

## City to buy NEW POLICE UNITS

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The Purcell Register

In its regular July meeting Monday at the Community Room of the Police Service Building the city council voted to purchase three vehicles for the Purcell Police Department.

The council, minus mayor Graham Fishburn

who was absent, voted to purchase three Dodge Durangos as police units from Bob Howard Auto group for \$127,005 and approved the upfitting equipment as specified from Metro Emergency Upfitting in the sum of \$66,006.

The council voted to approve the master plan for

the McCurdy Park project and approved putting the splash pad project out for bid.

The board voted to expend \$1,744.95 to increase animal shelter donation expenses from reserve

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## Warrant served

Purcell PD assists U.S. Marshals

Purcell Police assisted U.S. Marshal's Friday morning to serve an arrest warrant on a suspect in the 1200 block of N. Ninth.

The individual, who is suspected of solicitation of a minor, was located hiding in an

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## IT'S RODEO TIME

in the Heart

This weekend at the fairgrounds

From mutton busting to bare back bronc riding and everything in between, this weekend is the annual Indian Territory Roundup Club Rodeo.

There will be timed events and bull riding each night, starting at 8 p.m. Mutton busting begins at 7 p.m. both nights with belt buckles awaiting the winners.

All mutton busters must be six years old or younger and register on site.

There will also be \$750 dollars added to each event and \$150 added to junior barrels.

Rodeo royalty will also be crowned over the weekend.

"There will be two rodeo royalty contestants, Myah Padilla and Berit McGinley," said rodeo organizer Leslie Padilla. "They have

been out selling sponsorships to put on the rodeo and they've sold a lot."

She said organizing the rodeo is a year-round process.

"We put a lot of time and effort into putting this rodeo together and it takes a lot of sponsorships," Padilla said. "Purcell always backs us up a lot and we appreciate that."

There will be a parade in downtown Purcell Saturday at 11 a.m.

There will be food trucks available and a mechanical bull to ride. Admission is \$10 at the gate and \$8 in advance from ITRC Royalty Contestants.

The rodeo is produced by Big Horn Rodeo Co.

It all happens at the McClain County Expo and Fairgrounds arena on Hardcastle Blvd.



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### Sworn in

By statute, Oklahoma County Treasurers are sworn in around July 1 for their four year terms. Teresa Jones, assisted by her grandchildren Easton and Swayze Sharp, who were holding the Bible, was sworn in by District Judge Leah Edwards Monday at the McClain County Courthouse.

## Pawsitively Purrfect

### Perfecting Purcell area pets for 25 years

Sheila Taggart started grooming dogs alongside her mother when she was younger. She learned the art of grooming during this time and honed her skills while grooming at Pet Smart for several years.

In 1998, Sheila decided to open her own grooming business in Purcell. Twenty-five years later, she is booked full every week.

Not only is she an excellent groomer, but she treats every dog and human customer as family. Many customers have been using her services for many, many years. She has known many of her canine customers



• Photo provided

from the adorable puppy stage all the way through their last days.

She says the best part of her job is "being with all of the dogs and customers. They are like family."

Sheila says that the Covid crisis was the most difficult time of her career.

"Covid was the biggest challenge. It was scary."

Because of the relationship she has with each of her customers and her solid business model, she was prepared to handle that hard time. She gives credit to her customers stating that "Everyone

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## 5 questions with Brett Duke



Brett Duke

Editor's note: Answering The Purcell Register's five questions this week is Brett Duke, AVP/Financial Center Manager at First United Bank in Purcell.

Q: How did you get into

banking?

A: I was looking to start a different career path at the time and I noticed a financial institution was hiring. I knew my great grandma was an assistant bank president in North Oklahoma City back in the day so figured I would give it a try. I worked there for a few years until eventually getting hired into First United Bank. I tell everyone who asks banking found me.

Q: What's your favorite part of the job?

A: Developing genuine relationships within the community and helping my

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## State champions

**The Oklahoma Legends** won the 10U OK KIDS Baseball State Tournament, going undefeated for the week. Pictured are, from front left, Spencer Thompson, Lane Webb, Levi Haley, Ryder Waitman, Tripp Webb and Cooper Pounds. On the second row, from left, are Ezra Martinez, Karter Stokes, Ethan Mandrell, Masen Balvantin and Kolt Alcorn. On the back row, from left, are Tyler Waitman, Garret Romesburg, Todd Webb, Paul Waitman and Brett Webb.

# OSDH WIC seeks public input

The Oklahoma State Department of Health’s Woman, Infants and Children (WIC) program is asking for input from individuals about the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program’s Operations.

Information shared with WIC will be considered for the State Plan of Program Operations for 2024. In order for comments to be considered, they must be

received before August 1, 2023.

Every month, over 70,000 Oklahomans participate in the WIC program.

WIC is a federally funded nutrition education and supplemental food program for low income, pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum women, infants, and children up to five-years-old. Eligibility is determined by nutritional risk

and incomes that fall below 185 percent of the poverty level.

“A priority of our program is to make sure those who are pregnant understand the importance of adequate nutrition throughout their pregnancy,” said Christina Windrix, the OSDH WIC Service Director. “Studies have shown that pregnant women who participate in WIC have longer pregnancies which leads to fewer premature births, low-birth weight babies, and even fewer fetal and infant deaths.”

The program also offers breastfeeding services and

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## NEWS from the City of Purcell

§ 106-405 Junk Vehicle on Private Property Prohibited.  
No person in charge or control of any property within the city, whether as owner, tenant, occupant, lessee, or otherwise, shall allow any partially dismantled, non-operating, wrecked, junked, or unlicensed vehicle to remain on such property longer than seven days and no person shall leave any such vehicle on any property within the city for a longer time than seven days.  
This section shall not apply with regard to a vehicle in an enclosed building, a vehicle on the premises of a business enterprise operated in a lawful place and manner when necessary to the operation of such business enterprise, or a vehicle in an appropriate storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner by the city.  
Don’t forget to register your storm shelter on the McClain County website.  
If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at 527-6561 or 527-4656.

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## Trucker tribute

**At least** 18 big rig operators came to Purcell Friday to pay tribute to their fellow trucker Randy Rolin who was laid to rest after being killed in a Texas tornado June 21. The trucks lined up on Lester Lane and were front-to-back stretching for three blocks.

# MEET OUR McCLAIN COUNTY DEPUTIES

**Les Hudson**

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The people.

**Where is your home town?**  
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# Oklahoma delegation speaks on Supreme Court striking down affirmative action

**Carolynn Felling**  
**Gaylord News**

The Supreme Court on Thursday tossed out affirmative action in college admissions, compelling universities to explore alternative methods to foster diverse student populations.

The court’s conservative majority reversed the admissions implemented by Harvard and the University of North Carolina- the country’s oldest private and public colleges.

The Supreme Court found that Harvard’s and North Carolina’s affirmative action programs violated the 14th Amendment. The ruling overturned decades of precedent sustained over the years by a small court majority that included justices Republicans had selected.

The two programs “unavoidably negatively employ race” and “involve racial stereotyping” in a manner that violates the Constitution, according to Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr., writing for the 6-3 decision.

Universities may still consider how a student’s race has affected their life- a subject they may discuss in an application essay. Still, he cautioned colleges not to exploit such concerns as a covert method of racial selection.

“Universities may not simply establish through application essays or other means the regime we hold unlawful today,” he wrote.



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## Protesters materials

**The paraphernalia** of Asian American protesters left behind outside of the Supreme Court.

The judgment illustrates racial and political divisions in the nation on affirmative action and might have far-reaching consequences. The decision might pave the way for challenges to diversity initiatives in the corporate world and require schools and universities nationwide to review their admissions procedures.

Roberts was joined in his opinion by Justices Clarence Thomas, Samuel Alito, Bret Kavanaugh, and Amy Coney Barrett.

Multiple members of the Oklahoma delegation weighed in support of the Supreme Court’s decision.

“Glad to see the U.S. The Supreme Court struck down affirmative action as unconstitutional,” wrote Oklahoma Senator Markwayne Mullin, “College admissions must be decided on equal standards of

merit and achievement, not ‘race-based preferences.’”

The decision mentions Oklahoma’s initiative against affirmative action nearly six times throughout the sixty-page opinion.

Roberts, saying both the University of California Berkeley and the University of Michigan minority enrollment had increased following implementation of bans on affirmative action, wrote that the admission “‘experience is largely consistent with other schools that do not consider race as a factor in admissions,’ including, for example, the University of Oklahoma’s most prestigious campus.”

“Today’s Supreme Court ruling is a massive win,” said Oklahoma representative Josh

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# Life coaching is often missing

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

What is next for you? Are you making plans for furthering your education? Are you interviewing for employment? Are you debating about your career path? What type of occupation will be fulfilling and pay the salary you want to earn? Possibly you are making plans to get married? You may be wondering about the best strategies for buying a house or saving for retirement. Consider talking to people who are doing what you want to do. Life coaching and mentoring are sadly missing today. It's missing in our schools, churches and even worse, our families. Young people are desperate for the wisdom of senior Americans but most of the time think they know everything. We all thought we knew everything when we were young. Looking back, we now realize how little we really knew. Throughout life we are typically stuck with figuring it out by ourselves. We made the choice to make our own decisions. When we make our own decisions then we can't blame anybody but ourselves.

However, education is expensive. Learning the hard way is never fun. You have heard people say, "Let him figure it out. He'll learn." This is typically true, but if your grandchild is about to pick up a poisonous snake, would you just stand back and let the child learn? Would you not care enough to snatch the child away from the snake? Of course, you would save your child. You can't save everybody, but when you can, then why not do what you hope someone would do for you? If you consider yourself a young adult then you need to interview some older people. You need to ask questions about their vocations, businesses, and whatever path they have walked. How did they do what they have done? What would they do over? What would they never do again? What would be their advice to you about life in general, money, marriage, faith, church, raising kids and anything else. You might be surprised at what you will learn. Most older people think no one wants to hear their opinion and too often it's true. Sadly, years of life experiences, worth more than money could

ever buy, are never utilized. Every high school and church should have an occasional life coaching day. A day when some of the community sages are invited to sit and field questions from small groups and even talk one on one. You may not always hear what you want to hear. Sometimes the truth is surprising. Always keep in mind that the truth will set you free. Proverbs 19:20 says, "Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end you will be counted among the wise." Keep in mind that advice giving should always be done in love and gentleness. Visit [GlennMollette.com](http://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 *Uncommon Sense*, the *Spiritual Chocolate* series, *Grandpa's Store*, *Minister's Guidebook insights from a fellow minister*. His column is published weekly in over 600 publications in all 50 states.

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## Plan:

tive that merely transfers the financial burden to millions of hard-working taxpayers. But Biden, undeterred by GOP opposition, said he had directed the Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona to begin a process under the 1965 Higher Education Act to waive or release loans "under certain circumstances," for the Americans eligible for student loan debt relief. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez reminded those who opposed the bill of the President's power, "It is very important to note this SCOTUS ruling does NOT remove Biden's ability to pursue student loan forgiveness." In a press release, Biden and

his administration announced they have already finalized plans for "the most affordable repayment plan ever created." The new plan guarantees that borrowers can take advantage of this option as early as this summer, or prior to their payment deadlines. The rally outside of the capitol included a variety of protestors from different organizations who spoke at the event. Many of them reminded the crowd and media that Biden's inability to keep his promises will impact how they vote in the coming 2024 election. Inflicting immense pressure on Biden's administration to act and act quickly, if he intends to maintain his

title of Potus. D'Aungillique Jackson, a recent graduate of California State University, Fresno, who was among the protesters outside of the high court Friday morning summed up what many said they felt. "I feel frustrated and I feel hurt. I feel like the Supreme Court has made a lot of decisions that impact people who look like me and it's terrifying," she said. *Gaylord News is a reporting project of the University of Oklahoma Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication. For more stories by Gaylord News go to [GaylordNews.net](http://GaylordNews.net).*

# Two Oklahoma delegation members want better Ukraine spending plan

Ben Dackiw  
Gaylord News

Two Oklahoma representatives don't want to continue handing a blank check to Ukraine. And the brief mutiny of the Wagner Private Military Company to Russian President Vladimir Putin has become yet another wrinkle in what has become a very costly conflict in Eastern Europe. Tulsa Rep. Kevin Hern, who does not oppose the U.S. supporting the former Russian satellite, wants to see an exit strategy coupled with a plan on how funds being sent are

expended. Hern heads the Republican Study Committee. "I believe that if we're going to spend American taxpayer money anywhere, we need to have a plan and an exit strategy," said Hern. Hern agrees with what Speaker of the House Kevin McCarthy (CA-20) has said to the Senate in terms of planning how this money going overseas is being spent. "We're not going to spend a single dollar on a supplemental plan for Ukraine or any other foreign incursions until we have a plan by the Pentagon and

the White House of what we're going to do with the money, what it's buying and how we're going to exit that theater at some point in the future." Rep. Josh Brecheen (R-Coalgate) believes that the United States should not be spending as much as they are compared to other countries in NATO. "It would be like pulling teeth for me to believe we need to continue spending money over there as long as NATO's not upholding their two percent," said Brecheen. "They're required to

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## Beetle:

because they are likely to recolonize someday, likely moving north from Texas," RiversEdge tamarisk beetle specialist Amanda Stahlke said via email. "It's a big mystery as to why beetles died out in that area and why they haven't recolonized. That said, populations seem to be growing in northern Texas, so I'm actually expecting they may recolonize sooner than later, and it would be great to have folks looking," she said. Salt cedar is a problem in watersheds because it crowds out native vegetation to create a monoculture in limited riparian habitat along streams of the arid west. The deep-rooted trees are water hogs compared to native species and deposit salt on top of the ground with their deciduous needle-like leaves. The USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service tested the beetles as a control measure and found they left native vegetation alone. The beetles were more mobile than expected and spread to the home ranges of the endangered southwestern willow flycatcher. The birds had turned to tamarisk for nesting habitat as river impoundments and diversion for irrigation reduced native willow and cottonwood habitat in New Mexico, Arizona and eastern California.

to be returning and biologists are turning to citizens to help track that recovery. RiversEdge reports it has worked with 70 partners since 2007 to document the insects, which now range from Chihuahua, Mexico, north to California and Oregon, and east to Idaho, Wyoming and Kansas. The larvae, mostly black with a yellow line down each side, are less than a half-inch long but do the most feeding and tree damage. Two to four generations cycle through each summer before adult beetles go into diapause (like hibernation) beneath the trees in winter. Populations ebb and flow with available tamarisk. Adults will fly to a new patch or die

after eating all of the tamarisks in an area. People who want to help track the beetles can send observations (present or not present) with a unique GPS point and date to [tamarisk-beetle@riversedgewest.org](mailto:tamarisk-beetle@riversedgewest.org). RiversEdge also accepts shape files or Google Earth kmz/kml files, offers an Excel spreadsheet, and, new this year, will curate iNaturalist app observations under the Tamarisk beetles (biocontrol agents) Project. *Kelly Bostian is an independent writer working for the Oklahoma Ecology Project, a 501c3 non-profit dedicated to in-depth reporting about environmental issues for Oklahomans.*



• Photo courtesy of Roman Jashenko

## Beetle larvae

**Tamarisk beetle** larvae. Photograph by Roman Jashenko, Tethys Scientific Institute, Almaty, Kazakhstan: Photograph from Agricultural Research Service, United States Department of Agriculture.

