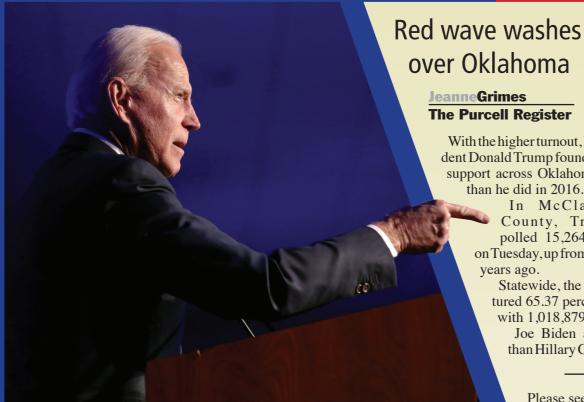
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With the higher turnout, President Donald Trump found more support across Oklahoma than he did in 2016.

In McClain County, Trump polled 15,264 votes on Tuesday, up from 13,169 four

Statewide, the president captured 65.37 percent of the vote with 1,018,879 votes.

Joe Biden also fared better than Hillary Clinton did in 2016.

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• Photo provided by Michael Vadon

This year, due to CO-

VID-19 there are some

event.

changes for the

"Due to con-

December 12th

cerns for safety

of everyone we have

decided to do a drive

thru Christmas,"

Sarah Kennedy said.

The event will be

held in the Wayne High

Please see Santa, back page

Long time coming

PWA grants developer's \$31K request

JeanneGrimes

A 13-year-old "understanding"between the City of Purcell and Norman developer Mark Cox caught Purcell Public Works Authority trustees off guard Monday when Cox asked for more than \$31,000 reimbursement from the city.

The reimbursement was for establishing electric service on 18 lots sold in the Arbor Addition.

After the understanding was reached in 2007, Cox received

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First look and it's good

· Photo provided by Gage Skidmore

City council gives green light to ODWC grant application

JeanneGrimes

The Purcell Register

The Purcell City Council got their first look at the planned improvements and estimated cost of the boat ramp on the north side of Purcell Lake.

And they liked what they

the council a rundown on

Parks and Recreation Director John Blue gave the costs during Monday's council meeting. The turnkey cost is ex-

pected to be \$400,000. But with a 75/25 grant pending from the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation, the city's share of the project will be just \$100,000.

The price breakdown provided by Guernsey the city's engineering and

architecture consultant, includes \$160,000 for parking, \$75,000 each for a courtesy dock and fishing dock, \$20,000 to reconstruct the existing boat ramp, \$60,000 for a prefab public rest room and \$10,000 for miscellaneous expenses.

Please see **Lake**, back page

Purcell NHS records veterans videos

The National Honor Society Chapter at Purcell High School has a long tradition of honoring our military veterans each November 11.

COVID-19 has disrupted our custom, but we will still honor our veterans in a safe way for everyone.

Students and staff at Purcell High School will be recording videos to thank our veterans, which will be compiled into a movie and released on several platforms Veterans Day: PHS Facebook page and Purcell Public Schools website at purcellps.org.

If you would like to submit your own video, please send it to Liz Leonard, NHS sponsor, at leonardl@

purcellps.org by Friday, November 6.

NHS members are also creating care packages for active-duty military with ties to PHS.

If you have the name and address of a military member whom we could honor

Please see **NHS**, back page

Thanks to COVID no bell ringing

There will not be Salvation Bell Ringing at Walmart this year due to the CO-VID-19 pandemic.

That's the word from Dee Brown and Phyllis Linker.

"Because of the virus, we are not sure of getting full coverage for the kettle," they said.

Linker has stood with the kettle since she moved to Washington in 1972. She has worked for three different organizers before she started to organize with Brown. Linker's kettle history started when

her grandparents were responsible for the kettle in Orlando, Fla. She thought it was wonderful to get to help ring the bell. The thrill is still there.

For anyone who is inter-

ested in donating, the kettle

will be at Delta Community Action. To mail a donation, the address is c/o Delta Community Action, 122 West Main Street, Purcell, OK 73080.

"We hope all of you have a happy and holy Christmas. May God bless you," they said.

Ice storm debris

Christmas for the

changes due to virus

Kids in Wayne

Santa will ride through town

December 12

the Wayne Fire

Department's

Annual Christ-

mas for the Kids.

For the past 30

years Santa has

ridden a fire truck

around town and

meet back at the

station with the chil-

and a donut.

dren for hot chocolate

Children would sit on

Santa's lap and tell him what

they want for Christmas.

A change is in store for

City extends brush pickup Limbs and brush felled

by the October ice storm in Purcell will be picked up at no cost to the resident, city manager Dale Bunn said.

The City of Purcell has extended its annual brush and limb collection which ended Friday.

The special collection period will run November 9-30.

Residents must have the brush and limbs stacked at the curb. No brush will be collected from alleys.

In addition to curb-side pickup, residents can take brush to the Purcell Convenience Center, 701 South 6th Avenue, through November at no cost.

The center's hours are weekdays 1 to 5 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays.

Access requires residents present their photo ID and utility bill listing trash service with the City of Purcell.

Midweek break

Veterans Day a holiday for some

Veterans Day falls midweek next week and for some, but not all, it's a holiday.

State and federal offices

will be closed Wednesday, as will the McClain County

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District Title

The District Championship is within the grasp of the Washington Warriors.

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A section on veterans that have served our country.



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Signs of the times

Vote here was the name of the game across the nation as voters flocked to the polls in record



We have Specialists

AG Hunter warns of contractor fraud in wake of ice storm

Hunter today is urging Oklahomans to proceed with caution before selecting contractors when making repairs to propof the ice storm this week.

While Oklahomans begin to recover from the storm, the attorney general also reminds contractors and individuals the state's Emergency Price Stabilization Act is still in effect for all 77 counties with the ongoing disaster emergency declaration.

The price gouging statute prohibits an increase of more than 10 percent for the price of goods and services after a declared emergency. Additionally, the act allows the concluded. attorney general to pursue charges against individuals or gouging.

Attorney General Hunter said natural disasters bring out criminals.

"Criminals see things like ice storms as an opportunity to make money," Attorney General Hunter said. "They prey

Attorney General Mike on people's emotions and frustrations in a sinister pattern of behavior. They will go doorto-door, use high pressure sales tricks, require large amounts of erty and clean up in the wake cash up front to make repairs quickly or remove debris, among other tactics.

"I know it's hard right now with a lot of people without power or wanting to get repairs made to get back to normal life. But I encourage Oklahomans to remain patient and be cautious when choosing a contractor. If someone does become the victim to contractor fraud, contact my office. We will do what we can to get their money back and prosecute the individuals committing the crimes," he

The Attorney General's Consumer Protection Unit ofbusinesses that engage in price fers the following tips to avoid contractor fraud:

- Ask for referrals from people you trust and for references from contractors;
- Avoid fly-by-night companies and use local companies established in the community;
- Obtain written estimates from multiple contractors;
- Ensure roofers are registered with the Oklahoma Construction Industries Board by calling (405) 521-6550 or check the online database at https://cib.ok.gov/are-theylicensed;
- Be cautious of door-to-door solicitation, contractors who ask for a substantial up-front payment or request cash pay-

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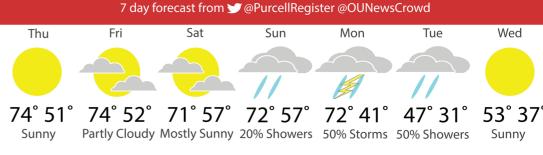
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Swapping ice for sunlight

Much warmer than last week

ahead of us from last week. and some showers this week-temperatures into the 40's. end. The high temperatures

A much warmer week is will stay in the low 70's until somethunderstorms associated a powerful cold front pushes with the cold front. The great-Instead of ice we will see sun through, dropping the high est chance for rain is overnight

There is also a chance of

Sunday into Monday.

- Conner Bruce

Youth Leadership Oklahoma now accepting applications for 2021

Leadership Oklahoma, a gram, we understand pandemic is now accepting applications and will adjust accordingly. for its 2021 Youth Leadership 21 are May 30-June 4, 2021.

our traditional in-person Youth Leadership Oklahoma pro-

statewide leadership program, restrictions may still be in effect

The application deadline is Oklahoma (YLOK) class. The Friday, Jan. 15, 2021 by 5 p.m. program dates for YLOK Class Applicants must be high school juniors or home-schooled While we hope to conduct equivalent with at least a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0

The YLOK program, now in its 21st year, includes a weeklong journey across the state with purpose to introduce high school students between their junior and senior years to state leaders, issues, resources and cultural treasures of Oklahoma.

Criteria for selection includes demonstrated leadership ability in activities such as student council, athletics and service clubs in their schools and communities as well as an exhibited commitment to community service and extra-curricular activities.

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Scholarship presentation

Mike Eubank, Mid-America Superintendent, presents Caitlin Sprabery the Otha Grimes Memorial Scholarship.

Caitlin Sprabery Otha **Grimes Memorial** Scholarship recipient

resident and Practical Nursing student at Mid-America Technology Center, has been awarded the Otha Grimes Memorial Scholarship.

This scholarship is given on the basis of both commitment

and scholastic achievement. The Otha Grimes Memorial Scholarship is awarded by the Oklahoma Foundation for Career and Technology Education

and is presented to deserving

Cailtin Sprabery, a Byars adult students who are pursuing post-secondary education at Oklahoma's Technology Centers.

> Otha H. Grimes was actively involved in agriculture, oil and gas production, and civic programs. He served on the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Foundation for Career and Technology Education for a number of years and has provided scholarships to many educational institutions.



Collection, Hauling and Disposal of Municipal Solid Waste **Change in Collection Time**

The City of Purcell has an exclusive contract with WCA of Oklahoma to collect, haul and dispose of municipal solid waste within the city's corporate limits.

Collection Time — Pick up is now the last Monday of the month. Items are not to be put out by the curb until that weekend prior.

Bulk Waste—Brush or limbs shall be bundled in no larger than three feet x three feet bundles. No furniture larger than a pickup bed or or that exceeds 75 pounds. Appliances must have refrigerant/compressor legally removed and shall not exceed 75 pounds. Yard waste such as leaves and grass clippings must be bagged. All items must be bagged and no loose items will be picked up.

Hazardous Waste - Solid waste identified or listed as a hazardous waste by the administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or so classified by any federal or State of Oklahoma statute, rule, order or regulation should not be put out for collection. This includes tire, paint or oil products.

Early Deadlines

The Purcell Register will issue of November 12 be-

cause of Veterans' Day. All ads, classified ads and Tacky Sweater news must be in the office by Monday, November 9, at 11 a.m.

The paper will be available Tuesday, November 10, at 2:30 p.m.

Lights From the Heart

Purcell's Lights From the Heart will hold a ribbon cut-Wednesday, November 25, at 5 p.m.

Christmas lights at Purcell City Lake.

Santa will be on hand to celebrate the lights opening.

Wayne Fire Toy Drive

ment is holding its 30th annual Toy Drive.

Firefighters are currently accepting toy donations, \$10 after the first of the year.

value, or cash donations to help them meet their goal.

Toys will be given to children at the department's drive-through program December 12.

For more information have early deadlines for the contact Sarah Kennedy at 570-2478 or Jared Reaves at 640-7110.

5K, Fun Run

The Third Annual Tacky Sweater 5K and Fun Run will be held Saturday, December 5.

Check in starts at 7 p.m. at the Purcell Multi-Purpose Center and the run begins at 9:30 p.m.

All registration fees will ting and opening night on go to The Fallen Outdoors Oklahoma Team.

For more information Join the Heart of Oklahoma email pqhteam@gmail.com Board of Directors for the or call Melissa Pruitt at 255-1463 or Tiffany Cheatwood at 205-3420.

Museum News

At this time, the McClain County Museum and Historical Society board members have decided that due to the The Wayne Fire Depart- increased rise of covid cases in our state and county, they will resume volunteer applications and museum tours



John D. Montgomery • The Purcell Register

Out in force

Voting was heavy at all Purcell precincts as ballots were being cast for president, senate and congress among others.

Flu vaccinations available

Extension News through Chickasaw Nation

Keeping foods safe after a power outage

Brenda Hill Extension Educator

by the ice, it is possible you onto ready-to-eat foods. were without electricity for sev-

zone two hours or longer can in coolers as well. become extremely ill.

the refrigerator and the freezer.

In the event of a power outage, consumers will know if the temperature in the refrigerator ables such as meat, poultry, From page 2A or freezer drops below a safe fish, soft cheese, milk, eggs, level after a few hours.

keep food frozen for 48 it is Frozen items that still contain only half full it will keep the ice crystals or are at 40 defood for 24 hours. Refrigerator freezing compartments generally do not keep food frozen for an extended period of time.

If your freezer is not full group packages of food to-

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ment, use high pressure or aggressive sales tactics or resist the use of a written contract;

• Do not give out bank account information, social secu-

rity or driver's license numbers; • If contractors identify themselves with a federal or state government agency, ask for credentials and call the agency

they claim to be with. For more information or to report a complaint, individuals are encouraged to contact the Consumer Protection Unit by phone at (405) 521-2029, email at consumerprotection@oag. ok.gov or visit the consumer protection website and fill out an online complaint form, here.

gether so they can keep each other cold. When you do that, Cleveland County residents be sure to separate meat and were caught off-guard with the poultry so they are below other recent ice storm. Even if your foods. That way, if they begin neighborhood was not affected to thaw, their juices won't drip

It is best to keep your freezer eral hours or even a few days. full to maximize storage. If you Without electricity or a cold have empty space in the freezer, source, foods stored in refrig- fill clean juice or milk containerators or freezers can become ers with water and store them unsafe. When perishable foods in the freezer. These blocks of reach temperatures between ice can buy a person several Medical Center and Chickasaw 40° and 140°, it provides the extra hours of cold storage in perfect environment for bacthe event of a power outage. teria to grow. People who eat Freezer or gel packs also are food after it is left in the danger good to keep on hand and used

In an effort to retain as much A good way to know the tem- cold air in the refrigerator and perature of foods is to keep an freezer as possible, keep the appliance thermometer in both doors closed. Foods can keep safely for about four hours if the refrigerator door is kept closed.

Discard refrigerated perishleftovers and deli items after A full freezer will usually four hours without power. grees Fahrenheit can safely be refrozen.

It is much better to be safe than sorry when it comes to salvaging food items following when the power fails, quickly a weather emergency. In most, cases, the power is usually restored within a few hours.

> However, if the outage last several days, be prepared to toss everything. The best rule of thumb is 'when in doubt, throw it out."

Measures to prevent the clinics at various locations ing yourself against the flu. COVID-19 pandemic. Health professionals say

efforts to minimize influenza may help preserve hospital capacity that may be needed if COVID-19 cases continue to rise. The Chickasaw Nation De-

partment of Health (CNDH) is providing flu vaccinations at no cost to the public at various locations within the Chickasaw Nation.

Flu vaccinations are available to anyone at CNDH testing sites, located in the parking Nation clinics in Ardmore, Purcell and Tishomingo.

The vaccinations are available Monday through Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Hours of operation are subject to change during inclement weather.

In addition, Chickasaw Nation Public Health Nursing is providing no cost flu shot most important step in protect-

Participants are also consid-

ered on the basis of geographic,

racial and cultural diversity. The

online application may be ac-

cessed using the following link:

Additional information

is available on Leadership

Oklahoma's website https://

www.leadershipoklahoma.

com/youth-program/youth-

application or by calling the

LOK office at (405) 848-0001

or emailing mpaden@leader-

shipoklahoma.com.

https://smr.to/p68968.

spread of the flu virus take on throughout the Chickasaw an added urgency during the Nation, including community Anyone six months and

> older can be vaccinated at these events. Masks and responsible distancing will be required. For information on upcoming flu shot clinic dates and locations, visit Chickasaw.net/Flu. The Chickasaw Nation also

> provides regional county health departments within the Chickasaw Nation jurisdiction, with flu vaccines to administer to community members and schools.

serious disease, and vaccination efforts should continue as long as influenza viruses are circulating.

Health officials encourage everyone ages six months and older to get a flu vaccine each year. Getting a flu shot is the

Completed applications must

be submitted online no later

than 5 p.m., Jan. 15, 2021.

The vaccine also helps defend against unknowingly spreading the flu to co-workers, family members and others who may be at high risk for flu-related complications.

Certain age groups, such as children and adults 65 years of age and older, are commonly known to be at high risk for developing flu-related complications, but others should be aware as well. Pregnant women and First Americans are high risk also, according to the CDC.

The most common signs and According to the Centers for symptoms of the flu are all or lots of the Chickasaw Nation Disease Control and Prevention some combination of the fol-(CDC), getting vaccinated is lowing including fever, cough, the first and most important sore throat, runny or stuffy step in protecting against this nose, muscle or body aches, headaches, and fatigue.

The flu virus is considered unpredictable in severity and can vary widely from one season to the next or from person to person. Complications from the flu are also unpredictable but can include pneumonia, ear infections, sinus infections, dehydration and worsening of pre-existing medical condi-

The virus spreads easily from person to person through sneezing, coughing, sharing drinks and sometimes by touch. Those who have contracted the flu are encouraged to keep a safe distance from others by staying home from work, school and other activities.

According to the CDC, most

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Sad state of affairs

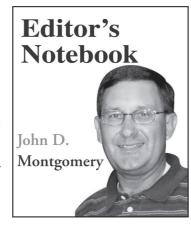
What a sad state of affairs that businesses and office buildings had to be boarded up in advance of much publicized riots that are promised after the election.

One high ranking law enforcement official here told me the rioting will go on no matter who wins the election.

But, the officer said, he believes it will be worse if President Trump is re-elected.

A collection of groups led by Black Lives Matter and Shutdown DC reportedly has been holding training sessions

leaked documents and Zoom President Trump contests the civility are out the window.



for demonstrators to protest on call recordings described a Election Day and apparently loose but coordinated network they planned a large-scale event of activists seeking to mobilize across the street from the White around the country, especially if Democratic presidential According to reports several nominee Joe Biden loses or if

election results.

The materials purportedly showed plans to shut down federal buildings, including the White House, and to meet members of Congress at public transportation portals when they're scheduled to reconvene in Washington after the election.

The apparent goal is to continue the civil unrest from Election Day until at least later this week and potentially until the presidential inauguration in January.

What a stinking mess.

For whatever reason protestors use looting and burning as a way to "get back" at people they do not agree with.

Unfortunately, the days of

Our Views

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Why do hamburgers taste good?

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Because they are bad for you. If they were healthy and good for you, they wouldn't taste near as good.

Typically, I eat healthy. My doctor prefers I stay away from red meat, fried foods, dairy and sugar. He forbids stuff like ice cream, pie and cake. I actually enjoy salmon, salads, most all vegetables and chicken. I don't have too much trouble avoiding the bad stuff.

Recently I was in one of the little towns we visit and I didn't feel great. It was one of those feel bad days. Not far away was a little joint people commonly refer to as the pool hall. On this day I knew they had exactly what I needed - one of their world-famous hamburgers.

Of course, like Adam and Eve when I go astray everyone else follows along as well. All cheeseburgers, fries, while I don't need a heart attack." lettuce and tomato.

home and we all slid right into hog heaven chowing down on those juicy hamburgers.

As you know there are hamburgers and there are great hamburgers when made with lean quality meat and prepared right, etc.

Actually, a hamburger is not the end of the world for consumption. You can add healthy stuff like lettuce, tomato, onions, pickles and before you know it you almost have a health burger - not exactly. Too much red meat will start boosting your cholesterol levels that will show up when you have your blood work done.

A few years back I got on a hamburger kick and after having my blood work I learned my cholesterol was 220. My doctor wanted to know what I had been doing and asked me of our family decided to have to go into extreme moderation deluxe hamburgers, bacon mode. His words were, "You book.com/glennmollette.

figured we might as well do this the fatty meat, sugary ketchup Sense.

right. I brought the food back and refined grain buns. A diet of burgers will lead to obesity.

My double burger had about 900 calories. The saturated fat is detrimental to your heart. My double burger had about 22 grams of saturated fat or 108 percent of my daily value. Add to this also 172 milligrams of cholesterol or 57 percent of the daily value based on a 2000 calorie a day diet.

A one patty burger can have 258 milligrams of sodium. If you are battling high blood pressure you don't want a lifestyle of eating hamburgers. Why do hamburgers taste so

good? Because they are bad for you. But hey old friend, surely, we can eat one occasionally. Enjoy one, but then wait awhile before your next one.

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Dr. Mollette is a graduate ordered a double hamburger, Burgers are good sources numerous schools including one piece of cheese, ketchup, of protein, iron and vitamin Georgetown College, Southern B12, but they come with a and Lexington Seminaries in On the way I picked up a lot of problems, according to Kentucky. He is the author of sack of ice-cold sugary colas. I nutrition experts-particularly 12 books including Uncommon

Well, instead of looking towards Netflix or Amazon Prime for new movies to review, like I seem to have done every other weekend for the past month, I'm gonna check out the offerings of a couple of the slightly smaller streaming services out there.

Namely HBO Max and Apple

Okay, so they're not exactly tiny, independent players in the streaming world. But they both have slightly less market share than Netflix and Amazon, so that's the angle I'm going with.

First up is HBO, with a film based on a classic children's book by Roald Dahl. Followed by Apple, with the latest film from writer-director Sofia Coppola.

So without any further ado, let's get straight to the reviews.



es."

phaned boy (Jahzir Kadeem Bruno) goes to live

First up is

The Witch-

with his loving grandma (Octavia Spencer) in the rural Alabama town of Demopolis. As the boy and his grandmother

encounter some deceptively glamorous but thoroughly diabolical witches, she wisely whisks him away to a seaside

Regrettably, they arrive at precisely the same time that the world's Grand High Witch (Anne Hathaway) has gathered her fellow cronies from around the globe, under cover, to carry out her nefarious plans.

Nothing like a movie based on a Roald Dahl novel to toss you straight into a wild world of weirdness.

Famous for children's books like "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," "Matilda," and "James and the Giant Peach" to name a few, Dahl is actually a literary figure who for some reason never found his way into my life as a child. At least not with his written work.

On the other hand, movies based on his books are practically unavoidable.

Of course as a kid, being In late completely oblivious of Dahl, 1967, a Ineverknew any of these films young or- were connected in any way. But now, looking back on them as an adult, it's pretty easy to see a lot of similar themes in all

The main two being, bad

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News from Capitol Hill

Justice Amy Coney Barrett

Congressman Tom Cole

American history was made recently on October 26, when Amy Coney Barrett was officially confirmed to serve as an Associate Justice on the Supreme Court of the United States.

With an outstanding educational background, remarkable career and spotless reputation, Justice Barrett is indeed the right person at the right time to fill the seat of the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg on the highest court in the land.

As Justice Barrett demonstrated throughout her confirmation hearings, she is immensely qualified to serve and incredibly knowledgeable as well. Indeed, her exceptional intellect was made evident to all by her ability to recall information and answer questions for a grueling number of hours without taking or referring to

Such brilliance makes it ap-Dame Law School, where she courts should not try."

later became a much beloved professor and mentor.

Prior to her confirmation to the Supreme Court, Justice Barrett served as a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. That tenure revealed a fair and impartial jurist committed to defending the United States Constitution and interpreting laws as written, "not as she wishes it were."

A former clerk to the late Justice Antonin Scalia, Justice Barrett is also a constitutional originalist.

Deeply committed to the philosophy that judges and justices should not legislate from the bench, Justice Barrett remarked during the confirmation process, "Courts are not designed to solve every problem or right every wrong in our public life. The policy decisions and value judgements of government must be made by the political branches, elected by and accountable to parent why she graduated at the people. The public should the top of her class from Notre not expect courts to do so and

While it's obvious that Justice Barrett is a smart, welleducated and driven woman, she is also devoted to her husband and family. She is a present and loving mother of seven children, including two who were adopted from Haiti and one with special needs. As the fifth woman con-

firmed to the Supreme Court, she is also the first working mother of school-aged children ever to serve.

Justice Barrett is not only a great choice because of her background and credentials, she also exemplifies great character and compassion. Throughout her life, she has inspired and impacted many lives for the better.

Indeed, she is a wonderful role model and worth looking up to. As she has done throughout her impressive career, Justice Barrett will indeed be an ardent defender of the Constitution. I look forward to seeing her leadership, knowledge and **Your Views**

Donation time

Dear Business Owner,

The time has come again for our volunteer department to ask

For the past 30 years our department has held Christmas for the Kids. This is a time when area children get to come see Santa ride around town on a fire truck and then go back to the station for the chance to warm up with a cup of hot chocolate and a doughnut, sit on Santa's lap and tell him about what they would like for Christmas.

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, the day will look a little different. The children will still get to go home that day with a special sack full of goodies and see Santa ride around town but the event will be a drive through Christmas this year.

This year's event will be December 12 with the parade around town at 9 a.m. At 10 a.m. in the Wayne High School parking lot, cars will drive through and be handed a sack of goodies.

We are asking for any donations you can give that will help meet the needs of about 300 children. The department can use any monetary donations, candy, fruit, toys, etc.

Donations and fund-raisers strictly run this event. Therefore, any assistance is deeply appreciated. Please make checks payable to Fire-Rescue V14.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Sarah Kennedy

at (405) 570-2478, or Jared Reaves at (405) 640-7110. Sincerely Yours, Sarah Kennedy

Volunteer Firefighter No. 301

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Hats off

We commend the City of Purcell and local utility providers

for their handling of last week's devastating ice storm. Trey Phillips and his electric department made the best of a bad situation and kept electric down times as short as possible.

