

Sesquicentennial Wagon Train Photographs

History

The 1986 Sesquicentennial Wagon Train was organized as part of the 150th anniversary of Texas independence. The wagon train followed roughly circular 3,000-mile route around the state. The route was designed to bring the train within at least 100 miles of every city and town in Texas. The wagon train left Sulphur Springs January 2, 1986. Although the wagon train was organized to celebrate Texas independence, thousands of people from 27 states participated in the event for a few days at a time. A core group of hired staff and volunteers traveled the entire route; most participants traveled only a few days. A total of 10,000 riders from 27 states traveled at least a part of the way during the six months. The wagon train ended its six months long journey at Fort Worth Stockyards on July 3, 1986.

Provenance

The photographs were created by Mr. Nicolas Cirincione. The pamphlets, handbills, newsletters, clippings and other supporting documents were gathered by Mr. Cirincione. This collection was donated to the Heritage Room by Mr. Cirincione in 1987. Mr. Cirincione stipulated that the photographs be treated as public domain, and be made freely available to researchers. This collection is available to researchers by appointment. Please contact the [TCCD Archives](#).

Scope and Description

Sesquicentennial Wagon Train Photograph Collection is a documentary photo essay recording of the progress of the wagon train over the course of its six month journey around the state. The collection is stored in three binders in slip covers. Two binders contain a total of 121 8X10 black and white prints. A third volume is a scrapbook with correspondence, pamphlets, publicity material, newspaper articles and other documents recording the history of the cattle drive.

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