



Raucous crowd attends meeting

When Cole speaks at chamber of commerce event

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

When Congressman Tom Cole told constituents at a meeting in Purcell last week that it's not Congress' intent to scrap all of the Affordable Care Act, his assurances did little to reassure his audience.

"Repealing and replacing Obamacare will be a process,

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Tom Cole



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Congressional visit

U.S. Rep. Tom Cole addresses questions from the audience during a public meeting sponsored by the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce at city hall on Feb. 22.



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Battling the blaze

Purcell Firefighters battled not one, but two grass fires along Interstate 35 last Friday between 4:30 and 5 p.m. One of the fires was at mile marker 95 and the other was at mile marker 101. Goldsby and Purcell units responded.

Twin trials

Two murder defendants before juries

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Jury trials for two accused murderers were underway Tuesday in McClain County District Court.

A jury was hearing testimony

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Lawsuit filed against city

Alleges unlawful employment discrimination

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A lawsuit filed in McClain County District Court by a former City of Purcell employee against the City of Purcell and city manager Dale Bunn has been moved to federal court.

The lawsuit by Mary Raylean DeSellier against the city and Bunn personally alleges unlawful employment discrimination because of her gender, a hostile work environment and sexual harassment.

The lawsuit reports DeSellier started as a 9-1-1 dispatcher in 2010 and was promoted to deputy court

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clerk and eventually court clerk.

The results of her losing her job caused her to lose income, past and future, emotional distress and mental anguish, the lawsuit states.

The lawsuit is seeking in

excess of \$75,000.

When contacted by **The Purcell Register**, Bunn said he has been advised by legal counsel not to address any issues regarding the suit.

Repeated calls to DeSellier's attorney Blake Sonne of Norman have gone unreturned. The newspaper also reached out to Margaret McMorrow-Love, who is representing the city, Thomas LeBlanc, who is

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Interesting Neighbors

Everyone has a story

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Bert and Bonnie Seabourn have been the wind beneath one another's wings ever since they became high school sweethearts at Purcell High School.

When Bert was a senior and Bonnie Jo Tompkins a junior, they worked together at a 5 & 10 cent store. They went on their

first date in December 1949.

It's been quite a ride for the couple as Bert moved from cartoonist to commercial artist to world-renowned painter.

But that is getting ahead of the story.

Bert and Bonnie married in the summer of 1950 after

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High school sweethearts

Bert and Bonnie Seabourn were high school sweethearts at Purcell High School when they married in 1950. Sixty-six years later, they remain soulmates. Seabourn, a renowned artist, has filled their lives – and their home – with his paintings.

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Area bound

Purcell's boys and Washington's girls advanced to the Area Tournament.



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Pictures of the Purcell Bonus Sale Grand Champions.



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Early spring?

Warmer temperatures than normal in February have the Bradford Pears blooming several weeks earlier than usual.

Stray cow in town captured by authorities

Purcell Police with the assistance of Purcell Ag Instructor Jason Baker corralled a loose cow in the 500 block of Jefferson Street last Saturday.

According to the police report, officers responded to a cow on the prowl about 2:35 Saturday afternoon. Baker, Jerry Mike Gamble,

Jason McCuddy and officers Michael Thurston, Heather Kaluzny, Zach Paul and Josh Van Oort caught the animal and took it into custody.



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Mobile home?

New to the west Main Street neighborhood in the 900 block was this house moved in by professional movers late last week.

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More spring-like temperatures

This week will be very nice with temperatures mainly in the 70s. The lows in the evening won't be dropping too much either which will make for nice weather for any evening plans. Tuesday there does exist a slight chance of some scattered showers and thunderstorms.

Apply early for absentee ballots

Voters in McClain County who want to have absentee ballots mailed to them for the April 4 Municipal Election should apply now, County Election Board Secretary Karen Haley said.

Although the election board can accept applications for absentee ballots until 5 p.m. on Wednesday, March 29, Haley urged voters who want to vote by absentee ballot to apply early.

Absentee ballot application forms are available at the election board office located at 121

North Second Avenue. An online version of the form can be filled out and submitted electronically at [www.elections.ok.gov](#). A print form can also be downloaded at that address.

"At least two mail transactions must be made," Haley said. "The election board must mail the ballots to the voter and the voter must return the voted ballots by mail."

Ballots must be in the hands of election board officials by 7 p.m. on election day to be counted.

Haley said any registered voter may vote by absentee ballot in any election in which he or she is eligible to vote. However, a voter must be registered and reside at an address within the geographical boundaries of a school district or a municipality to be eligible to vote in school district or municipal elections. It is not necessary to give a reason for voting absentee.

"While anyone can vote absentee without giving a reason, the law still provides several advantages to absentee voters in some categories," Haley said.

Democratic Precinct Meetings

All McClain County Democratic Precinct meetings will be held Thursday, March 9, at 7 p.m.

The Northern Precincts, 9,12-19 and 27, will meet at the Blanchard Public Library.

The Southern Precincts, 1-8, 10,11, 23, 24, 26 and 28, will meet at Chairman Dr. Glenn Mead's dental office located at 129 N. 3rd St. in Purcell.

Becoming involved in the

precinct meetings is the first step in selecting delegates who will attend the County, District and State Conventions.

A person must be a reg-

istered Democratic voter to become an officer or to vote at this meeting. All other individuals are invited to join us for discussions of local, state and national issues.

Drug arrest

Purcell Police arrested Franklin Joseph Gonzalez, 38, of Norman for trafficking amphetamine or methamphetamine last Sunday morning in Purcell.

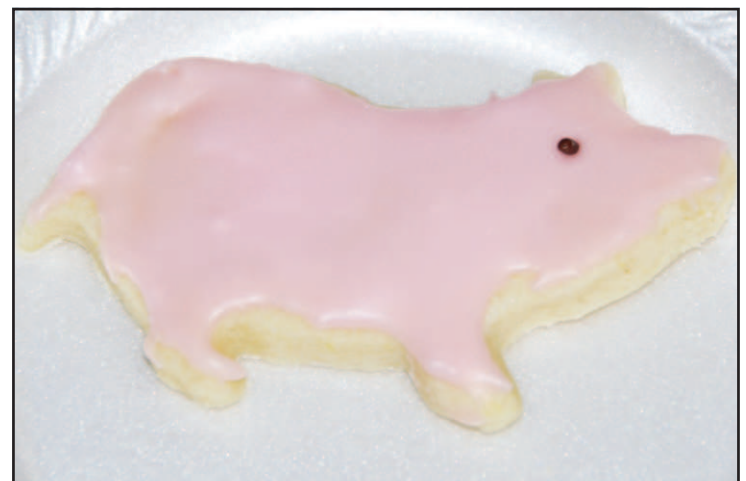
While on routine patrol, officer John Albertson stopped a vehicle with a brake light that was not working about 12:30 a.m.

Albertson discovered Gonzalez had an outstanding warrant in Cleveland County.

After investigating the vehicle he found 71 grams of meth, some marijuana, scales, a meth pipe and small baggies.

Gonzalez remained in the McClain County jail as of Tuesday of this week.

Albertson was assisted at the scene near the corner of Green Avenue and Brule by Jerome Hayes and Daniel Ashbridge.



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Grand champion cookie

Darla Delcambre did her best to bake cookies appropriate for last week's Purcell Bonus Auction.

NEWS

from the

City of Purcell

Community Service

City of Purcell, Code Enforcement, has unlimited daytime hours, including weekends, for anyone needing community service hours.

Contact James New in the City of Purcell City Hall, Code Office, or call 527-4656 daytime from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or (405) 517-4529 or fax (405) 527-5621.

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NEWS In Brief

Change of Assessment

The McClain County Assessor's office mailed the Change of Assessment Notices on Tuesday, February 28. This is an important, time-sensitive document.

Please take time to review the notice. This is not a tax bill. If you do not receive a notice and think you should have, please contact our office.

The notices are mailed to the last, best known address. It is the taxpayers responsibility to report any change of address to the assessor's office by calling 527-3520.

Wayne Show,

Bonus Auction

The Wayne Livestock Show and Bonus Auction will be held Saturday, March 4.

The Livestock Show will be at 10 a.m. in the Ag Education Building, with the complimentary dinner at 5:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria followed by the Bonus Auction at 7 p.m. in the Ag Education Building.

The public is encouraged to come out and support the Wayne FFA and 4-H livestock exhibitors.

For more information on any of the events, call Jacob Fielder at 449-3317.

Domino

Tournament

The American Legion Post 301 will host a domino tournament starting at 12 noon on Saturday, March 4, as a fund raiser for Post programs.

The Post is located at 104 E. Broadway in Lexington, across the street from City Hall. It will be family fun and members of the public are invited. A snack bar will be available.

The winning team will receive engraved coffee mugs and bragging rights for a month.

Lexington After Prom Dance

Lexington After Prom is sponsoring a Prince and Princess Dance Saturday, March 4, from 6-8 p.m. in the high school commons.

This is an inclusive event for all pre-k through high school students, parents, grandparents and friends. This dance is modeled after a dance in Yukon where no one is left out.

Admission price is \$5 per person and refreshments will be served. Local photographer April Johnson will be taking pictures and a DJ will provide the music.

If you need tickets call 249-6632 or you may pay at the door.