The foresight of City officials to commission a large-scale clearing of trees around electric lines contributed to the positive outcome during the historic storm. All the linemen who worked in the cold, wet and mostly

miserable conditions deserve much more credit than they will ever receive. Too bad it takes a natural disaster for most of us to appreciate them.

There is just something about that moment when the lights come back on after the juice goes out that makes you feel a rush of relief and gratitude.

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Ice storm and home insurance: Are you covered?

By Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner Glen Mulready

ing up after the ice storm that swept through the state this week. But the clean-up is just part of the recovery effort. Navigating through the insurance can be confusing and stressful.

Here are some commonly asked questions and the answers about ice storm and home insurance coverage to help make this process a little bit easier. Please note the answer depends on your policy.

pay to repair a roof damaged by the weight of ice or snow?

Acollapse of a structure, such as your roof, due to the weight of ice or snow is often covered under a standard home insurance policy. However, some nonstandard policies, such as the HO2 form do not have coverage for the weight of ice and snow, and therefore, that risk for your particular situation. would not be covered.

contact your insurance agent. a power outage? They know the ins and outs of your specific policy's coverages and limits.

A tree fell and landed in my yard. Will my insurance pay to remove it?

Typically, fallen trees are not would affect you. covered unless it has fallen on cover damage to your fence, items you had to throw away roof, troughs, windows, porches and share it with your adjuster. and outbuildings.

However, debris removal from your yard, in the absence will generally be at your own expense.

If a neighbor's tree caused damage to my property, are

they responsible for damages? Only if your neighbor was negligent would their policy pay for your damage. If the damage is from an act of nature, then the neighbor is not liable, and you would need to file the loss with your insurance company or agent.

Anice storm caused my tree to file a claim. to fall on my car. Will my homeowners insurance pay for the damage to my car and to remove the tree?

No. The homeowner's policy pays for damage to the home and for liability when an insured is negligent. In this case, you would need to file the claim with have the vehicle repaired. If you or visit our website at www. only had liability coverage, then oid.ok.gov.

Many Oklahomans are clean- you would be out of pocket for repairs or replacing the vehicle.

> Does homeowners insurance cover the cost of a hotel in the event of loss of power?

In the event of a covered claim process during this time loss, like fire, and your house is uninhabitable during repairs, unsafe living conditions or loss of utilities, temporary lodging costs are often covered. However, homeowner's insurance policies generally wouldn't pay for additional living expenses such as a hotel room simply Will my insurance company because of an off-premises power outage.

You would have to have a direct/physical on-premises loss before most insurance carriers would consider Additional Living Expenses (ALE) reimbursements for hotel stays. I encourage you to contact your insurance agent to determine if your policy would provide ALE

Does homeowners insur-The best thing to do is to ance cover spoiled food after

As long as the power outage was caused on your premises, the homeowner's insurance generally pays for food spoilage. Again, talk with your agent to verify how this scenario

Finally, take pictures and your house or driveway. It will keep a detailed list of the food This will assist the adjuster in assessing the loss.

When it comes to effectively of physical property damage, submitting home insurance claims, the most important thing is to immediately document the damage to your property. Take photographs of the damage and make a list of everything you want to show the adjuster.

> Contact your insurance provider to get clarification and details regarding your policy. Understanding your coverage and deductible amount will allow you to make an informed decision on whether you want

> If your damages do not exceed your deductible, the repairs will be an out-of-pocket expense.

For more information, visit our ice storm resource page at

www.oid.ok.gov/ice. If you have questions about other insurance issues, please contact the Oklahoma Insurance your auto insurance carrier to Department at 1-800-522-0071

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compassion shine through as she serves on the bench.

Although some may criticize the timing of the confirmation, the truth is that all Americans can and should be proud of the quality of the individual. Moreover, no wrong Trump for exercising his conor the Republican-led U.S. year.

Senate for confirming Justice Barrett.

Remember, our nation's government was built to be a system of checks and balances. When the leading party in the White House and the U.S. Senate are the same, it is not was done by either President unusual or unlawful for court nominations to move forward, stitutional duty by nominating even in a presidential election

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your life in awful, irreversible on his face. ways. And that some adults can be really scary.

more inescapable than in this adaptation of "The Witches."

While this film is rated a PG, I know for a fact that it would have scared the pants off me as a kid. Some of the imagery in this movie is truly horrifying.

Not just visually, though the concept and design of the witches in this movie are something out of a nightmare, with their unnaturally large mouths filled with razor sharp teeth, but also the existential threat these witches pose directly towards children.

The witches here don't want to do anything so common as just simply kill kids, or even fatten them up so they could cook and eat them à la "Hansel and Gretel.'

No, their hatred for children has driven them something even more sinister. Transforming kids into animals, specifically mice for the most part. With each child doomed to live out the remainder of their days as a rodent, with no hope of a cure.

There's no magic potion to fix everything. The power of love doesn't swoop at the end to save the day like many fairy tales. Once you become an animal, there's no going back.

I know just the thought of that would have terrified me as a kid. It's the permanence that makes the witches' scheme so scary.

As an adult though, I think I've come to appreciate some of the blunt honesty of Dahl's

Sometimes terrible things never the same again.

You might not be turned into a mouse, or get caught in one of the horrors contained in Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory, but bad things do happen. And regardless of if you deserve it, you have to learn to live with the aftermath whether you want to or not.

So in that respect, I do apmorals of this story.

As for the narrative the filmmakers here, I think the movie left a little bit to be desired.

Oh don't get me wrong, the story here isn't terrible. It is a bit more straightforward than I'd prefer though. There's basically no twists or turns here and nothing at all is left to the imagination. Everything is all explicitly laid out from the beginning.

Plus the dialogue in this movie is practically overrun with exposition.

Half the film feels like Octavia Spencer is just explaining one thing or another in explicit detail to her grandson.

She's like the encyclopedia on witches.

For a while I thought her detailed knowledge about the evil crones might play into something deeper about her character, like she was formerly a witch herself and was hiding from them or something. But no, grandma just knows absolutely everything about witches because the story needs her to.

By the time we finally encounter the witches in all their full glory, there's no mystery about them left. We just finally get to see exactly what grandma told us.

Fortunately, on the acting side of things, everyone here is doing solid work.

Even the kids, especially Jahzir Kadeem Bruno, did really well here. Especially in the beginning of the film right after Jahzir's character loses his parents. Though he barely even says a word near

things can happen, including the start, you can see the loss terrible things which change and heartbreak clearly written

It makes seeing him eventually come out of his shell, Nowhere are these ideas thanks to a very persistent grandmother, all the more heartwarming.

Of course I'd be completely presumably child friendly remiss if I failed to mention the single greatest, and most entertaining asset this film had to offer. I speak of course of Anne Hathaway, who absolutely devours the scenery every time she's on screen.

I kind of love that ever since winning her Best Supporting Actress Oscar in "Les Misérables," Anne just seems content to take on whatever role seems like the most fun.

Whether it's a stuck-up, self centered diva as in "Ocean's 8," or an expert con woman as in "The Hustle," or even a horrifying she-demon straight out of a bad dream like in this movie, Anne always seems to be having the best time of

Here she's just hamming it up, being as positively flamboyant as possible, all while putting on this bizarre, bastardized version of a Swedish accent.

It's becoming very clear to me that if Anne Hathaway is in a movie, her performance will make it worthwhile, regardless of whether the film is good or bad as a whole. At least to some extent.

That said, would I recommend this movie to families looking for a fun movie to watch with their children?

Heck no. Especially not for the young ones. This is the kind of movie that would have kept me up at night with the lights on as a kid.

Just the terrifying design of the witches is something happen, and life for you is I'd more expect to see from a PG-13 horror movie, not a fantasy adventure movie for children.

> On the other hand, the movie is much too whimsical and silly to keep the attention of most teenagers.

I don't know. Maybe your kids are made of tougher stuff than I was as a child. I did have a nightlight a little preciate at least one of the further into my adolescence above all else. than I'd like to admit.

Even then though, despite at least as it's presented by some genuinely entertaining performances, I imagine the sparse and over simplistic narrative will leave most disappointed and unsatisfied.

All of which leaves this odd little film only to those like myself who enjoy watching Anne Hathaway steal the show on the small screen.

"The Witches" is rated PG and is available to stream on HBO Max.

The other movie this week is "On the Rocks."

Laura (Rashida Jones) thinks she's happily hitched,



but when her husband Dean (Marlon Wayans) starts logging late hours with a new co-worker,

Laura begins to fear the worst.

She turns to the one man she suspects may have insight. Her charming, impulsive father Felix (Bill Murray), who insists they investigate the situation. As the two begin prowling New York at night, careening from uptown parties to downtown hotspots, they discover at the heart of their journey lies their own relationship.

This is a movie I had planned to talk about last week, but as some of you may know I'm a sucker for animation and at the last minute I decided to cover the Chinese inspired animated fantasy, "Over the Moon," instead.

Naturally, that isn't to say this film didn't have anything going for it. It certainly does, especially in its lead actors, Bill Murray and Rashida Jones, and the film's writer and director, Sofia Coppola, daughter of legendary filmmaker Francis Ford Coppola.

Those looking for a straight comedy thanks to Murray's involvement will likely be very disappointed though.

While the movie does have a handful of funny moments, the film is less about the laughs and more focused on the relationships between our main characters. Specifically Laura and her father Felix.

The film actually kind of turns a typical "on the rocks" relationship movie on its

Though Laura is initially paranoid that Dean is seeing another woman on the side, it's really her father that fans the flame of her concerns.

This is largely due to her dad projecting his own thought processes onto Dean. Ideas like, all men are pigs who are unable to control themselves

say the least. Like many men had here. with the same philosophy though, it's how her father and is available to stream on Felix justifies his own poor Apple TV+.

behavior around women.

Throughout the film though Felix is exceedingly charming, and makes friends with practically everyone he meets, which allows him to basically coast through life without facing much of any consequences for his misguided philosophy on life.

Naturally, this changes by the end of the film, and it makes for a very compelling final thesis for the movie. I definitely appreciate what Sofia Coppola did with the message and the moral. It's one I imagine that many men could stand to confront in their own lives.

like the ideas presented here, the overall narrative in this movie really just didn't grab me as much as I would have liked. Honestly though, I can't really tell you why. There's nothing wrong with

That said, while I very much

the performances. Both Bill Murray and Rashida Jones are great here, and make for a believable father-daughter pair. I guess the conflict was just

a little more subdued than I would have preferred. There's no show stopping dramatic moments here. It's definitely not "A Marriage Story." Adam Driver doesn't suddenly come out of nowhere and punch a hole through a wall in a brief fit of rage. In a way, I guess that makes

this movie all the more real-Most people's lives are

more subdued in reality, and in many cases people are able to work out their issues with each other without major knockdown-drag-out arguments. Does it make for the most

rience? Well, probably not. But again, I appreciate what Coppola created here. Even if this wasn't exactly a film that enthralled me, there

entertaining cinematic expe-

are some very key aspects I liked. Does that make this movie worth rushing out to buy a

subscription to Apple TV+? Again, likely not. But if it's a service you already pay for, around women due to their and you don't mind your films natural instinct to procreate being a little more on the restrained side, there definitely It's a very toxic mindset to is a positive experience to be

"On the Rocks" is rated R





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eran for his service next week.

Happy birthday to Curtis "Doc" Conway of Purcell.

Doc celebrates his birthday Tuesday, November 10.

Happy birthdays also go out to Mason Hunt, Ella Marcum, Bob Barnett, Jase Barth, Erin Richardson, Jesse Barth, Jessica Foulk, Haylee Swayze, Glenn Frankenberg, Adam 1 pound ground beef Angela Vega, Miles Pedlow, 2 cloves garlic, minced Michelle Sheehy, Monroe 1-1/2 teaspoons Italian sea-Mitchell, Spencer Wallace, Teodoro Aguinaga, Anna Pollok Dean, Jonah Northcutt, Karen Horoho, Tripp Eck, Al Musgrave, Patricia Hudson, Kayleenia Jones, Phyllis Norvell, Jana Rolin, Julie (Wood) Scroggins and Shirley Stark.

As of press time, Washington, who is hosting CHA, is the only game Friday night.

Purcell, Wayne and Lexington will not be playing tions; drain well. Friday night due to COVID-19 concerns.

The 3rd Saturday Book Group Virtual Program will be held from 10 a.m.-12 noon on Saturday, November 21.

Adults are invited to the book discussion group each cook, stirring frequently, until month on the third Saturday at 10 a.m.

The Purcell Register will have early deadlines for the issue of November 12 because browned, about 1 minute. of Veterans Day

by Monday, November 9, at

The paper will be available thickened, about 6-8 minutes. Tuesday, November 10, at 2:30 p.m.

and opening night on Wednes- 2 minutes.

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Board of Directors for the Christmas lights at Purcell City Lake.

Santa will be on hand to celebrate the lights opening.

Here's a quick pasta dish that is so creamy and comforting.

Creamy Beef and Shells 8 ounces medium pasta shells

1 tablespoon olive oil

Frazier, Linda Simmons, 1/2 medium sweet onion, diced

2 tablespoons all-purpose flour

2 cups beef stock 15-ounce can tomato sauce

3/4 cup heavy cream Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste

6 ounces shredded extra-sharp cheddar cheese, about 1 1/2

In a large pot of boiling salted water, cook pasta according to package instruc-

Heat olive oil in a large skillet over medium high heat. Add ground beef and cook until browned, about 3-5 minutes, making sure to crumble the beef as it cooks; drain excess fat. Set aside.

Add onion to the skillet, and translucent, about 2-3 minutes. Stir in garlic and Italian seasoning until fragrant, about 1

Whisk in flour until lightly

Gradually whisk in beef All ads, classified ads and stock and tomato sauce. Bring news must be in the office to a boil; reduce heat and simmer, stirring occasionally, until reduced and slightly

Stir in pasta, beef and heavy cream until heated through, about 1-2 minutes; season with Purcell's Lights From the salt and pepper, to taste. Stir Heart will hold a ribbon cutting in cheese until melted, about

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Poster contest winner

Adelyn Morris (pictured) and Anieta Simons won first place in the poster contest during Red Ribbon Week at Wayne Middle School with "Bee Drug Free". Morris and Simons are in sixth

Gardening gifts can provide years of enjoyment

By Melinda Myers

The popularity of gardening is at an all-time high and people are discovering its many benefits. Some want to grow safe and nutritious food, others are boosting the beauty of their landscape, and many are turning to gardening to relieve stress.

With the holidays right around the corner, it's the perfect opportunity to support new and experienced gardeners with athoughtful garden-related gift.

Help small space gardeners expand their growing space and reduce maintenance with self-watering elevated cedar add garden space to a balcony, deck or patio while raising the garden bed to a comfortable and easily accessible height. The self-watering system makes gardening easy with proper, less frequent watering to ensure success.

Do the same for indoor plant enthusiasts with stylish terrariums, plant stands, and lighting features. Terrariums are still popular, creating a decorative means for providing the moisture and humidity tropical plants need.

Copper and rot resistant mango wood terrariums (gardeners. com) add a new and decorative twist to this traditional growing

Plant stands allow your favorite indoor gardener to maximize

any available space. Shelves filled with greenery help improve indoor air quality, reduce stress, and can elevate one's mood. New modern metal plant stand designs add a modern vibe to the indoor garden display.

When space is at a premium, give the gift of vertical gardening accessories. Birdcage planters provide a unique way to display tropical or seasonal flowers. Lower them to tabletop level to use as a centerpiece or decorative element in seasonal indoor displays.

Don't overlook the cooks in your life that may be intrigued by moving their garden indoors. planters. Elevated gardens Keep them stocked with fresh herbs and vegetables.

Increase their growing space and needed light with a gift of energy efficient LED grow lights in an attractive stand like the Oslo customizable LED Grow Lights.

For those with very limited space, consider an organic kitchen caddy planter kit. A windowsill or countertop herb garden is a great way for anyone to add garden-fresh flavor to winter meals.

Make gardening a fun and accessible experience with the help of a deep seat kneeler that when flipped over, converts. Or add storage and mobility with a Deluxe Tractor Scoot

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school Menus

Lexington

Week of November 9 **MONDAY BREAKFAST**

Cereal breakfast kit, fruit milk. juice, milk.

LUNCH

Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, English peas, mixed fruit, hot roll, milk. **TUESDAY**

BREAKFAST Coco Puffs bar, craisins, fruit

juice, milk. LUNCH

Barbecue chicken, baby carrots with ranch, steamed broccoli, lime pears, biscuit, milk.

WEDNESDAY **BREAKFAST**

Honey buns, mixed berry cup, fruit juice, milk.

LUNCH

Chicken nachos, salsa, Mexican corn, pinto beans, peaches,

THURSDAY BREAKFAST

Peanut butter with breakfast crackers, raisins, fruit juice, milk.

LUNCH

Biscuit and gravy, sausage and egg, stewed potatoes, hash brown, orange smiles, milk. **FRIDAY**

BREAKFAST

Cereal breakfast kit, fruit

juice, milk. LUNCH

Hamburger, potato wedges, lettuce and tomatoes, pickles and onions, spiced apples, milk.

Purcell

Week of November 9 **MONDAY BREAKFAST**

Go—Cinnamon/sugar pancake bites, fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH

cheese, green beans, fruit, milk. juice, milk. **TUESDAY**

BREAKFAST

Go—Sausage biscuit, fruit, roll, fruit, milk. juice, milk.

LUNCH Taco soup, chili beans, torti-

lla chips and salsa, fruit, milk. WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST

Elementary and Grab N Go-Muffin, cheese stick, milk.

fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH

Chicken spaghetti, bread-

Elementary and Grab N stick, caesar salad, fruit, milk. **THURSDAY**

BREAKFAST Elementary and Grab N

Corndog, macaroni and Go-Breakfast taco, fruit, LUNCH

Barbecue mini meatloaf,

Elementary and Grab N loaded mashed potatoes, dinner **FRIDAY**

BREAKFAST

Elementary and Grab N

Go—French toast sticks, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH Pizza bar, baby carrots, fruit,

Wayne

Week of November 9 **MONDAY BREAKFAST**

LUNCH

Chicken strips, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, tropical fruit, juice, milk. **TUESDAY**

BREAKFAST

Cereal, fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH

Chicken fajita, corn, pinto beans, peaches, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST

Breakfast bar, cereal, fruit,

LUNCH

Fish sticks, potato, spinach, Breakfast burrito, fruit, juice, mixed fruit, juice, milk. **THURSDAY**

BREAKFAST Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH Nachos, corn, salad, choco-

late mousse, juice, milk. **FRIDAY**

BREAKFAST Pop-tarts, cereal, fruit, juice,

LUNCH

Hot ham and cheese, veggie soup, chips, apple, juice, milk.

Protect your home from chimney fires

Brenda Hill

Extension Educator

In recent days many of us suffered power outages for several hours. For those who are have fire places, sitting in front of a cozy fire in your living room winter day.

But while you may enjoy basking in the warmth, it is good to remember the chimney is an important aspect of the fireplace.

Chimneys that are dirty, blocked or damaged are haz- Please see **Protect**, page 10A

ardous.

A dirty chimney can cause chimney fires, which damage structures, destroy homes and can injure or even kill people. Indications of a chimney fire can include loud cracking and is a great way to spend a cold, popping noise, a lot of dense smoke and/or an intense, hot

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Social distancing

In-person absentee voters were managed by McClain County Sheriff's Deputies to maintain their social distancing once inside the courthouse during last week's early voting period.

Lankford honored with Guardian of Small Business Award

Senator James Lankford (R-OK) was honored to receive Members of the US Senate are the National Federation of Independent Business's (NFIB) esteemed Guardian of Small Business Award for his continued support for Oklahoma's for small business. small businesses.

"I am honored to be recognized as a Guardian of Small Business, and I am committed to continue fighting for Oklahoma small businesses to ensure they have the resources and support they need during and after the COVID-19 pandemic," said

"Oklahoma small businesses were hit hard by the pandemic and have worked together to reopen safely and continue to power our local economies. This year has led to unprecedented innovation, determination, and resolve from our small business owners and their workers, and I am grateful for their tenacity.

"I will continue to stand up for and support our small business communities to provide them critical support, like the successful PPP program, and protect them from Washington overregulation and excessive red tape. I encourage all Oklahomans to 'shop small' this holiday season to help our friends and neighbors on Main Street," he said.

"The NFIB Guardian of Small

dedicated supporters of the key issues that our members are concerned about and have proven themselves to be real champions

"Our policy positions are driven by our members, and we report NFIB Key Votes back to our membership. We are proud to recognize Senator Lankford for earning this distinction in the 116th Congress by taking prosmall business votes supporting financial assistance programs and opposing increased labor costs. Small business owners across the country need his support now more than ever during these unprecedented times, and we are grateful to Senator Lankford for his leadership," Kuhlman concluded.

Lankford chairs the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management and has introduced regulatory bills to improve the process of how regulations are made by facilitating greater transparency and accountability in the federal rulemaking

Lankford has worked extensively to bring relief to small businesses impacted by the CO-VID-19 pandemic through the Business Award is awarded to CARES Act and other COVID lawmakers who small busi- relief legislation. He has worked nesses can truly count on," on bipartisan legislation to ad- HELPForSmallBusinessesAct said Kevin Kuhlman, NFIB dress issues with the important to forgive federal fines harmless Vice President of Federal Gov- Paycheck Protection Program paperwork errors.

ernment Relations. "These (PPP) and the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program, which helped thousands of small businesses in Oklahoma stay afloat during the pandemic.

Lankford introduced the Pandemic Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Act, which would help Congress repeal or modify regulations that have impeded our nation's ability to rapidly respond to the coronavirus pandemic and/or that would impede a future response.

 $Lank ford\,sponsored\,the\,Small$ **Business Expense Protection** Act to allow small businesses to deduct expenses paid with a PPP loan from their taxes and the SAFE to Work Act to provide liability protections for small businesses re-opening after COVID.

Lankford also helped move the Unfunded Mandates Accountability and Transparency Act (UMATA) through passage in Committee this year. The bill will reduce excessive unfunded government mandates on job creators, giving them greater freedom to invest in their companies and hire new workers.

Lankford introduced the Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Improvements Act, which would require federal agencies to take into account the full cost of regulations before making them binding. Additionally, he introduced the

Cole tabbed a Guardian of Small **Business**

Congressman Tom Cole (OK-04) released the following statement after he was named a Guardian of Small Business by the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB).

Awarded every Congress, the recognition is given to legislators who vote in favor of key policies and priorities for small businesses.

During his service in the U.S. House of Representatives, Cole has received the award every

"I am honored to receive the Guardian of Small Business Award for my longstanding and unwavering commitment to small businesses, which employ millions of Americans,' Cole said.

"While this has been a difficult year for everyone, small business owners and their dedicated workers have been some of the hardest hit by the wrath of the coronavirus pan-

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healthy adults have the ability to infect others beginning one day before symptoms develop and up to seven days after becoming sick. People with weakened immune systems and children may be able to infect others for a longer period of time.

For more information on getting a flu shot, call the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center at (800) 851-913 or visit Chickasaw.net/flu.

No. 585-November 5-1 Time ORDINANCE NO. 20-06 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PURCELL; SPE-CIFICALLY CHAPTER 46 (HEALTH

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SIGNED by the Mayor of the City of Purcell, Oklahoma, on the 2nd day of November 2020.

/s/ Ted Cox Ted Cox, Mayor

ATTEST: /s/ Dorothy Kennedy Dorothy Kennedy, City Clerk Approved as to form this 2nd day of November 2020.

/s/ Ted W. Haxel Ted W. Haxel, City Attorney

No. 577-November 5-1 Time PUBLIC NOTICE OF FILING AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO SUPPLY

TREATED WASTEWATER

This is a notice that the State of Oklahoma Department of Corrections, P.O. Box 548, Lexington, Oklahoma, 73051, has filed an application on October 21, 2020, for a permit to supply treated municipal wastewater from the Joseph Harp Conectional Center Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) located in part of the S1/2 of Section 5, Township 6 North, Range 1 East, Indian Meridian (I.M.), Cleveland County, Oklahoma for irrigation onto Bermuda grass pasture for beef cattle. The supplied reclaimed water will be applied at multiple land application sites located in part of the E 1/2 of Section 31 and the SW 1/4 of Section 32, Township 7 North, Range 1 East, as well as the W 1/2 and NE 1/4 of Section 5 and part of the NW 1/4 of Section 4, Township 6 North, Range 1 East, I.M., Cleveland County, Oklahoma. If further information is needed, please contact Deputy Warden Chad Dennis, Joseph Harp Conectional Center, P.O.

the south line and no closer than unit described as the E/2 of Section 30 and the E/2 of Section 31. Township 8 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma, End of Completion Interval: no closer than 165 feet from the north line and no closer than 660 feet from the west line of the

unit described as the F/2 of Section 30 and the E/2 of Section 31, Township 8 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma. The offset lands to the E/2 of Section 30 and the F/2 of Section

31, are contained within Sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31 and 32, Township 8 North, Range 4 West, and Sections 5 and 6, Township 7 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN

that the proposed well is moving towards the following wells: None NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Applicant in this cause is

requesting the following special relief: to designate the Applicant or some other party as Operator of the unit well. Applicant is fur-APPLICANT: WARWICK-MINERther requesting that the Order to be entered in this cause be made RELIEF SOUGHT: WELL LOCAeffective on a date prior to the date of the Order

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause be set before an Administrative Law Judge for hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to the Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause will be heard before an Administrative Law Judge on the Initial Hearing Docket at the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, Jim Thorpe Building, 2101 N. Lincoln, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73105, at 8:30 a.m., on the 23rd day of November, 2020, and that this Notice be published as required by law and the Rules of the Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Applicant and interested parties may present testimony by telephone. The cost of telephonic communication shall be paid by the person or persons requesting its use. Interested parties who wish to participate by telephone shall contact the Applicant or Applicant's attorney, prior to the hearing date, and provide their name and telephone number.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action, contact Jim Gray, Warwick Energy Group, 6608 N. Western, Box 417, Oklahoma City, OK 73116, Telephone: (405) 607-3461, OR ERIC HUDDLESTON, Attorney, Two Leadership Square, 211 North Robinson, Suite 1300, Oklahoma City, OK 73102, Telephone: (405) 232-3722.

