Webb sworn in

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Surveying the site

Goldsby mayor Glenn Berglan (center) shows Representative Tom Cole (right) damage to the David Jay Perry Airport on Friday as Goldsby Town Administrator Adam Vossen looks on. The damage occurred after an EF-2 tornado tore through the area February 26, damaging hangars and destroying planes as it passed.

she was sworn in for her fiveyear term Monday night during the group's regular April meeting. "We are honored to welcome Mary Webb, who begins her

Purcell's Board of Educa-

tion welcomed its newest member, Mary Webb, when

term of service," Superintendent Dr. Sheli McAdoo said. Mary replaces Bill Smith, who served for over a decade

on the board. Mrs. Webb graduated from Wayne High School in 1991. In 1993, after attending The

University of Oklahoma, she

began working at First United

Bank, formerly First American

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Sworn in

New school board member Mary Webb was sworn in for

Sold out chamber banquet tonight

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. at Southwind Hills

The annual Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce awards banquet is set for (tonight) Thursday night.

Doors open at Southwind Hills in Goldsby at 5:30 p.m. with dinner to follow. On the menu is pork ten-

derloin, potatoes, vegetables and salad.

The event, which is sold

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OSBI investigation ongoing in Blanchard

Officer wounded in murder-suicide

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A domestic disturbance at 7406 N. Council Avenue in Blanchard early Saturday morning resulted in an apparent murder-suicide, according to McClain County Sheriff Landy Offolter.

Blanchard Police received a 911 call from the residence iust after 3:30 a.m.

Blanchard Police Officer Mathew Thurston, who is reported to live in Purcell and is a Lexington Firefighrter, and two McClain County deputies responded to the address.

Offolter said the officers contacted the occupants of the residence, Konrad and Ashley Pfannenstiel. The sheriff said Konrad discharged a firearm striking Ashley and Thurston.

"The Blanchard Officer and a deputy returned fire," Offolter said.

Offolter said Konrad fled inside the residence.

Officers later found Konrad and Ashley deceased inside the residence.

Thurston, who was transported to OU Medical Center for treatment, is expected to make a full recovery.

Offolter, who was called out around 4:15 a.m., said the OSBI is investigating

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her five-year term by board secretary Jordan Simmons at Monday night's regular April meeting at the administration building.



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It's official

The SSM Health Medical Group facility located next to PMH was welcomed as a member of the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce during a ribbon cutting ceremony last Friday. Purcell physician Bryan Dye and Kevin Lewis, Regional President of SSM Health Medical Group in Oklahoma, had the cutting honors.

5 questions with Karen Haley



Karen Haley

Editor's note: Answering The Purcell Register's five questions this week is Karen Haley, the McClain County Election Board Secretary.

Q: What made you interested in serving as the **Election Board Secretary?**

A: I had been working in the Election Board Office for five years when the Secretary, Marilyn McReynolds, retired in 2013. I loved working with

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Brush pickup

The City of Purcell has set free limb/brush collection for cubside pickup for the time frame of May 1-26.

Purcell residents living north of Grant Street need to have brush and limbs at the curb by Sunday, April 30.

The city will pick up that debris between Monday, May 1, and Friday, May 5.

Residents living south of Highway 39 need to have brush and limbs at the curb by Sunday, May 7.

The city will pick up that debris between Monday, May 8, and Friday, May 12.

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Wayne FFA looks to excel under new Ag instructor

RebeccaAndrews **The Purcell Register**

Drew Hardaway is fresh out of OSU and brings high hopes and expectations with him. Hardaway joined Wayne Schools in January as the new Ag teacher.

The district has struggled with keeping this position filled over the past few years. Hardaway wants the community to know he is fully committed to his position.

"I want the community to know that I am 100 percent in the corner for your kids. I am excited to watch this FFA Chapter grow and see the students become AG-



Drew Hardaway

vocates for agriculture. Everyone in Wayne is ready for a successful FFA Chapter."

Wayne Superintendent Toby Ringwald said he hopes Hardaway, "Brings consistency to our Ag program and through a long career at Wayne will make our FFA program one of the tops in the state."

Hardaway is originally from Battiest, OK. He graduated from OSU and was a student teacher in Stratford before hiring into Wayne. He lives near Stratford now.

"My roots in agriculture run deep," Hardaway reports.

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Warriors take title

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slow-pitch softball team won its own tournament last weekend.



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GLAMS Junior high girls from Purcell attend OU Engineering

program.



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Ubiquitous grass fires

Purcell Firefighters responded to grass fire calls last Friday, Saturday and Sunday. This one on Friday morning was at West Jackson and North 8th Avenue. They assisted Wayne with a grass fire on Saturday and responded to another grass fire on 220th on Sunday when approximately 50 acres were burned. Purcell had assistance from Washington Brush trucks and tanker to battle that blaze.

Affect of 4/20 festivities on teens

Are 4/20 celebrations in states where recreational cannabis is legal influencing teens to use the drug?

Recreational marijuana is illegal in Oklahoma, making 4/20 Day less widely celebrated. However, this does not stop the influence it has on youth.

These celebrations have long moved past counterculture protests to significant commercial showings of the industry. where recreational weed is legal leverage the day as an opportunity to promote the industry Super Bowl.

Social media makes it possi-



Boulay

Marijuana companies in states ble to reach everyone. Celebrities, influencers, and businesses push their products and brands at events like The Cannabis Cup and its products, similar to or Hippie Hill. It's hard for teens alcohol companies using The to avoid the influence of these products.

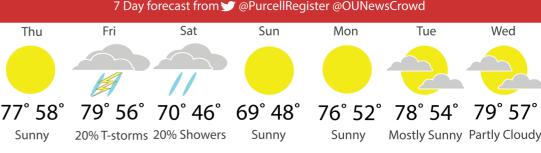
Parents should be aware of

this growing influence and have constructive conversations with their kids about marijuana and its associated risks.

"Prevention and education are proven effective at any age," said Marcel Gemme of Addicted.org. "The primary purpose is to prevent drug and alcohol use altogether, but it at least provides them with the information they need to make responsible choices."

In Oklahoma, 24 percent of residents aged 12 and older used marijuana in the past year. Among 12 to 17-year-olds, roughly 13 percent had used the

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Warming trend to continue

Warm weather will continue highs will be approaching of the weekend, with a high over the next seven days across 80 degrees for Friday, with just shy of 70 degrees under the region, with a slight chance a 20% chance of afternoon sunny skies. Sunshine, along of showers and thunderstorms showers and thunderstorms. A with a few passing clouds will by the end of this week. For slight chance of showers will persist heading into the next Thursday, sunny skies can be persist into Saturday morning, work week, with temperatures expected, with afternoon highs with highs near 70 degrees. soaring into the mid to upper in the upper 70s. Afternoon Sunday will be the cooler day 70s by the middle of the week.

OU Engineering hosts learning event for junior high girls

Over 100 middle school girls procedures and designs. attended the biannual GLAMS event on March 31 at the University of Oklahoma.

The GLAMS program—Girls Learning and Applying Math and Science – introduces girls to the engineering field through activities led by OU Engineering students.

Inspired by the Star Wars saga, the girls studied six types of engineering: biomedical, mechanical, civil, electrical, computer and engineering

Star Wars themes – Midichlorians and Mitochondria, Under Pressure, The Force: Magnets and Other Attractive Things to convey complex engineering society," she said.

In 2011, OU Engineering created the program specifically for middle school girls.

"Students start thinking about their career track as early as middle school. So, middle school is a prime time to engage girls in STEM and engineering as a potential pathway for school and their career," said Dominique Pittenger, Ph.D., director of the college's Women in Engineering program.

"This event lets young women connect with OU Engineering students where they learn what engineers do and where the engineering path can take them. GLAMS is an impactful and Cool Circuits – were used and useful group in today's

Sponsored by OG&E, about 50 OU engineering students worked with the students to boost the number of women studying engineering - currently, OU Engineering passes the national average of female engineering, having 25 percent representation.

Inviting young women to explore STEM fields is a passion for Andrea Dennis, vice president of transmission and distribution operations at

"OU GLAMS is a unique opportunity for girls across the state to get hands-on engineering experience, and we hope it

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GLAMS participants

Kheanna Martin (left) and Tristan Miller, Purcell Junior High students, explore mechanical and civil engineering concepts at OU GLAMS.



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NEWS In **Brief**

Veteran Breakfast

All veterans, active-duty military, and descendants are invited and encouraged to attend a free breakfast American Legion Post 301.

Breakfast will be at 9 a.m. American Legion building, in the coffers for this project. 104 E. Broadway, in Lexington.

The American Legion Post and Field Complex. 301monthly meeting will follow at 10 a.m.

Free Women's Golf Clinic

A free women's golf clinic will be held April 20 and 21 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

the Brent Bruehl Memorial Golf Course in Purcell.

For more information call 405-527-5114.

Roll Off

Dumpsters

McClain County District 1 residents only will have roll off dumpsters put in the maintenance yard in Wayne through April 13 for spring clean up.

Times for the yard are 6:30 Citywide a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday only.

The yard is closed on

No dumping batteries, tires, wire, oil, paint, pesticides, hazardous materials or anything containing freon. Patrons are requested to check into the office before

dumping.

Call 405-449-3355 for more fice@theheartofok.com and information.

Purcell PTO Raising Funds

The Purcell Parent Teacher Organization is currently raising funds for fencing to be erected around the playgrounds sponsored by Walmart and at the elementary and intermediate schools.

The annual Fun Run is a fundon Saturday, April 15, in the raiser that will help put money

> The Fun Run will be held May 9 at the Bob Haley Track

Support Your Furry Friends

The City of Purcell is sponsoring a Support Your Furry Friends event Saturday, April 22, from 9 a.m.-12 noon.

You can support the local The clinic will be held at animal shelter by donating pet food, blankets, towels, pet beds, toys, cat litter (clumping), Clorox wipes, bleach, laundry detergent or gift cards.

> The event will be held at the at the Purcell Multi-Purpose Purcell Police Department. Citizens should enter the police department from Grant Street and follow the signs to the country and western music donation tent at the southeast is on hand. corner of the parking lot.

Staff will collect all items for come and join the fun. donations.

Garage Sale

The City of Purcell's annual Citywide Garage Sale will be held Friday, April 28, and Saturday, April 29.

Email, text or call the chamber office to get your garage sale on the list.

Contact the chamber at 8379.

405-527-3093 or chamber ofprovide your name, address. dates of sale and a contact phone number.

Shredding, Rx Take Back

The City of Purcell is hosting a shredding and Rx Take Back event Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m.-12 noon at the Purcell Police Department.

Cars should enter the police department parking lot from Grant Street and follow the signs.

All documents must be free of binder clips, must be in cardboard boxes and be limited to five boxes per car.

needles, syringes, liquids, chemicals and inhalers. For more information call

Items not accepted include

405-527-4627. Senior Dance

at Purcell A Senior Dance is held every Friday night at 7 p.m.

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

Museum News

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

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

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tional Survey on Drug Use and Health.

Parents' small conversations with their kids about ery teen becomes a hardcore marijuana make a big impression. The short and frequent discussions can have a tangible impact on their choices about marijuana, alcohol, and other drugs. Consider some of the following tips:

- Short, frequent conversations rather than one big talk help build strong communication and a trusting relationship.
- It is ok to show disapproval of marijuana use. Make your views and rules clear about the drug. Reinforce why they should avoid it.
- Avoid lecturing, threatening, and using scare tactics; it does not help create good communication.
- Be a reliable source of factual information. Listen to their opinions about marijuana, answer their questions, and provide real-life experience; the conversation goes both ways.
- Help them develop skills to avoid and manage peer
- Always show genuine concern for their wellness, health, and success.

Teens are more likely to avoid marijuana use altogether when they have a strong, trusting relationship with their parents. These conversations play an integral role in this.

The reality is there are adverse effects associated with teen marijuana use. The teen brain is actively developing age 25, making the risk of addiction much greater.

No one is implying that evdrug user after their first use, although THC has addictive properties. A young developing brain is more susceptible to the effects.

drug, according to the Na- and continues to develop until event in many states where recreational marijuana is legal. Parental awareness is essential, and these conversations are a good starting point.

Jody Boulay is a mother of two with a passion for helping others. She currently works as a Community Outreach Coordinator for Addicted.org to 4/20 Day continues to grow help spread awareness of the as a massive commercial dangers of drugs and alcohol.



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After a decade of waiting, Oklahomans with disabilities still aren't receiving needed care proved \$32.5 million to clear mom, is competing for care called habilitation training spe-

Oklahoma

Whitney Bryen Oklahoma Watch

a shower without risking her them were children. son's life.

Kannon suffers from a rare zures. He needs constant care, a range of sersomeone to soften his falls and vices for lowkeep him from choking by roll- income Okla-

ing him onto his side. At 6-foot-4, he looks like a intellectual and teenager but thinks and acts developmental

like a toddler. One day last year, Cooper forgot to lock the door. When many of them she got out of the shower, are still without Kannon, 14, was gone. He was roaming their street naked and a neighbor called the police.

"He does not look disabled, so to a group of policemen he with thousands looks like a defiant teenager," Cooper said. "That was scary and that's why we have a fence front yard."

when lawmakers finally ap-

a 13-year waitlist for help that against other families, and big cialists. They're part of a nethad grown to more than 5,000 box stores. Andee Cooper can't take Oklahomans. About 2,000 of

percent have been approved used part of last year's alloca-

homans with disabilities.

Like Cooper, care due to the lack of providers — a problem likely to grow

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of Oklahomans expected to be est, Cheryl Dever, said she's

approved in the next year. now that goes around the entire funding for a home health aide home staff for Kannon. to help Kannon and his mom in Cooper found hope in May their Jenks home for 20 hours with people with cognitive

In-home aides can make Since then, fewer than 10 at Costco even after the state haven't recovered.

> care is spiking. Since Kan-

non's waiver was approved in October, the Coopers have had three case managers, who match families with needed ser-

vices. The newlost track of how many agencies Last fall, the state approved she has called in search of in-

Caregivers trained to work per week. But Cooper, a single disabilities like Kannon's are

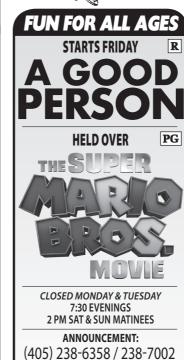
work of home health workers whose ranks plummeted during more money answering phones the COVID-19 pandemic and

Demand for in-home care disorder that causes daily sei- for a Medicaid waiver to fund tion to raise wages. Many have rose as families moved loved quit for higher ones home from residential pay and less re- facilities vulnerable to the visponsibility as rus. At the same time, children the demand for learning from home and fears of becoming sick and infecting patients prompted many caregivers to quit, said Alice Burns, who studied the issue as an associate director at the

Kaiser Family Foundation. A 25 percent pay increase was part of last year's allocation from lawmakers. Oklahoma caregivers are making an average of \$12.50 an hour. A

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Talking trash

We received an email from a subscriber in Lexington saying neither WDS nor GFL is picking up trash in that community.

The Lexington resident reported he is unable to contact either of the companies and he had heard a rumor that GFL had purchased WDS.

Turns out it is not a rumor after all.

From Allen Cox at GFL: "Yes, GFL purchased WDS on April 1.

"We visited with municipalities they are contracted with last week and informed them," Cox flowing dumpsters but could went on to tell Purcell City not find one. Manager Dale Bunn.

to share now that the deal is even full. closed," Cox said.

the skinny on Monday I went three months of service. over to Lexington with camera

Editor's Notebook John D.

Montgomery

There were no dumpsters "It is public knowledge that we could see that were

Our email buddy was even Before Bunn tracked down worried that he had paid for

But by the way Allen Cox in hand to take pictures of over- sounded things should work

out just fine for customers in Lexington and the surrounding area.

jdm

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jdm

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The Fun-Run will be held May 9 at the Bob Haley Track and Field Complex.

jdm

Hello from District 43

Senator Jessica Garvin



Update from the Capitol

This Thursday, the Senate and costs for durable medical equip-House will complete their committee work on bills from the opposite chamber. As of Monday afternoon, we had considered well over half of the House bills

Five of my House bills will next go before the full Senate and four more were approved in their first committee and will next be heard by the Appropriations Committee.

One will modify the definition of enabling child abuse to include the willful or malicious harm or threatened harm of a minor or failure to protect from such bills in the House. harm and the act of willfully or or maiming a minor.

ers from charging out-of-network House measures, seeks to invest

ment prescribed by a beneficiary's physician that isn't readily available within their network.

Education continues to be one of our main focuses this session. However, there's been some misinformation circulating about the Senate's education plan.

We've already passed numerous Senate bills to increase teacher pay, authorize maternity leave, and address a number of other important issues. However, the misinformation is about our amendments to House Bills 1935 and 2775 to mirror the Senate

Here are the facts – the Senmaliciously injuring, torturing, at education plan, including \$3,000 raise for newer teachers our original Senate bills and our Another would prevent provid- approved amendments to these

more than \$700 million in new funding in our schools, teachers, and students, which is the single largest appropriations increase to education in history.

The Senate, unlike the House, wants to invest \$500 million for teacher pay raises and to substantially increase the State Aid Formula. While the House wants to provide a \$2,500 across-theboard pay raise, the Senate plan would reward all of Oklahoma's public school teachers while recognizing the experience and commitment of those who have chosen to make teaching their life-long career.

Our plan would provide a

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News from Capitol Hill

Storm season is here, time to prepare

Congressman Tom Cole

Oklahoma has unfortunately already endured a string of disastrous tornadoes this year. While our communities remain resilient in the recovery process, it is a reminder that we must be ready to face dangerous weather conditions that may come our way.

As we enter storm season, please take the proper steps to plan and prepare.

First, awareness is essential, and by monitoring local weather conditions in your area and staying up to date on any severe storm warnings, you can know when a storm is approaching and when to take shelter.

The best way to increase awareness is to receive realtime alerts from the National Weather Service by downloading the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) app which can be found at fema. gov/mobile-app.

In addition to providing timely alerts, the FEMA app also allows you to send notifications to loved ones and locate nearby storm shelters during emergencies. You can

Ready.gov/shelter.

For those who are deaf or Notification (OK-WARN). These alerts provide warnings regarding severe weather and other emergencies in your area through email, cell phones or

To activate this potentially life-saving service, visit oklahoma.gov/oem/programs-andservices/ok-warn.html.

To further prepare, you can also create a disaster readiness plan for your household. The plan should include details on where to shelter, an evacuation route, how you will communicate with your household and how you will receive emergency alerts if a disaster were to strike.

For more details on how to build a readiness plan, please visit Ready.go/plan. Households with seniors, kids or pets can also visit Ready.gov/

also contact your local county older-adults, Ready.gov/kidsor commissioner or mayor to find Ready.gov/pets for additional more details on public storm resources to ensure that every shelters in your area or visit age and member of the family is prepared for a storm.

Next, make sure you have achard of hearing, unique alerts cess to a severe weather kit. All are available through the Okla- emergency kits should include homa Weather Alert Remote the minimum of a flashlight, water, a first aid kit, a whistle and batteries. With these resources, your household will be better equipped to face any disasters that may come your

Financial preparedness is also essential as disasters can be costly. To prepare financially, you should consider creating an emergency savings account and begin saving money that can be used in case of crisis.

It is also a good idea to gather and safeguard all financial and critical household documents, including tax statements and insurance policies. For more financial preparedness tips, visit Ready.gov/financialpreparedness.

Once your household is se-

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The Purcell Register does not print anonymous letters to the editor. Only two letters per month will be printed from the same author. Letters should be kept to a maximum of one (1) single spaced typed

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Your Views

Quick to assist

Dear Editor:

On January 2, a surgical incision I had opened, causing another health issue. We live in unincorporated Cleveland County, a few miles east of Lexington, in the Lexington Fire Department service area. It was after 9 p.m. when it occurred, and my wife called 911.

The Lexington Fire Department responded very quickly, and the young men who responded were very professional, gentle and kind. They had the bleeding stopped and a bandage on it before Wadley's could get here, to take me to the hospital.

This is to say how much I appreciate them, and let Lexington residents know just how well served they are by the Lexington Fire Department.

Great job, guys, and again I want to express my appreciation to them so much.

Richard Randolph Lexington

News from District 42 • Rep. Cindy Roe •



Updating infant safe haven laws

4-H Day to recognize the important role 4-H plays in encouraging agriculture education and helping students grow into hard-working adults.

A few student 4-H leaders spoke on the House floor about their appreciation for the organization, and many students took the time to visit with their legislators as well. Shelby Lister, a homeschooled student from Stratford, joined me for lunch in honor of 4-H Day. It was wonderful to get to know her and learn more about her interests.

Thursday was our deadline to pass Senate bills through their subcommittees. However, not every bill has to pass through a subcommittee. Only bills that deal with the budget must be approved by a budget subcommittee before moving to the full House Appropriations and Budget Committee, then to the House floor.

On Monday, I presented Senate Bill 1029 to the House Appropriations and Budget Subcommittee on Health. The bill authorizes the trust created by the Board of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to sell certain property. SB1029 received a unanimous vote in the subcommittee and is now eligible to be heard by the full House Appropriations and Budget Committee.

