



Storyteller Wallace Moore to kick off CT150 with 'Cowboy Camp' April 1

Come celebrate the kick-off of the Chisholm Trail's 150th anniversary



Wallace Moore is a historian. He provides interpretive talks. But, remove the fancy titles and he's really a great storyteller.

And on April 1, Moore will be here, outside, to visit one-on-one and share his interesting stories. He'll answer any questions you have on cowboys, Buffalo Soldiers and the roles they played in settling Oklahoma in the late 1800s.

He's researched and found stories of trail hands, some famous, some not-so, and enjoys retelling the history. He has stories about the Seminole Freedman, Deputy Marshals and other people important to Oklahoma and the Chisholm Trail's legacy.

A retired U.S. Army Sgt. "Maj. Wallace C. Moore Sr.," was stationed at Fort Sill on active duty in the 1990s. He, along with three friends, in 1997, formed the first Buffalo Soldier Chapter in Oklahoma, as part of an established national organization, of the Buffalo Soldiers 9th and 10th Horse Calvary Association.

Cowboy Camp
Saturday, April 1
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Wallace Moore, historian
Come hear the stories
of the past as told by
Wallace Moore

These days, Moore travels the state and shares history with anyone who wants to listen. When he's not traveling the state to share his stories, he works on a number of publications, books, DVDs and CDs. He's also a cowboy poet.

We hope you'll come spend a few hours to help celebrate the Chisholm Trail's 150th anniversary and enjoy Moore's entertaining stories. This is a free event open to the public.

OK Freewheel: Destination Duncan and riding the Chisholm Trail

Several hundred bicyclists will be riding the Chisholm Trail in June. Oklahoma Freewheel 'Chisholm Trail' has designated the Heritage Center as a host site on their journey.

Riders and their support crew will arrive Monday, June 12 to set up camp overnight. Visitors are welcome to come meet the riders and share stories. Departure from Duncan will happen Tuesday, June 13. Riders will also be traveling from Comanche to Velma on that Monday.

To learn more about OK Freewheel, visit the official site: www.okfreewheel.com.



Chisholm Trail Heritage Center

Our Mission:

“To celebrate and perpetuate the history, art and culture of the Chisholm Trail, the American Cowboy and the American West.”

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Important Dates in 2017

April 1 - CT150 Kick-Off
April 8 - CT150 Celebration Gala
April 9 - [Creative Writing Reception](#)
April 25-30 - Amateur Radio Club CT150 Event
June 12-13 OK Freewheel
July 22 - [National Day of the Cowboy](#)
Sept 7 - [Texoma Gives Fundraiser](#)
Nov 17 - [Cowboy Poetry Gathering](#)

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‘Go Write, young people!’

Reception recognizes student writers



In the words of Horace Greeley, “Go West, young man,” creative writing instructor, Dr. Nathan Brown, tells sixth-grade students, to explore the museum, be inspired by the art, artifacts and write.

A public reception recognizing the students and their literary talents, will be held at **1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 9.**

Please attend to show your support.

“Saddle Up & Write” is an award-winning educational program offered at CTHC, since 2010. Students from Duncan, Marlow and Empire sixth-grade classes participate. For more details, visit the event page on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/250156252093989/>

Amateur Radio Club CT150 Event

CTHC member, Rick Duncan, is the point of contact for the upcoming Chisholm Trail Amateur Radio Club (CTARC) event which helps recognize the CT 150th celebration.

They will be broadcasting from the Heritage Center, April 25-30.

Radio enthusiasts have already been promoting along the Chisholm Trail.

Learn more about this upcoming event: <https://www.qrz.com/db/W5F/?mlab=>



Volunteers Needed!

Trail Clean Up Day

March 29

Be here at 8 a.m.

**Bring your Clippers
and gloves!**

**Let's clean up the Blue
Stem Nature Preserve
and Trail Area**

Seen at left, is the area after
a good cleaning in 2015.

Garis Gallery/Artist Spotlight: Clay Cole

"I rarely do a painting that doesn't have an animal or a bird in it."

Local Duncan Art Guild member/artist, Clay Cole, has three paintings on display during March and April, in the Garis Gallery of the American West.

As an active artist, he also promotes the fine arts in Stephens County, by encouraging area artists to participate in contests and exhibits. He arranges guest art lecturers and teachers for the Guild's monthly meetings.

A 40-year career at Halliburton Energy Services put his art interest on hold, but as soon as he retired, that art interest reappeared. His work has won awards and has been featured in other area businesses over the past few years.

In the Garis Gallery, his works are

"Oklahoma Icon: Turner Falls;" "Over She Goes: Bulldogging" and "Old Barn and a Tractor" all lacquered acrylic on canvas, framed. They are available to purchase and inquiries should be made at the front desk.



"Old Barn and a Tractor" also has a dog. Cole enjoys adding animals to his paintings. He can be reached through email: claycole@cable-one.net, or on Facebook at Clay Cole Artist.

Kid's Groups! Book now for Summer 2017



Edie Stewart, left, is one of our educators. She visits with youngsters in the Duncan General Store during a recent program designed for 2-4 year olds.

Book your group for a visit to the Heritage Center.

Great for Daycares, Scouts, 4-H,
Homeschool Associations
Church Clubs, and Camps.

Our professional instructors lead students through 1 - 3.5 hours of hands-on arts, interactive exhibits, and learning fun with the backdrop of the Chisholm Trail, cowboys and cowgirls.

Multiple programs available for repeat visits.

Cost: \$3.00/student with minimum 48 hour advanced reservation.

Teachers/drivers free. Walk-ins with no programming \$4.00+tax.

All ages welcome. Including mixed age groups. Group size negotiable.

Consider a day at the museum.

Call Leah today 580-252-6692 to discuss your visit needs.



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CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF THE CHISHOLM TRAIL



Tickets are still available for the upcoming CT150 Gala! It's a once in 150-year celebration of the historic Chisholm Trail, Saturday, April 8, 2017.

Begin the evening at 5 p.m. at the Chisholm Trail Heritage Center for an Open House Reception.

Continues at 6:30 p.m. at the Simmons Center for the main gala, dinner and auction.

Tickets:
\$50 per person
\$500 for reserved table
Call **(580) 252-6692** today to buy your tickets.

Mark your calendars now for an exciting weekend in July! Our National Day of the Cowboy celebration will happen Saturday, July 22.

On Sunday, July 23, a special performance by the Michael Lasser Trio Theatrical Review of the Chisholm Trail will perform at 3 p.m. at the Simmons Center

Want more details?
Call CTHC Executive Director Stacy Cramer Moore at 580-252-6692, or email: info@onthechisholmtrail.com