CORPORATION COMMISSION OF OKLAHOMA J. Todd Hiett, Chairman Bob Anthony, Vice-Chairman Dana L. Murphy, Commissioner

DONE AND PERFORMED THIS 29th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2020. BY ORDER OF THE COMMIS-

Peggy Mitchell, Secretary

No. 584-November 5-1 Time PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OR RE-ZONING APPLICATION GOLDSBY, OKLAHOMA

NOTICE: AN APPLICATION IAS BEEN FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF GOLDSBY, OKLAHOMA, TO RE-ZONE THE FOLLOWING TRACT(S) OF LAND FROM AG-RICULTURAL-RESIDENTIAL A-1 O RESIDENTIAL ESTATES R-1.

STREET ADDRESS: 2135 S MAIN AVE, GOLDSBY OK (See map exhibit A).

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: A tract of land that is part of the S/2-SW/4-SW/4 of Section 36, T-8-N, R-3-W of the I.M., McClain County, Oklahoma, more particularly described as follows; Commencing from the NW corner of the NW/4-NW/4-SW/4 of said Section 36, thence S0° 18' 40"E along Section line, 1319.54 feet; Thence N89° 40' 02"E, 30.90 feet to Highway #74 Right-of-Way line as purchased by the State of Oklahoma, to the S0° 18' 40"E along Right-of-Way line, 288.68 feet; Thence N89° 40' 26"E, 377.16 feet; Thence N0° 18' 40"W, 288.72 feet; Thence S89 40'01"W, 377.16 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. The above described tract of land contains 2.50 acres, more or less.

THE PROPOSED RE-ZONING WILL BE BROUGHT FOR PUBLIC HEARING AT THE PLANNING **COMMISSION MEETING ON THE** 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020, AT 6:30 P.M. AT TOWN HALL, 100

E. CENTER RD, GOLDSBY OKLAHOMA, AT WHICH TIME AND PLACE ANY AFFECTED PERSON (S) MAY APPEAR TO PROTEST OR SUPPORT THE PASSAGE THEREOF. ANY WRIT-TEN PROTEST MUST BE FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK PRIOR TO 4:00 P.M. OF THE DAY OF SAID COMMISSION MEETING.

THE PROPOSED RE-ZON-ING WILL SUBSEQUENTLY BE **BROUGHT TO PUBLIC HEARING** AND FINAL CONSIDERATION AT THEGOLDSBYTOWNBOARDOF TRUSTEES MEETING, GOLDSBY TOWN HALL, 100 E, CENTER RD. AT 7:30 P.M. ON THE 3RD DAY OF DECEMBER, 2020. ANY WRIT-TEN PROTEST FOR THIS MEET-ING MUST BE FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK AT LEAST THREE (3) DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING DATE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW (11 O.S. 1981 § 43-105). DATED THIS 30th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2020.

/s/ Sandra J. Jenkins



No. 574-October 29-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LACY HOLDERREAD, DE-

CEASED PB-2020-49 NOTICE OF HEARING FIRST AND FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION, APPROVAL OF

ATTORNEY'S FEES, COSTS, AND EXPENSES, AND DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Notice is hereby given that Brian Holderread, the duly appointed and qualified Personal Representative of the Estate of Lacy Holderread, Deceased, has filed his First and Final Account, Petition for Decree of Distribution, Approval of Attorney's Fees, Costs, and Expenses, and Discharge of Personal Representative. A hearing has been fixed by the Judge of the Court for the 19th

day of November, 2020, at 9:30 a.m., in the District Courtroom, County Courthouse, 121 N. 2nd St., Purcell, Oklahoma 73080, and all persons interested in the Estate are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the Account should not be settled and allowed, the Estate distributed, the Attorney's Fees, Costs, and Expenses approved, and the Personal Representative discharged.

DATED this 16th day of October, 2020.

/s/ Charles N. Gray JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT APPROVED AS TO FORM: /s/ Tyler R. Barrett

Tyler R. Barrett, OBA #30482 131 E. Main St., Ste. 220

Norman, OK 73069 Telephone: (405) 928-4075 Email: tyler@tylerrbarrettlaw.

Attorney for Personal Repre-

sentative

No. 581-November 5-1 Time Tillman Infrastructure, LLC is proposing to build a 250-foot Self Support Tower (265-ft w/appurtenances) located on Hwy 76, approx. 360ft SE from the intersection with 135th St., Lindsay, OK 73052. Structure coordinates are: (N34-54-18.89/W97-37-48.33). The tower is anticipated to have FAA Style E (dual medium intensity) lighting. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Antenna Structure Registration (ASR Form 854) file number is A1177179. In-

terested persons may review the

application at www.fcc.gov/asr/ applications by entering the file number. Environmental concerns may be raised by filing a Request for Environmental Review at www. fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest within 30 days of the date that notice of the project is published on the FCC's website. FCC strongly encourages online filing. A mailing address for a paper filing is: FCC Requests for Environmental Review, ATTN: Ramon Williams, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554.

Courthouse News

The following persons have been intoxication. charged by the State of Oklahoma with traffic or other violations or have filed other court actions in Mc-Clain County District Court between October 22-28, 2020.

Traffic

John A. Neill, improper passing. Jose J. Guzman Chavarria, overweight on interstate (bridge formula). Kathi J. Hayne, speeding, 97/75.

Keri M. Marson, speeding, 91/80. Gary W. Amack, overweight - 5001

Gary W. Amack, overweight - 0700 to 2000.

Elizabeth Rowland, speeding, 86/70

Misdemeanors

Steven J. Driskell, protective order

violation Jeannie R. Wilson, possession of

or merchandise by bogus check/false pretenses

Damien M. Okewole, trespass after being forbidden.

Jeffery D. Kane, public intoxica-

Jennifer N. Walker, public intoxcation Orvil N. W. Key, public intoxca-

Cameron S. Bloodworth, obtaining

cash or merchandise by bogus check/ false pretenses. Shannon I. Tyson, possession of CDS.

Michael G. Clark, leaving scene of accident involving damage. Kevin T. Bush, larceny of merchan-

dise from a retailer. Andre M. Scherencel, possession of CDS.

Dustin K. Davidson, possession

Corey D. Thompson, possession of CDS

Randee R. Bray, possession of CDS. Brittney L. A. Burgess, possession

of CDS Shaquasia R. D. Smith, leaving scene of accident - unattended vehicle. Nadia S. Davis, obstructing an

Shawn D. Ervin, larceny of lost

Felonies

Jimmy D. Bowman, assault, battery, or assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

Edward D. Hawkins, unauthorized use of vehicle. Danny J. Fox, domestic assault and

battery in presence of minor. Victoria A. Heskett, false declara-

tion or ownership in pawn. Earnest W. Sypherd, cruelty to

Jonathan M. Macomb, know-Amanda J. Wood, obtaining cash ingly receiving or concealing stolen

Small Claims Melodie Pardue vs. Kiernan Evans,

small claims over \$5000.

Civil Norman Anesthesia Providers vs. Thomas A. Pattillo, civil action

Midland Credit Managment vs. Edward A. Overstreet, civil action

\$10,000 or less.

Ally Financial Inc. vs. Wyman Knight, civil action \$10,000 or less. Midland Credit Management

vs. Brandie Shephard, civil action \$10,000 or less. Cavalry SPV I LLC vs. Sherry Steaveson, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Cavalry SPV I LLC vs. Ray E. Fletcher, civil action \$10,000 or less. Synchrony Bank vs. Jerry Sturm, civil action \$10,000 or less. Cavalry SPV I LLC vs. Thomas R.

Steaveson, civil action \$10,000 or less. Crown Asset Management LLC vs. Lindel L. K. Hayles III, public Blake R. Pearn, civil action \$10,000

Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Kody Keith, civil action \$10,000

or less. Discover Bank vs. Allen L. Musgrave, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Synchrony Bank vs. Megan Killman, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Discover Bank vs. Jared M. Vaughn, civil action \$10,000 or less. Mortgage Clearing Corporation vs. Jackie M. Vara, civil action \$10,000

Bank of America NA vs. Dean R. Codner, civil action \$10,000 or more. James B. Pugh vs. Jerry W. Noles, civil action \$10,000 or more.

LVNV Funding LLC vs. Kyle Kelly, civil action \$10,000 or more. Mountain Aire LLC vs. SRN Hotels Ent, LLC, civil action \$10,000

Synchrony Bank vs. Robert Daughtry, civil action \$10,000 or more. Discover Bank vs. Kyleigh A. Johnson, civil action \$10,000 or more. **Marriages Filed**

Zacharie J. Carwile, 26, and Kaelyn G. Clagg, 25, both of Purcell. Colton R. W. Smith, 21, and Christin M. Lindsey, 21, both of Paoli. Shayne T. McDonald, 29, and Kali

N. Faught, 26, both of Purcell. Devin S. Jagers, 28, and Ashley L. Lambert, 29, both of Newcastle. Bryce A. Townsend, 25, of Blanchard and Amanda K. Ohse, 30, of Oklahoma City.

Michelle R. Moore vs. Elijah B. Moore. Michael Brown vs. Kristiny L.

Ashli D. Cox vs. Nathanael W. Cox.

Divorces Granted

Christina G. Cain vs. Michael A. Cain. Kari L. Judd vs. Jackie L. Judd.

Box 548, Lexington, Oklahoma, 73051, (405) 527-4844. The ap-

plication may be reviewed at the

Purcell Public Library, 919 N. 9th

Ave., Purcell, OK 73080.

Rebecca L. Miller vs. Jeffrey W.

Newsmakers

Knox graduates lending school

Raegan Knox, with First United Bank in Purcell, recently completed the Oklahoma Bankers Association Consumer Lending School in Oklahoma City.

Knox was among 38 graduates of the school, which was held October 5-9 at the OBA Harris Event Center.

The OBA Consumer Lending School, conducted annually, educates students on the overall consumer credit function and helps develop skills to meet the needs of loan customers and their bank.

Specific areas of training include loan application generation and credit analysis, loan pricing, collections, direct and indirect lending, real estate structure, bank liability, compliance, risk management, bankruptcy and banking trends.

Smith joins Purcell office

Weichert, Realtors(r) - Centennial has announced that Jimmy Smith has joined its Purcell office

Smith joins a dedicated team of knowledgeable agents at Weichert, Realtors(r) - Centennial, who bring many years of combined real estate expertise to their clients.

Fast Track agents

Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. announces that the Weichert affiliated agents Taylor Anderson and Jimmy Smith, both of Purcell, have successfully completed its Fast Track training program.

The training helps quickly bring new and existing Weichert affiliated agents up to speed on the latest information, resources and technology available to real estate professionals to help them effectively list, promote and sell properties and offer legendary service to their clients.

"Our Fast Track program covers everything a real estate professional needs to know to help them start out on the right track towards a successful career in real estate," said Bill Scavone, president and chief operating officer of Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. "This program is designed to offer a unique learning experience to get our new associates productive as quickly as possible."

Program participants learn best practices to get started in the real estate industry, find sellers, capture a buyer's attention and list properties to sell quickly. Agents that complete the Weichert Fast Track training also gain the confidence and competitive edge to succeed in real estate.

Thompsons new AAA members

Jacob and Bailey Thompson of Byars are new members of the American Angus Association®, reports Mark McCully, CEO of the national breed organization headquartered in Saint Joseph, Mo.

The American Angus Association, with more than 25,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef breed association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on over 19 million registered Angus.

The Association records ancestral information and keeps production records and genomic data on individual animals to develop industry-leading selection tools for its members. The programs and services of the Association and its entities, Angus Genetics Inc., Angus Media, Certified Angus Beef LLC and the Angus Foundation, help members advance the beef cattle business by selecting the best animals for their herds and marketing quality genetics for the beef cattle industry and quality beef for consumers.





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Holiday cheer

Juana Hernandez, Zandi Connor and Shellbe Frazier with Walgreens help Peggy Christian set up a donation area for McClain County Operation Christmas. Christian said Operation Christmas always needs school supplies, canned goods and toys and all donations will help a child have a much happier Christmas. Donations can be dropped off at Family Dollar in Wayne or at the Purcell Register. Monetary donations may be mailed to Darrell Ford, Chairman, McClain County Operation Christmas, at P.O. Box 756, Purcell, Okla., 73080. If you need more information check out McClain County Operation Christmas on Facebook or call Peggy Christian at (405) 990-4001.

Wayne sidelined

Wayne's home game with Stratford this Friday has been cancelled due to COVID-19 issues.

Superintendent Toby Ringwald confirmed the cancellation early Wednesday morning.

That is the third Heart of Oklahoma game cancelled this week including Purcell-Bethel and Lexington-CCS.

Blood donors needed following ice storm

blood types.

A rare ice storm that affected much of the service area has Photo ID required. caused additional closures lations amid the COVID-19 blood drives. pandemic.

seeing a significant downturn in donations and has exhausted typical recruitment efforts.

Oklahoma Blood Institute's CDC safety recommendations. life-saving stock of blood has reached a less-than-one-day local hospitals.

"COVID-19 has put trementhe real catalyst for a blood and CEO of Oklahoma Blood Institute.

stant - someone needs a life- authorized laboratories. saving transfusion every two give blood for our friends and neighbors in need."

age 16 and older, to donate will be made available postblood as soon as possible. donation.

Oklahoma Blood Institute Sixteen-year-olds must weigh is experiencing an emergency at least 125 pounds and provide blood shortage and is issuing signed parental permission; an urgent call for donors of all 17-year-olds must weigh at least 125 pounds; 18+ year olds must weigh at least 110 pounds.

To schedule an appointment and cancellations, adding to to give blood, call 1-877-340the already critical problem of 8777 or visit obi.org to see a continuous blood drive cancellist of donor centers and mobile

All donations will be tested Oklahoma Blood Institute is for COVID-19 antibodies to identify potential convalescent plasma donors. Blood drives will be managed according to

Look for updates on this alert on Oklahoma Blood Institute's supply. Typically, Oklahoma social media platforms. More Blood Institute maintains a information about Oklahoma three- to five-day supply for Blood Institute can be found at obi.org.

Donors ages 16 or 17-years dous strain on the blood supply old need parental consent to for months, but this unseason- be screened for COVID-19 able inclement weather was antibodies and are not eligible to donate convalescent plasma. emergency in our state," said This test has not been FDA John Armitage, M.D., president cleared or approved. It has been authorized by the FDA under an EUA (Emergency "The need for blood is con- Use Authorization) for use by

The test has been authorized seconds. We are calling on all only for the detection of the IgG healthy Oklahomans to take antibody against SARS-CoV-2, about an hour of their time to not for any other viruses or pathogens.

Blood drives will be man-Oklahoma Blood Institute aged according to CDC safety encourages all Oklahomans, recommendations. Test results

OSU EXTENSION News

Be prepared for wildfire season

Trisha Gedon

Extension Educator

Ice storms demand attention. but so does Oklahoma's persistent risk of wildfires once the ice has melted.

John Weir, Oklahoma State University Extension associate specialist, said although parts of the state received good rain during the summer, it's the been managed." season for vegetation to go dormant and dry out. Precipi- where they put their hay. Most tation can be fickle. Vigilance often it is stored in an area that and preparation are always has easy access, but is not necgood ideas.

through with higher wind speeds and lower humidity like we typically see this time of year, the fire danger can elevate pretty quickly," Weir said. "One of the things we need to be thinking about is managing that fuel."

cerns should be around homes and property structures such important to think about such cording to a National Oceanic

your way.

"Make sure you have those fuels mowed down in equipment yards. If you have fencedin areas, put some livestock on that land to knock down the fuels," he said. "It's a whole lot easier to contain and knock down a fire on land that has

Landowners must consider essarily safe. Hay stacked along "As we get fronts coming a fence close to traffic runs the risk of a discarded cigarette or spark from a vehicle.

"Keep the old adage in mind of not putting all your eggs in one basket. The same is true for your hay," he said. "Don't put it all in one place. Spread it out. That way if something Weir said the biggest con- does happen, you don't lose all the hay you have."

Winter 2020-2021 is predictas barns and outbuildings. It is ed to have La Niña aspects ac-

factors well before a fire comes and Atmospheric Administra- possibilities. tion advisory.

> plex weather phenomenon that shifts typical wind and precipitation patterns - will have an impact on wildfire

"With warmer temperatures Weir said La Niña – a com- and drier conditions, the fuels you see on the land are going to

Please see Fire, page 11A

Purcell and Wayne Senior Citizens

By John Webb

Hello again friends. Forget everything nice I said last week about our wonderful weather. Here we are a week later, and I am without electricity or heat in my house and listening to tree limbs cracking and falling to the ground. Apparantly we have skipped autumn and gone straight to winter.

Seriously though, please be safe and check in on your friends and family to make sure they are safe as well.

Menu for November 2-6:

Monday—Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable beef soup, tossed salad and chocolate pan pie. Tuesday—Baked chicken, scalloped potatoes, okra and to-

matoes, hot roll/sliced bread and gelatin with fruit.

Wednesday—Tater tot casserole, green beans, carrots, sliced bread and a rice krispie treat.

Thursday—BBQ ribette, potato casserole, broccoli, cornbread and apple crisp. Friday-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes and gravy, green

peas, sliced bread or roll and sweet potato pie.

If you have watched television at all in the last six months, you know there is an election coming up on Tuesday, November 3. Please get out and vote. After that, we can start seeing commercials from car dealers, furniture stores and Christmas sales. Oooh, I can't wait!

Please check out the closings on the bottom of your television screens during inclement weather. It's a pretty safe bet that if schools are closed in your area, Delta Nutrition and senior centers will also be closed.

Don't forget the garage sale is open each Thursday and Friday for your convenience. A mask or other face covering is required

Please continue to call the kitchen in Purcell at 527-9462 to make or cancel your meal reservations. It is best to call by

Thank you for your continued support of the senior centers in Purcell and Wayne.

From page 7A

demic. As our nation navigates survive these difficult times. the remaining challenges and works to recover and rebuild small business job creators he concluded.

"Our nation's prosperity depends on their existence. In our economy, one of the best the days ahead, I will continue things we can do is help our to stand with small businesses,"



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Election Results 2020	Byars Community Center	Rosedale First Baptist Church	Mid-America Technology Center	Wayne United Methodist Church	Banner Baptist Church	McClain County Community Center	Unity Missionary Baptist Church	Washington First Baptist Church	Horizon Pointe Baptist Church	Criner Baptist Church	Dibble Freewill Baptist Church	Old City Hall, Blanchard	Newcastle First Baptist	Tri-City Cowboy Church	Woodland Hills Baptist Church	Blanchard Public Library	Newcastle Christian Church	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church	Cole Community Center	Goldsby Community Center	Purcell First Baptist Church	Purcell Emmanuel Baptist Church	Purcell Memorial Assembly of God Church	New Mission Holiness Church	Newcastle Freewill Baptist Church	Goldsby Baptist Church	TOTAL
PRESIDENT																											
Donald J. Trump (R)	250	207	207	292	646	918	318	828	806	255	415	1014	2009	582	942	915	191	605	759	580	434	535	551	206	387	412	15264
Joe Biden (D)	33	37	39	92	92	168	64	137	364	33	73	225	502	138	182	202	40	107	147	95	189	164	201	36	73	148	3581
Jo Jorgensen (L)	1	3	2	0	11	8	4	9	19	1	2	12	49	12	10	12	6	9	17	5	9	6	9	5	8	4	233
Jade Simmons (I)	4	1	1	3	0	2	0	1	1	1	1	1	9	2	3	2	0	1	0	1	2	2	3	0	1	1	43
Kanye West (I)	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	6	1	1	0	3	14	2	2	7	0	1	1	1	2	3	4	0	2	1	59
Brock Pierce (I)	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	4	3	0	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	21
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Jim Inhofe (R)	240	200	199	276	628	875	287	788	806	239	397	950	1906	558	889	880	184	589	725	558	399	522	518	194	370	395	14572
Robert T. Murphy (L)	5	4	6	5	10	20	10	23	15	6	13	31	68	16	29	22	8	14	16	9	14	8	15	6	10	13	396
Abby Broyle (D)	42	43	37	101	100	177	62	147	360	39	74	248	545	151	203	222	40	111	162	101	202	173	219	44	82	154	3859
Joan Farr (I)	1	3	3	3	6	16	5	13	8	2	4	20	42	7	11	7	3	4	12	3	13	4	12	3	7	1	213
A.D. Nesbit (I)	1	2	3	1	7	6	4	9	4	3	2	6	10	2	7	8	2	4	7	8	7	1	7	1	2	5	119
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE (DISTRICT 4)	'	_		'	,		'	Ů	'		_		10	_	,		_	'	,	Ü	,	'	,	'			110
Tom Cole (R)	259	211	208	284	649	918	309	824	861	253	406	1008	2006	592	920	939	194	605	751	584	426	549	554	202	394	414	15320
Bob White (L)	3	9	4	15	17	38	18	27	23	7	17	42	105	28	56	28	8	18	26	13	27	16	30	9	10	19	613
Mary Brannon (D)	27	32	34	88	81	138	62	130	308	26	63	201	482	115	159	170	36	99	145	83	182	141	186	37	67	136	3208
STATE SENATOR (DISTRICT 43)									,							,											
Jessica Garvin (R)	246	209	203	286	652	862	302	835	854	255	415	1017	2093	596	933	926	200	606	751	567	423	503	515	195	401	418	15263
Terri Reimer (D)	40	39	43	98	97	224	85	139	329	31	67	232	468	133	186	206	38	109	168	108	213	201	250	51	69	141	3765
CORPORATION COMMISSION																											
Todd Hiett (R)	261	213	213	292	661	934	317	830	892	257	419	1047	2099	605	946	953	193	623	758	583	454	571	574	206	402	435	15738
Todd Hagopian (L)	17	27	24	69	70	113	56	124	213	25	48	155	376	105	153	141	34	85	133	72	153	107	153	34	45	95	2627
SUPREME COURT DISTRICT 1 MATTHEW JOHN KANE																											
Yes	179	143	149	220	490	663	238	621	787	181	296	777	1625	462	737	722	151	479	570	442	369	406	459	154	291	359	11970
No	68	77	70	130	191	287	106	238	276	69	141	353	664	192	258	287	61	180	257	167	196	210	244	71	107	142	5042
SUPREME COURT DISTRICT 6 TOM COLBERT																											
Yes	175	150	155	238	463	631	228	571	720	165	290	721	1594	433	656	672	151	428	513	403	344	392	562	153	292	350	11336
No	87	72	67	113	219	328	117	295	358	84	152	404	706	219	349	343	66	231	317	207	219	226	242	71	112	152	5756
SUPREME COURT DISTRICT 9 RICHARD B. DARBY																											
Yes	179	137	143	218	476	650	239	600	768	167	296	767	1611	451	726	711	151	471	540	421	350	303	437	152	288	347	11691
No	68	81	78	130	201	302	106	261	292	79	142	364	672	203	269	297	63	185	289	184	212	219	265	70	111	154	5297
COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS DISTRICT 2 ROBERT L. HUDSON																											
Yes	175	142	147	226	476	666	231	610	763	174	297	763	1605	464	707	704	154	463	553	431	357	406	443	149	292	346	11744
No South of Shares	71	78	73	121	195	281	108	249	294	75	138	362	678	188	277	302	60	189	272	177	206	210	259	73	109	154	5198
COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS DISTRICT 3 GARY L. LUMPKIN																											
Yes	165	139	148	219	472	642	219	599	766	174	285	740	1577	445	701	687	142	451	541	417	352	404	444	151	289	352	11521
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Oklahoma restores voting rights for felons, but not so fast

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Kyeesha Alexander found work at a Sonic Drive-In and a place to live with her parents after being released from prison in May.

Though the coronavirus pandemic has made re-entry difficult, the 27-year-old from Enid says she's dedicated to staying clean and gaining financial independence. Free from state supervision, she's able to travel freely and live without fear of a parole violation sending her back to prison.

One thing Alexander still can't do is vote. That's because Oklahoma requires those with a felony conviction to complete their full, court-mandated sentence before restoring their voting rights.

Supporters of the statute argue that a person who breaks the law shouldn't be trusted with a voice in the political process.

In July 2019, Alexander was convicted of second degree forgery and sentenced to seven years in prison. Less than four months later on November 1, Alexander's sentence was commuted to one year as part of the largest single-day mass commutation in U.S. history. But in the eyes of the State Election Board, she's still serving out her court-mandated calendar sentence of seven years and won't be eligible to vote until July 2026.