Lexington 4-H Meeting

The Lexington 4-H regular monthly meeting is Monday, March 6, at 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

For more information call Judy Lewis at 274-3901 or Susan Moffat at 826-5748.

Leadership

Social

Leadership Mid-America Alumni's first social is Thursday, March 9, at Libby's Café, 111 N. Main Ave., in Goldsby, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Check for updates on the Leadership Mid-America Alumni Facebook page.

Purcell After

Prom Meeting

A Purcell After Prom meeting will be held Thursday, March 9, at 7:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Worship Center Foyer.

Volleyball

Tournament

Lexington After Prom and the Lexington-Baxter Masonic Lodge #72 are sponsoring a

volleyball tournament at 1 p.m. Friday, March 10, in the high school gym.

Teams from the high school and middle school will be participating.

PTO Food Trucks

The Purcell PTO will be hosting a variety of food trucks at Parent-Teacher Conference Night Thursday, March 9.

Part of the proceeds of sales that night will be donated to the PTO.

Museum News

The McClain County Museum and Historical Society will be open Thursday, March 2, and Friday, March 3, from 1-4 p.m.

Historic Purcell posters are still available at the museum.

Contact the museum at mcmuseum@mail.com, call (405) 701-3171 or Facebook to schedule an alternate time to visit or to purchase the historic Purcell poster.

Lex Senior

Citizens Lunch

The Lexington senior citizens serve lunch from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays for a \$6 donation. To-go orders are \$7.

The lunch is open to the public and home cooked and served by the Lexington Senior Citizens at the Lexington Community Center at 131 S. Main.

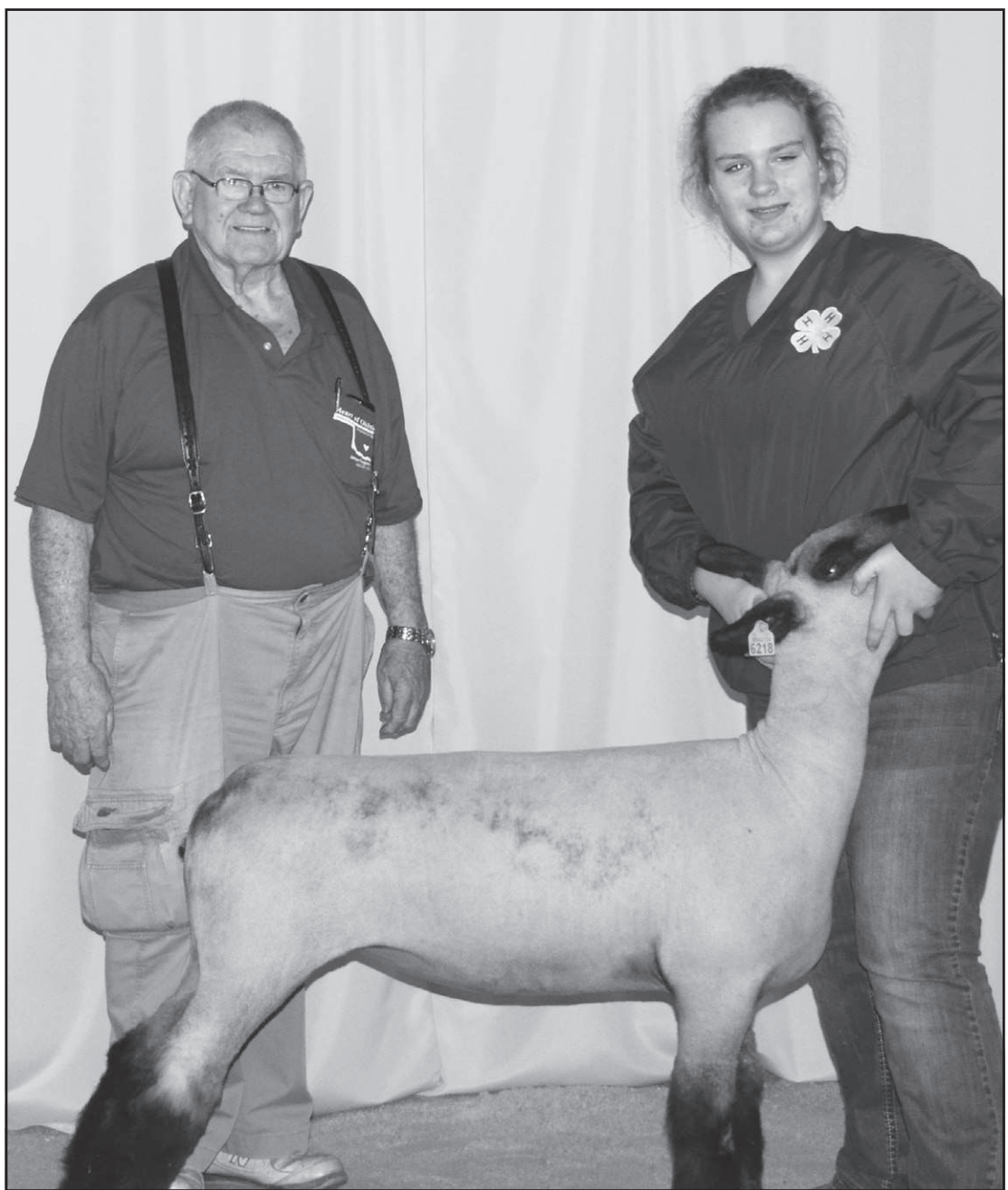
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NA Group

Purcell New Beginnings Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. for Living Clean and Fridays at 7 p.m. for Basic Text.

The group meets at the 7th and Monroe Church of Christ in Purcell.

For more information call Sarah W. at (405) 816-9233.



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Grand champion ewe

Hailey Carpenter had the grand champion ewe at the Purcell Bonus Auction last week. Her premium of \$425 was purchased by James Ferguson of Oklahoma Farmer's Insurance in Purcell.

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Drug trafficking alleged

Court sets man's bond at \$250K

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A traffic stop south of Purcell on I-35 cost the driver more than a ticket for speeding when the officer, a District 21 Drug Task Force agent, called in a drug dog that alerted to four kilos of cocaine secreted in the car's roof.

The driver, Jesus F. Wong, 45, of El Paso, Texas, is now charged in McClain County District Court with aggravated trafficking in illegal drugs and is in the McClain County Detention Center on a \$250,000 bond.

A preliminary hearing conference will be at 9 a.m. March 15.

According to an affidavit, Wong was clocked at 79 mph in the northbound lanes near mile marker 88 on the afternoon of February 9.

In addition, the officer noticed the gold Mercedes had a broken windshield.

When stopped near mile marker 90, Wong gave the officer a paper Texas ID card and a fleet insurance card for

the vehicle.

The agent became suspicious during the stop and called for another agent to bring in his

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It's a Small World

Gracie Montgomery

Happy birthday to Karen Bollenbach, Dr. Stephanie Schmidt, Tiffany Spencer, Devon Allen, Seth Brady, Selina Ricardo Howe, Steve Perigo, Shianne Andrew, Ryan Buchanan, Alexis Wenthold, Raul Martinez Ramos, Tiffany O'Connor, Debra Murphy, Aracely Ceballos, Rigoberto Carrillo and Eric McGowen.

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Admission price is \$5 per person and refreshments will be served. Local photographer April Johnson will be taking pictures and a DJ will provide the music.

For tickets call 249-6632 or you may pay at the door.

Preschool and Toddler Story Time will be held Tuesday, March 7, from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Come enjoy stories, rhymes, and games each week. We will focus on a different pre-reading skill that is introduced in the GLAR (Growing Like a Read) program.

Following the story time there will be a short time for children to explore different art mediums. This program is geared toward toddlers and preschoolers, but any age is welcomed.

Registration is not required to attend any of the story times.

Find out more by visiting the library, calling 527-5546 or going online to www.pioneerlibrarysystem.org/purcell.

Gardening season can go year-round, and the Purcell

Public Library looks at good ideas for the garden in its free workshop How to Grow Cool and Warm Season Vegetables at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 4.

Wes Lee, Extension Agent with the McClain County OSU Cooperative Extension Service, will cover a variety of topics in the presentation.

He will cover the basics of site selection for plants, soil fertility, what and how to plant, when to harvest it and general pest management of cold and warm season vegetable crops.

Ages 18 and up are invited to attend and registration is not required in advance.

Here's an easy one pan recipe.

Creamy Chicken Pasta Skillet

1 Tbsp. oil
1 lb. boneless skinless chicken breasts, cut into thin strips
1 onion, cut into thin wedges
14.5 oz. can chicken broth
1/4 lb. sliced fresh mushrooms
2 tsp. Lea & Perrins Worcestershire Sauce
4 cups egg noodles, uncooked
1 Tbsp. finely chopped canned chipotle peppers in adobo sauce

8 oz. container sour cream
Heat oil in large skillet on medium-high heat. Add chicken and onions; cook and stir 5 to 7 minutes or until chicken is done.

Add broth, mushrooms, Worcestershire sauce and noodles; stir. Bring to boil; cover.

Simmer on medium-low heat 10 to 12 minutes or until noodles are tender and only a small amount of liquid remains.

Stir in peppers; cook, uncovered, 2 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat.

Stir in sour cream.



