



ACOG safety grant awarded McClain County funded for striping of roads

McClain County District 2 Commissioner Wilson Lyles reports the county has received a safety grant for striping in some areas.

Lyles reported striping is complete from areas west of Purcell into the Washington area and into the Goldsby area.

These safety grants are made available through the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG),

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Shaping up

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas with decorations hung in anticipation of the annual Christmas Parade in downtown Purcell December 14 beginning at 6 p.m. The parade, that features the Jolly old Elf himself, is sponsored by the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce.

City starting manager transition

John D. Montgomery
The Purcell Register

At Monday night's regular monthly meeting of the Purcell City Council and Public Works Authority, out-going City Manager Dale Bunn agreed to submit a written transition plan for new City Manager Sam Demel.

The council requested the document for the status of all projects, organizational structure, contacts and any other relevant information useful to the city. The document is to be reviewed December 22 at noon.

City Treasurer Victor Lohn reported sales taxes were up

6.72 percent over this time last year and use taxes were up 47.17 percent.

The council voted to rebid a turnaround on 4th Avenue since all bids came in over the amount estimated by the engineer.

Bob Dillon and Associates presented the 2022-23 audit and reported there were no issues.

In the public works authority portion of the meeting Lexington City Manager Deana Allen discussed with the council about possibly

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Open meeting and open records seminars coming to a close

Free meetings, open to the public

The Oklahoma Attorney General's Office is partnering with the Oklahoma Press Association to host seminars on Oklahoma's open meeting and open records laws in five locations across the state beginning September 25.

The seminars will be presented by Thomas R. Schneider, Deputy General Counsel to Attorney General Gentner Drummond.

"I am excited to meet with Oklahomans across the state and engage with them on two of the most important laws in the Oklahoma statutes," Schneider said. "These laws safeguard democracy and preserve integrity in state and local government."

He will answer questions concerning the state's open meeting and records laws and inform elected or appointed officials about their responsibility under the acts. Schneider will also discuss requirements on access to public records and the conduct of public meetings.

Drummond has made clear that openness and transparency in government are among his top priorities.

"It is important to establish the standard of transparency to ensure our public officials are acting with honesty and integrity," he said. "I am

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Safe storage of medications while holiday traveling

Visiting family and friends during the holidays? It's important to think about the medicines you take before you leave home.

You can reduce the chances of a medication error or someone else accessing your medications with careful

preparation before traveling. Keeping your medicine in its original prescription container is important while traveling. Each container (or package) is labeled with the medicine's

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Accepting donations for Dragon Lunch program

Organizers with the Dragon Lunch Account program are accepting donations as the first semester of the school year comes to an end.

The Dragon Lunch Account program helps low income students have funds in their school lunch accounts for meals at school.

Donors make sure children's accounts stay current throughout the school year.

"Kids have a hard time focusing



at school when they're hungry," said Dragon Lunch Account program organizer Jay Tate. "Some kids just need a little extra help with their accounts."

Money for kids' accounts are paid at the end of each nine week and the end of the semester is approaching.

In addition to Tate's Venmo and Cash App accounts below, donations for the program can also be made at Purcell First United Bank.



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Three musketeers

Santa, Mickey and Frosty standing guard over this house in far south Purcell waiting on a visit from the Jolly Old Elf.

Office filings

McClain County Election Board Secretary Karen Haley has listed filings as of 5 p.m. Monday.

As of late Tuesday afternoon, for the Purcell City Council, Greg Wheat and Joseph Franco have filed in the nonpartisan election.

Joe Ray has filed for Mid-

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Absentee ballot applications available for 2024 elections

Voters interested in voting by absentee ballot during the 2024 Election Year can request absentee ballots now using the OK Voter Portal at oklahoma.gov/elections/ovp or by downloading and printing an application from the Oklahoma State Election Board website at oklahoma.gov/elections.

Applications are also available at the McClain County Election Board and can be

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Tuesday Night Ticker

High school basketball

Girls

Wayne 35 Little Axe 17
CCS 64 Lexington 24
Washington 85 Bridge Creek 29
Purcell DNP

Boys

Little Axe 59 Wayne 45
CCS 67 Lexington 59
Bridge Creek 67 Washington 48
Purcell DNP

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Title on line

Washington and Millwood will play for the State Championship Saturday.



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Win a turkey!

Play Santa Scramblers for a Walmart gift card.



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PLS nixes fines

The Pioneer Library System is doing away with fines for over due books.



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Welcome mat

The **welcome** mat for Santa Claus is out on Fourth Street near downtown Purcell.

Five ways to safeguard your home for the long, cold winter season

By Abby Berry
National Rural Electric
Cooperative Association

As the temperatures drop and the days grow shorter, there is a natural inclination to create a warm and cozy haven at home.

Unfortunately, as we see increased use of heating equipment, candles and electrical items, the number of home fires tends to increase during winter months.

Here are five ways you can safeguard your home for the winter season.

1. Ensure carbon monoxide and smoke detectors are working properly. If your detectors are battery-operated, replace the batteries annually.

Test the detectors once a month and give them a good

dusting to ensure the sensors are clear of dirt and debris.

2. Inspect electrical cords. We depend on more cords during winter, whether for holiday lighting, extension cords or portable heaters.

Before using any corded items, double check to make sure cords are not frayed or cracked.

If you use portable space heaters, remember to keep them at least three feet away from flammable items.

Use models that include an auto shut-off feature and over-heat protection. Space heaters can take a toll on your energy bills. Use them efficiently (to heat smaller spaces) and safely.

Never plug a space heater into a power strip.

3. Avoid overloading electri-

cal outlets and power strips. When overloaded with electrical items, outlets and power strips can overheat and catch fire. If you use power strips for multiple devices, make sure the strip can handle the electrical load. For a safer bet, look for power strips which include surge protection.

4. Clean the fireplace to improve safety and efficiency. There is nothing better than a warm fire on a chilly night, but it is important to maintain your fireplace for safety.

As wood burns, a sticky substance known as creosote builds up in the chimney. When creosote buildup becomes too thick, a chimney fire can ignite.

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7 Day forecast from @PurcellRegister @OUNewsCrowd						
Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
68° 53°	70° 40°	54° 32°	55° 33°	57° 32°	49° 37°	50° 32°
Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Cloudy

Colder Saturday, rain chances up

We have seen some sunny days earlier this week, and the remainder of this week will offer partly to mostly sunny skies and dry conditions. Above-average temperatures will remain in the forecast on Thursday and again into the day on Friday,

with temperatures in the upper 60s and lower 70s under partly to mostly sunny skies. Clouds will stick around into the first half of the weekend as a cold front will drop temperatures into the middle 50s. Sunshine returns on Sunday as tempera-

tures remain in the middle 50s. Sunny skies will stick around on Monday, but then clouds will continue to build into the picture on Tuesday and especially by Wednesday as afternoon highs hold in the upper 40s and lower 50s.

Enrollment verification problems delay start of private school tax credit program

Paul Monies
Oklahoma Watch

Families wanting to apply for a new private school income tax credit of up to \$7,500 per child will have to wait a little longer.

The Oklahoma Tax Commission said late Thursday it was delaying acceptance of applications after several schools had problems getting enrollment verification forms to parents and guardians. The portal was supposed to open at 8:30 a.m. Friday.

The opening for the Parental Choice Tax Credit will now be delayed until 2 p.m. on December 6, the Tax Commission said.

“The decision to delay the application start date was not made lightly,” the agency said in a written statement. “Despite being disappointed with the delay, we believe this adjustment is necessary to establish a ‘fair playing field’ for all taxpayers, since having the Enrollment Verification Form is a required part of the application process.”

Parents who encountered problems in recent days said they had turned in enrollment forms to their schools, which in turn had trouble uploading the verification documents to the website operated by a third-party vendor, Merit International Inc.

The tax credit is offered on a first-come, first-served basis,

with priority given to families with household incomes of \$150,000 and below. The credit steps down at higher income levels, with households with income over \$250,000 eligible for \$5,000 tax credits per child. The median household income in Oklahoma is \$57,000, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

Because of the delay, a 60-day priority period for families



with household incomes of \$150,000 or less will extend to Feb. 5, 2024.

Lawmakers put a \$150 million cap on the program for tax year 2024. That will rise to \$200 million in 2025 and \$250 million in 2026.

Gov. Kevin Stitt, who taped a video for social media touting the program’s opening this week, said his office was notified about the delays and

discussed it with House and Senate leaders. His preference was to push forward with the original timeline, but he understood the need for the delay.

“It was the Tax Commission’s call on that,” Stitt said in a brief interview Friday. “There were a few schools that for whatever reason there was a technical error on getting that information back out to their parents. Most schools across the state, most parents had all the information to apply on Dec. 1, but I think I heard there were about 4,500 parents who did not have it.”

Stitt, who has three children in private schools, said his family plans to take advantage of the income tax credit. Stitt, and his wife, Sarah, also have three older children.

“I think my wife was planning to fill out the form,” Stitt said. “Everybody knows what my salary is as the state of Oklahoma governor. Every bit helps. There’s caps on it, where we’re going to prioritize it with the \$75,000 and \$150,000 (income levels) all in one bucket. But we’re all anxious to find out how many people are out there, how many people sign up for it, and also how many new schools are started, which I’m real excited to see.”

More than 140 private schools across the state had registered to be eligible for the tax credit as of Friday afternoon, according to the parental choice tax credit website.

As lawmakers were formulating the policy this year, the Tax Commission expressed its concerns with the implementation of the law. The agency estimated it would take about \$1 million to set up the program in the first year.

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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.

The drawing will be held Tuesday, December 12, at half time of the boys basketball game.

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

Christmas Parade

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 Heartland.”

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

Lexington

Cemetery Board

The Lexington Cemetery Board has raised the lot rate from \$600 to \$700 effective Jan. 1, 2024.

To purchase a lot, or for more information, call Mike Donovan at 405-550-9562.

C.A.R.E.

Coalition

The monthly C.A.R.E.

Coalition meeting will be held Tuesday, December 19, from 8:30 to 10 a.m.

The meeting will take place at the McClain County OSU Extension Office, 1721 Hardcastle Blvd., in Purcell, OK and via the Zoom platform.

Lights from the Heart

Purcell’s Lights From the Heart at Chandler Park will be open nightly through 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.

Tax Statements

McClain County Treasurer Teresa Jones reminds property owners in the county that 2023 tax statements have been mailed.

Full or half payments are due before January 1.

The treasurer’s office can email tax statements if it is requested.

Property owners can also print out their tax statements by going online to oktaxrolls.com.

For more information call 405-527-3261.

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.

Celebrate

Recovery

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

Big group will meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. followed by

small group from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

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 Center.

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 405-812-8379.



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Two-wheeler load

Greg Wheat and Justin Blankenship shared a chuckle last Wednesday when the Purcell Rotary Club reached out to assist Operation Christmas at the Multi-Purpose Center.

Todd Russ criticizes pension system for taking exemption his office exercised

Paul Monies
Oklahoma Watch

Oklahoma Treasurer Todd Russ has publicly criticized one of the state’s largest pension funds for taking an exemption to a new law forbidding state pension funds from doing business with financial companies perceived to be hostile to the oil and gas industry.

But Russ has quietly taken an exemption to the law when it comes to investments managed by his own office. The treasurer’s office exercised one for investments with Bank of America and is negotiating with JP Morgan Chase on another

exemption. Both companies are among six Russ placed on a list of restricted financial companies.

The exemptions illustrate how tricky it’s been for pension funds like the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System to navigate the Oklahoma Energy Discrimination Elimination Act.

Lawmakers passed the law last year in response to concerns that large public financial companies were too focused on climate pledges and goals at the expense of investments in fossil fuels.

The treasurer’s office has hundreds of millions of dollars invested with JP Morgan Chase money market accounts, part of a \$16 billion portfolio managed by the office. Bank of America, meanwhile, provides credit card services to the state.

“The State Treasurer has determined that Bank of America provides services to the Treasurer’s Office that are not otherwise reasonably available,” said a May 3 letter to Bank of America’s public sector

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Storytelling of a Pearl Harbor vet

The story of Art Gruber, a survivor of Pearl Harbor, will be told by Cindy Standridge on Sunday, December 10, at 2 p.m. in the Pikes Peaks School Museum.

This is more than a story. It is a memory of her father who served in the Navy when Pearl Harbor was attacked in 1941.

Art Gruber was growing up in Hoisington, Kan., as a 16-year-old with a strong patriotic burning desire to join the military like his brother, Glen, who was a Navy man.

He enlisted in December of his sophomore year in high school and off he went. Honolulu was the home port

of the USS Tennessee and he was there about nine months before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

Cindy Standridge, a long-time resident and business woman of Lindsay, tells the story of her beloved father well. People need to hear the stories of the heroes of those days. Art Gruber was one of those heroes and his story is worth hearing.

This coming Sunday afternoon is the opportunity for the communities of Garvin County and other areas to hear this intriguing story.

Storytelling is a monthly event of the Lindsay Community Historical Society. Those interested in sharing their story may contact LCHS by calling 405-919-6146.

The Pikes Peak School Museum is located in Erin Springs across from the Murray Lindsay Mansion at 13031 N.C.R. 3025.

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Credit:

The Tax Commission voted in September to sign a one-year, \$3.95 million contract with Merit to administer the tax credit program. It said it went with a private vendor because of the compressed timeline for implementation.

An agency spokeswoman said it was too soon to measure demand for the private school tax credits or share data about the website traffic and a call center set up to answer questions.

“Given the strong interest we have experienced from schools and taxpayers in the program, we continue to focus on ensuring that both the school and taxpayer experiences are transparent and fair,” Tax Commission spokeswoman Emily Haxton said in an email.

Senate President Pro Tempore Greg Treat, R-Oklahoma City, said he was frustrated with the delay.

“While I am agitated that the enrollment has been delayed, it is important to get it right to ensure fairness for all Oklahoma children looking to get the best education possible,” Treat said in a written statement on Friday. “While everyone knew undertaking a project of this size and magnitude would have different challenges, the Tax Commission must do whatever they can to provide parents and their children the best path forward.”

Oklahoma Watch, at oklahomawatch.org, is a nonprofit, nonpartisan news organization that covers public-policy issues facing the state.

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Winter:

The chimney should be cleaned at least once a year to reduce fire risks. Regular cleaning also improves airflow and limits the amount of carbon monoxide that seeps indoors.

5. Practice safety in the kitchen. As we spend more time in the kitchen during the holiday season, be mindful of potential fire hazards.

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Lester Lane should be in Hall

Lester Lane was an amazing Oklahoma athlete who should be in the Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame.

Lane was a three sport All-Stater in high school at Purcell.

He was also a three-sport letterman at the University of Oklahoma.

While at OU he pole vaulted and scored 1,180 points playing basketball (a record that stood for 11 years).

He was a four-year starter in basketball and played defensive back for Bud Wilkinson.

Lane was named All-Big Eight first team for basketball in 1954-55.

He played on the United States Olympic Gold Medal

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basketball team in 1960 after playing for the National Champion AAU basketball team, the Wichita Vickers, 1959.

How many Olympic Gold Medalists hail from Oklahoma? He also played in the NBA.

Lane coached the Mexico Olympic basketball team which finished fifth in the 1968 Olympics, their highest finish ever at the time.

He was head basketball coach for the Sooners when he died at age 41 from an apparent heart attack after playing a pickup game at McCasland Fieldhouse during lunch.

He's already a member of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

We hope the committee will give careful consideration to his selection as he is one of the most decorated athletes in Oklahoma history. It's past time he's inducted into Oklahoma's Sports Hall of Fame.

Reliable power for today - and tomorrow

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

Ringling in a new year sparks a sense of renewed hope and optimism about the future.

As the CEO of REC, for me, it is a time to reflect on where we are and where we are going. At the heart of reflection, I think about ways we can better serve you, the members of the cooperative.

Our team is always looking ahead, exploring ways to innovate and utilize new technologies to improve our services.

As our nation increasingly relies on electricity to power the economy, keeping the lights on has never been more important.

We are committed to powering, and empowering, our community at a cost local families and businesses can afford.

One critical component of reliable power is the mix of energy resources used to generate the electricity keeping the lights on across REC's service area. You may not realize it, but REC

does not generate electricity.

Instead, we purchase it from our energy provider, Western Farmers Electric Cooperative, and from there, we distribute it to homes and businesses throughout our community.

Our current energy resource mix is made up of one percent solar, 26 percent wind, four percent natural gas, four percent hydropower and 58 percent of purchased power which is a blend of resources.

We are increasingly using more electricity generated from renewable energy sources, but we still depend on a diverse energy mix to ensure the availability of reliable power to our members whenever they need it.

In addition to managing a reliable energy mix, REC is using technology to enhance our local grid, limit service disruptions and improve outage response times.

Advance metering technology, also known as AMI, enables two-way communications between the Co-op and

the members.

In the event of a power outage, AMI helps pinpoint the exact location of the outage and can even analyze damaged or tampered meters. AMI helps save money with real-time data, and ultimately improves power reliability for our entire service area.

Proactive tree trimming is another way we limit service disruptions. Scheduled trimming keeps power lines clear from overgrown limbs likely to fall.

One of the best methods for improving our services to you is monitoring trends and leading practices from other electric co-ops in Oklahoma and across the country. Learning from other co-ops is one of the many benefits of the cooperative business model because for us, it is about cooperation, not competition.

As we turn our focus to 2024, REC will continue working to provide the reliable, affordable electricity you expect and deserve - for today and tomorrow.

