the Kirkpatrick Center.

Under the new program, federally recognized tribes can request certification from NPS to assume SHPO responsibilities on tribal lands. Tribes will designate a Tribal Preservation Officer to direct their programs. They may choose to assume only some of the SHPO's functions. For example, a tribe may decide only to carry out the survey and registration programs on tribal lands, or they may decide to take on the full range of SHPO programs.

The SHPO staff is available to consult with tribal representatives about its programs and responsibilities. Interested individuals should contact either Melvena Heisch (405) 522-4484, or Marshall Gettys (405) 521-6381.

**101 Ranch** - twelve mi. SW of Ponca City on SH 156 (NHL/1973)

Only the old ranch house foundation, some silos, a storage house, and a few other small landmarks remain at the site of one of the most famous wild west shows of its time. The Salt Fork of the Arkansas River is eroding the land and could completely destroy the site within the next couple of years.



*On May 18, Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., announced its list of Oklahoma's Most Endangered Historic Properties for 1996-97. On this and the facing page is a detailed summary of the newly listed and relisted significant buildings and sites the organization plans to act as an advocate for this fiscal year.*

## 1996 Most Endangered Historic Properties List



**Ambassador Hotel** - 1324 South Main Street, Tulsa, Tulsa County (No Designation)

This fourteen-story hotel was built by Pat J. Hurley, who was President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's ambassador to China. It's distinctive facade includes terra cotta on the first and mezzanine floors, as well as ornamentation of the roofline. The hotel's last incarnation was as housing for senior citizens.

**Black Middenmound Archaeological Site LT-11 (The McLaughlin Mounds)**

- Red Oak vicinity (NR/1972)

Owned by the Archaeological Conservancy, this site is the target of ongoing vandalism. Indicative of the Fourche Maline phase of prehistory in Oklahoma, it is an enormous resource of information concerning native inhabitants from 300 B.C. to 800 A.D.



**Journal Record Building (India Temple Shrine Building)** - 621 N. Robinson, OKC (NR/1980)

Directly north of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, the Journal Record Building (originally the old Masonic Temple) bore the full force of the explosion, losing its roof and sustaining extensive structural damage. Without a strong commitment from private or public sources, the building is likely to be demolished.

**NR** - Listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

**NHL** - Designated as a National Historic Landmark.

**Eligible** - Considered by the State Historic Preservation Office to meet the criteria for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.



**Neosho River Route 66 Bridge - near Miami in Ottawa County (not listed)**

The opening of this through-truss bridge over the Neosho River in 1937 marked the completion of the last link in the paving of the national highway in Oklahoma. It is also one of the longest single span truss bridges in the state. On February 1, ODOT announced it had suspended demolition plans for the bridge for six months to allow advocates for the Route 66 landmark to find another "private or public group or individual that is willing to assume all maintenance responsibility and liability for the bridge."

**Tulsa Club Building - 115 East 5th at Cincinnati, Tulsa, Tulsa County (No Designation)**

This Art Deco building is a Bruce Goff design built in 1927. Originally designed for the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, it also functioned as an exclusive men's club. The building's interior is in a serious state of decay, open to the outside elements in an increasing number of places.



**Retained from 1995-96 list:**

**Beck-Hildebrand Mill - 1 to 2 mi. north of Highway 412 on Flint Creek, near Colcord, Delaware County (NR/1972)**

Built in 1907, this three-story native pine structure is in imminent danger of destruction from the elements or fire. The main supports have begun to give way.

**Centre Theater - 415 Couch Drive, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County (Eligible)**

This last remaining of Oklahoma City's downtown movie palaces was designed by architect Robert Boller in the Moderne style to compliment the context of nearby WPA-era municipal buildings. Built in 1946, it featured both live theatre and films. The Centre has been slated for demolition.

**Fort Reno - 3 mi. west, 2 mi. north of El Reno, Canadian County (NR/1970)**

Disputes over the title to this land, ownership by an agency whose mission is not historic preservation, and lack of permanent legal protection for the site are among the threats to this important property.