• Photo provided

Door prize winners

Bliss Mother's Club door prize winners at the February 20 meeting were Julie Garver, left, and Andrea Peery, right. They are shown with Jennifer Claunch, center, hostess for the meeting.

Bliss Mother's Club

The Bliss Mother's Club of Lexington met Monday, February 20, 2017 hosted by Jennifer Claunch.

Bliss members appreciate First Baptist Church for lending them the Xander Annex as their meeting place.

The ladies discussed upcoming events such as scholarships, donations and the next fundraiser. They will also be helping the Lexington Middle School in their efforts to have a cleanup day in Lexington in preparation for 89ers Day.

Lexington Chief of Police, Deana Allen, went over ways to stay safe in the community and helpful tips. The programs

are always something members look forward to.

Club members will be attending the annual convention of the Oklahoma Association of Mothers Clubs April 7 and 8 at the Skirvin Hotel.

During the banquet Friday evening, a check will be presented to the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation, the State Association's project.

Members present were Deana Allen, Marci Bean, Krystal Bugher, Jennifer Claunch, Aren Easom, Julie Garver, Laketa Ille, Kim Jones, Andrea Peery, Lisa Rillema and Terri Sample.

Door prize winners were Julie Garver and Andrea Peery.



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Order up!

Danny Jacobs ladles chili into a serving cup during the Purcell Rotary Club's annual chili luncheon February 22.

Chickasaw Nation to host spring celebrations

The Chickasaw Cultural Center is celebrating the arrival of spring with a variety of fun and educational events during the month of March.

The annual Three Sisters Celebration is set for Monday, March 13, through Sunday, March 19.

This festival observes the changing of the seasons when essential crops like squash, corn and beans take root. In combination, these crops are known as the "Three Sisters."

An ancient method of gardening, "Three Sisters" uses an intercropping system to grow corn, beans and squash simultaneously, which provides long-term soil fertility and healthy crops of food.

Activities in the Living Village include cultural demonstrations, archery, stickball, face painting, cultural crafts, storytelling, stomp dancing and more.

Horticulture-related activities including preparing a garden, planting tips, cultivating crops and preparing food will be offered at the festival.

The Chickasaw Cultural Center will be showing a variety of children's movies during the week of March 13-19. Films include:

"Zootopia," 1 p.m., "Inside Out," 3 p.m., March 13, 15, 17, 19.

"Flight of the Butterfly," 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., March 14.

"Frozen," 1 p.m., "The Good Dinosaur," 3 p.m., March 16.

"Frozen," 1 p.m., "Trolls," 3

p.m., March 18.

The spring break films will be played in the Anoli' Theater and are open to the public at no charge.

In conjunction with National Butterfly Day, the Chickasaw Cultural Center is hosting the National Learn about Butterflies Day, March 14.

Spend the day playing games, making crafts, enjoying educational tours and learning about the stunning Monarch butterfly. Activities include:

10 a.m.-5 p.m.—Butterfly booth/exhibit will be set up with several giveaways and make-and-take crafts by the butterfly garden, located just outside of the Living Village.

10 a.m.-5 p.m.—"Pollination Games on the Plaza" (education outreach to learn about butterflies) located in the plaza in front of the Chikasha Poya Exhibit Hall.

2 p.m.—Anoli' Theater – Lecture, "The Monarch Butterfly and Its Amazing Journey!" by Thalia Miller and Rhonda Sellers.

1 p.m. and 3 p.m.—Anoli' Theater – Film, "Flight of the Butterflies."

All events are open to the public at no charge.

The Chickasaw Cultural Center, 867 Cooper Memorial Drive, in Sulphur is open Monday-Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday from noon-5 p.m.

For more information about any of the upcoming events, call (580) 622-7130 or visit www.chickasawculturalcenter.com.

Mix up art and creativity in bilingual offering

The Purcell Public Library is celebrating art in a bilingual setting with its program ¡Viva GLART, Grow a Learner through Art! at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 10.

Activities are for ages five and under and their caregivers and provide a bilingual setting for learning through art play. All materials are provided.

The ¡Viva GLART! series

is part of the Pioneer Library System's Growing Like a Read initiative and were made possible from a contribution from an anonymous donor to PLS in 2015.

Registration is not required in advance.

For more information, visit the library, call 527-5546 or go online to www.pioneerlibrarysystem.org/purcell.

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Garvin County Republicans

The Republican Party of Garvin County will hold its monthly meeting Monday, March 13, at 7 p.m. at Christian Life Church, 820 S. Walnut, in Pauls Valley.

Discussion will be held on events leading up to the Oklahoma Republican State Convention, which is set for May 6 in Oklahoma City.

Call (405) 740-5131 for more information about the meeting or the Republican Party.



• Photos provided

Daddy Daughter Dance

The Purcell Public Library held its annual Daddy Daughter Dance February 18 at the Purcell Public School Administration Building. A total of 376 people enjoyed the evening of dance, snacks and activities.



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Tooth Fairy truths

Pre-kindergarten youngsters at Purcell Elementary School got dental facts from the Rotary Tooth Fairy, Debbie Timms, during her visit to the school last week.

Rosedale News

By Donna Stufflebean

A welcome home celebration was held in the home of Doris Lang, hosted by Donna Stufflebean in honor of Aaron David Paul Arnn, Donna's youngest son. Some family members hadn't seen him in 14 months.

Aaron came home on February 9, but the celebration was held February 18. The celebration was also special because Aaron and his wife, Katie, were married on January 18 which was also Aaron's birthday, so their second anniversary was also celebrated.

Attending were Aaron's grandmother, Doris Lang, his mother, Donna Stufflebean, and his brother, Bo Linker, all of Rosedale; his sister, Kandace Miller and her daughter, Shaeli Summers of Chickasha; and Kandace's son and his wife and their baby boy, Dylan, Courtney and Abel Summers of Purcell.

This as the first time for Aaron to see his great-nephew, Abel, in person, not just in pictures.

Also attending were Katie Arnn, Michael and Melissa Holland and Judy and Gayla Dawson, all of Pauls Valley; Bobby Keenom of Paoli; Tana

Lang and Anthony Soto of Purcell; Doc, Sherrie and Tommie Brooke Lang and Hailey Lang, all of Rosedale.

Unable to attend were Aaron's brothers, Sean Owen and Tommy Miller and kids, Jason Linker and family and Frankie Linker and family; his sister, Ashley and Brandon Scales and family of Wayne; James and Saphire Linker; Aaron and Katie's youngest son, Anthony

Colmenarez and grandson, Madden Holland of Pauls Valley and Emmanuel Daniels, Shaeli Summer's fiancée.

Cake, ice cream and drinks were served, Aaron and Katie opened gifts and pictures were taken. The celebration was a wonderful occasion for the family.

Several other family members, too many to mention, were also not able to attend.



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Purcell Senior Citizens

By Fredda Davis

Another month has passed with lots of good activities at the center. All the red and pink hearts have been put away and the green and white clovers, Leprechauns and pots of gold have been appearing in the dining hall. We will have a short time to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. The seniors will have a little fun wearing green on March 17 and word has it that the water might even turn green that day. We will have to wait and see.

The senior's next garage sale will be Friday, March 3, starting at 8 a.m. and lasting until 3 p.m. Plan to come check out the items for sale. There is a nice collection of Precious Moments keepsakes that has been received by the center. We also have a large collection of cookbooks and two portable sewing machines. These machines have been checked out and are ready to be used. There is also a very nice computer desk in the sale items. Come check out all our items.

Bingo will start promptly at 10 a.m. Thursday. Everyone needs to be in their chair at 10 a.m. so the games can begin on time. Everyone is a winner before we are finished.

As soon as it gets a little warmer in the mornings, the seniors will begin a walking program three days a week. It will be based on your abilities and if you use a cane or a walker, it will be geared so you can use your assistance.

We have had several of our regulars out with the flu and all the other stuff that has been being passed around. Some are back this week and we hope to get everyone back soon.

If you know someone who needs help with their noon meal at home, call the Delta Nutrition Center at 527-9462 and ask for Rebecca. Participants must live in the Purcell City Limits.

Looking for a place to have something special? The senior center is available for \$70 a day. If you're interested call 527-5070.

The seniors invite anyone 60 or above to visit the center where there is always something cooking and plenty of activities. Lunch is \$2 for all seniors.

If you are sitting at home bored and lonesome, come to the senior center and meet some new friends. We guarantee there will be something going on that you can enjoy. You will not be bored or lonesome for very long.

Veteran's Corner SH 9

Fred Zacher
For The Purcell Register

Helping Us Make a Difference

Ask any Veterans Corner volunteer why they are there and they will most likely tell you that they are just passionate about making sure our veterans aren't forgotten. Sometimes the volunteers do minor jobs like cleaning tables, or mopping floors.

Every day is different and what is needed changes depending on who calls or comes into Veterans Corner. One of our volunteers recently received a call from Essance Campbell who is a Case Manager with Goodwill Industries. She was working with a veteran who needed a pair of steel-toed boots. The veteran had a construction job but couldn't work because he didn't have the shoes required.

Veterans Corner mailed a \$100 bill and soon received a letter back with a thank you, a receipt for boots, and a penny (since the boots were only \$99.99).

We are glad that we are able



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to help meet veterans needs. We receive daily calls from veterans and their spouses needing help with utility bills, gas money to get to work, and even food so they'll have something to eat. Thanks to the generous donations of both volunteer time and funds, we are able to continue to meet these needs. Thank you for your help - we couldn't do it without you.

