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The Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank everyone who has supported our museum in any way this year! We could not operate without our donors, volunteers, friends, and family. This has been a good year and we look forward to 2024.

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TALES 'N' TRAILS
BRICK CAMPAIGN

Up to 3 lines available

Our engraved brick campaign is going great! The NHS Class of 1975 has completed their order for everyone in their class and those bricks will be laid under our oak tree in January! Some other classes have taken on the challenge and are working on getting bricks for their classes. TnT has also ordered bricks to honor our deceased volunteers and directors. It takes 3-4 weeks to get the bricks and we expect our next order to be placed mid January, so if you would like to order one, please let us know! And we have gift certificates for them!



Our new sidewalks are being edged with the old bricks that were downtown on Clay Street, like our driveway was done in front of the museum. The engraved bricks will be in an area just outside the back door, and eventually, as we have more engraved bricks, we will have another area prepared for them.

Thank You to Nocona Economic Development for helping us with this project!



Purchase a Brick and Help Support the Museum!

The Tales 'N' Trails Museum is offering you the opportunity to purchase a personalized, engraved paving brick that will be a part of a permanent walkway for the outdoor exhibit area at the Museum.

Your purchase of a brick will help support the Museum while leaving a lasting and meaningful mark on the community. Bricks may be purchased to honor the memory of a loved one, celebrate a special occasion, commemorate an accomplishment or promote a business or worthy cause.

The cost of an engraved brick is \$50 each. Please make checks payable to Tales 'N' Trails Museum, 1522 E Highway 82, Nocona, Texas 76255. Three lines are available with up to 21 letters or spaces per line.

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Please print legibly:

