

The City of Owasso

Proclamation

WHEREAS, an ever-growing number of people in our Nation and in other nations are collecting, preserving, and sharing genealogies, personal documents, and memorabilia that detail the life and times of families around the world ; and

WHEREAS, the involvement of national, State, and local officials in promoting genealogy and in facilitating access to family history records and archives and libraries are important factors in the successful perception of nationwide camaraderie, support, and participation; and

WHEREAS, the Genealogy Seekers of Owasso meet at the Owasso Community Center on the first and third Thursday of each month to assist residents desirous to document and strengthen knowledge and wisdom of family history through research and family activities; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to encourage Owasso citizens to seek out their own Genealogy, the Genealogy Seekers of Owasso recommend the following activities:

1. Visit the Owasso Museum for an overview of Owasso's history;
2. Take a tour of the Timmy & Cindy statues to stimulate family stories that elders can tell relating to their own personal history;
3. Utilize City Parks and facilities to hold an annual family reunion;
4. Ensure that regular family pictures are taken, with names, ages, and relationships documented for future generations;
5. Consider performing a DNA search through new high-tech services;
6. Search websites and online resources for information on your family and their heritage and history;
7. Organize regular meetings of family members who live nearby in an effort to share in each other's life experiences and past;
8. When sending letters and cards, include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with a genealogy form to request information about the recipient's family members; and
9. Visit the Owasso or Tulsa County Library and website to learn about July's genealogy activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DOUG BONEBRAKE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Owasso, do hereby proclaim the month of July in the year 2011 to be

Genealogy History Month

in the City of Owasso, and do further encourage all Owasso residents to utilize the numerous resources available to them in an effort to understand our past, while documenting it for our future.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Owasso to be affixed this 23rd day of May, 2011.

Doug Bonebrake, Mayor