# OSU EXTENSION News

## Registration open for OSU beekeeping workshop

Gail Ellis  
Agricultural Communications

Oklahoma State University Extension will host a Beginning Beekeepers Workshop on Wednesday, July 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Oklahoma County Extension Office, 2500 NE 63rd in Oklahoma City.

The event will provide basic information on honey production as well as the care and maintenance of bees. Members of the public are welcome to learn about basic

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## Input:

support to expectant and new mothers. WIC's goal is to make certain that mothers and eligible families with young children have the basic nutritional knowledge necessary to assure their children's proper nutrition intake. "Our program provides a monthly prescription of nutritious foods tailored to supplement the dietary needs of participants to ensure good health, growth and development," said Windrix. "The foods are specifically chosen to provide consistency with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans and establish dietary recommendations for infants and children

under five-years-old." The selected foods also reinforce WIC nutrition education messages, address emerging public health nutrition related issues, and provide wide appeal to the diverse WIC population. WIC is housed within county health departments and independent contract clinics throughout the state and operates hand in hand with other public health programs to provide referral services to health care and social services. Comments may be submitted electronically or by letter to Oklahoma State Department of Health, Attention WIC Service, 123 Robert S. Kerr Ave., Suite 1702, Oklahoma City, OK

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## Ruling:

Brecheen, "Oklahoma was ahead of the curve when our state banned affirmative action 11 years ago." In 2012, Oklahoma became one of eight states to outlaw affirmative action in public employment and university admissions. According to Ballotpedia, only some of the 13 public institutions in the state reported using race as an indication for access. Senator James Lankford (R-OK) also approved of the ruling. "We are all under equal eyes of the law, and today the Supreme Court reaffirmed what we all know to be true of the 14th Amendment," he wrote. "We are the greatest nation on earth; we should not use race to determine who is worthy of attending certain universities and who is not." In this case, the dissenting opinions were Justices Sonia Sotomayor, Elana Kagan, and Ketanji Brown Jackson. Sotomayer took the release of Roberts' decision to read her dissent in court.

"Today, this Court stands in the way and rolls back decades of precedent and momentous progress. It holds that race can no longer be used in a limited way in college admissions to achieve such critical benefits," said Sotomayer. The court's first Black female Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson, expressed her disagreement with the ruling in a separate dissent calling it "truly a tragedy for us all." After the decision was announced, President Biden criticized it in a broadcast speech, stating that the nation could not allow it to be "the last word on the subject of affirmative action." "Discrimination still exists in America," he said, reiterating his previous statement, "Today's decision does not change that." The court's decisions attracted protestors from both sides of the argument, including Nadine Seiler. "You can build ocean gates, you can go to Mars and the moon, but you don't under-

73102-6406. For more information about WIC, visit this website. This institution is an equal opportunity provider. The Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) protects and improves public health through its system of local health services and strategies focused on preventing disease. OSDH provides technical support and guidance to 68 county health departments in Oklahoma, as well as guidance and consultation to the two independent city-county health departments in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. Learn more at [Oklahoma.gov/health](http://Oklahoma.gov/health).

stand affirmative action," said Seiler, carrying a banner that read "SCOTUS is illegitimate." "That is willful ignorance, and I'm just done with it." In the North Carolina case, the vote was 6-3, while in the Harvard case, it was 6-2, after Jackson recused herself. Over the past two decades, the Supreme Court supported college admissions programs that considered race a factor, including as recently as 2016. However, that was before the inclusion of the three justices appointed by former President Donald Trump on the court. During the arguments held in late October, all six conservative justices raised concerns about the practice, despite its previous affirmation in the Supreme Court rulings dating back to 1978. *Gaylord News is a reporting project of the University of Oklahoma Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication. For more stories by Gaylord News go to [GaylordNews.net](http://GaylordNews.net).*







# Washington Class of 1983 to hold reunion

**AngieSteele**  
**Washington Correspondent**

Save the date! The Washington Warrior Class of 1983 will celebrate their 40 year reunion July 22 at 6 p.m. at the Trails Golf Course, 3200 South Berry Road in Norman.

Classes of 1982 and 1984 are also invited to attend. Heavy hors d'oeuvres, sweet treats, water, tea and a cash bar will be available.

Please send RSVP's and pictures you may have to Karen Stacher at KarenStacher@yahoo.com.

### Letter from Washington Public School

Dear Washington Schools Families,

As the new school year rapidly approaches, we want to ensure you have all the details you need for the upcoming school year. We are excited to see our students and staff returning to the classroom and look forward to all the hard work and success that the upcoming year will bring.

School starts Tuesday, August 15, and Open House will be taking place on Monday, August 14, from 5-7 p.m. For additional information on the 23-24 school year, click on our back-to-school tab located on our website at wps-isd.com. We will update information throughout the summer.

We at Washington Public Schools recognize the collaborative effort it takes to make a successful year. We are eager and excited to work together to support your children and ensure that everyone has a positive and rewarding 23-24 school year.

### Washington School Supply Lists

Washington School's website has back to school information including school supply lists. They have implemented TeacherLists to place all supply lists online for your shopping convenience.

Check the website for updates at wps-isd.com.

### 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.

The final date for MANNA is 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 who could benefit with meal delivery in the Washington/Goldsby area give the center a call at 405-288-6404.

Menu for July 6-August 4:

Thursday, July 6—Chicken and noodles, peas/carrots.

Friday, July 7—Pulled pork barbecue, baked potatoes, green beans.

Monday, July 10—Hamburgers, cheese slices, oven fries.

Tuesday, July 11—King Ranch chicken, Mexican corn.

Wednesday, July 12—Beans, rice, spinach.

Thursday, July 13—Chicken tetrazzini, broccoli.

Friday, July 14—Steak fritters, mashed potatoes, green beans.

Monday, July 17—Sausage gravy, biscuits, scrambled eggs, hash browns.

Tuesday, July 18—Baked chicken, vegetables.

Wednesday, July 19—Ground beef stew, corn, cornbread.

Thursday, July 20—Ham, sweet potatoes.

Friday, July 21—Lasagna,

green beans, garlic bread.

Monday, July 24—Hot dogs, chips.

Tuesday, July 25—Chicken fritters, peas, carrots.

Wednesday, July 26—Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice.

Thursday, July 27—White bean chili with chicken, cornbread.

Friday, July 28—Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans.

Monday, July 31—Taco salad, tortilla chips, chili beans.

Tuesday, August 1—Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans.

Wednesday, August 2—Smoked sausage, baked beans, corn casserole.

Thursday, August 3—Chicken and noodles, peas and carrots.

Friday, August 4—Pulled pork barbecue, baked potatoes, green beans.

Menu 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 July 10, August 14, September 11, October 9, November 6 and December 11.

### Washington Public Schools Calendar

July 1-9—Dead Period, no use of school buildings or fields.

July 10—Board Meeting - 4/5 Library.

August 5—Softball Alumni game.

August 7—MS Fastpitch, home vs. Tuttle.

August 8—HS Fastpitch at Tuttle; MS Fastpitch, at Little Axe.

August 10—HS Fastpitch at Casady.

August 11—HS Fastpitch at Tuttle Festival.

### Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation

We hope that all of you were able to enjoy the 4th of July Independence Day Celebration with family and friends. Our small town of Washington's Volunteer Fire Department sponsors a fireworks display along with a fish fry each year for all of us in our community. Needless to say, all of us had a great time celebrating Independence Day.

Last week a lot of the veterans and surviving spouses who we represent were approved for VA benefits. With so many of us in our country facing financial difficulties due to the continual increased cost of everything we purchase, the VA compensation payment will help many in our community.

The Pact Act that came into effect Jan. 1, 2023 will give veterans presumptive exposure to Agent Orange in Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, Guam and Johnson Island. This means that veterans who served in some areas of those locations during the Vietnam era may now be service connected for any of the presumptive conditions associated with that chemical.

The list has many diseases listed with the most common being Diabetes type 2. Heart Conditions, Prostate Cancer, Lung Cancer along with many others.

My suggestion to veterans and surviving spouses is to let us see if we can help you receive VA benefits. I want you to know that our services are free to all.

To start our process, login to dkgvf.org to fill out and scan your information into our Intake



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### Raffle winner

**Congratulations** to raffle winner Richard Horton! Enjoy the table and chairs. We appreciate all who donated and we sincerely appreciate your generosity.



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### Teachers attend conference

**Washington Public School** staff had a fun and engaging few days of learning in Little Rock, Ark., at the SolutionTree PLC conference providing the opportunity to learn, grow, and network as educators.

Q program. By using our digital system, veterans do not have to stand in line to receive our assistance with their VA claims and questions. Some of the men and women who we assist live in other states or countries. Using our digital system some of them will not need to visit us in person as we can triage them electronically or by phone. We encourage veterans or surviving spouses who we have previously assisted to register in our dkgvf.org system so we will be able to help their surviving spouse when the veteran passes on.

I would like all veterans to tell their spouse and family members what their service-connected disabilities are. When a service-connected disability is listed on a veteran's Death Certificate as a primary cause of death or a contributing condition the surviving spouse and dependents will be eligible for VA DIC benefits.

We accept the donation of cars and trucks that can be given to veterans or sold to raise funds to help more veterans and their families. As always, we appreciate all donations that can be used to make a difference in the lives of our men and women who have served in the military.

The Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation is honored to have our third annual, Helping Heroes Golf Tournament! We are looking for gift basket donations for our raffle and items for our silent auction. The minimum value for gift baskets is \$100.

The tournament is Monday, October 9, at 8 a.m. All baskets and silent auction items will need to be received by Friday, September 15.

If you, family, friends, or business are interested in donating a basket, please reach out to our Development Director. If you are interested in sponsoring or playing in the tournament, please message colleen@dkgvf.org your email address.

All of us at our Veterans Foundation are proud to do everything we can to assist the men and women who are serving or have served in the United States Military. We have been making a difference in the lives of veterans and their families for over 20 years. For those of you who would like to join our team, volunteer applications are available on our website.

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### Stars of the Week

**Week Four** Washington Performance Course Stars of the Week include Valerie, Aly, Annabella and Harper. Consistency is the mark of a champion! The ladies of Washington Public School are definitely consistent! They continue to show up and show out!



• Photo provided

### Consistency Week

**Wrapped up** Consistency Week with @WarriorsWPS with our second annual Washington Warriors Day. These guys absolutely dominate and show up every day and get after it. High school boys recognized were Tanner Olson, Cole Beller and Garrett Riley. Junior high boys recognized were Sam Salledo, Jude Tanguary and Huck Autry.

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## Smoke investigation

**Purcell Firefighters** found a tree on fire around 3:24 p.m. June 28 due to an electrical line across from Barrett Trailers, 1831 Hardcastle Blvd. The tree was extinguished and the electric department was called to correct the problem.



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# Auditor: Oklahoma spent millions of federal dollars incorrectly

**Jennifer Palmer**  
**Oklahoma Watch**

A private school voucher program funded with federal pandemic relief dollars selected schools for preferential treatment, awarded funds to families not facing financial hardship and then ran out of funds that could have been used by families that were, according to an audit released Tuesday.

Of the \$10 million Gov. Kevin Stitt allocated to the Stay in School program, \$6.5 million didn't align with the program's purpose, which was to help families impacted financially by the pandemic continue to send their children to private school.

Auditors found five private schools were given early access to apply before the program went live. One school received \$6,000 per student and the others collected the full amount of \$6,500 per student, even though the program was supposed to pay families' actual tuition costs and some of those schools don't charge tuition.

The audit examined \$14 billion in federal dollars spent in fiscal year 2021, which includes an influx of pandemic relief aid in the second half of 2020. Auditors found \$29.3 million didn't align with the program's purpose. The \$6.5 million from Stay in School represents one of the largest.

The audit also found:

- \$12.2 million in CARES Act is questionable because the state couldn't document the payments were made for COVID-19 related expenditures;
- \$1.6 million in excessive administrative costs to an Oklahoma City foundation administering the emergency rental assistance program;
- \$1.8 million for the Bridge the Gap Digital Wallet program, mostly spent by participants on items that were not educational.

Federal dollars spent incorrectly could have to be repaid to the federal government.

"If the federal government decides the state must pay back these questioned costs, you and I will end up paying the bill. If that happens, gross mismanagement and lack of compliance and oversight will be to blame," Byrd said in a written statement.

**Stay in School**

A special interest group, Libertas Consulting, selected the five schools given preferential treatment. Though unnamed in the audit, the president of Libertas Consulting is Jennifer Carter, who is also the senior advisor for the American Federation for Children in Oklahoma and served as campaign manager and chief of staff for former state Superintendent Janet Barresi.

Carter was given the authority to choose the direction of the program even though she didn't have a contract with the state.

The audit doesn't identify the schools, but data obtained by Oklahoma Watch in 2021 shows the top five recipients are: Cristo Rey Oklahoma City Catholic High School, (\$780,000); Christian Heritage Academy in Del City (\$591,500); Crossover Prep



Academy in Tulsa (\$526,500); Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School in Oklahoma City (\$403,000); and Bishop Kelley High School in Tulsa (\$323,950). It's unknown if these are the five schools given preferential treatment.

**Bridge the Gap Digital Wallet**

Bridge the Gap provided \$1,500 grants to low-income families to buy educational materials such as computers and books. Some bought smartphones, TVs, video game consoles, Christmas trees and barbecue grills, among other items.

An investigation by Oklahoma Watch and The Frontier in 2022 revealed misspending, but Byrd's audit said the scope is even larger at \$1.7 million.

Oklahoma contracted with Florida-based ClassWallet to manage Stay in School and Digital Wallet. The state filed a lawsuit against ClassWallet in 2022 but Attorney General Gentner Drummond dismissed the case in January, saying the company isn't in the wrong and the investigation should focus on "state actors" instead.