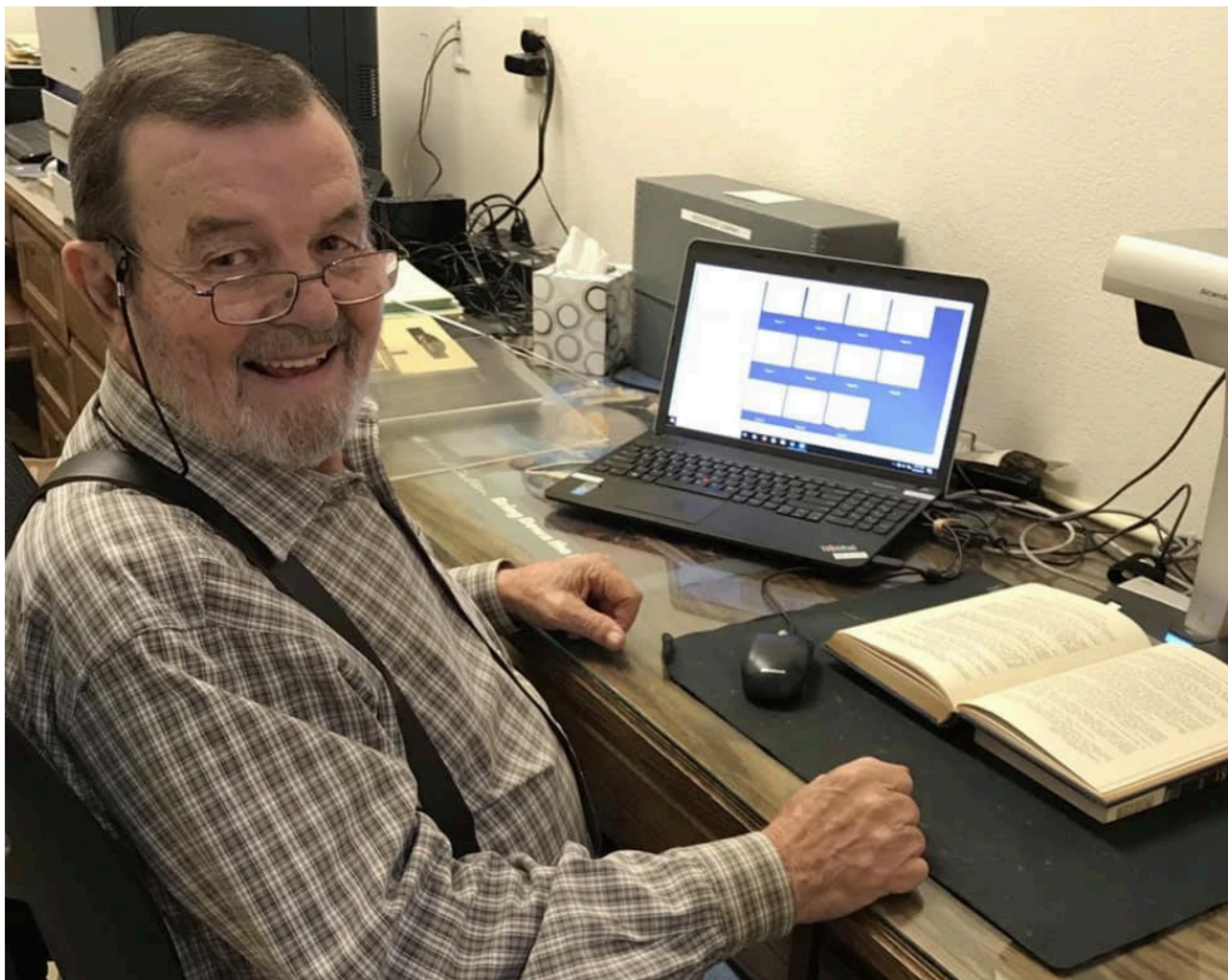
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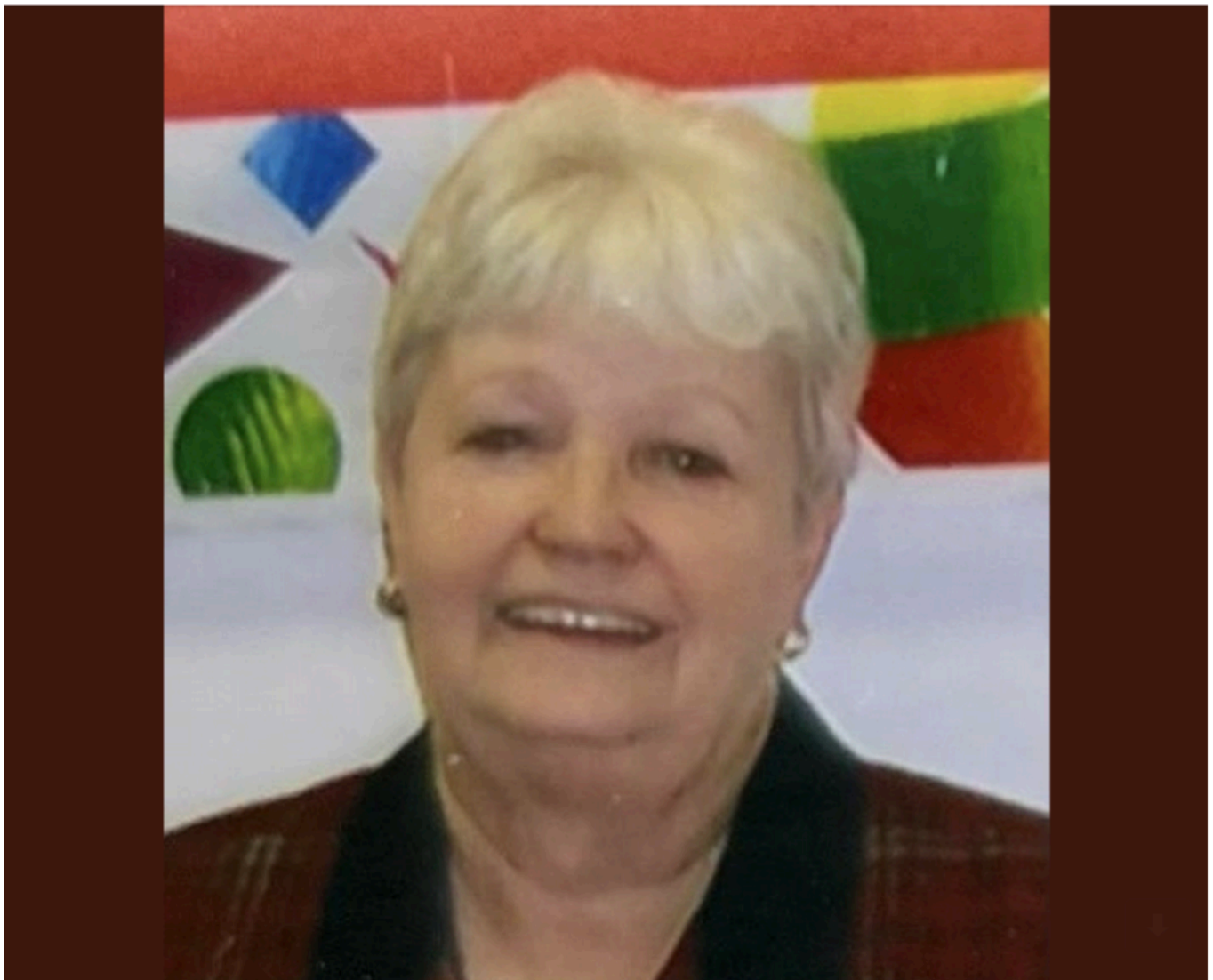
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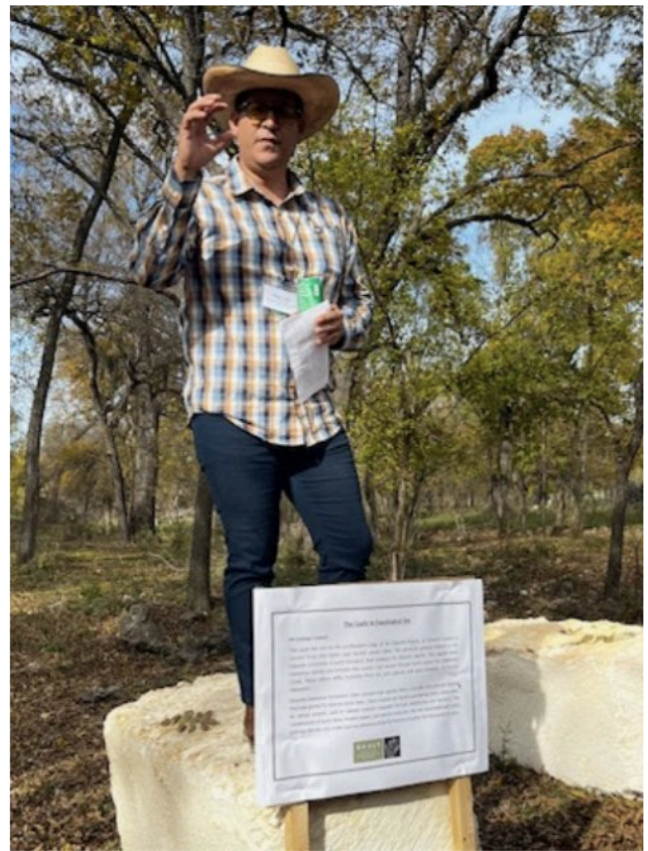