NEWS FROM CAPITOL HILL

Freezing Iran's support for radical terrorism

Congressman Tom Cole

Nearly two months have passed since Hamas' unprovoked, barbaric attack on Israel. Among those killed or taken hostage are citizens from numerous nations, including the United States.

A surge in western support for the attackers, among activists and some of the media, brings focus to a lack of understanding of who the aggressors in the region are, and why they continue to carry out acts of terrorism.

The Israeli Defense Forces (IDF), alongside their countrymen, include volunteers from various religions and ethnicities among Israel's population, who are coalesced around upholding freedom, democracy and Western values.

In contrast, Hamas is a terrorist organization of military-trained and government-backed soldiers whose founding document claims that Jewish people are responsible for the French Revolution, World War I and the Russian Revolution, amongst others, and indeed includes archaic language rooted in deep anti-

semitism and fundamentalist oppression.

Hamas is not fighting by itself, however; behind them is the support of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Iran has been a prime regional aggressor in the Middle East for decades. It continues to procure, produce and proliferate a broad range of military and related supplies, including rockets, long range missiles and unmanned aerial vehicles for themselves and their proxy fighters, such as Hezbollah in Lebanon and Syria and Hamas in the Gaza Strip.

Furthermore, the groups Iran arms and finances conducts attacks against United States service members and facilities in the region.

During the Biden Administration, Iranian proxies have attacked the U.S. military at least 150 times in Iraq and Syria, with as much as one-half of that occurring since the war began in Israel two months ago.

The recent surge in aggression comes on the heels of the administration's unfreezing \$6 billion in Iranian assets and most recently issuing a continuing waiver to certain

sanctions that the Department of State issued on November 13.

The effects of a lack of a clear strategy with which to contest and restrain Iran are on full display for the world to see.

Historically, the U.S. has imposed strict sanctions on Iran, and we must display strength towards such aggression around the globe. Attacks on the United States and our allies should be met with economic and military repercussions to help deter Iran from continuing aggression.

Our government successfully halted Iran's aggression and nuclear program in 2019 during the maximum pressure campaign authorized by the previous executive administration. Those policies retain merit today if only we had an administration with the resolution to implement them.

In the wake of Iran's increased support of global terrorism, I am proud the U.S. House of Representatives advanced last week, with strong bipartisan support, H.R. 5961,

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The Purcell Register reserves the right to edit any and all letters.

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Your Views

News from District 42

• Rep. Cindy Roe •



Considering bills for Session

Lawmakers have just two more weeks to request bills be drafted. The last day to submit a bill request to the House Legal Division is Friday, December 8.

However, not every bill that is requested is ultimately filed. Members may decide to wait to pursue a policy proposal in the event that the solution is found through a nonlegislative course, or the member may simply have other priorities for their bills in the next session.

The last day to officially file bills is Thursday, January 18, at 4 p.m., just a few weeks before the legislative session picks back up on Monday, February 5.

Even once a bill is filed, it may not pick up steam in session. We must pass bills out of the chamber of origin, meaning the legislative chamber a bill was filed in, by March 21, and bills must pass out of the opposite chamber by April 25. This leaves us with just over a month to consider any amendments to bills before session adjourns sine die on Friday, May 31.

I have not yet filed any of my bills for the upcoming session. When I do, I'll be sure to provide an overview.

One topic I am considering for a bill this year is related to the vaping and smoking epidemic we're seeing among teenagers.

I recently met with representatives from the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET), a state grantmaking trust distributes funds to prevent cancer and fight cardiovascular disease, which are Oklahoma's leading causes of death.

They provide grants to schools, communities, state agencies and partner organizations to improve the health of Oklahoma's citizens.

We met to discuss ways to reduce teen vaping and smoking, both of which have serious life-long effects on a person's health and are difficult to quit. I hope we can work together to find potential solutions to this issue.

There is no one-size-fits-all solution, but I believe there are avenues we can take to lower vaping and smoking among our teens and set them on a more healthful lifestyle.

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! I am thankful for each of you.

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

Rants? Raves?

Submit your letter to the editor.

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Don't put flowers on their grave

By Andy Bowman,
CoffeeTime
Columnist

Here's what happens so often. A person becomes an adult, marries, has children, grows ill or old, and dies. Then the family of the deceased comes together to grieve, and to then plan the funeral.

The flower shop gets notified to send flowers, and they all attend the service where the bouquets are usually on display.

Afterwards, they often follow the casket to the burial site and watch attentively as the flowers they ordered are placed on the grave.

Then the family slowly and mournfully walks away, to grieve and attempt to somehow get on with their lives again. Putting the pieces back together somehow, so they can begin living day to day. But without the one they lost.

A life over, body buried, love expressed by the beautiful bouquets of flowers that were laid on the fresh grave. This is a repeated heart-wrenching scenario in this country when

we lose a loved one. Flowers ordered and placed on the grave. And honestly, because it has happened with such regular frequency throughout time, it is accepted as the normal way to honor those we lose to death.

But I would love to see a different scenario. One that isn't dependent just upon flowers placed on a lonely grave to express our love and grief for the person we lost.

We need to acknowledge something...our loved one who died can't see those flowers! They are incapable of inhaling the gorgeous scent, nor are they able to feel the heartbreaking sadness in our spirit as we gaze down at the flowers placed on their grave.

They have no way of looking into our eyes and seeing the love that those flowers represent. It is too late to tell them, to hug them, to express our love and appreciation for what they have meant to us.

Don't wait until it's too late. Don't wait and send beautiful flowers to be placed on the grave. Send the flowers now, while they can still see

the vibrant colors, while they can bury their nose in them to catch the fragrance.

Go to their side and whisper 'I love you so much,' while they are still living and can smile into your eyes, hug you tightly and say, "I love you too."

We are missing out on a chance to possibly mend a splintered relationship, or express our deep tender feelings, or to show our appreciation for a life that intersected with ours - by waiting to simply send flowers that get placed on a silent grave.

I'm not saying to quit sending flowers to honor the loss of someone you loved and respected - not at all. But I am saying this.

Give verbal flowers and warm hugs now, while that individual is still breathing, alert and alive. While they can hear and feel your love surrounding them.

We are missing out on so much, by just sending flowers to be placed on a grave.

Sponsored by Cornerstone Baptist Church in Lexington.



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Motoring ahead

Jeff and Char Page did the honors at the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting at Heartland Customs last Friday morning.

Oklahoma 529 offers gifts that can last a lifetime, provide tax benefits

Oklahoma families looking for gifts this holiday season beyond the latest fads have a chance to give a gift that can last a lifetime with Oklahoma 529.

"In a world filled with tech gadgets and trendy toys, Oklahoma 529 offers families a unique holiday gift option that can grow with a child rather than being something a child outgrows by season's end," said State Treasurer Todd Russ. "Even better, the funds from Oklahoma 529 accounts can be used for nearly any education path chosen."

Russ said opening a new account from now through December 15 also offers another advantage. New accounts can receive a \$100 bonus when opened with \$500 or more and recurring contributions of \$100

or more per month are set up until June 30, 2024.

New accounts can get a \$50 bonus when opened with \$250 and recurring contributions of \$50 or more per month are set up until June 30, 2024.

Parents, grandparents, relatives or friends may open an Oklahoma 529 account on behalf of a beneficiary or contribute to an existing account using OK529 Ugift®.

With the average American planning to spend \$9232 on gifts this holiday season, it's a good way to potentially give long-term benefits.

"Aside from being a great way to save for higher education, account contributions also can provide tax benefits to Oklahoma families," Russ said. "An Oklahoma 529 account can be a smart choice

for Oklahomans that can help students and their families now and in the future."

Oklahoma taxpayers can reduce their state taxable income by up to \$20,000 if married filing jointly (\$10,000 filing single), from contributions made into Oklahoma 529.

Plus, taxpayers can carry forward larger gifts into future years. Any earnings are tax-free if used for qualified higher education expenses such as tuition and living expenses.

Oklahoma 529 funds can also be used to help pay for CareerTech, professional and graduate school, K-12 tuition up to \$10,000 annually per student and apprenticeship costs for programs registered and certified with the Secretary of Labor under the National Apprenticeship Act.

From page 4A

Cole:

the No Funds for Iranian Terrorism Act.

There is no excuse for allowing Hamas' most important backer—Iran—to access money that can be used on weapons, training, rockets and weapons of mass destruction.

By stopping billions of dollars from reaching Tehran,

we can stem Iran's support of global terrorism, and if signed into law, this bill would do just that.

An emboldened Iran will only lead to more chaos across the Middle East. Our country must continue to tighten sanctions, expand the Abraham Accords and become more meaningfully

engaged in the region militarily and diplomatically to prevent these acts of terror from worsening and becoming more lethal.

This is the level of strength and commitment that our allies and partners expect and deserve, and if done properly, will save American lives and taxpayer dollars in the future.



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Welcome to the family

The Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce welcomed Purcell Family Dentistry as a new member of the chamber family at a ribbon cutting November 29.

Auditions for the Oklahoma Summer Arts Institute are open

High school actors, photographers, dancers, singers, writers, visual artists, filmmakers, and musicians are invited to apply and audition for the Oklahoma Summer Arts Institute at Quartz Mountain (OSAI), Oklahoma's one-of-a-kind arts education program.

Applications and auditions for all disciplines are now submitted entirely online. Interested students will need to submit their application and audition materials through our website.

Applications are open through February 12, 2024, at 11:59 p.m.

To learn more about the application process and audition requirements please visit

oaiquartz.org/OSAI.

The program will take place June 8-23, 2024, at Quartz Mountain State Park & Lodge.

Widely known as Oklahoma's premier opportunity for aspiring artists, the Institute provides an experience far beyond that of an ordinary summer arts program.

Renowned teaching artists from across the country travel to Quartz Mountain, where they provide advanced, collegiate-level training and mentorship to the students in one of eight artistic disciplines: acting, chorus, creative writing, dance, drawing and painting, film and video, orchestra or photography.

Its multidisciplinary structure sets the Institute apart, allowing students both intense study in their chosen discipline and new exposure to unfamiliar art forms.

Although the cost of a program of this magnitude is steep, every student accepted to the Institute receives a full scholarship to attend.

The Oklahoma State Department of Education, the Oklahoma Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts and numerous private foundations and individuals underwrite the program costs to ensure that OSAI is within reach for all of Oklahoma's most talented young artists.



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Service above self

Several members of the Purcell Rotary Club turned their regular Wednesday noon meeting into an elbow grease outing supporting Operation Christmas at the Multi-Purpose Center at the Purcell City Lake. Pictured are Jim Blevins, Elisabeth Baker, Justin Blankenship, Gale Wilson, Bob Gee, Susan Nicholson, Charlie Sherman, Ariel Anglin, Pat Martin, Lexy Maggard, Graham Fishburn, Rebekah Lynam, Victor Lohn, Melissa Pruitt, Jacob Schnoebelen, Kriss Freeborn, Renee Barber, Lisa Eubanks, Emily Hess, Allen Eubanks, Greg Wheat and Ron Duvall.

Society

Mother's Entwined Club Goldsby Country Christmas Home Tour



• Photo provided

Featured Venue

Mother's Entwined Club will hold its 2023 Goldsby Country Christmas Home Tour Sunday, December 10, from 1-4 p.m. The venue of Althea's Vault, 218 N. Main Ave. in Washington, is the featured business.



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Santa and Mrs. Claus

Santa and Mrs. Clause will be at Althea's Vault for the Mother's Entwined Club 2022 Goldsby Country Christmas Home Tour on Sunday, December 10, from 1-4 p.m. Stop by from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. for a picture with the pair.

Mark your calendars for the Mother's Entwined 2023 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 and Darrin and Whitney Beller and the venue of Althea's Vault.

The venue highlighted this week for the Mother's Entwined 2023 Goldsby Country Christmas Home Tour is Althea's Vault.

Althea's Vault is located at 218 N. Main Ave. in Washington.

Althea's Vault is a cozy cafe and bakery that has been open on Main St in Washington since 2007. The owners, Blythe and Casey, love their community and wanted to create a place where people could gather together to enjoy delicious food and great company.

When they found the old bank building on Main Street they knew it was the perfect space. Althea's has been a family operation from the beginning and most days you will still find at least one of

their five kids working behind the counter or taking care of customers.

From the regular crew that meets for breakfast every morning to visitors from out of town, Blythe and Casey love getting the opportunity to welcome everyone into the cafe and make them feel at home.

Althea's Vault will be open on Sunday from 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. for tour patrons to enjoy some lunch and some baked goods. Some different items will be available for people to sample.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be available for pictures.

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 Vault or online at mothersentwined1@ticketleap.com.

All proceeds will benefit Goldsby, Washington and Purcell communities.



LEXINGTON SCHOOL MENU

Week of December 11 MONDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal or sausage English muffin, pineapple tidbits, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Popcorn chicken or yogurt meal, french fries, steamed broccoli, rosy applesauce, milk

TUESDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal or breakfast bagel, mixed fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Frito chili pie or chef salad, pinto beans, whole kernel corn, frozen fruit cup, milk.

WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal or breakfast pastry, pears, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Corndog or sandwich, mixed vegetables, steamed carrots, pineapple tidbits, milk.

THURSDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal or oatmeal chocolate chip bar, peaches, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Turkey and dressing, potatoes with gravy, green beans, hot roll, fruit salad, pumpkin cake, milk.

FRIDAY BREAKFAST

Chef's choice, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Pizza or sandwich, green salad, green peas, craisins, milk.



It's a Small World

Gracie Montgomery

Happy birthday to Debbie Gantz, Dylan Smith, Wayne Keeler, Tami Jones, Grant Gardner, Carol Abernathy, Megan Brinker, Kevin Clagg, John Isaac Dumas, Susannah Marie Rowell, Victoria Hooper, Sylvia Morales, Kim Murray, Sandy McCaskill, Matias Luna, Tammy Sheehy-Smith, Guadalupe Fuentes, Maria Escobedo, Nereyda Salas and Chris Vieux. ***

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**.

The drawing will be held Tuesday, December 12, at the Purcell High School basketball game versus Pauls Valley at The Reimer Center. ***

The Wayne Fire Department is holding its 33rd annual Toy Drive.

Firefighters are currently accepting toy donations, \$10 value, or cash donations to help them meet their goal.

Toys will be given to children at the department's drive-through program December 9.

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

The 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, by contacting any Mother's Entwined member or online at mothersentwined1@ticketleap.com. ***

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

Over two miles of lights are available to drive through.

Admission is free but donations are appreciated. ***

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 Heartland."

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

McClain County Treasurer Teresa Jones reminds property owners in the county that 2023 tax statements have been mailed.

Full or half payments are due before January 1.

The treasurer's office can email tax statements if it is requested.

Property owners can also print out their tax statements by going online to oktaxrolls.com.

For more information call 405-527-3261. ***

This quick and easy recipe is a crowd pleaser.

Dump and Run Taco Soup

2 pounds ground beef
1 small onion
2 garlic cloves (optional)
1 package taco seasoning
1-1/2 cups water
2 cans undrained beans, 15 ounce, your choice (I typically use black beans and Pintos, but Great Northern, Ranch Style, Mild Chili Beans are all great options)
1 small bag of frozen corn or 15 oz. can whole kernel corn, drained
14 oz. can stewed tomatoes
1 can Rotel
14 oz. can chopped green chiles
1 package of dry ranch salad dressing mix
Cheese, tortilla chips, sour cream (optional garnishes)
Fry ground beef, chopped onion and minced garlic, drain grease.

Add taco seasoning into beef mixture, and mix well. Dump and stir in the remaining ingredients. Bring to a boil.

Reduce heat; simmer, uncovered, for 15 minutes or until heated through, stirring occasionally. The more time it has to simmer, the deeper the flavors.

If your preference is a "soupier" consistency, add a bit more water.

The recipe may also be made in a crock pot. Just dump all the ingredients in the morning (only with cooked taco meat option), run your errands and let it cook all day. If you have it on low, you can easily cook it for 6-8 hours. If you put it on high, cook for 3 hours and then turn to low. Since all meat is cooked, it's just about heating thoroughly and letting flavors meld.



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MATC campus changes rapidly moving forward

Things are looking a little different these days at Mid-America Technology Center in Wayne!

The center is undergoing a renovation and addition that will add 29,000 sq. ft. to the Administration Building and a new 2,400 sq. ft. building to house the IT department and infrastructure in one centralized location.

This project began in July with the demolition of the front of the Administration Building to make way for three new conference rooms, offices for administration and finance, a Student Commons area with a coffee shop and lots of restrooms.

As a bonus, one of the conference rooms will be a FEMA-Certified safe room, which will allow MATC to have an additional safe room with a capacity for all of our staff and students on the north side of campus.

Things are rapidly moving forward. The safe room walls are up, and floors are being poured for the renovations and additions to the Administration Building. This building is scheduled to be completed in



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Lots of changes

Mid-America Tech's Administration Building safe room walls are up, floors are being poured and the IT Building server room walls are up!

October of 2024.

MATC will be providing updates about the renovations and

additions to the Administration Building and information about the new IT building.

PLS goes fine free

The Pioneer Library System is turning a new page with a change its communities can celebrate: the elimination of fines for all ages on overdue materials.

As of December 1, a one-time amnesty of all existing late fines has taken place to start a clean slate for all adult library accounts.

The change in fines affects overdue, or late, materials, with fees remaining for unreturned and damaged items, to help the library maintain its collections. Digital checkouts do not accrue fines.

“We are more than excited to join countless other libraries in Oklahoma and across North America that have made this equitable change,” shared Aiden Street, Director of Community Engagement & Learning at PLS. “At PLS, our goal is to create positive experiences for our customers. That means we are always looking for ways to reduce barriers and encourage customers to make use of their libraries.”

