

# Old Saltillo Cemetery Association Newsletter

Seventh Edition – June 26, 2013

## Words From Our President

Final plans are being made for the Annual Old Saltillo Cemetery Memorial Day to be held at 10:30 a.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013, in the Old Saltillo United Methodist Church. Everyone is invited to come early to visit, stroll through the cemetery, or relax in a beautiful country setting. Each year the members of the Old Saltillo Cemetery Association Board plan this day so that all of those in attendance can honor our loved ones, remember days of the past, visit with old and new friends, and enjoy wonderful food.



The program will begin at 10:30 a.m. with congregational singing led by Mike Briley. A business meeting will follow that includes a formal report of the activities of the Board of Directors, the financial position of the association, plans for the coming year, and the election of three Board Member for the 2013-2016 term. Jewel McAfee will present a tribute to the memory of those buried in the Old Saltillo Cemetery during the 2012-2013 year. Dr. Kenneth Horn will be our speaker this year. Kenneth lives in Springfield, Missouri and is looking forward to being with us for a day filled with fond memories. *(Continued on Page 2)*

## Spotlight: Dr. Kenneth Horn, in his own words

I was born in the house where my parents, Ike and Flora Horn, lived on the Saltillo Gulf Pump Station property. When I was 9 ½ years old, we moved into town. I graduated from Saltillo High School in 1948. We moved to Paris in June 1949 when I was a sophomore at East Texas State Teacher's College (now Texas A&M University – Commerce). I received bachelors and masters degrees (with a major in business administration in each degree) from East Texas. After graduation, I spent four years in the United States Air Force.

After teaching one year at Mars Hill College in North Carolina, I returned to East Texas State to teach. I received my doctorate at The University of Oklahoma (with emphasis in business education). Joyce Smith of Waverly, Missouri, and I were married on May 29, 1962. She passed away on November 24, 2002. I have a son Kevin (deceased); two daughters, Yvonne and Colleen; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.



We moved to Bolivar, Missouri, in August 1965, where I was a department head and professor at Southwest Baptist College (now University).

We moved to Springfield in November 1972, where I retired from teaching at Missouri State University. I taught a total of 39 years. I am a Christ follower and strive, with His help, to embrace His leadership daily in all areas of my life.

*Dr. Kenneth Horn,  
2013 Memorial Day Guest Speaker*

## Tom Briley Quartet CD

For those of you who intend to purchase a copy of the 2012 Old Saltillo Cemetery Memorial Day Program, featuring a photo montage with recorded accompaniment from The Briley Quartet, it's not too late!

For a donation of \$15.00 or more, the OSCA will mail a copy of the 2012 Memorial Day Program to you (or a designee of your choosing), via regular mail. Delivery is anticipated to take approximately 2 weeks from the date of receipt of your request and donation. *The DVD's have been tested and will be functional in any DVD or Blue Ray player.* We hope you will enjoy the photos and music, over and over again.

Please complete and detach the order form below, and mail it to the indicated address, with your donation. Net proceeds of the production will benefit the Old Saltillo Cemetery Association Working Fund, which provides funding for the regular care and maintenance of the cemetery. Thank you for your interest and support.

*OSC Board of Directors*

## The Tom Briley Quartet 1949 - 1965



Don't forget to order your DVD of the 2012 Old Saltillo Memorial Day Program!

## Words From Our President, Cont...

At the conclusion of the formal presentation, lunch will be served in the air-conditioned Kirby Memorial Center. You are asked to bring some of your favorite dishes – enough to feed all in your party and share your wonderful cooking with others. The food will be served immediately after the program in a buffet manner with all eating utensils, plates, and water, iced tea, soft drinks, and coffee provided. Limited seating is available inside the Kirby Memorial Center; however, space is available under the huge oak trees for you to enjoy eating your lunch and visiting. You are invited to bring a small table and chairs to use if you wish to eat outside.

