

December 8, 2013

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Michelle Gladden
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Dear Mrs. Gladden:

Thank you for the opportunity to practice grant writing by assisting the Bryant Historical Society. I am excited about the mission of the historical society and look forward to helping refurbish the Battle of Hurricane Creek historical marker and helping with future historical tours of "Old Town" Bryant.

Enclosed are the materials for submittal to the Arkansas Civil War Sesquicentennial Grants Program:

1. A cover letter to Mark Christ, our contact at the Arkansas Civil War Sesquicentennial Grants Program
2. The application cover sheet, which is a required component of the application
3. A detailed project description and detailed project budget, both of which are required components of the application
4. A summary of the Bryant Historical Society's purpose, funding, and accomplishments to date

The Bryant Historical Society is well positioned to receive funding from the Arkansas Civil War Sesquicentennial Grants Program for the refurbishment of the Civil War historical marker for the Battle of Hurricane Creek. I look forward to hearing from you when you receive a response from Mark Christ.

Sincerely,

Jason W. Hogue

December 8, 2013

Mrs. Michelle Gladden
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Mr. Mark Christ
Arkansas Civil War Sesquicentennial Grants Program
Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
323 Center Street, 1500 Tower Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. Christ:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit the enclosed application to the Arkansas Civil War Sesquicentennial Grants Program. The Bryant Historical Society is refurbishing a Civil War historical marker located at the Bryant Cemetery on Reynolds Road in Bryant, Arkansas.

On October 23, 1864, two skirmishes took place between Confederate and Union troops approximately 1 mile southeast of Bryant Cemetery. This was the largest Civil War skirmish in Saline County, Arkansas. A historical marker was placed in the Bryant Cemetery during the 1970s and that marker is now in need of care, including fresh paint. In honor of the 150th anniversary of this battle – the Battle of Hurricane Creek – the Bryant Historical Society will refurbish the associated historical marker. The total cost of the marker refurbishing project is \$1,150. The Bryant Historical Society is requesting a contribution of \$575.00 through the Arkansas Civil War Sesquicentennial Grants Program.

About the Bryant Historical Society

The purpose of the Bryant Historical Society is to identify, acquire, hold, arrange, restore, and maintain objects of historical, educational, architectural, cultural, and other similar interests of outstanding aesthetic value; and to identify and arrange suitable regulations that will preserve and protect these objects in a setting open to the public.

Since the society formed in 2008, it has successfully preserved and restored a pioneer cemetery, and created a "historical" tour of the northeastern section of "Old Town" Bryant.

In addition to refurbishing the Civil War historical marker for the Battle of Hurricane Creek, the Bryant Historical Society is working on a joint project with students at Bryant High School to create "graveyard spook tales" based on historical legends and accounts of the persons buried at the Bryant Cemetery. Also in partnership with Bryant High School, the society is planning its next historical tour of "Old Town" Bryant, which will cover the northwest portion of town.

Sincerely,

Michelle Gladden
Secretary Treasurer, Bryant Historical Society



Arkansas Civil War Sesquicentennial Grants

1. Project Title:

Restoration of the Battle of Hurricane Creek Historical Marker

2. Community/county/region benefiting from project:

Participants in activities associated with the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Hurricane Creek/the Civil War; the city and residents of Bryant and Saline County; Arkansas history enthusiasts; Descendants of the Civil War; descendants of the Battle of Hurricane Creek; descendants of Bryant's early settlers

3. Proposed project and description:

Project Objective: To refurbish the Civil War historical marker for the Battle of Hurricane Creek that was placed in the Bryant Cemetery (along Reynolds Road) during the 1970s and is now in need of care.

