

John D. Montgomery The Purcell Register

Purcell's City Council voted to hire Sam Demel as the replacement for long-time City Manager Dale Bunn at Monday night's special meeting at the Community Room of the Purcell Police Service Building.

The council voted unanimously with the absence of Ted Cox to hire Demel, who is presently the City Administrator for Kiowa,

Mayor Graham Fishburn reported 25 people applied for the Purcell position. Eight were interviewed with four making in-person visits for interviews in Purcell including Demel.

Demel, who has 25 years of experience, is scheduled to start his duties here in January.

Councilman Allen Eubanks said Demel met with every department head during his day-long interview in Purcell.

He will be the General Manager for the Purcell Public Works Authority in addition to wearing the title



Sam Demel

of City Manager.

"First of all I'd like to say how much I appreciate Dale and all he's done," Mayor Graham Fishburn said. "But, we're excited about Sam.

"He was our top choice due to his experience, education and his background. He provided the best fit for our city," Fishburn continued. "He distinguished himself by the way he listened to the employees when he was here. He had an excellent interview and is highly motivated to be here."

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Holiday closings

Area prepared to observe Thanksgiving

Most people will be glad to have some time off this week as the nation observes the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Purcell Register will be closed Thursday and Friday, as will state offices, the McClain County Courthouse and city offices in Purcell, Lexington, Goldsby, Washington and Wayne.

Thanksgiving is a federal holiday on Thursday only. There will be no mail delivery that day.

Area schools - Purcell, Lexington, Washington and Wayne – are on a week long break which began Monday and will run through Friday.

The holiday break is a bit shorter at Mid-America Technology Center. It began Wednesday and continues through Friday.

First United Bank will be closed on Thursday, but will have regular business hours on Wednesday and Friday.

McClain Bank will be closed on Thursday and the lobby will close at 3 p.m. on Wednesday but the drive-thru will have regular hours. The bank will have normal drive-thru hours on Friday.

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POP Art

Local artist James Kyzer was among those with a booth at last Saturday's Heart of Christmas craft show at the McClain County Fairgrounds.

Opinion

Thanksgiving, community, family and treasured memories

Greg Wheat Heart Of Oklahoma Chamber Of Commerce President Thanksgiving is a special time

to gather with family and friends, creating cherished memories that linger in our hearts for a lifetime. With that in mind, let's take time to reflect on the immense blessings



Greg Wheat

that surround us in the tapestry of life, family, and our communities. They are the threads that are woven together to create a story of warmth and connection into our lives.

In the presence of family, friends,

Please see **Memories**, back page

First grade chefs on cooking Thanksgiving tur





Bowen Nicklas

John D. Montgomery **The Purcell Register**

Two students from each first grade class at Purcell Elementary were recently interviewed by The Purcell Register as to how to prepare the Thanksgiving turkey and what they might serve alongside the bird.

Markee Jacks

"You put it in a frying pan for 20 minutes. Put salt and pepper on it but no stuffing. I would also have mashed potatoes and that's all."

Bowen Nicklas

"Put it in the oven on the bottom and heat it up for 10 minutes at 60 degrees. I would also want mashed potatoes, chicken, bread and pepperoni pizza."

Tucker Clary

"My Dad would shoot a turkey because he's a hunter. We would cook it with cheeseburgers. You put it in the stove at 30 degrees. Usually my Mom cooks them in the oven. I would also want carrots. biscuits and pumpkin pie."

Kimber Mathis

"We might go to my Nanna's house. That's where we usually go. You put it in the oven for 20 minutes at 20 degrees. I would also want smashed

And what they would serve alongside the main meal

potatoes, carrots, biscuits, green beans and pumpkin pie."

Drake Carr

"You put it in the oven and put pepper on it. You cook it for 30 minutes at 30 degrees. I would also want green beans, corn dogs and pumpkin pie."

Lucia Williams

"My Mom put it in the oven for 10 minutes." She didn't have any idea about the temperature of the oven. "I would also have mashed potatoes, grapes and ice cream."

Maddison Meskimen

"You put it in the oven for 10 minutes at 100 degrees. I would also want mashed potatoes, carrots, rolls and apple pie."

Izayah McCalip

"I would cook it and put it on a plate. You cook it in the oven or on the grill. You cook it for 20 minutes on low. I would also like to have chicken sweets with

mustard. I would put vegetables around the turkey and have cinnamon rolls for dessert."

Kade Meigs

"Usually you put it in the oven for 10 or 12 minutes or maybe seven degrees. I would also have stuffing, bones, corn, green beans, mashed potatoes, carrots, cranberries and ice cream for dessert."

Karrah Allen

"I would cook it good. You put it in the oven for seven hours at 6 degrees. I would also have bread, salad, peaches and pumpkin pie."













Reprinted due to a computer glitch that left off some students' names.







Rain falls here

The Sunday night thunderstorm that produced a lot of thunder and lightning also had some much needed rain and there were reports of up to nickel-size hail.

The drizzle Sunday coupled with the thunderstorm Purcell bringing the yearly amount here to 36.07". That is compared to

overnight dumped .6" on

34.95" that has been recorded in Oklahoma City. The normal year-to-date total is 34.12".

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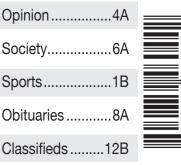
See how the county is spending your money in the commissioner's proceedings.

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Started Wednesday

The Lights from the Heart opened Wednesday, November 22, at the Purcell City Lake. The Christmas light display runs through December 31.

OSU Extension News

How to manage holiday spending

Trisha Gedon **Extension Educator**

'Tis the season for spending. Holiday gifts, decorations, special meals and travel can take a toll on anyone's budget. Oklahoma State University Extension has tips to help consumers keep their spending in check.

"To help keep your holiday budget on track, think about intentional or mindful spending," said Suzette Barta, community engagement coordinator for and Human Sciences – Extension, Engagement and Continuing Education. "It can be easy even making guilt-driven pursible. chases."

egories need funding, including nity," she said. "These same the stress by overspending," gory. Use cash instead of credit and other community activities. money."

Westbrook

the family.

"Set a dollar amount to spend on each other's gifts, draw names for a secret gift exchange or suggest only handmade gifts for adults," she said. "As families continue to grow with the addition of spouses and grandchildren, it can be a financial struggle for some families to continue traditional gift giving. OSU's College of Education Planning and setting a budget will help keep spending under control.'

Although shopping online to overspend due to impulse is convenient, Barta suggests buying, lack of planning or shopping local whenever pos-

"When consumers shop lo-First, determine how much cal, they're supporting friends

because it's easy to overspend Pop-up and holiday markets on credit without realizing it. are great places to find unique Also, discuss expectations with gifts. Consumers can further help these small businesses by posting about their shopping experiences on social media. Following and sharing local posts is beneficial to these businesses."

Shopping local also reconnects residents to their communities. Take time to visit the business district and support small businesses.

Enjoying the holidays doesn't mean emptying the bank account. Families can experience holiday cheer by driving around town and looking at light displays or inviting the neighbors over for hot chocolate and board games.

"Holidays, despite what may money is available for holiday and neighbors and helping to be seen in a Hallmark movie, spending; figure out what cat- keep money in the commu- can be stressful. Don't add to gifts, food and decorations, and businesses are the ones who Barta said. "Be mindful of then set a budget in each cate- support youth sports leagues how you shop and spend your

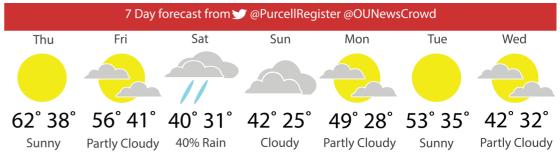
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Winter weather on the way

temperatures this week but 50s. A storm system will arrive Peeks of sunshine will return will begin to see our tem- on Saturday, with the potential peratures really take a plunge for a mix of rain and possibly a into Tuesday and Wednesday heading into this weekend. For few snow flurries on Saturday Thanksgiving Day, sunny skies as temperatures dip into the upper 40s and lower 50s, can be expected as afternoon lower 40s for daytime highs. before another cool down for highs hang on into the lower Cloudy skies will remain for 60s. A few clouds will enter the latter half of the weekend the picture on Friday as highs as temperatures remain in the

We've seen some cooler drop into the middle to upper lower 40s for afternoon highs. by Monday and especially as temperatures rebound into Wednesday.

- Hunter Brittingham



Keeping tropical plants healthy

MelindaMyers

For The Purcell Register

Tropical plants are filling our homes and workspaces, adding beauty, relieving stress, and boosting creativity, productivity, and focus. Keep these plants healthy and looking their best by providing for their basic needs.

Select plants that will thrive in the growing conditions found in your home or office and with your level of care. Busy gardeners should look for low-maintenance plants like ZZ plants, Chinese evergreens, pothos and philodendrons peace lilies, baby tears and gardenias that require a bit more reaching the plants. attention and care.

plants to the desired light is the first step in success. Plant tags, university websites and plant books can provide you with this information.

If you are lucky enough to have an east- or west-facing window you can grow a wide variety of plants. High-light plants should be kept within two feet of these windows. Low-light plants can be set up to six feet back or off to the side of an east- or west-facing window or in front of one that faces north.

Keep in mind buildings, while others may choose ferns, awnings, trees, and sheers can decrease the amount of sunlight

Fortunately, there are now Light is the most common more options for decorative

plants indoors. Matching the available, expanding your indoor gardening opportunities. Pendants, clip-ons, floor lights and furniture-grade plant shelves provide the needed light for plants and add decorative elements to your home.

Proper watering is next on the list of key factors for healthy growth and longevity of indoor plants. Most tropical plants prefer evenly moist soil comparable to a wrung-out sponge.

Water thoroughly preferable with tepid water when the top few inches of potting mix are starting to dry. Pour off any excess water that collects in the saucer. Allowing plants to sit in water can lead to root rot and plant death.

To achieve proper watering enlist the help of moistureretaining products like organic Wild Valley Farms wool pellets (wildvalleyfarms.com). Made from wool waste, this sustainable product reduces watering by up to 25 percent and increases pore space in the soil for proper drainage and better plant growth.

Create attractive clusters of plants while increasing the humidity that most tropical plants need for healthier growth. As one plant loses moisture through the leaves, often called transpiration, the neighboring plants benefit.

Go one step further by utilizing gravel trays. Set plant pots on pebble-filled saucers or trays. Allow excess water to collect in the pebbles below the pots. As this water evaporates, it increases the humidity around the plants. This also reduces your workload by eliminating the need to pour off excess water that collects in the plant saucer.

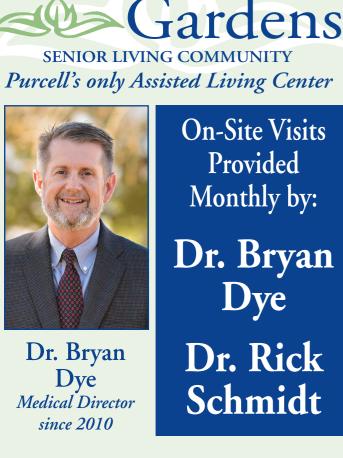
Add a few terrariums for plants like Venus fly trap, ferns and spike moss that grow best in high humidity and moist soil conditions.



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Tropical plant care

Philodendron is just one of the low-maintenance tropical plant options.



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Getting to know the **Gracie Rolin** How long have you worked for the McClain County Court Clerk's office? 1½ years. What are you duties? Filing, disposing of old records, and research. Where is you hometown? Purcell, OK Tell us a little bit about your family? I was born and raised in Purcell like both of my parents, Jana and Randy. My mother also works for the county and my older sister Emma teaches science at Purcell High School. I graduated from OSU in December of 2022 with a degree in political science and a minor in campaigns and What do you enjoy doing outside of work? I enjoy running, cooking, knitting and spending time with my family and friends.



NEWS In Brief

Foundation Fundraiser

The Purcell Public School Foundation will be selling fundraiser tickets to benefit the foundation.

Tickets are \$50 and one lucky winner will share in half of the money raised.

Tickets can be purchased from any foundation member or by contacting Kerry Wilhoit at McClain Bank or John D. Montgomery at **The** Purcell Register.

Rural Fire Vacancy

The Lexington Rural Fire Association has a vacancy on the Board of Directors.

If a member of the Association is interested in serving, please contact Dale Haynes at haynesfarm192@gmail. com or Stella Bledsoe at ronbledsoe1@yahoo.com.

Cole Fire Santa's Party

The Cole Fire Auxiliary will host a Christmas Santa Party Saturday, December 2, and Sunday, December 3, from 4 to 7 p.m.

This a great time for families and the community of Cole.

Pictures are \$5 with Santa or get a free picture with an unwrapped unopened gift.

The event will include crafts, ornament decoration, cookie decoration, hot cocoa bar and a special visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Lights from the Heart

Purcell's Lights From the Heart at Chandler Park will be open nightly from Wednesday, November 22, to Sunday, December 31, from 5:30-10 p.m. nightly.

Over two miles of lights are available to drive through.

Admission is free but donations are appreciated.

Christmas Parade

Mark your calendars now! The Annual Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting will be held Thursday, December 14, on Main Street in Purcell.

The Tree Lighting Ceremony will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the parade to start at 6 p.m.

The theme this year is "Anything Christmas in the Heart-

To register your parade entry, contact the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce with any questions at 405-527-3093.

Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery will be held on Monday nights at Landmark Church, 1106 W. Grant, in Purcell.

6:30-7:30 p.m. followed by small group from 7:30-8:30

Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling your life.

For more information contact Niki Steadman at 405-595-1337 or Mark Rillema at 405-496-5954.

SafeCare

SafeCare, a program of Northcare, is a free, home based parenting support program with the goal of reducing stress for caregivers.

SafeCare provides education on parenting, health, safety and communication skills along with connecting families to community resources.

SafeCare services are provided to caregivers that have at least one child under the age of six and live in McClain or Cleveland counties.

For more information call 405-858-2725, email safecarereferrals@ northcare.com or online at www.northcare.com.

Senior Dance at Purcell

The Ole Troubadours are back at the Purcell Senior Citizens Center, 228 N. 2nd, every Friday from 7-9 p.m.

Join your friends for fun and dancing! Admission is \$8 per person

and refreshments will be available for purchase.

Proceeds will benefit the Purcell Senior Citizens Cen-

Big group will meet from Museum News

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

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



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Merry Christmas

Rotary President Graham Fishburn, right, presented Rotary Cooks with their holiday gift at last week's regular Wednesday meeting of the club at Trinity United Methodist Church. From left are Susan Tarp, Allison Northcutt and Carolyn Cummings.

Purcell woman to OU Med

The Oklahoma Highway Patrol investigated a one vehicle accident north of Lexington November 15.

Investigating OHP Trooper Landers said a 1996 Jeep Laredo driven by Pamela Morrison, 60, of Purcell ran off US 77 north of Lexington and struck a culvert.

Morrison was transported by Wadley's EMS to OU Medical Center and admitted in serious condition with leg and trunk internal injuries.

The vehicle was southbound when the accident occurred.

Affordable health screenings in Purcell

Residents living in and levels; around the Purcell area can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening.

First Baptist Church in Purcell, 400 W. Main St., will host this community event on November 28.

Screenings can check for: • The level of plaque buildup in your arteries, related to risk for cardiovascular

disease, stroke and overall vascular health;

• Diabetes risk;

• Bone density as a risk for possible osteoporosis and; • Kidney and thyroid func-

tion, and more. Screenings are affordable and convenient. Free parking

is also available. Special package pricing starts at \$159, but consultants will work with you to create a package that is right for you based on your age and risk

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Keeping:

growing system. Select or Small Space Gardening. create one that supports plant growth, complements your "How to Grow Anything" home's décor, and reflects your instant video and DVD series ers.com. personality.

Provide a warm, draft-free location for your tropical plants. Most prefer the same temperatures, 65-75 degrees, that we do. Don't worry if you turn down the heat at night, most plants will be fine.

Just do not trap them between the curtain and window where it is much colder than the rest of your home. Avoid cold drafts from doors and windows and hot drafts from heat registers that can be detrimental to your plant's health.

You may need to move plants, adjust grow lights, and fine-tune watering as you get to know each plant's needs. Once you place them in the right location and provide the correct amount of light and water, your

plants will grow and prosper. Melinda Myers has writ-



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Happy Thanksgiving

Happy Thanksgiving.

Most everyone has a favorite holiday and Thanksgiving is mine.

No decorating. No presents to wrap. None of the hustle and bustle of what's right around the corner.

Just family, tasty grub, a little R&R and some football.

It's the one holiday that doesn't come on a Monday like 99 percent of the others.

It falls at the end of the week which works a lot better for the weekly newspaper schedule.

jdm

A computer glitch fouled up last week's how to cook a turkey by Purcell first graders with three students' names being left off as to how they would prepare the holiday bird and what they might serve with it.

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

to make it a lifestyle.

well-being.

Here are some tips for

Thanksgiving. Be Thankful.

Thanksgiving season is a good

time to say thanks but we need

is a good way to live. When

you are daily thankful for your

things it elevates your sense of

We devalue our well-being

when we spend all of our time

looking at what others seem to

have. Others may seem to have

such great lives that we start

The greatest blessings in life

are: the ability to walk across

grocery store; go to church or

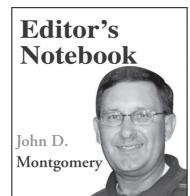
and cares that aren't worth wor-

Give thanks today for every-

Too often we get depressed

enjoy watching television.

missing our own blessings.



We apologize for the inconvenience.

Ain't technology grand? It is until is isn't.

jdm

If you live in Washington you did not get last week's Purcell Register until Monday.

As absurd as it may seem when the newspaper is mailed So the entire story has been here on Wednesday afternoon, republished in its entirety on it is trucked to the Oklahoma the bottom of the front page of City post office plant and then this week's **Purcell Register**. dispersed to the outlaying areas

Be a winner and give thanks

Be helpful. Thank all the

in any way you can. Cleaning

to wash dishes and put stuff

Don't eat two plates of food

and then go into a hypnotic

state staring at the football

game. Don't leave all the mess

Be wise. Don't kill yourself

way into April? If you can't thanks.

Be safe. Millions of people Com.

wear your clothes now then

cooking your meal.

and to say it often.

a long way.

An attitude of thanksgiving cooks several times. Help out

bathroom; enjoy a car ride; in November and December

feed yourself; have meaning- then it will take you two to

you have; walk through the lose a pound a week.

thing and anything. Say thank are traveling. If you have to

you often. They are good words travel don't push it. Slow down

to say. Teach your children and and enjoy the drive. Leave an

grandchildren to say thank you hour early and take your time. If

For whatever reason those Purcell Registers just sit on the plant floor for days on end and are not delivered to Washington's post office to go to our subscribers.

We have contacted Oklahoma City over and over.

Washington's postal folks have contacted Oklahoma City over and over.

So far it has done nothing to improve the service although the postal service continues to increase its prices for less and less service.

It is extremely frustrating for us and a pain in the side of our subscribers who in the end aren't getting what they paid for, either.

We mailed this issue on Tuesday since the post office will be closed on Thursday.

It will be interesting to see when the subscribers get this issue of the newspaper.

then be glad and relax.

your faith has made you well.'

gratefulness all around us.

Find books by Glenn Mol-

Legislative deadlines released

Letters to the Editor Policy

All letters to the editor must include the signature of the author and all

those listed as signees. All letters must include the name, address and a

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Your Views

• Rep. Cindy Roe •

necessarily reflect the opinion of the newspaper.

News from District 42

numbers will not be published.

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islative session draws closer, members are already preparing their bills for next year.

first group of deadlines for the bill filing process.

you don't have to go anywhere islation.

Minor changes are due by This man's life was changed the morning of Thursday, even more because he was January 18, and the deadline to the floor; take yourself to the eating. If you gain 10 pounds thankful. It's easy to see un-The vast majority of those

ful conversations with other three months to lose the weight, healed were ungrateful. Let's people; enjoy whatever income if you are lucky. It's tough to not live like the majority. Let's be like the winner of this story. Do you want to be fat all the He was the person who gave

Once we're in session, we'll and bogged down with worries adding 10 more pounds will not lette at Amazon.com Learn have additional deadlines redo anything to enhance your more about his books, columns lated to bills' progress through mood and sense of well-being. and music at GlennMollette. the legislative process. Those dates are still be developed, but I'll share them when they're

This week, I attended an event organized by the Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women. Panelists spoke on efforts to end human trafficking within Oklahoma. Our First Lady Sarah Stitt served as the host, and we heard from Attorney General Gentner Drummond, who gave us an

As the start of our next leg- update on the AG's Human Trafficking Task Force.

> trafficking, which is the use of force, fraud or coercion to subject a person to involuntary servitude or debt bondage. Sex trafficking, when adults or children are forced or coerced into commercial sex acts, is unfortunately also very common.

I am working with the Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women and Mid-America Technology Center in McClain County to develop presentations about human trafficking within our state.

Collaboration between various groups and organizations officially introduce the bill for throughout the state, includconsideration is 4 p.m. that day. ing victim service provider Remember, bills can still agencies and law enforcement, be amended throughout the would provide greater accuracy

> Our outstanding law enforcement is near the top of my list of reasons to be thankful this year. I hope everybody has the chance to gather with loved ones and enjoy some homemade rolls and pecan pie.

> As always, please feel free to call my office at (405) 557-7365 or send me an email at cynthia.roe@okhouse.gov if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for the honor of representing you at the State Capitol!

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

Human trafficking remains a \$150 billion a year industry. This week, we received our The most prevalent type of human trafficking is labor

Our deadline to request bills

be drafted is Friday, December Jesus healed 10 men with 8. This deadline means that leprosy as described in Luke 17: we have to have submitted the up is a big job. Be active in 11-19. Only one of the healed policy topics of our bills to our food, shelter and the simplest clearing the table and offering men returned to Jesus to say nonpartisan House Legal Divithanks. Jesus asked, "Were not sion. At the end of the month, away. An ounce of effort goes all 10 cleansed? Where are the December 29, we must submit other nine? But only this one specific details about the bill, has returned to say thank you? like the overall goal, specific Jesus said to him, "Rise and go; language an agency may have requested or any model leg-This scripture demonstrates for the person who spent days the power of a thankful spirit.

> legislative process, but having to the data. these deadlines in place helps us be prepared when session starts on Monday, February 5.

available.



Submit your letter to the editor.

Ungrateful people are losers

By Andy Bowman. CoffeeTime Columnist

rying about.

Seems like I am noticing a trend – and not a healthy one. As a whole, our nation is losing the ability to pronounce some words. In fact, people seem to have forgotten some words exist in the English language. Phrases like, "Thank you," "Thanks so much," "I appreciate that," seem to have slid into a dark hole somewhere and vanished.

And if you do hear those magic words spoken, it is more of an auto-reply rather than a sincere response.

Today people seem to feel so entitled to services and products that there is very little appreciation shown to the worker who delivers it. Or maybe, folks have gotten so trapped by their personal worries, fear and woes that they don't even realize they are not really connecting with others anymore.

After all, when most of your focus is all about you, it can be difficult to remember to look into the eyes of another

and genuinely care about their in a healthy society. feelings.

Either way, it means we are seeing our United States citizens evolve into people who are acting like they are the only ones living and breathing.

Think about it. When was the last time you sat down with someone who was a positive part of your childhood and thanked them? And when was the last time you really noticed the depressed-acting young teller at your bank, or the older lady who slowly and painfully works her job at Walmart?

Has anyone ever heard a sincere word of appreciation come from your lips? Or is your attitude more "Hey, that's their job, deal with it. After all, I have to." Yes, absolutely, it is an employee's job, and they certainly should earn their pay by doing good work.

