



## Grass fires doused by firefighters

Purcell Firefighters teamed with firefighters from five other departments Friday afternoon to battle a grass fire at 16144 Meridian near Dibble. Also answering the call in near hurricane force winds just after 1 p.m. were firefighters from Blanchard, Dibble, Goldsby, Payne and

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## Election results

Voters in Goldsby rolled out in what turned out to be hotly contested Board of Trustee races.

Darrell Ingram defeated Russ McReynolds, 448-263 for the Ward 1 seat.

Mike Herrin defeated Scott Statton, 436-278 in Ward 3 while David White knocked off Vanessa Weaver, 464-246 for the Ward 5 position.

Steve Long won the Dibble Office No. 3 school board seat by defeating Veronica Rivera,

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## OHP releases crash details

Two Shawnee residents die in head-on accident

**John D. Montgomery**  
**The Purcell Register**

After four days of investigation, the Oklahoma Highway Patrol released details of the grinding, head-on accident March 27 that claimed two lives at mile marker 99 of Interstate 35.

Led by Trooper Bennett, a total of five troopers investigated the double fatality accident.

Bennett reported a red Honda Civic driven by Jonathon Bristow, 57, of Shawnee was traveling north when it de-

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### Good Friday closings told

Among Good Friday closures will be **The Purcell Register**. City offices will be closed in Purcell, Goldsby, Lexington, Washington and Wayne as

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Trial, conviction, crucifixion and resurrection are the core of Christianity. Three days that ushered in a new world of salvation for all who believe.

Across the area, churches will celebrate these holiest of days with a variety of services and activities.

At Trinity United Methodist Church they will have a Maundy Thursday dinner starting at 7 p.m. The following day on Good Friday they will have a 7 p.m. service. On Easter Sunday, brunch will be served from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. followed by an all-ages Easter Egg

Hunt at 9:45 a.m. The Easter Sunday service will begin at 10:30 a.m. At Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, the Holy Week observance will begin on Palm Sunday with a

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## Glen Mulready visits Purcell

Insurance Commissioner talks to fire department heads

Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner Glen Mulready visited Purcell last Thursday morning.

He met with Fire Chief Greg Cypert, Assistant Chief Rocky Claunch, Fire

Marshal Quinn Kroth and City Manager Dale Bunn for about 40 minutes prior to taking a mini tour of the fire station.

Community Outreach Coordinator for the insur-

ance commission, Liana Bortolo, accompanied the commissioner.

During the meeting how ISO ratings are determined was discussed.

He also met with some

insurance agents at the Multi-Purpose Building for a short meeting.

Bortolo said they were on a town hall outing that was next headed to Pauls Valley.



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### Mulready visits Purcell

**Insurance Commissioner** Glen Mulready met with city manager Dale Bunn and Firefighters Greg Cypert, Rocky Claunch and Quinn Kroth last Thursday morning. After the meeting they gathered for a photo opportunity and a brief tour of the facility. From left are Bunn, Joel Staggs, Cody Womack, Jason Benefiel, Trevor Harvey, Mulready, Cypert, Clauch and Kroth.

## Council approves chamber funding

**John D. Montgomery**  
**The Purcell Register**

Purcell's City Council gave its stamp of approval Monday night to continue as the major contributor to the Heart of Oklahoma

Chamber of Commerce.

At its regular monthly meeting at the Community Room of the Purcell Police Service Building, the council approved \$30,000 for the chamber remaining

at the Diamond Level of donors.

The council approved a new ordinance for a refundable deposit to promote timely and accurate payment of city sales taxes.

The also voted to test lake water for E.coli from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

In other council business

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## Andrews is new Register writer



Rebecca Andrews

Rebecca Andrews is an Oklahoma transplant originally from Michigan.

She moved to Purcell two years ago in search of an escape from northern winter weather.

Rebecca and her husband, Ryan, have been married for 26 years. Ryan is a retired equipment operator, a Chief in the United States Navy nearing 20 years of service as a Seabee and now works for the Oklahoma Department of Transportation.

They have four children and two grandsons. Their oldest son lives in Michigan with his family. Their second son lives in Oklahoma. Their youngest daughter and son are still in the nest at home.

In addition to being a new writer for **The Purcell Register**, Rebecca works for

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## Spring colors

**Brightly colored** tulips brighten the flower bed of a house on Van Buren in Purcell.

# AG issues formal opinion on SBE

Oklahoma law does not give the State Board of Education (SBE) the ability to make administrative rules without proper direction from the state Legislature, Attorney General Gentner Drummond ruled in

a formal opinion issued on April 4.

“It is well settled that an agency may only exercise the powers expressly given by statute,” the opinion states. “An agency cannot expand those

powers by its own authority.”

Drummond commented on the opinion, saying the content of the rules are irrelevant to the issue of whether proper authority exists to issue them.

“Whether I agree or disagree with any particular rule in question is irrelevant if the Board does not have the proper authority to issue those rules,” he said. “The Legislature is vested with policymaking authority. I will not allow any state agency, board or commission to usurp the Legislature’s rightful role, even if they have the best of intentions.”

While the opinion notes that the Legislature may delegate some rulemaking authority to the SBE, relying solely on the Board’s general powers and du-

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7 Day forecast from  @PurcellRegister @OUNewsCrowd						
Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
65° 40°	68° 42°	71° 52°	77° 56°	78° 48°	75° 50°	79° 58°
Mostly Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Sunny	Mostly Sunny

# Roller coaster of temperatures

We saw temperatures soar into the 80s earlier this week before a cold front swept through our area, dropping temperatures down back into the 60s. For Thursday, mostly sunny skies can be expected as

temperatures maintain in the mid-60s. Temperatures will continue to rise into the mid to upper 60s and even lower 70s by the first half of the weekend, with a mix of sun and clouds. Temperatures will continue to

rise into the upper 70s by the latter half of the weekend, with plentiful sunshine. Afternoon highs will remain in the mid to upper 70s heading into the next week, with lots of sunshine and a few passing clouds.

# Rep. Tom Cole announces 2023 Congressional Art Competition

The office of Congressman Tom Cole (OK-04) is now accepting entries from high school students in the Fourth Congressional District for An Artistic Discovery, the annual Congressional Art Competition.

The winning artist’s work will be displayed for one year in the Cannon Tunnel of the U.S. Capitol.

Sponsored by the Congressional Institute, this nationwide competition is a great opportunity for high school students interested in the arts and looking for an opportunity to showcase their creativity.

The annual contest recognizes and encourages artistic talent of young constituents in every congressional district across the nation.

All entries are accepted at one of Congressman Coile’s district offices or the Armcore Chamber of Commerce by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 3.

Those locations include:

Norman Office—2424 Springer Drive, Suite 201, 405-329-6500;

Lawton Office—711 SW D Avenue, Suite 201, 580-357-

2131;

Ada Office—100 East 13th

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# NEWS from the City of Purcell

Working together we can beautify our community!  
The City of Purcell may issue a citation in the amount of \$249 if you are in violation of any of the following:

1. Trash and or debris on your property
2. Tall weeds or grass (including edging along the street and sidewalk)
3. Inoperable and/or junk vehicles
4. Trailers and autos in alleyways
5. Tree limbs overhanging the street with less than “eight” foot clearance
6. Failure to trim trees, grass and weeds in the alley
7. Leaving grass clippings in the street after mowing
8. Setting bulk trash to the curb sooner than three days before pick-up. (Bulk pick-up is the last Monday of every month)

# THANK YOU!





## PAUL HARRIS RECIPIENTS

Ariel Anglin, Renee Barber, Nicolle Carr, Greg Cypert, Brett Duke, Ron Duvall, Bobby Elmore, Graham Fishburn, Shelley Jones, Lexy Maggard, Sheli Mcadoo, Melissa Pruitt, Amy Tolle & Chris Wright along with Peter Regan, Faith Martin, Mercer Martin and Rotarians Robert Dill and Connie Eckstein



**NON-ROTARIAN PAUL HARRIS RECIPIENT**  
Jay Tate (right) with Charlie Sherman & Becky Ferguson

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## Uprooted

**Gale force** winds caused this tree at 325 West Bruel Street in Purcell to topple over onto a house Friday causing significant damage.

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# Election:

69-19.

In Wayne, Dan Shephard defeated Matt Murray, 139-91 for that school board position.

Paul Moore won the Washington Office No. 3 school board seat defeating Anthony Tony Brennan, 409-169.

The McClain County results are unofficial until Friday.

The Cleveland County Election Board would not release the unofficial election results for the Lexington School Board race between Ronnie Rollings and Chris Haley.

On line, the results were Rollings 151, Haley 119.

Lexington school officials confirmed Rollings won the race.

In Garvin County for Lindsay Office No. 3 on the school board Larry Winn edged Jessica Parker, 179-172.

Winn won by one vote in McClain County 23-22.







## Reaching Your Lawmakers

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# The Purcell Register Opinion

## Busy Sunday ahead

Happy Birthday to my room-  
ie, Gracie.  
She celebrates her big day  
Sunday.

jdm

Speaking of Sunday, the  
mysteries of Easter are always  
intriguing.

It still blows me away to  
think that those 12 men simply  
put down their fishing nets and  
walked away from their jobs,  
homes and families to follow  
Jesus.

And I have to be reminded  
each year that Judas Iscariot  
hung himself after he betrayed  
Jesus.

It's hard to wrap your head  
around just how tough Jesus  
was being hung on the cross.

And with him knowing full  
well what lay ahead of him it's  
just mind-boggling.

jdm

### Editor's Notebook



John D.  
Montgomery

I always enjoy the small  
group Bible studies that occur  
during Lent.

Good fellowship combined  
with learning more and more  
about the Bible is a good com-  
bination for me.

Easter is the heart and soul  
of Christianity.

jdm

As if Sunday couldn't get any  
busier with it being Easter and  
Gracie's birthday, it's also the  
final round of the Master's Golf  
Tournament in Augusta, GA.

Several people from around  
here have been down to Au-  
gusta during the week attending  
practice rounds of the most  
famous golf tournament of  
the year.

Lucky them.

jdm

Purcell's Rotary Club cel-  
ebrated its 100th anniversary in  
grand style last Thursday night  
with a well attended banquet at  
Southwind Hills in Goldsby.

That will also be the site of the  
Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of  
Commerce Banquet April 13.

That's when the Giving Time  
Awards will be presented and  
the Citizen of the Year an-  
nounced.

## Sustaining a reliable electrical system

**By Dusty Ricks,  
Manager/CEO  
Rural Electric Cooperative**

We have all heard the phrase,  
"Don't put all your eggs in one  
basket." This popular adage is  
often used in conversation or a  
story when someone is about to  
do something foolish or risky.

If they heed this advice, it  
means, they did not commit  
to "one basket," but instead  
hedged their bets with multiple  
options.

This strategy is how I de-  
scribe Rural Electric's common  
sense approach to the current  
energy transition. We know  
consumer interest in renewable  
energy continues to grow. We  
have seen this trend here in  
Oklahoma.

Recent innovations and  
advances in renewable energy  
technologies have led to sharp  
decreases in costs, making  
renewables more feasible, ac-  
cessible and scalable.

Over the last few years, West-  
ern Farmers Electric Coopera-

tive has adjusted our fuel mix  
by utilizing more renewables,  
and today, 35 percent of our fuel  
mix is comprised of renewable  
energy, the majority of which  
is wind. WFEC is planning to  
grow to 47 percent renewable  
within the next five years.

Nationally, there is increas-  
ing reliance on renewable en-  
ergy sources at the same time  
we are seeing fossil fuel plants  
taken off-line, often ahead of  
schedule. Additionally, we are  
seeing more pressure on the  
electric grid due to the increas-  
ing frequency and intensity of  
severe weather events and ris-  
ing electricity demand.

So how do we reconcile these  
challenges of grid pressure and  
a changing fuel mix? Solar  
and wind energy are certainly  
beneficial for the environment,  
but they are limited resources  
because the sun does not al-  
ways shine, and the wind does  
not always blow.

Our primary responsibility is  
to provide electricity 24 hours a  
day, seven days a week to you

and our community. To do this,  
we need reliable sources of  
power meeting all the peaks and  
valleys of on-demand energy in  
our connected world.

While utilization of renew-  
ables is increasing, we still  
need to incorporate other forms  
of energy in the mix to ensure  
reliable service. Remember,  
solar and wind are intermittent  
power sources. This is why we  
spread our eggs into multiple  
baskets.

There is great value in main-  
taining a diverse mix of fuel  
sources - fossil fuels and re-  
newables to ensure reliability,  
resiliency and meet the grow-  
ing demand for electricity.

Reliability also means repair-  
ing and replacing utility equip-  
ment to prevent wear-and-tear,  
ensuring our equipment can  
withstand severe weather. We  
are focused on providing  
our members with reliable,  
affordable energy. Which is

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## NEWS FROM CAPITOL HILL

### Lowering energy costs

**Congressman Tom Cole**

On his first day in office,  
President Joe Biden rescinded  
the permit for the Keystone XL  
pipeline, and followed that up  
by suspending new oil and gas  
leasing and drilling on federal  
lands and waters. Americans  
have unfortunately felt the ef-  
fects of these actions through  
record-high energy prices.

In response, however, House  
Republicans last week ad-  
vanced H.R. 1, the Lower  
Energy Costs Act, which if  
signed into law, would end this  
sad state of affairs by increasing  
domestic energy production,  
reforming and streamlining the  
permitting process for energy  
infrastructure, reversing the  
Biden Administration's anti-  
energy policies and boosting  
the production and processing  
of critical minerals.

Although the Biden Admin-  
istration continues its attempt to  
persuade the American people  
that Green New Deal-style poli-  
cies are the best direction for  
the country, the numbers do not  
lie, and they show Americans  
are struggling.

No one should have to choose  
between putting food on the  
table or fuel in their car.

Unfortunately, because of the

president's disastrous actions,  
in 2021, American energy  
prices spiked 29.3 percent ac-  
cording to the Bureau of Labor  
Statistics, and a further 7.3  
percent in 2022.

This was most heavily felt  
through gasoline prices, which  
jumped nearly 50 percent in  
2021. By reforming the broken  
permitting process, requiring  
the Department of the Interior  
to resume lease sales on federal  
lands and waters and increas-  
ing domestic energy produc-  
tion, the Lower Energy Costs  
Act would significantly drive  
down the high energy prices  
that have crushed Americans  
for two years.

This legislation would also  
allow for the increased pro-  
duction of critical minerals  
that would benefit the United  
States' national security and  
economic development. Since  
2019, the United States has  
been import-reliant for 31 of  
35 critical minerals and had no  
domestic production for 14 of  
those minerals.

And today, our country is  
dependent on the Chinese Com-  
munist Party for more than 50  
percent of its supply for 25 dif-  
ferent minerals. By cutting red  
tape preventing the mining of  
these minerals, we can produce

our own essential medical and  
military supplies, and end our  
dependency on other countries  
for these critical products.

Finally, the Biden Adminis-  
tration has depleted our Stra-  
tegic Petroleum Reserve to the  
lowest levels since 1984. By  
producing our own energy here  
at home and using the resources  
readily available to us, we can  
end our dependence on coun-  
tries that do not have our best  
interests in mind such as China,  
Russia or Iran for energy.

This is by no means un-  
achievable. Before the Biden  
Administration began, the  
United States had become a  
net exporter of energy.

By rolling back the Biden  
Administration's disastrous  
anti-North American energy  
agenda, we can unleash our  
energy resources here at home,  
lower energy costs and ensure  
the U.S. is not reliant on our  
adversaries for energy sources.

Over the past two years we  
have learned that an all of the  
above energy policy is certainly  
the best route for the Ameri-  
can people and our national  
security, and I was proud to  
support the Lower Energy  
Costs Act that would set us on  
the track to restore our energy  
independence.

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necessarily reflect the opinion of the newspaper.

## Your Views

### News from District 42

• Rep. Cindy Roe •



## Legislature debates education funding

Earlier in the week, the Sen-  
ate amended the House's edu-  
cation package we approved in  
mid-February.

The House version included  
a \$2,500 across the board pay  
raise for teachers and a \$300  
million funding increase for  
public schools, with a cap of  
\$2 million per school district.

The Senate's amendments  
removed the cap for school  
districts but instead of distrib-  
uting money to school districts  
individually, it deposits the  
\$300 million into the state  
funding formula.

This means that 32 public  
school districts receiving a  
combined \$8.8 million in the  
House plan would receive no  
new funding under the Senate  
plan, including two school  
districts I represent.

In House District 42, both  
Alex PS and Bray-Doyle PS  
would receive around \$240,000  
each under the House plan, but  
they'd both receive no new  
funding under the Senate's  
version.

Most of the school districts  
that would still receive funding  
in the Senate's version receive  
significantly less funding. With  
the Senate's changes, 492 of  
the 517 school districts would  
receive less funding than under  
the House's package.

For example, Blanchard PS  
would receive \$2.126 million  
under the House's proposal, but  
only \$1.44 million under the  
Senate's plan. That additional  
\$684,000 would make a huge  
difference to Blanchard PS stu-  
dents, teachers, administrators  
and parents!

The House's education plan  
also deposits \$4.35 million  
more into our public schools  
than the Senate's amended  
version. Discussions are con-  
tinuing as to what the final

education package sent to the  
Governor's desk may look like,  
and I'll provide updates as talks  
progress.

It's been a very exciting few  
weeks at the Capitol, and I've  
had a few high school students  
serving as pages who got a front  
row seat to their government  
at work.

This week, Eli Connor, a  
homeschooled junior, served as  
my page. Last week, I hosted  
Audrey Phillips, also a home-  
schooled junior, as my page.  
Audrey is the granddaughter  
of one of our House Sergeants,  
Joe Bullock, who helps wel-  
come and manage visitors to  
the House.

I hope Eli and Audrey both  
had a great experience as House  
pages and learned a lot during  
their time here.

The House has begun sched-  
uling committee meetings  
for the next few weeks and,  
as chair of the House Public  
Health Committee, it's my  
responsibility to organize our  
agendas and decide which  
health-related bills are heard  
when.

Additionally, I've agreed  
to author several Senate bills,  
and I'm working with other  
committee chairs to get them  
heard in upcoming meetings.  
Bills have to pass committee  
before they can be heard by  
the full House.

As always, please feel free  
to reach out with any ques-  
tions and concerns. You can  
contact me at (405) 557-7365  
or [cynthia.roe@okhouse.gov](mailto:cynthia.roe@okhouse.gov).  
Thank you for the honor of  
serving House District 42 at  
the State Capitol!

*Rep. Cynthia Roe, a Repub-  
lican, serves District 42 in the  
Oklahoma House of Represen-  
tatives, which covers Garvin  
and McClain Counties.*

# Rants? Raves?

Submit your letter  
to the editor.



# Fences, guards and guns in American schools

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Eventually every school system in America will have to fence in every school and put an armed guard at every gate. Inside the school building cameras will have to be focused on doors and vulnerable glass windows and someone will have to monitor all the cameras.

Some school systems will be slow on adding such security but lawsuits from teachers will eventually bring more stringent security into reality.

The Nashville shooting of three children and three adult workers was another heinous act carried out by a deranged person. Someone who commits such an act is beyond mentally ill, they have become mentally deranged. Sadly, the individual waited too long to get psychological help.

I don't want to mention the shooter's name because too much attention is given to people who kill innocent school teachers and children and even people in houses of worship. They prey on places that are typically gun-free zones filled with people who are often trapped with no way of escape.

Newspapers and media sources should eliminate mentioning the name of such killers. As evil as it is, these mentally ill people see such acts as a way for them to get massive negative attention and to go out in what they perceive to be a moment of glory.

The idea of such security at all our schools is difficult to embrace but we have no choice. This adds to the financial challenges facing school systems. A fence is not aesthetically appealing. It looks third world but that's where we are in America.

I've traveled to enough third world countries to have viewed walls around average homes, churches and schools. In Brazil many walls are erected around homes because of the high crime rate. Thieves are everywhere in Brazil. There are many wonderful people in Brazil but also plenty of thieves.

We didn't grow up with fences and walls. We don't want them today, but do we have a choice?

Many believe eliminating semi-automatic rifles is the answer. A killer with two six shooters could still kill someone and probably several in a classroom filled with children.

If we outlaw guns in this country, then evil people will find a way to smuggle them into our country to other evil people who aren't concerned about keeping the law. Then, we will be defenseless and at their mercy.

Fentanyl is illegal but over a 100,000 people died in 2022 from fentanyl and synthetic opioids.

I don't own a semi-automatic rifle but if China or Russia invades us, I want one. Actually, I want one for my wife, children

and grandkids. We need at least a chance to defend ourselves.

By all means we must stop the mentally ill from having such weapons but that's hard to do when someone has no record of any psychotic episodes. There is nothing wrong with a waiting period for buying a gun and a background check.

Obviously private and religious schools are targets like any other school. Everyone is vulnerable.

Every school and Board of Education must be in serious planning stages for implementing the best security possible for our children. This is something that has never happened to most schools or churches in America but everyone is vulnerable.

It only takes one such act next month or 10 years from now to kill people and devastate a community.

Visit GlennMollette.com to subscribe, learn about his books and more additional biographical.

Dr. Glenn Mollette is a graduate of numerous schools including Georgetown College, Southern and Lexington Seminaries in Kentucky.

He is the author of 13 books including *UncommonSense*, the *Spiritual Chocolate* series, *Grandpa's Store*, *Minister's Guidebook insights from a fellow minister*.

His column is published weekly in over 600 publications in all 50 states.



• Photo provided

## Women's Caucus

The **Women's Caucus** was honored to hear from Col. Shelby Dreyer, the Oklahoma Air National Guard Vice Commander of the 137th Special Operations Wing at Will Rogers and Kristi Jordan, the Chief of Strategic Plans, Programs and Readiness Division at Tinker Air Force Base.

