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20-years at PMH

Jennifer Coates and Clem Paez were honored Wednesday with their 20-year longevity pins by PMH CEO/CNO Chris Wright in a short ceremony.

Top Stories for 2022



In addition to continuing with the COVID pandemic, the Heart of Oklahoma had a very busy news year.

The opening of the new Purcell Municipal Hospital topped the list of news stories for the year.

Steven Moody was arrested and charged with first degree murder in the death of his wife, Margarita Moody in

February. Ted Cox was named Purcell's Citizen of the Year and Graham Fishburn was elected

Mayor of Purcell. Brenda Diaz was honored for making nothing but a 4.0

GPA all four years at The University of Oklahoma. Washington won State Campionships in band, fast-

pitch softball, slow-pitch softball, baseball and football. Lee Reimer was inducted

into the Hall of Fame. A human smuggling ring

in Wayne was discovered by authorities.

Paul Wollenberg was tabbed as the State's Top STEM teacher and The Purcell Register won the Sequoyah Award from the Oklahoma Press Association in its Better Newspaper Contest.

JANUARY

The Oklahoma Highway

Patrol had investigated the sixth traffic fatality in the Purcell area since December 2.

The District Attorney had filed charges in two of those traffic fatalities.

COVID testing was extended at county health departments.

Testing was also being done at the Chickasaw Nation Purcell Campus and at the Purcell

Superintendent's parking lot. Extension Ag Educator Justin McDaniel reported that winter is a good time to control cedar.

Benton Gene Gifford II, 62, of Norman died December 28, 2021.

Jo Etta Edwards, 69, of Rogers died December 30, 2021. Sandra Morales Escobedo.

36, died December 28, 2021. William Daniel Davis, 74, of Lexington died December

26, 2021. James Howard Thompson, 74, of Spavinaw died December 20, 2021.

Ramona Vaughn, 84, of Purcell died December 27, 2021. Emelia Dunlap, 75, of Lexington died December

Walter Ray Frederickson,

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PIPE BURSTING cold snap

Wind chills dip below zero late last week



Anear record-breaking cold snap that featured Siberian Air and significant winds caused havoc for residents with frozen pipes and for plumbers.

The frigid air swept down the plains about 6 a.m. Central Oklahoma time backed by fierce winds that topped 50 mph in gusts.

That brought wind chills to dangerous levels.

Local plumber Robert Bebout said he had 10 calls for frozen pipes before 9 a.m. Friday and that number grew to at least 30 before the freezing temperatures began to mellow.

"People don't realize they need to drip the hot water along with the cold," Bebout

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No matter how you slice it, the key

word here on Thursday, December 22,

Warming trend

was Brrrr.

Let it snow

Central Oklahoma received a dusting of light snow last Thursday to go with single digit temperatures, high winds and wind chills as low as negative 16.

5 questions with outgoing year 2022

Editor's note: Answering The Purcell Register's five questions this week is the outgoing year 2022.

Q: How many of your goals did you accomplish in your time?

A: I never enumerated my goals. That might have been a mistake on my part. I offered the world a blank slate on which to chart events.

Q: What was the biggest challenge you faced on January 1??

A: Crime, war, natural and man-made disasters, hate, violence, intolerance, COVID ... those were all big challenges in my book. I can't single out just one and say it was the biggest.

Q: What advice do you have for the incoming year 2023?

A: Never take yourself too seriously. Use all 365 days to make the world a



better place. Roll with the punches.

Q: What is the one thing you won't miss as you pass into history?

A: Gun violence and mass shootings. How many mass shootings do you think there were from January 1 through November 27? I'll tell you - 704! The death toll was 735 and nearly 2,800 people were injured. Every one of those numbers breaks my heart. They should break the hearts of everyone in this country. That they don't ... I have no words.

Q: What will you do in retirement?

A: Old years are like old soldiers. They never die; they just fade away. I would like to find someone with a passion for truth to write my memoirs. Maybe what I experienced will help future years.

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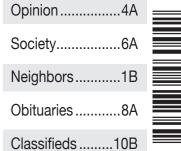
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5-years at PMH

Karen Horoho was honored last Wednesday with her 5-year longevity pins by PMH CEO/CNO Chris Wright in a short ceremony.



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3-years at PMH

David Osborn, right, and Sheila Hayden were among PMH employees honored for three years of service at the medical facility on North Ninth Street. They received their longevity pins from CEO/CNO Chris Wright.

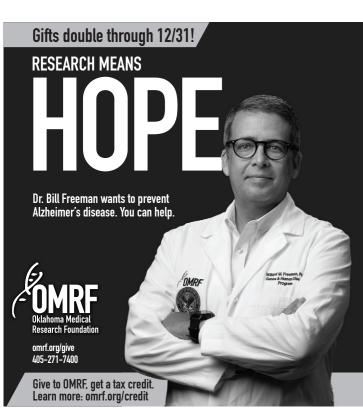


Travel Trailers

A property owner shall not store, nor permit to be stored, more than one mobile home or travel trailer on a residential lot. Such mobile home or travel trailer shall not be stored in any

required front or side yard or public utility easement nor shall such mobile home or travel trailer project beyond the front of

Living in a travel trailer, or recreational vehicle is prohibited in the city limits of Purcell except in a designated RV or trailer park.



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Fri Sun Wed Thu Mon Tue

61° 38° 60° 43° 59° 40° 61° 52° 62° 43° 49° 38° 52° 36°

Partly Cloudy Mostly Sunny Mostly Sunny Partly Cloudy 50% Showers Partly Cloudy Mostly Sunny

Warmer temps to ring in the new year

freeze, we are in store for a will be staying above freezing chances will return by Sunday daytime highs into the upper much warmer week ahead. throughout New Year's Eve night and into Monday, with 40s for Tuesday and back into On Thursday, afternoon highs on Saturday and into New a 50% chance of showers and the lower 50s for Wednesday will soar above average into Year's Day on Sunday, with afternoon temperatures in the under a mix of sun and clouds. the lower 60s under partly sunny skies and a few passing lower 60s. The rain will ac-

Following last week's major cloudy skies. Temperatures clouds from time to time. Rain company a cold front, dropping

- Hunter Brittingham

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Review:

71, of Norman, died January 2. Washington's Evan Andrews was preparing for a national skeet shooting event.

David Sikes was holding a holiday basketball camp for elementary age young ladies.

Both Wayne's boys and girls picked up road basketball victores over ECP. McClain County Sheriff

Deputies dismantled a chop man died January 17. shop south of Dibble. Public hearings were set

up on a rezoning issue in the southwest part of Purcell.

McClain CountyElection Board Secretary Karen Haley announced in-person absentee voting would move to the McClain County Farm & Home Community Center in

Raleigh Savage and Nate Willis were PHS Students of the Month.

A retirement party was held at Purcell City Hall for longtime city clerk Dorothy Kennedy.

Deborah "Debbie" Leona Walker, 74, died January 7.

Fred Sanuel Ball III, 83, of Norman, died January 3.

Lee Ann Shobe, 63, of Purcell died January 5. John Marcus Horner, Jr., 74,

of Lexington died December 30, 2021.

Elmer Stanford Davis, 86, of Tulsa died January 7. Joyce Lee (Enox) Henderson

Bebout Selman, 84, of Norman, died January 8. Robert Glen Clift, 96, of

Lawton died January 9.

Naomi Fleming-Anderson, 101 of Purcell died January 8. Earla "Chickie" Kay Franklin, 66, of Bridge Creek died January 2.

Lexington's Lady Bulldogs, led by individual champions Izzy Pack (outstanding wrestler) and Cilee Turner finished as team runners-up in the Pauls Valley Tournament.

Washington's Warriors were third in the Konawa Basketball Tournament.

Lexington's Bulldogs were third in the Davis Tournament. Purcell's boys and girls both posted cage victories over Bridge Creek.

The Purcell High School Academic Team qualified for the State Tournament.

Paradise Home Development LLC purchased what was the old Perfection Hytest man died January 22. building for \$1.2 million.

Ada died January 8. Claudus D. "Claud" Branam,

85, of Purcell died January 14. Larry B. Collins, 68, of Washington died January 16.

Fairview died January 11. Roy G. Millsap, 78, of Nor-

Thresia Ann Ward, 77, of Indialantic, FL died January 13. Bonnie Maria Hunt-Jones, 87, of Oklahoma City died

January 14. Roy "Brett" Blevins, 60, died July 29, 2021.

Joe Leslie Dawson, Jr., 74, of Lexington died January 16.

Purcell was hosting the 50th annual Heart of Oklahoma basketball tournament.

Purcell's Coty Sessions won the 107 pound weight class at the Pauls Valley Invitational Tournament and was named the Outstanding Wrestler for the lower division weight classes.

All-District football teams were announced.

The fuselage of a B-52 caused quite a stir and was a tourist attraction while on its way to Tinker Air Force Base.

Wayne was having basketball homecoming.

Joe Santmyer retired from the Purcell Police Department capping a 17-year career.

A burn ban was issued in Cleveland County.

third in the 50th Heart of Oklahoma basketball tournament.

Wayne's girls won the consolation championship in the Stephens County tournament.

Honor rolls for Purcell and Lexington were released. Jodie Denise Potter, 50, of

Lexington died January 14. Pamala Wallace, 66, of Lex- ary 29. ington died January 20.

Wayne died January 22.

Noble died January 24.

Mack Allen Buchanan, 55, of Wanette Died January 20. Angie Rains, 71, of Lexington died January 23.

Lynne Ellen Robertson, 53, of Wayne died January 15.

Mary Ann Qualls, 67, of Nor-

James William West, 85, of

Tyler West Boehrer, 34, of Tribbey died January 20. Kevin Williams, 54, of Ed-

> mond died January 24. Paul Bogner, 80, of Purcell

died January 17. Tommy Dwayne "Fred" Mary Ann McCall, 85, of Herell, 64, of Wayne died

> January 23. Edgar M. Stewart, Jr., 96, of Lafayette, La. died January 18.

FEBRUARY McClain County Commissioners issued a 14-day burn ban for the county due to the tinder dry conditions.

Purcell's 2022 basketball homecoming was postponed due to snow.

In honor of their 60th anniversary Jo's Famous Pizza was undergoing a face lift.

Washington was holding basketball homecoming.

Candidates for Purcell Board of Education and City Council answered questions in The

Intermediate School honor students were listed in the newspaper.

Rep. Cindy Roe introduced legislation allowing COVID patients in the hospital to designate a visitor.

Bonnie Lee Wells Cade, 79, of Houston and formerly of Purcell, died Dec. 16, 2021.

Peggy Lou Kelley, 92, of Oklahoma City and formerly of Lexington, died January 22.

Patti Shepherd, 75 of Lex-Purcell's Dragons finished ington and formerly of Noble, died January 31.

Mary Ann Qualls, 67, of Norman died January 22.

Annie Mary (Huffman) Lambert, 72, of Belton, Texas, died. Ron Jarman, 58, of Norman, died January 28.

James Kenneth Evans, Sr., 90, of Lexington died Janu-

Tacy Montana Payne, 42, week.

Barbara Lynn Skinner, 63, of died January 4. Wayne's Lady Bulldogs were

Charles Ray Redus, 78, of in the middle of a five game play. winning streak. Purcell's Dragons were roll-

ing along winning 12 of their last 13 basektball games.

Coty Sessions was third in the Chickasha wrestling tour-

Izzy Pack and Cilee Turner

won their class in the Midwestern Confernce Wrestling Tournament.

Washington had announced elementary school honor stu-

ONG customers were facing enormous bills from the February 2021 winter storm.

Steven Moody was arrested and later charged with first degree murder in connection with the death of his wife,

Margarita Moody. Randy England of Dibble was named Superinendent of the Year by the Associated General Contrators of Oklahoma.

tor on the Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine. Allen Eubanks defeated

England is the lead contrac-

Justin Carr for the Purcell City Council seat. Holly Baker topped the field

in a race for a seat on the Purcell Board of Eduation. Purcell 8th grader Kaden

Pliler was tabbed to sing the National Anthem at the Oklahoma Youth Expo. Betty Jean Willingham Al-

bright, 76, of Maysville died January 31.

Zexia Dean Ham, 91, of Washington died February 4. Roy William Rogers, 78, of

Dougherty died February 6. Larry Dean Brumley, 66, of Purcell died February 6.

Manuel Ray Hobson, 66, of Lexington died February 6. Victor David Solis, 49, of

Norman died January 31. Paulette Gale Lemaster, 74,

of Purcell died February 2. Della Rae Raines Murphy

of Lexington died January 16. Purcell's Dragons had won eight games in a row and 13 out of their last 14 with a win over Lindsay February 8.

Washington's boys and girls won six out of six games that

Wayne hosted Binger-Oney and OCA in district basketball

Alyssa Rogers signed a letter of intent to cheer at East Central University.

Former Purcell Dragon, Oklahoma Sooner and Gold

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Clearing the way

ODOT crews along with the City of Purcell worked hard after the ice storm that swept through the area in two waves in late January to make streets driveable.

NEWS In **Brief**

Lights from the Heart

Purcell's Lights From the Heart at Chandler Park will be open nightly until Saturday, December 31, from 5:30-10 p.m.

Over two miles of lights are available to drive through.

donations are appreciated.

Tax Statements

property owners in the county that 2022 tax statements have son and a live band playing been mailed.

Full or half payments are is on hand. due before January 1. The treasurer's office can

email tax statements if it is requested. Property owners can also print out their tax statements

by going online to tmconsulting.us.com.

For more information call 527-3261.

Admission is free but Senior Dance at Purcell

A Senior Dance is held every McClain County Trea- Friday night at 7 p.m. at the surer Teresa Jones reminds Purcell Multi-Purpose Center.

Admission is \$7 per percountry and western music

Everyone is welcome to come and join the fun.

For more information call Clayton Lee at 405-901-3197.

Museum News

The McClain County Museum and Historical Society has undergone some changes and the museum is now open for tours.

To schedule a tour contact Jerry Hayes at 405-812-



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Road construction

Construction work was underway last week to fix the roadway leading to the entrance of Purcell Municipal Hospital.

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Review:

Medalist basketball player minated their contract with D. freezing rain on the area. the award.

April V. Phillips of Lexington the shooting of her husband, Rayburn M. Phillips.

Tommy "Bruce" Lee, 83, of Alex died February 13.

Linda Manning, 73, of North Richland Hills, Texas died February 12.

L.B. Flanigan of Wake Forest, N.C. died February 12.

Claudia "Diane" Bradley, 68 of Moore died February 11. Kathryn Lee, 87, of Lexington died February 9.

Jerry Robbins, 93, of Wanette Purcell died February 16. died February 11.

Purcell's basketball winning streak had reached 12 in a row.

The Purcell Register honored FFA students during FFA Week.

Lexington was traveling to Prague for the District Basketball Tournament.

Purcell was hosting Christian Heritage in their District Tournament while Washington was hosting Chisholm.

Washington's boys and girls were crowned District Cham-

State Representatives Cindy Roe and Sherrie Conley along with State Senator Jessica Garvin addressed the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Com-

Public Works Authority ter- that dumped sleet, snow and

Lester Lane was honored at The Owen Construction LLC over Reimer Center. Lane's wife, concerns the parking lot at the in the area and postponed Re-Jan Lane Warner, accepted new hospital failed to meet compaction standards.

Purcell recorded .9" of was charged in connection with rain February 17 for the first Players of the Year included measurable moisture since January 1.

> Dennis Dee Martin, 70, of Lexington died February 16. Mary Edna Carr, 87, of Wanette died February 19.

Elsie Paige Birnie died February 17.

Otto Cecil Crossland, 82, of Gene Autry died February 9. Frederick "Butch" Cooper,

74, of Noble died February 9. Jenny Lynn Mitchell, 77, of

Fines Wayne Thompson, 88, of Lexington died February 14. Gary Joe Snow, 55, of Purcell died February 10.

Jo Lyn Page, 84, of Woodward and formerly Purcell died

February 16. Charley Miles Reed, Jr., 72, of Wayne died February 18.

Lexington wrestlers Tristan Buchanan and Cash Sessions qualifed for the State Tourna-

Lady Bulldog wrestles Izzy and Purcell's boys and girls all Pack and Cilee Turner also qualifed for State.

Zeck Chevrolet was sold and the named changed to Windy. Purcell High School Students of the Month wer Cooper Lynn

The Purcell Bonus Auction, merce at a luncheon in Goldsby. scheduled for February 24 was wrestled her way to a 185 pound Purcell's City Council and postponed due to a winter storm State Runner-up.

and Chris Moody.

That storm closed schools gional Basketball Tournaments by at least 24 hours.

Heart of Oklahoma Football Ethan Mullins on offense, Tanner Winlock in the offensive line, Layne Spaulding on defense and Hayden Milner in the defensive line.

MARCH

McClain Bank was celebrating its 100th anniversary with a street bash March 8.

City manager Dale Bunn was reporting the Kickapoo Turnpike extention to just north of Purcell will be a boon to the local economy.

The annual Purcell Bonus Auction was held after a oneweek weather delay.

The delay was due to 1 1/2" of ice, mostly in the form of sleet, that paralyzed businesses, closed schools and forced the basketball tournaments to be postponed.

After the ice storm of a week prior, temperatures went back to way above normal.

Purcell's boys and girls won Regional Championships knocking off CCS and moving on to the Area Tournament.

Washington's Warriors also moved on to the Area Tournament with a Regional Tournament clinching victory over Hennessey.

Lexington's Cilee Turner

A work-day was held at the

Purcell Softball and Baseball

Judy Annette Smith, 61, of Oklahoma City, died February 20.

Rosemary Twitty Ramsey, 92, of Lexington died Febru-

Randy Lewis, 41, of Noble died February 21.

Sean Thompson, 45, of Maysville died February 25. Purcell's boys and girls

bowed out of post season basketball action in the Area Tournament at Meeker.

The Purcell area received .65" of rain March 6.

Cooper Lynn showed the Purcell died March 1. Grand Champion heifer and reaped a \$3,100 check in the bonus auction.

City officials confirmed the opening of the new hospital was going to be delayed beyond the planned May 3 opening date.

Enrollments were announced for area Kindergarten and Pre-K classes for the 2022-23 school year.

Ted Leroy Cobb, 61, of Calera died March 6.

Judith Kay Pierce, 74, of Lexington died March 6.

Elizabeth Walters, 74 of Oklahoma City died March 3. Carl Joseph Spor, 77, of

Lexington died March 2. Dean Ferran, 46, of Lexing-

ton died March 3. Ola Mae Barnett, 88, of Noble died March 8.

Washington's Warriors, making their first State Tournament appearance since 2019, were bounced from the tournament

in the first round. Area weight lifters were headed to State.

Slow-pitch softball and baseball were in full swing. Washington was bumped

from the State Basketball Tournament by CCS. The Purcell Association of Classroom Teachers was lob-

public education funding. City Treasurer Victor Lohn reported the city's lodging tax had brought in just over

\$66,000, an average of \$12,500 a month for the first seven months.

McClain County was set to receive \$7.8 million from the federal government's American Rescue Plan.

Michael Robert Phillips, 53, of Sand Springs died March 9. Cooper Allen Dunlap died

March 7. Mauricio Mateo Gutierrez died March 8.

Tony Alan Davis, 63, of Tecumseh died March 11.

Lloyd Rex Sherman, 77, of Norman died March 14. Mike McClendon, 50, of

Gary Paul Nelson, 68, of

Goldsby died March 12. Shirley Smith, 79, of Lexington died March 10.

Joe Eddy, 70, of Purcell died March 13.

Janice Elaine Caldwell, 76, of Altus died March 8.

Dixie Gillum, 88, of Noble died March 21.

Levola Autry, 96, of Lexington died March 21. Patricia Ann Martin, 72,

of Dill City/Burns Flat died March 19.

Harley K Bromley, 83, of Washington died March 17. Velma Rolewicz, 87, of New-

castle died March 17. Marvin Ray Harmoning, 80, of Purcell died March 17.

Jerry Rolin, 69, of Byars, died March 21. Shannon Leann Maine, 38,

of Lexington died March 19. Lawana "Granny" Bebout, 87, of Purcell died March 17.

Led by the McClain County Sheriff's Department, at least five law enforcement agencies were investigating human smuggling after an 18-wheeler was discovered in Wayne with residents from Guetamala in the trailer.

Lexington freshman Dax

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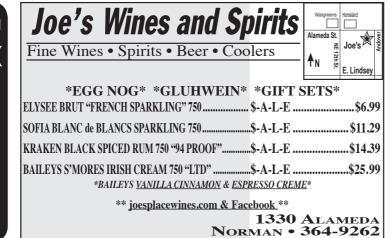


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Special presentation

Jan Lane Warner, center, speaks to the Dragon faithful during a special presentation February 8, 2022 at the Reimer Center. Warner is the widow of the late Purcell great, Lester Lane, Lane, a 1951 Purcell High School graduate, is among the most decorated athletes in the history of Oklahoma and was on the 1960 U.S. Olympic basketball team which claimed a gold medal.