PLS has enjoyed a long history of reducing barriers to library access in its communities. Recent improvements include the

MyCard, introduced in 2015, an option that enables children and teens without a full-service card to check out a limited number of youth materials.

It was in 2017 that the library system announced automatic renewals on eligible overdue items, with fines on all youth materials being eliminated the following year.

With nearly 10 percent of households in the PLS service area living below the poverty level, this newest change will help maintain access to materials and information for many families.

“Just the idea of incurring a late fee is enough to deter some from using the library altogether,” Street continued. “Now people can take full advantage of all the great offerings at the library without feeling they have lost access due to an overdue fine.”

Founded in 1958, PLS today offers full-access libraries in 10 communities throughout Cleveland, McClain, and Pottawatomie counties, as well as additional access locations in smaller communities and outreach services including Business Services and the PLS Mobile Maker Lab.

For more information about PLS and its services, and to browse now fine-free materials, visit pioneerlibrarysystem.org.



NEWS from the City of Purcell

City of Purcell officials would like to express their appreciation to everyone in our community who has been working harder than ever to keep up the maintenance on their property.

All of this hard work does not go unnoticed and is very much appreciated when everyone takes pride in their community by keeping their property maintained.

According to code, it is the responsibility of the home owner and or renter to maintain your property, from the street to the middle of the alley.

You are required to keep mowed any grass, weeds or similar vegetation in that area between the property line and the street, and from the property line to the center of the alley way. This includes keeping trees trimmed.



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Reindeer games

Just like at the North Pole reindeer games were on display in this yard in far south Purcell.



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Welcome to Lexington

Holiday lights welcome passing motorists into the town of Lexington on the west side of town.

WAYNE SCHOOL MENU

Week of December 11

MONDAY BREAKFAST

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

LUNCH

Fish sticks, scalloped potatoes, blackeyed peas, milk.

TUESDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Beef taco, pinto beans, Spanish rice, applesauce, milk.

WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST

Sausage biscuit, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Hot ham and cheese sandwich, potato soup, whole grain chips, pears, milk.

THURSDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Chicken and noodles, peas and carrots, cobbler, milk.

FRIDAY BREAKFAST

Muffin, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Sack lunch, milk.



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Reason for the season

The manger in Bethlehem with visitors from afar.



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Box mania

The Purcell Rotary Club rolled up their sleeves to assist Operation Christmas move a few boxes of food and toys in preparation for the big giveaway December 15.

Wayne Senior Citizens

By John Webb

Hello again,everyone. I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and have finally run out of ways to fix leftover turkey. Now we are running headlong into the end of 2023. Delta Nutrition will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, December 25 and 26, for Christmas. If you are a senior, 60+, and would like to visit our center for lunch, please call 405-527-9462 to find out how easy it is to qualify for the Delta Nutrition meal program. We serve a delicious meal every Monday through Friday, excluding holidays or business closure days. Here is the menu for December 11-15:

Monday — Club sandwich with lettuce and tomato, broccoli cheese soup, apricots and pumpkin cookies. Tuesday — Pork chop, glazed sweet potatoes, turnip greens, hot roll or cornbread, spiced apples. Wednesday — Goulash, green beans, corn, garlic bread, pudding swirl. Thursday — Southwest stew, coleslaw, rosy pears, cornbread, iced raisin bar. Friday — Roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, sliced bread, gingerbread with lemon sauce. Milk is available with every meal. One per person, please.

Delta Nutrition will be closed Friday, December 8, for a staff meeting in Chickasha. There will be no meal service that day. If you have never visited the Wayne Senior Center, now would be a great time. The center is decorated for Christmas and it looks great. Stop by and take a look and ask me how to get qualified for the senior nutrition program. We have a wonderful group of seniors and volunteers who make the center a very happy place. And I appreciate everyone who continues to support your Wayne Senior Citizens Center. God bless you all. Until next time...

Courthouse News

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

Traffic

Peyton D. Black, speeding, 75/65. Peyton D. Black, no insurance. Robert C. Newcomb, no seatbelt. Justin M. Beene, no seatbelt. Charles C. Perry, no seatbelt (passenger). Cruz Montano, overweight, 2001 to 3000. Jorge Hernandez-Avila, overweight, 2001 to 3000. Alejandro Vargas-Moreno, overweight on interstate , bridge formula. Damon R. Outman, no seatbelt. Dakota W. Farley, no seatbelt. Joe D. Teague, no seatbelt. Mercadies M. Miller, fail to devote attention resulting in collision. Mary E. Narcomey, speeding, 94/80. Charles D. Gibson, overweight, 5001 to 6000. Salvador Modesto, overweight, 6001 to 7000. Jessica S. Arreguin-Vargas, speeding, 99/80. John C. Meyer, no seatbelt. Robby Frazier, no seatbelt (passenger). Sharon M. Schulz, no seatbelt. Billy W. Snowden, no seatbelt (passenger). Scott K. Walker, no seatbelt. Daniel D. Horsager, no seatbelt. Jonathon M. Griffith, no seatbelt. Fischer L. Bowling, no seatbelt. Shelby B. Pewitt, speeding, 90/80. Alexis L. Rollinson speeding, 80/70. Marissa R. Sherrard, speeding,

80/65. Flavio G. Rosales, speeding, 106/75. Maria D. Lopez Palomo, fail to devote attention resulting in collision. Flavio G. Rosales, DUS (3rd offense). Flavio G. Rosales, no child restraint. Juan A. Chavez Barron, overweight, 0700 to 2000. Jeffrey A. Godinez, speeding, 75/65.

Misdemeanors

Brandi R. Jordan, assault & battery. Eric D. Thrower, obtaining cash or merchandise by bogus check/false pretenses. Gary D. Heckman Jr., larceny of lost property. Jaquelynn M. Shupert, false reporting of crime. Brandi Laurent, larceny of merchandise from a retailer. Molina R. Romines, possession of CDS, methamphetamine and marijuana. Brent M.L. Middleton, possession of CDS, methamphetamine and marijuana. Jeremy D. Peterson, possession of CDS, marijuana. Penny Severeance, possession of CDS, methamphetamine and marijuana. Samantha T. Schinness, driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. Johnna M. Gooch, public intoxication.

Felonies

Alexander B.P. Kilbride, domestic assault and battery by strangulation. Michael K. Weaver, burglary, second degree. Christopher W. Cathey, larceny

of automobile, aircraft/other motor vehicle. Cornelius Campbell, larceny of automobile, aircraft/other motor vehicle. Alishia C. Welch, unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Small Claims

None.

Civil

State of Oklahoma, ex rel vs. James Bennett, civil action \$10,000 or less. State of Oklahoma, ex rel vs. Michael Hamilton, civil action \$10,000 or less. Discover Bank vs. Mario Berger, civil action \$10,000 or less. Conn Appliances Inc vs. Earl Newkirk, civil action \$10,000 or less. LVNV Funding LLC vs. Karen Bearden, civil action \$10,000 or less. Velocity Investments LLC vs. Elza Spencer, civil action \$10,000 or less. Citibank NA vs. Theresa L. Brickey, civil action \$10,000 or less. Citibank NA vs. Mary Clagg, civil action \$10,000 or less. State of Oklahoma, ex rel vs. Michelle L. Mayfield, civil action \$10,000 or more. Freedom Mortgage Corp. v. Sandra K. Jackson, civil action \$10,000 or more. Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC vs. Chad T. Clingman, civil action \$10,000 or more. Adam E. Williams vs. Kevin Shepard, civil action \$10,000 or more.

Marriages Filed

Ronald G. Defibaugh, 51, of El Reno and Kimberly D. Allen, 51, of Oklahoma City.

Divorces Granted

William J. Johnson vs. Cristin H. Johnson. Mariah I. Huston vs. Michael P. Huston.

Dibble Senior Citizens

Greetings from the Dibble Senior Citizens. We served 285 seniors, 65

adults and six children’s meals for the month of November totaling 356 lunches served.

The menu for the week of December 11: Monday — Beans and taters. Wednesday — Burgers and french fries. Friday — Barbecue ribs. We would like to invite all to come by sometime for lunch, sit a spell and enjoy the fellowship on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 12 noon for a good home-cooked meal. Make sure to sign in and donations are welcome but not necessary. All are welcome at the Dibble Senior Citizens Center located at 12314 State Hwy. 39 in Blanchard. To donate to the pantry, mail your check or money order to PO Box 32, Dibble, OK 73031 or Cash App - \$dibblesrcitizens. **Until next time, Dibble Senior Citizens Crew**



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Family visit

Longtime resident Clayton Lee and his sister Janette Blackmer from Bossier City, La., enjoyed a delicious lunch at the senior center.

Purcell Senior Citizens

By Val Blackburn

The center will be closed on Friday, December 8. Delta Nutrition is off for their Christmas party. Our Christmas Party will be on Friday, December 15. The party starts around 11:30 p.m. There will be a potluck dessert bar and Dirty Santa following lunch. Lots of fun, friends and fellowship for our center family. A surprise visitor might be attending the festivities! Please come and celebrate with us! Lots of folks come out to enjoy the music and dancing on Friday evenings. Every first, second, third and fifth Friday of the month the center welcomes “The Ole Troubadours” for an evening of live music, dancing and good times. Entry is \$8 and refreshments are available to purchase. This event helps support the senior center and provides an evening of entertainment for the community at a reasonable cost. We happily welcome the “Troubadours” back and are looking forward to our future venture with them! Come and enjoy the fun! Family-friendly atmosphere! The phone number for the center is 405-527-5070. Please don’t hesitate to call if you have any questions about anything we offer. The ever-popular bingo is every Thursday at 10 a.m. If a situation occurs where we cannot have it one day, all who attend will still get a prize for attending.

Everyone over 60 has a standing invitation to come visit the senior center. Enjoy new friends, numerous activities, lunch and a few laughs. Our library has a variety of books to take home and enjoy. Coffee, tea and cookies are always available! New things to do are being added this year. We are always open to new ideas for activities from everyone who attends. We have lots of Christmas decorations for sale this December! The Center Garage Sale is open. Come every Thursday and Friday, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., and enjoy the bargains. We have a large selection of used items for the home including appliances, clothing, shoes, kitchenware and lots of miscellaneous. All sales directly benefit the senior center. Occasionally, the sale is closed. Unforeseen circumstances may occur making it a necessity to close. We apologize for this, but sometimes things happen beyond our control. Please be understanding when this situation arises. The center contracts with Delta Nutrition to provide meals Monday through Friday beginning at 11:30 a.m. They also deliver in-home meals. Any questions you have about obtaining meal service or dining here at the center, can be answered by the kitchen at 405-527-9462. This number is also the one to call when you let them know what days you

will be here to dine. It is becoming very important to remember to make your reservation for meals. That can be done weekly or daily, whatever works for you. The rising cost of food and supplies is making it more essential every day for Delta Nutrition to have a count of the meals. Please let them know you will be here or if you won’t. They always want to have plenty of food for all who would like to join us. Thank you for being understanding of their policies. Please be aware the menu may have to be changed at times due to unavailability of items or delivery issues. Menu for December 11-15: Monday — Club sandwich, broccoli and cheese soup, apricots, pumpkin cookies. Tuesday — Pork chop, sweet potatoes, greens, roll, spiced apples. Wednesday — Goulash, green beans, corn, garlic bread, pudding. Thursday — Southwest stew, coleslaw, pears, cornbread, raisin bar. Friday — Turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, roll, gingerbread and Christmas Party!. One milk per person is served with every meal. We appreciate everyone who continues to donate and support the senior center. Your donations continue to enhance the lives of our seniors and the operation of our center.

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Local organizations are invited, including city council representatives, county offices, and school board representatives. Requirements on access to public records and the conduct of public meetings will be explored in depth, and your questions are welcome. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

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banking division. “Accordingly, the State Treasurer fully intends to continue the current contractual relationship with Bank of America as it applies to credit card services until further notice.”

In an interview, Russ said the state’s JP Morgan holdings are from typical banking operations offered by the company, not its investment division. His office continues to negotiate with JP Morgan on a possible exemption.

“It’s not really an investment with them, and they’re not holding a pure investment,” Russ said. “That is an area that at least for a while, we’re going to have to make some exceptions because there’s not anyone that can actually handle some of the transactional volumes. And it would probably take us 18 to 24 months to get set back up with somebody else.”

Russ said JPMorgan’s inclusion on the restricted financial company list was from the financial company’s investment policies. He conceded that profits from all of the company’s operations, whether banking or investments, were going to the same corporate entity.

“The parent company’s philosophical position is what it is, even though the banking side doesn’t make those kinds of decisions on the investment portfolios,” Russ said. “But until we can find appropriate relationships, we can’t really separate ourselves from those accounts. They are more of a day-to-day checking account than an investment.”

Retiree Files Lawsuit Over Law

On Monday, a pensioner and former officer at the Oklahoma Public Employees Association sued the treasurer’s office over the energy discrimination law. Attorneys for Tulsa retiree Don Keenan filed for a temporary restraining order in Oklahoma County District Court. Keenan worked for the state for 11 years and later was a human resources director at a Tulsa refinery.

The lawsuit said the law is unconstitutional and interferes with the duties of pension system trustees to operate for the exclusive benefit of their beneficiaries. It also said the law was overly vague and violated free-speech protections.

“As a former employee of Sinclair Tulsa Refinery, Mr. Keenan does not have any objections to oil and gas operations and believes they are important and critical to the world economy,” the petition said. “However, as a retiree under the OPERS system, Mr. Keenan does object to his retirement benefits being depleted because the State of Oklahoma believes that making political statements



with retiree dollars is more important than taking care of retirees themselves.”

In an emailed statement, Russ said the spirit and intention of the law is to protect Oklahomans and the economic base of the state.

Meanwhile, OPERS has responded to a September letter sent by the Oklahoma State Pension Commission at Russ’ request criticizing its process for taking an exemption to the energy boycott law. Russ, who chairs the State Pension Commission, said OPERS acted too quickly in taking the exemption.

Russ was the lone no vote when the OPERS board voted 9-1 in August to exercise a financial responsibility exemption to the law so it wouldn’t have to divest \$6 billion in

pension assets managed by BlackRock Inc. Staff for the pension system said it could cost an estimated \$10 million to divest holdings from BlackRock.

The OPERS letter to the State Pension Commission, dated November 9, said the OPERS board properly followed the law in taking an exemption. The pension system’s request for proposal process for other potential investment managers attracted 51 responses, a number in line with industry norms.

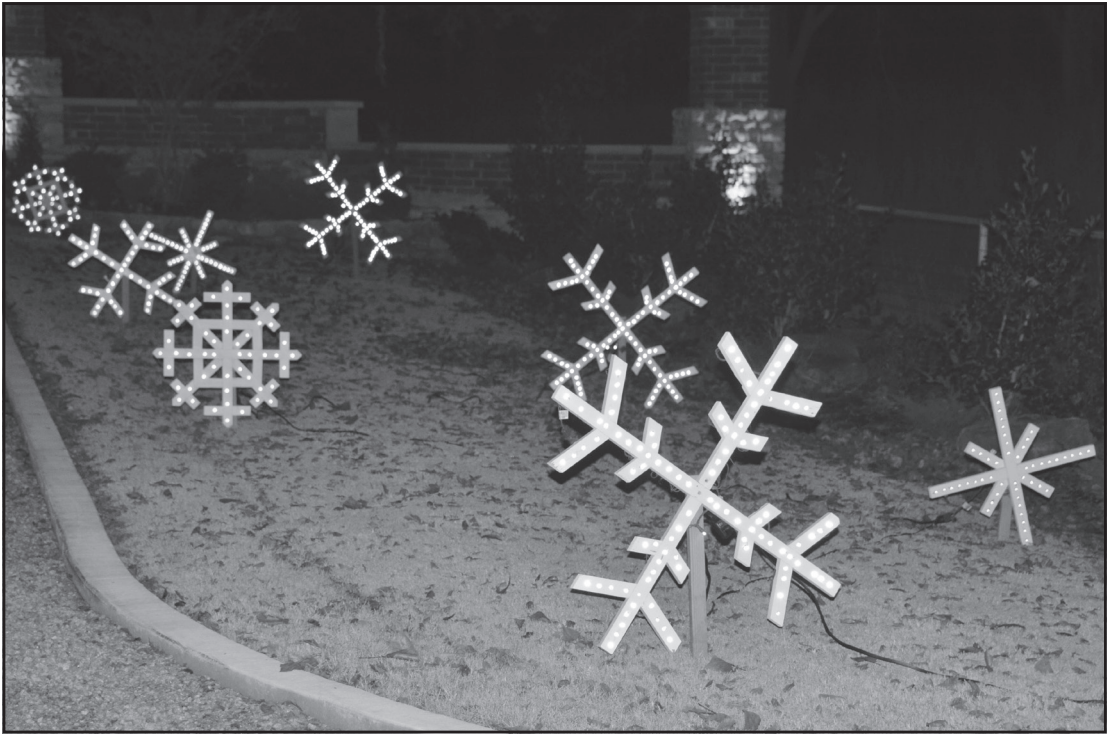
“It is important to note at the outset that despite the claims, criticisms, misunderstandings of law and fact made in the (Pension Commission) letter and rhetoric displayed in meetings and the news media, the OPERS Board of Trustees and staff have been completely open and transparent in all actions and have at all times been willing to answer any questions regarding the RFP process and the resulting actions taken by the Board of Trustees,” the 16-page letter said.