Bills that do not have a fiscal impact typically go through the House committee most relevant the State Capitol. to the policy.

On Thursday, I passed Senate Bill 423 through the House Judiciary – Civil Committee. The bill increases the maxi-

This week, the Capitol hosted mum amount of transportation costs a person, attorney or licensed child-placing agency desiring to pay living and transportation expenses on behalf of a birth mother is authorized to expend from the current cap of

\$1,000 to \$3,500. SB423 also deals with infant safe haven laws by increasing the age at which a parent may relinquish custody of a child from 30 days old to 60 days old. Oklahoma's current infant safe haven laws allow the parent to anonymously relinquish their infant, up to 30 days old, to state custody at certain safe locations without retaliation or prosecution.

These laws, sometimes referred to as "Baby Moses laws," were first enacted in 1999 to address infant abandonment in unsafe locations, like public restrooms or trash receptacles. Oklahoma's statutes allow the parent to relinquish the child at a police station, fire station, child protective services agency, hospital or other medical facility. The child is then taken into state custody.

It's my hope that by increasing the age to 60 days, we'll see fewer instances of neglect or violence against infants.

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

Rep. Cynthia Roe, a Republican, serves District 42 in the Oklahoma House of Representatives, which covers Garvin and McClain Counties.

You have a lot to do

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Tax Day is April 18 this year your numbers together and file your taxes. The average American will file the short form that only has two lines on the form.

The first line asks the quesline says, "Send it to the Internal Revenue Service."

Don't you just love all these always about money. tax breaks President Joe Biden is giving us? Once again, this week after paying taxes all Joe another check. It's never enough.

I hope you are getting some have a great future. money back but our government needs a lot of money. Billions of dollars for Ukraine, money to pay the new 86,000 IRS agents who will be harassing everyone for more.

over Taiwan. How much will this cost us as we obviously less. Oh, dear Lord, how much more can we afford?

after April 18 you should make This is a lot to think about. flowers and making your own in all 50 states.

OG&E, we believe that bring-

ing more women into STEM

careers will further energize

the energy industry, and we

appreciate our partners at OU

for allowing us to sponsor and

volunteer at this event," Den-

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or more years.

We also included a \$30

GLAMS:

mother were alive so I could and it's time for you to get all take her flowers and buy her dinner. The years pass and we respect and love for what the miss our opportunities. Make plans now to celebrate the special moms you may have left.

You may have children or tion, "How much money did a grandchild graduating this you make in 2022? The second May. Think about how you might mentor and encourage this special person. It's not

Maybe you could find a way to spend an hour talking and sharing life experiences. year I still get to send President Convey love. Brag about their accomplishments. Let them know that you believe they

Cast a great dream for them that they can have a great life with some work and focused discipline. Let them know you believe in them. Love goes a long way in shaping the lives China will go to war to take of our children, grandchildren, and even our acquaintances.

After this is Memorial Day. are going to be involved. Don't Too often we are scrambling the look for your taxes to become last weekend in May to arrange flowers for the cemetery. Start your plan now. Which graves If you have any money left must be visited and decorated?

Budget what you can spend plans for Mother's Day, gradu- on flowers. Sometimes you ation day, and Memorial Day. can save money buying the weekly in over 600 publications

tier middle schools and Purcell

Paul Wollenberg teaches

STEM courses through Okla-

homa CareerTech. He says this

is the third year for Purcell

Public Schools to participate

in GLAMS and that attendance

who have up to four years of create the Oklahoma Teacher and vulnerability assessments

experience; \$4,000 for those Corps Program to cover the to ensure they are as safe as

of experience; and \$6,000 for years in a Title I School; and the last day of session later in

Educators Grant Program to districts, contracted childcare or concerns about legislative

allow districts to implement to the district, or stipends issues, please contact me by

qualitative bonus pay plans for for employees to help cover writing to Senator Jessica

eligible teachers and support childcare costs. Other efforts Garvin, State Capitol, 2300

staff who play a critical role include providing funding N. Lincoln Blvd. Room 237,

in keeping schools running. to reimburse teachers for Oklahoma City, OK, 73105,

provide eight weeks of paid credentials they get, and pay- oksenate.gov or calling (405)

Our Senate bills would also additional certifications and emailing Jessica.Garvin@

for mentor teachers.

million appropriation to cre- a pilot program to provide the governor's desk.

Junior High School.

inspires many of them to pursue Schools' students from Alcott,

a future career in STEM. At Irving, Longfellow and Whit-

Attending the daylong ac- has doubled in the three years

years; \$5,000 for 10-14 years who agree to teach for four

those who have taught for 15 provide \$500 annual stipends

ate the Rewarding Excellent on-site childcare services for

who have worked five to nine tuition and fees of students possible.

tivity were Norman Public he has been involved.

Don't forget mom. I wish my grave decoration. The thought is what counts.

You are doing this out of deceased meant to you and because it's important to remember them.

On this very important day we take the time to remember the soldiers who gave their lives so that we can have the freedom to enjoy all we do in America. They paid the ultimate price for our freedom. Plan on visiting the grave of at least one man or woman who died in service for our country.

You have plenty to do in the weeks ahead. Make a plan, pace yourself and good luck!

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

"GLAMS is an outstand-

ing event that lets our female

students realize how many

different engineering careers

exist and how they can use their

skills and interests to build an

education path," Wollenberg

said. "GLAMS builds their

confidence in knowing that

they can be successful and lets

them know there are many op-

A lot will happen before

May but I'm hopeful that these

important education policies

If you have any questions

portunities."

We're also working on will get approved and sent to

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search of Oklahoma City-area job postings found entry-level positions at Best Buy, Dillard's and Costco starting at \$15 an hour. In order to reach national standards, another 20 percent increase is needed, according to a state report comparing caregiver wages.

Picking up a 180-pound teenager from the floor after a seizure or lifting someone from a wheelchair is physically demanding. Some providers are tasked with feeding or bathing patients. Others are responsible for administering medication. All have another's life in their hands.

Alexis Clampitt spent 2017 caring for an Oklahoma woman in her 20s, who is nonverbal, autistic, blind and has a brain disorder.

"It's not just taking care of someone who is unable to take care of themselves," Clampitt said. "It is taking care of someone who has multiple ways they could die daily and you have to prevent that. And then they want to pay you \$9 an hour and you've got your own family too."

Clampitt said the job required minimal training, which consisted mostly of watching videos. The best training came from the family of the woman she cared for 12 hours a day, four days a week. Clampitt quit after about a year when she could no longer afford childcare.

How Budget Cuts Fed the Wait List

In the 2000s, an oil bust and a recession resulted in budget shortfalls prompting agencies to strip services from some of the most vulnerable Oklahomans.

Court orders following a 2008 lawsuit alleging the state failed to protect children in state custody led the Department of Human Services to cut elsewhere. One casualty was disability care.

Services for Oklahomans with autism, cerebral palsy, Down Syndrome, brain injuries and intellectual disabilities faced even deeper cuts when federal contributions, which are determined by state funding, plummeted.

homa sued over the proposed

The move made national news and rallied distraught families who put pressure on the Department of Human Services. Lawmakers took notice and launched a bipartisan caucus focused on disability services.

In-home services remained and the lawsuit was dismissed.

New waivers relied on attrition leaving nearly 8,000 Oklahomans waiting in 2018 - the longest waitlist in state history.

Yearly allocations of \$1 or \$2 million chipped away at the list until last year when lawmakers appropriated enough money to eliminate the list, according to estimates from the Department of Human Services.

Celebration ensued. A television commercial lauded future promises to serve vulnerable Oklahomans. Agency leaders joined Gov. Kevin Stitt, lawmakers and a family recently approved for services to praise the progress.

Meanwhile, thousands of families remain desperate for help.

The agency sorted the list into groups and in June started processing 340 Oklahomans who've waited the longest. Nearly one-third of them are receiving some services. Another 10 percent have been approved and are searching for care, which includes summer worker quit in August. Jarvis camps, behavioral therapy, job training, group home living and in-home help.



• Whitney Bryen/Oklahoma Watch

Help for the disabled

Andee Cooper, left, leaned in to talk to her son Kannon at their home on March 14, 2023, while her mother, Peggy Cooper, watched. Kannon has a rare disorder that causes him to have daily seizures and cognitive regression, which means Kannon who is 14 thinks and acts more like a toddler, his mom said. Kannon was lethargic most of the morning after having two

denied or rejected services. we do find one who will work Some didn't qualify, most with us, their turnover is so often because they didn't meet the IQ requirement of 70 or teaching new people what to below, said Beth Scrutchins, who oversees state disability services. Others had outdated contact information, no longer needed services or didn't want the hassle of paperwork and assessments, she said. Some have been difficult to find due to outdated contact information. At least four Oklahomans in the first group died while waiting for help.

It is expected that about 40 percent of Oklahomans still waiting will be approved for services, according to a report provided by the agency.

'A Different Kind of Care and Peace of Mind'

Some family members are forced to quit their jobs to stay home and care for a loved one while they wait on their waiver or search for care.

Single parents like state Rep. Ellyn Hefner don't have that option. Hefner, D-Oklahoma City, made the push In 2016, the agency threat- to fund disability services a because the people they're ened to stop funding in-home pillar of her 2022 campaign. caring for aren't valued," care for adults. The American Her youngest son, William, she said. "We aren't looking Civil Liberties Union of Okla- 18, has an intellectual dis- at our most vulnerable, those ability and life-threatening that don't have a voice at all seizures that require constant in the community because supervision but is able to work part-time at an Oklahoma City coffee shop.

After more than a decade of waiting, William was approved for services in January. Hefner knew finding a trained care provider would further delay the help she needed, so she used government assistance to hire one of her son's coworkers, Jared Cooling.

The waivers can be used to pay a family member, neighbor, friend, or church member to provide care.

Days after Hefner's first payment, Cooling saved William's life. William was walking on a treadmill at the gym when he seized, fell and hit his head. Cooling administered rescue medication, proving the importance of support services, Hefner said.

"Before that, because I was working and the waiver wasn't in place, I had volunteers watching my son, just anyone I could find," Hefner said. "But we trained Jared on this and it's just a different kind of care and peace of mind."

Caroline Jarvis of Edmond hired someone who worked at her adult son's former group home. After driving Jonathan to and from work, cooking his meals and making sure he took daily showers, the help ever since.

Half of the first group was the help we need and when high that we end up constantly do or in some cases they just don't show up for shifts," Jarvis said. "So as the parents, we end up filling those needs even though we have the waiver."

> When she does have help, Jarvis said the waiver allows her son to live independently, work and be part of his Edmond community.

> An in-home worker would also expand Kannon Cooper's access to his community. He loves cheering at Jenks Middle School basketball games and donning his Pistol Pete shirt at Oklahoma State University baseball games. Without help, these outings are nearly impossible, his

> mother said. Andee Cooper said misunderstandings about people with disabilities and their value perpetuates the work-

> force shortage. "Those jobs aren't valued their parents are too tired. We don't have the help we need and we're too tired to fight for it."

TIMELINE: How Oklahoma's Wait For Disability Services Began

• A 1980s lawsuit alleging abuse and neglect at a staterun institution pressured Oklahoma to offer Medicaid waivers for disability services.

• The court shut down the Hissom Memorial Center in Sand Springs and ordered the state to serve people with disabilities in their communities.

• The state started a list of Oklahomans seeking services funded with money formerly allocated to the defunct institution. About 600 former Hissom Center residents were at the top of the list.

 A federal mandate forced the state to offer services to residents with intellectual disabilities living in nursing

 The cost of waivers and court-ordered support for the Hissom residents exceeded the program's budget. The wait for help began.

• Audits of those receiving services in the late 1990s and 2000s found unused funds that supported more waivers reducing the waitlist.

Oklahoma Watch, at oklahomawatch.org, is a nonprofit, nonpartisan news has struggled to find reliable organization that covers public-policy issues facing "The agencies can't provide the state.

maternity leave for teachers; ing for schools to undergo risk 521-5522. From page 4A

cure, it is important to prepare emergencies-and-iaq#safely. your property. Clear any large or loose materials near your other loose objects near your your loved ones, and ultimately

If disaster does strike and your property suffers damage, reporting this information can be crucial to the state's recovery efforts as authorities work to assess the level of damage. In the event your property is harmed by severe weather, please report this to state authorities at damage.ok.gov.

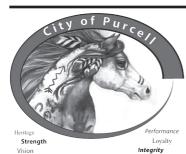
Lastly, if severe weather causes your home to lose power, practice caution when using backup power and heat sources. Portable generators and combustion or gas-burning instructed and not placed inside your home.

The incorrect use of these appliances could expose you household to toxic carbon riding and reading. monoxide. Review information from the Environmental Protection Agencies (EPA) to ensure you are not breathing in harmful fumes at epa. gov/indoor-air-quality-iaq/

Past disasters in our state serve as a heartbreaking rehome and remove any dead minder that preparedness is trees, hanging branches or vital to the safety of you and

saves lives.

Please develop a severe weather plan for you and your family and follow the necessary steps to ensure your safety in the coming months.



City of Purcell Employee of the Month

Louise Zastrow Purcell Animal Shelter

Job title: Supervisor of the Purcell Animal Shelter and Animal Control

appliances should be used as How long have you been employed with the **City of Purcell?** Since February 2017.

Tell us about your family: Two kids, two grandbabies, lots of fur babies.

and other members of your What are some of your hobbies? Horseback

What is the best advice you have ever been given? Always give 100 percent.

Where did you grow up? Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

What is a fun fact about you that many people may not **know?** I moved to Oklahoma to retire.

Purcell Register

Society



Gracie Montgomery

Williams, Rhonda Thomas, theheartofok.com and provide Brent Lynn, Amy Lynn, Kelly your name, address, dates Nemecek, Courtney Bou- of sale and a contact phone dreaux, Coralee Castle, Ryan number. Umber, Amber Abney, Phyllis Wagner, Jay R. Orquiz, Everett Gardner, Kerry Wilhoit, Tess Lukens, Jan Harrowa, Concepcion Aguinaga, Daniel Calixto, Michele Jones, Jacquelyn Smith, Jeni Suarez, Ana Franco, Saul G. Ibarra and Rosetta Genson.

A free women's golf clinic will be held April 20 and 21 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

The clinic will be held at the Brent Bruehl Memorial Golf Course in Purcell.

For more information call 405-527-5114.

The City of Purcell is sponsoring a Support Your Furry Friends event Saturday, April 22, from 9 a.m.-12 noon.

You can support the local animal shelter by donating pet food, blankets, towels, pet beds, toys, cat litter (clumping), Clorox wipes, bleach, laundry detergent or gift cards.

The event will be held at the 2 tablespoons butter sliced Purcell Police Department. Citizens should enter the police department from Grant Street and follow the signs to the donation tent at the southeast corner of the parking lot.

donations.

Citywide Garage Sale will be held Friday, April 28, and Saturday, April 29.

Email, text or call the chamber office to get your garage

sale on the list.

Happy birthday to Nanette 527-3093 or chamberoffice@

The City of Purcell is hosting a shredding and Rx Take Back event Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m.-12 noon at the Purcell Police Department.

Cars should enter the police department parking lot from Grant Street and follow the All documents must be free

of binder clips, must be in cardboard boxes and be limited to five boxes per car. Items not accepted include

needles, syringes, liquids, chemicals and inhalers. For more information call

405-527-4627.

The crockpot makes easy work of this tasty chicken, a lighter version of the classic pot roast recipe.

Mississippi Chicken

2 pounds chicken breasts or thighs, boneless and skinless 1-ounce packet au jus mix

1-ounce packet ranch seasoning into pats

6 pepperoncini peppers or sliced banana peppers

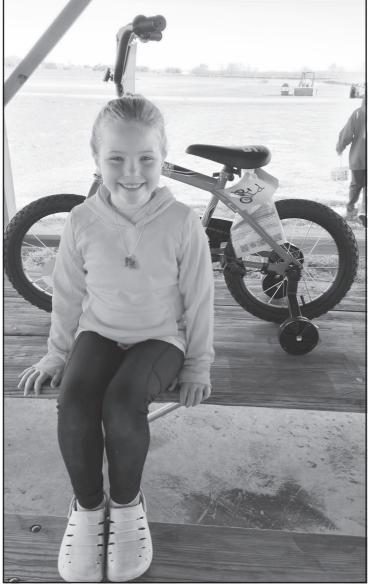
Add the chicken to the slow

Sprinkle on the au jus mix, Staff will collect all items for and ranch seasoning, then top with butter and pepperoncini.

Cook on low for 3 hours, or The City of Purcell's annual on high for 1-1/2 or 2 hours.

Let the chicken rest for 5 minutes, then shred it while it's still warm.

Serve over mashed potatoes, pasta, or rice. To make sandwiches, serve on rolls or toasted Contact the chamber at 405- buns with provolone cheese.



• Photo provided

Bike winner

Kayden Klein of Purcell won the 6-8 year-old division of the Heart of Oklahoma Kiwanis Easter egg hunt last Saturday.

MATC Breaking Traditions recipients

Four Mid-America Technol- Moore, Wynnewood, Preteacher were named as 2023 Breaking Traditions Award recipients.

This award is given to outstanding non-traditional Oklahoma Career and Technical Education Equity Council sponsored by the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education.

MATC's award recipients tive Service Technician; Lydia promoting equity.

ogy Center students and one Engineering; Michael Ozment, Byars/Adult, Business Office Assistant; and Morgan Cline, Lexington, Medium/Heavy Diesel Truck Technician.

This award honors individustudents and instructors by the als who have chosen specific training programs because of their interests and abilities; those who have not let their gender influence their decisions to pursue non-traditional careers.

MATC faculty and staff are Amanda Cummings, Pre- congratulate the recipients for Engineering teacher; Aura leading the way by breaking Valenzuela, Lindsay, Automo- stereotypical career paths and

Cleveland County OHCE Make & Take Event

Connie Wollenberg

FCS Educator

& Take Event in Norman on or Christmas. Saturday, May 6, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

by mailing a check to OHCE at the Cleveland County Exten-Norman, OK 73071 or dropping off a check at the office by April 25.

will be included in the ticket OHCE as they benefit local

the chance to win door prizes, & Take.

can attend three of the 11 Members of the Cleveland workshops being presented, County Oklahoma Home and Make and Take home & Community Education three projects with informa-(OHCE) will hold a Make tion to make gifts for family

Workshops include projects such as making soap bombs, Tickets are \$15 with pre- painted cactus, beaded braceregistration by April 25 either lets, making various ornaments, macrame projects, and many more projects. You sion Office, 601 E Robinson, won't want to miss this opportunity.

Come spend the day with our leaders, learn how to make Lunch and three workshops some new crafts, and support students with scholarships Participants will enjoy lunch, from the proceeds of the Make

Dibble Senior Citizens

Greetings from the Dibble Senior Citizens.

The winning ticket was drawn for the king size heated blanket. Congrats go to Donna Holyk, her ticket was the ticket drawn. And the winner did not have to be present, so we did not get a picture.

For the month of March, the food pantry distributed 1075 boxes, serving 3090 people and 898 households. We could not serve our community as we do if not for our volunteers. Our volunteers give up their time and most many hours a month.

We have volunteers who come from not only Dibble but Blanchard, Purcell and as far as Cyril every week to help Dibble and our surrounding communities.

Dessie's Diner served 356 meals to 321 seniors, 34 adults and one child in the month of March.

The menu for the week of April 17:

Monday, April 17—Country breakfast.

Wednesday, April 19—Enchilada casserole.

Friday, April 21—Bob's burgers and french fries.

We are preparing to have a yard sale and are now taking donations of any kind. We are looking toward the middle of May for the yard sale.

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**



· Photo provided

Excellent helper

Ignacio Munoz is mostly known as Nacho or Papa around the senior center. He is our go-to guy who is willing to help in any area of the food bank or diner. Ignacio has been volunteering with us for over seven years and has become valuable to our center. He not only is a hard worker but comes 3 days a week without fail. He is a jack-of-all-trades and master of many. We appreciate Nacho verv much.

Purcell Senior Citizens

Bv Val Blackburn

Everyone over 60 has a standing invitation to come visit the senior center. Enjoy new friends, numerous activities, lunch and a few laughs. Our library has a variety of books to take home and enjoy.

Bingo is every Thursday at 10 a.m. New things to do will be added this spring and summer, depending on interest. We are always open to new ideas from everyone who attends.

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 17-21: Monday—Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy,

green beans, hot roll, fruit salad.

Tuesday—Chicken salad on croissant, pickled beets, coleslaw, chocolate cake.

Wednesday—Taco salad, corn, tortilla chips, banana pudding. Thursday—Butter beans with ham, tomato relish, greens, cornbread, pie.

Friday—Cook's choice.

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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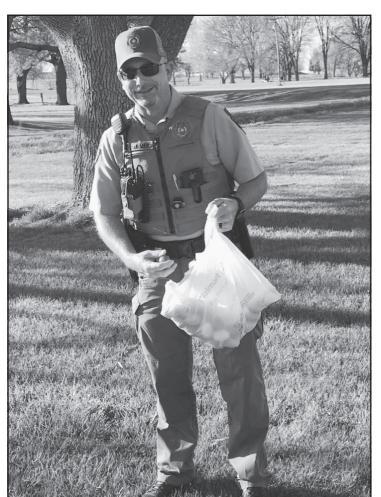


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Egg hider

McClain County Game Warden Brian Meskimen came out Saturday doing his best rendition of the Easter Bunny hiding eggs at the Purcell City Lake for the Heart of Oklahoma Kiwanis Easter egg hunt.