But here is my point: Everyone needs and thrives on being appreciated. All of us need to know that we are seen and that what we do matters to someone. (Yes, if you're being honest, you would agree that includes you.)

Gratitude is very important

Whether it is expressing thankfulness to your pouting teenager who obeyed your request that their bedroom be vacuumed and fumigated, your local car mechanic getting your car back to you by closing time, or the waitress who isn't snarling in your face as she takes your order.

We all need to play nice-nice with each other. Because when we don't bother making that effort for the other person's sake, then we start to become self-centered, and blind to everyone else. And that begins a downward

spiral of me-centeredness, where ME and mine is all that matters. That attitude is viral and infectious, eventually descending into a broken society. And that is the beginning of the end.

This can also refer to the world's end of time, where the Bible says in II Timothy 3:2, "People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy.'

Gratitude is important.

Judge Landis winked at 1926 baseball gambling scandal

By Joe Guzzardi, Society for American Baseball Research member

World Series 2023 had the lowest television ratings in history. No need to belabor the whys and wherefores. Instead of listening to the ceaseless chatter of announcer John Smoltz, fans would be better off acquainting themselves with the game's rich history.

A good start: read Dan Taylor's Baseball at the Abyss, which takes a deep dive into the forgotten 1926 scandal that involved Hall of Fame greats Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker, as the principal scoundrels.

Baseball has a long, unhappy gambling history with wagering playing a prominent role that dates back before the 1919 Chicago Black Sox scandal. In baseball's early days, bookmakers plied their trade in the open, working the ballpark areas inside and outside, taking wagers.

The 1919 World Series may have, in the words of F. Scott errors, and Cleveland starter Fitzgerald, destroyed the faith of 50 million people, about half the U.S. population then, on his own whimsy—floated but throwing baseball games was commonplace. As Emil "Happy" Felsch, a White Sox that hard to do.'

the dirty deeds had their inception in 1919, when the Cleveto face the Tigers. Neither the going to win the pennant, but the Tigers were in a tight scrum with the Yankees for third place.

In the dead ball era, a thirdplace finish meant a small share of the post-season loot for every Tigers' member. The Indians had second place locked up. Cobb and Speaker, the respective managers of the Tigers and Indians, huddled prior to the

he "wouldn't have to worry" about the game's outcome. the Tigers manager. The Cleveland team preferred, player. Cobb, Speaker, Tigers pitcher Dutch Leonard and Indians pitcher Smoky Joe Wood all agreed to conspire in the fix.

Years later, Leonard conwell wager on the game. Cobb was to put up \$2,000; Leonard, \$1,500, and Speaker and Wood \$1,000 each.

Cobb suggested park attendant Fred West would be only managed to get down \$600 against the bookmakers' \$420.

The Tigers won the Septem-



Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker

Indians committed three costly Elmer Myers — perhaps tipped off to the fix or maybe acting pitches to the plate for the Detroit batters.

Speaker banged out three fixer, said, "Playing rotten ain't hits, all of them well after the Tigers had control of the game Author Taylor explains that and the outcome was clear. No one is certain whether Cobb, Speaker or anyone else actually land Indians were in Detroit received money from their bets. The scant remaining evidence Indians nor the Tigers were indicates that the wrongdoers may not have been able to place all the bets they hoped to.

> That winter, Cobb, Speaker, Wood and Leonard went home, but the four men exchanged letters about the incident, sharing their regret that they were unable to get their bets down in time and that their shared proposition fizzled. The letters came back to haunt the four.

Several years later, the stench September 25 game to iron out from the fixing incident wafted out. A vengeful Leonard want-Speaker assured Cobb that ed to settle a score with his former teammate, Cobb, now

Once, Cobb kept Leonard Speaker insisted, that Detroit in a 1925 game in which the patrolled were considered the for thousands of state employfinish, the Tigers were likely and the manager mocked the to make about \$500 for each idea that he yank his humiliated Leonard got off the hook, and long-term planning on statestarter. Leonard never forgot, and the memory ate at him.

Cobb released Leonard, and insiders said Ty discouraged other American League teams fessed the four had agreed that from signing the lefty. Dutch since their post-season share stewed, and in May 1926 he would be small, they might as presented the letters he received from Cobb, Speaker and Wood—the evidence—to Tigers owner Frank Navin who turned them over to American

To keep a lid on the percoa good man to place the bets. lating scandal, Johnson paid But because Detroit was a 10–7 Leonard \$20,000 to go back to favorite and because the local Fresno where he owned a farm, bookmakers were unwilling to and focus on his raisin growing. forced Cobb and speaker to Baseball Research historian.

ber 25 game 9–5, plating four superstars appealed their cases runs in the first two innings. The to Commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis who, sensing that the public and the baseball writers were solidly behind the diamond, absolved Speaker and Cobb, facts be damned.

> Landis read the room correctly. Baseball bugs were fed up with scandal. At least five World Series — 1905, 1912, 1914, 1918 and 1919—were rumored to have been influenced by game-fixers.

And the 1923 Teapot Dome Scandal that implicated President Warren G. Harding — considered the greatest presidential scandal until Watergate — was still reverberating among the citizenry.

Cobb and Speaker played until 1928, Speaker for one year with the Washington Senators and one year with the Philadelphia A's, and Cobb two years with the A's.

Better to remember Cobb as one of baseball's all-time greats, .366 career batting average with nine consecutive titles, and Speaker, the "Gray Eagle" who holds outfielder records for assists, double plays and un-

Cobb, Speaker, Wood and played into their 40s. Pete Rose, however, who holds MLB career records for 4,256 career hits, 3,215 career singles, 3,562 career games played, 14,053 career at-bats and 15,890 career plate appearances, was permanently banned for his gambling infractions. In life, good timing is invaluable.

Taylor's other books include Walking Alone: the Untold Jour-League President Ban Johnson. ney of Football Pioneer Kenny Jackson and Lights, Camera, Fastball: How the Hollywood Stars Changed Baseball.

Joe Guzzardi is an Internet Baseball Writers Association handle such large sums, West At the season's end, Johnson and Society for American Contact him at guzzjoe@yahoo. Eventually, however, the com or X @JoeGuzzardi19.



Most donations from the PIS fourth grade

Purcell Intermediate School's Holiday Food Drive collected 1,467 items. The fourth grade class collected the most items and received an extra recess! Donated items were shared with McClain County Operation Christmas and Lil' Dragons Food Pantry.

Sprawling superagency tasked with technology and services needs overhaul, report finds

Oklahoma Watch

Oklahoma's superagency that handles information technology, budgeting, employee management and state office buildings has little budget transparency of its own and needs to do a better job of responding to agencies it provides services, a legislative oversight report concluded.

The Legislative Office of Fiscal Transparency said its examination of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services found the agency's annual appropriations have tripled in the past five years, reaching \$164 million in fiscal year 2024. During the same time, the agency's fee revenue, which comes from other state agencies, rose to \$52.4 million, an increase of 285 percent. The office presented its report to lawmakers at a hearing on November 15.

Some of the increased spending came in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, which assisted double plays. Balls hit exposed an older technology to center field where Speaker infrastructure that wasn't built the LOFT report said a lack of wide technology needs and an increased reliance on contractors and outside consultants also pushed spending higher.

Lawmakers created the agency more than a decade ago to streamline IT purchases and increase efficiency in state spending on common administrative services. But that promise has only partially been fulfilled, the legislative report found.

It explored more than 20 policy recommendations for the Legislature, including splitting out OMES' statewide finance division into a separate agency to increase accountability.

"OMES is a huge agency with a huge budget," said Sen. Chuck Hall, R-Perry, who also chairs a special Senate oversight committee on OMES. "They are handling a lot of services on behalf of the state of Oklahoma and its citizens. We can always be a better service provider, and the LOFT report reflects that there are shortcomings and gaps."

The report found agencies have little recourse when the Office of Management and Enterprise Services increases



its fees for services and have finish in third. By virtue of that southpaw surrendered 20 runs, place where triples go to die. ees working from home. But own costs for shared services. the state's chief operating of-For example, OMES told more than two dozen state agencies they will have rent increases of up to 20 percent this year. That was to catch up from years of deferred maintenance, but it applied to agencies regardless of how old their buildings were.

Jerry Moore, OMES' deputy director and chief transformation officer, said the agency continues to evaluate those anticipated rent increases. But there's an estimated \$280 million in deferred maintenance expenses to buildings owned by the state, he said. Insurance and utility expenses have gone

The report highlighted late payments by OMES to its vendors. The state auditor issued a report in 2020 with those same concerns, but OMES hasn't improved much since then. Authors of the legislative report pulled a random sample of invoices and found 62 percent went beyond the 45-day legal limit.

Senate Floor Leader Greg McCortney, R-Ada, said he was at a loss to explain to his constituents that a state agency couldn't perform a basic function like paying its bills on time.

"How in the world can I defend the continuation of what we're doing here?" McCortney

In response, OMES officials said some of those late payments were because it was having problems collecting fees owed by agencies using the services.

"We are stuck paying these technology bills at these agencies, and they may have some disagreement about how it didn't go to their satisfaction when they signed the statement of work," said John Suter, little flexibility to control their OMES' executive director and ficer. "That's frustrating to me.

> The report said OMES spending from federal pandemic relief had left the agency exposed to ongoing operating costs from what were described as onetime purchases at the time. It highlighted \$100 million that went for a backup data center in Texas. Much of those costs went to cloud-based systems that now require an extra \$18.6 million in annual costs.

The state also paid the same vendor, NTT Data, \$8.6 million per year for desktop support services. But service times were so bad OMES canceled

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Chickasaw Elder Veterans visit D.C. memorials during Veterans Day trip

wreaths at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial during a recent trip to Washington, D.C., in celebration of Veterans Day.

The veterans, whose military 1950s through the early 1990s, were part of the 16 Chickasaw

Chickasaw warriors laid D.C., sponsored by the Chicka-Navy. saw Nation.

Each year, the tribe sends its warriors to the Nation's Capital to enjoy the sights, take part in Veterans Day memorial ceremonies and allow them an opportunity to fellowship with service years ranged from the other Chickasaws who served. The 2023 warriors represented four branches of the U.S. armed elder veterans who attended a services including the Marine five-day trip to Washington, Corps, Air Force, Army and

Four Chickasaw Vietnam-era veterans presented a Chickasaw Elder Veterans wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery November 13. They included Emory, Texas, resident Randall Davis, an Army veteran; Houston resident

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Paul Monies/Oklahoma Watch

Lawmakers questions

John Suter, seated at right in the front row, executive director of the Oklahoma Office of Management and Enterprise Services, and Deputy Director Jerry Moore listen to questions from lawmakers at an oversight committee at the Oklahoma Capitol November 15.

Society



Tickets on sale for Oklahoma Nutcracker

Tickets for the Norman armadillo and her babies. Ballet Company's 21st annual Oklahoma Nutcracker are on sale now.

Since its premiere in 2002, the Oklahoma Nutcracker has drawn a statewide audience and become a holiday tradition for families in Central Oklahoma. This unique production intertwines Oklahoma history and themes of nature with the traditional storyline and musical score of the original Nutcracker

Our retelling features the Overholser family of Oklahoma City. Henry, Anna, and their daughter, Henry Ione, lived in the first mansion built in Oklahoma City in 1903. Our fictional adventure begins at Christmas when Henry Ione receives a nutcracker from her uncle.

After a festive party, she witnesses a fight between mice Oklahoma prairie where she and the nutcracker prince are

The 2023 Oklahoma Nutcracker will be performed on Saturday, December 2, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, December 3, at 3 p.m. at the Nancy O'Brian Center for the Performing Arts, 1809 Stubbeman, in Norman.

Tickets may be purchased online at www.TicketStorm.com or by calling 1-866-966-1777. All seats are reserved. Ticket prices range from \$20-\$30.

Norman Ballet Company (NBC) members and apprentices, as well as dance students from studios throughout central Oklahoma will perform in the production.

NBC is thrilled to welcome guest artists from the New York City Ballet, Alexa Maxwell and Jovani Furlan, who will dance the roles of the Sand Plum Fairy and her Prince.

For more information about and soldiers and is taken to the the company, visit www.normanballetcompany.org

The 2023 Oklahoma Nutentertained by Oklahomaicons cracker is made possible, in



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Featured Home

Mother's Entwined Club will hold its 2023 Goldsby Country Christmas Home Tour Sunday, December 10, from 1-4 p.m. The home of Darrin and Whitney Beller, 3012 SE 12th Avenue, in Goldsby, is one of the featured homes.

Mother's Entwined Club Goldsby Country Christmas Home Tour

Mark your calendars for Christmas Home Tour which is scheduled for Sunday, December 10, from 1-4 p.m.

Christmas Home Tour patrons will have the opportunity to view the homes of Jason and Judith Ross, Tom and Kelsey Orendain, Darrin and Whitney Beller and Althea's Vault.

The home highlighted this week for the Mother's Entwined 2023 Goldsby Country Christmas Home Tour is the home of Darrin and Whitney

The Beller home is located at 3012 SE 12th Avenue in Goldsby.

They have only lived in the home for four months, moving in on the 4th of July. The home is a custom built

log home with logs shipped in from British Columbia, Canada, in 2018.

The Beller's describe their home as a western cedar log home decorated in Navajo

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It is decorated in mainly the Mother's Entwined 2023 browns and blacks but the kitchen is light blue.

"I don't collect anything specific," Mrs. Beller said. "But I am excited about the 12 foot Christmas tree we bought for the home."

"The backyard is our favorite part of the home and I would like tour patrons to be sure and go outside," Mrs. Beller commented. "We just recently added a Koi pond and another feature is an old farmhouse sink from the 1800s.'

A Country Kitchen will be selling baked goods at the home of Darrin and Whitney Beller, 3012 SE 12th Ave. in Goldsby.

You can purchase your tickets for \$15 from any Mother's Entwined Club member, Savvy Parke, Goldsby Town Hall, the office of Roger Cudd, Marcum's Nursery and Althea's

All proceeds will benefit Goldsby, Washington and Purcell communities.

It's a Small World

Happy Thanksgiving! Hope you are able to enjoy some time with family and friends this holiday.

The Register offices will be closed both Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24, for the holiday.

Happy birthday to Suzanne Harris, Jonah Northcutt, Karen Horoho, Tripp Eck, Al Musgrave, Patricia Hudson, Kayleenia Jones, Phyllis Norvell, Jana Rolin, Julie Wood Scroggins, Shirley Stark, Roger Mayes, Tristan Rollins, Tracy Jones, Darren Woolly, Lynn Walker, Nancy Richardson, David Matthews, Tracy Folsum, Jewel Moore, Daniel Schaub, Krysta Matthews, Dana Powell, Frank Foshee, Don McQuerrey, Jerry Maynard, Clay Dawson, Kylie Tolle Hayes, Kimberly Fulks, Lendall Hays, Alton Dragoo, Addison Porter, Savannah J. Ibarra, Sandra Cervantes, Jose Espinoza, Susan Johnson, Jose L. Chavez, Diego Murrieta, Gabriella Miranda, Juan Jose Aguinaga, Alayna Ray, Chris Sheehy and Graham Fishburn.

The Purcell Public School Foundation will be selling fundraiser tickets to benefit the foundation.

Tickets are \$50 and and one lucky winner will share in half of the money raised.

Tickets can be purchased from any foundation member or by contacting Kerry Wilhoit at McClain Bank or John D. Montgomery at The Purcell Register.

The annual Okeyha Mothers Club Holiday Home Tour is scheduled for Sunday, December 3, from 2 to 4 p.m.

This year's tour will include four Heart of Oklahoma area homes and an upstairs living space in downtown Purcell.

Holiday Home Tour homes Starchman, 318 Kenna Court, Cory and Heather Wyatt, 24296 Eagle Road, Kerry and Sharie Wilhoit, 18396 Johnson from Jim West. Ave., all in Purcell, Gerald and Judye Burkhart, 23342 Hilltop 3 cups diced turkey Circle, in Washington and 68" flour tortillas Inspire Wellness Clinic and Medical Spa upstairs living space, 128 West Main St., in

Tickets may be purchased at the door of any of the homes or by calling Jenny Goodspeed at 405-517-5346, Melissa Pruitt 1 tps. garlic powder at 405-255-1463 or Gisela 2 tsp. honey Wolfinbarger at 405-693-0449.

The Cole Fire Auxiliary will host a Christmas Santa Party Saturday, December 2, and Sunday, December 3, from 4 to 7 p.m.

This a great time for families and the community of Cole.

Pictures are \$5 with Santa or get a free picture with an unwrapped unopened gift.

The event will include crafts, ornament decoration, cookie decoration, hot cocoa bar and a special visit from Santa and

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them meet their goal.

For more information contact Sarah Kennedy at 405-570-2478 or Meghan Claunch at 405-412-7848.

Mother's Entwined Home Tour is set for Sunday, December 10, from 1-4 p.m.

The homes of Tom and Kelsey Orendain, 1513 Walnut Way, Jason and Judith Ross, 1566 Walnut Way, Darrin and Whitney Beller, 3012 SE 12th Ave., all in Goldsby, and Althea's Vault, 218 N. Main Ave., will be featured.

Tickets may be purchased at any of the venues or by contacting any Mother's Entwined member.

Purcell's Lights From the Heart at Chandler Park will be open nightly from Wednesday, November 22, to Sunday, December 31, from 5:30-10 p.m. nightly.

Over two miles of lights are available to drive through.

Admission is free but donations are appreciated.

Mark your calendars now! The Annual Christmas Pa-

rade and Tree Lighting will be held Thursday, December 14, on Main Street in Purcell. The Tree Lighting Ceremony

will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the parade to start at 6 p.m. The theme this year is

"Anything Christmas in the Heartland.'

To register your parade entry, contact the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce with include Mike and Marcia any questions at 405-527-3093.

> This is a great recipe to use up some leftover turkey. It comes

Buffalo Turkey Wraps

6 romaine lettuce leaves 1 red bell pepper, sliced 2 green onions, chopped **Buffalo Sauce**

3/4 cup hot pepper sauce 2 TBL vinegar

1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce

1/4 cup butter

In a saucepan over medium heat, stir together all sauce ingredients except butter until just simmering. Remove and stir in butter chunks until melted. Salt and pepper to taste.

Toss turkey chunks with 3/4 cup of sauce. Place 1/2 cup of turkey in each tortilla and add lettuce, pepper slices and onions. Roll closed and wrap in parchment paper.

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Okeyha Mothers Club Holiday Home Tour set for December 3

The annual Okeyha Mothers home for three years. Club Holiday Home Tour is cember 3, from 2 to 4 p.m.

space in downtown Purcell.

Holiday Home Tour patrons will have the opportunity to Heather Wyatt, 24296 Eagle style with live edge accents. Road, in Purcell; Kerry and son Ave., in Purcell; Gerald white/gray. and Judye Burkhart, 23342 St., in Purcell.

Purcell Register.

The Wyatt home is located

"Our home was originally scheduled for Sunday, De- a custom built home in 2000 by the original owner. It was This year's tour will include built by Jerry Pickard out of four Heart of Oklahoma area Blanchard. It was later totally homes and an upstairs living remodeled in 2019 before we purchased it in 2021," Mrs. Wyatt explained.

The Wyatts consider their view the homes of Mike and decorating style to be a mix-Marcia Starchman, 318 Kenna ture of traditional ranch style Court, in Purcell; Cory and along with the farmhouse

The home is decorated in Sharie Wilhoit, 18396 John- red, turquoise and antique

Hilltop Circle, in Washington home apart from most homes and Inspire Wellness Clinic is that we have a display and Medical Spa upstairs of three palm trees around living space, 128 West Main our pool," Mrs. Wyatt said. "When giving directions to The home of Cory and our home, I usually just have Heather Wyatt will be fea- to say we are the red brick tured in this issue of **The** house on Highway 74 that has the palm trees!" she said.

"One family interests reat 24296 Eagle Road in Purvolve around our children and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. or at grandchildren. They all enjoy the tour homes the day of the They have lived in their the swimming pool and room event.

to play outside. We enjoy the summer months spending quality time with them all pool side," Mrs. Wyatt said.

A Country Kitchen will be stocked with home-baked goods available for sale at the Wilhoit home, 18396 Johnson Ave., in Purcell.

The Holiday Home Tour is a yearly fundraiser for the Okeyha Mothers Club.

The club uses funds raised to support community projects and gives a scholarship to a graduating senior.

Tickets may be purchased "One thing that sets our in advance for \$20 from any Okeyha Mothers Club member, by contacting Jenny Goodspeed at 405-517-5346, Melissa Pruitt at 405-255-1463, Gisela Wolfinbarger at 405-693-0449.

> Tickets may also be purchased at The Grand Canadian Theatre on Main Street on Tuesdays and Wednesdays



Home tour

The home of Cory and Heather Wyatt, 24296 Eagle Road, in Purcell is one of the featured stops on the Okeyha Mothers Club Holiday Home Tour set for Sunday, December 3, from 2-4 p.m.

No. 799-November 16-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF McCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA In the Matter of the Estate of Teresa

Bates, Deceased. No. PB-2023-4 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All creditors having claims against Teresa Bates, Deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with

respect to such claim, to the named Administrator, c/o Gregory T. Tontz, 301 E. Eufaula St., Norman, Oklahoma, 73069, on or before the following presentment date: January 4, 2024, or the same will be forever barred

DATED this 31st day of October,

/s/ Dereck Bates Dereck Bates. Co-Administrator of the Estate of Teresa Bates, Deceased /s/ Ashley Bates

Ashley Bates, Co-Administrator of the Estate of Teresa Bates, Deceased Gregory T. Tontz - OBA NO.

16323 TONTZ LAW, PLLC 301 E. Eufaula St. Norman, OK 73069 405-701-1600 - phone Attorney for Dereck Bates and Ashley Bates, Co-Administrators of the Estate of Teresa Bates, Deceased

Stealey OHCE

its monthly meeting November 13 at the McClain County Farm & Home Building in Purcell.

Lenard, Bonita Brakefield, Peggy Christian, Pat Barrow, Betty Cormany, Deanna Lewis and Connie Wollenberg, OSU Extension Educator.

Vice President Peggy Christian called the meeting to order. Jan Leonard gave the latest quilt square she made for ebration which will be at 1 p.m. treasurer's report which was approved. Minutes from the October meeting were read

approved.

Christian presented the lesson "Sharing Family History Members present were Jan Through Food." The group discussed volunteer hours for were completed and turned in Operation Christmas.

> Peggy Christian reported she had purchased over 200 boxes McClain County Stealey. of macaroni and cheese for Anyone interested is welcome Stealey OHCE to donate.

> the OHCE 2024 County Fair Monday, December 4, at The Quilt Raffle.

Recycle Projects includ- Main Street in Purcell.

Stealey OHCE Club met for by secretary Brakefield and ing used postage stamps for Wounded Warriors and greeting cards reports were turned in to Brakefield. Member volunteer hours reports for October to Christian.

> Follow us online at OHCE to attend. The next monthly Pat Barrow demonstrated her meeting is our Christmas Cel-Happy Camper restaurant on

No. 828-November 23-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LOUIS GEORGE KENDRICK,

Case No. PB-2023-83 Notice of Hearing Final Account of Personal Representative, Petition for Distribution, Determination of Heirs-at-Law, and Discharge NOTICE IS GIVEN that Lynn Kendrick, Personal Representative of the Estate of Louis George Kendrick, Deceased ("Personal

Representative"), has filed in this

Court a Final Account of Personal Representative, Petition for Distribution, Determination of Heirs-at-Law, and Discharge. The hearing on this Final Account and Petition will be on December 14, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., before this Court at the McClain County Courthouse at Purcell, McClain County, State of Oklahoma, and all persons interested in the Estate are notified to appear at the hearing and show cause, if any they have, why the account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs determined, and the Estate distributed and the Personal Representative discharged. DATED this 20th day of November 2023.