Oklahoma requires court clerks in all 77 counties to send a monthly list of people convicted of felonies to their local county election board. The election officials must

cancel the voter registration of anyone who resides in the county, and forward the names of non-residents to the State Election Board.

Someone like Alexander may not register to vote again until their court-mandated sentence is complete. The State Election Board is not notified when the Department of Corrections chooses to discharge a person early or the governor's office approves a commutation

Prior to being released, Alexander says nobody explained this process to her.

"Everyone in prison believes that once you're sentenced to a felony, you're no longer able to vote ever again," she said.

Each state imposes its own voting restrictions for felons, which can contribute to the confusion. While Maine and Vermont let their prisoners cast mail-in ballots from their cells, Kentucky permanently bans any person with a violent felony

conviction from ever voting. An estimated 5.1 million people nationwide are disenfranchised because of their criminal record, according to an October 14 report by The Sentencing Project, a Washington, D.C.-based criminal justice research and reform advocacy group.

The Sentencing Project estimates 56,995 Oklahomans are disenfranchised. However, this number is likely missing thousands of people like Alexander who have been discharged from Department of Corrections supervision but are still serving out their full sentences.

voting rights when they meet recipients. Donna Thompson.

Thompson, the prison ministry director for the Oklahoma Baptist State Convention, has mastered the state's voting law. She says formerly incarcerated people most commonly assume that their felony conviction permanently bars them from voting. Others believe that as long as they're not in prison, they're eligible to vote.

Oklahoma's voting law can



be difficult to grasp, Thompson says, because the vast majority of inmates accumulate good behavior credits and are released before their full calendar sentence is completed.

"Many times we have to show people that the Department of Corrections is one agency and the State Election Board is another agency," Thompson said.

Thompson uses a simple equation — conviction date plus their original court-mandated sentence— to calculate when a formerly incarcerated person's voting rights will be **Fighting Misinformation** restored. For now, Thompson

and Increasing Registration and other voting rights adfelony conviction learn of their equation for commutation

Intended to correct an unjust or excessive sentence, the Oklahoma Pardon and Parole Board has approved thousands of commutation requests since 2018. That's a stark increase from 2014, when the Pardon and Parole Board didn't review a single commutation applica-

With the number of commuand State Sen. George Young, D-Oklahoma City, say they've asked the State Election Board and attorney general's office to clarify if commutation recipients must serve out their original sentence before being eligible to vote. So far, Young says neither agency has provided a clear answer.

"I can't get anyone to answer these questions for me," he said. "I'm scared to death to tell those individuals to go and register."

In an email, State Election Board Spokesperson Misha Morr said the agency can't advise people on whether or not they're eligible to vote, and they should contact an attorney

New legislation would likely be needed to restore voting rights to commutation recipients, as well as others who are discharged from state supervision early, Young said. He hopes to discuss the matter during the next legislative session, though he says it could be difficult to convince some tough-on-crime legislators that the state's voting laws need updating.

'Why are we penalizing Many Oklahomans with a vocates are using this same folks who have, to the best of their abilities, done what they're supposed to do," he said. "They're working, going back to school, trying to earn a living. We should at least talk about it and see if there's some pathway for them to exercise

their constitutional rights." Many Released, Few Registered to Vote

A year later, most of the 527 people released as part of last November's mass commutatations on the rise, Thompson tion have managed to stay free from state supervision. An Oklahoma Watch analysis of Department of Corrections data found 427, or 81 percent of the commutation recipients, are not in prison or on parole. An analysis of voter registration data found just 25 of these 427 people, or 5.9 percent, are registered to vote.

Many of the 427 are in the same situation as Alexander — under no state supervision but still serving out a courtmandated sentence. Hundreds of others have completed their calendar-day sentences for low level drug and property crimes.

Before leaving prison, Oklahoma inmates work with case managers to develop a pre-release plan. These plans can help inmates find housing and identify job opportunities. Voting is a subject left unad-

States like Washington have passed legislation requiring that inmates be notified of their voting rights before leaving state custody. According to Young, Oklahoma needs to develop its own plan to inform felons that their right to vote will eventually be restored.

"If you're coming out of prison, you may not be listening to everything that's being said to you because you're excited about getting released," Young said. "But there ought to be some way we can sit down with them and outline when they'll be able to vote."

Voter Registration and **Recidivism Rates**

Allowing and encouraging more convicted felons to vote could help drive down recidivism rates, according to a 2019 study by University of Pittsburgh political science professor Victoria Shineman. Shineman reached out to dozens of formerly incarcerated people in Virginia, informed them that their right to vote had been restored and asked if they'd be willing to participate in a study.

Those who agreed were surveyed about their trust in government both before and after casting a vote.

After registering to vote, the participants were much more likely to trust government and the democrat process, both indicators that a person is less likely to reoffend.

"You start to view yourself not as a criminal anymore, but as a citizen," Shineman told Oklahoma Watch. "You have confidence in your abilities, having trust in other people and institutions. All of those are characteristics and attitudes that make it easier for a person to reintegrate and build positive social networks."

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Purcell Register Obituaries

Jack Frank Angel

Jack Frank Angel passed away October 24, 2020 in Bangkok, Thailand. He was born May 3, 1927, the youngest child of Clarence and Ethel Angel in Ponca City, Okla.

Jack grew up in Purcell along with his brothers, Roy and Ralph, and sister, Anna Grace. He was married to Janice P. Angel, of Oklahoma City, from 1951-1972, with whom he had two daughters, Deborah and Daphne. He was married to Rayathip Sue Angel, of Bangkok, Thailand, from 1973 until his death.

Jack was a star athlete at Purcell High School, class of 1945, but left in April 1945 to enlist in the United States Coast Guard. He served aboard the USS Admiral C. F. Hughes (AP-124) crossing the Pacific to the Philippines during World War II.

Following his discharge, he attended the University of Oklahoma on a basketball scholarship and the GI Bill. Upon graduation, he was commissioned a second lieutenant, Quartermaster Corps, in the US Army. Certified a Master Parachutist, he served in airborne status throughout his Army career including Battalion Commander, 173rd Airborne Support Battalion in Vietnam, 1968-1969.

Upon retirement in 1971, he began a new phase of his life, settling in Bangkok, Thailand, where he took up distance running and remained a dedicated runner for the rest of his life. He and Sue ran innumerable marathons including the Marine Corps, New York and Boston marathons. They even climbed Mount Everest.

As an experienced parachutist, he and Sue worked with General Saiyud Kerdphol, Supreme Commander of the Royal Thai Armed Forces, in Operation MITRAPAB (Thai word for friendship) annual parachute demonstrations conducted by the Thai military and the Joint United States Military Advisory Group (JUSMAG) that supported building two hundred schools in Thailand.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers

He is survived by his wife, Sue; daughter, Deborah Angel-Schultz and husband, Ken Schultz, of Winter Park, Fla.; daughter, Daphne and husband, Tom Westerlund, of Mount Dora, Fla.; stepson, David Yoder and wife, Tristine, and their son, Noah, of San Diego, Calif.; grandson, Derek LaVelle and wife, Vanessa, and great-grandchildren, Cameron and Sofia LaVelle, all of Aurora, Colo.; mother-in-law, Srisupa Suwanmalai of Bangkok; sister-in-law, Noi and husband, Dang Johgklai, of Bangkok; and close family friends, Toi and Chase Scheier of Bangkok.

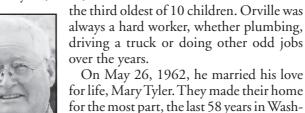
Jack continued subscribing to and reading The Purcell **Register** to the very end.

Remembrances may be sent to Sue, rayathip.sue.angel@ gmail.com; and Deborah, debkens@bellsouth.net.

Orville Hendrix

Don't cry because he's gone but smile because you knew

Orville Levi Hendrix was born in Washington, Oklahoma, February 10, 1942, to Daniel and Flora Hendrix. He was



On May 26, 1962, he married his love for life, Mary Tyler. They made their home for the most part, the last 58 years in Washington, Oklahoma. They shared love and laughter, along with struggles, lessons both

good and made it through the hard times. Together they raised their three children, Eric Hendrix, Karla Hendrix and Jimmie Hendrix.

Orville was a very humble man, who never knew his worth. There was no end to the things this man was capable of doing. He would stop and help anybody, whether he knew them or not. There are people in this world, that don't know they stood by greatness.

Although we will always miss him, we also know he's in a better place near the streets of gold, sitting there waiting on someone to come along and shuffle the dominos. May he rest in peace, and may we all take comfort that he's

He was preceded in death by his parents, Daniel and Flora Bell Hendrix; a sister, Ella Hanner and a brother, Darrell Hendrix.

Orville is survived by his wife of 58 years, Mary Hendrix of the home; his boys, Eric Hendrix and wife, Lisa, of Washington and Jimmie Hendrix of Washington; his daughter, Karla Hendrix of Washington; two sisters, Carolyn Hendrix of Washington and Julie Kelly of Norman; five brothers, Birk Hendrix of Bowie, Texas, Jerry Hendrix and wife, Cathy, of Washington, Lloyd Hendrix of Washington, Leon Hendrix of Norman and Carl Hendrix and wife, Vanessa, of Norman; five grandchildren, Kaylin Langford and husband, Zach, of Weatherford, Emily Hendrix of Washington, Skyler Smith and husband, Brandon, of Norman, Sara Cate and husband, Jesse, of Noble and Jessica Blok and husband, Nick, of Prairie Grove, Ark.; six great-grandchildren, Tatum, Minor, Gracie, Maddie, Kane and Kolby and a host of other family

Graveside Funeral Services were held Wednesday, November 4, 2020, at the Washington Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made at wilsonlittle.com.

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Bobby Joe Smith

Bobby Joe Smith died October 27, 2020 in Lexington, Oklahoma at the age of 37 years 8 months 6 days. Funeral services were held Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at Wadley's Funeral

Chapel, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service. Online condolences may be made at www.wadleysfuneralservice.com. Bobby was born February 21, 1983 in

Sallisaw, Oklahoma, to Robert and Gina (Ross) Smith. He was raised in Wanette, Oklahoma, graduating in 2001.

Bobby had a contagious laugh and was always doing something ornery to make

everyone smile. He was extremely athletic, and enjoyed playing basketball and baseball. Everyone who knew Bobby has their own story of him. He was a father, a son, a true friend, a helper, and a man who loved fast cars and freedom.

No matter the story, all would agree, Bobby loved fishing. He didn't care what the weather was like, if it was an option, you would find him on a river bank somewhere waiting on

Bobby also enjoyed sparing roosters. It was something he and his dad did to spend time together, and Bobby carried on the tradition. He never met a stranger, and had friends from all walks of life.

Above all, Bobby loved his family. Nothing in the world made him happier than spending time with the love of his life, Cherish, and his three beautiful children. Bobby loved watching Aleah play sports, graduate school and grow into the amazing and beautiful woman she is today. He loved to take his Paige-e-poo swimming and riding horses. They also had a nightly routine of making Daddy's special chocolate milk before bed. Bobby loved letting Braydon sit on his lap pretending to drive, and teaching him how to ride a bike, and taking them all fishing. He loved to snuggle with his family. It didn't matter what they were doing, if they were doing it together, everyone was happy.

Bobby was preceded in death by his father, Robert Dewayne Smith; his grandfathers, Jack Smith and Jr. James Ross; and his granddaughter, Adalyn Fay Oates.

He is survived by his mother, Gina Ross of Lone Grove; his love, Cherish Schramm of the home; his daughters, Aleah Smith of Wanette and Paige Smith of Lexington; his son, Braydon Smith of Lexington; his grandma, Virginia Ross of Lexington; his uncles, David Ross and Jimmy Ross, both of Lexington; his aunts, Audrey Durkee of Waynoka and Teresa Griffin of Pauls Valley; and numerous other relatives and friends.

Madley's Funeral Service, Inc. 303 W. Washington • P.O. Box 903 • Purcell, OK • (405) 527-6687

Jonee Lorena Gross died October 26, 2020 in Purcell, Okla-

homa at the age of 64 years 9 months 9 days. Funeral services

were held Friday, October 30, 2020 at Wadley's Funeral Chapel.

school in Santa Rosa.

enough to have known her, you were truly blessed. She was a

devoted mother, friend and wife, who would put others above her own needs. Jonee was a great cook, who never wanted a

She found joy in watching her son and friends play football; no matter what the distance or weather, nothing could keep her away. Jonee became part of the Momma Dragons, to support and be closer to her son. She was quick witted and

Jonee loved to travel, explore and shop; and occasionally

travel in the semi with her husband, Neil; and sometimes

the girls, Zoey and Taz, her poodles, would get to tag along.

Into her later years, as her body broke down, she never lost

Jonee was preceded in death by her father, Don Hannah;

her mother, Amy (Hobbs) Durr; her brothers, Clayton Durr

and Charles Durr; her grandparents, Henry and Gail (Parker)

She is survived by her spouse, Neil Gross of Purcell; her son,

Jeremy Gross and wife, Shelby, of Purcell; her sister, Jackie Durr of West Virginia; her nephew, Richard Durr of West

Virginia; her father-in-law, Richard Gross of Purcell; and dear friend, Denise Sharman of Phoenix, Arizona; and numerous

Hobbs; and her aunt and uncle, Jack and Betty Taylor.

Services were entrusted to the care of Wadley's

Funeral Service. Online condolences may be

Jonee was born January 17, 1956 in Santa

Rosa, California, to Don Hannah and Amy

(Hobbs) Durr. She was raised and attended

Jonee was easygoing, fun loving and had

a contagious laugh. If you were fortunate

made at www.wadleysfuneralservice.com.

Jonee Lorena Gross

soul to go hungry or without.

sharp as a tack.

her wit or her laugh.

other relatives and friends.

Asa W. Lawton

Asa W. Lawton, age 65, of Purcell, passed away October 31, 2020. He was born October 12, 1955, in Oklahoma City, to Kennison and Audrey Lawton. Asa was a software engineer with Boeing, and he loved to hunt and fish.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Danni Kelly; his son, Dr. Brian Lawton and his wife, Krissy, and their three children, Molly, Campbell and Jenna, all of Searcy, Ark.; his father, Kennison Lawton; his brother, Timothy Lawton; and his sister, Sara Manis.

A Celebration of Asa's life and scattering of his ashes will be held in the spring on the family ranch.

Arrangements by Havenbrook Funeral Home in Norman.

Rosa Lee Thomas

A Celebration of Life Memorial service for Rosa Lee Thomas, 87, was held Nov. 3, 2020 at the Calvary Free Will Baptist Church in Norman. Services were under the direction of the

She was born Dec. 14, 1932 in Greenfield, Okla., the daughter of Virgil and Mae Florence.

Survivors include her husband, Bob; son, Bobby Lee and wife, Rhonda Jo; two grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and a brother, Carol Florence and wife, Alene.

Online condolences may be made at wilsonlittle.com.

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Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mrs. Thomas died Oct. 26, 2020at her home.

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landscape.

voting rights to people with felony convictions has increased steadily since the 1990s, and law changes in states such as Florida and Iowa reflect the shift, Shineman said.

Most Americans draw the line at letting incarcerated people vote. A 2019 Hill-HarrisX poll found that 69 percent of Americans oppose the idea

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you to every corner of your

And don't forget the stock-

ing stuffers. Who doesn't need

extra plant tags, ties and gloves?

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are perfect for harvesting garden

produce, collecting weeds or

transporting anything from one

with a colorful Tubtrug.

space to another.

ballots.

Looking Ahead

Alexander, the commutation recipient from Enid, hasn't paid much attention to politics this election cycle. But there are areas where she thinks government leaders can help people in similar situations as her.

For starters, she says it's hard for people with criminal

Public support for restoring of letting inmates cast mail-in records to find adequate housing and employment, which can lead some to re-offend. It can

to be able to vote," she said. "Thinking about it is kind of exciting.

Keaton Ross is a 2020 Report for America corps member who covers prison conditions and criminal justice issues for Oklahoma Watch. Contact him at (405) 831-9753 or Kross@ Oklahomawatch.org. Follow him on Twitter at @_KeatonRoss.

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big storm or earthquake.

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Finally, any combustion appliances, including fireplaces, can produce carbon monoxide. Be sure to use a carbon monoxide alarm when the fireplace the necessary steps to ensure is in use.

Second, prevent fire in the is the smart thing to do.

And don't forget to add a This is especially important if home. Make certain that any your home was impacted by a combustibles, such as furniture, pillows, blankets, etc., are at least three feet away from woods. This will help reduce the fireplace. Coal or wood stoves should be at least three feet from the nearest wall, as well.

Third, be prepared. Have an emergency in case of fire. If you ever think that there is a chimney fire, call 911. Taking your chimney is clean and safe

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Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & *Blooms* magazine and her web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

also be difficult to scrape by on a full-time job that pays at or just above the minimum wage. If there's no change, the 2022

midterms and 2024 general elections will likely pass without Alexander's vote. Her voice could be heard by 2026, though. "I've just been expecting not

pared to 2,894 cast for Clinton in statewide balloting. in McClain County.

was good for 32.29 percent of Broyles. the vote.

Cole will return to Congress County saw the Republican to 614,290 in favor. for another term with 212,830 votes, including 15,320 in Mc- ing former Purcell resident Clain County.

Cole's perennial challenger, votes in the county and 90,350 the ballot. across the district.

Incumbent U.S. Sen. Jim voter displeasure in McClain Inhofe handily defeated his County. Democrat challenger, Abby

Hereceived 3,581 votes com- Broyles, 977,813 to 509,186 was 13,084 against to 5,612

His statewide tally of 503,289 14,572 for Inhofe to 3,859 for in favor.

candidate Jessica Garvin best-Terri Reimer 30,343 to 6,582.

Oklahoma voters didn't like Mary Brannon, received 3,208 either of the state questions on to 2,550 votes against. Both measures also drew

The county total on SQ 805 Page 9A.

for. The statewide vote saw McClain County totals were 922,156 no votes to 587,502

SQ 814 failed in McClain The lone Oklahoma legisla- County 11,611 to 6,840 and District 4 Congressman Tom tive race affecting McClain statewide by 876,407 against

> The lone McClain County local vote was for a 5 percent lodging tax in Blanchard.

It failed with 1,616 votes for

Blanchard has no hotels, motels or other lodging.

Complete results for Mc-Clain County can be found on



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Animal shelter improvements

The Purcell Animal Shelter recently received donations from the community that allowed it to cover dog runs on the east side of the facility. Pictured are, kneeling from left, Kaden Pliler, Anastyn Pliler and Purcell Animal Shelter supervisor Louise Zastrow. Standing are, from left, Rachel Bell, Angela Pliler, Skyler Campbell, Mitchell Taggart and Taylor Marcum.

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continue to be dry and continue to stay dry, which means the fire danger goes up," he said. "There will be some rain, but we have what is called a one hour lag time fuel. What that means is it only takes about an hour for those fuels to go back to dry conditions following a moisture event."

The fire danger is not just for rural land. Property owners within city limits also need to be cautious. David Hillock, OSU Extension consumer horticulturist, said there are a number of steps homeowners can take to improve safety around their homes.

"Things as simple as keeping the grass mowed down, raking back leaves and cleaning out gutters can help save your home from a fire. Also, remove items from around the home that can burn easily, such as firewood, dense vegetation and flammable trees like redcedar," he said. "Keep the trees pruned on your property to cut down on fire fuel."

While some homeowners enjoy lots of trees on their property, Hillock said flames can move through them quickly. He advised residential tree pruning.

of Agricultural Sciences and teachers.

Natural Resources' agricultural television program, has an informative segment on wildfire prevention.

OSU Extension also has additional information online regarding wildfire prevention and management.

Another useful source of fire management information is the Oklahoma Mesonet, a worldclass network of environmental monitoring stations designed by scientists at OSU and the University of Oklahoma.

The site also offers complete weather information, as well SUNUP, OSU's Division as educational material for



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Injections.

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Surgery

Precinct volunteers

Volunteers were busy during the general election Tuesday at the Purcell Memorial Assembly of God precinct. Election workers at that location included John Hobbs, Gayla Moore, Deb Wollenberg and Cynthia Walters.

Do You Suffer From:

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He earned his medical degree from Punjab University-King Edward Medical College in Lahore, Pakistan. He has led many research studies in his field and has been published in dozens of peer-reviewed journals and research articles.

Dr. Latif is accepting patients in his Purcell office. To schedule an appointment, call 405-231-3737.



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Long voting line McClain County voters braved windchills and a strong north wind to line up Thursday for in-person absentee voting at the county election board. At one point

the line wrapped all the way south to the alley.

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Blue reminded the council following a wind storm. that the ODWC's Boating and first-served basis.

Funding would be available

"Seventy-five percent is a good deal," council member Lights from the Heart. Graham Fishburn said before to approve a resolution authorizing the city to apply for the grant.

The council also approved an ordinance raising the age to interchange, Main StreetScape, purchase tobacco and vaping new hospital construction and products from 18 to 21.

City manager Dale Bunn told the council that the 2020 Census "excellent turnout."

Bunn also said the city has be checked. given OEC Fiber a list of customer addresses.

Bunn said during last week's winter storms, linemen from the city's Electric Department are working to have it certified worked 20 hours straight due by the Oklahoma Commerce to ice accumulations.

After a brief break, they were back on the job making repairs

All but two linemen then trav-Fishing Access Program grants eled to Tecumseh and worked 12 Karen Shields; are awarded on a first-come, more hours helping to restore electrical power there.

Meanwhile, workers in the "when it rolls around," Blue Street Department have started putting up Christmas light displays at the lake for this year's

The annual display is schedthe council voted unanimously uled to open at 5 p.m. November

> Bunn also provided updates on the State Highway 74 and I-35 marketing plans for the long sidelined Continental Gateway.

The 600-acre site was origiis complete and Purcell had an nally supposed to be a location where goods from Mexico could

> The property, which is inside the city limits, is now owned by the county and commissioners Glen Murray and Wilson Lyles Department.

In other business, the council:

• declared 607 Jefferson a

dilapidated structure;

- denied a tort claim filed by
- approved meeting dates and holidays for 2021;
- approved a resolution to allow Oklahoma Municipal Assurance Group escrow funds totaling \$20,316.30 to be applied to the city's Workers' Compensation policy premium;
- approved a \$12,000 budget amendment from the Street and Alley account, and
- approved a \$494,855.05 budget amendment. That money is Purcell's share of the state's \$1 billion CARES Act allocation. From page 1A

with a care package, please email Liz Leonard with their name and address at leonardl@ purcellps.org by November 9.

Most of all, PHS National Honor Society members want to thank all those who have served and sacrificed for our

Everyone will be eternally grateful.

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School parking lot starting at been handed out to those in 9 a.m. The parade will end attendance for drawing prizes. around 10 a.m. with Santa on hand to hand out goodie bags. put in random goodie bags. Unfortunately, there will be no picture taking with Santa Santa will ask how many kids

From page 1A

This year the tickets will be

When a vehicle pulls up,

are in the car and he will present Also, in the past tickets have that many goodie bags.

tickets that will win bicycles. There will be 10 silver tickets the winners will be required to return for their gift and there will be a number of bronze tickets that will win a turkey or a ham.

There will be two golden

From page 1A

livery.

day.

p.m. that day.

Courthouse and city halls in Purcell, Lexington, Goldsby, Washington and Wayne. There will be no mail de-

The Purcell Register will publish on Tuesday and the paper will be available at 2:30

The paper's advertising deadline will be 11 a.m. Mon-

McClain Bank and First United Bank will be closed. Schools in Purcell, Lexing-

ton, Washington and Wayne

will have classes on Wednes-

day, as will Mid-America

Technology Center.

\$10,490.52 from Purcell for electrical service to six lots initially sold in the addition.

Eighteen more lots have been sold in the years since, but Cox never asked for the reimbursement of \$1,748.42 per meter until now.

The total before the trustees was \$31,471.56.

Developers who bring electric service to individual lots -work normally performed by the city's Electric Department-can seek reimbursement for their costs when those lots sell and the meters are activated.

After some discussion, trustees approved the reimbursement with one provision – that Cox seek reimbursement on the five stroke patients," he said. "A lot

outstanding lots as they are sold. Trustees also heard a disturb-

ing report from Jackie Wadley of Wadley EMS. While reporting quarterly fig-

ures for July through September, Wadley shared the fallout from Oklahoma's spiking COVID-19 numbers. Even as transports of CO-

VID-19 patients have risen, hospitals across the Oklahoma City metro are at capacity and aren't accepting patients. Norman Regional has been "completely packed" at all its

facilities for the last month, Wadley said. "The only thing they will take from us are heart attack or

of patients we know will have to go somewhere else." That somewhere else is in-

creasingly OU Health Edmond Medical Center. "We've probably made five trips to OU Edmond in the last

week," he said. Those transfers eat miles and time, taking an ambulance out of service at least an hour lon-

ger than a transfer to Norman Regional or an Oklahoma City hospital. Purcell Municipal Hospital

has been great, taking up much of the slack, Wadley continued.

It's gotten so bad that Wadley is getting calls from the hospitals at Ada and Duncan asking if he can do transfers for them.