Last month, the Senate held an interim study on the implementation of the energy boycott law. Russ told senators the law needs to be clarified on how exemptions are taken. He also agreed with several senators that a provision affecting cities and counties should be removed from the law.

The State Financial Officers Foundation, a nonprofit headquartered in Kansas, has been supplying talking points and opinion columns to Russ and fellow Republican state treasurers and financial officials.

The materials critique the climate policies endorsed by shareholders of publicly traded banks and financial firms, part of a broader effort waged by conservative groups against environmental, social and governance policies.

Oklahoma Watch, at oklahomawatch.org, is a nonprofit, nonpartisan news organization that covers public-policy issues facing the state.



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Pretty flakes

Lighting up Deer Ridge Dr. is a couple of rows of brightly lit snowflakes.



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Librarian’s touch

Purcell Librarian Rebekah Lynam bringing in a box during the Purcell Rotary Club’s workday at the Multi Purpose Center.

PURCELL SCHOOL MENU

Week of December 11
MONDAY BREAKFAST
Waffles and syrup or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.
LUNCH
Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, dinner roll, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY BREAKFAST
Scrambled eggs and toast or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.
LUNCH
Pizza, caesar salad, baby carrots, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST
Biscuit and sausage gravy or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.
LUNCH
Chicken spaghetti, green beans, side salad, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY BREAKFAST
Breakfast calzone or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.
LUNCH
Cheeseburger, french fries, coleslaw, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY BREAKFAST
Doughnut or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.
LUNCH
Nacho bar with beef, queso and tortilla chips, chili beans, salsa, fruit, milk.

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City of Purcell

Section R319 Site Address

R319.1 Address numbers. Buildings shall have approved address numbers, building numbers or approved building identification placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property.

These numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numbers or alphabetical letters. Numbers shall be a minimum of four inches (102mm).

Where access is by means of a private road and the building address cannot be viewed from the public way, a monument, pole or other sign or means should be used to identify the structure. This will allow emergency crews to locate the house number.



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Just in time for Christmas

Peggy Christian, McClain County Operation Christmas volunteer, is pictured with Alisha Hokett of Salon One Thirteen. You can drop off toy donations at the salon for McClain County Operation Christmas or call Gale Wilson at 405-250-8316.

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Walgreens employees, Abigail Lee and Kaily Vargas, are ready to accept your McClain County Operation Christmas donations. Peggy Christian, volunteer for McClain County Operation Christmas, is pictured with the Walgreens employees. Monetary donations may be mailed to Darrell Ford at PO Box 756, Purcell, OK 73080 or contact Gale Wilson at 405-250-8316.

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Obituaries

Kenneth Wilton Harrington

Kenneth Wilton Harrington passed away December 4, 2023, at his daughter's home in Lexington, at the age of 92 years 3 months 6 days. A Visitation is scheduled from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, December 7, 2023, at the Wadley's Funeral Chapel. Graveside services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday, December 9, 2023, at the Hittson Cemetery in Mineral Wells, Texas, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service.

Kenneth was born August 29, 1931, at the Harrington homestead, Palo Pinto County Texas along the Brazos River, to Paul Jackson and Willie Reese (Thomason) Harrington. He was a talented athlete who loved playing sports, especially his first love, "Baseball". Kenneth talked many times about how he and his dad would go out into the fields along the Brazos River and play catch where he would dream of playing professional baseball.

This dedication to the sport led to a professional baseball career, beginning in 1949 in the Texas league, and ending with a year playing for the Cincinnati Reds baseball organization in 1954-55. One of Kenneth's proudest moments was when he beat out his biggest rival, another pitcher from Stevensville for a professional league contract.

Over the years, if you ever visited Kenneth or his dad, they were always watching or listening to a baseball game. Kenneth and his dad were passionate Texas Ranger fans, and this past year was able to see his team win their first World Series. Kenneth had a nickname "Gabbie", which was given to him by fellow teammates and opposing players. Not for talking all the time, it was because he never talked, so they gave him this nickname which stuck for life.

During Kenneth's baseball career, he was called to serve his country in active duty, serving in the United States Army during the Korean War from 1952-1954. Being a veteran was one of Kenneth's proudest accomplishments, something that he talked about often and took great pride in being able to say he served in time of war for the United States of America.

In 1955 Kenneth was married to his first wife, Ellen Grayce Patchett in Plainview, Texas, where he was playing baseball. Kenneth and Ellen had four children: Dennese, Gary and Kerri (twins) and Lynda. In 1957, Ellen and Kenneth moved to Oklahoma, where Kenneth would spend the next 66 years of his life.

On June 4, 1977, Kenneth married Dora "Dodie" Davis and they were together for 29 years until Dora's death on March 1, 2006.

Kenneth loved the outdoors, often sitting on his porch waiting for the moon to rise over the Oklahoma horizon, even if it was over 100 degrees outside. He loved to tinker and build things with his hands, although he wasn't a professional carpenter, he had a knack for knowing how everything went into place.

Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents, Willie and Paul Jackson Harrington; his daughter, Kerri Kirby; his brothers, Bill Harrington and Paul Harrington; his sisters, Delia Fallen and Ruth Davis; his son-in-law, Charles "Chuck" Rosenfelt; his great-grandson, Barron Lehr and wife, Dora Harrington.

Survivors include his daughter, Dennese Rosenfelt of Lexington, Oklahoma; his son, Gary Harrington and wife, Karin, of Kollweiler, Germany; his daughter, Lynda Gaither and husband, Jon, of Arlington Texas; his son-in-law, Rick Kirby; his son-in-law and daughter-in-law, David and Lisa Davis of Haslet, Texas; along with 16 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren and numerous other relatives and friends.

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No. 839-December 7-2 Times
Bid Title: Mainstreet Landscape Installation and Improvements
Category: Construction Bids
Description:

The City of Purcell will receive separate sealed bids for Landscape installation throughout the newly constructed streetscape project along Mainstreet. Bids will be received at City Hall, located at 230 W. Main St., Purcell, Oklahoma, 73080. until 11:00 AM. Thursday December 28, 2021. Questions will be accepted by email only at jhazard@halff.com. Project to include installing landscape material in established median beds, adjusting irrigation, adjusting mulch, and providing repairs as required. All work shall be performed, and all construction and material used and furnished shall be in accordance with the Contract Documents prepared by Halff Inc. and on file in the office of the City Clerk, located at City Hall. The Notice to Bidders. Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans and Specifications. Forms of Bid Bond, Performance and Statutory Payment Bond, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following: City Hall 230 W. Main St. Purcell, Ok 73080 (405) 527-6561

A complete set of digital Plans and Specifications to prospective bidders may be obtained at City Hall, 230 W. Main St. Purcell, Ok 73080, (405) 321-7232. An electronic set of plans and specifications is available at no cost. Each bidder shall accompany their original bid, with a certified or Cashier's Check on a solvent bank located in Oklahoma or a Bidder's Bond, in the amount of five (5) percent of the amount bid, as a guarantee of their ability to perform the contract bid upon. and that they will enter into a written contract with the Owner to perform said work and/or furnish said materials in accordance with said plans and specifications and furnish the required bonds within seven (7)

days after the acceptance of his bid. The deposit will be retained by the Owner for liquidated damages in case the successful bidder fails to enter in said contract and furnish the required bonds provided for in the specifications within the time required. Deposit of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon the execution of the Contract and required bonds. Each bidder shall accompany their bid with a sworn statement in writing that the Bidder has not directly or indirectly entered into an agreement. express or implied. with any other bidder or the price or amount of such bid or any bids. the limiting of the bids or bidders. the paying to anyone any money for promotion expenses, the parceling or farming out to any bidder or bidders or other persons of any part of the contract or any part of the subject matter of the bid or of the profits thereof.

A Performance, Maintenance and Statutory Bond in the amount of 100% of the contract price with a Corporate Surety licensed in Oklahoma and approved by the Owner and Landscape Architect will be required for the faithful performance of the contract, and the bidder shall state in the proposal the name and address of the Surety or Sureties who will sign this bond in case the contract is awarded to them. The Maintenance Bond required will guarantee the repair of all damage due to improper materials or workmanship for a period of one (1) year after the acceptance of the work by the Owner. All bids shall remain on file at least forty-eight (48) hours. Bids will be received upon delivery. Contract to be awarded to low responsive responsible bidder. The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities in the bidding and the right to reject any and all bids in accordance with the Oklahoma Competitive Bidding Act. Conditional bids shall not be accepted.

Chase Patrick Hayes

Family and friends will gather and celebrate Chase Patrick Hayes, 38, at 3 p.m. Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at the Purcell First Baptist Church. Please join the family for Starbucks coffee and cookies prior to the service at 2 p.m. in the foyer of the church. Arrangement are under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

A reception will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at the church.

Chase Patrick Hayes was born to Jerry and Cynthia Hayes on August 10, 1985 in Norman, Oklahoma. He was a talented athlete and musician. He graduated from Purcell High School in 2005.

Chase soon discovered a passion for live broadcast. He starting pulling cables at 16, to running a camera, and then becoming an audio technician and audio mixer. He worked on shows from the NCAA, NBA, NFL, NHL, MLB, Top Rank Boxing and PBR. His work aired on ABC, ESPN, NBA, CBS, NBC, FOX Sports, Bally Sports and Eurosport. His accomplishments were five regional Emmys and one National Emmy with ABC Sports. His production team became his family.

Chase poured his heart and soul into his work and all the people Chase worked with absolutely admired him. There truly wasn't anything that Chase couldn't do. He was brilliant and talented. He showed up when it mattered, had your back, gave to those in need, and would defend and stand up for his loved ones should the need for it arise.

In 2008, Chase met the love of his life, his earthly angel, Aimee, through a friend. She took his breath away from moment one and he never looked back.

Chase wore many hats in his life. He loved to play his guitar or bang on his drums. He never knew a stranger and would always make you feel welcome. He truly loved laughter and enjoyed making others laugh. His favorite role was being a father. He loved nothing more than spending time with his son Hendrix. He was always cheering him on at a race or encouraging him to do better in life.

Chase is survived by his wife, Aimee and his son, Hendrix; his grandparents, Gary and Shara Riley and Regina Hayes; his father, Jerry Hayes and wife, Tina; mother, Cynthia Riley; his sisters, Candace Hayes, Sara Beth Bogle and Nichole Edwards; his brothers, Jasaic Riley and Josh Smith; his nieces, Emsley, Aurora, Kaydence, Layla, Gracie, Addyson, Ayden and Jasmine, and nephews, Maddox and Matthew; his aunts, Marcy Stokes and Cheryl Strong; uncles, Gary Hayes, Mike Hayes, Darrell Ford and Kevin Hayes.

He was preceded in death by his Grandfather Gerald Hayes and two uncles, Gary Lee Riley and Kevin Riley.

Many close friends became a family to him. Chase will be desperately missed by all those that he left behind. Our hearts are so broken by this unexpected loss. He was one of a kind and to be loved by him was to be truly blessed.

Online condolences may be made at wilsonlittle.com.

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Book donations

Rebekah Lynam and Becky Roberts help load 150 teen books donated by the Pioneer Library System Foundation and the Purcell Public Library. The books will be given away at the McClain County Operation Christmas event. You may drop donations at Family Dollar in Wayne, the Purcell Public Library, Fired Up Nutrition, Pawsitively Purrfect, Walgreens, Pride Popcorn, Bravos, All in Diner, Belle Star Saloon, AB Hair Company, Happy Camper and **The Purcell Register**. Monetary donations may be mailed to Darrell Ford at PO Box 756, Purcell, OK 73080 or contact Gale Wilson at 405-250-8316.

No. 838-December 7-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
In The Matter of the Estate of
GEORGE C. WILLIS, Deceased,
Case No. PB-23-64
NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL
ACCOUNT AND PETITION
FOR ORDER ALLOWING FINAL
ACCOUNT, DETERMINATION
OF HEIRS, DEVISEES AND
LEGATEES, DISTRIBUTION
OF ESTATE, AND FINAL
DISCHARGE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Neil Willis, personal representative of the Estate of George C. Willis, Deceased, having filed in this Court her Final Account of the administration of said estate and Petition for Order Allowing Final Account, Determination of Heirs, Devisees and Legatees, Distribution of Estate, and Final Discharge, the hearing of the same, which will include a hearing upon various matters requested therein to be taken into consideration by the Court, has been set by the Court

of McClain County, Oklahoma the 28th day of December, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., in the Courthouse of McClain County, in Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified to then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of said deceased determined, the estate distributed, and the personal representative discharged.

Dated this 1st day of December, 2023.

/s/ Charles Gray
Judge of the District Court
Submitted by:
Darrell G. Ford, OBA #11835
Darrell G. Ford, A Professional Corporation
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Attorney for the Personal Representative, Neil Willis

Lynda Mae (Freeze) Moore

Lynda Moore died December 2, 2023 in Sherman, Texas, after dementia and a fracture to her hip.

Lynda Mae Freeze was born June 12, 1944 in Carnegie, Oklahoma. Lynda and her twin sister Glenda Fay Freeze were the last of eight children born to Arlie E. and Pearl G. (Sipes) Freeze of Mountain View, Oklahoma.

When Lynda and her sister turned 16 years (1960), the family moved to Purcell to a farm on Walnut Creek, west of the city, and the girls began attending Purcell High School. They really enjoyed the bigger high school. After graduating in 1962, Lynda was introduced to Leland Wesley Moore, the son of Allen and Sarah Moore of Purcell. They were married July 31, 1963 in Purcell and moved into a small apartment in Norman, where Leland was a student at the University of Oklahoma and in the Air Force ROTC.

Lynda and Leland had eight children, raising six to maturity. Mrs. Moore was primarily a wife, mother and homemaker. Her husband was an Air Force Pilot during the Vietnam War, and was often on temporary duty away from home. After his honorable discharge, Mr. Moore began his career as a commercial airline pilot, which again took him around the world for extended periods. This understandably added to the duties of a homemaker.

They made their home at various times in Norman, Oklahoma City, Del Rio, Texas, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, Anchorage, Alaska, Moore, Oklahoma, Purcell (near Woody Chapel), again Anchorage, and finally Goldsby. They were able to travel extensively around the US and the world. They were members and regular attendees of First Baptist Church Washington.

Lynda loved visiting with her parents, sisters and brother, cousins, in-laws and friends. She loved hosting holidays and other get-togethers at her house for family and friends. She was also a traveling hostess, often leaving the house with a dish of homemade lasagna, or pies and cakes ready to whip out at a moment's notice.

After her children were grown, she began helping in and then running the kitchen at First Baptist Church and continued in that service until her declining health forced her to stop. She also baked cakes and desserts for the restaurant and patrons of the Harry Bear's in Moore, until it was closed.

Lynda was preceded in death by her husband, Leland, on April 26, 2007. After several years widowed, Lynda met the widower JR Philips and they have been boon companions ever since.

Lynda was also preceded in death by her parents, Arlie and Pearl Freeze; her siblings, Maxine Fuchs, Gene Freeze, Arlene Mitchell, Cleta Wooldridge, Delta Wear and Glenda Ward; an infant brother; two children, Lon Jason Moore and Luke Jared Moore, and one grandchild, Conner Wu Moore.

Survivors include JR Phillips of Konawa, Oklahoma, and six children, Leslee Moore of Houston, Texas, Nicole Moore of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Lorrin Moore and his wife, Christina, of Chicago, Illinois, Lance Moore and his wife, Michele, of Kingston, Oklahoma, Lana Crevier and her husband, Steve, of Krugerville, Texas, and Landon Moore of Goldsby, Oklahoma; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren and innumerable nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held Friday, December 8, 2023 at Wilson-Little Funeral Home.

Funeral services for Lynda (Freeze) Moore of Goldsby will be held 10 a.m. December 9, 2023 at First Baptist Church Washington with Rev. Davies Vanpool officiating. Following the service, internment will be at Hillside Cemetery in Purcell alongside her husband, Leland Moore, under the direction of Wilson-Little Funeral Home of Purcell.

Pallbearers are Lynda's children.

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Keith Edward Clayton

Keith Edward Clayton died peacefully December 2, 2023, in Tecumseh at the age of 81 years 10 months 8 days. Memorial services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday, December 8, 2023, at the Wadley's Funeral Chapel, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service.

Keith was born on January 28, 1942, in We-woka, Oklahoma, to Oscar Paul "Sonny" and Mayona (New) Clayton. He spent his formative years in South Oklahoma City, graduating from Southeast High School in 1960.

Continuing his pursuit of knowledge, Keith furthered his education at Central State University and Connors State in Warner, Oklahoma. On November 19, 1963, Keith entered into the United States Air Force. He served his country with great pride until being honorably discharged on May 1, 1967.

A true lover of nature and outdoor pursuits, Keith discovered his profound passion for fishing. He spent most of his time casting his line from a tube in the water, he found solace surrounded by the serenity of nature.

In addition to fishing, Keith nurtured a fascination for all things old, except for his women. Keith was fond of collecting old glass bottles, books, barbed wire and various vintage items. His skilled hands loved to work in his shop where he crafted bows from Bois d'Arc limbs. Keith expressed his artistic flair through various endeavors and relished spending time wrenching on cars. He found great pleasure in listening to outlaw country music while timeless western movies played across the screen. Keith cherished his family deeply and brought boundless joy to those moments spent together. His love knew no bounds.

Keith was preceded in death by his parents, Sonny and Mayona Clayton; his brother, Larry Dale Clayton; and his grandson, Michael Seth Knipp.