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Electric bills may be shocking

We were lucky there wasn't winter precipitation to go with the single digit temperatures late last week.

Another fortuitous part of the equation last week was not having any power outages in Purcell during the dangerously cold conditions.

Folks in Lexington weren't quite as fortunate, however.

Somehow the power feed from OG&E was affected and for 5 1/2 hours last Thursday the town was without power.

That was resolved when OG&E switched Lexington over to its secondary line.

With all that said, electric

Be prepared for higher than usual statements to pay for the heating of homes and busi- had public pools for years and nesses during the three days of single digit temperatures and WPA days that built the one

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below zero wind chills.

jdm

With it being the dead of customers could be in for a winter now would be a perfect shock when the February 1 time for the powers that be to PPWA bills arrive in the mail. plan on opening a public swimming pool in Purcell.

As residents know we've years starting back in the old

on Red Hill.

Then the pool out by the golf course served us from the 1970s until just the last few years, eight to be exact.

The town needs a pool.

Kids need a place they can go play and cool off and they need a place to take swimming lessons.

Seniors need the pool for exercise classes. The list goes

Way back in the day the public pool was at the NE corner of Juneau and Second.

Then came the WPA days and the pool on Red Hill became the location of choice for people parched from the hot Oklahoma sun.

Then in the 1970s came the pool at the golf course.

That one has been closed since 2015 and is now basketball courts.

Now we need another one.

Your Views

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necessarily reflect the opinion of the newspaper.



numbers will not be published.

"Sure, Charlie Brown, I can tell you what Christmas is all about"

For only the second time in 57 years, "A Charlie Brown Christmas" - the most beloved of all animated Christmas specials - will not air on network television. This groundbreaking special forever changed how networks treated all specials and introduced new and lasting songs, as well as Christmas icons. Historically speaking, however, this special was not without its controversy and has continued to be so in recent years.

In 1965, CBS made a bold move to air an animated Christmas special. Although this is common today, at the time, specials were not a thing, at least at CBS. The networks did not want to interrupt their viewers weekly schedules. Three things changed to clear a path for the special.

First, in 1964, NBC aired the stop-motion special "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" to positive reviews. Second, CBS made a change of leadership. Lastly, and most importantly, Coca-Cola came on board and wanted to sponsor a family friendly Christmas special. Suddenly, Charles Schulz and his team at CBS had six months to put the show together.

Schulz had a couple demands. First, he wanted the TV show to accurately portray his comic strip; and, he insisted it show the true meaning of Christmas. When asked why the Christmas message was so important, he answered, "If we don't do it, who will?"

Just three years earlier, in 1962, the Supreme Court had ruled in Engel v. Vitale that school-led prayer in schools was unconstitutional. In the following years, many religious practices were being removed from public spaces. In this environment, Schulz wanted to stand up for his beliefs.

The next issue was the show itself. When CBS first saw it, they thought it was awful. Not only did they think it would bomb, but they worried about killing the Peanuts. Everything Christmas disappears when seemed wrong. The animation was rough, the music was a jazz the tree comes down, but it is soundtrack, there was no laugh track and untrained children were playing the parts which came off unprofessional.

> As for the story, it was too slow with little to no action, and of course, a two-minute sermon by Linus about the birth of Jesus. Executives in 1965 did not believe American audiences wanted religion in their programs. They considered canceling the special, but Coca-Cola had already given the money and it was listed in the TV guide. Also, Schulz believed in it. CBS decided to go ahead and show the program with the expectation that it would be a onetime airing.

> As with so many times when it comes to religion, Hollywood was wrong. "A Charlie Brown's Christmas" was a massive hit and was watched by almost half of the nation. While this inspiring show went on to air every year until 2000 when HBO bought its rights, it was not without continuing controversy because of its religious message. Schools across the nation have been banned from showing it and putting on a play based on the TV special.

In 2015, controversy even reached the highest office in the land. Before a special celebrating the 50th anniversary of "A Charlie Brown Christmas", President Obama had a short clip praising the special and saying, "They teach us that tiny trees just need a little love, and that on this holiday we celebrate peace on Earth and goodwill toward all." Religious groups attacked the president upset that he did not mention the true purpose of Christmas and arguing that loving little trees was not the message of the Christmas special.

I think the reason this special that aired 57 years ago still causes some controversy today is because from the very beginning it resonated with Americans both young and old, and they want to protect it. The show focuses on an underdog of a kid who, as his friend Lucy said, "Of all the Charlie Browns in the world, you're the Charlie Browniest," who was trying to understand the meaning of Christmas.

In 1965, just as today, Charlie Brown had come to see the season as a commercial holiday and not one that brought much joy, saying "I almost wish there weren't a holiday season. I know that inflation is still outpacing nobody likes me. Why do we have to have a holiday season to emphasize it?"

The arche of the show happened when Charlie Brown was sent to pick out a tree for the Christmas pageant and he decided on a small scrawny tree that clearly was the Charlie Brown of Christmas trees. After being berated again, Charlie Brown seemnational debt and work to enact ingly exasperated asked the universe, "Isn't there anyone who knows what Christmas is all about?" To which Linus, the sage cans and American businesses of the Peanuts responded, "Sure, Charlie Brown, I can tell you

Hello from District 43

Senator Jessica Garvin



Update from the Capitol

Christmas is such an exciting family and friends, and all the that brings more people to There is nothing that gives me greater joy than to see my kids' eyes light up when their favorite Christmas cartoon comes on, they see all the beautiful lights on people's homes or catch a

I love their excitement at church hearing about the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, or when we drive by a nativity scene and they catch a no joy like that of Christmas through the eyes of a child.

Sadly, as adults, it's easy to Christmas. perfect gift or that one ingredient to our loved one's famous casserole. We rush from event to event in between trips to the store trying to mark off our grocery and gift lists, wrap presents, get the house ready for

time, especially for children. other millions of tasks we have to make the holiday perfect.

Before we know it, Christmas is over, passing as quickly as it came. The scraps of wrapping paper are thrown away, the fridge is full of leftovers, and glimpse of Santa around town. the house is put back in order. Life returns to normal.

But just because we put up the tree and take down the decorations, doesn't mean the spirit of Christmas has to end. glimpse of baby Jesus. There is It's important for us to distinguish between the commercial Christmas and the spirit of

lose some of that joy and spirit We'd be insane to want to of Christmas as we race from experience the madness and store to store, trying to find the hassle of commercial Christmas year-round. It makes me tired just thinking about it.

I'm talking about the true spirit of Christmas because that's what makes the season so special.

It's the spirit of Christmas

church, encourages them to donate a little extra to their favorite charity, brings friends and families together to celebrate and gives folks just a little more patience when that stranger cuts them off in traffic. So much good is done in the world during the Christmas

The Christmas spirit is an emotional, heartwarming, compassionate feeling for people. It compels us to help those in need, forgive those who have hurt us and to try to be a better version of ourselves. We may think the spirit of

always within us, and we can't let it fade away.

Let's always remember why we celebrate Christmas. Re-

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News from Capitol Hill

New year, new majority

Congressman Tom Cole

One-party Democratic rule in Washington has led to several unprecedented crises in our country and around the globe. However, next week, lawmakers will return to Washington, D.C. where the U.S. House of Representatives will begin a new legislative session with Republicans in the majority.

With this new majority, we can work on policies to address the real issues that are hurting our country and the American people.

First, Republicans plan to secure the southern border that President Joe Biden and Democrats have almost completely abandoned. When he assumed office, President Biden inherited a border that was secure release loopholes, requiring and kept Americans and our

Because of his policies and executive actions, however, the president has created the every community in America

most troubling humanitarian, is a border city. security and health crisis at our southern border in our nation's

He also created a fentanyl crisis that has led to more than 14,000 pounds of poisonous and deadly fentanyl being seized at our southern border in the last year.

This coming year, House Republicans plan to enact policies to secure the southern border and combat the current enormous levels of illegal immigration. These policies include ful-

ly funding effective border enforcement strategies, infrastructure and advanced technology to prevent illegal crossings and trafficking by cartels, ending catch-andproof of legal status to get a job and reinstating the successful Remain in Mexico program.

Until our border is secure,

Next, throughout the two years since President Biden was elected as president, Americans have felt the inflationary burden caused by Democrats' damaging economic policies and out-of-control spending levels.

Democrats' inflationary tax has caused families across the country to pay more for just about everything including food, energy and other necessities. In fact, the Bureau of Labor and Statistics' November Real Earnings Report confirmed Americans' wage growth.

In the new Congress, we will curb Democrats' wasteful spending that has put us in this position, work to reduce our policies that will allow Ameri-

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2023 - Love yourself so you can love others

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

You can lose about one pound a week if you try. If you don't try you won't lose any.

If you need to save some money then you need to pay yourself first. If you have a a goal for \$500 a month if mistakes. possible.

Whatever the amount is will grow if you are faithful each week and month of setting money aside. You can always find a place to spend money. have it just in case you might.

What do you want to accomplish in 2023? If you do not have a goal of some kind, you will accomplish nothing. Maybe your goal is to just enjoy each day.

good goals.

Be good to yourself in 2023. Love others as you love yourself. If you don't love yourself, others. Recently we have heard of people committing suicide. They had given up on themselves but wanted to hurt or kill others before they killed it a little better. themselves.

themselves more then they that will benefit our country.

won't have so much venom and hate for others.

One of the tools of the devil is to bring your life down to where you hate all the things you've done. He brings it up to you often so you can feel paycheck coming in then set horrible about your life's

People often have trouble forgiving themselves so they begin to binge drink, take drugs and hurt themselves to try to deal with their life's pain.

God has forgiveness and Even if you don't need it, you hope for all. People don't always forgive but God forgives. As God forgives you then you must work on forgiving yourself, loving yourself and forgiving and loving others. You see, that's a great formula.

God forgives us, loves us Enjoy your food. Enjoy your and we are to forgive and love family and friends. Make the ourselves and then offer this best of each day. These are same forgiveness and love to

In 2023 you might do something different. Maybe you want to embark on an it's almost impossible to love adventure, change careers or just do better with all you have been handed. Often, all we need to do is focus on what we already have to do and do

My prayer for our nation in It's tragic when people so the year ahead is that we might hate themselves that they want see politicians work together to hurt others. If people love to accomplish worthy goals

I hope Ukraine can overcome Russia but other countries need to step up to the plate. America cannot fight everyone's war physically or financially. We must get control of our border.

Our nation is being overtaken by millions of undocumented immigrants. Who are these people? Do they all really have noble intentions in America? We must bring back our jobs from China in 2023.

Throughout this year may you have a continuation of what we talk about and pray for during the Christmas season. May it be ongoing every day and may we share it with all along the way.

Peace on earth and good will to all people. May you first find it in your life so you can extend it to others.

Hear Dr. Mollette each weekday at 8:56 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. and 4:26 p.m. EST on XM radio 131.

Contact him at GMollette@ aol.com. Learn more at www. glennmollette.com. Like his facebook page at www.facebook.com/glennmollette.

Dr. Mollette is a graduate of numerous schools including Georgetown College, Southern and Lexington Seminaries in Kentucky. He is the author of 13 books including *Uncommon*

New Year's resolutions: Super success strategies

By Bryan Golden

Almost 90 percent of Americans will make at least one New Year's resolution.

Less than 20 percent will succeed in accomplishing even one.

The beginning of the year is one-time effort. a great time for life improving resolutions. Common resolutions include losing weight, giving up smoking, maintaining a budget, saving money, finding a better job, getting healthier, becoming more organized, and spending more time with family.

Whatever your resolutions, here are some specific strategies to help you succeed. First and foremost is to take the first step, which is to start. Without action, there will be no success. Action creates results. Intention alone will not work.

Have written goals stating what you want to accomplish. If you want to lose weight, how much and by when? If you want to live within a budget, what is the amount? If you want to continue your education, what school will you go to and which classes will you take?

Take small but consistent steps. Habits are formed by frequent repetition over

time. Change occurs by the same process. A resolution is not all or nothing. Partial change is okay. Any progress in the desired direction, regardless of how small, is a success. Accomplishing a resolution is a process, not a

Positive goals are more effective than negative ones. Rather than saying you will eat less, resolve to have a healthier diet. Instead of spending less time at work you can endeavor to spend more time at home. Bad habits can't just be eliminated; they have to be replaced by good

Identify potential obstacles so they don't surprise you. If you experience a setback, don't give up. Don't blame yourself if you stumble. Failure only occurs when you stop trying. Difficulties are an opportunity to learn. If you slide backwards, get back on track, get back in gear, and resume your progress. Don't keep your plans a

secret. Develop a support system utilizing friends and family. Visualize how great you will feel as you accomplishments. It doesn't matter if your progress is slower than you would like.

Don't try to change too many things at once or you risk becoming overwhelmed and discouraged. You can have a long list of resolutions so long as you realize all of the items don't have to be addressed simultaneously. Each accomplishment can be followed by another. Change can begin at any time, not just on January 1.

Believe in yourself and your ability to change. Change can feel difficult, uncomfortable, or painful, but you can do it. Become determined to succeed. Don't procrastinate. Although doing nothing is often an appealing alternative, it leads to frustration.

Each day is a new opportunity to work on your resolutions. If you were successful yesterday, fantastic, keep going. If yesterday was a disappointment, today is a new chance to make progress. Replace the word "try" with "will." Do whatever it takes to get the results you

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Cole:

Prices at the pump and utility costs are also included in the high prices Americans are currently enduring. According to the November Consumer Price Index report, energy costs are up 13 percent, and according to the National Energy Assistance Directors Association, households are expected to pay years this winter.

On day one of Joe Biden's presidency, he launched his war on American energy when he killed the Keystone XL pipebarrels of oil per day from for the American people. Canada to U.S. refineries. Today, President Biden wrongly continues to beg dictators and foreign adversaries for oil instead of using the resources we have here at home.

When President Biden as- questions on the disastrous American.

sumed office, he inherited a country that was energy independent and even an energy exporter. Today, the president is sitting on over 4,700 pending applications for permits to drill.

In addition, President Biden and House Democrats' socalled Inflation Reduction Act spends more than \$350 billion on failed Green New the highest energy costs in 10 Deal initiatives and includes an American energy tax.

In the coming year, House Republicans will pursue an allof-the-above American energy strategy to restore North Amerline, which could have been ican energy independence and supplying 830,000 thousand reduce fuel and energy prices

> Finally, the new House Republican majority plans to bring accountability and oversight back to Congress.

First, the president and his administration must answer on the issues affecting every

withdrawal from Afghanistan that resulted in the deaths of 13 American service members, the resurgence of the Taliban in the region and the billions of dollars of military equipment that was left behind.

House Republicans will also investigate the origins of CO-VID-19 and hold the Chinese Communist Party accountable for its part in covering up the initial outbreak, which led to its uncontrollable spread around the globe and then denying investigators full access to critical sites and facilities to determine how the virus first spread.

Members of Congress will certainly have much to work on this Congress. However, the new Republican House majority is ready to put the American people first and I look forward to working with my colleagues

From page 4A

Finck:

what Christmas is all about."

Linus then proceeded to tell the story of Jesus' birth as recorded in Luke II. Inspired man who put his own feelings by Linus, the kids all go find Charlie Brown and decorate his little tree showing its true potential. The show is not about roundings and the only place small trees. It's about how a baby born over 2000 years ago in humble circumstances came Master who sees the potential "Glory to God in the highest, spirit. and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Thank you for reading Historical Speaking this year. I hope it brought you some joy. From my family to yours, I wish you all a very merry Christmas.

Dr. James Finck is an Associate Professor of History at the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma and Chair of the Oklahoma Civil War Symposium. Follow Historically Speaking at www.Historicallyspeaking.blog or Facebook at @jamesWfinck.







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ROYAL THEATRE

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member the frightened young girl who was chosen to be a servant of God. Remember the aside to be obedient to God's will. Remember the little baby who was born in terrible surfor a bed was in a feed trough.

Remember that innocent baby who grew into a man and to bring true joy. It's about the lived a life that set an example for all of us. Remember the in all of us the way Charlie sacrifice he made for each and Brown did with that small tree. every one of us on the Cross. It's not just about a jolly man in Remember the hope he gave red, who intentionally was not us all by rising from that cold in the Christmas special, but grave. That is the Christmas

Our Christmas celebration

shouldn't end the day after Christmas. The Christmas spirit should be guiding us, not just on Christmas, but throughout the year.

From our family to yours, we hope this Christmas season is filled with love, peace and joy, and that the new year brings even more of these blessings to you and your loved ones.

To contact me at the Capitol. Please write to Senator Jessica Garvin, State Capitol, 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd. Room 237, Oklahoma City, OK, 73105, email me at Jessica.Garvin@ oksenate.gov or call (405) 521-5522.







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New concrete

A lot of dirt work and some pouring of new concrete was taking place at Windy Chevrolet last

Society

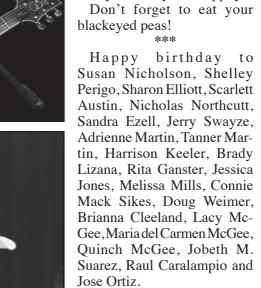




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Pauls Valley Opry

Chandler Elliott (top) and Terry Wilson (bottom) will be two of the guests performing at the next Pauls Valley Opry slated for Saturday, January 7. The show will be back at the Pauls Valley Junior High auditorium beginning at 6:30 p.m.



lights at Purcell's Lights From 1 avocado, diced the Heart!

> but donations are greatly appreciated. The gates open at 5:30 p.m.

nightly. The lights will be open until Saturday, December 31.

McClain County Treasurer

2021 tax statements have been mailed. Full or half payments are due

erty owners in the county that

before January 1.

The treasurer's office also Happy birthday to now has the ability to email tax statements. Property owners can also

> print out their tax statements by going online to tmconsulting.us.com.

> For more information call 527-3261.

Here's a twist on how to make sure you get your blackeyed peas on New Year's Day.

Cowboy Caviar Suarez, Raul Caralampio and 15 oz. can black beans, rinsed and drained

15.8 oz. can black-eyed peas, This is your last chance to rinsed and drained drive around Purcell City Lake 15.25 oz. can sweet corn,

and create holiday memories drained as you see over 190 animated 14.5 oz. can diced tomatoes or displays featuring over 650,000 Rotel Tomatoes, drained

1/2 cup chopped onion There is no admission fee, 1/2 cup chopped cilantro 3/4 cup zesty Italian dressing

1 TBL lime juice

Pour all of the ingredients into a large bowl and stir until combined.

Cover the bowl and place in the fridge.

Allow the flavors to blend Teresa Jones reminds prop- for about 1 hour before serving.

Ring in the New Year with traditions, fruits and vegetables

MelindaMyers

For The Purcell Register

Start your New Year with a bit of luck and nutritious eating. Try a few of these food-related traditions and then plan on growing a few of your own to enjoy.

Eating grapes on New Year's Eve is a Mexican food tradition. One grape is eaten with each stroke of midnight and is believed to lead to prosperity in the year ahead. Grapes are low in saturated fats and relatively high in vitamins C and K.

If space allows, grow your own grapes in a sunny location on decorative arbors and trellises. Use these as a decorative and edible entryway to the garden, as screening, or to provide shade. Plan for the squirrels and birds that may join you during harvest season.

In the southern United States, black-eyed peas have long been part of the New Year's celebration. Many people believe the swelling of the peas as they cook represents prosperity, while others think their shape resembles coins.

Southern peas are warmweather plants and should not be planted until the soil is warm and toasty, preferably above 65 degrees. Multiple plantings can be made at three-week intervals to have fresh peas all summer and fall. Space the seeds about two inches apart down the row. The rows should be three to four feet apart.

Southern peas are one vegetable that doesn't require pampering. They thrive in summer heat and stand up to the dry weather without a complaint. Most selections require 50-55 days from planting until harvest PMH CEO/CNO Chris Wright in the green pea stage. If dried Garden Moment" TV and radio awarded one year service peas are desired, 65-75 days program.

peas in a sunny spot in your garers.com.

den. Wait for the soil to warm to begin planting the seeds. Make several plantings to have fresh peas all summer long.

Most varieties are ready to

harvest fresh in 50 to 55 days. Allow some of them to mature on the plant. These are usually ready to harvest in 65 to 75 days. Pull and hang the plants in a warm location to dry. Then shell and store the black-eyed peas for your winter and New Year's meal.

Increase your good luck and prosperity by including a cabbage dish. This German, Irish, and U.S. tradition is tied to the fact that cabbage leaves resemble money, promoting personal wealth.

You can start your own cabbage plants from seeds or purchase transplants from your favorite garden center. Plant cabbage in the garden in spring for an early summer harvest or plant in mid-summer for a fall harvest.

Preserve your cabbage by quartering, blanching, and freezing some for use in your favorite cabbage dishes and New Year's celebration.

Growing your own fruits and vegetables elevates the fun of these New Year's celebrations. It also encourages all of us to eat healthier, a common resolution for many.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated "Melinda's

Myers is a columnist and Elevate the fun of future New contributing editor for Birds Year's celebrations by growing & Blooms magazine and her your own. Plant black-eyed website is www.MelindaMy-



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longevity pins to several are needed. employees including Dylan Bors, Robin Grizzle and Joanna Hartleroad last Wednesday at the hospital last Wednesday afternoon.

