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Donations and volunteers for this preservation project are appreciated.

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Totem Pole Project
**ROGERS COUNTY
HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

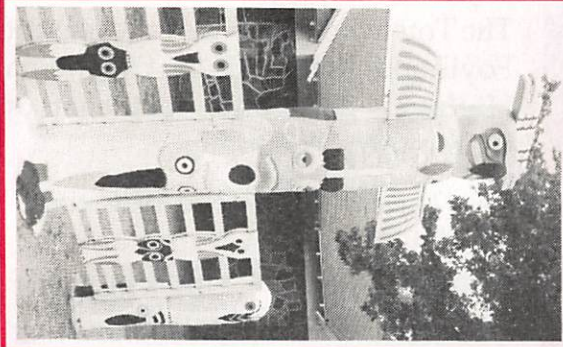
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Americans are placing an increasing value on their American heritage, traditional arts and crafts, and their historical architecture. Folk arts are appreciated, as handmade crafts become an important part of American life again. Old buildings which were on their way to oblivion are now preserved, used and enjoyed.

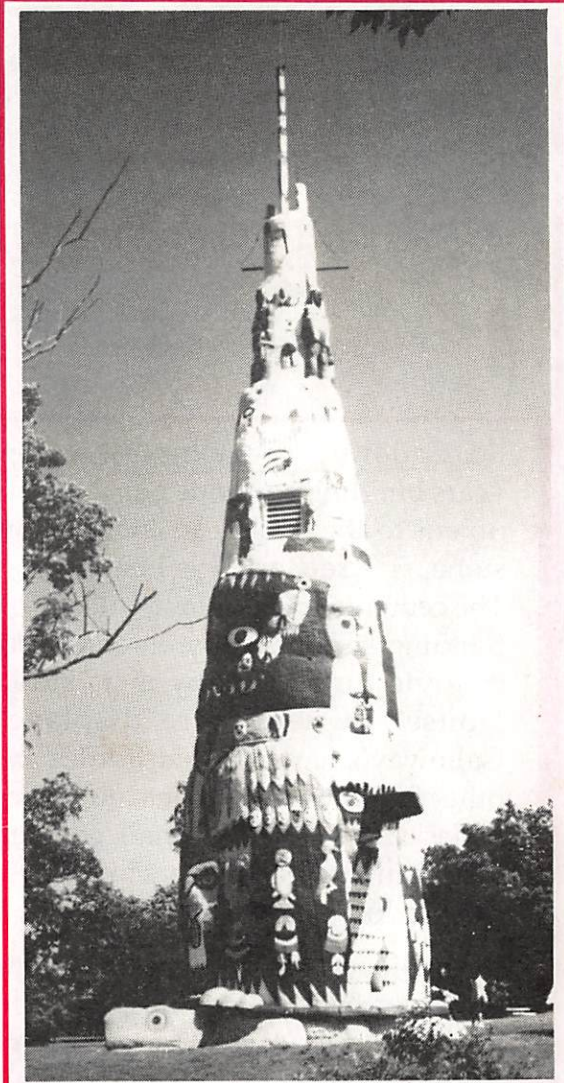
The "Fiddle House" museum/gift shop is open by appointment and on a daily basis during the peak tourism season. Souvenirs are also on sale at locations in Claremore. Call (918) 342-9149 for current information.



THE FIDDLE HOUSE



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"World's Largest Totem Pole"

Ed Galloway's

TOTEM POLE PARK

Foyil, Oklahoma



Ed Galloway spent his retirement years building a unique park, a monument to the American Indian from stone, concrete and his imagination. The center piece is a giant Totem Pole building supported by an enormous concrete turtle. Nearby is a "Fiddle House" in which are displayed Galloway's hand-crafted fiddles and other inlaid wood artifacts. Roadside tables supported by small concrete totems invite the travelers to picnic in the shadow of the Totem Pole.

In earlier years, Galloway taught wood-working to the children living at the Charles Page Home in Sand Springs, Oklahoma. He was well-known for his elaborately carved furniture, violins and wood pictures.

Since Galloway's death his Park was left to weather. But the Park has endured and the Galloway family, his friends and the friends of the Totem Pole have restored it, so it can again be a roadside stop for the traveler and a museum for Ed Galloway's wonderful folk art.

The Totem Pole Park is 4 miles east of Foyil and Route 66, on Oklahoma Highway 28A, and northeast of Claremore, Oklahoma.

The Totem Pole is one of Oklahoma's Landmarks and has been featured in several important articles and books on environmental folk art as "The World's Largest Totem Pole." In 1999, the park was added to the National Register of Historic Places.

"All my life, I did the best I knew. I built these things by the side of the road to be a friend to you."

Ed Galloway



Totem picturing chiefs of the five civilized tribes.

The Rogers County Historical Society, the Kansas Grass Roots Art Association and the Foyil Heritage Association are working together in preservation of the Totem Pole Park.

The Galloway family donated 1-1/2 acres and the original structures to the Rogers County Historical Society. The Totem Pole Park Project has purchased 7-1/2 acres to expand the Park to include parking and picnic areas.

The public is encouraged to visit. This park is on the Route 66 Tour. Group tours can be arranged by calling (918) 342-9149 or (918) 342-1127.