



## Wrong way driver booked into jail

A 41-year-old Purcell resident, Kristie Renee Onwona, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol early last Tuesday morning, February 13.

Purcell Police were called to a vehicle driving southbound in the northbound lanes of I-35 just before 2 a.m.

The police report said the vehicle began the wrong way driving at mile marker 101.

Onwona was spotted at approximately mile marker 98.5 and after pulling away was finally stopped at mile marker 97.5 by officer Thomas Rollins.

Rollins said he used lights and siren and also got onto his P.A speaker trying to get Onwona to pull over.

He reported the vehicle

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# GROUND BREAKING at Selah



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## Ground breaking

An official ground breaking was held in the Selah Addition east of Goldsby last Friday noon for additional buildings in the growing area. Joining some Selah investors were members of the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce.

### Kaylyn Stropes For The Purcell Register

In a bold stride towards innovative urban living, Selah, the much-anticipated new urbanism community, has officially broken ground

on its Liveworks and Townhomes development.

Located on the outskirts of the bustling city of Norman and west of ever growing Goldsby, Selah aims to redefine the concept of

community living, blending modern amenities with a sustainable and interconnected lifestyle.

The groundbreaking ceremony last Friday, attended by local officials, inves-

tors, builders and excited future residents, marked a significant milestone in Selah's journey towards

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## McClain County Inmate passes on

On Sunday, February 18 Detention Deputies from the McClain County Sheriff's Office responded to the female housing unit, APod.

Deputies observed female inmate Tyffany N. Burleson, who appeared weak and to have labored breathing.

As deputies were trying to get the inmate's vital signs, she stopped breathing.

CPR was started immediately and within minutes Wadley's EMS crews were on scene.

EMS took over first aid and transported the inmate to Purcell Municipal Hospital.

Shortly after arrival at the hospital the inmate was pronounced deceased.

The cause of death is pending and will be determined by the Oklahoma State Medical Examiner.

## 6 questions with Les Bell



Les Bell

*Editor's note: Answering The Purcell Register's six questions this week is Les Bell, a newly sworn-in deputy at the McClain County Sheriff's Office.*

**Q. How long have you been in law enforcement?**

A. Nine years.

**Q. What made you interested in becoming a deputy?**

A. After working in small towns I wanted to be a bigger part of the community.

**Q. Where is your home town?**

A. Mangum, Okla.

**Q. Family?**

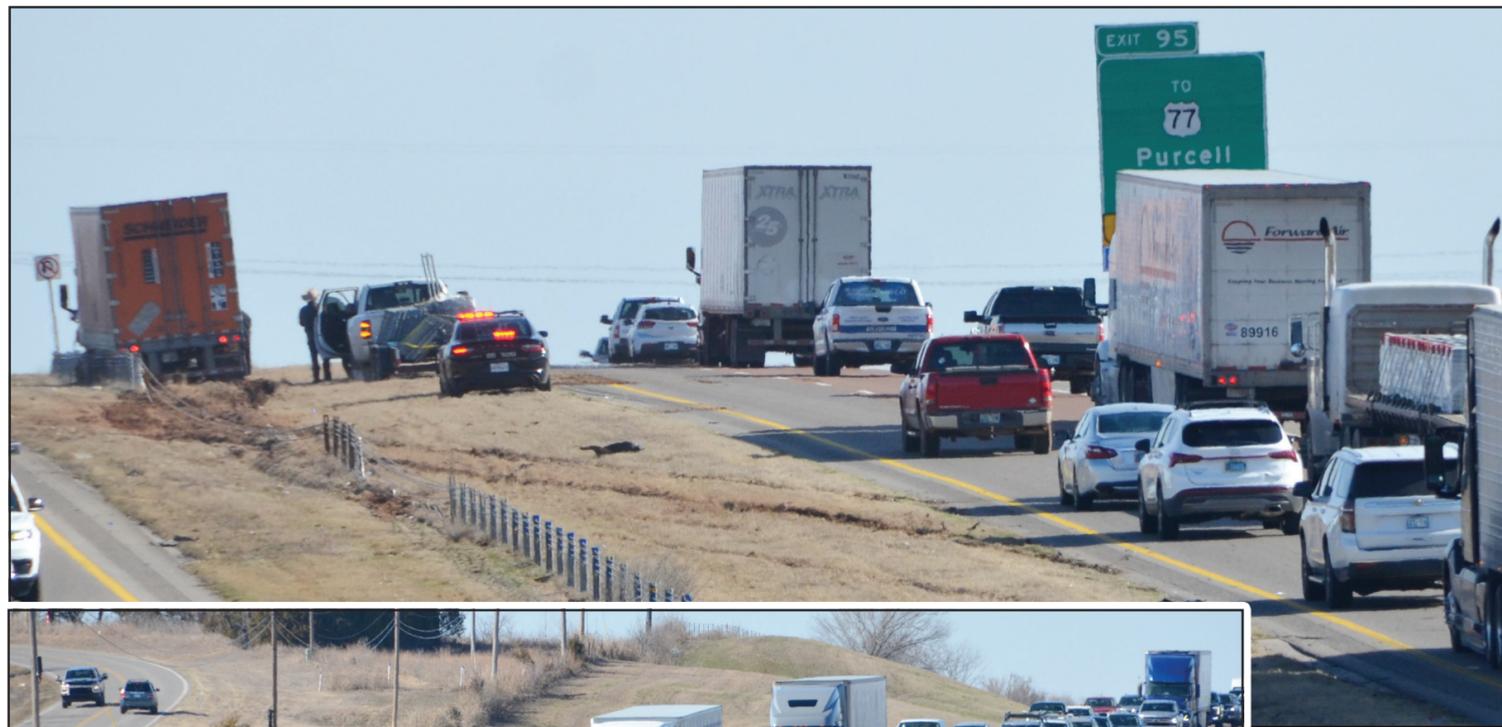
A. Two daughters and a stepson.

**Q. What is the most rewarding part of your job?**

A. Meeting members of the community and being a part of the community.

**Q. What is the most Challenging part of your job?**

A. Trying to help ones that won't let officers help them.



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## Traffic snarled

A one-vehicle traffic accident just north of the 95 mile marker on southbound I-35 around 2:58 p.m. snarled traffic on the interstate, backing up traffic all the way to Johnson Road last Thursday. There were no reported injuries in the crash that proved to be a cable barrier life-saver.



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**Action!**

Missoula Children's Theatre's presented "The Princess and the Pea" on February 9 & 10. Pictured from the performance are King Size, Rory Clary; Queen Size, Rylee Henshaw; Flower Gardeners, Aly Sheehy, Jovey Minyen and Genesis Long; River Runners, Lexie Little, Kamberlee Coughlan, Rainee Bennett and Payten Craft; Green Shoot Growers, Lucy Minyen, Audra Taylor and Cru Browning; Tree Barkers, Braley Saunders and Madalyn Clay; Tree Biter, Kache Hines.

## Oklahoma 529 decreases fees

State Treasurer Todd Russ announced a 50-percent reduction in management fee for Oklahoma 529. This reduction, the largest in the state tax-advantaged education savings plan's nearly 24-year history, is expected to save Oklahoma families participating in OK529 accounts over \$1,000,000 annually.

"Oklahoma 529 is the flexible choice for education savings, from kindergarten all the way through a student's higher education journey," Russ said. "With this significant reduction in management fee, Oklahomans will keep more money in their accounts to continue growing until it's needed for education expenses."

Oklahoma 529 is the state's

official education savings plan and has helped Oklahomans save money for education since it began in April 2000. The program management fee has been reduced by 50 percent.

The new fee is 0.1 percent on account balances, down from 0.2 percent. The plan has no sales charges, enrollment fees or annual account maintenance fees.

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 educa-

tion expenses such as tuition, books, computers and living expenses.

Oklahoma 529 funds can be used to help pay for college and university, 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.

Treasurer Russ also noted that Oklahoma 529 maintained its medalist rating with Morningstar™ Analyst Rankings for the fourth year in a row.

"As a leading investment research firm, Morningstar

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7 Day forecast from @PurcellRegister @OUNewsCrowd

Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
66° 42° Sunny	66° 42° Sunny	71° 51° Sunny	74° 54° Mostly Sunny	76° 54° Partly Cloudy	74° 55° Mostly Sunny	57° 40° Sunny

## Mild week weatherwise

We have seen a mild start to the week with afternoon temperatures above average. These warmer temperatures will continue throughout the remainder of this week and into the first half of next week. Sunny skies

will be expected Thursday and Friday, with afternoon highs in the middle 60s. High temperatures will be topping 70 degrees by Saturday, with a few clouds entering the picture by Sunday. Temperatures will continue to

climb into the middle 70s for Monday and into Tuesday, before a cold front sweeps through the region. By the middle part of next week, temperatures will fall into the upper 50s for daytime highs.

## Student athletes take issue with NIL regulation during hearing in Washington

Lisa Maslovskaya  
Gaylord News

The FAIR College Sports Act is designed to protect students, its sponsors say. But athletes who testified this month on Capitol Hill say the bill imposes burdensome restrictions and requirements on college athletes and their name, images and likeness (NIL) rights.

Members of the House Energy and Commerce Committee's Innovation, Data and Commerce Subcommittee discussed the proposed federal legislation during a January 18 hearing led by committee chairman Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA) and subcommittee chairman Gus Bilirakis (R-FL), who drafted the bill.

NCAA President Charlie Baker, Missouri Valley Conference Commissioner Jeff Jackson, Victoria Jackson, associate clinical professor of history at Arizona State University and student athletes from across the country answered questions and offered testimony during the three-and-a-half hour hearing.

"NIL has just exploded recently in terms of athletes being able to seek brand deals," said Nikolai Kolesnikov, a gymnast at the University of Oklahoma, speaking on the eve of the hearing.

Kolesnikov already has experience with NIL deals, working with a coffee shop in Norman.

"I definitely have tried to hop on that space and had smaller deals in the past," he said.

Kolesnikov said the process depends on an athlete's notoriety and the size of the sport.

"For athletes like myself, I have to go out and seek brand deals on my own, which can be a little tricky sometimes," he said.

Kolesnikov said NIL changes present a great opportunity for athletes to provide financial support for themselves and to grow their images through branding.

"You're seeing that affect sports in a way where it's becoming more business-oriented, especially with bigger sports."

OU's NIL Executive Associate Director, Toby Baldwin, said the role of his office is to educate athletes about opportunities, taxation, entrepreneurship and personal brand strategy.

"Our office is primarily in charge of informing the student athletes of their opportunities with NIL. And we go through a series of education with them on how to do that," Baldwin said.

Commissioner Jackson said during the hearing that health and safety measures and protocol are at the forefront of all they do and continue to be improved.

"Our institutions take tre-

mendous pride in the support and mentorship that they provide academically, physically and emotionally," he said.

Concerns arose about the lack of similar training opportunities at some universities, potentially jeopardizing the safety of NIL deals.

Kaitlin Tholl, a senior captain of the University of Michigan softball team, said she worries about the lack of preparation for legal battles and financial risks faced by athletes without proper NIL education.

"This is a significant risk in the NIL space. Thus, education in NIL is critically important for student-athletes who might not have the means to hire an agent," Tholl said.

Broader issues within the current NIL framework include the absence of transparency and accountability. The potential for fraud, unfair advantages and system abuse raise questions about the impact on Title IX compliance.

"What happens if a recruit signs his or her NIL deal, and when they start to attend the university, the money is no longer there, or the collective has gone under? To me, that is one of the largest concerns — are we lying?" Tholl asked.

The proposed federal legislation seeks to establish a national framework for governing collegiate athletes' compensation activities.

"The FAIR Act represents a critical bipartisan effort that goes a long way and is an important step forward in bringing clarity to the NIL process and protections for our student athletes," Jackson said.

The act includes measures such as requiring registration of parties involved in NIL deals, prohibiting inducements and the creation of a partnership with Congress on a regulatory body.

"As a commissioner, I understand the importance of a strong enforcement mechanism to ensure that guidelines and regulations are followed," Jackson added.

UCLA quarterback Chase Griffin said he has reservations. "The FAIR College Sports Act imposes an entirely new set of regulations for advertisers and small businesses that work with college athletes," Griffin testified.

With over 40 NIL deals with companies based in a dozen states, Griffin started *The Athlete's Bureau Newsletter* to help other athletes maximize their NIL opportunities and amplify college athlete perspectives. He said the bill doesn't just regulate athlete deals with collectives and agents, but creates obstacles for what everyone considers to be "true NIL."

"In this bill, there are over

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## Let's Protect McClain County's Teens from Nicotine Addiction



*In Oklahoma, teen tobacco use is on the rise.*

- **9 out of 10** adults who use tobacco began before age 18.
- According to recent data, **30.8% of Oklahoma teens have used tobacco products**, including e-cigarettes.

The TSET Healthy Living Program is working with retailers and community leaders to restrict youth access by:

- Conducting retail education visits to reduce underage sales
- Partnering with local law enforcement to support existing laws
- Collaborating with towns and cities to pass new ordinances

To get involved in promoting health in McClain County, contact the TSET HLP Grantee at Norman Regional Health System (405) 515-0071.



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# NEWS In Brief

## Livestock Show, Bonus Auction

The 34th Annual Purcell Bonus Auction is slated. The Purcell Bonus Auction will be held Thursday, February 22, at the Purcell Agriculture Education Building. The public is welcome to attend.

## School Foundation

The Purcell Public School Foundation will hold an open meeting for the public Thursday, February 22, at 12 noon. The meeting will be held in the Administration Building multi-purpose room in the building that formerly housed Purcell Intermediate School, behind the library.

## New OK Election

The Oklahoma State Election Board has launched a new website making it easier to view candidate information. Candidates running for county, state or federal office may be viewed on the

new website. Put the filing dates in like 12-04-23 to 12-06-23 and view a copy of the actual candidate declarations. Go to <https://filings.okelection.us>.

## Daylight Saving Time

Daylight Saving Time is March 10! Time to spring forward. Mark your calendar now and don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour when you go to bed Saturday night, March 9.

## 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.

## 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](mailto:safecarereferrals@northcare.com) or online at [www.northcare.com](http://www.northcare.com).

## 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.

# Public invited to free Oklahoma Women's History Conference

A free Oklahoma Women's History Conference will be held at the Oklahoma History Center to kick off Women's History Month.

The conference will take place on Saturday, March 2, from 1-4 p.m. The moderators will be the editors of *This Land is Herland: Gendered Activism in Oklahoma from the 1870s to the 2010s* (2021).

The first panel discussion will take place from 1-2:15 p.m. The topic is early Oklahoma women's activism, featuring speakers Heather Clemmer, Sunu Kodumthara and Farina King.