OCA seeking applicants for Cattlemen's Leadership Academy

part of CLA, class 30.

application and session dates Ranch, and Pickens Auctions. can be found at www.okcattlemen.org. The application deadline is May 10.

OCA members, between the of Oklahoma and represents ages of 25 and 40, through industry exposure, education ties across the state. and association communication," said Byron Yeoman, of directors and membership OCA President.

of four seminars designed to less government intervention, expose participants to leaders lower taxes and a better botfrom all segments of the in- tom line. dustry. The seminars provide further explore our business, reward program or activities gain essential information, call 405-235-4391 or visit cultivate leadership skills and www.okcattlemen.org. network with fellow OCA members.

"The popularity of the program continues gaining momentum," said Yeoman. "The current class that is finishing up has been outstanding just like many other classes. Our CLA program is highly respected across the nation.

"Several states have modeled their young leader programs after OCA's CLA. If you want to be more involved in the OCA, stay up on current industry issues and take a leadership role in charting the course for a successful Oklahoma beef industry in the years ahead; I encourage you to apply today," he concluded.

The CLA program is completely funded by several generous sponsors including: Merck Animal Health, Oklahoma Ag Credit, Farm Credit of Western Oklahoma, Neogen, Oklahoma National Stock-

The Oklahoma Cattlemen's yards, Noble Research Insti-Association (OCA) is cur-tute, National Livestock, ABS, rently seeking applicants for the Livestock Nutrition Center, Cattlemen's Leadership Acad- Corteva Agriscience, Farm emy (CLA) program. Twenty Data Services, Oklahoma Beef applicants will be chosen to be Council, Oklahoma Cattlemen's Foundation, Langston's Requirements to apply, the Western Wear, Stuart Farm and

The OCA is the trusted voice of the Oklahoma Cattle Industry. OCA is the only voice that "The CLA program develops speaks solely for the cattlemen beef producers in all 77 coun-

The OCA officers, board encourages you to join us in CLA consists of a series our advocacy efforts to ensure

For more information about participants the opportunity to OCA membership, the theft



LEXINGTON SCHOOL **MENU** Week of April 17 **MONDAY BREAKFAST**

Cereal or biscuit and gravy, peaches, fruit juice, milk. LUNCH

Steak fingers, potato wedges, steamed broccoli, applesauce, hot roll, milk.

TUESDAY BREAKFAST

applesauce, fruit juice, milk. LUNCH

Frito chili pie, steamed carrots, pinto beans, orange smiles, milk.

WEDNESDAY **BREAKFAST**

Cereal or doughnut, mandarin oranges, fruit juice, milk.

LUNCH Macaroni and cheese, blackeyed peas, whole kernel corn, peaches, milk.

THURSDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal or egg and cheese morning burger, spiced apples, fruit juice, milk.

LUNCH

Cold sandwich, hummus and whole grain chips, baby carrots, apple wedges, milk.

FRIDAY

No School.

PURCELL SCHOOL **MENU** Week of April 17

MONDAY BREAKFAST

Toast and scrambled eggs or juice, milk.

LUNCH

Grilled cheese sandwich, tissue for transplant. tomato soup, baby carrots, peaches, milk.

TUESDAY BREAKFAST

Muffin or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Chicken nuggets, dinner roll, mashed potatoes and gravy, cucumber slices, apples, milk.

WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST Biscuit and gravy or cereal

and toast, peaches, juice, milk. LUNCH

Beef nacho bar with beef, chips and queso, Mexican salad, salsa, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY BREAKFAST

Toast and yogurt or cereal and toast, apple, juice, milk.

LUNCH Corndog, french fries, cu-

cumber slices, peaches, milk. **FRIDAY BREAKFAST**

Sausage and cheese breakfast rollup with gravy or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, green beans, cookie, applesauce, milk.

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OMRF receives \$2.6 million to study mutations connected to skin diseases

Health has awarded the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation \$2.6 million to unravel how mutations in a single gene connect to skin health.

With the five-year grant, OMRF scientist Lorin Ol-Cereal or breakfast stick, son, Ph.D., will continue his research on a protein signal called platelet-derived growth factor (PDGF), which plays a key role in the body's ability to repair wounds.

But too much PDGF promotes scar tissue formation called fibrosis as well as inflammation, making proper balance key. Olson's research focuses on understanding how PDGF works.

that mutations in a gene associ- downstream signals."

The National Institutes of ated with PDGF — PDGFRB - can lead to a pair of rare

skin diseases. Penttinen syndrome causes skin to age prematurely, while Kosaki overgrowth syndrome causes cells to overproduce, resulting in thick raised scars resembling keloids.

With the new grant, Olson is investigating how PDGFRB variants affect different skin cells and how mutations in one gene can trigger such contrasting disease symptoms.

"Like a circuit breaker sending signals to power appliances in your house, PDGFRB sends multiple downstream signals into the cell," Olson said. "We think these two mutations are It was previously discovered causing different changes in the

Fortunately, said Olson, there are already approved medications for the pair of skin disorders connected to PDGF.

"But by understanding the roles of each of the downstream signals, we'll be on the path to identifying new therapies to treat other conditions where PDGF is implicated, such as wound healing, fibrosis and cancer," he said.

"Dr. Olson is an acknowledged expert on PDGF signaling, but these two skin diseases illustrate how much we still need to learn about its impact on human health," said OMRF Vice President of Research Courtney Griffin, Ph.D. "I'm excited to see what his research

LifeShare celebrates Donate Life Month

Each April, LifeShare Okla- lifesaving and healing tissue courage and transformed life – homa celebrates Donate Life Month, an observance to focus attention on the need for and importance of organ, eye and tissue donation.

This celebration shares the importance of registering every person's decision to be a donor and honoring the gift of life – recognizing that the generosity of donors makes saving lives through transplantation possible.

LifeShare Oklahoma is the cereal and toast, applesauce, organ procurement organization in Oklahoma responsible for the recovery of organs and

More than 114,000 people across the country are currently waiting for lifesaving transplants, and 740 of those are waiting here in Oklahoma.

WAYNE

SCHOOL MENU

Week of April 17

MONDAY

BREAKFAST

juice, milk.

Bagel topper, cereal, fruit,

Sausage rolls, waffle fries,

green beans, mixed fruit, milk.

TUESDAY

BREAKFAST

LUNCH

Taco, rice, pinto beans,

Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

rawberries, milk

transplants. "In 2022, LifeShare coor-

dinated the recovery of 249 organ donors and 1,106 tissue donors. The work of our team and hospital partners allowed 535 lives to be saved through donation," said Jeffrey Orlowski, President and CEO of LifeShare Network. While Donate Life Month exists as an opportunity to honor our heroic donors and celebrate lives that have been saved, it is also a time to remember that more than 740 Oklahomans still await lifesaving transplants. We hope residents of the state will join us in raising awareness about donation."

This year's Donate Life Month theme was inspired by dragonflies. The dragonfly Thousands more wait for serves as a symbol of hope,

WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST

LUNCH

THURSDAY

BREAKFAST

Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

FRIDAY

fruit, juice, milk.

coli, peaches, milk.

cake, milk.

themes repeatedly found within the donation and transplantation journey. A dragonfly's scurrying

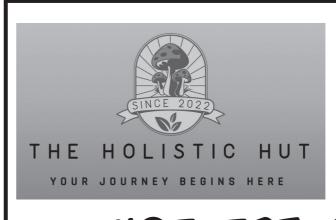
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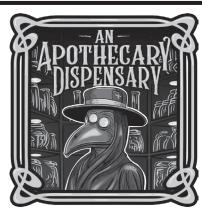
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Egg hunters

The Easter Bunny caught up with this group of egg hunters at the Purcell City Lake during the Heart of Oklahoma Kiwanis Easter egg hunt last Saturday.

Pandemic distruption and a data error: Why school report cards are so late

<u>JenniferPalmer</u>

Oklahoma Watch

A calculation error created a months-long delay in the 2022 school report cards, which still have not been released to the

schools to receive inaccurate letter grades late last year. The Oklahoma Department of Education corrected the scores and gave school leaders until Monday to review.

Grades are expected to be public after the review period, but what parents see may not be the corrected version.

In an email to district leaders, the department said it will "honor the original letter

Some school leaders say they Oklahoma Watch.

Department Press Secretary

answered Oklahoma Watch's phone calls.

The error occurred before



automatically get the original the new grades in December but formance and growth, student disease or repair damaged letter grade or the higher one, held off once the mistake was absenteeism, English language valves, Srinivasan said. and Education Department discovered. Individual student proficiency, postsecondary officials wouldn't clarify to test scores were released in opportunities and graduation September.

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Justin Holcomb did not respond year's kids, and we still don't to questions sent by email have our A-F grades from last Tuesday. Neither Holcomb nor year. They're kind of irrelevant Superintendent Ryan Walters at this point," said Rick Cobb, superintendent of Mid-Del Public Schools.

The state's A-F school grad-The error caused some Walters took office. The De- ing system has been disrupted multiple times since it was adopted by the Legislature in

> There was a two-year hiatus in 2016 and 2017 while the Department redesigned the system to comply with the federal Every Student Succeeds Act.

There were no letter grades coronavirus pandemic.

high-quality data to parents and school leaders about how schools are performing in sevrates. The U.S. Department of "Here we are about to test this Education requires states to assess schools annually and make the data public.

> Under Oklahoma's system, schools are graded on a bell curve. Five percent of schools receive an A, 25 percent receive a B, 40 percent receive a C, 25 percent receive a D and five percent receive an F. Schools given an Freceive extra funding for added resources.

> > Please see **Late**, page 9A

OSU Agricultural News

Web-based watershed assessment tool is a global resource

Briellee Prock Agriculture Communications

The Oklahoma Water Rewith Texas A&M University and the Oklahoma Conservawater quality and quantity assessments and forecasting

The Oklahoma Hydrologic and Water Quality System (OK-HAWQS) is a web-based tool for anyone to use. Texas A&M and the United States Department of Agriculture developed the Soil and Water Assessment Tool (SWAT) to assess watersheds of varying

It allows users to digitally model and simulate past, present and future water quality and quantity problems. The tool also studies how land management is changing and feasible. how the use of conservation

practices affects the state's water resources.

The Spatial Sciences Laborasources Center has partnered tory at Texas A&M provides technical support for OK-HAWQS, along with continued tion Commission to improve model and software develop-

> The Oklahoma Conservation Commission serves as project lead, funding the model's development and helping gather data from partner agencies.

"OK-HAWQS gives Oklahomans the ability to better assess water quality and quantity and respond to major water problems across the state," said Abu Mansaray, a researcher at the Oklahoma Water Resources Center.

OK-HAWQS helps researchers save money, time and resources while covering areas where data collection is not

Researchers can see pre- OK.HAWQS.

dicted changes 10 to 50 years in the future by using OK-HAWQS to model watersheds of interest.

"As a simplified and more efficient way to study watersheds, researchers can set up and conduct modeling in less time with preloaded data in OK-HAWQS," Mansaray said. "Researchers select a watershed, the parameters and the scenarios to run the model."

Total Maximum Daily Loads can be developed using OK-HAWQS to determine reductions needed to restore water quality. Although the SWAT model is customized for Oklahoma, researchers outside of the state can also use the technology due to zero cost and open accessibility.

Model simulation only requires a username and password. For those interested, visit

OMRF awarded \$2.1 million to study heart valve disease

The National Institutes of Health has awarded the forms of the condition, blood Oklahoma Medical Research either leaks back into the vessels and lymphatic ves-Foundation \$2.1 million to heart or the valve becomes investigate a potential genetic stiff and narrow, preventing first to observe that the genes cause of degenerative heart blood from passing through. that regulate the formation of valve disease.

body, heart valves degenerate cases of heart valve disease, as we age," said OMRF cardiovascular biologist Sathish Srinivasan, Ph.D., who received the four-year grant. "But some people experience it earlier than others."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prein 2020 or 2021 due to the vention, heart valve disease affects about 2.5 percent of It's intended to provide the U.S. population and close to 13 percent of people aged 80 and older. Although medication can treat symptoms, aren't sure if that means they'll partment planned to announce eral key areas: academic per- no drugs exist to prevent the

Known genetic predisposi-"Like everything else in the tion explains about one in 10 cases, researchers have idenvariants.

> remaining 90 percent, a lifestyle factor such as smoking, poor diet or lack of exercise may flip a switch in people with unidentified genetic variants. "We suspect that normal wear and tear," Srini- maturely."

In the two most common and more plentiful than heart valves, are found in blood sels. Srinivasan's lab was the vascular valves also are found in heart valves.

In his new study, his lab will Srinivasan said. In those use research models to determine what happens to heart tified the responsible genetic valves when a gene known to be critical in vascular valves He believes that within the is turned off.

"We expect to find that the absence of this gene causes heart valves to age rapidly," Srinivasan said. "If our hypothesis is correct, we can focus on how the gene funcreaction negatively affects a tions and eventually work valve's ability to repair itself toward therapies that prevent and regenerate tissue during heart valves from aging pre-

OMRF scientist Lijun Xia, Vascular valves, far smaller M.D., Ph.D., noted that degenerative heart valve disease can lead to heart failure or even death.

"Our current understanding of the various causes of this condition is incomplete," said Xia, who leads OMRF's Cardiovascular Biology Research Program. "Dr. Srinivasan and his team are making substantial headway on one particular cause, with a goal of someday identifying targets for new medications."

Srinivasan is collaborating with OMRF scientists Jasim Ahamed, Ph.D., Lorin Olson, Ph.D., and researchers at Boston Children's Hospital and Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City on the study.

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Toting the calf

Rebecca Andrews holds a calf while riding a horse at an event in Apache recently.



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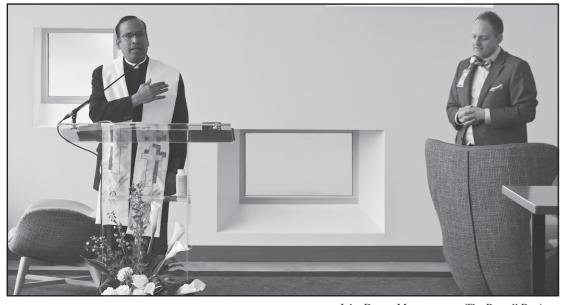




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growth for future harvests.

Herbs have the most intense

flavor when harvested just be-

fore flowering. You can remove

even more when large amounts

of herbs are needed for preserv-

Cut annual herbs back by

50 to 75 percent and perennial

herbs by one-third at one time.

The plants will recover for

Make room for some herb-

filled containers to enjoy this

summer. They make great

additions to outdoor gather-

ings for you and your guests to

enjoy their beauty, fragrance,

more than 20 gardening books,

including the recently released

Midwest Gardener's Hand-

book, 2nd Edition and Small

She hosts The Great Courses

"How to Grow Anything"

instant video and DVD series

and the nationally syndicated

"Melinda's Garden Moment"

contributing editor for Birds

& Blooms magazine and her

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ing and craft projects.

future harvests.

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Space Gardening.

pots don't dry out as quickly. stems as needed throughout

Self-watering pots have water the growing season. Regular

reservoirs to extend the time harvesting encourages more

Building blessed

Fr. John Peter Swaminathan, Pastor of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Purcell, blessed the new medical SSM Health Medical Group facility located next to PMH prior to the ribbon cutting last Friday morning as Kevin Lewis, Regional President of SSM Health Medical Group in Oklahoma, looked on.

Use a quality potting mix that

provides adequate drainage, as

most herbs require well-drained

soil. Whether planting seeds or

space between the top of the

potting mix and the container.

thoroughly without washing

the soil out of the pot. Leave

a space about half an inch in

small planters and an inch or

more between the top of the

pot and potting mix in larger

seedlings often enough to keep

the soil slightly moist. Gradu-

ally reduce frequency and water

thoroughly when the top inch of

Check containers once a day

and more often in extremely

hot weather. Water thoroughly

Reduce watering and in-

crease success by incorporating

Wild Valley Farms' wool pellets

(wildvalleyfarms.com) into the

planting mix. This sustainable

soil amendment reduces wa-

tering by up to 25 percent and

adds air space for better plant

soil is crumbly and dry.

Water new plantings and

This allows you to water

Growing herbs in containers

between watering.

For The Purcell Register

Keep your favorite herbs within easy reach for cooking and seasoning by growing them in containers. A few pots set by your door and grill or on the patio, deck, or balcony make it easy to include some plants, you will want to leave homegrown flavor.

Start by growing those herbs you like to use for seasoning food and beverages, making pesto, or preserving. Include some with fragrance for a bit of aromatherapy or for your craft projects.

Make sure the plants you select will thrive in the amount of sunlight in the growing space. Most herbs prefer full sun but some like mint, thyme, chives, parsley, and lemon balm will tolerate some shade.

A bit of afternoon shade is welcome to many sun-loving plants growing in hotter regions. Check the plant tag or seed packet for detailed planting information.

You can grow individual plants in their own container. Place these among other pots to create an attractive display. Or mix several different herbs in one larger container to create a herb garden in a single pot. Make sure all the herbs will thrive in the same soil moisture and sunlight.

In general, place three or four plants in a 10-12" pot, four to six in a 14-16" container, and six to eight in a 16 to 20" planter. Adjust this number based on the size of the transplants purchased and the mature size and growth habit of the herb selected.

Use a container with drainage holes to provide proper drainage and reduce the risk of root rot. Terra cotta pots dry quickly and are a good choice for those gardening in wetter regions or who tend to overwater.

Plastic, fiberglass, and glazed

From page 8A

Some administrators say delays and inconsistencies devalue the whole grading system.

"There hasn't been a lot of consistency, which is what you really need," said Shannon Woodson, dean of academics for Moore Public Schools. "If you really want to track a school's growth, much less a student's growth, you need consistent measures and consistent timing. Because when the target moves, it's hard to aim at the target."

Sean McDaniel, superintendent of Oklahoma City Public Schools, said he's been looking forward to celebrating schools whose letter grades improved, but the extended delay has caused some uncertainty.

"State results are an important piece that we need and so we look forward to receiving

our final data," he said. Oklahoma Watch, at oklahomawatch.org, is a nonprofit, nonpartisan news organization that covers public-policy issues facing the state.

Drought conditions increase potential for wheat disease and insects

OSU Extension News

Gail Ellis Agricultural Communications

Wheat harvest is two months away, and some of this year's crop will be affected by not only drought wheat samples from Stillwaconditions but also disease and insects.

On a recent episode of "SUNUP," the agriculture television show of Oklahoma State University Extension, two specialists discussed the challenges producers could face during the next couple of months.

Disease

OSU Extension wheat pathologist Meriem Aoun said the burning of wheat leaf tips has been reported within the past couple of weeks due to freeze damage. Drought is still present in western Oklahoma.

Common root rots have been detected in a few wheat samples from western Okla-

March from fields near Altus be aphids, like green bugs in Jackson County and Gar- and bird cherry-oat aphids, field County were impacted and brown wheat mites. usual, and aphids can really by common root rots and Fu- Those are both going to do get going. Pay attention to sarium crown root rots. These well during conditions of low any kind of damage that looks dryland diseases were severe moisture, and they both can unusual," Giles concluded. last year due to the drought," be concerning."

Aoun said.

Wheat streak mosaic virus, which caused damage last year in multiple wheat fields, was found in a couple of ter. Severity of wheat streak mosaic has been observed to increase during years of severe drought.

Leaf rust and stripe rust were reported in Texas in March. If fields receive rain, there is potential for these pathogens to develop in late suppressed due to drought.

Insects

Kris Giles, OSU entomology professor, said fall armyworms invaded some fields a few months ago, but those issues were addressed. Rainpressures of this year's crop.

"Insects do really well when it's dry," Giles said. "The two main culprits that 'Samples collected in early we would worry about would

Brown wheat mite dam-

- Brown wheat mites are too small to see. The distinct characteristic of damage from this mite is similar to damage from a barley yellowdorf.
- It's indistinguishable from a lot of diseases but more consistent throughout the field
- It appears in the spring and late spring, and with no moisture can cause significant yield loss.
- Insecticides can be used April and May in Oklahoma. to treat them. Timely appli-Last year, rust diseases were cation can preserve wheat yields.

Giles said English grain aphid has popped up in some areas, but right now aphid numbers are low around the

"Things are looking okay, fall will alleviate the insect but we're going to have to monitor fields as the drought continues," he said.

"Aphids are just starting. Normally, they are controlled by natural enemies like parasitic wasps, but the conditions are just a little bit drier than





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New clinic

Purcell Physician Bryan Dve made brief remarks at the ribbon cutting for the newest SSM Health Medical Group facility located next to Purcell Municipal Hospital as Kevin Lewis, Regional President of SSM Health Medical Group in Oklahoma, looked on. The ribbon cutting was held last Friday.

