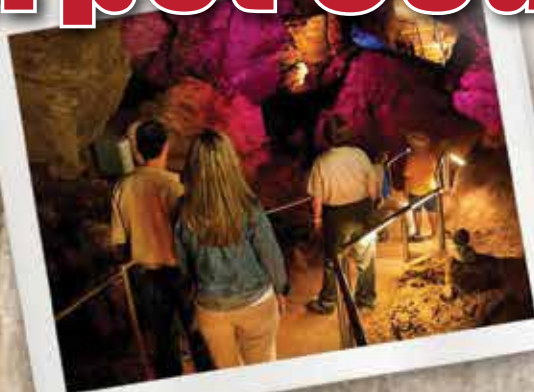
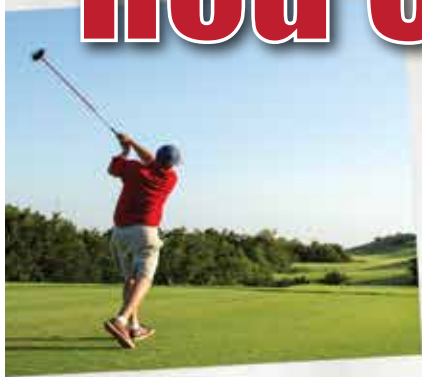


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WELCOME TO RED CARPET COUNTRY

Towering red mesas, a proud Western heritage and some of the most unique natural wonders in Oklahoma are the hallmarks of Northwest and North Central Oklahoma known as Red Carpet Country. The Red Carpet Country regional tourism organization represents 16 counties in northwest and north central Oklahoma. A mild climate, rich history, amazing museums and abundant fishing and hunting make Red Carpet Country a popular tourism destination.

Red Carpet Country is home to many annual events and festivals including the Elk's Rodeo in Woodward, one of the largest car shows in Hooker, the Rattlesnake Round-up in Waynoka, Nightmare in the Country near Woodward, the Watonga Cheese Festival and Ponca City's Herb Festival. There are a number of annual Cherokee Strip celebrations, which mark the great land run of 1893 that opened the region for settlement. Our area also host several wineries and tasting rooms for the adults. Leonardo's Children's Museum and Adventure Quest, in Enid, are fun for the whole family. A calendar of events can be found on pages 32 & 33.

The region's rich culture and history are captured in a number of fascinating museums and historic sites including the Pioneer Woman Statue & Museum in Ponca City, Cimarron Historical Center in Boise City, Sod House Museum in Aline, Waynoka Air & Rail Museum, Windmill Museum in Shattuck, TB Ferguson Home in Watonga, Plains Indian & Pioneer Museum in Woodward, Twister Movie Museum in Wakita, Sand Creek Museum in Fairview, Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center in Enid. Many more are listed on page 35.

Great Salt Plains Lake, one of the largest inland salt lakes in the United States is located between Cherokee and Jet. Rare selenite crystals are hidden just beneath the surface of the salt flats and provides hours of entertainment digging for crystals. In the fall and winter months the Great Salt Plains is a bird watchers haven. We are home to Sand Dunes in Beaver, and the Little Sahara State Park in Waynoka, known as one of the best ATV riding spots in the Midwest and is the busiest state park in Oklahoma. Alabaster Caverns State Park, between Freedom and Mooreland, features the largest natural gypsum cave in the world open to the public. The Black Mesa is the state's highest peak and the Gloss Mountains offer a stunning 360 degree view that is not to be missed. A complete list of state parks and recreational areas can be found on page 34.

Like the Red Carpet Country Facebook page and visit our website – RedCarpetCountry.com – to discover information on festivals, events and activities, including our annual tourism conference, which will be at the Woodward Conference Center, August 28, 2018.

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KENTON (Cimarron County)



Often referred to as "Oklahoma's Best Kept Secret", the Dry Cimarron Valley is one of the most unique areas of the United States. Hike the rugged, volcanic Black Mesa, the highest point in the state of Oklahoma. Kenton area's lava formations includes dinosaur tracks, Indian pictographs, caves and many peculiar rock formations. Visit Black Mesa State Park and Lake Carl Etling to experience great fishing, camping and hiking.

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ranch experience. There are several outstanding bed and breakfasts in Black Mesa country, including the Black Mesa Bed & Breakfast. The Black Mesa area will surpass all your expectations.

Known world-wide for their dark skies, Camp Billy Joe near Kenton hosts the annual Okie-Tex Star Party, October 6-14, 2018. The Kenton Easter Pageant, a live reenactment of Christ's crucifixion and resurrection is another must see event. It is held, every year, on the Saturday and Sunday of Easter weekend.

Attractions

Okie-Tex Star Party, Kenton Easter Pageant, Kenton Museum, Black Mesa State Park, Lake Carl Etling

Photo Opportunities

Black Mesa Park, Highest Point Marker, Tri-State Marker, Dinosaur Tracks, Rock Formations

Historical Significance

Dinosaur tracks and lava formations can be found here and it is said that the area has been occupied by man as far back as 10,000 year!



BOISE CITY (Cimarron County)



Boise City is renowned as the only U.S. city "bombed" during WWII. It offers lodging, dining, shopping and the Cimarron County County Music Theater. Cimarron County is the only U.S. county to touch five states.

Boise City is home to the Cimarron Heritage Center Museum, one of the best local museums in the state of Oklahoma. The museum features the Dust Bowl ear, the Santa Fe Trail, local history, and a one of a kind dinosaur exhibit.

Attractions

Cimarron Heritage Center Museum, Cimarron County Music Theater

Photo Opportunities

Cimarron County Courthouse, World War II Bombing Site Memorial, Cimarron Heritage Center, Autograph Rock

Historical Significance

In 1943 a B-17 bomber dropped six practice bombs on Boise City. Claim to fame as being one of the few towns bombed during WWII.



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GUYMON (Texas County)



Guymon is a melting pot of culture, arts, festivals, and hospitality for travelers. It's rich in Pioneer history, Western panoramas and diversity with over 25 dialects. Guymon is home to the Rodeo Hall of Fame PRCA's Pioneer Days Rodeo, Azuma African Festival, and Fiesta Day. Enjoy the Five State Motorcycle Run, a 300 mile ride in one day.

Guymon's Downtown Cultural Arts District offers an arts center, community theatre, historic sites, artist studios, wine bar, pub, BBQ, cheese, retail and more. The stocked Sunset Lake is adjacent to the Wildlife Refuge's bison, Texas Longhorns, and elk.

Sunset Hills 18-hole golf course carries a USGA 69 rating with a slope of 117 and is a junior golf national automatic exemption site. Guymon also has a disc golf course, four walking trails, and parks.

Attractions

Azuma African Festival, Sunset Hills Golf Course, & Frisbee Golf, Pioneer Days Celebration & Rodeo, Five State Motorcycle Run, No Man's Land Museum, OPSU Golf Course, Guymon Community Theatre, R/C Air Craft Field, Guymon Fiesta!

Photo Opportunities

Sunset Lake, Wildlife Refuge, Guymon's Cultural Downtown District

Historical Significance

Guymon experienced the brunt of severe wind damage during the Dust Bowl, April 26, 1930.



Explore your Bucket List early!

My Guymon Bucket List

- ☒ Dust Bowl & Genealogy Archives
- ☒ Saddle Bronc Capital of the World
- ☒ Sunset Hills Golf Course & NEW! Frisbee Golf
- ☒ Guymon's Cultural Downtown District
- ☒ ProRodeo Hall of Fame PRCA Pioneer Days Rodeo - May
- ☐ 85th Pioneer Days Celebration (1 week of fun) - May
- ☐ Five State Motorcycle Run (300 Miles) - May
- ☐ Azuma - An African Celebration - August
- ☐ Guymon Fiesta! - September
- ☐ Sunset Lake & Wildlife Refuge
- ☐ No Man's Land Museum
- ☐ Black Mesa/Dinosaur Tracks/Star Party

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■ HOOKER (Texas County)

Hooker hosts one of the largest car shows in Oklahoma. Hooker is located near the center of the Oklahoma Panhandle along US Highway 54, and is the second largest community in Texas County. With a proud history and a bright future, Hooker is a thriving community with strong rural values,

superb schools, and growth potential. There are a growing number of locally owned businesses in Hooker and they are home to many events and festivals. The Annual Hooker Car Show is on the Saturday after Labor Day, in downtown Hooker. Spring Fling will be on April 21, the Annual Easter Egg Hunt is on

March 24 and the Annual Hot Dogs in the Park is on Independence Day. Hooker has a Halloween parade and a Christmas parade. Plan to enjoy Hooker's many events, charming boutiques and delicious dining options.



Attractions

Hooker Car Show, Spring Fling

Photo Opportunities

Historic Downtown

Historical Significance

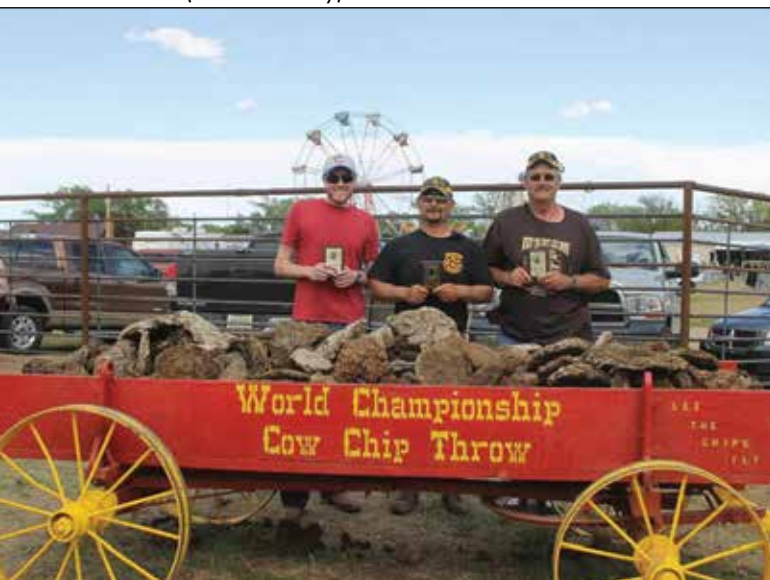
As part of No Man's Land, Hooker stood outside the boundaries of the surrounding territories until it was attached to Oklahoma Territory in 1890. Mainly cattlemen utilized the land, but in the 1880s settlers began to homestead on this public strip.

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■ BEAVER (Beaver County)



Beaver is home to the nation's most unusual competition - The Annual World Cow Chip Throwing Contest, held every April. Come see dozens of folks flinging "cow patty" pies yards down the way. Don't worry, you'll never get pooped in Beaver - we watch where we sling! The rest of the year enjoy Beaver Dunes Park, 520 acres of dune buggy rides on 300 acres of sand hills - fish and hike too at the Beaver Dunes Park lake.



Attractions

Annual Cow Chip Throw, Beaver Dunes Park, Gateway to the Panhandle Museum in Gate, Beaver Pioneer Park Golf Course, Jones & Plummer Trial Museum, Beaver River Wildlife Area

Historical Significance

The Presbyterian Church built in 1887 is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as "the oldest church in Oklahoma Territory"

Photo Opportunities

Beaver Dunes Park, located in the sandy panhandle city of Beaver, offers sand hills, as well as fishing, hiking trails, a playground and two campgrounds.

Visit Hooker Oklahoma



Hooker 2018 Schedule of Events

March 24, Annual Easter Egg Hunt Hooker Park

April 21, Third Annual Spring Fling Downtown.
Cultural music, dancing, food and games.

July 4, Hot Dogs in Hooker Park, Fireworks after dark
at the Blackmer Municipal Golf Course.

September 8, The 12th Annual Hooker Car Show
in Downtown Hooker. HookerCarShow.com

October 31, Halloween Costume Parade Downtown
Hooker. Each participant will receive a 50 cent piece.

November: Lights begin to appear in Homesteader's Park,
snowflakes on the downtown light poles, and elves, trees
and lighted train in the Downtown Park.

December 1, Annual Christmas Parade. Prizes give \$150
first, \$100 Second, \$50 Third in the Youth Group and
Community categories.

Sponsored City wide Christmas lighting contest

Dec. 13, Cookie Crawl: For a donation to a local charity,
participant will receive a box and can visit local businesses
from 4-6 and pick up a cookie. Most businesses will have a
merchant drawing, and some will have other refreshments.

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BUFFALO (Harper County)



The Town of Buffalo is centrally located in Harper County. One of the significant events is the July 4th Celebration in the Park, a day of games for the whole family; open entry co-ed softball tournament, entertainment, fellowship and free hamburgers and hotdogs, and a wondrous display of fireworks closes the day. The Harper County Round-up Club will again showcase the youth with a variety of

events throughout the summer. Buffalo is home to many events and programs, such as the Red Rock Flea Market & Rummage; Townwide Garage Sale day; Old Settlers Picnic, and Homecoming BHS; Stone City Park Christmas Display, Crafters Christmas Mall, and Santa Day.

The Doby Spring's Golf Course is a challenging 9-hole course we are proud of, West of Town beside Doby Springs Park and Recreational area. The Western

Attractions

Doby Spring's Golf Course, Doby Spring's Park & Recreational area, Buffalo Museum, Canyons and Trails

Historical Significance

In 1907, the town was "staked out" and a post office was established with the name Buffalo, which was derived from nearby Buffalo Creek. Buffalo's founders issued instructions for all buildings to be built of stone, thereby many of those structures survived the test of time.