Transportation Available

Veterans Corner has three vans available to transport veterans to their medical ap-

pointments. If you need help getting to or from a medical appointment please contact one of our drivers. They are Fred Zacher (405) 447-2482, Greg Kelsch (405) 255-2208 and Sam Knight (405) 808-5096. There is never a charge for these service but donations are always appreciated. We are also in need of a driver to help transport veterans. Please contact us if you are interested in helping.

Support Available for Veterans

Veterans Corner provides food boxes, both manual and electric wheel chairs, medical equipment and vehicle electric wheel chair lifts for veterans. All services are provided free

of charge for veterans. If you are in need, please see Jerry Baxter or Jimmy Flowers at Veterans Corner or call (405) 387-5070 for assistance.

Visiting Veterans Corner

Veterans Corner is located just south of Norman, 2 miles west of I-35 Exit 106 on the north side of Highway 9 (just west of the Riverwind Casino). From the southwest go four miles north of Blanchard on Highway 62 to Highway 9. Travel east 4 miles to Western Avenue and make a U-turn. Veterans Corner is 1/4 mile west on the north side. The facility is open from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. We recently changed our start time on Thursday to 8 a.m. and the facility is open that day until 1 p.m. to help serve as many as possible. The phone number is (405) 387-5070. Stop by anytime, we'd love to meet you.

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If you would like to donate to help veterans in Oklahoma, please send a check to Veterans Corner; P.O. Box 722160; Norman, OK 73070-8635 or find us online at GoFundMe. Veterans Corner is a 501(c)(3) organization and all gifts are tax deductible. Thank you for your support.



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Grand champion doe

Hunter Askew won the premium paid by John Gruewald of Farm Credit of Western Oklahoma for \$700 for his grand champion doe.

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Bond:

certified drug detection K-9 to scan the car, according to the affidavit. The dog alerted to the odor of narcotics in the car.

The agent issued written warnings on the traffic violations and then asked Wong if he would permit the agent to search the car.

During that search, the packages of cocaine were found in the roof.

Wong was later transferred back to McClain County.

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LUNCH

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Sausage and pancake wrap, syrup, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

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Applications accepted for Leadership Oklahoma Class 31

Leadership Oklahoma, a statewide leadership program in its 30th year, is now accepting applications for its 2017-2018 adult class.

The organization accepts a class of 52 members each year. The criterion for selection includes demonstrated leadership on the part of applicants in their communities and state. The program is designed to be a series of issue-oriented forums and experiences, which are based on the belief that knowledge is a key element and prime motivator of leadership.

It consists of an orientation session, a mandatory two-day retreat and eight two-day sessions. Classes are held in locations that best relate to the issues of importance to the state.

"Leadership Oklahoma and its graduates are working to create and implement the

positive changes necessary to make Oklahoma a better state," said Laurie Tilley, Littlefield Agency, in Tulsa. "By learning about the issues that impact our state socially, economically and environmentally, class members are motivated to fulfill our mission of creating a dynamic network of leaders whose increased awareness and commitment to service will energize Oklahomans to shape their state's future."

Approximately 1,500 people have completed the program and remain active in contributing to Oklahoma's strength and vitality.

"Leadership Oklahoma has been one of the most enjoyable and rewarding experiences I have ever had, both professionally and personally," said Ken Parker, a member of the current Leadership Oklahoma Class

30 and Co-Founder/CEO of NextThought LLC in Norman.

"Spending time in every quadrant of our state, learning about its incredible strengths and unique challenges, is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. The deep friendships and professional network I developed while learning and traveling with classmates are priceless. My LOK experience has profoundly impacted me personally and, I hope, better equipped me to serve my community and our great state! LOK is a life-changing experience," Parker concluded.

Applications may be downloaded from the Leadership Oklahoma website at www.leadershipoklahoma.com.

Completed applications must be received in the Leadership Oklahoma office no later than March 31 at 5 p.m.



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Partner for Progress

L&L Brown, Inc. was named as Mid-America Technology Center's 2017 Partner for Progress. Pictured are Skye McNeal, Executive Director, OkACTE; Redman Brown, Director of Systems and Technology, L&L Brown, Inc.; Linda Brown, President, L&L Brown, Inc.; Kelly Reed, OBAN Coordinator, MATC; Wade Jarlsberg, BIS Director, MATC; Dusty Ricks, Superintendent, MATC; and Dick Lowe, President, OkACTE.

L&L Brown, Inc. Mid-America's Partner for Progress

L&L Brown, Inc. was honored at the OATC Business and Industry Day at the Capitol as Mid-America Technology Center's 2017 Partner for Progress.

The Oklahoma Association of Career and Technology Education (OkACTE) Partners for Progress award recognizes businesses and industries that have made outstanding contributions to the improvement, promotion, development and progress of career and technology centers in Oklahoma.

Located in Newcastle, L&L Brown, Inc. has been in the boring and excavation business since 1998. AT&T, one of their larger customers, has consistently rated L&L Brown's work performance as outstanding in all rating categories. They have worked as a subcontractor for a prime contractor placing fiber optic cable for city and state agencies.

In 2012, the company greatly expanded their placement of fiber optic cable and cable blowing service.

L&L Brown approached Mid-America in 2016 to explore expanding their business pipeline to include opportunities with government entities. Through OBAN program assistance and ongoing train-

ing initiatives offered at Mid-America Technology Center, L&L Brown is well positioned to expand their customer base to include these entities.

Upon collaborating with Mid-America, L&L Brown has taken advantage of several training offerings, including CDL Training, Safety Training and Small Business Consultation Services. Next on the horizon for L&L Brown will be leadership development and heavy equipment operator training.

The partnership that has quickly developed between L&L Brown and Mid-America Technology Center is among the best examples of how the Career Tech System can help drive the state's economy through BIS offerings.

President Linda Brown has a background in banking, business administration and management. She oversees daily operations and planning for appropriate expansion and growth.

Vice President Lonnie Brown has education and experience in business and heavy equipment operation. He plans and executes jobs and coordinates with customer representatives. Redman Brown, Director of Systems and Technology, is the

chief strategist and manager for L&L Brown's technology and infrastructure.

Mid-America's Business and Industry Services team has a variety of services and products for you to choose from including safety training, customized industry training, small business management, and agriculture business management among others.

For more information about MATC, please visit www.matech.edu.



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Wayne FFA fundraiser

The Purcell Masonic Lodge #27 matched a portion of the proceeds from a joint fundraiser with the Wayne FFA Boosters. On hand for the check presentation were (from left) Jacob Fielder, Wayne FFA Advisor, Raegan Dill, Joe Morris, Gracie Dill, Wayne FFA President, and Alton Dragoo.

Stomp dance classes coming to Ada, Ardmore and Sulphur

The Chickasaw Nation will offer a series of stomp dance classes at locations in Ada, Ardmore and Sulphur. The classes are open to the public at no charge and dinner will be served.

Ada classes are planned for March 7 and 21 from 6-8 p.m. at the Ada Chickasaw Community Center, 700 N. Mississippi.

Ardmore classes are planned for March 28 and April 11 from 6-8 p.m. at the Chickasaw Community Center, 907 Locust St.

Sulphur classes are planned for March 9 and 23 and April 6 from 6-8 p.m. at the Chickasaw Senior Center, 401 E. Oklahoma Ave.

Stomp dancing has deep roots in the Chickasaw culture, as it does with most southeastern tribes.

LaDonna Brown, director of research and cultural interpretation for the Chickasaw Nation, explained that dances were often connected with spiritual, ritual or ceremonial events, such as a Spring harvest celebration or Fall festival.

While there are still different dances for various occasions, stomp dances today are often social rather than spiritual in nature.

No matter the type of dancing, it is always an opportunity to come together as a community.

Men sing stomp dance songs in a call-and-answer format, following a male song leader, who often sets the dance rhythm using a handheld turtle shell rattle.

Women enhance the rhythms with shakers made from box

turtle shells worn on their legs.

Social dances often have animal-themed names, like the snake dance and the raccoon dance. Each social dance has a fun and unique technique.

The snake dance, for example, has dancers hold hands while they curve and swerve much like a snake would. The snake dance is one of the oldest-known Chickasaw dances and has been passed on to successive generations.

All are welcome to join. Registration is not required, but it is appreciated.

Call 580-622-7159 to register or for more information.



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Serving the sheriff

Lt. James Richardson, left, and Sheriff Don Hewett found their lunch February 22 at the Purcell Rotary Club's annual chili feed. Preparing their order was Purcell Schools Superintendent Jason Midkiff.

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Elaborate quilts on display at Chickasaw Cultural Center

Quilts with intricate designs handcrafted and stitched by Chickasaw elders are among those on exhibit through March 31 at the Chickasaw Cultural Center.

Some quilts were crafted by ancestors spanning generations, helping tell the story of a family's history.

One quilt displayed in the exhibit has been a treasured keepsake in a Chickasaw family for more than 100 years. Betsy Childs's great-great-grandmother, Betsey Porter Illetawahke Hawkins, started the "Flying Geese" quilt in 1907. It was finished by Childs's great-grandmother, Caroline Illetawahke Hawkins Milligan, for her graduation in 1978.