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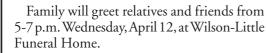
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Purcell Register Obituaries

Billy Harold Bacon

Funeral Services for Billy Harold Bacon, 87, of Purcell will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 13, 2023 at Union Hill Baptist Church in Purcell. Interment will be at Hillside Cemetery in Purcell under the direction of the Wilson-Little

Funeral Home in Purcell.



Billy Harold Bacon (October 11, 1935-April 8, 2023) was the best man. He was deeply loved by his family and respected by his community. He was steadfast in his love for his

family and for the Lord. He loved those around him well; his beloved wife of 69 years, his family, his neighbors, his friends and strangers. Bill was never still for long and loved to work.

He literally worked around the clock for years at Bacon's Texaco. He owned and operated the filling station and wrecker service for 42 years. In addition, he kept the family farm in full operation: raising cattle and baling hay. He spent his summers on the tractor and operating his custom hay baling business.

He was a pillar in the community of Purcell: as a business owner, civil servant and volunteer firefighter. Bill was able to be who he was because of the love of his life, Velma Harris Bacon. The high school sweethearts were married for 69 years and worked as a team on all of their endeavors. Papa loved to be outside and to be with Nana. They set an example for their children and grandchildren of choosing each other over all else for nearly seven decades.

They had two children, six grandchildren and 16 greatgrandkids. As parents, they took Brent and Jana on all kinds of adventures, taught them to work hard and treat people how you want to be treated. As grandparents to Brian, Tommy, McKenzie, Cassie, Whitney and Chigger they spoiled them well, cheered them on and made them each feel like they were their favorite. Papa made time for each grandchild and his steady presence was constant in all they ever did. He loved to laugh and play with them, but wasn't afraid to sit them under the pool table to think things over if he had to. All of them are better for having Bill Bacon as their Papa.

Papa wasn't only Papa Bill to his flesh and blood but to countless kids who grew up at Union Hill Baptist Church. He taught 2-3 year olds Sunday school for over 35 years. He brought the snacks, played with play dough and introduced 100's of kids to the love of Jesus for the first time. Bill was also a charter member of Union Hill and he served as a deacon for many years. He loved Jesus and we're confident he was welcomed home as a good and faithful servant.

Billy Harold Bacon was greeted in Heaven by his parents, BH and Gladys (Huddleston) Bacon and his younger broth-

He will be deeply missed by his wife, Velma; children, Brent Bacon and his wife, Teresa, and Jana and her husband, Gary Selman; all six of his grandchildren, Brian and wife, Kim Bacon, Tommy and wife, Crystal Bacon, McKenzie and husband, Chris Gordon, Cassie and husband, Lendall Hays, Whitney and husband, Nate McConathy, and Chelsie and husband, Jared Semkoff; his great-grandchildren, Brendan, Landry, Emrie, Tucker, Bennett, Mollie, Casen, Houston, Henry, Walter, Brooks, Reed, Libbie, Murphie, Teddy and Sutton; as well as by his sisters-in-law, Joyce and Susie Bacon plus many other friends and family members.

Online condolences may be made at www.wilsonlittle.com.

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Linda Brown

A Celebration of Life for Linda Brown, 73, of Asher, Okla., will soon be planned, so family and friends can remember this beautiful lady. Services will be under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.



Ms. Brown passed away unexpectedly Monday, April 10, 2023 at St. Anthony Hospital in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Linda Gayle Worden was born October 13, 1949 in Purcell, Okla., the younger of two daughters born to John Samuel 'Buster' Worden and Elsie Marie (Goss) Worden. She was raised in Purcell and attended school

there, graduating with the Dragon Class of 1967. She attended Central State in Edmond where she studied business.

Linda worked as a secretary for Oklahoma State University for several years before settling in Konawa in the early 1980s. At that time, she began working for Bates Oilfield Company and later as a legal secretary in Shawnee. In 1990, she began working for Darrell's Drilling Inc., working as the office administrator for more than 33 years.

Linda had a soft spot for stray animals, genuinely cared for her fur babies, and was affectionately known as the "dog rescuer" of Pottawatomi County.

She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, and she rarely missed a Monday with her coffee bunch She was strong and fiercely independent. She was so proud of her 80-acre property, and she took great pride in maintaining it.

She was a woman of great faith and a faithful member of the First Baptist Church in Konawa where she played the piano and sang. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother, and a true friend. She will be dearly missed!

She was preceded in death by her parents, Buster and Elsie Worden and her sister, Donna Watkins.

Linda is survived by her daughter, Kimberly Holding (Stuart) of Blanchard; son, Bryan Rolin of Asher; five grandchildren, Drew Rolin (Lexi) of Purcell, Brandon Rolin (Sara) of Oklahoma City, Jordan Rolin (Stanzie) of Yukon, Lyndey Holding of Blanchard and Nate Holding of Blanchard; four great-grandchildren, Colt, Cason, Loxleigh and Leverie, and a host of other family and friends.

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Kyle Harper

Graveside Funeral Services for Kyle Harper, 54, of Purcell will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 13, 2023 at Hillside Cemetery in Purcell. Services will be under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

> Pallbearers will be Joe Howry, Josh Howry, Cleo Howry, Luis Rangel, Kyler Rangel and Rick Trogdon.

After an extended hospital stay at OU Medical Center, Mr. Harper entered into eternal rest Sunday, April 9, 2023 surrounded by his family.

Timothy Kyle Harper was born June 3, 1968 in Purcell, Okla. Kyle was raised in Purcell and attended Purcell Schools K-12th grade. For two years of high school he also attended Vo-Tech. He was an apprentice for Trogdon Electric, and also worked numerous side jobs over the years.

Kyle was a private, quiet man and a great listener He enjoyed spending time outdoors; camping, fishing and swimming. He was fun loving and witty, loved playing jokes and enjoyed a good dare. Kyle was a good friend, always there for you, and very protective of his family. Although he never had any children of his own, he was especially close with his nieces and nephews, and great-nieces and nephews, and he made it a point to be involved in their lives.

Kyle cherished his mother, and was never shy about the fact that he was a mama's boy. Barbara remembers her son with great joy and love, the man who will forever be her little boy.

Kyle was a man of great faith and most peaceful at prayer time. He was a member of the 9th & Pierce Church of Christ. We will miss Kyle every day until we meet again, but we have such comfort in knowing he is completely healed and free

He was preceded in death by his father, Howard Gale Harper; sister, Andrea Gale Harper Cole; and two cousins, Melissa and Cody Norman.

Kyle is survived by his mother, Barbara Trogdon and husband, Rick, of Purcell; sister, Angelia Harper Howry and husband, Cleo, of Dibble; brother, Kent Weddle and wife, Dawn, of Purcell; two nieces, Sarah Rangel and husband, Luis, of Purcell and Morgan Resendiz and husband, Modesto, of Purcell; three nephews, Joe and Josh Howry of Dibble and Brandon Weddle of California; aunt, Jackie Norman and husband, Ron, of Fort Worth, Texas; special cousin, Kerry Harper Armstrong of Marlow, also many other loving relatives and friends.

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Delberta Paulina Hulsey

neralservice.com.

Delberta Pauline Hulsey died April 2, 2023, in Ardmore, Oklahoma at the age of 94 years 4 months 27 days. Memo-



rial Services were held Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at the Landmark Church, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service. Online condolences may be made at www.wadleysfu-

Pauline was born November 7, 1928, in Hickory, Oklahoma to Charles and Intha (Ritcheson) Holloway. She was raised in the

Claremore area, graduating in 1946. Pauline continued her education at the Draughn Business School.

She met the love of her life in 1939 at the age of 11, but were separated until 1947 when Vernard came home from the Army. On March 19, 1948, Pauline and Vernard Wayne Hulsey were united in marriage. They celebrated 62 years together before Vernard passed in 2010. They made their home in Northeastern Oklahoma all Pauline's life, but relocated to Purcell four years ago to be close to her daughter Pauletta.

Pauline enjoyed cooking, painting, sewing, crocheting, gardening, and volunteering with her church and the local library. She helped at the Blue House Clothes Closet and was often times found dressed as Mrs. Claus or the Easter Bunny for the Library.

Pauline was very active in her church and helping with the children and youth. She was a member to the Order of Eastern Star, Spavinaw First Baptist Church, and more recently Landmark Church. Pauline loved spending time with her family at every opportunity.

Pauline is preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Intha Holloway; her husband, Vernard Wayne Hulsey; her greatgranddaughter, Shyloh Parker; her sisters, Naomi Cates and husband, Bert, and Virginia Coleman and husband, Bill; her brother, Dee Holloway; and a sister-in-law, Lahoma Holloway.

Survivors include her daughter, Pauletta Price and husband, Richard, and Patricia Parker and husband, Paul; her grandchildren, Justin Morgan, Wesley Parker, Amanda Markey and husband, TJ, and David Parker and wife, Destiny; her five great-grandchildren; her brother, Howard Holloway and wife, Lorna; and her sister, Maxine Layton; and numerous other relatives and friends.

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Hattie Faye Vickers

Funeral services for Hattie Faye Vickers, 79, of Noble were held April 11, 2023 at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Interment was at Hillside Cemetery in Purcell under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home.

Ms. Vickers died April 6, 2023.

She was born Oct. 14, 1943 in Lexington, the older of two children of Augustus Jack Vickers and Faye (Goodwin) Vickers.

Survivors include her daughters, Tina Skinner and Tony Streich of Oklahoma City and Gail Diggs and Johnny of Purcell; brother, Jack Vickers and Pat of Slidell, La.; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

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Orville Wendell Bass

Funeral services for Orville Wendell Bass, 88, of Wanette, Okla. will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, April 14, 2023 at the Wanette First Baptist Church. Interment will follow at 2 p.m. at the Memorial Park Cemetery in Oklahoma City under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell. Mr. Bass died April 10, 2023.

He was born July 12, 1934 in Piedmont, Okla.

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Courthouse News

The following persons have been in illegal drugs (meth). charged by the State of Oklahoma with traffic or other violations or have filed other court actions in McClain County District Court between March 30-April 5, 2023

Traffic Levi P. Harris, DUS.

Abigail Lee, speeding, 75/65. Kenneth W. Johnson, speeding, 85/75.

Jazzmayne L. Richardson, speed-

Rainer J. Han, speeding, 85/75.

Christopher E. Pillars, speeding,

O'Neal Olds, no insurance. O'Neal Olds, no valid driver's

Wilmer E. Amaya Rosales, no valid

driver's license. Wilmer E. Amaya Rosales, follow-

ing too closely. Douglas Podsschun, DUS. Isaiah B. Hunt, following too

closely. Heather S. Scyrkels, failure to yield. Jose C. Esquivel-Ramirez, no valid

driver's license. Jose C. Esquivel-Ramirez, over-

weight - 4001 to 5000. Jose C. Esquivel-Ramirez, overweight on interstate (bridge formula). Ryan A. Minyen, violation of

Demon J. Reed, speeding, 97/75. Enrique R. Lopez, speeding, 80/70. Enrique R. Lopez, no valid driver's

special permit.

Bryan A. Ortiz Ortiz, speeding, 85/75.

Misdemeanors David E. Velazquez-Ontiveros,

transporting open container of intoxicating beverage. Derek S. Crum, possession of CDS

methamphetamine. Dezmen L. Wilson, reckless driv-

Rolando Munoz, DUI - aggravated.

Thurman L. Carson, possession of CDS - cocaine.

Chelsea I. Williford, possession of CDS - methamphetamine and cocaine. Rashawn T. Douglas, possession of CDS - methamphetamine.

motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Elijah E. Gonzales, public intoxi-

Jose Segoviano, neglecting or refusing to compel child to attend school. Howard L. Williams IV, obstructing an officer. **Felonies**

Jay Moore, aggravated trafficking

Crystal M. Monroe, battery/assault and battery on police officer. Lamione J. Wilkey, possession of

stolen vehicle. Cristian Sanchez-Fajardo, possession of stolen vehicle

Bruce Bunge, trafficking in illegal drugs (fentanyl).

Cody B. Parsons, domestic assault and battery by strangulation. Jesus E. Ramos Fernandez, eluding/

attempting to elude police officer. Stephen W. Doshier, domestic abuse - assault and battery.

Darius L. Polk, indecent exposure.

Small Claims Rick Criswell vs. Thong Ksor, small

claims under \$5000. Joy Property Management vs. Gina Fletcher, forcible entry and detainer under \$5000.

Civil

Capital One, N.A. vs. Tamara L. Compton, civil action \$10,000 or less. Midland Credit Management vs. Damon Carlton, civil action \$10,000

Midland Credit Management vs. Charity Adams, civil action \$10,000

Synchrony Bank vs. Tabitha J.

Yancey, civil action \$10,000 or less. Synchrony Bank vs. Victor Harrison, civil action \$10,000 or less. Brandy Y. Casey vs. Zaldivar J. G.

Ramos, civil action \$10,000 or more. American Express National Bank vs. Courtney Wells, civil action

\$10,000 or more.

Servis One Inc. DBABSI Financial Svcs vs. Kevin R. Peery, civil action \$10,000 or more.

Longbridge Financial LLC vs. Tonia G. Veal, civil action \$10,000

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Darren A. Hall, 20, and Emily S. Richards, 20, both of Blanchard. Talan G. Kern, 24, and Sarah P.

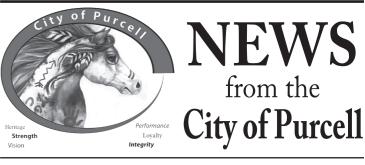
Waldon, 24, both of Norman. Todd A. Garst, 50, and Christal G. Arbuckle, 49, both of Blanchard.

Jose L. Castaneda, 28, of Lexacton and Gladic V Por Oklahoma City. Edwar E. Blocker, 40, of Lexington

and Sabrina N. Fowler, 41, of Okla-**Divorces Granted**

Shelly N. Fletcher vs. Gary W.

Rebecca A. Roper vs. Robert O.



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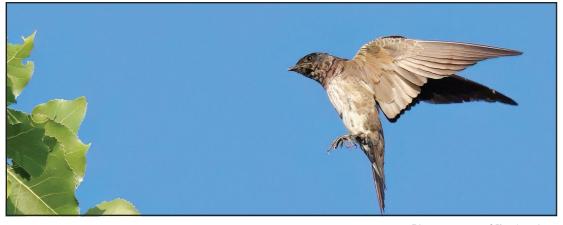
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arrive. Early arrivals need all

the help they can get, especially

if the weather is like this season,

cold and warm, and cold again.

until you see martins scouting

around your house, otherwise,

sparrows will move in early

and the martins will pass it by.

treat nest cavities with a small

amount of five percent Sevin

dust. Mites can kill newly

• Protect nests with a preda-

tor guard to stop raccoons and

netting to stop snakes. Check

the netting often so you can

remove and relocate the snakes.

the martins start laying eggs to

watch for mites or detect other

issues. Keep records of what

you see. That will help you

improve from season to season.

dent writer working for the

Oklahoma Ecology Project,

a 501c3 non-profit dedicated

to in-depth reporting about

environmental issues for Okla-

homans.

Kelly Bostian is an indepen-

• Check nests weekly once

hatched chicks.

• It can be a good idea to

• Keep door openings closed

Purple martin on the move

A female purple martin hovers near a tree. Martins are known to gather green leaves as they finish their nests and lay eggs.

'Landlords' have fingers crossed for arriving purple martins

By Kelly Bostian

their fingers crossed for purple on they probably just stopped martins as the birds return this season for nesting.

toll on the birds in many parts of the state.Oklahomans know these long-distance migrants from their distinctive white bellies with dark upper upperbody that often flock near water and chitter-chatter as they chase flying insects.

Females and first-year males, called sub-adults, are bluishgray with light gray throats and breasts. Mature males are a distinctive dark purple with a white belly.

Some are more familiar with the birds' autumn behavior. In August, as they leave their nests and flock to fly south to South and Central America, they gather in flocks of tens of thousands. Tulsa Audubon Society hosts an evening "Roost in July and August birds aban-Watch" annually for people to view the gathering of 100,000 or more birds.

Martins are the largest North American swallow species. Barn swallows and cliff swallows are roughly 6 inches long with a wingspan of nearly a foot. Martins are 7.5 to 8.5 inches with wingspans up to to your home, she said. 15 or 16.

who love martins. The practice dates back to Native Americans attracting the bug-eaters to their villages with hanging gourds.

Anita Harp, who lives near Keystone Lake, is a champion landlords and see what kinds of Oklahoma landlords with up to 176 nesting spots in her backyard, just about 50 of which are which they are hatched. open to nesting birds so far this season, she said.

"scouts" early to look for nest locations," she said. "Some adults arrive early but they

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don't fly back south to bring before it's time for martins to Oklahoma landlords have everyone else. If they move by and are continuing north."

It is important to keep martin Bad weather last year took a nest spots closed until the birds arrive so they are not taken over by earlier nesting house sparrows or European starlings.

> "I expect a lot more will be coming next week with the south wind," she said. "I hope they have a better year this

A nearly two-week period of

cold rain just prior to Memo-

rial Day 2022 knocked back flying insects and hit martins at the wrong time last season. The extended cold and lack of food doomed many of the birds. Harp, who tracks her nests

meticulously on spreadsheets, said her colony lost eight adults, 22 chicks, and 480 eggs that failed to hatch.

Later, with drought and heat doned nests, she said.

"Sometimes the babies will just jump when it gets too hot, and I've seen the adults just abandon the nest when it's too hard to survive in that heat," she said.

Patience, location, and care are the keys to bringing martins

She erected her first house in "Landlord" is the moniker 2005 and it took four years for for the people on whom mar- the first martins to settle in it, tins depend. While they may she said. Over the past 12 years, nest in a cavity of any kind, she has learned a great deal. the vast majority across the Harp regularly offers advice eastern United States nest in a to people on Facebook groups gourd or "barn style" condos dedicated to purple martins erected for the birds by people and is active with the national Purple Martin Conservation Association.

> She offered a few tips to would-be martin landlords:

- Scout your area for other of houses they use. Martins like the same sort of houses in
- It's fine to start out with an inexpensive model and upgrade "The biggest misnomer after that. After you establish a for martins is that they send colony, then you can mix it up with other house types.
 - Prepare your houses with bedding of clean pine needles

APRIL 22ND

For The Purcell Register Deer are common visitors to

landscapes even in urban and suburban areas. Fencing is the most effective way to protect your plants but is not always practical or desirable.

Your community may have restrictions on fencing, your budget may not support this option, or you prefer not to hide your plantings behind a fence.

Growing a beautiful garden despite the deer is possible but takes planning, persistence, and flexibility. You must be willing to change strategies as needed to minimize deer damage.

Deer dining patterns can vary from one part of your neighborhood to another and from year to year. You have probably reviewed deer-resistant plant lists only to find a few of the your yard included on the list.

No plant is immune from hungry deer, but some are a bit less palatable than others.

Look for plants with these characteristics next time you go plant shopping. Include plants with fuzzy or hairy leaves, those with prickly or thorny stems, thick and leathery leaves, and strong fragrances that deer tend to avoid. Even though this is not one hundred percent, plant selection should be part of your strategy for reducing the risk of damage.

Make note of the plants selected and how the deer responded. It will help as you make future additions to the

There are toxic plants that deer avoid, including daffodils, ferns, false blue indigo, poppies, euphorbias, and bleeding hearts to name a few. Some of

and pets so do your research before adding them to the landscape.

Design a deer-resistant

garden without the fence

Some gardeners find combining the less favored plants with those the deer love helps discourage feeding. Planting strongly scented lavender next to roses or surrounding a garden of deer favorites with thyme can help discourage deer browsing.

Diversifying plantings is also plants frequently damaged in a good strategy for reducing the risk of insects and diseases infecting and destroying gardens filled with just one type of plant.

> Look for pathways frequented or used to enter your landscape. Find ways to disrupt their regular routes to keep them moving along past your landscape. A trellis or a few posts covered with vines may be enough to limit access.

Points of access are great places to apply repellents like organic Plantskydd (plantskydd.com). The deer take a whiff and move along before taking a bite out of any plants. The same holds true for those key plants favored by deer. It's rain and snow resistant so you don't need to apply it as often as other repel- TV and radio program. lent products.

Some gardeners use deer fathese are also toxic to people munch on these plants as they ers.com.

continue past your yard. Other gardeners fill the hedge with prickly, smelly, and less desirable plants. Deer will take a bite and move along. Plant these close together to discourage deer from pushing through in search of better-tasting plants.

Design round or square beds with more space in the middle and less perimeter. Long narrow beds allow easy access to all the plants in the garden. Keep in mind deer are fo-

cused on finding food while vou have other priorities to consider. You need to be vigilant and persistent, adapting as the deer's eating habits change to be successful.

Your efforts will be rewarded as you grow an attractive garden without the help of a fence.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening.