4. Estimated cost of total project: \$1,150.00

5. Amount requested from AHPP: \$575.00

6. Match provided by applicant:

Cash:	\$289.00	Source:	City of Bryant, AR
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Cash:	\$75.00	Source:	First United Methodist Church of Bryant, AR
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In-kind labor and/or material:	12 hours of volunteer work	Source:	Jason W. Hogue Darron Coffman
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5. Project Contact:

Name	Michelle Gladden, Secretary Treasurer
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Mailing Address	P.O. Box 649
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Fax	None
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8. Applicant:

Name	Michelle Gladden of the Bryant Historical Society
Title	Secretary Treasurer
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Signature of Applicant:

Date:

2. Detailed Project Description

Introduction:

The Bryant Cemetery on Reynolds Road in Bryant, Arkansas is home to a Civil War historical marker for the Battle of Hurricane Creek. On October 23, 1864, two skirmishes took place between Confederate and Union troops approximately 1 mile southeast of the marker. This was the largest Civil War skirmish in Saline County, Arkansas. The marker was placed in the Bryant Cemetery during the 1970s and is now in need of care. In honor of the 150th anniversary of this battle – the Battle of Hurricane Creek – the Bryant Historical Society will refurbish the associated historical marker located at the Bryant Cemetery.

Who will benefit from this project?

Participants in activities associated with the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Hurricane Creek/the Civil War, descendants of Civil War participants, and history enthusiasts will be able to enjoy the restored marker; these persons will feel assured that the Bryant Historical Society and other history enthusiasts appreciate the contributions of all persons associated with the Civil War enough to preserve and protect markers that honor the lives and contributions of the dead. Future generations will learn from example the value of preserving historical landmarks that honor American history.

Project Objective:

To have the marker professionally refurbish the Civil War historical marker for the Battle of Hurricane Creek that was placed in the Bryant Cemetery (along Reynolds Road) during the 1970s and is now in need of care. A photo below shows the difficulty of reading the existing marker due to age and paint flaking off.



Process:

1. Volunteers will remove the historical marker from its post, wrap it in cardboard for protection, then strap to pallet for shipping. Representatives from Sewah Studios will pick up the marker and transport it to their workspace.
2. Volunteers will refurbish the marker's post by remove the existing paint coating and apply a fresh coat of paint and protective lacquer. These actions will take place at the Bryant Cemetery; the post will not be removed from its existing location.
3. Sewah Studios will refurbish the historical marker then transport it back to the Bryant Cemetery. Sewah Studios estimates this process will take 4 to 6 weeks.
4. Volunteers will re-install the historical marker at the Bryant Cemetery.

Total project time estimate = 4 to 7 weeks

Total project cost = \$1,150.00

Persons Directly Involved in the Work:

- Jason W. Hogue and Darron Coffman – Jason and Darron have experience handling and shipping objects such as the historical marker and refurbishing materials such as the post. They will be responsible for preparing the marker for shipping and reinstallation and coordinating pickup and return delivery directly with Sewah Studios. They will also be responsible for refurbishing the post. During these activities, Jason and Darron will provide safety oversight to other volunteers helping with this process in order to prevent any injuries related to handling materials and chemicals, and related to street traffic along Reynolds Road.
- Sewah Studios is knowledgeable about historic preservation methods and has refurbished many Civil War and other historical markers. Sewah Studios has provided the Bryant Historical Society with guidance for creating consistency in color among all restored Civil War markers.

Supporting Parties:

City of Bryant, Arkansas:

The City of Bryant, Arkansas provides the Bryant Historical Society with an annual budget of \$10,000. For this specific project, the City will provide \$296.00.

First United Methodist Church of Bryant, Arkansas:

The church maintains the Bryant Cemetery, caring for the landscaping and other routine needs. For this project, the church will provide \$75.00.

Bryant Historical Society Volunteers:

Volunteers will supply 12 hours of labor (or the number of hours needed to complete the project) and equipment such as a generator and power cords, plus the tools needed to complete the project.

The Bryant Historical Society will purchase from Lowe's® the materials needed to securely transport the historical marker: cardboard, pallet, and strapping materials.

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program:

The Bryant Historical Society is requesting a contribution of \$575.00 from the AHPP.