Survivors include his son, Keith Clayton II and wife, Candice of Muskogee; his daughter, Kara Smith and husband, Chris, of Tecumseh; his daughter, Jessi Parker and husband, Shawn, of Purcell; his daughter, Karsyn Clayton and his son, Jeb Clayton, both of the home; his 12 grandchildren; and his three great-grandchildren; along with many other relatives and friends.

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Festive

Holiday lawn decorations brighten up a home on Deer Ridge Drive.

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Council:

purchasing or leasing a piece of property that Purcell owns in Lexington for an animal shelter. No action was taken with further discussion to be continued about options. The board tabled a resolution amending policy for the city and public works authority distributed generation program.

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thankful for the hardworking individuals in my office who are also dedicated to these principles, and who work tirelessly to educate others about the Open Meeting and Open Records Acts across the state.” Seminars will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. at five locations: September 25 — Lawton, Cameron University, 501 SW University Dr. October 16 — Tulsa Technology Center Riverside Campus, 801 E. 91st St. October 30 — Enid, Autry Technology Center, 1201 W. Willow November 13 — McAlester, Eastern Oklahoma State College, 1802 E. College Ave. December 11 — Oklahoma City, Metro Tech Conference Center, 1900 Springlake Dr. The seminars are free and open to the public. No pre-registration is required. Continuing education credits are available for attendance. Attorneys will receive three CLE credit hours. New school board members can get three credit hours from the Oklahoma State Department of Education, and new technology center board members can earn three credit hours from the State Department of Career and Technology Education. Law enforcement officials are eligible to receive three credit hours from the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training. For more information, visit www.okpress.com/seminars or call OPA at 1-888-815-2672.

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Absentee:

mailed, emailed, or faxed to the County Election Board. Voters can request ballots for a single election or all elections in which they are eligible to vote during the requested election year. Absentee ballot requests are valid for one calendar year. Voters who have previously received absentee ballots will need to submit a new request as soon as possible if they would like to vote by absentee ballot in the 2024 Election Year. The deadline to request an absentee ballot for the February 13 election is 5 p.m. Monday, January 29. The list of elections is available on the State Election Board website at oklahoma.gov/elections. Voters with questions should contact the McClain County Election Board at 405-527-3121 or mcclaincounty@elections.ok.gov. The McClain County Election Board is located at 121 N Second Ave., Purcell. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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ACOG:

Lyles said. ACOG receives federal funds for safety projects to be applied for from all the counties and municipalities located within the Oklahoma City area regional transportation system (OCARTS). The applications are reviewed and scored on population and average daily traffic count (ADTC) within the eligible areas. Lyles has been a member of the ACOG transportation board for 14 years. This has been very advantageous for McClain County with bridge and road projects awarded within our county. Commissioner Lyles also states that folks will be seeing new signage in parts of the county that Districts 2 and 3 have been awarded. These safety projects are 100 percent funded. “ACOG has been a valuable resource to McClain County and other entities who participate as our towns and cities have also benefited from funding ACOG has provided,” Lyles said.

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name, dosage and directions on when and how to take it. “If you have a reaction to a new medication, or accidentally take your medication twice, having this information available is important when calling the Poison Helpline,” said Kristie Edelen, managing director of the Oklahoma Poison Center. “Additionally, it can be disastrous to find a child playing with a pill organizer, with grandma’s medication spilled out on the floor and unsure what the child has ingested.” It’s easy to be distracted during holiday gatherings, be sure to ask your host for a safe place to store your medication. Always store medicine or marijuana products in child-resistant containers. If your bags, purses or luggage contain any kind of medicine be sure to keep them up and away from children. Even if you are not traveling with children there is a chance a child may be able to access your bag at a holiday gathering. Medication Safety Travel Tips: • Know where your medicine

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Filings:

America Technology’s board seat School Board while Ryan Morris Price has filed for a seat on the Wayne School Board. Holly Baker has filed for the Purcell Board of Education and a race has developed in the scramble for a seat on the Washington School Board. Filing in Washington’s district are Clayton Colley, Adam Price and Ashley Teel. Stephen Swaim has filed for the position on the Dibble Board of Education. Filing was set to continue until 5 p.m. Wednesday.

is at all times and store it in a secure location once you reach your destination. • Do not combine different medicines into one container. Combining different medicines increases the chance of a mix-up, especially since your normal routine is switched up while traveling. • Be prepared with an extra supply of medicine. Take several days’ worth of medicine in the event you cannot return home as scheduled. • Keep your medicine stored at the appropriate temperature. Temperatures that are too high or too low may affect the medicine so it will not work properly. Be prepared when traveling by bringing warm or cold packs if needed. Never store your medicine in the glove compart-

ment or trunk of your car. Call the Oklahoma Poison Center with any questions or concerns regarding potential hazards that arise during the holidays, and do not forget to save the poison center’s phone number, (800) 222-1222, in your phone. Pharmacists and registered nurses at the poison center are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Please do not email the poison center or a member of the poison center staff, as poisoning emergencies are not handled through email. The Oklahoma Poison Center is a program of the University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy at OU Health Sciences. For more information, visit OklahomaPoison.org.

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Warriors dig out of 18 point deficit

Oust Jones from playoffs for fourth straight year

John D. Montgomery
The Purcell Register

It turned out to be the same song, sixth verse for Washington and Jones last Friday night but the game didn't start off well for the Warriors in their 35-34 state semifinals victory at Yukon.

For the sixth time in the last four years, Washington came out on top including the last four straight state playoff contests against Jones.

But last Friday night the Longhorns jumped out to a commanding 18-0 lead over the Warriors in the first quarter before Hudson Howard got the Washington on the board with a 48-yard scamper.

Howard carried the mail for Washington 21 times for 191 yards and scored the final Warrior score of the night, a 13 yarder in the fourth quarter.

"Hudson had a big night

but I'm sure he would give all the credit in the world to his offensive line," head coach Brad Beller said.

Beller was referring to Kingston Stringer, Jordan Vanya, Tanner Winlock, Easton Berglan and Baylor Haynes and tight ends

Nate Roberts and Cooper Alexander.

As it was, the Warriors rushed for 313 yards on 38 attempts but would have had closer to 400 yards on the

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Back in the State saddle

Warriors defend title Saturday night
against familiar foe

John D. Montgomery
The Purcell Register

It's not like they don't know each other and it's not like they haven't been on this stage before.

For the third time in the last seven years Washing-

ton and Millwood will clash with the Gold Ball at stake.

This year they will meet at 7 p.m. at Chad

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Greg Gaston
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Soft hands

Washington senior Cooper Alexander runs with the football after a catch during the Warriors' 35-34 win over Jones in the Class 2A semifinals. Alexander had two catches for 23 yards. Washington plays Millwood Saturday for the State championship.

Purcell girls open with win

Dragons head to Madill for tournament this weekend

John D. Montgomery
The Purcell Register

Led by Hadleigh Harp's 11 points, Purcell raced past Lindsay, 66-47, to begin the 2023-24 hard court season.

The game was Lindsay's second of the season but Purcell's first.

The first game jitters were aided by a 15-3 opening quarter by the Dragons to bust the game wide open from the outset.

Hannah Whitaker and Alyssa Thompson both had nine points in the runaway victory.

"The first game jitters were on display in the early portion

of the game," head coach Toney Cooper said. "Once we settled in we were able to get some easy buckets off our press and solid points in transition.

"Hadleigh played amazing on both ends," the coach said. "Tinley Winters and Ella Resendiz were dominant on the board. We got contributions from everyone. It was a great way to start the season."

Coach Roger Raper's Dragons dropped a close 42-41 contest at the hands of the Leopards with Kylen

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Purcell 66
Lindsay 47

Purcell 15 17 18 16—66
Lindsay 3 12 21 13—47

Player	Points
Hadleigh Harp	11
Hannah Whitaker	9
Alyssa Thompson	9
Jenna Avery	6
Haven Buchanan	6
Ashlee McClung	5
Kaylin Vazquez	5
Tinley Winters	5
Ella Resendiz	4
Lili Del Toro	3
Kenna Esparza	2
Isa Walker	1

Warriors open with win

Trusting in the process key for return to State finals

John Denny Montgomery
The Purcell Register

Second-year Washington head girls basketball coach Kale Simon is concentrating on taking things day by day with his team this season.

It's a trust in the process that he believes will help get this year's Washington Warriors back to the State finals.

Even though there are lofty goals for his team, he tries not to let them get too caught up in where the team finishes.

"We don't focus on the destination, we focus on the process and we want to get better every day," Simon said.

"But we do realize if we're not right back where we were last year we will be disappointed."

Last year's team finished the year 27-2 and State runners-up after losing to Jones 39-33 in the State finals.

Washington returns a bunch of talent from last year's team, which had a 22-game win streak at one point.

The Warriors lost Kyndall Wells and Daisy Lampkin to graduation, with Wells being a mainstay in the starting lineup.

Breanna Lindert, Kelby Beller—who is returning from a knee injury suffered in the

finals of the State tournament last season — and Preslee Johnson are a talented trio who are seasoned well above their sophomore (Beller and Johnson) and junior (Lindert) classifications.

Simon said improving each day will be the key to his team's season.

"We want to train at the highest possible level every single day," he said. "We want to create habits of doing the right thing. That's the key."

Comanche

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Stephanie Knowles • For The Purcell Register

Ahead of the defense

Purcell sophomore Kaylin Vazquez dribbles ahead of the Lindsay defense during the Dragons' 66-47 win over the Leopards last Friday. Vazquez scored five points in the game.

‘Dawgs pick up first win

68-50 over Stratford last week

Emily Montgomery
The Purcell Register

The Lexington Bulldogs picked up their first win of the season with a 68-50 victory over Stratford last Friday.

Four 'Dawgs were in double figures, including 17 apiece from Drew Dierking, Ty Mixon and Colt Mixon. Skylar Rollins added 12.

"Four out of my five starters were in double digits. I'm proud of the guys for playing as a team and distributing the ball well," head coach Tyler Thetford said.

Lexington jumped out in front, scoring 12 points in the first quarter to Stratford's four.

The two teams matched their scoring with 19 points in the second. Lexington held a 31-23 advantage at halftime.

"We mixed things up defensively against Stratford. I never let them get comfortable and changed defenses often."

Thetford's team was still hot offensively in the second half as they put up 37 points and picked up the 18-point win.

Despite Ty Mixon dropping in 32 points, Lexington dropped their first game of the season, a 73-59 loss to Sulphur.

Dierking and Colt Mixon added eight points each.

Sulphur held a nearly 20-point lead at halftime. And, they kept that cushion throughout the second half to pick up the win over Lexington.

"This was a very physical game and I think it caught the guys off-guard. The refs were letting the teams play. I encouraged them during halftime to fight back and go out and get fouls. We readjusted and won the second half," Thetford said.

The Bulldogs were back in the gym on Tuesday, hosting CCS. They will be in Lone

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ground if not for center snaps over Major Cantrell's head. Mayson Thomas made all five of the PATs which proved

A pivotal point in the game came via the defense when Max Wilson stepped in front of a second quarter Longhorn

That was a culture and program win. Coming back from an 18-0 deficit says a lot about the character and the grit of our team.

— **Brad Beller**, head coach

Jones failed on three two-point conversions in the game.

pass and took it to the house.
“We had some bad series on defense but we came up with two interceptions including the



Greg Gaston • double g images

Stuffed

Washington junior Jordan Kilmer tackles a Jones ball carrier during the Warriors' 35-34 win over the Longhorns in the State semifinals. Kilmer had three tackles in the game. Washington plays Millwood Saturday for the State championship.

pick six," Beller said. "That put us up to stay at 21-18."

Dawson Thomas had the other interception and four tackles, including one for a loss. Each side of the ball, all three phases made mistakes but they overcame the errors.

"Our offense was good in spots but a couple of busts were self-inflicted," the coach said. "That was a culture and program win. Coming back from an 18-0 deficit says a lot about the character and the grit of our team."

“It was one of those games that will be remembered forever, how we fought back,” Beller said. “Making every extra point was huge. Mayson has been working on being more consistent.”

Kade Norman tallied the second Warrior touchdown run of the night on a one-yard plunge. Cantrell had the other score, a 17-yard burst in the third period.

Jones threw in a few new creases on offense that caused consternation for the play callers on defense, namely Case Taylor, Keller Howard and Cole Beller.

“They had their hands full with all the formations and all the new formations,” Beller confirmed. “They made all the checks and all the calls. They just really took command of the defense on the field.”

Cole Beller led the defensive assault against the Longhorns with 11 tackles. Case Taylor finished with nine while Case Alexander and Naithen Spaulding each registered seven stops.

Howard made six tackles while Kade Norman finished with five.

Washington's defensive linemen are Kane Lampkin, Naithen Spaulding, Wyatt Denton and Lane Taylor.



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Scrambling

Washington senior Major Cantrell carries the ball near his own goal line Friday night during the Warriors' 35-34 semifinal win over Jones. Cantrell had 89 yards on eight carries and a touchdown in the win. Washington plays Millwood Saturday for the State championship.



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Fill the hole

Washington senior Case Taylor fills his gap on defense Friday night during the Warriors' 35-34 semifinal win over Jones. Taylor had nine tackles in the game. Washington plays Millwood Saturday for the State championship.

From page 1B

State:

Richison Stadium on the campus of the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond.

Last year Washington came from behind to win their second State Championship in school history and first since 1996, pinning a 17-14 loss on

the Falcons.

"I think this is quite an accomplishment for both programs," Washington Head Coach Brad Beller said. "We're familiar with their staff and familiar with their players."

OU wide receiver commit Jaden Nickens is the reason Washington is not playing Keifer in the finals.

Last week Keifer had scored the go-ahead touchdown with just seconds remaining. Keifer kicked off and the ball fell into the arms of Nickens who took the pigskin to the crib for a walk-off semifinal victory. Sophomore quarterback Schuyler Turnbull started last year as a freshman and has command of the spread offense the Falcons utilize.

“He’s a great football player,” Beller reports. “But their X-factor is Xzavier Thompson. He’s their stud.

“Those three are really good football players. Then there is their do-everything linebacker Cameron Carter,” Beller said.

Carter will line up sometimes in the backfield to rush the football. The other Falcon linebacker is the talented Micho Lavine.

“Both of their linebackers are really good. They will both play college football,” Beller predicted.

Overall, Beller reports Millwood's 4-3 defense is as complete a defense as you can have in high school football.

“They can stop the run and still limit you through the air. They are as physical as we have seen all year,” Beller said.


One key for a Warrior victory is getting out of the gate faster on defense.

"We need to have a great start defensively. The last three weeks we have not played well early. We also need to limit their big plays," Beller said.

"Offensively, we need to take care of the football and control the line of scrimmage," Beller said squarely putting the game on the shoulders of Baylor Haynes, Easton Berglan, Tanner Winlock, Jordan Vanya and Kingston Stringer.

Warrior notes:

Washington's **Tanner Winlock** will be playing Saturday in the State Championship football game, his 57th career game as a high school gridder.



WARRIORS

VS.

LONGHORNS

JONES	18	0	8	8	34
WASHINGTON	7	14	7	7	35

TEAM OFFENSIVE STATS

	ATTEMPTS	YARDS	TDS
RUSHING	38	313	4
PASSING	4/6	86	0

TEAM DEFENSIVE STATS

TACKLES	TFL	INT
C. BELLER - 11	D. THOMAS - 1	D. THOMAS - 1
C. TAYLOR - 9	B. VAUGHN - 1	M. WILSON - 1
CA. ALEXANDER - 7	L. TAYLOR - 1	
N. SPAULDING - 7	J. COLES - 1	SACKS
K. HOWARD - 6	K. LAMPKIN - 1	B. VAUGHN - 1
K. NORMAN - 5	H. HOWARD - 1	L. TAYLOR - 1
D. THOMAS - 4		H. HOWARD - 1
T. OLSON - 4		
B. VAUGHN - 4		

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- H. HOWARD 48 YARD RUN, M. THOMAS PAT

2ND QUARTER

- K. NORMAN 1 YARD RUN, M THOMAS PAT
- M. WILSON 47 YARD PICK SIX, M. THOMAS PAT

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AWOL nominations 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 State Championship

STATE! Warrior Football advances to the State Title game Saturday at UCO in Edmond at 7 p.m. Washington will take on Millwood.

Gates open at 5:30 p.m., clear bag and metal detectors, information below.

Warriors are the visiting team; fans sit on east side.

Please Note: At the end of the game, spectators are not allowed on the field until the completion of the trophy ceremonies honoring the players and coaches. Please do not enter the field until asked to do so. Please help us share this information with others and in the stands at the game.

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Washington School Lunch Menu

December 6—Orange chicken, Asian rice, vegetables, fruit, milk.

December 7—Chicken noodle soup, hot rolls, salad, fruit, milk.

December 8—Cheeseburgers, chips, beans, fruit, milk.

December 11—Pulled pork sandwich, chips, baked beans, fruit, milk.

December 12—Walking tacos, pinto beans, lettuce/salsa, Jell-O, milk.

December 13—Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, corn, fruit, milk.

December 14—Frito chili pie, corn, sticky bun, fruit, milk.

December 15—Corn dogs, tator tots, fruit, milk.

December 18—Pasta bake, bread sticks, salad with ranch, fruit, milk.

December 19—Cooks choice, fruit, milk.

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Menu for December 7-15:

Thursday, December 7—Fish filets, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw.

Friday, December 8—Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn.

Monday, December 11—Spaghetti with meat sauce,

green beans, garlic bread.

Tuesday, December 12: Swiss chicken, broccoli/cauliflower salad.

Wednesday, December 13—Taco salad, tortilla chips, chili beans.

Thursday, December 14—Chicken and noodles, peas/carrots.

