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# Sharecroppers Voice

Spring 2016

Southern Tenant Farmers Museum

Tyronza, Arkansas

## A State Heritage Sites Participate in Blue Star Museum Program

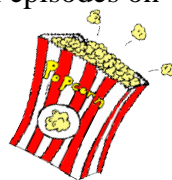


The Southern Tenant Farmers Museum is one of eight museums in Arkansas presently registered as a Blue Star Museum. The Blue Star Museum program is a collaboration among the National Endowment for the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense, and museums across America. Each summer since 2010, Blue Star Museums have offered free admission to the nation's active-duty military personnel and their families, including National Guard and Reserve, from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Along with Southern Tenant Farmers Museum, the Hemingway-Pfeiffer Museum at Piggott, Lakeport Plantation at Lake Village and Historic Dyess Colony: Johnny Cash Boyhood Home are also participating in the program. The Arkansas State University Heritage Sites are proud to honor our nation's active military personnel and their families with free admission to our museums this summer.

## Outdoor Movie Night Returns

After receiving much positive feedback from our first outdoor movie featuring several of the original "Lone Ranger" movies, we decided to bring back the event. The Southern Tenant Farmers Museum will present three original Tarzan episodes on Friday May 27. The "king of the jungle" will be projected on the side of Tyronza City Hall behind the Senior Center and is scheduled to begin around 7:30 or when it becomes dark.



Although there were many actors who portrayed Tarzan, our favorite is Johnny Weissmuller. He will be starring in three episodes: Tarzan the Ape Man (1932), Tarzan and his Mate (1934), and Tarzan Finds a Son (1939).



Don't forget your blankets and lawn chairs. Popcorn will be provided for your enjoyment. In the event of bad weather, the film will be postponed until a later date. The event is free to the public.

Join us at our old fashioned movie night as we remember Tarzan, Jane, Boy and Cheetah!

## Tyronza Celebrates 90th Anniversary

Although Tyronza has been in existence since the mid 1800s, the Articles of Incorporation were filed on May 17, 1926. Tyronza officially become a city at that time. This year marks the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that milestone.

The City of Tyronza will officially celebrate the city's anniversary during the Stars and Stripes Jubilee on June 10 and 11.

Join us at the Stars and Stripes Jubilee as we wish our city a very happy anniversary!!





## Southern Tenant Farmers Museum

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The Tyronza Stars and Stripes Jubilee  
will be held on June 10-11!

Games ~ Carnival ~ Music ~ Food

Free Admission to the  
museum from Noon – 3 p.m.

Come join in the fun!

## STFM Sponsors Presentation on the Missouri Bootheel Demonstration



Dr. Jarod Roll, Assoc. Professor of History, University of Mississippi

On February 24, 2016, the STFM had the opportunity to host a Black History and Women’s appreciation Month event which was held on the campus of Arkansas State University. The featured guest speaker was Dr. Jarod Roll, an Associate Professor of History at the University of Mississippi. The title of his lecture was “On Jordan’s Stormy Banks: The STFU and the 1939 Roadside Demonstration in Southeast Missouri.” A key portion of our museum’s tour highlights this pivotal historical demonstration.

Since the establishment of Arkansas State University’s Southern Tenant Farmers Museum in 2007, various visitors have asked how the STFU was involved in the 1939 demonstration. Within the hour long presentation, Dr. Roll thoroughly answered many of those inquires and more. If you are interested in this event, the STFM has uploaded a video of the presentation to the museum’s YouTube account:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MPN81KdQg\\_M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MPN81KdQg_M)



It’s time to plant the crops! Who knows someone who once used mules to farm?

## NEA Rock Paper Scissors Tournament

The NEA Rock Paper Scissors Tournament will be held on Saturday, June 11 during the Stars and Stripes Jubilee. Last year’s winner, Larry Madden of Tyronza, has been in training since last year and is ready to take on any and all challengers. The tournament is scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m. at the Tyronza Senior Center. Call STFM at 487-2909 if you have any questions about the tournament. The RPS tournament is sponsored by Southern Tenant Farmers Museum.



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## MEMBERSHIP SOUTHERN TENANT FARMERS MUSEUM

Individual - \$25  
Family - \$40  
Seniors/Students \$10

Free Admission—15% off Gift Shop items—  
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## COME VISIT US!

**Hours**  
Monday-Friday: 9 am – 3 pm  
Saturday: Noon – 3 pm

**Admission**  
Adults: \$5  
Seniors/Students/Groups: \$3