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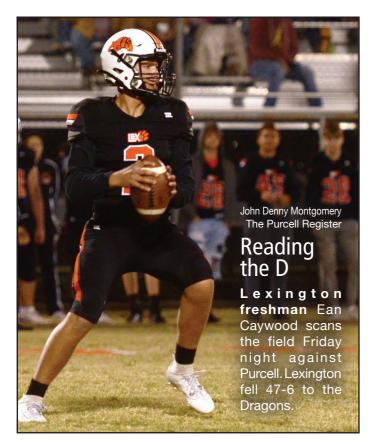
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'Dawgs-CCS game cancelled

Was scheduled for Friday night

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Lexington was scheduled to host CCS this Friday as the 2020 regular season draws to a close.

However, the game has

been cancelled according to head coach Keith Bolles. Big plays spelled big trou-

Please see **Lex**, page 4B

Mojo Browning was the first receiver to snag a scor-

Titus Mason hauled in a pass at the Purcell five yard line

and turned it into a 95-yard scoring play.

Creed Smith grabbed two touchdown passes one for

ing aerial off the arm of the senior signal caller, a 19 yard

reception to open the scoring.

ble for Lexington once again

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Sprint right

Washington senior Jaxon Sanchez rushes the ball for the Warriors. After last week's game against Crooked Oak was cancelled, Washington looks for a District showdown Friday against Christian Heritage Academy.

District title on the Line

Warriors can win it out-right or split with CHA and CC

John D. Montgomery
The Purcell Register

Washington will be playing for the out-right district championship when it hosts Christian Heritage Academy Friday night at 7 p.m.

The Warriors, 8-1 overall, bring a 4-0 district record into the contest while CHA is 6-3 overall and 5-1 in district.

CHA's lone league setback came at the hands of CCS so a CHA victory over Washington would leave a three-way tie for the title.

Friday night's contest is also Little League Appreciation night. Little Leaguers will get to run onto the field with the Warriors and each team will be recognized at halftime.

The Crusaders operate out of a spread on offense and are

The Dragons have been working on increasing produc-

"I thought we did a decent job of running the ball," Scott

Please see **Dragons**, page 2B

tion in the run game.

a quick hitting team.

"They can score very, very quickly," Washington Head Coach Brad Beller said. "They have several weapons including two very tall wide receivers.

"One of them is 6'5" so they stretch your defense leaving your front seven vulnerable. It makes it harder to bring pressure because you have to pay so much attention to the wide receivers," Beller continued.

Beller noted the Crusaders are "very well coached" in the offensive line.

On defense CHA operates out of a 3-3 stack but are very multiple.

They move their front

Please see **Warriors**, page 4B



Mason led the receiving chart with five catches for 125

yards. Browning ended the contest with four catches for

91 yards. Smith netted 48 yards receiving on seven snags.

Ryker Fink had 76 of Purcell's 115 total rushing yards.

Ochoa had two catches for 53 yards.

The Dragons rolled up 468 yards of offense.



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Mano a mano

Wayne linebacker Brannon Lewelling (22) goes head to head with a Ringling ball carrier Friday night. The Bulldogs fell to the Blue Devils 36-0. Lewelling had 13 tackles.

Wayne eyes Stratford

Looking to bounce back from loss to Ringling

JohnDennyMontgomery The Purcell Register

Wayne was defeated 36-0 Friday night by Ringling.

The Blue Devils (5-0 District, 7-0 overall) were able to exploit the Bulldog secondary while Wayne's defense slowed down their run game.

"We held our own against the run on defense," Wayne head coach Brandon Sharp said. "They were able to throw it up and they got some touchdown passes."

Ringling, defending Class A champions, was as advertised.

"They were outstanding," Sharp said. "They are the defending State champions with lots of guys back. They are who they are."

Wayne held Ringling to just over 100 yards rushing on 29 carries.

"We felt like our kids did a decent job against the run," Sharp said. Brannon Lewelling regis-

tered 13 tackles and Maddox Mantooth had seven tackles.

Kevin Bynum intercepted a Ringling pass in the game.

Offensively for Wayne, Ethan Mullins rushed for 69 yards on 22 carries.

"They definitely zeroed in on

District A-4 standings

	DISTRICT	Overali	Hebreaker
Ringling	5-0	7-0	75
Wayne	4-1	5-2	27
Elmore City	3-1	4-2	31
Dibble	3-2	4-4	21
Rush Springs	2-4	4-5	-22
Healdton	1-3	2-4	-17
Stratford	1-4	2-6	-55
Wynnewood	0-4	0-6	-60
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him," Sharp said. "They have a long time," Sharp said. "We only given up 18 points all year. It was a personal challenge for them to shut down our run game and we couldn't throw to loosen up their defense."

Stratford

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Wayne is set to host Stratford (1-4 in District, 2-6 overall) Friday at 7 p.m.

Last year's meeting was cancelled mid-game due to

torrential rain and lightning. "This has been a rivalry for of the Week.

always want to beat them like they want to beat us."

Stratford will operate a power run game with power I and use wing and slot positions.

They have a talented young quarterback and two senior receivers he likes to throw to.

"Their record doesn't show how good they are," Sharp said. "Coach (Michael) Blackburn always does a good job with them."

Wayne head coach Brandon Sharp nominated Brannon **Lewelling** for Defensive Player

From page 1B

Dragons:

make improvements to help us touchdowns. run the ball."

once again led the tackling chart making 13 stops against the Bulldogs.

"Sam played well," Scott said. "He's our leader week to week. He's consistent and is a really good player that has a nose for the ball."

Scott praised the play of all his defensive backs including Ochoa and Smith on the outside and linebacker Brodrick Smith on the inside.

Daytin Smith finished with nine tackles and in the defensive line Johnny Marquez had 10 stops. Jaysen Shea registered five tackles. Coach spelled him with Brendan Bacon who was credited with three tackles.

"We came out and played well defensively," Scott said. "We shut down the things they were trying to do and had a lot of guys running to the ball. We also got pressure on their young quarterback.

Due to COVID quarantining of numerous Purcell players including several starters, the Dragons will not be making the trip to Bethel Friday for their scheduled district game with the Wildcats, Scott confirmed.

Dragon notes:

Purcell Head Coach **Tracy** Scott nominated Kody Kroth

said. "We've been trying to passing for 353 yards and six broke up a pass.

Mr. Consistent Sam Wofford Smith as the Defensive Player of the Week with a grade of 91 of the Week.

Smith finished with eight tackles including a sack, had

Johnny Marquez was nomi-Scott nominated Creed nated as the Offensive Lineman percent.

Marquez was also nominated as the Defensive Lineman of the two quarterback hurries and Week with 10 tackles.



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One-handed grab

as the Offensive Player of Hayden Harp makes a circus-catch for a touchdown Friday the Week. Kroth ways 21-31 night during Purcell's 47-6 win over Lexington.



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Slashing run

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Other Waste

Ryker Fink runs the ball for Purcell Friday night against Lexington. The Dragons defeated the Bulldogs 47-6. Fink had 76 of Purcell's 115 total rushing yards.





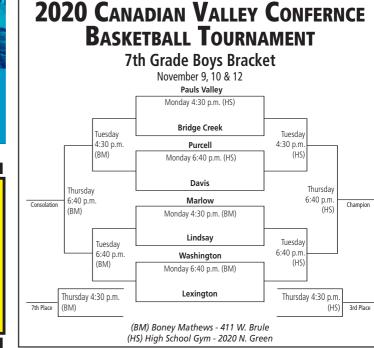
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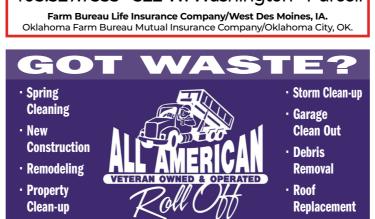


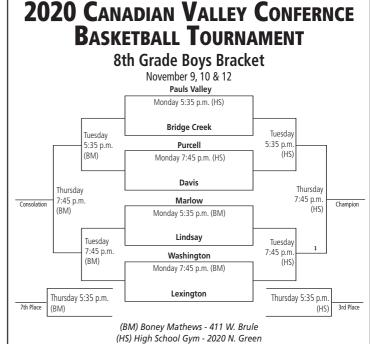




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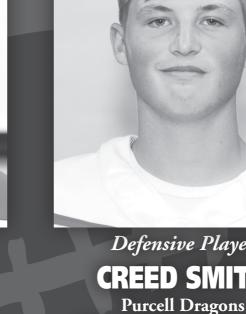
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Offensive Player **KODY KROTH**

Purcell Dragons Kroth threw for 353 yards and six touchdowns last week.



Defensive Player

CREED SMITH

Smith made eight tackles including a sack, had two quarterback hurries and broke up a pass.



Offensive Lineman **JOHNNY MARQUEZ**

Purcell Dragons Marquez graded out at 91 percent last week.

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Defensive Lineman

JOHNNY MARQUEZ

Purcell Dragons Marquez registered 10 tackles for the Dragons last Friday night.

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Fighting through blocks

Lexington junior Heath Winterton fights through a block and makes a tackle Friday night against Purcell. Lexington was defeated 47-6.

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as the Purcell Dragons beat the at Floyd West Field.

nities in the first half," Bolles the sideline from freshman

secondary early. We just didn't some big plays. It was just one under such pressure. of those nights where we have for next week.

they are learning and growour seniors, who are helping under." them learn. I'm proud of my any quit in them."

the third quarter when Chase "We missed some opportu- Johnson hauled in a pass near quarterback Ean Caywood and "We had some miscues in the raced 71 yards for the score.

Caywood started his very execute the way we wanted first varsity game last Friday to. We fell behind quickly on and Bolles thought he did well

"It's the toughest position to to regroup again and get ready play," Bolles said. "Everybody sees the quarterback and the "I hate it for these kids but position is always the guy who gets the most attention on the ing. We have some young field. I thought he did a fine guys out there and we have job under the pressure he was

guys because there is never be honest," Caywood said. "It tions near the goal line. I should was nerve wracking but it felt have made better decisions. We Purcell eventually carved great. I was just glad to be out need to focus, play our game, out a 34-0 halftime advantage. there and thankful to be able and finish every play."

Lexington scored its only to do it. I just tried to perform 'Dawgs, 47-6, last Friday night touchdown with 9:58 left in to the best of my abilities, the best that I could. I messed up way to many times tonight on little things but I'm learning and I'll come back and get those corrected."

Caywood showed his rookie jitters late in the second half. He threw two interceptions inside the 10-yard line as he was striving to get the 'Dawgs back into the game.

"One thing about football is not everything is going to be perfect," Caywood said. "You just have to be ready and handle things as they come. I was definitely pressuring myself too "It felt great to be a starter to much on those two intercep-

From page 1B

around and their linebackers match up. around making you guess but don't break type of defense. They're not huge up front but they try to get penetration to stop your run game before it gets started."

Since Washington's game with Crooked Oak was cancelled due to COVID issues at Crooked Oak, Washington's coaching staff split up with some scouting the Marlow-Frederick game and some scouting the Holdenville-CHA

where they're coming from," feel for a team by watching game of the season for the the coach said. "They are a bend them play in person as opposed Warriors with Holdenville beto just film," Beller said.

The Crooked Oak cancel-"Sometimes you get a better lation was the second district

District 2A-3 standings

	District	Overall	Tiebreaker
Washington	4-0	7-1	58
CHA	4-1	6-3	37
CCS	4-1	8-1	23
Purcel1	2-3	4-5	4
Bethel	1-3	5-3	-20
Holdenville	1-3	2-4	-37
Lexington	0-5	1-7	-65



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Push off

Chase Allison keeps a Bethel defender at bay earlier this year. Washington hosts Christian Heritage Academy Friday after Crooked Oak cancelled their game against the Warriors last week due to COVID-19.



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Trying for the edge

Wayne quarterback Ethan Mullins (7) gets a block from Kevin Bynum (88) on the edge during Wayne's game against Ringling Friday night. Wayne lost 36-0.



• Photo provided

Christmas spirit

Bill's Pawn Shop owner Bill Henning presents Peggy Christian with a check for McClain County Operation Christmas. Volunteers for Operation Christmas are always needed. Those wishing to volunteer can call Peggy Christian at 405-990-4001. Monetary donations may be mailed to Darrell Ford, Chairman, McClain County Operation Christmas, at P.O. Box 756, Purcell, Okla., 73080.

Gardening gifts that provide years of enjoyment

By Melinda Myers

Pumpkin is not just for dessert. Consider using this low calorie, flavorful vegetable, botanically classified as a fruit, fall or holiday meals.

The beta carotene that gives an important antioxidant. Increasing the beta carotenes in your diet can reduce the risk of developing some cancers and provide protection against heart disease.

And do not throw the seeds instead and enjoy the antiinflammatory benefits of this snack. Remove the pulp by rinsing the seeds in cold water.

Spread the seeds in a single layer on a baking sheet treated with a non-stick cooking oil. Lightly salt. Bake at 325° for 25 minutes. Stir the seeds after 10 minutes. Allow to cool and store any leftovers, if there are any, in an airtight container.

Harvest pumpkins when the fruit is fully colored and the rind has lost its shine and is pumpkin will turn brown and contribute to decay. die when the fruit is fully ripe.

Use a pruning shear to cut the stem and avoid damage to the plant and your harvest. Leaving several inches of the pumpkin's in any of the courses of your stem intact increases their storage life.

pumpkin its orange color is fruit with intact stems when buying pumpkins from the grocery store or farmers' market.

Always harvest pumpkins before the first frost. Or cover plantings with floating row covers, old sheets or blankets when frost is in the forecast. in the compost pile, roast them Protecting plants from the first few frosty nights can keep them growing until the remaining frost-free days of the season are back in the forecast.

> Only store pumpkins free of soft spots, cuts and other damage that can lead to decay. Cleaning them before storing can help extend their shelf life. Wipe them down with a dilute solution of one tablespoon of bleach per gallon of water.

Allow them to dry thoroughly before placing them in storage. Washing the fruit removes bachard. The curly tendrils near the teria and fungal spores that can ers.com.

Store pumpkins in a dark, dry, cool location between 50 and 60 degrees for storage. Place them in a single layer on cardboard, crates or wooden shelves. Avoid storing them directly on a concrete floor that And look for blemish-free can lead to rot.

> Check pumpkins regularly for rot and soft spots. Remove any that show signs of rot and add them to the compost pile. Pumpkins that are stored properly can last for several months.

Remember to take time this season to enjoy the harvest and flavor as you cook up some tasty, nutritious pumpkin dishes this fall.

Melinda Myers is the author of more than 20 gardening books, including Small Space Gardening.

She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationallysyndicated "Melinda's Garden Moment" TV & radio program.

Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and her web site is www.MelindaMy-

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Washington Elementary Students of the Week

AngieSteele

Washington Correspondent

Congratulations to Washington Elementary Students of the VID-19 Indoor Guidelines Week! Seth Flora, Jace Mize and Kyan Griffith represent basketball, etc their second-grade classes for the week of November 2-6.

Seth Flora is in Mrs. Bates class. He loves to eat pizza and favorite class at school is math sion workers. and his favorite movie is *Trolls*. to play basketball.

Mrs. Burch's class is represented by Jace Mize. He loves to eat steak and his favorite color is at school and his favorite movie facilities: is *Home Alone*. When he grows

ley's class. She likes to eat burgers and her favorite movie is the Kyan grows up, she is going to be a chiropractor.

College Board Scholars

Congratulations to Washington Seniors Evan Boothe and Payton Glasgow for being recognized as College Board Scholars in the National Rural program.

Both students scored in the top 2.5 percent of the PSAT nathem to highlight their outstanding educational achievements to top colleges and universities.

Little League Basketball Sign Ups

Washington Little League folders last week. The parent attendance. information and sign up meeting will be held on Sunday, November 8, at 2 p.m.

The first games will be held December 12 and December 19. Week 3 games will continue starting January 7.

Please have your player's form turned in to your school office or bring to the meeting. If you have questions, please email washllbasketball@gmail.com.

Lunch is served at the Washington Senior Center at 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday for senior citizens in the community.

Age 60 and over and any age

with a disability \$2 donation, 59 and below meal charge is \$5.

Jam music is held on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, November 5—

Potluck stew, cornbread, Rice will be allowed in concession the veteran or surviving spouse Krispy Treats. Friday, November 6—Ham,

rolls, pecan pie squares. Monday, November 9—

beans, ice cream, cookies.

Tuesday, November 10 cherry cheesecake.

Wednesday, November 11 galic bread, fruit and Jell-O.

Thursday, November 12— Pork loin roast, stuffing and reflect good sportsmanship. gravy, broccoli, pumpkin dump cake.

butter chews.

Washington School CO-

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Face Coverings—Masks, gaiters, etc. are required for

the following inside facilities: *Washington school employhis favorite color is blue. His ees, gate workers and conces-

*Washington students when When Seth grows up, he wants they can not practice social distancing. (Washington students are required to carry a face covering at all times)

Face Coverings are suggested blue. Jace enjoys learning math for the following while inside

Participants (officials, coachup, he wants to be a chiropractor. es, players), security, specta-Kyan Griffith is in Mrs. Tal-tors, media, sports medicine/ training.

Exceptions to wearing a Lion King. She enjoys learning face covering: Students who math at school and she likes to are actively participating, and play tennis and bow hunt. When those individuals with medical documentation that states they should not wear a face covering.

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This limitation may be different for indoor facilities as compared to outdoor facilities.

B. Refrain from congregating in large groups in areas after events. Please exit the building promptly at the conclusion of the event.

C. Please help us by picking up all the trash in your area and placing it in a waste basket.

D. No spectators will be al-Washington Senior Center lowed inside facilities during practices.

> there may be seats marked off as unavailable. Please refrain is submitted electronically, from sitting in these areas.

All meals are served with a F. For participants, coaches, of receipt. beverage, dessert and salad bar. and officials, no shared water bottles, towels clothing, or

> G. We request that participants bring their own personal water bottles.

> stands, and other certain areas.

I. We request you use hand sweet potatoes, green peas, hot sanitizer before entering. Sanitizer will be available at entries.

Hamburgers, oven fries, baked oughly when visiting the and our volunteers' health, we restroom.

K. While we believe sports-Beans, spinach, cornbread, manship is paramount to the development of young people, at this time we will recommend no Lasagna, Italian green beans, handshaking between opposing teams, but encourage a team acknowledgment from afar to

> L. Visiting teams are asked to follow the above protocols.



• Photo by Suzy Talley

Students of the Week

Seth Flora, Jace Mize and Kyan Griffith represent their second grade classes at Washington Elementary School as Students of the Week for November 2-6.

Friday, November 13—Hot Visiting teams/schools are volunteers are participating sliders, soup, chips, peanut responsible for their own student's wellness and sanitizing while on the WPS campus.

Only Washington Public Schools school teams and Washington Little League basketball teams will be allowed to use gymnasiums.

Washington Little League will be responsible for providing cleaning materials as well as cleaning and sanitizing all areas after their practices and games. No individuals or traveling team practices will be allowed.

No organization may use facilities for meetings, etc unless they have prior permission from administration.

All items subject to change. Washington Public Schools

Calendar November 6—HS Football,

home vs. Christian Heritage, 7 p.m.

November 7—Cheer Game Day Regional, at Stroud, 2 p.m. November 12—Veterans Day Music Program, 1:30-2:30

November 13 – Veterans 10:30 a.m.

November 23-27—Thanksgiving Break, No School.

Dale K. Graham Veterans **Foundation**

What a week for Oklahoma! Between using my chainsaw and hauling brush after the ice storms, it will take a while for the back pain to go away. I guess we are luckier than the many folks who still don't have electricity in our state.

As we continue to move to a virtual system to assist veterans and surviving spouses with their VA claims, there may be a delay after your first online request for assistance before you hear from us. We have a large number of claims that we're working through as diligently and quickly as possible. Please be patient and know we'll get to you soon.

The good news is that claims submitted electronically are processed faster by the VA. When I fill out a VA Form 21-526ez electronically and provide the evidence files E. At some of our venues, needed to support a disability's service-connection, everything and we receive confirmation

Our new software systems are genuinely moving our organization to the forefront when assisting veterans and their families. One of the most important benefits that this system H. Only necessary personnel is that a DKGVF volunteer and can be at home in front of their computer or talk by phone to file for VA benefits.

With COVID-19 continuing J. Please wash hands thor- to threaten both our veterans feel that all of us should do our part to keep safe.

To better serve you, we have purchased new computers, monitors and scanners. We have also upgraded our internet speed and security to transition to an all-virtual claims process.

I encourage all veterans and surviving spouses to become familiar with our website dkgvf. org. When you open the site, click on start a claim, fill out the intake forms, tell us what you want to do. Also, be prepared to upload a copy of your DD214 and any VA ratings or denials you have.

When uploading medical records, please only submit the pages supporting your request for the service-connection of a disability or an increase. You should also upload any VA Disability Benefits Questionnaires that support your request. We want every veteran to receive the VA benefits for which they are eligible.

Look for Us!

The Norman Veterans Committee is hosting the 2020 Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony at Reaves Park on Sunday, November 8. Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation

in the parade. We hope you'll come out and support them along with all of the other veterans represented in the parade.

The parade is at 2 p.m. The Veterans Ceremony will be held at Reaves Park from 3-4:30 p.m.

Stay warm and safe!

Semper Fi! Dale K. Graham

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I would love to share your personal or community news with our readers.

My contact information is angiesteele73@gmail.com or 413-2471 if you have any news to share, story ideas, or if you have someone you would like to see a feature article about. Send me birthday, anniversary, or personal news you would like to share with our community. **Angie Steele**



Red Ribbon Week participants

Washington High school teachers joined in on the festivities for Red Ribbon week. WHS students and teachers are saying No to Drugs. Coach TJ Scholz the Tiger King came in to share the limelight with the tigers, Gena Flick, Brandi Castle and Haley Price.



College Board Scholars

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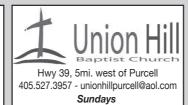
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Purcell, OK

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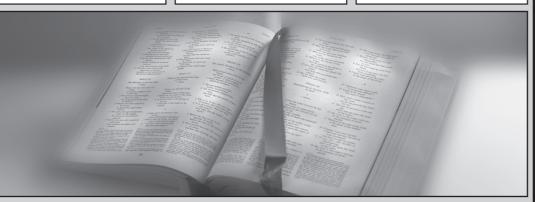
Sunday Bible Class Worship Evening 6 p.m Wednesday Bible Class 7 p.m. Search Ministries Sunday 7:30 a.m. Channel 34 www.searchtv.org



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Lexington Westside Church of Christ

Tuesday Night? Well, That's Prayer Night

And by the way, I think this is the first time I've begun a is a time like no other. You understand.

thought things would have come to this? Terrorists blowing up buildings, some other world power apparently intentionally spreading a deadly virus, and our own news media reaching a point where they only report one side of argument, which is a greater threat to our democracy than any foreign power could be. But we should not be surprised, I guess: All great world powers fall from within, not without. President Lincoln, quoting the Lord, said it well centuries ago: A house divided cannot stand.

The only answer I can offer you today is that if ever we needed prayer, Tuesday night would have been a good time to hit your knees. On Tuesday, November 3, the Lord decided

Alas, the election is over. the strength of this nation, not for its downfall.

Think a moment--Can there column with 'alas," but this be any doubt that the Lord is going to do one of two things: Reach down and try to save us I mean, who would've from ourselves, or turn us over to the wolves – with the hook, the line, and the sinker?

Our blessed country was built many years ago upon biblical and Christian principles. How far have we erred from that foundation in the past two-anda-half centuries? Can we assert that we are a stronger spiritual nation now that then? I wonder who would stand up and answer that question in the affirmative.

Really, the only answer that those who do not hold to spiritual principles can offer is maybe a, "Well, this country is not supposed to be built upon a respect for God" - and I'd not want to be standing next to that person when they declare something like that. The Lord hasn't sent lightning down from heaven recently, as far our next president. Our prayer as I know; but I have a hard is that His decision will be for time believing that he hasn't

put his hand on the lightning lever a few times.

We preach rights – we trumpet that message in every corner of the land – and that is the right thing to preach because the Constitution states that "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights ..."

All men – and there is no asterisk there – all men are created on level ground, equal footing. And when the Lord decides into whose hands to put our fragile country for the next few years, we pray that He will choose to put one whose policies will take us back closer to the original proclamation, that this country is "endowed by their Creator." Let's not be deceived: It's not the president who endows us, or the Congress or Senate. God endows us. So say our Constitution and our forefathers at the inception of our great nation.

Please see **Westside**, page 7B

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Stella Bledsoe

holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1. The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven.

The Gospel reading is from Matthew, chapter 5, verses 1-12. This passage is often referred to as the Sermon on the Mount. The reading begins, "When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disteaching them."

Sometimes it is helpful to language as that presented by Eugene Peterson in "The Message." 3 "You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and God's rule. 4 "You're blessed when you feel you've lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you. 5 "You're blessed when you're content with just who you are — no more, no less. That's the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can't be bought.

6 "You're blessed when you've worked up a good appetite for God. He's food and drink in the best meal you'll ever eat. 7 "You're blessed when you care. At the moment of being 'care-full,' you find yourselves cared for. 8 "You're blessed when you get your inside world—your mind and heart—put right. Then you can

All Saints' Day is a solemn see God in the outside world. 9 "You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight.

in God's family.