## Hello from District 43

• Senator Jessica Garvin •



## Update from the Capitol

The Senate and House have now begun the legislative process over but with bills from the opposite chamber. Around 480 House bills were sent to us for consideration in our committees.

I'm serving as the principal Senate author for 24 House bills, some of which were heard this week.

Three of the measures, approved Monday by the Senate Business and Commerce Committee, are part of the ongoing effort to reform the medical marijuana industry. HB 1349 would create a nine-member Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority (OMMA) Board to focus on rulemaking.

HB 1350 would create a OMMA temporary licensing program for commercial growers, processors, dispensaries, transporters, and other businesses. Temporary licenses, valid for 180 days, could be purchased for a nonrefundable \$1,000 fee. These could be extended by OMMA for an additional 90-day period, not to exceed 18 months. Each extension would cost an additional \$1,000.

HB 1734 would require dispensaries or anywhere marijuana or THC products are sold to display signage, reading, "Warning: ingesting the products while pregnant is not healthy for the development of an unborn child." We want to ensure that expectant mothers realize that while THC may be safe for them to personally ingest, these chemicals can be dangerous for unborn babies and can cause serious health problems for them.

This week, I'll also be presenting HB 1424 creating a voluntary Education Employee Assistance Program within the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to help school district employees with mental health, problem resolution, medical referrals, drug and alcohol addiction, or other personal problems.

HB 1445 would require school districts that have issued a bond proposal to post the following information on their website 30 days prior to the bond vote – a copy of the bond proposal, including each project to be funded; each project's estimated cost.

This would remain online

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## Ricks:

why fuel diversity is essential to reliability.

As our nation increasingly depends on electricity to power the economy, REC is working to anticipate, plan and respond to market trends and policy shifts. Which is how we can power your home and our economy, while continuing to serve as your local energy provider.

throughout the approved bond, and a year after completion. This is to improve transparency and ensure voters know exactly what they're considering.

Last week, our Women's Caucus was honored to hear from Col. Shelby Dreyer, the Oklahoma Air National Guard Vice Commander of the 137th Special Operations Wing at Will Rogers and Kristi Jordan, the Chief of Strategic Plans, Programs and Readiness Division at Tinker Air Force Base.

It wasn't too long ago that women wouldn't have been considered for such leadership positions in our military, so it's truly a pleasure to meet those who have shattered that glass ceiling and are leading the way for other strong, brilliant women.

On Wednesday, we had a great time celebrating OU Day and visiting with students, athletes, and faculty, including Coach Brent Venables and Athletic Director Joe Castiglione. We also recognized the OU women's

gymnastics team and softball team for their outstanding 2022 seasons.

We also honored American and Oklahoma hero, retired Col. Charles "Chuck" DeBellevue, on National Vietnam War Veterans Day and the 50th anniversary of the last U.S. combat troops departing Vietnam.

A 30-year Air Force veteran, he's the last American ACE pilot on active duty, who had six confirmed aerial victories in Vietnam, making him the leading ACE of that war. He has dedicated his life to supporting his fellow veterans and young pilots.

I was also happy to welcome Dr. Jeanette Kelley, DO, of Blanchard to the Senate Wednesday, and am grateful she volunteered to serve as our Doctor of the Day.

Please feel free to contact me at Senator Jessica Garvin, State Capitol, 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd. Room 237, Oklahoma City, OK, 73105; Jessica.Garvin@ok-senate.gov; or (405) 521-5522.

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## OALP:

stretches the class in new ways," Hays said.

Travis Jones, Class XVIII member and rangeland management specialist, USDA-NRCS, looks back on his experience with OALP and remembers how fortunate he was to have been selected for this learning opportunity.

"I recently completed a master's degree in international agriculture with the intent of applying my natural resource-based knowledge in a broader global context,"

Jones said. "Maybe OALP was the catalyst, maybe it was the new connections and friendships developed; whatever the inspiration, I'm thankful for a broadened perspective. Hopefully, I will be able to impact agriculture on a global scale."

Bonjour said that while developing strong leaders is the overall goal of OALP, three specific program objectives define the program.

"First, the program is designed to help class members develop a deeper and fuller

appreciation and understanding of people," he said. "The second objective is to help potential leaders gain a better understanding of basic systems of economics and government. And, finally, the third objective is to help the class use the first two objectives to solve problems and discover opportunities for Oklahoma agriculture."

For more information about OALP or applying for Class XXI, contact Bonjour at 405-744-8134 or edmond.bonjour@okstate.edu.



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## Afternoon timers

**Timers** for last Thursday afternoon's session of the Purcell Rotary Junior High track meet included Melissa Pruitt, Allen Eubanks, Lisa Eubanks, Charlie Sherman, Michael Dillinger and Bobby Gee. Not pictured, but a timer, was Gale Wilson.



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## Doctor of the Day

**Sen. Jessica Garvin** and Dr. Jeanette Kelley of Blanchard pose with a proclamation naming Dr. Kelley as the Doctor of the Day.

From page 2A

## AG:

ties is improper for rulemaking.

Any delegation of authority to the SBE to determine facts and enact rules must also come with prescribed legislative standards to guide the agency.

The opinion also notes that any rules enacted by the Board exceeding its authority are void, cannot be placed into effect, and cannot be enforced by either the Oklahoma State Department of Education or the SBE.

As a result, the opinion concludes that reliance on the agency's general powers and duties "constitutes either an impermissible abdication of lawmaking responsibility or

an impermissible delegation of policymaking authority to the Board. Either way, it constitutes an impermissible invasion of the proper province of the Legislature secured for it by article IV, section 1 of the Oklahoma Constitution — which is something this office will not permit."

State Rep. Mark McBride requested the opinion last month. On March 20, Drummond's office sent a non-binding letter of counsel to the legislator answering his questions about the board's rulemaking authority.

A formal opinion was not initially issued because the question related to legislation that was pending at the time.



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### Opening scene

The opening scene at the recent performance of *Aladdin* featured Scheherazade (Samantha Percey) and Dinazade (Rylie Brindle).

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Happy Easter to everyone! Hope your day is a good one. **The Purcell Register** will be closed on Friday, April 7, in observance of Good Friday.

A happy birthday wish goes out to Bill Moakley.

Bill celebrates his birthday Saturday, April 8, so be sure and extend your birthday wishes to him!

A special happy birthday to Janet Woolly.

Janet celebrates her birthday Wednesday, April 12.

Happy 49th anniversary to Vickie and Bobby Foraker.

They celebrate their anniversary Wednesday, April 12.

Happy anniversary to Josh and Tess Lukens.

Happy birthday to Kimber Andrews, Kaitlyn Sheehy, Mary Hope, Ann Ewing, John McCurdy, Nicky Hail, Amy Tolle, Matthew Stanton, Chris Hurt, Janet Woolly, Gordon Richards, Mylan Fleming, Jo Moore, Brenda Lucy, Gage Mathis, Cole Swayze, Carlee Jacks, Ethan Berger, Kellar Eubank, Sharon Karth, Albert Rangel, Miguel Angel Orta, Angelica Ortiz, Marco Trejo and Gloria Shea.

The Heart of Oklahoma Kiwanis Annual Easter Egg Hunt is this Saturday, April 8, at the Purcell Lake Weaver Pavilion, 1400 Chandler Road.

Each age group will have their own hunt and prizes. Age groups include 0-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12.

The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures.

The hunt begins at 9:30 a.m. sharp.

The 2023 Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce Banquet is set for Thursday, April 13, at Southwind Hills in Goldsby. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the welcome will follow at 6:30 p.m.

For more information call the chamber office at 527-3093 or email elisabeth@theheartofok.com.

Here's a very simple five ingredient recipe that can quickly be thrown together in the crock pot for a meal the whole family will love!

### Slow-Cooker Ranch Chicken

1-1.5 lbs boneless skinless chicken breasts

8 oz. cream cheese softened and cubed

2 cans "cream of" soup like Cream of Onion or Cream of Chicken

1 packet Ranch seasoning mix

6 oz. noodles cooked

Trim your chicken breasts and lay into the slow cooker. Cover the chicken with two cans of soup and ranch seasoning mix. Place your cubed cream cheese on top.

Cover and cook on low for approximately 5 hours, stirring occasionally, and break up the chicken as it cooks.

Cook whatever noodles you like and pour them into the chicken mixture. Or keep them separate and ladle the chicken mixture over noodles.

Top with a shredded Italian cheese blend and black pepper.

## Story Telling at Pikes Peak School April 16

More stories from the Lindsay Community.

Robert Harrison will tell the Harrison Story at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 16, at the Pikes Peak School.

Community History includes everyone and there are many memories. We remember Betty Ann Harrison and her work in helping restore the Santa Fe Depot. More stories from the

Harrison Family will be shared so save the date of April 16.

Quilt Raffle Tickets are still available for the beautiful quilt made by the Piecemakers Quilting Guild. Drawing for the quilt is April 16 and the winner is not required to be present.

Follow LCHS on FACE BOOK: Lindsay Community Historical Society, Murray Lindsay Mansion, Pikes Peak School Museum.

Click on the pictures of the Story Telling of Hodie and Diane Estes, Carl Dutton Broomcorn Days and the Thelma Howell Story and listen to their stories.

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### Group outing

A group of seniors, and not so seniors, met for lunch last Saturday at Golden Corral. Then went on to spend the afternoon enjoying the sights at the Medieval Fair in Norman.

## Dibble Senior Citizens

Greetings from the Dibble Senior Citizens.

We will be having our Easter Dinner on Friday at which time we will draw the winning ticket for the king size heated blanket. There is still time to get you last minute tickets.

The menu for the week of April 10:

Monday, April 10—Chicken and dumplings.

Wednesday, April 12—Roast beef.

Friday, April 14—Ribs.

We are preparing to have a yard sale and are now taking donations of any kind. We have not set a date for the yard sale yet but will be coming soon.

We are looking for volunteer CDL drivers to help with our food recovery program. If interested and available, please stop by the center and leave your name and number.

Friday Reminders of pantry hours are as follows:

Monday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. -11:30 a.m., come in and pick up and Friday from 9-11 a.m., drive through.

All are welcome at the Dibble Senior Citizens Center located at 12314 State Hwy. 39.

**God Bless until next time.**

**Dibble Senior Citizens Crew**

## Purcell Senior Citizens

By Val Blackburn

The center garage sale is open Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. (weather permitting!!) We have new merchandise and lots to choose from. Everyone is invited.

Our center is available for 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 April 10-14:

Monday—Hamburger steak with brown gravy, baked potato, mixed vegetable, bread, fruit.

Tuesday—Chef salad, pineapple, crackers, cinnamon roll.

Wednesday—Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, corn, garlic bread, cake.

Thursday—White beans with ham, oven browned potatoes, greens, cornbread, peach crumble.

Friday—Turkey and cheese on bun, broccoli salad, peaches, cookies.

One milk per person is served with every meal.

We appreciate everyone who continues to donate and support the senior center. Your donations continue to enhance the lives of our seniors and the operation of our center.





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### Fifth graders

A section of Washington fifth graders recently completed their 10-week D.A.R.E. course under the tutelage of instructor former McClain County Sheriff Deputy Collin Cooper. Cooper is now employed by the Norman Police Department. Shirts were provided by Sheriff Landy Offolter.



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### Wayne D.A.R.E. grads

Wayne fourth graders recently completed their four-week D.A.R.E. course with instructor McClain County Sheriff Deputy Scott Gibbons. Shirts were provided by Sheriff Landy Offolter.



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### Course completed

Washington fifth graders who recently completed their 10-week D.A.R.E. course under the leadership of former McClain County Sheriff Deputy Collin Cooper. Shirts were provided by Sheriff Landy Offolter.

## McClain County Health Department hosts Pool School on April 24

The McClain County Health Department announces the upcoming Pool Operator Training, also known as “Pool School,” on April 24. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. and class will begin promptly at 1 p.m. The class will run until 4 p.m. and will take place at the McClain County Health Department in Purcell, located at 919 N 9th St. Attendees can expect to learn important information related to safe pool operations. The event is open to anyone who is a resident of McClain County and will be instructed by Victoria Hovell. As a Public Health Specialist for the Oklahoma State Department of Health, Hovell specializes in public bathing establishments. She will share information regarding pool safety, as well as, tactics for proper maintenance. “OAC 310:320-3-2 states that public bathing places shall be maintained under the supervision and direction of a properly trained operator,” said Hovell. “Pool School is being offered

at no-cost and is one way to fulfill the requirement in rule to have a properly trained pool operator. This class will be held at the McClain County Health Department and will provide pool operators with knowledge and skills related to pool operations. Anyone responsible for the maintenance and safety of a pool is welcome to attend this class.” Attendees are encouraged to pre-register for Pool School by contacting the McClain County Health Department at the Purcell office at 405-527-6541 or at the Blanchard office at 405-485-3319. Class participation is free for all attendees. For those unable to attend the April Pool School, a list of pool operator trainings offered at other county health departments is available online Oklahoma.gov. Search for Pool Operator Classes. The McClain County Health Department team is dedicated to protecting and promoting community health by serving residents, organizations

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Cereal or oatmeal chocolate chip bar, pineapple tidbits, fruit juice, milk.  
**LUNCH**  
Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, steamed broccoli, peaches, hot roll, milk.  
**TUESDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Cereal or ham and egg with biscuit, peaches, fruit juice, milk.  
**LUNCH**  
Mexican burrito, pinto beans, Spanish rice, pears, milk.  
**WEDNESDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Cereal or mini cinnis, mixed fruit, fruit juice, milk.  
**LUNCH**  
Grilled cheese sandwich, blackeyed peas, steamed carrots, strawberries, milk.  
**THURSDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Cereal or sausage and egg with toast and jelly, raisins, fruit juice, milk.  
**LUNCH**  
Tostado, lettuce and tomatoes, whole kernel corn, salsa, spiced apples, milk.  
**FRIDAY**  
No School.
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**Week of April 10**  
**MONDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Pancakes with syrup or cereal and toast, applesauce, juice, milk.  
**LUNCH**  
Cheeseburger mac, breadstick, green beans, romaine salad, peaches, milk.  
**TUESDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Breakfast burrito or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.  
**LUNCH**  
Frito chili pie, chili beans, baby carrots, apple, milk.  
**WEDNESDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Biscuit and sausage gravy or cereal and toast, peaches, juice, milk.  
**LUNCH**  
Ham and cheese pocket, french fries, baby carrots, fruit, milk.  
**THURSDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Pancake on a stick and yogurt or cereal and toast, apple, juice, milk.  
**LUNCH**  
Breaded chicken sandwich, french fries, cucumber slices, peaches, milk.  
**FRIDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Toast and sausage patty or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.  
**LUNCH**  
Personal cheese pizza, baby carrots, romaine salad, apple-sauce, milk.



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### Lead role


Ledger Gray of Purcell played the lead role in the play Pinocchio performed last weekend at the Artworks Academy of Performing Arts in Norman. Ledger is the son of Mitchell and Taylor Gray. In attendance at the play were Ledger’s great-grandparents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins.



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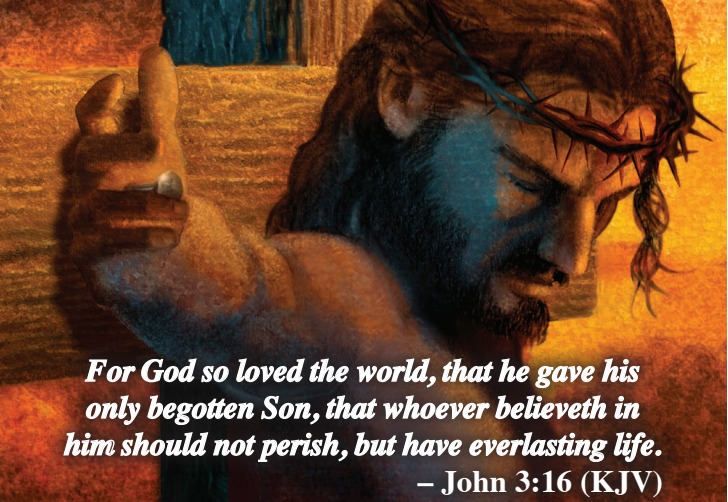


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**Week of April 10**  
**MONDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit,  
juice, milk.

**LUNCH**  
Quesadilla, pinto beans,  
chips, cheese sauce, grapes,  
milk.

**TUESDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

**LUNCH**  
Chicken strips, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans,  
fruit, milk.

**WEDNESDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Sausage on a biscuit, cereal,  
fruit, juice, milk.

**LUNCH**  
McRib, french fries, lettuce,  
tomato, pickles, pork and  
beans, peaches, milk.

**THURSDAY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

**LUNCH**  
Pizza pocket, corn, broccoli,  
rice crispy treats, milk.

**FRIDAY**  
No School.

# Oklahomans encouraged to get active in April

Shape Your Future, a program of the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET), encourages Oklahomans to participate in the nationally recognized Move More Month by getting physically active with friends and family.

“Spring is the perfect season to get active outdoors,” said Julie Bisbee, executive director of TSET. “Research shows physically active kids are more likely to become healthy adults.

Now is a great time for adults to take advantage of new opportunities to get moving and influence younger generations.”

National Move More Month was created by the American Heart Association to encourage Americans to increase their physical activity and to do so on a more regular basis.

Physical activity improves brain health, strengthens muscles, including the heart, and significantly reduces the risk for obesity and chronic diseases

such as diabetes.

For families looking to get active together, evening walks are a free, cheap and fun way to get moving.

Families can try Shape Your Future’s download for games to play during a walk. Oklahomans can also check out the fun spring scavenger hunt. Other activities and exercise recommendations are available at ShapeYourFutureOK.com.

Those who are short on time can still work quick and easy exercises into their existing schedules. Moving more during the workday can be as simple as doing calf raises or leg lifts at the desk or taking a walk during meetings.

At home, Oklahomans can follow along with Shape Your Future’s fun and helpful exercise videos.

Oklahomans can visit ShapeYourFutureOK.com for more ideas on how to get active during Move More Month.

## Red carpet out for First American films

A wide array of First American films and filmmakers were celebrated during the 2023 Holba’ Pisachi’ “Showing Pictures” Native Film Festival, March 11 at the Chickasaw Cultural Center.

Chickasaw Nation Productions’ “Montford: The Chickasaw Rancher” was the headlining film. While the movie has been playing on Netflix since November 2021, this was the

first film festival screening, and several cast and crew members attended.

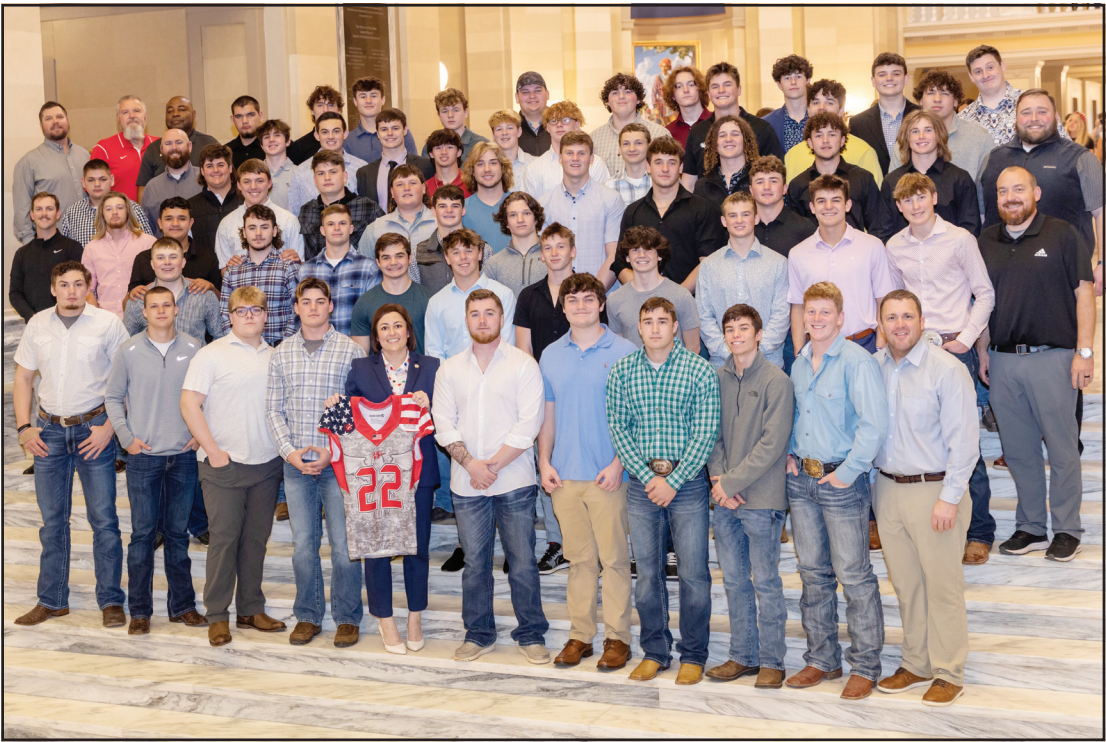
It was cast member Tatanka Means’ (Oglala Lakota, Omaha, Navajo) first time to see the finished film. He plays Rising Wolf in the film, which is based on the life of Chickasaw rancher Montford Johnson.

“I am very pleased and happy the way the film was put together,” Means said. “It is beyond my expectations. I knew it was going to be good, but it turned out better than I could have hoped.”

Means said he was not aware of some of the difficulties First Americans in Indian Territory faced until he worked on the film. His character, a Cheyenne, faces tremendous hardships, including imprisonment, which are based on historical accounts.

