

# Tales 'n' Trails

## SHEBANG 2016 EDITION

### MUSEUM NEWSLETTER

MONTAGUE COUNTY AGRICULTURE

#### CELEBRATE THE CHISHOLM TRAIL

2017 is the 150th Anniversary of the Chisholm Trail! Activities with the Trail theme are already going on in Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas. TnT Museum has special commemorative pins now on sale and will be hosting some events next year celebrating our link to The Chisholm Trail! Stay tuned!



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\*\*\*\*Contest: Find 3 windmills in this issue! The first 5 people to contact the Museum will receive 10 (ten) Free extra bucket auction tickets at Shebang!

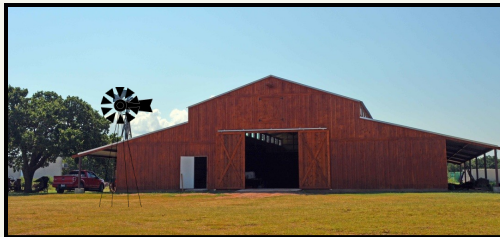
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#### Shebang is coming!

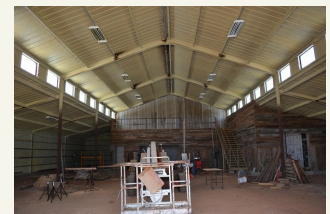
Our only major fundraiser of the year, the Shebang, will be held on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at the Veranda Events Center. We will have our usual fabulous steak dinner and musical entertainment.

There will be many great items in all of our auctions; you will not want to miss this fun evening! We will also draw the winning raffle tickets during the Shebang. This year the raffle items are a Browning shotgun, a Yeti cooler, and "Intimate Dinner for

20 at Daddy Sam's Saloon". We are celebrating our Agricultural history this year. The money raised will be used to polish off the finishing touches and last minute details of our barn. The barn is looking great



black smith shop, and give us more curatorial storage space. Bill Taylor's custom frame shop (open to the public!) will also be housed there. If you have not had a chance to come check it out, it will be open to tour the afternoon of the Shebang.



thanks to the hard work of our volunteers, especially Rob Storey, Wes Morton, Jim Admire, and Robert Howington. The barn will house our large agricultural exhibits, a classroom, a

#### TNT RECEIVES PRIDDY GRANT

Tales N Trails Museum is excited to announce that we have recently received a grant from the Priddy Foundation

in Wichita Falls to help finish our barn! The grant, worth \$25,000 should come very close to finishing the struc-

ture. We originally were going to use gravel in the actual exhibit space but have now decided to concrete this area.

Funds from Shebang will go towards that, then we will be ready to set up our agricultural exhibits!

## Cole McNatt

CHEVROLET  BUICK  GMC

Gainesville, Texas

### Thank You Members!

Thank you to those who have renewed your annual memberships! These funds are vital for our day to day operations. We also want to welcome new members!

- Dee Dee Albert
- Terah Bowles
- Metta Burluson
- Dominga Gauna
- Brandy Hamilton
- Lovetta Reed
- Jack & Jachyllis Hogeland
- Ken & Kim Kollmeyer
- Kevin, Linda & Kim Sewell
- Norm & Shirley Sisk
- Casey & Laura Uselton
- Ann Rich Weyant

### Shebang

### Food Sponsors:



STALEY RANCH

MARKET PLACE

SHADOW RIDGE GRAPHICS

## MEMORIAL PATHWAYS

Everywhere at TnT visitors can see the names of people who have paved the way to make this county great!

The truest example of this is our Memorial Pathways. These bricks are a great way to pay tribute to a loved one and support Tales N Trails Museum at the same time. The bricks



can commemorate an individual, family or an event. They will be used to create decorative pathways to our outdoor exhibits.

The bricks cost \$50

each. Proceeds will be used toward our outdoor exhibits.

TnT is proud to be a partner with the **Nocona Playground Project**

in the Enid Justin City Park! If you would like to help with this, give us a call!