She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated "Melinda's Garden Moment"

Myers is a columnist and Planta deer-deterring hedge. contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and her vorites, allowing the deer to website is www.MelindaMy-

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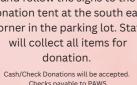




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citizens should enter the police department from Grant street and follow the signs to the donation tent at the south east corner in the parking lot. Staff

This City of Purcell Event will be held at the Purcell Police

Department. On April 22nd

Checks payable to PAWS

Mary and husband, Todd, made their home in Purcell in 1996 and are the owners of Golden Years, a residential home in Konawa for adults with mental disabilities.

sons, Cody and wife Morgan, Brett and fiancé Johnna. They also have four, soon to be five, grandchildren in Lane, Tripp, Baker, Karter and Legend (coming 4/17). Both of Mary's children are Purcell alumni and the three school-aged grandchildren are current students in Purcell Schools.

In her spare time, she loves supporting her grandchildren in their many adventures, spending time with her friends and family, attending various Dragon events and being a Mimi.

"Mary has always been a strong supporter of Purcell Schools and looks forward to serving her community in this capacity," Dr. McAdoo said.

In the mainly routine meeting, board members rehired most of the certified teachers and listed other hirings and of executive session.

Amy Stone was hired as a media specialist splitting time yet still draw interest.

between the high school and junior high.

Chloe Windham was hired as an intermediate school teacher and Elizabeth Scott was hired as

an elementary school teacher. Dr. Sheli McAdoo reported Mary and Todd have two Kelton Clary is moving from the junior high school to the high school and April Trumbo is moving from her role as librarian to a computer broadcasting role taking the place of Scott Wood who has resigned.

> The district's utility employee Debbie Frankenberg. "is retiring again," Dr. McAdoo said with a chuckle. "She and Debbie Feroli have been wonderful in helping us when we are in a pinch. We really appreciate them."

> In other routine business the board:

- approved fundraisers for football, boys track, high school cheer and girls basketball.
- approved the PACT request for negotiations and named the district's negotiating team.
- made no changes in the district's transfer policy.
- changed their bank account personnel matters coming out at First United to a business account so they could do more transactions without penalty

From page 1A

Banquet:

out, is being sponsored by OEC the Year. and OEC Fiber.

of Goldsby Organization of Baker said.

"This is a wonderful op-At the banquet, the Purcell portunity to get together with Citizen of the Year will be decision makers from the Heart announced along with the Giv- of Oklahoma businesses and ing Time recipients from the have a night of camaraderie City of Purcell and chamber and celebration," Chamber of commerce and the Town Executive Director Elisabeth

rett. I also enjoyed working with the Precinct Officials. The Oklahoma Election System is the best system in the world. There are a million procedures

> process and I really enjoy it. Q: What has changed with the way elections are held since you started as Secretary in 2013?

that all come together on Elec-

tion Day so voters can cast

their ballots. It is a fascinating

both Marilyn and Tenna Gar- Precinct Officials to work on

Election Day is a tremendous

challenge. I spend a lot of time

recruiting and training people.

McClain County currently has

26 Polling Places and the law

requires that there be 3 people

at every Polling Place from 6

a.m. to after 7 p.m. on Election

Day. When someone calls in

sick, I have to start calling to

find someone willing to be a

substitute. I am verv thankful

for the Precinct Officials who

have shown up and worked

faithfully over the past 14

ing part of the job?

Q: What's the most satisfy-

A: I love the people I work

with in the office every day.

We work well together to

accurately. There are so many

you to cast your ballot in any

election; far too many to list

here. When each election is

finally certified it is very sat-

isfying to know that my team

and I have done our best to

make sure voters in McClain

County were able to exercise

their right to vote. We also have

a great group of people outside

of the office who help us. The

McClain County Sheriff's

Office provides security and

manual labor sometimes. The

McClain County 4-H Kids help

us tremendously on Election

night by carrying in all of the

election supplies brought in by

From page 1A

Haley:

A: The biggest change since 2008 has to be the office computers. Believe it or not we did not use personal computers until 2011. Before that we used "Green Screens." They were terminal monitors that had a host computer that did the processing. The change to a Windows based platform was monumental.

Q: How does the voting system Oklahoma uses stack up to others in the country?

A: All 77 Counties in Oklahoma use the same auditable and verifiable, paper ballotbased voting system. Oklahoma voting devices cannot be connected to the internet and have built-in security features. Every step of the election process - from the Precinct level to the State level - is protected by an intricate security plan. To learn more about Election Security you go to elections. ok.gov.

O: What's the most challenging part of your job?

A: Finding and keeping good the Precinct Officials.

completed.

From page 1A

the incident and will provide a the Chickasaw Lighthorse report to the district attorney's Police Department, the Grady office once the investigation is County Sheriff's Department, Newcastle Police and the Assisting at the scene were Oklahoma State Bureau of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol, Investigation (OSBI).

From page 1A

He explained he grew up helping his family run a cattle and poultry operation while being

involved in FFA himself.

"If you eat, you are involved in agriculture," he said.

It is clear Hardaway has a passion for teaching students the importance of representing all aspects of agriculture in a positive light.

His goals include shaping leaders who advocate for agriculture and share their passion with others.

"FFA members in Oklahoma perform at a high level in competitions." the new teacher said.

He plans to bring the Wayne FFA Chapter up to the level of other Oklahoma chapters.

Hardaway says there is a lot make sure every election held of potential with the students in McClain County is done at Wayne. He plans to provide them with education and opthings that have to happen for portunities so they may rise to their potential.

"I am ready to put in the hours to get these kids ready for success," he confirmed.

The Ag Communications and Conduct of Chapter Meetings Teams are two particular areas he plans to emphasize.

There is a lot of negativity directed towards farming and ranching today. Hardaway says these teams teach students how to effectively communicate the truth about farming and ranching.

"Misinformation plays on emotion, not facts," he said.

He hopes students learn to share the truth about agriculture through, "Information and cold hard facts."

Hardaway hopes to help students find a healthy balance between their time commitments to family, school, sports, FFA, and other activities they may have. He understands the pressure young people face today and wants his students

to enjoy their time in FFA, not just power through it.

Superintendent Ringwald said, "Mr. Hardaway has brought passion and excitement into our FFA program. He actively promotes the leadership aspect of FFA and is tirelessly working with students to help them achieve all they can."

Hardaway wants students to know that there is something for every area of interest in FFA and that there are opportunities for all students to be involved.

He has the support of his fiancé, Reagan Glass who will graduate from OSU in May with a degree in Ag Communications.

Hardaway said he plans to start a small cow/calf operation soon.

From page 1A

Purcell residents living east of Green Ave. between Grant and Highway 39 need to have brush and limbs at the curb by Sunday, May 14.

The city will pick up that debris between Monday, May 15, and Friday, May 19. Purcell residents living west

of Green Ave. between Grant Street and Highway 39 need to have brush and limbs at the curb by Sunday, May 21. The city will pick up that

debris between Monday, May 22, and Friday, May 26.

There will be no collection of debris left in alleys and any brush put out after the scheduled dates will be invoiced to the resident.

Brush will be received free of charge from May 1-31 at the Purcell Convenience Center, 701 S. 6th St., from 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

For more information, call City Hall at 405-527-6561.

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The Wayne Bulldogs got an 11-0 win over Springer Monday night to move their overall record to 14-6.

"We took care of business and did what we were supposed to do against Springer," head coach Shane Collins

Ty Kemp threw a no-hitter, going four innings and striking out six.

Wayne had 10 hits in the

Last week they were in

Kaleb Madden was on the bump and once again, he did great for Wayne, throwing 65% strikes.

He struck out six, allowed 7 runs on 10 hits and walked

Rush Springs

In their second pool play game, Wayne jumped out on top scoring three runs in the first inning.

They added one each in the second and third innings before the Redskins got on the board in the third with four runs.

We took care of business and did what we were supposed to against Springer.

— Shane Collins, head coach

Elmore City for the ECP Invitational.

They split their pool play games, a 7-4 loss to Wynnewood and a 13-5 win over Rush Springs.

Despite making it to the third place game, Wayne forfeited on Saturday due to Friday night's Prom.

Wynnewood

The Savages pushed three runs across, striking first. Wayne took a 4-3 lead after scoring two runs in the bottom of both the first and second innings. But, that's all she wrote for Wayne.

"We hit the ball well and we were better on the base paths, but errors killed us," Collins said.

The Bulldogs finished the game with seven hits. Rhett Kennedy and Wyatt Webster had two each.

The Bulldogs added five more runs in the fifth inning. Ben Fischer singled, Aiden Beck was hit by a pitch and

runs across the plate. Wayne finished with 14 hits and 13 RBIs. Rhett Kennedy was 3-5 at the plate while Madden was 2-4. Lane Jones was 3-3 with an RBI.

Madden doubled to help push

Wayne had a third round with Wynnewood on Tuesday night. And are scheduled to host Dibble on Monday.

Districts

Wayne will be in Velma next Thursday with the Comets and Empire.

Game one is Wayne vs. Empire at 12 p.m. The Bulldogs will play Velma right

Velma is 13-3 on the season and ranked #20 in Class A. Empire has a 5-11 record.

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The stare

Purcell senior Brendon Bacon watches intently as his ball flies towards No. 10 green at Brent Bruehl Memorial Golf Course. Bacon shot 86 and made All-Conference.





Tournament champions

Washington defeated three of the top-ranked 6A teams

JohnDennyMontgomery The Purcell Register

The Washington softball team went undefeated en route to claiming the championship of their own tournament Thursday and Friday.

They went 7-0 in the Washington Invitational Tournament and outscored their opponents 101 to 36.

Washington picked up seven wins over the two-day tourna-

Washington head coach Tylor Lampkin credited his team's offensive production for the tournament win.

"We finally hit the ball really well," he said. "We strung together some hits and I felt like we didn't leave runners on base. It was timely hitting."

Latta

The Warriors opened with

Please see **Champs**, page 4B



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Champions

The Washington slow-pitch softball team claimed the championship at their own tournament Saturday evening after they defeated Class 6A No. 1 Mustang 23-13. They outscored their opponents 101 to 36 in the tournament.

Warriors runners-up at Jones

Team bears down on remaining District schedule

JohnDennyMontgomery

The Purcell Register

Washington took second place in the competitive Bo Duren Tournament at Jones.

They defeated Oklahoma Christina school (10-2) and Heritage Hall (9-5) before falling 6-1 against Silo.

"It was three good days of baseball," Washington head coach Jeff Kulbeth said.

Washington opened the tournament against OCS and starting pitcher Jack-

"He had the tightest slider we've seen all year," Kulbeth said.

Cam Bates was 2-3 with a walk and lated a couple of runs. He doubled on both hits.

Jake Wells had three ribbies.

Tristin Babbitt struck out seven batters and only allowed one walk.

Jonathen Montoya came on in relief and struck out two batters in the final inning.

Heritage Hall

Washington defeated the Chargers in the second game of the tournament. Heritage Hall threw lefty Julius Ejike-Charles, who is a Tulane University commitment. He struck out 10 batters.

Despite facing quality pitching Washington still got production from the lineup.

Dax McCaskill had two RBIs and Marlon Moore was 2-5. Nate Roberts and Kade Norman both

Norman got the start on the bump and

Owen Andrews came on in relief.

Washington fell 6-1 to the Rebels in

the finals. With multiple Districts series looming

in the week ahead Kulbeth set up his pitching for the next week. Freshmen Kale Brakefield and Liam

Keltner answered the call on the mound.

"That's what the District schedule does sometimes," Kulbeth said. "We knew Lindsay would be ready to go Monday."

Silo, the defending Class 2A champion, threw Oklahoma State commit Kyler Proctor.

Washington wasn't able to piece much together offensively.

Please see **Warriors**, page 4B

Dragons hosting 34th Heart

Finish runners-up in Newcastle Wood Bat Tournament

John D. Montgomery **The Purcell Register**

Purcell's Dragons are hosting the 34th annual Heart of Oklahoma baseball Tournament starting today (Thursday) and running through Friday.

The championship game is slated for 4 p.m. Saturday.

In addition to the Dragons, this year's field includes Newcastle, Destiny Christian, Asher, Pauls Valley, CCS, Lexington and Little Axe.

The Dragons open the first round at 12:30 p.m. against Little Axe.

A complete bracket can be found in this week's Purcell Register.

"This will be a competitive tourna-

ment," head coach Cole Sharp said. "There are good teams in it. Every game will be exciting and I'm looking forward to our tournament starting Thursday."

Monday Purcell erupted for seven big runs in the bottom of the fourth inning to erase a 4-3 deficit and went on to run-rule Holdenville at home, 14-4.

Boston Knowles was a beast at the plate and a thief on the base paths.

The sophomore was a perfect 4-4 with his bat and swiped four bases.

As a team Purcell stole 11 bases with Cole Smedley stealing three and Jett Tyler, two.

Also recording steals in the game were Drew Kimbrell and Zach Idlett, who pocketed the pitching victory, striking out seven in six innings of work.

Tyler went 3-3 at the plate with a pair

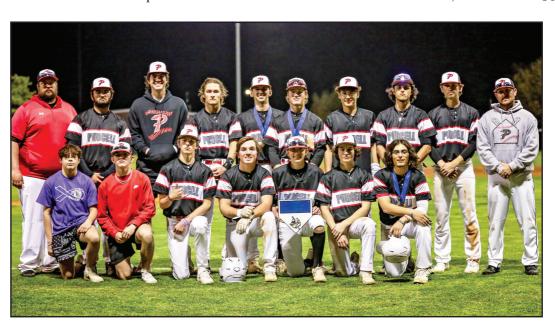
Smedley was 2-2 with two RBIs and Idlett went 2-3 with three RBIs.

Smedley, Knowles and Bryce Blair all had doubles in the rout.

As a team, the Dragons pounded out 13 hits.

"From the second inning on we scored in every inning and we like to see that as an offensive production. Scoring in every inning puts pressure on the op-

Please see **Heart**, page 3B



Stephanie Knowles For The Purcell Register

Runners-up

The Purcell baseball team went 2-1 and took runnersup honors at the Newcastle Wood Bat Tournament over the weekend.

PHS notches win over North

14-11 in extra innings

Sarah Jones' Dragons neatly tucked away an extra-inning road victory at Norman North Monday.

Purcell persevered for a 14-11 victory in nine innings.

The Timberwolves actually out-hit the Dragons 21-14.

"But we kept their hits to singles and got some really big outs and a couple double plays," Jones said.

"Kyleigh Wells led us going 4-4 at the plate with 4 RBI's," the coach reported.

Mac McKay went 2-4 with 3 RBI's while Ella Resendiz popped a couple of hits with an RBI.

Hannah Whitaker(1 RBI), Anika Raper (1 RBI), Kyleigh Green (1 RBI), Kailynn Helton, KK Eck (2 RBI's) and Kelly Anderson all had hits as well.

"We also got to play a JV

game Monday for the first time so a lot of girls had some extra at-bats, which was really needed," Jones said. "Isa Walker and Aubrey El-

more tried it out on the mound and did well. Our confidence is coming around and that is what we need going into the playoffs," the coach confirmed.

Purcell found the sledding tough in the Washington Tournament last weekend.

"We had a rough go in the Washington Invitational," Jones said after her club lost to Dibble, Mustang, Silo and Plainview.

"Our defense struggled and when things were finally going our way, we couldn't keep it together. Our bats are coming around, though, and we are hitting the best that we have all season," she concluded.

Purcell was scheduled to play at Blanchard Tuesday and play on the road Friday in the Dale Festival.

Districts will be held at Sulphur next Wednesday with Sulphur and Byng.



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Locked in

Lexington freshman Brodie Anderson waits for the ball during the Washington Invitational Softball Tournament. The Bulldogs begin the District tourament Thursday, April 20 in Hobart.

Districts on deck

Lexington is in Hobart next Thursday with Bearcats, Minco

EmilyMontgomery The Purcell Register

The Lady 'Dawgs fell to Class 4A #2 Prague Monday,

'We just were not efficient at the plate. We had bases loaded twice but no runs scored," head coach Monty Ervin said.

Tracking it

was defeated 17-5.

with 12 hits with Brodie Anderson leading the way with three. Izzy Pack, Abby Sample and Lexie Torres had two each.

Despite three homeruns in the game, the Lady Bulldogs couldn't pull out the win.

Anderson and Sample each

Lexington finished the game had a long ball in the fourth innings. Kieley Givens hit it out in the fifth.

Washington tournament

Last week, Lexington was in the Washington tournament. They were a host site for pool play games with Southmoore, Lindsay and Cache on Thurs-

They went 1-2 in pool play, losing 16-6 to Southmoore, winning 9-7 over Lindsay and losing 17-4 to Cache.

They picked up an 11-10 win over a good Davis team, according to Ervin, but lost to Dibble, 7-4, to end their tournament play.

"We're hitting over .400 as a team, but not getting that key hit when we need it," Ervin said.

Despite an up and down tournament, Ervin is pleased with his team.

"We're really young and we have to continue to learn to win. We played with some tough teams, but we couldn't respond when we needed to."

Ervin said he continues to see improvement. He mentioned Baylee Rillema.

"Baylee is stronger physically and mentally and she's done well, despite being moved to a few positions that she has little comfort playing," Ervin said.

Abby Sample.

"Abby has pulled her load all season. She's come around leaps and bounds."

The Lady 'Dawgs have Little Axe today (Thursday) then Blanchard on Monday for senior night.

They will be at Norman North next Tuesday for double header to conclude the regular season.

Districts

Lexington will be in Hobart next Thursday for Districts with the Bearcats and Minco.

The Bulldogs will play Minco at noon.

"Our nucleus is right on track to go make some noise in Districts. If we can go together and put it all together, we'll walk into Regionals."

Lexington was beat out of Districts last year by Colera.



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Sure out

Vasquez during the Dragons' game against Mustang. Purcell fell 13-4.



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- · Master plan for parks and open spaces
- · Complete streets policy
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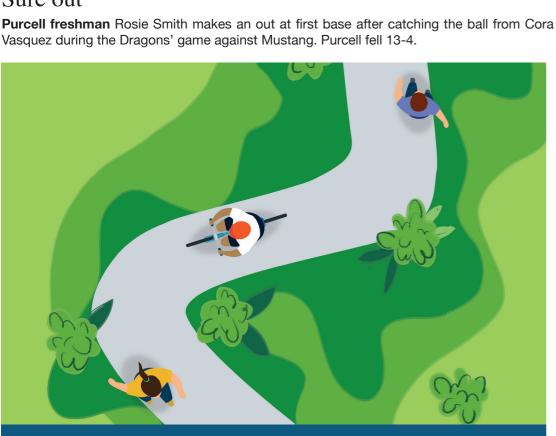
Lexington senior Izzv Pack attempts to catch a softball near the wall during the Bulldogs' game against Cache. Lexington

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Final grind

The schedule is winding down with Districts on the horizon

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dropped a 23-2 loss to District lost to the OKC Knights, 14-6. foe Heritage Hall on Monday night.

Buddy Cormany's hit in the second inning was a bright spot for Lex.

They were scheduled to be at Heritage Hall on Tuesday to finish out the two-game series.

Last week, Lexington lost both games in a doubleheader

with Bethel, 25-6 and 14-0. It took a bevy of pitchers to get through those two games.

Drew Dierking had a homedouble in the second inning of will play CCS at 3 p.m.

game two was a positive.

On Friday they picked up a The Lexington Bulldogs 14-3 win over Little Axe, but two weeks, especially down the

> The 'Dawgs had 13 hits in the win over the Cormany and Di-Beason all had multiple hits.

Cormany also had four RBIs. Rollins had three.

Johnson was on the mound for Lexington. He went the distance and gave up three runs on three hits and struck out nine.

Lexington is in the Heart run and a single in the first of Oklahoma Tournament in game. And, Colby Haynes' Purcell starting Thursday. They

Final stretch before Districts

Wayne is in Stratford with Mangum next week

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and her Lady Bulldogs were in Alyssa Hobson, Emily Woody, Ada and they picked up a 15-13 win over the 5A Cougars.

"The girls showed a lot of fight. Ada kept pushing back, but the girls kept fighting and putting more runs on the homeruns. board," Herrin said.

Wayne got on board first, scoring two in the top of the second and two more in the top of the third.

Ada answered with five runs in the bottom of the third.

Wayne's bats were hot and they added six more runs through the next three innings.

Ada made things interesting Shephard. and tied it up 13-all going into the seventh inning.

Faith Brazell hit a solo homerun to pull ahead. Another run scored to give Wayne the 15-13 lead and eventual win.

The Lady Bulldogs had 20 hits including three homeruns. Brazell had her swat in the seventh. Kaylee Madden had a grand slam in the fourth and another long ball in the sixth.

Madden had a team-high seven ribbies.

"We had a good hitting day. ners on base when we hit our homeruns," Herrin said.

on Thursday.

They had nine hits in the win Monday night Nikki Herrin from nine different players. Allison Ryan, Zoe Overley, Lily Whitaker, Jordynn Debaets, Ava Stottlemyre, Madden and Brazell each had a hit. Madden and Ryan's hits were

Last Tuesday, Wayne dropped a 5-0 loss to Lexington.

"We were hitting the ball, first, three in the top of the but it was right to them most of the time. Lexington was hitting on the CCS hitters all game. He the gaps better than us in that came after them and competed. game," Herrin said.

Wayne finished the game only had 88 pitches through with six hits. Two from Ryan seven complete innings," the and one each from Woody, Madden, Brazell and Brysten

The rest of the week is packed for the Lady Bulldogs.