/s/ Charles Gray JUDGE OF THÉ **DISTRICT COURT** /s/ Emily Eleftherakis

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Feasting in America Yummy! Yummy! Could you plan a historic feast in America before the arrival of Columbus 531 years ago? What

would your meal include? "Turkeys lived only in

North and Central America, so the feast could include turkey," says Kid Robin Read. "Natives could have caught bass or

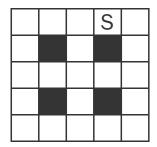
crappie for a seafood course," says Kid Libby Smart. Maize (now called corn) was grown by Mayan people 10,000 years ago, one

of the most ancient, domesticated crops. With squash and beans, these basic crops were known as the three sisters. Native Americans grew winter squash and pole beans along the tall corn stalks. The corn stalks provided shade for the

could be roasted, boiled, or ground into cornmeal for tortillas or corn bread. Squash includes foods such as acorn squash, zucchini, pumpkins and gourds. Gourds were cultivated for about 4,500

years as containers, long before pottery. Roasted pumpkin, a historic flavor, is a classic for fall. We enjoy pumpkin pie, pumpkin bread, and pumpkin-flavored coffee or milk shakes.

Beans were a common staple for both original people and later immigrants.



Cross Five Place these six words in the crossword grid: Acorn, Feast, Foods, Odors,

Since, Taste

CHALLENGE: Find words that describe foods in your newspaper. Can you plan a meal based on these words?

get hungry thinking about ham and beans, refried beans, or barbecued beans," says Robin.

The historic menu planners had tomatoes and tomatillos (known for their use in salsa verde). Flavoring the red or green salsa were chili peppers. The name chili came from the Aztec.

Italians did not have tomatoes until explorers brought the plants to Europe after Columbus.

Vitamin-rich potatoes came from the Andes mountains area of South American. Sweet potatoes came from Central squash and support for the beans. Corn America.

"Sweet potato fries are one of my favorites," says Libby.

Avocados originated in Central America. The Mayans used an avocado as a symbol representing one of its 14 months.

Chocolate became a favorite when the Olmec people turned cacao plants into a delicious treat 4,000 years ago. Other native crops include acorns, wild rice, highbush cranberry, and pawpaws.

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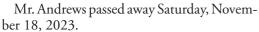
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Purcell Register Obituaries

Albert James Andrews

Graveside services for Albert James Andrews, 85, of Purcell were held November 22, 2023 at the Washington Cemetery. Services were under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.



Born November 7, 1938 in Washington, Okla., he was the second of 10 children born to Joel "Wolf" Andrews and Gracie (Madden) Andrews. He was raised in Washington and

attended school there. Albert married the love of his life, Doris Jean

Dover on June 20, 1954 in Purcell. Albert worked for Burns Mill for many years, and as a welder at Star Manufacturing. He then worked for the Department of Corrections for both LARC and Joseph Harp, retiring after more than 22 years of combined service.

Albert also hauled a lot of hay in the summers, and enjoyed raising cows his whole life. He enjoyed listening to music and especially a good Hank Williams song. He was a wonderful father and grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle and a true friend. He will be dearly missed!

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joel and Gracie Andrews; his wife, Doris Andrews; sisters, Evelyn Price, Florence Beller, Birdie Akerman and Juanita Worley; a brother, Gene Andrews; brothers-in-law, Jim Price, Dale Worley and Frank Albert; and sisters-in-law, Margie Dover, Chi Chi Dover and Carol Dover.

He is survived by daughters, Carol Reynolds and husband, Terry, and Sharon Perry and husband, David; son, Marvin Andrews; grandchildren, Lindsay Sikes, Tara Reynolds, Aaron Perry, Miranda Allen, Jill Harris and Julie Brown; greatgrandchildren, Laney Allen, Cache Harper, Kylie Davidson, Mason Harris, Garrison Brown and Maddie Brown; sisters, Millie Albert, Laurie Pfannenstiel and Merlene Lile; brother, Carl Andrews; brothers-in-law, Rayford Beller, Ben Akerman, Gary Lile, Wayne Dover, Tom Dover, Jessie Dover, Dennis Dover and Lee Dover; sisters-in-law, Joyce Henderson, Mildred Nugent, Rita Landers and Kathy Dover; numerous niece and nephews and a host of other family and friends.

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Colleen Loreta Stanton

Colleen Loreta Stanton, 84, passed from this life to be with her Heavenly Father on Friday, November 17, 2023 with her family by her side.

Colleen was born March 22, 1939 in Wynnewood, Okla-



homa, to Ernest and Mabel Gilley. She was the youngest of six brothers and sisters. She was an avid basketball player, and was a fouryear starter on the varsity basketball team at Lexington High School. She was also an honor roll student.

Colleen married in 1961. On November 19, 1965, she was blessed with one child: Edward

Guy Stanton II. Colleen devoted her life to raising Ed as a single parent, and was a loving and selfless mother to him.

She attended 21st Street Church of Christ, and was a good and faithful servant in her Christian walk. She enjoyed being in the kitchen, entertaining, organizing wedding receptions and reading.

Colleen spent her career working for the Department of Human Services for the State of Oklahoma where she would have many roles throughout her career. Some of those roles were stenographer, executive secretary, administrative assistant to hospital administrator and medical services assistant. She served the state of Oklahoma for over 30 years before she retired in 1988.

After retirement, she graduated from Central State University with her son, Ed. She enjoyed her years in retirement spending time with her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and her best friend, Foy Hawkins. She also served as a cook for Meals on Wheels in Oklahoma City.

Colleen is survived by her son, Ed Stanton and wife, Leann, of Blanchard, Oklahoma; two grandchildren, Blake Stanton and wife, Kristen, of Elk City, Oklahoma, and Abby LaRue and husband, Landon, of Blanchard, Oklahoma; six greatgrandchildren, Luke, Jack, Kate, Harper, Lennyn and Merrit; brother, Harold Gilley of Tulsa, Oklahoma; and numerous nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Colleen was preceded in death by her parents, Ernest and Mabel Gilley; two sisters, Wanda Rutherford and Mildred Whitehead, and two brothers, Ron and Don Gilley.

Funeral Services celebrating Colleen's life were held on Tuesday, November 21, 2023, at Eisenhour Funeral Home in Blanchard, Oklahoma at 10 A.M. Burial followed at Lexington Cemetery in Lexington, Oklahoma. Services were under the direction of Eisenhour Funeral Home of Blanchard.

Online obituary and guestbook are available at www.eisenhourfh.com.

William Duane Harris

Funeral services for William Duane Harris, 87, of Purcell were held Nov. 21, 2023 at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Interment was at Hillside Cemetery in Purcell under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mr. Harris died Nov. 17, 2023.

He was born on Aug. 9, 1936 in Colony, Okla., the son of James Delmer and Nora Jane (Shelton) Harris.

Survivors include his sisters, Nora Hutto of Moore and Linda Nelson and husband, Bob, of Oklahoma City and a brotherin-law, Burl Gamel.

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Ray Leon Sharp

Funeral services for Ray Leon Sharp, 94, of Wayne were held November 20, 2023 at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Interment was at Hopping Cemetery under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mr. Sharp passed away Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at Sunset Estates in Purcell.

He was born November 27, 1928 in Wayne, Okla., the baby of three children born to Samuel Arch Sharp and Ludia Bell (Murray) Sharp. Ray was raised in Wayne and attended school there, graduating with the Bulldog Class of 1948. Later that same year on November 13, Ray

married his sweetheart, Barbara "Sue" Wallace. Together they raised three children, son Tommy and daughters Connie and

Ray drove a truck for a living, and logged countless miles hauling cross country. In his younger years, he enjoyed deer hunting. Later on, he and Sue looked forward to their annual trip to Priest Gulch, Colorado, where they spent months at a time in their travel trailer. He was a huge OU Sooner fan and a longtime ticket holder in several sports.

Ray's heart however was always in Wayne, and he was incredibly proud of his family lineage there, spanning more than six generations. He was a Bulldog through and through. He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle and a true friend. He will be dearly missed!

He was preceded in death by his sweetheart, Sue Sharp; son Tommy Sharp; parents, Samuel and Ludia Bell Sharp and his sisters, Jackie Jo Courtney and Lenora Sherrod.

Ray is survived by his daughters, Connie Ellis of Wayne and Sammie Logan and husband, Bill, of Paoli; daughter-inlaw, Alleen Sharp of Rosedale; 11 grandchildren; 22 greatgrandchildren; one great-great-grandchild and a host of other family and friends.

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Joyce Rinehart

Funeral services for Joyce Rinehart, 89, of Purcell were held November 20, 2023 at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Interment was at the Hillside Cemetery in Purcell under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mrs. Rinehart passed away Friday, November



Joyce Dean Fielder was born December 16, 1933 in Wayne, Oklahoma, the youngest of three children born to Charles H. Fielder and Ida Ethel (Lynn) Fielder. She spent her early years in Wayne and later Purcell, where she graduated with the Dragon Class of 1952.

Joyce married her best friend and life partner, Doyle Lee Rinehart on May 18, 1953 in Purcell. Together they raised four children, son, Tracey and daughters, Tijuana, Tina and Tika.

Joyce first worked for Louie Beck at the law office and the IRS for a time. She then worked as a secretary at Purcell High School until leaving to care for her husband. Joyce spent the next ten years as caregiver, caring and providing for Doyle, as they faced many challenges in his battle with ALS. She also managed to continue the day-to-day operations of Doyle's Music for as long as she could.

Away from work, she enjoyed taking walks and tending to her mother's roses, and she never missed an opportunity to curl up with a good book. Joyce was a woman of great faith and longtime member of the 9th & Pierce Church of Christ. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, sister, aunt and a true friend.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Doyle Rinehart; her parents, Charlie and Ida Fielder and a sister, Deacie Maxine "Tiny" Rose.

Joyce is survived by her children, Tijuana Woodrow (Marty) of Slaughterville, Okla., Tina Rinehart Hayes (Jerry) of Purcell, Tracey Rinehart (Roger) of Dallas, Texas, and Tika Rinehart (Darrin) of Norman; brother, Charles L. Fielder of Lexington; 11 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and a host of other family and friends.

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Gordon Dean Denison

Gordon Dean Denison, age 73 of Purcell, Oklahoma, passed away on October 26, 2023. Gordon was born in Lincoln, Nebraska, on December 15, 1949 to Dean and Lila (Root) Denison.

Gordon enjoyed riding, training and showing horses most of his life, He also liked to dance.

Gordon was preceded in death by his parents, Dean and Lila Denison; an infant sister, Olene and two brothers, Nolan and

Gordon was married and divorced, out of this union one son was born, Sgt. Trent Denison of the United Stated Army Reserve.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Marilyn Denison of Purcell; son, Trent Denison; daughter, Melissa (Dustin) Murchison; son, Justin (Alayna) Denison and granddaughter, Savannah Denison; sister, Linda (Keith) Jones; sister in-law, Lynn (Nolan) Denison, nieces and many friends.

Tonya Sue Wheeler

Memorial services for Tonya Sue Wheeler, 58, of Blanchard will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023 at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Services will be under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Ms. Wheeler died Nov. 19, 2023.

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School Menus

Week of November 27

Wayne

MONDAY BREAKFAST

Biscuit and gravy, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Sausage roll, roasted potato, mixed vegetables, peaches,

TUESDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal, fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH

Taco, pinto beans, rice, pears,

WEDNESDAY **BREAKFAST**

Pancake on a stick, cereal, milk.

fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH

Barbecue sandwich, tots, carrots, strawberries, milk.

THURSDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

ach, cinnamon roll, milk.

FRIDAY

Bagel topper, cereal, fruit,

Pizza, corn, carrots, apple,

Purcell

MONDAY BREAKFAST

Pancake on a stick or cereal Biscuit and sausage gravy and toast, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Corn dog, macaroni and cheese, green beans, side salad, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY BREAKFAST

Scrambled eggs and toast or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH Pizza, Italian salad, baby baby carrots, fruit, milk. carrots, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY **BREAKFAST**

or cereal and toast, fruit, juice,

LUNCH Frito chili pie, chili beans,

Calzone or cereal and toast,

LUNCH

Cheeseburger, french fries,

FRIDAY

No School, Virtual Day.

Lexington

MONDAY BREAKFAST

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

LUNCH

Popcorn chicken or yogurt meal, steamed broccoli, cheezy fruit juice, milk. potatoes, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY BREAKFAST

fruit, fruit juice, milk. LUNCH

steamed carrots, fruit, milk.

Beef stroganoff with noodles

WEDNESDAY **BREAKFAST**

LUNCH

Cereal or Dutch waffle, or chef salad, English peas, mixed fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Teriyaki chicken or sandwich, rice pilaf, stir fry veg-Cereal or oatmeal chocolate etables, mixed fruit, fortune chip bar, fruit, fruit juice, milk. cookies, milk.

ary, thence easterly 0.36 miles

Moore Norman Technology Center school board election

The Board of Education of 81st St, thence easterly 1.25 the Moore Norman Technology miles along Unnamed Bound-Center School District No. 17 hereby announces that statuto- along SE 82nd St, thence rily qualified individuals inter- southerly 2.47 miles along ested in running as a candidate I- 35, thence westerly 0.02 for the Zone 4, Office 4 seat on miles along NW 12th St, thence the Moore Norman Technology Center School District Board of Education may file to run miles along NW 5th St, thence as a candidate for this seat at the Cleveland County Election Santa Fe Ave, thence westerly Board, located in Norman, Oklahoma, between the hours Drive, thence northerly 0.23 of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., December miles along S Robinson Ave, 4, through December 6, 2023.

District Zone 4, Office 4 consists of an area beginning at the most northerly point of Zone 4, thence easterly 0.15 miles along Unnamed Local view Road, thence northerly Road, thence easterly 1.12 miles along Unnamed Boundary, thence easterly 0.04 miles miles along Wandering Way, along Unnamed Shoreline, thence northerly 0.70 miles thence easterly 1.42 miles along Unnamed Boundary, thence easterly 0.29 miles 119th St, thence northerly 1.06 along SW 82nd St, thence easterly 0.05 miles along Unnamed Boundary, thence easterly 0.09 miles along SW 82nd St, thence northerly0.01 miles along S May Ave, thence easterly 0.84 miles along SW 82nd St, thence Drive, thence northerly 1.74 northerly 0.03 miles along S Victoria Drive, thence easterly 0.45 miles along Unnamed along Unnamed Private Road, Boundary, thence southerly thence northerly 0.00 miles 0.01 miles along S Indiana along S Council Road, thence Ave, thence easterly 0.71 miles easterly 1.70 miles along along Unnamed Boundary, Unnamed Boundary, thence thence southerly 0.01 miles easterly 0.14 miles along Unalong S Western Ave, thence named Local Road to the afore-

southerly 0.38 miles along N Svc Road, thence westerly 1.09 southerly 0.17 miles along N 0.15 miles along Springcreek thence westerly 0.56 miles along Cypress Drive, thence northwesterly 0.05 miles along Marsh Lane, thence southwesterly 0.31 miles along Water-0.06 miles along Turtlecreek Court, thence westerly 0.04 along S Western Ave, thence westerly 7.48 miles along SW miles along Unnamed Boundary, thence northerly 0.06 miles along Twin Fawns, thence westerly 0.02 miles along SW 104th St, thence northerly 0.15 miles along Coldstream miles along Unnamed Boundary, thence easterly 0.11 miles easterly 0.37 miles along SW mentioned point of beginning.

LUNCH Frito chili pie, carrots, spin-

BREAKFAST

juice, milk. LUNCH

side salad, fruit, milk. **THURSDAY BREAKFAST**

Pig-in-a-blanket or sandwich, baked beans, french fries,

THURSDAY BREAKFAST Cereal or chef's choice, fruit,

LUNCH Pizza or chef salad, whole kernel corn, baby carrots with

Cereal or breakfast burrito, ranch, pineapple tidbits, milk. **FRIDAY**

BREAKFAST

LUNCH

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Transition

From Halloween to Christmas this house on north Ninth Avenue has decorations for all occasions.

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 Mc-Clain County District Court between November 9-15, 2023.

Traffic

Kale B. Parker, DUS Shawna K. Jakubiszyn, DUS. Dakota B. Hamilton, no driver's

Dakota B. Hamilton, TOC alcoholic beverage.

Karl V. Schwartz, DUS.

Dachea A. Rose, DUS. Kaden P. Judkins, allow unauthorized person to drive

Melissa L. Smith, speeding,

Juan D. Mendez-Mercado, no

valid driver's license. Juan D. Mendez-Mercado, speed-

Christopher D. Erb, speeding,

Robert E. Young, failure to reduce speed.

Misdemeanors

Mercedes Stockbridge, obstruct-

William T. Ladlee, possession of

CDS - tetrahydrocannabinols.

Shawn R. Szewczak, possession of CDS - methamphetamine.

Joi A. May, larceny of lost

property. Jesse De Loera, assault and

battery Morgan E. Herr, larceny of mer-

chandise from a retailer.

Jerad D. Rogers, domestic assault and battery in presence of minor.

Felix G. Galvan, domestic assault and battery in presence of minor.

Felonies

Treshae D. Matthews, forgery, second degree

Wendy D. White, unlawful possession of controlled drug with intent to distribute - meth.

Christopher E. Bradley, lewd or indecent acts to child under 12.

Roy C. Dunn III, grand larceny. William P. Baker, unauthorized

use of a vehicle. Danny J. Howard, falsely person-

ate another to create liability. Trent A. Boggess, manslaughter

- 1st degree.

battery on medical care provider. Robert Johnson III, actual physical control of vehicle while under

the influence (MJ). Keith A. Barnett, DUI.

Small Claims

McElderry Rentals, LLC vs. Ashley Phillips, small claims under

A-AAA RV Park vs. Brittney Seimy, forcible entry and detainer under \$5000.

Adkins Hill Mobile Home Park vs. Matthew McCarty, forcible entry and detainer under \$5000.

Adkins Hill Mobile Home Park vs. Luis Ortiz, forcible entry and

detainer under \$5000. Adkins Hill Mobile Home Park vs. Jose R. Hernandez, forcible entry

and detainer under \$5000. Christina Bowers vs. Lucas Williams, forcible entry and detainer

under \$5000. Str8 Up Roofing LLC vs. Glen Bralley, small claims under \$5000.

Civil Discover Bank vs. Terran K. Clark-Milligan, civil action \$10,000

First Fidelity Bank N.A. vs. Rebecca C. Martin, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Absolute Resolutions Invest. vs. Aaron Smith, civil action \$10,000

Absolute Resolutions Invest. vs. Shelby Powell, civil action \$10,000

Absolute Resolutions Invest. vs. Micheal Webb, civil action \$10,000

Cavarlry SPV I LLC vs. Rocky L. Self, civil action \$10,000 or less. Discover Bank vs. Kristina Ellington, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Cavalry SPV I LLC vs. Michelle L. Perry, civil action \$10,000 or less. Capital One, N.A. vs. Larry Abney, civil action \$10,000 or less. Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Vicky L. Knapp, civil action

\$10,000 or less. Capital One, N.A. vs. Shannon N. Dowdle, civil action \$10,000 or less. Capital One, N.A. vs. Lori A. Gordon, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Jody G. Nunn vs. Darcy L. Darling, civil action \$10,000 or more. U.S. Bank National Association

vs. Jayson W. Lewis, civil action

Discover Bank vs. James Newey, \$10,000 or more. civil action \$10,000 or less.

liams, civil action \$10,000 or more.

Marriages Filed Rory A. Jett, 55, and Mary Trimmell, 36, both of Wayne.

leen N. Thetford, 22, both of Noble.

Joe W. Oliver, 40, and Stephanie Keith, 49, both of Newcastle.

ington and Cora D. Hobbs, 21, of Washington.

Trenton S. Wilkinson, 28, and

Lexington

Close Family Trust vs. Douglas M. Miller, civil action \$10,000 or

Randey Hayes vs. Andrew L. Wil-

Bradly J. Howell Jr., 20, and Kath-

Aaron J. Gray, 23, and Sadie J. Bottom, 27, both of Blanchard.

Carlos A. Izaguirre, 23, and Katelynn E. Evans, 26, both of Duncan. James S. Brakefield, 39, and Kelsie D. Kemp, 39, both of Wayne. Mason E. Hamm, 22, of Lex-

Earl Z. Coslow Jr., 53, of Lexington and Rae M. Hilmes, 45, of

Kaylee J. Marshall, 25, both of

Divorces Granted None filed.

Curtis Frazier, a Marine Corps veteran; Bullhead City, Arizona, resident Jimmy Rucker, an Army veteran; and Tulsa resident George Tabor, an army veteran.

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Trip:

Chickasaw Nation Governor Bill Anoatubby said the trip is an expression of appreciation to Chickasaws who have served our country.

'We owe a special debt of gratitude to the men and women who serve in the armed forces to defend our freedoms and way of life," said Governor Anoatubby.

This year's trip took the warriors to memorials and monuments throughout the National Mall in Washington, D.C., including special ceremonies at the World War II Memorial and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on Veterans Day.

At the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Albuquerque resident David Atkins, a Marine Corps veteran, and Oklahoma City resident Dr. Don Carter, an Army veteran, presented a wreath during a ceremony attended by hundreds of fellow Vietnam veterans. The gathering also provided opportunities for the elders to exchange stories of their military service and find the names of friends and fellow soldiers on the memorial wall.

Dr. Carter acknowledged the names of several acquaintances honored on the wall and said visiting the iconic black granite memorial is not easy.

"It's one of the hardest things I've ever done. I choke up just thinking about it," said Dr. Carter, recalling his first visit to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

A lifelong Oklahoman, Dr. Carter completed medical school at the University of

practice as a general surgeon before being drafted at age 34. In military service, he spent a year in Vietnam operating on wounded soldiers. Now 89, he was the oldest Chickasaw elder making this year's trip and still vividly describes the ups and downs of his overseas service.

"Mortality in our hospital was good. Our mortality rate was about 3.5 percent. If (wounded soldiers) got there alive, we usually kept them alive. But we lost a few," Dr. Carter said solemnly.

In addition to the holiday memorial services, the veterans also toured the National Museum of the American Indian, the National Archives, the Lincoln Memorial, Union Station, the U.S. Capitol and other historic sites.

At the National Museum of the American Indian, the veterans explored a variety of exhibits describing the experiences and triumphs of First Americans throughout U.S. history.

For many, a highlight was viewing the museum's Chickasaw artifacts, including a flute and bald eagle feather that traveled with Chickasaw astronaut John Herrington aboard space shuttle Endeavour during his 2002 flight to the International Space Station.

Kingston, Okla., resident Carl Pershica, a U.S. Army veteran, pointed out a Bell UH-1 Iroquois "Huey" helicopter in the museum and described how he and fellow soldiers huddled in the aircraft's tight quarters as they were airlifted into combat

"There were no doors. We would hang tightly on to

Oklahoma and entered private each other to remain in the helicopter," said Mr. Pershica. "Then we'd jump 8-10 feet to the ground while carrying 90 pounds of equipment." Mr. Pershica took more than 50 flights into the Vietnam jungle in this manner during his deployment.

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"For a typical mission, it would be three days or more before we saw our base again," said Mr. Pershica. "On my longest mission, we spent 33 days in combat before returning to

Veterans Services

The Chickasaw Nation provides veterans with increased benefits and services, including the Chickasaw Warrior Society. The warrior society was formed by Governor Anoatubby in 2015 as an organization to encourage community, establish and support camaraderie, and personify the Chickasaw warrior spirit.

