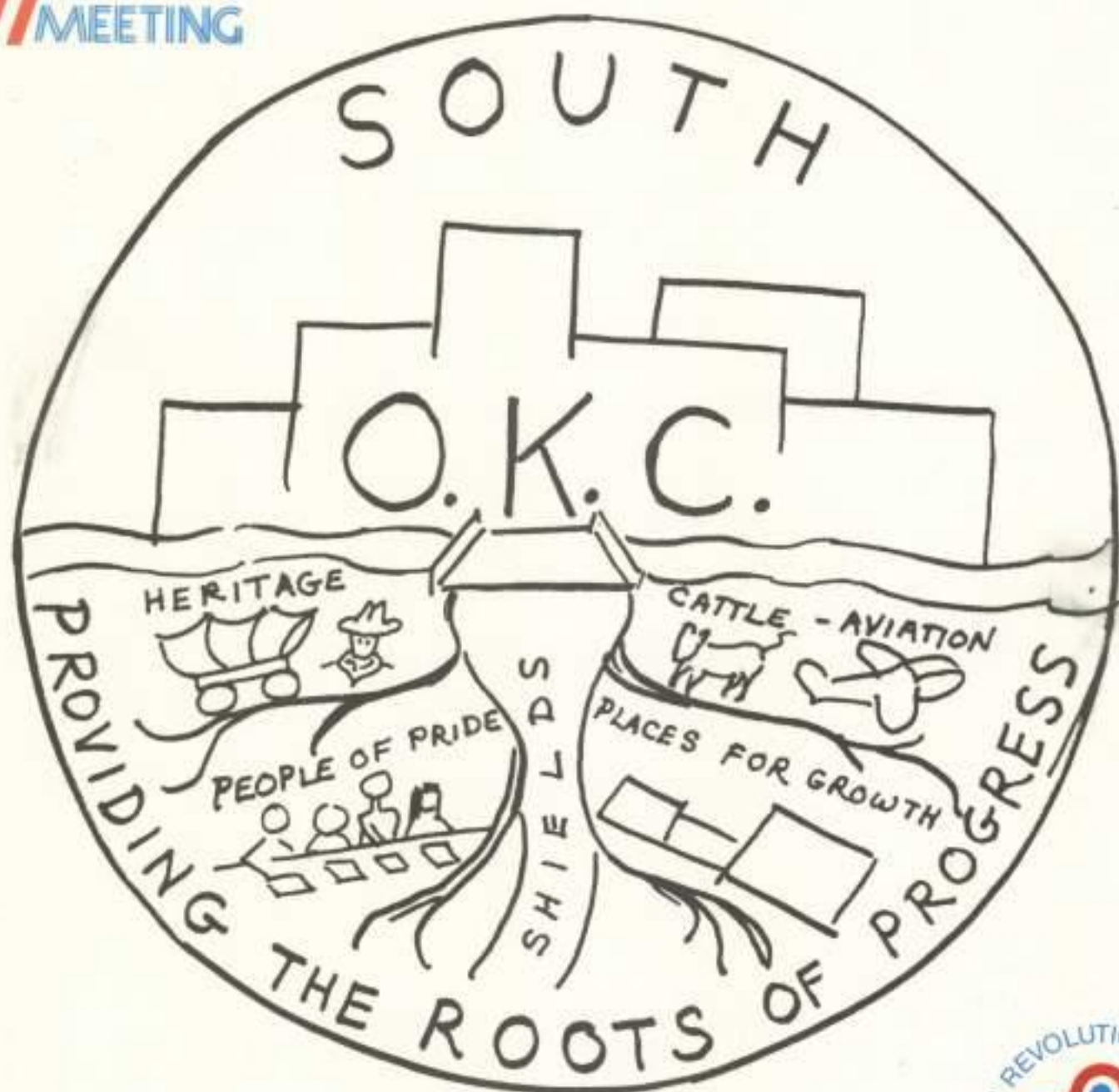


TOWN
7/6
MEETING



RECOGNIZED BY
AMERICAN REVOLUTION
BICENTENNIAL
ADMINISTRATION

NEW PIONEERS

Tune: "America"

We rushed into this prairie land
to take a fighting stand.
We fought the dust and wind and heat
to harvest golden wheat
We've struggled up through many years
with dreams and hopes and fears
We will not stop!
We'll hit the top!
By starting here today.

Tomorrow is another day
So let's continue on our way
We'll build a city, strong and pretty,
sturdy, bold and free
Our heritage will undergird
Our hope for future years
We'll build anew
And glorious view
From this, the South of town.

This story begins with a history of strong, hardy people that faced the hardships of any hard working pioneer that helped make our country what it is today. You may hear this story in any part of America. Because these people were what they were, they built a pride that came from doing things for themselves, asking for no favors, but setting themselves apart as being builders. They established a community that brought recognition to the city they were a part of, but, still maintaining the independence of being Capitol Hill, a city within a city.