Asked for Walters' response to the audit, Press Secretary Justin Holcomb said ClassWallet should work with the federal government to recover any misused funds. A spokeswoman for the governor, Kate Vesper, echoed his statement, saying the vendor should be held accountable and the auditor's report supports that.

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## OSU:

bee and hive care, equipment needs, bee types, hive diseases and health. The workshop will also cover making and selling honey and offer budget guidance on financially managing a beehive operation.

Featured speakers include OSU Extension educators Josh Campbell, J.J. Jones and Olivia Toothman as well as beekeeper Steve Easom.

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## Two:

spend two percent of their gross domestic product to support what's in their backyard. We're a massive pond away in terms of our location comparative to all those countries."

According to Breaking Defense, only seven of 30 countries in NATO hit the two percent mark that Brecheen referred to. Brecheen went on to echo what Hern said regarding planning.

"Some countries are starting to step up, but there needs to be an exit plan with what's happening in Ukraine. It would be different if America wasn't

**CARES Act spending**

The audit said more than \$11 million in pandemic spending under the 2020 federal CARES Act didn't have supporting documentation or proof that the supplies or equipment had been received.

The governor's office, through its CARES Forward team, directed much of that spending by setting up a scoring matrix for projects in consultation with cabinet secretaries and agency directors.

The audit said its sample of reimbursements to agencies also showed possible overspending of \$101,200 on COVID-19 tests. It also found a duplicate payroll reimbursement to the Department of Veterans Affairs of more than \$594,000 in December 2020.

"Without maintaining project score sheets or having written procedures on how the projects were approved, we are unsure if some projects had been properly reviewed and approved by the steering committee and the governor," the audit said. "In addition, CARES Forward may have reimbursed unallowable costs by not performing an adequate review of the supporting documentation and instead relied on the attestation and reimbursement request for their support."

In response to the finding, the Office of Management and Enterprise Services said it created a Grant Management Office in June 2021 to better track and review federal grant money.

State agencies received a total of \$850 million in CARES Act funds under that first round of coronavirus relief from the federal government. Because the CARES Act money was spent in multiple state fiscal years, some of that spending has already been flagged by auditors or investigators in previous reports.

The Legislature was largely cut out of directing any of the CARES Act funds in the first phase of the pandemic. That led it to reassert its authority when the federal government sent more than \$1.87 billion in American Rescue Plan Act funds to the state. Lawmakers spent last summer vetting projects and have now allocated almost all of that money under that federal pandemic relief

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# Lexington School announces honor roll students

## Elementary School

Lexington Elementary School has announced honor rolls for the second semester of the 2022-2023 term.

Superintendent’s Honor Roll students have no grade lower than an A. Students named to the Principal’s Honor Roll have no grade lower than a B.

**Third Grade Superintendent’s**  
Genesis Arteaga Licea, Cody Beason, Dannapaola Chavez Olguin, Emily Cooper, Amber Espinoza Trejo, Samantha Ganster, Santana George, Hadley Givens, McKinley Harmoning, Tarance Hinds, Cambree Johnson, Tyler Johnson, Jayce Lippel, Tatum Lowe, Shaela Melvin, Cristal Ocampo, Neymar Olguin-Acevedo and Glory Waitz.

**Principal’s**  
Emma Alexander, Eli Alford, Kenneth Allison, Breckyn Anderson, Hazel Anderson, Jaydelynn Barczak, Bode Bettes, Georgia Bowling, Nathaniel Brunson, Addyson Burns, Samara Cavener, Lane Collins, Ava Daniels, Adalaine Downs,

Ethan Espinoza Trejo, Wyatt Frazier, Natalie Gabehart, Stephanie Gonzalez, Chloe Greene, Peter Huerta, Kinzley Huzarski, Loriann Johnson, Kredence Kaminski, Brooklyn Keesee, Rayven Lakey, Haylee Leon, Alexander Littleton, Emalyn Maldonado, Kash McRavin, Noah Messinger, Marcus Meyer, Mayzie Moss, Abigail Moulton, Maizy Murphy, Melanie Neidel, Aubrey Petit, Brendan Reich-Hanger, Layla Roberts, Hayden Rollins, Tucker Tolliver, Gala Torres, Ezri Townsend, Adrian Yoyles, Cason Wilhelm, Dean Williamson, Joseph Williamson, Tannon Wood and Kayleigh Wright.

**Second Grade Superintendent’s**  
Miranda Adkins, Gene Bealsey-Swafford, Karrina Cardenas, Savayah Carter, Jacob Cline, Grasen Cook, Kellin Eck, Jerrod Haley, Miklyn Harmoning, Greenlee Hill, Jarek Johnson, Colt King, Viliamu Langstaff, Sarilyn Lobaugh, Oriana Massengale, Kendall

Mullins, Quinn Munday, Autumn Neff, Samuel Olguin, Liam Perkins, Wyatt Rollings, Cooper Ross, Molly Stolhand, Lyrick Taylor, Emillia Tores, Avery Tullis, Payton Tyes, Bryson Vanoostrum, Meadow Vile and Samson Vinson.

**Principal’s**  
Sherman Bledsoe, Aleah Bollinger, Charleston Brown, Ozzlynn Claunch, Corbin Cress, Lexi Cunha, Logan Dobry, Keith Dunn, Chasity Hill, Brinleigh Hooser, Kymbree Klupenger, Shevis Melvin, Keeley Merrick, Kennzie Miller, Theodore Neidel, Jace Nere, Raelynn Nere, Macy Parker, Carter Reed, Gunnar Rehl, Zayvian Santillana, Benjamin Toops, Zoe Toops, Oliver Trejo, Damire Walters, Nicholas Wheeler, Kasynn Williamson and Ruger Wilson.

**First Grade Superintendent’s**  
Kiersten Bittner, Jose Calvillo, Kato Cardenas, Corbin Chandler, Erick Chavez Olguin, Emily Cook, Enzy Ea-

som, Colton Fielding, Wyatt Hellberg, Amilah Inthisane-Walker, Connar Johnson, Beckett Lachance, Kyzer Madden, James Meyer, Baker Moore, Logan Ocampo Resendiz, Jade Padilla, Tyce Price, Xavier Robinson, Brynlee Rubes, Rowan Shadid, Alyssa Shelton, Daphne Stolhand, Quinn Taylor and Isabella Terlizzi.

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Kendra Allison, Sawsan Almaliki, Ramon Argueta, Zabre Barczak, Ezra Brown, Alexa Cervantes Trejo, Nathan Clark, Zoey Cook, Deelani Dodd, Brayden Fields, Kaisly Finson, Emalaina Hall, Aubrey Haynes, Charli Henderson, Bailey Hooper, Oakley Kaminski, Ryder Kaminski, Amelia Littleton, Veto Lovell, Jordan Maxon, Ahna Meyer, Henry Murphy, Ivy Nere, Ariel Olguin Acevedo, Brylee Partain, Ian Ray, Ana Rodriguez Zuniga, Aiden Rojo, Abigail South, Camila Trejo, Alexei Velasco, Makynna Vile, Ahunna Wright and Luis Zuniga Anguiano.

Lexington Intermediate School has announced honor rolls for the second semester of the 2022-2023 school term.

Superintendent’s Honor Roll students have no grade lower than an A.

Students named to the Principal’s Honor Roll must have a 3.0 grade point average or no grade lower than B.

**Fifth Grade Superintendent’s**  
Jillian Brock, Levi Downs, Bryn Easom, Jesse Hellberg,

Caden Hill, Alaysha Hinds, Hank Madden, Gracie Powell, Sophia Rubio and Luke Spears.

**Principal’s**  
Agustin Argueta, Alexander Bledsoe, Daniel Chavez, Emerson Conner, Camden Elkins, Molly Gabehart, Kimberlynn Gustin, Payton Houck, Aiden Johnson, Jordyn Johnson, Nicholas Kessler, Summer LaChance, Corbin Langford, Morgan Meer, Ian Neff, Kelsey Terlizzi, Ronin Townsend, Jazlyn Tyes, Keagen Tyes, Myler

Vile and Piper Waitz.

**Fourth Grade Superintendent’s**  
Alexa Argueta, Katrina Barczak, Rhett Buol, Grady Fields, Elias Free, Trinity Greene, Rickey Jones, Brayden Ketchie, Yarezi Lopez Gutierrez, Helen Mathews, Gael Resendiz Chavez, Addison Schramm, Layla Torres, Brizza Trejo, Ethan Troyano and Taben Weaver.

**Principal’s**  
Brooklyn Adams, Wyatt

Andes, Carl Brunson, Evelyn Carpenter, Shayna Caruthers, Guss Collins, Allie Corn, Jakoby Dawson, Sarah Dixon, Kayden Eck, Aubrey Gabehart, Jace Garver, Jacob Gore, Channing Hayes, Cody Hinkle, Brooklynn Huffert, Quincy Lancaster, Lilly Lynn, Eli McAfee, Talen Mowdy, Devin Navarro, Carter Perkins, Bently Petit, Vanessa Rodriguez Zuniga, McKenzie Somers, Layken Taylor, Eden Walter and Rhyatt Wise.

Kaius Walter, Gracie Jane White, Julianne Winterton and Michelle Zuniga.

**Principal’s**  
Kolton Ryder Alexander, Autumn Bryant, Santiago Chavez, Corbin Combs, Paisley Compton, Elijah Dawson, Justan Duncan, McKinley Fowler, McKala Fox, Jhovany Fuentes, Silas Grizzle, Kashton Haynes, Kambri Henry, Destiny Hill, Desiree Lynn, Addison McBride, Jaedyn McCoy, Ezra Northrup, Taya Ridley, Jocelyn Rojo, Phoenix Semonoviche, Temperance Sides, John David Vinson and Abigail Walker.

Lexington Middle School has announced honor rolls for the second semester of the 2022-2023 school term.

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Students named to the Principal’s Honor Roll must have a 3.0 grade point average or no grade lower than B.

**Eighth Grade Superintendent’s**  
Chloe Becker, Kash Klupenger and Tia Peery.  
**Principal’s**  
Addison Abbott, Madalyn Farley, Leslie Ibarra, Lilian

Johnson, Lane Moore, Uriel Saldana, Emma Stone, William Uglean and Peyton Veley.

**Seventh Grade Superintendent’s**  
Reece Beason, Valeria Chavez, Cash Dierking, Emily Greene, Sydney Hellberg, Jayda Idlett, Rolin Loux, McClain Moore, Xavier Perry, Kale Reynolds, Dulce Rodriguez Zuniga, Cody Rollins, Abigail Snow and Emma Turnpaugh.

**Principal’s**  
Ellee Andes, Wyatt Colvin, Joseph Downs, Cote Garver, Hallee Haswell, Bailey Johnson, Rilie Merrell, Brady My-

ers, Charles Powell, Peyton Senn, River Thompson, Aaron Trejo Olguin, Brooklyn Veach, Phyllis Webb and Kai-Lani Wheeler.

**Sixth Grade Superintendent’s**  
Winona Broome, Nina Cavener, Safira Christensen, Emma Garrett, Jasmin Henson, Saige Mowdy, Lexi Mundell, Alan Munoz, Emily Ocampo Guzman, Ayline Olguin-Acevedo, Kynlee Page, Hunter Paul, Adilenee Rojo, Charlie Ross, Kelsi Thetford, Autumn Thompson, Jaxon Torres, Kaylee Vaughn, Aviana Walker,

## High School

Lexington High School has announced honor rolls for the second semester of the 2022-20223 school term.

Superintendent’s Honor Roll students have no grade lower than an A.

Students named to the Principal’s Honor Roll must have a 3.0 grade point average or no grade lower than B.

**Seniors Superintendent’s**  
Rylee Beason, Haven Benson, Gracie Bradsher, Lexi Evans, Ezra Faulkenberry, Brycen Franks, Destiny Free, Roberto Garcia, Lauren Hooper, Kamydin King, Izzy Pack, Nakylia Price and Lydia Taylor.

**Principal’s**  
Jayce Dunaway, Mason Fink, Alejandra Garcia, Abigail Leon, Maddison Manuel, Lucas Morris-Peacock, Baron

Steelman, Kat Swales and Janelle Winterton.

**Juniors Superintendent’s**  
Natlíe Dickson, Kiely Givens, Adeline Gower, Carla Hamm, Haylee Jenks, Gage LaGace, Thore Langford, Marisa Northrup, Katie Paulus, Emilee Pierce, Travis Rollins, Adam Sample, Elena Serrano, Maison Sissney and Jarrett Stone.

**Principal’s**  
Maddison Allen, Landri Bean, Kallee Boatwright, Regan Boatwright, Nathan Brewer, Logan Carroll, Abi Clifton, Kylie Cole, Drew Dierking, Zeke Faulkenberry, Tucker Flemming, Emma Gower, Jordan Hardy, Emma Hokett, Alie Holler-Willems, Ty Mixon, Charli Moore, Avin Morgan, Hunter Olson, Jordan

Perry, Maci Richards, Abby Sample and Daemeon Swales.

**Sophomores Superintendent’s**  
Daisy Fuentes, Jamie Grizzle, Brooklyn Johnson, Julie Mitchell, David Ocampo, Yasmin Ocampo, Elijah Pearman, Teegan Reed, Klauen Shird and Savannah Warren.

**Principal’s**  
Alexandria Abele, Dalton Brewer, Ava Burgess, Lizabeth Camacho-Madrid, Christian Chase, Paige Claunch, Ryan Cormany, Ingrid Espinoza-Trejo, Alexandra Fisher-Owen, James Hulbert, Faith Humbolt, Jace Johnson, Aspen Landers, Cash Lippel, Kimberly Miner, Joselyn Munoz, Itzel Nunez, Mariela Ocampo-Guzman, Corey Ramsey, Baylee Rillema, Meagan Smith, Jesse Stockdale, Carl Taber, Briana Tarp

and Spencer Vanoostrum.

**Freshmen Superintendent’s**  
Mackenzie Benson, Nizhoni Bitseedy, Danica Bjork, Courtney Dickson, Cameron Haley, Boston Huffert, Sarah Potts, Katelyn Sieja and Lexie Torres.

**Principal’s**  
Brodie Anderson, Madison Bonner, Brooklynn Davis, Micaiah Downs, Pyper Dunn, Bailie Forbes, Cale Garver, Colby Haynes, Elliena Hicks, Destiny Holler-Willems, Hallie Johnson, Leszley Kahler, Addison Kessler, Ryan Lawson, Issac Martin, Abygail Navarro, Yaresly Ocampo-Resendiz, Kora Parker, Hunter Paulus, Lily Privett, Kadance Sparks, Jackie Thompson, Andrew Urie, Axel Velasco, Camron Weatherford and Samantha Woody.