Tuesday night they were scheduled to host Lindsay. Then they travel to Allen on Thursday for a three-way with Allen and Byng.

Friday is a doubleheader with

Konawa.

Monday and Tuesday's games are up in the air. Herrin is looking for replacement games for Stratford and Central for Monday and Tuesday.

District pairings are out and We were glad to have run- the Lady Bulldogs will be in Stratford along with Mangum. Wayne plays at 1 p.m against Last week, Wayne got a Mangum. The loser of game 12-0 win over Crooked Oak one will play Stratford after.

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Down and ready

Wayne senior shortstop Kaylee Madden gets her glove in position to make a play for the Lady Bulldogs. Madden and her team have a double header with Konawa on Friday.

From page 1B **Heart:**

posing team," head coach Cole

Scott said.

"We took care of business and got a key district win," the coach continued."We have to keep this momentum going into the next stretch here getting ready for the playoffs."

Last week the Dragons went .500 dropping a 12-10 contest to Indians. Zeke Heritage Hall and fell to New-Faulkenberry, castle, 8-4 in the championship Skylar Rollins, contest of the Newcastle Wood Ryan Johnson, Bat Tournament.

But the Dragons shut out CCS erking and Dax 2-0 and topped Clinton, 12-4 in the tournament to reach the title game.

> Boston Knowles paced the Dragon offense against Clinton going 2-2 with two RBIs. He walked once and stole a base.

Smedley, Idlett and Kimbrell had the other three Purcell hits. Smedley drove in a pair of base

Deaken Dobbins pitched a complete game holding the Red Tornadoes to two hits.

"Deaken Dobbins did what we asked him to do today. He threw strikes and played good defense behind him although we still need to clean up some things in the field," Sharp said.

"I like Deaken's competitive nature on the mound. I was pleased with the effort from all our kids. We had kids diving for balls and you can't coach effort that is within the kids doing that and that is what a coach loves to see from his kids," the coach said.

In the victory over CCS to begin the tournament Knowles went the distance scattering three hits over the course of the seven inning affair.

Parker Page had the only Dragon hit in the game.

"Boston is pitching well for us and he continued that against CCS," Sharp said. "He attacked the zone all day and put pressure He was locked in all game. He coach said.

Cole said he averaged 12.5 pitches per inning which is really good.

"Usually the average is 16-18." Sharp said. "He had quick

2023 Heart of Oklahoma Baseball **Tournament** April 13-15, 2023 Newcastle 1) Thursday 10:00 a.m 7) Frida Asher 12:30 p.m 4) Thursday 5:30 p.m 9) Saturday 11) Saturday Lexington 11:00 a.m. CONSOLATION 3) Thursday 3:00 p.m. CCS 5) Friday 8) Friday Little Axe 10:00 a.m 2) Thursday 12:30 p.m L7

innings all day. Our bats were innings. quiet most of the day only getting one hit which came from Parker Page. I was proud of the way our kids came out against CCS and we played a complete defensive game. That is what we have to have all the time."

Page took the loss on the mound against Newcastle when once again the Dragon sticks were relatively silent. Logan

"Give Newcastle pitchers credit they did a good job keeping us off balance," Sharp said. "We did have a little rally in the

third when we scored two runs. "I was very pleased with our

bench and kids in being involved and having good energy throughout the game as well as the fans who came and supported us. It was a playoff type Roberts came in relief for three atmosphere with the energy we brought. We have to continue to bring that same energy through the reminder of the year," Sharp

Purcell trimmed their errors from eight in the first Heritage Hall loss to only three in the second but the result was the same, a 12-10 Heritage Hall victory.

The Dragons pounded out eight hits with Knowles and Roberts leading the way with two hits each.

One of Knowles' hits was a triple. He paced the squad with three RBIs. Sharp also got hits from Idlett, Smedley and Carter Goldston. Designated hitter Bryce Blair had a two RBI single. Idlett, Smedley, Page and Goldston all had RBIs in the game.

Purcell was scheduled to travel to Holdenville on Tuesday before hosting the Heart later in the week.

Dragon notes:

Purcell notched three players on the Newcastle All-Tournament team including Logan Roberts, Boston Knowles and Parker Page.

Purcell is scheduled to play host to Bethel next Monday and travel to Bethel on Tuesday.



Janet Moore • The Purcell Register Headed for home

Purcell senior Logan Roberts scores a run in the fourth inning against Holdenville after Cole Smedley drove him in. The Dragons defeated the Wolverines 14-4.



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No problem

Washington senior Skylar Wells fields a fly ball from her second base position during the Washington Invitational Softball Tournament, which the Warriors won.

From page 1B

an eight-run first inning and deal against the Class 6A No. didn't take their foot off the 3 Sabercats. gas against Latta.

runs in the game.

Elly Allison (2), Addy Larman, Ellie Loveless, Tinley Lucas (2), Emjay Lucas and Maggie Place (2) all went 5A No. 5 18-5. yard. One of Place's was a grand slam.

"We had 56 home runs for the week," Lampkin said. "Some teams hit that many in a season."

Valliant

10-0 in the first of two shutouts Lampkin said. "Whether in was for the Warriors in the tournament.

"Any time you can shut somebody out in a slow-pitch game that's incredible," Lampkin said.

Washington made multiple double plays in the game.

After a seven-run Warrior first inning the game was not in doubt.

Davis

Washington made it a short game in the Davis match up, scoring six in the first and 10 in the second for the run rule.

Loveless and Tinley Lucas both homered twice.

Moore

The Warriors held Class 6A No. 6 Moore to a mere five runs in their Friday match up.

Washington again got off to a fast start, putting up four runs in the first and two more in the second inning.

"We played with a bit of an edge because we knew there were some big schools coming in," Lampkin said. "When we play with that edge it sure makes a difference."

Southmoore

Washington scored four runs in the sixth inning to seal the

"We held Moore and South-Washington hit nine home moore to under five runs," Lampkin said. "We take a lot of pride in that."

Broken Bow

Washington pounded Class

Seven runs in the first inning and nine in the third overwhelmed the Savages.

Allison, Place, Oliva Palumbo and Abby Wood had home runs.

"Our eight to 10 hole hit-Washington beat Valliant ters had a really good week," Addie or Emersyn at catcher, Olivia in the eight hole or Alexis, they were on base and let the power players in the top half of the lineup get them in."

Mustang

The Warriors defeated Mustang 23-13 in the finals, which looked kind of like a home run derby.

Allison (3), Loveless (2), Palumbo, Place (2), Emjay Lucas and Skylar Wells all homered.

"Overall I'm proud of these guys and we hit our stride offensively," Lampkin said. "It was a really good tournament. Washington is ranked No. 1 in Class 3A and are 29-2.

Warrior softball

4/6 W Latta (4A-#8) 20-9 4/6 W Valliant (4A-#7) 10-0 4/6 W Davis (4A) 16-0 4/7 W Moore (6A-#6) 9-5 4/7 W Southmoore (6A-#3)

4/7 W Broken Bow (5A-#5)

4/7 W Mustang (6A-#2) 23-13

OCA seeking applicants for Cattlemen's Leadership Academy

The Oklahoma Cattlemen's in the OCA, stay up on cur-Association (OCA) is cur- rent industry issues and take rently seeking applicants for a leadership role in charting the Cattlemen's Leadership the course for a successful Academy (CLA) program. Oklahoma beef industry in the Twenty applicants will be years ahead; I encourage you chosen to be part of CLA, to apply today," he concluded.

Requirements to apply, the application and session dates can be found at www.okcattlemen.org. The application deadline is May 10.

"The CLA program develops OCA members, between the ages of 25 and 40, through industry exposure, education and association communication," said Byron Yeoman, OCA President.

CLA consists of a series of four seminars designed to expose participants to leaders from all segments of the industry. The seminars provide participants the opportunity to further explore our business, gain essential information, cultivate leadership skills and network with fellow OCA members.

"The popularity of the momentum," said Yeoman. "The current class that is finishing up has been outstanding just like many other classes. Our CLA program is highly respected across the nation.

you want to be more involved www.okcattlemen.org.

The CLA program is completely funded by several generous sponsors including: Merck Animal Health, Oklahoma Ag Credit, Farm Credit of Western Oklahoma, Neogen, Oklahoma National Stockyards, Noble Research Institute, National Livestock, ABS, Livestock Nutrition Center, Corteva Agriscience, Farm Data Services, Oklahoma Beef Council, Oklahoma Cattlemen's Foundation, Langston's Western Wear, Stuart Farm and Ranch, and Pickens Auctions.

The OCA is the trusted voice of the Oklahoma Cattle Industry. OCA is the only voice that speaks solely for the cattlemen of Oklahoma and represents beef producers in all 77 counties across the state.

The OCA officers, board program continues gaining of directors and membership encourages you to join us in our advocacy efforts to ensure less government intervention, lower taxes and a better bottom line.

For more information about "Several states have mod- OCA membership, the theft eled their young leader pro- reward program or activities grams after OCA's CLA. If call 405-235-4391 or visit



Warriors:

"Our pitchers got behind in counts and we had a couple base-running errors," Kulbeth said. "When you play guys like Silo they'll put all kinds of pressure on you."

Lindsay

The Warriors came back Monday and defeated Lindsay

Marlon Moore started on the mound and was relived by Montoya for the final inning.

Wells had a pair of RBIs and Sutton Moore went yard in the second inning.

That's all the offense Washington would need as their defense held Lindsay to one run.

The Warriors will close the season with District series against Lindsay, Comanche and Davis.

"It's that time of year and we have to get geared up and ready to go for playoff time," Kulbeth said.

season.



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High and inside

Washington is 19-3 this Washington junior Marlon Moore avoids an inside pitch against Lindsay Monday afternoon. The Warriors defeated the Leopards 3-1. Moore was hit by a pitch in the game and scored a run.



Janet Moore • The Purcell Register Making the play

Purcell sophomore Ella Resendiz tosses the ball to Hannah Whitaker for an out during the Dragons' game against Dibble. They fell 19-10.



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Pick play

Washington junior Dax McCaskill waits at first base for the ball from the pitcher during the Warriors' 3-1 win over Lindsay Monday.



Washington Masonic Lodge Breakfast set for this Saturday

Washington Correspondent

Congratulations to Washington Elementary Students of the Week Brantley Simon and Wesson Phipps. They represent their second-grade classes April 10-15.

Wesson Phipps is in Mrs. Burch's class. His favorite color is blue. His favorite sport is baseball. He likes watching the movie "Ghostbusters" and he loves to eat cheeseburgers. Wesson enjoys music class at school and he likes the song "Moonlight".

Mrs. Johnson's class is represented by Brantley Simon. Her favorite color is blue. She enjoys eating pizza and learning math at school. She likes the book Babysitter and her favorite sport is softball. Brantley's favorite song is "Say So" by Kidz Bop.

Washington State Testing Dates for Middle School and High School

High School Dates:

April 12—History and Sci-April 19—Make-up testing

day

Middle School Dates: Reading

April 18-6th Grade

April 20—7th Grade April 24—8th Grade

April 25-8th Grade w/ writing

Math and Science

April 19—6-8 Math April 21 — 8th Grade Science

Parents: Please make sure students are present on testing days. Have your student get plenty of rest and eat a good breakfast. Remind students to take the tests seriously and do their best.

Washington Masonic Lodge **Breakfast**

Saturday, April 18, the Washington Masonic Lodge will host an All You Can Eat Breakfast from 7 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. All proceeds will benefit and be used for community activities, groups, and scholarships.

The breakfast is \$8 per person and to-go orders are available. Please stop in and grab breakfast!

The lodge is located on Sharp Street right behind Sid's.

Title IV Meeting Set for April 26

Washington Public Schools will be having a Title IV Annual Meeting on 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 expenditure recommendations for the 2023-2024 school year budget.

The meeting is open to residents of Washington Schools.

MANNA

All sixth grade boys in Washington 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.

For more information text or call 405-540-2880.

Washington Senior Center

Did you know that you don't have to be a senior to eat lunch at the center? We welcome everyone to come in and eat. Plus, when you come in to eat, it helps us to keep meal deliveries going for our seniors who can't get out.

If you know of any seniors rots. who could benefit with meal delivery in the Washington/ Goldsby area give the center a call at 405-288-6404.

Menu for April 13-21: Thursday, April 13—Chick-fries.



• Photo by Amber Burch

Students of the Week

Brantley Simon and Wesson Phipps represent their second grade classes at Washington Elementary School as Students of the Week for April 10-15.



• Photo by Cynthia Buchanan

Quilt raffle

Win this quilt! Tickets are 1 for \$1 or 6 for \$5. Come down to the Washington Senior Center and help us help our community!





Cheerleaders chosen

2023-24 Cheerleaders for Washington High School (top) and Washington Middle School (bottom) were announced last Friday after cheer tryouts on Wednesday.



· Photo provided

Washington Golf Team

Washington High School Girls Varsity Golf Team placed third overall at the conference golf tournament in Purcell April 10. Addy Larman placed first, shooting an 88.

en and noodles, peas and car-

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

Monday, April 17—Hamburgers, cheese slices, oven

Tuesday, April 18—King Ranch Chicken, Mexican corn. Wednesday, April 19—

Thursday, April 20—Chicken tetrazzini, broccoli.

Friday, April 21—Steak fritters, mashed potatoes, green



Photo provided

First place

Washington High School golfer Addy Larman placed first, shooting an 88, at the conference golf tournament in Purcell April 10.

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 May 8, June 12, July 10, August 14, September 11, October 9, November 6 and December 11.

Washington Public Schools Calendar

April 13—HS Slow Pitch, Home vs. Mustang & Westmoore, 5 p.m.; Marlow, JH Girls Golf; JH Slow Pitch Moore Tournament; JH Baseball Chickasha Tournament; HS Boys Golf at Tecumseh; JV2 Baseball at Southmoore,

Dale K. Graham Veterans **Foundation**

As volunteers at our Veterans Foundation, we get to meet the men and women who served in the military of the United States of America. In our society today with an all-voluntary military only one percent of those eligible to join are making the decision to serve. Personally, I wish that more young Americans would consider joining the military where they might learn that Freedom is not Free.

When I see so many young people who are standing on the corner holding a sign saying homeless please help, I can't help but think maybe a few years in the military would help them to grow into productive citizens.

We are continuing to have more requests for assistance than we can accommodate daily. With the number of volunteers slowly increasing we should be able to assist more people in a timely manner. For those of you who would like to be a part of our Foundation please consider filling out our volunteer application that is available on our website. Training is available either digitally or in person and yes you can make a difference in the lives of veterans and their families.

There are many surviving spouses who are asking for our help to apply for VA Pension or DIC benefits. Currently we have five ladies whose only job is to assist them with their applications for VA benefits. When a veteran who was approved for VA compensation passes away, their surviving spouse would be eligible for benefits if their service-connected disability is listed on the death certificate as the primary or a contributing condition to their death. We encourage all veterans to apply for VA benefits to possibly help their surviving spouse and

after their death.

Don't forget about the Pact Act that grants presumptive Agent Orange exposure to the tens of thousands of veterans who served during the Vietnam era in Gaum, Johnson Island, some areas of Thailand, Cambodia and Laos. For the surviving spouses who served in those added conditions please visit with one of our ladies who serve surviving spouses.

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 families. We are open Monday thru Friday starting at 9 a.m.

We are located at 1233West Lindsay Street in Norman. Follow us on our YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/@AccreditedVSO/ featured.

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

dependents to receive benefits 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

No. 312-April 13-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCI AIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

OF DANNY KENT MELTON,

Deceased. Case No. PB-2022-62 ORDER AND NOTICE FOR HEARING APPLICATION FOR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

NOW ON this 6th day of April, 2023, Jesse Melton, Personal Representative of the Estate of Danny Kent Melton, Deceased ("Personal Representative"), will sell at private sell, subject to confirmation by this Court, the following described real property situated in McClain County, State of Oklahoma, to-wit:

Part of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter (E1/2 SW1/4) of Section Twenty-One (21), Township Five (5) North, Range Four (4) West, McClain County, Oklahoma, being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the SW/Corner of said E1/2 SW1/4; thence North 00°12'32" West and along the West line of said E1/2 SW1/4 a distance of 790.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 00°12'32" West a distance of 478.05 feet; thence North 90°00'00" East a distance of 380.59 feet to the centerline of State Highway 76; thence Southeasterly along said centerline on a curve to the right having a radius of 2864.79 feet an arc distance of 497.87 feet (Chord bearing South 15°58'14" East, chord distance 497.24 feet); thence South 90°00'00" West a distance of 515.66 feet to the point of beginning.

(Surface Rights Only)

Less and Except any interest in and to the oil, gas and other minerals

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Order and Notice for Hearing Application for Sale of Real Property be, and hereby is, set for hearing before this Honorable Court, on the 4th day of May, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., Courtroom 2, in the District Courthouse of McClain County, City of Purcell, State of Oklahoma.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice of the hearing must be given by publication in once issue of the Purcell Register, a newspaper printed and published in McClain County where the real property is situated, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice be mailed to each and every person interested in the person or Estate of Danny Kent Melton, Deceased, at their last known address, with sufficient postage prepaid thereon, not less than ten (10) days prior to the date of

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE **DISTRICT JUDGE** The Honorable Charles Gray JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

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Garrett A. Eller, OBA #33501

Prepared By

fburgess@devollaw.com Attorneys for Personal Representative

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

No. 313-April 13-1 Time

NOTICE OF ELECTION

TOWN of WASHINGTON,

OKLAHOMA

electing officers of said Town that:

a nonpartisan general election

II. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

1. Nominated by ward and

x_2. Nominated at large and

that the officers of said Town to

shall be held on Tuesday, May 9,

2023 (6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the

TOWN HALL

be elected are:

(Check one)

elected at large.

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 JUDGĚ Associate District Judge ROBERT L. WHITE, OBA No.

Attorney for Personal Representatives P. O. Box 892292

Oklahoma City, OK 73189-2292 (405) 205-9053

III. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

that the following officers will be elected for four-year terms: Two Trustees I. BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Town of Washington that for the purpose of

IV. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each candidate must be a qualified elector by virtue of being a resident and registered voter within the municipality, or in the ward if an office is from a ward, for at least six (6) months prior to filing a declaration of candidacy.

ATTEST: /s/ Susan Noel City/Town Clerk

/s/ Paul D. Ratliff

(Seal)

ADOPTED this 4th day of April,

Religion

Church Directory

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

405 W. Grant, Purcell Rev. Bill Crawford 405-820-8184 Sunday

Worship: 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Adult Studies: 7 p.m.



2705 N. 9th • 527-2535 Mike Bailey, Pastor

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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**

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11:00 a.m 405-818-8848



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405.442.0155 2726 N. 9th, Purcell Sunday Morning - 10:30 am Sunday Evening - 6:00 pm Wednesday Evening - 7:00 pm

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Purcell, OK 73080 405-527-3176

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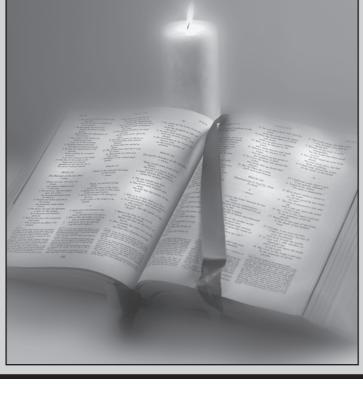
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Sunday 10 AM & 6 PM

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Sunray Baptist Church

A good number were in the from the dead. His resurrection Pleasant Hill in Blanchard. congregation for our Easter was necessary. If Jesus didn't service. Melisa Dubbs sang rise from the dead, there is no "Forever" for the morning

12:20-25 for his sermon telling of Jesus and His last week of

Jesus shared the necessity of the cross. The crucifixtion had to take place.

He used the illustration of the wheat seed having to die and fall to the ground before bringing much fruit.

salvation.

Life without Christ is hope-Brother John used John less. When you come to Christ you lay the "old life" down. We gain a resurrection in Christ. We have a new life.

> Our children enjoyed their annual Easter egg hunt. There was no evening service.

This week our senior adults will travel to Libby's in Goldsby for lunch at 11 a.m. on Friday. The BMAO Mid-year Jesus was the "first born" meeting will be Saturday at call 405-527-6808.

This coming Sunday at 5 p.m. we will have a quarterly business meeting, followed by snacks and fellowship.

Come to Sunray Baptist Church! There is a place for you to worship, learn, serve, make friends, grow in your faith, experience God's grace and to share in God's work.

John Wylie serves as our

We are located at 2223 N. 9th in Purcell.

For additional information

Green Avenue Church of Christ

continued our studies in 1 Timothy 5 by finishing up the section dealing with the widows (vv. 1-11). Our plan is to begin this week with verse 17 where Paul begins to lay out some other bits of instruction regarding elders, Timothy's health, bondservants and such

Sunday morning, our Bible study is examining the issue of human sexuality. The first two Bible principles on that issue were introduced, namely gender (Genesis 1:27) and marriage (Genesis 2:23-25).