As the great community began to function through the years, many struggles were faced. The people could see that modern growth could not be achieved unless they grew together in an effort to become a part of Oklahoma City. With the fiber and spirit of a pioneer they joined with the city to achieve greatness through cooperation of a big city effort. In this effort the people never lost the pioneering attitude, but capitalized on this attitude to accomplish their goals.

Now, as we dream into the future, we see ourselves as the future of growth to this large city. We have the space; we have the resources; and we still have the pioneering spirit that brought us from the beginning of this story to the end. We will never lose our pride built through the pioneering spirit of the small community that once was Capitol Hill. We will simply watch this pride grow to the large city. This will promote and secure the blessings of Liberty and Justice to make our America more beautiful and wonderful than we have ever dreamed of.

People from the "grass roots" all over the country are getting together to look at their part of this great nation and look where we're headed at the start of the third century...the program is called Town Meeting '76 and it compresses into one day a complete look at our community including all the

fun of getting acquainted with congenial neighbors in a cooperative effort that has already produced hundreds of positive programs in other communities.

It's our turn in South Oklahoma City this Saturday May 1. Everyone alive is invited!

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Plant for the Future

Group Singing

OLD FASHIONED TOWN MEETING

FOR THE
BICENTENNIAL



1776-1976

BIRTHDAY

...and into the third century

Welcoming

Begins at 9 a.m. with coffee and donuts as friends and neighbors visit. An opening address "The New World" celebrates the beginning of America's third century, setting the stage for morning and afternoon workshops.

Challenges

Grass Roots democracy works with all ages and backgrounds thinking thru for themselves the basic economic, political and cultural issues of our community.

Interlude

Lunch together, local entertainment, sing-alongs, a brief presentation of "The New Human Being" ...all powerful reminders of the natural good will that exists among us ... and leads to the afternoon workshops.

Proposals

Citizens re-creating their own human environment ...three groups create some 12-20 practical proposals, starting points for concrete cooperative action in the community! The fourth group writes a new story of the community's heritage, a new symbol and a new song celebrating its destiny.

MAY 1

9 AM till 5 PM

CAPITOL HILL HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

\$1

COVERS ALL COSTS

Reception coffee and donuts, lunch on the grounds, the printed workbook and the printed document summing up the accomplishments of the Town Meeting.

Rev. Fred Knight,
Pastor South Lee United Methodist Church
Chairman South Oklahoma City Bicentennial

Dr. Dale Gibson, Master of Ceremonies
President South Oklahoma City Junior College

Plenary

The sense of accomplishment is felt in the dramatic climax as workshop groups report. Everyone receives a printed document holding the group's practical proposals and their new story, new song and symbol ... and a renewed sense of the American Spirit, a new burst of self confidence, responsibility and realistic hope in the future.

Art Prizes To Be Awarded

\$50 Savings Bonds for 1st Place and \$25 Savings Bond for 2nd will be awarded winners in two age groups, one for Senior High and one for Middle School students.

The original artwork will be displayed at the meeting and will develop the themes "cattle", "aviation" and "oil" three activities that determined our people and shaped our community.

All entries must be received at the South OKC Chamber of Commerce office, 3232 S. Western by 8:45 a.m. Friday April 30. For information call the Chamber, 634-1436.

EVERYONE WELCOME

Anyone wishing to help, please call Rev. Fred Knight, Chairman, 631-4564 or the Chamber, 634-1436

BUSINESS DOESN'T CARE

In the arena of economic conditions the following blocks, inflation, not enough pay, not enough jobs, indicate the underlying contradiction of we just don't have enough jobs for all the people. This is illustrated by 1. not enough jobs, 2. not enough pay, 3. people won't work if pay is low, 4. could be more industry in S. OKC.

Guild C-D

FAILURE OF PRIDE

In the arena of economic concern the following blocks, story that one thing goes up everything must, desire for monopolies by Big Business, lack of concern about anything outside of self and sometimes not even that, indicate the underlying contradiction of Failure of Pride in Self, Home, Community and Country. This is illustrated by 1. no one mowing their lawns, 2. most of taxes paid by middle income people (85%), 3. phone company total control over subscribers, 4. power company asking another raise in rates in midst of massive profits.

Guild C-D

COMMUNITY TOGETHERNESS

In the arena of community relations the fact that mismanagement of money and taxes, cultures and union brackets stick together, high property values in relation to income, indicate the underlying contradiction is lack of community consensus or agreement. This is illustrated by 1. unequal representation in city government, 2. lack of community organizations, 3. lack of efficient transportation, 4. no care network for public space

Guild A-B

WE AS A SPOILED SOCIETY

In the arena of common distribution the following blocks, unnecessary price hikes, money is being misused, lack of businesses in the south side indicate the underlying contradiction is we as a society are stubborn and/or spoiled. This is illustrated by 1. parents give children their wants, 2. buying ridiculously, 3. parents yielding punishment, 4. discrepancy between parents and children.