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tival set for Saturday, April 22, at the Artesian Plaza.

The Artesian Arts Festival



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Mark your calendar for the features music, dance and 10th annual Artesian Arts Fes- cuisine, and celebrates First American art and artists. A diverse array of visual art, including paintings, basketry, jewelry, sculpture, metalworking, beadwork, textiles and pottery is offered.

> The 2023 festival is open to all federally recognized First American artists.

> The festival also features a wide variety of tribal dance demonstrations, musical entertainment and food vendors.

> Open to the public at no charge, the Artesian Arts Festival welcomed more than 5,000 art patrons to downtown Sulphur this year.

> The Artesian Arts Festival takes place at the Artesian Plaza, adjacent to the Artesian Hotel and Spa, 1001 W. First Street, Sulphur.

> For more information, contact Chickasaw Nation Arts & Humanities at (580) 272-5520 visitArtesianArtsFestival.com or email ArtistInfo@Chicka-



No. 1096-December 29-1 Time NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the filing time for three members, one from each Commissioner's District for Office One, to serve for a three (3) year term to the McClain County Free Fair Board will be from January 9 through January 13, 2023 at the McClain County Clerk's Office during the office hours of 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. each day. Only registered voters of the county are eligible to file as a candidate. The person

must reside in the Commissioners district they seek to represent. If more than one candidate files for Office One in each district an election of the candidates will be held at the Wayne Agriculture Barn, Washington Agriculture Barn and the Blanchard Agriculture Barn on Thursday, February 2, 2023 from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DATE: 12/28/2022 /s/ Pam Beller Pam Beller McClain County Clerk

Review:

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Beason scored a perfect 50 to win the Oklahoma Tier 2 National Archery in the Schools tionals.

A tornado in Kingston damaged property owned by area residents and was close to residences of people who have moved from here down to Lake to a ward-based voting. Texoma.

March 30.

Mary Constant, 72, of Purcell died March 25.

Roberta Green, 88, of Norman died March 21.

Noble died March 25.

Barbara Ann Johnston, of

Norman, died March 23. died March 23.

Honor rolls were released from Wayne and the annual Beast Feast was held.

Freshman hurler Parker Page struck out 12 and fellow freshman Tucker Bloodworth came in for the final Lexington at bat and retired all three hitters giving the two freshmen a 15 strikeout game between them.

Washington's Warriors won the Beast of the East slow-pitch

Wayne's Lady Bulldogs were off to an unblemished 14-0 start in slow-pitch.

Lexington beat Ripley in baseball.

APRIL

Teanna Giles was officially named Purcell Postmaster April 9.

City Manager Dale Bunn told the city council the new date to open the new Purcell Municipal Hospital has been set for September 21 and that the project remains under budget.

Homeland Security joined in the investigation of human smuggling in the Wayne area. Filing for offices both in the

county and statewide was April 13, 14 and 15.

Over three inches of rain was recorded in Purcell on April 4. Lexington got 3.5".

Ronan Little won the pole vault and Gracie Pruitt won the 100 meters at the Pauls Valley track meet.

Purcell's baseball team was off to a 6-0 mark in district play. Washington was 4-0 in

league play. Wayne's Lady Bulldogs were meeting in Newcastle. ranked No. 8 in the State with

a 16-1 season record.

days winning 11.

for Washington Elementary Dena Deverl Benn (Dorethy),

50, of Purcell died March 28. Penelope Kay Olinger died March 27.

Joseph Ezekiel Dover, 88, of April 12. Purcell died April 2.

Sharon Kay (West) Pierce, of Purcell died April 13.

79, of Norman died April 1.

died April 3. Albert Leroy Looper, 95, of Purcell died April 12. Waco, TX, died April 3.

Waiting for the flames

Darrell James Gregg, 49, of Oklahoma City died March 29.

The McClain County Shercompetion qualifying for na- iff's Department reported missing Wayne resident Tallen Treto-Padilla had been rescued in Mexico.

> Goldsby voters were going to get to cast ballots about going Graham Fishburn was elect-

Purcell recorded 1.9" of rain ed as the interim Purcell Vice Mayor.

Allen Eubanks was sworn in as a new Purcell City Coucil-

Purcell Police and McClain Wanda Gifford-Reid, 88, of County officials were investigating a series of burglaries they thought were related.

Charles Gray had announced Sue Morris, 73, of Lexington his intentions to seek re-election as Associate District Judge.

The Oklahoma Blood Institute announced the blood supply had fallen below 50 percent.

The 33rd annual Heart of Oklahoma Baseball Tournament was underway.

Hayden Ice of Purcell and Hayden Hicks of Washington were named to the Region 5 District team.

Washington's slow-pitch team was No. 1 in Class 4A.

Wayne's slow-pitch team was ranked No. 7 in Class 3A. Jerry Duane Abney, 72, of Purcell died April 5.

Doris Jean Andrews, 83, of Purcell died April 6.

Alfred Lawrence Giroux, 84, of Noble died April 8.

Billy Joe Harlow, 87, of Washington died April 8.

David Ross Perry, 70, of Purcell died April 6.

Timothy David Sides, 41, of Purcell died March 28.

LaVon Henry Wilcox, 79, of Little River, KS died April 6. Wanda Wade, 93, of Purcell

died April 10. Norma Jean Ward, 91, of at Pocola. Purcell died April 6.

Lexington was having its annual 89er's Day celebration.

The Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce held its awards banquet in Goldsby.

A race for Associate District Judge developed between incumbent Charles Gray and William Deveraux.

Purcell was hosting a crisis training for law enforcement.

The Oklahoma Transportation Authority held a public

The Mother's Entwined Club attended the state convention Washington's slow-pitch of the Oklahoma Association team played 12 games in six of Mothers Clubs.

Alen Misak was the Purcell Honor students were listed Junior High Teacher of the

Month. Mary Susie (Manning) Williams, 63, of Pauls Valley died

April 12. Thomas Edward "Tom" Sherman, 76, of Norman died

Sharon Lynne (Luker) Walk-Tammy Kizer, 57, of Moore er, 69, formerly of Purcell died. Bobby Lee Powell, 89, of

Noble died April 13.

Purcell finished second in the Heart of Oklahoma baseball tournament.

regular season District Championship in baseball.

was hosting the District Tour-

Slow-pitch tournament at Perkins-Tryon.

Wayne's baseball team was

playing in the District Tournament in Caddo.

Citizen of the Year.

a charter form of government. Purcell's Junior High TSA

Winners of the Giving Time Frankenberg and Savannah

Goldsby's co-Citizens of the Year were Ronny and Diann

Kyle Cantrell, 59, of Grove

Narciso Montelongo Fraire, 63, of Noble died April 19.

Purcell died April 21.

of Norman died April 24.

ment.

Purcell was hosting the District Tournament in baseball.

ball closed out their seasons. pitch teams bowed out of the

state playoffs. It was announced Lee Re-

Brenda Diaz was among 170

ate School.

Frances Mayer, 95, of Purcell died April 29.

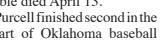
Rita Jane Shea, 84, of Purcell died April 6.

Texas died April 26.

Maysville died April 29.

Washington was hosting a Harry Lawrence Boyd, 85, baseball Regional Tournament

> Christian. Washington was making its



Washington clinched the

Wayne's slow-pitch team

Purcell was in the District

Washington's slow-pitch was hosting the District Tourna-

Ted Cox was named Purcell

Goldsby was gearing up for a special election to change to

did well at the State Conference.

Awards included Landmark Church, Theda Engert, Lori Pyle.

Nelson.

died April 22.

Lillie (Mitchell) Bruehl, 81, election.

Mona Faye Stone, 87, of Lindsay died April 18.

hosting the Regional Tourna-

Wayne defeated Crescent to head to the slow-pitch Regional

Wayne and Lexington base-Purcell and Lexington slow-

imer will be inducted into the Oklahoma Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

OU seniors graduating with a perfect 4.0 for her college

held at the Purcell Intermedi-

Peggy Lee Forbis, 78, of

Buster Merl Brown Sr., 83, of

Rev. Donnie Eugene Haynes, 83, of Midwest City died April

while Purcell was traveling to their Regional at Oklahoma

25th straight appearance at the Harold Ray Perry, 77, of State Slow-pitch Tournament.



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Human hauler

The McClain County Sheriff's Office and four other law enforcement agencies worked in March searching for humans who came out of this 18-wheeler around 9:20 p.m. Monday in Wayne. So far, no charges have been filed in connection with the incident.

The State Track Meet was held at Western Heights.

OEC Contractor Nathaniel Austin-Powell was in critical condition at OU Medical Center after a bizarre traffic Barbara Gale Idleman, 75, of accident in Purcell.

Goldsby was holding a city

Amanda Uhlenhake was named the 2022 Purcell District Teacher of the Year.

Washington slow-pitch was Byars was killed in a fire at her home. Zoe Swift and Mindy Wells had an idea for a real-life skills

class and it has taken off. Two

Donna Lee Bauschka of

sections of it are planned for the next school term. Leadership Mid-America

graduated 25 in its latest class. Children's author Angie Wren held a book signing at Savvy Parke and the chamber of commerce office.

Don and Charla Ratliff celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Washington won the State Slow-pitch softball tourna-Ronan Little won the State

D.A.R.E. graduation was Janelle Winterton won her second straight 300 meter hurdle State Championship. Washington's Warriors were

in the State Baseball Tourna-

Pole Vault championship and

Purcell's baseball team was one game short of making it to State with a delayed Regional

final against OCS. Clarence "Paul" Ratliff, 99, of Washington died May 7. O.B. Ellis, 86, of Purcell died

Paul Robert Karkiainen, 73, of Aurora, CO died April 29.

Victor Joe Willoughby, 75,

Elsie Naomi New, 86, of Norman died May 15.

of Byars died May 2.

Emma Jean Dewbre Smith, 90, died May 10.

Rev. Braxton Luther Combs, 98 and Margaret Ann Love Combs, 95 died.

Linda Marie Lansdale, 74, of Oklahoma City died May 9. Arlene Crump, 93, of Ardmore died May 13. Lisa Hadley, 61, of Purcell

died May 10. Keith Meyer, 64, of Wanette

died May 14. Washington's Warriors won the Class 3A State Baseball Championship defeating Kingston 13-2 in the finals.

Brighton Snow, a 2022 graduate of Washington, was named one of three Oklahoma Seniors to be a U.S. Presidential Goldsby voters soundly de-

feated a change in their form of town government by a 135-65 The town of Goldsby was

awarded a \$1.6 million grant

for wastewater infrastructure. Purcell, Wayne, Washington and Lexington all held commencement exercises.

Tammi Coker retired. The father-son team of Greg and Kyston Wheat won weight lifting competitions in

Long-time Lexington teacher

Colorado. Washington softball players Mattie Richardson, Mikinzy Bost and Isabela Portillo were

named All-State in fast-pitch. Rain was heavy and traffic accidents were plentiful on I-35 in late May.

John Mantooth was the featured speaker at the annual Purcell Memorial Day Service. Melissa Madden resigned

her position with the Purcell

School District.

Purcell received over three inches of rain May 23-25.

Purcell Junior High honor students were announced. William Deveraux an-

nounced for Associate District Judge. Colby Dean Smith, 37, died

Dorothy Mae Martin, 81, of Purcell died May 15. Michael Eugene Henderson, 49, of Lexington died May 18.

May 13.

Ross, 88, of Marietta died May 18. Brittany Lechelle Martin, 36, of Oklahoma City died May 21.

Marvin Dwight "Marty"

The Pioneer Library System kicked off the Summer Learning Challenge.

Purcell Intermediate School

honor pupils were listed. Denny Prince was named the Oklahoma Association of School Administrators District 20 Assistant Superintendent/ Central Office Administrator

of the Year. Washington Elementary honor students were listed.

Washington and Purcell baseball players were receiving post season accolades.

JUNE

Elaine Howsley had returned from a trip to the Holy Land Her return home was plagued with canceled airplane flights. The 24 hour flight back to Tulsa turned into an 81-hour ordeal.

Cemetery.

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morial Day Service at Hillside

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Area firefighters set up on the James C. Nance Bridge to attempt to extinguish an out-ofcontrol fire March 17.

Obituaries

Juan Adrian Cardenas

Juan Adrian Cardenas died December 20, 2022, in Norman at the age of 30 years 7 months 5 days. Funeral services were



held Tuesday, December 27, 2022, at the Wadley's Funeral Chapel. Interment followed at Lexington Cemetery, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service.

Juan was born May 15, 1992, in Mineral Wells, Texas, to Jesus and Lucie (Ramirez) Cardenas. He was raised across the country from Texas to Florida before settling in

Oklahoma in 2006.

On June 21, 2015, Juan married Ashley Dawn Maine in Purcell, and made their home in Lexington. He enjoyed shooting, barbecuing with the family, and playing video games with his wife. Juan enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his children.

Juan is survived by his wife, Ashley Cardenas; his father, Jesus Cardenas; his mother, Lucie Cardenas; his children, Kato and Karrina; his sister, Kayla; his best friend, Eric; and numerous other family and friends.



Denise Ann (Robinson) Weldon

Denise Ann (Robinson) Weldon of Maysville, Oklahoma, was born on December 11, 1956, in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, to James "Buck" Robinson and Mary Aline (Lane) Robinson. She peacefully went to be with Jesus while surrounded by her

family on December 24, 2022.



Denise grew up in Maysville where she graduated from Maysville High School in 1975. She was involved in banking, owned a flower shop and spent many years running the Snack Shack. She loved all the kids who came through her doors and took great delight in serving them.

Whether she was driving around in the pas-

ture checking on her cows, baking her famous sugar cookies or boldly praying for the needs of others, her servant's heart was evident in every task or interaction. In these interactions she always yielded to the Holy Spirit's guidance by meeting people right where they were in their walk or struggle.

She never met a stranger, and her warm nature was simply infectious, drawing many into her circle of love and care. She loved so deeply and brought our savior's love to others each day. She practiced this unwavering faith as an active member of the Abundant Love Fellowship. Her exuberant spirit and love of sharing the gospel will be dearly missed by her family and friends within her church, community and beyond.

Second only to her faith, was her dedication to her family. She married Bill Weldon on May 23, 1998, at Abundant Love Fellowship in Maysville. She was a dedicated Wife, Mother and Nana. She cherished her time with her children and grandchildren and loved supporting their many activities. Being their biggest cheerleader at their various sporting events was a title she wore proudly.

Many of her grandchildren are Washington Warriors. Once they started playing sports, she quickly became Nana to all their teammates, coaches and friends. Support was one of the many ways she expressed her love for everyone. Family time with members both blood and chosen at reunions and gatherings were highly valued by Denise. She believed in creating memories to last a lifetime with those you love most. Today we are so thankful for those memories and her investment in creating them.

Her survivors include son, Nick J. Andrews and wife, Lacee, of Washington, Oklahoma; daughters, Holley Andrews McKay and husband, Paul, of Washington, Oklahoma and Kari Andrews McCargish and husband, Colt, of Washington, Oklahoma; Bonus son, Jeff Weldon and wife, Laura, of Stillwater, Oklahoma, and Bonus daughter, Traci Weldon Ballard and husband, Matt, of Claremore, Oklahoma; grandchildren, Zachary, Justin and Kaytin McKay; Nicholas, Cash and Bella Andrews; Robinson, Rylan and Klaire Haxel; Ace McCargish; Jordan and Brooke Weldon; Kizer, Keaton and Matthijs Ballard; Haylie Stroud Crawford and husband, Patrick; Sister, Marylyn Haynes of Washington, Oklahoma; brothers, Randy Robinson and wife, Petrici, of Antioch, Oklahoma; and numerous beloved cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Denise was preceded in death by her husband, Bill; her father, Buck Robinson; her mother, Aline Robinson and her brother, Jim Robinson.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Abundant Love Fellowship Children and Youth Ministries, PO Box 545, Maysville, OK 73057 and please note that your contribution is in Memory of Denise Weldon.

A Celebration of Denise's life will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 29, 2022, at the First Assembly of God Church, Maysville, Oklahoma with brother Danny Gamble officiating. Interment will be at the Maysville Cemetery under the direction of John W. Williams of Winans Funeral Home, Maysville

Words of comfort may be sent to the family at www.winansfuneralhome.com.

Benny "Max" Dye

Benny "Max" Dye, 94, and a life-long resident of Konawa, Okla., passed away December 21, 2022 at Purcell Municipal Hospital in Purcell, Okla.

Max was born October 12, 1928, in Konawa to Ambrose Worley and Lula Mae (Scott) Dye.



He received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Vocal Music Education from East Central University in Ada, Okla. He taught vocal and instrumental music at Konawa Public Schools for seven years. In addition, he served as choir director of the Konawa United Methodist Church for 45 years, and was a soloist for

numerous funerals in the surrounding area. He had a profound love of music with which he enjoyed teaching to others and passing down to his children and grandchildren.

Max served as District 1 Seminole County Commissioner for 20 years and was board chairman for most of those years. He was most proud of his work in helping to enact laws that benefit county government.

Max served on Governor Boren's Local Government Task Force; the Central Oklahoma Economic Development District Board of Directors (where he served as chairman); the Board of Directors of Oklahoma Association of Regional Councils; Governor Nigh's Indigent Health Care Task Force; Lt. Governor Spencer Bernard's "Keep Oklahoma Beautiful Committee" (Associate Director); the Board of Directors of the State Association of County Commissioners; Oklahoma State Health Systems Agency Sub-Area Advisory Council IV; the Board of Directors of Mental Health Services of Southern Oklahoma; the Board of Directors of Redland Community Action (served as chairman for several years) and the Eldercare Advisory Council of Seminole County.

He was appointed by Governor Nigh and reappointed by Governor Bellmon to serve on the Oklahoma State Health Planning Commission Advisory Board. He was also a member of the Konawa National Guard Armory Board, Konawa Lions Club and the Konawa Chamber of Commerce. Max was instrumental in the development and building of the Konawa Community Health Center and the implementation of The Physician's Manpower Act allowing access to rural healthcare for Konawa citizens. He served as chairman of the Konawa Community Health Center Board for three years and was a member for 10 years.

Max also served as Konawa City Manager from 1994 to 2004. During his tenure as City Manager, he was responsible for acquiring multiple grants which allowed for new city buildings and other city improvement projects including a new fire station, two new industrial buildings, Konawa Lake boat ramp, new water wells and the resurfacing of all city streets, and many others. Max proudly served on the County Board of Health for 53 years and was chairman for 50 of those years. He just recently retired in 2020.

Max was preceded in death by his parents, Ambrose and Lula Mae Dye; two sisters, Colledith Mae Blalock and Rosanne Huckleberry; and four brothers, Worley, Bill, Bob and Ted Dye.

He is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Marguerite Dye of the home; three sons, Bryan Dye and wife, Jan, of Purcell, Eric Dye and wife, Sandy, of Konawa and Damon Dye and wife, Liz, of Durant, Okla.; one daughter, Jana Tarpley and husband, Jon, of Texarkana, Ark.; 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Max was not only a loving husband, father, Papa and dedicated public servant but a devoted farmer/rancher as well. He continued farming up until his death at the age of 94 and most recently received the Konawa Conservation District's "2022 Cooperator of the Year Award" for which he was extremely proud. His most loved quote was that of Paul Harvey: "On the eighth day, God looked down on his planned paradise and said 'I need a caretaker.' So God made a Farmer."

A private memorial, officiated by Rev. Michael Dye, was held in Konawa at Swearingen Funeral Home on December 23, 2022, followed by interment at Konawa Memorial Cemetery. Casket Bearers were Colby Dye, Brendan Dye, Preston Dye, Robin Floyd, Mason Dye, Landyn Dye and Cameron Tarpley.

Norma Pennington

A Memorial Service will be planned for the future for Norma Pennington, 89, of Lexington. Services will be under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mrs. Pennington died Dec. 19, 2022 at the Lexington Nursing Home.

Norma Lee Howe was born March 5, 1933 in Ada, the middle of three daughters of Percy L. Howe and Jessie Fern (Ryan) Howe. Survivors include her husband, James of the home; sons, Roger and Larry, both of Oklahoma City; daughter, Connie Mallory and husband, Jimmy, of Lexington; 13 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

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Nancy Mae Hatcher

Nancy Mae Hatcher died peacefully on December 26, 2022, in Newcastle, Oklahoma, at the age of 80 years 1 months 3



days. Funeral services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 3, 2022, at the Wadley's Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow at Hillside Cemetery in Purcell, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service. Online condolences may be made, and service livestreamed at www.wadleysfuneralservice. com.

Nancy was born November 23, 1942, in Anadarko, Oklahoma, to Carl and Margaret (Lacer) Cummins. She was raised and graduated from school in Anadarko, Oklahoma.

Nancy married her high school sweetheart, Doyle Hatcher on April 24, 1959, and were married for 59-1/2 years before Doyle passed in 2018. Together they had four children, Matthew, Monty, Michael and Shauna.