We have lost two great friends of Tales 'N' Trails.....

Darrell Gene Fuller passed away in Nocona, Texas on December 7, 2023. He was born in Bowie, Texas on October 19, 1946 to Joseph Donohue Fuller and Thelma Lea Capps Fuller. Darrell was in the graduating class of 1965 from Nocona High School. He then finished certification as a diesel mechanic from James Connally Technical Institute in 1967. He began his work career with Caterpillar in Irving, Texas. He worked for several years in Nocona as a diesel mechanic. Upon retirement he worked for Tales N' Trails Museum in Nocona, Texas where he was surrounded with history, and he loved to share with others about the history of the town, county and state. Darrell loved people and was always stopping to visit with friends, both old and new. He loved music and attending concerts, and the Eagles were one of his favorite groups. He also enjoyed watching sports events as well as old movies and westerns. Darrell appreciated a good laugh, was always up for a Frisbee toss, and routinely schooled his family in the art of a perfect egg toss which was a favorite Easter tradition. Darrell is survived by his son, Chris Fuller of Denison, Texas; daughter, Angie Beeson and husband Michael of Denison, Texas; sister, Karen Howard of Graham, Texas; brother, Carroll Fuller and wife Treva of Nocona, Texas; several nephews and nieces; cousins; and Sharon Vrtiska, the mother of his children. He loved his family dearly and especially enjoyed the cousins' reunions in recent years. A visitation will be held on Friday, December 15, 2023 from 6 – 7 P.M. at Jerry Woods Funeral Home Chapel. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, December 16, 2023 at 2 P.M. at First United Methodist Church in Nocona officiated by Pastor Valleri Sewell. Interment will follow in Nocona Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Michael Beeson, Krysta and Larry Moore, Kaleb and Jordan Fuller, Allison and Micah Stephens, and Ashlie and Terry Bagley. Honorary Pallbearers are Dennis and Nell Ann McBroom, Wesley and Vicki Morton, Max Brown and Steve Howard. Memorials may be made to Tales N' Trails Museum, 1522 US 82, Nocona, TX 76255 or a charity of your choice.