“That wasn’t something that I knew about. That’s what I love about doing new films. It’s always educational to me,” he said. “Now, it is something I hold dearly and share with other people. It is amazing the strength they had and resilience and bravery it took to

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### State Champions

**Sen. Jessica Garvin** welcomed the Washington High School 2A State Champion football team to the State Capitol.



• Photo provided

### Leadership Mid-America class at the Capitol

**The Leadership** Mid-America class, which is made up of leaders and business professionals from Garvin, McClain and Cleveland counties, was welcomed to the Capitol by Sen. Jessica Garvin. In its 26th year, this regional leadership program identifies and develops leaders in the communities served by the Mid-America Technology Center.



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### D.A.R.E.

**Former McClain County Sheriff Deputy Collin Cooper** with a section of Washington fifth graders that completed their 10-week D.A.R.E. program. Cooper is now with the Norman Police Department. Shirts were provided by Sheriff Landy Offolter.



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### Saying ‘No’ to drugs

**Fifth graders** at Washington with their D.A.R.E. instructor Collin Cooper after completing their 10-week course. Shirts were provided by Sheriff Landy Offolter.

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**Good Friday Service**  
Friday, April 7th at 7:00 PM

**Annual Easter Egg Hunt**  
Saturday, April 8th at 10:30 AM  
Hunts for 4 age groups: 0-3, 4-6, 7-9 & 10-12 years old.  
Prizes for each category. Donuts and drinks for children.

**Easter Services**  
Saturday, April 8th at 6:00 PM  
Sunday, April 9th at 8:15 AM, 9:45 AM & 11:15 AM

## MEET OUR McCLAIN COUNTY DEPUTIES

### Beau Ogden

**How long have you been in law enforcement?**  
4 years.

**What made you interested in becoming a deputy?**  
To serve my community.

**Where is your home town?**  
Newcastle, OK

**Family?** Girlfriend.

**What is the most rewarding part of your job?**  
Being someone positive when they truly need it.

**What is the most challenging part of your job?**  
Calls involving children.

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Film discussion

“**Montford: The Chickasaw Rancher**” cast members Tatanka Means left, and James Landry Hébert discuss the film with Chickasaw Nation Content Producer Jeannie Barbour at the Holba’ Pisachi’ Native Film Festival, March 11 at the Chickasaw Cultural Center. Cast member Martin Sensmeier participated in the panel discussion by Zoom.

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Films:

keep going, to stay alive for their family, for the people and to continue on. It is really inspiring.”

Means said it is vital for First Americans to continue to share their story.

“It’s important for us to tell our own stories because we control the narrative. If it was somebody else telling our story or trying to sculpt it in a different way, this is more truthful and real, and it comes from the people, by the people,” he said.

Traveling from London to attend the film festival, Means said First American film festivals serve an important role in sharing the stories of First Americans.

“This is where we get to highlight and celebrate Indigenous filmmakers who are making and creating film all throughout the year. We need this platform to share with the world.”

Means’ most recent film, “Killers of the Flower Moon,” directed by Martin Scorsese and filmed in Oklahoma, is set to be released this year. Means is also cast in Kevin Costner’s

new epic western saga, “Horizon.” He also appeared in “Reservation Dogs,” another Oklahoma-based project.

Additional “Montford” cast members James Landry Hébert, Caleb Martin and Rebeckah Boykin attended the film festival, along with content producer Jeannie Barbour (Chickasaw), who led a panel discussion with Means and Hébert. Martin Sensmeier participated by Zoom.

Chickasaw citizen and Ardmore resident Sue Simmons traveled to the film festival to experience the films at the newly renovated Anoli Theater, including “Montford” and the documentary “Montford Johnson: An Original Brand.”

“The Montford film is really good. It shows early hardships and why family is so important,” Simmons said. “I learn a lot seeing these movies. They portray lots of history I am not aware of. I also like that it shows that if you are Native American, you’re not just Chickasaw. You’re a brother to the Cheyenne, and all the other tribes. I am glad the movie brings that

out,” she said.

Several feature films and documentaries included a question- and-answer session, including “The Wind and the Reckoning,” with acclaimed screenwriter John Fusco and

“The Journey of Tiak Hikiya Ohoyo,” with Choctaw filmmaker Mark Williams.

For more information about the Chickasaw Cultural Center, visit ChickasawCulturalCenter.com or call (580) 622-7130.



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Posing on the red carpet

**Choctaw filmmaker** Mark Williams, Bennington, Okla., pauses for a red-carpet photo with Jamie Greenwood at the 2023 Holba’ Pisachi’ (“Showing Pictures”) Native Film Festival, March 11 at the Chickasaw Cultural Center. Williams’ film “The Journey of Tiak Hikiya Ohoyo” was screened at the festival.

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The “Voices from the Drum” exhibit at First Americans Museum is designed to teach about community and spirituality in the Osage Nation.

It might look like a typical art exhibition, but to some Native Americans it means much more than using the drum as a canvas.

“Looking at that drum with a certain degree of respect. I had to really begin to kind of start, to kind of think through, you know, what I was wanting to paint,” said Norman Akers, an Osage artist.

The exhibit encapsulates what the drum means to the tribe, Akers said.

“As I was thinking about this notion of how the drum brings us together as Osage people. And you know we gather in the summer. Then we dance at Gray Horse, we move to Hominy then we move to Pawhuska,” Akers said.

For the Osage Nation, the

drum unites people and invites spirituality.

“The drum is a humongous expression...it’s an instrument to praise God. it’s an instrument to worship God,” said Rock Pipestem, an Osage drum maker.

The drum is a reflection of the beliefs of the artists and drum maker and a reflection of the natural world, Pipestem said.

“It reflects the eagles, all the elks, all the animals of the Earth. It reflects all of that. And it brings in God’s spirit,” Pipestem said.

To members of the Osage Nation, the drum is not just an instrument, it is not just the basis of an art exhibition.

But, rather, it is life, Pipestem said.

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No. 296-April 6-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
AIR PRODUCTS SUPPLY CO.,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
GEOTHERMAL ENERGY DISTRIBUTION CO, INC. and DAVID WAYNE, individually,  
Defendants.

Case No. CJ-2023-12  
SUMMONS  
TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT: DAVID WAYNE

You have been sued by the above-named Plaintiff, and you are directed to file a written Answer to the attached Petition in the office of the court clerk of McClain County, located at the McClain County Courthouse, 121 N. 2nd Street, Suite 231, Purcell, Oklahoma 73080 within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons upon, exclusive of the day of service. Within the same time, a copy of your Answer must be delivered or mailed to the attorney for Plaintiff.

Failure to respond to the Petition within the time directed will result

in a default judgment against you for the relief demanded in the Petition, together with the costs of the action.

Issued on January 13th, 2023.  
KRISTEL GRAY,  
COURT CLERK  
By: /s/ Karen Weltmer  
Deputy Court Clerk  
(Seal)

Christopher C. Lind, OBA #31402  
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No. 289-April 6-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
In Re the Matter of the Adoption of a minor child, Jeremiah Elijah Gomez

Case No. FA-2023-4  
ORDER and NOTICE  
OF HEARING TO ADOPT  
WITHOUT CONSENT

The State of Oklahoma to:  
Brooklyn Renee Phillips

You are notified that Nichole Marie Mowry and Justin Dewayne Mowry filed a petition before the above-named Court, praying that they be allowed to adopt the minor named in the caption hereof without your consent, and for adoption.

Take notice that the Application to determine your consent not necessary for the completion of this adoption is on file with the Clerk of this Court; that a copy of the Application is attached hereto, and that, among other things, it is alleged in the Application that:

The birth mother has, for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months out of the last fourteen (14) months immediately preceding the filing of this Petition for Adoption, willfully failed, refused, or neglected to provide any support for the minor in accordance with her means and ability. 10 O.S. § 7505-4.2(B)(1) and, therefore, her consent to the adoption is not necessary, and that petitioners are proper parties to adopt.

A hearing on the Application to determine whether your consent to the adoption is necessary is set for 1:30 p.m., on the 31st day of May, 2023, in the McClain Courthouse, 121 N. 2nd Street, in the City of

Purcell, State of Oklahoma, before The Honorable Charles Gray.

YOU ARE, THEREFORE, NOTIFIED THAT THE COURT WILL HEAR EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF AND IN OPPOSITION TO THE GRANTING OF THE APPLICATION AT THE TIME AND PLACE ABOVE SHOWN WHERE YOU WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE PRESENT AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD AT SAID TIME AND PLACE INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO OBJECT TO THE ADOPTION OF YOUR CHILD. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING SHALL CONSTITUTE A DENIAL OF YOUR INTEREST IN YOUR CHILD WHICH DENIAL MAY RESULT, WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE OF THIS PROCEEDING OR ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS, IN YOUR CHILD'S ADOPTION WITHOUT YOUR CONSENT THEREBY ULTIMATELY TERMINATING YOUR RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA.

Dated this 30th day of March, 2023.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT

Approved:  
Suzanne Woodrow Snell, OBA #14602

Piper Norvell, OBA #32089  
Woodrow Snell Law Office  
309 West Main  
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080  
Telephone (405) 527-5012  
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Attorney for Petitioners

No. 294-April 6-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NANCY LYNNE MITCHELL, Deceased.

Case No. PB-23-30  
COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT AND PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

To: All persons interest in the Estate of Nancy Lynne Mitchell, Deceased

You are hereby notified that on the 3rd day of April, 2023, the Petitioner, Kimberly Frederickson, filed in the District Court of McClain County a Petition for Summary Administration and Appointment of Special Administrator.

The Petitioner has alleged that Nancy Lynne Mitchell, Deceased, 625 N. 4th, Purcell, OK, 73080, died intestate on November 20, 2015, domiciled in and residing in McClain County, Oklahoma. Petitioner has asked this Court for summary proceedings pursuant to 58 O.S. 245, et seq.

The names, addresses of the administrator and heirs at law of Decedent at the time of her death, so far as known to the Petitioner are:

Kimberly Frederickson, c/o James B. Blevins, Jr., 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565, Purcell, OK 73080

The value of the Estate of Decedent is less than \$200,000.00.

In an Order for Combined Notice entered on the 3rd day of April, 2023, 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 and Appointment of Special Administrator, the final accounting, and petition for determination of heirs, devisees and legatees, and distribution.

Pursuant to the Order for Combined Notice, all creditors having claims against Nancy Lynne Mitchell, Deceased, are required to present the same with a descrip-

tion of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to Kimberly Frederickson, Special Administrator, at the law offices of Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC, 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565, Purcell, OK 73080, addressed to James B. Blevins, Jr., attorney for the Special Administrator, on or before the following presentment date: May 4, 2023 or the same will be forever barred.

Notice is also hereby given that a hearing will be held on June 1, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. at the McClain County Courthouse, in Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, before Judge Charles Gray. At the hearing the Court will decide whether to approve the Petition for Summary Administration and petition for determination of heirs and distribution of property of the Decedent. The final account and petition for determination of heirs, devisees and legatees and distribution will be filed herein on or before the 11th day of May, 2023.

You are hereby advised that you must file objections to the Petition for Summary Administration and the final account and petition for determination of heirs and distribution at any time before the date of the final hearing and send a copy to the Petitioner in care of her attorney, James B. Blevins, Jr., 138 W Main/P.O. Box 1565, Purcell, OK 73080, 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 with the Court.

If an objection is filed before the final hearing, the Court will determine at the hearing whether summary proceedings are appropriate and, if so, whether the estate will be distributed and to whom the estate will be distributed.

/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.  
James B. Blevins, Jr.,  
OBA #881  
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731  
Blevins & Associates  
Law, PLLC  
138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565  
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080  
Phone: 405-527-7575  
Fax: 405-527-7574  
Attorney for Petitioner

No. 299-April 6-1 Time  
ORDINANCE NO. 23-05  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PURCELL AMENDING CHAPTER 70 BY AMENDING CHAPTER 70 (OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS), SECTION 70-73 (FIREWORKS); BY AMENDING SUBSECTION H. TO INCREASE THE PERMIT COST TO INCLUDE A REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT TO PROMOTE TIMELY AND ACCURATE PAYMENT OF CITY SALES TAX; REPEALING ALL OTHER CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PURCELL, OKLAHOMA:

Chapter 70, Section 70-73, Subsection H. is amended and shall hereafter read in their entirety as follows:

Section 1: Amendment.  
Section 70-73, Subsection H.:  
H. All distributors and sellers of fireworks within the Purcell city limits must obtain a city sales permit in the amount of \$750.00 from the Code Enforcement office prior to June 15 of the current year. The permit fee includes a \$250.00 refundable deposit that shall be refunded to the permit holder upon presentation of timely and accurate sales tax proceeds to the City Clerk as required by taxation provisions in Chapter 98 contained herein.

Section 2: Severability.  
If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of these Ordinances are, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of these Ordinances.

Section 3: Repealer.  
All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4: Emergency.  
It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City of Purcell, Oklahoma, an emergency is hereby deemed to exist by reason whereof this Ordinance shall take effect, and be in full force and effect immediately from and after its publication.

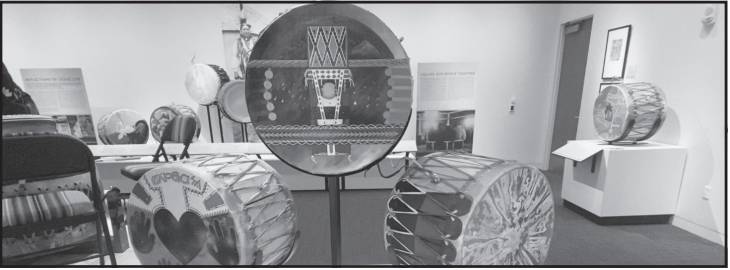
ADOPTED AND PASSED by the Council of the City of Purcell, Oklahoma, on the 3rd day of April 2023.

SIGNED by the Mayor of the City of Purcell on the 3rd day of April 2023.

/s/ Graham Fishburn  
Graham Fishburn, Mayor

ATTEST:  
/s/ Andrea Millsap  
Andrea Millsap, City Clerk  
Approved as to form this 3rd day of April 2023.

/s/ Greg Dixon  
Greg Dixon, City Attorney  
(Seal)



• Gaylord News/Jay Toyebo

**Norman Akers**, Osage Artist, at the Grand Opening of the exhibit “Drums at the Voices” from the Drum Exhibit at the First Americans Museum.



# Obituaries

## Edna Fern Birdsong

Funeral Services for Edna Fern Birdsong, 88, of Purcell were held Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at the New Mission Holiness Church near Purcell. Interment was at Hillside Cemetery in Purcell under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.



Mrs. Birdsong passed away Sunday, April 2, 2023, due to complications from a concussion.

She was born September 27, 1934 at her grandmother's home, who she was named after, near Woody Chapel, Purcell, Oklahoma.

With the exception of a three-year period in Jay, Florida, her address remained Route 2 Purcell her whole life. She was born into a Pastor's home, and began playing the piano and the accordion for church services at a young age.

Fern met the man who captured her heart, G.W. Birdsong in July of 1948, when she was only 13 years old. This was at an outdoor camp meeting in Blanchard where he was preaching. Three years later on October 5, 1950 they were married. Together they raised three children, Junior, Lendell and Gayla, and enjoyed 65 years of marriage.

Fern immediately joined the Birdsong brothers in ministry, and The Birdsong Trio began. Together, they served several churches, and were fortunate to travel to all 50 states and to numerous foreign countries, taking the Gospel to many people, and touching many people across the world. She was a woman of great faith and leaves a tremendous legacy for all who knew her. She will be dearly missed!

She was preceded in death by her son, Junior Birdsong; her husband, G.W. Birdsong; her parents, Dovie and Lola George and her brother, Purman George

She is survived by her son, Lendell and wife, Cyndi, of Norman, Okla.; daughter, Gayla Lovell and husband, Roger, of Sapulpa, Okla.; daughter-in-law Sandy Birdsong; six grandchildren, Georgetta Lovell Tinnin of Oklahoma City, Catrina Lovell of Sapulpa, Okla., Cassandra Birdsong Bosch and husband, Chancey, of Broken Arrow, Okla., Valerie Birdsong Isaacs and husband, Jamie, of Broken Arrow, Tamara Birdsong Brock and husband, Jon, of Kellyville, Okla., and Devin Birdsong and wife, Hannah, of Purcell, Oklahoma; and she was a proud great-grandmother of fifteen great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren and two nephews, Michael George and Randy George.

Online condolences may be made at [www.wilsonlittle.com](http://www.wilsonlittle.com).

**Wilson-Little Funeral Home • 127 S. Canadian • Purcell • 527-6543**

## Landon Jay Caldwell

Landon Jay Caldwell died March 28, 2023, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma at the age 24 years 10 months 27 days. Funeral Services were held Saturday, April 1, 2023, at Wadley's Funeral Chapel. Interment followed at Washington Cemetery, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service. Online condolences may be made, and service livestreamed at [www.wadleysfuneralservice.com](http://www.wadleysfuneralservice.com).

Landon was born May 1, 1998, in Norman, Oklahoma, to Jackie Jean Caldwell and Kayla Michelle Davis.

He was raised and attended school in Maysville and Yukon. Landon worked as a heavy equipment operator. In 2017 he married Sarah Lucas and together they had baby Keegan Joe Caldwell. Landon enjoyed fishing, hunting, golfing, riding 4 wheelers, going to the lake, and anything involving the outdoors. He enjoyed working, taking care of his lawn, and spending time with his family, especially his son.

Landon is preceded in death by his brother, RJ Hellams; and his paternal grandfather, Jackie Caldwell.

Survivors include his mother, Kayla Davis of Lexington; his father, Jackie Caldwell and wife, Danya, of Purcell; his son, Keegan Caldwell and his mother, Sarah Lucas of Mustang; his brother, Blayden Davis of Blanchard; his sister, Rylie Caldwell of Purcell; his maternal grandparents, David and Anita Davis of Washington; his paternal grandparents, Letha and Allen Linville; his aunts and uncles, David Davis Jr. of California, Jason Caldwell of California, and Tasha Williams of Kansas; and numerous other relatives and friends.

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

## Eunice Lee

Funeral Services for Eunice Lee, 82, of Alex, Okla. will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 6, 2023 at the Hawkins Freewill Baptist Church. Interment will be at the Hale Cemetery under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mrs. Lee entered Heaven on April 2, 2023. She was born in Dibble, Oklahoma, on December 30, 1940, to Alvis and Naomi Meek. She was the oldest of three children.

Eunice graduated from Dibble High School in 1958 and moved to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, upon graduation to attend Draughon Business School.

Eunice married her soulmate, Bruce Lee, on September 30, 1960, in Tabler, Okla., who also graduated from Dibble High School in 1956. She and Bruce moved to the farm in the Dibble/Alex area in 1968 where they operated a dairy farm.

Eunice was a prayer warrior and true servant of God. She raised her family in the Hawkins Freewill Baptist Church. She epitomized the true definition of her maiden name "Meek." She always thought of everyone else above herself. She was the best Mother to her four children and wife to Bruce.

After the tragic loss of Bruce's brother in an auto accident, he and Eunice along with his sister, Shay, accepted guardianship of his nephew Brian Lee who currently still lives next door to Eunice.

Eunice leaves behind four daughters, Dana Reed and husband, Ricky, of Dibble, Brenda Hall and husband, Greg, of Norman, Marla Peck and husband, Jeff, of Minco, and Nichole Funk of Norman; Brian Lee, nephew of Alex, and Roger Funk, son-in-law of Alex.

Eunice was a loving Grandmother to Brianna Harris and husband, Joshua, of Reno, Nevada, Ransom Reed and wife, Evan, of Norman, Sarah Masterson and husband, Blake, of Oklahoma City, Tori Garner and husband, Jeremiah, of Dibble, Aaron Grigg and wife, Morgan, of Broken Arrow, Morgan Funk and Mercedes Funk of Norman; and great-grandchildren, Emery, Bentley, Bryson, Braylyn, Rynne, Reed and Harper.

Eunice was preceded in death by her husband, Bruce; parents, Alvis and Naomi Meek, and granddaughter Kristin Rogers. Eunice also leaves behind many beloved nieces, nephews and friends.

Online condolences may be made at [www.wilsonlittle.com](http://www.wilsonlittle.com).

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## Wrenley LeeAnn West

Wrenley LeeAnn West, the infant daughter of Alize Bird and Kylor West, was born into heaven on March 28, 2023, in Norman, Oklahoma. Services were held Friday, March 31, 2023, at Wadley's Funeral Chapel. Interment followed at the Noble IOOF Cemetery, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service. Online condolences may be made, and service livestreamed at [www.wadleysfuneralservice.com](http://www.wadleysfuneralservice.com).

Wrenley was preceded in death by her paternal great-grandfather, Mark Pace.

Survivors include her parents, Alize Bird and Kylor West of Noble; her maternal grandparents, Nichole Nichols of Noble and Larry "Chief" Bird of Midwest City; her paternal grandparents, Tricia and Patrick Pace of Noble; her maternal great-grandparents, Richard and Brenda Shadden of Wagoner, Linda Campbell of Dewar and Larry Bird Sr. of Okmulgee; her paternal great-grandparents, Brenda and Robert West of Noble and Tammy Nunn of Noble; her great-great grandparents, Billie Hughes of Achillie and Martha Bullock; her aunts and uncles, Harley and Briar Henry of Durant, Neavah Nichols of Noble, Aryiah Bird of Midwest City, Amyah Bird of Midwest City, Deven Bird of Noble, Kloe Bingham of Noble, Andrew Pace and partner, Brandy Stafford, of Noble, Destany Pace of Norman, Skyler Pace of Oklahoma City, Shelby Pace of Oklahoma City, Zariah Pace of Norman and many other relatives.

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## Emma Stone

Funeral Services for Emma Stone, 88, of Oklahoma City were held Friday, March 31, 2023 at Southern Hills Baptist Church in Oklahoma City. Interment was at the Washington Cemetery under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.



Mrs. Stone went home to be with her Lord Tuesday, March 28, 2023.

