

Friday Footprints

"Every man must leave a track and it might as well be a good one."
-Thomas Gilcrease



November 18, 2022

*The mind is not a vessel to be filled,
But a fire to be kindled.....*Plutarch

I hope those of you who attended the November Docent Meeting felt "rekindled" with some new ideas. Those of us who attended the National Docent Symposium were eager to share what we had learned. We hope to devote more time to some of these ideas at future docent meetings. Several Gillies had the opportunity to try out some exciting new interactives being designed for the new museum. Thanks to Alison Rossi for including us in a session and allowing us to share our feedback. This issue is being sent out a week early due to Thanksgiving.

The next issue will be published late in December so **I wish all of you a joyous holiday season.**

Nannette Tresner - President



From the Gilcrease collection:
A Christmas Party
George Henry Durrie

OFFICER NOMINATIONS

It's time to start thinking about officer nominations. Nominations for President-Elect, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer will be accepted only during the month of January. Nominations should include information about the nominee, such as offices held, specific assignments, chairmanships, and other leadership roles. Becky Hatchett, our current President-Elect, will assume the duties of President for 2023-2024. Descriptions of the duties for each office can be found on the Gillies website. Remember to check with the person you are nominating to get their permission to proceed. Letters of nomination should be sent to Joyce Taylor, Chair of the Nominating Committee.

To submit letters of nomination by mail:

Joyce Taylor
6809 South Quincy Ave.
Tulsa, OK 74036

To submit letters of nomination by email:

catfr@hotmail.com

MESSAGES

Death of Gillies:

Dale McNamara

Sympathy Card sent to:

Family of Dale McNamara
Ursula Gould

Get Well Card sent to:

Mary Castro
Bill Hellen

Change in Membership Status:

Charles Wyatt from Associate Member to Active Member

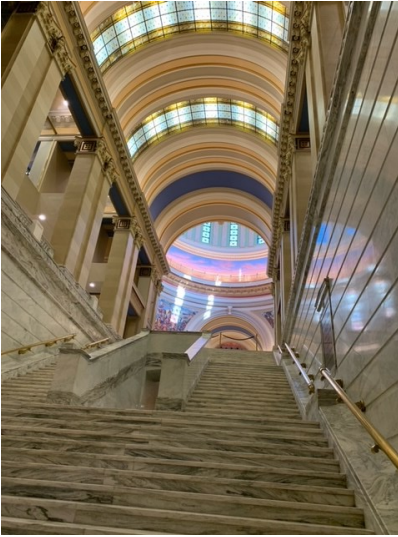
Please send changes in contact information (address, phone, and email) as well as news about a Gillie who is ill to the Gillies Secretary Janet Hayes at jrhayes1216@gmail.com



**Mark your
Calendar**

**No Board of Directors or Docent Meetings in December.
Meetings will resume in January.**

Gillies Visit the Capitol and the Governor's Mansion Oct. 27



Fifteen Gillies and plus ones enjoyed a day trip to Oklahoma City to tour the state Capitol and the nearby Governor's Mansion. Both have recently been remodeled, with some work still in progress. Capitol tours are generally 45 minutes long, but we could have taken much longer and still not seen all the paintings, sculptures, and other artwork. Bob, our excellent tour guide, bemoaned that they were still awaiting the return of the busts of the governors to their alcove, that we couldn't see the Supreme Court room, and that the Capitol art gallery was still not re-opened. However



there are many artworks in the corridors and the rotundas under the dome.

We began with a slow look at "The Guardian," a bronze replica of the sculpture now atop the dome, by former Senator/artist Enock Kelly Haney (Seminole Muskogee). The replica is about nine feet tall; the dome original about 21 feet tall. There are several murals in the Capitol that celebrate famous Oklahomans and the various industries within Oklahoma. Recent additions celebrate people and events in African American history, such as Ada Lois Sipuel (Fisher) becoming the first African American to attend law classes at the University of Oklahoma. There were works by Charles Banks Wilson, Mike Larsen, Mike Wimmer, Harold T. Holden, and many others.

After a delicious lunch at the Iron Star Barbecue, we returned to tour the Governor's Mansion.



Due to some ongoing renovation, the Stitt family does not currently reside in the Mansion, but the Governor frequently has meetings there and Mrs. Stitt uses her office there and continues to consult with designers concerning restoration of some rooms to their original period furnishings and colors. In recent decades, each governor has contributed some addition to the Mansion, such as a theatre room, a swimming pool, a poolside pavilion for large groups. The grounds are beautiful and rows of trees provide screen-



ing from the busy, noisy city streets around it.

Many thanks to Karen Jarvis for juggling dates to get these two tours scheduled for the same day!

— Karen Morris

Following is the link to the live camera showing the construction site for the new Gilcrease Museum from the top of the HCAR building.

<https://api.ibeamsystems.com/api/cameras/b6f50bc149/large/latest/?timestamped=true>



From the archival collection at Gilcrease:

Season's Greeting

Charles Marion Russell



Editor: Nannette Tresner,
Gillies President
Publisher: Rod Schneider