Nancy worked for the FAA as an accountant for 25 years, retiring in 2005. She was baptized at Hillcrest Church of Christ in 1964 and was active in her church life. Nancy was a member of the Wayne Church of Christ for many years, a devote Christian, giving of her time and money to many Christian organizations. Nancy enjoyed gardening, collecting antiques, and spending time with her family, spoiling her 13+ grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Nancy was preceded in death by her father, Carl Cummins; her mother, Margaret Nixon; her husband, Doyle Hatcher; her son, Matthew Brent Hatcher; her sisters, Norma Jean Ward, Carol O'Donley and Marlene Vaughan; and her daughters-in-law, Lisa Hatcher and Paula Hatcher.

Survivors include her son, Monty Hatcher; her son, Michael Hatcher and wife, Jennifer; her stepdaughter, Shawna Dial and husband, Joe; her grandchildren, Conner, Natalie and husband, Austin, Amanda, LeAnna, Matthew, Jordan, Colten, Nathan and husband, Nick, Kourtney, Timmy and wife, Kristen, Tommy and wife, Sara, and Tyler; her great-grandchildren, Rylan, Reese, River, Ellie, Ariana, Brooklyn, Ben, Owen, AJ, Leighton, Graham, Kalie and Nick; and numerous other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Fire Fighters Association or the Tipton Boys Home.



Harold Windell Caskey

Memorial services for Harold Windell Caskey, 81, of Lexington will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Services will be under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mr. Caskey passed away peacefully at his home on Monday, December 19, 2022.



Harold was the oldest of 10 children born to Harold and Bobbie (Reynolds) Caskey. He grew up and attended school in Wanette. Harold graduated with the Tiger class of 1959. Shortly after graduation, Harold met and

married the love of his life Gayle (Parks) Caskey. Together they raised two sons, James and Tony, and a daughter, Michelle.

Harold was a determined man and an extremely hard worker. He was a fireman for 20 years and retired from the Norman Fire Department. As a fireman, he worked five years fighting fires and 15 years driving the fire truck. Harold was known as "Cookie" at the fire department because of his amazing cooking skills.

After retirement with the fire department, he worked for 40 years in the carpet business. Harold owned and operated Caskey Flooring for 20 years. But there was nothing that he could not and did not do. He had experience being a mechanic, plumber, and carpenter. He even owned and operated a yard service business and a remodel business at one time.

When he wasn't working, he loved to fish and hunt. Harold enjoyed back roading and gardening. But his absolute favorite was getting to spend time riding on the tractor brush hogging or mowing with the grandkids riding along.

Harold had lots of wisdom to share and was known for several quotes. "You know-I could have been rich and famous instead of so good looking." Another famous Harold quote was "The gauge works just the same on the top half as is does the bottom (when referring to gas gauge)." And we certainly could not forget "Should 'a , could 'a , would 'a".

Harold was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Bobby Caskey; his sisters, Patricia Caskey, Sue Dickerson and Jane Melot; his brother-in- law, Bill Dickerson; his nephew, David Dickerson; a special aunt, Josie Hackett; and a special uncle, Pard Reynolds.

Harold is survived by his sons, James Caskey and wife, Kim, of Tecumseh and Tony Caskey and wife, Brenda, of Oklahoma City; his daughter, Michelle Laurent of Lexington; his brothers, Leon Caskey of Purcell and Billy Bob Caskey of Wanette; his sisters, Kathy Starkey and husband, Kenneth, of Norman, Linda Davis of Valdosta, Georgia, Alice Swetin and husband, Bill, of Ada and Mary Pitts of Norman; his 10 grandchildren, Chris Caskey and wife, Kara, Hollie Caskey, Julie Smith, Lacee Caskey, Brandi Laurent, Tyler Laurent, Ryan Laurent, Treavor Laurent, Abigayle Chavez and husband, Edwin, and Lauren Caskey; his 11 great-grandchildren, Lila Reed, Matthew Caskey, Aaron Caskey, Kai Caskey, Eli Caskey, Rhett Smith, Vincent Chavez, Odin Reed, Gunnar Reed, Preston Hunter and Jaxson Laurent; and a host of other family and friends. He will be dearly missed

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Important updates

Legislators representing the Heart of Oklahoma addressed about 50 people at the Goldsby Community Center with a legislative update for the Chamber of Commerce. Rep. Cynthia Roe, left, Rep. Sherrie Conley, center, and Sen. Jessica Garvin, right, touched on bills they are carrying for this legislative session, as well as issues affecting Oklahoma.

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Review:

their annual budgets.

Purcell was up over 20" of rainfall for the year-to-date. Purcell was hosting its City-

wide Garage Sale. Lexington honor students

were announced. Carolyn Marie Kersey Corwin,78,ofCrescentdiedMay27.

died May 26. Harrel Gene Fuller, 63, of Wayne died May 25.

Rita Mae Bennett Benn Liberty,83,of Purcell died May 25. Washington was planning its

City-Wide garage sale. A thunderstorm raged

through the Purcell area packing 70 m.p.h. winds and dumping 3.4" of rain.

an hour and about 1 1/2 hours Mention. in Lexington.

Wadley's EMS was request- May 24. ing an increase in their subsidy from the City of Purcell.

The Purcell City Council voted to have a trial period for Purcell died June 2.

livestreaming their meetings. Authorities were investigating a mobile home fire in downtown Lexington.

A total of 45 Republicans died June 1. were on the ballot for the June 28 primary election.

The first Heart of Oklahoma

the Park was a huge success. Philip Keck and Miguel Trejo

were awarded the J.W. Baker Memorial Scholarship. A new foot bridge was in- in Purcell on consecutive days.

 $stalled\,at\,the\,Purcell\,City\,Lake.$ Lexington's fishing team of Lake Run was planned for

Purcell and Goldsby set Dax Beason and Abby Sample June 25. public hearings to talking about finished sixth in the State Fishing Tournament.

> Nate Willis was named the Co-Player of the Year and first team outfielder in the 3A-3 All-District team.

Creed Smith was the Co-Offensive and Defensive Player of the year and first team catcher on the All-District team. Parker Gaylon Murray, 59, of Wayne Page was named first team as a utility player.

Making the second team were Zach Idlett at pitcher, Hayden Harp at utility and Jett Tyler in the outfield.

Washington's Cam Bates was named to the Little All City team as an infielder. Jeff Kulbeth was the Coach of the Year.

Making secondteam was Kane Springer at catcher with The storm knocked out Marlon Moore and Canon power in Purcell for just over Stewart named as Honorable

Kenneth Dale Slate, Sr., 84, Carla Pauline Riggle, 58, of

Jessie Franklin Francis, 85, of Noble died June 4.

Sharon May (Richmond) Grizzle, 70 of Oklahoma City

Kent Wells, 65, of Lexington spectively. died May 31.

Chamber of Commerce Walkin ninth Sequoyah Award in the Oklahoma Press Association's Better Newspaper Contest.

Between storms and errant drivers, power was knocked out

The 25th anniversary Purcell

Purcell Police and the Purcell School District were collaborating on beefing up school security.

Angie and Kevin Wrren were talking about their son, Devin, and the book Angie wrote about

Williams won the Joe Thurston two-man scramble.

Purcell died June 7.

Eudene Cheek, 87, of Purcell died June 9.

Chuck Willis, 68, of Washington died June 9.

58, of Purcell died June 1.

Clara Mae Rosenfelt, 88, of Norman died June 8.

Cynthia Maurine Raney, 67, of Norman died June 4.

Voters were preparing for the primary election. The 25th annual Purcell

Dr. Don Edward Beck died Lake Run was set for Saturday, June 25.

of Oklahoma City died June 2. the Purcell July 4th celebration. Toney Cooper was introduced as the new Purcell girls basketball coach.

Washington anounced new boys basketball and girls basketball head coaches, Trevor June 26. Smith and Kale Simon, re-

B. Ray Bratcher, 92 of **The Purcell Register** won its McPherson, KS died June 18. Toney Cooper spoke to parents Charles "Chuck" Clark Enloe, Jr., 62 of Midwest City died June 15.

> Jerry Daris Mullins, 88, of Tucson, AR died June 3.

> Barry Andrew Hellams, 34, of Norman died June 3.

Little League Football sign-

ups were underway in Washington.

State Senator Jessica Garvin was named the Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy Republican Senator of the Year.

Washington's Fire Department was holding its annual The team of Denton and fish fry, cornhole tournament and fireworks on June 25.

The Farmer's Market was Jerry Wayne Wright, 68, of open on Saturday mornings at the City Lake.

> Purcell Schools announced they were changing some of their bus fleet to CNG.

Closings were announced for Kimbeaux Susan Stremlow, the July 4th holiday.

Glenn Mead was marking 45 years of practicing dentistry in Purcell.

The primary election was in

the books. Bobby Lyons won the 25th

annual Purcell Lake Run. David Wayne McCaskill, 59,

of Norman died June 22. Oliver Franklin Goodin Jr.,

Plans were being finalized for 85, of Washington died June 24. Robert Clyde Bullock, 71,

of Oklahoma City died June 6. Phillip Lee Lambdin, 66, of Lexington died June 25.

Michael Wayne McGuire, 75, of Oklahoma City died

Martha Dickson, 93, of Lexington died June 25.

New girls basketball coach

and fans. Tammi Coker traveled to Ice-

land with QUO Student Travel. Dibble set its fireworks show for July 9.

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Purcell Senior Citizens

By Val Blackburn

Happy New Year to all! Hope your Christmas was bright, cheery and healthy!

The center will be closed on Monday, January 3, for the New Year's Holiday. Weather permitting, the garage sale will be open on December 29 and 30.

Appreciation goes to everyone who donated to the center this year. Your donations help us continue to operate and provide for the community. In the coming year, we hope to offer more and better services as we continue to grow. The center is a great place for fellowship, food and good times. Everyone over 60 is welcome!

Our center is available to rent on Saturdays for parties, meetings and/or gatherings. For information or to make a reservation, please call Val at 405-527-5070. We do book in advance, so the sooner you make a reservation, the better chance you have for an open Saturday.

Delta Nutrition provides meals Monday through Friday beginning at 11:30 a.m. They also deliver in-home meals. Any questions you have about obtaining meal service or dining here at the Center, can be answered by the kitchen at 405-527-9462. This number is also the one to call when you let them know what days you will be here to dine.

It is becoming more important to remember to make your reservation for meals. That can be done weekly or daily, whatever works for you. The rising cost of food and supplies is making it more essential every day for Delta Nutrition to have a count of the meals. Please let them know you will be here or if you won't. They always want to have plenty of food for all who would like to join us. Thank you for being understanding of their policies.

Menu for January 3-7:

Monday—Closed for holiday.

Tuesday—Chicken alfredo over noodles, peas, carrots, garlic bread, gelatin. Wednesday—Fish, oven browned potatoes, green nbeans,

cornbread, lemon bars. Thursday—White beans and ham, tomato relish, greens,

cornbread, fruit cup. Friday—Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy,

broccoli, roll, chocolate cake.

One milk per person is served with every meal. The menu may change due to availability issues. Thank

you for your understanding.

We appreciate everyone who continues to donate and support the senior center. Your donations continue to make a big difference in the lives of our seniors and the operation of our center.

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Hospital tour

Purcell City officials and congressman Tom Cole got a first-hand tour of the new Purcell Municipal Hospital April 14. Pictured from left are Bridget Cosby with SSN, councilwoman Theda Engert, Lisa Eubanks, city clerk Andie Millsap, councilman Allen Eubanks, councilman Jay Tate, Jason Givens, President of Miller Architects, Inc., congressman Cole, city attorney Greg Dixon, mayor Ted Cox, Max Waldrop, owner of Waldrop Construction Co. and PMH CEO/CNO Chris Wright.

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said. "They need to keep the six units flood. water from stabilizing, especially in mobile homes."

Bebout said all of the customers he had with frozen pipes had failed to drip their faucets.

"And don't just drip one according to Staggs. facet," Bebout said. "Drip them all over the house."

"They had to shut the entire fire system down until it was the high was nearly 50. inspected," Staggs said.

Purcell Firefighters responded to the retirement village,

Officially, the low last Thursday was 4 with a windchill of Purcell Plumber Joel Staggs -16. The high that day was reported to **The Purcell Reg-** 13. The range was from 10 to ister his staff did not respond 21 on Friday before temperato any frozen pipes but said tures moderated somewhat on the Village on the Green had Christmas Eve to a high of 35

but still the low was 16.

On Christmas last Sunday

The low Monday night was 19 but temperatures were forecast to be highs in the 60s later on this week.

Fortunately, there was no precipitation with the system and there were no power out-

Lexington did have a power outage for several hours last Friday morning.





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Lawn decorations

The Heart of Oklahoma

Snoopy was making the ice nice and smooth in front of a home on Delaware this past week.

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Caring for livestock in cold weather

Justin McDaniel

Extension Ag Educator

As old man winter sets in and snow begins to fall, let us not forget how important good nutrition is to an animal's ability to maintain body heat and condition. Feeding strategies need to be adjusted as moisture and winds increase and temperatures drop.

The lower critical temperature of an animal varies depending on hair coat, moisture conditions, and BCS. As an animal puts on its winter hair, BCS changes from thin to fleshy, the hair coat changes from wet to dry, and the lower critical temperature will decrease. This allows that animal to withstand tougher weather conditions without increasing their energy requirements.

We preach constantly the importance that body condition has on an animal's performance, but one point we often overlook is how that condition can affect the comfort level of an animal.

Animals with adequate BCS, whether that is a cow in a BCS of 5+ or a horse with an sufficient amount of fat cover, are better able to handle adverse weather conditions than those below the optimal condition. Once an animal becomes cold stressed they begin to shiver, beyond old man winter.

which requires extra energy.

As a rule of thumb, an animal's energy requirements increase one percent for every degree below 30°F. As an example, a 1200 lb. cow in late gestation has a TDN requirement of 12.9 pounds per day. She is in a BCS of 5 and has a heavy, dry hair coat.

However, if our wind chill is going to drop to 5°F next week. This tells us that our animal's energy requirements are going to increase by 25 percent. So now her TDN requirements went from 12.9 pounds to 16.3 pounds.

This means that if your hay tested at 55 percent TDN, her required DMI has gone from 23.4 to 29.6 pounds of DM per day. That equates to an extra 1000 lb. (90 percent DM) hay bale for 50 cows in three days.

Several producers try to supply extra energy to cows with corn; however, feeding more than a couple pounds of corn per cow per day will actually decrease her forage digestion. It is suggested to use a non-starch feed ingredient such as DDGs or soybean hulls.

Here in Oklahoma, we normally do not have extended periods of extreme cold stress, but the ramifications of a cold stressed animal will last well





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Downtown blaze

Firefighters from both Lexington and Purcell responded to a mobile home on fire in downtown Lexington June 5. The mobile home had been dropped off and left basically at the corner of Main and Broadway due to it being on fire. No one was reported injured.

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Paul Wollenberg was named the Middle School STEM Teacher of the Year in Okla-

The terminal at the Steven E. Shephard Airport was dedicated to the memory of Ron Fishburn.

The Heart of Oklahoma Rodeo had a two-day run in Purcell.

McClain County Sheriff Deputy Bryan Murell finished an eight week OSBI training course.

Jordan and Callie Northcutt had visitors in their home that were displaced from Ukraine.

Oklahoma experienced its first West Nile Virus case and death for the year.

Purcell High School Alumni Tyra Shackleford's work was named Best of Show at the Artesian Arts Festival in Sulphur.

Joseph Harp employee Ronny Rollings rescued two children from a burning vehicle after an accident.

Michael "John" Cooper, 70, of Lexington died July 1.

Larry Don"L.D." Bacon, 75, of Norman died June 19.

Naomi Jean Law, 74, of

Noble died June 28. Jesse Allen Tecumseh, 75, of

Shawnee died June 29. Ruth (Nelson) Thomas, 87,

of Owasso, died July 2.

Homes burned down on back to back days in Lexington just five blocks apart.

City Manager Dale Bunn was encouraging citizens to conserve water since storage towers were depleted due to

several water main breaks. New Purcell Emergency Management Director Rachael Huey answered The Register's five questions.

Triple-digit temperatures were gripping the area and citizens were dressing and drinking accordingly.

Purcell Police were in the process of training five new officers.

Mayor Graham Fishburn was the emcee at the unveiling of the placque honoring his late father, Ron, at the Steven Shepherd terminal building.

Sean Robert Tyson, 32, of Wayne was sentenced to spend seven years in a federal prison.

Tutoring at the Purcell Public

Library was happening every Sunday afternoon.

Purcell's sales tax were up

over the previous year. Landon "Landi/LouLou

Taylor Michael Liddell, eight, of Moore died July 5.

George Ann Jarman, 77, of Purcell died July 8.

FAMILY GENERATIONS

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died July 11.

Goldsby was rationing water to residents on an odd and even

Purcell's water tanks were back to normal levels after several days of replenishing. Elementary and Intermedi-

ate School supply lists were annouced for Purcell students. The universal free lunch

program for Purcell students was cancelled. Leo Leonard Witzke, 86, of

Purcell died July 15. Joan Mae Barker of Dibble

died July 12. Comiletta "Ludy" Brooks, 85, of Shawnee died July 15. Danny V. Jester, 68, of Pur-

Sherie Jean (Wall) Walden, year. 65, of Purcell died July 15.

cell died July 13.

Eugene (Gene) Paul Lauer, 77, of Noble died May 30. Jerry Don Jones, 72, of

Wayne died July 14.

Ted and Lori Cox, Justin and Nicolle Carr and Vince and Kimberly Fulks had returned after a trip to Africa to climb Mount Kilimanjaro and go on a three-day safari.

Dibble Schools were asking voters to approve a \$15.45 million bond issue.

Michael Thompson was announced as a member of the 2023 Oklahoma State University Alumni Hall of Fame.

Rocky Clarke was inducted into the Oklahoma Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Claudine King, 91, of Blanchard died July 22

Rick Witten, 75, of Purcell died July 24.

Lawrence L. Smith, 95, of Lexington died July 20.

Dale Carson died. Robert Neal Clark, 82, of

Purcell died July 20. Randall Duwayne Danker,

64, of Oklahoma City died July 21. Federal auditors want Oklahoma to return at least \$650,000 of Gov. Stitt's COVID-19 relief

of the funds. The 13th annual Back to School bash was held August

funds due to improper spending

6 in downtown Purcell. Purcell Police and School officials were working handin-hand to provide safety for students.

Jason Bean was settling in as the new president of First United's branch in Purcell.

Fast-pitch seasons were getting underway.

PMH was feeling a money

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Goldsby's water situation had subsided since citizens

COMMUNITY

Joe Webster, 87, of Sapulpa were abiding by the rationing schedule.

> Temperatures continued in triple digits with little to no

> Angela Jennett Brickey, 48, of Lexington died August 2. Jim Crossland, 80, of Purcell died July 19.

Calvin Jerry Peltier, 67, of Lexington died July 29. Susan Elaine Merrell, 73, of

Purcell died July 29. Mickey Holden, 86, of Purcell died July 31.

Brannon Lewelling of Wayne played in the Oklahoma All-State football game and made 13 tackles with one sack.

New teachers were introduced at area schools as inservice kicked off the school

Students reported on August

The new traffic route at the elementary and intermediate school area was reported in The Purcell Register. Lexington's fast-pitch team

was introduced in the newspaper. Monty Ervin is the new head coach. Washington's fast-pitch

squad posted a 2-1 victory over Tuttle to start the season. Judy Amaro, 76, of Okla-

homa City died April 15. Mary Lee, 81, of Kingston and formerly of Lexington,

died August 4. Bernadette Ann Hardesty, 92

of Purcell died August 3. Mary Juanita Richmond,

100, of Maysville died August 5.

Joyce Carol Wilson, 77, of Lexington died August 4.

Area schools announced enrollment figures. Purcell has 1,492 followed by Washington with 1,212, Lexington with 1,000 and Wayne with 461.

The deadline was nearing to enter the McClain County Free Fair.

The runoff primary was set for August 23.

Marvin Fields retired from Purcell Schools after having served as a custodian for 25

Purcell teachers winning grants from the Purcell Public School Foundation were announced.

Superintendents from Purcell, Washington, Lexington and Mid-America along with the Wayne High School principal spoke to the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce.

Sales tax numbers were released for August. New faculty at MATC were

introduced in The Purcell Register. George Boyd Kernek, 82, of

Purcell died August 14. Col. Aubrey Dale Craig, 80,

of Plano, TX died August 11. Larry Cornforth, 75, of Purcell died August 12.

John Robert Farley, 86, of Lexington died August 10.

Pamela Kaye Buchanan,64, of Blanchard died August 18.

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Washington OHCE delivers warm winter hats

AngieSteele

Washington Correspondent

Washington OHCE Chapter donated over 70 winter hats to the Norman Police Department, ary 13: who will then distribute them to the public who are in need.

A majority of these hats were sewn by the Washington OHCE Chapter members, which was a double layered fleece hat that is fritters, mashed potatoes, gravy, reversible and covers one's ears. These hats are very warm. This donation is one of many to help those in need across Oklahoma.