Students from Bryant High School:

In support of the Bryant Historical Society and in commemoration of the Battle of Hurricane Creek, a group of students with guidance from their faculty sponsor are creating "graveyard spook tales" based on historical legends and accounts of the persons buried at the Bryant Cemetery. Bryant High School is located on Reynolds Road less than 1 mile from the Bryant Cemetery. This partnership with the school is an example of how the Bryant Historical Society actively seeks opportunities to provide engaging educational programs about its objects and places of historical preservation.

3. Detailed Project Budget

Project Title: Restoration of the Battle of Hurricane Creek Historical Marker

Expenses for Proposal				
Item	Total Cost	Amount Funded by the ACWSC Grant	Monetary Contributions from Supporting Parties	In-Kind Contributions
12 Volunteer Labor Hours	\$180.00			\$15.00 x 12 hours
Equipment	\$24.00			\$24.00
Marker Refurbishment Expenses:				
Cardboard (to protect marker during shipping)	\$15.00		\$15.00	
Pallet (for secure shipping)	\$35.00		\$35.00	
Strapping tape	\$8.00		\$8.00	
Pallet strapping	\$16.00		\$16.00	
Marker transportation and refurbishment (by Sewah Studios)	\$800.00	\$575.00	\$225.00	
Post Refurbishment Materials:				
Paint stripper	\$12.00		\$12.00	
Wire brush	\$6.00		\$6.00	
Sand paper	\$5.00		\$5.00	
Spray paint	\$16.00		\$16.00	
Lacquer	\$10.00		\$10.00	
Paint Thinner	\$11.00		\$11.00	
Rags	\$12.00		\$12.00	
TOTALS	\$1150.00	\$575.00	\$371.00	\$204.00

Additional Information: Who is the Bryant Historical Society?

Mission Statement: *"Preserving for posterity building, places, tracks of land, and objects of historical, educational, architectural, cultural, and other similar interests of outstanding aesthetic value within the city of Bryant, Arkansas"*

The Bryant Historical Society recognizes that with the City of Bryant, Arkansas, there are places and objects that should be preserved, protected, and documented in order to prevent the loss of knowledge and appreciation of these things. The population of the city has been growing rapidly for more than 10 years. As people flock to the city to live within the new housing developments, new shopping centers have also been constructed and more are currently in development. Additionally, roads are being widened and new roads are being constructed. All of these factors contribute to a sense that the historical features and legacies of the city will be lost or unappreciated if not immediately protected. For instance the old button shop and the Reynolds Aluminum plant were torn down without any consideration of their historical value. The Bryant Historical Society, therefore, plays a critical role in supporting the city's Planning Commission. More information about completed projects are listed below.

The purpose of the Bryant Historical Society is to identify, acquire, hold, arrange, restore, and maintain objects of historical, educational, architectural, cultural, and other similar interests of outstanding aesthetic value; and to identify and arrange suitable regulations that will preserve and protect these objects in a setting open to the public.

The Bryant Historical Society serves Bryant, Arkansas and Saline County, Arkansas. The society shares historical preservation interests with national, state and city representatives, as well as residents. If a building, place, track of land, or object has historical, educational, or aesthetic value, it is qualified for consideration by the society to be protected and preserved. The society also seeks opportunities to provide educational programs about its objects and places of historical preservation.

The City of Bryant, Arkansas provides the Bryant Historical Society with an annual budget of \$10,000. The society contributes to its own funding through membership fees.

Successful Projects Completed:

Since the society formed in 2008, it has successfully preserved and restored a pioneer cemetery, and created a tour of the historic northeastern section of Bryant.