There will be a break and book signing from 2:15-2:45 p.m. followed by another panel discussion from 2:45-4 p.m. about modern women's activism with speakers Rachel Watson, Chelsea Ball and Lindsey Churchill.

The event is free and open to the public. No registration is required.

It will take place at the Oklahoma History Center, located at 800 Nazih Zuhdi Dr. in Oklahoma City.

The conference is being organized by staff at the Pioneer Woman Museum and Statue.

For more information, please call 580-765-6108.

The Oklahoma History Center is a division of the Oklahoma Historical Society and is an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, National Archives and is an accredited member of the American Alliance of Museums.

The mission of the Oklahoma Historical Society is to collect, preserve and share the history and culture of the state of Oklahoma and its people.

Founded in 1893 by members of the Territorial Press Association, the OHS maintains museums, historic sites and affiliates across the state. Through its research archives, exhibits, educational programs and publications the OHS chronicles the rich history of Oklahoma. For more information about the OHS, please visit [www.okhistory.org](http://www.okhistory.org).

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## Gas meter struck

Purcell Police and firefighters responded to a gas meter struck by a vehicle at 117 S. Seventh in Purcell at 4:40 p.m. last Thursday. Oklahoma Natural Gas employees fixed the meter. There were no injuries.

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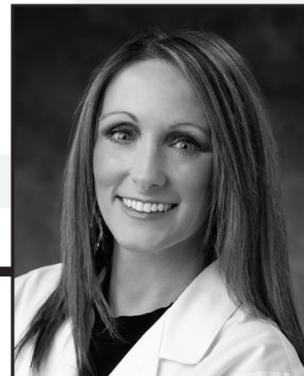
understands the \$20,000 state income tax deduction helps makes it a 'must-have' for Oklahomans," Russ said.

Visit [Oklahoma529.com](http://Oklahoma529.com) to learn more about Oklahoma 529 and ways to open an account.



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Jennifer will be available in Purcell for prenatal care for expectant mothers.

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## Media brainwashing

A buddy of mine found this eight question survey with interesting national results.

Results of the survey were asked of average people on the street.

Their answers are provided and then the actual numbers are furnished.

What percentage of the United States population is black?  
Answers: 41 percent.  
Actual: 13 percent.

And, 90 percent if you watch commercials on TV.

What percentage of the marriages are mixed race?  
Response: 50 percent.  
Actual: 17-20 percent.

Back to television, you would think 90 percent.

How many families make more than \$500,000 a year.  
Response: 26 percent.  
Actual: One percent.

We think a quarter of the country is rich.

What percentage of Americans are vegetarians?

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Response: 30 percent.  
Actual: 5-6 percent.

What percentage of Americans live in New York City?  
Response: 30 percent.  
Actual: 3 percent.

What percentage of Americans are transgender.  
Response: 22 percent.  
Actual: .5 percent.

That's half of one percent.  
So why do people have such inaccurate thoughts on these

counts?

Due to the electronic media came the answer.

They run race, gender and wealth stories constantly.

The result is we are being brainwashed. Hitler's propaganda minister Joseph Goebbels would be proud if he had half of the success.

Disney no longer welcomes ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, just guests.

.5 percent of the population dictates to the other 99 percent.

Regardless of what you might think less than 20 percent of the population uses Twitter or X. Yet, X controls 80 percent of public opinion.

Next time you are thinking Americans have changed and not in a good way, remember, it's mostly fake. Most people think just like you but the media has them brainwashed.

It's called social engineering and it's here. It also very effective.

## Your heart's a liar

By Andy Bowman, CoffeeTime Columnist

If you are in the habit of consulting only yourself, trusting your own instincts and believing that you will know in your heart what to do when the time comes, then you have a big problem.

In Proverbs 28:26, the Bible says, "He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered." Translated into plain 2024 English? "You can't trust your heart to always tell you the truth. It lies."

So, if we can't believe in ourself completely, then when it is time to make a decision, who or what are we supposed to trust to help us?

Just what exactly is your 'heart' anyway? What is 'walk wisely'? And why would your own self lie to yourself? And why should you trust the Bible to give you perfect advice?

Good questions. We all have been taught to 'trust our gut instincts.' To ask ourself, "What is my heart

telling me to do?"

Even if you walk into a counselor's office and ask for help, you will find that counselor has been trained to ask you questions that will help you to realize where your real problem lies, so that you can find solutions yourself.

And that is helpful, after all, most of the time we don't even have a clue what is really bugging us. Remember the adage, "The problem is not the problem." That is absolutely true in most cases.

But, yet, the Bible does make a point that we dare not ignore. (After all, the Bible is the written word of our Creator - does anyone really dare tell Him, "Butt out, You don't have a clue what I am trying to do with my life.")

So, how do we balance (A) Getting to truly know ourselves, with (B) Believing what the Creator is telling us?

My answers. The heart? The 'heart' is the seat of your emotions, and both your Creator and Satan have access to it. That is the reason you dare not trust your emo-

tions completely.

Walking wisely? That means following what your Creator has taught in His written word. Because Satan doesn't have the power to corrupt what the Bible says.

Counseling? Find a friend/pastor/counselor who knows the heart does lie, but the Bible doesn't. And then start talking, and listening.

When you have decisions to make, listen closely to your emotions, but don't be governed by them. They can easily lie to you.

It's better to kick your emotions over to the curb, run everything through the filter of God's Word, and don't be afraid to consult good counselors in your life.

Way too often people believe their lying heart will put them on the right path.

And then they end up on a side road, bogged down in a muddy mess. Because the heart may be right - or it just may be wrong.

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## NEWS FROM CAPITOL HILL

### The Biden Administration's self-made border crisis

Congressman Tom Cole

In January of 2021, President Biden assumed the presidency with an aggressive immigration agenda.

In just his first 100 days in office, he took 94 executive actions, including removing Title 42 and Remain in Mexico, halting border wall construction, and reinstating Catch-and-Release, in an attempt to make it easier for immigrants to illegally enter and stay in our nation.

These calculated actions have resulted in a raging illegal immigration disaster. Massive surges of illegal migrants have swarmed our border, creating a serious national security crisis.

In fact, since President Biden assumed office, there have been over 8.5 million illegal cross-

ings nationwide - including hundreds of individuals whose names appear on the terrorist watchlist and thousands of "special interest aliens" from countries including Iraq, Pakistan, Yemen, and Afghanistan - and over 1.8 million known "gotaways" who have evaded U.S. Border Patrol.

Additionally, this administration's radical open-border policies have given the cartels free reign to push deadly fentanyl into every community throughout the United States, driving an unprecedented opioid epidemic that is killing far too many Americans.

Oklahomans know the fentanyl crisis firsthand. According to the Oklahoma State Department of Health, fentanyl overdose deaths in Oklahoma have increased significantly,

from 50 deaths in 2019 to 609 in 2022.

The evidence is clear - this is the worst border crisis in our nation's history. I will not stand by and watch as these open-border policies put our homeland in danger.

This is exactly why I supported articles of impeachment against Department of Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas last week. He abandoned his fundamental vow to keep the homeland safe and failed his constitutional duty, but I will not.

I am committed to bringing this border crisis to an end.

It is time to reverse the Biden administration's harmful immigration policies and send a strong message to the world: the United States of America's border is strong and secure.

## Letters to the Editor Policy

All letters to the editor must include the signature of the author and all those listed as signees. All letters must include the name, address and a daytime phone number for verification purposes. Addresses and phone numbers will not be published.

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

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

Letters to the editor during any campaign cycle which seek to endorse a candidate or discredit another will not be published during the campaign cycle. Letters to the editor published in The Purcell Register do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the newspaper.

## Your Views

### News from District 42

• Rep. Cindy Roe •



## Debunking misinformation

Recently, I've received numerous "click bait" emails, generated by pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs), from constituents who have unfortunately been fed misinformation regarding House Bill 2863.

However, when I receive an email from one of these "click bait" emails, it does not allow me to reply to your email. I believe this is part of their plan so the misinformation they are spreading cannot be disputed, but I want to take the opportunity now to correct their lies.

HB2863, passed by the House last March, puts restraints on PBMs, which is the middle man that insurance companies contract with to administer your prescription coverage.

PBMs, who are primarily multi-billion dollar out-of-state companies, don't like this bill because it forces them to be transparent instead of taking advantage of hardworking Oklahomans. HB2863 also protects your locally owned pharmacy from these PBMs.

The vast majority of House District 42 utilizes independent pharmacies who are very capable of filling a 90-day supply of medication, despite what PBMs tell consumers.

These multi-billion dollar out-of-state PBMs are blatantly misrepresenting HB2863 in an attempt to steal consumers away from local businesses. They do not like being transparent around their business practices, and that alone, is somewhat alarming.

HB2863 is in the best interest of Oklahomans despite what these big businesses are advertising.

As a healthcare professional and chair of the House Public Health Committee, I spent a lot of time last year delving into the details of this bill, and I would not have supported it if I did not believe it was good for the people of Oklahoma.

This week, I led the first

House Public Health Committee meeting of the year, and I passed three of my own bills. In addition to House Bill 3333 and House Bill 3328, I also presented a bill that was the result of a previous interim study.

House Bill 3330 would centralize certain information about mental health professionals renewing their certification or licensure within the Oklahoma Dept. of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS). It creates a registry for drug and alcohol counselors, marriage and family counselors, social workers, LPNs, psychologists and psychiatrists through ODMHSAS.

This demographic information is already collected, and putting this in one spot will help see what professionals are in certain areas of the state much more easily.

On Tuesday, I passed a constituent request bill out of the House Veterans and Military Affairs Committee. House Bill 3332 changes the definition of "military surplus vehicle" by removing the requirement that the vehicle be manufactured less than 35 years ago.

I was contacted by a constituent who couldn't tag his military surplus vehicle under this arbitrary law. I also visited with Service Oklahoma to ensure there would not be a late fee for not tagging these vehicles previously. I'm very glad this passed committee unanimously and look forward to moving it off the House floor.

As always, please reach out to me if there's anything I can help with. My email address is [cynthia.roe@okhouse.gov](mailto:cynthia.roe@okhouse.gov), or you can call my office at (405) 557-7365. Thank you for the honor of representing you at the State Capitol!

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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## First pitch

**President Harry S. Truman** throws out the first pitch six days after Japan surrendered to end World War II.

# Help is needed

### Dear Editor:

My family has had three people pass away all within a month of each other.

My fiancé and I are trying to raise enough money through GoFundMe to get my grandma, Doris Jeanne Ziesch, a burial so she can rest easy after struggling with going in and out of the Purcell hospital for the past few years.

She always loved family and helping people whenever she could. She loved teaching in Oklahoma City for years from around 1970s until 2010 when she retired to take care of my mom and my siblings.

She was a huge Oklahoma City Thunder fan, loved eating at her favorite Mexican restaurant, Bravos, and always loved being at Purcell Lake and enjoying the wonderful views of Purcell.

This is her gofund me link: <https://gofund.me/fec8798>.

Her obituary is in this issue of **The Purcell Register**.

Thank you for taking the time to read this, it truly means a lot.

**Ryan Ziesch  
Ada**



## Earthquake Insurance: What you need to know

By Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner Glen Mulready

The Oklahoma Insurance Department (OID) kicked off February with a post on X, formerly known as Twitter, announcing our Earthquake Awareness Month social media campaign.

Ironically enough, a 5.1 magnitude quake struck near Prague, Oklahoma, about eight and a half hours later. I can assure you that OID cannot predict earthquakes, but this illustrates perfectly how earthquakes happen without warning and why you should always be prepared.

This month, I want to provide helpful information to Oklahomans to help them determine their earthquake insurance needs.

### What is earthquake insurance, and how does it work?

Earthquake insurance protects your home from earthquake-related damage. This coverage is an endorsement (amendment) to your existing homeowners policy or a separate, stand-alone policy.

Contrary to what many consumers might think, a standard homeowners policy does not cover earthquake damage. Earthquake insurance works with your policy to offer more protection for your home.

### What does earthquake insurance cover?

Earthquake insurance covers repairs needed because of earthquake damage to your home and may cover other structures not attached to your house, like a garage.

Some policies may also cover your personal property against damage, the increased costs to meet current building codes, the stabilization of the land under your home and debris removal.

The coverage can also pay for the extra living expenses you may have while your home is being rebuilt or repaired.

### What does earthquake insurance not cover?

Each policy has different exclusions, so review your policy or contact your insurance company to find out exactly what isn't included.

Typically, earthquake insurance won't cover something already included in your ho-

meowners policy, such as fire damage, or any pre-existing damage to your home not caused by an earthquake.

It typically won't cover damage to vehicles either. Your car insurance policy may cover that damage.

### Do I need earthquake insurance?

The United States Geological Survey (USGS) outlines some things to consider when purchasing earthquake insurance, like how close your home is to active faults, the earthquake history of the region, your home's construction type and materials, and the slope of the land.

It's also necessary to consider your financial situation and how much it would cost to repair or rebuild your home. A qualified contractor or engineer can help you assess your risks.

After an earthquake occurs, many insurance companies may impose a waiting period due to aftershocks, which is why it's essential to be proactive and consider purchasing earthquake insurance before your home sustains damage.

### What determines earthquake premiums and deductibles?

Factors, like your home's size, location, age and construction type, determine premiums. Insuring your home for replacement cost or actual cash value also determines premiums. It's important to note that earthquake deductibles are a percentage of the insured value of your home and not a usual set amount like \$500 or \$1,000 in homeowners policies.

### Are there any additional resources about earthquakes and earthquake insurance?

As with all your insurance-related questions, OID is here for you. You can contact us at 800-522-0071 or visit our Earthquakes page for helpful information. I've included some additional resources at the links below:

- National Association of Insurance Commissioners - A Consumer's Guide to Earthquake Insurance
- United States Geological Survey - Earthquake FAQs
- Ready.gov - Earthquakes

# On President's Day, ambidextrous Truman throws out first post-WWII pitch

By Joe Guzzardi, Society for American Baseball Research member

On September 8, 1945, six days after Japan surrendered and World War II officially ended, President Harry S. Truman went to Griffith Stadium to throw out the first pitch in a game between the Washington Senators and the St. Louis Browns.

No president had attended a baseball game since Franklin Delano Roosevelt tossed the traditional first pitch at the April 14, 1941 opener, eight months before the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor.

The savvy Truman knew his presence at Griffith Stadium would convey the message to America that peace had returned, and that World War II had indeed ended.

Truman saw the Senators beat the Browns 4-1 during a crucial game in a four-way race for the American League pennant eventually captured by the Detroit Tigers. The Browns, Senators and New York Yankees came up short.

On April 16, 1946, Truman assumed the presidential responsibilities of throwing out

the first Opening Day pitch against the visiting Boston Red Sox.

Accompanied by his wife Bess and daughter Margaret, Truman became the first lefty to toss out the inaugural pitch. In his 7-1/2 years in the White House, Truman attended a total of 16 games at Griffith Stadium, more than any other president.