The Chickasaw Nation Veterans Lodge, located on the Ada South Campus near the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center in Ada, Oklahoma, was also established to assist veterans in a centralized location. It serves by helping them conveniently access all resources available through the Chickasaw Nation and other sources.

It also functions as a place for members of the Chickasaw Warrior Society, other veterans, and those in active service to come together for fellowship and networking.

To further honor all Chickasaw veterans, the Chickasaw Nation also created the Chickasaw Veterans Wall.

For more information about these and other veterans services, visit Chickasaw.net/

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the contract this year and took the recurring revenue for the was agnostic on how the functions.

CARES money that covered

Sen. Julia Kirt, D-Oklaho-

'Both the new cybersecuri- ma City, said the LOFT report

tions are enacted and provide adequate resources to ensure need," Kirt said in a news release.

hearing, Suter said his agency the state.

the services back in-house. first few years but didn't ac- Legislature wants to provide Lawmakers gave the agency count for how those recurring funding for information an extra \$15.8 million in ap- charges would be covered technology and he was open propriations to resume those afterwards," the report said. to other ideas on agency structure.

"If people need to report to ty enhancements and the data validates concerns many had different people, if we need to centers were purchased with for years about consolidation. be funded in different ways, "Ultimately, it's the re- either in all appropriations or sponsibility of the majority in some hybrid model like we in the Legislature to provide exist now, that's OK," Suter long-term strategic planning said. "It gives us a lot of flexso that LOFT's recommenda- ibility once the Legislature looks at all the options.

Oklahoma Watch, at oklacitizens get the services they homawatch.org, is a nonprofit, nonpartisan news organization that covers In an interview after the public-policy issues facing



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Justin R. Boren, assault and/or Ready for Thanksgiving

This house on Crown Heights Lane in Purcell is ready for the Thanksgiving feast with a festive decoration in the front yard.









· Photos provided

Contributions for Operation Christmas

Purcell High School Student Council collected over 3,000 non-perishable food items to help feed many local families through McClain County Operation Christmas and the Lil' Dragon Food Pantry. The sophomore class brought the most and won an extended lunch.

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Memories:

love and gratitude, let's savor munities unique and strong. not just the delicious flavors

but also the sweet moments Oklahoma Chamber Of Com- and the creation of beautiful of togetherness. Each smile, merce may this Thanksgiving memories.

and neighbors, we find the shared story, and hearty laugh fill your hearts with the warmth true richness of life, so as we contributes to the tapestry of of hope, joy, and gratitude. We gather around tables laden with memories that make our com- wish you all a heartwarming and happy Thanksgiving, On behalf of the Heart Of filled with love, laughter,



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Donations for Operation Christmas

Michael Ozment, Assistant Manager for Wayne's Family Dollar Store, and Peggy Christian, McClain County Operation Christmas volunteer, worked to set up a drop box for donations. You may also drop donations at Dollar General in Purcell, the Purcell Public Library, Fired Up Nutrition, Pawsitively Purrfect, Walgreens, Pride Popcorn, Bravos, All in Diner, Belle Star Saloon, AB Hair Company and Happy Camper. Monetary donations may be mailed to Darrell Ford at PO Box 756, Purcell, OK 73080 or contact Gale Wilson at 405-250-8316.

PCCC Holiday Dinner and Auction

and Auction.

Dinner will be served at the Purcell Area Office at 6 p.m. followed by the Annual Auction.

ham will be provided by but if you have something you us operate over the next year!

Demel has a Masters of

Public Administration degree

from Wichita State University.

He earned a Bachelor of Business Administration from The

College of Santa Fe in Santa

He has been the City Admin-

istrator at Kiowa since Decem-

ber 14, 2020. Prior to that he

was an account manager for the

Kansas Corporation Commis-

sion, served as the Community

and Organizational Specialist

for the Community Engage-

ment Institute at Wichita State

University and was a develop-

ment coordinator for the South

Central Kansas Economic De-

velopment District in Wichita.

The council said after De-

mel gets settled in January

they are planning on having a

community-wide reception for

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Fe, NM.

December 1 is the day for the Community Outreach Office. wish to donate, bring it along. Purcell Chickasaw Commu- Our council will be providnity Council Holiday Dinner ing drinks and bread. We are ones and it will be lots of fun!! asking all those planning to attend to provide a side dish dinner and meet the legislators and/or dessert.

The auction will be super special with a real auctioneer! The turkey, dressing and Many items have been donated. The money we make will help

There will be gifts for the little

Plan to attend the holiday and special guests!

Don't forget to bring some money or your checkbook!

NEWS



from the City of Purcell

Responsibility of Home Owner to Maintain Property It is the responsibility of the home owner and or tenant to maintain their property or be subject to a fine. Violations are as follows:

- 1. Tall grass or weeds, junk, trash, debris, inoperable vehicles, and discharging grass clippings into the street.
- 2. You are responsible for maintaining your property from the edge of the road or curb to the center of the alley. The City will trim the large trees in the alley.
- 3. Bulk waste pick up is the last Monday of every month. Please do not set bulk waste out until that weekend before the last Monday. (No loose items, no items to exceed 75 pounds, no antifreeze, paint, or batteries, no hazardous materials. No refrigerant compressors. Limbs must be in three-foot bundles).
- 4. Brush set out to the curb will be picked up with a charge determined by the size. Brush pick up is free in May and October. You may also call and arrange for brush pick up.
- 5. It takes all of us working together to keep Purcell a home to be proud of.
- If you have any questions please call Code Enforcement at 405-527-4656.

him to meet citizens.

Since we will all be getting an annual tax bill mailed out to us directly or our mortgage company soon, I thought it important to show an example breakdown of your property taxes. Majority of us have mortgages and did you know if you are mortgaged, you don't receive a tax statement in the mail from the Treasurer's office? It goes straight to your lending company to be paid through your escrow. That green sheet of paper has a wealth of information on it, and sadly the bulk of property owners see none of it unless they call their respective County Treasurer and request a copy of their tax statement annually. Another injustice of living with loans and credit debt, is you never truly see where your money is going. I felt it beneficial to give an example tax bill breakdown of where 2023 property taxes will be dispersed. This example is my very own tax bill for 2023. I live in the Blanchard School district, McClain County. IF YOU LIVE IN A DIFFERENT SCHOOL DISTRICT OR COUNTY, YOUR TAX BREAKDOWN WILL BE DIFFERENT. THIS IS FOR REFERENCE ONLY.

Breakdown	Mills (TAX RATE)	Amount
County General	10.28	\$498.07
County Health	2.57	\$124.52
Vo-Tech General	10.29	\$498.56
Vo-Tech Building	1.03	\$49.90
County Wide 4-Mil	4.11	\$199.13
School District General Fund	36.02	\$1,745.21
School District Building Fund	5.15	\$249.52
School District Sinking Fund	35.23	\$1,706.93
EMS	3.09	\$149.71
Library	6.11	\$296.04
EMS Sinking	0.5	\$24.23
Totals	114.38 mills	\$5,541.82

Just over 70% of my entire tax bill goes toward Blanchard Public Schools. The 4 yellow highlighted funds are directly related to public schools. The Sinking Fund is any Bonds passed.

Another 10% goes to your Vocational Tech school, in this case, Mid-America Technology Center. They are highlighted in

That leaves 20% to be divided among County Government, your local library, Co. Health Departments, and EMS.

I encourage you to call your County Treasurer each year around this time, and request a copy of your tax bill, to see exactly where all of your tax dollars go. I know that things are getting tough for the middle-class average joe and every dollar is stretched to make ends meet. I hope this information will help in some small way.

As always, feel free to call my office anytime. I am always delighted to educate taxpayers with any questions or assist them within in my capacity as their County Assessor. Ph# (405)-527-3520

I have learned a lot as your County Assessor since taking office in 2019. I am still learning every day more ways to help and enlighten my voters with how Ad Valorem works in its entirety. It has been a true pleasure to serve you these past 5 years and I look forward to working for you for many more! Thank you.

McClain County Assessor



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Washington senior Major

Cantrell carries the ball during

the Warriors' 56-7 win over

Meeker. Cantrell had five

rushes for 95 yards and a

Open grass

rushing touchdown.

Washington Cheer takes State



their 15th Cheer State Championship November 11 at Moore High School.

Forty-one teams competed in the Regional Championship November 4 in Jay, OK, with 15 teams including Washington and Purcell qualifying to move on to the Game Day State Championship last weekend.

Once there, the teams com-

competition including band dance, crowd leading cheer and school fight song.

After the preliminary round, the field was narrowed to the Top 6 teams who competed again for the final placings. The final 6 teams were Washington, Bethany, Bridge Creek, Community Christian, Mount St. Mary and Lone

The Warriors performed a flawless routine with high energy to finish at the top of 4A.

The Washington community showed up at the competition in force and was extremely loud when cheering for the Warrior Cheer squad.

"Performing for that crowd was one of the best feelings I have ever felt!" said senior

play with good technique or

"They capitalized on it,"

Beller continued. "They had

some good completions and

"We made very minimal

adjustments," the coach said.

"We just had to get back to

play with discipline.

had some good runs.

Halle Andrews added, "Winning State is a feeling I don't think anyone can describe. All I know is right when we ended the most perfect routine, and I saw all of my coaches reactions and their excitement, I knew we won at that moment!"

Please see **State**, page 4B

Wayne picks up two wins

Both teams are 1-0 to start the season

Boys

point win.

quarter points.

had 17 rebounds.

Schuyver added five.

The Wayne Bulldogs started

Springer last Friday, 56-52.

Wayne picked up the four-

Wayne outscored the Cardi-

behind Webster's 12 fourth-

points and senior Bradey Van-

on Tuesday November 28.

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Last Friday night Wayne

kicked off their basketball season hosting Springer. The Lady Bulldogs got a 54-32

Seven girls were on the board led by senior Faith Brazell with 15. Freshman Taelyn Ringwald joined her in double figures with 13.

Wayne held a 33-12 lead at the half, spurned on by Brazell's three treys in the second quarter.

Scoring was more even in the second half, 21-20 advantage Wayne, but the Lady Bulldogs had already built a significant cushion.

Junior Addison Keeler added eight points, Audra Watts had seven and Madi Sharp

The Lady Bulldogs will be

Springer 4 8 8 12—32

Wayne 15 18 9 12—54

11/17

Wayne 54

Springer 32

11/17 Wayne 56 Springer 52

Springer 16 14 8 14—52 Wayne 13 8 16 19—56

Player	Points	Player	Poin
Faith Brazell	15	Jaxon Dill	20
Taelyn Ringwald	13	Wyatt Webster	20
Addison Keeler	8	Ty Kemp	7
Audra Watts	7	Bradey VanSchuyver	5
Madi Sharp	6	Ashton Norton	2
Brysten Shephard	3	Ben Fischer	2
Alvssa Hobson	2		



Lexington basketball kicks off November 28

Home opener against Sulphur

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Head coach Tyler Thetford, in his second season with the Lexington Bulldogs, is excited about the upcoming season.

is extremely positive. We have several seniors who return ingame experience. I expect this team to be well over .500 this season."

Last season the Bulldogs said. were knocked out in the Regional tournament by Lone Grove and finished with a 9-16 record.

Lost to graduation were Ezra Faulkenberry, Corbin Perry, Trey Hartzog and Tate Collier.

Six seniors return this season and Thetford looks to lean on them. They are Ty Mixon, Drew Dierking, Skylar Rollins, Gage LaGace, Hunter Olson and Zeke Faulkenberry.

"Experience is our biggest strength. These guys know each other. They are comfortable together," Thetford said.

He specifically mentioned Mixon, who has been shooting the ball very well in the preseason and Rollins, who Thetford expects to be dominant in the low post.

But, as much playing time his seniors have amassed in their time at Lexington, that experience has a significant dropoff as Thetford looks outside his starting line up.

"We'll have to go deeper into the bench to build the experience of the underclassmen. We have enough for a JV team this year, so that will help give those guys in-game minutes," Thetford said.

On the schedule for Lexington are perennial rivalries for

the Bulldogs to include Purcell and Davis. But also new teams like Stratford and Wynnewood, as Lexington has switched conferences.

"The schedule sets up well "The outlook for this team for us. And, we've had lots of conversations as a team about the opportunity in front of them and seizing the moment. We have to take advantage of the schedule we have," Thetford

lot of success this season." Girls

Jacobi Couch is in his second year leading the Lexington Lady Bulldogs. Last season, his team was knocked out of the postseason by Comanche and graduated Leslie Barber, Rylee Beason, Janelle Winterton and Maddie Manuel.

"We'll miss their leadership and presence on the court, but we have another senior class "If the boys show up like I that is shaping up to be a good know they can, we can have a group of leaders and will make

big contributions to this team," Couch said.

Several girls have made waves in the preseason for Couch. One of those is Mackenzie Manuel who will be a rover for Lexington while Abby Sample will be a solid presence impact. She's definitely going on the floor.

Jordan Hardy will be the on the floor." point guard for the Lady

mendously over the summer and I will look to her to run our offense," Couch said.

the coach's eye in the preseason was Charli Moore.

"Charli has made a huge to be in the mix and a leader

Kiely Givens is back on the basketball team this year and "Jordan has developed tre- Couch is excited to have her

height in the post for Lexington.

"With tall girls like Kiely, Landri (Bean), Natalie (Dick-Another player that caught sion) and Ryleigh (Markovich) we have some significant size to lean on."

Couch said that if he had to make a starting lineup today, he'd have seniors Jordan Hardy, Charli Moore, Abby Sample

Please see **Lex**, page 4B

Lexington Basketball

2023-2024

November	Opponent	Location	Time
11/28	Sulphur	Home	6:30
December	Opponent	Location	Time
12/1	Stratford	Home	6:30
12/5	CCS	Home	6:30
12/12	Lone Grove	Away	6:30
12/14-16	Wynnewood Tournament	Away	TBA
January	Opponent	Location	Time
1/2	Wayne	Home	6:30
1/4-6	Davis Tournament	Away	TBA
1/12	Purcell	Away	6:30
1/16	Wynnewood	Away	6:30
1/18-20	Grady County Tournament	Away	TBA
1/23	Davis	Away	6:30
1/26	Little Axe*	Home	6:30
1/30	Casady	Away	6:30
February	Opponent	Location	Time
2/1	Davis**	Home	6:30
2/2	Dibble	Away	6:30
2/9	Purcell	Home	6:30
2/13	Little Axe	Away	6:30
2/16-17	District Tournament	TBD	TBD
2/22-24	Regional Tournament	TBD	TBD
2/29-3/2	Area Tournament	TBD	TBD
3/7-9	State Tournament	TBD	TBD

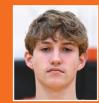
*Homecoming **Senior Night

2023-24

Lexington Basketball













Ryleigh Markovich

Natalie Dicksion













Skylar Rollins



Cale Garver





Tyler Thetford



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Jacobi Couch

Head Coach

Marleigh Givens



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TEAM OFFENSIVE STATS

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RUSHING	37	419	7
PASSING	9/15	173	1

TEAM DEFENSIVE STATS

TACKLES TFL N. SPAULDING - 11 N. SPAULDING - 4 **K. HOWARD - 10** K. HOWARD - 1 B. VAUGHN - 1 B. VAUGHN - 8 C. TAYLOR - 8 C. BELLER - 7 C. ALEXANDER - 7

SCORING PLAYS

1ST QUARTER

• H. HOWARD 11 YARD RUN, M. THOMAS PAT

• H. HOWARD 66 YARD RUN, M. THOMAS PAT

- M. CANTRELL 55 YARD RUN, M. THOMAS PAT
- M. CANTRELL 44 YARD PASS TO M. SINGLE-TARY, M. THOMAS PAT

3RD QUARTER

- H. HOWARD 55 YARD RUN, M. THOMAS PAT
- K. NORMAN 6 YARD RUN, M. THOMAS PAT

4TH QUARTER

- K. NORMAN 14 YARD RUN, M. THOMAS PAT
- K. NORMAN 1 YARD RUN, M. THOMAS PAT

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Millwood ends Dragons' season

<u> John D. Montgomery</u> **The Purcell Register**

Purcell's run in the Class 2A State Playoffs came to an end at Millwood last Friday night.

The defending State Runners-up Falcons defeated the Dragons 38-14.

Purcell finished coach Aaron Dillard's initial campaign as head coach 9-3 and were District Runners-up.

Boston Knowles had a big night rushing the pigskin for the Dragons with ??? yards on the ground including a 28 yard touchdown scamper.

Kash Guthmueller scored the other Purcell touchdown jetting in from seven yards out.

"Boston had a strong game and our Abacks Carter Bennett and Jett Tyler contributed," Dillard said.

On the defensive side of the ball, Dillard said Brody Holder played well.

"Brody had a strong game making eight tackles from his defensive end position.

"Christian Kirk played well," Dillard continued. "With Ryker Fink missing we had to slide him over to the Mike linebacker spot. Kash came down hill from his safety position to make a few tackles in space.

"I think we surprised a lot of people but not ourselves.

"We had a lot of guys start-

classmen but inexperienced on including Tavian Engert, Brody Friday nights. Over the course of the year those guys continued to get better and better.

"We had a lot of freshmen and sophomores get meaningful snaps some because we had to use them due to injuries and others just rotated in. That definitely accelerated the learning curve," he said.

The Dragons will lose 11 players to graduation in May back," Dillard concluded.

Holder, Derek Cravens, Payton Rivera, Noah Mason, Ryker Fink, Colt Taylor, Jett Tyler, Nathan Tekaat, Noah Gracey and Carter Goldston.

"We try to work those younger guys in on special teams as early as we can.

"I think we had a very positive year and I'm optimistic about what we have coming



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Gang tackling

Purcell defenders Christian Kirk (55), Nathan Tekaat (33) and ing that had not played a lot Derek Cravens (65) team up to bring down a Millwood ball of football. They were upper carrier. Purcell was defeated 38-14.



John Denny Montgomery • The Purcell Register

Busting a big one

Purcell junior Boston Knowles gets behind the Millwood defense Friday night during the Dragons' game against the Falcons. Purcell fell 38-14, ending their season.

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and Kiely Givens and sopho- game." more Mackenzie Manuel round out his first five.

"I have a bunch of girls who probably consistently play 10 girls," Couch said.

Couch sees his team's speed is 'eyes up'," Couch said. and size as their strength.

we'll rely on a fast, uptempo and Purcell will be good tests

But, Couch is also preaching an "us versus us" mindset.

"We have to have confidence can go compete every day. I'll in us. When things don't go our way, we can't get down. We have to respond and move on As the season gets started to the the next play. Our motto

As always, Lexington's "Not many teams can say schedule is chock-full of tough they have speed and size, but matchups and exciting games, we have lots of long girls and but Couch believes Stratford

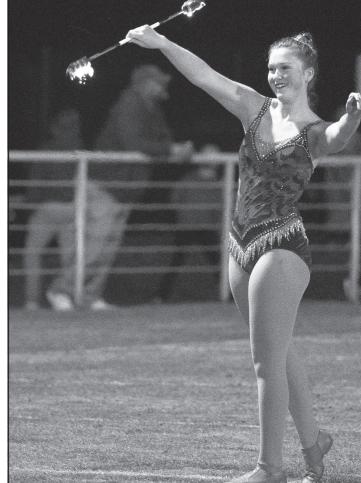
for his squad.

Lexington has switched conferences and Couch and his team feel like this works in their favor.

"This is huge for us. Not every game is life or death, but we feel like we can make some noise in 3A."

Couch believes his team will surprise people.

"We're an up-and-coming team. We'll be solid and people better pay attention."



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Lit

Washington twirler Presley Strickland put on a fiery performance Friday night while the Warriors defeated Meeker, 56-7.

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Warriors:

for losses.

of his best games of the year," Beller said.

Spaulding had a team-high 11 tackles including one for a loss and registered a quarterback sack.

Keller Howard had 10 tackles including one for a loss. Ben Vaughn also had a tackle for a loss among his eight stops.

Case Taylor matched Vaughn's eight tackle night and recovered a fumble. Cole Beller registered seven tackles and picked off an errant Bulldog pass.

Also making interceptions in the contest were Tanner Olson, Max Wilson and Dawson Thomas.

"Keller Howard has been a force all year and this game turned into his game. And, our secondary did an outstanding job of getting timely turnovers. They made interceptions at very opportune times," Beller said.

the Warriors ground out 419 Alexander and Nate Roberts. rushing yards led by Hudson Howard.

On just 10 carries Howard galloped to 204 yards and three touchdowns.

Howard scored on runs of 11, 66 and 55-yards.

Kade Norman, who Beller called "Mr. Reliable", came in to spell Hudson and had 12 carries for 73 yards and three touchdowns.

Norman's scoring runs were has been set for 7 p.m. six, 14 and one-yards.

"Naithen Spaulding had one Cantrell scored on a 55 yard scamper in the third quarter and finished with 80 yards rushing on four carries.

Cantrell also tossed a 44 yard scoring strike to Mason Singletary in the second period.

"We established the run early and that was the difference in the game," Beller said. "It opened up our passing game."

Cantrell was an efficient 9-15 for 173 yards and the one

Senior quarterback Major their star player in a couple of those losses.

> The Wolverines finished third in their district and have shown dramatic improvement since their season opening loss to Washington, winning their last two games on the road over Eufaula and Adair.

> Their offense centers around their two playmakers in quarterback Masyn Wright and running back Draighton Fletcher. Vian's offensive forward

We established the run early and that was the difference in the game. It opened up our passing game.

Brad Beller, head coach

touchdown.

That strong, grind-it-out rushing attack was made available by center Kingston Stringer, guards Jordan Vanya

"I'm proud of all of them," Beller said. "But especially our two tight ends. They are big and strong and proved they can do more than run pass routes and catch balls. They really pitched in on the run game. They were physical blockers. They can

dominate in blocking as well." Up next is round two with

the Vian Wolverines. Kickoff Friday night in Ada

Vian is 8-4 but didn't have ball," he concluded.

wall is massive and has taken giant strides since that season opening contest, a 55-13 Washington victory.

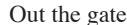
"Their calling card is they and Tanner Winlock, tackles are physical. They will strike Easton Berglan and Baylor you. Early in the season we saw On the other side of the ball, Haynes and tight ends Cooper them and Sulphur and they had good defenses and nothing has changed. Early in the year they were in a 3-4 but now they've changed to a four-man front.

> "They move around a lot and play man coverage in the secondary 95 percent of the time," the coach said.

The key for the Warriors is to contain their explosive plays on defense and continue to be efficient and balanced on offense. We have to control the front lines on both sides of the



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Washington junior Mayson Thomas (13) carries the rock while getting blocks from Kade Norman (33) and Kingston Stringer (59) during the warriors' 56-7 win over Meeker Friday night. Thomas finished with 21 yards rushing.

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the senior continued, "This team wanted it so bad and it showed when we performed!"

The State title marks Washington's second Game Day Championship in three years. The program adds these trophies to the 13 performance State Championships they have total to 15 titles making them the second most successful cheer program in Oklahoma history throughout all classes behind Tuttle High School with 18 titles.

Senior Maddie Green credits the team's success to their coaches Sheila LeForce, Jeff LeForce, Madison Monks and Craig Hallmark who have been with the program since its first State Championship in 1999.

Senior Haven Brewer said, "The team is also grateful for previously won to bring their a very supportive administration that has always treated cheer like every other sport at the school."

The championship team consists of nine seniors including Halle Andrews, Kendall Perkins.

