

Membership

Members of the Goingsnake District Heritage Association come from all walks of life and live throughout the United States. Documentation of Cherokee lineage or citizenship is not required for membership. Most members have Cherokee ancestry, but others join the association because they enjoy studying the history and events of the area.

Membership is available at two levels: regular at \$20 per year and sustaining at \$30 or more per year. A sustaining membership is an extra donation that helps the association pay printing and publishing expenses. Each membership will automatically receive a one-year subscription to our history journal, *The Goingsnake Messenger*. Couples may join at the same rates, but will receive only one copy of the journal.

Donations

The Goingsnake District Heritage Association is funded by membership dues and donations. Donations are crucial for continuing our mission and publication efforts. Monetary gifts are tax deductible because we are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Going Snake District

In 1840, the Cherokee Nation created eight political subdivisions or districts. A ninth was added later in 1856. One of the original eight included Going Snake District. This area comprised what is now the northern half of Adair County and a portion of southern Delaware County, Oklahoma. The district was named in honor of Going Snake (TOLƏT), a revered Cherokee leader who served his nation in many roles including Speaker of the Council. In 1839, as a convention delegate, Going Snake signed the Act of Union between the Eastern and Western Cherokees.

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Preserving the history
and heritage of the
Going Snake District,
Cherokee Nation



ESTABLISHED 1979

Preserving Our History & Heritage



About Us

The Goingsnake District Heritage Association is a non-profit history organization founded in 1979 in Westville, Oklahoma. Our founders organized the group to preserve the history and heritage of the former area of the Going Snake District of the Cherokee Nation. The group is named to honor the history and families of the Going Snake District, one of the nine districts of the Cherokee Nation. The association strives to educate through programs, publications, and field trips to historic sites.

The association is not affiliated with the Cherokee Nation. Membership dues and donations serve as our primary funding source. Monetary gifts are tax deductible as allowed by tax code.

Our Mission

The Goingsnake District Heritage Association exists for the purpose of researching, preserving, and disseminating knowledge of Cherokee history, culture, and lineage, for the Going Snake District, as well as all of the historic Cherokee Nation. For more than thirty-five years the association has published a history journal, *The Goingsnake Messenger*, as a way to recount and preserve the history of the area.

Meetings

Meetings are held the third Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at the John F. Henderson Public Library, located at 116 N. Williams Ave. in Westville, Oklahoma. Occasionally, meetings are held at other locations as announced on our website and Facebook page. Meeting attendance is not required for membership. At each meeting, a member or guest speaker presents a topic of Cherokee history. For a complete list of meetings and events, visit our website at www.goingsnake.org.



Regular Membership \$20

Sustaining Membership \$30 or more

Membership Application

Please make your check or money order payable to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Topics of historic interest and surnames you are researching: _____

You may also join on our website via PayPal at www.goingsnake.org.

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