

P R E S S

PLEASE ATTEND THE PRESS CONFERENCES, THEY ARE FOR YOUR BENEFIT. We will have individual residents that will be present. You will have an opportunity to talk directly with them and set up other times to interview them, if you so desire. This will also give you a chance to be introduced to various members living in the community versus the people that are just visiting. This is your opportunity to ask any additional questions about the history, etc.

This is a list of most people on the townsite that do not mind being interviewed: \*James and Charlesetta Bates (moved to California in 1956 retired and moved back in 1978), Alvina and Oredal Alexanders (born, reared and never left Demus), \*Gil Alexander (youngest black farmer in northwest Kansas, and only one of the last my generation to stay and farm), Juanita Redd (daughter of first baby born on townsite), \*Ora Switzer (oldest resident and historian), Ada Bates, Donald and Pearlana Moore, Juanita Robinson, Dorothy Herndon (retired Nicodemus school teacher), Freddie and Ivalee Switzer (born, reared and never left Demus), \*Ernestine VanDuVall (famous for her bar-b-que, known all over the states from her restaurant), \*Lois Alexander project director for HUD revitalization project in Demus).

o Please wear both Press and name tags. This will help to identify you when you are out in the crowd and trying to get interviews. People will be told of your presence and the ones who wished to be interviewed will be able to identify you immediately.

o Please ASK for an interview - many people who will be on the town site will not want to be interview and some are very adamant about it. Please always asked if they have roots or family in Nicodemus, there will be people who are guest and visitors only.

o The Nicodemus Historical Society, as you have been asked is requesting a monetary donation from all media covering the event. We would like for you to make checks payable to The Nicodemus Historical Society. Please make sure that they are given directly to myself, Angela Bates, or are mailed to the Historical Society at P.O. Box 139, Bogue, Kansas 67625. We are requesting donations because the community feels that everyone but the community is benefiting from our history and annual event. The donations will off set expenses that the Historical Society occurs in publishing our newsletter, sponsoring various events, etc. Thank you for your donations

Thank you

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(Parents)

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