Photo Opportunities

Buffalo Veterans Memorial Park, the Beautiful Canyons



Cattle Trail runs thru the county, as well as the Fort Dodge-Fort Supply Military Supply Trail, from by gone days of the area. The Buffalo Museum has artifacts of this history and older: Dinosaurs!

LAVERNE (Harper County)



As you head west into the Oklahoma Panhandle, you won't want to miss the town of Laverne! Surrounded by rolling prairie pastures and waving wheat fields, Laverne is the perfect picture of small town USA. We are full of love for our community, loyalty to our Laverne Tigers and our heritage, and local flare shaped by our strong history of farming and ranching dating back to before statehood. Don't be surprised when each person you meet gives a friendly wave or the locals at the coffee shops around town strike up a conversation as if you have been friends for years!

Our variety of businesses in town make Laverne a one-stop-shop. From flowers and gifts to home appliances to tools and auto parts, along with a large assortment of items you can pick up in our grocery store and new variety store, you will be sure to find anything and everything you need without the hassle of big city traffic. Plus, while you are in town, pamper yourself at the salon with a new haircut and a tasty meal at

one of our locally owned restaurants. Laverne also boasts a clean, friendly motel at a great price for those coming to shop, visit family and friends, play a round of golf on our lovely course, or take advantage of the wonderful hunting opportunities our area has to offer. Our RV hook-up locations along with our laundry mat make camping an option too!

Just passing through? Be sure to fill up on fuel and grab a quick snack at one of our many filling stations and stop by our beautiful park to let your family stretch their legs. Our rocket ship slide is sure to impress kids of all ages!

If you find yourself in town for several days, we have everything you need to feel right at home and to keep you busy. Take a dip in our pool, go explore the history of our community at our museum, browse through our large selection of reading material at the library, stop by our assisted living facility to join our senior residents for a fun game of bingo, or just sit back

Attractions

4th of July Celebration, Laverne Recreational Trail, Lake Evans Chambers, Laverne Community Museum, Laverne Golf & Country Club, Laverne Community Museum, Laverne Golf & Country Club

Historical Significance

Laverne is home of the 1967 Miss America, Jane Jayroe! Laverne was named for Laverne Smith a local resident. Laverne was nicknamed "the Oil Capital of Northwest Oklahoma" during the 1950's oil boom. The Laverne area prospered as petroleum and pipeline companies opened local facilities.

Photo Opportunities

Historic Downtown, Veterans Memorial



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For those who have never participated in a small town 4th of July Celebration, Laverne is the place to be! Known far and wide for its 4th of July events, Laverne hosts the true All-American Independence Day Celebration complete with a large parade, turtle races, volleyball and basketball tournaments, softball games, free dinner and entertainment at the park, homemade ice cream, and an amazing fireworks display!



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Attractions

Boiling Springs State Park and Golf Course, Aquatics Center Water Park, Sports Complex, Golf Course, & Crystal Christmas Drive-thru Light Display, Elk's Rodeo, The Plains Indians & Pioneers Museum, Woodward Arts Theatre, Nightmare in the Country, Kenny Farms, Fort Supply Historic Site, Barn Quilt Trails, Woodward Fairgrounds & Event Center, Larry Hill Art Studio, Susan Sims Art Studio, Walking Trails, Covington's Cycle City custom motorcycles, Lakeside Cinema 6, Woodward Bowling Center

Photo Opportunities

Crystal Beach Park & Woodward County Fairgrounds, Historic Downtown Woodward, The Plains Indians & Pioneers Museum, Josie Adams Cultural Center, L.L. Stine House

Historical Significance

Originally, the area was the home of Kiowa, Cheyenne, Comanche and Arapahoe tribes. The town of Woodward was established in 1887 when the railroad arrived. Located in the western quadrant of the Cherokee Outlet, the town began 6 years before the outlet was officially opened to non-Indian settlers as it was needed as a provisioning point for Fort Supply. Woodward has been a trade center ever since. The railroad made Woodward a stop on the Great Western Cattle Trail, and Woodward grew as the depot shipped thousands of cattle back east. Woodward soon got a reputation as a rough-and-tumble frontier town, and tales of the gunfights of the famous attorney Temple Houston are still told today. During the Great Depression, local Works Progress Administration projects included the damming of an artesian well (a failed oil well venture) to form Crystal Beach Lake and its adjacent park. Woodward's story forever changed the night of April 9, 1947 when a tornado ripped across the city. History would now be measured as having happened before or after the tornado! In late November 1956, Woodward began a new adventure - oil and gas production. McCormick #1 became the country's discovery gas well, and a boom of more than twenty years followed.

Woodward is the gateway to NW Oklahoma – rolling plains, towering mesas and spectacular sunsets that ignite the whole sky; Woodward has definitely put the "great" into the great outdoors. With genuine hometown hospitality and Wild West history, Woodward is the place where you can see how the enduring spirit of the original pioneers still lives on.

Boiling Springs State Park is a natural 'oasis on the plains', one of the original seven State Parks built in the 1930's, the park is named after the natural 'boiling' spring that still flows and keeps the lake full and surrounding land fertile through even the driest of summers. Nestled on the edge of the State Park is the Boiling Springs Golf Course, one of the finest municipal golf courses in the country provides players with one of the most challenging playing experiences in the region.

Crystal Beach Park is the sports and leisure centerpiece for the City of Woodward. State of the art playground equipment can be found throughout the park which also includes the Crystal Beach Aquatics Center, Fuller Park Baseball field, a spring fed lake that is always stocked with a variety of fish

for the professional and casual angler, as well as tennis courts, football fields, indoor and outdoor sports facilities, picnic areas and a band-shell for the performing arts. The Crystal Beach Lake facility has become a focal point for Woodward's residents and a permanent home for the Elks Rodeo, which began in 1929.

The Plains Indians & Pioneers Museum provides visitors with a taste of the days of the old Wild West. Murals by Paul Laune and Pat "Kemoha" Patterson show the lifestyle of the NW Oklahoman Native Americans and trace the settlement of the first pioneers.

Follow the retro sign to downtown and stop in at the Woodward Arts Theatre, originally built in 1929; this beautifully restored theatre now hosts a wide variety of performances from both local and traveling acts as well as annual events such as the Twister Alley International Film Festival held in spring of each year.

Within a short drive of Woodward the great outdoors really comes to life and there are numerous natural and man-made attractions to explore. Half an hour from Woodward are the Alabaster Caverns, the world's largest

Gypsum Caverns that are open and accessible to the public. The Cimarron Bluff Wildlife Management area is another spectacular day out from Woodward with quail, deer, and turkey, all visible in their natural environment. Fort Supply Historic Site is the site of the original 19th Century army camp where General George Custer spent time during the US Government's campaign against the Plains Indians. Today, the energy industry is more important than ever. Woodward leads the way in 'green' technology with more than 450 wind-powered turbines lining the hills surrounding Woodward, generating power and employing hundreds in the area.

Woodward has a wide variety of hotels, all offering their guests a warm NW Oklahoma welcome with a range of amenities and facilities to suit every guest. From fast food to fine dining, there are plenty of restaurants to choose from in Woodward, with true American style diners, continental cafes and good old fashioned pub food, there is something to satisfy every appetite and everyone.

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Taloga is located in west-central Oklahoma and the Dewey County seat. You can experience the Dewey County Free Fair every September, and you can visit the Dewey County Jailhouse Museum year-round. Taloga offers a unique shopping opportunities, including the B&B Sew Unique shop and the Art on 183 art center. If you are

looking for lodging, Taloga has a motel and RV Park.

Dewey County has many great communities, including Leedey, Seiling, and Vici. The Indian Record Inc. of Fay is an Indian trading post offering beaded crafts and Native American music. Leedey is the home of the Boswell Museum.

Attractions

Dewey County Free Fair, Boswell Museum of Leedey, Indian Records Inc. of Fay

Photo Opportunities

Dewey County Jailhouse Museum, Taloga City Park

Historical Significance

The area was formerly part of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Reservation and lies mostly in the Gypsum Hills physiographic region. The county's prehistory is represented by one Paleo-Indian site, forty-one Archaic sites, fifteen Woodland sites, and thirty-five Plains Village sites.



Shattuck, the largest city in Ellis County is a commercial hub, with a strong Chamber of Commerce comprised of nearly 100 businesses and organizations. The well-maintained City Golf Course is a favorite for area corporate tournaments and features a weekly open scramble. Centrally located, City Park has all new playground equipment, a large public pool, tennis courts and brand new covered picnic facilities! Enjoy a Nature Walk or jog at the mile-long Lighted Walking Trail at Centennial Lake. Be sure to catch a drive-in movie or visit the Windmill Museum and Park.

The Stuart Memorial Building (listed on the National Historic Register) houses the Shattuck Public Library. Inside the enormous brick structure, wall murals depict the history of Shattuck

from 1838 to 1982. Shattuck's legendary Newman Memorial Hospital (est. 1920) serves a tri-state region! The life and legacy of founding pioneer physician, O.C. Newman is detailed in the popular novel "Hang Onto the Willows." In 2010, Newman Memorial Hospital completed a 5 million dollar renovation and continues to build new service lines for the community through ever-expanding specialty clinics and the addition of Urgent Care Services.

Shattuck is north of the picturesque Antelope Hills, and situated between the Canadian River and Wolf Creek. The area is a hunter's paradise with an abundance of quail, turkey and deer. Shattuck is home to a variety of restaurants, charming guest houses and multiple RV parks.

Attractions

Shattuck City Golf Course, Windmill Museum and Park, Barn Quilt Tours, Gage Artesian Beach, Lake Vincent

Historical Significance

Opened to non-Indian settlement by land run in 1893. Germans from Russia settled in the area in 1901 and 1902.

Photo Opportunities

Centennial Lake, Windmill Museum and Park, Antelope Hills

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■ ALVA (Woods County)



Alva was established in 1893 as a land office from the Cherokee Outlet Land Run, the largest of the land rushes that settled western and central Oklahoma. The site was likely named for a railroad attorney, Alva Adams, who had become governor of Colorado.

Today, the city council is actively soliciting murals -- one of the most recent is of the storied "Castle on the Hill." Marvelous murals can be found throughout the town square. The Runnymede has an interesting history and provides a community room with a full kitchen. The Alva Community Theatre, Inc. (ACT 1) offers live entertainment in June and November. Alva hosts a First Friday Art Walk on the first Friday of each month in Alva's Arts & Shopping District. In September, join us for the RACE Big Cruise & Car Show.

Alva is a destination for numerous northwest Oklahoma attractions, such as Bradt's Menagerie Petting Farm, Byron's Fish

Hatchery, Little Sahara State Park, The Great Salt Plains Lake and State Park, Alabaster Caverns State Park and the Twister Museum in Wakita.

The Cherokee Strip Museum of Alva is located in the former Alva General Hospital. Upon visiting the Museum you will find many authentic historical items displayed in one of the 40 rooms throughout the building. Local families whose ancestors settled in Woods County at the time of the 1893 land run are striving to see that history is preserved and future generations have these artifacts to see and understand their heritage. An authentic one room school house is located on the museum complex. Classes are taught in the spring in the school house and conducted as an early day "country" school. Special treasures in the Museum are artifacts from the German P.O.W. camp stationed in Alva during World War II.



Attractions

Bradt's Menagerie Petting Farm, Little Sahara State Park, Alabaster Caverns State Park, Great Salt Plains State Park, Graceful Arts, Cherokee Strip Museum, Alva Golf & Country Club, Cherokee Strip Museum, Alva Municipal Airport Museum, NWOSU Museum of Natural History

Historical Significance

The town's primary economic base has been agriculture since the arrival of the first homesteaders.

Photo Opportunities

Downtown Town Square, The Runnymede, NWOSU Campus

■ FREEDOM (Woods County)



The community of Freedom is known as the smallest certified city (as opposed to a town) in the state of Oklahoma. The Alabaster Caverns State Park is south of Freedom. The Alabaster Caverns are the world's largest Gypsum Caverns that are open to the accessible public. The more adventurous can go spelunking throughout the cave system; however, for the more down to earth

visitor a network of stairs, handrails and well carved pathways allow you to experience the magnificence and majesty of this cave system.

In Freedom, you can experience the Freedom Museum and the Cimarron Cowboys monument in the city park. Don't miss the Freedom Rodeo & Old Cowhand Reunion event. Grab a bite to eat at The Store, Camp Houston, Maria's Café, or Stables Steakhouse. If you are looking for lodging, try the Sage and Saddle Bed & Breakfast, Stables Resort, Freedom Cabins, and several RV parks.



Attractions

Alabaster Caverns State Park, Freedom Museum, Rhodes Arena, Freedom Rodeo & Old Cowhand Event

Historical Significance

In 1878, the Battle of Turkey Springs was fought approximately ten miles northeast of present-day Freedom. It was the last known encounter between the United States Cavalry and American Indians in Oklahoma.

