

# Logan County Historical Society

## Membership Newsletter

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### Community Connections

As the LCHS moves forward we continue to strive to build and strengthen community connections. We are pleased to bring the county historical programming that is both educational and relatable.

Every time we run the Preserving your Family Treasures program it is a different experience based on who attends and what objects people bring to share. I am excited to present our new History Mystery children's program, as every group of children will make it a new experience.

While we continue to create new programming options, we want the public to know that we would be happy to bring our past programs to any location or group that expresses an interest.

Coming this fall we will be featuring a new program on the music of Logan County through time. We will also be holding our annual Foucart Awards event in November. Details inside.

To learn more contact  
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**Keep Exploring!**



Family Treasures at the Frontier Country Museum, in Crescent.

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*The mission of the Logan County Historical Society is to conduct its activities in a manner which shall serve to preserve and perpetuate the history of Logan county and its people.*



### *Greeting LCHS members,*

I am happy to report that the Picnic at Mineral Wells Park was a success. The rain stayed away and participants enjoyed a BBQ dinner before hearing several lesser known stories from the park's history. As a result of the picnic and membership drive advertising, we have already exceeded our goal of increasing memberships by 20%. Let's not stop there, we would love to see our membership numbers keep rising. Memberships are available year round and are good for a full calendar year.

*Amy Loch, Executive Director*

### **An Exploration of Music in Logan County Through Time**

Music transcends time and place helping to bring back memories from years past and creating new ones for the future. On **October 15th at 6:00 pm**, join us at the **Territorial Museum** as we explore the county's rich musical history. The program will be presented by Amy Loch, Executive Director of the LCHS. The presentation will include stories and imagery of music from the last 125 years and sound clips of songs both loved and sometimes forgotten.





### **History Mysteries**

This summer we tested a new children's program at the Simple Life Center in Guthrie. History Mysteries features a series of mystery objects which children help to indentify and experiment with. We are hoping to get a small grant to help us bring this program to children's groups throughout the county. Photos and a U-tube video of this program were made and will be available on Facebook soon.

### **Excelsior Library**

The **Logan County Historical Society** has partnered with **Save Our Library Excelsior (SOLE)** and the **Tolson Black Research Center** in order to collect and preserve stories and oral histories connected to the Excelsior Library. Any stories collected will be housed at the Research Center.

The **SOLE** group is working on obtaining their 501c3 non-profit status while they continue to work with city officials as plans for future repairs and reuse of the library are developed. The **Logan County Historical Society** is working on completing the official nomination to get the building listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

### **Foucart Award Program**

This year's Foucart Awards will be held on **November 12 at 6:00pm** at the **Territorial Museum** in Guthrie. Join us as we celebrate and honor historic preservation efforts throughout the county. In keeping with tradition, the program will include a brief talk followed by the awards presentation. The Foucart Awards have been given out for over 10 years to multiple home and business owners and community groups who have gone above and beyond in preserving their piece of history.

**Online Presence** The LCHS is making plans to update our website at [www.logancountyhistoricalsociety.com](http://www.logancountyhistoricalsociety.com). Check out our site for information on the society and for information on our Foucart Award winning properties. We will also be posting information on current activates and upcoming events on our Facebook page. **If we do not have your email address, please let us know.** Electronic newsletters and email notifications mean more of your membership dollars can be used for programming. Email us at [amy.lchsok@yahoo.com](mailto:amy.lchsok@yahoo.com)



## Remembering the Marching Band Competitions in Marshall

If you grew up during the 1940s you may remember the Marshall Marching Band Competitions. Marshall sits in the northwest corner of the county, surrounded by miles of farm fields. The once vibrant farming center has become faded with time, but memories remain. By the 1930s, Marshall's school band was known for winning competitions. In 1938 their success coupled with the town extra wide streets led to Marshall becoming the home of the "Small Town Band Festival". The competition was limited to high schools with less than 300 students. Bands would gather as crowds lined Main Street. By 1951, sixty-five schools from across the state came to

Marshall to compete. In 1952, the competition had to be cancelled due to a state competition date conflict. This was a fatal blow for Marshall, ending of the Marching Band Competition for which the town had become famous.



The 13th Annual Biggest Little Band Festival,  
March 27th, 1950 , Oklahoma Historical Society



10th Anniversary Marshall Band Festival. April 5th, 1947

50 Marshall band members on Main Street 97 feet wide  
March 27, 1950 , Oklahoma Historical Society





## Why Join the Logan County Historical Society?

- Show your support for Logan County historical activities
- Receive quarterly newsletters
- Name recognition on Membership Newsletter
- Invitation to premier activities and events
- Support community collaboration
- Support historic programming and local historical awards
- Individual Memberships are only \$25 and Family Memberships are \$50 a year
- Business Memberships are \$100 a year



### Logan County Historical Society Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Communication Method: Email \_\_\_\_\_ Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Level: Individual (\$25) \_\_\_\_\_ Family (\$50) \_\_\_\_\_ Business (\$100) \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: Make checks payable to Logan County Historical Society

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### **LCHS Board Members**

Chris Hirzel, President  
Jim Overton, Vice President  
Nathan Turner, Treasurer  
Mike Cheap  
Darrel Covington  
Mary Beth Craven  
Jeff Hirzel  
Jameka Lewis  
Evelyn Nephews  
Kay Wade  
Kathy Warner  
Ed Wood

### **Staff**

Melissa Fesler, Director FCT  
Amy Loch, Director LCHS

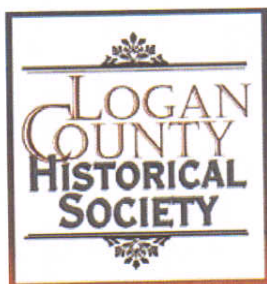
Interested in become a board member? Contact Mary Beth Craven 405-282-1466 for more information.

### **Advertise with the Trolley**

Have your message seen around Guthrie or around Logan, Payne, Lincoln and Oklahoma Counties. Advertising space is available in various sizes on several vehicle locations. Prices start at just \$25.00 a month. Contact [Melissa.trolley@yahoo.com](mailto:Melissa.trolley@yahoo.com) or 405-282-6000 for complete details.

### **Logan County Museum and Historic Activity Directory**

Drug Store Museum, 214 W. Oklahoma Guthrie 405-282-1895  
First Capital Trolley, Guthrie 405-282-6000  
Frontier Country Museum, 500 N. Grand Crescent 405-969-3660  
Logan County Historical Society 405-282-6000 ex 4  
Oklahoma Territorial Capital Sports Museum, 315 W. Oklahoma Guthrie 405-260-1342  
Oklahoma Territorial Museum 406 E. Oklahoma Guthrie 282-1889  
Owens Art Place, 1202 E. Harrison Guthrie 405-260-0204  
Scottish Masonic Rite Temple, 900 E. Oklahoma Guthrie 282-1281  
Tolson Black Heritage Research Center, Langston 405-466-3346



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