Bolser, Haven Brewer, Maddie Green, Taylor Hayden, Emmalea Harding, Emily Madden, Lexi Ralls and Ally Hobbs; four juniors including Grace Grimsey, Leksi Rector, Rielyn

Scheffe and Pailsey Taylor. Also, five sophomores including Bailey McAlister, Kynsli Hyde, Scarlett Tontz, Ashlynn Beller, Sabrina Posey and Elizabeth Dunn; as well as four freshmen including Stevie Haynes, Emma Musgrove, Sutton Goodrum and Sophie



2023 AWOL nominations are now open

AngieSteele

Washington Correspondent

Join us in supporting someone in our community who is going through a life-altering event. AWOL (A Week of Love) is a district-wide fundraising drive sponsored by the WHS Student Council.

Do you know someone connected to our community who could use a helping hand during their challenging journey? Nominate them for AWOL 2024!

Whether it's a neighbor, a friend, or a family member, let's rally together and make a positive impact on their lives. To submit a nomination, fill out the nomination form on the Washington School website at https://www.wps-isd. com/296497_2.

Nominations will be accepted until Jan. 5, 2004! Let's show our support and make a difference in the lives of those who need it most. Spread the word, share this post, and tag anyone who might be interested.

Together, we can create a stronger and more compassionate community. Let's make AWOL 2024 a resounding success!

Football Playoffs

Warrior Football plays Vian instrument. in Round Three (Quarterfinals) of the 2023 playoffs at East Central University in Ada Friday, November 24, 7 p.m. kickoff.

Tickets sold online: \$8.35 entry with your ticket on phone. at 6:30 p.m. Cash tickets, \$10.

Ticket link: https://gofan.com/ event/1217023?

schoolId=OSSAA **FCCLA** Congratulations to the amaz-

ing WHS FCCLA students who competed at the District Competition!

Washington Public School is thrilled to announce that all of our competitors placed first in their respective events!

Abig shoutout to Washington FCCLA STAR Event winners:

Max Dunn - Creed Speaking Alexa Harris, Addison Hyde, Presentation

Samantha Self - Repurpose and Redesign

These talented individuals will now move on to compete at Regionals on February 7 in Chickasha.

Participating in Competitive **Foundation** Events not only allows FCCLA members to gain valuable industry insights but also equips them with employable skills essential for success in the 21st Century.

With over 50 Competitive Events to choose from, our members can apply the knowledge and skills they've acquired through Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) education.

Competing at regional/district, state, and national levels in Competitive Events offers our members the opportunity to explore different Career Pathways and tackle important personal, work, and societal issues.

Washington School Lunch Menu

November 20-24 – No School, Thanksgiving Break. November 27—Sloppy Joes,

french fries, veggies, fruit, milk. November 28-Nachos, beans, corn, banana bread, fruit, milk.

November 29—Chicken strips, potato wedges, vegetables, banana bread, fruit, milk.

November 30—Italian pasta bake, green beans, breadstick, fruit, milk.

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/

call at 405-288-6404.

Menu for November 23-December 1:

Thursday, November 23— Closed, Thanksgiving.

Friday, November 24— Closed for Thanksgiving.

Monday, November 27— Pork chops, macaroni /tomato, cabbage, applesauce. Tuesday, November 28-

Baked Potato Bar, chili, broccoli. If Washington has no water, then we will be closed. Wednesday, November 29—

Smoke sausage, corn casserole, baked beans.

Thursday, November 30— Chicken pot pie, peas/carrots,

Friday, December 1—Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans.

Menu may change at the discretion of the cook and availability of food.

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

Washington School Board Meeting Schedule

All Washington School Board meetings will be held in the 4/5th Building Library

Meetings are scheduled for December 11, January 8, February 12, March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10, July 5 and August 12.

Washington Public Schools Calendar

November 24—HS Football playoffs vs. Vian, Quarterfinals at East Central State University,

November 25—HS GBK scrimmage vs. Weatherford, home, 11 a.m.

November 27—7/8/9 BBK Ada, Girls away, Boys home,

November 28—7/8/9 BBK & Allie Maddes - Professional Newcastle, Girls home, Boys away, 5 p.m.

November 29—9th grade basketball tourney at Pauls

As many of us will be celebrating Thanksgiving with family and friends, please take a moment to think about the thousands of military members who are serving around the world. Many of them are serv-

ing in areas where hostilities could occur at any time. Please pray for the safe return of all of the men and women who are serving in our military.

Last week we worked extra hard processing veteran claims for VA benefits. It seems like every time we start catching up more veterans and surviving spouses are asking for our help. Hopefully we will be able to work on everyone's VA application for benefits as quickly as possible.

When I'm triaging veterans I always ask each of them if they would like to join our team of dedicated volunteers to help us to make a difference in the lives of the men and women who have given so much for our country. I don't think I have ever seen a time like this where so few are standing up for so many.

When we went to Vietnam only about three percent of our population took the oath when being inducted in the armed forces. Today, less than one percent of our population has served in the military. It seems like there is a problem when so few Americans are serving in our military.

From what I have been reading none of the services are meeting their recruitment goals. At some point in time all of us may pay a price for our freedoms. Personally, I don't understand what is going on in our cities with all of the drug use, homelessness, stealing and the high number of shootings that occur every day. Maybe it's time for our elected officials to make some changes.

As always, we need more volunteers to help us to assist the increased number of veterans and surviving spouses who need our help to receive VA benefits. We have established a digital system to train volunteers to either work at our location or from their home to assist veterans and their families. Come

To start our process, login to dkgvf.org to fill out and scan your information into our Intake 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 November 30—Christmas of the men and women who we assist live in other states **Dale K. Graham Veterans** 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.

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.

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.

We are a free service to all veterans and their families. We are open Monday through Friday starting at 9 a.m. Come visit us in Norman at 1233West Lindsay Street.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Angie Steele



Happy Thanksgiving

Washington Middle School Principal, Justin Mann and secretary Robyne Cox greeted students last Friday as they arrived at school.



FCCLA Star Event winners

A big shoutout to Washington FCCLA STAR Event winners Max Dunn, Creed Speaking; Alexa Harris, Addison Hyde, and Allie Maddes, Professional Presentation and Samantha Self, Repurpose and Redesign.





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Time to give thanks

This is the season of thankfulness and gratitude! Washington Public School would like to take a moment to express our heartfelt appreciation for the amazing individuals who made our traditional Thanksgiving feast a resounding success. Let's give a big shout-out to our outstanding cafeteria staff and the dedicated members of the WPS staff who worked tirelessly behind the scenes. Their unwavering commitment and hard work ensured that over 900 meals were served today, spreading joy and warmth to our school community. It's incredible to witness their dedication to their roles, even during the busiest times. To our cafeteria staff and all those involved, we appreciate your invaluable contributions and for going above and beyond to create Goldsby area give the center a a memorable lunch for our students. WPS is grateful to have you as part of our school family.



Purcell Register Religion

Green Avenue Church of Christ

After finishing up our study of Philemon, our Wednesday night class began the book of Hebrews. If you are interested in studying this book with us, we would welcome you to come. Our study begins each Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Sunday morning our Bible study had some interesting information about social media and artificial intelligence. We are taking a look at what effect this has on us and also how these are being used by Christians and the church today and if they are dangerous or if they might have a proper use.

Jesus was once asked what was the first or great command-

ment, and He answered using Deuteronomy 6 where Moses declared the Lord God is one Lord and He should be loved with our whole being.

Keith Shackleford's sermon Sunday morning was the context of Deuteronomy chapters 4-6 and how this commandment was presented, from among all the others, to be the first, the great commandment.

Sunday evening's sermon was a study of Psalm 116 with the title taken from verse 12, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?"The Psalmist wrote about his despair and fear of death, and that he prayed for God's

deliverance, and that God did indeed save him.

So, then he takes up the thought that if God has done such wonderful things for him, how could he repay (if possible) the Lord? His conclusion is that he must walk faithfully before God and give Him the praise and thanks He is due.

We invite you to meet with us at 407 Jackson St. in Purcell for Bible study at 7 p.m. Wednesday night and 9:45 a.m. Sunday. Our worship services on Sundays are 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Bible correspondence courses are available, call 405-527-

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Stella Bledsoe

November 26, 2023 is the or companionship.

Then Jesus tells them, "In nary Time, and it is the last truth I tell you, in so far as you Sunday in Year A. On this last neglected to do this to one of the Sunday of the liturgical year, least of these, you neglected to we celebrate the Feast of Christ do it to me."

Our Gospel puts it quite The gospel reading is Matsimply: We will be judged by thew 25:31-46. It is a foretelling how we treat others, by how much we care for the least of our brothers and sisters, by how closely we follow the example of Jesus our Good Shepherd and Servant Leader. hungry, drink when he was In Jesus' teachings, he gives

us a model for how we should The audience answered that treat others, as if they were they did not recall giving Jesus Christ in disguise. These are food, water, or companionship, called the Corporal Works of and Jesus tells them, "In truth Mercy. They are feed the hun-I tell you, in so far as you did gry, give drink to the thirsty, shelter the homeless, visit the sick, visit prisoners, bury the Conversely, Jesus says some dead and give alms to the poor.

are rejected because they did One way for us to see needs is not give him food when he by being the person we needed was hungry, drink when he was when we were younger.

thirst, or welcome him when he Jesus is not impressed by acts of charity done for show. The audience of those people In God's Kingdom, it is small answered that they did not recall unseen actions done with a good failing to give Jesus food, water heart which speak the loudest.

St. Theresa said that if we go through life without anyone noticing our good actions, so much the better.

Remember to recognize Christ in the vulnerable members of our human family, the less capable, the unborn baby, the long-term sick, those bullied at work or at school, those with mental or emotional problems. We're here in this world to help each other and the happiest people are those who do.

Please join us in celebrating the love of Jesus at Our Lady of Victory parish.

Our Lady of Victory parish is located at 307 West Jefferson. The church administrative office is located at 501 N.4th, and it is open weekday mornings. The office number is 405-527-

Weekend mass services are Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.; and Sunday, 1 p.m. (Spanish). Daily masses are Tuesday, 9 a.m.; Wednesday, 12 noon; Thursday, 7 p.m. (Spanish), and Friday, 9 a.m.

Peace be with you.

Purcell Register Church DIRECTORY

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

405 W. Grant, Purcell

Rev. Bill Crawford 405-820-8184 Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Adult Studies: 7 p.m.

BAPTIST CHURCH Purcell, OK

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

Sunday services 10 am Worship 6:30 pm Awanas &

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401 W. Broadway Lexington

Sunday Morning 10:30 am Sunday Evening 3:00 pm Wednesday Evening 7:30 pm

CALVARY **Holiness Church**

Children's Activities - Youth Activities

Wednesday Evening - 6:30 p.m.

Sunday School 9:15

Morning Worship 8:15 • 10:15

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

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

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Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.

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Johnson Road || Baptist Church

715 W. Harrison, Purcell

Sunday Morning - 10 a.m.

Revival Service - 11 a.m.

Wednesday Evening - 7:00 p.m.

Pastor: Rev. Mark A. Stacy

Office Ph. 405.527.3045

4 mi. N. of Purcell on I-35 **Sunday School** 9:45 a.m

> Worship Service 11:00 a.m

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Memorial Assembly of God

7th & Monroe, Purcell

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Services 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Services 6:30 p.m.

We Invite You to Worship With Us.

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Corner of Third & Jefferson

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Sunday - 11 am (English)

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Tues. & Fri. 9 am • Wed. Noon • Thurs. 7 pm (Español)

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Priest House/Padre Juan Pedro: 527-4242

1 pm (Español)



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Goldsby Church

Goldsby, OK 73093 288-2514

153 W. Center Road

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. Evening - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening - 6:30 p.m.

9th & Pierce **Trinity United** Christ **Methodist Church**

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Tracy Hoskins 211 N. 2nd, Purcell 527-2256 Office

Church of 1207 North 9th

Purcell, OK 73080 405-527-3176 Sunday Bible Class 9:45 a.m.

10:45 a.m. Worship Evening Wednesday Bible Class 7 p.m. Search Ministries Sunday 7:30 a.m. Channel 34 www.searchtv.org



2223 N. 9th, Purcell, OK 73080 Pastor John Wylie

527-6808

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

Sunray Baptist Church

James Kyzer sang "Thank God and don't want to serve You, Lord for Your Blessings On Me" for the morning

thirty-fourth Sunday in Ordi-

of judgment day. Jesus says

people will be welcomed into

God's Kingdom because they

gave him food when he was

thirsty and welcomed him when

this to one of the least of my

brothers, you did it to me."

he was a stranger.

was a stranger.

the King.

Brother John preached from Romans 1:18-23 and said this is the time of year that we should see the blessings of God

We take many blessings for granted and do not acknowledge God or give thanksgiving to Him. God encoded Himself in creation. He has great power. No man can say there is no God. He is findable if you only

Man chose not to glorify God. This will keep us close to Him. Many have an exaggerated They are beyond their need of

We need to see God as He is, believing the right things about Him. God is good.

He offered His Son as a substitute for us. He lived a sinless life. He alone can pay the price for our sin. The evening message was

from Romans 8:26-27 and told of the Holy Spirit's help in our prayer life. We need the Spirit's help at all times. The Spirit intercedes for us

when we pray. He helps our weaknesses and does what we can't do for ourselves. The He needs nothing. We should Holy Spirit speaks the will of glorify and acknowledge Him. God. He conforms our prayers to God's will.

view of their own knowledge. Thanksgiving holiday. Our prayers go out to those in need. call 405-527-6808.

We are thankful for the many blessings that God has given us.

Many activities are planned in the coming weeks. On December 2 we will be taking the church van to Del City to see The Williamsons' Christmas

On December 5 our senior adults will travel to Chickasha to eat at Jake's Rib and to see the Christmas lights. On December 10 we will have our annual Holiday meal and no evening service.

Sunray welcomes you to our Sunday School, worship and all activities at Sunray Baptist

John Wylie serves as our pastor. Sunray is located at 2223

We wish everyone a blessed North 9th Street in Purcell. For additional information

Lexington Westside Church of Christ

ing edition of our Front-Porch turned bright red. Gospel.

You know every year we start early and finish late in reminiscing about Thanksgiving. By the time you read this, do you know hours of some good ol' turkey and dressing and cranberry sauce and pumpkin, pecan, and apple pies, enough to keep you full 'til Christmas.

If my guess is right (and they almost always are, or at least sometimes), by the weekend you will have cooked, watched football, told jokes, played games, plugged in a movie or two, laughed, and played with babies who – in some of our cases – are now our babies' babies, Plus, you will have been

Welcome to the Thanksgiv- since before some of their hair compliment to us, and, for that,

You understand.

Why, you may even be the relative with the bright red hair

And you and I and the rest of you will be within, say, twelve the world will feel good way down inside. I know that's not grammatical, it should be 'well.' But I like it better saying 'good' sometimes. There's got to be a difference between feeling 'well' and feeling 'good,' so I'm going to establish a new grammatical trend because it just makes more sense.

got cooking to do, a house to clean, and a hundred things to do besides to get ready for your company, so you don't have a lot able to catch up on old times of time to sit and read -- but that with relatives we haven't seen you are doing that now is a great com)

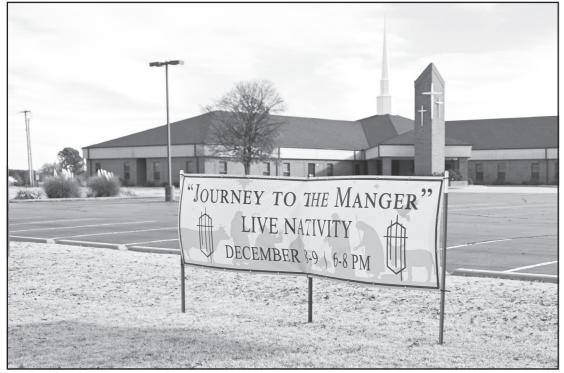
I thank you. And if you smiled even once reading today's piece -- well, that's even better.)

It's okay to cut today's visit a little short anyway, because you know that next week it will still be Thanksgiving. If you've sat out on the front porch with us any time at all you know that I just have a hard time moving past it, which is a good thing.

So, next week, let's talk some more about Thanksgiving. I don't know what it will be, exactly, but my guess is that we'll all feel 'good' inside I'm not going to write a even more than we do now. long piece this week (you've And my guesses are usually almost always right. And with Thanksgiving, I know I'm right on that. God bless you all and your families!

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Coming soon

Lexington First Baptist Church will have their live nativity scene December 8-9 from 6-8 p.m. Drive through the scene and view live animals while drinking hot chocolate. Canned goods donations will be accepted.

MATC students attend Southwest District Leadership Conference

Mid-America Technology execution. Center was busy Thursday six advisors boarded buses engaged, gave speeches, and bound for the SkillsUSA 2023 made all announcements. Mid-

dents by students. The South- on the state level. west District Officer Team, gent, Lindsay; and Dale Hodge, to achieve career success. Newcastle, organized the entire conference from planning to in-depth presentations on each members.

This is a conference for stu- and speaking about SkillsUSA networking.

which includes five MATC conference had the opportunity students: Isaiah Butler, Home- to learn about the SkillsUSA ing nearly 400,000 career and schooled/Norman; Gabe Her- Framework, which emphasizes technical students and teachers. ring, Epic/Wynnewood; Myles personal, workplace, and tech-Hall, Little Axe; McKenna Lar-nical skills that will enable them

of the Framework components: These students led all the Personal Skills, Workplace morning as 116 students and activities, kept the students Skills, and Technical Skills Grounded in Academics.

In addition, students worked Southwest District Leadership America Tech also had our on their Statesman Award, and Conference held at the Grady two state SkillsUSA officers there was also time to have Couty Fairground in Chickasha. attend, lending moral support fun with lunch, games, and

SkillsUSA is a national The students attending the organization championing the skilled trades, represent-

Its mission is to empower students to become skilled professionals, career-ready leaders The students attended more and responsible community



• Photo provided

Leadership conference attendees

Mid-America Technology Center "showed up and showed out" at the SkillsUSA SW District Fall Leadership Conference. The group was the largest one from a technology center!



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District officers

District Officers include Ely Fraire, Canadian Valley Tech-Chickasha, Vice President; Erica Lemke, Canadian Valley Tech-Chickasha, Alternate; Isaiah Butler, Mid-America Tech, Treasurer; Gabe Herring, Mid-America Tech, Alternate; Emma Gunn, Canadian Valley Tech-Chickasha, Secretary; Carly Hull, Western Tech, Historian; Myles Hall, Mid-America Tech, Alternate; McKenna Largent, Mid-America Tech, President; Shane Williamson, Canadian Valley Tech-Chickasha, Alternate; Lily Karlin, Western Tech, Reporter; Dale Hodge, Mid-America Tech, Chaplain; and Tayden Bonnett, Canadian Valley Tech-Chickasha, Parliamentarian.

Hushtola' Art Market December 9-10

WinStar Convention Center and more. at WinStar World Casino and

states will display a wide tive Officer, said. "Patrons and Chickasaw.net.

and artists will be showcased categories, including sculp- a vast selection of unique during the first-ever Hushtola' ture, beadwork, paintings, art created by renown First Art Market from 10 a.m. to 5 basketry, jewelry, metalwork, American artists during this p.m., December 9 and 10 at the photography, textiles, pottery holiday event."

"We are thrilled to welcome to the public at no charge. Resort in Thackerville, Okla. many esteemed First Ameri-Hosted by the Chickasaw can artists to the inaugural contact Chickasaw Nation Arts Nation, more than 100 First Hushtola' Art Market," Mark & Humanities at 580-272-5520, American artists representing Milligan, Chickasaw Nation visit Hushtola Art Market. 26 tribal nations and eight Arts and Humanities Execu- com or email ArtistInfo@

Elite First American art variety of original art in 21 art collectors will discover

Hushtola'Art Market is open

For more information,

Lowak Sho'li First American Humanities Forum November 28

(Carry the Fire) First American place at 6 p.m. November 28 at the Chickasaw Nation Community Center, 700 N. Mississippi, in Ada. This year's theme for Donna Brown, Michelle Cooke the forum is "First Americans in History."

 $\hbox{``The theme was chosen out of'}\\$ aneed for more First Americans, particularly Chickasaws, in the field of history," Ethan Cox, creative arts manager at the Chickasaw Nation Literary Arts Division, said. "Many scholars in the field of Chickasaw history are non-Chickasaw, and we believe it is important for Chickasaw people to tell their own story, from their own perspective."

The forum will feature four panelists, each a Chickasaw

The 11th annual Lowak Sho'li Chickasaw Nation. The panelists are experts within their field Humanities Forum will take and have extensive knowledge in anthropology, literature, history and language arts.

Panelists are Stan Nelson, Laand Joshua "Lokosh" Hinson, Ph.D. Chickasaw citizen. Research specialist and Chickasaw Nation genealogist Katie Cain will serve as moderator during the forum.

"We are excited for this group of diverse panelists," Cox said. "They all possess a wealth of knowledge regarding Chickasaw history, but also bring specific expertise in Chickasaw language, research and culture. This group of panelists will bring rich and diverse knowledge on the topic of Chickasaw history."

Those in attendance are incitizen or employee of the vited to learn more about First

American history by engaging with the scholars. Following the panel discussion, Lowak Sho'li will host a question-and-answer segment.

"The forum has a history of encouraging First American students to consider careers in arts and humanities, and while that concept remains, the forum also now serves as an opportunity for professionals in those fields to meet and share their voices in a setting conducive of academic and professional discourse," Cox said.

This event is open to the public at no charge.

For more information or to register, visit Chickasaw.net/ Lowak or email Creative Arts@ Chickasaw.net.

The Chickasaw Nation Literary Arts Division can also be reached at 580-436-7282.



Photo provided

Forum moderator

Kati Cain will be the moderator for the 2023 Lowak Sho'li First American Humanities Forum. A Chickasaw citizen, Cain is a research specialist and genealogist for the Chickasaw Nation Literary Arts Division. With her experience and background, Cain has a deep understanding and connection to this year's forum theme, "First Americans in History."

Conference; 708, Ace Hardware,

No. 827-November 23-1 Time Board of McClain County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, 11/13/2023 at 8:17 a.m. in Room 111 of the McClain County Courthouse. Chairman Terry Daniel called the meeting to order and led the flag salute. County Clerk Deputy Rebekah Couch called the roll and those present were: Chairman Terry Daniel, Vice Chairman Glen Murray, and Member Wilson Lyles.

Wilson Lyles moved to approve the minutes of the meeting on 11/6/2023, Glen Murray seconded. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel. Motion carried.

Wilson Lyles moved to approve the following maintenance and operation claims, seconded by Glen Murray. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel. Motion carried. CLAIMS FOR FISCAL YEAR

2023-2024 AS FOLLOWS:

Em Mgmt-ST—48, Lyon Security.Com, 318.00, Key Fobs; 49,

WW Tire, 15.00, Flat Repair. Extension-ST-50, Oklahoma Copier Solutions, 330,34, Service, General - 663, Best Buy, 99.99, Subscription; 664, Comdata MasterCard Program, 794.31, Fuel, Service & Auto Supplies; 665, Clearfly, 288.22, Service; 666, Classic Paper, 663.38, Supplies; 667, Danny Daniels Pest Services, 225.00, Service; 668, Danny Daniels Pest Services, 225.00, Service; 669, Danny Daniels Pest Services, 225.00, Service; 670, Extension Center For Governmental & Community Development, 650.00, Registration; 671, Eureka Water, 73.84, Supplies; 672, General Parts, 233.95, Service; 673, Garvin County Sheriff's Office, 3500.00, Detention Services; 674, Oklahoma Natural Gas, 56.55, Service; 675, Oklahoma Department Of Labor, 450.00, Inspection; 676, OSU CTP, 130.00, Registration; 677, Purcell Public Works, 925.69, Service; 678, Purcell Public Works, 13452.47, Service; 679, Purcell Register, 123.85, Minutes; 680, Pontotoc County Sheriff Office, 8700.00, Detention Services; 681, Sysco, 5626.64, Supplies 682, Sunny Communications, 146.00, Parts; 683, Sunny Communications, 216.47, Radio Parts; 684, Tisdal And OHara, 931.82, Legal Services; 685, Valir Outpatient Clinics, 70.00, Drug Testing; 686, Valir Outpatient Clinics, 70.00, Drug Testing; 687, Verizon, 160.04, Service.