Ambidextrous, Truman hurled some pitches lefty and others, righty. Truman's Opening Day record was 4-3, and, overall, 8-8.

Over the years, Truman formed a close friendship with Senators' owner Clark Griffith. Both hailed from Missouri, both represented up from the bootstrap's successes, and were straight shooters.

Griffith called Truman "Harry," and the president was fine with his informal salutation. A contributor to Truman's 1948 re-election bid, Griffith predicted, against all odds, that the incumbent would beat the Republican nominee, Thomas Dewey.

The October 11 issue of *Newsweek* stated, "Fifty political experts unanimously predict a Dewey victory."

Truman was nonplused. "Oh, those damned fellows. They're always wrong anyway," he countered.

As Griffith summed up Truman's unexpected win at a post-election victory party, "Everyone is against Harry except the people." Truman's surprise re-election gave him four more opportunities to throw out the Opening Day first pitch.

In his youth, Truman was a slightly-built, bespectacled boy who never played baseball. His wife Bess, however, was the quintessential tomboy.

Bess had grown up with three younger brothers who she strived to beat at mumblety-peg, baseball and whistling through her teeth.

She had excelled at most sports — even in throwing the shot put — and she remained an avid baseball fan all her life.

Bess watched, listened to, and scored as many games as possible. "The boss is the real fan," Truman said about his Sunday school crush. Truman had carried Bess' books to school and watched her play a crackerjack third base as the only girl on an all-boys team. As First Lady, Bess at-

tended games by herself or with her daughter, but always with her scorebook which she kept religiously.

When Truman left the White House in 1953, Dwight Eisenhower assumed the Opening Day tasks. That year, however, Eisenhower asked his Vice President Richard Nixon to stand in for him.

Truman hated Nixon and sent his friend Griffith a telegram wishing him well but warned, "Don't let him throw you a curve!"

Bess and Harry, now private citizens, returned to Independence, Mo., and eventually adopted the Kansas City Athletics and the St. Louis Cardinals as their new favorites.

"May the sun never set on American baseball," Truman said at a Cardinals game.

The Trumans lived long lives. In 1972, Harry died at age 88; Bess followed in 1982 at age 97. The couple are buried next to each other at the Harry S. Truman Library and Museum in Independence.

*Joe Guzzardi is a Society for American Baseball Research and Internet Baseball Writers Association member. Contact him at guzzjoe@yahoo.com.*

## Can you do anything about America's problems? Not really, but one thing

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

We are saturated with news in America. We know about the legal troubles of former President Donald Trump. Every day we are updated about the latest court proceedings and what is still to come.

What can you do about it? Nothing. You didn't loan Trump the money and he doesn't owe you. Loan officers from lending institutions worked these deals with Trump. It's between Trump and them it seems to me.

Every day you are bombarded with every detail of Trump's legal issues from a woman he reportedly assaulted to a porn star who is dissatisfied with the hundred thousand dollars plus hush payment she reportedly received. What can you do about it? Nothing.

Is all of this supposed to make you hate Trump and vote for someone else? It must be or we wouldn't hear so much about what he has been accused

of doing.

Almost every day we are reminded by some about the cognitive decline of President Joe Biden.

Just like any President he is derided on a daily basis for his handling of our Southern border crisis, the economy, the decline of our military and much more.

We care because it all impacts us, but what can you do about it? Nothing really. You can be mad and frustrated but that's about all.

Minneapolis police officers were killed over the weekend. People were shot and one killed while at a Kansas City Chief's citywide Superbowl party. Numerous people were shot. It makes us sick. We hurt for those whose lives were taken. We hurt for those families who lost loved ones.

We hurt every day and week in America as more and more mass shootings occur. So what? What can you do about it?

Nothing really.

We vote. Of course, that's the one thing we can do, but that's about all. We can protest, march and scream and holler but Congress doesn't pay any attention to that. Marches in Washington, D.C. are common and seemingly ignored.

Every day we hear about the border crisis. It seems to be a commonsense fix but what are you going to do?

Many of us would go to the Southern border and volunteer to complete the wall and fix the holes but our government would probably put us in jail for trying to protect America. Thousands are illegally pouring into our country and we hear about it every day, but what are you going to do about it? Nothing really.

Every day we hear about the crisis of the Middle East. Israel, Gaza, Russia, and Ukraine. We hear a lot about Ukraine needing more and more money. It doesn't matter if you think they

need more or less money, it's out of your hands.

What can you do about it? Call your Congressman? Call the President? Do you think they care about what you think? They care about one thing and that's doing whatever it takes to be reelected.

All you can do is what you must do and that is vote and you already know almost for sure who your options are for this upcoming election. That's the one thing we can do.

Since you and I can't really do anything about all of this mess we had better elect someone who will do something.

Learn more at GlennMollette.com. Dr. Mollette was a senior minister for 39 years and served as President of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Find books by Glenn Mollette at Amazon.com. Learn more about his books, columns and music at GlennMollette.com.

## Native Seed Bank encourages amateur collectors

By Kelly Bostian

Oklahoma's notorious deep freeze to big-thaw winter extremes are working magic for those who scattered perennial wildflowers earlier this season. Still, options remain for those who haven't started this season.

Whether it's for your yard, a meadow or as part of a prairie restoration project, some steps are necessary nearly every month of the year, and the Tribal Alliance for Pollinators program encourages people to collect seeds, buy seeds, and start their own patches of perennials at home.

Brandon Gibson, curator of the alliance's growing communal native seed bank, gathers seeds in the field nearly any month of the year.

But mid-winter brings time for processing the dozens of species of seeds collected and carefully controlled in-house cold stratification and record keeping on those seeds, some of which have never been manually propagated, at least not for the record.

### No back-of-the-seed-packet instructions for him

Wild the TAP seed bank is for tribes only; it shares what it learns about wildflower propagation

with as many people as possible, according to program director Jane Breckinridge.

### Collect your own

"We go out and find our seeds in the real world," Gibson said. Through the alliance and other programs, he offers training for tribal members to do the same and encourages people to team up and explore.

"Go out together and collect seeds. That's the best way to learn, better than just listening to me blab on for 45 minutes at a program. It creates a memorable experience."

He collects pods and other seed materials in small brown paper bags and stores them in a dry location. "Mold is our biggest fear," he said.

The program maintains an online library with seed lists, how-to videos, and other information at [triballianceforpollinators.com](http://triballianceforpollinators.com).

The nonprofit, along with the statewide Okies for Monarchs initiative, also collaborates with Time to Restore, a program of the National Phenology Network.

The program tracks climatic changes that are changing regional plant growth and blooming times. The data helps growers manage their landscapes for the

arrival of migrating pollinators and other wildlife.

The network's YouTube channel includes a Time to Restore seed collection and processing technical training session featuring Gibson, Breckinridge, and botanist Collin Spriggs. It covers every detail of the seed bank's wildflower identification, harvest timing, seed collection, and processing steps adapted for amateurs or experts.

Okies for Monarchs lists statewide sources for locally grown native plants and seeds at [okiesformonarchs.org](http://okiesformonarchs.org).

### Stratification education

Most perennial wildflowers drop their seeds in a natural state of dormancy. Some might last for years in the soil until ideal stratification and germination conditions arrive. Stratification is the wintertime freeze-thaw process that breaks seed dormancy.

Fluctuating temperatures and precipitation also make soils expand and contract. Seeds fall into tiny pores and fissures, gain soil contact, and germinate with springtime warmth.

People can mimic the process by storing seeds in a moist medium, like sand or vermiculite, in a refrigerator, then simply

germinating seeds in potting soil outdoors or in a greenhouse.

Gibson said that stratification varies by plant species. February is about as late as any should start for the summer. Seeds that need only 30 days could be ready to germinate in March or early April. Some seeds require 60 days or more.

Listening to Gibson's tales of experimentation, it becomes clear that wildflowers have their seasons, but not all need to start growing on a strict schedule, like vegetables for the annual harvest. Some, like compass flowers, take years to mature.

### Trial and error is OK

Gibson said seed collectors should be mindful of property rights and ethically leave plenty of local seed sources behind. He added that finding seeds from various areas also helps with genetic diversity in your fields.

"Never take more than 20 percent of the local seeds. You need to leave plenty behind and leave some for wildlife. The goldfinches love the coneflowers, and I always let them have their fill before I collect," Gibson

# Society



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## Picture perfect

Attendees at the 2023 Crowns Tea sit for portrait photography.

## Norman's Crowns Tea celebrates 19th Anniversary

The Pioneer Library System will host its annual Crowns Tea Celebration from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, February 25, with this year's event being held at The Well at 210 James Garner Avenue in Norman.

Inspired by the book *Crowns: Portraits of Black Women in Church Hats* by Michael Cunningham and Craig Marberry, the Crowns Tea emphasizes the rich traditions of literature, music, the church hat, and gospel music in observance of Black History Month.

The 2024 event will also include a new focus: celebrating fashion as a part of Black identity, with a panel discussion featuring fashion experts including stylists and tattoo artists exploring the topic.

A longtime collaborator on the Crowns Tea, local educator and researcher Charlotte Gordon explained why events such as this continue to resonate with the community.

"I think that no matter who you are, no matter what ethnicity, we can all come together and have fun. We don't have to talk politics or social class.

We can come to each other and enjoy each other's company on a level footing."

The event will include portrait photography, a panel discussion and fashion show, musical performances, book displays, refreshments and more activities.

Paper ticketing is not available for the 2024 Crowns Tea. Attendees can register for the event through the Pioneer Library System events calendar at [pioneerlibrarysystem.org](http://pioneerlibrarysystem.org).

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.

This program is made possible, in part, by the Norman Arts Council Grant Program and Friends of the Norman Library.

For more information about the 2024 Crowns Tea Celebration, visit <https://pioneer.libnet.info/event/9979150>.



## It's a Small World

Gracie Montgomery

Happy birthday to Matthew Baker, John Powell, Ralph Wall, Boston Knowles, Chris Hayes, Edgar Garcia, Cindy Bates, Carmen Ortiz, Katherine Hooper, Raul Martinez Ramos, Debra Murphy and Aracely Ceballos.

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The 34th Annual Purcell Bonus Auction is slated.

The auction will be held Thursday, February 22, at the Purcell Agriculture Education Building at 6 p.m.

Twenty-six students will be participating.

The public is welcome to attend.

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The Purcell Public School Foundation will hold an open meeting for the public Thursday, February 22, at 12 noon.

The meeting will be held in the Administration Building multi-purpose room in the building that formerly housed Purcell Intermediate School, behind the library.

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Visit the Pop-Up Mobile Maker Lab at the Purcell Public Library.

Let the Mobile Maker Lab Team help you make beautiful things! Learn to use the 3D printers, laser cutters, embroidery machines and more.

The Maker Lab will be open Tuesday, March 12, from 1-7 p.m., Wednesday, March 13, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday, March 14, from 1-5

p.m., Friday, March 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday, March 16, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The program is for all ages.

For more information call the Purcell Public Library at 405-527-5546 or online at [pioneerlibrarysystem.org](http://pioneerlibrarysystem.org).

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Daylight Saving Time is March 10! Time to spring forward.

Mark your calendar now and don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour when you go to bed Saturday night, March 9.

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This is one my family's favorite recipes and whenever I make it they all comment that we should have this more often. It comes from my longtime friend Rhonda Aduddell from Mill Creek, Okla.

### Rhonda Casserole

- 1 lb. hamburger
- 1 diced onion
- 1 can Ranch Style Beans
- 1 can of enchilada sauce
- 1 can of cream of mushroom soup
- 1/2 cup picante
- 2 cups cheese
- Bag of small Fritos
- Preheat oven to 350°.

Cook hamburger and onion together. Mix together all other ingredients except Fritos.

Place Fritos in the bottom of a 9x13 pyrex dish. Top with hamburger mixture and cheese.

Bake for about 30 minutes or until cheese is bubbly.



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## Westbrook King and Queen

Westbrook Gardens 2024 Valentine's Day King and Queen Charles Fielder and Judith Plummer.

## Wauhillau Austin Gale Memorial Scholarship



Wauhillau Austin Gale

The Wauhillau Austin Gale Memorial Scholarship was established by her family following her death in 1997.

The scholarship honors Mrs. Gale's 25-year teaching career at Purcell High School and her encouragement of young people.

The selection committee is

reminding graduating Purcell seniors to apply for the \$2,500 scholarship by the March 1 deadline.

Mrs. Gale was the Purcell High School Art teacher and sponsor of many clubs for over 20 years. Though she was not a graduate of Purcell, four of her children graduated from Purcell.

Eligibility requirements include:

- Must be a graduating senior from Purcell High School
- Unweighted GPA between 2.5 and 3.5 and ACT of 20 or more
- Demonstrate a commitment to serve both in school and in the community. The committee also takes financial need into consideration.

The application process is online so visit [www.occf.org/scholarships](http://www.occf.org/scholarships) to apply.

## Wayne Senior Citizens

By John Webb

Hello again everyone. It's been a couple or three weeks since the last article. Hope you are doing well and feeling fine.

The WSCC garage sale will be opening the last weekend of March. That gives us plenty of time to put away all the Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas decor and bring out some new items. So please be patient while we straighten, replace and reorganize all the merchandise.

Delta Senior Nutrition provides a delicious meal Monday through Friday, serving at 11:30 a.m. for seniors 60+. If you would like to find out how easy it is to qualify, please call the kitchen in Purcell at 405-527-9462. We also provide home delivery for those who qualify.

Our attendance for lunches is currently averaging 30 to 35, depending on the day of the week. We have a great group of seniors but there is always room for more.

Here is the menu for February 26-March 1:

Monday—Hamburger steak with brown gravy, baked potato with sour cream, blackeyed peas, sliced bread or dinner roll, simply super cake.

Tuesday—Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, broccoli, sliced or garlic bread, gelatin with fruit.

Wednesday—TBD.

Thursday—Chili with beans, pickle spear and onion, coleslaw, crackers or cornbread, harvest bars.

Friday—Roast pork, mashed potatoes with gravy, peas and carrots, bread or roll, fruit salad.

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

Menus are subject to change due to product availability and/or delivery of product. We do our best to keep changes to a minimum.

I appreciate all great volunteers who contribute to the success of our center. I also appreciate everyone for your support of your Wayne Senior Citizens Center.

Until next week...

## Spread the Love this February

Delta Community Action Foundation, Inc. is calling on the public to help "Spread the Love" during the month of February.

Delta is having a peanut butter and jelly food drive to help "Spread the Love" to local citizens in need of food.

The agency's 2020 Community Needs Assessment revealed the need for food ranked fourth in overall need.

The Spread the Love Peanut Butter & Jelly Drive, sponsored by Delta Community Action Foundation, Inc., will continue

through the end of February.