Last week this same OHCE Chapter donated blankets to the Misguide Community Foundation. OHCE Chapters across Oklahoma do similar charity events providing for their own communities.

Daddy Daughter Winter

Save the Date! The Washington Daddy Daughter Winter Ball will be held on Monday, January 16, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the McAlister Gym.

Ticket information coming choice.

Warrior Way 5k

The Warrior Way 5k is back! March 25, 2023 will mark the

The Warrior Way 5k team is looking for recipients for this year's run. Please private message your ideas to Warrior Way 5k on Facebook and follow the

know would like to be a sponsor/ donor, pm us!

Share with your friends!

Washington AWOL

This year's "AWOL:" (A Week of Love) event will be held in March 2023. This event will be filled with fundraising activities during the entire week. All proceeds will benefit someone connected to our community who has experienced a significant life-changing event or illness and needs financial assistance.

The Washington community nominates the recipient for "AWOL." Anyone in the community can nominate a person who fits the AWOL criteria. at Konawa Tourney, TBA; JV Available applications must be submitted by January 5, 2023. Tournament. Please fill out an online application located on the school

Washington Senior Center

Menus may change at the discretion of the cook.

All meals are served with beverage, dessert and salad bar. Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m.to 12 noon, Monday through

Friday. Cost per meal: \$3 suggested donation for 60 years old and above and those disabled; \$6 for 59 years and below.

Friday Music Jams start at 10 friends over Christmas and as we

a.m. until? Anyone is welcome to sit in and sing or play an instrument.

Menu for December 29-Janu-

Thursday, December 29— King Ranch Chicken, Mexican corn, tortilla chips, no bake

Friday, December 30—Steak green beans, hot rolls, pudding.

Monday, January 2—Sausagae gravy, scrambled eggs, hash browns, strawberries. Closed if Delta is closed.

Tuesday, January 3—Barbecue chicken, oven roasted vegetables, hot rolls, pumpkin bread.

Wednesday, January 4— Ground beef stew, carrots, cornbread, cookies. Thursday, January 5—Ham,

sweet potatoes, corn, hot rolls, cobbler. Friday, January 6—Lasagna, green beans, garlic bread, rice

crispy treats. Monday, January 9—Cook's

Tuesday, January 10—Chicken strips, cheese potato casserole, carrots, rolls, cherry crisp.

Wednesday, January 11 date of the first run since COVID. Beef enchiladas, Spanich rice, nected for. tortilla chips, salsa and queso, butterscotch pudding.

> Thursday, January 12—White bean chili with chicken, cornbread, cookies.

Friday, January 13—Meatloaf, Also if you or someone you mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, biscuits, pineapple upside down cake.

Washington Public Schools Calendar

December 21-January 4— Christmas Break.

December 29—HS Boys Bas-

ketball scrimmage, Anadarko, home,TBA; girls basketball scrimmage at Am-Po, 12 p.m. December 30—Jr. High Girls

Scrimmage, Blanchard.

December 31—Boys Basketball scrimmage at Dickson, January 5-7th/8th/9th Bas-

ketball, Lexington, Girls away, Boys home, 5 p.m. January 6—Varsity Basketball boys basketball, Rush Springs

Dale K. Graham Veterans **Foundation**

On Jan, 1, 2023, veterans and surviving spouses will receive an 8.7 percent increase in monthly benefits. We know that this is less than the cost of living, but it will certainly help many disabled veterans and their families to survive.

All of us at our Veterans Foundation hope that each of you were able to be with your family and welcome the New Year.

We encourage all veterans to visit us in person or digitally to start your claims for VA benefits. As always there is never a charge for our services as we are a 501-3-c non-profit.

We feel that as veterans or their dependents the price has already been paid. As a Nonprofit we fund our operation by donations and grants that come from individuals and businesses.

As we close out this year and start 2023 there are several things that I would like to encourage all our veterans to do. To make it easier to help your spouse and dependents to receive death benefits please set up a digital account in our system by logging in to dkgvf.org. By doing so, we will then be able to assist your family to apply for VA benefits.

For those of you who do not have computers or smart phones please stop by our building at 1233 West Lindsay Street in Norman for assistance in setting up an account. I could not count the times that a family member has brought a surviving spouse to us who doesn't know what their veteran was service con-

As we have been helping thousands of veterans and surviving spouses over the past 20+ years it's impossible for us to have all their information on file. By completing an account in our dkgvf.org we will have access to the veterans VA folder that will enable us to assist the surviving spouse and dependents.

We are continually adding more volunteers to assist veterans and their families to receive the VA benefits they are eligible to receive. As always there are more people asking for help than we are able to accommodate as quickly as I would like.

Please consider joining our team of dedicated volunteers who are making a difference in the lives of veterans and their

Shop at https://smile.amazon. com every time you use Amazon for purchases! Choose Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation as your SMILE recipient and Amazon will donate a portion of your January 7—JV boys basket- purchases to us! All you have to ball, Rush Springs Tournament. do is log into SMILE each time you shop! We appreciate you for helping us serve veterans and

their families! We are a 501c-3 non-profit organization and there is never a charge for the services we provide to veterans and their families. We do accept financial contributions to be used to support veterans and this organization.

We also accept donations of wheelchairs and other types of handicap equipment that can be given to other veterans or their families. Other items that we accept are cars, trucks, motorcycles, or items that can be given to veterans or sold to raise funds.

We are open to active clients Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon each day.

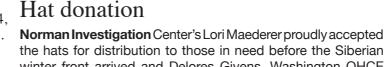
To donate to our Foundation, you can do so online at dalekgrahamveteransfoundation.org or mail a check to Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation, 1233 West Lindsay, Norman, OK,73069. You can contact us on our website or by calling 405-550-8806.

Dale K. Graham, **Accredited Claims Agent** Dale K. Graham **Veterans Foundation** Washington Correspondent **Contact Information**

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

My contact information is angiesteele73@gmail.com or 405-413-2471 if you have any news to share, story ideas, or if you have someone you would · Photo provided like to see a feature article about. Send me birthday, anniversary, or personal news you would like to share with our community.

Angie Steele



the hats for distribution to those in need before the Siberian winter front arrived and Delores Givens, Washington OHCE Chapter President.





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Snipping the ribbon

Vice Mayor Ted Cox and PMH Hospital CEO/CNO Chris Wright officially cut the ribbon for the new Purcell Municipal Hospital in a special ceremony October 28. The historical event drew well over 100 people to the new facility on North Ninth.

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Thelma (Tammy) Evatt, 81, July 5.

Mary Hazel Graham, 90, of Shawnee died August 20. Jerry Wayne Miller, 73, of

Wanette died August 11. Derek Thomas, 36, of Moore died August 19.

Jenny Wheeler, 87, of

Blanchard died August 17. Washington's Warriors, off

to an undefeated start in fastpitch softball, won the Tuttle Tournament.

Lexington was off to a 3-0 start and Purcell was 3-2. Wayne began the season 1-3.

Football season is starting for Purcell, Lexington, and Washington.

Lexington had its first scrimmage against Bridge Creek.

Wayne had its final scrimmage with Bulldogs hosting Tishomingo and Carnegie.

Washington's fast-pitch team was undefeated at the Murray County Bash.

The Purcell Dragons were fourth in the Murray County

Bash. Wayne's Lady Bulldogs have Asher Tournament.

a record of 7-3.

Dibble passes bond to build percent super majority.

Superintendents Chris Reyn-Wayne Principal Malachi Oklahoma Rodeo back in July. Blaxton spoke to the Heart of school districts.

Construction continues on building.

SEPTEMBER

Firefighting's CATCH-22. tial cancer risk.

Welcome rainfall, 1.4" brings the total year-to-date to 28.15".

A gas line was severed at Third and Washington and two businesses were evacuated.

Senate President Pro Tem Greg Treat named Sen. Jessica Garvin to the state's Legislative Office of Fiscal Transparency (LOFT) oversight committee.

Benefit blood drive held for Julia Courange, who suffers at the Memorial Assembly of members. God.

Hall of Famer

of Newport Beach, Calif., died ings Plan becomes Oklahoma Fishing and the Purcell Parks 529.

> Shirley June Jackson, 82, of Oklahoma died August 24. Vella Jean Ulin, 83, of Lex-

ington died August 26. Carol Sue Owen, 75, of Lexington died August 4.

Wayne died August 27.

Ben Oliver Naylor, 83, of Washington died August 25.

Beverly Ann Reagan, 82, of Lexington died August 19.

Warriors football defeat Vian. Washington softball Warriors allow one run this week with a record of 19-0 in district games.

Wayne's football team begins the 2022 season in Konawa.

the Plainview Tourney.

Purcell High School's goal line stand prevails against Alva.

Bridge Creek pinned a 32-0 loss on Lexington at Floyd West Field to open the 2022 gridiron season.

Wayne Lady Bulldogs sitting at 5-6 with two wins in the

Derek and Laurie Makescry (63/63) win championship a new high school with a 61.17 flight in the annual Purcell Ladies Golf Association.

Bo Dunn, seven, of Lexingolds, Dr. Sheli McAdoo, Chad ton won the Mutton Bustin Hall and Mike Eubank and Championship at the Heart of

State Senator Jessica Garvin ley Panthers at Conger Field. Oklahoma Chamber of Com- is leading the legislature on merce about the safety of their the State's ability to address marijuana issues.

McClain County Free Fairthe SSM Health Medical Group showed off a variety of spectacles including animals and ever famous fair food.

Impounded pets at Purcell's Protective gear cited as poten- Animal Control will be spayed or neutered before owners can retrieve them, according to an ordinace amendment.

Mid-America Technology Center buses shuttle 500 passengers from 18 public high schools.

Purcell's rainfall has risen to 30.05" for the year.

Washington Middle school closed for two days due to 3 to 4 inches of flood damage.

Leadership Mid-America from a rare blood disorder, names 12 of it's newest class

The Purcell Carp Classic, with academic honors.

Oklahoma 529 College Sav- hosted by the Okahoma Fly and Recreation Department was held September 25 at the Purcell City Lake.

September was unusually hot with temperatures in the 90s and high 80s.

The Oklahoma Highway Claudene Ewing, 88, of Patrol investigated a fatal automobile accident that occured September 1 on the I-35 southbound lanes near Pauls Valley.

Newcastle High School senior Cameron Montoya No. 1 ranked Washington is interning at The Purcell Register.

The Oklahoma Attorney General's Office partnered with the Oklahoma Press Association to host seminars on Oklahma's open meeting and Purcell Dragons softball win open records laws.

> Registering to vote in Noto end October 14.

John David Hilderbrand, 65, of Oklahoma City, formerly of Phoenix, Ariz, died August 28.

Randall Keith Fuller, 73, of Noble died September 3.

Henry Van Perry, 84, of Plano, Texas died August 29. Hubert (Red) Wynn Martin77, of Lindsay died September 3.

Wanda Booze, 80, of Oklahoma City died August 30.

Tillie Rodriguez, 83, of Burleson, Texas died August 30. Purcell hosted the Pauls Val-

Purcell Dragons softball posts five wins in a row. Wahington Warriors stave

off the Sulphur Bulldogs with a 27-25 victory on the gridiron. Konawa tops Wayne with a 8-6 win in Wayne's season

opener. Washington's Warriors picked up a 2-0 win over North Rock Creek High School in a key district game.

The Lexington Bulldogs face off Wayne Friday, September 9. Wayne's Lady Bulldogs back on schedule to play Sterling this weekend after the rain wreaked havoc.

Back to regular schedule with Wayne hosting Sasakwa Thursday the 8.

Washington High School students Jennie Higdon and Kate Boothe were awarded

The McClain County Emergency Managment hosted a class September 7 on crisis managment for school-based incidents.

Superintendent Dr. Sheli McAdoo announced that the Chickasaw Nation and Seth Wadley Auto Group donated a total of \$35,700 to Purcell Public Schools.

A school zone light by Purcell High School has been flashing its 35-mph warning from 5 p.m. to nearly 8 p.m.

Valves and pumps in need of repair have caused air in the water lines to have turbulence in Purcell residence taps. City Manager Dale Bunn has stressed the water quality hasn't been affected.

This month the Oklahoma Tax Commission disbursed vember's general elections was \$197,779,010 in sales taxes with Lexington's rate at 0.4 and \$63,663.73 and Purcell's rate at 0.5 and \$711,251.57.

> Purcell High School Football Homecoming is September 23 with the theme "Dragons Come on Down" Game Shows.

The Purcell Carp Classic 2022 will be held September 14. 25. The event is hosted by the Oklahoma Fly Fishing and the Purcell Parks andd Recreation Department.

The Heart of Oklahoma died September 16. Chamber of Commerce Community Coffee will be held on September 27 hosted by the City of Purcell. September 30 the Heart of

Oklahoma Chamber of Com $merce\,will\,host\,the\,Annual\,Golf$ Tournament.

Purcell's High School Students of the Month are Katelyn Eck and Adam Edelman.

Preston Pig was victorious over Cora Cow when youngsters voted for their favorite candidate at the McClain County Free Fair.

Washington Warriors get a 33-14 win against Jones while defense pitches second half shut out.

Wayne handles Lexington with a decisive 55-16 win. Purcell-Lexington battle for

bridge in a renewed rilvary. Lexington's Lady Bulldogs

gain their first win in a 3A-4 game and are leading 7-1, a district record. Purcell's softball went 3-1

games last week on the diamond. Washington fastpitch softball

team won the Silo tournament after defeating the host 7-0 in the finals. Purcell Cross Country youth

team wins CC meet.

Lexington hosting Purcell at in Blanchard. Floyd West Field.

Lady Bulldogs add 3 wins and are sitting at 8-8 going into final weeks of regular season.

Bill Tyler, 81, of Washington died September 6. Shawn Deon Richardson, 48,

of Norman died September 10. Waylon Jake Ryburn, 42, of Oklahoma City died September 11.

Purcell died.

Purcell Dragons rack up yards and points in a 51-6 rout of Lexington. Lady 'Dawgs have a 8-6 win

over Purcell in round two of

Battle for the Bridge. Washington Warriors will host Frederick Bombers at Reed Field.

The playoff picture is shaping up for Purcell Dragons after they play 11 softball games in five days.

The Washington Warriors clinched a home draw for the Regional softball tournament after they defeated North Rock Creek 6-4. Lexington's Bulldogs were

hosting Tishomingo on Friday as games open up district portion of the schedule. Wayne was to play Velma-

Alma at Vanoss for district softball. Wayne begins the district

portion of their schedule Friday at Elmore City. Purcell, Lexington, Washington, and Wayne's FFA members

attend COLT Conference. Carla Ladawn Whisenant, 51, of Purcell died September

Helen Sue Barnett, 79, of Purcell died September 18.

Willis Bettes of Purcell died. Joyce Butler, 102, of Purcell Curtis Eugene Endecott, 56,

died September 12. Tyler Joseph Piazza, 28, of Wayne died September 14.

Camilla Raye Whitely, 91, died.

Betty Elizabeth Carter, 92, died September 10. Katy Fae Gosnell, 92, of

Wayne died September 15. Thelma Lee Bowlin, 84, of

Purcell died September 14. Douglas Curtis Kennedy, 68, of Yukon died September 22.

Purcell's Homecoming grand marshals are long-time residents Greg and Tammy Dillard. Purcell will crown its Homecoming king and queen Friday

then face off with Crooked Oak. A truck transporting rocks was stuck on the railroad crossing at 170th and U.S. 77.

A public hearing on Phase 3 of the Purcell City Lake Trails Project was scheduled.

Purcell's Junior High Teacher of the month is LeighAnn McGregor.

The students of the month are sixth grade's Axel Shobert and Juliet Lambert, seventh grade's Cole Guin and Railey Behrens, eighth grade's Jeremaih Harrison and Jasey Baker.

An accident claimed the life of 28-year-old Blayne Gibby 7:30 p.m.

A car striking a horse sent a Sulphur couple, Gary Frost and Marjorie Frost, to OU Medical Center.

Washington hosted Purcell, Alva and Kellyville in the Regional 3 softball tournament.

Lindsay hosted Lexington, Little Axe, and Newkirk for Regional softball playoffs. Purcell'sDragons dominate

Argie Marvin Butler, 72, of Ruf-Nex in a 58-7 blow-out at home.

Washington's stifling defense got the Warriors a 40-7 victory over the Frederick Bombers.

Wayne drops Elmore City in a 32-20 win and will play against Stratford for their homecoming. Vanoss beat Wayne 4-0 and

12-0 to knock the Lady Bulldogs out of postseason play. John Wylie will be taking

over preaching duties at Sunray Baptist Church. Thomas Edward Heck, 81, of Norman died September 24. Jean Priscilla Heck, 77, of

Jackie Warren Jones, 69, of Noble died September 24. Janie Price, 73, of Blanchard

Norman died September 27.

died September 23. Lynna Sue Stevens Lindsey, 69, died September 22.

Brook Marie Carpenter, 30, of Oklahoma City died September 25.

Wiliam Lewis VanWinkle, 77, of Purcell died September 26.

Brody Galyean of Purcell rode Only a Dream Machine to a world championship in youth western pleasure at America Quarter Horse Youth Association show.

Hope Center Ministries will be hosting a gala October 27.

The Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce Annual Golf Tournament will be held September 30.

The Wayne graduating class of 1969 will have its 53rd class reunion October 1. Recreational marijuana State

Question 820 will now appear on a special statewide election in 2023 or go before voters in 2024. Coronation for Wayne's

held at 6:30 p.m. with kickoff against Stratford at 7. October 1 the Purcell Multi-Purpose Center will host a

movie night and star gazing

Homecoming court will be

event. September 21 the Oklahoma Highway Patrol reported a 14-year-old juvenile female was struck and killed in Dibble.

Law enforcement from at least three agencies were called in to remove a man who barricaded himself in his house after an attempt to serve a warrant.

OCTOBER

The Oklahoma Highway Patrol is investigating a deadly crash from Saturday 1. Lexington Homecoming will

start with a parade, coronation of the king and queen. Kickoff against Coalgate Wildcats was Thursday, September 29 police said a Purcell city employee

The Coordinated Community Response team (CCRT) has been organized by McClain and Garvin Counties.

was assulted by Purcell resident

Johnny Shawn.

Duke Blackford, 88, of Purcell died Septmber 13.

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William Lewis "Rip" Van



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Religion

Church Directory

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

405 W. Grant, Purcell Rev. Bill Crawford 405-820-8184 Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. Wednesday

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Pastor Susan Whitley

211 N. 2nd, Purcell 527-2256 Office

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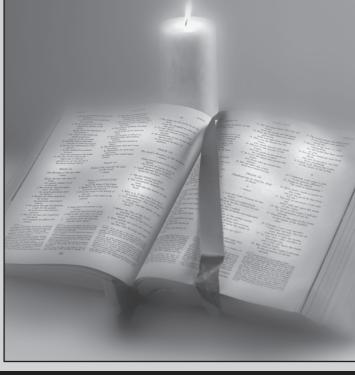


Pastor John Wylie

527-6808

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship: 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship: 5:00 p.m.





Lexington Westside Church of Christ

Still the Greatest Story Ever Told

The Gospel of Luke, some say, is the loveliest book ever written. During these chilly, festive days of December I think we appreciate Luke's gospel and the physician's brilliant storytelling ability more than ever. Of course, he didn't take on his writing task alone.

Did you know that only Luke tells the story of those shepherds tending their sheep on a silent, holy night? Of all the gospel writers, only he tells of the angel appearing suddenly to these scared men trembling beneath a bright light. But they get a front-row seat to one of the world's greatest announcements that night, a narrative we've heard a thousand times: "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord."

Luke, of course, does not stop there, but takes us on a long, powerful journey, all the way to a tomb outside Jerusalem where an angel again appears – this time to some grieving but faithful women – with a glorious declaration: "He is not here, but is risen!"

Luke's account – from the beginning that spectacular night to the powerful gravestory ever told. Shakespeare, I was asked to step up and lead

Hemingway, nor Twain can compare.

To tell the life story of this babe born in a manger in a page or two is impossible; but we can re-tell it at a glance, as many will be doing during the days ahead.

Thinking back, I am always glad at this time of the year that Mama, Preacher Miller, and Grandma made it part of their life's mission to tell me and many others who walked our red-clay countryside the world's greatest story – and I am glad they taught how to live the story, too.

We know many of you particularly need to hear this story today, and we are blessed to tell it again, as we started telling it each year back last century here in this place. Our story here is one of the reasons we like to see a year wind down: During these wintry days of December the world focuses on this Jesus more than any other time. The scenes and songs that fill the air are heartwarming, and the story of the babe born in a manger is inspiring. It makes us forget a little of the trouble brewing all around us.

Years ago, when I was a young boy of almost 11 who had recently gone down into bursting victory—is the greatest the water with Preacher Miller,

a song at the old, red brick church of Christ building in our Georgia hometown. I'll always remember the title of the hymn. After six decades, I hope its title reflects our life's story just a bit: It is the old hymn, "I love to tell the story." This story is a personal thing, for sure!