10 "You're blessed when your commitment to God persecution drives you even deeper into God's kingdom. 11-12 "Not only that—count yourselves blessed every time people put you down or throw

is that the truth is too close for wearing a mask. us to read scripture in modern comfort and they are uncomfortable. You can be glad when that happens—give a cheer, even! —for though they don't like it, I do! And all heaven applauds. And know that you are

> ten into this kind of trouble." It is especially easy to identify with verse 3. Many of us have experienced that "end of your rope" feeling, especially since COVID-19. The second reading, 2 Corinthians 4:8-9 and 13b-18), offers us encouragement. Please read the entire

passage when you can.

Here is my short summary: Even though we are hard pressed, we are not destroyed. That's when you discover who Outwardly things look bad you really are, and your place but inwardly we are being renewed every day. Today's struggles are momentary; the eternal glory we are achieving provokes persecution. The far outweighs them. We need to not focus on what we see today because it is temporary. We need to focus on the unseen, eternity.

We are practicing social ciples came to him. He began you out or speak lies about you distancing and everyone is to discredit me. What it means asked to protect each other by

> Our Lady of Victory parish is located at the southwest corner of 3rd Street and Jefferson. The office is open Monday through Friday in the morning. The phone number is 527-3077.

Our Facebook page has links in good company. My prophets to both the English and Spanish and witnesses have always gotweekend masses. Weekend mass services are: English Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Spanish Sunday, 1 p.m. Daily masses are Tuesday, 9 a.m.; Wednesday, 12 noon; Thursday, 7 p.m. (Spanish), and Friday, 9 a.m.

Peace be with you.

Green Avenue Church of Christ

The Wednesday evening auditorium Bible class concluded a study of the third chapter of Ephesians and prepared to move on to the fourth chapter.

The Sunday morning adult class continued studying the of the concept of judging righteous judgment rather than judging by appearance. This week's class continued looking at an incident recorded in the second chapter of Mark where Jesus' critics accused some of His disciples of violating the Sabbath by picking a few heads of grain giving particular attention to the fact that "The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath," (Mark 2:27) and the implications that has for man in these days when God speaks to us by His Son.

During the morning assembly Keith Shackleford presented a lesson on the power of Jesus. The lesson noted His drawing power, His healing power and His forgiving power beginning with the reading of Luke 5:17.

The Sunday evening sermon addressed the question, "What is the church?" After noting the dictionary definition of the word, the lesson contrasted that with bible teaching on the subject. It was noted that the word "church" in the New Testament is translated from a common Greek word meaning 'called out' or 'assembly.'

The church meets at 407 Jackson and Green Avenue. Worship assemblies are at 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. every Sunday and Bible classes at 9:45 a.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Wednesday.

You can call the office at 527-4052 or email cofc_purcell@ hotmail.com.for correspondence courses or other information.

EASTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST "PREACHING FIRST CENTURY

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Bassett to retire from First Presbyterian of Rosedale

First Presbyterian Church upcoming retirement of long-N. Bassett.

After almost 22 years of service to the congregation, his last Sunday will be November 8 at 9:45 a.m.

Rev. Bassett is a 1973 graduate of Putnam City High School, and also holds a degree from Oral Roberts University in Tulsa. His past experiences include mission work in Great Britain and Africa.

For the secular work in Oklahoma, he has been employed in counseling service for youth and married couples. He has been at the Rosedale church since January 1999.

Married to Chris, he is the of Rosedale announces the father of their two children, Amanda of England and Richtime pastor, the Rev. Charles and of Norman, one of the voices heard on KGOU radio there. The Bassetts have two grandchildren, Ethan and Lila.

Retirement plans call for the couple to move from their A native of Oklahoma City, residence in Bethany and relocating to England, the home country of Mrs. Bassett.

> First Presbyterian Church is an active rnember of the Indian Nations Presbytery, an organization consisting of Presbyterian churches in central and western Oklahoma, Synod the Sun which has congregations in Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas; and Presbyterian Church USA, the general body of the denomination.



Wayne Students of the Month

October Students of the Month at Wayne Elementary School include (back) Kash Adams, Ayson Durrence, Gavin Parton, Brooklynn Ford, Levi Fields, Kaylee McSwain, Karlee Murray, Ariana Hatcher, Aubree Koivisto, Kooper Trent, Addison Martin and Dayton Wood.



Nation's defenders

USMC combat history spans 244 years

Johnson Road Baptist Church

Please refrain from replaying the outcome of our national, state and local elections of November 3. As Christians we must focus our attention in plus territory and there are on sharing the Good News of salvation for all mankind.

no place in our Christianity. There are too many challenges facing America to waste our time bemoaning who won and

We cannot fail in our God given responsibility of heavy lifting intercessory prayer for those in charge of developing a vaccine and drugs to overcome the coronavirus, those infected with the virus and those ministering to the patients.

several years ago I moved out of the pathway of devastating the recent ice storms in our area that brought power outages and broken limbs, we are reminded that bad weather and tragedy strikes everywhere.

We want to express our broken limbs on the grounds of Johnson Road.

Scripture text for the Sunday sermon was Jonah 1:1-7. In four short chapters we July 4, 1979. learn that Jonah was a power-

about a vine than a repentant city with a population of far more than 120,000. It is sad that of heaven swung open and a Jonah didn't live long enough to read John 3:16.

The great men in the Bible friends. were subject to the same highs and lows. Among those men is "Daniel's Devotion." were Moses, Joseph, David, Solomon and Paul. Every individual moves through life with moments of grandeur and

Even the great men of the Bible experienced events of failure. There are plus moments when our stock portfolio rises minus moments when our stock portfolio falls in minus Bitterness and bickering has territory. There are the "ups" and "downs" in life.

> My file cabinets hold many wonderful memories of my brothers and sisters who have moved on to Glory Land.

> Recently I found the life history of a godly man. Bill Williams entered this world on April 26, 1913.

Bill was 18 years of age when the Master came knocking on his heart's door. Bill accepted Jesus as his Lord and Master. My recent relief came when He was baptized at the First I realized how glad I was that Baptist Church on Main Street in Purcell.

On March 7, 1941, at 28 years hurricanes in Louisiana. After of age, Bill Williams traveled to Fort Sill Army Post and became a soldier. Bill served three years overseas in the European Theatre during WWII. He rose to the rank of Staff Sergeant.

Bill wasted no time after appreciation to our faithful being discharged and coming caretaker Mark Brown for home to Purcell. For the soon his knowledge of harvesting to be 34-year-old bachelor the next challenge was marriage. The bride to be was Faye Mark Brown provided the Cardwell. God blessed Bill and special music for Sunday Faye with a son, Bill Williams Jr. it was a sad day when Faye was diagnosed with cancer and said goodbye to the world on

God filled the lonely days ful evangelist, a disobedient for Bill and Arlene Cardwell. servant, a repentant sinner, a Arlene is a wonderful lady. On forgiven sinner and a hater of May 7, 1983, Bill and Arlene were united in marriage at the Jonah was more concerned First Baptist Church of Midwest City.

On Nov. 18, 2014, the door 101-year-old from Purcell was welcomed home by family and

Sermon title for this Sunday

Visitors are always invited to attend our Wednesday evening Bible Study at Johnson Road. The one hour study begins at 6 p.m.

moments of sorrow.

From page 6B

Westside:

When we are strong, we do all that is within our power to extend true rights to all of those within our domain – every adult, every child -- those born and those soon-to-be born. Our Creator gives life and He gives right, and our Creator takes away life and takes away rights – and when we decide we have that power, we have overthrown our Creator and

put ourselves upon a wobbly

If you have a prayer, today, that you've been holding back, here's a good time to hit your knees and make your most fervent, passionate plea: "Lord, on Tuesday night, lead us back to You, please – In Jesus' name."

coachbowen1984@gmail.

The following history timeline for the Marine Corps is taken from https://www.marines. com/who-we-are/our-legacy/ battles-through-time.html. 1776: Fort Nassau

The First Amphibious Raid Just weeks after banding together, the Continental Marines tradition, successfully executed their immor-

hostile shore. The British had been storing large supplies of gunpowder at Fort Nassau in the Bahamas for use in battle against the 13 colonies. Captain Samuel Nicholas and 234 Marines sailed with the Continental Navy on a mission

to capture the supply. Within minutes of the Marines' arrival, the British troops had surrendered. In addition to the gunpowder, Captain Nicholas successfully acquired cannons and other military stores.

The Marines' first battle and success paved the way for greater operations to come.

1805: Battle of Derna To the Shores of Tripoli

When pirates had been raiding American merchant ships off the Barbary Coast, President Thomas Jefferson sent in an expeditionary force of Marines to fight back.

During this time, Marines received the nickname 'Leathpirates' saber cuts.

LieutenantPresleyO'Bannon and his Marines marched across 600 miles of the Libyan Desert to storm the Tripolitan city of Derna and rescue the kidnapped crew of the USS Philadelphia.

The Marines' victory helped protect U.S. ships and secure our trading in the area. As a gesture of respect and praise for the Marines' action at the Battle of Derna, First Lieutenant O'Bannon was presented a Mameluke sword by the Ottoman Empire vicery, Prince Hamet, which is now the oldest ceremonial weapon still in use by United States armed forces

The Battle of Derna was the Marines' first ground battle on foreign soil and is notably recalled in the Marines' Hymn: "From the Halls of Montezuma to the shores of Tripoli, we fight our country's battles in the air, on land and sea"

1847: Battle of Chapultepec The Halls of Montezuma

The Mexican-American War played a critical role in defining the border between the two nations that remains in place today.

In 1847, knowing that the capture of the Palacio Nacional would greatly disrupt the Mexican army, the Marines stormed the enemy fortress during the Battle of Chapultepec. After two days of battle, Marines gained control of the castle, better known as the "Halls of Montezuma," and were given the honor of raising the Stars and Stripes over the palace to mark their victory.

flag to the commandant. Their victory at the "Halls of Montezuma" remains a part of Marine Corps

first amphibious landing on a talized the opening line of the Marines Hymn.

1918: Battle of Belleau Wood

"Devil The Relentless Dogs' Deep in Belleau Wood, just

outside of Paris, the 4th Marine Brigade fought tenaciously against German soldiers. The Marines suffered heavy casualties and were pinned down by machine-gun fire.

On 7 June 1918, with few grenades and no signal flares left, Marine forces launched an assault with fixed bayonets, seizing enemy positions. Marine riflemen demonstrated their superior marksmanship, shredding the lines of an oncoming German counterattack.

After 20 days of intense fighting, the Marines had won the Battle of Belleau Wood. The ernecks', after the high collar German survivors, exhausted nickname that suited the reopponent: Teufelhunden, or "Devil Dogs."

1945: Battle of Iwo Jima **An Iconic Victory**

When the U.S. sent Marines to capture the Japanese airfields at Iwo Jima, the Corps showed the world their unvielding willingness to overcome the enemy.

Japanese soldiers had turned the island into a trap, fighting from a maze of tunnels and bunkers beneath Mt. Suribachi. The battle lasted 36 days and despite heavy casualties, Marines overpowered the enemy and secured the island.

A variety of innovations and fighting tactics were used by Marines to achieve victory at Iwo Jima, including Close Air Support, where F4F Wildcats and Corsairs supported Marines on the ground by providing cover and bombing raid that allowed Marines on the ground to advance their positions.

Early in the battle, a patrol reached the summit of Mt. Suribachi and raised the American Flag to encourage troops below. Later, Marines returned with a larger, more visible flag, the raising of which was captured by photographer Joe Rosenthal.

The photo embodying the Marines' struggle and victory became an iconic symbol of the Marine Corps. The monument of the Marine Corps War Memorial has been cast in its image, inspiring each generation of Marines to strive for greatness.

1950: Chosin Reservoir Overcoming Incredible Odds

Following the successful In-Upon returning home, the chon landing, U.N. forces had

same Marines presented their North Korean troops on the run, but communist China's unexpected entry into

> threatened that progthe 1st Marine Division found itself surrounded and outnumbered

the Korean War

8-to-1 by the Chinese army. The worst weather in 50 years cut off air support and assaulted the Marines with snow, wind and temperatures of -40 degrees F.

Even so, the "Chosin Few," as they would come to be called, decimated 10 Chinese infantry divisions and fought their way back to the sea to rejoin the American forces.

No Marines had ever faced worse weather, terrain or odds than those who fought at Chosin Reservoir, but to anyone familiar with the Marines' fighting spirit, there was no doubt the 1st Marine Division would prevail.

1968: Battle of Hue **Street-Fighting Marines**

One of the longest and they wore as protection against and wounded, gave a fitting bloodiest battles of the Vietnam lead Operation Moshtarak, lentless fighting spirit of their in the winter of 1968. Vastly outnumbered, Marines fought a viciously intense urban battle against North Vietnamese and Viet Cong until finally securing victory on 2 March, 1968.

> The battle began when Communist forces launched the Tet Offensive on the first night of the Vietnamese lunar New Year, attacking hundreds of military targets and civilian centers across the country, including the ancient city of Hue.

> Despite enormous losses on both sides, including to the city itself, after a month of intense house-to-house street fighting which foreshadowed the tactics Marines would employ in Fallujah some 35 years later, American forces steadily retook the city of Hue, block by block.

The victory at Hue was extremely hard-won, and further cemented the Marines' reputation for unwavering toughness and resolve.

1991: Operation **Desert Storm Success in Modern Warfare**

After Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990, the United Nations intervened with a stern resolution warning Iraq to withdraw or be driven out by United States and UN forces. Iraq refused, and Operation Desert Storm began.

From the air, Marine pilots used fixed-wing and rotarywing aircraft to destroy Iraq's air and naval forces, anti-air defenses and ballistic missile launchers. The 1st and 2nd Marine Divisions broke through Iraq's southern border while 8,000 Marines kept the Iraqi army distracted in the north.

On Iraqi soil, Marines crossed minefields, barbedwire obstacles, booby traps and fire trenches while under attack from Iraqi artillery. Combining precise air operations, tenacious amphibious assaults and versatile land tactics, the Marines led one of the most ervoir, successful assaults in modern

2001: Operation **Enduring Freedom Afghanistan**

After the attack on our nation on September 11, 2001, the entire American military focused its might on defeating Al-Qaeda. Two months later, Marines were the first major ground forces in Afghanistan. In mid-December, 2001, Marines from the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit captured Kandahar Airport and converted it into one of the first coalition command centers in the country.

Since the initial invasion, much progress has been made. The threat of violence has been greatly reduced, hundreds of schools have been constructed and millions in aid have been distributed. In October of 2004, Afghanistan held its first direct elections, and one year later, they conducted the first Afghan parliamentary election.

At the start of 2010, Marines War took place during 33 days the largest military operation since the beginning of the war in Afghanistan and reclaimed cities across southern Afghanistan, including the Taliban stronghold of Marjah. As of June, 2010 the War in Afghanistan officially became the longest in U.S. history, one that Marines fought with honor and unwavering determination until power was returned to the Afghan people.

Marines continue to fight the Taliban alongside Afghan soldiers to eventually shoulder the burden of Afghanistan's national security.

2003 - 2011: Iraq War **Toppling a Harmful Regime**

During the Iraq War, Marines fought in dense metropolitan areas, often engaged in house-to-house combat as they searched for insurgents. The fighting method of breaching and clearing buildings was a hallmark technique in the Iraq War, particularly in Fallujah.

There were several methods and tactics for breaching used in Fallujah. Oftentimes, doors were booby-trapped and so foot patrols employed portable battering rams to break through walls as a method of entry.

Much warfighting knowledge was gathered during Fallujah, and can be found in a detailed report compiled by Marines titled "Lessons Learned: Infantry Squad Tactics in Military Operations in Urban Terrain During Operation Phantom Fury in Fallujah, Iraq." This text has gone on to help Marines restructure their fighting tactics to improve their ability to win battles in urban areas.

No. 567-October 29-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES OF MARY K. LINK, LINDA LINK BRYAN AND GARY WAYNE LINK, DECEASED PB-2020-89

COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF HEARING To: All persons interested in the Estates of Mary K. Link, Linda Link Bryan, and Gary Wayne Link, Deceased

You are hereby notified that on the 16th day of October, 2020, the Petitioner, Meredith McIlmoyle, c/o Tyler R. Barrett, The Law Office of Tyler R. Barrett, P.L.L.C., 131 E. Main St., Ste. 220, Norman, OK 73069, Attorney for Petitioner, filed in the District Court of McClain County a Petition for Summary Administration Pursuant to 58 O.S. § 245, for Appointment of Special Administrator, and Admission of Will to Probate.

The Petitioner has alleged that Mary K. Link died testate on August 21, 2001, domiciled in and residing in Denver County, Colorado. Attached to the Petition is an instrument purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Mary K. Link, which the Petitioner has requested this Court admit to probate. The Petitioner has further alleged that Linda Link Bryan died intestate on October 31, 2018, while a resident of Skagit County, Washington. The Petitioner has further alleged that Gary Wayne Link died intestate on July 5, 2016, while a resident of Boulder County, Colorado. The names and addresses of the heirs and devisees of Mary K. Link

are set forth in the Petition as follows:

Name	Age	Relationship	Address		
Gary Wayne Link	Now Deceased	Son/Devisee	149 S. Tyler Ave. Louisville, CO 80027		
Linda Link Bryan	Now Deceased	Daughter/ Devisee	863 S. Union Blvd. Lakewood, CO 80228		
Lisa Layne Link	Legal	Daughter/ Devisee	24885 Sieverstedt Germany		
Lesley Lynn Link	Legal	Daughter	4417 Meridian North Seattle, WA 98031		
Meredith McIlmoyle	Legal	Grand- daughter/ Devisee	3905 I Ave. Anacortes, WA 98221		
Travis Bryan	Legal	Grandson/ Devisee	3512 W. 2nd St. Anacortes, WA 98221		

The heirs of Linda Link Bryan are set forth in the Petition as follows:

Name	Age	Relationship	Address		
Meredith McIlmoyle	Legal	Daughter	3905 I Ave. Anacortes, WA 98221		
Travis Bryan	Legal	Son	3512 W. 2nd St. Anacortes, WA 98221		

The heirs of Gary Wayne Link are set forth in the Petition as follows:

Name	Age	Relationship	Address
Pamela Link Atencio	Legal	Wife	1303 Juniper St. Bayfield, CO 81122

In an Order for Combined Notice and Order Appointing Special Administrator entered on the 16th day of October, 2020, the Court found that it should dispense with the regular probate proceedings prescribed by law and order notice to creditors and issue and order for hearing upon the Petition for Summary Administration and Admission of Will to Probate, the final accounting, and petition for determination of heirs, devisees, and legatees, and distribution.

Pursuant to the Order for Combined Notice and Order Appointing Special Administrator, all creditors having claims against Mary K. Link, Linda Link Bryan, and Gary Wayne Link, Deceased, are required to present the same with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to Meredith McIlmoyle, Special Administrator, at The Law Office of Tyler R. Barrett, P.L.L.C., 131 E. Main St., Ste. 220, Norman, OK 73069, on or before the following presentment date: November 16, 2020, or the same will be forever barred.

Notice is also hereby given that a hearing will be held on the 3rd day of December, 2020, at 9:30 a.m., at the McClain County Courthouse, 121 N. 2nd St., Purcell, OK 73080, before Judge Charles Gray. At the hearing, the Court will decide whether to approve the Petition for Summary Administration and Admission of Will to Probate and the final account and petition for determination of heirs, devisees, and legatees, and distribution of the Petitioner.

You are hereby advised that you may file objections to the Petition for Summary Administration and Admission of Will to Probate and the final account and petition for determination of heirs, devisees, and legatees, and distribution at any time before the hearing and send a copy to the Petitioner in care of her attorney, Tyler R. Barrett, The Law Office of Tyler R. Barrett, P.L.L.C., 131 E. Main St., Ste. 220, Norman, OK 73069. If you have no objections, you need not appear at the hearing or make any filings with the Court.

If an objection is filed before the hearing, the Court will determined at the hearing whether the Will attached to the Petition shall be admitted to probate, whether summary proceedings are appropriate and, if so, whether the Estates will be distributed and to whom the Estates will be distributed.

/s/ Charles N. Gray JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

APPROVED AS TO FORM: /s/ Tyler R. Barrett Tyler R. Barrett, OBA #30482 131 E. Main St., Ste. 220 Norman, OK 73069 Telephone: (405) 928-4075 Email: tyler@tylerrbarrettlaw.com Attorney for Special Administrator

No. 573-October 29-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TAWNI L. HECK, Deceased. Case No. PB-2020-94 NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION. APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, AND FOR A JUDICIAL

DETERMINATION OF HEIRS Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estate of Tawni L. Heck, deceased, that on the 23 day of October, 2020, there was filed in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, the Petition of Terri Talley praying that Letters of Ad-

ministration be issued to her as Personal Representative of the Estate, to serve without bond, and for a judicial determination of the heirs of the Decedent. Pursuant to an Order of this

Court made on the 23 day of

October, 2020, notice is given that the 19th day of November, 2020, at 9:30 a.m., is the day and time that the Petition for Letters of Administration, Appointment of Personal Representative and for a Judicial Determination of Heirs will be heard in the District Courtroom of the Honorable Judge Charles Gray in the McClain County Courthouse in Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interested may appear and contest the same. Witness, the undersigned Judge

of the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, this 23rd day of October, 2020. /s/ Charles N. Gray

JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT By: /s/ Brian Barrett Brian J. Barrett, OBA #32349

Evans & Davis, PLLC 211 N. Broadway Edmond, OK 73034 Telephone: (405) 286-2335 Fax: (405) 286-2770 E-mail: brian@evansdavis.com Attorney for Petitioner

No. 569-October 29-3 Times DISTRICT COURT FOR THURSTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON IN THE MATTER of the Change of name of Chase Howard Browning

No. NC 20-0079

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR

NAME CHANGE OF MINOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO THE SAID Lonny Howard Browning, Nonconsenting Parent: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that pursuant to RCW 4.24.130, a parent or legal guardian of the above named minor child has filed a Petition for Name Change of: Chase Howard Browning to

No. 578-November 5-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROCK ROY BATES, Deceased, Case No. PB-2020-95 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND

DETERMINATION OF HEIRS NOTICE is hereby given that on the 28th day of October, 2020, Rock Roy Bates, Il filed his application for Letters of Administration on said estate to be granted to them and for judicial determination of the heirs of said decedent. Pursuant to an Order of this

Court made on the 28th day of October, 2020, notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of

No. 582-November 5-2 Times

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

OF MCCLAIN COUNTY

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN RE THE MATTER OF THE

ESTATE OF LESLIE GENE

Case No. PB-2020-64

NOTICE OF HEARING

FOR WAIVER OF

FINAL ACCOUNTING

AND INVENTORY

ana Elaine Huddleston, the duly

appointed and qualified Personal

Representative of the Estate of

Leslie Gene Huddleston, De-

ceased, has filed her Petition for

order to Waive Final Accounting,

Determination of Heirs and Dis-

tribution of Estate and Discharge

and Application to Waive Inven-

tory. A hearing has been fixed by

the Judge of the Court for the 3rd

Notice is hereby given that Di-

HUDDLESTON, Deceased

day of December, 2020 at 9:30 a.m., before Judge Charles Gray, McClain County Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in the Estate are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the Final Accounting and Inventory should not be waived. DATED this 30 day of October,

Chase Erik Rodriguez

stated below.

The hearing on this matter shall

be held on the 9 day of December,

2020, at 1:30 p.m., at the address

FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THIS

HEARING OR TO RESPOND

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NAME CHANGE OF THE MINOR

FILE YOUR WRITTEN

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November, 2020, at 9:30 o'clock

a.m.,the Petition will be heard be-

fore the Honorable Judge Charles

Gray, in his Courtroom in the Mc-

Clain County Courthouse, Purcell,

Oklahoma, when and where all

persons interested may appear

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I

have hereunto set my hand this

28th day of October, 2020.

and contest the same.

/s/ Bill C. Lester

Purcell, OK 73080

(405) 527-5623

sentative

RESPONSE WITH

Olympia, WA 98502

CHARLES GRAY

DISTRICT JUDGE

Judge of the District Court

BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389)

Attorney for Personal Repre-

212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407

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Thurston County

District Court

CHILD NAMED ABOVE.

DATED: 10-21-2020

2020 **CHARLES GRAY**

ASSOCIATE **DISTRICT JUDGE** JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT /s/ Don G. Pope Don Pope, OBA #7218 Don G. Pope & Associates, P.C. P.O. Box 722765 Norman, OK 73072 (405) 360-7555 (405) 321-8581 Fax Attorney for Personal Repre-

sentative

No. 579-November 5-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RANZY BILL LOVE, Deceased No. PB-20-87 ORDER AND NOTICE OF

HEARING ON PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION Robert M. Seymour, having filed

in this Court a Petition for Letters of Administration, stating that Ranzy Bill Love died intestate on March 2, 1990 in Niland, Imperial County, California a resident of Imperial County, California, and that Robert M. Seymour be appointed Administrator of said estate, seeks an Order from the Court finding the above matters.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 17th day of December, 2020, at 9:30 a.m., a hearing shall

Plaintiff,

Purcell, Oklahoma, and in the Courtroom of the below-noted Judge, when and where any persons interested in said estate may appear and contest same. Dated this 28th day of October, 2020 **CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE**

be held on said petition in the

District Court of McClain County,

Probate Division, in the City of

DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT By: Mikayla Mangus Deputy Court Clerk (Seal) MICHAEL L. SEYMOUR, OBA

#8098

Attorney for Petitioner 1416 Terrace Drive Tulsa, Oklahoma 74104 (918) 749-1202

No. 550-October 22-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR McCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA WHITE SAIL ENERGY, LLC,

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EX-ECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES, TRUSTEES and ASSIGNS OF GERTRUDE C. O'LEARY, deceased, THE UN-KNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES, TRUSTEES and ASSIGNS OF JACK E. SUMEROW, deceased, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS. EXECU-TORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVI-SEES, TRUSTEES and ASSIGNS OF SALLY IRENE SUMEROW, deceased, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRA-TORS, DEVISEES, TRUSTEES and ASSIGNS OF JEFFERSON CRANE CLEVELAND, deceased, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECU-TORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVI-SEES, TRUSTEES and ASSIGNS OF MICHAEL DAVID CLEVELAND, deceased, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINIS-TRATORS, DEVISEES, TRUST-EES and ASSIGNS OF JOHN MARK CLEVELAND, deceased, and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRA-TORS, DEVISEES, TRUSTEES and ASSIGNS OF JESSE LYNN CLEVELAND, deceased, Defendants.