Emma Faye Cunningham was born March 13, 1935 in Wayne, Okla., the baby of four children born to Roy Allen Cunningham Sr and Lillie Mae (Ballard) Cunningham. She was raised primarily in Wayne, graduating with the Bulldog Class of 1954.

By chance, she met a young man from Purcell named Curtis Amber Stone. He was working at the meat counter in the grocery store when he noticed her, and the rest as they say is history. Emma married Curtis on June 4, 1956 in Washington. Together they raised two sons, twins Robert and Ronald.

Emma worked a variety of jobs throughout the years, mainly clerical and office. They lived in Moore for 30 years, and while there attended Regency Park Baptist Church. In 1989, they moved to Newcastle and served at Woodland Hills Baptist Church. Now retired, they settled in Port Aransas, Texas, to be closer to her sister, Mildred. At this time, Emma worked for the Chamber of Commerce, while Curtis worked for Bilmore's Hardware, and they both greatly enjoyed their work. They loved living by the ocean and taking long walks together on the beach, collecting sea shells.

By 2005, they settled back in Oklahoma City to be closer to their sons and began attending Southern Hills Baptist Church. When they could, Curtis and Emma Faye traveled to Disneyland and Disneyworld, and made the trip a total of 29 times.

She was a woman of great faith; a gifted singer and she loved singing the old gospel hymns. She was an avid collector and enjoyed working puzzles, both crossword and jigsaw. Emma was a wonderful mother and grandmother, a special aunt and friend. She will be dearly missed!

She was preceded in death by her husband, Curtis Amber Stone; her parents, Roy Sr and Lillie Mae Cunningham; two sisters, Jewel Andrews and Mildred Gray and her brother, Roy Allen Cunningham Jr.

Emma is survived by her boys, Robert Stone and wife, Brenda, of Oklahoma City and Ronald Stone and wife, Diana, of Norman; five grandchildren, Jared Stone and wife, Julia, of Blanchard, Drew Stone of Oklahoma City, Deann Stone of Oklahoma City, Dru Watkins of Moore and Chase Watkins of Norman; two great-granddaughters, Autumn and Sadie; several nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews and a host of other family and friends.

Online condolences may be made at [www.wilsonlittle.com](http://www.wilsonlittle.com).

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# Courthouse News

The following persons have been charged by the State of Oklahoma with traffic or other violations or have filed other court actions in McClain County District Court between March 23-29, 2023.

### Traffic

Angel M. Sleeper, TOC alcoholic beverage.  
Zachary S. Kitchen, no insurance.  
Sergio Villarreal Martinez, no valid driver's license.  
Ronnie J. Garner, no insurance.  
Andrin D. S. Brown, DUS.  
Andrin D. S. Brown, crossing center strip.  
Andrin D. S. Brown, no insurance.  
Reford L. Ticer, no insurance.  
Joshua W. McElroy, no valid driver's license.  
Joshua W. McElroy, no insurance.  
Pham Thai, taxes due state.  
Ryan G. Selbe, no seatbelt.  
Mark E. Hurt, overweight on interstate (bridge formula).  
Kirk J. Jackson, operate vehicle with defective lamps (other than headlamps).  
Aaron R. Morales, overweight - 700 to 2000.  
Morgan E. Cline, speeding, 80/70.  
Carlos A. Vicente Gonzalez, operator not reasonable and proper.  
Corrin P. Reeves, operator not reasonable and proper.  
Robert G. Parker, fail to devote full attention resulting in collision.

### Misdemeanors

Sonny L. Harmon, possession of CDS - methamphetamine and oxycodone.  
Filippo M. Nanne, trespass after being forbidden.  
Filippo M. Nanne, trespassing after being forbidden.

### Felonies

Theresha Abram, burglary, third degree.  
Jacob L. Kimbrell, domestic assault and battery in presence of minor.  
**Small Claims**  
Ronda De Los Angeles vs. Isaiah C. Thaggard, small claims over \$5000.  
Lavon E. Shelton vs. Mark A./Angelic Williams, small claims under \$5000.  
**Civil**  
Arvest Bank vs. Melissa A. Cove, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Raelleigh Brum, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Midland Credit Management vs. Dominique Bailey, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Midland Credit Management vs. Hien Simpson, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Air Products Supply Co. vs. My Mr Fixit Mechanical Contractor, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Wakefield & Associates Inc. vs. Jeffrey Stuart, civil action \$10,000 or less.

LVNV Funding LLC vs. Janis R. Covington, civil action \$10,000 or less.

LVNV Funding LLC vs. Shawn Sullivan, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Jefferson Capital Systems LLC vs. Charles Burton, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Jefferson Capital Systems LLC vs. Anthony Moomey, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Mikel S. McElhaney vs. Dalton Vollmer, civil action \$10,000 or more.

Servis One Inc. DB ABSI Financial Svcs vs. Christian Vaverka, civil action \$10,000 or more.

Cody Kelley vs. Brock K. Milam, civil action \$10,000 or more.

State of OK (Ex Rel) Tax Comm vs. Parker Cabinet and Trim Inc, civil action \$10,000 or more.

### Marriages Filed

Florencio T. Samson, 66, and Evelyn D. R. Samson, 52, both of Newcastle.

Brandon L. K. Milam, 33, and Prairie L. Brower, 30, both of Wayne.

Dustin E. Colbert, 37, and Roni L. Cunningham, 29, both of Blanchard.

Louis Rogers, 57, of Lexington and Ebony M. Williams, 45, of Oklahoma City.

Justin L. Powell, 38, of Lexington and Tamara Brown, 51, of Lawton.

Chaz A. Wooten, 39, and Janine M. Selman, 32, both of Newcastle.

### Divorces Granted

Kristen N. Selsor vs. Chad C. Selsor.

Sophia James vs. Adam James.

Hope C. E. Boatman vs. Jacob E. Boatman.

Lisa A. Breckenridge vs. William W. Breckenridge.

## Delbert Dean Henderson

Delbert Dean Henderson died March 28, 2023, in Lexington, Oklahoma at the age of 57 years 2 months 3 days. Funeral services were held Monday, April 3, 2023, at the Wadley's Funeral Chapel. Interment followed at Lexington Cemetery, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service. Online condolences may be made, and service livestreamed at [www.wadleysfuneralservice.com](http://www.wadleysfuneralservice.com).

Delbert was born January 25, 1966, in Cushing, Oklahoma, to William (Bill) and Mary Marie (Pruitt) Henderson. He was raised and attended school in Lexington, Oklahoma. Delbert was baptized into the General Assembly and Church of the First Born on December 15, 1985, by brother Randy Foote.

He and Tennessee Cristine Skinner were united in marriage on March 7, 1986, and were married for 16 years before Tennessee passed in 2002.

Delbert worked in the water department for many years for the City of Lexington and retired early to start his dream of owning his own tractor company. In 2020, Delbert and his son, Derick, opened Henderson and Sons Tractor Works, LLC. Delbert enjoyed dirt work and stump grinding and was a master at operating a tractor.

He married Tracy Rodgers on November 22, 2022. Delbert enjoyed fishing, hunting, bird watching and photography. He also enjoyed a good cup of Cain's instant coffee or instant sweet tea. Delbert loved animals, and taking care of the neighbor's dogs that would wander up, but above all he loved his family and spent time with them whenever he could.

Delbert was preceded in death by his parents, William (Bill) and Mary Marie (Pruitt) Henderson; his wife, Tennessee Henderson; his son, Delbert Dean Henderson, Jr.; his sisters, Kay Cearley, Judy Hayles and Vergie Henderson; his brother, Michael Henderson; his nephews, Ricky Bear, Clinton Reeves and Dallas Skinner; his uncle, Jerry Pruitt; and his great-niece, Ruth Smith.

Survivors include his wife, Tracy Henderson of Lexington; his daughter, Crystal Henderson of Noble; his son, Derick Henderson and wife, Megan, of Lexington; his daughter, Deana French and husband, Danny, of Noble; his daughter, Amanda Rains and husband, Robert, of Lexington; his son, Joshua Henderson of Lexington; his daughter, Skye McCleary of Lexington; his granddaughter, Memphis Mae Henderson; his brothers, William Henderson and Joe Henderson; his nieces and nephews, Jason Henderson and wife, Erin, Kaylyn Moody and husband, Alvin, Ashley Henderson, Little Joe Henderson, Starla Henderson, Heather Henderson, Jeff Cearley and wife, Nancy, Janice Skinner, Christina Skinner and husband, Abe, CJ Jaquez and wife, Sheri, Jennie Bramlage, Rocky Hayles and Keith Hayles and wife, Cher; his great-nieces and nephews, Nick Cearley, Lonnie Skinner, Twilla Ward and husband, Tanner, Matt Skinner and wife, Renee, and their two children, Carolyn Smith and husband, Tyler, Dallisha Gray and husband, Tyrel, Shawn Skinner, Mercedes Bramlage, Destiny Hayles, Lee Hayles, Dalton Hayles, Jake Hayles, Charity Wittman and husband, Mykel, Brittany Welch and husband, Dalton, and their sons, Rifle and Atreyu, AJ Skinner and Ricky Lee Bear and many other relatives and friends.

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# Wiley creates ‘Dancing Canvas’ with fluid art

Dancer Kate Wiley translates her love for dancing into swaying wisps on fluid art pieces. Working with air and acrylics, no paintbrushes at all, the Chickasaw citizen creates gorgeous, vibrant designs with meaning and inspiration behind them.

Her work will be displayed and available for purchase at the 2023 Artesian Arts Festival, April 22, at the Artesian Plaza in Sulphur.

Fluid art is created by laying a base coat of paint onto a canvas, then pouring liquid acrylics onto it in a design or pattern before blowing and fanning them out with forced air. The paintings cure for about a month, then are finished with resin, which gives them a glossy topcoat.

Wiley’s abstract art collection was on exhibit at the Chickasaw Cultural Center in Sulphur from October to December 2022.

It is currently at the ARTesian Gallery and Studios, also in Sulphur.

“This is my part-time profession now. I did work for the Chickasaw Nation at the Purcell Area Office for a time, but after my third child was born, I decided to stay home with him,” she said.

Wiley was not a painter at this time, but she has been a dancer since her youth, doing ballet, modern, Argentine tango and, most recently, belly dancing.

“Belly dancing is my all-time favorite. It is such a celebration of femininity,” she continued. “We use these veils and fans to create beautiful movements, which now

inspire my art.”

She began painting in 2020 when she told her husband, Adam, that she was curious about fluid art, which she discovered online.

“He told me I should try it, but I thought, ‘Oh, maybe in a couple of years when I have time.’ But then two weeks later he came home with bags of paint and canvases and told me to go for it, and I’m glad I did,” she said.

Self-taught, Wiley spent hours researching fluid art online, using trial and error to find the style she has today.

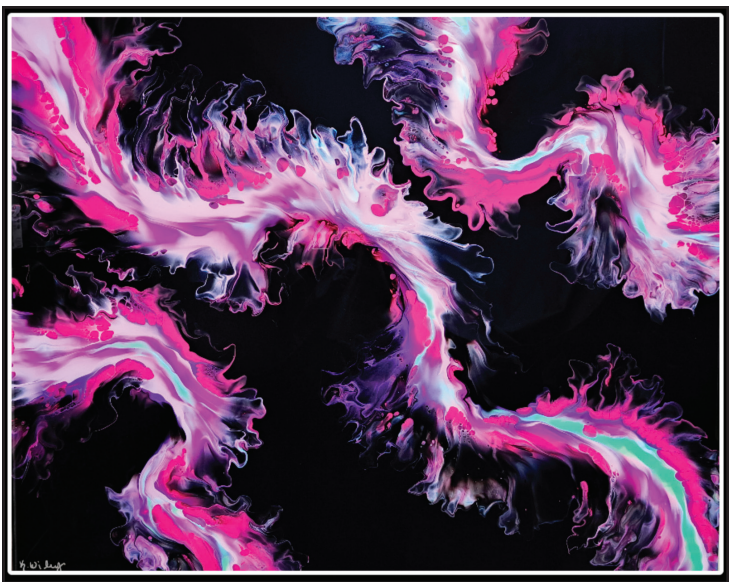
“I was exhibiting at an arts festival in 2021, when an on-looker came up to my booth and said that my paintings had such beautiful movements. That was the first moment I realized that I was taking my life-long love of dance and recreating it with paint,” said Wiley.

One piece on display at the ARTesian Gallery and Studios is called “Cosmic Tango.” Magentas, purples and electric blues spark across a black canvas in an ethereal tango-like flow.

“This piece uses all of my favorite colors, and I love using black backgrounds to make them pop. It also combines my love for the cosmos,” she said.

“Fluid art has a mind of its own,” she continued. “It is less controlled than painting with a brush, so you have to have an open mind. Go in with a basic concept of your design and a color scheme but know that it will sometimes come out different than planned, because you have to let the paint express itself too.”

Wiley spoke about how this giving up a certain amount of control in the fluid painting process is a metaphor for life, to be more open and learn to



• Photo provided

## Fluid art

“Cosmic Tango” is a fluid art piece created by Kate Wiley from her exhibit in the ARTesian Gallery and Studios in Sulphur.

go with the flow.

“My paintings are not really First American in nature,” she added. “But I look for ways to incorporate our culture and beliefs with my art while still maintaining my abstract art style.”

She plans to create several series this year. One is to be inspired by the four elements: earth, wind, water and fire. The other will be a series celebrating nature, the night sky and the seasons.

The name of her studio is “Talao Oka,” which she says means “singing water” in the Chickasaw language.

“I personally love the sound of rain. It brings me peace and joy. I hope that is what people can feel from my paintings. I want to brighten their day with color and movement.”

Wiley hopes to encourage others to try an art form, no matter what it is and no matter how old or young a person is. She encourages others to find something they enjoy and love doing in life and to be who they want to be.

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## Retirement reception

**Former sheriff** Don Hewett congratulated his former deputy and long-time friend Jim Tyler while making a retirement plaque presentation at the McClain County Courthouse last Friday. Tyler retired after a 55-year law enforcement career and was honored with a reception.

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## Windy at Windy

**High winds** last Friday blew streamers and the American Flag straight out at Windy Chevrolet. Gusts up to 50 m.p.h. caused a power outage to customers east of Lexington and sparked a small grass fire at Sunset and Blue Bird Terrace.

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## Fires:

Washington. The cause was the same for a grass fire at 603 S. Lester Lane about 3:20 p.m. All the fires were successfully extinguished. Wn estimated 8,000 OEC customers were in the dark for

a short time Friday due to the extremely high winds. Those customers included residents in Lexington and Slaughterville. Power was knocked out at 2:43 and restored at 3:07 p.m.

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## Crash:

parted the roadway to the right for an unknown reason, over corrected, and then crossed the center median at a turn around. The Honda stuck a 2002 Dodge Ram 2500 with a 30 foot car hauler that was carrying two vehicles. The driver of the truck was

reported to be Luis Gonzalez, 49, of Tecumseh. He was not injured. A passenger in the Honda was Brandy Wolfe, 48, of Shawnee. Both Wolfe and Bristow were pinned in their vehicle for 90 minutes before being

extricated by the Purcell Fire Department. Assisting Bennett were Troopers Byrne, Terry, Lt. Rawls and Foster of the Public Information Office, McClain County Sheriff's Department, Purcell Police and Wadley's EMS.



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## Shop talk

**Parks & Recreation** Director John Blue and Purcell Assistant Chief of Police James Bolling talked things over during last Thursday's Chamber of Commerce Coffee hosted by the First Baptist Church.

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## Easter:

procession with palms from the Marian grotto outside church into the church at all masses. On Holy Thursday Mass begins at 7 p.m. during which there will be washing of the feet of the members of the parish. Also there will be collection of rice bowls. At the end of the Mass there will be the Eucharistic Procession from the main altar to the side altar by Our Lady of Guadalupe statue where we will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Good Friday worship with Stations of the Cross in Spanish will be held at 2:30 p.m. Mass at 7 p.m. will include Veneration of the Cross. Easter Vigil will be an English Mass on Saturday at 8 p.m. At that time, seven new converts will join the church. Masses celebrating Jesus' resurrection will be on Sunday. The English Mass will be at 11 a.m., followed by a Spanish service at 1 p.m. There will be an egg hunt sponsored by the Religious Education Board after the 11 a.m. Mass. The First Baptist Church in Wayne will observe Easter at their regular 11 a.m. service Sunday. The First Presbyterian

Church of Rosedale will have Palm Sunday at 9:45 a.m. April 2. The Maundy Thursday service begins at 7 p.m. Easter Sunday's worship service begins at 9:45 a.m. with the Rev. Rick Baggett, retired pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Ardmore, delivering the sermon. Landmark Church, located at 1106 W. Grant, will have a Good Friday service at 7 p.m. and hold an Easter Egg Hunt Saturday beginning at 10:30 a.m. The age divisions for the egg hunt are 0-3, 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12. They will have a service Saturday starting at 6 p.m. and have three services on Easter Sunday. Service times on Easter are 8:15, 9:45 and 11:15 a.m. Goldsby Baptist Church will hold its Easter Sunday service at the Washington High School Events Center Gymnasium. Coffee and donuts will be available at 10 a.m. with the service starting at 10:30 a.m. Purcell's First Baptist Church will hold a Good Friday service at 6 p.m. Easter Sunday's service begins at 10:15 a.m. Emmanuel Baptist Church will hold its Easter Service at 10 a.m. followed by an Easter Egg Hunt around 11 a.m.

Washington's First Baptist Church will have an Eggtroganza on Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon and hold Easter Services at 10 a.m. Easter will be a regular service at 10 a.m. Sunday at Grace Chapel in Lexington. **Kiwanis Egg Hunt** The Heart of Oklahoma Kiwanis Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday at the Purcell Lake Weaver Pavilion, 1400 Chandler Road. Each age group will have their own hunt and prizes. Age groups include 0-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12. The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures. The hunt begins at 9:30 a.m. sharp.

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## Closings:

well as First United Bank. Friday won't be a holiday for Purcell or Washington Public Schools and Mid-America Technology Center. Lexington and Wayne are not in class that day. It will also be a holiday for McClain County employees but not for state and federal employees. Mail delivery will not be affected.

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## Andrews:

Stockman Oklahoma in Apache and home-schools her two youngest children. She also teaches Religious Education at Our Lady of Victory Catholic

Church. Rebecca is passionate about continuing her family legacy of raising horses and cattle on Two Rocks Ranch while preserving

cowboy culture through education, art, and literature. She enjoys team roping, hiking and many outdoor activities along with working on the ranch.

From page 1A

## Council:

they: • approved the rehiring of Dillon & Associates as the auditor for fiscal year 2022-2023 • approved a change order from Smith Roberts Land Services for the I-35 interchange project • approved moving the swearing in date of the Division 1 council member from April 10 to April 25 at 5:30 p.m. • approved the transfer of \$500,000 from the ICS reserve fund and met in executive session discussing land purchasing and appraisal. No action was taken on the executive session discussion when they returned to open meeting. In the public works portion of the meeting, the trustees approved a meter tampering fee

if citizens who have had their water cut off tamper with the meter to re-establish service. In city manager Dale Bunn's report he confirmed the I-35 interchange construction project is set to begin in 2025. He reported the ribbon cutting for the new medical office building will be today (Thursday) at 11:30 a.m. Bunn reported boring is currently ongoing on south Green Avenue for electrical lighting for the new lighting project. All Roads Paving has had to go to another project but plans to have the base work done on the street in front of PMH by mid-May. Bunn reported curbing must be completed prior to asphaltting of the street. The Main StreetScape project is scheduled to be completed

by November. Bids will soon be accepted so contracts can be awarded. Bunn said Patrol Sgt. Josh Van Ort has been nominated for a state award for good conduct after helping to manage a situation with a mentally ill person. The incident ended with a non-violent outcome. Officer Brayden Gulliver has been nominated for a state award for saving a life. After John Idlett and Gulliver attempted to pull over a speeder in a school zone. The driver sped off and a chase ensued resulting in an accident at Ladd Road. Bunn said the driver was unresponsive and Gulliver gave CPR to revive the driver. With two detectives on medical leave, Gulliver has been promoted to detective.

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# Busy schedule for Warriors

## Washington set to host softball tournament today

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**The Purcell Register**

The Washington slow-pitch softball team stayed busy as they play through the middle part of the season.

They had nine wins during the week, while picking up their first two losses of the season.

“This three-week stretch is a difficult stretch,” Warrior head coach Tylor Lampkin said. “We played lots of games and we’re a little worn out.”

They played eight games in the Sulphur tournament alone.

Washington took Tuesday off before resuming play again today (Thursday) against Latta at 11 a.m.

**Choctaw**

Ellie Loveless and Olivia Palumbo had big days at the plate as the Warriors scored 16 runs.

### Warrior softball

3/28 W Choctaw (6A-#7) 16-3  
3/30 W Byng (5A-#19) 5-0  
3/30 W Bethel (5A) 10-0  
3/31 W Vanoss (3A-#11) 15-1  
3/31 W Roff (A-#18) 15-3  
3/31 L Silo (4A-#4) 13-11  
4/1 W Sulphur (5A-#15) 13-2  
4/1 L Caddo (3A-#1) 10-9  
4/1 W Rattan (3A-#14) 15-10  
4/3 W Tecumseh (5A-#3) 29-17  
4/3 W Bethel (5A) 25-8

They each had grand slams, doubles and 5 RBIs in the game.

Maggie Place also had a homer.

**Byng**

The Warrior offense was

quieter against Byng when the Warriors opened the Roff tournament, scoring five runs in the win.

Elly Allison, Tinley Lucas both homered and had two ribbies a piece.

Skylar Wells plated the other Warrior run.

Emjay Lucas had a triple.

After opening the game with a run in the first, Washington scored three runs in the third inning and one in the fourth, they leaned on shutout defense to take the W.