Delta Community Action Foundation, Inc. is under the direction of Karen Nichols, Executive Director.

Donations can be dropped off at the following Delta Community Action locations:

- Lindsay, 308 SW 2nd;
- Purcell, 122 W. Main;
- Pauls Valley, 225 W. McClure.

For more information about services provided by Delta Community Action Foundation, Inc., please visit [deltacomunityaction.org](http://deltacomunityaction.org).

## Got Enough Coverage?

Your current homeowners or renters policy may cover a lot less than you think, putting your home and life savings at risk. Call today to arrange a free, no-obligation policy review and rate quote to make sure you're prepared for the unexpected with the right amount of insurance protection.

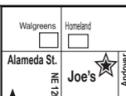


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## 25 year anniversary

Amanda Webb, Administrative Programs Officer II for the Classification & Population Unit, celebrated 25 years of service with the Oklahoma Department of Corrections. She was presented a certificate for 25 years of loyal and dedicated service to the state of Oklahoma and a state service pin by Mike Cagle, Population Coordinator.



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### Valentine's Day dinner

Dibble seniors enjoying steak and shrimp with their valentines on Valentine's Day. The center had a great turnout and lunch was enjoyed by all.

## Dibble Senior Citizens

Greetings from the Dibble Senior Citizens.

We pray everyone is staying warm this week.

At Dessie's Diner the menu for the week of February 25:

Monday — Taco bar.

Wednesday — Pork chops.

Friday — Spaghetti.

Always remember our menu is subject to change without notice but rarely does.

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, phone 405-344-6789.

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

### WAYNE SCHOOL MENU Week of February 26

#### MONDAY BREAKFAST

Bagel topper, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

#### LUNCH

Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, milk.

#### TUESDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

#### LUNCH

Taco, pinto beans, rice, mixed fruit, milk.

#### WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST

Waffle, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

#### LUNCH

Barbecue sandwich, chips, pickle, carrots, strawberries, milk.

#### THURSDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

#### LUNCH

Egg roll, fried rice, broccoli, fortune cookie, milk.

#### FRIDAY BREAKFAST

Pop tart, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

#### LUNCH

Pizza, corn, salad, peaches, milk.

### LEXINGTON SCHOOL MENU

Week of February 26

#### MONDAY BREAKFAST

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

#### LUNCH

Steak fingers or sandwich, potatoes and gravy, green beans, applesauce, milk.

#### TUESDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal or breakfast pastry, peaches, juice, milk.

#### LUNCH

Tamale pie or chef salad, pinto beans, whole kernel corn, mixed fruit, milk.

#### WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal or oatmeal chocolate chip bar, mixed fruit, juice, milk.

#### LUNCH

Beef stroganoff or sandwich, steamed broccoli, steamed carrots, pears, milk.

#### THURSDAY BREAKFAST

Chef's choice, fruit, juice, milk.

#### LUNCH

Pizza or chef salad, English peas, whole kernel corn, pineapple tidbits, milk.

#### FRIDAY BREAKFAST

Cereal or yogurt and crackers, apple wedges, juice, milk.

#### LUNCH

Turkey sandwich or sandwich, vegetable soup, pickle spears, peaches, milk.

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## NIL:

200 negative references to college athlete NIL with words like regulate, prohibit, sanction, restrict and inducement, but it never mentions freedom, growth, innovation, or Title IX," Griffin told the panel.

Baker, in favor of the bill, says the NCAA is making changes to improve outcomes for student-athletes across all three divisions, but there are issues outside its control he thinks Congress can address.

"Mounting threats from outside entities could change nearly every aspect of college sports. College sports must be safeguarded from these outside efforts," Baker said. "Together, we can ensure the opportunity to compete at the highest level while getting a world class education for years to come."

Griffin argued that the bill would increase the cost of doing business with college athletes and potentially jeopardize their opportunities.

"This bill contains registration fees, monthly reporting requirements and the threat of FTC sanctions to large third-party advertisers and the thousands of mom-and-pop small businesses that currently do NIL deals with college athletes," Griffin said.

As 80 percent of NIL transactions come from collectives and small businesses, the bill would kill the growth of the NIL market, Griffin said, because "we all know that regulation is the enemy of innovation."

In Oklahoma, many athletes rely on small businesses for their NIL deals.

"It's definitely harder for athletes like myself to get brand deals," Kolesnikov said.

"We see that brands are focusing on micro-influencers now, which is definitely helpful towards smaller athletes because they may not have as big of a following, but their engagement rates on social media are typically higher."

Griffin urged members of the congressional panel to recognize the widespread support for college athlete NIL and compensation, citing unanimous Supreme Court backing, legislation in more than 30 states, bipartisan support from attorneys general and public approval exceeding 74 percent.

"It is disheartening to see a federal bill that ignores our hard work and the value we create by putting obstacles in our pathway to the American Dream," Griffin said.

Griffin recommended com-

missioning a study on the financial impact of NIL partnerships, allowing time for market growth and encouraging the NCAA to adopt athlete compensation proposals before considering any new legislation.

Concerns were also raised about the potential impact of the FAIR Act on women's sports.

"Ninety-one percent of women's sports compensation comes from major advertisers and small businesses. So, this bill's regulatory requirements will hurt them the most," Griffin said.

"Growing up, my favorite thing was watching players in college or professional softball players, and now I'm in that role, and I'm inspiring young

girls. And I fear that won't be the future if this legislation is put in place," Tholl said.

U.S. Rep. Lori Trahan, (D-MA) said she is concerned about excessive regulation by a new political body, while others stressed the need for the NCAA to address other fundamental issues before legislation is introduced.

"There are currently over 25,000 international athletes competing in college athletics, but under the current law, they are unable to exercise their NIL rights in the United States," Trahan said.

Baker strongly stayed in favor of the bill, acknowledging challenges and promising changes.

"I understand the need for some level of public account-

ability but also share the concern of many with inserting government too deeply into activities such as sports. I am confident all parties involved can reach a compromise where the promise of college athletics is advanced while the schools and leagues retain the ability to effectively govern college sports," he said.

Bilirakis (R-FL) thanked the witnesses and reminded subcommittee members they had 10 business days to submit questions for the record.

"The panel is outstanding. I thought it was a very productive appearance," he said.

*Gaylord News is a reporting project of the University of Oklahoma Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication.*

## Shape Your Future shares tips for National Nutrition Month

Shape Your Future, a program of the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET), is offering resources on nutrition and health to Oklahomans ahead of National Nutrition Month in March.

The observance is an opportunity to recommit to a healthy lifestyle by creating small habits that foster significant transformations.

Shape Your Future recognizes common barriers to a healthier lifestyle, such as a lack of time, money or accessibility, and provides practical solutions for overcoming those barriers and building healthy habits around nutrition, physical activity, hydration and living smokefree.

"Choosing a healthier lifestyle can feel overwhelming, but it is a journey of small, achievable goals," said Julie Bisbee, TSET executive director. "Little steps add up and ultimately make a significant and positive impact on Oklahomans' well-being."

Shape Your Future offers three tips to kickstart a healthier lifestyle:

• **Balance Your Plate:** When building a well-balanced plate, start with veggies, add protein and complete with a whole grain.

• **Ditch Sugary Drinks:** Choose water to properly hydrate and leave sugar-sweetened beverages in the past. Drinks like soda, sports drinks, energy drinks and

juice boxes are packed with sugar.

• **Move More:** Adults need at least 30 minutes of daily physical activity, while kids need 60.

Visit [ShapeYourFutureOK.com](http://ShapeYourFutureOK.com) to discover easy ways to add movement into daily routines.

Try walking while talking on the phone, parking farther away from stores or simply taking the stairs instead of the elevator.

With a little help, achieving healthy goals can be easier than anticipated.

For more free programs and resources to improve your health and that of your family and community, visit [Oklahoma.gov/TSET](http://Oklahoma.gov/TSET).



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# Purcell Senior Citizens

By Val Blackburn

A dance and live music is held every Friday night from 7 to 9 p.m. 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. Refreshments are available. Come and enjoy the fun and good times! 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, 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.

The center garage sale is open. Come this Thursday 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 unable to open. 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. This 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 if 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 February 26-March 1:

Monday—Hamburger steak, baked potato, blackeyed peas, bread, cake.

Tuesday—Chicken spaghetti, salad, broccoli, bread, gelatin with fruit.

Wednesday—Participant's choice.

Thursday—Chili with beans, coleslaw, cornbread, harvest bars.

Friday—Meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, peas and carrots, roll, chocolate pie.

One milk per person is served with every meal.

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

# 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 February 8-14, 2024.

### Traffic

Steven A.E. Dodson, texting while operating non-commercial motor vehicle.  
Kamran A. Akhtar, speeding, 98/80.  
Mindy M. Muncrief, speeding, 89/80.  
Jason J. Ledford, speeding, 89/80.  
Codey J. Howard, speeding, 97/80.  
Steven L. Owens, speeding, 90/80.  
Merison F. Dasilva, operate commercial motor vehicle without a commercial driver's license.  
Merison F. Dasilva, speeding, 70/55.  
Uriel E. Chavarria, no valid driver's license.

Ava J. Holt, speeding, 55/45.  
Jonathan D. Croom, no seatbelt.  
Timothy J. Majewski, no seatbelt.  
Joseph A. Self, operate not reasonable and proper.  
Carlos E. Juarez, no valid driver's license.  
Carlos E. Juarez, speeding, 92/70.  
Isaiah A. Guzman, no valid driver's license.

### Misdemeanors

Matthew L. Worley, transporting open container of intoxicating beverage.  
Kevin A. McLennan, driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.  
Travis D. Arter, harassing & threatening electronic communication.  
Angelita Escareno, possession of CDS, marijuana.  
Alma Aligarcia, possession of CDS, methamphetamine.

Basim Mahmoud, trespass after being forbidden.

Basim Mahmoud, unlawful possession of CDS, methamphetamine.  
Jarrod S. Amett, assault.  
Kelvin L. Dorman, assault and battery.  
James A. Reed, unlawful possession of CDS, methamphetamine.  
John Hankins, petit larceny.  
Trey M. Wilson, false declaration of ownership in pawn.  
Rebecca A. Foster, malicious injury to property, under \$1000.  
Rogelio Ayala, unlawful possession of controlled drug, methamphetamine.

### Felonies

John M. Stanley, child sexual exploitation.  
Randy D. Griffin, domestic abuse, assault and battery.  
Norberto T. Diaz, assault, battery, or assault & battery w/ a dangerous weapon.  
Jequalyn D. Spearman, unlaw possession of controlled drug with intent to distribute (mj).  
Brennon M. Henry, unlaw possession of controlled drug with intent to distribute (marij).  
Steven C. Komers, malicious injury to property.

### Small Claims

STK Construction, LLC vs. Ashley Thompson et al, small claims over \$5000.  
Adkins Hill Mobile Home Park vs. Luiz E. Ortiz, forcible entry and detainer under \$5000.  
Stacy Property Group LLC vs. 555 Enterprise LLC, forcible entry and detainer over \$5000.

### Civil

Midland Credit Management Inc vs.

Madeline Little, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Cavalry SPV I, LLC vs. Shannon N. Dowdle, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Jefferson Capital Systems LLC vs. Ramona Shapiro, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Capital One, N.A. vs. Clyde C. McLoed, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Capital One, N.A. vs. Shawna M. Nesser, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Evelyn C. Glynn, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Victoria G. Counce, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Heather Langlinais, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Synchro Bank vs. Karen Mosmeyer, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
TDBank USA, N.A. vs. Moy Moyer, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Velocity Investments LLC vs. Brianna Henthorn, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Velocity Investments LLC vs. Frank Strange, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Madison M. Smelgus, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Leigh Anne McGregor, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Capital One, N.A. vs. Dace Lemieux, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Velocity Investments LLC vs. Dace Lemieux, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Velocity Investments LLC vs. Frank Strange, civil action \$10,000 or less.  
Velocity Investments LLC vs. Frankie Plunkett, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Mobile Mini, Inc vs. Dunder Mifflin, LLC, civil action \$10,000 or more.

J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Corp vs. Evan J. Stanley et al, civil action \$10,000 or more.  
Nationstar Mortgage LLC vs. Derek Chambers Sr., civil action \$10,000 or more.  
Velocity Investments LLC vs. Dace Lemieux, civil action \$10,000 or more.  
Carwile Properties et al vs. State Farm Fire & Casualty Co. et al, civil action \$10,000 or more.

Gary Frost vs. Linda Pruitt et al, civil action \$10,000 or more.  
Profuture Equine Reproduction, LLC vs. Tiffani Banuelos-Ray, civil action \$10,000 or more.  
Profuture Equine Reproduction, LLC vs. Carlos Ramires, civil action \$10,000 or more.

U.S. Bank National Association vs. Robert Barker et al, civil action \$10,000 or more.

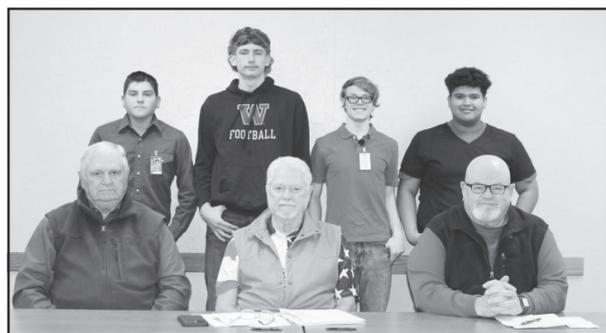
### Marriages Filed

Justin M. Hall, 32, and Virginia L. Womack, 34, both of Purcell.  
Jose A. Maradiaga Cruz, 32, and Darlene J. Schroeder, 34, both of Wanette.

Timothy W. Smith, 48, and Teresa D. Davidson, 54, both of Oklahoma City.  
Tanner M. Thompson, 24, and Madison N. Adkins, 22, both of Goldsby.

### Divorces Granted

Kimberley D. Matthews vs. Corey L. Matthews.  
Leslie M. Griffith vs. Branden J. Griffith.  
Hazel E. Vanbuskirk vs. Dennis W. Vanbuskirk.  
Madison Votaw vs. Cole T. Burns.



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## Scholarship recipients

Ethan Trejo, Wyatt Webster, Sean Baker and Gonzalo Perez were notified by Joe McGowen, Jim Webster and Billy Lucas that they were the 2024 recipients of the Oklahoma First Scholarships.

## MATC students scholarship recipients

The 'Oklahoma First Scholarships' have been awarded to four Wayne High School seniors. Each of these well-deserving students are scheduled to complete their MATC programs in May of 2024.

Sean Baker is a student in the Pre-Engineering program; Gonzalo Perez is enrolled in the Cosmetology program; Ethan Trejo is a student in the Welding program and Wyatt Webster is enrolled in the CNC Machinist program.

