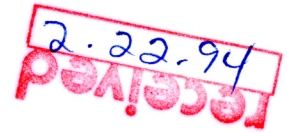




*Women of the West Museum*

HER PLACE IN HISTORY



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February 17, 1994

Ms. Wilma Mankiller  
Chief of the Cherokee Tribe  
Cherokee Tribal Headquarters  
P.O. Box 948  
Tahlequah, OK 94464

Dear Wilma:

A brief note to tell you that Governor Ann Richards of Texas has joined the Women of the West Museum as a member of the National Planning Committee. The Governor has an extraordinary national reputation, and has already been most generous in helping us widen the circle among influential Texans and others.

I don't communicate with you often enough, but it's only because we're moving very rapidly in many areas to make the museum a reality. We hope to have the master plan completed in 1994--to be followed by the big fundraising push for \$25 million. We have raised more than a quarter million dollars for the planning process, and all aspects of that activity are progressing steadily and carefully. The power and marvel of networking has been amazing--and very encouraging.

Please continue to help us spread the word, and please let me know if there are any specific directions you think we should follow. Nothing in life could prepare one for building a national institution from scratch. I am honored, now and always, that you are with us.

Warm regards,

Toni Dewey  
President

*I loved your book!*