Photo Opportunities

Alabaster Caverns State Park, Freedom Museum, Murals, Cimarron Cowboys monument, Mural, Freedom Rodeo Scene, Old Time Freedom Buildings, the Christmas tree in the middle of Main Street

■ WAYNOKA (Woods County)



Photo by Elizabeth Solomon

Waynoka is known as the Little City by the Sand. Little Sahara State Park is nearly 2,000 acres of living sand dunes and is only 3 miles from downtown Waynoka. It is among the most popular sand dune parks in the nation, open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Camping has been made easier with online reservations at the park. Find camping information for Little Sahara State Park at www.travelok.com. There are multiple private campgrounds located adjacent to the park, as well as a motel and weekend rentals for those who want more comfort than camping allows. You can ride your ATV or ORV on our trail to town and park on the street in front of your favorite store or eating establishment, get your fuel or riding accessories, camping supplies or groceries for the weekend; it's all available right in Waynoka.

The 72nd Annual Rattlesnake Roundup happens the first weekend after Easter. During this annual event our town grows by 10-20 times our usual population with all kinds of folks looking for fun, and they find it here in Waynoka. Hunters bring in the snakes during the weekend and visitors can brave the Den of Death to get a close up view. The butcher shop will be open, and

yes, you can taste snake meat. There are carnival rides for the young and young at heart, food and merchandise vendors line the streets and an area ABATE Chapter hosts a Biker Rodeo on Saturday at our rodeo grounds. Snakes are measured and prizes awarded on Sunday afternoon to complete the weekend. This three day event has something for everyone!

Waynoka is known for the Cimarron River Stampede Rodeo, the oldest ongoing rodeo in the area, celebrating the 82nd year in 2018. Sanctioned by UPRA, KPRA, IPRA & open rodeo associations, this event is held the second weekend in August and attracts some of the best rodeo cowboys and was ranked in 2016 by UPRA at #1 nationally for highest paying added money. Thursday night is kid's night, with special events and activities just for them. You'll enjoy the special performances nightly that include the thrilling musical chairs race! Food vendors are on sight at the rodeo grounds with specialties like meatloaf burgers and chicken fry sandwiches. Bring your appetite and your enthusiasm and enjoy three great nights of rodeo at its finest.

One of the historical treasures,



the Harvey House Depot stand next to one of America's fastest and busiest rail lines, the BNSF Transcon. The Waynoka Air Rail Museum showcases Waynoka transportation history on the second floor of the Harvey House. Both the Harvey House and Santa Fe Depot are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Train watching abounds in Waynoka and the surrounding area. Just south of Waynoka blacktop roads lead out to the countryside where the scenic vistas show off beautiful sun rises and sunsets. It's no wonder that Charles Lindbergh and Amelia Earhart found Waynoka such a charming place to visit!

Attractions

Annual Rattlesnake Roundup, Cimarron River Stampede Rodeo, Harvey House, Santa Fe Depot, Waynoka Air Rail Museum

Historical Significance

In 1929 Transcontinental Air Transport built Oklahoma's first transcontinental airport at a site selected by Col. Charles A. Lindbergh five miles northeast of Waynoka. Lindbergh and Amelia Earhart were officers in the company and became familiar faces in town.

Photo Opportunities

Little Sahara State Park, Surrounding Red Flats, Curtis Hill (the BNSF rail line)



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The home town 4th of July in Cherokee offer's old fashioned fun and games in the city park complete with food, games, train rides, swimming and more. Activities then continue at Alfalfa County Fairgrounds into nightfall with

the beautiful 4th of July firework display.

Put on your boots and hat August 24th- 25th for The Great Salt Plains Stampede Rodeo & Parade. The Alfalfa County Fairground facility provides the excitement you expect from this local event. Visitors will experience cutting, barrel racing, and of course bronc riding from exceptional cowboys and cowgirls at this event.

The October Stroll held the first Saturday in October is a must for the downtown shopper. Fun Games for the kids, food vendors and of course shopping on Grand Avenue with over 35 vendors make a wonderful experience for all.

Attractions

Salt Plains National Wildlife Refuge, The Great Salt Plains State Park, The Great Salt Plains Stampede Rodeo, Jet Museum in Jet, Selenite Crystal Dig, Byron's State Fish Hatchery

Historical Significance

The Works Progress Administration (WPA) completed construction of a National Guard Armory in 1937 along with a public library in 1939.

Photo Opportunities

Great Salt Plains



In December the Christmas celebration each year holds special meaning as the Christmas Parade brings the year to a close with lights, Food, Prize Giveaways, and of course, a visit from Santa.

The City of Cherokee and the Main Street organization strive to bring you the best experience possible throughout the year. Visit us in Cherokee on highway 64 just north of Enid.



Aline hosts a Fall Fair on the second weekend in October. The celebration is kicked off Friday evening with cannon firing bowling balls and homemade cake and ice cream. Saturday morning the motor cycle poker run leads the parade. Visitors can enjoy soup cooked in an 80, 30 and 20 gallon cast iron kettles the old fashioned way; outdoors on an open fire. This tradition was started after WWII. Also look for craft booths, cake walk and traditional games for the entire family.

Just southeast of Aline is a unique attraction that you don't want to miss. At one time there were thousands of sod houses dotting the plains of North America. This "Soddy," built by Marshal McCully in 1894, is the only one still standing in Oklahoma that was built by a homesteader.

Marshall McCully made the Cherokee Outlet Land Run of 1893 staking his claim south of Aline, Oklahoma. He built his two-room home with one-half acre of thick buffalo grass sod and used alkali clay to plaster the inside walls. Completed in 1894 McCully added a wood floor one year later in 1895. Today the museum encloses the original Sod House.

Attractions

The Sod House Museum, Ralph Cain Jr. Memorial Newspaper Museum in Carmen

Historical Significance

The Sod House just outside of Aline, Oklahoma is the only one still standing that was built by a homesteader.

Photo Opportunities

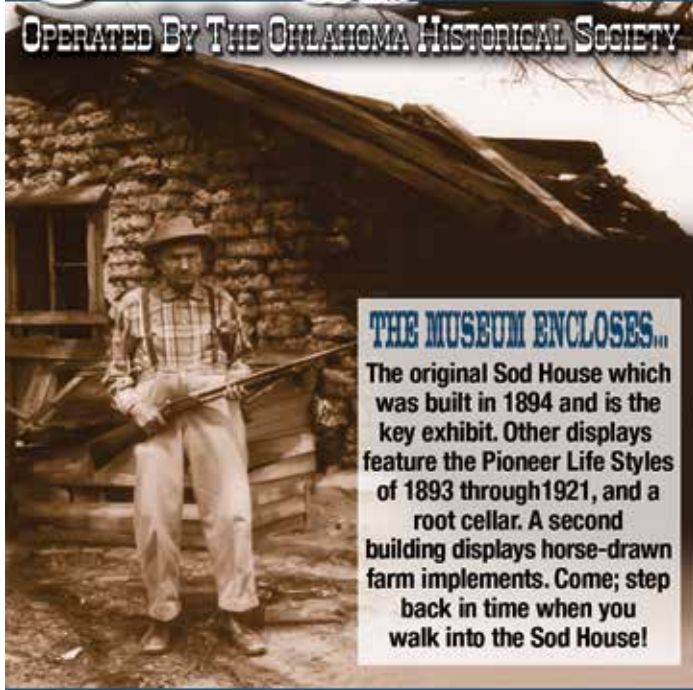
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Attractions

Plymouth Valley Cellars, Sand Creek Heritage Museum, Fairview Community Golf Course, Gloss Mountain State Park, The Royal Theater, Fairview Aquatic Center, Fairview Lanes Bowling Alley, Fairview City Library, Northwest Technology Center, Fairview Community Center

Historical Significance

Fairview was settled following the Cherokee Outlet land opening on September 16, 1893.

Photo Opportunities

Glass Mountains, Plymouth Valley Cellars, Sand Creek Heritage Museum & the Major County Historical Site, Additional photo from the Fairview – Major County Historical Society – Sand Creek Museum

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Red Carpet Country Photo Contest

Take pictures during your Red Carpet Country visit and enter them in our Photo Contest - Go to RedCarpetCountry.com for contest rules.

Attractions

Indian Creek Winery, Ames Astobleme Museum, Hajek Motorsports Museum in Ames

Historical Significance

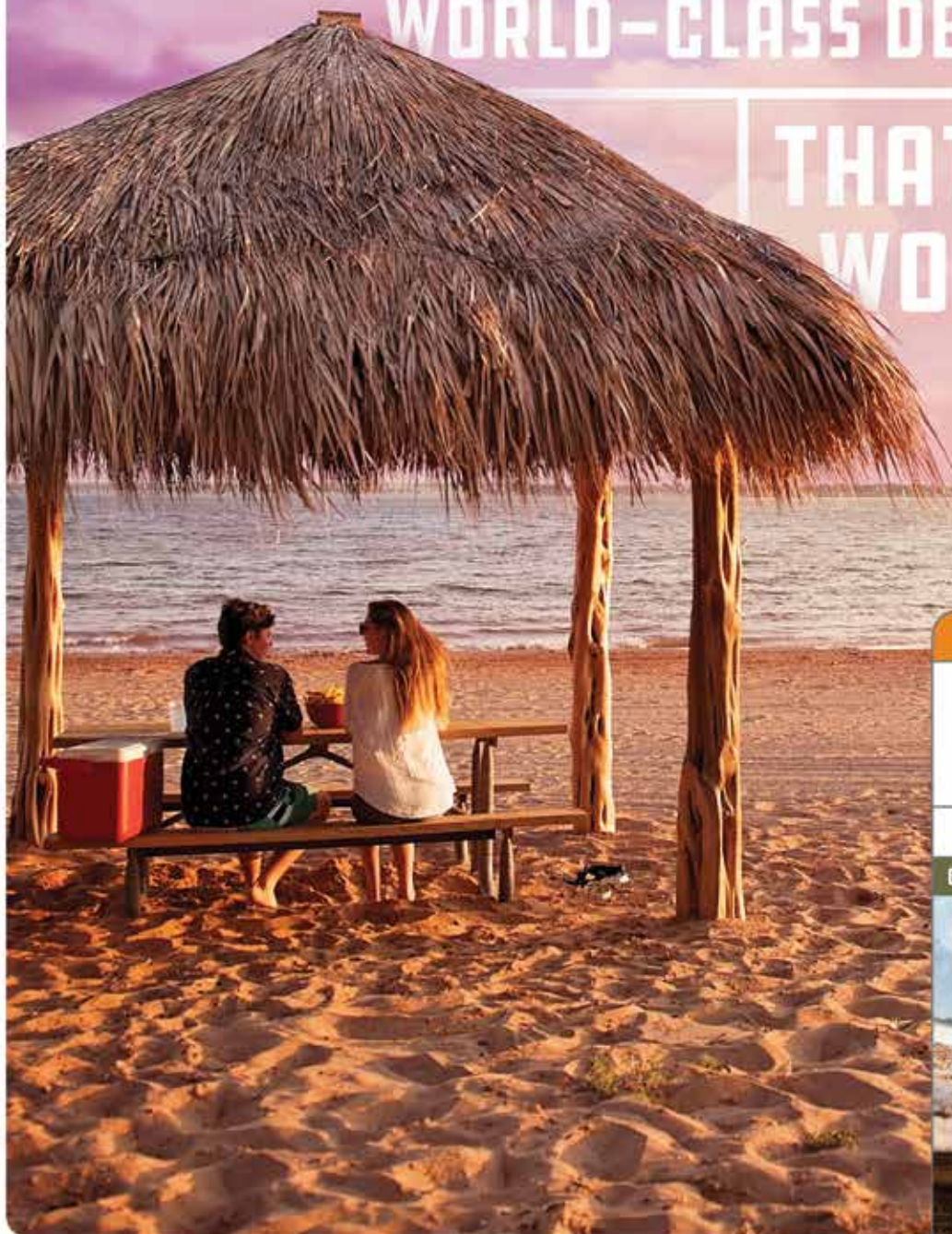
The area around Ringwood was settled following the Cherokee Outlet Opening on September 16, 1893. John Daniel Branham, the first postmaster, selected the name Ringwood for the town because the townsite was ringed by woods from the northwest to the southeast.

