

WICHITA FALLS CULTURAL RESOURCES SURVEY
WICHITA COUNTY HERITAGE SOCIETY
SURVEY FORM

NAME OF SITE: Spudder Park ADDRESS: 7th & Farris

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Subdivision _____ Block _____ Lot _____

PRESENT OWNER: City of Wichita Falls

and MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CATEGORY: District _____ Building _____ Structure _____ Site X Object _____

ORIGINAL USE: park PRESENT USE _____ ~~ZONING~~ _____

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: _____

MATERIALS: wall _____ roof _____

CONDITION OF EXTERIOR: _____

ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS: _____

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE/TYPE AND SIGNIFICANCE: _____

SIGNIFICANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH SITE: There is little that remains of the original ballpark. The park was also known as Athletic Park and the Wichita Falls Baseball Assn. Park. The grounds were a major focus of activity in Wichita Falls during the 20's and 30's as described in Al Parker's book and in the Wichita Daily
(continued on back)

RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS: _____

CURRENT TAX ASSESSMENTS:

Year	Land	Improvements	Total
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

PRESENT DESIGNATION: _____

RECOMMENDED DESIGNATION: National Register _____ Registered Texas Landmark _____

Local Landmark _____ Recommend Texas State Marker.

If within a district: Significant _____ Contributing _____ Compatible _____ Intrusion _____

Times. Also see Otis Polk and Thelma Lewis for interviews, and the Parks and Recreation Department of Wichita Falls.

OTHER COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS: This is example of site for which Texas State Marker is appropriate.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION: See research sheet.

PHOTO DATA: Roll _____ Frame _____ (No picture)

RECORDED BY: Ellen Beasley Date March, 1982

Much of the information above may be transferred directly to survey cards of the Texas Historical Commission. The following information would need to be added, using the THC computer codes, to complete the State cards:

COUNTY: _____ PERIOD: _____
CITY: _____ STYLE: _____
DATE: _____ THEME: _____
CODED SITE NUMBER: _____



Research sheet: Survey of the City of Wichita Falls

Name of property: Spudder Park Address: 7th & Farris
City Tax #: Addition: Block: Lot:

Present Owner: City of Wichita Falls
and address:

Year of construction: ----(as estimated in the city tax records)
1920(first listed in the City Directory)
1919(estimated from deed or tax records)
(other sources -)
1919-1920 Baseball Giant Killers by Al Parker

Chain of title:	Owner	Volume	Page	Date of transaction	Price	Other
	City of Wichita Falls	228	478	12-23-24	----	This does not include the actual baseball park used by the Spudders and held in trust the Wichita Falls Baseball Assn.
	J.A.Kemp & Frank Kell	(Bl.4 Sur.12	John A,Scott)			
	?					

Wichita Falls Baseball Assn 164 506 8-12-20
(Formation of Trust)
A.L.Huey
?

Documentary photographs: pp. 2,6,140 Date: Contemporary to
Baseball Giant Killers 20's & 30's
Source:

Other information about the property or the people associated with it:
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20's and 30's as described in Al Parker's book and in the Wichita Daily
Times. Also see Otis Polk and Thelma Lewis for interviews, and the
Parks and Recreation Dept of W.F.
Sources:

Recorded by: Kenneth McClure Date: 5-26-81