**Bethel**

They defeated Bethel 10-0 to secure consecutive shutouts later in their second game of the day Thursday.

“Our defense is playing really well and I’m excited about

Please see **Busy**, page 3B



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### Cross-field throw

**Washington senior** Elly Allison fields a ball and throws it to first base for an out. Allison and the Warriors play host today (Thursday) as the Washington softball tournament opens at home at 11 a.m.

# Dragons in Newcastle tourney

**John D. Montgomery**  
**The Purcell Register**

After knocking off Lexington on the road early last week, Purcell came home to host the Bulldogs Tuesday and behind the power of freshman slugger Bryce Blair pinned a 10-0 shutout victory on the visitors.

Blair spanked a three-run homer in the game going 2-3, chalked up the three RBIs and scored a run.

Sophomore Boston Knowles was a perfect 3-3 at the plate, including two doubles, with one RBI.

Freshman Deaken Dobbins went 2-3 with an RBI. Junior Carter Goldston had a hit in the victory.

Senior Zach Idlett went the distance on the mound limiting Lexington to two hits.

“Zach pitched well,” head coach Cole Sharp said. “He attacked the zone all day. Bryce Blair, Boston Knowles and Deaken Dobbins hit it well that day.

“Overall, that was our best game we put together this season from pitching, defense and hitting,” the

Please see **Dragons**, page 3B

### Heater

**Purcell senior** Zach Idlett fires the ball home during the Dragons’ 10-0 win over Lexington. Idlett pitched a complete game with six strike outs.

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# Warriors sit atop District

## Head to Jones tournament this weekend

**JohnDennyMontgomery**  
**The Purcell Register**

The Washington Warriors travel south this weekend for the Jones baseball tournament.

The Warriors, now 16-2 on the season, are just coming off a weather-shortened Marlow tournament. They went 1-1 with a win over Class A No. 15 Navajo and a loss to Class 5 A Elgin.

**Navajo**

Washington defeated Navajo 15-7 and rode an early lead to cruise to the win.

The Warriors put up a seven-spot in the first inning to blow the game open. All seven runs came with two outs as the Warriors knocked in runner after runner.

They scored a run in the second inning, three in the third and four in the fourth.

They used a platoon on the mound with Marlon

Moore starting and Kade Norman, Jonathen Montoya and Tristin Babbitt all getting in work.

“We’ve got a good mind set right now. The way we can swing it, run and pitch, we can be really good.

— **Jeff Kulbeth**, head coach

“We’re swinging the bats really well and the midbottom is getting it done,” head coach Jeff Kulbeth said.

The coach was referring to

Dax McCaskill, Jake Wells, Nate Roberts and Norman.

Wells had seven RBIs in the game after going 2-4 with a double and home run.

**Elgin**

Washington fell 8-7 to the Owls in the final game of the tournament-turned-festival.

The game took 11 innings to finish.

Liam Keltner got the start and Brakefield and Babbitt pitched in relief.

Roberts, the DH, had four RBIs on two home runs and a single in a 3-3 outing. He also walked twice.

“Elgin just hit it to where we weren’t in that game,” Kulbeth said. “They had a 7-run inning but it wasn’t anything crazy like we were walking a bunch of guys and kicking it around.”

Please see **Warriors**, page 4B

# ECP Tourney for Bulldogs

## Pool play is today (Thursday) in Elmore City

**EmilyMontgomery**  
**The Purcell Register**

Head coach Shane Collins and his Wayne Bulldogs picked up an extra inning win, 6-5, over Thackerville on Monday.

“We didn’t have a good day on the base paths. We were caught stealing,” Collins said.

The Bulldogs were up 5-3 in the final inning but a couple of walks allowed Thackerville to tie up the game at 5-5 and send it to extra innings.

Wayne had a base runner on thanks to Kaleb Madden getting hit by a pitch. He stole second, then stole third. Rhett

Please see **Bulldogs**, page 4B

### Warming the base paths

**Wayne senior** Rhett Kennedy runs to third base during the Bulldogs’ game against Sterling at the Dibble tournament. Wayne fell 11-0.

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### Ice man

**Purcell senior** Hayden Ice posted a personal best throw of 47’ 2” at the Purcell Track Meet. His throw was good enough for second place, and just 7” behind the gold medalist.



# Dragons down Racers, 10-2

Purcell and Washington co-hosting tourney this weekend

**John D. Montgomery**  
**The Purcell Register**

Freshman Kaylin Vasquez’s bat was hotter than a pistol on Monday’s 10-2 victory over Newcastle.

Vasquez went 4-4 at the plate including a home run

and a double while knocking in three runners. The Purcell center fielder also scored three times.

Sophomore Hannah Whitaker, who was 3-4 on the day, had a double with an RBI and scored twice.

Senior Cora Vasquez and freshman Mac McKay both went 2-4 at the dish. Vasquez had a pair of RBIs and scored twice while McKay finished with one RBI.

Freshmen Rosie Smith and Kailynn Helton had hits in the game while senior Kyleigh Wells and junior Payci Constant both had singles.

Purcell out-hit the Racers 15-8.

Junior Kelly Anderson snagged the pitching victory in the circle.

“Kelly has done a great job on the mound and figuring out where and how to pitch different people and working on different pitches.

“We played really well on defense and strung some hits together,” Jones said. “We started hitting the ball really hard. We were a little shaky on defense a couple times but our bats made up for it.

In the North Rock Creek (No. 2 5A) game, the Dragons came up on the short end of a 14-6 count.

After leading 4-3 through the second inning, the Cougars put up a seven-spot in the bottom of the third to blow the game open.

Whitaker, Ella Resendiz and Cora Vasquez all had two hits in the contest with Vasquez notching a pair of RBIs.

“We started the game off strong,” head coach Sarah Jones said. “We held them close and made them have to work for it. They are solid up and down their lineup and can make things happen.

“We got too tight in the bottom of the third and made the little mistakes that they took advantage of, which is what

you are supposed to do. We hit with them though 12-14. We had some really hard hits that they made great plays on.

The Dragons dropped a pair of close games last Tuesday.

They were edged 7-6 by Harrah and 5-3 by Dale.

Whitaker was 4-4 against Harrah. Ella Resendiz smoked a grand slam in the contest in a 3-4 outing at the plate. Kaylin Vasquez was 2-4 in the game.

Whitaker, Resendiz and Lili Del Toro were the leading hitters in the Dale contest each going 2-3.

“We held Dale close. We played incredible defense and were missing a couple of players. We were one hit away from ripping it open,” Jones said.

The Dragons out-hit Harrah 16-15 but just couldn’t break it open, the coach said.

“We are 3-6 on the season. We are just a few hits away from bringing it all together,” Jones said. “We are figuring out our lineup and where hitters need to be for us to be successful.

“Our defense is working hard. There are going to be the occasional errors but they are putting us in good spots,” she continued. “The hits have to come together in order to move runners and bring them in. Our junior high is getting better by the game and still have some season left to get better.”

Purcell and Washington are co-hosting a tournament this weekend.

The Dragons play Dibble at 11 a.m. Thursday and Mustang at 3 p.m. Purcell finishes out the day with a 5:40 p.m. contest against Silo.



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## Barrel it up

**Purcell junior** Payci Constant drives a ball off the barrel of the bat for the Dragons. Constant and the Dragons host a pair of games today (Thursday) – Dibble at 11 a.m. and Mustang at 3 p.m.

# Tough week for Lady ‘Dawgs

Field for Washington tournament is full of good competition

**Emily Montgomery**  
**The Purcell Register**

The Lady ‘Dawgs dropped a 15-6 loss to Tecumseh last Tuesday. But, turned it around for an extra innings win over Newcastle, 14-13, the same day.

“We’re playing pretty good right now, but we have to learn how to win. We have to overcome. We’re right in the mix.

“The Newcastle win was a grind-it-out kind of win. We knew after the Tecumseh loss that we really had a chance and we had to knock off Newcastle,” head coach Monty Ervin said.

Lex had 11 hits in the loss to the Lady Savages. Brodie Anderson, Kieleigh Givens, Alie Hollar and Abi Clifton each had two. Izzy Pack, Mackenzie Manuel and Abby Sample had one apiece.

Givens also had three RBIs. Thanks to four runs in the bottom of the third inning, the game was tied at 5-5 until the sixth.

Tecumseh scored one in the top of the sixth. Then, Alie Hollar answered with a solo home run in the bottom half. Once again, the teams were tied, 6-6.

On their final out in the top of the seventh inning, an error

for Lex snowballed to nine unearned runs for Tecumseh to finish the game 15-6.

Despite that, the Lady ‘Dawgs picked themselves up and fought for a 14-13 extra innings win over Newcastle right after.

They had 20 hits in the win. Baylee Rillema led the team with four. Pack, Givens and Brodie Anderson had three.

Lexington finished with 12 RBIs. Anderson, 3-4 at the plate, accounted for five of those.

“We were down early, but the girls dug down and came back to tie it up in the fourth inning,” Ervin said.

The coach said this week is a test for his team. They were hosting Wayne on Tuesday. Then, they were set to host 6A No. 3 Southmoore, 5A No. 4 Cache and an always tough Lindsay team for pool play of the Washington tournament.

Bracket play will be in Washington starting Friday.

“We’re learning about ourselves. The pieces are there and we’re a young group, but if you look across the board, we know our roles and we’re gaining experience with each game,” Ervin said.

# Three game homestand for Lex

**Emily Montgomery**  
**The Purcell Register**

The Lexington Bulldogs have had five games since last Monday and they picked up one win. An 8-4 win over Binger-Oney in the Dibble tournament.

Monday night was a 7-1 loss to Davis.

Lexington’s run was scored by Ezra Faulkenberry.

The Bulldogs did not have a hit in the loss.

Four pitchers saw action on the mound. Drew Dierking went four innings. He allowed three runs on two hits and struck out seven. Corbin Perry, Logan Carroll and Zeke Faulkenberry all had time on the mound in relief.

They dropped a 10-0 loss with Purcell last Tuesday.

Dax Beason and Skylar Rollins had Lexington’s two hits in the loss.

To start the Dibble tournament last week, Lexington fell 6-0 to host Demons. Then,

picked up their win and finished the tournament with a 10-0 loss to Cashion.

The Bulldogs had six hits in the their 8-4 win over Binger. Dierking and Beason each had two. Gavrie Williams and Ezra Faulkenberry had one apiece.

Williams also had two RBIs.

Both teams scored a run in the first inning. And, Lexington pulled away with two runs in the second inning.

Williams grounded out to score a run and Dierking singled to score the other run.

Ryan Johnson was on the mound for the win. He went three and a third innings giving up four runs on five hits and striking out one.

Corbin Perry came on in relief for two thirds of an inning. He struck out one and gave up one hit and two walks.

Lexington has a three game homestand on the schedule. They hosted AmPo on Tuesday, OKC Knights on Thursday and Heritage Hall on Monday.

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## Finding the ball

**Lexington sophomore** Dax Beason locates the ball while running the bases during the Bulldogs’ 8-4 win over Binger at the Dibble tournament. Beason was 2-2 with an RBI in the game.



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## Dragons:

coach said.

The Dragons backed that victory up with a pair of wins over Little Axe last Friday.

Behind the one-hit pitching of Knowles, the Dragons shut out the Indians, 10-0 in game one and posted an 11-1 run-rule victory with Dobbins chunking a two-hitter in the night cap.

Junior Jett Tyler, Blair and Knowles all had two hits in the game. Knowles' hits were a double and a triple. Cole Smedley and Adrian Dominguez also both had doubles.

Making his first start of the

Sharp also got hits from Idlett, Knowles, Smedley and Tyler.

Dobbins struck out eight in just four innings of work.

"Deaken is growing up on the mound," Sharp said.

"Overall it was a good day and we took care of business against Little Axe," Sharp said.

Monday the Dragons traveled to Heritage Hall and came up on the short end of a 13-6 verdict. Eight Purcell errors contributed to the loss.

"You can't expect to win games committing that many

I thought Boston competed on the mound all day. He really worked ahead in the count and made the Little Axe hitters swing the bat.

— Cole Sharp, head coach

season, Knowles fanned 11 batters and issued only one walk.

"I thought Boston competed on the mound all day," Sharp said. "He really worked ahead in the count and made the Little Axe hitters swing the bat.

"It was a group effort hitting-wise with eight of our nine guys getting a hit.

"Our kids are building off of this and getting better. We still need to clean up some things but overall I'm proud of them."

Purcell jumped out to a 3-1 lead in the first and never took their foot off the gas.

Blair, Parker Page and Logan Roberts all smacked doubles.

errors and win especially against a good team like Heritage Hall," the coach said.

"We have to do a better job in limiting our mistakes. That game should have been a 3-2 game but it ended up getting away from us because of too many mistakes."

Page went 2-4 at the plate with a double and an RBI. Blair, who went 2-4, and Goldston also doubled in the contest.

Purcell was scheduled to host Heritage Hall Tuesday and play in the Newcastle Tournament this weekend.

The Dragons are scheduled to host Holdenville Monday and travel there on Tuesday.



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### Throwing on the run

**Purcell sophomore** Boston Knowles slings the ball to first base against Lexington. The Dragons defeated the Bulldogs 10-5 and 10-0.

# Final stretch of games for Wayne

Crooked Oak, Ada on tap through Monday

## Emily Montgomery The Purcell Register

A split game series was the name of the game for the Wayne Lady Bulldogs on Monday.

They lost an 8-0 decision with Blanchard but turned around and picked up a 3-2 win.

Truly a tale of two games as Wayne managed just three hits in the loss. One each from Emily Woody, Faith Brazell and Jordynn Debaets.

But, in game two, bats were hot and Wayne had 13 hits. Brysten Shephard, Lily Whitaker, Brazell and Debaets each had two.

Game one was all Blanchard. They scored five runs in the bottom of the first and added

three more in the bottom of the sixth.

Game two seemed similar as Blanchard struck first with two runs in the bottom of the first inning. But, Wayne pushed a run across in the top of the fifth.

Down 2-1 in the seventh, Whitaker singled to score two runs and get the win for Wayne.

Last week, Wayne picked up an 11-2 win over MacArthur. Allison Ryan was in the circle and fanned two batters. She allowed two runs on three hits and seven walks.

Woody led the team with four hits in the win. She singled in the first and second, tripled in the fourth and doubled in the sixth.

Ryan, Brazell and Alyssa Hobson had three hits apiece. Brazell also had three RBIs.

Hobson got Wayne's scoring going when she singled in the first inning to score one of their four runs that inning.

Wayne followed that game up with an 8-3 win over Fletcher.

Ryan singled in the first inning to push one run across the plate to start the scoring for Wayne.

The Lady Bulldogs had 11 hits in the win. Woody, Ryan and Shephard each had two. Ryan also had two RBIs.

Last Tuesday, Wayne dropped a 8-3 loss to Stratford.

Wayne scored first, pushing one run across the plate in the

bottom of the first inning. But, they were stymied after that.

Stratford plated five runs in the fourth and three more in the fifth.

Wayne answered with one run in the fifth and one in the sixth, but couldn't pull back in it.

Despite the loss, Wayne had 13 hits led by Hobson with three. Woody and Debaets had two and Shephard, Ryan, Brazell, Whitaker, Addison Keeler and Ava Stottlemire had one apiece.

Wayne was scheduled to be in Lexington on Tuesday and host Crooked Oak on Thursday.

They will be at Ada on Monday.

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## Busy:

that," Lampkin said.

Palumbo and Place both had doubles.

**Vanoss**

It only took three innings to dismiss Class 3A No. 11 team. Washington scored three runs in the first inning and six runs in both the second and third.

Allison and Loveless both hit grandies.

The Warriors also had homers from Emjay Lucas, Palumbo and Place.

**Roff**

In another three-inning game Washington jumped out to a quick start with a 7-run lead.

They gave up three in the third but slammed the door by pushing eight runners across the plate themselves.

Allison (2), Loveless and Wells had home runs.

**Silo**

Washington was handed the first loss of the season by Silo.

As the Warriors began to find their stride at the plate the 60 minute timer of the tournament game expired.

"It was only a four-inning game and we just ran out of time," Lampkin said. "You run into that in tournaments sometimes."

Washington left six base runners stranded, which is

something the Warriors don't normally do.

"We left 14 or 15 runners on base in the tournament and that's just something we don't normally do," Lampkin said. "We usually find a way to get them in and we just didn't have timely hits at times."

**Sulphur**

Washington started fast and kept the foot on the gas against Sulphur.

They scored four runs in both the first and second innings and had crooked numbers in the final two innings as well.

Tinley Lucas and Loveless had home runs.

Emjay Lucas had four RBIs.

**Caddo**

The third time was a charm for Caddo as they defeated Washington after losing the first two games.

Abby Wood, Allison and Place all homered but the Warriors came up just short in the 1-run loss.

Washington left six runners stranded.

"Our biggest downfall is we struggled to get timely hits in a couple big games," Lampkin said.

**Rattan**

They came back the next game and picked up the win

over Rattan.

"We struggled after taking a couple losses in learning how to bounce back," Lampkin said. "I talked to the seniors and had a good conversation and they responded and bounced back well."

Place had a grand slam and five RBIs in the game.

**Bethel/Tecumseh**

The offensive floodgates opened against Tecumseh and Bethel as the Warriors put up an eyebrow-raising 54 runs in the two games.

Emersyn Massey, Addy Larmann, Allison (4), Loveless (4), Tinley Lucas (3), Palumbo (2), Place (2), Wells and Wood all went yard during the games.

"I was comparing numbers from last year to this year and there's not a ton of difference but some number of this team are a little better than last year," Lampkin said. "The defense is playing really well and I'm excited about that."

"The fielding percentage is really high and that's hard to do in slow pitch where they're hitting the ball all the time. I don't know how many double plays we've turned. I'm super proud of this bunch."

Washington is 22-2 on the season.

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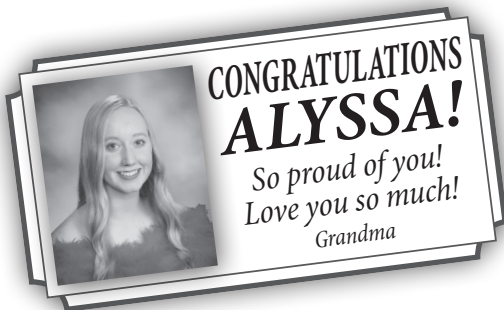


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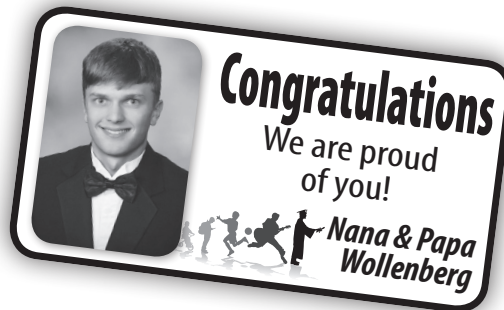


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# Washington Elementary announce honor roll students

**AngieSteele**  
**Washington Correspondent**

The following students have made the honor roll for the third nine weeks of school. Students on the Superintendent’s honor roll have all As and students on the Principal’s honor roll have all As and Bs.

**Superintendent’s Honor Roll Third Grade**

Teacher: Beard  
David Berg, Audrey Birney, Karlie Fox, Connor Geionety, Hunter Harris, Grayson Mendoza, Christian Murphy, Rayln Richardson, Kaleb Riggs, Averi Simpson, Hunter Thomas, Emma Touchette, Jett Wilson and Jack Zerby.

Teacher: Cline  
Tyson Babb, Braxton Blackburn, Trevin Gordon, Keagan Hardcastle, Landry Hatley, Avery Mayer, James Morton, Maika Palacol, George Rapp, Jaxton Smith, Raely Tims and Sadee Trejo.

Teacher: Deason  
Barrett Bracksieck, Reagan Grimsey, Lucy Kelley, Wrynn Mariott, Alli McGee, Ellie Mendell, Phynn Taylor and Cruz Zamora.

Teacher: Fraley  
Shelbie Albert, Ad Anderson, Rafe Beller, Matthew Grisham, Jentri Grissom, Cooper Kuehn, Kade Lawrence, Cora Lloyd, Jace Massey, Jude McKim-mey, Yamilet Morales, Yaleen Pena, James Price and Haven Robertson.

Teacher: Haynes  
Tatum Bilyue, Aiden Gibson, Jacob Gokey, Braylon Lang, Tate Mize, Gwen Plank, Jane-sia Taylor, Kalon Wadley and Jenna Wells.

**Fourth Grade**

Teacher: Keith  
Baylor Beard, Lariat Hale, Reed Hamilton, Abby Hulsey, Paisley Idlett, Kellen Jacobs, Rustilio Lopez, Jace Mize, Easton Price, Kelbie Simon, Haddy Sizelove, Daphne Walk-up, Carson Wesley and Grayson Wesley.

Teacher: Kulbeth  
Landry Adams, Easton Blackburn, Dalton Burch, Stella Cheek, Harper Dode, Ryan Haxel, Mollie McConathy, Selah Metcalf, Hadley Overman, Beckett Podany and Saylor Siria.

Teacher: Six  
Bowen Harris, Mason Hastings, Klaire Haxel, Callen Hendrix, Madison Kennedy, Annabelle Kuehn, Dallas Lockwood, Amirah Maxey, Alex Miller, Chance Riley, Ahlivia Sloan, Ava Vaughn and Hunter Zordel.

**Fifth Grade**

Teacher: Brewer  
Aubree Baker, Lily Bolling, Teghan Frost, Katie Green, Ashton Plaza, Jazlie Simon, Wyatt Stroup and Rook Wilson.

Teacher: Byrd  
Ace Anderson, Addisyn Burch, Harrison Flick, Sophie Haynes, Reagan Lilly, Josie Mendell, Deric Mertens, Harper Phelps, Connor Still and Colt Trejo.

