

About the Spring Creek County Historical Association

In 1961 a group of local leaders realized that in time, without deliberate effort to do something about preserving pieces of the past, examples of the lives of our founding fathers would be lost forever. From that very moment work began on establishing Tomball's first and only historical association and the development of a plan to secure representative structures as permanent land marks for generations of local citizens and their families, school children, and visitors to our city from far and wide to enjoy.

The operation of a museum is no small feat, especially for a small town like Tomball. We are proud of our growth and the quality of our museum offerings. We honor those past volunteers who made that original dream a reality and salute the present ones who strive to preserve this precious gift for future generations.



Doctor's Office

Tour Times and Pricing:

tomballmuseumcenter.com



Group Tours available
by reservation

The Church and Fellowship Hall
are available to rent for your event

Christmas Open House & Candlelight Tour

The second Friday and
following Saturday each
December
6:00 ~ 9:00pm



Barn Interior

Tomball Museum Center

Center

510 N. Pine Street
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Griffin House

Ensuring a brighter future
by
Caring for Tomball's past





Trinity Evangelical
Lutheran Church



Log Cabin



Theis House



Church Interior



One Room Schoolhouse



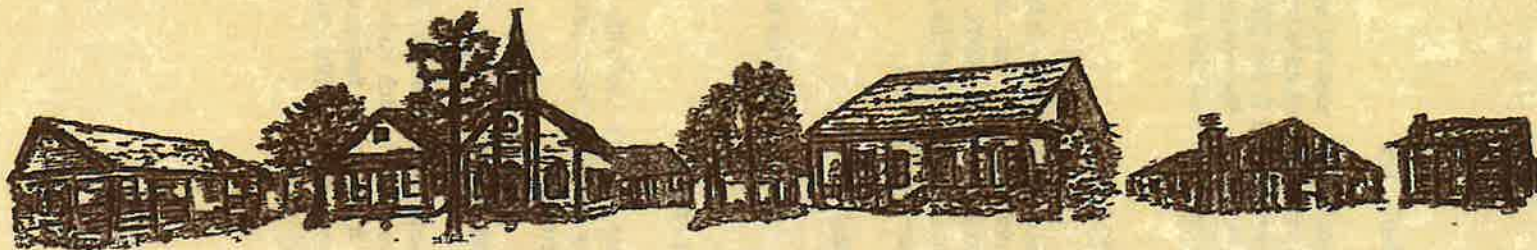
Oil Camp House

Additional Attractions

Blacksmith Shop
Cotton Gin
WWII Memorial
Fellowship Hall
Gazebo
Jail Cell



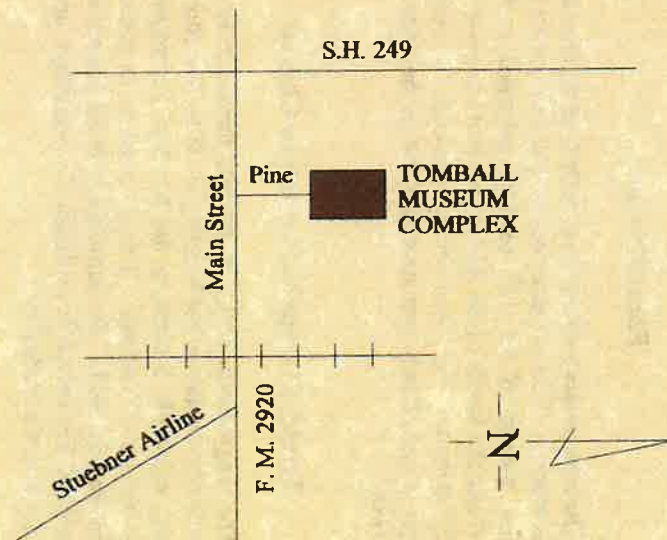
The Barn



TOMBALL MUSEUM CENTER

Administered by
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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Please enroll me as a member of the Spring Creek County Historical Association in the designated category:

Individual \$ 35.00 Family \$ 50.00

Corporate \$ 500.00

Spring Creek County Historical Association is a non-profit organization in the State of Texas.
Your contributions are tax deductible.

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About the Museum

The Spring Creek County Historical Association, a non-profit organization, administers the Tomball Museum Center. Meetings and special events are held throughout the year.

Membership in the Spring Creek County Historical Association brings the privilege of preserving local history, and other advantages as well. Members will receive our newsletter, have voting privileges in organizational proceedings, and access to our research materials. Membership meetings include programs featuring guest speakers or presentations of a historical nature.

The Tomball Museum Center is open Sunday from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. **CLOSED HOLIDAYS.** Group tours may be arranged by calling (281) 255-2148. Tours, \$3.00 per person.

Every year on the second weekend in December there are candlelight tours of the museum center. All buildings are decorated for an old fashioned Christmas. Wassail and cookies are served in the fellowship hall. Choirs sing in the church. The tour hours are Friday and Saturday from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. This special event is open to the public. Donations are welcome.

Griffin Memorial House

Eugene Pillot, a prominent early Texas lumberman and builder of classic beauty, built this home in 1860. The home originally stood near the Atascocito Trail on present day Boudreaux Road. The house was moved to its present location largely through the efforts of Judge Charlton and his daughter, Magdalene, of Tomball. It was designated the Griffin House at the request of the donor, in memory of her father, Edmond B. Griffin, and was dedicated as a museum in 1969. Its

furnishings date from the 1800's. Most of the furniture came from the collection of Miss Magdalene Charlton.

Country Doctor's Office

This is the former office of Doctor William Ehrhardt, originally located at FM 1960 and Kuykendahl. The Doctor's office includes an assortment of early medications, equipment and surgical instruments.

Farm Museum

The barn houses a collection of early farming tools and equipment. The two-story cotton gin, dating from the last quarter of the 19th century, belonged to the Wuenschel family of the Spring area and was powered by mules or horses. According to research, this cotton gin is one of only two such gins left in the State of Texas.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

The congregation of this church was formed in 1876, with construction of the building in 1905. The church was originally located in the Neudorf Community, southwest of Tomball. It was moved to its present location in 1973. The furnishings in the church are original. The church is available for weddings upon payment of a modest fee.

Fellowship Hall

This building was part of the first church that was built in 1855 on Fenske Road, in Cypress. The members of this church, St. John Lutheran, gave it to the Spring Creek County Historical Association in 1983 to be restored and used as a fellowship hall. An exhibit of pictures taken in Tomball in 1945 is on display in this building.

Log Buildings

The log house and corncrib were acquired by the Spring Creek County Historical Association in January 1989. These buildings were erected in the Wendish settlement of Serbin around 1857. The pioneers in wooded areas of Texas commonly used this type of construction.

Henry Theis House

In the summer of 1989, descendants of the Theis family presented the museum complex with this family farmhouse, which dates back to the mid-1800's. The restoration of this farmhouse gives a view of life lived by the German settlers in the Tomball area.

Gazebo

The Tomball Study Club donated the gazebo to the museum complex in 1986.

School House

The one room schoolhouse from the Bellville area typifies the school buildings common to rural Texas in the early years of the 20th century.

Oil Camp House

The Oil Camp House was acquired in 1998 through the diligence and generosity of the Oil Patch Kids with help from an Exxon grant. It is the prime feature of an exhibit preserving the vibrant years, 1930's through the mid-1950's, of the area's oil industry.



Tomball Museum Center



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

The museum is looking for new volunteers interested in the following fields: docents, small repairs, archives/research, graphic design, community outreach, social media, and more!

SIGN UP ONLINE

OR STOP BY
THE MUSEUM TODAY



Register now at tomballmuseumcenter.com

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