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## **PUBLIC INVITED TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION SEMINAR IN BAXTER SPRINGS**

**12 p.m. January 16, Baxter Springs Historical Museum**

TOPEKA, KS— The Kansas Historical Society announced that members of its State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) staff will present information to the public in Baxter Springs at noon January 16. The presentation, to be held at the Baxter Springs Historical Museum, will provide an overview of the National Register of Historic Places and incentives for Register-listed historic properties. Representatives from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) will join SHPO staff to present information on other programs that also support community historic preservation efforts.

Following the presentations and a question-and-answer session, the staff will visit local historic sites in southeast Cherokee County including the Brush Creek Bridge and the Route 66 Viaduct. Both of these sites, and many others in the area, are associated with the only portion of historic Route 66 to pass through Kansas. The Brush Creek Bridge is a Marsh Arch bridge that was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1983. The viaduct passes over the Missouri Kansas and Texas Railroad just east of Galena and was listed in the National Register in 2003.

For more information on this event, please contact Katrina Ringler at 785-272-8681, ext. 215 or [kringler@kshs.org](mailto:kringler@kshs.org). For more information on historic sites in southeast Kansas visit [kshs.org](http://kshs.org).

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