Photo Opportunities

Indian Creek Winery



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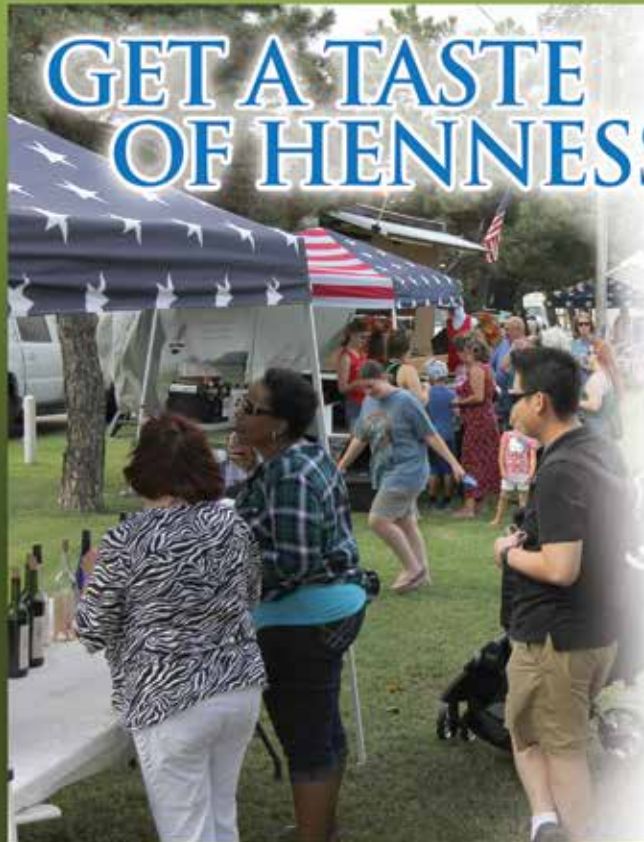
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HENNESSEY (Kingfisher County)



Hennessey is located along the historic Chisholm Trail, and is named after Pat Hennessey, a wagon freighter massacred in the Buffalo War of 1874. His death was one of the pivotal events in the closing of the American West, and his grave and memorial garden are located in Pat Hennessey Memorial Park. His story is told at the Sam and Burla Snyder Memorial History Center in the public library. Rooted in the soil, this town's

origins are agricultural and oil and gas exploration, industries which continue to grow and draw new residents to enrich the diverse cultural heritage of the area.

Hometown friendly, Hennessey loves a party and gets together annually in January for the FOL Chili Cook-off, in August, for Pat Hennessey Days, and then enjoys a full September with the town-wide garage sale, the Friends of the Library Book Sale, and the Friend's Bar Car Show. The entire month of October, the Friends of the Library Great Pumpkin Patch is home to the most sincere pumpkins in Oklahoma and welcomes families and school groups for special activities. Also in October is the popular Wine & Chocolate Festival featuring the fine wines of Oklahoma and the sweetest chocolates in the region. In December, Mistletoe Magic brings bright lights and a parade to downtown shopping.

Hennessey is the home of Clarence Karcher, the father of the reflection

seismograph; Dr. Violet Sturgeon, the first woman to hold office in the Oklahoma Medical Association, Annette B. Ehler, Oklahoma Hall of Fame honoree for history, and many other state notables.

There is much to do for our out-of-town visitors. Hennessey is home to one of the best public golf courses in Northwest Oklahoma - Turkey Creek Golf Course--and the state's largest quilt shop-- Prairie Quilt. Shop our gift shops and then enjoy some of our wonderful down-home cooking in one of the many eating establishments on Main. Take some time to learn the history of our area at the Snyder Center, and visit the inland lighthouse in the Pat Hennessey Memorial Garden, or step out on the old Chisholm Trail in Bullfoot Park.

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Attractions

Turkey Creek Golf Course, Prairie Quilt Shop, Wine & Chocolate Festival, Pat Hennessey Celebration, Friends of the Library Pumpkin Patch, Mistletoe Magic, Sam & Burla Snyder History Center

Historical Significance

Hennessey is named after Pat Hennessey, an Irish freighter who was killed at the present townsite in April, 1874.

Photo Opportunities

Pat Hennessey Memorial Park, Bullfoot Park, The Historic Ranch Room @ the Vernost Wine Co., Historic Downtown, Pat Hennessey Memorial Park, Bullfoot Park

KINGFISHER (Kingfisher County)



Kingfisher's Chisholm Trail Museum is one of the best! Named after the famous trader Jesse Chisholm, it is the only museum built directly on the Trail. A Pioneer Village of five original 1889 historic structures including the Dalton cabin, home of Adaline Dalton, mother of the notorious Dalton gang, is located on the museum grounds. The museum takes great pride in hosting exhibits which draw crowds from not only Oklahoma but surrounding states as well. Kingfisher is the birthplace of Sam Walton, as well as other noteworthy sons and daughters such as internationally

known author and poet Don Blanding; W. C. Coleman, founder of the Coleman Lantern Company; T. G. & Y. chain store founder R. A. Young; author Mary Agnes Thompson whose book "Loving You" provided the screenplay for Elvis Presley's second movie; and Joe Redington, father of the Iditarod Sled Dog Race, in Alaska, as well as others... some famous and some infamous! A "must see" is the Seay Mansion across the street from the museum. It was built in 1892 by Gov. A.J. Seay, Oklahoma's second territorial governor.

A visit to the outstanding Kingfisher County Veterans Memorial located in the Kingfisher Cemetery is a worthwhile and memorable experience. Kingfisher Park on Highway 33 houses the Vernie Snow Aquatic Center and you might also like to play a round of golf at the adjoining 18-hole golf course, stroll across the 105 year old swinging bridge... or take in a movie at the three- screen 89'er Theatre downtown. Kingfisher takes great pride in our July Fourth parade, park festivities, concert and fireworks display, as well as our downtown Christmas Parade held each December which concludes with

a spectacular fireworks extravaganza set to music. "Kingfisher Winter Nights", located in Kingfisher Park, begins November 25th and is open through December 25th. Not only will there be lights in the park, but activities such as train rides, ice skating, a carousel and entertainment...a fun family outing.

With plenty of restaurants and unique shops to visit, you won't have a dull moment. Come to KINGFISHER! You'll have a blast!



Attractions

Chisholm Trail Museum, A.J. Seay Mansion, Kingfisher Golf Course

Historical Significance

Home to Gov. A.J. Seay Oklahoma's second territorial governor, Located on the historic Chisholm Trail

Photo Opportunities

Kingfisher Park and Chisholm Trail Museum.



OKARCHE (Kingfisher County)



Okarche is located on the Kingfisher County line. Okarche is a great place to visit and dine, enjoy the County Line Prime or Eischen's Antique Bar. It is home to the famous Okarche cinnamon rolls. The

Attractions

Eischen's Antique Bar

Photo Opportunities

Eischen's bar, Holy Trinity Catholic Church site

famous rolls can be found at the Tower Café & Cinnamon Roll Bakery. During your visit to Okarche, visit The Popcorn Station & Gifts shop and the Okarche Florist shop.

Historical Significance

Okarche is located on land that, before 1830, was within the historic area of the Wichita people. The location was in territory assigned to the Creek and Seminole people when removal of tribes from the southeastern United States began in 1830. After the Civil War, parts of Indian Territory were designated for resettlement of Plains Indians. From 1867 to 1884, cattle were driven through the area on the Chisholm Trail from Texas to railheads in Kansas.



CHISHOLM TRAIL (Kingfisher County, Garfield County, & Grant County)



The 1,200-mile historic Chisholm Trail is credited with saving Texas from economic ruin and infusing new opportunity and wealth into the entire country following the Civil War. During the war, Texas ranches were unmanaged, leaving the southern prairies teeming with cattle. Too many cattle depressed prices, while in the northeast markets were in great need of beef. Cattle worth \$3

of beef. Cattle worth \$3 a head in Texas would bring up to \$40 to \$60 in Chicago and New York. The problem was that no railroads yet reached the Texas Plains. The solution was the Great American Cattle Trails.

Running from south Texas north to Abilene, Kansas, the Chisholm Trail witnessed the movement of millions of longhorns from 1867 through 1887



though the drives had diminished by 1881. The four-month journey pushed cattle quickly from Texas into Indian Territory, where the pace was slowed to fatten the cattle, before pushing on to Kansas railheads.

Known by a variety of labels including the Kansas Cattle Trail, Abilene Cattle Trail, McCoy Trail, Black Beaver Trail, and Chisholm's Wagon Road, the Chisholm Trail takes its name from mixed-blood Cherokee trader, Jesse Chisholm. Chisholm died in 1868 without knowing of the great cattle trail that would come to bear his name.

Despite the name, in many ways the Chisholm Trail was launched by Joseph McCoy in 1867. He built stockyards on the Kansas-Pacific railroad in Abilene, Kansas and sent men south to encourage the Texas cattlemen to bring their herds to Abilene and east to lure cattle buyers with the promise of large herds.

The cultivated farmlands, fencing and the extension of the railroads sealed the fate of the Chisholm Trail, though it continues to live on in the many cowboy tales and songs that have endured.

In 2017, the 150th Anniversary of this epic event was celebrated. Explore Oklahoma's Chisholm Trail to see land scarred by millions of longhorns in the largest man-made migration in history. Find out more at ChisholmTrail.org !



GEARY (Blaine County)



Jesse Chisholm's grave is a historical Oklahoma landmark found 5 miles northeast of the quaint town of Geary. Geary is a quiet town located 7 miles north of I-40. Upon approaching Geary you will be privileged to a beautiful view of rolling hills and farm land. Many people are seen snapping pictures and gazing upon the magnificent sun rising over the hills or the sunset as they are traveling from I-40 to Geary. Historic Route 66 also travels through Geary. The Canadian River Bridge, the longest Bridge on scenic Route 66 can be found 7 miles southwest of Geary. Jesse Chisholm, a trader, trailblazer, guide,

interpreter, and peacemaker, was laid to rest near his campsite where he died in 1868 near Left Hand Spring. His grave is marked with a simple headstone. At the roadside, a granite marker can be found giving the history of this amazing man and the huge impact he had on the route that was later famously known as "The Chisholm Trail." The grave site is located on the original Indian Allotment given to Chief Left Hand of the Arapahoes. They were good friends and it is at this campsite that Jesse Chisholm died of suspected poisoning after eating bear meat cooked in a copper pot.

Attractions

Jesse Chisholm gravesite,
the Gillespie Building, Base Vines
& Cattle Winery, Canadian River
Historical Society Museum

Historical Significance

Geary was once part of the Cheyenne-Arapaho reservation and was opened in April, 1892 for settlement by non-Indians.

Photo Opportunities

The Canadian River Bridge



OKEENE (Blaine County)



Upon approach to Okeene, it makes no difference from which direction you come, the spires of St. Anthony's shine in the distance. This beautiful Catholic church has been a part of Okeene's skyline since 1922. Recently undergoing extensive renovations which include a new roof, refurbished stained glass windows and the two crosses that adorn the spires received new gold foil.

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North a couple blocks of the intersection is Okeene's Campus Corner where daily specials always include dessert.

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No matter where you are heading, don't pass through without slowing down to enjoy a little of Okeene's quaint, home-town hospitality!

Attractions

Okeene Rattlesnake Hunt, Okeene
Municipal Golf Course

Historical Significance

T. H. Mansfield coined the town's name from the last syllables of Cherokee and Cheyenne. Originally the name was pronounced as a three-syllable word, O-Kee-Ne.

Photo Opportunities

Downtown Murals, St. Anthony's Catholic Church

CANTON (Blaine County)

Canton Lake is a beautiful centerpiece of tourism and recreation for the entire Red Carpet region. 45 miles of shoreline and 7,910 acres of cool, clear water are home to numerous boat ramps, 5 multi-use areas and a family-friendly sandy swimming beach. The lake is a fisherman's paradise – walleye, crappie, white bass, channel catfish and large-mouth bass make their home in these waters. Feeling Lucky? There's a casino up the road. Just south of the casino, the friendly town of Canton provides great shopping and a well-kept walking trail where events are often held. You can find all you need – clean fuel stops, motel service, RV hookups, and bait and tackle shops. Great eating too!

Attractions

Canton Lake, Walleye Rodeo

Historical Significance

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Photo Opportunities

Historic Downtown


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1901. The Noble House Bed & Breakfast is listed on the National Registry of Historical Buildings and is one of the lodging options in the area.

Roman Nose State Park is one of Oklahoma's original state parks built by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the early 1930's. A drive or walk through the Park will transport the visitor to another time, when the area was the winter camp grounds of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes. The Park offers many activities for all ages, including camping and RV hookups, hiking, mountain biking, and horse trails with beautiful canyon views, a challenging 18-hole golf course, swimming, fishing, and flowing cold spring waters. The Park Lodge has 22 rooms and a restaurant. Just outside of the Park, the Chaparral Retreat and

Guesthouse offers a contemporary, intimate B&B experience and is also available as an event venue, hosting wood-fired pizza dinners and Oklahoma House Concerts. Additional lodging and dining can be found in town. Watonga and Roman Nose State Park host several other seasonal events, including biannual Roman Nose Hills Trail Rides and an annual Trout Derby in spring. Check out the Blaine County OK Community Facebook page for dates and times of activities and events in the area and come visit any time of year, for a day or a weekend! More information is also available at RedCarpetCountry.com.

Attractions

T.B. Ferguson Home, Watonga Cheese Festival, Watonga Golf Course, Noble House Bed & Breakfast, Whirlwind Winery Tasting Room, Roman Nose State Park & Golf Course

Historical Significance

The town was named for Arapaho Chief Wa-ton-gha, whose name meant Black Coyote.