Teacher: McPherson  
Ace Cannon, Hattie Castle, River Cornelius, Waylon Hastings, Allie McAlister, Ruthie Pogue, Sammy Salcedo, Had-ley Stringer and Tynley Wood.

Teacher: Wilk  
Callie Bridgers, Ethan Chaves, Wyatt Harryman, Owen Isbill, Addyson Janaway, Mason Mays, Elyse McDonald, Ryker Richardson, Kamber Timmons and Abel Zerby.

**Principal’s Honor Roll Third Grade**

Teacher: Beard  
Samuel Angeles, Brody Baker, Jocelyn Gilbert, Khloe Phillips and Maleah Woods.

Teacher: Cline  
Austin Blackburn, Mila Carothers, Jayse Dowden, Easton Foreman, Niyah Hol-land, Charlee Stevens and Orion Wells.



• Photo by Amber Burch

## Students of the Week

**Emily Porterfield**, Aalea Hensley and Ava Beckner represent their second grade classes at Washington Elementary School as Students of the Week for April 3-7.

enna Cox, Corbin Jones, Sayler Keck, Jadon Lee, Kace Mad-den, Grayson Moss, Brielle Porras, Aiden Smiley and Liam Vaughn.

Teacher: Fraley  
Maddie Austin, Hudson Har-ris, Isaac Maxey and Conrad Simon.

Teacher: Haynes  
Ava Ashbridge, Colt Car-penter, Penny Herman, Gianna Higgins, Cami Mallory, Kooper Parker, Hunter Powers, Reece Shepard and Kendall Strunk.

**Fourth Grade**

Teacher: Keith  
Reese Andrews, Nichole Chaves, Kye Kelley, Quinn Larman, Ace McCargish, Tessa Steveson and Oliver Taylor.

Teacher: Kulbeth  
Chloe Baker, Roxy Beller, Tatum Beverly, Seth Flora, Strydr Flora, Camdyn Geio-nety, Kyan Griffith, Malakai Landers-Quickel, Anya Mc-Donald, Liam Rorick, Kynlee White and Kenzleigh Wilson.

Teacher: Six  
Journey Brizendine, Jacen Calhoun, Addilyn Grimes, Garrett Harryman, Max Rich-ardson, Jade Rodarte, Averi Sherrell, Silas Tanquary and Addisyn Whatley.

**Fifth Grade**

Teacher: Brewer  
Gracelyn Bracksieck, Caleb Davis, Haylei Demattie, Kylie Fox, Evan Harryman, Rileigh Rolin, Gentry Scott, Colt Sher-rick and Bella Wilson.

Teacher: Byrd  
Molly Harding, Anabelle Jackson, Kodee Jones, Charles Mote, Samuel Pantoja, Logan Payne, Cannon Sides and Tay-lor Steaveson.

Teacher: McPherson  
James Berg, Liam Cooper, Maddux Denton, Reagan Hob-son, Jerney Poteete, Dean Ran-dall, Logan Self and Amanda Wright.

Teacher: Wilk  
Maddison Childress, Gentry Crawford, Dayton Grisham, Zen Hyde, Catie Mallory and Elaina Stephens.

**Washington Softball Craw-fish Boil**

Washington Softball will host their second Annual Crawfish Boil on Friday, April 7, during the Washington Invitational!

Pick up is in the ag barn or stay and eat. \$25 per person. Price includes 2-2.5 pounds of crawfish, shrimp, sausage, corn, potatoes, drink and dessert.

**Washington Elementary Students of the Week**

Congratulations to Washing-ton Elementary Students of the Week Emily Porterfield, Aalea Hensley and Ava Beckner. They represent their second-grade classes April 3-7.

Aalea Hensley is in Mrs. Burch’s class. Her favorite color is purple. She likes to play Hide and Seek in the dark and her favorite sport is basketball. She likes watching the movie “The Grinch” and she loves to eat pizza. Aalea enjoys PE class at school and she likes to read the book *Hop on Pop*.

Mrs. Johnson’s class is rep-resented by Emily Porterfield. Her favorite colors are pink and

purple. She enjoys eating pea-nut butter crackers and reading the book *Three Bears*. Emily enjoys music and PE classes at school and her favorite song is “This is My Fight Song.”

Ava Beckner represents Mrs. Rea’s class. Her favorite color is blue, and her favorite sport is soccer. She likes to watch the movie “Scary Movie.” Ava enjoys going to the library at school and she loves to eat pizza. Her favorite books are books about animals.

**Title IV Meeting Set for April 26**

Washington Public Schools will be having a Title IV Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 26, at 3:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the 4th & 5th Library.

The purpose of the Title IV community meeting is to provide community stakeholders with an overview of the Title VI Grant process at Washington Public Schools.

We will discuss the Title VI Grant application process at the meeting and explain expendi-ture recommendations for the 2023-2024 school year budget. The meeting is open to residents of Washington Schools.

**MANNA**

All sixth grade boys in Wash-ington and surrounding areas are invited to MANNA. This is a monthly meet-up where sixth grade boys will enjoy dinner and a short devotional, and learn a different “man skill” each month such as tying a tie, changing a tire, grilling, and building a fire.

Scheduled dates are April 15, May 6, June 17, and July 15 at 6:30 p.m.

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Menu for April 6-14:

Thursday, April 6—White bean chili with chicken, corn-bread.

Friday, March 7—Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans.

Monday, April 10—Taco salad, tortilla chips, cheese sauce, chili beans.

Tuesday, April 11—Spa-ghetti with meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread.

Wed. Apr 12—Smoked sausage, baked beans, corn casserole.

Thursday, April 13—Chick-en and noodles, peas and car-rots.

Friday, April 14—Pulled pork barbecue, baked potatoes, green beans.

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

**Washington School Board Meeting Schedule**

All Washington School Board meetings will be held in the 4/5th Building Library at 6:30 p.m.

Meetings are scheduled for April 10, May 8, June 12, July 10, August 14, September 11, October 9, November 6 and December 11.

**Washington Public Schools Calendar**

April 5—Cheer Tryouts; JH Girls & Boys Golf, Ft. Cobb.

April 6—JH Baseball Lind-say Tournament.

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Last Wednesday several of our volunteers and I joined other veterans at the Black Rifle Coffee Company in Moore for a Welcome Home Celebration for Vietnam Veterans. Each of us received a gift bag contain-ing their premium coffee and a T-shirt.

While we were being recog-nized for military service, Black Rifle Company spon-sored a three plane flyover that was enjoyed by all of us. I can only imagine how nice it would have been to have had a welcome home like that when we returned from Vietnam over 50 years ago. We have lost many veterans who would have enjoyed being recognized for their military service.

I would like to express my appreciation personally to every veteran who served in the military and their families who supported them. Welcome home.

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We are in need of more volunteers who would like to help us make a difference in the lives of veterans and their families. There are more people asking us for help with their VA Claims and Questions than we can accommodate in a timely manner. We are a free service to all veterans and their fami-lies. We are open Monday thru Friday starting at 9 a.m.

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## GREAT Award winners

**Washington Middle School** GREAT Awards were handed out last week.



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## Musical presentation

**Washington’s Drama** Club performed “Shrek The Musical Jr.” last weekend.



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10 am Worship      6:30 pm Awana &  
6 pm Evening worship      Youth  
[www.ebcpurcell.org](http://www.ebcpurcell.org)

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LEXINGTON

Connecting People With God and One Another  
Children's Activities - Youth Activities  
Wednesday Evening - 6:30 p.m.  
Sunday School 9:15  
Morning Worship 8:15 • 10:15  
Rusty Canoy  
Pastor **527-6758**  
900 E. BROADWAY • LEXINGTON

### newlife TABERNACLE

**715 W. Harrison, Purcell**  
Sunday Morning - 10 a.m.  
Revival Service - 11 a.m.  
Wednesday Evening - 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor: Rev. Mark A. Stacy  
Office Ph. 405.527.3045

### Westside Church of Christ

401 W. Broadway  
Lexington  
Sunday Morning 10:30 am  
Sunday Evening 3:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening 7:30 pm

### CALVARY Holiness Church

Pastor David Bittle  
403 N. 4th, Purcell  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:50 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:00 p.m. Sunday Night  
7:00 p.m. Wednesday Night  
Independent Pentecostal  
Holiness Church

### Johnson Road Baptist Church

4 mi. N. of Purcell on I-35  
**Sunday School**  
9:45 a.m.  
**Worship Service**  
11:00 a.m.  
405-818-8848

**CHRISTIAN  
LIFE**  
sunday 10:30AM  
[www.christianlifeok.com](http://www.christianlifeok.com)

**Lighthouse  
Worship  
Center**  
Rev. Nathan Mullins  
405.442.0155  
2726 N. 9th, Purcell  
Sunday Morning - 10:30 am  
Sunday Evening - 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening - 7:00 pm  
[www.lwcpurcell.com](http://www.lwcpurcell.com)

### Memorial Assembly of God 7th & Monroe, Purcell

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Services 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Services 6:30 p.m.  
We Invite You to Worship With Us.  
**527-2769**

**LANDMARK  
CHURCH**  
Pastor: Justin Blankenship  
1106 W. Grant • Purcell  
527-3342  
Sunday Worship ..... 9:15 & 10:55 a.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m.

### First Baptist Church Purcell

Growing In Grace  
4th & Main 405-527-3327  
[www.purcellfbc.org](http://www.purcellfbc.org)  
**Come worship with us!**  
Sundays 10:15 a.m. & 5 p.m.  
Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.  
Activities for all ages & child  
care provided for all services!

### Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

CORNER OF THIRD & JEFFERSON  
Saturday - 5 pm (English)  
Sunday - 11 am (English)  
1 pm (Español)  
Daily Mass  
Tues. & Fri. 9 am • Wed. Noon • Thurs. 7 pm (Español)  
Parish Office/Oficina: 527-3077  
Priest House/Padre Juan Pedro: 527-4242

You Are Always Welcome At  
7th & Monroe St.  
**Church of  
Christ**  
Purcell, OK  
Sunday 10:30 & 1:30  
Wednesday Evening 6:30

**Goldsby  
Church**  
153 W. Center Road  
Goldsby, OK 73093  
**288-2514**  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Worship - 10:45 a.m.  
Evening - 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening - 6:30 p.m.

### Trinity United Methodist Church

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Pastor Susan Whitley  
211 N. 2nd, Purcell  
527-2256 Office

### 9th & Pierce Church of Christ

1207 North 9th  
Purcell, OK 73080  
405-527-3176  
Sunday Bible Class      9:45 a.m.  
Worship      10:45 a.m.  
Evening      6 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Class      7 p.m.  
Search Ministries Sunday      7:30 a.m. Channel 34  
[www.searchtv.org](http://www.searchtv.org)

**SUNNAP  
BAPTIST CHURCH**  
2223 N. 9th, Purcell, OK 73080  
Pastor John Wylie  
**527-6808**  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship: 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 5:00 p.m.

### You are welcome at Pentecostal Church of God 213 N. Main Street Lexington, OKla.

Church Service Hours:  
Sunday 10 AM & 6 PM  
Wednesday 7:00 PM  
John Coffman 405-765-4002  
Ann Coffman 405-765-4002



## Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Stella Bledsoe

April 9, 2023 is Easter Sunday.

Our services will be as follows:

Holy Thursday, April 6: Services on Holy Thursday will be held at 7 p.m. At the end of the Mass there will be the Eucharistic Procession from the main altar to the side altar by Our Lady of Guadalupe statue where we will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight.

Good Friday, April 7: The service will start at 7 p.m. instead of the normal 6 p.m. Friday mass. We will have the Liturgy of the Veneration of the Cross followed by Stations of the Cross. The Hispanic Community will have their

Stations of the Cross in Spanish at 2:30 p.m.

Easter Schedule: On Saturday April 8, there will not be a 5 p.m. mass. Instead, we will begin the Easter Vigil at 8 p.m. during which we will be welcoming the seven new members into the church by way of administering the required sacraments on them.

On Easter Sunday, the Masses will be at 11 a.m. in English and at 1 p.m. in Spanish.

There are so many beautiful quotes about Easter. Here are two of my favorites:

“Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song.” -Pope John Paul II

“On Easter Day the veil

between time and eternity thins to gossamer.”—Douglas Horton

We celebrate the love of Jesus at Our Lady of Victory parish all year long. Our Lady of Victory parish is located at 307 West Jefferson. The church administrative office is located at 501 N. 4th, and it is open weekday mornings (405-527-3077). Weekend mass services are Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.; and Sunday, 1 p.m. (Spanish). Daily masses are Tuesday, 9 a.m.; Wednesday, 12 noon; Thursday, 7 p.m. (Spanish), and Friday, 9 a.m. During Lent, there is no morning mass on Friday.

Peace be with you.

## Lexington Westside Church of Christ

Very good week to all! Welcome to the ‘front porch.’

As we have been strolling through scenes from Mark’s gospel, one truth seems to stand: For many, the cost of following the Lord is far too great. In that, lies much lack of faith.

Every man will make his decision, won’t they, just as they have all through the Bible! Remember old Joshua said, “Choose you this day ...” You know the rest, I’m sure. Those were some of his final words on this of lowland: Friends, he says in essence, I’m going to need you to make a decision, one way or the other.

In studying Lee Stroebel’s discussion with theologian Lynn Anderson, I noted Stroebel’s million-dollar question to Dr. Anderson: Why is it that some people choose to believe and some choose not to?

Mr. Anderson’s answer is simple, but sobering: The cost is too great in most cases, he says.

Look over at John’s gospel: John describes a group of people who ‘believed not’ on Jesus (12:37), even though

Jesus performs many miracles right in front of their eyes. But then when you read on a couple more verses, John writes that “they could not believe...”

John moves from ‘did not’ to ‘could not.’ What a lesson! Truth is, if any of us deny the evidence hard enough, long enough, we, too, will take that short journey from ‘did not’ to ‘cannot.’ Remember how Mark records that thought in chapter 4: “For he that hath, to him shall be given: and he that hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he hath.”

Dwell on that a moment: Either the Lord is giving to us, or He is taking away from us.

But still we wonder: Seeing how easy truth is to understand, why is it that those people in John 12 just outright reject what they hear and what they read?

Mr. Anderson answers that question, too, with a bit of a sigh: They made a “decision of the will to deny the message of the miracles – the evidence that Jesus is God – because they wouldn’t pay the price, which would be their whole religious system being blown

out of the water ... And they had made this decision not to believe for so long that they had dismantled their capacity to believe.”

Then he adds: “Consequently, at its core, faith is a decision of the will that we keep on making, but we’re given the option by God’s grace. We’re empowered to keep making it by his Spirit.”

You noted there, I’m sure, that faith would ‘blow their whole religious system ... out of the water.’ Ah, just too much to give up.

We have just touched the ‘hem of the garment’ here: But this view of faith really helps us understand why some – such as the demonic man of Mark 5 – will beg to go with the Lord wherever he goes, while others -- the men of Gadara who witness the same miracle that the demonic man does -- will beg the Lord to depart out of their coasts – Mark 5:17.

We get the point: We just need to make the right decision, regardless of the cost.

God bless!  
coachbowen1984@gmail.com, frontporchgospel.com

## Green Avenue Church of Christ

Last Wednesday we held our 5th Wednesday singing. This coming week we will host an examination of four more of the songs that we sing as we march through our song book to obtain a better understanding for our worship and praise.

The Sunday morning sermon was “Thoughts To Help Guard Our Hearts” from Philippians 4:4-8. This lesson began with the idea that the world we live in chips away at us daily with things that don’t really need to be in our hearts. In verses 4-7 Paul exhorted these Christians in three ways to keep their hearts active: rejoice, be gentle and be prayerful. He offered God’s promise that His peace would then guard their hearts.

Then we read in verse 8 as the

apostle turned to 7 or 8 abstract principles that will help our hearts as we learn to meditate on things that are true, honest, just and such like. It was pointed out that we really need these good thoughts as a constant presence in our hearts so we may combat all the evil and wickedness we see every day.

Sunday evening, Keith Shackleford began with a reading of Isaiah 9:6, which at the end revealed the title of the sermon: “The Prince of Peace.” In this lesson we studied the word “prince” in the Bible and learned it has little to do with the son of a king, but really is a word that identifies the chief, supreme leader or ruler, even the king himself.

We saw examples of the use of

this word in the life of Abraham, Moses, and Jeroboam amongst others. Then we read several of the prophecies where it was applied to the Messiah, whom we know is Jesus. From that point we went back to Isaiah 9 and studied the context of that prophecy.

Finally, the sermon covered a few of the New Testament passages regarding Jesus as the Prince of Peace, including Colossians 1:18-22 and Ephesians 2:12-18.

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 405-527-4052.

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## First Presbyterian Church of Rosedale

First Presbyterian Church of Rosedale will observe Holy Week with several activities and events.

Maundy Thursday is an event of April 6. The service will begin at 7 p.m. with appropriate hymns and readings. The Rev. Charlie Smith, interim pastor/ presbyter of Indian Nations

Presbytery, will preach and preside over the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper.

Easter Sunday, April 9, will feature worship beginning at 9:45 a.m. Rev. Baggett will be providing the sermon.

For more information contact Russell Newville at 405-821-0481.



# Whitefield named finalist for Teacher of the Year Award

Christina Whitefield, a teacher at Mid-America Technology Center, has been selected as a finalist for the Southeast Oklahoma Teacher of the Year award, presented by the Aeros Awards of Excellence.

Whitefield, along with the other 19 finalists for the award, will attend the April 27th awards ceremony and banquet in McAlester. The Southeast Oklahoma Teacher of the Year recipient will be announced that evening and will receive \$1,000 for their classroom.

Two members of the Mid-America Technology Center administration will also be in attendance that evening at the black-tie affair.

The Aeros Awards of Excellence were created to recognize individuals in Southeast Oklahoma who are taking their organizations and communities to greater heights, and their inaugural awards ceremony is focused on honoring the top educators in the region.

“We believe that teachers are among the most underpaid, overworked, and under-recognized workers in our society. We trust them with the educational development of our children and we wanted to find a way to thank them for their tireless efforts. That’s why we created the Aeros Awards; to show these excellent individuals that their selfless works are not going unnoticed,” said Ben Capers, co-founder of The Aeros Project.

Capers, along with co-founder Chris Plunkett, put out a



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## Teacher of the Year finalist

**Christina Whitefield** is congratulated by Ben Capers as a finalist for the Southeast Oklahoma Teacher of the Year Award.

call to all the schools in the 21-county region of Southeast Oklahoma, asking administrators to nominate their teachers who embody the ‘Aeros Spirit.’ Those who persist in the face of adversity, adapt when crisis arises, lift up those around them, and excel where others fall short. And the response was tremendous.

“We received nominations from over 45 communities, and the stories we heard were nothing short of uplifting,” Plunkett said. “From one teacher who delivered food during the recent snow storm to students who

would have otherwise gone hungry, to another who volunteered her time in the evenings and on weekends, tutoring students who were struggling to master difficult math concepts. We have been so inspired by these educators.”

The upcoming awards ceremony is made possible by generous corporate supporters of education in Southeast Oklahoma. Bullseye Precision Design & Fabrication in Pauls Valley is sponsoring Mrs. Whitefield and the Mid-America administrators the night of the awards.

# Pauls Valley Opry has fantastic show

The stars were shining bright at the Pauls Valley Opry last night as Arty Hill made his debut appearance, and found a new home as he sang his way into the hearts of the Pauls Valley Opry family.

Arty is from Baltimore, Md., where he and his Long Gone Daddy’s Band keep the Eastern seaboard out on the dance floor with his traditional country sounds. He took us back to the golden years of Country Music with the Charlie Pride hit, “Chrystal Chandeliers.” Arty then sang his self-penned, “Montgomery on My Mind.” Great song!

Cara Belt just sang her heart out and got us rockin’ with the Kentucky Headhunter’s tune, “Oh, Lonesome Me.” Cara took us to church with the Guy Penrod version of “Victory in Jesus.”

You can catch Cara at Mary’s Music Barn just south of Stonewall, Okla., featuring the Country Pride Band.

We are always glad when Jeff Petty is back on the show. Jeff and his lovely bride Beth are from the Hank Williams Museum in Montgomery, Ala. Jeff sang from his heart to ours with the Keith Urban hit single, “But for the Grace of God.”

We couldn’t let Jeff leave without singing a Hank tune. When he stepped up to the mic and belted out “You Win Again,” we loved it and we know that Hank would have, too!

Donna Nowlin, the registered nurse turned truck driver, was back at the Opry. Where, other than in Southern Oklahoma, could you find that? On top of that, this “Sweetie” can sing!

Donna got the folks out into the aisle with the Dawn Sears hit, “Someone Had to Teach You.” She kicked into overdrive with the Linda Ronstadt hit, “When Will I Be Loved.”

David Paul Nowlin, the “Superstar of Sasakwa” was back and this country gentleman just did a knock out performance.

David Paul, another enter-



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## Pauls Valley Opry

**Micah Ayache** will be making his second appearance at the Pauls Valley Opry on Saturday, May 6. The show begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Pauls Valley Junior High School auditorium.

tainer-songwriter, got everyone wanting to two-step when he sang the Gene Watson, “If I Were You (I’d Fall in Love with Me).” He also got us longing for more with the Keith Whitley version of “I Never Go Around Mirrors.” David Paul is also a member of the Country Pride Band at Mary’s Barn. Check out showtimes on FB.

Pauls Valley Opry Hall of Fame Member, Anne Young made her way across the Red River just to join us at the April edition. Anne has won so many awards, including the Pauls Valley Opry’s five-time Female Vocalist of the Year.

Anne rocked the building with the Chely Wright version of “C’est La Vie (You Never Can Tell),” then she tore it up with the bluesy Bonnie Raitt tune, “Angel from Montgomery.”

