

The Oklahoma Territory Tellers Organization will have their annual retreat at the Sequoyah State Lodge on the weekend of October 2-4, 2015. This annual retreat is an opportunity for Territory Tellers to come together from around the state to perform for each other and to practice and refine their skills, as well as take care of some organizational business. This year, one of the skills that the storytellers will learn and practice is the “Art of Telling Ghost Stories”. The instructor will be Kathryn Thurman, a renowned ghost storyteller and flute player. (See her pictured below) There will also be a workshop on “Storytelling games” and on Sunday morning, there will be a workshop and performance on “Telling Sacred Stories”.

Lodge guests are invited to all performance and workshops for FREE! The weekend will include three workshops, two family-friendly performances, open mics and table talks and one late-night Saturday night ghost tales performance geared toward adult audiences.

Here are some photos of Territory Tellers at work...

Kathryn Thurman, plays the flute at the Jacobson House in Norman. (Photo: Chester Weems)





Territory Tellers board meeting...

Phillip Harjo member of the Seminole Nation, shares a story at the 5 Tribes Story Conference.
(photo by Jeanette



Harjo)

Territory Tellers member [Lorie Robins](#), Chickasaw storyteller, laughs with [Tim Tingle](#), Choctaw storyteller and author, while serving as panelists at the recent Five Tribes Story Conference.
(photo by Jeanette Harjo)

Chester Weems presents stories to students at the Mauricie English Elementary School in Trois-Riviere, Quebec, Canada. Trois-Rivieres is between Montreal and Quebec on the St. Lawrence River. Chester's 3 grandchildren started school this fall in this province of Quebec.



(Photo: Velma Weems)



Cynthia Calloway tells a story at the TT Winter Retreat at Sequoyah State Park. (Photo by Chester Weems)