Case No. CV-2020-151 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION THESTATE OF OKLAHOMATO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECU-TORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVI-SEES, TRUSTEES and ASSIGNS OF GERTRUDE C. O'LEARY, deceased, JACK E. SUMEROW, deceased, SALLY IRENE SUM-EROW, deceased, JEFFERSON CRANE CLEVELAND, deceased, MICHAEL DAVID CLEVELAND, deceased, JOHN MARK CLEVE-LAND, deceased and JESSE

been sued in the District Court

LYNN CLEVELAND, deceased. GREETINGS: Said Defendants are hereby notified that they have

in McClain County, Oklahoma, wherein the Plaintiff's name is White Sail Energy, LLC, and the above named parties in the caption of this case are Defendants. and the Plaintiff is alleging that it is the owner and in possession of

certain undivided mineral interests

in the following property, to wit:

The East Half of the Southeast Quarter (E/2 SE/4), less a tract of land described as beginning at the Southeast corner of the NE/4 SE/4; thence West 70 yards; thence North 140 yards; thence East 70 yards; thence South 140 yards to the point of beginning, in Section 18-6N-4W, McClain County, Oklahoma, and

The North Half of the Southeast Quarter (N/2 SE/4) and the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (E/2 SE/4 SE/4) of Section 33-9N-6W, Grady County, Oklahoma

And you, the said Defendants, are further notified that unless you answer the Petition therein on or before the 6th day of December 2020, the allegations of said petition will be taken as true and judgment determining the heirs of Gertrude C. O'Leary, deceased, Jack E. Sumerow, deceased, Sally Irene Sumerow, deceased, Jefferson Crane Cleveland, deceased, Michael David Cleveland, deceased, John Mark Cleveland, deceased, and Jesse Lynn Cleveland, deceased will be entered, and a Decree quieting Plaintiff's title to the above described property will be entered against each of you, the said Defendants. WITNESS my hand and seal of

said hand and seal this 13th day of October 2020. **COURT CLERK**

McCLAIN COUNTY By:/s/ Kristel Gray /s/ P. Dyke Hoppe

P. Dyke Hoppe OBA #4359 3501 French Park Drive, Suite B Edmond, Oklahoma 73034-

Telephone: (405) 370-7134 E-mail: pdhoppe@coxinet.net ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

No. 583-November 5-2 Times OKLAHOMA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LAWS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

In accordance with Title 37, Section 522 and Title 37A, Section 2-141 Venecia Italian Restaurant, 327 S. Green Ave., Purcell, OK 73080, a limited liability company hereby publishes notice of his intention to apply within sixty days from this date to the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission for a Beer and Wine License under authority of and in compliance with the said Act: That he intend(s), if granted such license to operate as a Beer and Wine establishment with business premises located at 327 S. Green Ave. in Purcell, McClain, Oklahoma under the business name of Venecia Italian Restaurant.

Dated this 30th day of October, 2020. /s/ Mujadin Bajrami

Mujadin Bajrami

County of Garvin, State of Oklahoma Before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared: Mujadin Bajrami

to me known to be the person(s) described in and who executed the foregoing application and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

/s/ Vickie L. Forakeı My commission expires May 30, 2024

No. 555-October 22-3 Times SAI 301 (2014) 68 O.S. § 3135 NOTICE TO SELL **COUNTY PROPERTY** ACQUIRED AT RESALE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the receipt of bid, that I, Teresa Jones County Treasurer of McClain County, Oklahoma, will on the 6 day of November, 2020, beginning at 10:00 am at my office in Purcell, Oklahoma sell separately the hereinafter described tracts, parcels, or lots of land, all situated in McClain County, Oklahoma and heretofore acquired by said county at the resale authorized by 68 O.S. § 3125. Following the description of each property separately offered for sale is the name of the bidder and the amount bid as follows:

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Commissioners.

Witness my hand this 16 day of October, 2020. /s/ Teresa Jones

County Treasurer

No. 580-November 5-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HILDA E. EIDMAN, Deceased No. PB-20-91

ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION WITH WILL ANNEXED

Robert M. Seymour, having filed in this Court his Petition for Letters of Administration, stating that Hilda E. Eidman died testate on October 7, 1972 in Stuart, Martin County, Florida, a resident of Martin County, Florida, and that Hilda E. Eidman left an instrument in writing, which has been produced in this Court, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of the decedent, and that Robert M. Seymour has been nominated to serve as personal representative.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that on the 17th day of December, 2020, at 9:30 a.m., a hearing shall be held on said petition in the District Court of McClain County, Probate Division, in the City of Purcell, Oklahoma, and in the Courtroom of the below-noted Judge, when and where any persons interested in said estate may appear and contest same.

Dated this 28th day of October, 2020.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT By: /s/ Mikayla Mangus Deputy Court Clerk (Seal) MICHAEL L. SEYMOUR, OBÁ

#8098 Attorney for Petitioner

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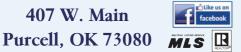
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Mature free Charles (FD) the beattered around the property. The barn is a wood frame and has a run off one side partially covered. Tack room is set under a shade tree and has a porch. The pond is not only eye appealing but provides water for livestock. Carport is a 2 vehicle and has a storage room attached. There is room to add your own touches to this positively taken care of homestead. Call Ashley 405-996-6749

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bath & a jetted tub for relaxing. That leaves the Jack & Jill bed/bath on other end of the house, along with utility room & a huge wall of nothing but storage! Now let's talk, LOCATION, its on N end of town for easy I-35 commuters, schools & hospital. Sit on back porch with nice trees & if needed a storm shelter! Nice place to live! Call Donelda 405-830-1317

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Call Ashley 405-996-6749 3 BED 2 BATH 2700 sq ft home on 80 acres. Covered parking in shop and two stretter are negotiable. Shelving in shop is reserved. Call Ron: 405-615-4810 THIS ACREAGE IS VERY UNIQUE having 2 separate places for homesites with septic/ water in place & established address'. There is a mobile home worthy of living while buyer could build a dream place on many options on this acreage! At the main entry on 132nd St property has a 35x45 pole barn, 3 traps & working coral. The second entry on 13054 Flatt Armadillo has an amazing 35x35 metal, insulated, 2 overhead doors, concrete floors with electric shop & overhang storage. Seller also had an old home placed on property to remodel, not livable at this time. Both homes have septic, well water & rural water. There is also a pond, total of 6 outside water hydrants, many smaller outbuildings for lots of storage, fenced & cross fenced. There is also a pipeline running through the property. Bring buyers for this place as it has so many opportunities. Call Donelda 405-830-1317

THIS MAJESTIC 900-ACRE RANCH offers ten highly productive contiguous pastures that stretch for two miles. It has 22 stocked ponds and excellent roads and fences. Approximately 800 hay rolls are cut from the three fertilized Bermuda pastures. At the headquarters there is a 3 bed 2 bath double wide for employees, a 60 x 80 insulated shop with a 20-foot overhang, two water wells, hay barn and a five stall horse barn. The stalls have mats, auto waters, feeders, and pipe runs, a restroom, wash rack, tack room, and covered patio. This extraordinary ranch will run 250-300 head and has a 25 ton overhead feed bin. The 3000 square foot main home has a gated entry, 3 beds 3 baths, two living rooms, alder wood throughout, two fireplaces, granite counter tops, a large master bedroom with safe room, custom window treatments, and a gorgeous covered patio by the swimming pool. The implements/cattle can be bought for an additional price. Call Renee 405-659-7335

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available if needed. Restrictions Apply. Call Ron 405-615-4810

NICE LOT ON N SIDE OF PURCELL in Cliffs Addition. Call Donelda 405-830-1317

26.5 ACRES LOCATED 5 MILES FROM I-35. The lush grass and small pond help make this property a beautiful setting. The property is fenced and has a gravel drive into part of the property. The field of grass is mostly flat atop a hill giving a wonderful view. Call Ashley 405-

More land available. Great location only 1 1/2 miles from Wayne on 150th with paved road frontage. This property is just a short drive to Norman. Call Renee 405-659-7335 THIS COULD BE A GREAT PLACE TO

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60 ACRES WEST SIDE OF PURCELL Access easement is unknown but being researched. Call Donelda 405-830-1317

54.240 ACRES. Here's a great location only 1 1/2 miles from Wayne on 150th with paved road frontage. This property is just a short drive to Norman. The seller is willing to divide. Call Renee 405-659-7335

GREAT 20 ACRES TO BUILD ON CLOSE TO PAOLI on paved roads. Land also has water, electricity, a pond, a septic, and also a lagoon. Call Jana 405-313-2008

THIS 59.95 AC TRACT has been surveyed & with FEMA new flood maps it shows 8 acres MOL not in flood zone. The property starts just before the creek, turn off 160th into the drive & go south into the open hav meadow and continue up the hill to higher ground for a beautiful home site, close to town but nestled between a creek and trees, feeling very private Call Donelda 405-830-1317

220 ACRES IN THE MIDDLE OF HORSE COUNTRY! Lots of potential lots of possibilities. Perimeter fenced, west side mostly grass, and east side treed with a couple of ponds. Easy access to hwy 39 and just a few miles to Purcell and interstate 35. Owner would consider dividing. Call Caleb 405-314-8438

THIS 60 ACRES HAS 2 NICE PONDS. 1 barr with overhang, shop, storm cellar, hay meadow, pecan trees, water tap, and 3 phase electric It is conveniently located 3 miles from I-35 on a paved road and only minutes from Purcell schools and the hospital. This is a beautiful home site. Call Reneé 405-659-7335

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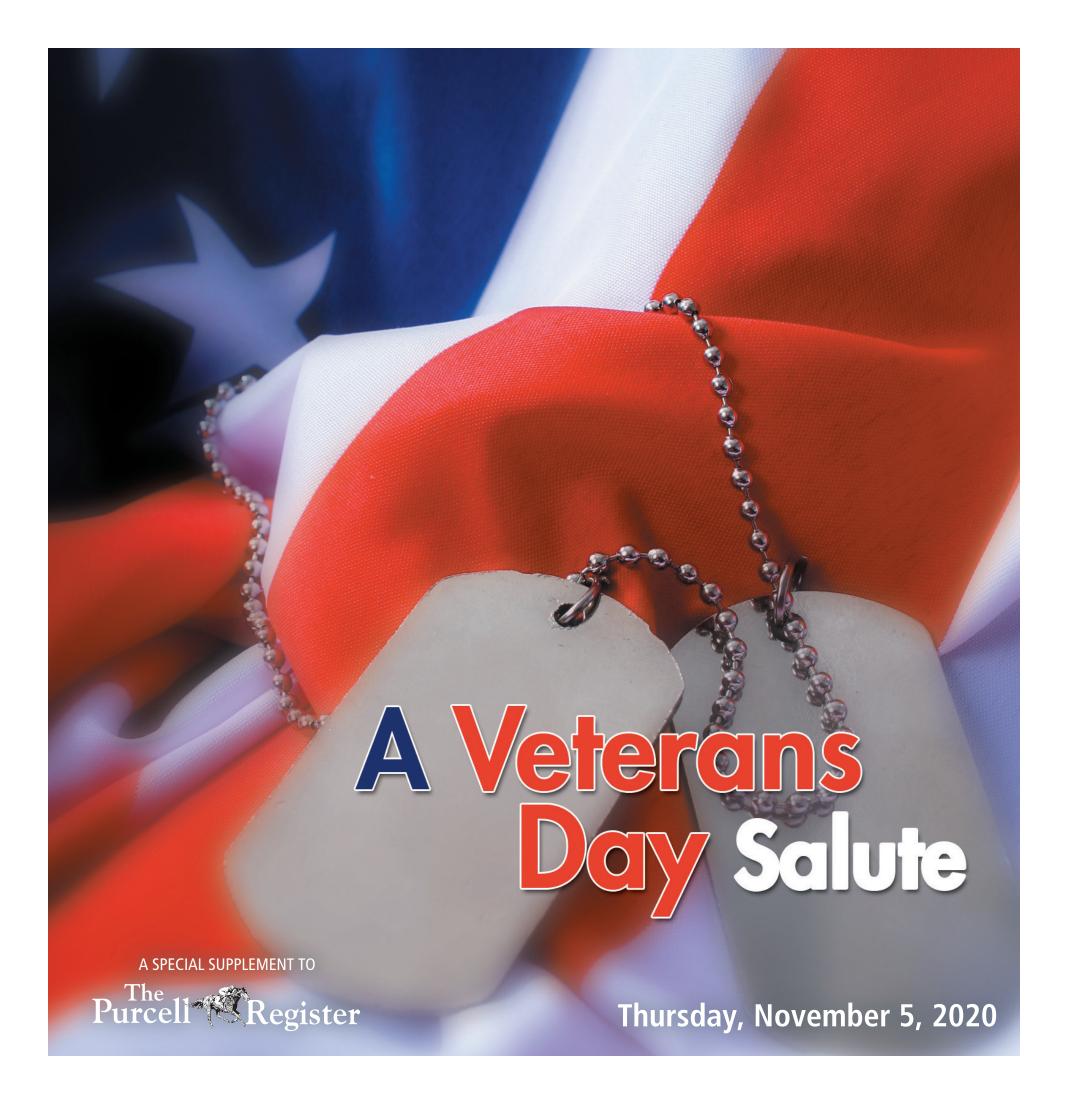
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as an active body shop/garage, with 2 baths, a 1200 sq ft showroom, office space, overhead storage, open shop & has a fenced in area in the back for storage. Traffic count is around 20k daily & would make a platfic at bk stop/ fuel sport use anyone traveling across the Purcell/Lex bridge. Sellers have installed new windows with power sun screens, new LED lights, new TPO 50 year roof, new alarm system

& new paint as of last year. This building/location is very desirable & could be anything profitable for the future. Call Donelda 405-830-1317 NICE BUILDING IN LINDSAY currently

used for a church with gravel parking lot and 1 outdoor storage building, Inside is nice size auditorium per arti nel Rand Jomen's restronte, indrary, and storage closets. Property sits across the street from Shady Grove Park. Many possibilities! Check with city on zoning.





Combat infantryman

Vietnam vet Clayton Lee now helps other veterans

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Among the tens of thousands of young Americans Uncle Sam sent greetings to in 1967 was Clayton Lee.

There was no thought of dodging the order to report.

"The country needed me so I went," he recalled.

Lee reported for basic training outside El Paso at Ft. Bliss, Texas, on April 2, 1967.

Eight weeks later the Army sent the young recruit to Ft. Polk, La., for advanced individual training as an infantryman.

If there was ever any doubt what his Army future held, the sign at the post's main gate dispelled that:

"Welcome to Ft. Polk Combat Infantry – Vietnam."

Lee excelled in the role the Army gave him – foot soldier.

By August 1967, Lee was assigned as a replacement in the 4th Infantry Division and arrived in the mountainous region of Vietnam's Central Highlands.

"I was in the mountains most of the time," Lee said. "It was a 24/7 job. We would stay out on patrol a week at a time."

Most of the time, Lee carried an M-14, the weapon with which he'd earned a sharpshooter badge.

But on some patrols, he was given the task of carrying an M-60 machine gun.

Along with firepower, the soldiers also had to carry machetes to cut their way through the heavy brush and undergrowth.

"It was nothing but pure hell," Lee said. "What I did was a very bloody deal. It was no picnic."

Too many patrols to count and the mission was always the same – search and destroy the enemy.

Still it was what he had trained for back at Ft. Polk.

The war got a lot hotter in January 1968 when North Vietnamese forces pulled off the Tet Offensive, catching the U.S. military and South Vietnamese forces off guard.

Lee was in his early 20s and all of this happened more than 52 years ago. But it's never really left him.

"I still have nightmares about it (Vietnam)," he said.

He spent one year in-country, earning a Purple Heart.

He returned stateside in late August 1968.

His plane landed at Seattle and after

30 days leave, the Army sent him to Ft. Meade, Md., where he "taught soldiers to get ready to go to Vietnam."

Lee returned to Oklahoma for his leave. Vietnam was an unpopular war and the country was reeling from antiwar protests.

"I didn't tell nobody I was in Vietnam," he said. "We were told not to."

He traveled home in civilian clothes, but his G.I. haircut was a dead giveaway that he was in the Army.

On April 2, 1969, Lee was discharged from the Army.

And if he has to sum up his service in a single sentence, it is this:

"I did what I was told."

By the time he was discharged, Lee was a sergeant and his decorations

included a Sharpshooter Badge, two Overseas Service Bars, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal and Purple Heart.

Back in Oklahoma, Lee went to work for Wilson Foods in Stockyards City.

"I worked there a long time," he said, "and moved to Oklahoma City for a while. Then I moved back to Dibble. I didn't like the city life."

He married Linda Lee on June 3, 1983. They each had a daughter from a previous marriage.

She died April 29, 2019.

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Lee:

Now Lee has two grandsons, ages 16 and 18.

"I've already advised the 18-year-old to go into military service," Lee said. "I hope he does."

Indeed, a stint in uniform is what Lee recommends for all young people.

Back in Dibble, Lee opened an auto repair shop that he operated until 2005.

That's when he started helping fellow veterans as a volunteer at the Dale Graham Veterans Foundation.

He knew first hand what the Foundation's help means to veterans.

Lee's exposure to Agent Orange in Vietnam left him with lingering health problems.

He developed skin disease and had cancer on the back of a shoulder and

behind his ear.

With the Foundation's help, Lee was finally able to get a 100 percent disability rating from the Veterans Administration.

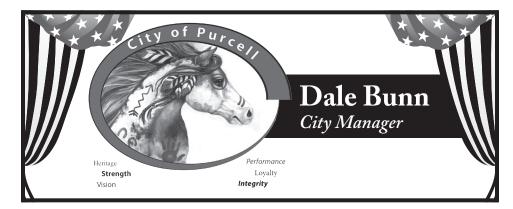
The process to obtain the rating took about five months.

Soon Lee was transporting other veterans to appointments at the VA Hospital in Oklahoma City.

Sometimes he had to go as far as McAlester, Lawton, Ardmore or Ada to pick up veterans.

Before the COVID-19 pandemic, on average 150 veterans would show up at Goldsby for assistance every Tuesday and Thursday for assistance navigating

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Fresh from boot camp

This was Clayton Lee when he finished boot camp at Ft. Bliss, Texas. His 2-year stint in the Army included a tour in Vietnam with the 4th Infantry Division. He was a sergeant when he completed his enlistment.



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the sometimes confusing VA paperwork I'm able ... maybe three more years." maze.

Lee said the Foundation is still helping a lot of Vietnam veterans, along with a few who served in World War II and Korea.

There are veterans seeking assistance who served in Desert Storm and the Global War on Terror.

Lee is determined to help "as long as hard. Very hard."

He turned 77 in October.

Lee has no desire to go back to Vietnam. And he's never visited the Vietnam Wall and its list of the Americans who didn't come home.

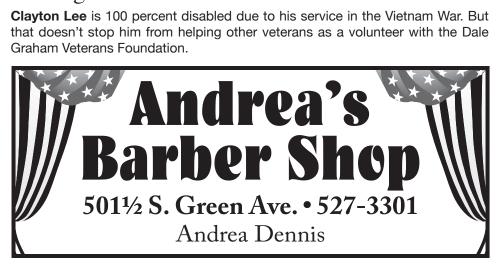
He doesn't need to see their names to remember.

"I lost friends there," he said. "It was



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Memories of Vietnam

A framed poster is filled with memories of Vietnam for Clayton Lee, who spent one year with the 4th Infantry Division in the country's Central Highlands as the war intensified.





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Serving in the highest echelons of the Oklahoma National Guard are two Purcell High School graduates.

Maj. Gen Michael C. Thompson holds the top position – adjutant general of the Guard

Brig. Gen. Jon M. Harrison is director of the Guard's Joint Staff.

Thompson, Class of 1981, was appointed in November 2017.

As adjutant general, Thompson commands both the Oklahoma Army and Air National Guard and is the top military advisor to the governor.

After high school, Thompson attended Langston University where he earned a bachelor's degree in corrections in 1986.

That same year, he completed the Oklahoma Military Department's Officer Candidate School and was commissioned a second lieutenant.

By 2004, he was a lieutenant colonel. He received his first star and assignment as assistant adjutant general on Nov. 5, 2014. His second star and promotion to adjutant general came exactly three years later on Nov. 5, 2017.

Thompson received a master's degree in natural and applied science from

Oklahoma State University in 1988. In 2007, he attended the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., earning another master's degree in strategic studies.

Subsequent military schools and study include the Homeland Security Planners Course, Joint Force Staff College, 2009; Sustainment Pre-Command Course, Ft. Lee, Va., 2010; Leadership in Crisis, Harvard Kennedy School, Harvard University, 2012; Dual Status Commander Qualification Course, Peterson Air Force Base and National Guard Bureau, 2014, and General and Flag Officer Homeland Security Executive Seminar, Harvard Kennedy School, 2015.

A lifelong learner, Thompson also graduated from the FBI National Academy at Quantico, Va., in 2002, the U.S. Secret Service Threat Assessment in Washington, D.C., in 2004, and the Homeland Protection Course at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 2014.

His numerous military decorations include Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army

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Maj. Gen. Michael C. Thompson





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Service:

Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal.

Also, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorist Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Commendation.

And the Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon, Oklahoma State Active Duty Service Medal, Oklahoma Long Service Ribbon, Combat Infantryman Badge, Combat Action Badge, Air Assault Badge, Oklahoma General Staff Identification Badge, Oklahoma Good Conduct Ribbon and Louisiana Emergency Management Medal.

Harrison graduated from Purcell High School in 1984.

As Joint Staff director, he is the primary assistant to Thompson, keeping the adjutant general informed at all times on critical and pertinent issues and events affecting decision making.

Other responsibilities include oversight of more than 1,000 full-time employees of the Oklahoma Army National Guard, executing the Guard's federal and state budgets, and oversight of the Guard's

recruiting and retention programs.

Harrison received an accounting degree from Northeastern State University in 1988 and was also commissioned a second lieutenant through the Reserve Officer Training Corps there.

He also received a master of business administration/human resource management degree from Trident University in Cypress, Calif., in 2010 and completed the Army War College in 2012.

His military education includes Fixed Wing Multi-Engine Qualification Course, Ft. Rucker, Ala., 2011; Executive Joint Domestic Operations Course, Colorado Springs, Colo., 2017, and Joint Task Force Commander Training Course, Colorado Springs, 2017.

Harrison received his star on Nov. 1, 2017.

His military decorations include Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal.

And also, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Humanitarian Service

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Brig. Gen. Jon M. Thompson





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Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Non-Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Component Overseas Service

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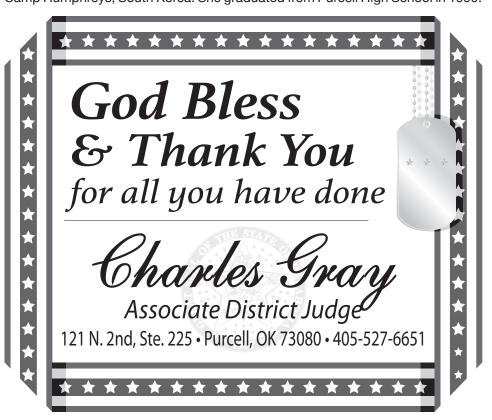


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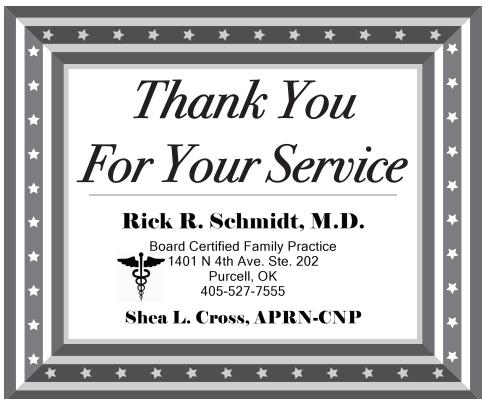
For Kristin (Wollenberg) Gonzalez, the Army is the career she chose. Now a major, Gonzalez is executive officer of the 602nd Aviation Support Battalion stationed at Camp Humphreys, South Korea. She graduated from Purcell High School in 1999.