Photo Opportunities


Roman Nose State Park, Ferguson Chapel, Post Office Mural

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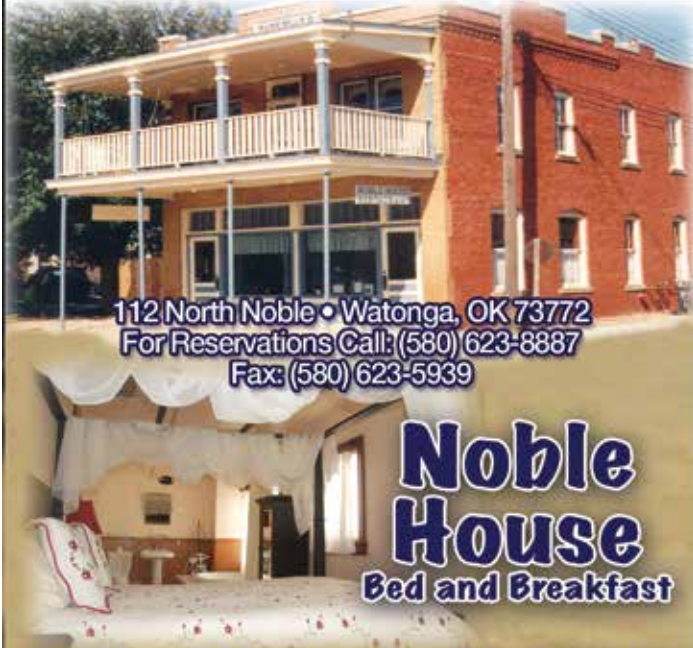
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Do you like movies? You could say Enid is located where "Lonesome Dove" meets "Far and Away," as those productions represent two of the most significant historic events in the Old West. What we know today as Government Springs Park

was known up and down the Chisholm Trail as a popular stop to water cattle. The 150th anniversary of the Chisholm Trail was celebrated in 2017. When you see painted hoof prints on Enid's city streets, you are directly on the Chisholm Trail. Enid was also the site of one of four land offices for the Great Land Run on Sept. 16, 1893, when 100,000 land-hungry settlers charged into the Cherokee Outlet to claim their land and start their new lives. A visit to the Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center reveals a Smithsonian-quality facility that tells the settlers' story in a way that puts you right in the saddle astride your galloping horse toward the Land Run office. You'll also step inside the only remaining original Land Run office from any of Oklahoma's seven land runs.

Not only will you find a waterfall at Government Springs Park, you'll also find Dillingham Garden, beautiful any time of the year and a prime landing spot for monarch butterflies in late September during their annual migration south to Mexico. For family fun, Leonardo's Children's Museum is newly renovated and includes a two-story indoor Power Tower as well as the three-story outdoor playground, Adventure Quest, and propel a pump car up and down the tracks at the Railroad Museum of Oklahoma, home to one of the largest collections of railroad material in the country. Enid is also home to Oklahoma's official Vietnam War Memorial. An 80-percent replica of

the Vietnam Wall in Washington, D.C. is on permanent display at Woodring Regional Airport.

Enid offers over 1,200 lodging rooms, over 100 restaurants including more than 50 uniquely-Enid eateries, and a vast assortment of shopping from national retail stores to quaint, locally owned shops. Enid has something any visitor will enjoy, and VisitEnid.org has current information to help you plan your visit.

Historical Significance

Enid is located on the historic Chisholm Trail. Enid was part of the Cherokee Outlet and was the site of one of the Land Offices for the Great Land Run on September 16, 1893.

Attractions

Leonardo's Children's Museum & Adventure Quest, Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center & Humphrey Heritage Village, Central National Bank Center, Gaslight Theatre, Enid Symphony Orchestra, David Allen Memorial Ballpark, Meadowlake Park & Golf Course, Simpson's, Old Time Museum, Pheasant Run Golf Course

Photo Opportunities

Downtown Murals and Statues, Railroad Museum of Oklahoma, Government Springs Park, Vietnam War Memorial, Simpson's Old Time Museum

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Attractions

The Twister The Movie Museum & Celebration, The Old Settler Celebration

Photo Opportunities

Twister Museum and downtown.

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Join us in May for the Twister The Movie Museum Celebration and The Old Settlers Celebration is in September. Come see us!

Historical Significance

Historian George Shirk asserted that the town name is a Cherokee word meaning water collected in a small depression, such as a buffalo wallow.



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Medford celebrated the grand opening of The 1893 Land Run Museum & Community Center. The new center will be multi-functional, providing for youth and adult education by preserving and artfully displaying, in a modern museum type setting. Medford is located in north-central Oklahoma, north of Enid and west of Ponca City. Early trails in the county included Black Dog and the Chisholm Trail.

Historical Significance

Located on the historic Chisholm Trail. It is generally believed that Medford was named for Medford, Massachusetts, the hometown of a railroad official. The area was opened to non-Indian settlers during the Cherokee Outlet land opening on September 16, 1893.

Attractions

1893 Land Run Museum (opened in 2017), Medford Golf Course, Swimming Pool, Airport, Library, Medford Civic Center events, Farmers' Market

Photo Opportunities

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Enid	Championship Bull Riding Battle on the Great Plains CNB Center, 855-TIX-ENID	Kenton	Kenton Easter Pageant (580) 261-7443	Canton	Annual Canton Lake Walleye Rodeo 580-886-2216	Kaw City	Kaw Fest, Kaw Lake 580-765-4400
Enid	KNID Agrifest, Chisholm Trail Expo Center 580-237-1390	Ponca City	Bison Bison Film Festival Ponca City, 580-765-4400	Cherokee	Selenite Cruise Car Show 580-596-6111, cherokeemainstreet.org	Kingfisher	Kingfisher Open Rodeo Kingfisher County Fairgrounds, 405-375-4445
Enid	Enid Symphony Soiree - A Night in New Orleans Enid Symphony Center 580-237-9646	Ponca City	Two on Tap - Song & Tap Dance Sensation, Poncan Theatre 580-765-0943	Enid	Tri-State Music Festival Throughout Enid 580-237-4964	Kingfisher	McNair Invitational Team Roping Event Kingfisher County Fairgrounds, 405-375-4445
Enid	Women in Music Gaslight Theatre 580-234-2307	Watonga	Spring Trout Derby Roman Nose 580-623-5453	Enid	Jazz Stroll Downtown Enid 580-234-1052	Ponca City	Pioneer Family Fun Days 580-765-6108
Hennessey	Annual Hometown Chili Cook-Off High School Cafeteria 405-853-2073	APRIL		Enid	Next to Normal Gaslight Theatre 580-234-2307	Ponca City	Draggin' Grand 580-765-4400
Jet	Bald Eagle Watch Salt Plains Wildlife Refuge 580-626-4794	Beaver	World Cow Chip Throwing Championships & Craft Show, Beaver County Fairgrounds, 580-625-3331	Enid	NJCAA Division II Regional Baseball Tournament, David Allen Memorial Ballpark 580-234-2407	Ponca City	Ponca City Herb Festival 580-765-4400
Kaw Lake	Ultimate Eagle Watch Kaw Lake, 580-765-4400	Boise City	Annual Dust Bowl Celebration "Women of the Dust Bowl", Cimarron Heritage Center, (580) 544-3479	Enid	NJCAA Division II World Series - David Allen Memorial Ballpark 580-234-2407	Ponca City	101 Wild West PRCA Rodeo & Parade 580-765-4400
Ponca City	"Mysteries of the Mind" Paul Draper, Poncan Theatre, 580-765-0943	Cherokee	Bird and Crystal Festival, Great Salt Plains Refuge & Park, 580-596-6111, www.cherokeemainstreet.org	Garber	Spring Production, The Garber Community Theater (580) 548-4861	Ponca City	Junteenth Celebration 580-765-4400
Woodward	Fists of Fury 10 Cage Fights, Woodward County Event Center, 580-256-9990	Enid	Corvette Expo Chisholm Trail Expo Center, 580-307-7528	Guymon	Pioneer Days PRCA Rodeo, Mercantile, carnival, 5K, parade guymonokchamber.com 580-338-3376	Woodward	Classic Bowl & Parade Woodward High School 580-256-4101
FEBRUARY		Enid	Get Happy: A Judy Garland Celebration, Enid Symphony Center, 580-237-9646	Enid	Five State Run www.fivestaterun.com 580-461-7792	Woodward	Elks Rodeo Crystal Beach Arena 580-256-9990
Alva	Champagne & Chocolate Cherokee Strip Museum 580-327-2030	Enid	Enid Blues Festival Government Springs Park 580-977-9267	Hennessey	Steer Tripping Mexican Style, Aguila Arena 405-853-1199	Woodward	OKHSARA Rodeo Finals Crystal Beach Arena 580-256-9990
Buffalo	The OK & T Angus Sale Harper Co. Fairgrounds (580) 735-2720	Enid	Kites Over Enid Autry Technology Center 580-233-3643	Kingfisher	Cross Family steer wrestling event Kingfisher County Fairgrounds, 405-375-4445	Woodward	Monster Trucks Crystal Beach Arena 580-256-9990
Enid	Beauty and the Beast (Gaslight Teens) & Almost Maine, Gaslight Theatre 580-234-2307	Enid	Smokin' Red Dirt BBQ CNB Center, 580-548-8194	Kingfisher	Living History Days Chisholm Trail Museum 405-375-5176	Woodward	Miss Rodeo Oklahoma Crystal Beach Arena 580-256-9990
Enid	Lee Chin, Violinist Enid Symphony Center 580-237-9646	Enid	Tour de Trykes Criterium Downtown Enid 580-977-6989	Ponca City	Cowboy Ball, Ponca City 580-765-4400	JULY	
Enid	Trappings of the Cherokee Strip Art Show, Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Cntr 580-237-1907	Guymon	Doc Gardner Memorial Rodeo, Hitch Pioneer Arena 580-349-2611	Ponca City	Camp McFadden Outdoor Expo, Ponca City 580-765-4400	Buffalo	Celebration in the Park (580) 735-2720
Enid	Winter Chautauqua: Emily Dickinson, NWOSU-Enid, 580-551-9792	Hennessey	Hennessey Roundup Club Spring Rodeo & Dance Hennessey Rodeo Arena 405-853-5574	Wakita	Twister Museum Celebration Twister Museum 580-594-2312	Boise City	75th Anniversary of Bombing of Boise City, Cimarron Heritage Center, (580) 544-3479
Guymon	OPSU Spring Jackpots Rodeo Schools, 580-349-2611	Hooker	Spring Fling, 3rd Saturday Downtown Hooker 580-652-2885	Watonga	Main Street/Lions Club Golf Tournament Roman Nose Golf Course 580-623-2200	Cherokee	4th of July Celebration 580-596-6111
Guymon	The Shadow Box Guymon Community Theater 580-338-0019	Kenton	Kenton Easter Pageant, Kenton, OK, 580-261-7443	Waynoka	Doin' the Dunes 580-824-3681	Enid	Leonardo's Hometown Celebration, Leonardo's Children's Museum 580-233-2787
Ponca City	"Baby Boomers" Comedy Show, Poncan Theatre 580-765-0943	Kingfisher	Living History Days & Chuckwagon Festival, Chisholm Trail Museum-Pioneer Village, 405-375-5176	Woodward	Classic Car Show Woodward County Event Center, 580-256-9990	Enid	Mamma Mia, Gaslight Theatre, 580-234-2307
Ponca City	"Duo Baldo" Violin-Piano Musical/Comedy Team Poncan Theatre, 580-765-0943	Okeene	Okeene Rattlesnake Hunt 580-822-3101	Woodward	Twister Alley Film Festival Woodward Conference Center, 580-256-9990	Fairview	Wrangler Rodeo Major County Fairgrounds 580-227-2527
Ponca City	Matt Stansberry & The Romance, Poncan Theatre, 580-765-0943	Perry	SpringFest & Hops Car/Motorcycle Show Historic Downtown Square perrychamber.com 580-336-4684	Waynoka	Classic Car Show Woodward County Event Center, 580-256-9990	Freedom	Selman Bat Watch Alabaster Caverns State Park, 405-990-4977
MARCH		Ponca City	The Four Freshmen - Electric Vocal/Musical Quartet, Poncan Theatre, 580-765-0973	Woodward	Twister Alley Film Festival Woodward Conference Center, 580-256-9990	Guymon	Pro Bull Riders (PBR) Invitational Hitch Pioneer Arena 580-338-3376
Aline	Vintage Quilt Exhibit Sod House Museum 580-463-2441	Ponca City	"The Ball Brothers", Poncan Theatre, 580-765-0943	JUNE		Hooker	4th Hotdog Feed Celebration, City Park 580-652-2333
Alva	Chocolate Fantasy Public Library, 580-327-1833	Ponca City	"Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr.", Poncan Theatre, 580-765-0943	Alva	Act 1 Theatre Productions Alva Community Theatre, Inc. - 580-327-1574	Laverne	Biggest 4th of July Celebration in NW OK Downtown Laverne 580-921-3612
Enid	Coin, Currency & Token Show, Garfield County Pavilion, 580-233-2500	Watonga	Roman Nose Hills Trail Ride, RomanNoseHills TrailRide.com, (580) 614-1455	Alva	"Wings over the Prairie" Air Race Classic, Alva Regional Airport 580-327-1565	Ponca City	"Oliver", Poncan Theatre 580-765-0973
Enid	Mariangela Vacatello, Pianist Enid Symphony Center 580-237-9646	Waynoka	Waynoka Rattlesnake Hunt 405-654-9948	Boise City	Santa Fe Trail Daze, (580) 544-3479	Ponca City	Pioneer Family Fun Days pioneerwomanmuseum.com 580-765-6108
Enid	Enid Arts Council Gala Independence Tower Ballroom, 580-234-4840			Enid	Summer Chautauqua Humphrey Heritage Village 580-237-1907	Shattuck	Firemen's 4th of July Celebration, Shattuck Park 580-938-2818
				Enid	Van Buren Cruisers Van Buren Street	Waynoka	Hometown Independence Day, Downtown Waynoka 580-824-4741