Friday, December 15—Beef roast, carrots, hot rolls, 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 instrument.

Washington School Board Meeting Schedule

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

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

Washington Public Schools Calendar

December 7—First Grade Christmas Play, 1 and 6 p.m., WEC; HS BBK, Latta Tournament; 8th basketball, Chickasha Tournament.

December 8—HS BBK, Latta Tournament; 8th basketball, Chickasha Tournament.

December 9—8th basketball, Chickasha Tournament; HS BBK, Latta Tournament; Band, Shortgrass, Tuttle.

December 11—Board Meeting - 4/5 Library; 7/8/9 BBK, Purcell, girls home, boys Away, 5 p.m.

December 12—HS BBK at Jones, JV, 4 p.m., Varsity 6:15 p.m.

December 13—District Steering Committee Meeting.

December 14—7/8/9 BBK Pauls Valley, boys away, girls home, 5 p.m.

December 15—HS BBK, Cashion, home; Cheer Christmas party, Mcalister (evening).

December 18—Winter Band Concert, WEC. 7-8:30 p.m.

December 20—HS GBK practice, 10 a.m.

Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation

Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation was honored to be named Grand Marshal of the Annual Norman Christmas Parade and take part in all of the festivities. The Foundation is blessed to be part of the Norman, Purcell, Washington and local communities.

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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.

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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.

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My contact information is angiesteele73@gmail.com or 405-413-2471 if you have any news to share, story ideas, or if you have someone you would

like to see a feature article about. Send me birthday, anniversary, or personal news you would like to share with our community.

Angie Steele



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Christmas parade participant

Washington's Christmas Parade was a huge success last Thursday in downtown Washington. Washington FFA members pose with their float.



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Winter Classic

Washington FFA held its annual Washington Winter Classic December 2. Judge LJ Young presided over hundreds of kids and their show pigs. Senior Presley Strickland (top) shows her pig. The show (bottom) drew a large crowd of family and supporters.

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Norman parade

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2023 Awards Show held by the PV Opry

What a night at the Pauls Valley Opry! The 2023 Awards Show was simply fantastic! Our December guests did a great job and the excitement in the room was magical when the winners of the Horizon Awards, Male and Female Vocalist Awards, the Entertainer of the Year 2023 Hall of Fame Inductees were announced! Gunner Shi Donham is a fantastic musician, vocalist and entertainer. Gunner was rockin' when he kicked off his portion of the show with the Radney Foster hit, "Just Call Me Lonesome."

He kicked into a higher gear with an outstanding performance of the Keith Urban's

smash hit, "Somedays You Gotta Dance." Missy Rude is one of your very favorites and she knocked it out of the park last night at the Pauls Valley Opry. Her performance of the Buck Owens tune, "Under Your Spell Again" took us back to classic country sounds of the 60s. She got us into the Christmas spirit with the beautiful Dolly Parton song, "Hard Candy Christmas."

When Wiley Winters is on stage, it's going to be a fun night! Wiley took us back to a moment in time when Country music was still country, with his vocals on the Conway Twitty hit, "Goodbye Time." Then

he got everyone on their feet with the Josh Turner hit song, "Your Man." Your 5-Time Female Vocalist of the Year, Anne Young, was back, getting everyone out in the aisle with the Rosanne Cash tune, "My Baby Thinks He's a Train." The lights were turned down low and she sang beautifully the Judds megahit, "Young Love (Strong Love)." John Williams, emcee and our "Friendly Undertaker" and Pauls Valley Opry Hall of Fame Member, was a featured guest, too. John got everyone going with the George Jones hit, "The Grand Tour" followed by his

rendition of the Merle Haggard hit, "The Running Kind." We are so honored to share the stage with some of the best musicians in the country – the Memory Makers Band. They added to the mix, making the night very memorable indeed. We appreciate those who came out to see the December edition of the Pauls Valley Opry and the 2023 Pauls Valley Opry Awards Show. We are taking January off, but we will see you on Saturday, February 3, for the next Pauls Valley Opry! We hope you join us as we welcome guests Tanner Young, April Davis, Cathy Lake and Mike Deviney.



Wayne Morton, Paul Pratt and Susanne Woolley-Rives (center) with Becky and Woodie Hill



Libby Gandy (center) with Becky and Woodie Hill



Chandler Elliott (center) with Becky and Woodie Hill



Wiley Winters (center) with Becky and Woodie Hill



Missy Rude (center) with Becky and Woodie Hill



Jon McGuffin (center) with Becky and Woodie Hill

Pauls Valley Opry 2023 Award Winners

The Pauls Valley Opry has announced the 2023 Award Winners. Winners were honored at the awards show on December 2 and were chosen strictly by votes submitted by patrons of the Opry each month. In the female category, Libby Gandy was the 2023 Horizon Winner of the Year, while in the male category, Chandler Elliott took the honors. 2023 Pauls Valley Opry Female Vocalist of the Year was Missy Rude, and the patrons

chose Wiley Winters as the 2023 Pauls Valley Opry Male Vocalist of the Year. Missy Rude also obtained the most total votes to win the title of Pauls Valley Opry's 2023 Entertainer of the Year. Several were also honored as Pauls Valley Opry Hall of Fame inductees for their contributions to the success of the Pauls Valley Opry. The class of 2023 members are Jon McGuffin, Susanne Woolley-Rives, Wayne Morton and Paul Pratt.

No. 833-November 30-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES OF WALTER H. MENGDEN, JR., Deceased, and JUNE SHELL MENGDEN, Deceased. Case No. PB-2023-93 NOTICE OF HEARING FIRST AND FINAL ACCOUNT,

PETITION FOR DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE Notice is hereby given that Walter H. Mengden, III, the duly appointed and qualified Personal Representative of the Estates of Walter H. Mengden, Jr., Deceased, and June Shell Mengden, Deceased, has filed his Final Account, Petition for Decree of Distribution and Discharge of Personal Representative. A hearing has been fixed by the Judge of the Court for the 28th day of December 2023, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., in the District Courtroom of Judge Charles N. Gray, County Courthouse, Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in the Estate are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the Account should not be settled and allowed, the Estates distributed and the Personal Representative discharged. DATED this 27th day of November 2023. CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881 Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731 George W. Velotta, II, OBA #9223 Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565 Purcell, OK 73080 Phone: 405-527-7575 Fax: 405-527-7574 Attorney for Personal Representative

No. 835-December 7-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES OF POWELL, WILLIAM JAY Deceased. Case No. PB-2023-128 NOTICE TO CREDITORS To the Creditors of William Jay Powell, Deceased: All creditors having claims against William Jay Powell, 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 Carol Anne Powell, Personal Representative, at the law office of Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC,

138 W. Main, Purcell, OK 73080, addressed to James B. Blevins, Jr., attorney for the Personal Representative, on or before the following presentment date: 30th day of January 2024, or the same will be forever barred. DATED this 30th day of November 2023. /s/ James B. Blevins, Jr. James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881 Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731 George W. Velotta, II, OBA #9223 Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565 Purcell, Oklahoma 73080 Phone: 405-527-7575 Fax: 405-527-7574 Attorney for Petitioner

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Donna Williams

How long have you worked for the McClain County Court Clerk's office? 23½ years.

What are your duties? Filing clerk.

Where is your hometown? Wayne, OK.

Tell us a little bit about your family? My husband David works for the county, also one of our sons is a police officer and the other son runs motorcycle classes.

What do you enjoy doing outside of work? Gardening, dancing, and my church Landmark.

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Religion

Sunray Baptist Church

Pam Kyzersang “The Perfect Tree” for the morning special.

Brother John used Luke 1:78-79 for his sermon. He explained that Jesus is the gift of light. He is the ultimate gift at Christmas, the most enduring gift of all time. These verses tell of Zacharias’s prophecy and song.

Hearts and minds are illuminated in Christ. The light of the Gospel came on when Jesus came into the world. He is the answer to every need you may have.

The evening message was from I John 4:1-3. At Christmas, we not only celebrate a birthday, but the incarnation of

God into human flesh in order to die on the cross for our sins.

This coming Sunday Brother Ken Sibley will be preaching the morning message. We will have our annual Holiday Meal



following worship. There will be no evening service.

On December 17 our children will be presenting their Christmas program at our morning service. Our Candlelight Service will be that evening.

On December 24 at 10 a.m., we will have our Christmas service. There will be no Sunday school or evening service that day.

Join us at Sunray Baptist Church. We are located at 2223 North 9th Street in Purcell.

John Wylie serves as our pastor.

For more information call 405-527-6808.

Green Avenue Church of Christ

Bible study begins each Wednesday at 7 p.m. This coming week we are examining a few more songs in our book, and the remaining weeks of December we’ll be studying quickly and briefly through the book of Hebrews as our plan is to begin a one-year survey of the Old Testament beginning in January.

Sunday morning Bible study begins at 9:45 a.m. and this week we continued our discussion of today’s digital age and the issues we may face in it. Among other things, we were challenged to think about the concept of the trustworthiness of electronic Bibles verses the traditional printed Bibles.

It was pointed out that through the centuries people have tried altering the Bible already, some of which have made it into print, but that the modern digital platform makes these attempts quicker and

more widespread in potential effect.

The morning sermon brought by Keith Shackelford was, he said, the first in a new brief series on the Immutability of God. He examined the term “immutable” as found in Hebrews 6 and showed that the promise of God was sealed with an oath, both of which were immutable, or unchangeable.

The study then focused on the eternal nature of God and how that is unchanged, or as the Bible says “from everlasting to everlasting.”

Sunday evening we began with a reading of Colossians 2:6-15 with verse 6 serving as the working title for the sermon: “As ye have therefore received Christ... walk ye in him.”

It was established from this text that if we have received Christ we have received our root, our foundation (v. 7), and that means we have heard the

word of God for the development of our faith; and that receiving Christ is receiving truth, not fables or philosophies (v. 8); and that receiving Christ means we are receiving the very Son of God, for “in him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily,” (v. 9).

Furthermore, the sermon pointed out that if we have received Christ we have received our spiritual surgeon, our life-giving redeemer, and victorious conqueror (v. 11-15). In conclusion, we learned that if we have indeed received Christ we really must live like it!

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 405-527-4052.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Stella Bledsoe

December 10, 2023 is the second Sunday of Advent. The second reading is Second Peter 3:8-14.

St. Peter says we must never forget that the Lord is not being slow in carrying out his promises, but he is being patient with us. To the Lord, a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.

The gospel reading is Mark 1:1-8. Instead of beginning his gospel about Jesus’s birth, he says, “The beginning of the gospel about Jesus Christ, the Son of God.” He reminds his readers that the prophet Isaiah foretold about a messenger who would come before the Lord.

The messenger was John the Baptist, a humorless, strangely dressed fellow who said, “After me is coming someone who is more powerful than me, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals.”

The first verse of Psalm 40, my favorite psalm, begins, “I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry.”

Learning patience is quite difficult. Have you ever considered that almost every sin involves a lack of patience? When a two-year-old has a hissy because they did not get what they wanted the instant they wanted it, we call it childish behavior.

Yet, as adults, the list of things we become impatient with could fill a book. Some-

one in front of us is going too slow; the price of the car we want is too high so instead of prudently saving or buying a cheaper car, we finance more than we can afford; we want more money now, so we steal it; we want “benefits”, so we live together instead of committing to marriage.

When we confess our sins, how many are a result of our failure to exercise patience?

We need to learn God’s time and avoid those sins of impatience that cause so much harm. Teach us, Lord, to wait patiently until the proper moment. Teach us, Lord, to wait in joyful hope.

Several events will be occurring in the next few days. The Solemnity of Immaculate Conception is December 8 and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass in English will be at 5 p.m. and mass in Spanish will be 7 p.m.

On December 9, the Nativity Pageant will be presented by the Religious Education Children at 5 p.m. mass.

The Altar Society’s First Annual Advent by Candlelight Service is Sunday, December 10, from 4-7 p.m. in the office basement. Enjoy a lovely candlelight evening of fellowship, food, and speakers to refresh your spirit during the Advent Season.

Please sign up if you plan to attend. Contact Rebecca at 810-656-5119, ore-mail rebec-

caandrews476@gmail.com.

The Solemnity of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated on December 11 and 12. There will be Mariachis playing Las Mañanitas (Morning Prayer) at 11 p.m. on Monday night, December 11, lasting until 12:30 a.m. Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. The rosary will be recited in the Parish Hall followed by procession with the Statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe from the Parish Hall to the Church during which the Parish children will play the Mexican dance. Mass in Spanish will be at 7 p.m.

The Parish Advent Penance Rite will be Wednesday, December 13, beginning at 6:30 p.m. There are several visiting priests who are coming from different parishes to listen to the confessions of our parishioners.

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 405-527-3077.

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

Peace be with you.

Lexington Westside Church of Christ

Good week to all. Welcome to the “front porch.”

Well, we are in the early days that occur every year between Thanksgiving and Christmas, and the two continue to blend together. But in the days that lie ahead of us, we are going to be concerned more and more with the upcoming Christmas and with all the gifts we want to buy and give.

Thinking of that reminded me of something I learned a long time ago -- of the gifts we do not want to receive, the gifts we “send back.” It is a lesson from a story my chiropractor, Dr. Jack taught me a long time ago.

Dr. Jack, you see, would not just straighten up your bones and joints. He would help straighten you up sometimes in between the ears.

You understand.

We were talking one day when it was slow at his practice, and he told me a story that has

stuck with me.

He said that once there was a king who would go throughout the land to share a positive message of hope for the citizens of his kingdom, most of whom were very poor.

But at every stop, the unappreciative crowd who came out to see him and hear him would throw fruit, eggs, and rocks at the king.

This act of disrespect went on for some time, but the king still went out to deliver his positive message throughout his kingdom, seemingly oblivious to the ill-treatment he received in return.

At the castle after one trip, the queen, said to him, “King, why is it that you do this? You go out there and encourage the people and give them hope, and all they do is abuse you by slinging stones!”

“Oh,” said the king with a grimace, “it’s something I have

to do. It’s a message I have to deliver.”

Then he gave his good wife a soft smile, and said, “There’s something else, too.”

He paused.

“My father taught me something when I was just a boy,” he said. “His words still help me every time somebody slings something negative my way. He told me that just because people give you gifts -- well, that doesn’t mean you have to accept them.”

I smiled at the good doctor when he told me that story, and I said, “I like that, Doc. So I need to be sure to give as many good gifts as I can to as many people as I can. But I need to know there are gifts some give me that I will need to send back.”

Dr. Jack left us some years later, but his great lesson that day, his gift, never will.

coachbowen1984@gmail.com

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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.**

Emmanuel BAPTIST CHURCH
Purcell, OK
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Mike Bailey, Pastor

Sunday services 9 am Sunday School 6:30 pm Bible Study
10 am Worship 6:30 pm Awana & Youth
6 pm Evening worship

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

Westside Church of Christ
401 W. Broadway
Lexington

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

CALVARY Holiness Church
Pastor David Bittle

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

Johnson Road Baptist Church
4 mi. N. of Purcell on I-35

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9:45 a.m.

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11:00 a.m.

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Sunday Morning - 10:30 am
Sunday Evening - 6:00 pm
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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.
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Wednesday Evening
7:00 pm

Pastor Justin Blankenship
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Sunday - 11 am (English)
1 pm (Español)
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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

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Purcell, OK

Sunday 10:30 & 1:30
Wednesday Evening 6:30

Goldsby Church
153 W. Center Road
Goldsby, OK 73093
288-2514

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

Trinity United Methodist Church
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Tracy Hoskins
211 N. 2nd, Purcell
527-2256 Office

9th & Pierce Church of Christ
1207 North 9th
Purcell, OK 73080
405-527-3176

Sunday Bible Class 9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Class 7 p.m.
Search Ministries Sunday 7:30 a.m. Channel 34
www.searchtv.org

SUNRAY BAPTIST CHURCH
2223 N. 9th, Purcell, OK 73080
Pastor John Wylie
527-6808

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

Lexington United Methodist Church

Our December Food Give Away will be Saturday, December 16, from 12 to 4 p.m. This is the opportunity to get ready for the Christmas holiday.

We were able to feed about 200 people at the Community Thanksgiving Feast. Pastor David and all our church appreciate the support we received in providing this to our area.

I haven’t written in a while because my heart is troubled with all that I see and hear going on in our world. The Middle East, Ukraine, even Africa has so much war and turmoil going on.

Our country is involved around the edges. Our own citizens who are Americans yet are of Palestinian and Israeli heritage are being persecuted even in our country.

We are trying to help those who are trying to retain and/or regain their freedom at the expense of complicating our own country’s stand.

We are a country divided by many political things, which I won’t list.

When I was young, I once heard an evangelist remark that very few countries have been able to retain their political system for more than 200 years.

I had hope at that time that we, as a democracy, would be able to be the exception. In the past year and months, I am so afraid that he is right...

In this time of Advent, the remembrance of the coming of Jesus, let us reconnect with the peace on Earth that God has charged us with working toward. May God, no matter what name we use for prayer, bless us and help us to work together for that end.

Let there be peace on Earth, and in all our Universe, and let it begin with us!

Please join us in this season of Advent. We have worship at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday, followed by coffee, tea, and fellowship. Sunday school starts at approximately 11 a.m.

Our address is 631 East Ash, just west of Lexington High School.

For more information, please call the church at 405-527-3506 to leave a message, or contact Pastor David Cook directly at 405-406-6174.



John D. Montgomery • The Purcell Register

Lift that barge

Charlie Sherman did his part to help Operation Christmas during the Rotary workday last Wednesday, November 29.