Each of these students will be starting their careers in their chosen field of study and/or pursuing higher education.

Jim Webster, who has been a consistent supporter of MATC students, is sponsoring the 'Oklahoma First Scholarships.' The students who received these scholarships were interviewed by Jim Webster, Joe McGowen and Billy Lucas who are all proud alumnus of Wayne Public Schools.

These men are grateful to be fortunate enough to be able to give back to their hometown

and assist students in starting their careers.

This \$12,000 scholarship will be equally distributed among these four students. The students will use their scholarships to help pay tuition, purchase career-related equipment and cover associated expenses.

Webster also gave a \$3,000 donation to become the inaugural donor to the newly formed Mid-America Technology Center Foundation.

The foundation's goal is to obtain funding to enhance educational prospects and elevate the well-being of Mid-America Technology Center students.

The support provided may vary for each student, encompassing items such as uniforms, meals, scholarships, and more. The foundation will also help keep the MATC Mercantile shelves stocked.

If other individuals and organizations would like to donate to the Oklahoma First Scholarships, please contact Randy Henderson at [www.matech.edu](http://www.matech.edu).

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### 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

Ham and cheese melt, tater tots, side salad, fruit, milk.

### THURSDAY BREAKFAST

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

### LUNCH

Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, dinner roll, fruit, milk.

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# NEWS from the City of Purcell

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Section R319.1  
Address Numbers

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These numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numbers or alphabetical letters.

Numbers shall be a minimum of four inches (102 mm) high with a minimum stroke width of 1/2 inch (12.7 mm).

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 shall be used to identify the structure.

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No. 92-February 15-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANITA LOUISE WALDEN,  
DECEASED.

No. PB-2024-18  
COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF  
HEARING PETITION FOR SUMMARY ADMINISTRATION,  
LETTERS OF SPECIAL ADMINISTRATION, ADMISSION  
OF WILL TO PROBATE, WAIVER OF FINAL  
ACCOUNTING, AND DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE  
(58 Okla. Stat. §§245-247)  
NOTICE IS HEREBY given to all persons interested in the Estate of  
Anita Louise Walden, Deceased ("Decedent"), that on the 8th day of  
February 2024, William C. Walden, Sr., who may be contacted through  
counsel at the address below, filed a Petition for Summary Administration,  
Letters of Special Administration, Admission of Will to Probate,  
Waiver of Final Accounting, and Distribution of Estate ("Petition"), in  
the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, praying that  
Letters of Special Administration issue to William C. Walden, Sr. Said  
Petition further prays that the will of Anita Louise Walden, a/k/a Anita  
Walden, be admitted to probate, that the final accounting be waived;  
the property of the Decedent subject to the jurisdiction of this Court  
be distributed; and that the Special Administrator be discharged, and  
for other relief as prayed for in said Petition, which Petition you may  
refer to for further particulars.

COMES NOW, William C. Walden, Sr., 4836 County Road 212,  
Alvarado, TX 76009 ("Petitioner"), and respectfully represents and  
shows the Court:

The names, ages, and last known addresses of the heirs-at-law of  
Anita Louise Walden so far as known to the Petitioner are as follows:

Name	Age	Residence	Relationship to Decedent
William C. Walden, Sr.	Legal	4836 County Road 212 Alvarado, TX 76009	Surviving Spouse
William C. Walden, II	Legal	4836 County Road 212 Alvarado, TX 76009	Son
Ashley Nicole Cartmill, a/k/a Ashley Nicole Walden Kinsel	Legal	2612 Zinnia Road Diana, TX 75640	Daughter

The character and probable value of the property of the Decedent's  
estate consists of the following undivided mineral interests with an  
estimated value of \$75,000.00:

NW/4 NW/4 NW/4 and NW/4 NE/4 and W/2 NE/4 NE/4 and SE/4  
NE/4 NE/4 and S/2 NE/4 NE/4 NE/4 of Section 14, Township 7N,  
Range 4W, McClain County, Oklahoma  
E/2 SW/4 SW/4 and W/2 SW/4 SW/4 of Section 11, Township 7N,  
Range 4W, McClain County, Oklahoma  
S/2 NW/4 and N/2 SW/4 and N/2 S/2 SW/4 of Section 15, Township  
7N, Range 5W, Grady County, Oklahoma

Anita Louise Walden died on the 30th day of May 2023, at which  
time her legal domicile was in Galveston County, Texas.

Pursuant to the Order of said Court, notice is hereby given that the  
11th day of April 2024, at the hour of 9:30 A.M. in the Courtroom of  
the undersigned Judge, or the Judge to whom this cause is assigned  
on said date, in the McClain County Courthouse in the City of Purcell,  
Oklahoma, has been appointed as the time and place for hearing said  
Petition and considering all relief prayed for in the Petition presented  
to the Court on said date. All persons interested may appear at said  
hearing.

Any person receiving this notice, or any interested party may file  
objections to the Petition at or before the final hearing. All objections  
to the Petition and/or any relief requested must be made in writing,  
with such objection to be filed herein, with a copy being provided to  
the Petitioner and the attorney for the same, and if an objection is  
not made within the allowed time, all persons will be deemed to have  
waived any objection to the Petition and the relief prayed for.

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

TO ALL CREDITORS OF THE ABOVE NAMED DECEDENTS: All  
creditors having claims against the above named Decedent are re-  
quired to present the same, with a description of all security interest  
or other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such  
claim, to William C. Walden, Sr., c/o Brooke H. Unruh, PLLC, 1930 S.  
Bryant, Edmond, OK 73013, attorney for Petitioner, within thirty (30)  
days following the filing of the Petition and Combined Notice herein,  
or the same will be forever barred.  
Dated this 9th day of February 2024.

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

Prepared by:  
/s/ Brooke H. Unruh  
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Phone: (405) 768-1215  
E-mail: brooke@bhunruh.legal  
Attorney for Petitioner

No. 104-February 22-2 Times  
OKLAHOMA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE  
LAWS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR  
AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE  
In accordance with Title 37, Section 522 and Title 37A, Section  
2-141 Chamunda Trade, Inc., 509 S. Seifried, Wayne, OK 73095, a  
corporation, hereby publishes notice of its intention to apply within  
sixty days from this date to the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage  
Laws Enforcement Commission for a Beer & Wine License under  
authority of and in compliance with the said Act: That it intend(s),  
if granted such license to operate as a Beer & Wine establishment  
with business premises located at 509 S. Seifried in Wayne, Mc-  
Clain, Oklahoma under the business name of Hop N Shop #27.  
Dated this 15th day of February, 2024.  
/s/ Ganendra Banjara  
County of McClain, State of Oklahoma  
Before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared:  
Ganendra Banjara  
to me known to be the person(s) described in and who executed  
the foregoing application and acknowledged that he executed the  
same as his free act and deed.  
/s/ Vickie L. Foraker  
My commission expires May 30, 2024.  
(Seal)

No. 78-February 15-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-  
TATE OF WILLARD M. SMITH,  
DECEASED  
CASE NO. PB-2024-5  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
TO THE CREDITORS OF  
WILLARD M. SMITH, DECEASED:  
All creditors having claims  
against Willard M. Smith, De-  
ceased, are required to present  
the same with a description of all  
security interests and other col-  
lateral (if any) held by each cred-  
itor with respect to such claim, to  
the Personal Representative, c/o  
Steven C. Davis, Hartzog Conger  
Cason LLP, 201 Robert S. Kerr  
Avenue, Suite 1600, Oklahoma  
City, Oklahoma 73102, on or

before the following presentment  
date: April 18, 2024, or the same  
will be forever barred.  
/s/ Steven E. Grubbs  
Steven E. Grubbs, Personal  
Representative of the Estate of  
Willard M. Smith, Deceased  
/s/ Steven C. Davis  
Steven C. Davis, OBA #10267  
Abigail J. Ray, OBA #34264  
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LLP  
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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
73102  
sdavis@hartzoglaw.com  
aray@hartzoglaw.com  
Telephone: (405) 235-7000  
Facsimile: (405) 996-3403  
ATTORNEYS FOR PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE

No. 66-February 8-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

ETM Investments LLC, an Okla-  
homa limited liability company,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
Sharon M. Reid, Trustee, of  
the Floyd Denton Steelman Ir-  
revocable Trust dated August 8,  
2008; and the Unknown Succes-  
sor Trustees of the Floyd Denton  
Steelman Irrevocable Trust dated  
August 8, 2008,  
Defendants.

Case No. CV-2024-24  
PUBLICATION NOTICE  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:  
Sharon M. Reid, Trustee, of the  
FloydDenton Steelman Irrevocable  
Trust dated August 8, 2008; and  
the Unknown Successor Trustees  
of the Floyd Denton Steelman Ir-  
revocable Trust dated August 8, 2008  
You are hereby notified that an  
action has been filed in the District  
Court in and for McClain County,  
State of Oklahoma, in Case No.  
CV-2024-24, styled "ETM Invest-  
ments LLC, Plaintiff, vs. Sharon M.  
Reid, Trustee, et al., Defendants,"  
alleging that Plaintiff is the owner  
of the fee simple title, and is in  
the actual, open, quiet and peace-  
ful possession of the following  
described premises situated in  
McClain County, Oklahoma, to-wit:  
Lot Seventy-six (76), NEW-  
CASTLE HILLSTWO, a subdivision  
of the S/2 SW/4 of Section Thirty  
(30), Township 9 North, Range 4  
West, I.M., McClain County, Okla-  
homa, according to the recorded  
plat thereof;

And acquired its interest thereto  
by County Treasurer's Resale Deed,  
recorded June 12, 2023, in Book  
2864, Page 90, records of the  
County Clerk of McClain County,  
Oklahoma.  
Said Plaintiff's Petition alleges  
that you claim some right, title,  
lien, estate, encumbrance, claim,  
assessment or interest in and to  
the above-described real prop-  
erty, adverse to the Plaintiff, which  
constitutes a cloud on the title to  
the above-described real property;  
and that you have no right, title,  
lien, estate, encumbrance, claim,  
assessment or interest, either in  
law or in equity, in and to said  
real property; and further alleging  
that certain conveyances of the  
property be reformed to reflect  
the correct legal description of  
the property.

You are hereby notified that you  
have been sued and must answer  
the Petition filed by the Plaintiff on  
or before the 27th day of March,  
2024, or the allegations of said  
Petition will be taken as true and  
judgment rendered against you,  
adjudging that you have no right,  
title, lien, estate, encumbrance,  
claim, assessment or interest,  
either in law or in equity, in and to  
said real property and a decree  
quieting title on said real property,  
and reforming the legal description  
of the conveyances of the property,  
will be entered in favor of Plaintiffs  
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and  
seal this 2 day of February, 2024.  
Kristel Gray, Court Clerk  
McClain County, Oklahoma  
BY: /s/ Karen Weltmer  
DEPUTY  
(Seal)

Gregory T. Tontz - OBA NO.  
16323  
TONTZ LAW, PLLC  
301 E. Eufaula St.  
Noman, OK 73069  
(405) 701-1600 phone  
(405) 329-6634 fax  
No. 75-February 15-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
ESTATE OF ROBERT W.  
BRANTLEY, DECEASED  
Petitioner,  
vs.  
PAULA. HARTSELL, an individual,  
Respondent.  
Case No. CV-2024-01  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:  
PAUL A. HARTSELL, and anyone  
claiming an interest in the real  
property set out below:  
You have been sued by the  
above-named Plaintiff in the  
above-captioned action where  
the Plaintiff alleges that they are  
the owner of the following real  
property:  
Lot #32 of the recorded plat  
known as Green Acres, being  
a part of the Southeast Quarter  
of Section 6, Township 6 North,  
Range 4 West, McClain County,  
Oklahoma, containing 1.52 acres,  
more or less.  
You are further notified that un-  
less you answer the Petition on  
or before the 29th day of March,  
2024, the allegations of the Petition  
will be taken as true and a decree  
quieting Plaintiffs' title to the de-  
scribed property will be entered. A  
copy of your answer must also be  
delivered or mailed to the attorney  
for the Plaintiff.  
ISSUED this 7 day of February,  
2024.  
/s/ Lynda Mauldin  
By: McClain County Deputy  
Court Clerk  
(Seal)

Approved:  
/s/ Haley J. Dennis  
Haley J. Dennis, OBA #32766  
PLAINVIEW LEGAL GROUP  
PLLC  
330 W. Gray Street, Ste 100  
Norman, OK 73069  
Telephone: (405) 310-0183  
Facsimile: (405) 561-4003  
hdennis@plainviewlegal.com  
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

No. 60-February 8-3 Times  
In the District Court  
of McClain County  
State of Oklahoma

Phil Hollingsworth, as Successor  
Trustee of the Bennie R. Blalock  
and Gretta J. Blalock Revocable  
Living Trust dated September  
23, 2008,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
The Unknown Trustees, Beneficia-  
ries, and Successors and Assigns  
of the Bennie Blalock Trust dated  
July 16, 1981,  
Defendants.

Case No. CV-2024-23  
Notice by Publication  
State of Oklahoma: The Un-  
known Trustees, Beneficiaries,  
Successors and Assigns of the  
Bennie Blalock Trust dated July  
16, 1981

You are hereby notified that you  
have been sued in the above ac-  
tion where Plaintiff is alleging that  
the Bennie R. Blalock and Gretta  
J. Blalock Revocable Living Trust  
dated September 23, 2008, is the  
fee simple owner of:

Lots Seven (7), Eight (8) and Nine  
(9), PARADISE AIR HAVEN, being  
a part of the West 20 Acres of Lot  
1 and the SE1/4 NE1/4 and NE1/4  
SE1/4 of Section 2, Township 7  
North, Range 3 West, McClain  
County, Oklahoma, according to  
the recorded map and plat thereof,  
(the Subject Property).

You are further notified unless  
you answer said Petition on or be-  
fore the 22nd day of March, 2024,  
the allegations of said Petition will  
be taken as true, and judgment  
quieting Plaintiff's title to the above  
described property will be entered  
against you. You are further not-  
ified that hearing on the Petition is  
set on April 4, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.  
before Judge Charles Gray at the  
McClain County Courthouse,  
Purcell, Oklahoma.

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

Cheryl Clayton P.C.  
P.O. Box 88  
Noble, OK 73068  
405-872-9216  
cheryl@cherylclayton.law

No. 95-February 15-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF NORVEL J. MOORE,  
Deceased.