**Mayo Hotel - 115 West 5th, Tulsa, Tulsa County (NR/1980)**

Constructed in 1925 to architect George Winkler's design, the eighteen-story Mayo Hotel features superb classical elements in its exterior's detailing. An unsuccessful effort to rehabilitate the downtown Tulsa landmark in the early 1980s left the building almost entirely gutted.

**Washita Battlefield - west of Cheyenne, Roger Mills County (NHL/1966)**

One of the most important sites associated with the Indian Wars, dating to a battle that took place in 1868. The site's endangerment stems from the fact that "pot hunters" have easy access to this archaeological resource.

**Wheelock Academy and Mission - east of Millerton, McCurtain County (NHL/1966)**

Established in 1842, Wheelock Academy served the Choctaw Nation, which owns the property. It is also the site of Oklahoma's oldest standing church building, dating to 1847. Both are vacant, deteriorating, and vandalized.

**Returned to Most Endangered Status from 'Watch List':**

**Skirvin Hotel - One Park Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County (NR/1979)**

Built in 1910-11 to State Capitol architect Solomon A. Layton's design, the Skirvin Hotel was the center of social and political life in Oklahoma City for decades. In 1995, the building was bought by an investor who announced plans to rehabilitate the building and reopen it as a hotel. Since then, financing difficulties and inactivity have marked the project and raised concerns among the local preservation community.

## Calendar of Upcoming Preservation Events

- Sept. 6** Public Meeting for the SHPO's FY1997 Historic Preservation Fund Grant Application - 10:30 a.m.
- Oct. 16-20** National Trust for Historic Preservation Annual Conference, Chicago (Registration Fee)
- Dec. 4** State and Local Governments as Preservation Partners in Oklahoma: the CLG Program - 9:30 a.m. to Noon
- Dec. 4** Introduction to the Section 106 Review Process - 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Dec. 5** The Section 106 Review Process: What happens when there is an effect? - 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Dec. 6** Introduction to the National Register of Historic Places - 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Dec. 8** Historic House Workshop - 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- 1997:**
- May 8-10** Oklahoma's Ninth Annual Statewide Historic Preservation Conference, Clinton (Registration Fee)
- June 25** Architectural/Historic Resources Survey: the basics - 9:30 a.m. to Noon
- June 25** Introduction to the Section 106 Review Process - 1:30 to 5:00 p.m.
- June 26** Introduction to the National Register of Historic Places - 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- June 27** Federal Tax Incentives for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings - 9:30 a.m. to Noon
- June 27** Documenting Historic Properties: the HABS/HAER programs - 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

*All sessions will be held in the Oklahoma Historical Society boardroom Wiley Post Historical Building, 2100 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, with no registration fee required unless otherwise noted. Persons with disabilities needing accommodation should notify the SHPO at least three (3) days before the event.*

## State Historic Preservation Office Seeks Input for FY1997 Program

The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) will hold a public meeting at 10:30 a.m., September 6, 1996, in the Oklahoma Historical Society Boardroom to provide information about the statewide preservation program and to receive comments for development of the Fiscal Year 1997 Historic Preservation Fund application.

The SHPO expects to receive approximately \$495,000 from the U. S. Department of the Interior's FY1997 Historic Preservation Fund. 10% is reserved for pass-through grants to municipalities participating in Oklahoma's Certified Local Government (CLG) program. Over half the total HPF grant award will be used for subgrants to carry out historic and archaeological resource survey projects, to prepare National Register of Historic Places nomination forms, to develop historic contexts, and to assist CLGs. Your input can help shape the future of Oklahoma's past. The SHPO would appreciate hearing your ideas and suggestions on its program priorities for the coming federal fiscal year.

Under the National Historic Preservation Act, the SHPO has responsibility for administration of the federal historic preservation program in Oklahoma. In brief, the purpose of the program is to encourage preservation of the state's archaeological and historic resources for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations. Specific activities directed toward this goal include identification of properties important in history, architecture, culture, and archaeology; evaluation and registration of such properties; formal review of federal and federally assisted projects that could affect such properties; development and implementation of the historic preservation plan; administration of the CLG program and the federal investment tax credits program for certified historic structures; and public outreach activities.