Frequent rains, *even though there has not been enough to break the conditions caused by lack of rain last year*, have afforded a beautiful green lawn as of late. Regardless of climate, the Board Members work to make the Old Saltillo Cemetery a beautiful setting all year. Flags were placed at the grave sites of every veteran buried in the Old Saltillo Cemetery for Memorial Day. To the best of our knowledge, all veterans' names are placed on the Veterans' Memorial Monument. If you know of anyone that should be included, please let us know.

We're looking forward to seeing you on the Third Sunday in July for a time-honored tradition. May this day bring fond memories and provide an avenue to share your experiences with others.

*Vivian Dennis Monzingo, President*

## Old Saltillo Roots

When I was growing up the Old Saltillo Cemetery was a very important part of my family's life because that's where most of our family is buried. My granddad Henry Dow Arthur and my mother Christine Arthur both grew up in Saltillo and I was born there in 1941 so I always felt that's where my roots are. When I was a kid we went to the cemetery quite often and Mama would tell us who each grave belonged to and how we were related

and at a young age I couldn't imagine having that many relatives that I didn't know.

When I was older and moved away from Texas I felt there was something missing and felt the need to stay in touch with my roots and my family that still lives there. I always thought it was very exciting to know my family heritage and that my pioneer ancestors played a part in the Saltillo community history from the beginning.

They built their homes and businesses and some just wanted to farm their land but most of them would never see the family they left behind again. They suffered hardship's that we can't even imagine in our lifetime and they were our brave ancestors that rose far and above life challenges to succeed in building a better future for all of us. Now who among us are not proud of these wonderful people buried in this beautiful cemetery!!!

My ancestors that made the journey and settled in that area in the early 1850's are the Arthur's, Griffith's, and Agee's and I have thoroughly enjoyed researching my family genealogy so I decided several years ago that I should start writing the little stories I've heard about our family that migrated to Texas and the part they played in history. I wanted to pass that history along so I try to make my information public and I'm always excited to see others write down their stories to share. In the past few years the Internet has been one of my major tools. I try to post every day to [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com), or [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com) and I can also do a lot of research there.

[www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com) is a free site and also has a discussion forum so you can ask for help, and everyone there is very helpful. [www.familysearch.org/search](http://www.familysearch.org/search) is also a great source and it's also free. I use [www.google.com](http://www.google.com) sometimes and just do a search for whatever information I am needing. While searching through all the cemeteries on [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com), I've noticed that the Old Saltillo Cemetery has more photos and biographies than nearly all other cemeteries. I think that's a sign that we are proud of our ancestors that settled

there. It's wonderful to see all those photos, giving faces to the names of ancestors we've long seen carved on stone in the Old Saltillo Cemetery.

*Wanda Corn, Contributing Columnist*

## Treasurer's Comments

With basic cemetery expenses (i.e. lawn, grave and general grounds care) approximating \$6,000 per year, and interest income averaging less than \$1,000 per year, we are desperately dependent upon your generous donations to maintain our beautiful cemetery.

All OSCA funds are invested in FDIC insured instruments, namely checking and savings accounts and certificates of deposit, with sound local financial institutions. The OSCA is a certified 501 (c) (13) organization, which means your donations are tax deductible. A full accounting of the OSCA's annual revenues and expenditures is provided (both orally and in written form) during the OSCA's Annual Meeting.

In memory / honor of your friends, family and loved ones, consider a donation to the Old Saltillo Cemetery Association, at P.O. Box 123, Saltillo, TX 75478.

*Ryan Agee, Treasurer*

## Interments

Since last publication, the following individuals have been laid to rest in the Old Saltillo Cemetery:

**Nicolas Orren**  
interred April 13, 2013

**Steve Hudson**  
interred April 30, 2013

**Billy Hudson**  
interred April 30, 2013

**William Dow Stevenson**  
interred May 14, 2013

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I have enclosed a \$                      **.00** donation to the Old Saltillo Cemetery and wish to receive #                      DVD(s) of the 2012 Old Saltillo Cemetery Memorial Day Program, featuring The Tom Briley Quartet.

*Note: A minimum donation of \$15 per DVD is required.*

Please mail my DVD(s) to the following address:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address or PO Box: \_\_\_\_\_  
Apartment Number (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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