Guild A-B

Responsible Leadership

In the arena of political commonality, the fact that people underestimate value of working together, people lack faith in their own abilities, people resent power structures, lack of initiative and meaningful personal objectives, indicate the underlying contradiction is in the lack of responsible demonstrated leadership. This is illustrated by (1) lack of attendance at community meetings; (2) small number of people volunteering for community duties; (3) resistance to proposed city improvements (bonds, taxes, etc.); (4) lack of accomplishments of recognized community projects.

Guild A & B

Let Someone Else Do It

In the arena of political involvement, the following blocks, people not involved enough in political arena, no communication between government and people, judicial systems not adequate to present times, indicate the underlying contradiction of basic stance of "Let someone else do it." This is illustrated by (1) no one shows up at civic meetings; (2) complaining about crime problems and not willing to watch out for each other; (3) dogs running loose is someone else's problem.

Guild C & D

Lack of Individual Responsibility

In the arena of political commonality, the following blocks, lack of individual responsibility, apathy, feeling of I can't change things, indicate the underlying contradiction of poor self image. This is illustrated by (1) poor voter turnout; (2) lack of knowledge of issues affecting our lives; (3) low quality of public officials; (4) lack of integrity of public officials and morals.

Guild C & D

SUPERFICIAL HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS

In the arena of Communal Wisdom the fact that no one has the time to really get to know each other, people tend to form social classes and/or group together; everyone has the same general goal, "succeed", and by doing so some people tend to become selfish, indicate the underlying contradiction is superficial human relationships. This is illustrated by 1. keeping up with the Joneses, 2. social cliques, 3. lazy attitudes toward socializing, 4. standardized goals.

Guild A B

PREJUDICE

In the arena of Cultural Commonality the fact that, people feel better than others, fear of cultural change, distrust in fellow man, indicate the underlying contradiction is prejudice. This is illustrated by 1. housing segregation, 2. neighborhood uncooperation, 3. failing to be interested in community, 4. uninterested in elderly who need help.

Guild A B

INDIVIDUALISM

In the arena of Communal Styles the fact that, families are not in harmony, gap in values between generations, family roles change, due to economic needs, indicate the underlying contradiction is the individual feels more important than the family. This is illustrated by, 1. father had to go to court to get car from son, 2. family members going separate ways, 3. parents abandoning their children, 4. large number of working mothers.

Guild A B

FAILURE TO RESPECT OTHERS

In the arena of Cultural the following blocks, prejudice, apathetic, don't want to be informed, indicate the underlying contradiction of people just don't want to change. This is illustrated by 1. we're not changing anything, 2. lack respect for ethnic groups, 3. business causing pollution, 4. businesses putting profit first.

Guild C-D

STRENGTHEN FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

We the citizens of South Oklahoma City, in order to strengthen family relationships propose a contest to find "families you'd like to have as neighbors" through civic and/or religious organization who would provide rules, judges, prizes, presentation.

Guild A B

COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

We the citizens of South Oklahoma City, in order to create community identity, understanding and mutual respect propose to implement a quarterly special events calendar through, 1.using TM76 participation to have trial events such as tasting picnic, 2.taking total idea to city leaders, 3.brainstorming the 4 events to be held, 4. enlisting the service organization and other groups to sponsor the events with one taking the primary sponsorship role.

Guild A B

COMMUNITY COMPETITION

We the citizens of South Oklahoma City, in order to meet the great need for more community neighborhood appreciation and interaction propose to establish a wholesome spirit of competition between specific community groupings through 1. identifying and agreeing on neighborhood boundaries, 2.get the "map of neighbors" to every house and apartment, 3.hold an initial competition using flowers for beautification, 4. losing community hosts winner for watermelon feast.

Guild A B

Community Involvement

We the citizens of South Oklahoma City, in order to get people involved, propose to establish community activities through (1) design and incorporate course in problem solving-teach at high school level; (2) seek out and identify- encourage and obligate persons to get involved in community activities; (3) reward freely for successful accomplishments; (4) hold annual community celebration to involve all organizations.

Guild A & B

Leadership Stories

We the citizens of South Oklahoma City, in order to support our present leadership and develop new leadership, propose to get a series started in the newspaper or on T.V., each installment of which would deal with a day in the life of an elected official or community leader and tell the decisions he made that day and how he made them, through (1) writing a sample story, (2) submitting it to newspapers and T.V., (3) getting a commitment from a newspaper or T.V. station to do such a series, and (4) supplying additional suggestions for stories.

Guild A & B

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