Health—83, Amazon, 1546.21 Supplies; 84, Facility Care, 750.00, Service; 85, Facility Care, 880.00. Service; 86, Facility Care, 1025.00, Service; 87, Garrett, Sarah, 224.66, Travel; 88, Gil-Bennett, Crystal, 288.86, Travel; 89, Miner Lawn Care, 200.00, Service; 90, Purcell Mini Storage, 70.00, Rent 91, Purcell Public Schools, 1696.84, Rent; 92, Standley Systems, 194.91, Copier Lease;

93, Standley Systems, 229.50, Highway-707, ACCO, 130.00,

165.26, Supplies; 709, Blessing Gravel, 950.10, Native Gravel; 710, Blanchard Building, 99.32, Supplies; 711, Continental Gateway, 224.00, Millings; 712, Cintas, 362.27, Service; 713, Classic Paper, 285.64, Supplies; 714, Cintas, 111.21, Service; 715, Dolese Bros., 434.59, Chips & Rock; 716, Luther Sign, 169.68, Signs; 717, Luther Sign, 2300.28, Signs; 718, Luther Sign, 309.08, Signs; 719, Luther Sign, 553.30, Signs; 720, McPherson Machine Shop, 65.00, Repair; 721, Oklahoma Natural Gas, 184.93, Service 722, O'Reilly Automotive Stores, 113.49, Parts & Supplies; 723, P&K Equipment, 20.97, Parts; 724, P&K Equipment, 6999.00, Lawn Mower; 725, Rush Truck Center, 1217.58, Parts; 726, Robbins Ace, 145.99, Supplies; 727, Robbins Ace, 90.58, Supplies; 728, ACCO, 95.00, Conference; 729, ACCO, 95.00, Registration; 730, ACCO, 35.00, Registration; 731, AEG Petroleum, 598.00, DEF Fluid; 732, Cintas, 422.88, Service; 733, Cintas, 17.83, Supplies; 734, Edwards Canvas, 1005.70, Parts & Labor; 735, Edwards Canvas, 1216.50, Parts & Labor; 736, First Water Contracting, 4000.00, Tack Oil; 737, First Water Contracting, 18000.00, Asphalt Laid In Place; 738, First Water Contracting, 3915.00, Trucking Service; 739, Hampton Inn Suites, 99.00, Lodging; 740, J&K Auto Parts, 359.97, Supplies; 741, Luther Sign, 215.36, Sign Posts; 742, Purcell Public Works, 458.59, Service; 743, P&K Equipment, 269.67, Parts & Supplies; 744, P&K Equipment, 259.55, Parts; 745, River Steel, 227.75, Pipe 746, Robbins Ace, 57.09, Supplies; 747, Tractor Supply, 50.00, Supplies; 748, United Ag & Turf, 49.33, Hose; 749, WW Tire, 30.00, Tires & Service: 750. WW Tire. 78.55. Tires & Supplies. Rental of County Property -

Expo-77, ES2, 300.00, Supplies; 78, ES2, 300.00, Supplies; 79, Oklahoma Natural Gas, 221.52, Service; 80, Purcell Public Works, 1457.71, Service; 81, P&K Equipment, 10.16, Keys; 82, Trinity Climate Control, 213.75, Service & Installation; 83, Trinity Climate Control, 213.75, Service & Installation; 84, WW Tire, 150.00, Service; 85, Windstream, 315.01, Service.

Rural Fire-ST-92, McClain County RWD 8, 35.76, Service.

Sheriff Commissary—15, Tiger Commissary, 7836.33, Supplies. Sheriff Service Fee - 120, AT&T Mobility, 1124.14, Service; 121, Trans Union Risk And Alternative Data Solutions, 104.00, Service; 22, Verizon, 80.02, Service.

SR Cit-ST - 132, Ben E Keith, 1936.71, Supplies; 133, Cash-Saver, 102.30, Supplies; 134, CashSaver, 98.45, Supplies; 135, Classic Paper, 137.26, Supplies; 136, Eureka Water, 110.99, Supplies; 137, OG&E, 412.36, Service; 138, Oklahoma Electric Co-Op.

74.00, Service; 139, Oklahoma Electric Co-Op, 45.00, Service; 140, Oklahoma Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company, 500.00, Insurance Premium; 141, Rush, Shirley, 150.00, Bookkeeping; 142, Spencers, 1109.47, Supplies; 143, Son, Autumn N. 82.50, Maintenance; 144, Town Of Dibble, 34.99, Service; 145, Town Of Byars, 525.00, Service; 146, Waste Connections Of Oklahoma, 172.86, Service.

Wilson Lyles moved to approve Blanket Purchase Orders as on file in the County Clerk's office, seconded by Glen Murray. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel. Motion carried.

Wilson Lyles moved, Glen Murray seconded to approve of the following Transfer of Appropriations: Rural Fire-ST: \$85,000.00 from 1321-2-8204-2005 to 1321-2-8204-4110. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel. Motion carried.

Wilson Lyles moved, Glen Murray seconded to approve the October 2023 monthly reports for the Assessor, Sheriff, Treasurer, County Clerk, Health Dept, Election Board and Court Clerk. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel. Mo-

tion carried. Wilson Lyles moved to approve of the Allocation of Alcoholic Beverage Tax, Glen Murray seconded. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel.

Motion carried No road crossing permits were requested.

Wilson Lyles moved to resolve to advertise for Election Ballots with bids to be received by 4:00 p.m. on December 8, 2023 and opened at 8:30 a.m. on December 11, 2023, Glen Murray seconded. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel. Motion carried.

Glen Murray moved to resolve to advertise for Six Month Bids with bids to be received by 4:00 p.m. on December 8, 2023 and opened at 8:30 a.m. on December 11, 2023, Wilson Lyles seconded. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel. Motion carried

Wilson Lyles moved to approve the purchase of (1) used 2016 Fire Tanker from United Rentals through Sourcewell Contract #158632 in the amount of \$75,000.00 for the Dibble Fire Department. Glen Murray seconded. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel. Motion carried.

With no further business Wilson Lyles moved to adjourn at 9:22 a.m., Glen Murray seconded. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel. Motion carried.

Attest:

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS McCLAIN COUNTY, **OKLAHOMA** Terry Daniel, Chairman Glen Murray, Vice Chairman Wilson Lyles, Member Attest:

Pam Beller County Clerk

No. 825-November 23-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA RED STONE RESOURCES LLC; Plaintiff,

LINDSY RENAUD a/k/a LINDSY WORRELL a/k/a LINDSY MON-ROF a/k/a LINDSY MONROF PEDERSEN, if living or deceased, and Her Known and Unknown Successors and Assigns; and SHAWN POH, if living or deceased, and His Known or Unknown Successors and Assigns;

OVINTIV USA INC., a Foreign For Profit Business Corporation; Defendants.

Case No. CV-2023-217 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION STATE OF OKLAHOMA

COUNTY OF MCCLAIN TO: LINDSY RENAUD a/k/a LINDSY WORRELL a/k/a LINDSY MONROEa/k/a LINDSY MONROE PEDERSEN, if living or deceased, and Her Known and Unknown Successors and Assigns; and SHAWN POH, if living or deceased, and His Known or Unknown Successors and Assigns.

You are hereby notified that an action has been filed in the District Court, McClain County, State of Oklahoma, Case No. CV-2023-217, styled as RED STONE RESOURCES LLC; Plaintiff; vs. LINDSY RENAUD a/k/a LINDSY WORRELL a/k/a LINDSY MON-ROE a/k/a LINDSY MONROE PEDERSEN, if living or deceased, and Her Known and Unknown Successors and Assigns; and SHAWN POH, if living or deceased, and His Known or Unknown Successors and Assigns; and OVINTIV USA INC., a Foreign For Profit Business Corporation; Defendants.

The action alleges that Defendants may have a claim of some right, title, lien, estate, encumbrance, claim, assessment or interest, adverse to Plaintiff, in and under the following described

S/2 NW/4 and SW/4 NE/4 NW/4 and NE/4 NE/4 SW/4 of Section

32, Township 8 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma; (herein from time to time referred to as "Mineral Interests")

The Petition seeks to quiet title to all right and title in the abovedescribed real property, in favor of ownership by Plaintiff, as set forth in the Petition, and that Defendants be forever barred and enjoined from claiming, setting up, or asserting any right, title or interest adverse to the Plaintiff herein. Further, the Petition seeks a declaratory judgment against Defendants as to any monetary interests retained by Ovintiv USA Inc. produced from said Mineral Interests payable to Plaintiff Red Stone Resources LLC or its successors in interest; and a declaratory judgment that any monetary interest that may be retained by Defendants be limited to the time period from April 1, 2002 to August 22, 2005.

You are hereby notified that you have been sued in this action and must answer the Petition filed by Plaintiff on or before the 12th day of January, 2024, or the allegations contained in said Petition will be taken as true and judgment will be entered determining ownership and quieting title, and declaring a declaratory judgment as requested in the Plaintiff's Petition allowing all relief available

pursuant to law. Given under my hand and seal this 17th day of November, 2023. McCLAIN COUNTY

COURT CLERK By: /s/ Karen Weltmer Deputy Court Clerk (Seal)

/s/ J. Swapp Jeromy E. Brown, OBA #17518 Jessica Swapp, OBA #33620 McCalla Brown Patel LLP Mailing: P.O. Box 2220 Chickasha, OK 73023 Physical: 126 W. Chickasha Ave. Chickasha, OK 73018 Telephone: (405) 224-3626 Facsimile: (405) 825-3516 Email: ibrown@mbplegal.com jswapp@mbplegal.com Attorneys for Plaintiff, Red Stone Resources LLC

No. 826-November 23-1 Time Board of McClain County Commissioners met in special session on Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. at the McClain County Courthouse in Room 111 of the McClain County Courthouse. Chairman Terry Daniel called the meeting to order. County Clerk Deputy Rebekah Couch called the roll and those present were: Chairman Terry Daniel, Vice Chairman Glen Murray and Member Wilson Lyles. Others present were: ADA Kristina Bell, ADA Chris Bergon, McClain County Sheriff Landy Offolter, Garvin County Commissioners Randy Chandler, Gary Ayres and Mike Gollihare, Garvin County Sheriff Jim Mullett, Garvin County Clerk Lori Fulks, John Montgomery with the Purcell Register, Suzanne Mackey with the Garvin County News Star, Barry Porterfield with the Pauls Valley Daily Democrat, and Tom & Stephanie Christensen, Matt Graves with Architects In Partnership, and David Floyd with Floyd

& Driver Law Firm. The Board met with Matt Graves with Architects In Partnership. Mr. Graves has done architectural drawing to design the McClain County Detention Center in 2017 and an incomplete design for Garvin County Detention Center in 2019 due to COVID. He informed the Board that each facility would need additional beds due to the

population increase, needs for isolation, medical, mental health and weekend prisoners. The possible Regional Detention Center the bed count could increase to 357 beds at approximately 60,000 square feet to hold both McClain County and Garvin County prisoners. Mr. Graves believes that there would be a savings in creating a Regional Center Facility.

The Board met with David Floyd with Floyd & Driver Law Firm regarding Trust Authority. Mr. Floyd explained that each county would enter into a Trust Agreement to form the Authority. Each county would be responsible for paying a Service Agreement for rental of the beds from the Trust Authority; this service agreement would be a yearly agreement. The Trust Authority would consist of the Chair-

man and Sheriff of both counties. With no further business Glen Murray moved to adjourn, Wilson Lyles seconded. Vote Aye: Murray, Lyles, Daniel. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS McCLAIN COUNTY. OKLAHOMA Terry Daniel, Chairman Glen Murray, Vice Chairman Wilson Lyles, Member Attest:

Pam Beller County Clerk

No. 818-November 23-1 Time NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Service Storage Facility Lien Act, Monday, December 11, 2023, at 10:00 A.M., Gizmo Storage will sell to the highest bidder via online public auction, CASH ONLY, (subject to occupant's right of redemption prior to sale), all right, title, and interest to miscellaneous personal property remaining in the below listed storage units located at Gizmo Storage, 2200 Weedn Blvd., Purcell, Oklahoma, to wit: Unit No. 816, occupied by Levi Amore, last known address: 14245 State HWY 76, Lindsay, Oklahoma 73052

Unit No. 541, occupied by Rolando Garza, last known address: 200 Salinas Dr., Mission, Texas 78572.

Unit No. 220, occupied by Justin _ynn, last known address: PO Box

269, Purcell, Oklahoma 73080. The sale will be held online at www.StorageTreasures.com.

No. 824-November 23-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF McCLAIN COUNTY

STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NORVEL J. MOORE, Deceased.

Case No. PB-23-137 NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL, APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS,

DEVISEES AND LEGATEES Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estate of Norvel J. Moore, Deceased, that on the 17th day of November 2023, there was produced and filed in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, an instrument purporting to be the Will of Norvel J. Moore, Deceased, dated September 19, 2022 and there was also filed in the Court the Petition of Wilma Ruth Moore praying that the Will be admitted to probate, Letters Testamentary issued to her as Personal Representative of the Estate, to serve without bond, and for a judicial determination of

the heirs, devisees and legatees

of the Decedent.

Pursuant to an Order of this Court made on the 17th day of November 2023, notice is given that the 7th day of December 2023, at 9:30 a.m., is the day and time that the Petition will be heard in the District Courtroom of Judge Charles Gray in the County Courthouse, 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 17th day of November 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

Blevins & 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. 819-November 23-1 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.

TWELVE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY (\$12,370.00) DOLLARS IN U.S. CURRENCY; Defendant.

JAMAL CHAMBERS JAMES CASSALE CARTER-SMITH JR Claimants.

CASE NO. CV-2023-231 NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND INTENDED FORFFITURE THESTATE OF OKLAHOMATO: Jamal Chambers 2100 Winrock Blvd. Apartment #069 Houston, TX 77057 James Cassale Carter-Smith Jr.

Unit #A Houston, TX 77039 And all others claiming an interest in the above-described property.

5703 Easthampton Drive

You are hereby notified that the State of Oklahoma has seized and intends to forfeit the following described currency:

TWELVE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY (\$12,370.00) DOLLARS IN U.S. CURRENCY

In support of the filing of this

Notice, Plaintiff submits the following summary of allegations. The above-styled currency, which was seized in McClain County by an OBN agent(s) on or about August 29, 2023, was furnished or intended to be furnished in exchange for a controlled dangerous substance in violation of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous 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. Additionally, and/or in the alternative, it is alleged that said currency was also acquired by one or more of 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 through violation of the UCDSA. As such, it is alleged said currency is thus forfeitable pursuant to 63 O.S. § 2-503(A)(6), (A)(7) and/or (B)

On or about the date specified above, an agent observed a traffic violation by a vehicle. Upon conducting a traffic stop of the vehicle, the driver was identified as Jamal Chambers. During this initial contact, the agent observed the odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle. While conversing with Chambers, Chambers indicated that he and the passenger, later identified to be James Carter-Smith, were in route to a casino in Oklahoma, as well as to visit family of the passenger. It is further alleged that Carter-Smith

also separately spoke with the

agent and indicated the two were traveling to a casino but denied having family in Oklahoma. A probable cause search of the vehicle was conducted which led to the discovery of the above referenced currency. During the stop, Carter-Smith claimed to be the owner of the currency.

During the traffic stop of Carter-Smith and Chambers, another OBN agent was in the process of conducting a traffic stop on a separate vehicle for an expired tag. This vehicle had been seen traveling near to the vehicle being driven by Carter-Smith/Chambers. During this additional traffic stop, four occupants were identified to include the driver, Jay Van Spencer, III. During this traffic stop, it is further alleged that information was obtained which was consistent with these two vehicles traveling together. The vehicle driven by Spencer was found to contain evidence of suspected marijuana including various small containers of products/substances which were consistent with marijuana. Also found was a plastic bag with a label entitled 'Hawaiin Runtz' (alleged to be the name of a strain of marijuana) which contained several banded bundles of U.S. currency. Several more bundles of currency were found in the vehicle in different bags for a total that was determined to be in excess of \$21,000. Identifications for two of the occupants indicated an address from the area in and/or around Houston, TX. The identifications for Chambers and Carter-Smith also provided addresses in and/or around Houston, TX.

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 6th day of November, 2023 DONNIE ANDERSON, Director

Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control /s/ Travis White 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

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF McCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL L. O'SHIELDS, DECEASED CASE NO. PB-2023-136

COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF HEARING To: All Persons Interested in The Estate of Michael L. O'Shields, Deceased

You are hereby notified that on the 17th day of November, 2023, the Petitioner, Pamela O'Shields, filed in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, a Petition for Combined Summary Administration, Probate of Will, Appointment of Personal Representative, and Determination of Heirs, Devisees, and Legatees. The Petitioner has alleged that Michael L. O'Shields, died testate in the City of Oklahoma City, County of Oklahoma, State of Oklahoma on August 19, 2021, at the age of 73, domiciled in and residing in the City of Newcastle, County of McClain, State of Oklahoma at the time of his death: and that the total probable value of his property in Oklahoma is less than \$200,000.00.

The names, ages, and lastknown addresses of the administrators, executors, non-petitioning co-nominees, heirs, legatees and devisees of the Decedent, so far as known to Petitioner, are as follows:

Pamela O'Shields 2112 Park Ave Newcastle, OK 73065 Patrick O'Shields 601 Shadow Lake Rd Norman, OK 73071 Michael L. O'Shields, Jr. 806 NW 44 Lawton, OK 73505 Kevin T. O'Shields 10516 Concord Drive Oklahoma City, OK 73151

In the Order for Combined Notice, and Order Appointing Personal Representative, entered herein, the Court found that it should dispense with the regular estate proceedings prescribed by law and order notice to creditors and issue an order for hearing upon the Petition for Combined Summary Administration and Determination of Heirs, Devisees,

No. 822-November 23-2 Times and Legatees, the Final Accounting and Petition for Distribution. Pursuant to the Order for Combined Notice, all creditors having claims against the above Decedent are required to present same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral, if any, held by each creditor with respect to such claim to the Petitioner, Pamela O'Shields, c/o Kevin T. O'Shields, 10516 Concord Drive, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73151, on or before November 17, 2023. The hearing in this matter has been set for January 18, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. at the McClain County Courthouse, 121 N. 2nd Street, Purcell, OK 73080, before Judge Charles Gray. At the hearing, the Court will decide whether to approve the Final Account and Petition for Distribution of the Petitioner. The Final Account and Petition for Distribution will be filed herein on or before the 18th day of January, 2024.

You are hereby advised that you must file objections to the Petition for Combined Summary Administration and Determination of Heirs and the Final Accounting and Petition for Distribution before the hearing and send a copy to the Petitioner's attorney, Kevin T. O'Shields, 10516 Concord Drive, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73151, or you will be deemed to have waived any objections. If you have no objections, you need not appear at the hearing or make any filings with the Court.

If an objection is filed before the hearing, the Court will determine at the hearing, whether summary proceedings are appropriate and, if so, whether the estate will be distributed and to whom the estate will be distributed. DATED this 17th day of Novem-

ber, 2023.

/s/ Charles N. Gray DISTRICT COURT JUDGÉ APPROVED AS TO FORM: /s/ Kevin T. O'Shields Kevin T. O'Shields, OBA No.

10516 Concord Drive Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73151

Telephone: (817) 944-5246 ktoshields@mac.com Attorney for Petitioner

No. 816-November 23-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF McCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL M. BRADSHER, Deceased. Case No. PB-23-49

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND PETITION FOR DISTRIBUTION NOTICE is hereby given that Michael M. Bradsher II, the duly appointed and qualified Personal Representative of the Estate of Michael M. Bradsher, deceased, has filed his Final Account and

Petition for Order Allowing Final Account and Distribution. A hearing has been fixed by the Judge of the Court for the 14th day of December, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. in

the courtroom of Judge Charles Gray, McClain County Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma, when and where all persons interested in said estate are notified to then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the account should not be settled and allowed and the estate distributed

DATED this 16th day of November, 2023.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE Charles Gray Associate District Judge Monte J. Wilson, OBA #11572 P.O. Box 954 Norman, OK 73070 (405) 321-0500 Attorney for Personal Representative

No. 807-November 16-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA J. LEIGH PROPERTIES, LLC. Plaintiff,

MINERVA MENDEZ a/k/a MI-NERVA GUTIERREZ; THE UN-KNOWN HEIRS OF JOSE RIVERA Deceased; and UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LUCINA MENDEZ a/k/a LU-CINA MENDEA. Deceased: TOWN OF WAYNE, a municipality; and MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA by and through THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA; and MCCLAIN COUNTY TREA-SURFR: Defendants.

Case No. CV-23-214 NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

To The Unknown Heirs, legatees, devisees, successors and assigns of LUCINA MENDEZ, a/k/a LUCINA MENDEA and JOSE RIVERA, deceased, if any.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition to quiet title to certain property in Oklahoma County, being All of Lots One (1), Two (2) and the West 10 feet of Lot Three (3), in Block Four (4), in the First Addition to the Town of Wayne, McClain County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded

plat thereof, has been filed by the Plaintiff, J. Leigh Properties, LLC, against you, The Unknown Heirs, legatees, devisees, successors and assigns of LUCINA MENDEZ. a/k/a LUCINA MENDEA and JOSE RIVERA, deceased, in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma. You have been sued and are required to file with the Clerk of this Court and serve upon Plaintiff's attorneys a written answer on or before the 27th day of December. 2023. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you and a decree quieting Plaintiff's title to the above-described property will be entered. Date 11-3-2023.

Kristel Gray District Court Clerk, McClain County By: /s/ Karen Weltmer Deputy Clerk

(Seal)

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF: Patrick H. Lane, OBA #30885 Jordan M. LePage, OBA #32446 Grant P. Scowden, OBA #34277 Ball Morse Lowe, PLLC 531 Couch Dr., Ste 201 Oklahoma City, OK 73102 Telephone: (405) 701-5355 Facsimile: (405) 701-2830 Email: plane@bml.law Email: jlepage@bml.law Email: gscowden@bml.law

No. 823-November 23-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN MCNALL, DECEASED. Case No. PB-2023-134

COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF HEARING To: All persons interested in the Estate of LYNN MCNALL, Deceased. You are hereby notified that on the 16th day of November, 2023, Petitioner, RENE Y. MCNALL-KNAPP, c/o Kendra Robben and Lacy Jennings, Robben Law PLLC, 2123 N. Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73106, attorneys for Petitioner, filed in the District Court of Mc-Clain County a Petition for Summary Administration Pursuant to 58 O.S. § 245, for Appointment of Administrator, and Issuance of Letters of Administration

The Petitioner has alleged that LYNN MCNALL died intestate on the 1st day of October, 2023, domiciled and residing in McClain County, State of Oklahoma at the time of his death, and that the total value of the Decedent's property in Oklahoma is less than \$200,000.00. Petitioner has asked the Court to order summary proceedings pursuant to 58 O.S. 245, et. seq.