EVENTS



Woodward Home of the Brave
Crystal Beach Arena
580-256-9990

AUGUST

Cherokee Great Salt Plains Stampede
Rodeo, 580-596-6111,
cherokeemainstreet.org

Buffalo The Old Settlers Picnic,
Doby Springs,
(580) 735-2720

Enid FLY Film Festival,
Downtown,
FLYfilmfestival.org

Guymon Azuma African Celebration
Main Street Guymon
mainstreetguymon.com
580-338-6246

Hennessey Pat Hennessey
Day Celebration
Main Street, 405-853-1613
or 580-402-6732

Ponca City Party at the Palace
Ponca City, 580-765-4400

Ponca City Ponca City Arts Festival
580-765-4400

Waynoka Cimarron River Stampede
Rodeo, Waynoka Rodeo
Grounds, 580-824-4741

Woodward Red Carpet Country
Tourism Conference,
Woodward Convention
Center, 580-327-4918

SEPTEMBER

Alva RACE Big Cruise & Car
Show, Downtown Square
580-327-1647

Covington DaZe in a MaZe,
www.dazeinamaze.com

Enid Cherokee Strip Celebration
Downtown Enid
580-233-3643

Enid Lantern Tours
Cherokee Strip Regional
Heritage Center
580-237-1907

Enid Fling at the Springs
Music Festival
Government Springs Park
580-402-6732

Fairview Gloss Mountain Cruiser's
Car Show and Cruise
Downtown, 580-227-2527

Fairview Threshing Bee and
Two-Cylinder Show
Major County Historical
Society, 580-227-2265

Guymon Fiesta Day, 5th and Main
580-338-3396

Hooker Hooker Car Show,
Saturday after Labor Day
Downtown Hooker
580-652-2333

Kaw Lake Cherokee Strip Trail Ride
Kaw Lake, 580-765-4400

Kingfisher Sam & Peggy Trent
Memorial Roping,
Kingfisher County
Fairgrounds, 405-375-4445

Lamont Rustic Roots Pumpkin
Patch & More,
www.rusticrootsevents.com

Okarche Okarchefest
okarchefest.com
580-824-3681

Perry Annual Cherokee Strip
Celebration
Historic Downtown Square
perrychamber.com
580-336-4684

Perry CSRC Rodeo
Cherokee Strip Riding Club
Arena, 580-307-7963

Ponca City Cherokee Strip Golf Classic
580-765-4400

Ponca City Cherokee Strip BBQ
Chili Cook-Off
580-765-4400

Ponca City Standing Bear Pow Wow
580-765-4400

Ponca City Ponca City Open Disc Golf
Tournament, 800-763-8092

Ringwood Watermelon Festival
& Parade, Downtown
Ringwood, 580-883-5550

Shattuck Ellis County Free Fair,
Ellis County Fairgrounds,
580-938-2818

Shattuck Windmill Days, Windmill
Museum & Park,
580-938-2818

Wakita Old Settlers Celebration
580-594-2312

Watonga Roman Nose Hills
Trail Ride, RomanNose
HillsTrailRide.com,
(580) 614-1455

Waynoka SandFest
Little Sahara State Park
580-824-1471

OCTOBER

Alva Halloween Spooktacular
Downtown Square
580-327-1647

Alva OctoberFest
Downtown Square
580-327-1647

Alva NWOSU Homecoming
Celebration, (580) 327-8480

Alva NWOSU Rodeo
Woods County Fairgrounds
580-327-8688

Aline Fall Fair (580) 463-2612
Garber - Fall Production,
The Garber Community
Theater

Cherokee October Stroll & Festival
580-596-6111,
cherokeemainstreet.org

Covington DaZe in a MaZe,
www.dazeinamaze.com

Enid Grit n' Gravel 100 Dirt
Ride, Downtown Enid,
580-977-6989

Enid Enid Antique Power, Gas
Engine & Tractor Show
Garfield County Fairgrounds
580-237-1756

Enid Sooner State Kennel Club
Dog Show
Chisholm Trail Expo Center
580-237-0238

Enid Tombstone Tales
Enid Cemetery
580-233-3643

Enid Nightmare Warehouse,
nightmarewarehouse.com

Garber Fall Production, The
Garber Community Theater
(580) 548-4861

Guymon Harvest Fest
Cultural Arts District
580-338-4278

Hennessey Pumpkin Patch
Hennessey Public Library
405-853-2073

Hennessey Wine & Chocolate Festival
Memorial Park
405-853-0643

Hooker Spooks & Goblins Parade
Downtown - 580-652-2333

Kenton Okie-Tex Star Party,
www.Okie-Tex.com

Kingfisher Ranch Rodeo
Kingfisher Fairgrounds
405-375-4445

Lamont Rustic Roots Pumpkin
Patch & More,
www.rusticrootsevents.com

Okarche DeutcheFest
405-263-7215

Perry Rural Heritage Festival
Cherokee Strip Museum
580-336-2405

Ponca City Oktoberfest
580-765-4400

Ponca City Ponca City Motocross
Championship, 580-765-4400

Ponca City Written in Stone Cemetery Tour
580-765-4400

Ponca City Camp McFadden Outdoor Expo
580-765-4400

Shattuck Red Barn Expo Craft,
Boutique & Vendor Show
Ellis County Fairgrounds,
580-938-2818

Watonga Cheese Festival
Downtown, 580-623-5452

Watonga Roman Nose Trail Ride
Roman Nose Stables
580-830-0235

Waynoka Fall Fest
Downtown, 580-824-4741

Woodward Nightmare in the Country
nightmareinthecountry.com
580-254-3944

Woodward K101 Fall-A-Days
Woodward County Event Center
580-256-4101

Woodward Twisted Horror Picture Show
Woodward Arts Theatre
580-256-9990

Woodward Kenny Fams - 405-714-3453

NOVEMBER

Alva ACT 1 Theatre Productions
Alva Community Theatre,
Inc., 580-327-1574

Alva Holiday Stroll
Downtown - 580-327-2787

Buffalo Crafter's Christmas Mall
Harper County Fairgrounds
580-735-2030

Covington DaZe in a MaZe,
www.dazeinamaze.com

Enid Mennonite Relief Sale
Chisholm Trail Expo
Center, 918-272-0749

Enid Enid Lights up the Plains
Downtown, 580-234-1052

Fairview World's Oldest Free
Fly-In Air Show
Fairview Municipal Airport
580-227-2527

Kingfisher Annual Craft &
Gift Show, MAC Center at
Fairgrounds, 405-375-4445

Kingfisher Kool Cars in Kingfisher
Kingfisher Fairgrounds
405-375-4445

Kingfisher Holiday Open House
Chisholm Trail Museum
& Seay Mansion
405-375-5176

Waynoka Black Friday ATV Poker
Run, Little Sahara State
Park and City of Waynoka
580-824-3681

Woodward Crystal Christmas
Crystal Beach Park
580-256-6136

DECEMBER

Aline Christmas at the Sod House
Sod House Museum
580-463-2441

Aline Vintage Quilt Exhibit
Sod House Museum
580-463-2441

Alva Festival of Trees
Cherokee Strip Museum
580-327-2030

Alva Christmas Comes to Alva
Downtown Square
580-327-1647

Boise City Christmas Celebration,
Cimarron Heritage Center,
(580) 554-3479

Buffalo Christmas Tree Lighting &
Santa Claus Day, Stone City
Park, 580-735-2030

Cherokee Christmas Housing Tour
580-596-6111

Enid Christmas in the Village
Cherokee Strip Reg.
Heritage Center
580-237-1907

Enid Drive-Thru Living Nativity
Enid First Church of the
Nazarene, 580-234-4781

Fairview Holly-Dazzle Fireworks
and Lighted Parade
Downtown, 580-227-2527

Guymon Guymon Community
Theatre Show
580-338-0019

Guymon Christmas Parade
Cultural Arts District
580-338-4278

Hennessey Mistletoe Magic
Downtown, 405-853-1277

Hooker Christmas Parade
Downtown Hooker
580-652-2333

Hooker Christmas Parade
Downtown - 580-652-2333

Kingfisher Santas of the World
Seay Mansion
405-375-5176

Kingfisher WinterFest Craft Show
Kingfisher Fairgrounds
405-375-4445

Kingfisher Annual Christmas Parade
& Fireworks
Downtown, 405-375-4445

Ponca City Nativity Festival
First Christian Church
580-765-4400

Ponca City Lighted Christmas Parade
Downtown, 580-765-4400

Ponca City Holiday Happenings
580-765-4400

Shattuck Annual Christmas Parade,
Children's Shopping Mall
& Sip 'n Shop,
580-938-2818

Watonga Santa's Village
Christmas Bazaar
Fairgrounds, 580-623-5195

Watonga Christmas Open House
T.B. Ferguson Home Museum
580-623-5069

Waynoka Lighted Christmas Parade
Downtown, 580-824-4741

Woodward Gingerbread Contest
Plains Indians &
Pioneers Museum
580-256-6136

Woodward Crystal Christmas
Crystal Beach Park
580-256-6136

MONTHLY EVENTS

Alva First Friday Art Walk
First Friday of each month
Alva's Arts & Shopping
District, 580-327-2787

Enid Enid Fly-In Breakfast
4th Saturday, Apr thru Sept
Woodring Regional Airport
580-234-5476

Enid First Friday
Downtown Enid
580-234-1052

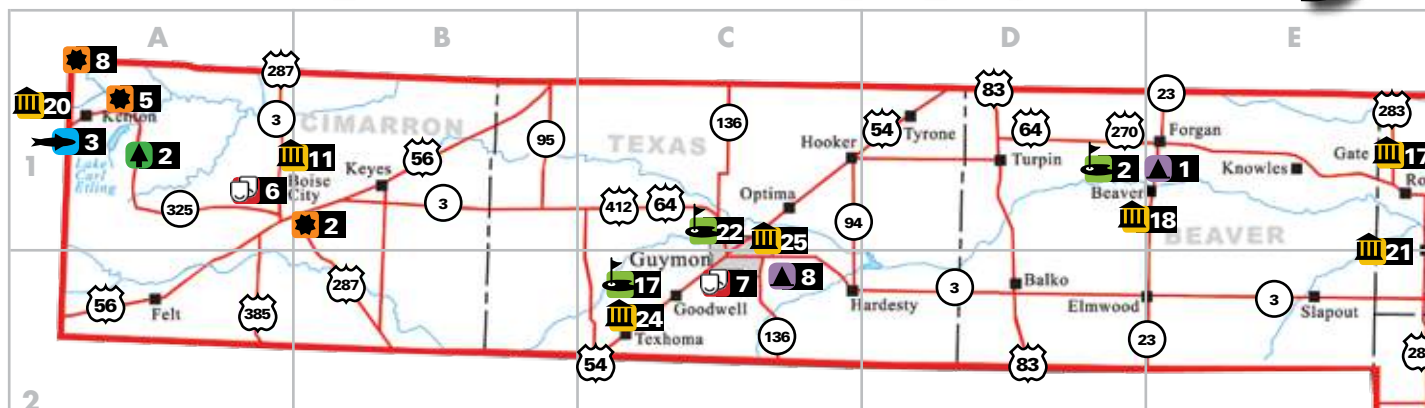
Guymon Cultural Arts District
Second Saturday
580-338-5838