## New Native American Exhibit Coming Soon

Tommy Sappington found the lip of what appeared to be a large Native American pot while out arrowhead hunting just a "few" years ago when he was about 18 years old. After careful excavation, going more than 3 ft. deep, he located over 90% of the pot. He spent many painstaking hours working the jig-saw of parts, placing

them together with good old Elmer's glue. The pot is thought to be Taovayan and approximately 400 years old. It was found near Spanish Fort. Sappington has generously donated this unique find as well as some other artifacts found in the same vicinity. We are building a custom display for it and it

will soon be on permanent display in the Native American Hall.



## NEWLY COMPLETED EXHIBIT

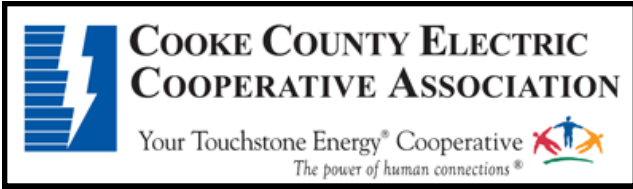
The Pumper's House is open and included on your tour at TnT. The house was used in the oil field near Capps Corner from the 1920s through the 1940s. It has been restored and staged to look like it would have at the height of the oil

boom. It was generously donated to the museum by The Ruel



and Velda Lou Cannon family, who once lived in it. The house is featured in our museum video's oil industry segment.

Come out and get a glimpse of how life was in the early oil field days.



**SHEBANG  
"GOLD LEVEL"  
SPONSORS**



### GENEALOGY PROJECT

TnT Museum offers visitors help with genealogy research. We are actively collecting family information for future generations. One of our newest sources for this service is an obituary project. Mrs. Milta Carter-Lindell of Bowie started collecting obituaries with her mother years ago. She has donated hundreds of obituaries from local newspapers that volunteers are

alphabetizing into notebooks. These are great genealogical records. The museum has also added obituaries we have found in very old newspapers in our collection. This set of notebooks will have obituaries through 2015. As Mrs. Lindell continues to collect, we will start another set of notebooks starting with 2016. Let us know if you would like to help with this project!

### NEW DIRECTORS

Tales 'n' Trails welcomes three new directors to our board. Melanie Chapman Howington, and Jim Admire are both Nocona natives. Jim is a past "Volunteer of the Year" and been instrumental in helping with our barn raising. Melanie grew up in Nocona and just moved back with her husband, Robert, who is also an active barn volunteer.

Gale Cochran-Smith and husband Mark moved to Montague County several years ago. She is responsible for our website through her company Shadow Ridge Graphics. These three as well as several other directors and various volunteers work to keep the doors open at TnT every day. We couldn't do it without them!! Thank You!!!

### Shebang Raffle !

Get your chances on one of three great prizes being raffled off this year!

1. A Browning Citori 12 Gauge Shotgun
2. A Yeti Cooler
3. A Dinner for 20 at Daddy Sam's Saloon

\$50 per ticket and you do not have to be present to win! Get tickets at museum!

### Golf Cart in Live Auction !!!

**Easy Go 48 volt! If you can't be there, call in a bid on it!!**



WE ARE ON THE WEB!  
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Tales "N" Trails Museum Gift Shop



Nocona Indian  
Car Decals



150th  
Chisholm Trail Pins



**UPCOMING  
EVENTS**

- Sept. 17 Shebang
- Oct. 7-8 NHS Triennial Homecoming
- Nov. 8 Voting 7am to 7pm
- Dec. 3 Cowboy Christmas Campfire

**Tales 'N' Trails Museum  
Board of Directors 2016/2017**

- Tom Horn—President
- Nell Ann McBroom—VP
- Tracy Mesler—Secretary
- Kim Combs—Treasurer
- David Fenoglio Chase Fenoglio
- Vicki Morton Shannon Gillette
- Robby Storey Barbara Green
- Bob Ferguson Steve Tettleton
- Melanie Howington Gale Cochran-Smith
- Jim Admire

Some of  
Shebang  
Auction  
Items!



Artwork, Autographed  
Books, Beautiful Quilt,  
Arthur Court, & more!



Who's Going to Shebang?



**DAREWAY** UP TO 88 LBS

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SEPT. 17 !  
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FOR TICKETS!**