

BRADY:

Residents contributed to the monument, too.

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painting at Tulsa Community College.

"We want all Tulsans to have the opportunity to participate, so we're selling bricks at \$75 each that residents can have engraved and placed beneath the monument."

Brown has completed two panels — "Pioneer/Native American" and "'20s, '30s, '40s." She's working on the third, call "'50s to present."

"It includes depictions of Route 66, Cain's Ballroom, the Blue Dome and our aerospace industry," Brown said. "The last panel will embody hope for the future — that there will be preservation of historical neighborhoods and historical downtown buildings, that the Arkansas and sky will be clean and our future be bright."

She said the panels will be completed later this year.

Brown and Aycock designed the panels, and included input from Brady Heights residents. Aycock said Wess and Cathryn Young's handprints are on the first panel.

"He's a race riot survivor, and they started the neighborhood association," Aycock said.

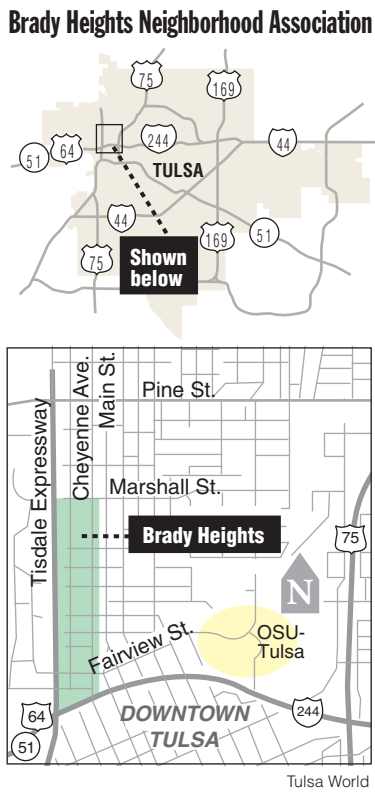
She said two American Indian residents donated designs for the panel's border. The designs came from items that belonged to their Creek and Osage ancestors.

Students at Emerson Elementary School, 909 N. Boston Ave., and residents of Madonna House, which is in the neighborhood, contributed, too.

"Caryn and I guided the Emerson kids and the Madonna House girls in creating the outside border of the second panel," Aycock said. "Centenary (United Methodist) Church is donating stone that matches much of the neighborhood. We will use it to cap the brick obelisk on which the four mosaic panels will be attached."

Funding is from a \$25,000 Vision 2025 grant, the neighborhood association, Tulsa Women's Foundation, Oklahoma Visual Arts Association, the HOW Foundation, Downtown Tulsa Unlimited and Spirit Bank, said board member Michelle Barnett.

"We are also working with



BRADY HEIGHTS

What: The neighborhood association was formed in the early 1980s. With help of residents and city officials, it was the first Tulsa neighborhood placed on the National Register of Historic Places, and in 1999, was protected by historic preservation overlay zoning.

For more: A rendering of the Tulsa Spirit Monument can be viewed at www.bradyheights.com. For more information about the mosaic project and art parkway or to purchase a commemorative brick, call Margaret Aycock, 583-3503 or visit the Web site.

Emerson Elementary through a Learn and Serve grant (to Emerson) from the AmeriCorps program," she said.

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Saturday walk benefits Bridges Foundation

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Lloyd Gilmore thought he was finished raising his children until his son, Greg, fell two stories while working at a construction site seven years ago.

The accident left him with permanent damage from a severe brain trauma.

Lloyd Gilmore and his wife, Patricia, found themselves raising their son, now 48, all over again and teaching him to walk and talk.

"His mind is like a 7-year-old's," Lloyd Gilmore said.

He said his son can remember things from 10 years ago but can't remember anything after the accident because he has short-term memory loss.

"He's a completely different person," Lloyd Gilmore said.

Since the accident, his son can become aggressive.

"He was an easy person," Lloyd Gilmore said. "Every place he worked, they said he was a good worker."

Jeff Summers is program manager at the Bridges Foundation.

"(Lloyd Gilmore) went from agency to agency trying to find something for him to do during the day," Summers said.

Greg Gilmore would only work at a place a few days or even a few hours before he was referred to Bridges, a nonprofit agency that finds employment for adults with developmental disabilities, Lloyd Gilmore said.

"He has trouble working with people. That's something Bridges works on," he said. "His very first day Cindy (Cook), she just took him and talked to him. None of the other places had done that."

Greg Gilmore has been work-

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What: Bridge the Gap Walk

When: Registration is at 8 a.m. and the walk begins at 9:30 a.m. Saturday

Where: LaFortune Stadium, 5840 S. Hudson Ave.

Cost: \$75

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ing at Bridges for a few months in the Outsource Center. He works half days, three days a week.

"He's picking up the routine," Summers said. "Overall, he's been very successful."

Pam Richardson, executive director of Bridges, said the foundation helped 167 clients find employment last year.

Bridges offers several employment opportunities. Some clients work in teams

with a trained job coach at various locations in the Tulsa area, including branches of the YMCA of Greater Tulsa, Oklahoma State University Medical Center and lawn care services.

Some clients are given individual placement, where they work independently at a business.

Other clients work at the foundation's Outsource Center, 1345 N. Lewis Ave., where they assemble parts for businesses, including the Tulsa bus plant, Williams Cos. Inc., John Zink Co., MotorGuide and Sand Springs' Hargrove Manufacturing.

The Bridges Foundation's largest fundraiser, Bridge the Gap Walk, is Saturday.

The Bridges Foundation is also the beneficiary of this year's Tulsa Charity Fight Night.

Money raised will go toward a \$400,000 renovation project.

"It is about raising money, but it's also about raising awareness — let people know who we are," Richardson said. "A lot of folks

don't know."

Richardson said the foundation is a small, local organization that needs funds and more clients.

"At the bus plant, we have jobs for 35 people and we don't have the clients to fill it," she said.

Lloyd Gilmore said he can see a change in his son since he started working at Bridges.

"He's not as aggressive as he used to be. He's not as angry as he used to be," he said.

Richardson and Summers said that is not unusual.

"He feels like he's been productive. He's given his part for the day," Summers said.

Lloyd Gilmore said his son feels more comfortable at Bridges than he has at other jobs.

"He likes to talk and he makes it up as he goes along," he said.

"Everybody here knows about his ex-girlfriend."

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