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## Washington:



• Photo provided

## Fireworks donation

**The First National Bank & Trust Company of Chickasha, D.T. Cattle Company, McClain Bank, Purcell, Allen Farms, Inc. and Adkins Operating Company, LLC** are appreciated for their generous donations to support the Washington Freedom Festival Fireworks Display. It is community members like this that make Washington such a special place to live!

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

We are open to active clients Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

To donate to our Foundation, you can do so online at [dalekgrahamveteransfoundation.org](http://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](mailto: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**

## Purcell Senior Citizens

By Val Blackburn

Music and dance...this Friday from 7-9 p.m. “The Ole Troubadours” Country and Western Dance Band is back at the senior center! Lots of folks come out and enjoy the music and dancing! Every first, second, third and fifth Friday of the month you all can come from 7 until 9 p.m. to enjoy the music, dancing and refreshments. Entry is \$8 and refreshments will be available to purchase. This event will help support the senior center and provide an evening of entertainment for the community at a reasonable cost. We happily welcome the “Troubadours” back and are looking forward to our future venture with them! Come and enjoy the fun! Family friendly atmosphere!

The phone number for the center is 405-527-5070. Please don’t hesitate to call if you have any questions about anything we offer.

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. Coffee, tea and cookies are always available!

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

The center garage sale is closed for the next two weeks as we rearrange and renovate. Sorry for any inconvenience. The sale will have new merchandise and a new look when we reopen!

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 July 10-14:

Monday—Pork chop, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, roll, fruit salad.

Tuesday—Ham and cheese hoagie, potato salad, coleslaw, chocolate fruit.

Wednesday—Chicken and noodle casserole, tossed salad, broccoli, garlic bread, fruit.

Thursday—Beef stew, oven fried okra, cornbread, lemon pudding.

Friday—Meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, bread, cookies.

One milk per person is served with every meal. We appreciate everyone who continues to donate and support the senior center. Your donations continue to enhance the lives of our seniors and the operation of our center.

No. 499-July 6-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
In the Matter of the Estate of ELVIS  
WAYNE ROLLINS, Deceased  
Case No. PB-2022-129  
NOTICE OF HEARING RETURN  
OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE  
Notice is hereby given that  
Sabrina Lynn West, the duly appointed and qualified Personal Representative of the Estate of Elvis Wayne Rollins, Deceased, has returned and presented for confirmation, and filed in said Court, her Return of Sale of the following-described real property of said estate, located in Cleveland County, Oklahoma, to-wit:  
Lot Six (6), in Block Five (5), in

SUNSET ADDITION to Norman, Cleveland County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof  
Property address: 1210 Iowa Street, Norman, Oklahoma.  
Sale Price: \$35,000.00  
That the 20th day of July, 2023, at 9:30 o’clock a.m., in the Courtroom of the District Court in the County Courthouse in McClain County, in said County and State, has been duly appointed by said Court for hearing said Return, at which time any person interested in said estate may appear and file exceptions, in writing, to said Return and contest the same, and are hereby referred to said Return for further particulars.  
Dated this 27th day of June,

2023.  
CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT  
APPROVED:  
/s/ Brian L. Hill  
BRIAN L. HILL, OBA #20727  
LAUREN A. CAMPBELL, OBA #30511  
Ball Morse Lowe PLLC  
531 Couch Drive, Suite 201  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102  
Telephone: (405) 701-6809  
Facsimile: (405) 701-2830  
lcampbell@bml.law  
Attorneys for Personal Representative

No. 504-July 6-3 Times  
Bid Advertisement  
Owner: Washington Public Schools  
Construction Manager: Goldsby Construction  
Solicitation For Bidders For: Elementary Projects  
Solicitation Date: July 6th, 2023.  
Bid Date, Time & Place:  
July 26th, 2023  
Bid Deadline: 2:00pm CDST  
Place: Sealed Bids Will Be Submitted Online Via Building Connected.  
Project Contact: Tyler Graves -  
Tyler@GoldsbyConstruction.com



# Legal Publications

No. 484-June 29-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
In the Matter of the Estates of  
ELIJAH CLESTO LESLIE, and  
NORMA SMITH LESLIE, De-  
ceased

Case No. PB-2023-63  
COMBINED NOTICE  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
AND NOTICE OF HEARING  
UPON PETITION FOR  
JOINT SUMMARY  
ADMINISTRATION OF  
INTESTATE ESTATES,  
APPOINTMENT OF  
SPECIAL ADMINISTRATOR,  
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS-  
AT-LAW, APPROVAL OF FINAL  
ACCOUNTING, AND  
DISTRIBUTION AND  
DISCHARGE

Notice is hereby given to all  
persons interested in the Estates  
of ELIJAH CLESTO LESLIE and  
NORMA SMITH LESLIE, De-  
ceased, that there has been filed  
in the District Court of McClain  
County, Oklahoma, a Petition  
attesting that ELIJAH CLESTO  
LESLIE a/k/a E.C. LESLIE a/k/a

LES LESLIE died intestate on Oc-  
tober 9, 1992, and was a resident  
of Durant, Bryan County, State of  
Oklahoma, at the time of death;  
that NORMA SMITH LESLIE f/k/a  
NORMABELLE SMITH died intestate  
on February 14, 2014, and was  
a resident of Durant, Bryan  
County, State of Oklahoma, at the  
time of death; that the Petitioner,  
MICHAEL LANE NICHOLS, is the  
grandson of the Decedents and  
resides in Conway, Arkansas.  
Petitioner's Petition prays for Sum-  
mary Administration, admittance  
of the Estates to probate, that  
Letters of Special Administration  
be issued to MICHAEL LANE  
NICHOLS, for the judicial determi-  
nation of the identity of the heirs-  
at-law of ELIJAH CLESTO LESLIE  
and NORMA SMITH LESLIE,  
Deceased, approval of the Final  
Accounting of said Estates, that  
the Court distribute the Oklahoma  
Estates pursuant to the laws of  
intestate succession, and for the  
Discharge of said MICHAEL LANE  
NICHOLS.

The 10th day of August, 2023,  
at 9:30 a.m. has been appointed  
as the time for hearing the Petition

for Joint Summary Administration  
of Intestate Estates of ELIJAH  
CLESTO LESLIE and NORMA  
SMITH LESLIE, Deceased, judi-  
cially determining the identity of  
the heirs-at-law of said Decedents,  
approving the Final Accounting,  
distribution of the Estates pursu-  
ant to the laws of intestate suc-  
cession, and discharge of said Special  
Administrator, at which hearing all  
persons interested in the Estates  
may appear and contest the same.

Notice is further given that per-  
sons receiving this Notice must file  
objections to the Petition at any  
time before the hearing and send  
a copy to the Special Administrator  
c/o TRACY L. BROCK, of PARMAN  
& EASTERDAY, 13913-B Quail  
Pointe Drive, Oklahoma City, OK  
73134, or you will be deemed to  
have waived any objections to  
the Petition.

That, if an objection is filed  
before the hearing, the Court will  
determine at the hearing whether  
summary proceedings are appro-  
priate and, if so, whether the Estate  
will be distributed and to whom the  
Estate will be distributed.

Notice is also hereby given

that all persons having claims  
against ELIJAH CLESTO LESLIE  
or NORMA SMITH LESLIE, De-  
ceased, are required to present  
the same with a description of all  
security interests and other col-  
lateral, if any, held by each creditor  
with respect to such claim, to the  
named Special Administrator, c/o  
TRACY L. BROCK, of PARMAN  
& EASTERDAY, 13913-B Quail  
Pointe Drive, Oklahoma City, OK  
73134 on or before the present-  
ment date of July 28, 2023, or the  
same will be non-suited, void and  
forever barred.

Dated this 21st day of June,  
2023.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT  
TRACY L. BROCK, OBA  
#018075  
PARMAN & EASTERDAY  
ATTORNEYS & COUNSELORS  
AT LAW  
13913-B Quail Pointe Drive  
Oklahoma City, OK 73134  
Telephone: (405) 843-6100  
Facsimile: (405) 917-7018  
Attorneys for Petitioner

No. 497-July 6-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
WITHIN AND FOR  
MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
JOHN E. PEEPER AND CAROL  
A. PEEPER, TRUSTEES OF THE  
PEEPER FAMILY TRUST  
Plaintiffs,  
vs.  
MICHEAL GENO BILLY MARKS,  
THE KNOWN OR UNKNOWN  
SPOUSE OF MICHEAL GENO  
BILLY MARKS, IF ANY, KNOWN  
OR UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS  
OF THE PREMISES, IF ANY, THE  
COUNTY TREASURER OF Mc-  
CLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA,  
and THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF MCCLAIN  
COUNTY, OKLAHOMA,  
Defendants.

CJ-2022-213  
NOTICE OF HEARING MOTION  
TO CONFIRM SHERIFF'S SALE  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:  
MICHEAL GENO BILLY MARKS,  
THE KNOWN OR UNKNOWN  
SPOUSE OF MICHEAL GENO  
BILLY MARKS, IF ANY,  
KNOWN OR UNKNOWN OC-  
CUPANTS OF THE PREMISES, IF  
ANY, THE COUNTY TREASURER  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHO-  
MA, and THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF MCCLAIN  
COUNTY, OKLAHOMA,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
the Plaintiffs have filed herein a  
Motion to Confirm Sheriff's Sale  
in the above entitled cause. That  
said Motion To Confirm Sale will  
be heard before The Honorable Judge  
Leah Edwards in her Courtroom in  
the McClain County Courthouse  
on the 2nd day of August, 2023,  
at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Unless you  
appear at said time and present  
any objections to the said sale pro-  
ceedings, the Motion To Confirm  
Sale will be granted and the sale  
shall be confirmed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
/s/ George William Velotta II  
George William Velotta II #OBA  
9223  
Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC  
138 W. Main/P. O. Box 1565

No. 502-July 6-2 Times  
The City of Purcell Cemetery is  
seeking bids on a fencing project  
to replace the vinyl fences along  
the north and west sides. On the  
north side along Wyatt Road /  
OK-39 bids for true wrought iron  
are requested. Ornamental fence  
as an alternative is also allowable  
and requested, with Ameristar  
Majestic for residential as typical  
or a comparable brand and grade.  
Fence is to be 4 feet in height with  
7 feet long posts. The bidder is  
advised to confirm measurements,  
with the north side estimated to be  
approximately 1,229 feet in length.  
The design is to be 3-rails in 8 feet  
sections with 2 or 2.5" square post  
in concrete.

4 feet tall 6-gauge fabric black  
vinyl coated chain-link with bot-  
tom wire on the west fence line  
along Park Road. 1 5/8" top rail,  
2 3/8" line posts with 2 7/8" end  
posts or betterment. All posts in  
concrete. The west side fence  
line is estimated to be 1,300 feet  
in length.

An alternate bid for demolition of  
the current vinyl fencing and their  
brick posts will be considered, but  
is not required.

No. 503-July 6-1 Time  
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR  
USE PERMITTED ON REVIEW

Notice: An application has been  
filed with the Town of Goldsby,  
Oklahoma by Hemphill, LLC for a  
USE PERMITTED ON REVIEW A-1  
(Agricultural- Residential) zoning  
for the installation of a Wireless  
communications facility.

STREET ADDRESS: 3501 South  
Interstate Dr., Goldsby, Oklahoma.  
Site Name: 1771 Riverwind

LEGAL: A tract of land located  
in the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4)  
of Section Eleven (11), Township  
Eight (8) North, Range Three (3)  
West of the I.M., McClain County,  
Oklahoma, being more particularly  
described as follows: Beginning  
at the NE/Corner of the NW1/4;  
thence S 00°13'29" E a distance of  
2,638.92 feet; thence S 89°32'06"  
W a distance of 1,093.81 feet;  
thence N 00°27'54" W a distance  
of 200.00 feet; thence S 89°32'06"  
W a distance of 535.25 feet; thence  
N 00°27'54" W a distance of  
200.00 feet; thence N 89°32'06" E  
a distance of 310.59 feet; thence  
N 00°27'54" W a distance of  
200.00 feet; thence N 89°32'06" E

Purcell, OK 73080  
Phone: 405-527-7575  
Fax: 405-527-7574  
Attorneys for the Plaintiffs  
CERTIFICATE OF  
SERVICE BY MAIL  
George William Velotta II, coun-  
sel for the Plaintiffs herein states  
and affirms that a true and correct  
copy of this Notice of Hearing  
of Motion to Confirm Sheriff's  
Sale was mailed to all parties of  
record who have appeared in this  
case: to-wit: The McClain County,  
Oklahoma Treasurer and The  
Board of County Commissioners  
of McClain County, Oklahoma on  
June 27, 2023 by United States  
Mail, First Class, with adequate  
postage prepaid.

/s/ George William Velotta II  
George William Velotta II  
CERTIFICATE OF  
NON-SERVICE TO  
UNSERVED NAMED  
DEFENDANTS

George William Velotta II, coun-  
sel for the Plaintiffs hereby states  
that the above and foregoing  
Notice of Hearing of Motion To  
Confirm Sheriff's Sale was not  
mailed, served or delivered by any  
method to the named Defendants  
Micheal Billy Geno Marks, The  
Known and Unknown Occupants  
Of The Premises, if any, and the  
Known or Unknown Spouse of  
Micheal Geno Billy Marks, if any  
because the whereabouts of such  
Defendants are not known by  
Plaintiffs nor ascertainable  
by Plaintiffs. Furthermore, these  
named Defendants have not been  
served nor voluntarily appeared in  
this case and there are no service  
addresses for them and or of any  
counsel of record for them in this  
record and court file of this case  
and the Court has heretofore  
Ordered that service of process  
in this case is valid and sufficient  
due process of law and in confor-  
mance with Oklahoma Statutes as  
to these parties.