We all love to tell it more now than ever. It means more. We've had more years to weigh its value. We have the thrill of blessings and the burden of failures to give it more meaning.

But there's more to the story, and we must tell it all, even as Dr. Luke told it all two millennia ago.

Of course, it is still the story of a beautiful child born in Bethlehem, born among the animals in a barn. But it's more.

It's the story of a Man who eats with sinners and heals the diseases of the sick and gives strength to the tired.

It's the story of more than a man – the son of God – who takes men whose lives are battered and torn, and He molds them so that when they walk away you hardly recognize who they are at all - kind of like the old violin the poet once wrote of.

It's the story of the King of

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Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

Bv Stella Bledsoe

January 1,2023 is Solemnity what happens next because we of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God.

in Spanish.

The Gospel reading is Luke 2:16-21. The shepherds hurried to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. They made known the message they had been told about the child and all who heard it were amazed by what they were told. Mary kept these things in her heart, pondering them.

When you see a movie based on a book and you have already read the book, you know how the story unfolds. In the same way, when we view the Nativ-Mary would have. We know

have heard it all our lives. Can you imagine how Mary

Mass schedule for New viewed things? She pondered. Year's Weekend: Saturday, 5 Since the word ponder is rarely p.m., and Sunday, 9 a.m., in used, here is the definition: 1 cially quietly, soberly, and deeply.

share everything they think, say, or do on social media. Perhaps a departure from oversharing could serve us well. Sitting quietly, thinking, and pondering can provide us with better understanding and the ability to explain our principles.

one or two inquiries reveal that the position the person is ity, we see it differently than proclaiming is simply the last (Spanish), and Friday, 9 a.m. thing they heard on television

or read on social media. Shallow thinking serves none of us.

Mary did not know the heartache she would face as Jesus' mother. The time she spent pondering gave her a deep English; Sunday, 10:30 a.m., :to weigh in the mind, appraise; well of strength. She was truly 2: to think about : reflect on; a woman of substance. As we 3: to think or consider espebegin a new year, let us each spend more time pondering.

We celebrate the love of Jesus These days, it seems people at Our Lady of Victory parish all year long. Our Lady of Victory parish is located at 307 West Jefferson. The office has relocated to 501 N. 4th in Purcell and is open weekday mornings. You can call the office at 405-527-3077. Weekend mass services are Saturday, 5 p.m.; Personally, I grow tired of Sunday, 11 a.m.; and Sunday, 1 loud opinions especially when p.m. (Spanish). Daily masses are Tuesday, 9 a.m.; Wednesday, 12 noon; Thursday, 7 p.m.

Peace be with you.

Green Avenue Church of Christ

We have been learning "spiritual" appears most often several questions which were that there is a theme running through 1 Timothy, it is "Guard the Word." We have been noticing that there are many separate areas which the apostle focuses on in this first letter to the young preacher, but Paul does tie them all back into his main concern that the truth of the gospel is held in its original integrity. We will continue our studies in this book on Wednesday.

In our Sunday morning Bible study about the Work Ethic, we began to discuss several of Solomon's proverbs related to this subject. He had quite a bit to say and we are looking forward to diving into more of this on Sunday next.

Keith Shackleford presented a sermon Sunday morning entitled, "You Are A Spiritual Being." He noted that in the New Testament the word

in 1 Corinthians and so suggested that book would make a great study just on that merit.

However, Keith began with a reading of Paul's visit to Athens in Acts 17 and noted how these people exhibited their spiritual nature, however corrupted, in their attempts to practice idolatry. He presented a number of Biblical truths about spirituality, including the fact that there is such a thing as a spiritual worship (John 4:24) and there are spiritual sacrifices (1 Peter 2:5) along with spiritual blessings (Ephesians 1:3).

The sermon then asked some questions: (1) How do you care for your spiritual self? (2) Can your spiritual self be harmed? (3) How may your spiritual self be repaired.

"When you seek advice, do you take it?" This was one of used to introduce the sermon Sunday evening called, "The Counsel of God." The sermon began by examining several proverbs, the first one we looked at was Proverbs 12:15 which informs us that the mark of a wise man is that he listens to good counsel.

It was then pointed out that God has urged us to reason together with Him (Isaiah 1:18). It was then noted that today God has already given us His counsel in all matters pertaining to life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3), and that if we want His advice, we'll have to open His book.

The end of the sermon went over several reasons we should choose God's counsel and concluded with asking what God

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Sunray Baptist Church

Melisa Dubbs sang "Emmanuel Gloria" for the special, and traditional Christmas hymns were sung by the congregation. Brother John brought his message "Visited by a Savior" from

Luke 2:8-20. This was a message of good news. It told of a savior who came to save us from our sins. It brought great joy. In Jesus, we received a gift that we needed.

The lowly shepherds were the first to receive this news. They were given signs to verify it, and they then spread the news. We are called to receive, verify, and spread this good news to a lost

There was no evening service, nor will there be an evening service next Sunday on New Year's Day. We will have Sunday School and morning worship. On January 8, we will have our quarterly business meeting at our evening service, with snacks following.

We wish everyone a Happy New Year! We invite you to attend Sunday School, worship, and all activities at Sunray Baptist Church. If you are unable to attend, our services are now being streamed live on our Facebook page.

There is a place for you at Sunray- a place for you to worship, learn, serve, make friends, grow in your faith, experience God's grace, and to share in God's work. Brother John Wylie serves as

For more information, call (405) 527-6808. We are located at 2223 North 9th Street in Purcell.

Lexington United Methodist Church

Away will be Saturday, January 21, from 12 to 4 p.m.

are two types of menorahs: the one used in the Temple for most of the year and the one used during Hannukah. I hadn't caught "regular" one that is different than the one I had usually seen during this time of year.

The Hannukah Menorah has nine candles. First is the helper candle that lights the other eight candles.One candle is lit for each of the eight days of Hannukah, with all night being alight on the last night. The description of this was given last week.

The Temple Menorah has only seven candles. It is a seven-branched candelabrum that is described in the Hebrew Bible as having been used in the Tabernacle and in the Temple in Jerusalem. Since antiquity, it has served as a symbol of the Jewish people and Judaism. The flag of Israel has the menorah on it.

Along with Advent, the Sol-

Our next regular Food Give another festival called Kwanzaa (also spelled Kwanza) occurs in late December, beginning I forgot to mention something on December 26 and ending about the Jewish faith and the on January 1. I had heard of menorah in the last article. There Kwanzaa and knew that it was a celebration of black or African-American culture but not much else. This is a brief overview.

The name Kwanzaa is derived on to the fact that there was a from a Swahili phrase meaning "first fruits." There are candles used during its celebration also: three red, three green, and one black. They are used in a candelabrum called a kinara that looks like a menorah but has nothing to do with it or any other religious symbol. Kwanzaa is a secular observance without any religious significance, just like Cinco de Mayo in the Hispanic culture. Many African Americans who celebrate Kwanzaa do so in addition to observing Christmas and New Year's Day.

> Kwanzaa was created by Maulana Karenga, a black nationalist and professor of Pan-African studies at California State University at Long Beach. It is based

stice, Christmas, and Hannukah, Please see **Lex UMC**, page 9B

the evangelist Luke records

beautifully – there's an empty

tomb, a risen Lord, and a reign-

ing King. That's the story we

So, now, almost half a century

since our first feeble attempt to

stand and lead a song among

my congregation of Georgia

loved ones, we still carry that

song with us, especially during

the sounds, lights, and wonders

in the cool December air: Yes,"

I love to tell the story," still.

And we are blessed that we

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North School

could tell it one more time,

like to tell best of all!

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Westside:

kings finishing supper, then lem, though. Triumphantly—as tossing a towel over His shoulder and taking a basin of water and bowing down to wash the feet of his disciples. This one reminds us to be a servant, not a king.

It's the story of a Man who – when He washes the disciples' feet – washes the feet of a man by the name of Judas. At that we must pause.

It's the story of a fearful woman facing a mob with rocks in their hands; but the Master passes by, and she walks away with grace in her hands.

It's the story of the blind man who has never one thing – until he meets the Carpenter from Galilee. That evening, this blind man watches, I am sure, the scattering of the sun's oranges and blues, yellows and reds across the western horizon.

Ah, there's more to this story than can be told in one short visit here on a December morning. But we have to remember that it's a story of a Man who carries a cross up a hill called Calvary, and it's a story of a man with nail scars in His hands.

The biography doesn't end that dark day outside Jerusa-

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counsels about salvation.

We invite you to meet with us for Bible study at 7 p.m. Wednesday night and 9:45 a.m. Sunday and our worship services on Sundays are 10:45

a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Bible correspondence courses are available, call 405-527-

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Winkle, 77, of Purcell died September 26.

Jeri Thomas, 78, died August 16.

Bonna Deen (Mayes) Freeze, 89, of Goldsby died October 2. Joyce Marie Hawkins, 89, of Pasadena, Texas died September 26.

Wilma Minyen, 93, of Lexington diedOctober 2.

Longtime Purcell Policeman and Emergency Managment System Director Kevin Rhoads Retired Tuesday October 4.

Washington's Softball Warriors are state bound after finishing the Regional tournament with an unblemished record.

Washington's defense holds CCS to 38 yards rushing. Purcell High School was

edged 12-7 against Lindsay.

Wayne travels to Grady County for a key district game against Rush Springs.

Lexington's softball season ends with a 22-13 season record for the Lady 'Dawgs.

Washington Warriors go back-to-back as fast-pitch softball champions after beating Tishomingo 2-0.

Purcell High School had low dropout rate of 1.2 percent compared to the states 5.5 percent.

A Waurika man was killed in an oil field accident in McClain County. Purcell Parks & Recreation

Department applied for grant funding to replace the Rotary Playground at the Purcell Lake. Goldsby Investment Co. is suing Goldsby Meat Co. for

violating the lease between the two companies. Charges against Johnny Shawn, 35, of Purcell from the incident at city hall September

29 had been declined. A deadly two-vehicle accident south of Lindsay claims the life of a 17-year-old boy.

Nancy Maynard, 79, died. Pauline Laura Wilson-Hartley, 91, died October 2.

John Tidwell Roberts, 96, of Goldsby died October 6.

Charles Wyman DeWayne Brock, 57, of Wanette died October 8.

Pearl Jean (PJ) (Cook) Shupert, 84, of Washington died October 4.

Jeri Thomas died August 16. Gad Issac Holloway, 61, of Wayne died September 30.

Patricia Ann (Hardcastle) months. Taylor, 81, of Lexington died October 8.

Betty Jo (Stewart) Payton Polson, 91, died October 4.

The McClain and Cleveland County Commissioners both issued 14-day burn bans at their meetings Tuesday, October 11.

Warriors defense rules supreme in 39-0 rout of Crooked

Washington Defensive Coordinator Jeff Kulbeth has been announced in the first wave of Broyles Award winners.

It's the 50th anniversary of Purcell's only State Champion football.

Purcell Dragons played against CCS Thursday night instead of the usual Friday night game.

Lexington's Bulldogs travled to Atoka for a battle against the Wampus Cats, who are 2-4 on the season.

Wayne hosted Ringling at the D.S. Zack Powell Stadium.

The jury trial against James S. Blackwood moved into it's fifth day October18.

At the monthly meeting of the Purcell Tourism Committee members voted unanimaously to give \$50,000 toward the construction of a new playground at the Purcell Lake.

Saturday, October 22, the Lexington Chamber of Commerce hosted a Fall Festival.

A thunderstorm brought one inch of rain to areas of Oklahoma bringing the total for the year to 31.75".

Fall cleanup for Purcell residents continues with free limb and brush collection.

Early voting for the November 8 general election will begin November 2 at the McClain County Farm&Home Building 1721 Hardcastle Blvd., in Purcell.

The week of October 16-22 started out with a chilly cold front and ended with highs in the mid 70s and 80s. The Heart of Oklahoma

Chamber of Commerce hosted a Community Coffee October Saturday October 29 "Treats

on the Trail" was held at the Purcell City Lake. Area resident Larry Paulk

had been promoted to Regional Vice President at Primerica, The Oklahoma State Uni-

versity Extensions office offers advice on how to control armadillo damage during warm much alive.

State Treasurer Randy Mc Daniel advises families to take advantage of the Oklahoma 529 to save for education.



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Settling in

Teanna Giles officially became the new Purcell Postmaster April 9. She had been serving in an interim capacity for a few weeks.

The Purcell High School students of the month were Mercer Martin and Hayden Ice. Two deputies in the McClain

County Detention Center were attacked by inmate William Hogan, 35, of Del City. Laura Thompson, 95, of

Fairview died October 13. Linda Suzanne Wyatt, 67, of

Norman died October 17. Ada Marie Ince, 89, of Purcell died October 11.

Robin Cook, 66, of Lexington died October 13.

George Ray Clift, 65, of Amarillo, Texas died October 9. Dick Oldham Smith, 81, of

Lexington died October 11. Mary Flueckiger, 79, of Purcell died October 16.

Major Kevin Carpenter, 65, died October 12.

Ronnie Willis, 75, of Norman

died October 11. Ann B. Jacobs, 82, of Nor-

man, died October 10. Four turnovers plagued Lex-

ington in a 53-14 loss at Atoka. Washington's Warriors retain number one ranking after a 42-6 victory over Lindsay.

Wayne travled to Healdton for a key district game and their playoff hopes still very

Purcell played outstanding defense in a 14-6 loss at CCS.

McClain County remains in an extreme drought situation despite the year to date total rainfall being 33.35".

McClain County Commissioners voted to lift the burn ban at their regular meeting at the McClain County Courthouse. James S. Blackwood, 64, is

back behind bars after receiving a guilty verdict from a McClain County jury on October 19. A Purcell man is charged in McClain County District Court

with nine felonies stemming from a drive-by shooting. Saturday October 29 was the perfect day for the "Treats on the Trail" trick-or-treat event

sponsored by the Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce. Hope Center Ministries hosted Gala 2022 Thursday, October 27, at the McClain

County Farm & Home Building in Purcell. First Baptist Church of Purcell held a Family Fall Festival

Sunday, October 30. Citywide Trick or Treat in Purcell was held Monday, October 31.

Cindy Baker, 66, of Wayne died October 23.

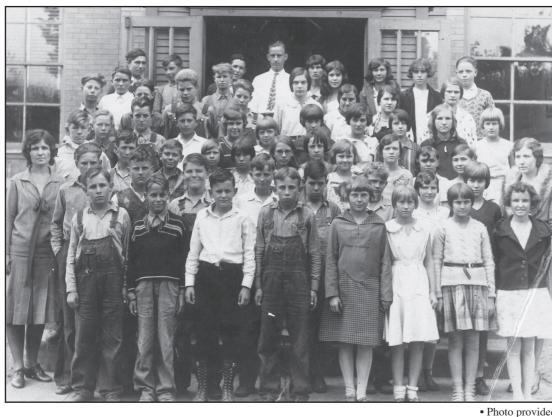
Nadine Keith, 94, of Washington died October 20.

William Melvin Harp, 92, of Wanette died October 20.

A Lindsay homeowner discovered a woman in his home and she is facing second degree

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Courthouse News The following persons have been

traffic or other violations or have filed other court actions in McClain County District Court between December Emma Nelson, speeding, 90/70.

charged by the State of Oklahoma with

Ariyon B. Moore, no valid driver's Cody L. Taft, no seatbelt. Korbin F. Ohliger, following too

closely Adriana E. Varela, following too

Andrew Williams, speeding, 75/65. Christian A. Bighead, fail to devote attention resulting in collision. Trenton Stocks, TOC alcoholic

Trenton Stocks, fail to devote attention resulting in collision.

Trenton Stocks, no seatbelt. Sean L. Allgood, failure to yield. Jennifer M. Homan, speeding,

Misdemeanors Shivaunda L. Sims, public intoxi-

Shahn A. Stella, possession of CDS methamphetamine.

Felonies Jacob R. Bain, domestic assualt and

battery by strangulation. James C. Hall Jr., possession of stolen vehicle

Michael P. Trimmell, driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol

Keyvaugh Crooks, possession of firearm/AFC Brandon J. Sparks, driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of

Gina M. Harris, conspiracy. Mary S. Walters, conspiracy. **Small Claims**

Baca Realty Group, LLC vs. Gynna Becerra, forcible entry and detainer

Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC vs. Jeanett Jenkins, civil action \$10,000 Lincoln Automotive Financial

Services vs. Lena Boyer, civil action \$10,000 or less. Jefferson Capital Systems LLC vs. Edmond Mullins, civil action \$10,000

Carlsbad Medical Center, LLC vs. Christopher McCollum, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Crown Asset Management LLC vs. Yulisa Perez, civil action \$10,000

John E. Peeper vs. Micheal G. B. Marks, civil action \$10,000 or more. Apex Underwriters Inc LLC vs American Abstract, civil action

\$10,000 or less. Arthur Evett vs. Gregory Rhodes, civil action \$10,000 or more.

Velocity Investments LLC vs. Michael R. Bird, civil action \$10,000

Discover Bank vs. Leah A. Pina, civil action \$10,000 or more. Marriages Filed

Daniel F. Praxl, 52, of Broken Arrow and Stephanie R. Cox, 49, or Aaron M. Whitt, 46, and Kelsey M.

Anderson, 36, both of Purcell. Dalton W. Duke, 28, and Alexandria G. Folsom, 27, both of Purcell.

Ross W. Bishop, 33, and Rabecca

L. Hardcastle, 50, both of Purcell. **Divorces Granted** Charla J. Forrester vs. Thad B.

Frank Clare vs. Teresa Clare.

Cole R. Stephenson, rape, first Victoria A. McGregor vs. Steven

Seventh graders for the school year 1930-31 in Marvin Harper's class.

burglary charges.

a 40-7 loss on Purcell Dragons.

with a 27-26 win that keeps their playoff hopes alive.

in a 26-16 district road victory. Five local cross country teams have qualified for the State cross country meet.

Purcell hosted Little Axe at Conger Field.

NOVEMBER

election opened November 3. Purcell residents were left in

the dark for 50 minutes in the early morning of October 27. The new Purcell Municipal

Hospital opened it's doors to a ribbon cutting. The new medical facility

officially was open to patients November 2.

Daylight saving time ended on November 17. at 2 a.m. November 6.

October 8.

home its first ever state title

homecoming with a parade, coronation of the king and Purcell died November 1. queen, and a gridiron match against Little Axe.

Rain and storms were pre-November.

Danica Bjork of the Lexington FFA chapter is one of 50 freshman across Oklahoma to state finals.

Carli Thomas of Purcell FFA across Oklahoma to qualify for the Greenhand Quiz Career Development Event state finals.

Darolun Kay Kineard,79, of Oklahoma City died October Little Axe, 47-0.

Purcell died October 31. David Glen Harlan, 64, died

October 27. Judith Ilene Noyes, 80, of

Purcell died October 28. clobbered Comanche in a 55-6

Wayne hosted Wynnewood

with Senior Night Festivities the Washington bridge over prior to the game.

over Little Axe and was to the bridge was dedicated in ers while attempting to elude host Comanche on Thursday honor of Vietnam casualty Jerry police. November 3 due to bad weather Michael Chitwood. predictions on Friday.

to Holdenville with kickoff at 7:30 at the Holdenville Field.

The 1972 Purcell State chapion team was honored on the 50th anniversary of their title and recived a resolution honoring the team from the Board of Education.

Two holdiay events were planned at the Purcell Lake. The Tacky Sweater 5K & Fun Run will be December 3. The Holiday Shoppoortunity will be November 19 at the Purcell MultiPurpose Center.

Purcell High School honored vetrans with an assembly and a were Josmar Munoz and Kylee luncheon put together by Purcell's National Honor Society on November 11.

Purcell Police and the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics chased a vehicle going 160 m.p.h. ending in the Purcell Police Station parking lot. Damarious Damuntae Leatil Davis, 26, was arrested and booked on multiple charges.

McClain County Associate District Judge Charles Gray held onto his office, defeating challenger William Deveraux Jr., 8,887 to 4,259.

The Salvation Army of Mc-Clain County was seeking bell ringers to raise money for emergency assistance programs in our area all year long.

The Purcell Cheer Squad competed at the Cheer Gameday State competition at Moore High School.

Purcell High and Junior High school zone on North Green Avenue will flash continuously from 7:30 a.m. to 3:35 p.m.

The Purcell City Council Avenue. The Washington Warriors pin approved multiple budget adjustments for the Purcell Police Wayne holds on at Healdton Department, Rural Fire, and a vehicle insurance claim.

The Oklahoma Highway Lexington defeats Marietta Patrol reported Talena Sharp, 40, of Byars was transported by Wadleys EMS to OU Medical Center where she was admitted in fair condition after taking evasive action to avoid a deer in the road.

A grant for Purcell Public Early voting for the general Library invites community members to a new exhibit, "We're Super Creative," through educational games and hands-on learning now through January 13.

Goldsby's Walk of Honor has the public on October 27 with 1,700 bricks with room for 400 more, each one engraved with the name of a veteran, is a labor of love for Harold Harvell.

