



Around Town: Celebrating cowboys

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The Chisholm Trail Heritage Center in Duncan is celebrating the National Day of the Cowboy on July 22 with special Western-themed activities from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Visitors can hear live music by Cowboys at Heart, a band from Comanche; meet authors Kelly Poland of *Oklahoma Prairie Tales* and Stella Dutton of *Pinto the Chisholm Pony*; play Western-themed games and do art projects; explore the interactive exhibits and art galleries of the museum; and more. Tour guide and cowgirl Cheyenne Budvarson will offer roping lessons, and The Chisholm Trail Experience will be showing.

The Oklahoma Arts Council is helping fund the event. Admission is free that day.

While you're at the heritage center at 1000 Chisholm Trail Pkwy. for the cowboy celebration, buy tickets for a concert that will be held the next day at the nearby Simmons Center in Duncan as part of ongoing celebrations of the Chisholm Trail's 150th anniversary. At 2:30 p.m. July 23, the Michael Lasser Trio (Michael Lasser, Alan Jones and Cindy Miller) will perform American songs of the West in a Broadway-style theatrical review. Tickets are \$20 each (or \$10 for members and students).

For information, search Chisholm Trail Heritage Center on Facebook or call (580) 252-6692.

Celebrate northwest Oklahoma's history in Enid

Enjoy another taste of state history in Enid at the Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center, which is launching a new evening event to celebrate historical leaders in the community.

The event, "A Night With Our Leaders," will begin at 6:30 p.m. July 14 with tours beginning every 15 minutes.

As guests walk through, they'll hear the stories of six northwest Oklahoma leaders as told by the actors portraying them: Henry "Heinie" Bass, portrayed by grandson Bob Berry; Laura Crews, portrayed by Sarah Hardaway; Angie Debo, portrayed by Mary McDonald; Marquis James, portrayed by Frank Baker; Lewis Jonas Umstead, portrayed by Christopher Sneed; and Lt. Col. Leon Vance, portrayed by Daron Rudy. In addition, a pioneer family portrayed by Tammy Duncan and her daughter Jessica, and a Phillips University college student played by Carol Jarrett will make appearances during the event.

For information or tickets, go to csrhc.org or call 580-237-1907.

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