"The Women at the Cross" was the title of the Sunday morning sermon. Keith Shackleford examined the accounts in the gospels where they detailed the women who attended upon Jesus. By looking at all four gospels we learned there are about eight identified women (and some others which are not). These women

This past Wednesday we witnessed the event of the contextual reasons why some crucifixion and some of them went to the tomb, and one of them was the first witness of Jesus' resurrection, namely Mary Magdalene.

In addition to learning all we could about the named women, the sermon also discussed the reasons they were in Jerusalem, when they might have learned of Jesus' peril, how they likely felt when they realized He would be crucified and the deep joy of His resurrection. The apostle Paul had many

detractors, some of them began to influence the Corinthian church. We saw evidence of this in 2 Corinthians 10-13. The text of 2 Corinthians 13:4 was the basis of the sermon Sunday night: "For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you."

This sermon went into the

thought Paul was inferior to other apostles, and then showed that the same attitudes were held against Jesus. Then we learned that just as Jesus lived among men in the same weak human flesh, susceptible to pain, sorrow and death – the power of God was on vivid display when He rose from the dead to live forevermore.

We learned that Paul's point was paralleling the plight of Jesus with himself and also with those who will live godly, faithful lives. We may appear weak in so many areas, but if we live, if we are strong, it will be from the power of God.

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-

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Stella Bledsoe

of Jesus' resurrection. Can you imagine how the disciples must have felt? Within the preceding week, several incredibly difficult events occurred.

When Jesus died, the disciples were in despair. How could the man they followed and believed to be the Messiah have died? Then three days after he died, they see the risen Jesus. Certainly, they were bit embarrassed by their earlier thoughts that Jesus had died Perhaps they did not believe and support. their own eyes. In any case,

Sunday of Easter. The Gospel with the doors closed.

place in the evening of the day them. He showed them his hands and side. Thomas was not with them at this meeting. When he was told by the others that they had seen the Lord, he basically said he would have to see it to believe it. Poor Thomas. He may be the only disciple to have received a label that has endured twenty centuries: Doubting Thomas.

Obviously, no one living today saw Jesus after the resurrecjoyful but maybe they were a tion. Nonetheless, we proclaim our belief. Yet there are many areas in our lives when Jesus just like other human beings. is present giving us courage

Are we like Thomas in fail-

April 16, 2023 is the second they had gathered in a room ing to recognize the work of the Lord? Do we ask for a sign reading, John 20:19-31, takes Jesus came and stood before from God, receive some sign, and then say, "God, can you give me another sign?" Being doubtful is a good human characteristic. It helps us remember that if something is too good to be true, it probably isn't true. Doubtfulness keeps us from being tricked.

After Jesus showed Thomas his wounds, Thomas believed. Jesus then said, "You believe because you have seen but blessed is the person who believes even if he has not seen."

St. John's gospel continues saying that there were many

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Lexington Westside Church of Christ

to the 'front porch.' With the world's recognition

of Easter, I was thinking this week of something we wrote and maybe we shared after our great adventure in Wyoming in 2021.

After meeting with an agnostic deep in the midst of Yellowstone that summer of 2021, I have carried with me thoughts of the tragedy of that philosophy. It is not that the man I met, a Mr. Moffit, does not have my complete respect for the good turns he freely offered on a remote, dangerous trail. Nor can I fault him for his purpose of losing himself, figuratively, not literally, as in my case, out in that wilderness.

Good week to all: Welcome that nagged him inside.

His scientific education as an Alaskan biologist only allowed him to find God (so he thought) in the vast beauty of nature. Still, he faced the impossibility of finding clarity in the cloudy waters of a vast unknown. Only faith, you see, can clear up the picture and bring a man faceto-face with the greatest truths and facts known to man. You understand.

In my contemplations of the tragedy of agnosticism, I remembered a statesman from more than a century ago, the well-known Robert Ingersol, who espoused agnosticism with the vigor of a great orator with a gospel of hope in his hand. That is what deepens the I am sure he was searching to tragedy. But even in Ingersol's find the answer to something generation, men of faith found

his position, one that was closer to the hollowness of atheism than the murky waters of agnosticism, to be less than inviting.

At Ingersol's death in 1899, Governor Robert L. Taylor of Tennessee could not refrain but to bury the agnostic's philosophy with him. Looking back at a time he had listened to Ingersol in Washington, he lauded him for the perfection of grace in his gestures, his voice of music, and "his language more beautiful than any I had ever heard from mortal lips." But you could then almost

hear him take a deep breath like the powerful dramatic pause in a Churchill speech, as he turned the tables, "Then I saw him dip

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Lexington United Methodist Church

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

This past Sunday we celebrated Easter, the Resurrection of Jesus. This day is the holiest day in the Christian liturgical year since this is the basis of the Christian church. Easter also is the start of a 50-day period known as Eastertide.

In 2023, Eastertide will last from April 9 (Easter) through May 28 (Pentecost). There are a number of special days within the first 49 days.

The first of these is Easter Monday, the day after Easter. Many people around the world remember the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ somberly after the festivities of Easter. Different world cultures observe the day with different traditions. Many celebrate it as a day of rest.

A short prayer for Easter Monday from the Xavier University website is: "We praise you in this Easter season. Change our lives, change our hearts to be messengers of Easter joy and hope. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord forever. Amen."

The next important observation within Eastertide is Ascension Day, 39 days after Easter, falling on Thursday, May 18, this year. This Christian holiday celebrates when Jesus ascended into heaven. It is one of the ecumenical feasts of the Christian churches, along with the Passion (Holy Week), Easter and Pentecost. One biblical reference is John 3:13. "No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man (Jesus)."

The forty-ninth day of Eastertide is Pentecost, also known as Whit Sunday, or White Sunday, among Anglicans and Methodists in Britain and other countries. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Christ's disciples, as described in Acts 2.

Two symbols of Pentecost are: fire and the color red, representing the tongues of fire that descended onto the heads of those gathered together; and doves and the color white representing the descent of the Holy Spirit upon those same followers. Traditionally, people dress in white when they are baptized during Pentecost. White symbolizes purity.

There are other Christian church festivals after Eastertide, such as Trinity Sunday. Many Protestant churches commemorate them as coming from the feasts observed in the Catholic church, the "mother church" of all Christian churches.

I'll close with an Easter Prayer by Traci Miles, from Christianity.com. "Dear Lord, draw my thoughts upward toward you every minute of every day, but especially at Easter. Help me resist the temptation to focus on the painful things of this earthly life and learn to control my thoughts so they don't sink my faith or joy in you. In Jesus' name. Amen"

Many of us have had hurtful experiences in organized religions, but we can all heal together in God's love and grace. We welcome you into the universal family of God where all are loved. We invite you to the United Methodist Church, whoever you are and whoever you may become.

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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Westside:

his brush in the ink of mortal pavilion of every storm cloud. blackness," he writes, "I saw The lightning is his messenger, him blot out the stars and the and the thunder is his voice. sun and leave humanity and His awful tread is in every the earth in eternal darkness and death."

does not take up his pen merely to rebut his fellow statesman's philosophy. He knew there would be little merit in that. He had his own gospel to share, one that would leave a listener with confidence and hope. In his grand conclusion, he writes:

"Tell me not, O infidel, there is no God, no heaven, no hell! Tell me not O infidel, there is no risen Christ! What intelligence less than God's could fashion power is it, if not God, that drives those throbbing engines of the human heart, sending the crimson stream of life bounding through every vein and artery? Whence and what, if not God, is this mystery we call 'mind'? What is it that thinks, and feels, can deny the divinity that stirs within us?

in everything. His mystery is in every bud and blossom, and leaf, and tree; in every rock, and hill, and mountain; in every spring, and rivulet, and river. The rustle of his wings is in every zephyr; his might is in every tempest. He dwells in the dark com, frontporchgospel.com

earthquake and on every angry ocean. The heavens above us Governor Taylor, however, teem with his myriads of shining witnesses — the universe of solar systems whose wheeling orbs course the crystal dread halls of eternity, the glory and dominion of the all-wise, omnipotent, and eternal God."

You cannot help but smile at the conviction in Governor Taylor's words and at the thought of how life leads him to such a firm and grounded faith. He did not have to go to find his faith deep into a wilderness the human body? What motive where you feel it is only you and God in that place. Going into a Yellowstone doesn't hurt, though.

And on one of those clear Wyoming nights as our friend Mr. Moffit looks up at a sky scattered with a billion stars, perhaps something inside will and plans, and acts? O, who nag him when he remembers our question from high above Snake River: "Sir, are you a "God is everywhere and is man of faith?" Could his answer be, 'Maybe, just maybe my hiking friend be right, after all?'

For such a kind man to find his way would make our getting lost in that vast wilderness worth it a thousand times over. coachbowen1984@gmail.

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No. 307-April 13-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOP-TION OF: DOB: 08/23/2010 DOB: 03/29/2012 B.E.G.

DOB: 11/18/2016 MINOR CHILDREN. Case No. FA-2023-14 NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: Brandi Nicole Gilley, Mother of B.E.G., B.E.G and B.E.G, minor children. The child, B.E.G. who was born on the 23rd day of August, 2010 at Chickasaw Nation Medical Center, in Ada, Pontotoc County, Oklahoma. The child, B.E.G., who was born on the 29th of March, 2012, at Chickasaw Nation Medical Center, in Ada, Pontotoc County, Oklahoma. The child, B.E.G., who was born on the 18th day of November, 2016, at Chickasaw Nation Medical Center, in Ada, Pontotoc County, Oklahoma.

You are notified that on the 6th day of April, 2023 an Application for Order Determining the Child, B.E.G., B.E.G. and B.E.G. Eligible for Adoption Without the Consent of the Mother and Termination of Parental Rights was filed in Mc-Clain County, State of Oklahoma. Said Application is set for hearing on the 8th day of May, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. in the District Courtroom of Judge Charles Gray in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma.

The Petitioner has alleged in the Application that said child is eligible for adoption without your consent in that you, Brandi Nicole Gilley, Mother of B.E.G., have wholly failed to provide any support for the minor for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months out of the last fourteen (14) months next preceding the filing of this Application pursuant to 10 O.S. §7505-4.2(B) and pursuant to

No. 308-April 13-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOP-

TION OF: DOB: 08/23/2010 B.E.G. B.E.G. DOB: 03/29/2012 DOB: 11/18/2016 B.E.G.

MINOR CHILDREN. Case No. FA-2023-14 NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: Christopher Gilley, Father of B.E.G., B.E.G and B.E.G, minor children. The child, B.E.G. who was born on the 23rd day of August, 2010 at Chickasaw Nation Medical Center, in Ada, Pontotoc County, Oklahoma. The child, B.E.G., who was born on the 29th of March, 2012, at Chickasaw Nation Medical Center, in Ada, Pontotoc County, Oklahoma. The child, B.E.G., who was born on the 18th day of November, 2016, at Chickasaw Nation Medical Center, in Ada, Pontotoc County,

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The Petitioner has alleged in the Application that said child is eligible for adoption without your consent in that you, Christopher Gilley, Father of B.E.G., have wholly failed to provide any support for the minor for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months out of the last fourteen (14) months next preceding the filing of this Application pursuant to 10 O.S. §7505-4.2(B) and pursuant to

the filing of this Application and pursuant to 10 O.S. §7505-4.2(G) in that you have abandoned the minor child. YOU ARE, THEREFORE, NO-TIFIED THAT THE COURT WILL HEAR EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF AND IN OPPOSITION TO THE GRANTING OF THE PETITION AT THE TIME AND PLACE ABOVE

10 O.S. §7505-4.2(H) in that you

have willfully failed to maintain a

significant relationship with the

minor child for a period of twelve

(12) out of the last fourteen (14)

months immediately preceding

SHOWN WHERE YOU WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE PRES-ENT AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD AT SAID TIME AND PLACE INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO OBJECT TO THE ADOPTION YOUR CHILDREN. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING SHALL CONSTITUTE A DENIAL OF YOUR INTEREST IN YOUR CHILDREN WHICH DENIAL MAY RESULT. WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE OF THIS PRO-CEEDING OR ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS, IN YOUR CHIL-DREN'S ADOPTION WITHOUT YOUR CONSENT THEREBY UL-TIMATELY TERMINATING YOUR RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILDREN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA. Issued on April 06, 2023.

KRISTEL GRAY, COURT CLERK By /s/ Lynda Mauldin Deputy Court Clerk

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10 O.S. §7505-4.2(H) in that you have willfully failed to maintain a significant relationship with the minor child for a period of twelve (12) out of the last fourteen (14) months immediately preceding the filing of this Application and pursuant to 10 O.S. §7505-4.2(G) in that you have abandoned the minor child.

YOU ARE, THEREFORE, NO-TIFIED THAT THE COURT WILL HEAR EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF AND IN OPPOSITION TO THE GRANTING OF THE PETITION AT THE TIME AND PLACE ABOVE SHOWN WHERE YOU WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE PRES-ENT AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD AT SAID TIME AND PLACE INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO OBJECT TO THE ADOPTION OF YOUR CHILDREN. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING SHALL CONSTITUTE A DENIAL OF YOUR INTEREST IN YOUR CHILDREN WHICH DENIAL MAY RESULT, WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE OF THIS PRO-**CEEDING OR ANY SUBSEQUENT** PROCEEDINGS, IN YOUR CHIL-DREN'S ADOPTION WITHOUT YOUR CONSENT THEREBY UL-TIMATELY TERMINATING YOUR RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILDREN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS

Issued on April 6, 2023. KRISTEL GRAY, COURT CLERK By /s/ Lynda Mauldin Deputy Court Clerk

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other signs that Jesus worked but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name."

Let us continue in our journey of discerning God's will in our lives and let us remember doubts are a way for us to explore what may not be clear. Just don't let doubts be the spot where you stop searching for God's will.

We celebrate the love of in the sight of the disciples, 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. You can call the office at 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. Peace be with you.

2023 Bid Advertisement: Owner: Washington Public

Schools Construction Manager: Goldsby

Construction Solicitation For Bidders For: Elementary Demolition & Metal **Building Fabrication**

Solicitation Date: April 13th,

Submitted Online Via Building Connected.

Bid Date, Time & Place: May 3rd, 2023 Bid Deadline: 2:00pm CDST Place: Sealed Bids Will Be

Project Contact: Tyler Graves -Tyler@GoldsbyConstruction.com

No. 293-April 6-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA ELEUTERIA RESENDIZ DE OL-GUIN, 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 SPAR-LIN, STEVE KLASSEN, VALERIE KLASSEN, ANITA CREAGER,

ZACHARY ALAN KLASSEN and

ALLI MARIE KLASSEN,

Plaintiffs,

ARTHUR DAVID SPARLIN, Deceased, SUESPARLIN, 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 JOKLASSEN, Deceased, Defendants.

CASE NO. CV-2022-201 ALIAS NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THESTATE OF OKLAHOMATO: 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, Okla-

homa, 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, Zacharv Alan Klassen, and Alli Marie Klassen are the owners of, and that said Plaintiffs are the actual owners of the surface of the following escribed real property situate in McClain County, Oklahoma,

The West 100 feet of Lots Six (6) and Seven (7), in Block Ninetyfive (95), CITY OF PURCELL.

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' Eadistance 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;

according to the Government

Survey thereof, less and except

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.

McClain County Court Clerk By: CHARLES GRAY **ASSOCIATE** DISTRICT JUDGE APPROVED: /s/ James B. Blevins. Jr.

James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881 Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731 George W. Velotta, II, OBA Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC

P.O. Box 1565 Purcell, Oklahoma 73080 PHONE: (405) 527-7575 FAX: (405) 527-7574 Attorney for Plaintiffs

No. 296-April 6-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA AIR PRODUCTS SUPPLY CO., Issued on January 13th, 2023. Plaintiff.

GEOTHERMAL ENERGY DIS-TRIBUTION CO, INC. and DAVID WAYNE, individually, Defendants

Case No. CJ-2023-12 **SUMMONS** TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DE-FENDANT: 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 3080 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 nailed to the attorney for Plaintiff.

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

No. 309-April 13-2 Times

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

To the Creditors of TOM D. RICE,

All creditors having claims

against TOM D. RICE, Deceased,

are required to present the same

with a description of all security

interest and other collateral (if any)

held by each creditor with respect

to such claim, to Cassidy Ed-

wards. Personal Representative.

at the law offices of TTSB LAW,

219 East Main Street, Norman,

OK 73069, addressed to Joshua

Deceased:

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

KRISTEL GRAY, **COURT CLERK** By: /s/ Karen Weltmer Deputy Court Clerk Christopher C. Lind,

NICHOLS DIXON PLLC 104 East Main Street Norman, Oklahoma 73069 Telephone 405-579-3739 Facsimile 405-701-5275

christopher@nicholsdixon.com ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF YOU MAY SEEK THE ADVICE OF ANY ATTORNEY ON ANY MATTER CONNECTED WITH THIS SUIT OR YOUR RESPONSE. SUCH ATTORNEY SHOULD BE CONSULTED IMMEDIATELY SO THAT A RESPONSE MAY BE FILED WITHIN THE TIME LIMIT

STATED IN THE SUMMONS. Turner, attorney for the Personal Representative, on or before the

OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE barred OF TOM D. RICE, deceased. 2023. Case No. PB-2021-148 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

> BY: /s/ Joshua S. Turner Joshua S. Turner. OBA #22321 TTSB LAW 219 East Main Street Norman, Oklahoma 73069 Telephone: (405) 364-8300 Facsimile: (405) 364-7059 josh@ttsblaw.com Attorney for Personal Representative

following presentment date: June 5, 2023, or the same will be forever DATED this 30th day of March, Cassidy Edwards Personal Representative

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,

PHYLLIS J. THOMPSON, an individual; RANDEL D. THOMPSON, an individual; and The Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, 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, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, 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, Township 8 North, Range 4 West, being further described as beginning at a point 660 feet East of the Northwest corner of said Lot 4; thence

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 allegations 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 convey 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

sued in Case No. CV-23-69 in the

District Court of McClain County,

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 Partner is GILA GROUP, LLC, Plaintiff. 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 OKLAHOMATO: 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, executors, administrators, devisees and assigns, and successors, 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

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

OF RODNEY BROWN, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2023-25

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

against Rodney Brown, deceased,

are required to present the same

with a description of all security in-

terests and other collateral (if any)

held by each creditor with respect

to such claim, to the named at-

torney for personal representative,

Gregory A. Upton, Lenora, Upton

All creditors having claims

Oklahoma, styled as follows: Gila Group, LLC, General Partner of Gila Group, L.P., a Texas limited partnership 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 I inda Keith. Trustees of the Langford and Linda Keith Trust under Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2004; together with their unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees and assigns, and successors, immediate and remote, of G.A. Brown, deceased; Linda Keith and Langford Keith, Jr.; and their unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees and assigns: 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 particularly 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 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 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

(405) 843-5385 rsallusti@coxinet.net ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

No. 291-April 6-2 Times Court in the county Courthouse, IN THE DISTRICT COURT at Purcell, Oklahoma and all per-OF MCCLAIN COUNTY sons interested in said estate are STATE OF OKLAHOMA notified then and there to appear In The Matter Of The Estate of and show cause, if any they have, Timothy David Sides, Deceased. why the said account should not No. PB-2022-58 be settled and allowed, the heirs NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL of said Timothy David Sides, De-ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR ceased determined, said estate DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, distributed, and the Administrator **DISTRIBUTION AND** discharged. DISCHARGE

Dated this 31 day of March, Notice is hereby given that 2023.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE Judge of the District Court Debra D. Loeffelholz, OBA 14460

117 East Main Street Norman, Oklahoma 73069 405-321-3345 Attorney for Administrator

No. 288-April 6-2 Times & Bridge, PLLC, P.O. Drawer 337, IN THE DISTRICT COURT Chandler, Oklahoma 74834, on or OF McCLAIN COUNTY before the following presentment STATE OF OKLAHOMA date: June 1st, 2023, or the same IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE will be forever barred.

Dated this 30th day of March,

/s/ Gregory A. Upton Gregory A. Upton Attorney for Personal Representative LENORA, UPTON & BRIDGE,

PLLC Gregory A. Upton, OBA #17156 116 West 8th; P.O. Box 337 Chandler, Ok 74834 (405) 258-1334

No. 306-April 13-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Tijuana S. Donner, Deceased Case No. PB-2023-28 COMBINED NOTICE:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS; NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION TO ADMIT FOREIGN WILL TO PROBATE BY SUMMARY ADMINISTRATION, APPOINT SPECIAL ADMINISTRATOR WITH WILL ANNEXED, HEARING ON THE FINAL ACCOUNTING, AND THE PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DEVISEES, AND LEGATEES, DISTRIBUTION OF THE ESTATE AND DISCHARGE NOTICE IS HEREBY given to all persons interested in the Estate of

Tijuana S. Donner, Deceased, that on this date, Gregory S. Donner "'Petitioner"), who may be contacted through counsel at the address below, filed a Petition for Probate By Summary Administration, Admit Foreign Will to Probate, Appoint Special Administrator with Will Annexed, Determine Heirs, Devisees, and Legatees, and Distribute the Estate in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, requesting that Letters of Special Administration issue to him. Said Petition further requested that: the Court admit the Last Will of the Decedent to probate, determine the date of death and heirs, devisees, and legatees of Tijuana S. Donner, the final accounting of the Estate be approved, the property of the Decedent subject to the jurisdiction of this Court be distributed pursuant to the laws of the State of Oklahoma, and the Special Administrator be discharged.