/s/ George William Velotta II  
George William Velotta II

The route description and  
construction details will be de-  
scribed and managed by the City  
of Purcell. Bidders must arrange  
a mandatory meeting to review  
project details with Hillside Cem-  
etery Sexton Tyler Buchanan prior  
to July 20, 2023 by calling him at  
405-876-3799. Interested parties  
must provide references proving  
successful experience with proj-  
ects of this size and greater. In-  
surance that protects employees,  
property and the City of Purcell will  
be required. Bids must be submit-  
ted in writing in a sealed envelope  
marked "Purcell Hillside Cemetery  
Fencing" to City Clerk, Purcell City  
Hall, 230 W. Main Street, Purcell,  
OK 73080 any time prior to 11 AM  
on Thursday, August 3rd, 2023.  
Bids will be opened and the bid  
with the lowest and best bid will  
be awarded or all rejected by the  
City of Purcell City Council at the  
next special or regular meeting,  
contingent upon completion of  
documentation of insurance, non-  
collusion statement, etc. required  
by Oklahoma statutes. Bidders are  
advised to confirm that the City  
Clerk has received the documents  
prior to the time it is due.

a distance of 29.63 feet; thence N  
00°27'54" W a distance of 132.32  
feet; thence N 89°44'27" E a  
distance of 105.22 feet; thence N  
50°59'57" E a distance of 96.29  
feet; thence N 50°21'33" E a  
distance of 113.56 feet; thence N  
47°31'24" E a distance of 88.26  
feet; thence N 54°09'26" E a  
distance of 68.45 feet; thence N  
39°08'53" W a distance of 570.5  
feet; thence N 56°05'00" W a  
distance of 232.50 feet; thence N  
33°55'00" E a distance of 1,332.72  
feet; thence N 89°32'06" E a dis-  
tance of 705.8 feet to the point of  
beginning. (See map)

The proposed use permitted on  
review will be brought before the  
Planning Commission meeting  
on the 27th day of JULY, 2023 at  
6:30PM at Town Hall, 100 E. Center  
Rd., Goldsby, OK, at which time  
and place any affected person(s)  
may appear to protest or support  
the passage thereof. Any written  
protest must be filed with the town  
clerk at least three (3) days prior to  
the meeting date, in accordance  
with state law (11 O.S. 1981 §  
43-105).

Dated this 3rd day of July, 2023.  
Sandra Jenkins, Clerk

No. 500-July 6-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
CAROL ANN DAVIS, as TRUSTEE  
OF THE CAROL ANN DAVIS  
TRUST, DATED THE 13th DAY OF  
MAY 2014, MARY LOU DAVIS,  
TRUSTEE OF THE JIMMY AND  
MARY LOU DAVIS LIVING TRUST,  
DATED NOVEMBER 13, 1998,  
EVELYN MAE HARKINS, KATHY  
KENDALL, SANDRA MCKINLEY  
and SUSAN HARRIS,  
Plaintiffs,

v.  
1. JOSEPH MARCELOUS DAVIS,  
a/k/a J.M. DAVIS, Deceased,  
2. TRESSIE DAVIS, Deceased,  
3. WILLIE LOY, a/k/a LLOYD DA-  
VIS, a/k/a WILL DAVIS, Deceased,  
4. KATIE HEDRICK, a/k/a CATH-  
RIN HEDRICK, nee DAVIS, De-  
ceased,  
5. GEORGE MARION DAVIS,  
Deceased,  
6. LEONARD LANCE DAVIS,  
Deceased,  
7. SOPHIA MELVINA COLLINS,  
nee DAVIS, Deceased,  
8. DOLLIE MAY CURNUTT, nee  
DAVIS, a/k/a DOLLEY CURNUTT,  
nee DAVIS, Deceased,  
9. ALLEN DAVID DAVIS, De-  
ceased,  
10. EARL MICHAEL DAVIS, De-  
ceased,  
11. SYLVIA EVELYN SCOTT, nee  
DAVIS, Deceased,  
12. ROSE/ROSA/ROSEY/ROSIE  
LANGHAM, nee SHERWOOD,  
Deceased,  
13. ALMEADY WARD, nee SHER-  
WOOD, Deceased,  
14. DAVID HEDRICK, Deceased,  
15. JOSIE M. OWEN, nee HED-  
RICK,  
16. DOVIE SMITH, nee HEDRICK,  
17. DELLA LEE SINES, nee HE-  
DRICK,  
18. JOSIE LORRAINE or LORENE  
CALDWELL, nee DAVIS, De-  
ceased,  
19. RUBY DAVIS, Deceased,  
20. JACK DAVIS, Deceased,  
21. JIMMIE DAVIS, Deceased,  
22. MARGIE ROBERTS, nee DA-  
VIS, Deceased,  
23. MILDRED BEAN, nee DAVIS,  
Deceased,  
24. BILLY RAY BEAN, Deceased,  
25. JUDY BEAN,  
26. ALFRED BEAN, Deceased,  
27. BOBBY BEAN, Deceased,  
28. MARGIE ROBERTS, nee DA-  
VIS, Deceased,  
29. SHEBA DAVIS,  
30. OSWALD (OTT) DAVIS,  
31. A.D. DAVIS,  
32. DOROTHY DAVIS,  
33. ANCEL DAVIS,  
34. CAROL SUE HALL, nee DAVIS,  
35. MELINDA WEBER,  
36. DARLENE MACHEMEHL,  
37. ROBERT H. MACHEMEHL,  
38. MARION CURNUTT,  
39. MARJORIE CURNUTT,  
40. BOBBY GEORGE CURNUTT,  
41. ROSE LATHAM DAVIS,  
42. DONALD GENE DAVIS,  
43. COMEL MARCELLUS DAVIS,  
44. OPHELIA CARRIGAN DAVIS,  
Deceased,  
45. BOBBIE EARL DAVIS, De-  
ceased,  
46. ANNE DUNN, nee DAVIS,  
47. SHARON L. SCOTT,  
48. MARTIN R. SCOTT,  
49. WILLIAM J. SCOTT,  
50. MELISSA S. BISHOP,  
51. TRESSIE LANGHAM, De-  
ceased,  
52. EARL RAY LANGHAM, De-  
ceased,  
53. TRULAN WARD,  
54. LLOYD WARD,  
55. BILLY JOE WARD,  
56. TRESSIE FULTON, nee WARD,  
57. BETTY JUNE SILVA, nee  
WARD,  
58. WEIDA NELL NIX, nee  
CALDWELL, Deceased,  
59. HERSHEL A. MOORE,  
60. EDDIE M. STEPHENSON,  
a/k/a MARION EDDIE STEPHEN-  
SON,  
61. MELODI FRANCES MCKIN-  
LEY STEPHENSON,  
62. JOSEPH W. HAYHURST, JR.,  
and the Unknown Successors,

Heirs, Executors, Administra-  
tors, Devisees, Trustees and  
Assigns of JOSEPH MARCE-  
LOUS DAVIS, a/k/a J.M. DAVIS,  
Deceased, TRESSIE DAVIS,  
Deceased, WILLIE LOY, a/k/a  
LLOYD DAVIS, a/k/a WILL DAVIS,  
Deceased, KATIE HEDRICK, a/k/a  
CATHRIN HEDRICK, nee DAVIS,  
Deceased, GEORGE MARION  
DAVIS, Deceased, LEONARD  
LANCE DAVIS, Deceased, SOPHIA  
MELVINA COLLINS, nee  
DAVIS, Deceased, DOLLIE MAY  
CURNUTT, nee DAVIS, a/k/a  
DOLLEY CURNUTT, nee DAVIS,  
Deceased, ALLEN DAVID DAVIS,  
Deceased, EARL MICHAEL DA-  
VIS, Deceased, SYLVIA EVELYN  
SCOTT, nee DAVIS, Deceased,  
ROSE/ROSA/ROSEY/ROSIE  
LANGHAM, nee SHERWOOD,  
Deceased, ALMEADY WARD,  
nee SHERWOOD, Deceased,  
DAVID HEDRICK, Deceased,  
JOSIE LORRAINE or LORENE  
CALDWELL, nee DAVIS, De-  
ceased, RUBY DAVIS, Deceased,  
JACK DAVIS, Deceased, JIMMIE  
DAVIS, Deceased, MARGIE ROB-  
ERTS, nee DAVIS, Deceased,  
OPHELIA CARRIGAN DAVIS,  
Deceased, BOBBIE EARL DA-  
VIS, Deceased, MILDRED BEAN,  
nee DAVIS, Deceased, BILLY  
RAY BEAN, Deceased, ALFRED  
BEAN, Deceased, BOBBY BEAN,  
Deceased, MARGIE ROBERTS,  
nee DAVIS, Deceased, TRESSIE  
LANGHAM, Deceased, EARL RAY  
LANGHAM, Deceased and WEIDA  
NELL NIX, nee CALDWELL, De-  
ceased, and if any of the Defen-  
dants above are deceased, their  
Unknown Successors, Heirs, Ex-  
ecutors, Administrators, Devisees,  
Trustees and Assigns,  
Defendants.

CV-2023-128  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
TO: Joseph Marcelous Davis, De-  
ceased, Tressie Davis, Deceased,  
Willie Loy, a/k/a, Lloyd, Will Da-  
vis, Deceased, Katie or Cathrin  
Hedrick, nee Davis, Deceased,  
George Marion Davis, Deceased,  
Leonard Lance Davis, Deceased,  
Sophia Melvina Collins, nee Davis,  
Deceased, Dollie May Curnutt,  
nee Davis, Dolley Curnutt, nee  
Davis, Deceased, Allen David  
Davis, Deceased, Earl Michael  
Davis, Deceased, Sylvia Evelyn  
Scott, nee Davis, Deceased, Rose/  
Rosa/Rosey/Rosie Langham, nee  
Sherwood, Deceased, Almedy  
Ward, nee Sherwood, Deceased,  
David Hedrick, Deceased, Josie  
Owen, nee Hedrick, Dovie Smith,  
nee Hedrick, Della Lee Sines, nee  
Hedrick, Josie Lorraine or Lorene  
Caldwell, nee Davis, Deceased,  
Ruby Davis, Deceased, Jack  
Davis, Deceased, Jimmie Davis,  
Deceased, Margie Roberts, nee  
Davis, Deceased, Mildred Bean,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Billy Ray  
Bean, Deceased, Judy Bean,  
Alfred Bean, Deceased, Bobby  
Bean, Deceased, Margie Rob-  
erts, nee Davis, Deceased, Kathy  
Kendall, Sandra Mckinley, Susan  
Harris, Sheba Davis, Oswald  
(Ott) Davis, A.D. Davis, Dorothy  
Davis, Ancel Davis, Carol Sue  
Hall, nee Davis, Melinda Weber,  
Darlene Machemehl, Robert H.  
Machemehl, Marion Curnutt,  
Marjorie Curnutt, Bobby George  
Curnutt, Rose Davis, Donald  
Gene Davis, Comel Marcellus  
Davis, Ophelia Carrigan Davis,  
Deceased, Bobbie Earl Davis,  
Deceased, Anne Dunn, nee Davis,  
Sharon L. Scott, Martin R. Scott,  
William J. Scott, Melissa S. Bishop,  
Tressie Langham, Deceased, Earl  
Ray Langham, Deceased, Trulan  
Ward, Lloyd Ward, Billy Joe Ward,  
Tressie Fulton, nee Ward, Betty  
June Silva, nee Ward, Weida Nell  
Nix, nee Caldwell, Deceased,  
Hershel A. Moore, Rose Latham  
Davis, Donald Gene Davis, Eddie  
M. Stephenson, a/k/a Marion Ed-  
die Stephenson, Melodi Frances  
McKinley Stephenson, Joseph W.  
Hayhurst, Jr. and the Unknown  
Successors, Heirs, Executors, Ad-

ministrators, Devisees, Trustees  
and Assigns of and the Unknown  
Successors, Heirs, Executors, Ad-  
ministrators, Devisees, Trustees  
and Assigns of Joseph Marcelous  
Davis, a/k/a J.M. Davis, Deceased,  
Tressie Davis, Deceased, Willie  
Loy, a/k/a Lloyd Davis, a/k/a Will  
Davis, Deceased, Katie Hedrick,  
a/k/a Cathrin Hedrick, nee Davis,  
Deceased, George Marion Davis,  
Deceased, Leonard Lance Davis,  
Deceased, Sophia Melvina Collins,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Dollie May  
Curnutt, nee Davis, a/k/a Dolley  
Curnutt, nee Davis, Deceased,  
Allen David Davis, Deceased,  
Earl Michael Davis, Deceased,  
Sylvia Evelyn Scott, nee Davis,  
Deceased, Rose/Rosa/Rosey/  
Rosie Langham, nee Sherwood,  
Deceased, Almedy Ward, nee  
Sherwood, Deceased, David He-  
drick, Deceased, Josie Lorraine  
or Lorene Caldwell, nee Davis,  
Deceased, Ruby Davis, Deceased,  
Jack Davis, Deceased, Jimmie  
Davis, Deceased, Margie Roberts,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Mildred  
Bean, nee Davis, Deceased,  
Billy Ray Bean, Deceased, Alfred  
Bean, Deceased, Bobby Bean,  
Deceased, Margie Roberts, nee  
Davis, Deceased, Tressie Lang-  
ham, Deceased, Earl Ray Lang-  
ham, Deceased and Weida Nell  
Nix, nee Caldwell, Deceased, and  
if any of the Defendants above  
are deceased, their Unknown  
Successors, Heirs, Executors,  
Administrators, Devisees, Trust-  
ees and Assigns.