Childs said "it means a lot" for her to have a quilt that was

started by her great-great-grandmother, who she was named after. The quilt holds memories precious to her family's history.

Chickasaws have used and made quilts since settlers moved through the Chickasaw Homelands in Mississippi. Some families included them among the limited possessions they were able to carry on the removal to Indian Territory (now Oklahoma).

Quilts were used in numerous ways to stay warm in cold weather. They served as bed covers and makeshift shawls, and sometimes even helped keep cool drafts out of the home.

"My grandmother quilted out of necessity," Nancy Bradshaw, who contributed quilts and

squares to the exhibit, said. "They had to have quilts for winter and had no money to go out and buy any."

Quilts were used for so many purposes it was easy for them to become worn. When quilts or blankets became tattered, they were often patched, combined with other blankets. In some, each bit of exterior cloth or interior stuffing represented a well-used blanket or a dress or shirt from a family member.

One Chickasaw woman even found an entire woman's dress while repairing an old family quilt.

Family history was recorded in each stitch, making the quilt something that would be passed down from generation to generation.

"It's a tradition that you learn

from your mother and grandmother," Chickasaw elder and quilter, Pauline Brown, said reminiscently. "They were great sewers."

Quilts can take on any design that the quilt maker wishes. Some popular Chickasaw quilt designs include the Indian girls and boys and animals with their Chickasaw names. The quilt exhibit includes those designs and much more, including double wedding ring designs and quilts that have been created uniquely by the artist.

"Quilting is something that if you want to finish it you've got to stay with it. It takes a while," Chickasaw elder, Rose Shields-Jefferson said. "In the end it's worth it, because you're going to appreciate it."

Today, Chickasaw artisans

quilt for the same reason any other person quilts—artistic expression, as a blanket for warmth or as a gift. Quilts have evolved into an item that many Chickasaw families cherish.

Each quilt, handmade with love, contains precious memories making them unique to each Chickasaw family.

"My mother told me that I was making memories when I started quilting," Bradshaw said with a smile. "I believe I am and I love doing it."

"It's something that you treasure. Something that your mom did and we are still carrying on what she taught us," Jefferson said.

Pauline Brown, Rose Jefferson, Betsy Childs, Nancy Bradshaw, Jason Reed, Candice Blevins, Mary Watson,

Charlie Nelson, Imogene Imotichey-Walker, the Holisso Research Center and members of the Chickasaw Language Committee were involved with contributing quilts and pieces to the exhibit.

Other contributors include the late Irene Seeley, Judy Smith, Victoria Bradshaw, Nathamay Brown-Smith, Minnie Shields, Betty Dodd and Dorothy Bailey David.

Don't miss the opportunity to experience the stories that these quilts tell in their own subtle way.

The Chickasaw Cultural Center is located at 867 Charles Cooper Memorial Road in Sulphur. For more information, call (580) 622-7130 or visit www.chickasawculturalcenter.com.

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Neighbors:

Bert graduated high school. They kept the marriage a secret until Bonnie started her senior year.

For a time, Bert worked at a gas station and the telephone company.

But with the Korean Conflict looming, Bert enlisted in the Navy in March 1951 and was sent to San Diego for boot camp, leaving his pregnant 17-year-old bride in Purcell.

The couple's first daughter, Connie, was born in September and Bonnie and the baby joined Bert in San Diego six weeks later.

In December 1952, the Navy shipped Bert to Honolulu where he was stationed at Hickam Air Force Base as a journalist/artist.

Mother and daughter joined him in 1953 and in the spring of 1954, the couple's second daughter, Angela, was born. A third daughter would be adopted in the 1960s.

From Navy Air Transport Squadron VREight at Hickam, Bert was sent to CincPac Fleet at Pearl Harbor. He continued to work as a journalist/artist. The emphasis, to his mind anyway, was always on the artist part of his Navy job.

Bonnie recalled those early times a few years ago with a speech.

"He had good duty there as a journalist, which let him do art work at his job for the Navy," she wrote. "To give us extra money, he painted a mural in an Italian restaurant and did cartoons in the Hawaiian Beverage Guide and anything else he could find, including silk screen print material."

Four years after he enlisted, Bert was discharged from the Navy and moved his family back to Oklahoma.

He took an artist job at Semco Color Press in Oklahoma City and later went to work for Oklahoma Gas and Electric as a commercial artist and art director.

During his first six years at OG&E, Bert attended night classes at Oklahoma City University.

"It took a few years," Bert said. "Working with figure drawing and painting, I lost my interest in cartoons."

"He loved doing commercial art and it took over the cartooning dream, but it didn't take long in night school for him to make his final decision that fine art, painting, was for him," Bonnie wrote.

What time he wasn't working at OG&E or attending college, Bert spent painting and entering art shows.

Once at a strip mall show, he won a prize of 50 hamburgers — a treat for the family.

After 23 years, Bert walked away from his job at OG&E to make painting fine art his career.

It was a leap of faith for Bert and Bonnie because under OG&E's rules at the time, Bert wasn't vested and he left with no retirement benefits.

"I was a little hesitant," Bonnie admitted. "I liked the security."

But his art was bringing in about the same as he earned at OG&E.

"After leaving OG&E, he picked up so many galleries that we usually had two openings each month somewhere in the United States, plus he had a huge print business," Bonnie wrote. "Bert always packaged his own paintings and we drove to some shows and flew to others."

"He painted, packaged and dealt with gallery owners. I shrink wrapped, ran errands, answered phone calls, kept inventory of paintings in galleries and took a lot of photos."

Oddly, for 20-some years, Bert's art found a following from California to Long Island. But he didn't show in Oklahoma, at least until the advent of the Oklahoma City Arts Festival.

He was there 45 years and set a record.

"He is the only artist who started with them and continued every year until deciding to give it up," Bonnie said.

His circuit included annual major shows in California, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, North Carolina and New York.

And Bert painted 20 to 30 paintings for each gallery opening.

Bonnie went to all the openings with him, although he did some in Ohio which she didn't like.

Bert would often get creative thoughts while driving across country. He would share them with Bonnie, who faithfully wrote them down. Sometimes, a title for a painting; other times, some element he wanted to include in a future art work.

Bert has a large studio in the couple's home in Warr Acres. If he's working on one painting when he gets an idea for another, he frequently jots it down on the backside of the canvas he is working on.

"If you start working, you get inspired," he said.

Bert's paintings have opened many doors for the couple. They met and became friends with the actor, Doug McClure, who is a fellow artist.

Once McClure helped organize an art show in Hollywood and asked Bert for one of his paintings.

Bert sent the painting and it was bought by Loni Anderson for her then-husband Burt Reynolds.

His paintings have also been commissioned as gifts for Presidents Gerald Ford and George G.W. Bush during visits to Oklahoma.

Every wall in their home is covered in paintings by Bert and other artists

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Bert said he's averaged 365 paintings a year ever since 1956.

"He started painting one a day to see if he could see any improvement," Bonnie said.

What he found was not only did he get better, he got inspired.

On the rare days when he skips painting, he makes up for it the next day by painting two canvases.

You might think all that painting would leave no time for anything else.

But Bert shares his talent through teaching at Oklahoma Contemporary Arts in Oklahoma City and Edmond Institute of Fine Arts. He has also taught summer classes at the University of Central Oklahoma.

Twice a year, he and Bonnie invite his art students and their guests to the Seabourn home for a party.

He has also welcomed two busloads of Purcell High School art students to his home

and has been to Purcell to give a demonstration to an art class.

For 22 years, all of his paintings were watercolors, but his favorite media now is acrylics.

"You can paint large and on anything you want to," he said of the media.

Art has always been in Bert's soul.

He recalls painting rodeo pictures on store windows in Purcell and sold his first cartoon to King Feature Syndicate. He was in eighth grade.

In high school, he would hitchhike or catch a freight to Oklahoma City to visit art galleries.

In 1981, then-Gov. George Nigh gave Bert the Governor's Art Award. Seven years later, his only sculpture, "Wind Walker," was unveiled in Oklahoma City. The 23-foot-tall bronze can be seen outside the Oklahoma Attorney General's office.

In 1997, OCU bestowed on Bert an honorary degree—Doc-

tor of Human Letters. In 2004 he was the recipient of the Oklahoma Living Treasure Award. In 2009, he accepted a Lifetime Achievement Award and was named Artist of the Year.

Today, the couple has three daughters, four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

"Practicing what probably truly is the world's oldest profession, the art of painting has been my love for over 65 years," Bert said, "always propagating several directions all at one time with acrylics, watercolors or printmaking, marked by an exuberant love of design, a sense of humor and a skeptical take on mass culture, I am what I am — a practicing artist of 85 years old."

"My art is like the Oklahoma wind, constantly changing, growing and finding new directions. This stylistic diversity is what keeps my life and hopefully my art interesting. I love to paint and I hope it shows. I'll paint until I die."

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Trials:

against Howard Mason Jr., 56, of El Paso, Texas. Presiding at the trial is Cleveland County District Judge Thad Balkman.

The first-degree murder charge against Mason stems from a cold case – the strangulation death of Burney Bounds of Blanchard in 2006.

According to an affidavit, Bounds was found hog-tied and face down on the floor of his bedroom with duct tape around his ankles and wrists.