The Petitioner has alleged that the names, ages, and last known addresses of the heirs-at-law of the Decedent at the time of his death, so far as known to the Petitioner are:

Name	Age	Residence
Ann Sherrie McNall, Wife Heir-at-Law	Adult	2000 N Highway 76 Newcastle, OK 73065
Rene Y. McNall- Knapp, Daughter Heir-at-Law	Adult	2000 N Highway 76 Newcastle, OK 73065
Lisa Pirwitz, Daughter Heir-at-Law	Adult	419 Tomotley Court Greer, SC 29651

In the Order for Combined Notice and Order Appointing Administrator entered herein, the Court found that it should dispense with the regular estate proceedings prescribed by law, order notice to creditors and issue an order for hearing upon the Petition for Summary Administration, the Final Accounting and Petition for Determination of Heirs-at-Law, Distribution, and Discharge.

Pursuant to the Order for Combined Notice, all creditors having claims against LYNN MCNALL, Deceased, are required to present the same with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim to RENE Y. MCNALL-KNAPP, Administrator, at the law offices of Robben Law PLLC, 2123 N. Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73106, addressed to Kendra Robben and Lacy Jennings, attorneys for the Administrator, on or before the following presentment date: December 18, 2023, or the same will be forever barred.

The hearing for this matter has been set for the 18th day of January, 2024, at 9:30 o'clock a.m. at the McClain County Courthouse, 121 N 2nd Ave, Purcell, Oklahoma, before Judge Gray. At the hearing, the Court will decide whether to approve the Petition for Summary Administration and the Final Account and Petition for Determination of Heirs-at-Law, Distribution of Property, and Discharge. The Final Account and Petition for Determination of Heir-at-Law, Distribution, and Discharge will be filed herein on or before the 22nd day of December. 2023

You are hereby advised that you must file objections to the Petition for Summary Administration and the Final Account and Petition for Determination of Heirs-at-Law, Distribution, and Discharge with the Court before the hearing and send a copy to the Administrator in care of her attorneys, Kendra Robben and Lacy Jennings, Robben Law PLLC, 2123 N. Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73106, or you will be deemed to have waived any objections. If you have no objections, you need not appear at the hearing nor make any filings with the Court.

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

DATED this 16th day of November, 2023.

/s/ Charles Gray ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGÉ JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Approved for Entry: /s/ Lacy Jennings Kendra Robben, OBA No. 21792 Lacy Jennings, OBA No. 35648 ROBBEN LAW PLLC 2123 N. Classen Blvd. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106 Telephone: (405) 757-0225 Facsimile: (405) 212-4083 lacy@robbenlaw.com Attorneys for Petitioner

CV-2023-131 Notice is given that on the 19th day of December, 2023 at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the McClain County Courthouse, in the City of Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, the Sheriff of said County will offer for sale and sell. with appraisement, for cash, at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, all that certain real estate in McClain County, Oklahoma, to-wit:

SURFACE AND SURFACE ONLY in Lot Five (5), Block One (1), OAKRIDGE PLACE II, a 1992 Replat of the Original Plat of Oakridge Place, an Addition to the City of Purcell, being a party of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section 23, Township 6 North, Range 2 West, McClain County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof

2/3 of \$195,000.00

\$130,650.00 SURFACE AND SURFACE ONLY in Lot Six (6), Block One (1), OAKRIDGE PLACE II, a 1992 Replat of the Original Plat of Oakridge Place, an Addition to the City of Purcell, being a party of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section 23, Township 6 North, Range 2 West, McClain County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof

2/3 of \$205,000.00

\$137,350.00 SURFACE AND SURFACE ONLY The East 46 feet of Lot 9 and the West 10 feet of Lot 10. Block 19 of the Curtis-Butler Resubdivision of Blocks 7, 8, 9 and 20, in the, City of Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof

2/3 of \$170,000.00

\$113,900.00 SURFACE AND SURFACE ONLY A part of Lot Six (6) and Seven (7) in Block Thirty-nine (39), in the City of Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast

Corner of said Lot 6; thence North a distance of 67.86 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North a distance of 53.10 feet; thence West a distance of 150.00 feet: thence South a distance of 52.27 feet; thence South 89°40'59" E a distance of 150.00 feet to the point of Beginning

2/3 of \$105,000.00

\$70,350.00 Subject to unpaid taxes, advancements by Plaintiff for taxes, insurance premiums, and expenses necessary for the preservation of the subject property, if any, said property having been duly appraised as set out above. The minimum bid allowed pursuant to law will be two thirds of the appraised value, as set out more specifically above. 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. CV-2023-131, entitled **DALE SCHRADER BENEFICIARY** TRUST, ESTABLISHED PURSU-ANT TO THAT CERTAIN TRUST AGREEMENT DATED SEPTEM-BFR 27, 2012. Plaintiff, vs BETTY HICKMAN BENEFICIARY TRUST ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THAT CERTAIN TRUST AGREE-

MENT DATED SEPTEMBER 27,

2012 and DEBRA DENISE PERRY

RENFFICIARY TRUST, ESTAB-

LISHED PURSUANT TO THAT

CERTAIN TRUST AGREEMENT

DATED SEPTEMBER 27, 2012,

Defendants, and persons holding

or claiming any interest or lien in

the subject property. No guaranty

or warranty to title is made by the

Landy Offolter, Sheriff McClain County, Oklahoma BY: /s/ Sheriff Landy Offolter James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881 Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731 George W. Velotta, II, OBA

Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565 Purcell, OK 73080 Phone: 405-527-7575 Fax: 405-527-7574 Attorney for Plaintiff

No. 800-November 16-3 Times CV-2023-227

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF OKLAHOMATO: Carmen Young a/k/a Carmen E. Young, Deceased; Unknown Successors of Carmen Young a/k/a Carmen E. Young, Deceased; The Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns of Carmen Young a/k/a Carmen Young, Deceased; Fredrick D. Young, Deceased; Unknown Successors of Fredrick D. Young, Deceased; The Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns of Fredrick D. Young, Deceased (all of whom are the "Defendants").

You are hereby notified that you have been sued in the District Court in and for McClain County, Oklahoma, Case No. CV-2023-227 wherein Lorna M. Lammers, William A. Young, Mark A. Young and Deborah E. Dunagan are Plaintiffs, and you are Defendants and unless you answer the Petition of the Plaintiffs filed against you on or before.lanuary2 2024 tions of said Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered against you accordingly as prayed for, including determinations that Carmen Young a/k/a Carmen E. Young died on March 1, 1997, and that Fredrick D. Young died on February 13, 2021, each seized and possessed at the time of their respective deaths of an ownership interest, claim or cloud on title in and to the following described

An undivided one fourth (1/4) interest in and to all the oil, gas, coal and other minerals lying in or under or that may be produced from the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (S/2 SE/4 NW/4) and the East Half of the Southwest Quarter (E/2 SW/4) of Section Twenty-three (23), Township Six (6) North, Range Two (2) West, McClain County, Oklahoma,

according to the government survey thereof, (the "Property"),

that Plaintiffs are the owners and holders of any right, title or interest in and to the Property owned or claimed by Carmen Young a/k/a Carmen E. Young and Fredrick D. Young at the time of their deaths, and Plaintiffs are in the actual and peaceable possession thereof; that the Defendants claim some right, title or interest in and to the Property adverse to the Plaintiffs which constitute clouds on the Plaintiffs' title; that there has been no judicial determination of heirship of either of Carmen Young a/k/a Carmen E. Young, Deceased, and Fredrick D. Young, Deceased; and further determining the names and individual identities and proportionate shares of the persons who took, or were entitled to take their respective interests in the Property under the intestate laws of succession in force and applicable to the distribution of the Property at the respective times of the deaths of Carmen Young a/k/a Young and Fre Young; that the Defendants have no right, title or interest in and to the Property; and that the title of Plaintiffs in and to the Property be quieted against the Defendants: and the Defendants be perpetually barred and enjoined from setting up or asserting any right, title or interest in the Property.

WITNESS my hand on the 8th day of November, 2023.

> Kristel Gray, Court Clerk McClain County, Oklahoma By /s/ Karen Weltmer Deputy (Seal)

William P. McDoniel, OBÀ No. 5968

721 W. Country Club Road Chickasha, OK 73018-7259 Phone: (405) 224-1991 Fax: (405) 224-1994 E-Mail: hhandmcd@aol.com Attorney for Plaintiffs

2023, before Judge Charles Gray Oklahoma, and all persons interthen and there to appear and show and allowed, the heirs of NANCY L. MAYNARD, Deceased, deterdischarged.

day of November, 2023.

CHARLES GRAY

Attorney for Personal Representative

No. 812-November 23-1 Time LEGAL NOTICE

The Board of Education of the Moore Norman Technology Center School District No. 17 hereby provides legal notice that the annual school board election filing period for candidates will open on Monday, December 4, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. and will close Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. or when the Cleveland County Election Board Office, located in Norman, Oklahoma, closes for business that day. Date of the Election:

A Board of Education Primary Election shall be held to vote to elect a board member for district Zone No. 4 on Tuesday, February 13, 2024, with a Board of Education General Election to be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, if no candidate for the board member position receives more than 50% of the vote. The polling places shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Board Member Position On

The voters shall elect a board member for Board position District Zone 4. Office 4 of the Board of

Education of the Moore Norman Technology Center School District No. 17, which has a 5-year term. Qualifications of Candidates

for Office: To be eligible to be a candidate for member of the board of education of a school district, a person must have resided in the district for at least six (6) months preceding the first day of the filing period and have been a registered voter registered with the county election board at an address located within

No person shall be eligible to be a candidate for or elected to be a member of the board of education of a school district unless the person has been awarded a high school diploma or certificate of high school equivalency.

(6) months preceding the first day

the filing period.

A person who has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or a felony under the laws of this state or of the United States or who has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to such misdemeanor involving embezzlement or felony or who

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another state which would have been a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or a felony under the laws of this state or has entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to such crime shall not be eligible to be a candidate for or be elected to any state, county, municipal, judicial, or school office or any other elective office of any political subdivision of this state office for a period of fifteen (15) years following completion of his sentence or the geographical boundaries of during the pendency of an appeal the election district zone for six of such conviction or plea.

No person shall be eligible to be a candidate for or serve on a board of education if he or she is currently employed by the school district governed by the board of education or is related within the second degree by affinity or consanguinity to any other member of the board of education or to any employee of the school district governed by the board of education.

Candidates must affirm that upon being elected as a member of the Board of Education, within fifteen (15) months of election, they will complete at least twelve (12) hours of instruction on school fi-

nance; legal issues, which include but are not limited to employment, due process, new laws, the Oklahoma Open Records Act and the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act; and duties and responsibilities, which include but are not limited to special education and ethics, of district board of education members.

Voters Eligible to Vote:

To be eligible to vote, a voter must be registered with the county election board at an address within the geographical boundaries of the district.

Moore Norman Technology Center School District No. 17 includes part of Cleveland, McClain, and Oklahoma counties and all of Norman Public Schools District I-29 and Moore Public Schools District I-2.

Approved by the Moore Norman Technology Center School District No. 17 Board of Education on this 16th day of October, 2023.

Glen Cosper

Presiding Officer, Board of Education

Kim Nguyen Aguilar Clerk, Board of Education

No. 813-November 23-1 Time BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

APPLICANT: CAPSTONE LAND COMPANY **RELIEF SOUGHT: POOLING**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKI AHOMA

CAUSE CD NO. 2023-003002 NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF OKLAHOMATO: TBL Investments; Cheryl Foster; J.O. Easley; Eric Olsen; Blair Royalties, LTD; The M.A. Blair Revocable Living Trust; The Margaret A. Blair Revocable Living Trust; TCD Exploration, LLC; Madelle Noble, deceased: The Estate of Earl Tate. deceased - Carol Joyce Tate, as Administratrix; The Estate of Earl Tate, deceased - Carol Joyce Tate, as Administratrix; C. Doyle Leslie; and all persons, owners, producers, operators, purchasers and takers of oil and gas and all other interested persons, particularly in McClain County, Oklahoma, and if any of the individuals are deceased, or if any of the companies are no longer in existence, the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, successors and assigns, immediate and remote, of the named parties.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant/Operator in this cause is requesting the Commission pool the interests, designate an operator, and adjudicate the rights and equities of oil and gas owners in the Basal Pennsylvanian Unconformity, Woodford, and Hunton common sources of supply underlying Section 14, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Applicant/Operator in this cause is requesting the following special relief: to designate the Applicant/Operator or some other party as Operator of the unit well. Applicant/Operator is further requesting that the Order to be entered in this cause be made effective on a date prior to the date of the Order. Applicant/ Operator may request up to one year from the date of the Order to enter in this cause, with which to commence the initial well.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause be set before an Administrative Law Judge for hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to the Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause will be heard before an Administrative Law Judge on the Initial Hearing Docket at the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at 8:30 a.m., on the 11th day of December, 2023, and that this Notice be published as required by law and the Rules of the Com-

Due to renovation work at the Jim Thorpe Office Building, the Commission's Oklahoma City office has relocated to the Will Rogers Memorial Office Building at 2401 N. Lincoln Blvd., in the Capitol Complex, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105. All hearings, docket calls, and public meetings will be conducted in the Concourse Theater or additional courtrooms located in the tunnel between the Will Rogers Memorial Office Building and the Sequovah Memorial Office Building. The specific room location, including updates, of each scheduled hearing or public meeting will be available on or before the day of the event at the information desk in the first-floor lobby of the Will Rogers Memorial Office Building and on the Commission's website

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the referenced hearing may be conducted via teleconference or video-conference. Before coming to the building for this hearing, please visit the Oklahoma Corporation Commission website at www.occeweb.com to determine the status of building access. Instructions for participating via teleconference or video-conference are available on the Commission's

Oil Company, LLC; Pro Mineral,

LLC, as successor to Joshua

Tucker, Presumed Heir, Successor

or Devisee of Rick Tucker, De-

ceased; Renee Brown; Rivendell

Royalty Corp; Robin Housden

Jacobs; Ronald Gene Ferguson

and Dianne Sue Ferguson, Co-

Trustees of the Ronald and Dianne

Ferguson Revocable Trust dtd

7/12/2022; Rosemary Bitsche or

her Unknown Heirs, Successors,

Devisees, and Assigns c/o Rob-

ert Bitsche: Scout Royalty Corp:

ShaleCase Energy, LLC; Sharon

Fujier, a/k/a Sister Sharon, a/k/a

Elizabeth Ann Fried: Shirlev K.

Cowling as presumed heir and/

or devisee of Wilford Truman

Smith, Jr. and of Truman Smith

and Emma Smith, All Deceased;

Shirley Lee and Lyndell Ray Lee;

Teresa Fried Nichols; Teresa Fried

Nichols; Teri L Barber; The Thomas

RMcLean and Elizabeth EMcLean

Foundation, Inc; Truman Smith or

his Unknown Heirs, Successors,

Devisees, and Assigns c/o Billy

Lynn Smith; Truman Smith or his

Unknown Heirs, Successors,

Devisees, and Assigns c/o Hugh

Stanton Smith; Truman Smith or

his Unknown Heirs, Successors,

Devisees, and Assigns c/o Shir-

ley K Cowling; Truman Smith or

his Unknown Heirs, Successors,

Devisees, and Assigns c/o Hugh

Stanton Smith; Unknown Heirs,

Successors. Devisees, and As-

signs of Carmen Pearl Harman,

deceased c/o Carolyn Jean

Friedman; Unknown Heirs, Suc-

cessors, Devisees, and Assigns of

Mary E Wulff, deceased c/o Carol

Gutzler; Unknown Heirs, Succes-

sors, Devisees, and Assigns of

Richard Reilly, deceased c/o Ruth

Bernice Reilly; Unknown Heirs,

Successors, Devisees, and As-

signs of Richard Reilly, deceased

c/o Shirley K Brown; Unknown

Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and

Assigns of Robert A Housden,

deceased c/o Robin Housden

Jacobs; Unknown Heirs, Suc-

cessors, Devisees, and Assigns

of Sally L Williams, deceased c/o

Robert A Thomas, Jr; Unknown

Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and

Assigns of Sandra L Williams,

deceased c/o Robin A Hooks-

Nowlin; Unknown Heirs, Succes-

sors, Devisees, and Assigns of

Sandra L Williams, deceased c/o

Melissa L Van Wyk-Marranca;

Unknown Heirs, Successors,

Devisees, and Assigns of Sandra

Allen Thomas, Jr: Ventana Ex-

ploration and Production II. LLC:

Deanna K Presmark; John Fried;

S A Wilson and Clara Wilson, pos-

sibly deceased; and all persons if

living or if deceased, their known

and unknown successors and all

corporations existing and if dis-

Williams, deceased c/o Robert

at: https://oklahoma.gov/occ/

court-dockets.html

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Applicant and interested parties may present testimony by telephone. The cost of telephonic communication shall be paid by the person or persons requesting its use. Interested parties who wish to participate by telephone shall contact the Applicant or Applicant's attorney, prior to the hearing date, and provide their name and telephone number.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action, contact JOSHUA Č. HYLTON, Capstone Land Company, PO Box 517, Mustang, OK 73064, (405) 494-9191, Email: jhylton@capstoneland.net, or Eric Huddleston, Attorney, Two Leadership Square, 211 North Robinson, Suite 1300, Oklahoma City, OK 73102, Telephone: (405) 232-3722.

CORPORATION COMMISSION OF OKLAHOMA J. Todd Hiett, CHAIRMAN Kim David, VICE CHAIRMAN Bob Anthony, COMMIS-

DONE AND PERFORMED THIS 15th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2023. BY ORDER OF THE COMMIS-SION

Secretary

No. 814-November 23-1 Time BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

APPLICANT: FOURPOINT EN-ERGY, LLC RELIEF SOUGHT: POOLING

(PART OF A MULTIUNIT HORI-ZONTAL WELL) LEGAL DESCRÍPTION: SECTION

22. TOWNSHIP 9 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA CASE CD2022-003153-T

NOTICE OF HEARING ON MOTION FOR **EXTENSION OF TIME**

TO ALL PERSONS, OWNERS. PRODUCERS, OPERATORS, PURCHASERS AND TAKERS OF OIL AND GAS, INCLUDING Alice Virginia Loeffelholz; Anevay Resources, LLC; Annastin Mineral Partners, LLC; Arlene Fried or her Unknown Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and Assigns c/o Marie Arlene Fried; Arlene Fried or her Unknown Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and Assigns c/o Lawrence Allen Fried, Jr; Betty Ann Bahm or her Unknown Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and Assigns c/o Mark Alan Bahm; Betty Ann Bahm or her Unknown Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and Assigns c/o Mark Alan Bahm; Billy Lynn Smith as presumed heir and/or devisee of Truman Smith and Emma Smith, Both Deceased; Brian Dewayne Lee; Brian Prater and Morgan Prater: Brian Prater and Morgan Prater; Buffalo Bayou Resources II, LP; Buffalo Bayou Resources II, LP; CALM Fort Worth Ventures, LLC; Carl Marvin Franklin; Carol Gutzler; Charlene Thorne; Cherry Creek Minerals, LLC; Continental Resources, Inc; Criner Land Services, LLC; Dasher Energy, LLC; David Fried; Devon Energy Production Company, LP; Dorothy Ferguson c/o Lawrence Allen Fried, Jr; DW Energy Group, LLC; Echo Minerals, LP; Elizabeth Fried Estate c/o George Fried, Executor of the Estate; Elizabeth Fried Estate c/o Lawrence Allen Fried, Jr; Elizabeth Hicks; Elm Park Minerals II. LP c/o Elm Park Minerals II GP. LLC Attn: Kent Regens, President; Emma Viola Smith or her Unknown Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and

Assigns c/o Billy Lynn Smith;

Emma Viola Smith or her Unknown

Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and

Assigns c/o Shirley K Cowling:

Emma Viola Smith or her Unknown

Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and

Assigns c/o Hugh Stanton Smith;

Emma Viola Smith or her Unknown

Heirs, Successors, Devisees,

and Assigns; Estate of Richard

Reilly, deceased c/o Shirley K

Brown, Administrator; Estate of

Rick Tucker, deceased c/o Laurie

Ann Burt, a/k/a Laurie AnnTucker.

Personal Representative; Estate of Rose Braun c/o Mark Alan Bahm; Estate of Rose Braun c/o Mark Alan Bahm; Gary Lee Hathcock; Gary Lee Hathcock; George Fried or his Unknown Heirs. Successors, Devisees, and Assigns c/o William Fried; Gladys Blaine or her Unknown Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and Assigns c/o Lanny Edwin Blaine: Gooch Farms. LLC: Granite Shoal Investments. LLC; Herndon, Crudup & Wilder Royalties Limited Partnership c/o Betsy Eubanks Wilder; Herndon, Crudup & Wilder Royalties Limited Partnership c/o Tatum Wigington, POA for Betsy Wilder; Hugh Stanton Smith as presumed heir and/or devisee of Wilford Truman Smith, Jr. and of Truman Smith and Fmma Smith, All Deceased: Hugh Stanton Smith as presumed heir and/or devisee of Wilford Truman Smith, Jr. and of Truman Smith and Emma Smith, All Deceased; Jack M Deitrick, Jr and Londa L Deitrick: James Milton Cook Jr/ II, and Stacy Lynn Cook; Jane E Fried; Jane E Fried; Jane E Fried; Jerry Thomas Curl and Sherry L Curl; Jonathan Douglas Brooks; Joseph Reilly c/o Joseph Patrick Reilly, AIF: Juanita Camara: Kayla Tucker; Kayla Tucker; Kenneth W Caster and Andrea L Caster; Klinten M Trammel and Carolyn J Trammel; KTC Investments, LLC; Laurie Tucker, as Presumed Heir, Successor or Devisee of Rick Tucker. Deceased; Laurie Tucker, as Presumed Heir, Successor or Devisee of Rick Tucker, Deceased; Lawrence Fried, Jr; Leonard Fried or his Unknown Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and Assigns: Longreach Energy 2, LLC; Louis Lepak, Jr. or his Unknown Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and Assigns c/o Jane Mary Lepak; Matthew Johnson and LaDonna Johnson; Michael Kozak; Michael L McMillan and Sara A Winsted McMillan, Trustees of the McMillan Family Revocable Trust dtd 12/15/2015; Michael Lepak; Mike D Fried; Nancy V Sneed or her Unknown Heirs, Successors. Devisees, and Assigns c/o Anne Sneed; Nancy V Sneed or her Unknown Heirs, Successors, Devisees, and Assigns c/o John Franklin Geppert; Nancy V Sneed or her Unknown Heirs, Successors. Devisees, and Assigns c/o Martha Sells: Nick Burt. as Presumed Heir, Successor or Devisee of Rick Tucker, Deceased; Nick Burt, as Presumed Heir, Successor or Devisee of Rick Tucker, Deceased; NWR Mineral Partners, LLC; O J Curl c/o Jerry Thomas Curl; Oxy, f/k/a Occidental Petroleum Company; Pauline Houlihan; Pauline Houlihan; Pauline Houli-

han; Perry Michael Goth, Jr; Pio-

neer Long Distance, Inc; Plainview

solved its known and unknown successors and all persons having an interest in the lands covered hereby, particularly in McClain County, Oklahoma. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Movant requests an ex-

tension of time for the drilling of the unit well under Pooling Order No. 731400 for one year or until January 17, 2025 to prepare for the drilling of the well. NOTICÉ IS FURTHER GIVEN

hat this Motion be set before an Administrative Law Judge for hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to the Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this Motion will be heard before an Administrative Law Judge on the Motion Hearing Docket at the Corporation Commission, Oklahoma Corporation Commission Eastern Regional Office, 201 W. 5th St., Suite 540, Tulsa, OK 74103, at 9:00 a.m. on the 11th day of December, 2023 and that this notice be published as required by law and the rules of the Commission. The referenced hearing may be conducted via teleconference or videoconference. Before coming to the building for this hearing, please visit the Oklahoma Corporation Commission website at https://oklahoma.gov/ occ.html to determine the status of building access. Instructions for participating via teleconference or videoconference are available on the Commission's website.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that in the event this Motion is uncontested, the Movant, its representatives, witnesses and other proponents of the Movant may appear and testify by telephone. The cost of telephonic communication shall be paid by the person or persons requesting its use. Interested parties who wish to participate by telephone shall contact the Movant or Movant's attorney, prior to the hearing date, and provide their name and phone number.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action, contact Alan Rolofson, RPL, Pinson Land Services, 10201 Buffalo Ridge Road, Edmond, OK 73025, 405/359-6727 or Ron M. Barnes or Grayson Barnes, BARNES LAW, PLLC, 1648 S. Boston Avenue. Ste. 100, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119, 918/382-8686

OKLAHOMA CORPORATION COMMISSION

J. TODD HIETT, Commissioner KIM DAVID, Commissioner

BOB ANTHONY. Commissioner /s/ Grayson Barnes Ron M. Barnes, OBA #534 Grayson Barnes, OBA #31475

No. 811-November 23-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-TATE OF NANCY L. MAYNARD,

Case No. PB-2022-154 NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

NOTICE is hereby given that Ronnie D. Maynard, Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF NANCY L. MAYNARD, Deceased having filed in this Court his Final Account of the Administration of said estate, and his Petition for Distribution of said estate and for Final Discharge of said Personal Representative, the hearing of the same has been fixed by the Judge of said Court for 9:30 o'clock a.m., on the 14th day of December,

in his chambers in the McClain County Courthouse in Purcell, ested in said estate are notified cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled mined, said estate distributed, and the Personal Representative

WITNESS MY HAND this 14th

ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE Judae

BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389) 212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407

Purcell, OK 73080 (405) 527-5623 blester@lesterlawoffice.com

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No. 817-November 23-2 Times the office of Monte J. Wilson, At-IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF McCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NANCY WAY, Deceased. Case No. PB-23-125 NOTICE TO CREDITORS TO THE CREDITORS OF NANCY WAY, Deceased:

All creditors having claims against Nancy Way, deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim to Jimmie Way, Personal Representative, at

torney at Law, P.C., P.O. Box 954, Norman, OK 73070, on or before the following presentment date: January 19, 2024, or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 16th day of November, 2023.