Ponca City Fly-In Breakfast
Ponca City Regional
Airport, 580-765-4400

Watonga Oklahoma House Concert
Chaparral Retreat &
Guesthouse, (940) 735-1065

For the most up-to-date information:
RedCarpetCountry.com

RED CARPET COUNTRY



1 MUSEUMS

- 1 1893 Land Run Museum – Medford – I 1
- 2 A.D. Buck Museum of Science & History – Tonkawa I-J 1-2
- 3 A.J. Seay Mansion – Kingfisher H 3-4
- 3 Chisholm Trail Museum – Kingfisher – H 3-4
- 4 Alva Municipal Airport Museum – Alva – G 1
- 4 Cherokee Strip Museum – Alva – G 1
- 4 NWOSU Museum of Natural History – Alva – G 1
- 5 Ames Astrobleme Museum – Ames – H 2
- 5 Hajek Motorsports Museum – Ames – H 2
- 6 Boswell Museum – Leedey – F 3
- 7 Buffalo Museum – Buffalo – F 1
- 8 Canadian Rivers Historical Society Museum – Geary – H 4
- 9 Cherokee Strip Museum & Rose Hill School – Perry – I 2
- 9 Heritage Center & Ditch Witch Museum – Perry – I 2
- 10 Humphrey Heritage Village – Enid – I 2
- 10 Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center – Enid – I 2
- 10 Leona Mitchell Southern Heights Heritage Center – Enid – I 2
- 10 Midgley Museum – Enid – I 2
- 10 Railroad Museum of Oklahoma – Enid – I 2
- 11 Cimarron Heritage Center Museum – Boise City – A 1
- 12 Conoco Museum – Ponca City – J 1-2
- 12 Marland Mansion / E.W. Marland Estate – Ponca City – J 1
- 12 Marland's Grand Home – Ponca City – J 1
- 12 Pioneer Woman Statute & Museum – Ponca City – J 1
- 12 Standing Bear Park, Museum & Education Center – Ponca City – J 1
- 13 Dewey County Jailhouse Museum – Taloga – G 3
- 14 Dr. Renfrow-Miller Museum – Billings – I 2
- 14 Henry Bellmon Library & Museum – Billings – I 2
- 15 Fort Supply Historic Site – Fort Supply – F 2
- 15 Jet Museum – Jet – H 1-2
- 16 Freedom Museum – Freedom – G 1
- 17 Gateway to the Panhandle Museum – Gate – E 1
- 18 Jones & Plummer Trail Museum – Beaver – D/E 1
- 19 Kanza Museum – Kaw City – J 1
- 20 Kenton Museum – Kenton – A 1
- 21 Laverne Community Museum – Laverne – E=F 1-2
- 22 Mc Carter Museum & Centennial Park – Tonkawa – I-J 1-2
- 22 Tonkawa Tribal Museum – Tonkawa I-J 1-2
- 23 Newkirk Community Historical Museum & Heritage Center – Newkirk – J 1
- 24 No Man's Land Museum – Goodwell – C 1-2
- 25 Pioneer Showcase, Dust Bowl & Genealogy Archives – Guymon – C 1-2
- 26 Plains Indians & Pioneer Museum – Woodward – F 2
- 27 Ralph Cain Jr. Memorial Newspaper Museum – Carmen – H 2
- 28 Sam and Burla Snyder History Center – Hennessey – H-I 3
- 29 Sand Creek Museum @ Major County Historical Society Complex – Fairview – H 2
- 30 Sod House Museum – Aline – H 1
- 31 Stattuck Windmill Museum & Park – Shattuck – E-F 2
- 32 T.B. Ferguson Home Museum – Watonga – H 3-4
- 33 Top of Oklahoma Museum – Blackwell – I/J 1
- 34 "Twister" the Movie Museum – Wakita – H-I 1
- 35 Waynoka Air Rail Museum & Waynoka Station – Waynoka – G 2

1 MAJOR FISHING LAKES

- 1 Lake McMurtrey – J 3
- 2 Canton Lake – G 3
- 3 Lake Carl Etling – A 1
- 4 Fort Supply Lake – F 2
- 5 Great Salt Plains Dam & Lake – H 1
- 6 Kaw Lake – J 1
- 7 Lake Vincent – E 3

1 RECREATIONAL AREAS

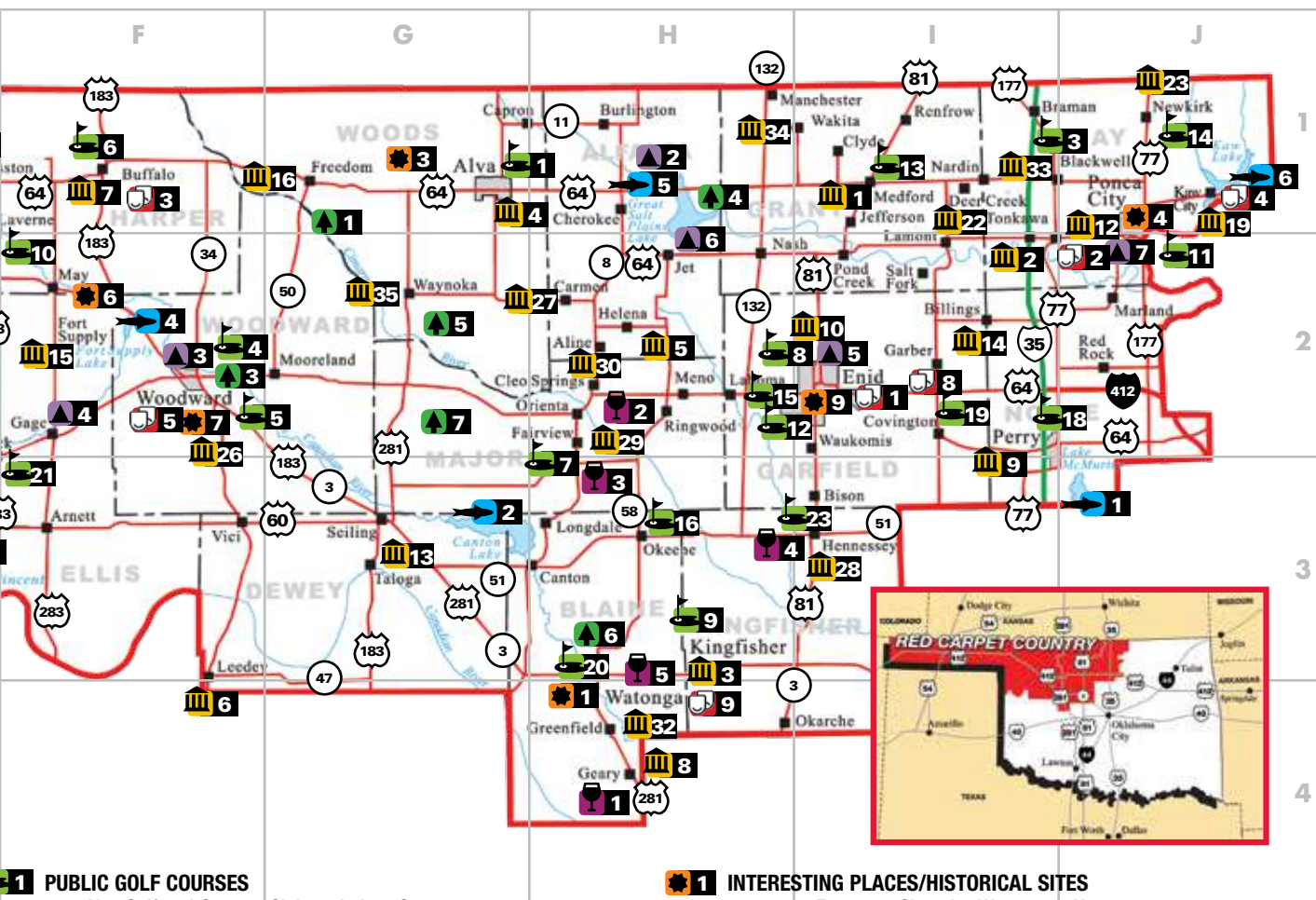
- 1 Beaver Dunes Park – D/E 1
- 1 Beaver River Wildlife Management Area – D/E 1
- 1 State Public Hunting Area – D/E 1
- 2 Byron State Fish Hatchery – H 1
- 3 Crystal Beach Park & Water Park – F 2
- 4 Gage Artesian Beach – F 2
- 5 Leonardo's Children's Museum & Adventure Quest – Enid 4 I 2
- 6 Salt Plains Wildlife Refuge – Jet/Cherokee H1-2
- 6 Selenite Crystal Dig – Jet/Cherokee – H 1-2
- 7 Wentz Pool & Camp – J 1
- 7 Sun 'n Fun Water Park – J 1
- 8 Sunset Lake, Park & Wildlife Refuge – C 2
- 8 R/C Air Craft Field – C 2

1 STATE PARKS

- 1 Alabaster Caverns State Park – G 2
- 2 Black Mesa State Park – A 1
- 3 Boiling Springs State Park – F 3
- 4 Great Salt Plains State Park – H 1
- 5 Little Sahara State Park – G 2
- 6 Roman Nose State Park – H 3
- 7 Gloss Mountains State Park – G 2

1 THEATERS, ARTS & EVENTS CENTERS

- 1 Briggs Auditorium – I 2 (Enid)
- 1 Central National Bank Center – I 2 (Enid)
- 1 Chisholm Trail Expo Center – I 2 (Enid)
- 1 Creative Arts Enid – I 2 (Enid)
- 1 Enid Symphony Center – I 2 (Enid)
- 1 Gaslight Theatre – I 2 (Enid)
- 2 Bryant Baker Gallery & Artist Studio – F 2 (Ponca City)
- 2 Ponca Playhouse – J 1 (Ponca City)
- 2 Poncan Theatre & Lobby Art – J 1 (Ponca City)
- 2 Soldani Mansion & Ponca City Art Center – J 1-2
- 3 Buffalo Theatre & Community Centre – F 1
- 4 Camp McFadden – J 1 (Kaw City)
- 5 Carolyn Renfrow Event Center – F 2 (Woodward)
- 5 Josie Adams Cultural Center – F 2 (Woodward)
- 5 Woodward Arts Theatre – F 2
- 6 Cimarron County Music Theatre – A 1 (Boise City)
- 7 Guymon Community Theatre – C 1-2
- 8 The Garber Community Theatre – I 2
- 9 Watonga Liberty Theatre – H 3-4



1 PUBLIC GOLF COURSES

- 1 Alva Golf and Country Club—9 hole—G 1
- 2 Beaver Pioneer Park Golf Course—9 hole—D/E 1
- 3 Blackwell Municipal Golf Course—9 hole—I/J 1
- 4 Boiling Spring Golf Course—18 hole—F 3
- 5 Crystal Beach Golf Course—9 hole—F 1
- 6 Doby Springs Municipal Golf Course—9 hole—F 1
- 7 Fairview Golf Course—9 hole—G/H 2
- 8 Golden Oaks Golf Course—9 hole—I 2 (Enid)
- 8 Pheasant Run Golf Club—18 hole—I 2 (Enid)
- 9 Kingfisher Golf Course—18 hole—H/I 3/4
- 10 Laverne Golf & Country Club—9 hole—F 1
- 11 Lew Wentz Memorial Golf Course—18 hole—J 1
- 12 Meadowlake Golf Course—18 hole—I 2
- 13 Medford Golf Course—9 hole—I 1
- 14 Newkirk Golf Course—9 hole—J 1
- 15 Northern Hills Golf Course—9 hole—I 2
- 16 Okeene Municipal Golf Course—9 hole—H 3
- 17 OPSU Golf Course—9 hole—C 2 (Goodwell)
- 18 Perry Golf & Country Club—9 hole—I 2/3
- 19 Rolling Meadows Golf Club—9 hole—I 2 (Covington)
- 20 Roman Nose Golf Course—18 hole—H 3 (North of Watonga)
- 20 Watonga Golf Course—9 hole—H 3/4
- 21 Shattuck Golf Club—9 hole—E/F 2/3
- 22 Sunset Hills Golf Course—18 hole—C 1-2 (Guymon)
- 23 Turkey Creek Golf Course—18 hole—H/I 3 (West of Hennessey)

1 INTERESTING PLACES/HISTORICAL SITES

- 1 1901 Ferguson Chapel—Watonga—H 3
- 2 Autograph Rock—Boise City—A 1
- 2 World War II Bombing Site Memorial—Boise City—A 1
- 3 Burnham Site Archaeological Dig—G 1
- 4 Cann Memorial Garden—Ponca City—J 1
- 4 Centennial Plaza & Monument—Ponca City—J 1
- 5 Dinosaur Tracks—Kenton—A 1
- 6 Historic Military Site—Fort Supply—F 2
- 7 L.L. Stine House & Community Center—Woodward—F 2
- 8 Tri-State Marker—A 1
- 9 Veteran's Memorial Wall @ Woodring Airport—Enid—I 2

1 WINERIES & TASTING ROOMS

- 1 Base Vines & Cattle—Geary—H 4
- 2 Indian Creek Village Winery—West of Ringwood—H 2
- 3 Plymouth Valley Cellars—South of Fairview—H 3
- 4 Turner Me On—East of Hennessey—H 3
- 4 Vernost Wine Co.—Hennessey—H-I 3
- 5 Whirlwind Winery Tasting Room—Watonga—H 3-4

LEGEND

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| 1 Interesting Places/Historical Sites | 1 Museums | Interstate Highway |
| 1 Recreational Areas | 1 Wineries & Tasting Rooms | U.S. Highway |
| 1 Major Fishing Lakes | 1 Public Golf Courses | Turnpike |
| 1 State Parks | 1 Theaters, Arts & Events Centers | State Highway |

■ PERRY (Noble County)



Perry was established by the Cherokee Strip Land Run of 1893. Perry is centrally located off I-35, 60 miles north of Oklahoma City, 83 miles west of Tulsa and 100 miles south of Wichita.

Named for J.A. Perry, one of the township commissioners, Perry is the county seat of Noble County. At one point Perry contained 110 saloons and gambling houses and was home to the notorious Doolin Gang. Today this friendly historic town is proud of its agricultural history, progressive businesses and home-town values.

You can learn about the history of the area at the Cherokee Strip Museum, at exit 186 off I-35. This five-acre complex

traces the history of the Cherokee Outlet. In addition to the museum, the grounds include outdoor exhibits, an implement building and shaded picnic areas. Also on the grounds is the Rose Hill School, a one-room school house, where many Oklahoma fourth graders experience a living history program each year.

On the square you will find everything your heart desires from antiques to unique. Make a stop by one of our local shops and stay to eat lunch at one of our restaurants. Many events take place on the historic downtown square including the Spring Festival Car and Motorcycle Show and the annual Cherokee Strip Celebration.