There was also duct tape over his mouth. A leather belt around his neck was tied to the bed's headboard.

The house at 10569 214th Street had been ransacked and Bounds' Subaru station wagon was missing. It was later located abandoned in Oklahoma City.

Advances in DNA technology led the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation to Mason in late 2012. He was incarcerated in Texas at

the time.

The DNA match was from a hair from a shirt found under the body. In addition, Mason's fingerprints matched latent prints recovered from the duct tape, authorities said.

McClain County prosecutors charged Mason in May 2015.

Jury selection was in progress Tuesday in the first-degree murder trial of Larry G. Keeler, 67, of Blanchard.

Presiding in that trial is McClain County District Judge Leah Edwards.

On Aug. 6, 2014, Keeler walked into a Blanchard convenience store and fatally shot his estranged wife, Gaye, and her dog, officials said.

He was arrested later at his home in Blanchard.

Gaye Keeler had obtained a protective order against Keeler in June 2013, stating her husband threatened to kill her.

That order expired in June 2014.



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Grand champion heifer

Emma Lynn won the premium paid by Seth Wadley Auto Group at last week's Purcell Bonus Auction. Cindy Shobert represented Seth Wadley, who paid a \$2,200 premium.

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Cole:

not an event," Cole said. "In Oklahoma, Obamacare is now working. There are 190,000 in the exchange and that's down to one choice."

With those premiums set to jump 69 percent, "doing nothing is not an option."

Cole said he expects to see the revamping include associated health care plans, the purchase of health insurance across state lines and an expansion of options like health care savings accounts.

He said any revamping needs to protect people with pre-existing conditions.

Cole also shared with those gathered at Purcell City Hall what has been taking place

during the first weeks of Donald Trump's presidency.

"It was the first election with two candidates who were more unpopular than popular," Cole said of the polarizing race between Trump and Hillary Clinton.

The congressman conceded Trump's victory was a "pretty big shock."

And it was followed by an almost equally shocking event when 66 members of Congress boycotted the inauguration.

During the past four weeks, Cole said, Congress has been focused on deregulation while the new administration has worked to get a new cabinet

in place – a process Cole said is proving to be "slower than for any president but Washington."

He believes the first Trump budget will be submitted to Congress by mid-March.

He also said he anticipates legislation that will lower individual tax rates and consolidate the existing seven tax rates into three.

Businesses are taxed about 35 percent, Cole said, but a more effective rate would be 23 to 25 percent.

Several in the audience challenged Cole on things they didn't like about Donald Trump.

There was applause when

a woman voiced her opinion that the president is mentally ill. She also voiced concerns about Trump's ties to Russia and how that country may have engaged in hacking to influence the election's outcome.

Cole gave little credence to either rumor.

The attendees were also unhappy that Trump still hasn't released his tax return despite saying during the campaign that the return would be made public if he were elected.

One man demanded the congressman pass a law to compel Trump to release it.

Cole backed away from the question, saying he has just

one vote in Congress and told the man that Trump's financial statement has been released and should suffice.

Interestingly, Cole joined 228 other House Republicans Monday in voting down a Democrat representative's resolution to force the president to turn his tax returns to the House Ways and Means Committee, which could have made them public by then releasing them to the full Congress.

Another question concerned the Standing Rock protests against building an oil pipeline under a lake the Sioux tribe relies on for water.

Cole said that is a state issue.

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Lawsuit:

representing Bunn and Amber Hurst, another attorney for DeSellier.

None of the attorneys returned telephone calls.

The newspaper did obtain a copy of the response filed by McMorrow-Love.

The response refutes most of the accusations and was filed last week with the court in Oklahoma City.

The response addressed each accusation individually and read, in part, "The City denies that Plaintiff is entitled to any of the claims for relief set forth in her Prayer for Relief."

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Warriors advance to Area

Moving on after 53-49 overtime thriller against Jones

John Denny Montgomery
The Purcell Register

After the game Washington head coach Rocky Clarke said, "I'd rather be lucky than good."

Luck didn't have as much to do with the win than did good 'ol fashioned grit and determination.

With a bug floating around the Washington locker room Washington was more like the walking wounded for the Regional tournament finals Saturday afternoon.

"Jamie Clarke threw up so much she got dehydrated and passed out," Clarke said.

That was on Friday but by Saturday afternoon she was playing nearly an entire basketball game and scoring 14 points along the way.

Sophomore Katelyn Crosthwait was also battling illness before the finals.

But she didn't let it stop her from scoring a team-high 18

points.

Senior Raegan Roten joined Clarke and Crosthwait in double figures, despite having to leave the game for several minutes near mid court.

Washington got off to a horrendous

start in the game.

They only scored three points in the first quarter and trailed by 10 at halftime.

They still trailed by 13 at the end of the third quarter.

"The first three quarters we stunk but the last quarter we came to play," Clarke said.

In the fourth the gritty team started chipping away at the Jones lead.

First with a smothering

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Track it down

Katelyn Crosthwait runs down a ball and makes a layup as the buzzer sounds during Washington's 67-39 win over Valliant. Crosthwait scored 11 points in the game. Washington plays Comanche Friday at 6:30 p.m. in Ada in the Area tournament.

Dragons face off with Marlow

Purcell comes up short in District finals with Douglass

John D. Montgomery
The Purcell Register

Finishing second in the District Tournament, Purcell has qualified for the consolation bracket of the Area Tournament in Ada starting today (Thursday) at 3 p.m. with conference foe Marlow.

For the Dragons to move on to State it'll take three wins in a row next week to turn the trick.

The Dragons and Outlaws split regular season games with each team holding serve on their home courts.

In December, behind 10 treys by Senior Austin Nation, Purcell defeated Marlow 63-52 at The Reimer Center.

Marlow returned the favor at their place January 24, pinning a 62-56 loss on the Dragons. Nation added four more treys in the road game giving him 14 in the two games.

The winner of the Purcell-Marlow contest will play the winner of Jones and Hugo on Friday. Winners of the semi-finals will face Friday night's loser of Kingston and Douglass in the consolation finals on Saturday night.

Last Saturday night's District Tournament finale between Douglass and Purcell was a

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Fighting through traffic

Adam Wells drives into the lane last Thursday against Marietta. Purcell defeated Marietta and will play in the Area tournament against Marlow today (Thursday) at 3 p.m. in Ada.

Lady Bulldogs on diamond

Several returning starters cause for excitement in Wayne

Emily Montgomery
The Purcell Register

The Wayne Lady Bulldogs officially start their slow-pitch season today (Thursday) at Verden.

Head coach Scott Brewer is starting his fourth season at the helm and is excited for the upcoming season, thanks to several returning starters.

Last season the Lady Bulldogs were 12-18 and were bounced from the postseason by Rush Springs in the District tournament.

Gone from last year's squad is All-District Honorable Mention honoree Nikki Herrin, as well as starters McKenzie Posey and Alee Hunt.

The Lady Bulldogs have several returning starters including seniors Kaylan

Doshier in the circle, Cristal Bennet at catcher, Gracie Dill manning second, Peyton Spencer in left field and Paige Hunt in center. J

Joining them in the lineup will be sophomore Raegan Dill in the outfield and freshmen Bailey Kennedy and Maddison Hunt.

The Lady Bulldogs have a stacked schedule, including tilts with CCS, Plainview

and Vanoss.

"The girls have been practicing well so far," said Brewer. "As the season gets underway, we'll be playing lots of kids."

With a mixed roster, lots of Lady Bulldogs will see playing time.

"I'm excited for the season and looking forward to watching this team excel," said Brewer.

Wayne Softball 2017

March	Opponent	Site	Time	V/JV
2	Verden	Away	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
3	Maysville	Away	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
6	Lindsay	Home	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
7	CCS	Home	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
9	ECP	Home	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
10	Lexington	Away	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
20-21	Dibble Festival	Away	TBA	V
23-24	Wayne Tournament	Home	TBA	V
28	Plainview	Away	TBA	V
30-April 1	Vanoss Tournament	Away	TBA	V
April				
3	Stratford	Home	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
4	ECP	Away	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
6	CCS	Away	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
10	Roff	Away	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
11	Ninnekah	Home	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
17	Cement Festival	Away	4:30 p.m.	V
18	Vanoss	Home	4:30 p.m.	V/JV
20	District Tournament	TBA	TBA	V
27-28	Regional Tournament	TBA	TBA	V
May				
2-3	State Tournament	TBA	TBA	V

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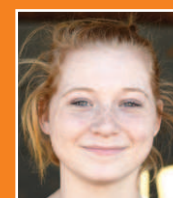
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Cristal Bennett
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22, Jr.



Madysen Jenks
1, Jr.



Jaidah Wilson
24, Jr.



Gracie Sweetman
25, Jr.



Raegan Dill
10, So.



Sydney McGowen
6, So.



Harli Parker
00, So.



Kynzee Johnson
14, So.



Raedyn Dean
12, Fr.



Abigail Lee
21, Fr.



Maddison Knapp
3, Fr.



Mariah Adams
19, Fr.



Maddison Hunt
11, Fr.



Bailey Kennedy
5, Fr.



Scott Brewer
Head coach



Josh Trent
Assistant coach

Lex girls one point shy of Area

One point loss to Lindsay ends run through Regional

John D. Montgomery
The Purcell Register

Lexington's Lady Bulldogs won two of three games they played last week in the Regional Tournament and were just a point away from making an appearance in the Area Tournament.

