



**SCOTT MEACHAM
OKLAHOMA STATE TREASURER**

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**Treasurer Meacham Looking to Give Away
Money at Tulsa Fair**

Just-Finished Oklahoma City Fair Found Almost \$400,000 for Fair Goers

OKLAHOMA CITY – Having just found almost \$400,000 for Oklahoma City fair attendees, State Treasurer Scott Meacham is heading up the turnpike to help people at the Tulsa State Fair find their “Pot of Gold.”

Meacham, administrator of Oklahoma's Unclaimed Property Fund, is holding \$300 million for 500,000 Oklahomans.

“Everyone attending the Tulsa State Fair should come to our booth,” Meacham said. “Most people say, ‘I haven't lost any money,’ but we have the names of half a million people who think the same thing. If we find your name, you could have the money in your pocket within a week.”

This will be the sixth year Meacham and his staff have operated the “Pot of Gold” booth in the Quik Trip Center at the Tulsa State Fair. Workers with laptop computers will lookup names on the unclaimed property list. During the past five years, almost \$1.6 million was found for more than 2,800 Tulsa fair patrons.

At the just-completed Oklahoma State Fair, Meacham and his staff found \$393,000 for 570 fair patrons. In the past 10 years, almost \$2.6 million has been found for more than 6,800 Oklahoma City fair attendees.

Unclaimed property includes bank accounts, security deposits, old paychecks, overpayments, royalties, rebates, stock and bonds. Safe deposit box contents are also included.

The money and property are brought to the treasurer's office when the businesses holding them lose track of the owners. Meacham then publishes the names in state newspapers, operates an online searchable database at www.treasurer.ok.gov and conducts other outreach -- such as booths at the two state fairs -- to find the owners.

The Unclaimed Property booth in the Quik Trip Center will be open throughout the fair, September 30 through October 10.

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