Smokers across Oklahoma Washington's band brings are encouraged to quit tobacco for a day, or a lifetime, during the Great American Smokeout

Red Anderson, 89, of Okla-Washington kicked off its homa City died November 4. S. Wayne Maxwell, 79 of

> Peggy Howard, 83, of Purcell died November 5.

William John Langford, 47, dicted for the first weekend of of Lexington died October 31. Antonio, Texas died October

qualify for the Greenhand Quiz hosted filmmaker, explorer, Roundup Club will collect toys Career Development Event and advocate Philippe Cousteau on November 11.

Seth Tague, a sophomore chapter is one of 50 freshmen from Washington, was named the Oklahoma State University Homecoming 2022 Steering committee.

Purcell Dragons close the Mary Lou Millsap, 85, of book on the 2022 season with been selected by the Hunt a 35-0 victory.

Lexington finished the 2022 Leadership Fellow. season with a 44-8 loss at Holdenville.

The 2022 Wayne football The Washington Warriors season came to an end following their 35-6 loss to Wynnewood.

The unveiling of the sign at Walnut Creek of State Highway Purcell had a 48-6 victory 74 took place the 13th when charges of endangering oth-

Esports joins traditional at Lexington was on the road letics at Wayne High School.

> Heartland Ministerial Alliance's annual Community Thanksgiving Service was held at Landmark Church.

of the month was Paul Wollenberg.

Purcell Junior High's sixth grade students of the month were Isai Barraza and Lilly

Purcell Junior High's seventh grade students of the month were Tripp Eck and Kori Doyal.

Purcell Junior High's eighth grade students of the month Barrett.

The tax difference for Purcell from 2021 to 2022 is +\$4,944.67.

Purcell High School graduate Tyra Shackleford awes judges and brought home Best of Show at June's Artesian Arts Festival in Sulphur.

The Chickasaw Nation's aninto the McClain County jail nual Recycling Day was held November 18.

Mother's Entwined Club Goldsby Country Christmas Home Tour was set for December 11.

Seventeen Lexington vocal students perform in ECOCDA Honor Choir November 7.

Purcell High School's students of the month were Allison Schlotthauer and Zach Idlett.

Purcell School Superintendent Dr. Sheli McAdoo brought nothing but good news to the monthly school board meeting.

At a special session meet-Schools flashing lights in the ing Purcell's City Council approved two change orders.

One was for OrrConstruction for a modification on Canadian

The second was for Waldrop Construction to install surgical

Curtis "Wayne" Andrews, 71, of Washington died November 10.

Washington died November 10. Maria Elaine Dutton, 50, died November 14.

died November 14.

Bernice Jay "B.J." Larson, 79, died November 3.

November 11.

The Washington Warrior's stomp the Atoka Wampus Cats

Purcell Senior Lauren Holmes signed a National Letter of Intent to play softball at Rose State College.

Bates Signed a National Letter University of Tennessee.

cial Advocate volunteers include Kevi Paulk, Max Bowman, Judge Beth Stanley, Susan Allgood, Bailey Filmore, Josie John, Rhonda King, and Ashley Proctor.

JimAnn Oliver, 88, of San Purcell filed Declarations of CandidacyDecember 5th.

The Pioneer Library System hosted by Indian Territory for McClain County Operation Christmas.

> board candidates was December 5-7 across Oklahoma.

Two mail collection boxes in front of the Post Office Washington's Warriors spank in Purcell were permanently removed.

Senator Jessica Garvin has Institute to be a Hunt-Kean

ington Christmas Parade took place December 10.

Senate.

An Arlington, Texas, man is free on \$75,000 bond om

The McClain County Cattlemen's Association held their annual meeting November 10 to recognize area youth.

Jessie S. Taylor, 77, of El-Purcell Junior High's teacher more City died November 16. Maria Elaine Dutton, 50, died November 14.

died November 18.

died November 14.

died November 15.

Wynnewood refinery employees receive specialized training at Mid-America Technology Center.

The Dibble High School Class of 1973 is planning an All-School Alumni gathering for April 15, 2023.

Christian School, advanced to the State Class 2A Quarterfinals.

Washington.

and Tyler Thetford.

Springer signed a letter of intent to play baseball at Murray State.

their season in Springer with a 77-74 loss for the Bulldogs and a 58-38 lost for the Lady

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lighting in the new hospital.

Ramona Jo Wilkerson, 68, of

Gloria Rose Bridwell, 73,

Phyllis Marie Pope, 82, died

Alton Lee Bass, 87, of Purcell died November 9.

Washington Senior Cam

of Intent to play baseball for the New Court Appointed Spe-

Candidates for the City of

A benefit open barrel race

The filing period for school

The second annual Wash-

Senator Mary Boren, D-Norman has officially begun her second term in the state

The Wayne Fire Department held its 32nd annual Toy Drive

Twana Yvonne Francis, 83,

Jeanette Carol Anderson, 69, of Sulphur died November 18. Gloria Rose Bridwell 73,

Patricia Anita Gonzales, 69,

Bert Dail Seabourn, 91, died November 17.

Washington High School won 18-11 against Oklahoma

Purcell opened the 2022-23 basketball season by hosting

Lexington's girls and boys basketball teams have new head coaches, Jacobi Couch Washington senior Kane

Wayne's Bulldogs started



Holli Brewer • For The Purcell Register

State Champions

The 2022 Washington Warriors finished off a perfect 15-0 season with a 17-14 victory December 10 over Millwood at Chad Richison Stadium in Edmond on the campus of the University of Central Oklahoma.

Adopt small daily habits for a healthier new year

The Tobacco Settlement healthier life." Endowment Trust (TSET) offers free resources to help New Year's health resolutions through small daily steps.

Whether you wish to eat more nutritiously, move more or start living tobacco free, TSET Tobacco Helpline and Shape Your Future can help you plan and stay encouraged — to reach your goals.

"The New Year is a great time to tackle harmful habits like tobacco use and eating unhealthy foods," said Julie able to Oklahomans, including Bisbee, executive director of TSET. "Taking small steps towards a healthier lifestyle tips and tools all Oklahomans can make a big difference. The can use to live healthier lives. Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline ShapeYourFutureOK.com ofand Shape Your Future are here fers quick and healthy recipe to help you make those real and ideas, meal plans, fun ways to sustainable changes to live a get moving and more.

The number one thing you can do for your health is not to Oklahomans achieve their use tobacco products. Quitting tobacco is no small change, but the Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline is there for you every step of the way.

The Helpline offers free reprograms like the Oklahoma sources, personalized services and nonjudgmental support to make quitting tobacco a realistic goal. Call the Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline at 1-800-QUITNOW(1-800-784-8669) or visit OKhelpline.com to explore the free resources availfree patches, gum or lozenges.

Shape Your Future provides

You can even take the sevenquestion Health Quiz to learn where you stand, and which small steps can help kick off your new health journey.

changes to consider making in 2023: • Drink more water and less

Here are a few healthy

• Get a few more minutes of physical activity in your day

by going on a walk; • Add fruits and veggies to

snack time; • Cook more healthy meals

screens an hour before bedtime With a little help, achieving

School Menus

WAYNE SCHOOL MENU Week of January 2 **MONDAY BREAKFAST**

Sausage biscuit, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Chicken strips, mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli, roll, peaches, milk.

TUESDAY BREAKFAST Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH Beef taco, pinto beans, chips and salsa, pears, milk.

WEDNESDAY **BREAKFAST**

LUNCH Chicken sandwich, whole grain chips, broccoli, mixed

fruit, milk. **THURSDAY BREAKFAST**

Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH Frito chili pie, corn, carrots, wacky cake, milk.

BREAKFAST Grain bar, cereal, fruit, juice,

milk.

FRIDAY

LUNCH Pizza, mixed vegetables, spinach, apple, milk.

PURCELL SCHOOL **MENU** Week of January 2 **MONDAY**

TUESDAY BREAKFAST Muffin or cereal and toast,

No School.

fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH

Burrito bowl with beef, rice, queso and beef chili beans, chips and salsa, apple, milk.

WEDNESDAY **BREAKFAST**

Biscuit and gravy or cereal milk.

and toast, peaches, juice, milk. LUNCH Barbecue chicken sandwich,

Pancake, cereal, fruit, juice, french fries, romaine salad, fruit, milk. **THURSDAY**

BREAKFAST Cinnamon toast and yogurt or cereal and toast, fresh apple, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Breaded chicken patty, dinner roll, mashed potatoes and gravy, romaine salad, peaches, milk.

FRIDAY BREAKFAST Doughnut or cereal and toast, smiles, milk.

oranges, juice, milk. LUNCH Personal calzone, baby carrots, marinara sauce, apple-

sauce, milk.

at home. Get better sleep by turning off

healthy goals can be easier than anticipated. For more free programs and resources to improve your health and that of your family and community, visit oklahoma.gov/tset.

LEXINGTON SCHOOL **MENU** Week of January 2 **MONDAY**

No School. **TUESDAY** No School. WEDNESDAY

Whole grain cereal or doughnuts, raisins, fruit juice, milk. LUNCH Chicken nuggets, cheezy

potatoes, steamed broccoli,

BREAKFAST

breadstick, frozen juice cup, **THURSDAY**

BREAKFAST

Whole grain cereal or biscuit

and gravy, applesauce, fruit juice, milk. **LUNCH**

Spaghetti with meat sauce,

green beans, steamed carrots, lime pears, milk. **FRIDAY**

BREAKFAST

Whole grain cereal or yogurt and crackers, pineapple tidbits, fruit juice, milk. LUNCH

Tostada, whole kernel corn, lettuce and tomato, orange

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No. 1088-December 22-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES R. HILLMAN, also known as J. R. Hillman and Jim Hillman,

Case No. PB-2022-161

John D. Montgomery

The Purcell Register

Devastating scene

One person was killed and

another critically wounded in

a head-on accident at Main

Street and Green Avenue

October 1. The Oklahoma

Highway Patrol investigated

the accident. Debris from the

high impact accident littered

Green Avenue for about a

No. 1085-December 22-4 Times

Owner: Washington Public

Construction Manager: Goldsby

Solicitation For Bidders For:

Solicitation Date: Dec. 22nd

Bid Deadline: 2:00pm CDST

Submitted Online Via Building

Project Contact: Tyler Graves

Tyler@GoldsbyConstruction.com.

No. 1081-December 22-2 Times

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

OF McCLAIN COUNTY

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

Case No. PB-2022-152

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To the Creditors of Tom B

All creditors having claims

against Tom B. Stinnett are re-

quired 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 Tammy Day, Per-

sonal Representative, at the law

offices of Blevins & Associates

Law, PLLC, 138 W. Main, Purcell,

OK 73080, addressed to James

B. Blevins, Jr., attorney for the

Personal Representative, on or

before the following presentment

date: 15th day of February 2023,

or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 15th day of Decem-

/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.

Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731

138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565

James B. Blevins, Jr.,

George W. Velotta, II,

Blevins & Associates

Purcell, OK 73080 Phone: 405-527-7575

Fax: 405-527-7574

Representative

Attorney for Personal

OBA #881

OBA #9223

Law, PLLC

Trust, dated

September 28

OF TOM B. STINNETT,

Stinnett, Deceased:

Place: Sealed Bids Will Be

Bid Date, Time & Place:

January 18th, 2023

Construction

Connected.

Deceased

Fine Arts Project

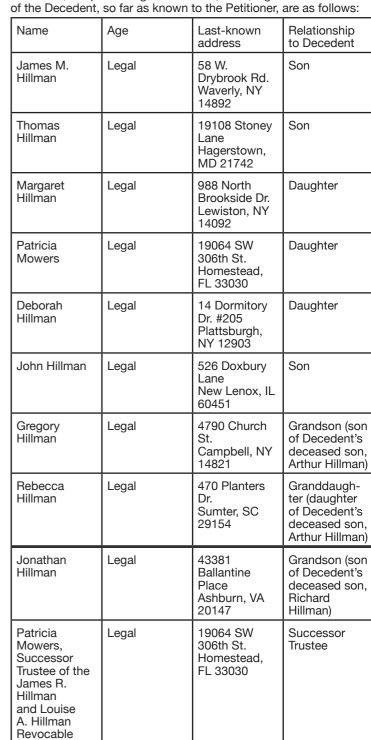
Bid Advertisement:

COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF HEARING TO: All persons interested in the Estate of James R. Hillman, also known as J. R. Hillman and Jim Hillman, Deceased

You are hereby notified that on the 20th day of December, 2022, the Petitioner, Patricia Mowers, filed in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, a Petition for Summary Administration, Appointment of Special Administrator, Admission of Will to Probate, Determination of Heirs, Devisees and Legatees, Waiver of Final Account and Distribution of Estate. The Petitioner has alleged that James R. Hillman died April 16, 2018 domiciled and residing in Sebring, Florida leaving an estate consisting of real and personal property in the State of Oklahoma. Attached to the Petition is an instrument purporting to be a certified copy of the last will and testament of the Decedent. The Petitioner has asked that this Court to admit the will to probate and order summary proceedings pursuant to 58 O.S. § 245, et seq.

In an Order for Combined Notice entered herein, the Court found that it should dispense with the regular estate proceedings prescribed by law and order notice to creditors and issue an order for hearing upon the Petition for Summary Administration, Appointment of Special Administrator, Admission of Will to Probate, Determination of Heirs, Devisees and Legatees, Waiver of Final Account and Distribution of Estate.

The names, ages and last-known addresses of the administrators, executors, nonpetitioning conominees, heirs, legatees and devisees



and that there are no pretermitted heirs of James R. Hillman as far as is known to the Petitioner.

Pursuant to the Order for Combined Notice, all creditors having claims against James R. Hillman, are required to present same, with a description of all security interest and other collateral, if any, held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the Petitioner, Patricia Mowers, c/o Robertson & Williams, 9520 N. May Avenue, Suite 260, Oklahoma City, OK 73120, on or before the 20th day of January, 2023, or the same will be forever barred.

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held on the 9th day of February, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. at the McClain County Courthouse, urcell, Oklahoma before Judge Charles N. Gray. At the hearing the Court will decide whether to approve the Petition for Summary Administration, Appointment of Special Administrator, Admission of Will

to Probate, Determination of Heirs, Devisees and Legatees, Waiver of Final Account and Distribution of Estate of the Petitioner You are hereby advised that you must file objections to the Petition for Summary Administration, Appointment of Special Administrator, Admission of Will to Probate, Determination of Heirs, Devisees and Legatees, Approval of Final Account and Distribution of Estate before the hearing and send a copy to the Petitioner's attorney, Robertson

& Williams, 9520 N. May Ave., Suite 260, Oklahoma City, OK 73120, or you will be deemed to have waived any objections. If you have no objections, you need not appear at the hearing or make any filings If an objection is filed before the hearing, the Court will determine at the hearing whether the will attached to the petition shall be admit-

ted to probate, whether summary proceedings are appropriate and, if so, whether the estate will be distributed and to whom the estate will be distributed

/s/ Thomas C. Williams Thomas C. Williams, OBA #9688 **ROBERTSON & WILLIAMS** 9520 N. May Ave, Suite 260 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73120 (405) 848-1944 ATTORNEYS FOR PÉTITIONER

No. 1087-December 22-2 Times The City of Purcell is seeking bids on a lighting improvement project along Green Avenue from Washington Street / OK-74 to Walnut Creek. The job scope includes road boring and installation of 8,000 feet (more-or-less) of 1.5 inch pipe provided by the contractor (unit price per foot is recommended), 33 concrete piers to be poured per the specs of the City of Purcell Public Works Authority. The route description, concrete removal and location of utilities to be worked around will be described and managed by the Purcell Public Works Authority. Bidders must arrange a mandatory meeting explaining project details with Purcell Public Works Author-

ity Electric Superintendent Trey

Phillips prior to January 6, 2023

by calling him at 405-527-4602 Interested parties must provide references proving successful experience with projects of this size and greater. Insurance that protects employees, property and the City of Purcell Public Works Authority will be required. Bids must be submitted in writing in a sealed envelope marked "Purcell Green Avenue Lighting" to City Clerk, Purcell City Hall, 230 W. Main Street, Purcell, OK 73080 any time prior to 11 AM on Thursday, January 12th, 2023. Bids will be opened and the bid with the lowest and best bid will be awarded or all rejected by the City of Purcell City Council and Public Works Authority Trustees at the next special or regular meeting, contingent upon completion of documentation of

insurance.



From page 6B

Review:

Bulldogs

Washington High School student Taiden Graig earned Speaking.

DECEMBER

The annual Okeyha Mothhappened December 4.

Purcell's annual Christmas parade happened December 8 with the theme "Anything Christmas!" The official ribbon cutting

for the opening of the 2022 Lights from the Heart was The McClain County Court

Clerk's office was undergoing remodeling.

Purcell's total rainfall for the year is 35.25".

An asphalt path for walkers and joggers has been laid around Purcell Lake.

McClain County Undersheriff James Goins recently completed an 80-hour Sheriff's Academy administered by the Oklahoma Sheriff's Association.

Applications for Oklahoma rollover accident. fifth- and eighth-grade teachers attending the 2023 Colonial Williamsburg Teacher Institute are open till Febuary

Tax statements for 2022 have been mailed with full or operation in Blanchard. half payments due January 1.

tion selected Donald Sherman, tion's 50-50 drawing. CEO, McClain Bank, to serve

Tanner Martin and Monica daughter Nora Jane Martin.

Stealey OHCE met at the the Christmas meeting.

Jerrald Boydston, 82, of Wayne died November 27.

Lexington died November 25. Gloria Welch, 91, died November 22

Sandra Wright, 76, of Purcell died November 21.

Oklahoma Blood Institute Pauls Valley 46-36. is losing hundreds of O negative blood units a month due 60, of Lexington died Deto recent blood bag shortages.

The Oklahoma State Department of Health reminds everyone to practice food saftey when preparing food. Lexington and Purcell's

athletic departments have colaborated to give six Purcell wrestlers the ability to participate in their sport.

Washington thrashed Ida- December 10.

bel in a 47-6 playoff game at McAlester.

Wayne's All-District players first place in the FCCLA are Kaleb Madden, receiver District STAR Events Creed of the year, Rhett Kennedy, linebacker, and Lane Jones, honorable mention.

Adam Thomas Owens, a ers Club Holiday Home Tour member of the Wayne FFA Chapter, was awarded the American FFA Degree at the 95th National FFA Conven-

> State Treasurer Randy Mc-Daniel encourages "Oklahomans to open an Oklahoma 529 account and give the gift of an education savings account."

Washington's Warriors defeated Millwood 17-14 to claim the school's second State Championship on the gridiron.

A tornado ripped through portions of Wayne destroying one home and damaging several others. There were no reported injuries.

The home of Tim and Missi Lynn was destroyed in the

Purcell Police were forced to pepper spray a suspect after a

Joshua A. Blunt, 36, of Foster, OK was arrested in connection with the incident.

The McClain County Sheriff's department busted an illegal marijuana growing

Emily Montgomery won the American Bankers Associa- Purcell Public School Founda-

Purcell High School Stuon ABA's Community Bankers dents of the Month were Avery Wren and Luke Edelman.

Newest Wayne Math Hall of Fanning of Ardmore an- Famers were Spencer Albert, nounced the birth of their Jakob Logsdon, Nariyah Peterson and Eva Collett.

Purcell won both the boys Happy Camper in Purcell for and girls championships in the Madill Winter Classic basketball tournament.

Washington's girls won the Wesley Maxwell, 90, of Latta basketball tournament with the boys finishing second.

Wayne's girls won the Consolation bracket of the Binger-Oney cage tournament.

Lexington's girls defeated

Leslie Cornelious Gibson,

Mary K. Skipper, 79, of Purcell died December 11.

A private family service was scheduled for Rex Leslie Howard Jr., who died December 11. Ira Richard Perry, 61, of Wayne died December 6.

Elder Michael Franklin Hughes, 71, of Purcell died

The Lexington First Baptist Church had two nights of Live Nativity scenes.

Operation Christmas wrapped up their year handing out 195 food basket and 692 toys for needy children.

Holiday closings were told for Christmas.

The Tim Lynn family barely got into their basement before a tornado ripped apart their home in Wayne.

The sixth annual Tacky Sweater Fun Run was deemed a huge success.

McClain County's sales tax take was \$90,000 more than the same time frame in 2021. OBI was needing blood

Leah Marie Walck, 65, of Norman died December 14. Fred Olen Wells, 71, of Washington died December

Jerry Dan Whatley, 78, of Purcell died December 15.

Rene Dominguez Rebeles, 63, of Purcell died December

Carole Eyvonne Reed, 88, of Noble died December 12. Karen Moran, 79, of Noble died December 15.

Purcell's boys and girls closed out the pre-holiday portion of their basketball season with wins at Davis.

The 2A-3 All District football teams were announced.

Washington's boys and girls defeated Lexington in basketball. The Lexington boys defeated Marietta and the Lexington girls knocked off Wynnewood on the hard wood.