The above-named Defendants  
will take notice that in the District  
Court of McClain County, Okla-  
homa, in the above-styled and  
numbered case, an action has  
been filed by Carol Ann Davis, as  
Trustee of The Carol Ann Davis  
Trust, Dated The 13th Day of May  
2014, Mary Lou Davis, Trustee of  
The Jimmy and Mary Lou Davis  
Living Trust, Dated November 13,  
1998, Evelyn Mae Harkins, Kathy  
Kendall, Sandra McKinley and Su-  
san Harris 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 August 21, 2023, or  
the allegations of said Petition will  
be taken as true and judgment  
rendered accordingly, adjudging  
and decreeing that the Plaintiffs  
are the owners of, and that the  
Plaintiffs are the actual owners  
of the legal and equitable title of  
the real property in and under the  
following described property situ-  
ated in McClain County, Oklahoma  
as follows, to-wit (the "Property"):

East Half of the Southwest  
Quarter of the Southwest Quarter  
(E/2 SW/4 SW/4) and the South  
Half of the Southeast Quarter of  
the Southwest Quarter (S/2 SE/4  
SW/4) and the Southwest Quarter  
of the Southwest Quarter of the  
Southeast Quarter (SW/4 SW/4  
SE/4) of Section Five (5) Township  
Six (6) North, Range Four (4) West,  
McClain County, Oklahoma.

free and clear of all liens, claims  
and encumbrances, Joseph Mar-  
celous Davis, Deceased, Tressie  
Davis, Deceased, Willie Loy, a/k/a,  
Lloyd, Will Davis, Deceased, Katie  
or Cathrin Hedrick, nee Davis,  
Deceased, George Marion Davis,  
Deceased, Leonard Lance Davis,  
Deceased, Sophia Melvina Collins,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Dollie May  
Curnutt, nee Davis, Dolley Curnutt,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Allen David  
Davis, Deceased, Earl Michael  
Davis, Deceased, Sylvia Evelyn  
Scott, nee Davis, Deceased, Rose/  
Rosa/Rosey/Rosie Langham, nee  
Sherwood, Deceased, Almedy  
Ward, nee Sherwood, Deceased,  
David Hedrick, Deceased, Josie  
Owen, nee Hedrick, Dovie Smith,  
nee Hedrick, Della Lee Sines, nee  
Hedrick, Josie Lorraine or Lorene  
Caldwell, nee Davis, Deceased,  
Ruby Davis, Deceased, Jack  
Davis, Deceased, Jimmie Davis,  
Deceased, Margie Roberts, nee

Davis, Deceased, Mildred Bean,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Billy Ray  
Bean, Deceased, Judy Bean,  
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a/k/a Marion Ed-  
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and Assigns of Joseph Marcelous  
Davis, a/k/a J.M. Davis, Deceased,  
Tressie Davis, Deceased, Willie  
Loy, a/k/a Lloyd Davis, a/k/a Will  
Davis, Deceased, Katie Hedrick,  
a/k/a Cathrin Hedrick, nee Davis,  
Deceased, George Marion Davis,  
Deceased, Leonard Lance Davis,  
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nee Davis, Deceased, Dollie May  
Curnutt, nee Davis, a/k/a Dolley  
Curnutt, nee Davis, Deceased,  
Allen David Davis, Deceased,  
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Deceased, Rose/Rosa/Rosey/  
Rosie Langham, nee Sherwood,  
Deceased, Almedy Ward, nee  
Sherwood, Deceased, David He-  
drick, Deceased, Josie Lorraine  
or Lorene Caldwell, nee Davis,  
Deceased, Ruby Davis, Deceased,  
Jack Davis, Deceased, Jimmie  
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Deceased, Margie Roberts, nee  
Davis, Deceased, Tressie Lang-  
ham, Deceased, Earl Ray Lang-  
ham, Deceased and Weida Nell  
Nix, nee Caldwell, Deceased, and  
if any of the Defendants above  
are deceased, their Unknown  
Successors, Heirs, Executors,  
Administrators, Devisees, Trust-  
ees and Assigns, have no right,  
title, interest, lien, estate, encum-  
brance, claim, or assessment in or  
to the said hereinabove described  
real property, and a Decree quiet-  
ing and confirming the Plaintiffs'  
title and possession thereto, as  
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 28th day of  
June 2023.

(Seal)  
McClain County Court Clerk  
By: /s/ Karen Weltmer  
Deputy Court Clerk

APPROVED:  
/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.  
James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881  
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731  
George W. Velotta, II, OBA  
#9223  
Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC  
138 W. Main/P. O. Box 1565  
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080  
PHONE: (405) 527-7575  
FAX: (405) 527-7574  
Attorney for Plaintiffs







John D. Montgomery • The Purcell Register

## Sprucing up

The **Purcell** Parks & Recreation Department was out in full force mowing the parks around the city lake.

# Wayne Senior Citizens

By John Webb

Hello again everyone and a big Happy Birthday to America, the greatest country on the planet. Two hundred fifty-seven years old and still going strong! Now, if all of us could just learn how to get along and realize we are more alike than we are different we just might go another 257 years and beyond.

Because of the very hot weather last week, the garage sale did very poorly. Hopefully the time we open it we will have some less hostile weather and folks will come in and check it out. More information on that next week.

Delta Nutrition is the provider of delicious lunches, served at 11:30 a.m., every Monday through Friday, excluding holidays or staff training days.

If you are a senior, 60+, and would like to get information about how to qualify for the meal program, call the kitchen in Purcell at 405-527-9462. We will be happy to explain the easy process.

We do have a few simple rules, but the main one is to be sure to make a reservation for your meal. Please do not assume there will always be enough food. We can now only cook for the number of reservations we have, plus two. You may call the Purcell phone number to make or cancel a reservation.

Here is the menu for July 10-14:

Monday — Smothered pork chop, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, dinner roll, fruit salad.

Tuesday — Ham and cheese on hoagie or croissant, lettuce and tomato, potato salad, coleslaw, chocolate sheet cake.

Wednesday — Chicken and noodle casserole, tossed salad, broccoli, garlic bread, fruit.

Thursday — Beef stew, oven fried okra, cornbread, lemon delight pudding.

Friday — Meatloaf with topping, mashed potatoes with brown gravy, corn, bread or roll, cookies.

Milk is available with every meal. One milk per person, please.

Remember to stay hydrated and to take frequent breaks to avoid heatstroke. Enjoy your summer but always take precautions to stay safe.

I appreciate our volunteers in Wayne who help things run smoothly.

I appreciate everyone who attends and continues to support your Wayne Senior Citizens Center.

Until next time...

No. 489-June 29-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
In the Matter of the Estate of PATSY NELL WELCHEL, deceased.  
Case No. PB-2023-5  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
PETITION FOR ORDER  
WAIVING FINAL ACCOUNT,  
DETERMINATION OF IDENTITY  
OF HEIRS, DEVISEES AND  
LEGATEES AND FOR DECREE  
OF FINAL DISTRIBUTION  
AND DISCHARGE OF  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE  
Notice is hereby given that the  
Petition for Order Waiving Final  
Account, Determination of Identity  
of Heirs, Devisees and Legatees  
and For Decree Of Final Distribu-  
tion and Discharge Of Personal  
Representative was filed herein  
on the 23rd day of June 2023,  
and that a hearing on said final  
account and petition has been set

before the undersigned Judge or  
to the Judge to which the same  
has been assigned in the District  
Courtroom of the McClain County  
Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma,  
on the 20th day of July 2023 at  
9:30 a.m., and all persons inter-  
ested therein are notified to appear  
and show cause, if any, why said  
accounts should not be approved  
and said petition granted.

Dated this 23 day of June, 2023.  
Charles N. Gray  
HONORABLE  
CHARLES GRAY  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT

/s/ Greg Dixon  
Greg Dixon, OBA #16492  
NICHOLS I DIXON, PLLC  
108 N. 2nd Ave.  
Purcell, OK 73080  
(405) 527-5888  
greg@nicholsdixon.com  
ATTORNEYS FOR PETITIONER

No. 496-June 29-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-  
TATE OF PATRICIA ANN MAYS,  
DECEASED  
NO. PB-23-31  
NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL  
ACCOUNT OF PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE, PETITION  
FOR ORDER ALLOWING FINAL  
ACCOUNT, BARRING CLAIMS  
OF CREDITORS, FOR  
DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP,  
AND FINAL SETTLEMENT  
AND DISTRIBUTION  
Notice is hereby given that Larry  
Mays, Personal Representative of  
the Estate of Patricia Ann Mays,  
Deceased, having filed in this  
Court his Final Account of the  
administration of said Estate and  
his Petition for determination of  
heirship, barring claims of credi-  
tors, and for final settlement and  
distribution of said Estate; the  
hearing of the same has been fixed  
by the Judge of said Court for July  
27, 2023, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., at  
the Courtroom of said Court in the  
County Courthouse at Purcell, in  
the County and State aforesaid,  
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 settled and allowed,  
and said Estate distributed and  
the Personal Representative  
discharged.

Dated this June 27, 2023.  
CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
Judge of the District Court  
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  
randalllaw@cox.net  
Attorney for Larry Mays, Per-  
sonal Representative

No. 506-July 6-1 Time  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
All persons having an indebted-  
ness or claim against the City of  
Purcell are hereby notified that  
all invoices and documentation  
pertaining to said purchase or  
contract must be recorded in the  
office of Victor R. Lohn, Treasurer,  
on or before September 30, 2023,  
covering all debts now unpaid and  
incurred during the period begin-  
ning on July 1, 2022, and ending  
on June 30, 2023, or said account  
shall be void and forever barred.  
/s/ Victor R. Lohn  
Treasurer

No. 505-July 6-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-  
TATE OF ALFORD REX HYDE,  
Deceased  
Case No PB-2023-69  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION  
FOR APPOINTMENT OF  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE  
AND DETERMINATION  
OF HEIRS  
NOTICE is hereby given that  
on the 3rd day of July, 2023,  
KIMBERLY ANN MILLISER and  
ANDREA ELIZABETH VICKERS  
filed their application for Letters  
of Administration on said estate to  
be granted to them and for judicial  
determination of the heirs of said  
decedent.  
Pursuant to an Order of this  
Court made on the 3rd day of July,

2023, notice is hereby given that  
on the 3rd day of August, 2023,  
at 9:30 o'clock a.m., the Petition  
will be heard before the Honorable  
Judge Charles Gray, in the Mc-  
Clain County Courthouse, Purcell,  
Oklahoma, when and where all  
persons interested may appear  
and contest the same.  
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I  
have hereunto set my hand this  
3rd day of July, 2023  
CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
Judge of the District Court  
/s/ Bill C. Lester  
BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389)  
Attorney for Petitioner  
212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407  
Purcell, OK 73080  
(405) 527-5623  
Email: blester@lesterlawoffice.  
com

No. 495-June 29-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF BETTY F. GARDENHIRE,  
Deceased.  
Case No. PB-2023-21  
NOTICE HEARING FIRST  
AND FINAL ACCOUNT,  
PETITION FOR DECREE OF  
DISTRIBUTION, AND  
DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE  
Notice is hereby given that  
James Paul Gardenhire, the duly  
appointed and qualified Personal  
Representative of the Estate of  
Betty F. Gardenhire, Deceased,  
has filed his Final Account, Peti-  
tion for Decree of Distribution, and  
Discharge of Personal Represen-  
tative. A hearing has been fixed  
by the Judge of the Court for the  
20th day of July 2023, at 9:30 a.m.,  
in the District Courtroom of Judge

Charles Gray, County Courthouse,  
Purcell, McClain County, Okla-  
homa, and all persons interested  
in the Estate are notified to appear  
and show cause, if any they have,  
why the Account should not be  
settled and allowed, the Estate  
distributed, and the Personal  
Representative discharged.  
DATED this 27th day of June  
2023.  
CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT  
James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881  
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731  
George W. Velotta, II, OBA  
#9223  
Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC  
138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565  
Purcell, OK 73080  
Phone: 405-527-7575  
Fax: 405-527-7574  
Attorney for Personal Repre-  
sentative

No. 507-July 6-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF DAVID GLEN FRENCH,  
Deceased.  
Case No. PB-2023-68  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
PETITION FOR LETTERS  
OF ADMINISTRATION,  
APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE AND  
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to  
all persons interested in the Estate  
of David Glen French, that on the  
3rd day of July, 2023, Jennifer  
Simon filed a Petition for Letters  
of Administration, Appointment  
of Personal Representative and  
Determination of Heirs of the

above referenced estate, to serve  
without bond.  
Pursuant to an Order of this  
Court, notice is hereby given that  
on the 20th day of July, 2023 at  
9:30 o'clock AM., the Petition will  
be heard before Judge Gray at the  
McClain County District Court-  
house in Purcell, Oklahoma and  
all persons interested may appear  
and contest the same.  
/s/ Charles N. Gray  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT  
Hodges Law Firm PLLC  
/s/ Shawn D. Hodges  
SHAWN D. HODGES, OBA  
#19122  
131 NW 32nd Street  
Newcastle, Oklahoma 73065  
(405) 387-3711  
shodgeslaw@gmail.com

# Courthouse News

The following persons have been  
charged by the State of Oklahoma  
with traffic or other violations or have  
filed other court actions in McClain  
County District Court between June  
22-28, 2023.

## Traffic

Tierra D. Alexander, operator not  
reasonable and proper.  
Priscilla G. Graham, failure to stop  
at stop sign.  
Angel Herrera, no valid driver's  
license.  
Erik L. Dollar, fail to devote full  
attention resulting in collision.  
Erik L. Dollar, no valid driver's  
license.  
Kade E. Clary, taxes due state.  
Timothy M. Pope, speeding, 85/70.  
James D. Beck, speeding, 80/70.  
Jung K. Kim, speeding, 80/70.  
John A. McCaul, no seatbelt.  
Isai O. Lopez Calderon, overweight  
on interstate (bridge formula).  
Virgil E. Groll, speeding, 80/70.  
Jose M. Estrada Martinez, no valid  
driver's license.  
Odie D. Sivils, speeding, 85/75.  
Mitzi A. Jones, speeding, 55/45.  
Kaygen M. Rowan, speeding,  
94/75.  
Christain J. Gibbs, taxes due state.  
Christain J. Gibbs, speeding, 85/75.  
Terry J. Payne, texting while operat-  
ing non-commercial motor vehicle.  
Marty L. Swain, DUS.  
Krista L. Morgan, no insurance.  
Amy N. Gutierrez, speeding, 84/65.

## Misdemeanors

Danielle M. Cooley, possession of  
CDS - heroin.  
Dennys A. Mendoza, driving under  
the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.  
Robert K. Rushing, domestic as-  
sault and battery in presence of minor.  
Derrick W. Farris, public intoxica-  
tion.  
Kenneth R. Charles, public in-  
toxication.  
Tarterrion G. Williams, posses-  
sion of CDS (methamphetamine and  
marijuana).  
Lance L. Berglan, DUI - aggra-  
vated.

## Felonies

Cole D. Hopper, unlawful posses-  
sion of CDS with intent to distribute  
(cocaine).  
Andra D. Keeton, possession of  
stolen vehicle.  
Joy M. Lucio, trafficking in illegal  
drugs.  
Melanie N. Peterson, child abuse.  
Timothy McPherson, manslaughter  
- 1st degree.

## Small Claims

MBI Industrial, Inc vs. DGC Heat  
& Air, LLC, small claims over \$5000.

## Civil

LVNV Funding LLC vs. Bertha  
M. Cook, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
LVNV Funding LLC vs. Amanda  
Bass, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
LVNV Funding LLC vs. Ashley  
Hoppis, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
LVNV Funding LLC vs. Donna  
Killian, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
OneMain Financial Group, LLC  
vs. Hong Ritchal, civil action \$10,000  
or less.  
Discover Bank vs. Matt Wilbanks,  
civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Discover Bank vs. Shaybe T. Mc-  
Donald, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Discover Bank vs. Richard Valadez,  
civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Synchrony Bank vs. Dustin  
Heidbreder, civil action \$10,000 or  
less.  
Portfolio Recovery Associates vs.  
Travis J. Gillen, civil action \$10,000  
or less.  
Marbet LLC vs. Anne Richey, civil  
action \$10,000 or more.  
Maggie Wagoner vs. John Mc-  
Cloud, civil action \$10,000 or more.  
American Express National Bank  
vs. Skyler Bates, civil action \$10,000  
or more.  
IPFS Corporation vs. M J Slade  
LLC, civil action \$10,000 or more.  
Donald Wheeler as next of kin vs.  
Purcell Care Center, LLC, civil action  
\$10,000 or more.