No. 847-December 7-1 Time
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
Bank of America, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
v.
Carolyn Sue Rowland, et al.,
Defendants.

Case No. CJ-2023-84
NOTICE OF MOTION TO
CONFIRM SHERIFF’S SALE
TO: Defendants: Carolyn Sue
Rowland, Unknown Successors
and Heirs of James L. Rowland,
Unknown Occupant, if any, real
name, Justin Gamble, Paragon
Homes LLC

TAKE NOTICE that the Plain-
tiff has filed herein its Motion to
Confirm Sheriffs Sale in the above-
entitled cause. That said Motion
to Confirm Sale of the following
real property:

LOT ONE (1), IN BLOCK ONE
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CELL, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLA-
HOMA, ACCORDING TO THE

No. 846-December 7-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF CAROLYN S. BARRETT,
Deceased.

Case No. PB-2023-78
NOTICE OF HEARING FIRST
AND FINAL ACCOUNT.
PETITION FOR DECREE
OF DISTRIBUTION, AND
DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE

Notice is hereby given that
Christopher C. Barrett, the duly
appointed and qualified Personal
Representative of the Estate of
Carolyn S. Barrett, Deceased,
has filed his Final Account, Peti-
tion for Decree of Distribution,
and Discharge of Personal Repre-
sentative. A hearing has been
fixed by the Judge of the Court
for the 28th day of December
2023, at 9:30 a.m., in the District

RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.

Hearing of said Motion to Con-
firm Sheriff’s Sale will be heard
before the Honorable Judge in the
McClain County Courthouse,
on the 3 day of January, 2024, at
9 o’clock a.m. You must appear at
said time and present any objec-
tions to the said sale proceedings
or the Motion to Confirm Sale
will be sustained and the sale
confirmed.

/s/ Brian P. Cardwell
Joseph H. Rogers, III, #21541
Bryan P. Cardwell, #33440
Bonial & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff
609 South Kelly Avenue, Suite
A-2
Edmond, Oklahoma 73003
Phone: (405) 285-8100
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Courtroom of Judge Charles Gray,
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Clain County, Oklahoma, and all
persons interested in the Estate
are notified to appear and show
cause, if any they have, why the
Account should not be settled and
allowed, the Estate distributed,
and the Personal Representative
discharged.

DATED this 5th day of Decem-
ber 2023.

CHARLES GRAY
ASSOCIATE
DISTRICT JUDGE
JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT
James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731
Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC
138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565
Purcell, OK 73080
Phone: 405-527-7575
Fax: 405-527-7574
Attorney for Personal Repre-
sentative



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Operation Christmas food donations

Pastor Mike Bailey of Emmanuel Baptist Church helped Gale Wilson, volunteer for McClain County Operation Christmas, load nonperishable food items collected by the church to be given out in the event’s food boxes. Monetary donations may be mailed to Darrell Ford at PO Box 756, Purcell, OK 73080 or contact Gale Wilson at 405-250-8316.

No. 844-December 7-1 Time
BEFORE THE CORPORATION
COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
APPLICANT: PALLADIUM EN-
ERGY, LLC
RELIEF SOUGHT: POOLING
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SEC-
TION 33, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH,
RANGE 4 WEST, MCCLAIN
COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
CAUSE CD NO. 2023-003133
NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: BP
America, as successor to Union
Texas Petroleum Corporation;
ConocoPhillips, successor to
Phillips Petroleum Company, suc-
cessor to Aminoil USA, Inc., suc-
cessor to Burlington Resources,
Oil & Gas Company, successor
to Meridian Oil, Inc., successor
to Union Texas Petroleum Cor-
poration (US Onshore); Devon
Energy Corporation, successor
to Ocean Energy, Inc., successor
to Seagull Energy Corporation,
successor to ARKLA Exploration
Company; Darla McKee, a/k/a
Darla McKee Southard; Donald
R. & Clara Belle McBride Living
Trust dtd 10/9/2008; Iris Jean
Housholder, deceased; Jackie
Ordell Wesnidge; John William
Housholder, deceased; Larry Lee
Storie; Pamela S. Hollenbach; Tom
McKee; Troy D. Wesnidge; Adrian
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Allen Maidson Storie; Allen M. Storie,
Jr., a/k/a Allen Madison Storie,
Jr; Anissa Marie Hart f/k/a Anissa
Marie Leupold; Ashley Bernice
(Belanger) Biar; Christina L. Storie;
Daisy L. McKee; Dale Lee Storie;
Dorothy Storie, a/k/a Dorothy J.
Storie, a/k/a Dorothy Jeannette
Burroughs Storie, deceased;
Emilie L. Belanger, now Lucio;
Estate of Joanna Marchant Gar-
nett; Estate of Joanna Marchant
Garnett; Jane M. Jones Church,
a/k/a Jane Marie Church, a/k/a
Jane Marie Jones Church, a/k/a
Janie Marie Church, a/k/a Janie
Marie Church Reynolds; Jean W.
Belanger; John Warren Belanger;
Juanita Reynolds, a/k/a Juanita
McKee; Marie C Belanger, in trust
for Jean W. Belanger, Adrian R.
Belanger and Emilie L. Belanger;
Marie C. Belanger; Merit Hugoton,
L.P.; Nancy Marchant Snook; Ray-
mond K. Storie, a/k/a Raymond
Keith Storie; Richard Allen McKee;
Spartan Energy Acquisitions, LLC;
The Storie Family Trust; Thomas
James McKee; Thomas James
McKee, Jr.; W.C. Storie, a/k/a
William Carroll Storie; Iris Jean
Housholder, deceased; John Wil-
liam Housholder, deceased; Ralph
Reynolds; Union Texas Petroleum
Energy Corporation, successor by
merger to Union Texas Petroleum
Corporation; Santa Fe Energy
Operating Partners LP; ARKLA
Exploration Company; Dorothy
Storie, a/k/a Dorothy J. Storie,
a/k/a Dorothy Jeannette Bur-
roughs Storie, deceased; Gary
Housholder; Kent McKee; Shir-
ley Housholder; Thomas James
McKee, deceased; Thomas James
McKee, Jr., deceased; and all
persons, owners, producers, op-
erators, 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, devi-
sees, trustees, successors and
assigns, immediate and remote,
of the named parties.

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cause, with which to commence
the initial well.

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contact Edd Cochran, Cochran
Land Service, LLC, Telephone:
918-223-5056, Email: cochran-land@gmail.com; OR Eric Hud-
dleston, 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-
SIONER

DONE AND PERFORMED THIS
5th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMIS-
SION
Secretary

Section 33, Township 10 North,
Range 4 West, McClain County,
Oklahoma.

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CORPORATION
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J. Todd Hiett, CHAIRMAN
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Bob Anthony, COMMIS-
SIONER

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5th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMIS-
SION
Secretary

No. 842-December 7-1 Time
PUBLIC HEARING
FOR REZONE

Jason Bean, owners of the
following described property, do
hereby make application and peti-
tion the Purcell City Commission
to re-zone the below-mentioned
property in accordance with Sec-
tion 122-13 of the City of Purcell
Code of Ordinances (2003).

Address: N/A
Legal:
Lots eight (8) thru twelve (12)
in block sixty (60), in the City of

Purcell, McClain County, Okla-
homa. According to the record
plat thereof.

Change from Residential (Resi-
dential) to C-1 (Central Business
District) Proposed Use of Property:
Commercial Development.

Public hearing to be held Mon-
day, December 11, 2023, at 6:00
pm, Purcell Police Facility and be-
fore the City of Purcell Commission
Meeting Tuesday, January 2, 2024,
at 6:00 pm, Purcell Police Facility.
/s/ Andrea Millsap
Andrea Millsap, City Clerk

No. 845-December 7-1 Time
DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
In Re: The Name of:
Dalton Cache Harper
CV-23-248
PETITION FOR NAME
CHANGE UNDER
12 O.S. § 1631

COMES NOW the Petitioner and
asks this Court to change his/her
legal name from Dalton Cache
Harper to Zeppelin Cache. In sup-
port thereof, petitioner would say
to this court:

1. The Petitioner was born in
Norman, Cleveland County, on
September 6, 2004 and has re-

sided in the State of Oklahoma in
McClain County for 30 days prior
to the filing of this petition.

2. The name change requested
is because:

I don’t associate with my bio-
logical father or that side of the
family.

3. The name change is not for
any illegal or fraudulent purpose
or to hinder or delay creditors.

4. The birth certificate number
issued by the above State is 04-
033194.

WHEREFORE, petitioner prays
that above change of name be
granted.

/s/ Dalton Harper
Dalton Harper

No. 829-November 30-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF MARK E. BEARDS, Deceased.
Case No: PB-2023-72
NOTICE OF AND ORDER
FOR HEARING UPON
PETITION FOR FINAL
DECREE ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE is hereby given that
Erica Hasselberg, Administrator,
appears on behalf of Mark E.
Beards, Deceased, having filed
in this Court her Petition for Final
Decree of Administration, the
hearing upon the same is hereby
set by the Court for the 14th day
of December, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.
before the Honorable Judge Gray
in the District Court in the Mc-

Clain County Courthouse. Notice
should be given according to law
to all persons interested in said
Estate to then and there appear
and show cause, if any, why the
relief requested in the said Petition
should not be granted.

Dated this 21st day of Novem-
ber, 2023.

/s/ Charles N. Gray
JUDGE OF THE
DISTRICT COURT

APPROVED BY:
/s/ Douglas S. Wall
Douglas S. Wall, P.C. OBA
#15867
Wall Law Office
216 E. Eufaula
Norman, OK 73069
Telephone (405) 360-4529
Fax (405) 360-4576
Attorney for Erica Hasselberg

No. 843-December 7-1 Time
BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA
APPLICANT: GULF EXPLORATION, LLC
RELIEF SOUGHT: WELL LOCATION EXCEPTION
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE
4 WEST, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
CAUSE CD NO. 2023-003132
NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: R.C. Taylor Operating Company, LLC;
BCE-Mach III LLC; 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 above
individuals are deceased, or if any of the above companies are no
longer in existence, the unknown heirs, executors, administrators,
devises, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote, of the above-
named parties.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Applicant in this cause is request-
ing the Commission grant a well location exception for a well to be
drilled and produced from the Deese Group, Mississippian, Woodford,
Hunton, Viola, Simpson, and Arbuckle common sources of supply
underlying Section 33, Township 10 North, Range 4 West, McClain
County, Oklahoma, said well to be located:

no closer than 330 feet from the north line and no closer than 660
feet from the east line of the unit described as Section 33, Township
10 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.

The lands offset to Section 33, are contained within Sections 27, 28,
29, 32, 33 and 34, Township 10 North, Range 4 West, and Sections 3,
4, and 5, Township 9 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that Applicant is requesting the fol-
lowing special relief: to designate Applicant or some other party as
Operator of the unit well. Applicant 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.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed well is moving
towards the following wells producing from the above-described
common source(s) of supply:

Well Name	Operator
Bogart #1	R.C. Taylor Operating Company, LLC
Griffith #1	BCE-Mach III LLC

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause be set before an Ad-
ministrative 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
Corporation Commission, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at 8:30 a.m.,
on the 2nd day of January, 2024, and that this Notice be published
as required by law and the Rules of the Commission.

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Commission’s Oklahoma City office has relocated to the Will Rog-
ers Memorial Office Building at 2401 N. Lincoln Blvd., in the Capitol
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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 ap-
pear and be heard. For information concerning this action, contact
JASON THOMPSON, GULF EXPLORATION, LLC, 9701 N. BROADWAY
EXTENSION, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73114, TELEPHONE: 405-840-
3371; EMAIL: JTHOMPSON@GULFEXPLORATION.COM; 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, COMMISSIONER

DONE AND PERFORMED THIS 5th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION
Secretary

No. 830-November 30-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF CARRIE LEE HARDING, DE-
CEASED

No. PB-2023-131
COMBINED NOTICE TO
CREDITORS AND
NOTICE OF HEARING
TO: All persons interested in
the Estate of Carrie Lee Harding,
also known as Carrie Harding,
Decedent.

You are hereby notified that the
Petitioner, Julie Deanne Stanley,
whose address is 4509 Richmond
Ave., Austin TX 78745, filed in the
District Court of McClain County,
Oklahoma, a Petition for Sum-
mary Administration of Decedent's
Oklahoma Estate, Appointment of
Personal Representative, Deter-
mination of Heirs, Devises and
Legatees, Distribution of Property,
and Discharge. The Petitioner
has alleged that the Decedent, 49
years of age at the time of death,
died on December 22, 2016, with
residence at 4109 Meadow Bluff
Way, Round Rock, Williamson
County, Texas 78665, and that
the estimated total value of the
Decedent's property in Oklahoma
is \$50,000.00.

The Petitioner has alleged
that Decedent died without a
will.
The Petition sets forth the fol-
lowing as the heirs of Decedent:
Julie Deanne Stanley
4509 Richmond Ave.
Austin, TX 78745
Legal Age
Surviving Spouse and Heir of
Decedent; Parent and court ap-
pointed guardian of Decedent's
son.
Special Administrator of Dece-
dent's Estate
Maxwell Chase Harding-Stanley
4509 Richmond Ave.
Austin, TX 78745
Legal Age but incapacitated.
Son and Heir of Decedent.
In the Order for Combined
Notice and Appointing Special
Administrator, entered herein,
the Court found that it should
order notice to creditors, appoint
a special administrator, and issue
an order for hearing upon the
Petition, the final accounting and
further petition for determination
of heirs, legatees and devisees,
and for distribution. The special
administrator appointed in the Or-
der is Julie Deanne Stanley, 4509
Richmond Ave., Austin, TX 78745.
Pursuant to the Order for Com-
bined Notice, all creditors having

claims against Carrie Lee Harding,
aka Carrie Harding, Deceased, 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, Julie
Deanne Stanley, in care of her
attorney, Charles L. Puckett, Jr.,
Oklahoma Bar Association # 7340,
Charles L. Puckett, P.C., 6206 Wa-
terford Blvd., #63, Oklahoma City,
Oklahoma 73118, on or before the
18th day of December 2023, or the
same will be forever barred.
Notice is hereby given that a
hearing will be held on the 1st day
of February 2024, at 9:30 a.m. at
the McClain County Courthouse,
121 North 2nd Avenue, Purcell,
OK 73080, before Judge Charles
Gray. At the hearing, the Court
will decide whether to approve
the Petition for Summary Ad-
ministration, the Final Account, if
not waived, the Appointment of
Personal Representative, and the
Petition for Determination of Heirs,
Devises and Legatees, Distribu-
tion of Property, and Discharge.
The Final Account, if not waived,
and Petition for Determination of
Heirs, Legatees and Devises, and
Distribution will be filed herein on
or before the 12th day of January
2024.

Persons receiving this Notice
or any interested party may file
objections to the petition at any
time before the final hearing. You
must file objections to the Petition
before the final hearing and send
a copy to the Petitioner, in care of
her attorney, Charles L. Puckett,
Jr., OBA #7340, Charles L. Puck-
ett, P.C., 6206 Waterford Blvd.,
#63, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
73118, 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.
/s/ Charles L. Puckett, Jr.
CHARLES L. PUCKETT, JR.,
OBA #7340
Charles L. Puckett, P.C.
6206 Waterford Blvd., #63
Oklahoma City, OK 73118
Telephone: (405) 816-9039
Email: cpuckettlaw@gmail.
com
Attorney for Petitioner

No. 834-December 7-1 Time
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY DARLENE KLEPPER,
Deceased.
Case No. PB-21-69
NOTICE OF HEARING RETURN OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY
Notice is hereby given that Toni R. Koerner, the duly appointed
and qualified Personal Representative of the Estate of Mary Darlene
Klepper, Deceased, has returned and presented for confirmation, and
filed in said Court her Return of Sale of the following described real
property of said Decedent:
The Center 49.5 feet of Lot 3, Block 140, CITY OF PURCELL,
McClain County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof.
608 W. Brule St., Purcell, OK, 73080
to Jamie Resendiz for the sum of Twenty Seven Thousand Dollars
(\$27,000.00) and that on the 21st day of December, 2023 at 9:30
o'clock a.m., in the Courtroom of Judge Charles Gray, District Court
of McClain County, City of Purcell, State of Oklahoma, has been fixed
for the hearing upon said return at which time any person interested
in said estate may appear and file his exceptions in writing to said
Return and contest the same, and are hereby referred to said Return
for further particulars.
Dated this 30th day of November 2023.
CHARLES GRAY
ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT
/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.
James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731
Blevins and Associates Law, PLLC
138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565
Purcell, OK 73080
Phone: 405-527-7575
Fax: 405-527-7574
Attorney for Personal Representative
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING
I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was
mailed this 30th day of November, 2023, to:

Name	Relationship	Address
Toni R. Koerner	Adult Daughter	429 S. 3rd Purcell, OK 73080
Kenneth L. Klepper	Adult Son	37748 Okay Rd. Wanette, OK 74878

/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.
James B. Blevins, Jr.