Case No. PB-23-137  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
FIRST AND FINAL ACCOUNT,  
PETITION FOR DECREE  
OF DISTRIBUTION AND  
DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE

Notice is hereby given that  
Wilma Ruth Moore the duly ap-  
pointed and qualified Personal  
Representative of the Estate of  
Norvel J. Moore, Deceased, has  
filed her Final Account, Petition  
for Decree of Distribution and  
Discharge of Personal Represen-  
tative. A hearing has been fixed  
by the Judge of the Court for the  
14th day of March 2024, at 9:30  
a.m. in the District Courtroom of  
Judge Charles Gray in the District  
Courthouse at Purcell, McClain  
County, Oklahoma, and all persons  
interested in the Estate are noti-  
fied to appear and show cause, if  
any they have, why the Account  
should not be settled and allowed,  
the Estate distributed and the Per-  
sonal Representative discharged.  
DATED this day of February  
2024.

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

No. 100-February 22-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
In The Matter of The Estate of  
JACQUELINE ANN FALKNER,  
Deceased.

PB-2024-12  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
All creditors having claims  
against Jacqueline Ann Falkner,  
deceased, are required to present  
the same, with a description of all  
security interest and other collat-  
eral (if any) held by each creditor  
with respect to such claim, to  
the named Administrator, Adam  
Michael Williams, in care of his  
attorney Scott T. Banks, Swain  
Law Group, 217 E. Main St., Nor-  
man, OK 73069 on or before the  
following presentment date: April  
15, 2024, or same will be forever  
barred.  
Dated this 15th day of Febru-  
ary, 2024.  
Scott T. Banks, OBA #21100  
Swain Law Group  
217 E. Main St.  
Norman, OK 73072  
Telephone: (405) 701-0764  
Facsimile: (405) 708-4705  
scott@swainlawgroup.com  
Attorney for Administrator

No. 96-February 15-3 Times  
Bid Advertisement  
Owner: Washington Public  
Schools

Construction Manager: Goldsby  
Construction  
Solicitation For Bidders For:  
Standpipe & Pump Station Project  
Solicitation Date: February  
14th, 2024.  
Bid Date, Time & Place:  
March 6th, 2024  
Bid Deadline: 2:00pm CDST  
Place: Sealed Bids Will Be  
Submitted Online Via Building  
Connected.  
Project Contact: Tyler Graves -  
Tyler@GoldsbyConstruction.com

No. 93-February 15-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF DANNY KENT MELTON,  
Deceased.

Case No. PB-2022-62  
NOTICE OF HEARING FIRST  
AND FINAL ACCOUNT,  
PETITION FOR DECREE OF  
DISTRIBUTION, APPROVAL  
OF ATTORNEYS' FEES,  
COSTS, AND EXPENSES,  
APPROVAL OF PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE'S FEE, AND  
DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE

Notice is hereby given that  
JESSE MELTON, the duly appoint-  
ed and qualified Personal Repre-  
sentative of the Estate of Danny  
Kent Melton, Deceased, has filed  
his First and Final Account, Peti-  
tion for Decree of Distribution,  
Approval of Attorneys' Fees,  
Costs, and Expenses, Approval  
of Personal Representative's Fee,  
and Discharge of Personal Repre-  
sentative. A hearing has been  
fixed by the Judge of the Court  
for the 21st day of March, 2024,  
at 9:30 a.m., McClain County  
Courthouse, 121 N. 2nd Street,  
Suite 225, Purcell, 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.

Witness, the undersigned,  
Judge of the District Court of Mc-  
Clain County, State of Oklahoma,  
this 9th day of February, 2024.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT COURT  
The Honorable Charles Gray  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT  
Farrah Y. Burgess, OBA #33728  
Devol & Associates  
15205 Traditions Lake Parkway  
Edmond, Oklahoma 73013  
Telephone: (405) 225-2300  
Facsimile: (405) 225-2301  
fburgess@devollaw.com  
Attorney for Personal Repre-  
sentative

No. 77-February 15-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF CHARLES WAYNE HALL,  
Deceased.

Case No. PB-2024-001  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
All persons having claims  
against Charles Wayne Hall 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 Hodges  
Law Firm, c/o Susan Hall, P.O. Box  
701, Newcastle, OK 73065, on or  
before the following presentment  
date: April 19, 2024; or the same  
will be forever barred.  
Hodges Law Firm PLLC  
SHAWN D. HODGES, OBA  
#19122  
P.O. Box 701  
Newcastle, Oklahoma 73065  
(405) 387-3711

No. 76-February 15-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-  
TATE OF John Calhoun Atkins,  
Deceased.

Case No. PB-2023-00148  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
To the Creditors of John Calhoun  
Atkins, deceased:  
All creditors having claims  
against John Calhoun Atkins, de-  
ceased, are required to present the  
same with a description of all se-  
curity interests and other collateral  
(if any) held by each creditor with  
respect to such claim, to Pamela  
M. Hurst, as Personal Representa-  
tive of the above estate, at the law  
offices of Goodnight Law, PLLC,  
1332 S.W. 89th St., Oklahoma  
City, OK 73159, addressed to  
Kelli J. Goodnight, attorney for  
the Personal Representative, on or  
before the following presentment  
date: April 2, 2024, or the same  
will be forever barred.  
DATED this 30th day of Janu-  
ary, 2024.  
/s/ Kelli J. Goodnight  
Kelli J. Goodnight, OBA  
#34361  
Goodnight Law, PLLC  
1132 S.W. 89th St.  
Oklahoma City, OK 73159  
Phone: 405.871.5981  
Email: kelli@goodnightlawpllc.com  
Attorney for Personal  
Representative

No. 101-February 22-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-  
TATE OF MONTY CHARLES  
FLORENCE, DECEASED  
PB-2024-6

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
To the Creditors of Monty  
Charles Florence, Deceased:  
All creditors having claims  
against Monty Charles Florence,  
Deceased, are required to present  
the same with a description of all  
security interests and other col-  
lateral (if any) held by each cred-  
itor with respect to such claim, to  
Dorita Lackey Florence, Personal  
Representative, at The Law Office  
of Tyler R. Barrett, P.L.L.C., 131  
E. Main St., Ste. 220, Norman,  
OK 73069, addressed to Tyler R.  
Barrett, attorney for the Personal  
Representative, on or before the  
following presentment date: April  
19, 2024, or the same will be for-  
ever barred.  
DATED this 15th day of Febru-  
ary, 2024.

/s/ Tyler R. Barrett  
Tyler R. Barrett, OBA #30482  
131 E. Main St., Ste. 220  
Norman, OK 73069  
Telephone: (405) 928-4075  
Email: tyler@tylerbarrettllaw.com  
Attorney for Personal  
Representative

No. 81-February 15-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF HELEN L. CAMPBELL,  
Deceased.

Case No. PB-2024-7  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
To the Creditors of Helen L.  
Campbell, Deceased:  
All creditors having claims  
against Helen L. Campbell, De-  
ceased, are required to present the  
same with a description of all se-  
curity interests and other collateral  
(if any) held by each creditor with  
respect to such claim, to Diane L.  
David, Personal Representative,  
at the law office of Blevins & As-  
sociates 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: 8th day of April 2024, or the  
same will be forever barred.  
DATED this 8th day of Febru-  
ary 2024.

/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.  
James B. Blevins, Jr.,  
OBA #881  
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731  
George William 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. 94-February 15-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
KANELLQSD.CHARALAMPOUS,  
deceased.

Case No. PB-2024-19  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
PETITION FOR ADMISSION  
OF WILL TO PROBATE;  
FOR APPOINTMENT OF A  
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE;  
FOR ISSUANCE OF LETTERS  
TESTAMENTARY; AND FOR A  
JUDICIAL DETERMINATION  
OF THE DEATH AND HEIRS,  
LEGATEES AND DEVEISEES  
OF KANELLOS D.  
CHARALAMPOUS

NOTICE is hereby given to all  
persons interested in the estate of  
the above named Decedent that  
the Petitioner herein has produced  
and filed herein an instrument  
purporting to be the Last Will  
and Testament of Said Decedent  
together with a Petition praying  
for the admission of said Will to  
probate, the Letters Testamentary  
issue to Petitioner, that he and Phil-  
lip D. Charalampous be appointed  
Co-Personal Representatives  
without bond, and that the death  
and heirs, legatees and devisees  
of Kanellos D. Charalampous be  
judicially determined. Said Petition  
will be heard in the Courtroom of  
the undersigned, or a Judge of  
this Court to whom the matter is  
regularly assigned, in the McClain  
County Courthouse, Purcell, Okla-  
homa, on the 14th day of March,  
2024, at 9:00 a.m., at which time  
persons may appear and show  
cause, if any they have, why the  
prayer of said Petition should not  
be granted.  
DATED this 12th day of Febru-  
ary 2024.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
HONORABLE  
CHARLES GRAY  
JUDGE OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT  
Prepared by:  
Greg Dixon, OBA #16492  
108 North Second Avenue  
Purcell, OK 73080  
405-527-5888  
greg@nicholsdixon.com  
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

# Obituaries

## David Andrew Morrison

David Andrew Morrison died February 14, 2024, in Wayne at the age of 81 years 9 days. Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 21, 2024, at Wadley's Funeral Chapel. Interment followed at Hopping Cemetery in Wayne, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service.

Dave was born February 5, 1943, in Ada, Oklahoma, to Jess and Daisy Morrison. He spent his childhood in Stonewall, Oklahoma where he attended school and learned the values of hard work and dedication.

In 1967, Dave married Norma Reding and together they were blessed with three children; Dustin, Melody and Victor. In his love for family and commitment to building a meaningful life together, he knew no bounds. Later in life, Dave found happiness again when he married Tawana Offolter in 1988. Two more children were added into his life; Leah and Janie.

Throughout his life, Dave was an accomplished rodeo cowboy. He thrived on the adrenaline of roping, bull dogging and bull riding. As he gracefully maneuvered through the dusty arenas of countless rodeos across the country, he found joy not only in his own triumphs but also in sharing these thrilling moments with his loved ones.

For over 50 years, Dave honed his skills as a carpenter. With each project he undertook, he displayed a true craftsman's dedication and attention to detail. His work stands as a testament to his unwavering commitment to excellence.

Dave was preceded in death by his parents, Jess and Daisy Morrison; his son, Dustin Morrison; his daughter, Melody Morrison-Messersmith; his brothers, GW Morrison, Paul Morrison and Jerry Morrison; and his sisters, Opal Harper, Louise Woolly, Ruby Morrison and Pauline Morrison.

Survivors include his wife, Tawana Morrison; his daughter, Leah Morrison; his son, Victor Morrison; his daughter, Janie Curtis; his six grandchildren, Jessica Beck, Randi Pinley, Sydney Beck, Kacy Toalson, Jordan Curtis and Kyle Messersmith; his three great-grandchildren, Melody Toalson, Kurbie Lynn Pinley and Kodie Ann Pinley; and numerous other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family has a scholarship fund set up in Dave's honor at The Morrison Family Scholarship, C/O OHSRA, Box 50, Freedom, OK 73842.

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## Twila Taylor

Funeral services for Twila Taylor, 71, of Washington were held Monday, February 19, 2024 at the Washington First Baptist Church. Interment was at the Washington Cemetery under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mrs. Taylor passed away unexpectedly on February 14, 2024.

Twila Annette Lyles was born on September 17, 1952 in Norman, Oklahoma, the oldest of two children born to Raymond Wilson Lyles Jr. and Billie Jean (Grayson) Lyles.

In 1960, the Lyles family moved to the Goldsby area to raise their family. At just 10 years old, Twila made the best decision she could ever make by accepting Christ Jesus as her Lord and Savior. From the ages of 11-17, she played the piano at church using her musical talents to bring glory to Him. From there, her faith only grew bigger and bigger.

Twila attended Washington Public Schools and graduated with the Warrior Class of 1970. Shortly after, she attended business school to further her education and opportunities. While in high school, she met a young man named, Johnny Grant Taylor. Same as their parents, they were high school sweethearts. They fell in love and were married on April 2, 1971. Johnny and Twila's love story was nothing short of epic, as the couple shared 52 wonderful years of marriage together, with memories to last a lifetime.

Twila was driven and dedicated to working hard every single day. She worked several odd jobs at places such as TG&Y national headquarters and Southwestern Bell, before she and Johnny continued operations of Taylor Paint & Body Shop. They owned and operated the shop together, and worked side by side for nearly 37 years.

Twila was a very caring and selfless woman. She was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need, and did so with a smile on her face. Twila was also a woman of great faith and a faithful member of the Washington First Baptist Church.

In her free time, she enjoyed playing in a band with Johnny and Bill and Becky Andrews. Music was a gift that they shared together, and it brought them all much joy.

More than anything, Twila was a family woman. She loved spending time with her family, especially her children and grandchildren. She loved chasing them around for all sporting events and activities they were involved in. She was always their number one fan and their biggest supporter! She truly cherished every moment with them.

Twila was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and a true friend. She will be dearly missed!

She was preceded in death by her parents, Raymond and Billie Lyles.

Twila is survived by her loving husband, Johnny Taylor of the home; son, Justin Taylor and wife, Brandy, of Washington; a daughter, Tianna Elliott and husband, Roger, of Washington; five grandchildren, Case, Lane and Will Taylor and Taylor and Eastyn Elliott; brother, Wilson Lyles and wife, Dee, of Goldsby; sister-in-law, Cheryl McLure of Oklahoma City; nephews, Blake Lyles and wife, Vanessa, and children of Goldsby and Matt McLure and wife Kelly and son of Chicago and a host of other family and friends.

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

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## Michael Lee Williams

A Celebration of Life for Michael "Mickey" Lee Williams, 80, of Norman will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, April 12, 2024 at the First Baptist Church in Norman.

Mr. Williams died Jan. 29, 2024 in Norman. He was born Feb. 16, 1943 in Lawton, Okla., the oldest of four sons of George and Blanche Williams.

Survivors include his wife, Chere Williams; his son, Cody Williams; his daughter, Casidy Williams and her partner, Paul Struempler; one granddaughter; and three brothers, Ron Williams and wife, Amy, Bob Williams and wife, Patti, and Steve Williams.

## Shirley Marie Hamm

Shirley Marie Hamm was born February 17, 1940, to Elvin D. and Laura Belle (Burnett) Free in Oklahoma City. She departed this life on February 18, 2024, at the age of 84 years.

Shirley was raised in Oklahoma City. She was united in marriage to Burl Oren Hamm on September 27, 1958, in Duncan, Oklahoma. To this union eleven children, Angela, Regina, Cynthia, Burl, Theresa, Candis, Brian, Michael, David, Robert and Christopher, were born.

She was baptized into the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn. She enjoyed playing cards, Pacman, baking, and loved art: coloring, painting and drawing.