## Marriages Filed

Brody M. Duff, 23, of Paoli and  
Karsyn D. Van Meter, 22, of Edmond.  
Elijah D. Mooring, 19, of Moscow,  
Idaho and Evangeline F. Latham, 18,  
of Goldsby.  
Tyler T. Sherman, 32, and Celsea  
B. Hale, 30, both of Noble.  
Kenneth R. Clark Jr., 38, and  
Cynthia A. Johnston, 39, both of  
Blanchard.  
Hunter D. Askew, 22, and Emily  
E. Cornforth, 21, both of Norman.  
Ethan M. Downs, 20, of Norman  
and Caroline P. Whitefield, 20, of  
Weatherford.  
Perry W. Barkley, 63, and Christy  
D. Smith, 47, both of Newcastle.  
Michael J. Smith Jr., 26, and Alayna  
M. Cornelius, 30, both of Moore.  
Christopher H. Cook, 30, and Loryn  
M. Barclay, 30, both of Purcell.  
Krystian B. Cottrell, 23, and Bayle  
R. Smith, 19, both of Lindsay.  
**Divorces Granted**  
Grant T. Atteberry vs. Kristen D.  
Atteberry.

No. 498-July 6-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel.  
OKLAHOMA STATE BUREAU OF  
NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS  
DRUGS CONTROL, DONNIE  
ANDERSON, Director,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
TEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUN-  
DRED FIFTY FIVE DOLLARS  
(\$10,755.00) IN U.S. CURRENCY;  
Defendant,  
DANIEL CASTRO,  
Claimant.  
CASE NO. CV-2023-121  
NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND  
INTENDED FORFEITURE  
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:  
Daniel Castro  
6601 Georgianna Dr  
Pasadena, TX 77503  
And all others claiming an  
interest in the above-described  
property.

You are hereby notified that the  
State of Oklahoma has seized and  
intends to forfeit the following  
described currency:  
TEN THOUSAND SEVEN  
HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE  
DOLLARS (\$10,755.00)  
IN U.S. CURRENCY  
The above-styled currency,  
which was seized by OBN agents  
in McClain County on or about  
the 23rd day of April 2023, was  
furnished or intended to be fur-  
nished in exchange for a controlled  
dangerous substance in violation  
of the Uniform Controlled Dan-  
gerous Substances Act (UCDSA)  
and/or was proceeds from such  
exchange, and/or was used or  
intended to be used to facilitate  
a violation of the UCDSA. Said  
currency was also acquired by  
the Claimants during a period  
of a violation of the UCDSA or  
within a reasonable time after  
such period and there is no likely  
source for such property or thing  
of value other than the violation  
of the UCDSA. Said currency is thus  
forfeitable pursuant to 63 O.S. §  
2-503(A)(6), (A)(7), and (B).  
In this case, an OBN agent

made a traffic stop on a vehicle  
that Castillo was driving. During  
the course of the stop the agent  
noticed indicators of possible  
criminal activity. During the initial  
contact the agent observed the  
odor of marijuana coming from the  
vehicle. Due to the indicators and  
the odor of marijuana a certified  
drug detecting K9 was deployed  
to perform an open-air sniff around  
the vehicle. The K9 alerted to the  
odor of narcotics. A search of the  
vehicle resulted in the seizure of  
the above listed currency in close  
proximity to a false compartment,  
which constitutes drug distribution  
paraphernalia under the totality of  
the circumstances.

Further notice is hereby given  
that within forty-five (45) days  
after receiving this Notice, the  
owner, claimant or other party in  
interest may file a verified answer  
and claim to said property. Said  
answer, if filed, is to be filed with  
the Court Clerk and a copy must  
be mailed to the office of the OBN  
General Counsel, 419 N.E. 38th  
Terrace, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
73105. At the end of forty-five (45)  
days and if no answer is filed, the  
State will move the Court for an  
Order of Forfeiture to the state of  
Oklahoma based upon evidence  
upon the facts of the unlawful use  
of the above-described property in  
compliance with 63 O.S. §§ 2-503  
and 2-506.

Dated this 31 day of May  
2023.  
DONNIE ANDERSON, Director  
Oklahoma State Bureau  
of Narcotics and  
Dangerous Drugs Control  
/s/ Michael Patlan  
Travis White, OBA #19721  
B. Joshua McGoldrick,  
OBA #21284  
Michael Patlan, OBA #31678  
Mitchell Thrower, OBA #33322  
James Hutchison,  
OBA #35136  
Office of the General Counsel  
419 N.E. 38th Terrace  
Oklahoma City, OK  
73105-3406  
(405) 521-2885  
(800) 522-8031

No. 488-June 29-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
TINKER FEDERAL CREDIT UNION  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Jeffrey S. Spangler,  
Defendant.  
Case No. CJ-2022-209  
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION  
To the above-named Defendant:  
Jeffrey S. Spangler  
WHEREVER FOUND  
You are hereby notified that  
an action has been filed in the  
District Court, of McClain County,  
State of Oklahoma, Case No. CJ-  
2022-209, styled "Tinker Federal  
Credit Union, Plaintiff v. Jeffrey S.  
Spangler, Defendant". The action  
alleges that Defendant is indebted  
to Tinker Federal Credit Union in  
the amount of \$33,151.91 as of  
December 1, 2022 along with the  
recovery of a 2017 CHEVROLET

SILVERADO VIN: 1GC1KWEY-  
8HF121416.  
You and/or your unknown suc-  
cessors are hereby notified that  
you have been sued in this action  
and must answer the Petition filed  
by Plaintiff on or before September  
5, 2023 or the facts contained in  
said Petition will be taken as true  
and judgment will be entered in fa-  
vor of Tinker Federal Credit Union.  
Issued June 21st, 2023.  
KRISTEL GRAY,  
COURT CLERK  
By: /s/ Karen Weltmer  
Deputy Court Clerk  
(SEAL)  
Attorney for Plaintiff:  
JEFFERY S. LUDLAM, OBA  
#17822  
HALL & LUDLAM, PLLC  
210 Park Ave, Suite 3001  
Oklahoma City, OK 73102  
(405) 600-9500 - Telephone  
(405) 600-9550 - Facsimile

No. 501-July 6-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES  
OF SIDNEY TROY LONGAN,  
Deceased, and PATSY RUTH  
LONGAN, Deceased.  
Case No. PB-2023-67  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
PETITION FOR LETTERS  
OF ADMINISTRATION,  
APPOINTMENT OF  
CO-PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVES,  
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS  
Notice is hereby given to all  
persons interested in the Estates  
of Sidney Troy Longan, Deceased,  
and Patsy Ruth Longan, De-  
ceased, that on the 28th day of  
June 2023, there was filed with  
this Court the Petition of Charlotte  
Bray and Jimmy Longan, praying  
that Letters of Administration be  
issued to them as Co-Personal  
Representatives of the Estates,  
to serve without bond, and for a  
judicial determination of the heirs  
of the Decedents.  
Pursuant to an Order of this

Court made on the 28th day of  
June 2023, notice is given that the  
27th day of July 2023, at 9:30 a.m.  
is the day and time that the Petition  
will be heard in the Courtroom of  
Judge Charles Gray in the County  
Courthouse at Purcell, McClain  
County, Oklahoma, and all persons  
interested may appear and contest  
the same.

Witness, the undersigned,  
Judge of the District Court of Mc-  
Clain County, State of Oklahoma,  
this 28th day of June 2023.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT  
James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881  
Carrie Kopp OBA #21731  
George W. Velotta, II, OBA  
#9223  
Blevins and Associates Law,  
PLLC  
138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565  
Purcell, OK 73080  
Phone: 405-527-7575  
Fax: 405-527-7574  
Attorney for Petitioner

No. 490-June 29-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
In the Matter of the Estates of  
RICKEY DON HENDERSON,  
Deceased,  
and CONNIE LYNN HENDERSON,  
Deceased.  
Case No. PB-2023-66  
ORDER FOR HEARING  
ON PETITION FOR LETTERS  
OF ADMINISTRATION  
Now, on this 23 day of June  
2023, a Petition having been filed  
in this Court praying that Letters  
of Co-Administration be issued  
to Grant Alan Malcolm and Jon  
Alexander Malcolm, that the iden-  
tity of all heirs-at-law of Rickey  
Don Henderson and Connie Lynn  
Henderson be determined for pur-  
poses of filing waivers or consents  
herein as permitted by law, and  
that the Co-Administrators not be  
required to make and return to the  
Court an inventory and appraise-  
ment of the state of the decedent;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that  
the Petition be, and hereby is, set  
for hearing before this Court at the  
County Courthouse in Purcell, Mc-  
Clain County, State of Oklahoma,  
on the 20th day of July 2023 at  
9:30 o'clock a.m.  
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that  
notice of the hearing be given  
by publication in one issue of a  
newspaper printed and published  
in McClain County, at least ten  
(10) days prior to the date of the  
hearing, and that notice be given  
by mail to the heirs-at-law at their  
places of residence, all as required  
by law.  
CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT  
MCCLAIN COUNTY  
COURT CLERK  
By: Lynda Mauldin  
Deputy Court Clerk  
(Seal)  
/s/ Christopher C. Lind  
Christopher C. Lind, OBA  
#31402  
NICHOLS DIXON, PLLC  
104 East Main Street  
Norman, Oklahoma 73069  
Telephone (405) 579-3739  
Fax (405) 701-5275  
christopher@nicholsdixon.com  
ATTORNEYS FOR CO-PETI-  
TIONERS



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Obituaries

Lysbeth (Libby) Adkins

A Celebration of the Life of Lysbeth (Libby) Adkins, 72, of Goldsby was held July 5, 2023. Services were under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.



Mrs. Adkins passed away peacefully on June 29, 2023.

Lysbeth Gayle Baker was born on May 3, 1951 in Kansas City, Missouri, the oldest of four children born to Charles Frank Baker and Gayle (Young) Baker.

By 1961, the Baker family settled in Norman where she attended school. By chance she met a young man, while riding the school bus, named Scott Adkins. This was just the beginning of their love story. She graduated from Norman High School, Class of 1969 and attended OU for a couple of years after to further her education.

On October 3, 1971, the high school sweethearts became husband and wife. The rest, as they say, is history. Libby and Scott made their home in Goldsby, where together they raised three sons, Brandon, Brett, and Phillip.

On November 7, 1992, they purchased her namesake, Libby’s Café, in Goldsby and they continue to operate it today. Libby was driven and dedicated to working hard every single day whether it was at the café or at the family farm. Not only was she patient, but she was a great listener.

More than anything, Libby was a family woman. She loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. They were her pride and joy, and she truly cherished every moment with them. Libby was a loving mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She will be dearly missed!

She is preceded in death by:her parents, Charles and Gayle Baker; father-in-law, Billy P. Adkins; nephew, Jeremiah Wolf and sister-in-law, Diana Baker.

Libby is survived by her loving husband, Scott Adkins; her sons, Brandon Adkins of Goldsby, Brett Adkins (Tina) of Goldsby, and Phillip Adkins (Monica) of Goldsby; brothers, Chuck Baker of Norman and David Baker (Jimmie) of Norman; sister, Jennifer Wolf (Jerry) of Blanchard; daughter-in-law, Kate Coffin; mother-in-law, Yvonne Adkins; sister-in-law, Marcia LaMunyon (Larry) of Goldsby; grandchildren, Taylor Adkins, Blake Adkins, Madison Adkins, Chloe Bennett, Cashton Adkins, Raelee Adkins, Auburn Adkins, Colt Coffin and Dawsyn Adkins; one great-granddaughter, Avereë Adkins; several nieces and nephews, a host of friends and her Libby’s Café family.

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

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

Carolyn Douglas

Graveside services for Carolyn Douglas, 85, of Purcell were held July 1, 2023 at the Lexington Cemetery. Services were under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mrs. Douglas died June 28, 2023.

Carolyn Delores King was born Feb. 7, 1938 in Canon City, Colo., the baby of four children of Audra Cecil King and Ida Matilda (Orr) King.

Survivors include her son, Calvin Douglas (Sherry Beaver) of Purcell; former son-in-law, Jerry Dockter (Leonda) of Lexington; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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

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From page 8A

Millions:

funding.

House Speaker Charles McCall, R-Atoka, said Tuesday his cursory examination of the single audit report was “extremely troubling.”

“The findings in the report show a pattern of irresponsible spending and questionable decision-making that was not in the best interest of the Oklahoma taxpayer,” McCall said in a press release. “The Legislature was excluded from the appropriations process for these funds. The decisions on how and where to spend them was made unilaterally by the executive branch, resulting in little oversight and the documented misuses of taxpayer money.”

Emergency Rental Assistance

The state auditor revealed \$1.6 million in overcharges and overpayments by an Oklahoma City foundation tasked with distributing emergency rental assistance, resulting in fewer eligible Oklahomans getting the help they needed to avoid eviction.

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Cooperation:

established working relationships with area law enforcement agencies and governments long before these court decisions made inter-agency cooperation a necessity.

“While we have 75 cross-deputation agreements with our partner agencies, maintaining relationships with our community partners is vital to public safety within the Chickasaw Nation. The Lighthorse Police Department works closely with our community partners to provide essential law enforcement services within the communities we serve,” Chief Palmer said.

He said ongoing communication is key to making sure these relationships remain active and vibrant.

“Relationships are fostered through constant communication with agency heads regarding community needs,” he said. “This includes regularly scheduled meetings to ensure everyone is working toward enhancing public safety and providing resources in areas that may have reduced or limited resources to address the most serious law enforcement needs of the community.”

Another important player in the communication process is the Chickasaw Nation Office of Governmental Affairs and Partnership.

“The Chickasaw Lighthorse Police Department works in conjunction with the Office of Governmental Affairs and Partnership in addressing the public safety needs of the partnering

“During the audit period, the OKC foundation charged the ERA program \$1.6 million dollars in excessive management fees that were not needed for the administration of the grant,” reads the state auditor’s press release, “Because of the administrative overcharge, many Oklahomans who applied for ERA awards were denied assistance because the unallowable charges were kept by the OKC foundation.”

The cause of the misspent funds, according to the audit, was a lack of experience in handling federal grants by the state’s CARES Forward program team, which led to inadequate oversight of the two nonprofits designated to distribute the federal relief dollars: Communities Foundation of Oklahoma in Oklahoma City and Restore Hope Ministries in Tulsa.

The state failed to properly monitor the distribution of funds to the two nonprofits and provided them with advanced payments based on expected

agencies, fostering relationships that enhance public safety today and for the future,” Chief Palmer said.