Tijuana S. Donner died at the age of 74 on March 7, 2014 in the city of Elkhart, Elkhart County, Indiana. At the time of her death, Tijuana S. Donner was a resident of Elkhart, Elkhart County, Indiana. Her last known address was 60300 Pembrook Lane, Elkhart, Indiana 46517.

Tijuana S. Donner died seized of interests in oil, gas, and other minerals located in McClain County, in the state of Oklahoma and in other states, as shown on file herein.

The names, ages, and last known addresses of the heirs, devisees, and legatees, and individuals having first right to serve as Special Administrator of the Estate of Tijuana S. Donner, Deceased, herein so far as known to the Petitioner are:

Name and address	Age	Relationship
Calvin S. Donner 60300 Pembrook Lane Elkhart, Indiana 46517	Legal Age	Surviving Spouse, Heir, Named Executor, and Sole Devisee of Tijuana S. Donner
Gregory S. Donner 60300 Pembrook Lane Elkhart, Indiana 46517	Legal Age	Petitioner, Son, Heir, Named Successor Executor, and Residual Devisee of Tijuana S. Donner
Jeffrey G. Donner 60300 Pembrook Lane Elkhart, Indiana 46517	Legal Age	Son, Heir, Named Successor Executor, and Residual Devisee of Tijuana S. Donner
Stephen E. Donner 461 Hansen Drive San Mateo, CA 94403	Legal Age	Son, Heir, and Residual Devisee of Tijuana S. Donner

The probable value of the probate estate of Tijuana S. Donner, Deceased, so far as known to the Petitioner is less than \$200,000.00. Pursuant to an Order of said Court, notice is hereby given that the 18th day of May, 2023, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock A.M. in the Courtroom of the undersigned Judge, or the Judge to whom this cause is assigned on said date, in the McClain County Courthouse in Purcell, Oklahoma, has been appointed as the time and place for hearing said Petition, and considering all relief requested in the Petition presented to the Court on said date. All persons interested may appear at said hearing.

Any person receiving this notice, or any interested party may file objections to the Petition at or before the final hearing. All objections to the Petition and/or any relief requested must be made in writing, with such objection to be filed herein, with a copy being provided to the Petitioner and the attorney for the same, and if an objection is not made within the allowed time, all persons will be deemed to have waived any objection to the Petition and the relief prayed for.

If an objection is filed on or before the hearing date, on the hearing date the Court will determine whether summary proceedings are appropriate, and if so, whether the Estate will be distributed and to whom the Estate will be distributed.

The Special Administrator shall present the final accounting at the final hearing.

TO ALL CREDITORS OF THE ABOVE NAMED DECEDENT: All creditors having claims against the above named Decedent are required to present the same, with a description of all security interest or other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to Melissa P. Martin at the offices of THE TITLE LAW GROUP, PLLC, at the address shown below, within thirty (30) days following the filing of the Petition and Combined Notice herein, or the same will be forever barred

Dated this 29th day of May, 2023.

/s/ Charles N. Gray JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

301 NW 63rd St., Suite 350 Oklahoma City, OK 73116 Telephone: (405) 608-1900 mmartin@thetitlelawgroup.com /s/ Melissa P. Martin Melissa P. Martin, OBA #34534 Attorney for the Estates

The Title Law Group, PLLC

No. 295-April 6-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA AIR PRODUCTS SUPPLY CO.,

GEOTHERMAL ENERGY DIS-TRIBUTION CO, INC. and DAVID WAYNE, individually, Defendants.

Plaintiff,

Case No. CJ-2023-12 SUMMONS

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DE-FENDANT: GEOTHERMAL EN-ERGY DISTRIBUTION CO., INC.

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

No. 287-April 6-2 Times

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

OF MCCLAIN COUNTY

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Case No. PB-2023-23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

against the Estate of KODY JOE

KEITH, Deceased, are required

to present the same, with a de-

scription 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

All creditors having claims

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 NICHOLS DIXON PLLC 104 East Main Street Norman, Oklahoma 73069 Telephone 405-579-3739 Facsimile 405-701-5275 christopher@nicholsdixon.com ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF YOU MAY SEEK THE ADVICE OF ANY ATTORNEY ON ANY MATTER CONNECTED WITH THIS SUIT OR YOUR RESPONSE. SUCH ATTORNEY SHOULD BE CONSULTED

IMMEDIATELY SO THAT A

RESPONSE MAY BE FILED

WITHIN THE TIME LIMIT

STATED IN THE SUMMONS.

BILL C. LESTER, Attorney at Law, 212 West Main, P.O. Box 1407, Purcell, Oklahoma 73080, on or before the following presentment IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE date: June 6, 2023, or the same OF KODY JOE KEITH, Deceased will be forever barred.

/s/ Karri Nichole Keith Karri Nichole Keith. Personal Representative BILL C. LESTER

Attorney for Personal Representative 212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407 Purcell, OK 73080 (405) 527-5623 OBA #5389

blester@lesterlawoffice.com

No. 304-April 13-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE PHYLLIS JEAN YARNOLD, deceased.

Case No. PB-2021-125 NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT AND PETITION FOR OF IDENTITY OF HEIRS. DEVISEES AND LEGATEES AND FOR DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE OF THE

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Notice is hereby given that the final account of the Personal Representative herein and the petition for determination of heirs, devisees and legatees and distribution of said estate and discharge of said Personal Representative was filed herein on the 3rd day of April 2023, and that a hearing on said final account and petition has been set before the Honorable Charles Gray in the District Courtroom of the McClain County Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma, on the 4th day of May, 2023, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., and all persons interested therein are notified to appear and show cause, if any, why said accounts should not be approved and said petition granted. Dated this 5th day of April, 2023.

CHARLES GRAY HONORABLE CHARLES GRAY JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT /s/ Greg Dixon

Greg Dixon, OBA #16492 NICHOLS | DIXON, PLLC 108 N. 2nd Ave. Purcell, OK 73080 (405) 527-5888 greg@nicholsdixon.com **ATTORNEYS FOR PETITIONER**

No. 298-April 6-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE 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, 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.

Stephen Louis Cortés. OBA # 18359 5801 Broadway Extension, Suite 110 Oklahoma City, OK 73118 Ph: 405.213.0856 steve@corteslawfirm.com Attorney for Petitioner/ Personal Representative

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-

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, Personal 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 day of April, 2023, before Judge Charles Gray in his chambers in the McClain County Courthouse in 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 MICHAEL J. CULWELL, Deceased, determined, said estate distributed, and the Personal Representative discharged. WITNESS MY HAND this 29 day

of March, 2023. **CHARLES GRAY**

Purcell, OK 73080

(405) 527-5623

ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE Judge of the District Court BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389) Attorney for Personal Representative 212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407

Everett Wollenberg Vice/Chairman

ATTEST: Patti Christian, District Manager

the Non Profit Corporation, Rural Water and Sewer District No. 9, McClain County, Oklahoma Inc., established April 5, 2022, voted to dissolve the Corporation on April 5, 2023. The Water and Sewer District No. 9, McClain County, Oklahoma Inc. will continue to operate as a rural water district formed in accordance with 82 O.S. § 1324.1 et seq. The Non Profit Corporation has no assets to distribute. For more information contact Jeri Holmes at (405) 844-2222.

No. 305-April 13-2 Times

Dissolution of

Non Profit Corporation

The last remaining Directors of

THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY IN THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA In the Matter of the Estate for **GIBSON JONES** No. PB-2023-00029 NOTICE FOR HEARING

No. 303-April 13-3 Times

NOTICE TO CREDITORS TAKE NOTICE all creditors having claims against Gibson Jones, 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. Stephen Wright, at 209 E E Street, Elmore City, OK 73433, on or before the dated specified below.

TAKE NOTICE to the heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, and assigns of Gibson Jones, that the court will determine the heirs of Gibson Jones, determine debts against the estate of Gibson Jones, and distribute the estate, on May 25, 2023, at, 9 a.m. to be heard at the McClain County District Courthouse before the Honorable Judge Gray. /s/ Charles N. Gray

Associate District Judge Judge of the District Court

No. 300-April 13-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-TATE OF DUANE L. BOWRING, Deceased. Case No. PB-2022-140

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE NOTICE is hereby given that

Beau J. Bowring, Personal Rep-

resentative of the ESTATE OF DUANE L. BOWRING, 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 4th day of May, 2023, before Judge Charles Gray in his chambers in the McClain County Courthouse in Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interes 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 DUANE L. BOWRING, Deceased, determined, said estate distributed, and the Personal

Representative discharged. WITNESS MY HAND this 4th day of April, 2023. CHARLES GRAY

ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE Judge of the District Court BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389) Attorney for Personal Representative

212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407 Purcell, OK 73080 (405) 527-5623 blester@lesterlawoffice.com

No. 301-April 13-2 Times NOTICE OF FILING PERIOD FOR ELECTION OF DISTRICT DIRECTOR TO ALL PERSONS INTER-ESTED:

Notice is hereby given that any person who is a registered voter and a resident of the McClain County Conservation District and has entered into or will enter into a Cooperator Agreement with the Directors of said District, may have their name placed on the official ballot of the District Director Election of said District for Position Number 1 by filing a Notification and Declaration of Candidacy with said District located at 1721 Hardcastle Blvd., Suite B, Purcell, OK 73080 between the dates of May 1-May 12, 2023. Notification and Declaration of Candidacy forms may be obtained at the above location or on the Oklahoma Conservation Commission website. Completed forms must be returned to the above district location before close of business on the last day of the filing period. The Election will be held on Tuesday, June 6, 2023.

Board of Directors Representative

blester@lesterlawoffice.com

No. 310-April 13-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA In The Matter of the Estate of LOUISE MASTERSON, Deceased. Case No. PB-22-160 NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT AND PETITION FOR ORDER ALLOWING FINAL ACCOUNT, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES, DISTRIBUTION

OF ESTATE, AND FINAL DISCHARGE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Paige Phillips, personal representative of the Estate of Louise Masterson, Deceased, having filed in this Court her Final Account of the administration of said estate and Petition for Order Allowing Final Account, Determination of Heirs, Devisees and Legatees, Distribution of Estate, and Final Discharge, the hearing of the same, which will include a hearing upon various matters requested therein to be taken into consideration by the

Court, has been set by the Court of McClain County, Oklahoma the 5th day of May, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., in the Courthouse of McClain County, in Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified to then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of said deceased determined, the estate distributed, and the personal representative discharged.

Dated this 6th day of April, 2023. /s/ Charles Gray Judge of the District Court

Submitted by: Darrell G. Ford, OBA #11835 Darrell G. Ford, A Professional Corporation

P.O. Box 756 118 North Second Street, Suite C

Purcell, Oklahoma 73080 (405) 527-7049 (405) 527-7256 fax Attorney for the Personal Rep-

resentative, Paige Phillips

No. 315-April 13-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF McCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY DARLENE KLEPPER, Deceased.

Case No. PB-21-69 ORDER FOR HEARING PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY It appearing to the satisfaction of

the Court from the verified Petition for Sale of Real Property of Toni R. Koerner, Personal Representative of the Estate of Mary Darlene Klepper, Deceased, on file herein, that it is to the best interests of the estate to sell the property, belonging to said estate, and described in said Petition, for the following reasons and purposes: to ease Estate administration and pay the costs of administration;

Therefore, it is ordered by the Court that all persons interested in the Estate of Mary Darlene Klepper, Deceased, appear before Judge Charles Gray in his Courtroom in the District Court of McClain County, City of Purcell, State of Oklahoma, on the 27th day of April 2023 at 9:30 o'clock a.m., then and there to show cause, if any they have, why an Order, as prayed for in said Petition should not be granted to the Personal Representative to sell said real property of said Decedents described as follows:

The Center 49.5 feet of Lot 3, Block 140, CITY OF PURCELL, McClain County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof

608 W. Brule St., Purcell, OK, 73080

at either public or private sale, for the reasons and purposes mentioned in said Petition, as she shall judge to be for the best interests of said estate and of all parties interested therein.

It is the further order of the Court, that copies of this Order be mailed to all heirs, legatees, devisees, or guardians thereof, with postage thereon prepaid, at their last known addresses; and that a copy of this order to show cause be published once in some newspaper published in this county, the first publication of which notice shall not be less than ten days before the time fixed for said hearing

Dated this 10th day of April 2023.

> **CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE** DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr. James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881 Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731 Blevins and Associates Law, **PLLC**

138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565 Purcell, OK 73080 Phone: 405-527-7575 Fax: 405-527-7574 Attorney for Personal Representative

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was mailed this 10th day of April 2023, to:

Toni R. Koerner 7280 429 S. 3rd Purcell, OK, 73080 Kenneth L. Klepper 37748 Okay Rd. Wanette, OK, 74878

/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr. James B. Blevins, Jr.

No. 302-April 13-1 Time LEGAL NOTICE ACTION: Notice of decision to acquire land into trust under 25 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 151.

SUMMARY: The Superintendent, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. may be appealed to the Eastern Department of the Interior, on the below date, has made a determination to acquire real property in trust for the Chickasaw Nation. The land referred to as former "Storefront and Land, LLC," prop-

erty, herein and is described as: Beginning at a point 262 feet North of the Southwest Corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section Thirteen (13), Township Six (6) North, Range Two (2) West, McClain County, Oklahoma, and running 131 feet North; thence East 321 feet to the West line of U.S. Highway No. 77; thence South along the West line of said highway 131 feet; thence West

289 feet to the place of beginning. As Surveyed Description: True North

Beginning at a point 261.86 feet North 00°09'16" West (262 feet, North Record) of the Southwest corner of the Northeast Quarter (N.E. 1/4) of Northwest Quarter (N.W. 1/4) of Southwest Quarter (S.W. 1/4) of Section Thirteen (13), Township Six (6) North, Range Two (2) West, McClain County, Oklahoma:

THENCE 131.00 feet North 00°09'16" West (North Record);

THENCE North 89°51'34" East 319.30 feet (East 321 feet Record) to the West line of U.S. Highway No. 77

THENCE South 03°37'08" West (South Record) along the West line of said highway, 131.28 feet (131 feet Record);

THENCE South 89°51'34" West 310.66 feet (West 289 feet Record) to the PLACE OF BEGINNING. DATE: This determination was

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(580) 436-0784. SÚPPLEMENTARY INFORMA-TION: This notice is published to comply with the requirement of 25 CFR § 151.12(d)(2)(iii) that notice be given of the decision by the authorized representative of the

Secretary of the Interior to acquire land in trust. A copy of the determination is

available [from the office identified in the FOR FURTHER INFORMA-TION section of this notice]. Any party who wishes to seek judicial review of this decision must first exhaust administrative remedies under 25 CFR Part 2. This decision Oklahoma Regional Director in accordance with the regulations in 25 CFR Part 2. Your notice of appeal must be filed in the Superintendent's office at the address listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section above within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. The date of filing your notice of appeal is the date it is postmarked or the date it is personally delivered to the Superintendent's office. Your notice of appeal must include your name, address, and telephone number and it should clearly identify the decision being appealed. If possible, attach a copy of the decision. The notice and the envelope in which it is mailed should be clearly labeled "Notice of Appeal." Your notice of appeal must list the names and addresses of the interested parties known to you and certify that you have sent them copies of the notice. You must also send a copy of your notice of appeal to the Regional Director at: Regional Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Eastern Oklahoma Region, Eastern Oklahoma Regional Office, P.O. Box 8002, Muskogee, Oklahoma 74402-8002. If you are an Indian or Indian tribe and are not represented by an attorney, you may request assistance from this office in the preparation of your appeal.

You may include a statement of reasons with your notice of appeal, explaining why you believe the decision being appealed is in error. If you do not include your statement of reasons with your notice of appeal, you must mail or deliver it to the Superintendent's office within 30 days after you file your notice of appeal. The statement of reasons and the envelope in which it is mailed should be clearly labeled "Statement of Reasons." It must be accompanied by or otherwise incorporate all supporting documents. You must send copies of your statement of reasons to all interested parties and the Regional Director.

If no appeal is timely filed, this decision will become final for the Department of the Interior at the expiration of the appeal period. No extension of time may be granted for filing a notice of appeal.

No. 314-April 13-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES OF FRED AARON SADBERRY AND ELIZABETH JANE SADBERRY A/K/A ELIZABETH JANE ADKINS, DECEASED Case No. PB-2023-32 COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF

HEARING PETITION FOR SUMMARY ADMINISTRATION, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, AND FOR APPROVAL OF FINAL ACCOUNT, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE TO: THE CREDITORS OF AND TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATES OF FRED AARON SADBERRY AND ELIZABETH JANE SADBERRY A/K/A ELIZABETH JANE ADKINS, DECEASED

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Pricilla J. Sadberry of 192 Woodfield Dr., Highlandville, MO, 65669, Petitioner of the Estates of Fred Aaron Sadberry, deceased and Elizabeth Jane Sadberry a/k/a Elizabeth Jane Adkins, deceased (collectively "Decedents" or the "Estates") represented by Lacey L. Egbert of Hartsfield & Egbert, PLLC, 764 N. Santa Fe Ave., Edmond, OK 73003, has petitioned the Court for Summary Administration of the Estates. Estate of Fred Aaron Sadberry

Petitioner alleges that Fred Aaron Sadberry died intestate on June 23, 1990, domiciled in Kern County, California. Petitioner alleges the total value of the Estate is less than \$200,000.00. Petitioner further alleges that the names, ages, and last known addresses of the admin $is trators, executors, non-petitioning \, co-nominees, heirs, legatees, and \\$ devisees of Decedent, so far as known to the Petitioner, are as follows:

Name	Relation	Age	Last Known Address
Elizabeth Jane Sadberry a/k/a Elizabeth Jane Adkins	Spouse	Adult	2514 S 19th Ave. Ozark, MO 65721
Priscilla J. Sadberry	Daughter	Adult	192 Woodfield Dr. Highlandville, MO 65669
Ralph A. Sadberry	Son	Adult	6448 S Meadowview Ave. Ozark, MO 65721
Kenneth W. Sadberry	Son	Adult	1813 Arboretum Circle, Apt D Vestavia Hills, AL 35216
Roger L. Sadberry	Son	Adult	721 NE Cambridge Dr. Lee's Summit, MO 64002

Estate of Elizabeth Jane Sadberry a/k/a Elizabeth Jane Adkins Petitioner alleges that Elizabeth Jane Sadberry a/k/a Elizabeth Jane Adkins died intestate on July 22, 2004, domiciled in and a resident of Christian County, Missouri. Petitioner alleges the total value of the Estate is less than \$200,000.00. Petitioner further alleges that the names, ages, and last known addresses of the administrators, executors, non-petitioning co-nominees, heirs, legatees, and devisees of Decedent, so far as known to the Petitioner, are as follows:

Name	Relation	Age	Last Known Address
Jess Adkins	Spouse	Adult	2514 S 19th Ave. Ozark, MO 65721
Priscilla J. Sadberry	Daughter	Adult	192 Woodfield Dr. Highlandville, MO 65669
Ralph A. Sadberry	Son	Adult	6448 S Meadowview Ave. Ozark, MO 65721
Kenneth W. Sadberry	Son	Adult	1813 Arboretum Circle, Apt D Vestavia Hills, AL 35216
Roger L. Sadberry	Son	Adult	721 NE Cambridge Dr. Lee's Summit, MO 64002

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Hearing will be held on the 1st day of June, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. at the District Courthouse in the Mc-Clain County, in Purcell, Oklahoma, before the Judge of the District Court. At the hearing, the Court will decide whether to approve the Petition for Summary Administration and the Petition for Approval of the Final Account and for Determination of Heirs, Legatees and Devisees, and Distribution (collectively "Petitions"). The Petition for Approval of the Final Account and Determination of Heirs, Legatees and Devisees, and Distribution will be filed herein on the or before the 12th day of May 2023.

Persons receiving this Notice must file any objections they have to the Petitions at any time before the Hearing and send a copy to the Petitioner in care of his attorney or you will be deemed to have waived any objections to the Petitions. If an objection is filed before the hearing, the Court will determine at the Hearing whether summary proceedings are appropriate and, if so, whether the Estate will be distributed. Claims of creditors will be forever barred unless the claim is presented to Lacey L. Egbert, attorney for Petitioner, at the law offices of Hartsfield & Egbert, 764 N. Santa Fe Ave., Edmond, OK 73003, no more than thirty (30) days following the granting of the order admitting the petition and combined notice.

DATED this 10th day of April, 2023.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Prepared By: Lacey L. Egbert, OBA #21165 Ann Richard-Farinha, OBA #20815 Amber McConnell, OBA #35176 Hartsfield & Egbert, PLLC 764 N. Santa Fe Ave. Edmond, Oklahoma 73003 Telephone: (405) 285-6858 Facsimile: (405) 285-6911





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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

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. 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, DE-**CEASED**

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 collaterai (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 Randall Law, P.C. 1631 East Twin Brook Terrace Post Office Box 692 Mustang, Oklahoma 73064 Telephone: (405) 261-0132 Facsimile: (405) 261-0496

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