*Tomorrow's Legacy: Oklahoma's Statewide Preservation Plan* (available from the SHPO, 2704 Villa Prom, Shepherd Mall, Oklahoma City 73107) sets forth goals and objectives for historic preservation in Oklahoma. The SHPO will base its FY1997 work program on the State Plan's goals and objectives. The SHPO's specific priorities include continuation of the archaeological and historic resources survey program to document property types under-represented in the state's inventory and to extend survey coverage to previously unstudied areas, preparation of nominations for the National Register, and provision of public outreach and technical assistance programs.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, your written comments and suggestions are welcome. You may complete the "Project Suggestion Form" that will soon be mailed to you and return it to the SHPO.

# Work Continues on Battlefield Preservation

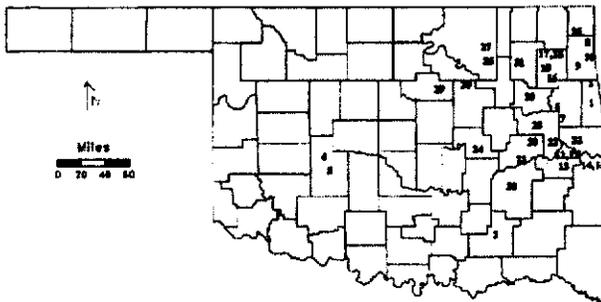
by Melvena Heisch  
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Recognizing the importance of Oklahoma's military history and the preservation of those archaeological and historic properties associated with it, in 1993 the Oklahoma state legislature created the Oklahoma Battlefield Preservation and Development Study Commission, which issued its report in January 1994. The report details the importance of Civil War and Native American battlefields and sets forth recommendations for their preservation. Working with the commission, the Oklahoma Historical Society (OHS) developed a multi-phased project for implementation of the recommendations. The Study Phase (phase 1) was completed in September 1995. It included development of historic contexts for the Civil War Battlefields and the Native American Battlefields. Additionally, an annotated bibliography and an annotated list of battlefields were generated. Results of the Study Phase were summarized in *Tribal and Civil War Battlefield Sites in Oklahoma*, issued in May 1996.

Based on the May 1996 report, the commission and the OHS identified a list of battlefields for examination under the Assessment Phase (phase 2) of the Oklahoma Battlefield Preservation Project. The SHPO is in the process of selecting a consultant to complete this phase. The work will include site visitation and documentation of each battlefield, limited archaeological testing, evaluation of each battlefield's eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places, and preparation of a final summary report. Phase 2 is scheduled for completion by February of 1997.

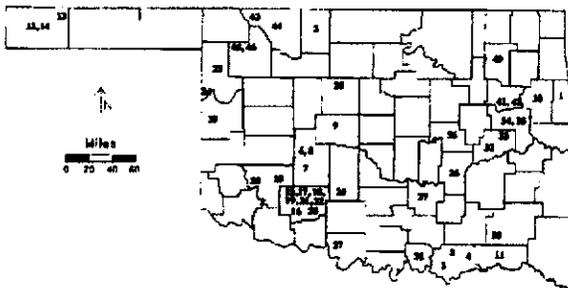
In the project's third phase, a preservation plan which includes information about threats to battlefields and possible preservation strategies will be developed and widely distributed. The final phase will concern implementation of the plan's goals, including, among many other activities identified in the planning phase, nomination of battlefields to the National Register of Historic Places and development of educational programs.