Virginia Elizabeth "Ginny" Green passed away on November 22, 2023 at Nocona General Hospital in Nocona, TX. She was born November 28, 1940 in Dallas, TX to Terrell William Berry Sr. and Neoma Leah Berry. She was preceded in death by her parents and brothers, Terrell William "Bill" Berry Jr., Glenn Berry, and Thomas Berry. Ginny is survived by a daughter; Ginger Simpkins and husband Roger and two sons; Rocky Toney and wife Patty and Jim Green; four grandchildren; Brandi Hargrave and Doug, Lisa Jones, Craig Rocco Toney, and Crystal "Lena" Toney; five great-grandchildren and two beloved dogs, Macky and Spanky. She retired from the city of Pasadena and most recently worked at the Tales'N'Trails Museum in Nocona, and volunteered for the Nocona Library. There will be a private family service held at a later date. The family would like to thank Dr. Smallwood and his staff at Baylor Scott & White in Sherman, Nocona General Hospital and Solaris Hospice. Memorial donations may be made to Lucky Paws Animal Shelter in Nocona.





Tales 'N' Trails has been traveling lately! Director Holly McCall represented us on Archaeology Weekend at the Texas Visitors Center in Gainesville. Board president Tracy Mesler and his wife Linda plus Director Nell Ann McBroom attended an event at [The Gault School of Archaeological Research](#) in Florence, Texas which is now under the direction of Dr. Sergio Ayala, our archaeologist who has been a huge part of our Native American exhibits as well as doing presentations at the museum and workshops on flint knapping for adults and kids at History Mystery Camp. We were also represented as part of Red River Valley Tourism Association at the Thirty-Five & Liberty Christmas Market in Gainesville and toured the Jack County Museum as part of the Regional Museum Network. Directors Melanie Howington and Gail Yowell also participated in the Texas-OU Weekend at the visitor's center in Gainesville.

Welcome New Members!

Tom & Debbie Kader

Linda Eldred Young

We appreciate your support!

THANK YOU!

TO ANYONE WHO HELPED
WITH SHEBANG IN ANY WAY!
IT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

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SEPT. 28, 2024!

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THANK YOU FOR HELPING PRESERVE OUR HISTORY!



Please support these local businesses that support our community!



Update on the Motley Makeover! These two huge pieces of leather art have been completely taken apart and cleaned. They are now waiting on new backing to replace the plywood and new frames to be constructed! Victoria Lupia has done an amazing job preserving these one of a kind pieces of fine art. We hope to have them on permanent display in the Benton Conference Room in March! This has been a very tedious and expensive project. We thank those of you who have "adopted" different pieces of the works to help out! There are still some commandments, Israelites, and flowers up for adoption if anyone is interested! We think Dell would be happy with us!



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Preserving the *things* that matter.



**Coming
January 8th!**

"Images of Us"

A temporary exhibit in the Benton Conference Room

A collection of photographs of people.
People from the late 1800's through the 1940's.

People from this area.

People who have names, and people who are unidentified forever.
See how these people looked, dressed, and lived.



We love to have groups come, although we don't always remember to get a picture! This fun group was from Presbyterian Manor in Wichita Falls.

We have some new items in our gift shop, perfect for last minute shopping! We will be open Saturday, Dec. 23rd from 10 am - 4 pm. We will be closed Dec. 24th-26th. Open for regular hours on Wednesday, Dec. 27th. We will also be closed Jan. 1st.