Tanner Young rounded out this class act of stars on Saturday night. Tanner is an exceptional vocalist, musician and entertainer. Along with his countless awards, he has been the Male Vocalist of the Year and Entertainer of the Year on

multiple occasions at the Pauls Valley Opry.

Tanner didn’t waste any time when he kicked into the Ricky Skaggs hit, “Heart Broke,” followed by Ronnie Milsap’s “Don’t You Ever Get Tired of Hurting Me.” Tanner is extremely busy these days as his musical career is just going crazy! Check out his Facebook and Website for more information.

The Memory Makers Band added to the mix with a few selections made famous by Bobbie Gentry, Doobie Brothers, Shannon McNally, Jerry Lee Lewis, Dawn Sears, and Martina McBride. Emcee John Williams kept the crowd going for a night of great fun and entertainment.

We appreciate all of the folks who advertise through the Pauls Valley Opry. Without them and you who come through the door, the Opry could not exist.

Please join us next month on Saturday, May 6, when we welcome guests Mike Deviney, Cathy Lake, Terry Wilson, Mary McDonald, Micah Ayache and Betty Archer.

# Lexington United Methodist Church

Our next regular Food Give Away will be Saturday, April 15, from 12 to 4 p.m.

Please join us this Easter Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Our pianist and other music students from the University of Oklahoma will be presenting a special Easter program as part of our service. We’d love to have you help us welcome them.

This week we remember the end of Jesus’ earthly work leading up to Easter. Our Sunday School lesson this past Sunday was from Matthew 26:36-46. Similarly, this version of the story is also in Mark 14:32-41. Jesus went to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. His disciples went with him.

Jesus took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, James and John, further into the Garden and asked them to stay while he went a little ways away to pray. He began to feel sad and anxious. He told them, “I’m very sad. It’s as if I’m dying. Stay here and keep alert with me.”

Another translation reads: Jesus became anguished and distressed. He told them that

“My soul is crushed with grief to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.”

The rest of the passage describes the three falling asleep, but the part that struck me about the reading was describing Jesus as sad and anxious. “It’s as if I’m dying.”

I don’t think I ever noticed this part where Jesus was sad and anxious, feeling as if he were dying. Wow—if Jesus suffered a panic attack, we shouldn’t feel bad if we have them! Facing his true death, no wonder he had these feelings.

There are other versions of praying in the Garden in Luke 22:39-46 and John 17. However, neither of them mention Jesus’ sadness and anxiety. I guess that’s why I had never noticed this part of the story.

In any case, in reading the Matthew passage revealed something that many of us may have never been aware of before. We’ve been told many times and there is nothing that we can experience that Jesus hasn’t felt as part of his coming to be human. As followers of Jesus, we can count on his

understanding of what it is like to be “us.”

There are other parts of the path to the Cross that we will read (and re-read) this week. Even though we may have heard these stories before, be on the look out for parts that you may have missed. That’s why we continue to study the Bible—to continue to learn.

No matter who you are or where your experiences have led you, you are loved and welcomed into the United Methodist Church. Many of us have had hurtful experiences in organized religions, but we would like to reach out to you in God’s love and welcome you into the universal family of God. We love you, whoever you are and whoever you may be!

We worship at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday, followed by coffee, tea, and fellowship. Sunday school starts at approximately 11 a.m. Our address is 631 East Ash, just west of Lexington High School. For more information, please call the church at 405-527-3506 to leave a message, or contact Pastor David Cook directly at 405-406-6174.

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## Washington:

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We are a 501(c)(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, Tuesday and 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 like to see a feature article about. Send me birthday, anniversary, or personal news you would like to share with our community.

**Angie Steele**



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## State Contest Band

**Washington’s High School** band performed at East Central University last week and earned all ones in the State Contest.



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## Academic honors

**Washington students** Kate Boothe and Jennie Higdon both were recognized as Academic Bowl All-State Honorable Mention. They were recognized by the Oklahoma Academic Coaches Association at the Academic Bowl All-State Recognition Banquet and Awards Ceremony. It was held Saturday, April 1 at Redlands Community College in El Reno.



No. 281-March 30-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES  
OF ROBERT H. FITZGERALD,  
Deceased,

And,  
JOSEPHINE F. MARTINO, De-  
ceased,

And,  
LOUIS CHARLES MURRAY, De-  
ceased.

Case No. PB-2022-158  
ORDER AND NOTICE FOR  
HEARING ON PETITION FOR  
ALLOWING FINAL REPORT,  
FINAL DECREE OF  
DISTRIBUTION  
AND DISCHARGE

Thomas J. Murray, Personal  
Representative of the Estate of  
Robert H. Fitzgerald, deceased,  
the Estate of Josephine F. Mar-  
tino, deceased, and the Estate of  
Louis C. Murray, deceased, filed  
on the 24th day of March 2023, the  
Petition for Allowing Final Report,  
Final Decree of Distribution and  
Discharge, and the Court finds  
that said Petition should be set  
for hearing.  
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that

the hearing of said Petition is  
hereby set on the 20th day of  
April, 2023, in the McClain County  
Courthouse, in Purcell, Oklahoma,  
in Judge Gray's chambers, at 9:30  
a.m., when and where all persons  
interested may appear and contest  
the same.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that  
notice thereof be given by publi-  
cation and mailing a copy of this  
Notice and Order for Hearing on  
Petition to all of the heirs-at-law  
of Decedent as required by law.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT

By: /s/ Karen Wiltmer  
DEPUTY COURT CLERK  
(Seal)

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sentative

No. 278-March 30-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF TULSA COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF KEVIN DEWAYNE FOWLER,  
Deceased.

No. PB-2022-554  
NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL  
PROPERTY AT PRIVATE SALE

Notice is hereby given that, in  
pursuance of an Order of the Dis-  
trict Court of Tulsa County, State  
of Oklahoma, made on November  
7, 2022, in the Matter of the Kevin  
Dewayne Fowler, Deceased, the  
undersigned as Administrator of  
the estate of said deceased will sell  
at pri vate sale to the highest bidder  
for cash, subject to the confirma-  
tion of said court, on or after the  
10th day of April, 2023, at 10:00  
a.m. at 1710 South Boston, Tulsa,  
Oklahoma 74119 in said County  
of Tulsa, all right title, interest and  
estate of the said Kevin Dewayne  
Fowler, Deceased, at the time of  
his death, and all right, title and  
interest that the said estate has,  
by operation of law, or otherwise,  
acquired in and to all real property,  
situate in the County of McClain,  
State of Oklahoma, described as  
follows, to-wit:

Part of the Northeast Quarter  
of the Northwest Quarter (NE/4  
NW/4) of Section Nine (9), Town-  
ship Nine (9) North, Range Four  
(4) West of the Indian Meridian,  
McClain County, Oklahoma, be-

ing more particularly described  
as follows: BEGINNING at the  
Southeast corner of the NE/4  
NW/4 of said Section 9; thence S  
89°53'53" W along the South line  
of said NE/4 NW/4 a distance of  
281.50 feet; thence N 00°08'47" W  
a distance of 329.99 feet; thence  
N89°54'31" E a distance of  
281.50 feet to a point on the East  
line of said NE/4 NW/4; thence S  
00°08'47" E along the East line of  
said NW/4 a distance of 329.94  
feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Including a 16.5 feet strip of  
land off the East side of subject  
property for a road way easement.

Physical Address: 2103 Hill  
Drive, Newcastle, OK 73065

Terms and conditions: AS IS,  
SURFACE RIGHTS ONLY  
Bids must be in writing and may  
be left at the office of Michael L.  
Seymour, Attorney for Administra-  
tor, or may be mailed to Nancy E.  
Fowler, Administrator, at 17087  
West 41st Street, Sand Springs,  
OK 74063.

Dated this 27th day of March,  
2023.

MICHAEL L. SEYMOUR, OBA  
#8098

Attorney for Administrator  
1710 South Boston  
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119  
918-749-1202

NANCY E. FOWLER  
Administrator

By: Michael L. Seymour  
Attorney for Administrator

No. 276-March 30-2 Times  
CHICKASAW COMMUNITY BANK  
F/K/A BANK2,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
HUNTER MARTINA/K/A HUNTER  
E. MARTIN; GARRY MARTIN  
A/K/A GARRY A. MARTIN; AND  
JOHN DOE, OCCUPANT  
Defendant(s).

Case No. CJ-2022-195  
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE  
NOTICE IS GIVEN to Hunter  
Martin; Garry Martin; John Doe,  
Occupant, and their unknown suc-  
cessors and assigns, that on May  
2nd, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at Sheriff  
Office of the County Courthouse  
in Purcell, McClain County, Okla-  
homa, the Sheriff of said County  
will offer for sale and sell for cash  
at public auction to the highest and  
best bidder, with appraisalment, all  
that certain real estate in McClain  
County, Oklahoma, to wit:

LOT THREE (3), BLOCK THREE  
(3), CHRISTIAN ADDITION NO. 1  
ADDITION TO THE CITY OF PUR-  
CELL, MCCLAIN COUNTY, STATE  
OF OKLAHOMA ACCORDING TO  
THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF,  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 938  
Louise Terrace, Purcell, OK 73080  
subject to taxes and tax sales,  
said property being duly appraised  
at \$170,000.00.

Sale will be made pursuant to  
an Order of Sale issued upon a  
judgment entered in the District  
Court of McClain County, Okla-  
homa, in Case No. CJ-2022-195,  
wherein Chickasaw Community  
Bank F/K/A/ Bank2 is Plaintiff  
and Hunter Martin and Garry  
Martin is/are Defendant(s) to sat-  
isfy said judgment in the sum of  
\$130,901.90 together with interest  
at 5% per annum from February  
1, 2021, including late charges,  
a reasonable attorney's fee, and  
all necessary funds advanced by  
said Plaintiff accrued or accruing  
hereafter through completion of  
this action.

The addresses of the  
Defendant(s), Hunter Martin,  
a/k/a Hunter E. Martin and Garry  
Martin, a/k/a Garry A. Martin, and  
her/his/their unknown successors  
are unknown to the Plaintiff.

WITNESS MY HAND this 23 day  
of March, 2023.

BY: /s/ Landy Offolter  
Sheriff  
(Seal)

LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP  
770 NE 63rd St.  
Oklahoma City, OK 73105-6431  
(405) 848-1819  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
File No. 22-138802

No. 259-March 23-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MARRIAGE OF:  
RUTH V. IBARRA,  
Petitioner,  
v.  
CESAR IBARRA,  
Respondent.

Case No. FD-2021-85  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:  
Cesar Ibarra  
1232 NW 44th Street  
Oklahoma City,  
Oklahoma 73118

YOU WILL TAKE NOTICE that  
a Motion to Suspend Visitation  
or Appoint Visitation Supervisor,  
Motion for Testing, and Applica-  
tion for Contempt Citation was  
filed in the above-named Court on  
January 12, 2023. At that time, the  
Petitioner prayed the Court grant  
and order visitation with the minor  
child be suspended or supervised,  
you be order to submit to testing,  
and arraigned on Petitioner's Ap-  
plication for Contempt Citation.

YOU WILL TAKE FURTHER  
NOTICE that since you are unable  
to be personally served, and this  
fact has been attested to by the  
Petitioner's counsel and process  
server, Notice of Publication is  
hereby given. This Notice is being

made by publication, signed by  
the McClain County Court Clerk,  
one (1) day a week for three (3)  
consecutive weeks in the Purcell  
Register, which is a newspaper  
authorized by law to publish  
legal notices in McClain County,  
Oklahoma.

YOU WILL TAKE FURTHER  
NOTICE that you must answer said  
Motions on or before the 3rd day  
of May 2023, or the allegations  
contained in said motions may  
be taken as true and judgment  
entered thereon.

YOU WILL TAKE FURTHER  
NOTICE that these matters are  
set for hearing on the 5th day of  
May 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Failure to  
appear may also result in judgment  
being rendered pursuant to the  
pleadings and/or cause a bench  
warrant to issue for your arrest.

WITNESS my hand and the  
official seal of the court this 14th  
day of March 2023.

Kristel Gray  
COURT CLERK  
BY: /s/ Lynda Mauldin  
(Seal)

/s/ Wm. Deveraux Jr.  
William Deveraux, Jr., O.B.A.  
#30855

124 North Third Avenue  
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080  
(405) 527-0332

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

No. 282-March 30-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
BUFFALO BAYOU RESOURCES  
III, LP, a Texas limited partnership,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.

PHYLLIS J. THOMPSON, an indi-  
vidual; RANDEL D. THOMPSON,  
an individual; and The Unknown  
Heirs, Executors, Administrators,  
Devises, Trustees, and Assigns  
of THOMAS L. THOMPSON,  
a/k/a TOMMY L. THOMPSON,  
deceased;  
Defendants.

Case No. CV-2022-134  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:  
Phyllis J. Thompson, Randel  
D. Thompson, and the Heirs, Ex-  
ecutors, Administrators, Devises,  
Trustees, and Assigns of THOMAS  
L. THOMPSON a/k/a TOMMY L.  
THOMPSON, deceased; and any  
claimant to the mineral interest  
described below,

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED  
that you have been sued wherein  
Plaintiff alleges it is record owner  
of the following real-property  
mineral interests located in Mc-  
Clain County, Oklahoma, and  
legally described as oil, gas, and  
other minerals in and under the  
following:

Part of Lot 4, Section 31, Town-  
ship 8 North, Range 4 West, being  
further described as beginning at  
a point 660 feet East of the North-  
west corner of said Lot 4; thence

No. 270-March 23-3 Times  
SECOND AMENDED  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Case No. CJ-22-72

WILLIAM J. UMPHREY; UN-  
KNOWN SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF  
WILLIAM J. UMPHREY; UN-  
KNOWN HEIRS, SUCCESSORS  
AND ASSIGNS OF WILLIAM J.  
UMPHREY; STATE OF OKLA-  
HOMA EX REL. OKLAHOMA TAX  
COMMISSION; UNKNOWN TEN-  
ANT, IF ANY, OF 20574 E RANCH  
LN, BLANCHARD OKLAHOMA  
73010

The above stated Defendants  
will take notice that the Plaintiff,  
Arvest Bank, filed its Second  
Amended Petition in the District  
Court in and for McClain County,  
State of Oklahoma, against the  
above stated Defendants, and  
said Defendants must answer  
said Second Amended Petition  
on or before the 5th day of May,  
2023, or said Second Amended  
Petition will be taken as true, and  
ajudgment will be rendered in said  
action against the above named  
Defendants, foreclosing their inter-  
est in the following described real  
estate, to wit:

A TRACT OF LAND IN THE  
NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE/4)  
OF SECTONTEN (10), TOWNSHIP  
SIX (6) NORTH, RANGE FOUR (4)  
WEST. I. M., MCCLAIN COUNTY,  
OKLAHOMA, BEING PART OF  
TRACT 20, EAST RANCH, AN  
UNRECORDED PLAT, AND MORE  
PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED  
AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING  
AT THE NE/CORNER OF NE/4  
OF SAID SECTION 10; THENCE  
S00°06'31"E ALONG THE SEC-  
TION LINE OF SAID SECTION  
10, A DISTANCE OF 1985.15  
FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGIN-  
NING, SAID POINT BEING THE  
NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID  
TRACT 20; THENCE FROM SAID  
POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINU-  
ING S00°06'31"E, A DISTANCE  
OF 445.09 FEET ALONG THE  
EAST LINE OF SAID TRACT 20,  
THENCE N89°45'53"W, AND  
ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF  
SAID TRACT 20, A DISTANCE  
OF 696.56 FEET TO A POINT ON

No. 268-March 23-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
THE GRACE WHITE TRUST,  
Plaintiffs,  
vs.

THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS,  
HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINIS-  
TRATORS, DEVISEES, TRUSTEES,  
AND ASSIGNS OF GRACE A.  
WHITE, DECEASED; MARY JANE  
LENIHAN, individually and as  
Trustee of the HELEN L. THOMP-  
SON TRUST dated August 23,  
1991, as amended and restated;  
LINDA L. VAUGHAN; ROBERT  
M. THOMPSON; GREGORY L.  
THOMPSON; and JOE DONALD  
WHITE  
Defendants.

Case No. CV-2023-61  
ALIAS NOTICE  
BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
TO: The Unknown Successors,  
Heirs, Executors, Administrators,  
Devises, Trustees and Assigns of  
Grace A. White, Deceased,

The above-named Defendants  
will take notice that in the District  
Court of McClain County, Okla-  
homa, in the above-styled and  
numbered case, an action has  
been filed by The Grace White  
Trust to reform the Warranty Deed  
from Grace A. White to Grace A.  
White and Helen L. Thompson,  
Trustees, which was filed in the  
Office of the District Court Clerk  
of McClain County, Oklahoma on  
January 23, 1991 and recorded in  
Book 1296 at Page 693 pertain-  
ing to the real property described  
hereinbelow, to show that Grace  
A. White and Helen L. Thompson  
were Trustees of The Grace White  
Trust. The Plaintiff further prays

due East to the Northeast corner  
of said Lot 4; Thence due South to  
the Southeast corner of said Lot  
4; Thence due West to a point 660  
feet East of the Southwest corner  
of said Lot 4; Thence due North  
to the point of beginning.

Conversely, you may claim  
some right, title, interest, lien, or  
estate in the Subject Minerals that  
is adverse to the Plaintiff.

You must answer the Amended  
Petition filed by the Plaintiff, on or  
before May 15, 2023, or the allega-  
tions in the Amended Petition will  
be taken as true, and judgment will  
be rendered, holding that Buffalo  
Bayou Resources III, LP, holds  
good title to the above-described  
mineral interest. Said judgment  
will reflect that a joint tenancy  
warranty deed from Jimmy and  
Jimmie Broadbent dated July 21,  
1972, and recorded against the  
records of the McClain County  
Clerk at book 489 page 316 on or  
about July 24, 1972, did not con-  
vey oil, gas, and/or minerals and/  
or mineral rights to the grantees,  
Tommy and Phyllis Thompson.

THE HONORABLE  
CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT

Houts Law, PLLC  
1801 NE 135th St., Ste. A  
Oklahoma City, OK 73131  
Phone: (405) 242-3468  
Fax: (405) 578-4373

A CURVE TO THE LEFT SAID,  
CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF  
200.00 FEET, A DELTA ANGLE OF  
12°58'49", A CHORD BEARING  
OF N06°15'17"W, AND A CHORD  
DISTANCE OF 45.21 FEET;  
THENCE ALONG SAID CURVE  
A DISTANCE OF 45.31 FEET;  
THENCE N12°44'42"W, ALONG  
THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAID  
TRACT 20, A DISTANCE OF 194.60  
FEET; THENCE N58°39'25"E,  
A DISTANCE OF 141.01  
FEET; THENCE N89°57'34"E,  
A DISTANCE OF 169.30 FEET;  
THENCE N00°02'26"W, A DIS-  
TANCE OF 133.69 FEET TO A  
POINT, SAID POINT BEING ON  
THE NORTH LINE OF SAID TRACT  
20 ; THENCE N89°57'34"E, AND  
ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF  
SAID TRACT 20, A DISTANCE OF  
453.93 FEET TO THE POINT OF  
BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH A MOBILE  
HOME AFFIXED THERETO, BE-  
ING A 2010 76 X 30, PALM HAR-  
BOR, MODEL NO: KAT5676Z5,  
SERIAL NO: MP1516427AB  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 20574  
E RANCH LN.,  
BLANCHARD, OKLAHOMA  
73010

and a judgment will be rendered  
on the promissory note against the  
Defendant, William J. Umphrey,  
adjudging that default has been  
made in said note and mortgage;  
and that Plaintiff has a valid, prior  
and superior mortgage lien on  
said real estate in the amount of  
\$104,373.25, with applicable inter-  
est, attorney's fees and costs, for  
all of which judgment will be taken.

Dated this 16 day of March,  
2023.

Court Clerk of  
McClain County  
By:  
Deputy (SEAL)

/s/ W. Brent Kelley  
W. Brent Kelley, OBA 11380  
KELLEY & TAYLOR, P.C.  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
401 N. Hudson Ave., Suite 200  
Oklahoma City, OK 73102  
Phone: (405) 848-6803  
Fax: (844) 813-1774

for the appointment of Jamie  
Lenihan as Successor Trustee of  
The Grace White Trust. You have  
or may claim to have an interest in  
this matter, and you must answer  
the Petition of said Plaintiff on file  
in said cause on or before May  
7, 2023 or the allegations of said  
Petition will be taken as true and  
judgment rendered accordingly,  
adjudging and decreeing that the  
above referenced Deed shall be  
reformed as herein described per-  
taining to the following described  
real property situated in McClain  
County, Oklahoma, to-wit (the  
"Property"):

The Southeast Quarter of the  
Northwest Quarter of the North-  
west Quarter of Section Thirteen,  
Township Five (5) North, Range  
Two (2) East, McClain County,  
Oklahoma.

Judgment will be further ren-  
dered, adjudging and decreeing  
that Janie Lenihan shall be the  
Successor Trustee of The Grace  
White Trust.

WITNESS MY HAND AND  
OFFICIAL SEAL this 20th day of  
March, 2023.

(Seal)  
McClain County Court Clerk  
By: /s/ Scheryl Flores  
Deputy Court Clerk

APPROVED:  
/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.  
James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881  
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731  
George W. Velotta, II, OBA  
#9223

Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC  
138 W. Main/P. O. Box 1565  
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080  
PHONE: (405) 527-7575  
FAX: (405) 527-7574  
Attorney for Plaintiffs

No. 286-April 6-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF CURTIS WAYNE ANDREWS,  
DECEASED.