- The Kirkpatrick Cemetery is a pioneer cemetery located along Stagecoach Road in Bryant, Arkansas near the intersection with Market Place Avenue. The Bryant Historical Society registered the cemetery with the Arkansas Register of Historic Places and transformed it into an aesthetically pleasing area accessible to Kirkpatrick family descendants and the public at large. The burial markers were restored, an ornamental fence was added, and a sign identifying the Kirkpatrick Cemetery was added. The cemetery was ceremonially consecrated in June 2012.
- The northeastern section of "Old Town" Bryant (bordered by Reynolds Road, Mills Park Road, Northeast First Street, and North Laurel Street) contains significant historic homes and structures. The Bryant Historical Society documented the history of the pioneer families who lived and worked in this area of town, then created opportunities for the public to benefit from this information through live guided tours and long-lasting resources for self-guided tours (brochures, audio tour CDs and visual

tour DVDs). Interested community members (the public at large) were able to tour this area of Bryant and learn about its history; the tours were free and offered in 23 locations throughout Bryant. Approximately 40 people attended the society's live historical tour on May 5, 2013; many others took advantage of the self-guided tour materials. Because this portion of history is now documented, the public at large has continuous accessibility to this information.



City of Bryant

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To Whom It May Concern,

The City of Bryant very excited regarding the proposed update of the Skirmish at Hurricane Creek sign that is in need of restoration. This important piece of Bryants history has been showing signs of age and rust and we realize this is a much needed repair.

This project has our full support and we are excited to see the finished product once it is completed.

We appreciate all the work that the Bryant Historical Society does to ensure the heritage and history of Bryant is preserved for future generations.

If I can be of any further assistance regarding this process please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Jill Dabbs
Mayor of Bryant



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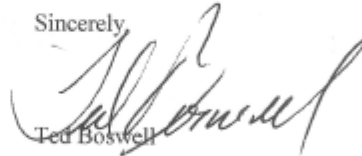
November 8, 2013

TO: Arkansas Department of Historic Preservation

As the attorney for the Bryant Cemetery Board, the Board has requested that I write to the Arkansas Department of Historic Preservation and express the Board's wholehearted support for the Bryant Historical Society's request for a grant to renovate the historical marker commemorating the Hurricane Creek Civil War battle site. The marker was a Bi-Centennial grant, and the research, acquisition, and placement were accomplished under the direction of David Demuth, Saline County's own historian "in residence." You may be assured the Bryant Cemetery Board and the Bryant Historical Society will continue to work together in all efforts to pay tribute and to protect the many Confederate soldiers' bodies taken from the battle area and buried in this historic cemetery.

The Board also pledges its support to the Arkansas Department of Historic Preservation and the Bryant Historical Society in the Department's efforts to accomplish continuing preservation efforts in Bryant.

Sincerely,



Ted Boswell

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cc: Ms. Gola Boone
(Chairman of the Bryant Cemetery Board)

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Bryant High School

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November 5th, 2013

TO: The Arkansas Department of Historic Preservation

I am the Environmental and Spatial Technology Instructor at Bryant High School. On behalf of the Bryant School District, I would like to express our support to the Bryant Historical Society. With their assistance my students are developing an audio/video presentation highlighting the Skirmish at Hurricane Creek and the confederate soldiers that fought in the battle. The historical society would also like to be awarded a grant to renovate the sign that commemorates the Skirmish at Hurricane Creek. We feel this would be greatly beneficial to the preservation of Bryant's heritage. We will continue to support the Bryant Historical Society in all endeavors and look forward to working with them in the near future.

Thank You,

Devry Rhodes, Instructor
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November 7, 2013

To the Arkansas Department of Historic Preservation:

This letter is written to support the Bryant Historical Society and request any support that this great organization can receive.

As the Bryant Library branch manager for the Saline County Library System, I have seen many programs that the Bryant Historical Society has produced. Our library supports this group and counts on its expertise. The group takes much pride and respect in researching, collecting, preserving, and distributing information about the city of Bryant and surrounding communities.

Currently the desire is to renovate the sign commemorating the Skirmish at Hurricane Creek. We believe this would provide opportunities for education, showcase Arkansas' involvement during the Civil War, and preserve a monument of our past for future generations. We support this endeavor and hope that a grant will help them achieve that goal.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

Bradley Crumby
Bryant Library Branch Manager