No. 825-November 23-3 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
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 Suc-
cessors and Assigns;
and
OVINTIV USA INC., a Foreign For
Profit Business Corporation;
Defendants.
Case No. CV-2023-217
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
ss.
COUNTY OF MCCLAIN
TO: LINDSY RENAUD a/k/a
LINDSY WORRELL a/k/a LINDSY
MONROE a/k/a LINDSY MONROE
PEDERSEN, if living or deceased,
and Her Known and Unknown Suc-

cessors 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 Suc-
cessors 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 Defen-
dants may have a claim of some
right, title, lien, estate, encum-
brance, claim, assessment or
interest, adverse to Plaintiff, in
and under the following described
property:
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 above-
described real property, in favor
of ownership by Plaintiff, as set
forth in the Petition, and that De-
fendants be forever barred and en-
joined 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 suc-
cessors in interest; and a declara-
tory 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 allega-
tions contained in said Petition
will be taken as true and judg-
ment will be entered determining
ownership and quieting title, and
declaring a declaratory judgment
as requested in the Plaintiff's Pe-
tition 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: jbrown@mbplegal.com
jswapp@mbplegal.com
Attorneys for Plaintiff, Red
Stone Resources LLC

No. 840-December 7-1 Time
BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA
APPLICANT: ENCORE OPERATING, INC
RELIEF SOUGHT: WELL LOCATION EXCEPTION
(OFF PATTERN WELL)
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: W/2 SW/4 OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 7
NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
CAUSE CD NO. 2023-001896
SECOND AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING
STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: The following parties, if living; or if de-
ceased, then their unknown heirs, devisees, executors, administrators,
successors, trustees, and/or assigns; or the unknown successors,
trustees and or assigns, if any, of any dissolved corporation, or the
unknown successors of any party designated in any record as trustee;
more particularly Te-Ray Energy, LLC and all persons, owners, pro-
ducers and operators of oil and gas and all other interested persons
in McClain County, Oklahoma.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Applicant in this cause is requesting
that the Commission enter an Order authorizing Application to drill,
complete and produce a well at the following location:
SURFACE LOCATION: No closer 240 feet from the North line and
no closer 990 feet from the West line of the NW/4 of Section 28-T7N-
R3W, McClain County, Oklahoma;
POINT OF ENTRY INTO THE HUNTON: No closer than 382 feet
from the South line and no closer than 328 feet from the East line of
the W/2 SW/4 of Section 21-T7N-R3W, McClain County, Oklahoma
MEASURED DEPTH: 10,226' TRUE VERTICAL DEPTH: 10,176'
EXIT POINT FROM THE HUNTON: No closer than 382 feet from the
South line and no closer than 328 feet from the East line of the W/2
SW/4 of Section 21-T7N-R3W, McClain County, Oklahoma
MEASURED DEPTH: 10,345' TRUE VERTICAL DEPTH: 10,295'
BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION: No closer than 372 feet from the South
line and no closer than 375 feet from the East line of the W/2 SW/4
of Section 21-T7N-R3W, McClain County, Oklahoma
MEASURED DEPTH: 11,481' TRUE VERTICAL DEPTH: 11,428'
same to be a well for the 80-acre standard drilling and spacing units
consisting of the W/2 SW/4 of Section 21-T7N-R3W, McClain Oklahoma
as an exception to Order No. 121652 for the Hunton common source
of supply, which Order requires the well to be located not closer than
330 feet to the boundary of the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 21-T7N-R3W,
McClain County, Oklahoma.
The drilling and spacing units adjacent to the area within the loca-
tion exception are the E/2 NE/4 and E/2 SE/4 of Section 20, the NW/4
and E/2 SW/4 of Section 21, the N/2 NW/4 of Section 28 and, the E/2
NE/4 of Section 29, all in Township 7 North, Range 3 West, McClain
County, Oklahoma. The offsetting drilling and spacing units towards
which the proposed well location exception is sought to be moved in
this cause is the E/2 SE/4 of Section 20, the E/2 SW/4 of Section 21,
the N/2 NW/4 of Section 28 and, the E/2 NE/4 of Section 29, all in
Township 7 North, Range 3 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.
The names of the wells and operators towards which the location
exception well is moving, are as follows:

OPERATOR	WELL NAME
T-RAY RESOURCES LLC	WHITNEY 1-29

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Applicant in this cause is
requesting the following special relief: That Applicant or some other
party be authorized to drill, test and complete the well.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause be set before an Ad-
ministrative Law Judge for hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to
the Commission.
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 Applicants attorney prior to the hearing date,
and provide their name and phone number.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the hearing on the merits is set
before an Administrative Law Judge at 8:30 a.m. on December 18, 2023
at the Will Rogers Memorial Office Building, 2401 N. Lincoln Blvd., in
the Capitol Complex, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105.
Due to renovation work at the Jim Thorpe Office Building, the
Commission's Oklahoma City office is relocating 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 Sequoyah 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 at: https://
oklahoma.gov/occ/court-dockets.html.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested parties may ap-
pear and be heard. For information concerning this action, contact
ROBERT D. GRAY, Attorney, OBA #013985, 3500 S. Boulevard, Suite
10B, Edmond, Oklahoma 73013, Telephone: (405) 848-8998, or KEVIN
KONRADE, AGENT FOR ENCORE OPERATING, INC., P.O. BOX 1676,
PURCELL, OK 73080, Telephone: (405) 527-7989.
CORPORATION COMMISSION OF OKLAHOMA
J. TODD HIETT, Chairman
KIM DAVID, Vice Chairman
BOB ANTHONY, Commissioner
DONE AND PERFORMED THIS 4th day of December, 2023.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:
Garey L. Wortham, Secretary of the Commission

No. 837-December 7-3 Times
PUBLIC ELECTION NOTICE
Name of Authority:
Oklahoma Boll Weevil Eradica-
tion Organization (OBWEO)
Authority for Elections:
Boll Weevil Eradication Act 2
O.S. 1993 Section 3-50.6
Public Election:
Director-Oklahoma Boll Weevil
Eradication Organization District
1 (All cotton producing counties
in Oklahoma, excluding the fol-
lowing: Roger Mills, Beckham,
Washita, Custer, Jackson, Tillman,
Kiowa, Greer, and Harmon).
Election Dates are February 9,
2024 through February 23, 2024.
The OBWEO office in Altus,
Oklahoma will be in charge of
mailing ballots to eligible voters in
each county. Completed ballots
for the election of directors from
the district shall be mailed to the
State office of the Oklahoma Boll
Weevil Eradication Organization.
Completed ballots must be re-
ceived in the OBWEO office prior
to the close of business on the final
day of the voting period.
A completed ballot must be
signed by the cotton grower cast-

ing that ballot in order to verify the
validity of the ballot. The State
Office of OBWEO shall hold all
ballots in trust until the conclusion
of the election period and until they
are counted.
The candidate from a district
who has received a plurality of
the votes from that district for the
office of director shall be deter-
mined to be the elected director
of that district. After the results of
the election from each district are
certified, certificates of election
are issued to those elected board
directors and they are sworn in.
Directors may act in accordance
with the powers provided to them
by Oklahoma Agriculture Code.
The elected Board of Directors
for the Oklahoma Boll Weevil
Eradication Organization shall
have five (5) directors. One di-
rector will be elected from each
of the five voting districts. In
order to be a candidate for board
membership for the purpose of
serving as a director, a person
must be a qualified voter for this
election, must have attained the
age of twenty-one years prior to
the beginning of the filing period for

board membership, and must be a
resident of the state of Oklahoma.
In order to have his/her name put
on the ballot a person must file with
the Board of Oklahoma Boll Weevil
Eradication Organization at least
thirty (30) days prior to the date of
the election, a petition signed by
five (5) cotton growers from his/her
filing district. The application for
filing shall be made on the formal
application form approved by the
board. A nomination application
may be obtained at your local gin;
or the OBWEO website at www.
obweo.org, or by writing the OB-
WEO office at the address below.
Upon receipt of a formal ap-
plication and verification by the
OBWEO Board that the applicant
meets the eligibility require-
ments, an applicant's name
shall be placed on the ballot for
the election of board directors.
The filing period deadline for
director in District One (1) will be
January 9, 2024.
Any person who has established
voting eligibility in more than one
district may file as a candidate in
only one of those districts.
For the purpose of determining

voter eligibility, a cotton grower is
any person or entity with present
farming interests in Oklahoma who
in the present crop year is, or, in
any two (2) of the three (3) years
immediately preceding the calling
of this election was actively en-
gaged in the production of cotton
in Oklahoma for sale, or as owner,
landlord, tenant or sharecropper
entitled to share in the cotton avail-
able for marketing from the farm,
or share in the proceeds thereof.
Cotton growers who meet the
eligibility requirements for voting in
more than one voting district, may
vote in any district in which they are
eligible; provided that, each cotton
grower (person or entity) shall have
one vote in each district during
concurrent elections of directors
to the Board of Directors of the
Oklahoma Boll Weevil Eradication
Organization.
For more information contact
Oklahoma Boll Weevil Eradication
Organization, 704 S Veterans Dr,
Altus, Oklahoma 73521, phone
(580) 477-4287.

No. 841-December 7-1 Time
Board of McClain County Com-
missioners met in regular session
on Monday, 11/27/2023 at 8:15
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, Member Wilson Lyles,
and District One Foreman Dean
Hackney represented Vice Chair-
man Glen Murray who was absent.
Wilson Lyles moved to ap-
prove the meeting minutes for
11/20/2023, Dean Hackney secon-
ded. Vote Aye: Hackney, Lyles,
Daniel. Motion carried.
Wilson Lyles moved, Dean
Hackney seconded to approve
the following salary, travel, and
maintenance & operation claims.
Vote Aye: Hackney, Lyles, Daniel.
Motion carried.
CLAIMS FOR FISCAL YEAR
2023-2024 AS FOLLOWS:
ARPA 2021—5, P & K Equip-
ment, 118904.28, Equipment.
Emergency Mgmt—5, COPS
Products, 988.84, Uniforms.
Em Mgmt-ST—54, ImageNet
Consulting, 2316.32, Service.
General—714, City Of Purcell,
21362.36, Dispatch Service; 715,
Davison Fuels & Oil, 2769.96, Fuel;
716, Express Services, 1584.00,
Contract Labor; 717, J&J Cleaners,
50.00, Service; 718, Okla
Dept Of Public Safety-OLETS,
145.00, Service; 719, Oklahoma
Natural Gas, 307.74, Service; 720,
Purcell Register, 176.85, Minutes;
721, Purcell Register, 37.15,
Publication; 722, Purcell Regis-
ter, 19.55, Bids; 723, TouchTone
Communications, 26.49, Service;
724, TouchTone Communications,
42.27, Service; 725, TouchTone
Communications, 9.08, Service;
726, TouchTone Communications,
24.80, Service; 727, WW Tire,
40.00, Tires & Tubes/Service &

Supplies; 728,
Health—100, AT&T Mobility,
131.99, Service; 101, Collins,
Julie Ann, 225.32, Travel; 102,
City Of Blanchard, 0.72, Service;
103, Oklahoma Electric Co-Op,
285.01, Service; 104, Oklahoma
Natural Gas, 170.50, Service; 105,
Oklahoma Natural Gas, 121.30,
Service; 106, Public Service Co
Of Oklahoma, 291.01, Service.
Highway—781, Amazon,
763.99, Parts; 782, Bailey's Plumb-
ing, 1145.00, Hot Water Tank; 783,
Bruckners, 262.89, Windshield;
784, CashSaver, 71.01, Supplies;
785, Cintas, 111.21, Service; 786,
Dolese Bros., 4624.89, Chips &
Rock; 787, Don Evans Window
Tinting, 850.00, Tinting; 788,
Ergon Asphalt And Emulsions,
6372.98, AEP Prime; 789, Gen-
eral Materials, 839.56, Sand; 790,
Great Plains, 59.04, Keys; 791,
J&K Auto Parts, 45.18, Supplies;
792, RS Tractor Repair, 679.37,
Parts & Labor; 793, Robbins Ace,
26.97, Supplies; 794, TouchTone
Communications, 49.29, Service;
795, TouchTone Communications,
25.82, Service; 796, United Ag
& Turf, 5958.32; 797, WW Tire,
414.88, Tires & Service; 798, WW
Tire, 15.00, Tires & Tubes/Service
& Supplies; 799, Windstream,
375.53, Service; 800, WW Tire,
976.16, Tires; 801, Warren CAT,
48.00, Keys; 802, ML Fee 22,
Sheehy Signs, 1655.00, Supplies.
Mtg Cert—18, TouchTone Com-
munications, 55.30, Service.
Rental of County Property -
Expo—89, Express Services,
1296.00, Contract Labor; 90,
Staggs Plumbing, 1381.07, Ser-
vice & Repair.
Rural Fire-ST—100, AT&T Mo-
bility, 225.18, Service.
Sheriff Commissary—16, Lyon
Security.Com, 3748.24, Video
Recorder.
Sheriff Service Fee—124, Cross
Country Distributing, 116.00, Ser-
vice; 125, ImageNet Consulting,

387.51, Service; 126, Optimum,
567.54, Service; 127, TouchTone
Communications, 82.45, Service.
SR Cit-ST—156, Oklahoma
Restaurant Supply, 4003.92,
Sandwich/Salad Prep Refrigerator;
157, Oklahoma Natural Gas,
122.60, Service.
Wilson Lyles moved to approve
Blanket Purchase Orders as on
file in the County Clerk's Office,
seconded by Dean Hackney. Vote
Aye: Hackney, Lyles, Daniel. Mo-
tion carried.
No transfers or road crossing
permits were requested.
Wilson Lyles moved, Dean
Hackney seconded to approve of
the following Cash Fund Estimate
of Needs and Requests for Ap-
propriations: Assr Rev Fee, CBRI,
Emergency Mgmt, Highway, Jail,
ML Fee, Mtg Cert, Opioid Abate-
ment Settlement, Preservation,
Rental of County Property, Sheriff
Commissary, Sheriff Service Fee,
Trash Cop, Eco Dev-ST, Em Mgmt-
ST, Extension-ST, Fair Main-ST,
General Govt-ST, Rural Fire-ST,
Sheriff-ST, Sr Cit-ST. Vote Aye:
Hackney, Lyles, Daniel. Motion
carried.
Wilson Lyles moved, Dean Hack-
ney seconded to approve of the
following Resolution to Dispose
of Equipment: Blanchard Sr Citi-
zens: SC1-698.1, Sandwich Unit,
\$2,384.55, acquired on 4/10/2008
from Oklahoma Restaurant Sup-
ply, OKC, OK, junked. Vote Aye:
Hackney, Lyles, Daniel. Motion
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from Oklahoma Restaurant Sup-
ply, OKC, OK, junked. Vote Aye:
Hackney, Lyles, Daniel. Motion
carried.
Wilson Lyles moved, Dean Hack-
ney seconded to sign a
letter of support for the McClain
County Sheriff's Office concerning

ODMHASAS Program Solicitation
#45200011467/Mental Health &
Substance Abuse Program. Vote
Aye: Hackney, Lyles, Daniel. Mo-
tion carried.
Wilson Lyles moved to approve
the 2024 Safe Oklahoma Grant
Award Contract between the Of-
fice of the Attorney General and
McClain County Sheriff's Office,
Dean Hackney seconded. Vote
Aye: Hackney, Lyles, Daniel. Mo-
tion carried.
Wilson Lyles moved, Terry
Daniel seconded to approve of
Invoice #183954 from Crafton Tull
for professional services through
11/10/2023 for \$500.00 for Bry-
ant Avenue guardrail for District
Two; and Invoice #184014 for
professional services through
11/17/2023 for \$572.00 for sign
replacement for Districts Two and
Three, with both invoices payable
through CBRI funds. Vote Aye:
Hackney, Lyles, Daniel. Motion
carried.
Dean Hackney moved, Wilson
Lyles seconded to approve of
EMPG Training Grant of \$800.00
for a reimbursement grant for train-
ing, and events towards training
for McClain County Emergency
Management. Vote Aye: Hackney,
Lyles, Daniel. Motion carried.
With no further business Terry
Daniel moved to adjourn at 8:43
a.m., Dean Hackney seconded.
Vote Aye: Hackney, 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



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Christmas ready

This house in the 500 block of Main Street in Purcell is ready for the holiday.

From page 1B

Wash:

The Warriors started off the season on the right foot last Friday with a 60-24 win over Comanche.

“We played well,” Simon confirmed. “We guarded well and played hard.”

Breanna Lindert led the team in scoring in the win with 17 points.

Shelbie Caveness had a strong game offensively and scored 15 of her own.

Kelby Beller, who is still being limited in minutes as she gets back to 100 percent, scored nine points.

Washington hosted Bridge Creek Tuesday before beginning the Latta tournament December 7-9.

11/30 Girls

Washington	60
Comanche	24

Washington ..	19	14	12	15—60
Comanche	4	7	9	4—24

Player	Points
Breanna Lindert	17
Shelbie Caveness	15
Kelby Beller	9
Jayden Taylor	5
Andi Thomas	3
Jayden Wells	2
Addy Lanham	2
Aubrey Grimes	2
Laney Gay	3
Kyra Metcalf	2



Stephanie Knowles • For The Purcell Register

Protecting the paint

Purcell senior Jenna Avery defends in the lane last Friday during the Dragons' 66-47 win over the Leopards. Avery also scored six points in the game.



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Autumnal splendor

Fall colors are on brilliant display with this beautiful tree at the corner of 7th and Main in Purcell.



- Photo provided

Macaroni and cheese good time

Stealey OHCE donated over 200 boxes of macaroni and cheese to McClain County Operation Christmas. On hand to make the donation were (from left) Deanna Lewis, Pat Barrow, Jan Lenard, Bonita Brakefield and Peggy Christian.



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The logo for Hale's Overhead Doors is centered at the top. It features the word "HALE'S" in a large, bold, red, serif font with a black outline, arched over the words "OVERHEAD DOORS" which are in a similar but slightly smaller font. Below this, the text "DOORS • INSTALLATION • SERVICE" is written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the phone number "527-3232" is displayed in a large, bold, black, sans-serif font. The entire logo is set against a white background within a black-bordered box.