/s/ Jimmie Way

Jimmie Way Personal Representative /s/ Monte J. Wilson Monte J. Wilson, OBA #11572 P.O. Box 954 Norman, OK 73070 (405) 321-0500 (405) 321-6911 (fax) **ATTÓRNEY FOR PÉTITIONER**

No. 777-November 9-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA JACOB HENDRICKS, Plaintiff,

MARY CATHERINE HENDRICKS. Deceased, and the Unknown Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns of MARY CATHERINE HENDRICKS, Deceased Defendants.

CASE NO. CV-2023-224 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: Mary Catherine Hendricks, Deceased, and the unknown Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns of Mary Catherine Hendricks, Deceased

The above-named Defendants will take notice that in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, in the above-styled and numbered case, an action has been filed by Jacob Hendricks to quiet any right, title, or interest in the real property described hereinbelow which you have or may claim to have, and you must answer the Petition of said Plaintiff on file in said cause on or before December 29, 2023, or the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered accordingly, adjudging and decreeing that the Plaintiff is the owner of, and that the Plaintiff is the actual owner of the surface of the following described real property situated in McClain County, Oklahoma, to-wit (the "Property"):

Lot Seven (7), in Block One (1), REPLAT OF CEDAR HILLS ES TATES, an Addition to the City of Purcell, being the N SE NE

and NE SW NE and S NW and the South 367.96 feet NF of the S NE NE of Section 26, Township 7 North, Range 2 West, McClain County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof

free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances of Mary Catherine Hendricks, Deceased, and the Unknown Successors, Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns of Mary Catherine Hendricks, Deceased, have no right, title, interest, lien, estate, encumbrance, claim, or assessment in the surface of said hereinabove described real property, and a Decree quieting and confirming the Plaintiff's 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 surface of said lands and premises, or any part thereof.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL this 31st day of October 2023.

(Seal)

McClain County Court Clerk By: /s/ Scheryl Flores Deputy Court Clerk APPROVED:

/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr. James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881 George W. Velotta, II, OBA #9223

Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731 Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC 138 W. Main/P. O. Box 1565 Purcell, Oklahoma 73080 PHONE: (405) 527-7575 FAX: (405) 527-7574 Attorney for Plaintiff

No. 820-November 23-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARGIE KLAR, DECEASED

NO. PB-23-132 NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR PROBATE OF FOREIGN WILL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

to all persons interested in the Estate of Margie Klar, Deceased, that on this date Christopher Scott produced and filed in this Court a Petition for Probate of Foreign Will, having attached thereto a duly certified copy of the Last Will and Testament of said Decedent, Application to Probate Will and for Issuance of Letters Testamentary, Order Admitting Will to Probate and Authorizing Letters Testamentary, Notice to Creditors/Publishers Affidavit, and Order of Distribution distributing the Estate, all as issued by the Court having jurisdiction of the domiciliary probate proceedings.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that said Petition prays that an order be entered distributing all property subject to the jurisdiction of this Court in accordance with the Last Will and Testament of said Decedent, and the Order distributing the Estate of Decedent as entered by the Court having jurisdiction of the domiciliary probate proceeding; and that on the 4th day of January, 2024, said Petition will be heard in the courtroom of the undersigned Judge, or the Judge to whom this cause is assigned on said hearing date, in the McClain County Courthouse in Purcell, Oklahoma at 9:30 a.m.; and that an Order distributing the property subject to the jurisdiction of this Court will be entered in accordance with the documents from the domiciliary probate proceeding unless a written objection is filed prior to said date and time by an interested party or creditor of the Decedent. You may refer to said Petition,

the Exhibits attached thereto and the instruments on file in this cause

for further particulars. DATED this 15th day of November, 2023.

CHARLES N. GRAY JUDGE OF THE **DISTRICT COURT**

M. Todd Estes 600 E. Taylor Street, Suite 4007 Sherman, Texas 75090 (903) 893-7878

No. 821-November 23-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARILYN JANET TURNER,

Case No. PB-2022-61 NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR ORDER ALLOWING FINAL ACCOUNT;

DECEASED.

DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP; FINAL DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons interested in the Estate of MARILYN JANET TURNER, Deceased ("Decedent"), that James W. Keeley, Personal Representative of the Estate of Marilyn Janet Turner, having filed in this Court a Petition for Order Allowing Final Account; Determination of Heirship; and for Final Decree of Distribution, pursuant to an Order of the Court the hearing of the same has been fixed for the 14th day of December, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., before this Court at the District Courthouse of the County of McClain, State of Oklahoma, in the City of Purcell and all persons interested in the Estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the account should not be settled and allowed, and the Estate distributed and the Personal Representative discharged.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this 16th day of November, 2023 **CHARLES GRAY**

DISTRICT JUDGE CHARLES GRAY JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT /s/ Leisa Mayberry

ASSOCIATE

KENDRA RÓBBEN, OBA No. 21792 LEISA MAYBERRY, OBA No.

12823 LACY JENNINGS, OBA No. 35648

ROBBEN LAW PLLC 2123 N. Classen Blvd Oklahoma City, OK 73106 Telephone: (405) 757-0225 Facsimile: (405) 212-4083 leisa@robbenlaw.com Attorneys for Personal Repre-

sentative

STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WESLEY HUGH PIERCE, DECEASED. Case No: PB-2023-120 NOTICE TO CREDITORS All creditors having claims

against WESLEY HUGH PIERCE, deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral, if any, held by each creditor with respect to each claim, to the named Personal Representative at

No. 801-November 16-2 Times

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

OF MCCLAIN COUNTY

the office of the attorney for the Personal Representative, David F. Howell. 1840 S. Douglas Blvd., Midwest City, Oklahoma 73130, on or before the presentment date of the 17 day of January, 2024, or the same will be forever barred. Dated this 9 day of November, 2023.

/s/ David F. Howell David F. Howell, OBA #12710 1840 S. Douglas Blvd. Midwest City, OK 73130 Office: (405) 737-5673 Fax: (405) 737-6507 Attorney for Personal Representative

No. 815-November 23-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF McCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GLENN WAYNE BOYDSTON, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2023-133 NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION. APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE,

DETERMINATION OF HEIRS Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estate of Glenn Wayne Boydston, Deceased, that on the 15th day of November 2023, there was filed with this Court the Petition of Jerry Boydston praying that Letters of Administration be issued to him as Personal Representative of the Estate, to serve without bond, for a judicial determination of the heirs of the Decedent.

Pursuant to an Order of this Court made on the 15th day of November 2023 notice is given that the 14th day of December 2023, at 9:30 o'clock a.m. is the day and time that the Petition will be heard in the Courtroom of the Honorable Charles Gray, McClain County District Courthouse, 121 N. 2nd Street, Purcell, Oklahoma, 73080 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 15th day of November 2023. /s/ Charles N. Gray JUDGE OF THE

DISTRICT COURT Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565 Purcell, OK 73080 Phone: 405-527-7575 Fax: 405-527-7574

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA TATE OF NANCY L. MAYNARD, Deceased. Case No. PB-2022-154

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DETERMINATION

Ronnie D. Maynard, Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF NANCY L. MAYNARD, Deceased, having filed in this Court his Final Account of the Administration of said estate, and his Petition for Distribution of said estate and for Final Discharge of said Personal Representative, the hearing of the same has been fixed by the Judge of said Court for 9:30 o'clock a.m., on the 14th day of December, 2023, before Judge Charles Gray in his chambers in the McClain County Courthouse in Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of NANCY L. MAYNARD, Deceased, determined, said estate distributed,

WITNESS MY HAND this 14th

Attorney for Personal Representative

Purcell, OK 73080 (405) 527-5623 blester@lesterlawoffice.com

Town of Cole is accepting SEPA-RATE SEALED BIDS for:

1. Renovating Public Park 2. Resurfacing of streets

3. New Roof on a community building. A complete project descrip-

tion and bid documents can be obtained from the Cole City Hall. Virtual documents will be provided at no cost (townofcoleclerk@pldi. net), no hard copies will be made available. To view the project locations please contact The Cole City Hall on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday 9:30 am- 2:30 pm to make an appointment. 405-485

Sealed BIDs will be received by Town of Cole at the Cole City Hall office, 26887 Main Street. Cole, OK 73010 until 2:00 p.m., central time, on the 2nd day of January, 2024 and then at said office publicly be opened and read aloud at the January town meeting. All bidders must have a S.A.M.s number to be able to do business with the town.

Owner: Town of Cole Telephone No: (405) 485-3374 Address: 26887 Main Street Cole, OK 73010

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Separate SEALED BIDS for the construction of Updating Community Park Improvements - Updating and Renewed of Community Park BIDs will be received by Town of Cole at the office of 26887 Main Street. Cole, OK 73010 until 2:00 p.m., (Local Time), on the 2nd day of January 2024 and then at said office publicly be opened and read aloud at the January Town Meeting.

All bids must include assurances that the following provisions will be complied with:

1. Federal Labor Standards Provisions, U.S. Department of Labor, 29 CFR 5; Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701U, which requires that, to the greatest extent feasible. opportunities for training and employment be given lower-income residents of the project area and contracts for work in substantial part by persons residing in the area of the project:

2. Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 which assures that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination;

3. Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities, which assures that bidder does not maintain or provide any segregated facilities:

4. Equal Opportunity Provisions - Executive Order 11246, as amended, which assures nondiscrimination.

5. Minority Business Enterprise and Women Business Enterprise provisions which encourage

minority-owned businesses

No. 810-November 16-2 Times and women-owned businesses to bid on the project.

7. Assurances that surety companies executing bonds appear on the Treasury Department's list and are authorized to transact business in the State where the project is located.

The contract documents may be examined at the following locations:

Town of Cole, 26887 Main Street, Cole, OK 73010

Owner: Town of Cole Telephone No: (405) 485-3374 Address: 26887 Main Street Cole, OK 73010 **ADVERTISEMENT**

Separate SEALED BIDS for

New Roof BIDs will be received by Town of Cole at the office of 26887 Main Street. Cole, OK 73010 until 2:00

p.m., (Local Time), on the 2nd day of January, 2024 and then at said office publicly be opened and read aloud.

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3. Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities, which assures that bidder does not maintain or provide any segregated facilities: 4. Equal Opportunity Provi-

sions - Executive Order 11246, as amended, which assures nondiscrimination. 5. Minority Business Enterprise

and Women Business Enterprise provisions which encourage 6. minority-owned businesses and women-owned businesses

to bid on the project. 7. Assurances that surety companies executing bonds appear on the Treasury Department's list and are authorized to transact business in the State where the project is located.

The contract documents may be examined at the following locations:

Town of Cole, 26887 Main Street, Cole, OK 73010 Owner: Town of Cole

Telephone No: (405) 485-3374 Address: 26887 Main Street Cole, OK 73010 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Separate SEALED BIDS for Resurfacing roads BIDs will be received by Town of Cole at the office of 26887 Main Street. Cole, OK 73010 until 2:00 p.m., (Local Time), on the 2nd day of January, 2024 and then at said office publicly be opened and read aloud at the January town meeting.

All bids must include assurances that the following provisions will be complied with:

1. Federal Labor Standards Provisions, U.S. Department of Labor, 29 CFR 5; Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701U, which requires that greatest extent feasible, opportunities for training and employment be given lower-income residents of the project area and contracts for work in substantial part by persons

residing in the area of the project: 2. Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 which assures that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin or sex, be excluded from participation in. be denied the benefits of, or be

subjected to discrimination; 3. Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities, which assures that bidder does not maintain or provide any segregated facilities:

4. Equal Opportunity Provisions - Executive Order 11246, as amended, which assures nondiscrimination.

5. Minority Business Enterprise and Women Business Enterprise provisions which encourage

6. minority-owned businesses and women-owned businesses to bid on the project.

7. Assurances that surety companies executing bonds appear on the Treasury Department's list and are authorized to transact business in the State where the project is located.

The contract documents may be examined at the following locations:

Town of Cole, 26887 Main Street, Cole, OK 73010 INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

Bids will be received by Town of Cole (hereinafter called the "Owner"), at 26887 Main Street, Cole OK 73010 until 2:00 p.m. (Local Time), on January 2, 2024, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud at the January town meeting.

Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope, addressed to: Town of Cole at 26887 Main Street, Cole, OK 73010. Each sealed envelope containing a bid must be plainly marked on the outside as 'Bid for electrician work on garage doors for the Cole Fire Department and the envelope should bear on the outside the bidder's name, address, and license number, if applicable, and the name of the project for which the bid is submitted. If forwarded by USPS mail,

the sealed envelope containing the bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the Owner at Town of Cole, 26887 Main Street Cole, OK 73010. This project is Tax Exempt.

All bids must be made on the required bid form. All blank spaces for bid prices must be filled in, in ink or typewritten, and the bid form must be fully completed and executed when submitted. Only one Copy of the bid form is required.

The Owner may waive any informalities or minor defects or reject any and all bids. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above peduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. No Bidder may withdraw a bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Should there be reasons why the contract cannot be awarded within the specified period, the time may be extended by mutual agreement between the Owner and the Bidders, Bidders must satisfy themselves of the accuracy of the estimated quantities in the Bid Schedule by examination of the site and a review of the drawings and specifications including Addenda. After bids have been submitted, no bidder shall assert that there was a misunderstanding concerning the quantities of work or of the nature of the work to be done. Prior to bidding, the Owner shall provide Bidders with all information that is pertinent to and delineates and describes the land owned and rights-of-way acquired or to be acquired. The Contract Documents contain the provisions required for the construction of the product. Information obtained from an officer, agent, or employee of the Owner or any other person shall not affect the risks or obligations assumed by the Contractor or relieve the contractor from fulfilling any of the conditions of

this contract. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond payable to the Owner for five percent of the total amount of the bid. As soon as the bid prices have been compared, the Owner will return the bonds of all except the three lowest Bidders. When the Agreement is executed, the bonds of the two remaining unsuccessful Bidders will be returned. The bid bond of the successful Bidder will be retained until the Payment Bond and Performance Bond and/or Statutory Bond have been executed and approved. after which it will be returned. A certified check may be used in lieu of the bid bond.

responsive responsible Bidder. A Performance Bond and a Payment/Statutory Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the Contract Price and each with

the faithful performance of the Contract.

Attorney for Petitioner

Contracts Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds and Payment Bonds and Performance Bonds must file with each Bond a certified copy of their Power-of-Attorney bearing the effective date. The party to whom the contract is awarded will be required to execute the Agreement and obtain the Performance Bond, Statutory Bond, Maintenance Bond and Certificate of Insurance within ten (10) calendar days from the date when Notice of Award is delivered to the Bidder. The Notice of Award hall be accompanied necessary Agreement and Bond forms. In case of failure of the Bidder to execute the Agreement, the Owner may consider the Bidder in default, in which case the Bid Bond accompanying the proposal shall

become the property of the Owner. The Owner within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of acceptable Agreement, Bonds and Certificate of Insurance signed by the party to whom the Agreement was awarded shall sign the Agreement and return to such party an executed duplicate of the Agreement. Should the Owner not execute the Agreement within such period, the Bidder may, by written notice, withdraw the signed Agreement. Such notice of withdrawal shall be effective upon receipt of

the notice by the Owner. The Notice to Proceed shall be issued within ten (10) days of the execution of the Agreement by the Owner. Should there be reasons why the Notice to Proceed cannot be issued within such period, the time may be extended by mutual agreement between the Owner and Contractor. If the Notice to Proceed has not been issued within the ten (10) day period or within the period mutually agreed upon, the Contractor may terminate the Agreement without further liability on the part of either party

The Owner may make such investigations as deemed necessary to determine the ability of the Bidder to perform the work, and the Bidder shall furnish to the Owner all such information and data for this purpose as the Owner may request. The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by or investigation of such Bidder fails to satisfy the Owner that such Bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Agreement and to complete the work contemplated therein. A conditional or qualified bid will

not be accepted. Award will be made to the lowest

All applicable laws, ordinances, and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over construction of the project shall a corporate surety approved by apply to the contract throughout. the Owner, will be required for

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Each Bidder is responsible for inspecting the site and for reading and being thoroughly familiar with the Contract Documents. The failure or omission of any Bidder to do any of the foregoing shall in no way relieve any Bidder from any obligation in respect to its bid. Further, the bidder agrees to abide by the requirements under Executive Order No. 11246, as amended, including, specifically, the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause set forth in the

Supplemental General Conditions. When alternate bids are taken, they will be listed in numerical order with the highest priority being number one, the second number two. etc.

When alternates are used, the low Bidders will be selected by the lowest and best bid considering all bids which include the selected alternate bids

The alternates will be listed in consecutive priority order to remain within the funds available for the project. The low Bidder shall supply the

names and addresses of major material suppliers and subcontractors when required to do so by the Owner. The time for completion is 90

consecutive calendar days Liquidated damages will be \$500.00 per calendar day. The following items will be sub-

mitted with the bid: 1. Statement of Qualifications 2. Bid Proposal

3. Bid Schedule 4. Business Relationship Af-

fidavit 5. Non-Collusion Affidavits

more).

6. Payroll Affidavit 7. Bid Bond Section 3 Plan (Required when bid amount is \$100,000.00 or

All questions about the meaning or intent of the Bidding Documents are to be submitted to Engineer in writing in accordance with the Request for Information form. Interpretations or clarifications considered necessary by Engineer in response to such questions will be issued by Addenda or Request for Information mailed or delivered to all parties recorded by Engineer as

having received the Bidding Documents. Questions received less than 48 hours prior to the date for opening of Bids may not be answered. Only questions answered by Addenda will be binding. Oral and other interpretations or clarifications will be without legal effect.

SPECIAL NOTE TO BIDDERS: As a part of the bid on this proiect, the successful bidder will be required to meet all requirements of the Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Act when engaged in work within the public right-of-way in the same manner as in private right-of-way.



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Toting the mail

Purcell junior Kash Guthmueller carries the ball for the Dragons Friday night at Millwood. The Dragons fell 38-14, ending their season.



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Talk to the hand

Washington junior Nate Roberts stiff arms a Meeker defender Friday night during the Warriors' 56-7 win over the Bulldogs. Roberts had two catches for 15 yards.

Newsmakers

Linz, Odell Ranch top ranked

Linz Heritage Angus, Byars, ranked as fourth largest and Odell Angus Ranch, Byars, ranked as ninth largest in registering the most Angus beef cattle in Oklahoma with the American Angus Association® during fiscal year 2023, which ended September 30, according to Mark McCully, Association chief executive officer.

Angus breeders across the nation in 2023 registered 300,761 head of Angus cattle.

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Richards graduates OBA School

Joseph Richards, with First United Bank and Trust Company in Purcell, recently completed the Oklahoma Bankers Association Consumer Lending School in Oklahoma City.

Richards was among 61 graduates of the school, which was held October 2-6 at the OBA Harris Event Center.

The OBA Consumer Lending School, conducted annually, educates students on the overall consumer credit function and helps develop skills to meet the needs of loan customers and their bank. Specific areas of training include loan application generation and credit analysis, loan pricing, collections, direct and indirect lending, real estate structure, bank liability, compliance, risk management, bankruptcy and banking trends.

The OBA conducts more than 70 educational programs and seminars each year, which reach more than 5,000 bankers across the state. The Association represents approximately 200 banks across the state and serves as the primary advocate for the banking industry. It's also heavily involved in fraud training and prevention as well as legal and compliance services and communications for its member banks.

Oklahoma 529 reaches milestone in education savings withdrawals

State Treasurer Todd Russ redemptions shows not only ship costs for programs reg- living expenses or required has announced Oklahoma the strength of Oklahoma 529 families have surpassed \$1 but also the new, more flexbillion in withdrawals of ible choice it offers Oklahoma Oklahoma 529 funds to pay students to achieve their edufor education expenses.

The milestone means over state have invested and used over \$1 billion to cover edubooks, housing and fees.

"Since its start in 2000, of waiting. Oklahoma families in all 77 529 to help students develop skills and knowledge for a said. "Reaching \$1 billion in per student and apprentice-\$25,208 to \$93,548 before 654-7284.

cational goals."

Savings in an Oklahoma 87,000 families across the 529 account can help minimize education-related debt, which is why Russ says it's cation costs such as tuition, essential to begin saving for education costs now instead

In addition to college tuition counties have used Oklahoma and expenses, Oklahoma 529 funds can be used to help pay for CareerTech, professional successful future," Oklahoma and graduate school, K-12 State Treasurer Todd Russ tuition up to \$10,000 annually

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Educational costs continue to rise. According to U.S. News & World Report, the average cost of tuition and fees for the 2023-24 academic year is \$10,662 for in-state residents at a public university and \$42,162 for a student at a private university.

In Oklahoma, the average numbers are lower, at \$6,302 for a public college and \$23,387 for a private Oklahoma 529 or to open university. Over four years, an account, visit www.oklathose costs could range from homa529.com or call 877-

books and supplies.

"It has become easier to National Apprenticeship Act. save for education costs using Oklahoma 529, which can give families peace of mind knowing they may be reducing future student loan debt, tax free," Russ said. "The Plan's tools like payroll deduction or the ability for account owners to contribute

> and often." For more information about

at birthdays or holidays de-

velops a habit of saving early





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