Case No. PB-2023-24  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
PETITION FOR LETTERS  
OF ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all  
persons interested in the Estate of  
Curtis Wayne Andrews, Deceased,  
that on this date, Linda Andrews  
filed in the District Court of Mc-  
Clain County, State of Oklahoma,  
a Petition praying for Letters of  
Administration to be issued to  
Linda Andrews upon the Estate of  
Curtis Wayne Andrews, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that  
said Petition further prays that the  
heirs-at-law of Curtis Wayne An-  
drews, Deceased, be determined  
at the hearing thereon, all for the  
purpose of waiver procedures  
as provided by the applicable

No. 285-April 6-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF MICHAEL J. CULWELL, De-  
ceased.

Case No. PB-2021-141  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION  
FOR DETERMINATION OF  
HEIRS, DISTRIBUTION  
AND DISCHARGE

NOTICE is hereby given that  
Christopher James Culwell, Per-  
sonal Representative of the ES-  
TATE OF MICHAEL J. CULWELL,  
Deceased, having filed in this  
Court his Final Account of the  
Administration of said estate, and  
his Petition for Distribution of said  
estate and for Final Discharge of  
said Personal Representative,  
the hearing of the same has been  
fixed by the Judge of said Court  
for 9:30 o'clock a.m., on the 20th

No. 284-April 6-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF GARVIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
In the Matter of the Estate  
of

DENISE A. WELDON, Deceased.  
PB-2023-1

ORDER AND NOTICE OF  
HEARING RETURN OF SALE  
OF REAL PROPERTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
HOLLEY DENISE McKAY, the duly  
appointed Personal Representa-  
tive of the Estate of DENISE A.  
WELDON, Deceased, has filed  
herein a verified Return of Sale of  
Real Property requesting confir-  
mation of the sale of the following  
described real property, to-wit:

Lots 20 and 21 in Block 2 in  
the Clearview Heights Addition to  
the town of Washington, McClain  
County, Oklahoma, according to  
the official recorded map thereof;  
to LUKE HAYES for the sum of  
\$60,000.00. Said return is referred  
to for further particulars.  
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED,

No. 279-March 30-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

GILA GROUP, L.P., a Texas limited  
partnership, whose General Part-  
ner is GILA GROUP, LLC,  
Plaintiff,

v.  
G.A. BROWN, DECEASED; LINDA  
KEITH AND LANGFORD KEITH,  
JR., WIFE AND HUSBAND;  
G.A. BROWN TESTAMENTARY  
TRUST, LANGFORD KEITH, JR.  
AND LINDA KEITH, TRUSTEES;  
LANGFORD KEITH, JR. AND  
LINDA KEITH, TRUSTEES OF  
THE LANGFORD AND LINDA  
KEITH TRUST UNDER TRUST  
AGREEMENT DATED MARCH 11,  
2004; AND LINDA CAROL KEITH,  
SUCCESSOR CO-TRUSTEE OF  
THE LANGFORD AND LINDA  
KEITH TRUST DATED MARCH  
11, 2004; TOGETHER WITH  
THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS, EX-  
ECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS  
DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS; AND  
SUCCESSORS, IMMEDIATE  
AND REMOTE, OF G.A. BROWN,  
DECEASED; LINDA KEITH AND  
LANGFORD KEITH, JR., AND  
THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS, EX-  
ECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS,  
DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS, AND  
SUCCESSORS, IMMEDIATE AND  
REMOTE, IF DECEASED,  
Defendant.

Case No. CV-23-69

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:  
G.A. Brown, deceased; Linda  
Keith and Langford Keith, Jr.,  
wife and husband; G.A. Brown  
Testamentary Trust, Langford  
Keith, Jr. and Linda Keith, Trust-  
ees; Langford Keith, Jr. and Linda  
Keith, Trustees of the Langford  
and Linda Keith Trust under Trust  
Agreement dated March 11, 2004;  
and Linda Carol Keith, Successor  
Co-Trustee of the Langford and  
Linda Keith Trust dated March 11,  
2004, together with their unknown  
heirs, executors, administrators,  
devises and assigns, and suc-  
cessors, immediate and remote,  
of G.A. Brown, deceased; Linda  
Keith and Langford Keith, Jr.; and  
their unknown heirs, executors,  
administrators, devisees and  
assigns;

GREETINGS:  
Said Defendants are hereby  
notified that they have been

statutes of the State of Oklahoma.  
Pursuant to an Order of said  
Court, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that the 27 day of April, 2023, at the  
hour of 9:30 o'clock A.M. has been  
appointed as the time for hearing  
said Petition in the Courtroom of  
the Honorable Judge Gray, or the  
Judge to whom this cause is as-  
signed on said date, in the County  
Courthouse in the City of Purcell,  
McClain County, Oklahoma, when  
and where all persons interested  
may appear and contest said Pe-  
tition as provided by law, or may  
assert rights to the administration  
and pray that Letters be issued.  
DATED this 29 day of March,  
2023.

/s/ Haley J. Dennis  
Haley J. Dennis, OBA #32766  
Plainview Legal Group PLLC  
515 S University Blvd  
Norman, Oklahoma 73069  
Telephone: (405) 310-0183  
Facsimile: (405) 561-4003  
hdennis@plainviewlegal.com  
Attorney for Petitioner

day of April, 2023, before Judge  
Charles Gray in his chambers in  
the McClain County Courthouse  
in Purcell, Oklahoma, and all per-  
sons interested in said estate are  
notified then and there to appear  
and show cause, if any they have,  
why the said account should not  
be settled and allowed, the heirs  
of MICHAEL J. CULWELL, De-  
ceased, determined, said estate  
distributed, and the Personal  
Representative discharged.  
WITNESS MY HAND this 29 day  
of March, 2023.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
Judge of the District Court  
BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389)  
Attorney for Personal Repre-  
sentative  
212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407  
Purcell, OK 73080  
(405) 527-5623  
blester@lesterlawoffice.com

ADJUDGED, and DECREED by  
the Court and NOTICE is hereby  
further given that said Return of  
Sale will be heard by said Court  
at the District Courtroom of the  
undersigned Judge, in the Garvin  
County Courthouse, in the city of  
Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, on the  
20th day of April, 2023, at 9:00  
o'clock, a.m., when and where  
all persons interested may appear  
and file his exceptions in writing to  
said return and contest the same.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED,  
ADJUDGED, and DECREED by the  
Court that notice of said hearing  
be given as required by law.

Dated this 29th day of March,  
2023.

/s/ LAURA A. MCCLAIN  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT

Keith Readnour, OBA #15832  
P. O. Box 642  
Pauls Valley, OK 73075  
(405) 238-3383  
Attorney for Personal Repre-  
sentative

sued in Case No. CV-23-69 in the  
District Court of McClain County,  
Oklahoma, styled as follows: Gila  
Group, LLC, General Partner of  
Gila Group, L.P., a Texas limited  
partnership v. G.A. Brown, de-  
ceased; Linda Keith and Langford  
Keith, Jr., wife and husband; G.A.  
Brown Testamentary Trust, Lang-  
ford Keith, Jr. and Linda Keith,  
Trustees; Langford Keith, Jr. and  
Linda Keith, Trustees of the Lang-  
ford and Linda Keith Trust under  
Trust Agreement dated March 11,  
2004; together with their unknown  
heirs, executors, administrators,  
devises and assigns, and suc-  
cessors, immediate and remote,  
of G.A. Brown, deceased; Linda  
Keith and Langford Keith, Jr.; and  
their unknown heirs, executors,  
administrators, devisees and as-  
signs; and that said Defendants  
must answer the Petition herein  
on or before the 31st day of May,  
2023, or the allegations of said  
Petition will be taken as true, and  
a judgment will be entered  
quieting the title in Plaintiff, as  
prayed for in its Petition, to its fee  
simple mineral interests in certain  
real property located in McClain  
County, Oklahoma, more par-  
ticularly described as follows, and  
excluding Defendants from any  
claim in the following described  
real property:

South Half of the Southwest  
Quarter (S/2 SW/4) and the South  
Half of the Northwest Quarter  
of the Southwest Quarter (S/2 NW/4  
SW/4) and the Southwest Quarter  
of the Northeast Quarter of the  
Southwest Quarter (SW/4 NE/4  
SW/4) of Section Twenty-eight  
(28), Township Eight (8) North,  
Range Three (3) West of McClain  
County, Oklahoma, containing  
approximately 110 acres, more  
or less.

DATED this 27th day of March,  
2023.

COURT CLERK  
By: Kristel Gray  
by Linda Mauldin  
Deputy  
(Seal)

Ralph A. Sallusti, OBA #7881  
4301 SW 3rd Street  
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73108  
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## GARAGE SALES

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## HELP WANTED

DELTA COMMUNITY ACTION FDN., INC., is taking applications for Housing Program Director/Pleasant View Apartment Manager. Position requires working within State and Federal Grant funding and budget guidelines, with accounting background, working in the Non-Profit sector. Property management is a plus. Contact Jana Boyce, Human Resources, at 405-756-1100, jboyce@deltacommunityaction.org. EOE. 04/06/2tc

LAWN MAINTENANCE Service is looking for dependable help. Must be able to work 40-50 hours per week. Starting pay \$11 to \$13 per hour. Call 405-306-1928. 03/23/tfc

PART TIME FARM WORK: Up to 20 hours per week. Cattle experience preferred. Located near 74B east of Cole. Hours and duties negotiable. Generous hourly rate based on experience. Must be responsible and reliable. References required. Contact ebivolley@yahoo.com, 405-496-7455. 03/30/3tp

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT: Health Careers Education Teacher. Mid-America Technology Center is accepting applications for a Health Career Certification Teacher. Must be a License Practical Nurse (LPN), Registered Nurse (RN) preferred. Experience in long-term care preferred. Must meet certification requirements of the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education and State Department of Education. Applications will be accepted through 4:00 p.m., Friday, April 7, 2023, or until a suitable applicant is found. Contact Laryssa Couch, Director of Practical Nursing, at Mid-America Technology Center, P.O. Box H, Wayne, OK 73095. Phone: (405) 449-7627. AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER/EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION 04/06/1tc

## HELP WANTED

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT: IT TECH—Mid-America Technology Center is accepting applications for an IT Tech. Applicant will be responsible for maintaining security, endpoints, cabling, CCTV, and A/V systems. Preference will be given to applicants with Microsoft 365, VOIP, IT Sec, VM's, A/V and CCTV exp. Apps accepted through 4:00PM on Thursday, April 13th, 2023 or until a suitable applicant is found. Contact Kenneth Stull, Director of IT, P.O. Box H, Wayne, OK 73095. Phone: (405) 449-3391. Email: kstull@matech.edu. AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER/EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION 04/06/1tc

STEELCO is now accepting applications for Warehouse Worker Associate. Apply in person at Steelco, I-35 exit 79, Paoli. 04/06/4tc

## LIVESTOCK

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OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF RODNEY BROWN, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2023-25  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
All creditors having claims against Rodney Brown, deceased, are required to present the same with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the named attorney for personal representative, Gregory A. Upton, Lenora, Upton & Bridge, PLLC, P. O. Drawer 337, Chandler, Oklahoma 74834, on or before the following presentment date: June 1st, 2023, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 30th day of March, 2023.

/s/ Gregory A. Upton  
Gregory A. Upton  
Attorney for Personal Representative

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Gregory A. Upton, OBA #17156  
116 West 8th; P.O. Box 337  
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No. 272-March 23-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
FIRST FIDELITY BANK, N.A.  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
JERRY D OWEN and  
LAUREN LORRAINE BRAKEBILL  
Defendants.

No. CS-2022-274  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
Jerry D Owen and Lauren Lorraine Brakebill you are hereby noticed that you have been sued by First Fidelity Bank, N.A. and you must answer plaintiff's petition on or before the 6th day of May, 2023 or a money judgment in the amount of \$3,613.37 plus interest will be rendered accordingly.  
Dated this day March 13th, 2023.

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MCCLAIN COUNTY DISTRICT  
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No. 297-April 6-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF PATRICIA ANN MAYS, DECEASED

NO. PB-23-31  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
All creditors having claims against Patricia Ann Mays, deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the Personal Representative, at the offices of Randall Law, P.C., Post Office Box 692, Mustang, Oklahoma 73064, attorney for the Personal Representative, on or before the following presentment date: June 12, 2023, or the same will be forever barred.

/s/ Larry Mays  
Larry Mays,  
Personal Representative  
/s/ Arlene M. Randall  
Arlene M. Randall, OBA #19694  
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1631 East Twin Brook Terrace  
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randalllaw@cox.net  
Attorney for Personal Representative

No. 287-April 6-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF KODY JOE KEITH, Deceased  
Case No. PB-2023-23  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
All creditors having claims against the Estate of KODY JOE KEITH, Deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the named Personal Representative at the Law Office of BILL C. LESTER, Attorney at Law, 212 West Main, P.O. Box 1407, Purcell, Oklahoma 73080, on or before the following presentment date: June 6, 2023, or the same will be forever barred.

/s/ Karri Nichole Keith  
Karri Nichole Keith,  
Personal Representative  
BILL C. LESTER  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
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No. 291-April 6-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
In The Matter Of The Estate of  
Timothy David Sides, Deceased.  
No. PB-2022-58  
NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL  
ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR  
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS,  
DISTRIBUTION AND  
DISCHARGE

Notice is hereby given that Janet Sides, Administrator of the Estate of Timothy David Sides, Deceased, having filed in this Court, her final account of the administration of said estate, and Petition for order allowing same, determination of heirs, distribution and discharge of the Administrator, the hearing of same has been set by the Court for May 18, 2023 at 9:30 o'clock a.m., in the District Court in the county Courthouse, at Purcell, Oklahoma and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of said Timothy David Sides, Deceased determined, said estate distributed, and the Administrator discharged.

Dated this 31 day of March, 2023.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
Judge of the District Court  
Debra D. Loeffelholz, OBA  
14460  
117 East Main Street  
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Attorney for Administrator

No. 292-April 6-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
WITHIN AND FOR THE  
COUNTY OF MCCLAIN  
AND STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
In The Matter of The Estate of  
NANCY LOU LAUB, deceased.

Case No. PB-17-13  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
PETITION FOR ORDER FOR  
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS,  
DEVISEES AND LEGATEES,  
AND FOR DISTRIBUTION  
OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that Chris Faulkenberry and Stephanie Faulkenberry, Personal Representatives of the Estate of Nancy Lou Laub, deceased, having filed in this Court their Final Report and Final Account, Petition for Order Allowing Final Report and Final Account and Determining Heirship, and Petition for Final Decree of Distribution, 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 fixed by the Judge of said Court for the 20th day of April, 2023, being a day of said Court, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., in Room 225, at the County Courthouse of McClain County, Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said account should not be approved, heirs determined, and said estate distributed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 31st day of March 2023.

/s/ Charles Gray  
JUDGE  
Associate District Judge  
ROBERT L. WHITE, OBA No. 9551  
Attorney for Personal Representatives  
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No. 290-April 6-1 Time  
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No. 275-March 30-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF DAVID THURMAN HESTER, DECEASED

Case No. PB-2021-73  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
PETITION FOR FINAL  
DECREE AND FINAL  
DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE  
NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estate of David Thurman Hester, deceased, that on the 20th day of March, 2023, there was filed in the District Court in and for McClain County, State of Oklahoma, a Petition For Final Decree And Final Distribution Of Estate.

Pursuant to an Order of this Court entered contemporaneously with this Notice, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 27th day of April, 2023, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., said Petition For Final Decree

No. 293-April 6-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
ELEUTERIA RESENDIZ DE OLGUIN, JOSUE ALBERTO OLGUIN RESENDIZ, THOMAS JODY SPARLIN, JIMMIE LOU SPARLIN, TRUSTEE OF THE JIMMIE L. SPARLIN REVOCABLE TRUST, ALMA LOUISE COLLINS, HOLLIE JANEL SPARLIN, MARK SPARLIN, STEVE KLASSEN, VALERIE KLASSEN, ANITA CREAMER, ZACHARY ALAN KLASSEN and ALLI MARIE KLASSEN, Plaintiffs,  
vs.

ARTHUR DAVID SPARLIN, Deceased, SUE SPARLIN, Deceased, BETTY JO KLASSEN, Deceased, and the Unknown Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns of ARTHUR DAVID SPARLIN, Deceased, SUE SPARLIN, Deceased, and BETTY JO KLASSEN, Deceased, Defendants.

CASE NO. CV-2022-201  
ALIAS NOTICE  
BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: Arthur David Sparlin, Deceased, Sue Sparlin, Deceased, Betty Jo Klassen, and the Unknown Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns of Arthur David Sparlin, Deceased, Sue Sparlin, Deceased and Betty Jo Klassen

The above-named Defendants will take notice that in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, in the above-styled and numbered case, an action has been filed by Eleuteria Resendiz de Olguin, Josue Alberto Olguin Resendiz, Thomas Jody Sparlin, Jimmie Lou Sparlin, Trustee of the Jimmie L. Sparlin Revocable Trust, Alma Louise Collins, Hollie Janel Sparlin, Mark Sparlin, Steve Klassen, Valerie Klassen, Anita Creager, Zachary Alan Klassen, and Alli Marie Klassen, to quiet any right, title, or interest in and to the real property described hereinbelow which you have or may claim to have, and you must answer the Petition of said Plaintiffs on file in said cause on or before May 26, 2023 or the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered accordingly, adjudging and decreeing that the Plaintiffs Eleuteria Resendiz de Olguin and Josue Alberto Olguin Resendiz are the owners of, and that said Plaintiffs are the actual owners of the surface of the following described real property situated in McClain County, Oklahoma, to-wit:

All of Block 200 of the Townsite of Purcell, according to the recorded plat thereof, EXCEPT that portion of Lots 1 and 8, in Block 200 deeded to the Oklahoma Central Railway Company filed in Book 9 at Page 271;

and that the Plaintiffs Thomas Jody Sparlin, Jimmie Lou Sparlin, Trustee of the Jimmie L. Sparlin Revocable Trust, Alma Louise Collins, Hollie Janel Sparlin, Mark Sparlin, Steve Klassen, Valerie Klassen, Anita Creager, Zachary Alan Klassen, and Alli Marie Klassen are the owners of, and that said Plaintiffs are the actual owners of the surface of the following described real property situated in McClain County, Oklahoma, to-wit:

The West 100 feet of Lots Six (6) and Seven (7), in Block Ninety-five (95), CITY OF PURCELL,

No. 298-April 6-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
Earline M. Mitchell,  
also known as Earline M. Jones, Deceased.

Case No.: PB-2022-38  
NOTICE FOR HEARING  
FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR ORDER ALLOWING FINAL ACCOUNT, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION DISCHARGE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons interested in the Estate of Earline M. Mitchell, Deceased, that Cheryl Cavallo Nabb, Personal Representative, filed in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, her Final Account, Petition for Order Allowing Final Account, Determination of Heirs,

And Final Distribution Of Estate will be heard by Judge Charles Gray in his courtroom at the McClain County Courthouse, 121 N. 2nd Street, Suite 231, Purcell, Oklahoma, when and where all persons interested may appear and contest the same.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 2023.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
Judge of the District Court  
Respectfully submitted,  
/s/ Douglas J. Shelton  
Douglas J. Shelton, OBA #8159  
dshelton@sheltonlawok.com  
SHELTON LAW GROUP  
531 Couch Drive, Suite 201  
Oklahoma City, OK 73102  
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ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, JOYCE ANN ROWELL

according to the Government Survey thereof, less and except the following two tracts: a strip, piece or parcel of land lying in part of Lot 7, Block 95 of the Original Town of Purcell, according to the recorded plat thereof, said parcel of land being described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the SW/corner of said Lot 7; thence N 03°06'36" E along the West line of said Lot 7 a distance of 94.00 feet; thence S 85°34'19" E a distance of 100.03 feet; thence S 03°06'36" W a distance of 91.32 feet to a point on the South line of said Lot 7; thence N 87°06'24" W along said South line a distance of 100.00 feet to said point of beginning, containing 0.05 acres, being 2032 square feet, more or less of new right-of-way, the remaining area included in the above description being 0.17 acres, 7234 square feet, of right-of-way occupied by present highway, together with all abutter's rights, including all rights to access from the remaining portion of the Grantor's land onto U.S. Highway Number 77 to be, or which has been, constructed on this property, all bearings contained in this description are based on the Oklahoma State Plane Coordinate System and are not astronomical bearings. AND a strip, piece or parcel of land lying in the West 100 feet of Lot 7, Block 95, in the Original Townsite of Purcell, in McClain County, Oklahoma. Said parcel of land being further described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the SW corner of said Lot 7, thence East along the South line of said Lot 7 a distance of 100 feet, thence due North a distance of 68.3 feet, thence S 72°29' W a distance of 107.1 feet to a point on the West line of said Lot 7, thence South along said West line a distance of 30.1 feet to point of beginning; free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances of the Defendants, Arthur David Sparlin, Deceased, Sue Sparlin, Deceased, Betty Jo Klassen and the Unknown Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns of Arthur David Sparlin, Deceased, Sue Sparlin, Deceased, and Betty Jo Klassen, have no right, title, interest, lien, estate, encumbrance, claim, or assessment in or to the said hereinabove described real property, and a Decree quieting and confirming the Plaintiff's respective title and possession thereto as set out above, against said Defendants and their unknown successors, and forever barring and enjoining the Defendants and their unknown successors from any and all right, title, estate, interest or equity of redemption in and to the said lands and premises, or any part thereof.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL this 31st day of March 2023.

(Seal)

McClain County Court Clerk  
By: CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE

APPROVED:  
/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.  
James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881  
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Purcell, Oklahoma 73080  
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Attorney for Plaintiffs

Decree of Distribution, Discharge. NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the 11th day of May, 2023, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock a.m., of that day, has been appointed as the time for hearing said Petition in the District Court of McClain County, Probate Division, in the McClain County Courthouse, in the County of McClain, Oklahoma, when and where all persons interested may appear and contest the same.

DATED this 4th day of April, 2023.

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