

Tales 'n' Trails

MUSEUM NEWSLETTER

NEW MEMBERS AND RENEWING MEMBERS:

- Suzanne Storey and Tommy Yowell Family
- Sid and Dee Dee Brown
- Sue Duckworth
- Cy Young
- Terry & Eileen Newland
- Ken & Wanda Sewell

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Nocona Boot Company “Show and Tell” Reunion

Saturday, February 16th, the Tales 'n' Trails Museum will host the 3rd Annual Nocona Boot Company Show & Tell Reunion from 2pm-5pm. All former employees and their families are welcome to attend this fun trip down memory lane.

Be sure to bring anything you might have questions about, or something near and dear to your heart from your time at the Nocona Boot Company. If you have run across a new stash of Christmas party pic-

tures or even any old newspaper clippings, bring them to “show and tell”. It is the memories of the “boot shop” employees that always make this day so special.

Don't forget your camera because you



never know what might happen at the Reunion.

There is no charge and refreshments



PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES

Twenty five students enjoyed a basic photography class last Saturday by Fort Worth photographer Iris Geenwell. They learned exactly what their cameras could do and could not do! Other classes are planned as soon as she can fit us into her busy schedule, so if you are interested, please call and get your name on the list. The next classes should include another beginner class and an intermediate class. See some of Ms. Greenwell's beautiful photographs at <http://irisgreenwellphotography.blogspot.com/>



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT Q & A



**TnT Volunteer
Ruby Eldred of Nocona**

Q: What do you like most about volunteering at the museum?

A: It gets me out of the house and since I'm old, I like to be around things that are older than me!

Q: What do you do in your spare time, hobbies,

etc?

A: I love to read, if I couldn't read books, I would go bonkers.

Q: What have you seen or experienced at the museum that surprised you the most?

A: A tour bus of deaf people came thru, and it was amazing to watch these people

communicate their responses to what they were looking at.

Q: What is your favorite exhibit, the one that you can look at every time you walk thru the doors?

A: The picture of Cynthia Parker feeding her baby, that woman was tough!

CURRENTLY AROUND THE MUSEUM

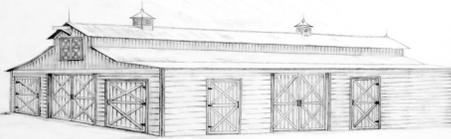


With all the outdoor exhibit activity, now is a premium opportunity to **Purchase a Brick!**

Bricks are \$50 a piece and can be inscribed. The bricks will be displayed prominently in the landscaping

Bill Taylor's "Around Spanish Fort" Exhibit will be coming down March 1st!!

BUILD THE BARN



Proposed artist interpretation of new exhibit barn



F&M Bank and Nocona Post Office Displays

WHY I SHOULD VOLUNTEER

Social connectivity within your community is key in staying healthy and there is no better way to feel connected to our community but to give volunteering a go at the Tales 'n' Trails Museum in Nocona. The Museum has volunteers of all ages.

Statistics from www.heart.org
 Research from The American Heart Association:

- A study of adults age 65 and older found that the positive effect of volunteering on physical and mental health is due to the personal sense of accomplishment an individual gains from his or her volunteer activities.
- Another study found that volunteering led to lower rates of depression in individuals 65 and older.

One of the best ways to make new friends and strengthen existing

relationships is to commit to a shared activity together. Volunteering is a great way to meet new people, especially if you are new to an area. Volunteering also strengthens your ties to the community and broadens your support network, exposing you to people with common interests, neighborhood resources, and fun and fulfilling activities. Come be our Volunteer at the Tales 'n' Trails Museum!



COWBOY CHRISTMAS CAMPFIRE



Riding Santa's Ponies!

Branding Time!



Cowboy Santa Tommy

“ READ BETWEEN THE VINES ” ~ BOOK SIGNING MARCH 3

Enjoy a Sunday afternoon with local authors Stan Briney, Shannon Gillette, Gale Cochran-Smith, Treva Tindol Dawson, & Larry Lemons as they synopsise their books and answer any questions. Mingle among the authors afterward for a more per-

sonalized view of their efforts and get your books signed.



Literature ranging from history to intrigue will rule the day! Admission is \$5 and includes refreshments. This is a great chance to experience some local writers and learn what makes them tick!

A "Members Free" Event!

Why a membership?

- Several levels of participation available from \$10 to \$1000 per year. Different benefits include:
- * Free admission to TnT (Admission \$5 adults, \$3 seniors & students, free for pre-school, Veterans & Military)
 - * Free admission to over 500 other museums as part of North American Reciprocal Museums Group for memberships of \$100 or more
 - * Free admission for family & friends accompanying you.
 - * Meal Tickets for our annual Shebang
 - * Gift passes for Tnt admission to share with others
 - * TnT newsletter
 - * Invitations to special member-only events
 - * 10% discount on all non-consignment gift shop purchases
 - * Help fund day to day operations and programs at TnT. Remember we are supported by YOU

