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### **Oklahoma Heritage Association releases first publication on Amazon Kindle**

OKLAHOMA CITY – In addition to celebrating 35 years of publishing Oklahoma’s history, the Oklahoma Heritage Association is making history by releasing its first publication on Amazon Kindle. *The Life of Nazih Zuhdi: Uncharted Voyage of a Heart*, by Brooks Barr, is now available for purchase as an e-book.

*The Life of Nazih Zuhdi: Uncharted Voyage of a Heart* explores the intrigue and curiosities surrounding the life and work of Dr. Nazih Zuhdi, interweaving his personal, spiritual and medical achievements to provide an extensive biography of this notable Oklahoman.

Born in Beirut, Lebanon, Zuhdi trained in New York and Minnesota before making Oklahoma his home. In February 1960 Zuhdi changed forever the medical landscape with total intentional hemodilution—the priming of the heart-lung machine without blood. Since that time, the discovery has benefited millions and made the establishment of transplant centers worldwide a reality. By 1985, Zuhdi had performed Oklahoma’s first heart transplant. He followed with many Oklahoma firsts, including piggyback heart transplant and heart-lung transplant.

The Kindle edition of *The Life of Nazih Zuhdi: Uncharted Voyage of a Heart* is available on Amazon for \$19.98. Hard copies of the book, which retails for \$39.95, are available at the Gaylord-Pickens Oklahoma Heritage Museum Store at NW 13<sup>th</sup> Street & Shartel Avenue in Oklahoma City, by calling the store at 405.523.3216, on [www.oklahomaheritage.com](http://www.oklahomaheritage.com) or in bookstores statewide.

Considered the leader in publishing Oklahoma’s history, the Oklahoma Heritage Association is celebrating its 35<sup>th</sup> year of sharing and teaching history through its publishing arm. Through each of its programs and the Gaylord-Pickens Oklahoma Heritage Museum the Association strives to tell Oklahoma’s story through its people. For more information about the Association or Museum, visit [www.oklahomaheritage.com](http://www.oklahomaheritage.com) or call 405.235.4458.

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