Survivors include daughters, Angela Arnold and husband, Gary, of Lexington, Regina Houston of Jenks, Cynthia Denise, Theresa Jones of Enid and Candis Thompson of Enid; 17 grandchildren; Christopher Houston, Aaron Houston, Patricia Varner, Cody Hamm, Garrett Hamm, Dylan Hamm, Patty Burton, Jazmyn Hamm and Chris McDonald, Dalton and Jaylyn Jones, Tanner Mootz, Kaitlen Hamm, Ricky Thompson, Karma Nakvinda, RJ Hamm, Bryan Hamm, Addalynn Hamm and Jaxon Hamm; 14 great-grandchildren, Cameron, Rhylea, Landon, Karson, Kenley, Trenton, Taitum, Paxton, Austin, Anna, Damion and Deejay and many other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents and husband, Shirley was preceded in death by sons, Michael Hamm, David Hamm, Robert Hamm and Christopher Hamm, Brian Jason Hamm, Burl Hamm Jr. and eight siblings.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Friday, February 23, 2024, in the Matherly-Davis Chapel. Burial will follow in the Flynn Cemetery.

Services are under the direction of the Matherly-Davis Funeral Home. You may share your condolences with the Hamm family at [www.matherlydavisfuneralhome.com](http://www.matherlydavisfuneralhome.com).

## Kathryn Ratliff

Funeral services for Kathryn Ratliff, 98, of Purcell were held Wednesday, February 21, 2024 at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Interment followed at the Ceres Cemetery in Ceres, Oklahoma, under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mrs. Ratliff passed away on February 15, 2024.

Kathryn Lorraine Copeland was born to Andrew Jackson Copeland and Emma Myrtle Copeland on September 18, 1925 near Sallisaw, Oklahoma, at Wild Horse Mountain.

As a young girl, Kathryn moved to Mineral Springs, Arkansas, to be closer to her grandparents. She grew up there, attended school and graduated with the Hornet class of 1943. While in school she played basketball, and was known for climbing magnolia trees and playing outside, which earned her the nickname "Tommie."

For a brief time, Kathryn and her mother worked in Ypsilanti, Michigan as "Rosie the Riveters" aiding in airplane manufacturing during the war effort. She moved back to Oklahoma to attend business school in the city.

Shortly after finishing the program, she married the love of her life Alfred Keith Ratliff on May 22, 1945 while he was on leave from the military. The young couple made their home in Ponca City, where Kathryn worked for the Savings and Loan until retiring in 1977. She went into real estate after retiring and enjoyed the work wherever it took her. Kathryn and Alfred also made their home in Heavener and McAlester. Kathryn finally settled in Purcell in 2009.

When she wasn't working Kathryn enjoyed listening to music and playing piano. No matter where home was, she was always a member of the local First Baptist Church and loved worshipping and having fellowship with friends and neighbors. She was proud of her Cherokee heritage and always enjoyed sharing wisdom imparted to her from her elders. Kathryn was a cherished mother and grandmother who will be dearly missed by all those who knew and loved her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew Copeland and Emma Copeland; her husband of 53 years, Alfred Ratliff; her brother, Jack Nolan Copeland and her great-granddaughter, Claire Ratliff.

Kathryn is survived by her sons, Don Ratliff and wife, Charla, of Purcell and Rick Ratliff of Norman; her grandchildren, Russell Ratliff and wife, Mandy, of Wichita Falls, Texas, Shanae Hilgenfeld and husband, Blake, of Norman, Sean Ratliff and wife, Kati, of Moore and Rachel Ratliff and Sarah Ratliff, both of Newalla. She also leaves behind her great-grandchildren, Hope, Molly, Davis, Kathryn, Hazel and Henry.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the First Baptist Church Purcell Mission Fund or The Lottie Moon Fund at Bethel Baptist Church in Norman.

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

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## Doris "Jeanne" Jean Ziesch

Doris "Jeanne" Jean Ziesch died February 15, 2024, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at the age of 78 years 2 months 14 days. A family memorial service will be scheduled at a later date, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service.

Jeanne was born December 1, 1945, in Frederick, Oklahoma, a precious daughter to Charles and Anna Marie (Evans) Hill. Her upbringing in Frederick culminated in her graduation in 1964.

Jeanne pursued further studies with unwavering dedication and earned a master's degree in special education in 1972. For numerous years thereafter, she imparted her knowledge and care within the realm of Special Education in the Oklahoma school system until her retirement from Oklahoma City public schools in 2010.

Beyond her professional endeavors, Jeanne found joy and solace in various pastimes such as watching Thunder Basketball games, exploring ceramics and capturing moments through photography. Above all else, her heart found its greatest fulfillment when surrounded by loved ones, especially her adored grandchildren.

Jeanne was preceded in death by her parents, Charles "Chub" and Anna Marie Hill; and her brother, Howard Hill.

Survivors include her daughter, Chondra Maddox and husband, John; her son, Jason Ziesch and wife, Judy; her daughter, Jeannine Ziesch-Mantooth; her brother, Charles Hill; her eight grandchildren, Chance, Caitlyn, Ryan, Keynan, Ashley, Justin, Katie and Keira; her five great-grandchildren; and numerous other relatives and friends.

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## Harvey Louis Steelman

Harvey Louis Steelman "Louis or Lou" was born November 1, 1939, in Blanchard, Oklahoma, to Charlie Louis Steelman and Sudie Marie (Lenderman) Steelman. He passed February 15, 2024, at his home surrounded by family.

As a child, Louis's family moved several times while working as sharecroppers until Charlie purchased the land that would be the family farm north of Dibble. He spent many days in the fields picking cotton and cutting broom corn.

Louis graduated from Dibble High School in 1959. He worked various jobs until he was drafted into the Army in 1963 and served in Vietnam for 13 months before returning to Ft. Sill, Okla. He married Thelma Lee in September 1966. To their union was born a son, Jeffrey Louis Steelman. Louis worked construction most of his life for Henderson Properties and then E V Cox Construction until retiring in 2009.

Besides spending time with family and friends, Louis enjoyed hunting, fishing and baseball. Louis rarely missed one of his son's baseball games from little league through Jeff's college years. Louis spent many evenings playing catch with his son and enjoyed helping coach little league.

He was known for his generosity in helping others. He built countless picture frames, tables, shelves and many other requested projects for family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Charlie and Marie Steelman; a brother, Wayne Steelman; a sister, Willie Hall; four brothers-in-law; and two sisters-in-law.

Louis is survived by his wife of 57 years, Thelma Steelman of Dibble; son, Jeff Steelman and wife, Patti, of Alva, Okla.; sisters, Laveda Nickels of Dibble, Nadine Little and husband, Mike, of Yukon, Dessie Jones of Arkansas and Melba Orme and husband, David, of Anadarko; brother-in-law, John Hall of Lindsay; numerous nieces and nephews; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and many other loved ones and friends.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, February 19, 2024, at the Eisenhour Funeral Home Chapel in Blanchard. Burial followed in the Dibble Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Eisenhour Funeral Home of Blanchard.

Online obituary and guestbook are available at [www.eisenhourfh.com](http://www.eisenhourfh.com).

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## Seeds:

said, then laughed. "Sometimes, though, it's like, 'OK, you've had enough now.'"

Seed harvest time is critical, he said. Green seeds aren't viable, but if you wait too long, they might disperse, or birds and insects will eat them.

"Usually, the right time is just when the plant basically starts to look dead," he said.

However, he said not to give up hope if things don't look perfect.

"The first time I found cardinal flowers, back in 2020, they were blooming near a culvert in Osage County," he said. "I took a photo, set a GPS point, and planned to come back in about a month and a half, but it ended up being almost three months. All I could find was

just a bunch of dried sticks and leaves scattered everywhere."

Still, he collected a few sticks and labeled and dated a bag. Later, when they probed seeds in December, he even told a co-worker he doubted that bag had any seeds.

To his surprise, it yielded between 800 and 1,000 tiny seeds, each much smaller than a grain of sand. "It was just a little patch in the palm of your hand," he said. "We grew 700 cardinal flower plant plugs from that first bunch."

*The Oklahoma Ecology Project is a non-profit dedicated to in-depth reporting on Oklahoma's conservation and environmental issues. Learn more at [okecology.org](http://okecology.org).*

# Early voting begins Thursday, February 29

Early voting begins Thursday, February 29, for the Presidential Preferential Primary for voters in McClain County. Voters who will not be able to make it to the polls on Election Day, have the option of voting early at their McClain County Community Center.

McClain County Election Board Secretary Karen Haley, said early voting is open to all voters.

"You do not need to provide an excuse to vote early. Oklahoma allows early voting for all elections conducted by the County Election Board or State Election Board—from school board and municipal elections to state and federal elections. This is a great option for those who will be out of town on Election Day or who want to avoid long lines," Haley said. Early voting is available Thursday, February 29, and Friday, March 1, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, March 2, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at McClain County Community Center located at 121 Hardcastle Blvd. in Purcell. Haley reminds voters that early voting is not available at polling locations. Some voters may need assistance to vote because they are blind or visually disabled, physically disabled, or infirmed, or illiterate. Such individuals may request to have an assistant or vote privately and independently using the ATI device attached to the voting device. Those who require assistance should talk to their precinct official or contact the County Election Board directly for instructions. For questions, please contact the Election Board at 405-527-3121 or [mcclaincounty@elections.ok.gov](mailto:mcclaincounty@elections.ok.gov).



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## Injury accident

One person was transported to Purcell Municipal Hospital Tuesday morning for treatment of injuries sustained in this two vehicle traffic accident at the corner of Washington and Green Avenue. Purcell Police are investigating the incident.

# PCCC to meet February 27

The Purcell Chickasaw Community Council will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, February 27, at the Area Office in Purcell, 1430 Hardcastle Blvd., providing there is no bad weather.

Jim VanWinkle, who is with the Chickasaw Community Bank in Oklahoma City, along with Rob Gowen and Dana

Ezell, will be giving us information regarding mortgage, real estate and home loans.

Those planning to attend are asked to bring chili, cornbread, a side dish or dessert.

If you have any questions, call Carolee Maxwell at 405-525-7676 or Angie Wallace at 405-615-8863.

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## Wrong Way:

slowed several times and pulled over into the ditch before going back to the inside lane.

Rollins was joined at the scene by officer Jacob Martz and officer Cassie Lewis.

In Rollins' report he stated Onwona had red, watery eyes and was very slow to react and speak.

He said she could not comply with a field sobriety test.

Onwona was taken to the Purcell Police Department where Officer Lewis per-

formed the test on the Intoxylizer 8000.

The results of the tests showed her first breath sample reading .188. The second test showed a reading of .198 and the final result was a .188.

Onwona was taken to the McClain County Detention Center where she was jailed.

There were no injuries in the incident.

Assistant Police Chief James Bolling said a BAC of .150 and higher is a felony.

The legal limit is .08.

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## Selah:

creating a vibrant and inclusive neighborhood.

With construction now underway, the vision of Selah as a dynamic hub for both living and working is steadily becoming a reality.

At the heart of Selah's Liveworks and Townhomes project is the concept of mixed use development, where residential spaces seamlessly integrate with commercial and retail areas.

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"We are thrilled to embark on this next phase of development," developer Brett Adkins said. "Our Liveworks and Townhomes will offer residents a unique opportunity to live, work and play in a sustainable and connected environment." Selah developer Tina Adkins said.

Designed with sustainability in mind, Selah's Liveworks and Townhomes will feature energy-efficient buildings, green spaces and pedestrian friendly pathways.

The community aims to reduce its carbon footprint while promoting a healthy and active lifestyle for its residents.

The Liveworks component of the development presents an exciting opportunity for entrepreneurs and small business owners to establish their ventures within walking distance of their residences. This approach to living and working promotes creativity, innovation, and economic growth within the community.

The Townhomes, meticulously designed with modern comforts and amenities, provide residents with the perfect balance of privacy and community living.

With thoughtful architectural design and attention to detail,

Selah's Townhomes offer an unparalleled urban living experience.

As construction progresses, anticipation for the completion of Selah's Liveworks and Townhomes continues to build.

The community represents a beacon of progress and innovation in urban development, offering a blueprint for creating sustainable, inclusive

and vibrant neighborhoods for generations to come.

With its groundbreaking ceremony heralding the beginning of a new era, Selah paves the way for a future where community and creativity live harmoniously.

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## District champions

The **Washington Warriors** defeated Dove Science 79-16 Friday to claim the District championship. The Warriors will host Crooked Oak in the Regional tournament tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m. Pictured, from front left, are, Jaaron Gordon, Micah Smith, Jack Adams, Ryan Stidham and Slade Flora. On the next row, from left, are Alex Foster, Jax Mitchell, Cole Beller, Noah Bennett, Teagen Foster, Noah Ladlee, Cage Morris, Kade Norman, Jace Myers, Owen McCalip and Dustyn Orr. On the back row, from left, are Jack McKimmey, Jeremiah Tontz, head coach Trevor Smith, Cole Beard, Gavin Davidson, Case Alexander, Miller Orr and Mason Adams.

# Warriors hosting Regionals

Boys win District, girls idle

**John Denny Montgomery**  
**The Purcell Register**

The Washington Warriors boys basketball team defeated Dove Science 79-16 Friday to take the District crown. They exploded out of the gate



to a 26-0 first quarter. "We were able to get the lead early and we coasted from there," head coach Trevor Smith said. The Warriors had 15 different players score points in the game. "Everyone scored and that was cool,"

Smith said. "Everyone did a good job of playing together." Cage Morris led all scorers with 14 points. Mason Adams was also in double figures with 10 points. **Crooked Oak** With the win, the Warriors now play Crooked Oak in the

Please see **Warriors**, page 3B

# Players of the Year awarded

The 2023 Heart of Oklahoma Players of the Year winners have been announced.



The Offensive Player of the Year winner was Washington quarterback Major Cantrell. The senior completed 106 of 150 pass attempts for 2,087 yards and 28 touchdowns. He rushed 25 times for 242 yards and three touchdowns.

He is an early enrollee at Iowa State University in the preferred walk-on program.

The Defensive Player of the Year was Purcell safety Kash Guthmueller.

He made 93 tackles, forced a fumble and intercepted five passes.

The Offensive Lineman of the Year was Washington senior Tanner Winlock.

He graded out at 84 percent for the 2023 season.

The Defensive Lineman of

the Year was Naithen Spaulding.

The Washington senior defensive end registered 57 tackles including 19 tackles for losses. He also had eight quarterback sacks.

The Heart of Oklahoma Player of the Week award is in its 31st year.

Each week players from Purcell, Lexington, Washington and Wayne are selected as

Player of the Week based on stats and performance from the previous game.

Players receive a coveted Player of the Week t-shirt.

At the end of the season all players of the week are eligible to win Heart of Oklahoma Player of the Year for their respective positions.

Each player receives a plaque with their name, picture and stats on it.



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## Defensive Player of the Year

**Kash Guthmueller** won the Heart of Oklahoma Defensive Player of the Year.



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## Post-season awards

**Washington head** football coach Brad Beller, accepting the award for Offensive Player of the Year for Major Cantrell, Defensive Lineman of the Year Naithen Spaulding, **Purcell Register** co-publisher John D. Montgomery and Offensive Lineman of the Year Tanner Winlock.