Chickasaw Lighthorse cross-deputation agreements are with area county sheriff, city police and university police departments, as well as state agencies and other tribal law enforcement programs.

“These agreements increase the law enforcement response to calls for service for everyone throughout the Chickasaw Nation, enhancing public safety within the communities we live and work,” Chief Palmer said.

He said agreements with East Central University and Murray State College police departments guarantee their students enjoy the same law enforcement resources available to all other community members.

“The Lighthorse Police Department entered into cross-deputation agreements with the university police departments to ensure any law enforcement response, regardless of agency, has the authority to enforce all laws, whether that be municipal, state, federal or tribal.

“This provides safety and reduces the jurisdictional confusion for our student body, which makes up a large percentage of the community,” he said.

Of the 75 total agreements, Chief Palmer says 46 are with municipal agencies, 14 with county agencies, 10 with state agencies, three with tribal agencies, two with universities and one with a federal agency.

rental and utility costs. It also provided advanced payments to the nonprofits at a fixed rate of 9.3% of the program’s total funds for administrative costs, instead of paying them based on the amounts that appeared on reimbursement forms.

The audit points out that an executive director and chief operating officer used personal credit cards to make purchases and approved their own reimbursement claims without state or federal approval.

Oklahoma Watch sought comment from Teresa Rose, executive director of Communities Foundation of Oklahoma and former executives with the now-disbanded Community Cares Partners. None were available at publication.

The state auditor reviewed 63 of the 12, 877 total applications for rental and utility assistance and 88 of 171 non-payroll administrative payments recorded by Communities Foundation of Oklahoma. The audit identified \$1,637,765 misspent

dollars by the Oklahoma City nonprofit:

- \$1,563,028 were spent in prohibited management fees not attributable to providing financial assistance to Oklahomans in need.

- \$66,113 were spent in never-recouped overpayments to Oklahomans who received relief payouts inconsistent with their eligibility.

- \$5,665 were spent on prohibited costs for entertainment, gifts, gift cards, inappropriate bonuses and personal items.

The state auditor’s office recommended the CARES Forward team establish a system to properly distribute and monitor the disbursement of federal Emergency Rental Assistance dollars, and warned that if the issues outlined in the audit are not fixed, the amount classified as misspent may increase to \$15 million.

*Oklahoma Watch, at [oklahomawatch.org](http://oklahomawatch.org), is a nonprofit, nonpartisan news organization that covers public-policy issues facing the state.*



• Photo provided

Chickasaw Lighthorse Police Chief

**Chris Palmer**, Chickasaw Lighthorse Police Chief, says cross-deputation agreements help resolve police matters.

The Chickasaw Lighthorse Police Department also has 13 detention agreements within the tribal and surrounding area to house and care for detainees.

“A key aspect of the criminal justice system is detention facilities,” Chief Palmer said. “Through these agreements, the health, safety and welfare of First Americans is our priority.”

Calera, Oklahoma, Chief of Police Don Hyde Jr. said people in his community are not selective when in need of law enforcement assistance.

“People who are victims of crime or have a need for police don’t care who is there wearing a badge and a gun,” Chief Hyde said. “You’re taking care of their problem.”

He said there was initial uncertainty after the court decisions, but those anxieties have been put to rest.

“As a small municipality, we found it beneficial having Chickasaw Lighthorse, be-

cause our force is even stronger. I look at it administratively as my police department just got a little bit bigger.”

He said both sides have benefited.

“I’ve found it to be a big blessing on both sides,” Chief Hyde said. “They’ve helped us in more ways than they ever thought they could. We’re thankful. It’s been good for us, and I think you’ll find they would say it’s been nothing but good for themselves.”

Murray County, Oklahoma, Sheriff Darin Rogers said his department has seen mutual benefit, as well.

“If Lighthorse police need us we respond to them, and they’ve been really good to respond to anything we need,” Sheriff Rogers said. “We’ve got a good working relationship with them and haven’t had any issues I know of, as far as being able to work together. They have always responded to any of our needs.”

No. 487-June 29-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
TINKER FEDERAL CREDIT UNION  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Darryl Kivi,  
Defendant.  
Case No. CJ-2023-07  
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION  
To the above-named Defendant:  
Darryl Kivi

WHEREVER FOUND  
You are hereby notified that an action has been filed in the District Court, of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, Case No. CJ-2023-07, styled “Tinker Federal Credit Union, Plaintiff v. Darryl Kivi, Defendant”. The action alleges that Defendant is indebted to Tinker Federal Credit Union in the amount of \$82,751.64 as of January 3, 2023 along with the recovery of a 2020 BROOKESTONE 344FL VIN:

5ZT3BKZB5LA324257 and a 2014 GMCLIGHT DUTY SIERRA 2500 VIN: 1GT125E88EF173277.  
You and/or your unknown successors are hereby notified that you have been sued in this action and must answer the Petition filed by Plaintiff on or before September 5, 2023 or the facts contained in said Petition will be taken as true and judgment will be entered in favor of Tinker Federal Credit Union.  
Issued June 21st, 2023.

KRISTEL GRAY,  
COURT CLERK  
By: /s/ Karen Weltmer  
Deputy Court Clerk  
(SEAL)  
Attorney for Plaintiff:  
JEFFERY S. LUDLAM, OBA #17822  
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No. 508-July 6-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
WITHIN AND FOR  
MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC,  
Plaintiff,  
-vs-  
DALTON FRANKLIN FLOWERS;  
SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF DALTON FRANKLIN FLOWERS;  
EMILY NAIJA FLOWERS;  
SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF EMILY NAIJA FLOWERS;  
OCCUPANT(S) OF THE PREMISES;  
Delendants.  
CASE NO. CJ-22-146  
ALIAS NOTICE OF SALE

TO: Above-named Defendants and All Persons Having or Claiming an Interest in the Real Property  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Sheriff of McClain County will sell the real property described below to satisfy a judgment in the above-entitled action.  
Lot Ten (10) Block Three (3), Barger Addition to the Town of Wayne, McClain County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof;  
(the “Property”).  
Property Address: 500 Brakefield Dr. Wayne, OK 73095  
The real property will be offered for sale for cash at public auction to the highest bidder to take place on:

Time: 10:00 A.M.  
Date: 15th day of August, 2023  
Place: McClain County Court House  
The real property has been appraised as required by law at a real value of \$160,000.00.  
Sale will be made pursuant to a Special Execution and Order of Sale issued in accordance with judgment entered in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, in Case No. CJ-22-146, entitled Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, Plaintiff, v. DALTON FRANKLIN FLOWERS; SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF DALTON FRANKLIN FLOWERS; EMILY NAIJA FLOWERS; SPOUSE, IF ANY OF EMILY NAIJA FLOWERS; OCCUPANT(S)

OF THE PREMISES, being all of the Defendants and persons holding or claiming any interest or lien in the subject property.  
Dated: July 3, 2023  
/s/ Landy Offolter  
Sheriff of McClain County  
Sally E. Garrison, OBA #18709  
Matthew Eads, OBA #35103  
Alex S. Rivera, OBA #32269  
THE MORTGAGE LAW FIRM, PLLC  
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Attorneys for Plaintiff







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## Duke:

employee’s advance through their career. How can I help the individuals and community around me become better. Whether it’s volunteering my time or being a resource. .

**Q: What is the most challenging part of your job?**

A: I would say seeing customer’s going through difficult times of their lives. A lot of people think about banking and don’t consider the side where we see individuals lose their loved ones. The times we see individuals struggling to pay their bills. These are the hardest moments for me to see each day.

**Q: What’s changed about the industry?**

I believe all the new technology that has been incorporated

into banking. We have a new product called ClickSwitch where we can move the customer’s social security or automated bill’s within a short period of time to a new account. In the past, the customer would have to directly go in person to social security office or call each company who they set automated payments up with. The rate environment has been declining over the past six years and now we’re in an environment offering high interest to customers.

**Q: What do you like to do when you are not at work**

A: I like to fish, spend time with my wife and two kids, coach tee ball, and cook on my smoker.

## “Access to capital”: Oklahoma tribes are recipients of federal money to help tribal small businesses

**Dacoda McDowell-Wahpekeche**  
**Gaylord News**

Three Oklahoma tribal nations will receive almost half the initial funding from a new small business initiative from the Biden-Harris Administration announced this week.

The Osage, Chickasaw and Citizen Potawatomi nations will receive small business funding from the American Rescue Plan, created by Congress to help the nation recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The White House said this is the first ever inclusion of dedicated, direct support to tribal governments and that investments like the State Small Business Credit Initiative will help to ensure that all Americans, including those in underserved tribal communities, will benefit.

“Small businesses are the backbone of our nation’s economy,” Vice President Kamala Harris said in the White House’s Monday announcement. “...Far too often, entrepreneurs and small business owners with big plans and a vision for the future struggle simply because they lack the capital or financial services they need. That’s why we are making this historic investment, which will help tribal communities grow their small businesses, create jobs, and strengthen our economy.”

The administration provided \$73 million for the venture - with the Osage, Chickasaw and Citizen Potawatomi Nations receiving almost \$30 million. Cindy Logsden, Citizen Potawatomi Community Development Corporation’s CEO, said the funding will help many tribal small business

owners with money needed to make investments into their businesses.

“It’s recognizing the tribes as equal to state entities and recognizing our sovereignty,” she said. “It means more dollars to the state of Oklahoma. Hopefully we are making more sustainable businesses and families at the end of the day.”

The Citizen Potawatomi Community Development Corporation will be receiving \$8.066 million from the federal government. This will help them in the efforts to lend to more entrepreneurs, she said.

“It’s access to capital that otherwise - individuals, that Native family, that Native business - probably would not be able to (access),” Logsden said. “We do a lot more hand holding than a bank would do. We think outside of the box - if we don’t have enough collateral, ‘could we get the BIA (Bureau of Indian Affairs) insurance?’ Because we aren’t regulated like a bank is, we could be normal or creative in assisting Native Americans in getting access to capital.”

The Citizen Potawatamie have had a program that lends to small businesses for 20 years. Logsden said they’ve

lent around \$125 million to several small businesses.

The Osage Nation, which will receive \$5.2 million, is just getting a lending program started. Candy Thomas, Director of Self-Governance and Strategic Planning, said they’re building two programs using this money to better help tribal small businesses.

They’re developing an equity fund alongside a capital fund program which is designed to loan money to small businesses with a focus on Osage people, but any Native American is eligible.

“We can’t just say it’s for Osages. We have a (Community Development Financial Institution) that’s being set up and we can’t specify a population in that like ‘just Osages,’” Thomas said. “That’s where we are. It’s been going on for a long-time and it keeps changing when they change the guidelines and change the allocation amount.”

“It’s highly satisfying to know we are being recognized and able to provide these kinds of services to our population,” Thomas said. “Traditionally, Native Americans don’t have good credit scores. Banks would even turn them down be-

cause they’re Native American or they don’t have everything they’re looking for.

“We’re very excited about this and that it will work hand-in-hand with our (Community Development Financial Institution),” she said.

Chickasaw Nation Governor Bill Anoatubby in a statement sent to Gaylord News said the tribe will split the \$16 million it is receiving into two programs – a collateral support program designed to provide funds for tribal members who might not have enough collateral to secure a loan, and a venture capital program.

“Access to capital is vital for small business success, and the Chickasaw Nation is grateful to be partnering with the U.S. Treasury,” Anoatubby said in the statement. “Delivering these vital programs to underserved small business owners is key to fulfilling the Chickasaw Nation’s mission to enhance the overall quality of life of the Chickasaw people.”

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### Pole setting

**City of Purcell** crews continue to set light poles for the Green Avenue Light Project.



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### Something’s different

**Among a flock** outline geese at the Purcell City Lake was a lone white duck that stuck out like a sore thumb.

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## City:

funds and approved \$6,522.48 to increase grant monies and equipment for the police department and to record receipt of a District Attorney Council Grant.

The city leaders approved a budget amendment in the sum of \$20,738.33 for extra payroll expenses for Kevin Rhoads’ retirement payout.

A budget amendment of \$1,108,400.90 was approved to balance out all transfer accounts which will be covered by the increase in sales tax revenue.

An electric utility rebate was approved to Mayes Properties and appointed Lori Cox to the library advisory board replacing Myra Munoz.

A grant application to the Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission for construction of two new hangers at the airport was authorized in the amount of \$251,926. Councilman Jay Tate voted against the measure that passed 3-1.

In the Purcell Public Works Authority portion of the meeting, board members voted to approve submitting plans and application to ODEQ for a water line extension to serve Dow’s Hills Phase 2 subdivision west of Washington. That also passed 3-1.

The board approved a resolution establishing policies and updating the fee schedule for water meter installation and water tap fees.

After meeting in executive session, the board approved the collective bargaining agreements for fiscal 2022-2023 between the City of Purcell with both the Purcell Profes-

sional Firefighters Local 3596 of International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) and the Lodge #194 Fraternal Order of Police.

In his city manager report Dale Bunn reported the new South Canadian Lift Station project is ongoing since one of the two pumps is not working at 100 percent capacity. Work is underway to get the new lift station up and running.

He reported the South Green Avenue lighting project is continuing to make progress and he said most of the temporary roads around Purcell Municipal Hospital have been removed. Additional sod will be forthcoming along with the final landscaping.

Burn told the board that by the end of July the parking lot of Sunray Baptist Church will be redone.

Emergency Management Director Rachael Huey told the board about the new and improved and less expensive alert system.

Prior to getting to the agenda, Jacob Crooch expressed his displeasure with the way the airport is being managed and run.

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## Warrant:

attic where he produced a knife.

Police said he intentionally cut his own arm causing a serious laceration.

Officers were able to safely take him into custody without further incident and applied a

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## Purrfect:

takes care of their pets.”

Her advice for someone considering a career in grooming is “If you love manual labor it is a great career but it’s not all bubbles and bows.”

Owning any business is hard work and Sheila has put in the hours. The most dogs groomed at Pawsitively Purrfect in one day was 32. Sheila and her husband Daniel average 12-15 per day now.

Because of her longtime customers and continued success, Pawsitively Purrfect is not able to accept any new clients at this time.

However, you can stop the downtown location by and purchase some treats for your pet.

Sheila is not only a successful business woman, she is also the president of the Purcell Animal Welfare Society, a no-kill shelter. Women like her help make Purcell the true Heart of Oklahoma.

Her store is a donation site for PAWS. Citizens can drop off much needed items such as bleach, paper towels, clumping cat litter, dog toys, wipes, old towels or sheets, dog shampoo and cash.

You can drop off donations during regular business hours at 317 West Main Street in Purcell.

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