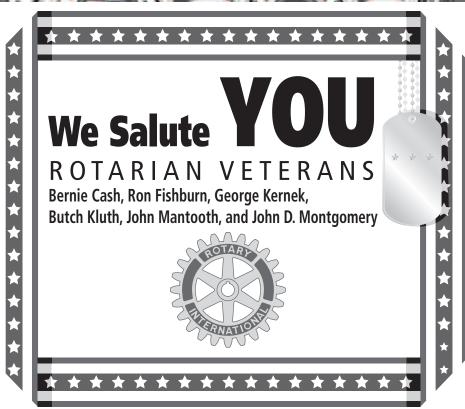












The Army and the law

Staff judge advocate became calling for Purcell attorney

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John Mantooth

Thirty-seven years in uniform left its mark on Purcell attorney John Mantooth.

Army attorneys, he said, are "great, great Americans."

Mantooth grew up in Purcell. He's lived here all of his life with the exception of his Army service.

He joined the Oklahoma National Guard when he was beginning law school at the University of Oklahoma.

In 1969, there was a full-blown war in Vietnam and service in the Guard was means to the end for him to avoid the draft and stay in law school.

That was the start of his military career.

There would be another war – one with his name on it – near the end of that career.

Mantooth missed his second semester of law school to complete basic training.

Even with his undergraduate degree from OU, Mantooth served seven years as an enlisted member of the Guard.

He was trained as a Huey helicopter crew chief.

When he graduated from law school, Mantooth transferred from the Guard to the Army Reserves and the Judge Advocate General Corps.

He was still an enlisted soldier and served seven years in the ranks before being commissioned a second lieutenant in 1976.

He became an Army attorney.

At the time, there were two JAG units in Oklahoma City – the 33rd and 34th JAG Detachments.

Mantooth served in both.

In 1990, Maj. Gen. Billy Jester, commanding general of the 95th, gave Mantooth a second assignment.

"He sent me to school to become a master fitness instructor," Mantooth said.

And in 1992, Jester sent him to Airborne School at Ft. Benning, Ga.

He was 44 at the time.

One other officer in the class was in his 40s. He and Mantooth made a pact.

However grueling the airborne training proved to be, neither man would quit.

"We were going to finish and we did," Mantooth recalled.

The following year Mantooth was called by Col. Bill Sullivan, the staff judge advocate for the 95th Division, to become his deputy.

That assignment ran from 1993 to 1996

In 1996, Mantooth was promoted to colonel and assumed the mantle of staff judge advocate for the division.

By then, he'd been in uniform for 19 years.

Although staff judge advocate is a 3-year assignment, Mantooth held it for four years.

He was later asked to go to Ft. Sill and be SJA for the 4045th Garrison Support Unit.

He did that for two years.

Like countless Americans, Mantooth took the terrorist attacks on the twin towers and Pentagon personally.

On the morning of Sept. 11, 2001, he'd gone for a run. When he got home, he turned on the TV in time to see the plane hit the tower.

"When I saw the towers come down, I decided this had to be my war," he said. It didn't happen immediately.

In 2002, Mantooth was appointed commander of the 174th Legal Support Organization.

That LSO was headquartered in Miami, Fla., and included all the Army Reserve lawyers in Florida and Puerto Rico

Twice a month, Mantooth flew to Miami and his duties there.

Then in 2003, Mantooth learned of an opening for a SJA in Afghanistan.

He called a friend at the Pentagon and said he wanted the assignment.

In October 2003, he had his orders and a month later was in Afghanistan.

During his time there, he received a Bronze Star.

"It was very dangerous," he said. "We took a lot of risks."

When he came back to the States after Afghanistan, he returned to his duties at the 174th LSO.

In 2006 he reached the mandatory 30-year retirement for colonels.

On his retirement, Mantooth received the U.S. Armed Forces highest peacetime award, the Legion of Merit.





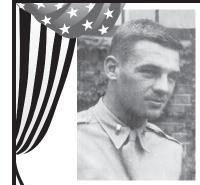




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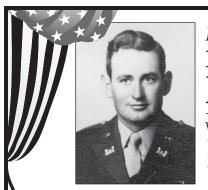
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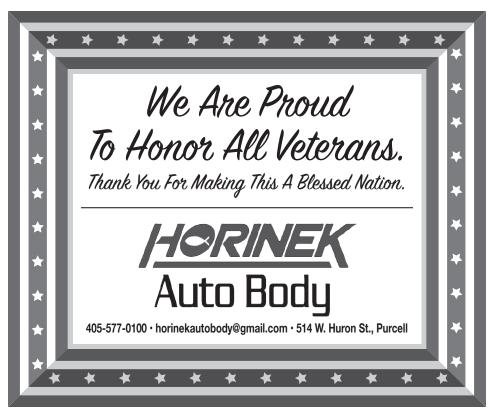
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Record-setting career

For aviator Doug McClain, the Navy was life itself

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Years before Doug McClain became the cattle rancher he is today, the Navy was his life.

And what a life it was.

In a career spanning 32 years, McClain soared—literally soared—to new heights before retiring as a rear admiral.

In the 1970s, McClain attended the University of Oklahoma where he was also enrolled in the Navy's ROTC program.

He graduated in 1979 with a degree in business administration and a commission as a Navy ensign.

In August 1981, he earned the Navy Wings of Gold from VT-22 (Training Squadron) at Naval Air Station in Kingsville, Texas.

Six years later, he was flying with the Blue Angels as a demonstration pilot and operations officer.

His Blue Angels assignment ended in 1990, but he wasn't done with a viation.

In 1993, McClain earned a master's degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. He received the President's Honor Graduate Award.

By 2001, McClain was chief of policy for the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

He was at the Pentagon on 9-11and assisted in planning and initial strike operations of Operation Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom following the terrorist attacks on the Pentagon and World Trade Centers.

In addition, he led the chairman's efforts in establishing the U.S. Northern Command and merging of U.S. Space

and Strategic Commands.

The Navy made him Operations officer for the U.S. Pacific Fleet in 2003. There he was in charge of planning and executing Operation Unified Assistance in support of Sumatra tsunami relief.

He also coordinated the 2005 rescue of the nuclear attack submarine USS San Francisco which ran head on into an undersea mountain while traveling at more than 30 knots at a depth of 525 feet. The collision occurred in the Pacific some 360 miles from Guam.

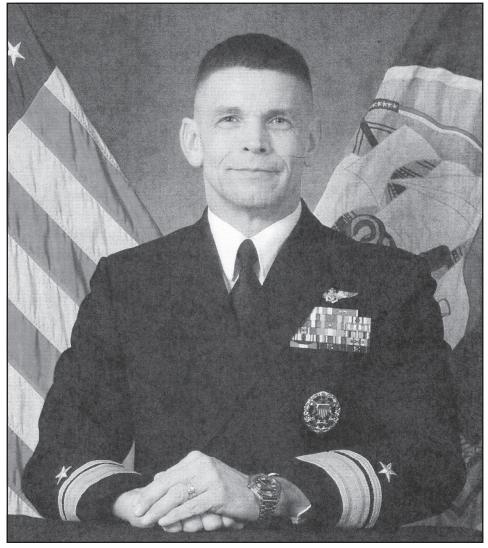
In February 2008 he led the planning and execution for the singularly most complex operation ever conducted by U.S. Strategic Command – kinetically engaging and destroying an out of control U.S. reconnaissance satellite in Operation Burnt Frost.

McClain integrated the start up of U.S. Cyber Command in 2009 after malicious malware was discovered on secure Department of Defense networks. He also conducted missile defense operations during tensions against North Korea that same year.

McClain retired from the Navy in 2011. His Navy command record includes:

- F/A-18 strike fighter pilot in Stingers of Strike Fighter Squadron, VFA-113, and Rough Raiders (Fleet Readiness Squadron), VFA-125.
- Navy A-6 all-weather and nuclear attack pilot for three tours.
- Commanded Carrier Air Wing 5, the Navy's only forward deployed air wing, from Atsugi, Japan.
- Commanded all carrier strike and surface combatant forces of the U.S. Seventh Fleet.

As a Navy pilot, McClain flew more than 300 combat sorties in support of



Doug McClain

Operations Desert Storm, Desert Strike, Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

He logged more than 6,500 hours in carrier jet aircraft including 2,000 hours in the A-6 Intruder and more than 4,000

hours in the F/A-18 Hornet and Super Hornet aircraft.

He set a Navy record with more than

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Flying the Delta

The Blue Angels fly a delta formation past the Fallen Aviator Memorial at the runway's end at the Naval Air Station outside Lemoore, Calif.

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McClain:

1,500 carrier-arrested landings on 12 different aircraft carriers. Five hundred of those were night arrested landings.

His military awards include:

- Defense Superior Service Medal
 - Legion of Merit
 - Meritorious Service Medal
 - Air Medal
- Joint Service Commendation Medal
- Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal
- Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

After retiring from the Navy, Mc-Clain and his wife, Doni, moved to their ranch near Wayne where they raise Beefmaster and Wagyu cattle.

Even their civilian pursuit, however, honors McClain's Naval aviator service.

The name of their Rockin' HD Ranch is taken from McClain's radio moniker as a Navy pilot – Hound Dog.



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Friends to the end

Retired Admiral Doug McClain, left, visited with Jon Hansen, Oklahoma City's assistant fire chief, during a Blue Angels' appearance in Oklahoma in 2005. The men became the best of friends until Hansen's death in 2016. Hansen was the rescue salvage coordinator in the wake of the 1995 Murrah bombing.

The sky was never the limit

U.S. Air Force has been making history 100-plus years

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For over a century, the U.S. Air Force has defended this country in the air, space and cyberspace through the skill and the bravery of American Airmen.

1903-1911

The dawn of the new century witnessed man take to the air for the first time in a heavier-than-air-powered aircraft conceived and flown by two Ohio bicycle salesmen.

Their maiden flight on that cold, windy December day in 1903, and the subsequent decade of innovation that followed, would help put the U.S. on a course to become the most powerful, most advanced country in the world.

1912-1939

For centuries, war was reserved for the battlefields and the high seas. But when the war to end all wars broke out in Europe on July 28, 1914, the oncepeaceful skies would quickly know the ravages of manned conflict.

Soon, fixed-wing aircraft would be conducting ground attacks and taking part in aerial dogfights with the U.S. poised to take the lead.

1940-1945

The Second World War would draw over 30 countries and all the world's

superpowers into the deadliest conflict in human history.

And there was no battleground more vital to victory than the sky above.

Beginning with Japan bombing Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, and ending with the U.S. dropping two atomic bombs on Japanese cities almost four years later, the skies became the ultimate high ground.

1946-1949

It was a time of relative peace, but not idle times. The lessons learned during the global conflict of WWII propelled the U.S. to push the envelope of what was possible both technologically and organizationally, including the separation of the Air Force into its own branch of the military.

In the process, the U.S. became a leading superpower.

1950-1953

When war broke out between North and South Korea, the United States once again found itself thrust into an international conflict thousands of miles from home.

Backed by China and the Soviet Union,

North Korea was on the brink of victory when America entered the fray and turned the tide.

The war ultimately ended in a stalemate, but the U.S. reconfirmed its role as a global military power.

1954-1964

The decade that separated the Korean and Vietnam wars bore witness to many achievements of the human spirit.

Suddenly the skies were no longer high enough, as man began reaching for the stars. And Airmen continued to test the boundaries of the human body by flying faster

and higher and longer than anyone had ever traveled before.

1965-1973

The battle to halt the spread of communism drew the U.S. back to Southeast Asia once more and into a conflict unlike any other.

Over the course of the campaign, the importance of air superiority and the use of new tactics and more sophisticated weapons systems would forever change

the way wars are fought.

1974-1983

After nearly a decade of fighting an unpopular war overseas, the Air Force experienced an era of relative peace that saw new breakthroughs in technology and service.

In the years that followed the Vietnam War, the many contributions by women and minorities in the Air Force were being recognized and new opportunities were being opened.

1990-1999

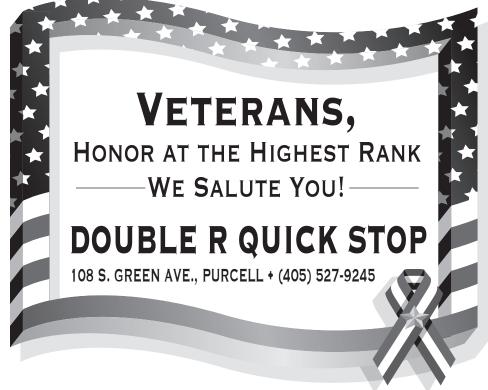
As the 20th century came to a close, the U.S. cemented its role as the most advanced Air Force in the world with its display of air power during the liberation of Kuwait, the activation of the GPS system and the launching of the first unmanned aerial vehicle, which would once again change the way battles are fought from the skies.

2000-Present

Shortly after the world celebrated the birth of a new century, the U.S. would be plunged into its longest war ever after it was attacked on Sept. 11, 2001.

The war on terror would be an ongoing conflict against an enemy without traditional borders and see the emergence of unmanned aerial vehicles as a dominant player in the Air Force's air attack.





Still Army strong at 245

Army always at forefront in country's defense

The Army celebrated its 245th birth-day on June 14 – the anniversary of the Continental Congress' approval to raise 10 companies of riflemen in Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

The Continental Army would be led by George Washington. But these weren't the first home-grown soldiers.

In 1747, the first independent company of American Rangers was mobilized to serve the crown in the colonies.

In 1758, the French & Indian War began on American soil.

The American Revolution lasted from 1775 to 1783. Greatly outnumbered, the colonists successfully defeated one of the world's great armies by using small unit ambush techniques.

The "shot heard round the world" on

the Lexington Green was the spark that started the war between the rebellious colonies and England. The date was April 19,1775–56 days before the Continental Army was established.

In the peace that followed independence, the Army was cut to 800 men and charged with protecting settlers.

The Army also engaged in what would become more than a century of Indian wars across the land and moving native people onto reservations.

In 1802, Congress established the country's first military academy at West Point, N.Y.

The War of 1812 (1812-1815) is recognized as sealing the country's independence. Although the Army failed to capture Canada, it succeeded in pre-

venting the British from taking Baltimore and New Orleans.

The 19th century was the era of the great chiefs: Tecumseh, Geronimo, Cochise, Black Kettle, Red Cloud, Sitting Bill, Big Foot and others.

During the Mexican War (1846-1848), soldiers fought for the first time far beyond their frontiers. It was the first time the army administered a military government over a conquered area.

The Civil War lasted from 1861 to 1865 and proved America's bloodiest conflict.

The first Battle of Bull Run at Manassas Junction in 1861 left both sides optimistic the war would soon be over.

That optimism was misplaced. Shiloh (Pittsburg Landing) in 1862 saw 10,000 casualties on each side. The bloodletting continued later that year at Anteitam (Sharpsburg) – one of the bloodlest battles of the war.

The Confederacy instituted a draft in 1862, followed by the Union in 1863.

The Battle of Gettysburg from July 1-4, 1863, was a turning point in the war.

Ulysses S. Grant becomes the first to hold the 5-star rank General of the Army in March 1864.

The final death toll during the Civil War was nearly 700,000 – surpassing the Army's cumulative losses from the Revolution through Vietnam.

The Spanish-American War lasted

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from April to December, 1898.

By the end of the war, the Army had made its mark as a world force.

Army reorganization would begin in early 1900s. Gen. Samuel Young became the army's first Chief of Staff and the first aeronautical division was set up within the signal corps.

During World War I (1917-1918), President Woodrow Wilson sent the American Expeditionary Force to the Western front under the command of Gen. John Pershing.

Brig. Gen. Hugh Johnson drafted the Selective Service Act, which Congress passed in 1917. Approximately 4 million civilians were ultimately drafted.

American action during the war included participation in France's Third Battle of the Aisne, the Marne, Le Hamel and Canal du Nord before launching its own offensives.

Of nearly 200,000 black soldiers who served in Europe during World War I. only 42,000 were classified as combat troops.

American aviators served in the Air Service during the war. In 1926, the Army Air Corps was established.

The country entered World War II in December 1941. The war would not be won until August 1945.

On D-Day, June 6, 1944, 1.3 million U.S. troops landed on the beaches at Normandy during the greatest amphibious attack in history.

Troops in the Pacific Theater under the command of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, with massive support from the Army Air Corps, engage in an island hopping campaign against Japathe

Meanwhile,

Army engineers working with civilian scientists on the Manhattan Project create two atomic bombs which will finally force the Japanese surrender.

Post-war demobilization lasted from 1945-1948.

But a scant two years later the Army was again called to combat during the Korean Conflict, which lasted from 1950-1953.

Under the command of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, the war, which ended in a

stalemate, claimed the lives of 54,000 Americans and more than 2 million Koreans and Chinese.

> On Aug. 17, 1955, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a Code of Conduct for the nation's soldiers to live by during war.

> > On its 181st anniversary, the Army flag is dedicated on June 14, 1956.

Then on Dec. 12, 1957. "The Army Goes Rolling Along" is adopted as the official Army song.

From 1965-1973, the Army and other branches of the military fought in the Vietnam War.

The Tet Offensive on Jan. 31, 1968, caught the Army off guard and the Vietcong were successful in launching a major offensive.

Innocent villagers at My Lai were massacred by Army troops on March 16, 1968. The carnage is considered a

turning point in the war.

On April 28, 1975, some 8,000 people were transported from the U.S. Embassy in Saigon in the largest helicopter evacuation in history.

Saigon fell to communist forces two days later.

The Army participated in Operation Grenada in 1983 and the invasion of Panama in 1989-1990.

During the First Gulf War (Operation Desert Storm) in 1991, a coalition force of 34 nations commanded by Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf took back Kuwait, driving out Iraqi forces which had invaded the small Arabic country.

The ground campaign to liberate Kuwait lasted only about 100 hours before President George H.W. Bush declared a ceasefire on Feb. 27, 1991.

The United States engaged in the Global War on Terror following terrorist attacks on the World Trade Centers in New York and the Pentagon.

The military returned to Iraq in an associated conflict, the Second Persian Gulf War in March and April 2003.

By mid-April, Saddam Hussein's army and government had collapsed.

The Global War on Terror is approaching 18 years. It is the longest war in the country's history.





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The Coast Guard is one of the oldest organizations of the federal government. Established in 1790, the Coast Guard served as the nation's only armed force on the sea until Congress launched the Navy Department eight years later. Since then, the Coast Guard has protected the United States throughout its long history and served proudly in every one of the nation's conflicts.

The Coast Guard through History

4 August 1790 – President George Washington signs the Tariff Act that authorizes the construction of ten vessels, referred to as "cutters," to enforce federal tariff and trade laws and to prevent smuggling. The Revenue Cutter Service expanded in size and responsibilities as the nation grew.

1915 – The Revenue Cutter Service merges with the U.S. Life-Saving Service, and is officially renamed the Coast Guard, making it the only maritime service dedicated to saving life at sea and enforcing the nation's maritime laws.

1939 – President Franklin Roosevelt orders the transfer of the Lighthouse Service to the Coast Guard, putting it in charge of maritime navigation.

1946 - Congress permanently transfers the Commerce Department's Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation to the Coast Guard, putting merchant marine licensing and merchant vessel safety in its control.

1967 – The Coast Guard is transferred to Department of Transportation.

2003 – The Coast Guard is again transferred, this time to the Department of Homeland Security, where it currently serves.

The Coast Guard Today

The Coast Guard is both a federal law enforcement agency and a military force, and therefore is a faithful protector of the United States in peacetime and war. In times of peace, the Coast Guard operates as part of the Department of Homeland Security, enforcing the nation's laws at sea, protecting the marine environment, guarding the nation's vast coastline and ports, and performing vital life saving missions. In times of war, or at the direc-

tion of the President, the Coast Guard serves under the Department of the Navy, defending the nation against terrorism and foreign threats.

Statistics

The Coast Guard is the principal Federal agency responsible for maritime safety, security, and environmental stewardship in U.S. ports and waterways. In this capacity, the Coast Guard protects and defends more than 100,000 miles of U.S. coastline and inland waterways, and safeguards an Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) encompassing 4.5 million square miles stretching from North of the Arctic Circle to South of the equator, from Puerto Rico to Guam, encompassing nine time zones – the largest EEZ in the world. As one of the five Armed Services of the United States, the Coast Guard is the only military branch within the Department of Homeland Security. In addition to its role as an Armed Service. the Coast Guard is a first responder and humanitarian service that provides aid to people in distress or impacted by natural and man-made disasters whether at sea or ashore. The Coast Guard is a member of the Intelligence Community, and is a law enforcement and regulatory agency with broad legal authorities associated with maritime transportation, hazardous materials shipping, bridge administration, oil spill response, pilotage, and vessel construction and operation.

The over 56,000 members of the Coast Guard operate a multi-mission, interoperable fleet of 243 Cutters, 201 fixed and rotary-wing aircraft, and over 1,600 boats. Operational control of surface and air assets is vested in two Coast Guard geographical Areas (Pacific and Atlantic), nine Coast Guard Districts, and 37 Sectors located at strategic ports throughout the country. Six Mission Support Logistics and Service Centers provide services for operational assets and shore facilities. Coast Guard program oversight, policy development, and personnel administration are carried out at Coast Guard Headquarters located on the St. Elizabeths campus in Washington, DC.

On an average day, the Coast Guard:

Coast Guard:

• conducts 45 search and rescue cases; in U.S. ports;

• saves 10 lives;

• saves over \$1.2M in property;

• seizes 874 pounds of cocaine and 214 pounds of marijuana:

- conducts 57 waterborne patrols of critical maritime infrastructure:
- interdicts 17 illegal migrants:
- escorts 5 highcapacity passenger vessels:
- conducts 24 security boardings in and around U.S. ports;
- screens 360 merchant vessels for potential security threats prior to arrival Maritime Transportation System.

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Ups and downs on high seas

Navy's size ebbs and flows with the times

The U.S. Navy recognizes 13 October 1775 as the date of its official establishment.

That's when the Continental Congress authorized the purchase of two vessels to be armed for a cruise against British merchant ships.

Then on Dec. 13, 1775, the Congress authorized the building of 13 frigates – five ships each with 32 and 28 guns and three armed with 24 guns.

However, the effectiveness of this fledging Navy was limited.

They were completely outmatched by the mighty Royal Navy, and nearly all were captured or sunk by 1781.

Privateers siding with the Colonies fared better, taking more than 2,200 British ships.

The Revolutionary War was ended by

the Treaty of Paris in 1783, and by 1785 the Continental Navy was disbanded.

The Constitution authorized Congress to create a navy in 1789 and Congress passed the Naval Act of 1794 to begin construction of six frigates armed with a total of 248 guns.

However, just two-thirds of the fleet was built.

Despite the ups and downs, the Department of the Navy was established on April 30, 1798.

Opposition to a strong navy was led by President Thomas Jefferson and his Republican party.

They argued that small gunboats in the major harbors were all the nation needed to defend itself.

The War of 1812 against Britain was largely over the British practice of il-

legally pressing American sailors into the Royal Navy. It is believed as many as 10,000 sailors were taken between 1799 and 1812.

The odds were strongly in favor of the Royal Navy, but the Americans persevered.

After the war, the Navy's accomplishments paid off in the form of better funding, and it embarked on the construction of many new ships. However, the expense of the larger ships was prohibitive, and many of them stayed in shipyards half-completed, in readiness for another war, until the Age of Sail had almost completely passed. The main force of the Navy continued to be large sailing frigates with a number of smaller sloops during the three decades of peace. By the 1840s, the Navy began to adopt steam

power and shell guns, but they lagged behind the French and British in adopting the new technologies.

The government founded the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., in 1845.

Ironclad ships made an impact during the Civil War. But by 1878, Navy strength was just 6,000 men and most of its ships were mothballed.

Starting in 1882, Congress approved construction of multiple modern steel-hulled armored cruisers and battleships.

The escalation continued through the Spanish-American War and by the Armistice ending World War I, the Navy numbered more men and women in uniform than the Royal Navy.

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Navy:

During the 1920s and 1930s, the fleet grew by several aircraft carriers and battleships.

The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, left the Navy crippled and badly out-

classed in the Pacific. Still, the Navy turned the tide of the war in the Pacific in several historic battles, including the Battle of the Coral Sea, Battle of Midway and he Battle of Leyte Gulf, recognized as the largest naval

By the end of the war, the Navy fleet included more than 1,600 ships.

battle in history.

More wars would follow. The Cold War, Korean Conflict, Vietnam War, First Persian Gulf War, Second Persian Gulf War, Iraq War.

Still, by 1978 the number of Navy ships was fewer than 400 and many of those were World War II vintage.

When he was president, Ronald Reagan instituted a program for a modern 600-ship Navy.

Despite that, however, by March 2007, the fleet had shrunk to its smallest size - 274 ships - since World War I.

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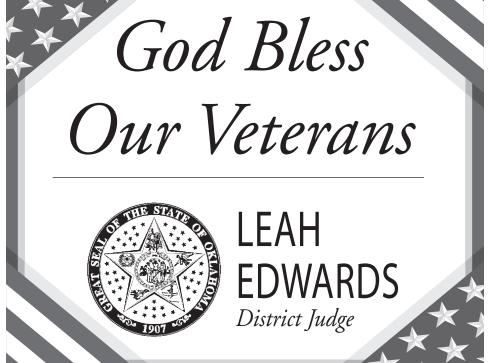
fleet has g r o w n since then and in 2020 was reported to include 490 ships, placing the Navy in fourth place behind North Korea's 984 ships, China's 777 and Russia's 603.

The present Navy includes 22 Ticonderoga class cruisers, 67 of at least 82 planned Arleigh Burke class destroyers and 19 of 22 planned Littoral combat ships.











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