Attractions

Cherokee Strip Museum, Rose Hill School, Ditch With Heritage Center & Museum, Lake McMurty, Perry Golf & Country Club, Rolling Meadows Golf Course in Covington

Historial Significance

The morning of September 16, 1893, thousands of people on the lines ran for the land available for settlement.

■ TONKAWA (Kay County)



Native Americans, hardy pioneers, educators, oilmen, German prisoners of war and creative citizens have all left their mark on this city on the Salt Fork River. Tonkawa (the word translates as "they all stay together") takes its name from the Tonkawa Tribe. Because of abundant wheat production in the area, Tonkawa styles itself the "Wheatheart

of Oklahoma." The picturesque Heart in the Park Labyrinth with its timeline of Tonkawa history and the Grand Heart Walk of art panels surrounded by personalized pavers are the latest additions to Centennial Park. A number of historical monuments and three museums - the McCarter Museum of Tonkawa History, the Tonkawa Tribal



Museum and the A.D. Buck History and Welcome Center - give glimpses of the history of the Tonkawa.

Attractions

McCarter Museum of Tonkawa History, A.D. Buck History and Welcome Center, Tonkawa Tribal Museum

Historial Significance

Tonkawa was the site of a POW camp during World War II. Located at the north edge of the city, this camp housed over 3,000 prisoners and Army personnel.

Photo Opportunities

Centennial Park

■ BLACKWELL (Kay County)



Blackwell's economy has been based on agriculture and the oil and gas industry. During the 1930s through the 1960s, Blackwell ranked only behind Oklahoma City and Tulsa in Oklahoma for the amount of jobs in its industrial and manufacturing sectors. Some of the companies that have operated in Blackwell included the Blackwell Zinc Smelter, the Blackwell Milling and Elevator Co., the Blackwell Ice Company, Consolidated Gas Co., and Hazel-Atlas Gas. Most recently, Blackwell has become home to textile research and development,

investment casting, high tech manufacturing, and oil and gas service and distribution firms.

The Blackwell Event Center hosts some of the most visited events each year including: circuses, drone races, rodeos. The Kay County Free Fair is the largest county fair in the state. It takes place the second full week of September.

Blackwell is centrally located to several casinos that spread across the northern part of Oklahoma. Casinos within a 20 miles radius of Blackwell



include: Native Lights, 7 Clans, Osage, Southwind, and Tonkawa. While you make the rounds to the different casinos, make Blackwell your home.

Blackwell is a great place to visit! Visit the Top of the Oklahoma Museum and eat at one of our great local spots or stay at one of our many hotels while you visit the nearby casinos!

Attractions

Top of Oklahoma Historical Society Museum, Kay County Free Fair, Blackwell's Fourth of July Activities, Blackwell Municipal Golf Course

Historial Significance

Lying along the Chikaskia River, Blackwell came into existence during the Cherokee Outlet Opening on September 16, 1893. The town is named for Andrew J. Blackwell, who was the dominant force in its founding.

Photo Opportunities

Beatty Rodgers Park & Old Railroad Depot

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KAW LAKE (Kay County)



Kaw Lake's 1,000-foot dam and spillway rise 121 feet above the riverbed, creating a 38-mile-long lake with more than 170 miles of shoreline. It's a recreation paradise with boating, skiing, hunting and fishing, picnicking and camping. Kaw Lake and the Arkansas River have long been known for blue cats as well as bass, crappie, walleye, stripers and even a spoonbill or two. The lake has several man-made

fish-attraction areas, bait shops, restaurants and stores throughout the area. There are seven public use areas, two swim beaches and 13 boat ramps located around the lake for visitors to enjoy. Campers can select from 268 family campsites, many of which are equipped with water and electric hookups. Groups of all types enjoy two group camping areas at Osage Cove and Sarge Creek. Reserved use of



camping areas is recommended from May through September. You can make reservations by contacting www.recreation.gov or 877-444-6777.

Attractions

Kaw Lake, Sun n' Fun Waterpark, Camp McFadden, Camping, Fishing, Boating, Kanza Museum

Historical Significance

Kaw Dam was authorized by Congress in the Flood Control Act of 1962. The dam was completed by the Corps of Engineers in May 1976.

Photo Opportunities

Scenic photos can be taken by the spillway and throughout the lake.

PONCA CITY (Kay County)



From a mansion on the prairie to fancy dancing.... From medieval castles for campers to a museum dedicated to women.... Ponca City will greet you with the unexpected. Ponca City thrives on the diversity of its attractions, its elegant architecture and the unique nature of the pioneers who made Ponca City their home. We're expecting you!

In 1914 oil baron E.W. Marland began construction on his first home, for his wife, Mary Virginia, and adopted children, Lydie and George Roberts. This restored 22 room mansion was designed with ground breaking amenities and the first indoor swimming pool in Oklahoma. The displays represent Marland's family and his oil empire of the 1920's. Also located in Marland's Grand Home is the 101 Ranch Museum which tells the stories of cowboys and rodeo greats that lived at the 101 Ranch just south west of Ponca City. The home also features a large collection of Native American artifacts acquired from the area tribes.

Be sure to enjoy a tour of Ponca City's E.W. Marland Estate, a 55-room castle modeled after the Davanzati Palace in Florence, Italy. With over 43,000 sq.ft., this mansion contains a leather-lined elevator, 12 bathrooms, 3 kitchens, 7 fireplaces and an elegant ballroom with a 24-karat gold leaf covered ceiling worth over \$2 million, this home is also listed as a National Historic Landmark. This is our Marland Mansion built by oil tycoon E.W. Marland and his second wife, Lydie, in 1928. There is not another mansion in Oklahoma, Kansas, or Texas like this one. While you're at it you won't want to miss the Conoco Museum. Immerse yourself in the rich history of one of the premier energy companies of the 20th century. This state-of-the-art museum depicts the transformation from two independent American success stories - E.W. Marland's Marland Oil Company and Isaac Blake's Continental Oil & Transportation - merging together to

become Conoco.

For the art enthusiast, the historic Poncan Theatre offers a number of outstanding performances in an authentic and beautiful vaudeville theatre. Opening in 1927, the Poncan Theatre enjoyed the "golden era" of cinema and all that came with it. A \$1 million restoration project was completed in 1994, restoring its original beauty. Today the Poncan is home to a large collection of priceless movie lobby art from the 1920's & 1930's that can only be seen in Ponca City. The Poncan Theatre also hosts many musical and theatrical events throughout the year.

Ponca City is home to the tallest bronze statue in the state of Oklahoma, a 22-foot bronze statue of Ponca Chief Standing Bear. The Standing Bear Museum and Education Center is home to many artifacts from the 6 local area tribes as well as a beautiful art gallery containing Native American art and pottery. A permanent arbor, located just west of the park, hosts the annual Standing Bear Pow Wow held in September. Enjoy a stroll down a winding trail with tribal viewing courts that tell the story of the six area tribes: Kaw, Osage, Otoe-Missouria, Pawnee, Ponca, and Tonkawa.

If you are a history buff, you must see the famous Pioneer Woman Statue and Museum. Showcasing the stories of Oklahoma's pioneering women and their influence on the development of the state and nation, this facility preserves their legacy. 12 sculptors created bronze statues depicting pioneer women, and these statues traveled the country by train and were voted on by over 750,000 people. Bryant Baker's "Confident" was selected as the statue to honor pioneer women across the nation.

Duplicates of the 12 statues that traveled the country are on display at the Marland Mansion. Today, along with this beautiful statue, is a museum honoring women of the past and today.



Also in Ponca City we have the Bryant Baker Gallery, Matzene Art Collection, L.A. Cann Gardens, and Wentz Pool & Camp, Ponca City Art Center, 3 lakes, 8 casinos, and many opportunities for outdoor recreation with our walking/ biking trails and 3 disc golf courses.

This diverse community provides many events throughout the year, such as the Herb Festival, KawFest, Cruisin' Grand, Cherokee Strip Golf Classic, Ponca City Fine Arts Festival, Cherokee Strip BBQ Cook-off, PRCA 101 Wild West Rodeo, Standing Bear Pow Wow, Oktoberfest, and the largest Festival of Angels lighting display in northern Oklahoma and southern Kansas.

Attractions

Marland Mansion, Marland's Grand Home, 101 Ranch Museum, Conoco Museum, Pioneer Woman Statue & Museum, Wentz Pool & Lew Wentz Memorial Golf Course, Poncan Theatre, Ponca Playhouse, Sun 'n Fun Water Park, Standing Bear Park & Museum, Ponca Lake

Historical Significance

Prominent resident Ernest Whitworth Marland struck oil in June 1911 in Ponca City and the Marland Oil Company was born, what is now the ConocoPhillips Company.

Photo Opportunities

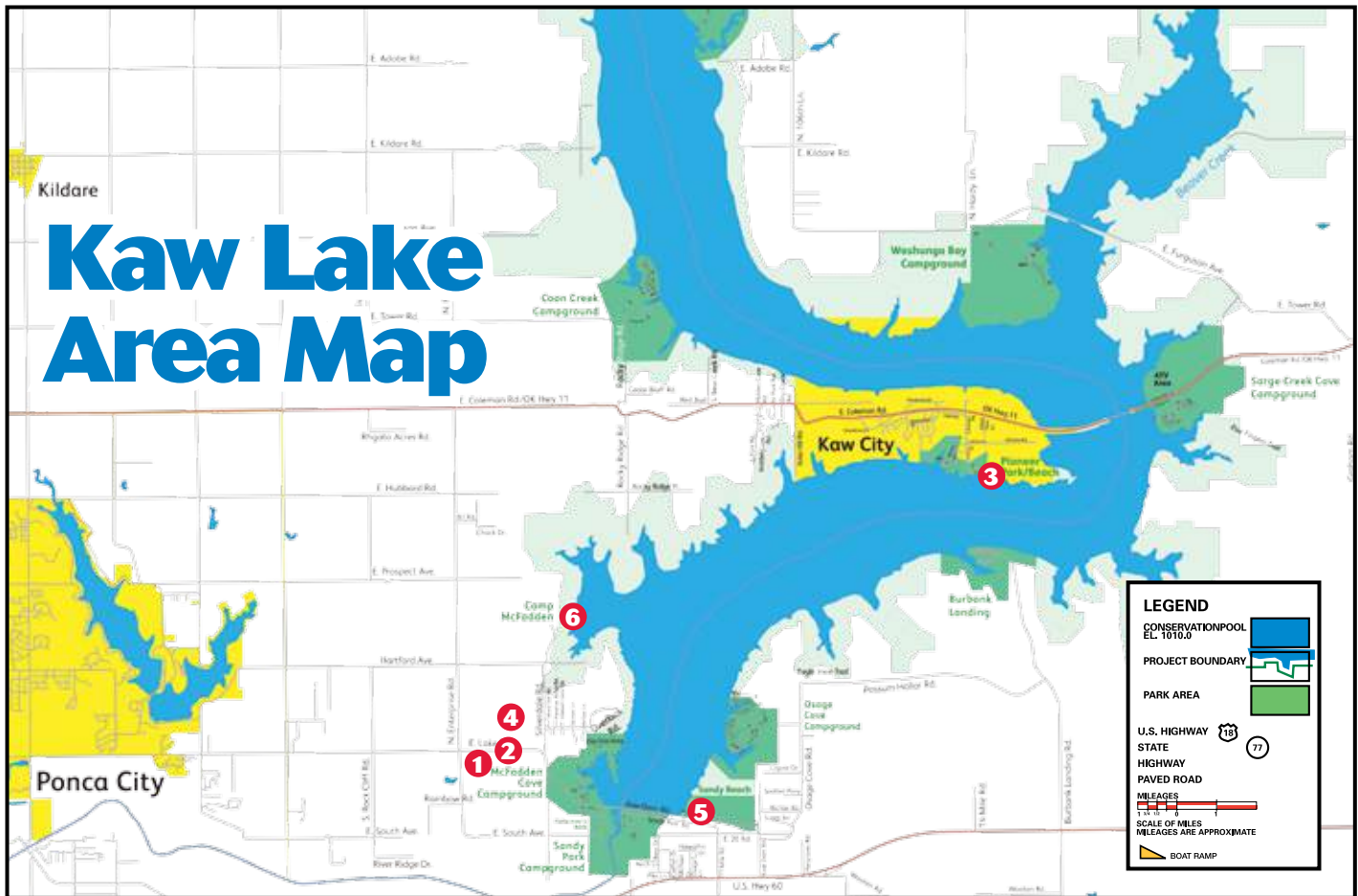
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Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration
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FEBRUARY

"Princess for a Night" Father/Daughter
Dance

MARCH

BisonBison Film Festival

APRIL

Mother Son Dance
5k Color Run
City Wide Garage Sale

MAY

March for Babies Walk
Cowboy Ball
Camp McFadden Outdoor Expo

JUNE

Draggin' Grand
Herb Festival
101 Wild West PRCA Rodeo
101 Wild West Rodeo Parade
Juneteenth Celebrations

JULY

Freedom Fest Fireworks

AUGUST

Crazy Days
Party at the Palace
Arts Festival

SEPTEMBER

Classic Cars Show-N-Shine Car Show
Cherokee Strip Golf Classic
Ponca City Open (Disc Golf)
Cherokee Strip BBQ/Chili Cook-Off
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OCTOBER

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NOVEMBER

Veterans Day Parade
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