No. 1089-December 22-2 Times SECTION 00020 INVITATION TO BID

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Goldsby and Goldsby Airport Trust will accept separate sealed bids for Materials and Construction Labor to assist in the completion of a Regional Detention Basin at the David Jav Perry Airport adjacent to the east outer road of I-35 north of Center Road in Goldsby, McClain County, Oklahoma, according to Drawings and Specifications prepared by Small Arrow Engineering, LLC and described in general below.

David Jay Perry Airport Regional Detention Basin Parallel to I-35 East Outer Road north of Center Road in Goldsby, McClain County, OK Separate sealed bids will be received at: Goldsby Town Hall 100 E. Center Road Goldsby, Oklahoma 73093

Bids received after that time will not be accepted. Bids will be opened and read aloud at Goldsby Town Hall, 100 E. Center Road, Goldsby, Oklahoma at 2:00 PM, CST, Thursday, January 12, 2023. Interested parties are invited to attend.

until 2:00 P.M., CST, Thursday,

January 12, 2023

Questions on plans may Con-Small Arrow Engineering, LLC

1302 S. Main Joplin, Missouri 64801 417-624-2333

Goldsby Town Hall 100 E. Center Road Goldsby, Oklahoma 73093 405-288-6675

Bona fide general contractors may secure copies of the proposed Contract Documents from the office of the Engineer on the following basis:

One copy of the Project Manual, including Specifications, plus one set of print Drawings, may be obtained upon payment of \$50 deposit, completely refundable if returned to the Engineer, postpaid, in satisfactory condition, within five calendar days after bid opening. Additional copies of the Project Manual, including Specifications, plus on set of print Drawings, may be obtained upon payment of \$25 per set, nonrefundable. No partial sets will be issued

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waiver irregularity in the bids and in the bidding.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the Contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246. Also, all bidders must furnish the properly executed "Non-Collusion Certificate" contained with the bid documents. Prospective Bidders may con-

tact the Owner, Town of Goldsby, Goldsby Airport Trust, 100 E. Center Road, Goldsby, Oklahoma to arrange a site visit to inspect Project conditions. Bid Bond: Five (5%) of Bid

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

NOPFA hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award.

Dated - December 20, 2022

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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF GOLDSBY, OKLAHOMA **RESOLUTION 2022-09** A RESOLUTION OF THE **BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE** TOWN OF GOLDSBY, OKLAHOMA, PERTAINING TO MUNICIPAL WARD **BOUNDARIES AND** REDISTRICTING, PROPOSING REDISTRICTING WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN TO **EQUALIZE AS NEARLY AS** PRACTICABLE THE POPULATION OF THE FIVE WARDS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS BY ADJUSTING THE WARDS AND THEIR BOUNDARIES **FOLLOWING THE** FEDERAL CENSUS

WHEREAS, the Town of Goldsby, Oklahoma is subdivided into five Wards and by reason of growth in population and additions of territory to the Town of Goldsby, the population of the five Wards within the Town have become disproportionate; and

WHEREAS, as soon as practicable following each federal census, the municipal governing body shall review the wards and ward boundaries of the municipality and change the boundaries of Wards, if necessary, in the manner provided by law, so that the Wards are formed of compact and contiguous territory and are substantially equal in population; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has studied federal census data for Goldsby data and has determined that the changes in population are not evenly distributed among all Wards within the Town of Goldsby and that the Wards are no longer substantially equal in population; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has obtained the assistance of the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments to further

Goldsby Wards 2020 Census

for bidding documents or specification books purchased

PURCELL

2COL,

3.75" X 6.4"

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Advertisement to Contractors

January 12, 2023 - 10:30 A.M. Bid Opening

Plans and proposals for this bid opening will be ready for sale on December 22, 2022. No

bidding proposals will be issued to any Contractor after January 11, 2023 10:30 A.M. The cost for each bidding proposal is \$50.00 + tax. State Standard Specifications may be purchased by

contacting ODOT Business Services Center Branch (405) 521-4509. No refunds will be made

Sample proposals, preliminary plans, long form and short form notices, order forms, bid tabs

and awards, can be accessed on ODOT's Web site: http://www.okladot.state.ok.us/contracts/

Bids must be prepared as directed by the State Standard Specifications. Unless otherwise

specified, bids for all projects must be submitted over the internet to Bid Express(http://www.

bidx.com) using AASHTOware Project Bids. Instructions for using Bid Express, Project Bids,

and the electronic bidding process are available from the Office Engineer Division. When

written bids are allowed, sealed proposals may be delivered directly to the Office Engineer

Division prior to the scheduled bid opening. For written bids, do not disassemble the bidding

Any firm bidding a project as a joint venture must complete the 'Request for Joint Venture'

Unless otherwise specified in the proposal, all bids must be submitted with a proposal guaranty

Questions and comments regarding the January 12, 2023 bid opening will be accepted until

December 30, 2022. Please submit your questions through the ODOT pre-bid email address:

ODOT-Prebid.Question@odot.org. Responses will be posted to the "Pre-bid Questions and

Answers" section of the ODOT Contracts & Proposals webpage as they are received. It is

recommended that interested contractors visit the "Pre-Bid Questions and Answers" link

Unless otherwise noted in the proposal, upon award of the contract to the successful bidder,

the contract will be completely and correctly executed by the contractor and returned to the

Department within ten (10) working days from the date of award. The Department will have

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority

(OTA) ensures that no person or groups of persons shall, on the grounds of race, color, sex,

fourteen (14) working days from the date of award to complete its execution of the contract.

regularly in order to stay informed of the latest information: https://www.odot.org/contracts.

form, which is posted on the ODOT website, prior to the bid opening

equal to 5% of the bid total

No. 1093-December 29-2 Times analyze the data and propose adjustments to the boundaries of Wards in the manner provided by law, so that the Wards are formed of compact and contiguous territory and are substantially equal in population; and

corporate limits of the Town to

equalize, as nearly as practicable,

the population of the five Wards

of the Town by reapportioning

and adjusting the Wards and

their boundaries, in accordance

with and as depicted on the Ward

Boundary map designated Ward

THAT attached hereto is the Ward

Boundary map designated Ward

Version A showing the Wards as

proposed and their boundaries as

proposed, said map being incor-

porated herein and made a part

hereof by this specific reference.

ADOPTED this 23rd day of De-

/s/ Sandra J. Jenkins

TOWN CLERK

PASSED, APPROVED AND

TOWN OF GOLDSBY

/s/ Glenn Berglen

Ward Version A

O Ward Offical Ho

Ward #, Block Pop

Ward 1: 537

Ward 3: 567

Ward 5: 490

Ward 4: 551

acog (405) 234-2264 FAX (405) 234-2

MAYOR

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

Version A

cember, 2022

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL WHEREAS, the Board of Trust-ACCOUNT AND PETITION ees has received and studied the FOR ORDER ALLOWING FINAL report and recommendations of ACCOUNT, DETERMINATION the of the Association of Central OF HEIRS AT LAW, Oklahoma Governments and finds that it is in the best interests of the Town and its residents that the

DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE AND FINAL DISCHARGE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Wards be reapportioned and the boundaries thereof be adjusted Peggy Hager, personal representative of the Estate of Steven Paul so as to equalize, as nearly as practicable, the population of the Geist, Deceased, having filed in this Court her Final Account of the Wards of the Town, in accordance with and as depicted on the Ward administration of said estate and Boundary map designated Ward Petition for Order Allowing Final Version A, annexed to this resolu-Account, Determination of Heirs tion and made a part hereof; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF GOLDSBY, OKLAHOMA: That the Board of Trustees proposes redistricting within the

at Law, Distribution of Estate, and Final Discharge, the hearing of the same, which will include a hearing upon various matters requested therein to be taken into consideration by the Court, has been set by the Court of McClain County, Oklahoma the 19th day of January, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., in the Courthouse of McClain County, in Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified to then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of

No. 1083-December 22-2 Times

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

OF MCCLAIN COUNTY

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In The Matter of the Estate of

STEVEN PAUL GEIST, Deceased

Case No. PB-22-78

tate distributed, and the personal representative discharged. Dated this 16th day of December. 2022.

said deceased determined, the es-

/s/ Charles Gray Judge of the District Court Submitted by: Darrell G. Ford, OBA #11835 Darrell G. Ford, A Professional Corporation P.O. Box 756 118 North Second Street,

Suite C Purcell, Oklahoma 73080 (405) 527-7049 (405) 527-7256 fax Attorney for the Personal Rep-

resentative, Peggy Hager No. 1080-December 22-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT

OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY ANN MASSEY, Deceased. Case No. PB-2022-92

NOTICE OF HEARING FIRST AND FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DECREE OF **DISTRIBUTION AND** DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Notice is hereby given that Mark D. Chambers, the duly appointed and qualified Personal Representative of the Estate of Mary Ann Massey, Deceased, has filed his Final Account, Petition for Decree of Distribution and Discharge of Personal Representative. A hearing has been fixed by the Judge of the Court for the 12th day of January 2023, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., in the District Courtroom of the County Courthouse, Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, 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 and the Personal Representative discharged.

DATED this 15th day of December 2022.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE **DISTRICT JUDGE** JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881 Kopp, Carrie ОВА #21731

Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565 Purcell, OK 73080 Phone: 405-527-7575 Fax: 405-527-7574 Attorney for Personal Representative

No. 1071-December 15-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARDITH LAVERA STINNETT, DECEASED. Case No. PB-22-146

NOTICE TO CREDITORS TO THE CREDITORS OF ARDITH LAVERA STINNETT, DECEASED:

All creditors having claims against the above-named Decedent are required to present the same, with a description of all security interest and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the named Personal Representative at the offices of FRANKENBERG LAW FIRM, attorneys for said Personal Representative, at the address shown below on or before the following presentment date, to-wit: the 10th day of February, 2023, or the same will be forever barred

Dated this 8th day of December, 2022.

/s/ Lorri Jo McCoy LORRI JO MCCOY Personal Representative DON FRANKENBERG, 3095 FRANKENBERG LAW FIRM 502 S. MAIN LINDSAY, OKLAHOMA 73052 Telephone: (405) 756-2000 Facsimile: (405) 756-4316 dfrankenberg@aol.com Attorney for Personal Representative

No. 1075-December 15-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF: Gregory Martin Roller, Petitioner,

and Petronela Roller, s/p/a Petronela Ciobanu, Respondent

No. FD-2022-199 SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION NOTICE State of Oklahoma To: Petronela Roller, s/p/a Petronela Ciobanu. TAKE NOTICE that you have

been sued by Petition in McCLAIN County, Case No. FD-2022-199 styled Gregory Martin Roller, Petitioner vs. Petronela Roller, s/p/a Petronela Ciobanu, Respondent. The action alleges that the Plaintiff is entitled to an Annulment of the Marriage between the parties.

You are notified that you must answer the Petition filed by the Petitioner on or before the 15th day of February, 2023, or the allegations contained in the Petition will be taken as true and judgment will be entered against you and in favor of Petitioner as prayed for in the Petition.

Given under my hand and seal this 8 day of December, 2022. KRISTEL GRAY, Court Clerk

(Seal) Approved: By: /s/ Micah G. Ayache Micah G. Ayache, OBA #22391 PO Box 546 - 120 N. Willow

McCLAIN County, Oklahoma

By: /s/ Kristel Gray

Pauls Valley, OK 73075 Telephone: 405-238-5000 Fx (405) 238-5002 Email: micah@ayachepc.com

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA THE MONEY SOURCE INC., Plaintiff,

No. 1090-December 29-1 Time

DAVID E. HAINES A/K/A DAVID EARL HAINES A/K/A DAVID HAINES; JENNY REBECCA DAWN HAINES; AND JOHN DOE, **OCCUPANT** Defendant(s)

Case No. CJ-2022-113 NOTICE OF HEARING MOTION TO CONFIRM SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE IS GIVEN TO: David E. Haines; Jenny Rebecca Dawn Haines; John Doe, Occupant, and their unknown successors and assigns, that the hearing on the above Motion to Confirm Sale is set on the 1 day of February, 2023, at 9:00 o'clock a.m., before Judge Edwards, at the McClain County Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma. LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP

770 NE 63rd St. Oklahoma City, OK 73105-6431 (405) 848-1819 Attorneys for Plaintiff File No. 22-138546

No. 1094-December 29-1 Time **Public Notice**

The Town of Goldsby hereby gives notice that the annual audited financial reports for the year ending June 30, 2022 has been completed. Copies are available to the public for review in the Town Clerk's office at 100 E, Center Rd, Goldsby, OK 73093.

Town Clerk/Treasurer Sandra Jenkins

No. 1092-December 29-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF McCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GLORIA ROSE BRIDWELL, Deceased.

Case No. PB-22-164 NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE,

DETERMINATION OF HEIRS Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estate of Gloria Rose Bridwell, Deceased that on the 23rd day of December 2022, there was filed with this Court the Petition of Michael Baker praying that Letters of Administration be issued to him 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 23rd day of December, 2022, notice is given that the 12th day of January, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. is the day and time that the Petition will be heard in the Courtroom of Judge Charles Gray in the County Courthouse at Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested may appear and contest the same. Witness, the undersigned,

Judge of the District Court of Mc-Clain County, State of Oklahoma, this 23rd day of December 2022. **CHARLES GRAY**

ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGE OF THE **DISTRICT COURT**

James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881 Carrie Kopp OBA #21731 Blevins and Associates Law, **PLLC**

138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565 Purcell, OK 73080 Phone: 405-527-7575 Fax: 405-527-7574 Attorney for Petitioner

No. 1091-December 29-1 Time BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA APPLICANT: OGP OPERATING,

INC RELIEF SOUGHT: DRILLING AND SPACING UNITS

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: E/2 SEC-TION 8, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH. RANGE 3 EAST, POTTAWATO-MIE AND MCCLAIN COUNTIES, **OKLAHOMA** CAUSE CD2022-005122

NOTICE OF HEARING TO ALL PERSONS, OWNERS, PRODUCERS, OPERATORS, PURCHASERS AND TAKERS OF OIL AND GAS, INCLUDING but not limited to all persons if living or if deceased, their known and unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote of any such party, and all corporations existing and if dissolved, known and unknown successors. and all persons having an interest in the captioned land.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that Applicant requests that the Commission enter an order (A) amending the provision of order No. 27166, which established 20acre drilling and spacing units for production of hydrocarbons from the Layton Sand common source of supply, to delete said common source of supply underlying the E/2 Section 8; and (B) extending the provisions of Order No. 577026, which established 160acre drilling and spacing units for production of hydrocarbons from the Hoover, Belle City, Hogshooter, Layton, Cleveland, Calvin, Hunton, Basal Pennsylvanian Unconformity, Viola, and Simpson common sources of supply underlying Section 9, Township 5 North, Range 3 East, McClain and Pottawatomie Counites, Oklahoma to cover and include the E/2 of Section 8, Township 5 North, Range 3 East, Pottawatomie and McClain Counties, Oklahoma.

SPECIAL RELIEF: Applicant further requests that the order to be entered in this cause may be made effective prior to the date of ssuance of the order.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause will be heard before an Administrative Law Judge on

the Initial Hearing Docket at the Corporation Commission Oklahoma City facility, Jim Thorpe Building, 2101 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, at 8:30 a.m., on January 17, 2023, and that this notice be published as required by law and the rules of the Commission.

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that 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 Applicant or Applicant's attorney, prior to the hearing date, and provide their names and telephone numbers

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action contact Matthew Burns, 8140 Walnut Hill Lane, Suite 610, Dallas, TX 75231, Telephone: 214/696-2393 ext 125 and/or Gregory L. Mahaffey and/ or Caleb A. Hartwell, Attorneys, 300 N.E. 1st Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73104-4004, Telephone: 405/236-0478. **CORPORATION**

COMMISSION OF OKLAHOMA DANA L. MURPHY, Chairman BOB ANTHONY, Vice-Chairman J. TODD HIETT, Commissioner DONE AND PERFORMED ON

THIS 22nd DAY OF DECEMBER, 2022. BY ORDER OF THE COMMIS-

AMY L CUMMINGS, Commis-

sion Secretary 4876.8789

No. 1095-December 29-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF McCLAIN COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES MARCH CHRISTENSEN, DECEASED

CASE NO. PB-22-162

NOTICE TO CREDITORS; NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR ADMISSION OF WILL TO PROBATE, PETITION FOR SUMMARY ADMINISTRATION, HEARING ON THE FINAL ACCOUNT, AND THE PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE AND DISCHARGE

COMBINED NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY given to all persons interested in the Estate of Charles March Christensen, Deceased, that on this date, Carrielu Byram Christensen, whose residence is 2507 Schulle Avenue, Austin, Texas 78703, filed a Petition for Summary Administration in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, attaching thereto an instrument purporting to be the Last Will and Testament ("Will") of said Deceased, praying for the probate of said Will; that Letters of Special Administration issue to Carrielu Byram Christensen; and that Letters Testamentary, if necessary, issue to the same individual, the Personal Representative named in said Will. Said Petition further prays that the heirs at law, devisees and legatees of said Decedent be determined; that the Final Account be approved; the property of the Decedent subject to the jurisdiction of this Court be distributed; and that the Special Administrator/Personal Representative be discharged, and for other relief as prayed for in said Petition, which Petition you

may refer to for further particulars. TO ALL CREDITORS OF THE ABOVE NAMED DECEDENT: All creditors having claims against the above named Decedent are required to present the same, with a description of all security interest or other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to Carrielu Byram Christensen (Special Administrator) at The Law Office of M. Todd Estes, P.C., 600 E. Taylor Street - Suite 4007, Sherman, Texas 75090, attorney for Carrielu Byram Christensen, no more than thirty (30) days following the filing of the Petition and the Combined

Notice, or the same will be forever barred. The above named Decedent died on December 16, 2019, at which time the residence address of the Decedent was 2507 Schulle Avenue, Austin, Texas 78703.

The total value of the Decedent's Estate as set forth in the Petition is approximately \$4,052,000.00.

The names and addresses of the heirs at law and devisees are as follows:

Carrielu Byram Christensen 2507 Schulle Avenue Austin, Texas 78703	Spouse
Charles March Christensen, Jr. P. O. Box 565 Ballinger, Texas 76821	Son
Carriline Christensen Bergquist 5305 Painted Shield Dr. Austin, Texas 78735	Daughter
Carrielu Byram Christensen, Trustee of The Charles March Christensen Family Trust 2507 Schulle Avenue Austin, Texas 78703	

Pursuant to an Order of said Court, notice is hereby given that the 9th day of March, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. in the Courtroom of the undersigned Judge, or the Judge to whom this cause is assigned on said date, in the McClain County Courthouse in the City of Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, has been appointed as the time and place for hearing said Petition, proving said Will, and considering all relief prayed for in the Petition presented to the Court on said date. All persons interested may appear at said hearing.

The person receiving the notice or any interested party may file objections to the Petition at any time before the final hearing and shall send a copy of the objections to the Petitioner and the attorney for the Petitioner, or that person will be deemed to have waived any

objections to the Petition. If an objection is filed prior to the final hearing, on the hearing date the Court will determine whether the Will attached to the Petition shall be admitted to probate, whether summary proceedings are appropriate, and, if so, whether the Estate will be distributed and to whom the

Estate will be distributed. DATED this 22 day of December, 2022.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

The Law Office of M. Todd Estes, P.C. 600 E. Taylor Street, Suite 4007 Sherman, Texas 75090

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on African harvest festival traditions from various parts of West ourselves. Three-Collective work and Southeast Africa and was and responsibility: building and first celebrated in 1966.

The holiday is defined by seven principles. Eachday of the festival is dedicated to a specific principle, marked by lighting a new candle on the kinara. Each of the seven building and maintaining our days of Kwanzaa is dedicated to one of these principles.

maintaining unity in the family, making our collective vocation community, nation, and race. the building and developing of Two-Self-determination: defin- our community in order to restore

maintaining our community together; making our brothers' and sisters' problems our own problems and solving them together. Four-Cooperative economics:

own stores, shops, and other businesses and profiting from One-Unity: striving for and them together. Five-Purpose: ing and naming ourselves, as our people to their traditional

as much as we can, in the way we can, to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than when we inherited it. Finally, Seven-Faith: believing with all our hearts in our people, our parents, our teachers, our leaders, and the righteousness and victory of our struggles.

Kwanzaa celebratory symbols include a mat on which these other items are placed. A kinara for seven candlesticks plus their candles; crops; corn; a unity cup; and gifts. Families celebrating

well as to create and speak for greatness. Six-Creativity: doing Kwanzaa decorate their house- each day of Kwanzaa is Habari welcome all and seek justice for holds with objects of art, colorful African cloth such as kente, especially the wearing of kaftans by women, and fresh fruits that celebrate Kwanzaa. Other counrepresent African idealism. It is tries that celebrate Kwanzaa customary to include children in include Great Britain, Jamaica, Kwanzaa ceremonies.

> drumming and musical selection, a candle-lighting ritual, artistic performance, and, finally, a feast of faith. Libations are shared, generally with a common chalice that is passed around to all celebrants. The greeting for

Gani?,[29] which is Swahili for "How are you?"

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