Lexington knocked off Douglass at Washington to begin the tournament in dramatic fashion.

With the game down to the last four seconds and the score knotted at 42-all, Douglass was at the line for a pair of charity tosses.

That's when head coach David Sikes called time out.

"I told the girls after a miss or a make to just get the ball up the floor to get the best look we could," Sikes said.

Rachel Beason snagged the rebound after the second miss

and headed up the right side of the floor.

She was fouled and went to the stripe in the double bonus.

Beason, who finished with a game-high 16 points, nailed the first free throw but missed the second.

Lexington was able to hang on the final two ticks to head to the Regional consolation semifinals at Purcell against Marietta.

Led by Morgan Hamm's 17 points and 10 each from Amanda Graddy and Lauren Beason, Lexington went toe-to-toe with the Lady Indians.

When the fourth quarter dust settled, the game was deadlocked at 37-37 forcing an overtime which the Lady Bulldogs won 7-1 and posted a 44-38 victory. "We played great in overtime,"

Sikes said. "We played hard throughout the entire ball game and executed the game plan very well.

In the Regional consolation finale against Lindsay, Lexington came up just a point short in a 40-39 season ending loss.

Rachel Beason led the Lady Bulldogs with 13 points with Graddy right on her heels with 12.

"I'm proud of my team and the way we played down the stretch. Everyone played hard and did their job," Sikes said.

Hamm and Rachel Beason led the scoring in the three game Regional with 31 each. Graddy finished the three day run with 28 points.

"This season hasn't been great but these girls came to practice

every day ready to work. I believe God's timing is great and we started playing well at the right time," Sikes continued.

"I want to express my appreciation to everyone who supported the Lady Bulldogs this season and special word of appreciation to the Saturday crowd. You were awesome."

The Bulldogs closed out their

Box scores Page 4B

season with a loss in the Thursday game at Washington against the Warriors, 61-38.

Hunter Findley led the Bulldog offense with 13 points but the Bulldogs were ice cold in the first half scoring only five points, all in the first quarter.

Washington stretched the lead to 33-5 at halftime and the Bulldogs were just too far behind to make up the difference.

"We failed to show up and play a complete four quarters," head coach Matt Lohn said.

"Coach (TJ) Scholz had his men well prepared. We crumbled under their relentless ball pressure in the second quarter."

Lohn went on to say he was proud of his team for bouncing back in the second half.

"They showed we have some pride in what we do here in Lexington.

"Sometimes you run into a team playing well at the right time. That's what happened to us. I give all the credit to Washington," he said.

Lohn said he and the underclassmen are looking forward to next season.

"We have some big holes to fill replacing Oscar Resendiz and Kenneth Sullivan," the coach said.

Oscar has taken the lion's share of the ball handling and scoring the last couple of years.

"Kenny has been an outstanding utility guy for us playing anywhere from the three man to the five man.

"The guys we have coming back will have to work to maintain more consistency and definitely need to find the gym in the off season in order for the wheels to keep rolling in the right direction.

"They are capable and I am proud of the growth and hard work they put in this season," Lohn concluded.

Lexington finishes the season 6-18.

Collateta wins 'Darko meet

Heavyweight division in powerlifting

Purcell Powerlifters traveled to Anadarko February 3 and lifted in the annual Anadarko powerlifting meet.

Dylan Collateta placed first in the heavyweight class with a total of 1530 pounds. Dylan squatted 630 pounds, benched 315 pounds and deadlifted 585 pounds. He is the first 1500 pounds lifter at Purcell for Coach Gray. Dylan Kimbrell placed 5th in the 220 pounds class with a total of 1175 pounds. Dylan had a 415 pounds squat, 250 pounds bench, and a 510 pounds deadlift. Collin Baker lifted in the 198 pounds class with a 190 pounds squat, 110 pounds bench and a deadlift of 230 pounds for a total of 530 pounds. Robert Cararelo lifted in the 157 pounds class with a total of 515 pounds. Robert squatted 165 pounds, 130 pounds bench, deadlift of 220 pounds and a total of 515

pounds. Ben Claunch lifted in the 220 pounds class with a squat of 365 pounds, bench of 175 pounds and a deadlift of 440 pounds and a total of 980 pounds. Caden Crofoot lifted in the 198 pounds class with a squat of 160 pounds, 120 pounds bench and a deadlift of 255 pounds for a total of 535 pounds. Hayden Farley lifted in the 157 pounds class with a squat of 285 pounds, 145 pounds bench and a deadlift of 325 pounds for a total of 755. Gunner Fink lifted in the 168 pounds class. Gunner had a squat of 275 pounds and a bench of 225 pounds and a total of 500 pounds. Elijah Fixaco lifted in the heavy-weight class with a squat of 315 pounds, 160 pounds bench and a deadlift of 345

Please see **Meet**, page 4B

Junior high powerlifting

Results from Anadarko and Newcastle meets

At Anadarko February 2

In the 8th grade division, Gage Askew placed 5th in the 168 pound class with a 240 pound squat, 145 pound bench and a 280 pound deadlift for a total of 665 pounds. In the 148 pound, Sean Behne lifted a total of 665 pounds. Behne squatted 230 pounds, benched 135 pounds and deadlifted 300 pounds. Anthony Calderon also lifted in the 148 pound class and totaled 535 pounds. Anthony squatted 185, benched 100 pounds and deadlifted 250 pounds. Bostin Fink also lifted in the 148 pound class and placed 3rd with a total of 735 pounds. Fink squatted 225, benched 170 and deadlifted 340 pounds. David Chavez lifted a total 480 pounds in the 123 pound class. David squatted 180 pounds and deadlifted 300 pounds, Gavin Constant lifted in the

114 pound class and totaled 360 pounds. Gavin squatted 110, benched 85 pounds and deadlifted 165 pounds. Braden Hunter lifted in the 198 pound class and totaled 595 pounds. Braden squatted 225, benched 120 and deadlifted 250 pounds. In the 220 pound class Johnny Marquez placed 1st with a total of 865 pounds. Johnny had a 330 pound squat, 175 pound bench and a 360 pound deadlift. Jaysen Shea lifted in the heavy weight class and had a 850 pound total. Shea had a 335 pound squat, 150 pound bench and 365 pound deadlift.

7th grade division, Ronan Little lifted in the 114 pound class and placed 1st with a 485 pound total. Ronan had a 170 pound squat, 95 pound bench and a 220 pound deadlift. Ra-

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Cool, calm, collected

Amanda Graddy brings the ball up the floor against Marietta in the Regional basketball tournament. Lexington defeated Marietta 44-38 in overtime. Graddy scored 10 points.

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Bulldogs bow out

Fall to Hobart 66-59 in Regional tournament

Matt Montgomery
The Purcell Register

The Wayne Bulldogs rode a hot streak through Districts and a 62-58 win over Minco before falling to Hobart in the Regional tournament 66-59.

Last Thursday in Minco, Wayne notched a four-point overtime win.

The game got off to a fast start, as both teams scored 20 points in the first stanza.

Through the final three quarters of regulation the Bulldogs of Wayne matched the Bulldogs of Minco nearly point for point, alternating the lead.

Knotted at 58-all when the final whistle blew, the game was headed to overtime where the Wayne outscored Minco 7-3 to face Hobart.

Sophomore Rodney Gray singed the nets for 23 points to lead the team. Joining Gray in double figures was Trey Alderman, who had 13 of his own.

On Friday, Wayne faced the Bearcats of Hobart in a back and forth 66-59 loss.

Hobart jumped out on top in the first quarter, 13-8. But the Bulldogs turned up the offense

and matched Hobart with 18 points in the second quarter.

Down four points at the half, Wayne came out of the locker-room firing on all cylinders.

The Bulldogs outscored the Bearcats 20-11 in the third quarter, to set up an exciting final eight minutes.

Hobart was on fire in the fourth quarter, scoring 25 points to Wayne's 13, handing the Bulldogs a season ending four point loss.

"I'm very proud of the way these boys finished the season. We missed some free throws in the fourth quarter which is what ultimately did us in," said head coach Josh Trent.

Braden Smith led the team with 22 points. Alderman and Gray had 14 each in the loss.

The Wayne Bulldogs finished the season 12-15 which included a run in the playoffs, something the Bulldogs have missed out on for several seasons, according to Trent.

"We're losing several seniors this year and they will be greatly missed," Trent said.

Embry, Smith, Walck, Alderman, Geoffrey Montanez,

Justin Montanez and Matthew Garza will all be lost to graduation.

