



DOUGLAS COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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DISCOVERING OUR DOUGLAS COUNTY HERITAGE

In 2012, the Heritage Conservation Council began a county-wide survey of natural, cultural and historic sites and structures. Historic preservation consultants **Susan Ford** and **Dale Nimz** will conduct the 2016 Lecompton Township Reconnaissance Survey under the supervision of the Douglas County Heritage Conservation Council. **This survey will be conducted in the unincorporated areas of Lecompton Township.**

The surveyors will focus on locating properties/buildings/stone structures, etc. that are at least 50 years old. The project will identify buildings/structures that are architecturally and historically significant, as well as natural resources in the township that influenced cultural development. Since 2012, the Susan Ford-Dale Nimz team has surveyed nearly 1400 rural houses, barns and outbuildings in Eudora, Wakarusa, Kanwaka, Palmyra and Grant Townships in Douglas County. The team has also worked on statewide surveys and in towns across Kansas.



Susan Ford has extensive experience documenting Kansas buildings through Douglas County surveys, Kansas Department of Transportation assessments, National Register nominations and other diverse projects. Her experience includes the 2013 National Register nominations of the Kibbee Farmstead in Lawrence, the Click Farmstead in Beloit, and the Kansas Register nomination of the Eudora State Savings Bank. Ford serves as a consultant to KDOT, Shawnee Town 1929 and other public and private clients.



Dale Nimz has also surveyed hundreds of Kansas buildings through past Douglas County projects and other surveys. Recent successful nominations to the National Register include the Handel T. Martin house in Lawrence, the Beni Israel Cemetery in Eudora and the Robert & Helen Gorrill Farmstead in Lecompton Township. In addition to his preservation survey experience, Nimz has taught "Historic Preservation Planning" for the University of Kansas' Urban Planning Department since 2006. He has served as the Executive Director of the Kansas Preservation Alliance and as a board member of the Lawrence Historic Resources Commission.

For more information, contact Susan Ford, citysusan@gmail.com, 816-531-2489; or Jan Shupert-Arick, Douglas County Heritage Council, Program coordinator, 785-330-2878, or jshupertarick@douglas-county.com For information about the Heritage Conservation Council or the History Buildings Survey Plan, visit: <http://www.douglascountyks.org/hcc/who-we-are>

In celebration of National Preservation Month, the Douglas County Heritage Conservation Council presents *How to Write a National Register Nomination*, a free preservation workshop, Thursday, May 19th at 4 p.m. at the Cider Gallery at 810 Pennsylvania Street in Lawrence. To register, contact Jan at JShupertArick@Douglas-County.com or 785-330-2878. For more information about the HCC, visit <http://www.douglascountyks.org/hcc/who-we-are>