## CIVIL WAR BATTLEFIELD SITES, 1861-1865



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|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Barren Fork Creek, 1863 | 14. Devil's Backbone Mountain 1, 1863 | 25. Price's Retreat, 1864     |
| 2. Spavinaw Creek, 1863    | 15. Devil's Backbone Mountain 2, 1864 | 26. Caving Banks, 1861        |
| 3. Middle Boggy, 1864      | 16. Locust Grove, 1862                | 27. Chustenahlah, 1861        |
| 4. Wichita Agency, 1862    | 17. Cabin Creek 1, 1863               | 28. Red Fork (Keystone), 1861 |
| 5. Tonkawa Massacre, 1862  | 18. Cabin Creek 2, 1864               | 29. Red Fork (Yale), 1861     |
| 6. Bayou Menard, 1862      | 19. Pryor's Creek, 1864               | 30. Perryville, 1863          |
| 7. Greenleaf Prairie, 1863 | 20. Honey Springs, 1863               | 31. Claremore Mound 2, 1861   |
| 8. Cowskin Prairie, 1862   | 21. North Fork Town, 1863             | 32. Pleasant Bluff, 1864      |
| 9. Old Fort Wayne, 1862    | 22. Webber's Falls, 1863              | 33. Flat Rock Creek, 1864     |
| 10. Buffalo Creek, 1863    | 23. Rabbit Ford, 1863                 |                               |
| 11. San Bois Creek 1, 1863 | 24. Thlopthlocco, 1861                |                               |
| 12. San Bois Creek 2, 1864 |                                       |                               |
| 13. Iron Bridge, 1864      |                                       |                               |

## INDIAN BATTLEFIELD SITES, 1759-1909



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|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Goingsnake Tragedy, 1872       | 16. Chickasaw Expedition, 1865        | 30. Soldier Spring, 1868         |
| 2. Skidi/Trader Attack, 1817      | 17. Four Mile Crossing, 1870          | 31. Judge Martin Massacre, 1834  |
| 3. Maj. Welborn Massacre, 1823    | 18. Sherman House Confrontation, 1871 | 32. Chitto Harjo Homestead, 1909 |
| 4. Starvation Point, (?)          | 19. Tenawerka Raid, 1871              | 33. Osage/Creek Fight, (?)       |
| 5. Caddo Hill, (?)                | 20. Shooting of Stank, 1871           | 34. Creek Lighthouse 1, 1878     |
| 6. Wichita Agency, 1862           | 21. Signal Mtn. Blockhouse, 1874      | 35. Creek Lighthouse 2, 1879     |
| 7. Tonkawa Massacre, 1862         | 22. Cache Creek Attack, 1874          | 36. Battle Creek, 1882           |
| 8. Anadarko Affair, 1874          | 23. Wolf Creek 1, 1838                | 37. Ranger Abduction, 1833       |
| 9. Sand Hill Fight, 1875          | 24. Antelope Hills, 1858              | 38. Jones-Locke War, 1893        |
| 10. Boudinot Assassination, 1839  | 25. Wichita Village, 1858             | 39. Washita, 1868                |
| 11. Osage/Hunter Attacks, 1816    | 26. Osage/Skidi Ambush, 1843          | 40. Claremore Mound 1, 1817      |
| 12. Flagg Springs, 1828           | 27. Parilla/San Bernardo, 1759        | 41. Joseph Bogy Attack, 1807     |
| 13. Willowbar Crossing, 1828      | 28. Pat Hennessey Mass, 1874          | 42. Marshall Town Raids, 1880    |
| 14. Wolf Mtn. Massacre, (?)       | 29. Cut-Throat Gap, 1833              | 43. Surveyor Massacre, 1873      |
| 15. Pawnees/Wichita Village, 1836 |                                       | 44. Turkey Springs, 1878         |
|                                   |                                       | 45. Wolf Creek 2, 1868           |
|                                   |                                       | 46. Camp Supply, 1870            |

Battlefield graphics taken from the Oklahoma Battlefield Preservation Commission's report: *Tribal and Civil War Battlefield Sites in Oklahoma* - May, 1996.

## Preservation Community Bulletin Board

■ We regret to announce that Susie Clinard is moving to Savannah, Georgia, to assume the duties of Dean of Special Events at the Savannah College of Art and Design. She begins her new career there on July 1st. The leadership she has provided through the Oklahoma Main Street Program leaves a firm foundation for community preservation efforts across the state. The SHPO has greatly appreciated her service as a member of the Historic Preservation Review Committee. We wish her the very best.

■ Correction: the telephone number at the SHPO for Cindy Smelker, Architectural Historian, is (405) 522-4478. Call her for information about the National Register of Historic Places and Architectural/Historic Survey.

■ Jill Marsh joined the SHPO staff on June 24th. She is the new Preservation Research Assistant. In addition to her many other duties, Jill will coordinate the Oklahoma Centennial Farm and Ranch Program. Her telephone number is (405) 521-6387.