2/23
Wayne 62 OT
Minco 58

Wayne ... 20 14 9 12 7—62
Minco 20 13 13 9 3—58

Player	Points
Rodney Gray	23
Trey Alderman	13
Jackson Embry	9
Brock Walck	9
Braden Smith	6
Geoffrey Montanez	2

2/24
Wayne 59
Hobart 66

Wayne 8 18 20 13—59
Hobart 13 18 11 23—66

Player	Points
Braden Smith	22
Trey Alderman	14
Rodney Gray	14
Brock Walck	5
Jackson Embry	4

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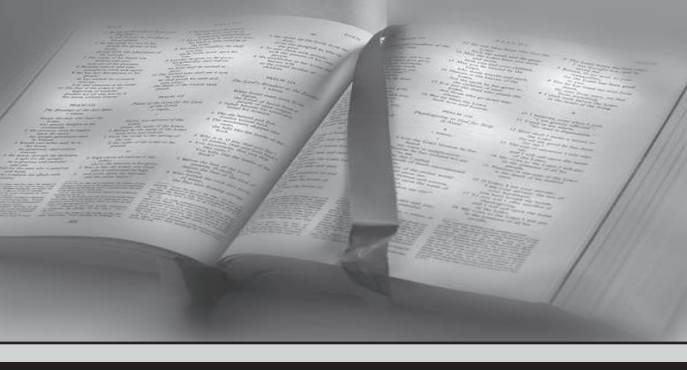
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Our maintenance crew, Mark Brown, Herb Weidman and Steven Liles, was busy this past week trying to locate a water leak under the concrete floor in one of our classrooms at the church.

With the work of jackhammer, removal of concrete and sand, and much help from the Lord, the men discovered a hole in the pipe that was made by a gopher's gnawing. Thanks to the gentleman at Locke's Plumbing, a shark bite fitting was purchased and the plastic pipe was repaired within minutes.

We are glad to have the students at the Oklahoma Horseshoeing School making use of our church volleyball court. Two of the students will be graduating this week. Mile Menzies will be going home to Texas and Gillian Sparling will be returning to his home in Canada.

Our beautiful morning musical specials were presented by Lilly Gentry and Riyatta Frye. Scripture text for the Sunday morning sermon was John 11:1-7. Jesus didn't rush to

Bethany to heal his friend Lazarus. Jesus, for good reason, delayed his visit two days. By the time of his arrival Lazarus was dead and laid to rest.

Mary and Martha were disappointed Jesus had not come earlier while there was hope for healing. Jesus could have rushed back to Bethany and healed Lazarus, but Jesus had a better plan.

The delay in arrival allowed Jesus the opportunity to raise Lazarus from the dead.

There are times when we experience serious troubles in our life. We first turn to ourselves to solve the problem. We then turn to family and friends to solve the problem. When all else fails we turn to God for a divine rescue.

God in heaven hears our plea for help. God agrees to help. God sends aid and healing to our troubled life. The problem we encounter in working with God is His timetable. God's timetable doesn't correspond to our wishes. The end result is we don't hear the earth move and we cave in believing it is a lost cause. Then God appears

and miraculous events occur.

Leo Tolstoy in "War and Peace" said, "The strongest of all warriors are these two-time and patience."

Aristotle said, "Patience is bitter, but its fruit is sweet."

We must always remember that God wants to help us; God expects to help us; and God comes to help us.

The Psalmist was correct, "Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart; wait, I say, on the Lord."

We want to thank the ladies of the church for providing the wonderful meals our members and visitors enjoy every Sunday.

Sermon title for this Sunday is "God's Grace and Our Faith."

The Pastor-Church Relations Committee meets this Sunday.

The monthly business meeting will be Wednesday evening. The current Bible study on Wednesday evening is the 11th chapter of the Gospel of Luke. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship begins at 11 a.m. Sunday dinner is served at noon.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Fr. Jim Chamberlain

Our parish celebrated Mardi Gras with a lovely party last Saturday night, hosted by the Altar Society. Over 70 people enjoyed excellent Cajun food, jazz music and Carnival-type games with beads and masks and noisy fun. Mardi Gras is the last party, as Lent begins on Wednesday of this week – Ash Wednesday.

Since Christmas, we have been listening to the Sermon on the Mount – three chapters in Matthew's Gospel – chapters 5, 6, and 7. One might say that the Sermon answers the simple question: "How will I be blest in this life?" It is a guide to fruitful Christian living, and one can meditate on these three chapters alone for all the guidance that is needed.

First, Jesus describes the shape of our hearts – the Beatitudes. "If you desire to make peace, then you will be blest. If you desire to show mercy to those who have been wronged, then you will be blest. If you desire to work for justice, then you will be blest. If you are sad because of the world's sin, then you will be blest."

Second, Jesus says "You are the salt of the earth." We should be the spice of life – by infusing everything we do with faith, with hope, and with love.

Third, Jesus says "You have heard that it was said 'Do not kill, do not steal, do not commit adultery.' But I say to you, avoid even the temptation to sin. Don't put yourself in the proximity of sin."

Jesus also says in this Sermon "When someone strikes you on your right cheek... turn and let him strike your other cheek as

well." In other words, surprise your enemy by responding to him with love, not with revenge!

As the sermon continues, Jesus talks about priorities. This is God's priority – God desires that we have the basic things that we need – food, clothing, and shelter. He desires that we have eternal life with Him, and He promises us the constant love of a parent, even stronger than the love of a mother for her child (Isaiah 49:14-15). In return, our priority should be the Kingdom of Heaven on earth – a kingdom of justice, peace and love. Our priority should be to treat other people with fairness and respect. If we seek first the Kingdom of Heaven, if this is our primary desire, then God's desires will be met also – we will have the things we need to live.

How do we re-order our lives around the Kingdom? The season of Lent gives us the opportunity to re-order our lives. This holy season calls us to deeper prayer, generosity and fasting. We typically choose a discipline during Lent. Maybe we will spend a little more time in prayer each day to remind us of the priority of our relationship with our Father in heaven. Or we choose to be more generous and to give extra money to a charity, such as Catholic

Relief Services using the rice bowls. Or we choose to fast from some things that we don't need – a fast from rich foods, or sweet drinks, or from habits that are hard to break. We choose a Lenten discipline because it helps to re-order our lives in a different way.

Think of the way you have come into this world. You came from God, you grew up within a family, and you started to work when you were older. Think of the way you will leave the world. You will first lose the ability to work. Then you say goodbye to your family. And you will be once again left alone with God. We begin with God and we end with God. Just as a mother will never forget her child, God will never forget you. Seek first God's love and his Kingdom.

Each Friday during Lent we will have a meager meal at 6 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. We will have a Lenten Penance Service on Tuesday, March 7, at 7 p.m. There will be four priests to hear individual confessions to help us prepare for Lent and Easter.

For more information, like us on Facebook or call the parish office at 527-3077.

Our weekly Mass schedule is Saturday at 5 p.m. (English), Sunday at 11 a.m. (English) and 1 p.m. (Spanish).

First Christian Church

March 1st is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the season of Lent.

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Please come and bring your family and friends to this traditional service of worship.

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Ash Wednesday is the start of the 40 days of Lent which represent the time that Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness ahead of his ministry. It is a time when many Christians prepare for Easter by observing a period of fasting and repentance.

The name Ash Wednesday comes from the Christian practice of placing holy ashes on the heads of believers as a sign of mourning and repentance to God. Throughout the Lenten season, believers fast and do good works in preparation for Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

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Wayne:

by some very eager soon-to-be nurses from Oklahoma City Community College.

Our first, second and third graders were taught how germs are spread and the importance of proper handwashing. The nurses added a touch of glitter to hand sanitizer and then had

the students shake hands with their friends.

The students could then see their glitter color on many of their friends, demonstrating how germs are spread. Our students were then instructed on hand washing techniques with their very own sample of

play-doh soap. A fun and educational time was had by all!

Third Grade Presidential Research Project

To help celebrate Presidents Day, Mrs. Mead's third grade students completed a presidential research unit.

The students learned many interesting facts, and shared the information via presentation with their classmates. Some students even chose to dress like their president and used various props.

Many memories were made and lots of fun learning opportunities.

Break Dance for Spring

The Wayne After Prom Committee and the Purcell Masonic Lodge #27 is hosting an 80s themed Spring Dance for students grades first through fifth on Friday, March 10. The dance will be held in the Wayne School Cafeteria and cost will be \$3 per person or \$5 per couple.

Children must be accompanied by a parent throughout the event. Food and drinks will be available to purchase at the dance for \$1 per item.

There will also be a photo booth and photos will be printed at the dance and available to

purchase for only \$2 each.

FFA and 4-H Local Show and Auction

You're invited to the 41st Annual Wayne Livestock Show/Bonus Auction on Saturday, March 4. Livestock show will begin at 10 a.m. in the Ag Education Building, a complimentary Dinner will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the School Cafeteria and the Bonus Auction will be at 7 p.m. at the Ag Education Building.

We encourage you to come out and support the Wayne FFA & 4-H livestock exhibitors. If you have questions regarding the Livestock Show or Bonus Auction, you may contact Jacob Fielder at (405) 449-3317.

If you are not able to attend and would like to place an "add on" on any or all of the Wayne Livestock Exhibitors, please send your check to Wayne FFA & 4-H Bonus Auction, Jacob Fielder, 212 S. Seifried St. Wayne, OK 73095.

Upcoming Events:

March 4—FFA/4H Local Show and Auction.

March 7—NAEP Testing, fourth grade.

March 13-17—No School, Spring Break.

March 24—No School.



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Pauls Valley Opry

Larry Darnell will be one of the guests at the next Pauls Valley Opry on Saturday, March 4. The show begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Pauls Valley High School auditorium.



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Hand washing lesson

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Presidential Research Project

Mrs. Mead's third grade students completed a presidential research unit and show off their work.



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Math Hall of Fame

The newest Math Hall of Fame recipients are (from left) Gonzalo Perez and Cylie Jones.

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