■ Nearly 200 persons from around the state attended the eighth annual Statewide Historic Preservation Conference in Duncan, May 16-18. A big thank you and congratulations goes out to the staff and volunteers of Main Street Duncan, Inc., for their outstanding effort in organizing the event.

■ The 50th National Preservation Conference will be held in October in Chicago, Illinois. The theme for this year's conference, which is scheduled for October 16-20, is "Preserving Community: City, Suburb & Countryside." The conference will feature over 60 educational sessions, 15 hands-on mobile workshops, and twelve local tours.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is offering a Cultural Diversity Scholarship to defray the cost of attendance by persons selected for: ethnic and cultural representation, economic need, and potential to contribute to historic preservation in his or her community.

For more information about conference registration or diversity scholarship application, contact Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., at (405) 232-5747.

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# State Historic Preservation Office Presents 1996 Awards for Historic Preservation

*The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) presented awards for excellence in historic preservation efforts during the eighth annual statewide historic preservation conference in Duncan. At the awards banquet held on the evening of Friday, May 17, at the Simmons Center, state historic preservation officer J. Blake Wade, Oklahoma Historical Society (OHS) president Marvin E. Kroecker, and OHS board member Susan Guthrie Dunham recognized recipients of the Shirk Memorial Award for Statewide Preservation and Citations of Merit.*

The Kirkpatrick Foundation of Oklahoma City received the Shirk Memorial Award in recognition of its generous financial support of a variety of historic preservation activities across the state, including contributions to assist the programs of Oklahoma City's Jefferson Park Neighborhood Association and Crown Heights-Edgemere Heights Improvement, Inc.; the Arcadia Historical and Preservation Society; the Cherokee National Historical Society; the Chisholm Trail Historical Preservation Society; the Historic Fort Supply Foundation; and projects of nine other organizations through the National Trust's Preservation Services Fund program, including the Marland Estate Foundation in Ponca City; Checotah's Arch of Triumph, Inc. and Main Street Program; the Rogers County Historical Society; the Washita County Commissioners in Cordell; and Preservation Oklahoma, Inc.

*Ten Citations of Merit were given to organizations or individuals for outstanding and varied efforts to preserve Oklahoma's heritage. These were:*

- The Ardmore Main Street Authority, for its development and publication of "The Historic Ardmore Walking and Driving Tour Map."
- Bill Bryans, Dianna Everett, Bryan Schulz, and Mary Jane Warde, for their special assistance to the SHPO staff following the destruction of their office by the April 19th bombing of the Murrah Building.
- Neysa Clark, for her exemplary work in preparing National Register nominations for Lake Murray State Park and for Robbers Cave State Park.
- The Creek County Commissioners, for rehabilitation of the Collins Building, built in 1925, as administrative offices.
- Eastside Elementary School of Chandler, for its 1994 school play, "Tribute to Trains."
- Watonga's Ferguson Chapel Presbyterian Church Foundation, Inc., for its efforts to preserve the Ferguson Chapel.
- John D. Hartley, of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation, for his exemplary work in documenting properties within the boundaries of federally aided highway construction projects to allow quick determination of National Register eligibility.
- Chuck and Jana Hill, for their rehabilitation of Marlow's Briscoe Building.
- Sapulpa's Washington and Liberty elementary schools for their historic downtown ghost sign restorations.
- Newkirk Main Street Authority, for its highly successful small grants program for facade improvements.
- The Oklahoma Main Street Program, Preservation Oklahoma, Inc., the Oklahoma Heritage Association, Historic Preservation, Inc., the City of Oklahoma City Planning Department, and Stockyards City Main Street, for organizing the seventh annual Statewide Historic Preservation Conference in Oklahoma City, which was held only three weeks after the Murrah Building bombing.
- Vern and Sara Street, for their efforts to preserve an important aspect of Sapulpa's historic Main Street through rehabilitation of the former City Drug Building.
- JoAnne Vervinck, for her outstanding study of Sacred Heart Mission, a National Register property in Pottawatomie County.

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