# Dragons District Champions

Girls host Newcastle Thursday night in Regional action



• Photo provided

## Purcell champions

**Purcell's Dragons** knocked off Bridge Creek last Saturday night 75-30 to win their second straight District Championship. Pictured, front row, from left are Haven Buchanan, Aubrey Elmore, Isa Walker, Alyssa Thompson, Kenna Esparza, Jenna Avery, Lili Del Toro, Kaylin Vazquez and Allison Booker. Back row - Halle Madden, Hallee Buchanan, head coach Toney Cooper, Hannah Whitaker, Tinley Winters, Hadleigh Harp, Emma Renfro, Ella Resendiz, Bri Wren and assistant coach Mandy Clay.

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

Coach Toney Cooper's Dragons, now 19-5 after knocking off Bridge Creek for the district crown Saturday, will host Newcastle at 6 p.m. tonight (Thursday) at The Reimer Center.

Newcastle is 11-13 on the season.

With four players in double figures, Purcell clobbered the Lady Bobcats, 75-30.

Haven Buchanan and Alyssa Thompson led the scoring

parade with 14 points each. Kaylin Vazquez and Jenna Avery both cut the nylons for 10 apiece.

"I'm always excited for the playoffs and coming off of a solid season I was pleased with our opening game draw," Cooper said.

It was the third time for the Dragons to face off with Bridge Creek and their third victory of the season.

"Playing a team three times in one season presents unique challenges," Cooper admit-

ted. "Haven Buchanan continues to lead our team in so many areas and that continued Saturday night. She scored a team high 14 points, along with a few steals, a block and just good momentum shifting plays. Alyssa Thompson matched Haven with 14 of her own.

"Alyssa has improved so much this season," the coach said. "I love to see her have success on the floor. Kaylin Vazquez had her best offensive game of the season.

Please see **Dragons**, page 3B



• Photo provided

## District champs

**Lexington's Lady Bulldogs** beat Crooked Oak 45-41 on Saturday to take home hardware for winning a District championship. Pictured in front, from left, is Chloe Becker, Assistant coach Kallie McMahan, manager Tia Peery, Addi Lippel, Abby Sample, Landri Bean, Kiely Givens and Mackenzie Manuel. In back, from left, is Assistant coach Larry Franco, head coach Jacobi Couch, Emma Stone, Marleigh Givens, Ryleigh Markovich, Jordan Hardy, Charli Moore, Natalie Dickson and Hadley Wilkins.

# Lady 'Dawgs are Champs

Lexington plays today (Thursday) at Washington

**Emilv Montgomery**  
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The Lady 'Dawgs won a District championship on the Saturday at Crooked Oak with their 45-41 win.

They will be in Washington today (Thursday) for the Regional tournament against the Lady Warriors at 6 p.m.

The winner will play at 6 p.m. The loser will play Friday at 6 p.m. Both games will be in Kellyville.

Saturday's win over Crooked Oak was the result of lots of hard work, commitment and

dedication, according to head coach Jacobi Couch.

Down 18-15 at halftime, Lexington came out in the third quarter and outscored the Ruf-Nex 13-7 to hold a 28-25 lead going into the final stanza.

The Lady 'Dawgs outscored Crooked Oak 17-16 to get the four point win.

Senior Abby Sample led her team with 13 points. Addi Lippel and Marleigh Givens each added nine.

**Little Axe** Last Tuesday night, Lex-

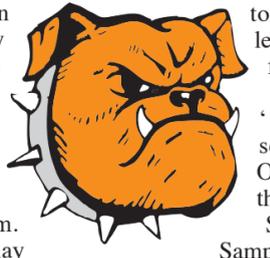
ington beat Little Axe 53-11 in their final regular season game.

**Boys** The Lexington Bulldogs are in Washington today (Thursday) to face Dove Science at 2:30 p.m. in Regional tournament action.

The winner of that game will play again at 2:30 p.m. Friday in Kellyville.

"We have a good chance of winning the game with Dove Science. They struggle some with pressure and aggressive defense and if we turn up the intensity, we can cause them

Please see **Lex**, page 3B



## February 22

Purcell vs. Harding  
Fine Arts - 2:30 p.m.

Purcell vs. Newcastle -  
6 p.m.

\*Class 4A Area II Regional Tournament  
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Lexington vs. Dove  
Science 2:30 p.m.

Lexington vs.  
Washington 6 p.m.

Washington vs.  
Crooked Oak 7:30 p.m.

\*Class 3A Area III Regional Tournament  
@ Washington



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### Chickasha runners-up

Washington's Warriors finished second in the recent Chickasha Powerlifting meet. Tanner Olson was first, Naithen Spaulding finished second, Chance Phillips was third, Kallon Hodges and Wyatt Wilk both finished fifth and Chloe Mallory was second in the girls' division. At Jones Chance Phillips and Olson finished first, Wilk and Wyatt Phillips were both second, Nathan Steele was fifth while Mallory finished first and Abby Austin was fifth in the female division.



• Katie Midkiff photography

### Perfect 10-0

The sixth grade Dragons went a perfect 10-0 in league play. They finished the regular season in first place in the gold bracket. The postseason tournament will take place next week. Pictured, from left, are Dylan Caralampio, Jack Montgomery, Haze Baker, Chance Midkiff, Jackson Hines, Hayes Anderson and Isaiah Hines.



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### Get up!

Washington senior Marlon Moore leaps for a ball at second base in action against Chickasha.

# Wayne out at Regionals

Lady Bulldogs lost to Waurika,  
Bulldogs lost to AmPo

### Emily Montgomery The Purcell Register

Last Friday, the Wayne Bulldogs were in Velma for the Regional tournament. They picked up a 59-51 win over Empire, but dropped a 62-56 game with AmPo to end their season. They finished with a 13-14 record.

"It's exciting for the future of Wayne basketball to have had lots of guys step up in roles they haven't filled before. We had a really good year and I'm sad to be losing such a close group in our senior class," head coach Jackson Embry said.

Seniors lost to graduation

third quarter and 24-16 in the fourth.

"We gave up too many possessions and let them chip away at our lead. We played not to lose.

"It's one of the toughest losses I've had in my three years of coaching," Embry said.

Webster and Dill were in double figures for Wayne with 24 and 14, respectively. VanSchuyver and Kemp each added seven.

"We had a good year and I'm excited for our future."

### Girls

The Wayne Lady Bulldogs dropped a 51-35 loss to Wau-

This senior class and the comradery they bring to the locker room will be hard to replace.

— Jackson Embry, head coach

include Wyatt Webster, Bradey VanSchuyver, Casey Kane and Logan Taylor.

"Bradey gives it all he has defensively. It will be tough to lose his intensity. And Wyatt is a guy you almost can't replace. This senior class and the comradery they bring to the locker room will be hard to replace."

### Regional tournament

In their first game of the Regional tournament, Wayne faced Empire and Embry said his guys were fired up to play.

"We lost by six or so earlier in the year and the guys really felt like that was a game we should have won."

Junior Ty Kemp led his team with 25 points.

"Ty had the game of his life. He finished with 25 points and 14 rebounds. He's really been coming out of his shell," Embry said.

Webster added 14 points and Jaxon Dill added 13 points in the win.

That win set up a game with AmPo on Friday.

Wayne came out firing and held an 18 point lead in the first half. But, AmPo went on a 9-2 run toward the end of the second quarter and cut that lead to 14.

The second half was another story. AmPo chipped away and outscored Wayne 19-7 in the

rika last week in Regional tournament action to end their season. They finished with a 12-14 record.

Faith Brazell is their lone senior lost to graduation.

"It will be tough to lose Faith. She wasn't always the leading scorer or rebounder, but anytime she was on the floor we had a chance to win the game. She just brings the intensity and she has the respect from the rest of the team," Embry said.

Embry knew that Waurika had a girl "who could light it up" and a 6'2" threat and Wayne would have to take one of them out of the game to get the win.

"We were able to give the big girl fits and keep her at bay. Their guard caught fire in the fourth and hit everything she threw up," Embry said.

To start the game, Madi Sharp scored six straight points, but picked up two early fouls and had to sit for the rest of the half.

"Madi is aggressive defensively and when she had to sit, that put us in a bind. The girls that came in off the bench did a good job of keeping us in the game."

According to Embry, when Sharp returned to the game in the second half she didn't have the hot hand after sitting for so long.

Freshman Taelyn Ringwald led the Bulldogs with 11 points, Brazell had eight.

The final two minutes, Waurika pulled away, putting a damper on what had been a very competitive game, according to Embry.

"We had a successful season. We're young and we made it out of Districts, which no one outside of our locker room probably thought would happen.

"We played as well as anyone could ask for and I know our future is bright," Embry said.

2/15	Waurika 51	Wayne 35
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Waurika	13	9	8	21	—51
Wayne	11	5	9	10	—35

Player	Points
Taelyn Ringwald	11
Faith Brazell	8
Madi Sharp	6
Audra Watts	5
Dakota Martin	5

2/15	Wayne 59	Empire 51
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Wayne	15	8	17	19	—59
Empire	17	10	19	5	—51

Player	Points
Ty Kemp	25
Wyatt Webster	14
Jaxon Dill	13
Ben Fisher	4
Bradey VanSchuyver	3

2/16	AmPo 62	Wayne 56
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AmPo	6	13	19	24	—62
Wayne	19	14	7	16	—56

Player	Points	Player	Points
Wyatt Webster	24		
Jaxon Dill	14		
Bradey VanSchuyver	7		
Ty Kemp	7		
Ben Fisher	4		

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# Dragons:

“She was aggressive going to the paint and hoping we can see more of that as we progress in the playoffs. Senior Jenna Avery rounded out our quad of double digit scorers with 10.”

“Freshman Hallee Buchanan had her best game as a varsity player finishing the game with nine points really taking over in the fourth to seal the win.”

“I’m happy with our kids’ effort and good to see them win Districts again this year,” Cooper concluded.

Kobe Freeman led Coach Roger Raper’s Dragons with 32 points but it wasn’t enough as the Bobcats won, 73-61.

Jaime Resendiz and Seth Bunch both finished in double figures with 10 apiece.

“I was proud of how we competed on Saturday night,” Raper said.

His Dragons out-rebounded Bridge Creek 45-33 including 15 offensive rebounds.

“That is a sign of effort on our part,” the coach confirmed. “Bridge Creek is a very good team and what makes them so good is their ability to shoot the three point shot from multiple players.”

They canned 11 threes to four for Purcell.

“That was the difference in the game,” Raper said. “We had better stats everywhere else but from the three.”

“It makes it very difficult to guard when they are making their shots from deep. Five different players made a three for Bridge Creek,” he said.

The Dragons, 11-13, will play Harding Fine Arts Thursday at 2:30 p.m. at The Reimer Center in the Regional Tournament.

## 2/17 Purcell 75 Bridge Creek 30

Purcell	20	21	18	16	75
Opponent	1	10	12	7	30

Player	Points
Haven Buchanan	14
Alyssa Thompson	14
Kaylin Vazquez	10
Jenna Avery	10
Hallee Buchanan	9
Lili Del Toro	8
Hadleigh Harp	6
Hannah Whitaker	2
Ella Resendiz	2

## 2/17 Purcell 61 Bridge Creek 73

Purcell	17	14	16	14	61
Bridge Creek	20	14	25	14	73

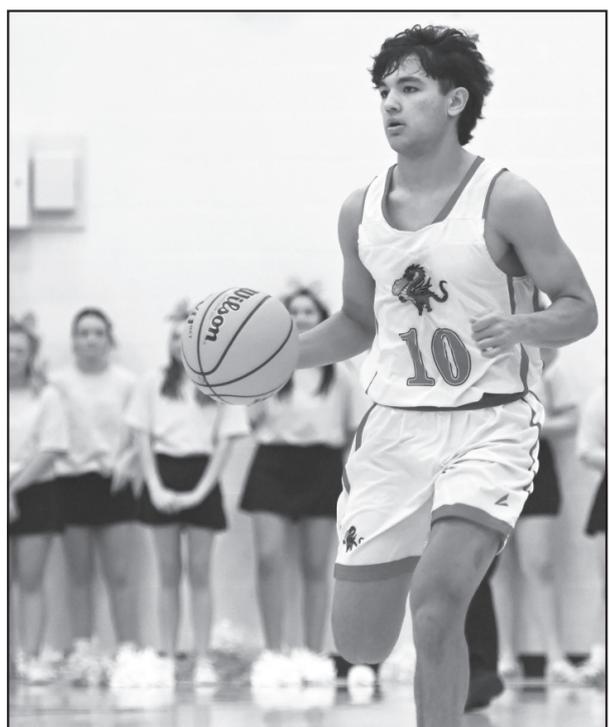
Player	Points
Kobe Freeman	32
Jaime Resendiz	10
Seth Bunch	10
Kylen DeFreeze	8
Kevin Resendiz	1



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### On the pitch

**Purcell junior** Noel Chavez (8) eyes the ball during Purcell’s first soccer scrimmage in school history. The Dragons scrimmaged the Ada Cougars.



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### Setting up

**Purcell junior** Brayden Tharp handles the ball for the Dragons. Purcell hosts Harding Fine Arts today (Thursday) at 2:30 p.m.



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### In control

**Lexington wrestler** Maddox Manuel pins a Davis opponent to the mat during their duel this season.



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### Pass it around

**Lexington senior** Drew Dierking passes the ball for the Bulldogs. Dierking and the ‘Dawgs play Dove Science today (Thursday) at 2:30 p.m. at Washington.

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# Warriors:

Regional tournament. They play at the Warrior Event Center at 7:30 p.m.

Cooked Oak, ranked No. 3 in Class 3A, is 20-4 this season.

“They are really athletic,” Smith said. “They shoot it well and press a lot. They’re quick. They get after you defensively and try to speed you up. It will be a challenge.”

**Girls**  
The Washington girls had a bye for the District tournament.

Washington will host Lexington in the Regional tournament today (Thursday) at the Warrior Event Center at 6 p.m.

Girls head coach Kale Simon said his team had good practice leading up to Regionals.

“We’re working on doing ordinary this extraordinarily well,” he said. “We’re trying to condition our minds to do what we need to do and to play in our system.”

Washington is 20-3 and ranked No. 1 in Class 3A.

## 2/16 Boys Washington 79 Dove Science 16

Dove Science	0	8	3	5	16
Washington	26	19	20	14	79

Player	Points
Cage Morris	14
Mason Adams	10
Miller Orr	8
Teagen Foster	8
Noah Bennett	7
Noah Ladlee	5
Jax Mitchell	5
Cole Beard	5
Jack McKimmey	4
Gavin Davidson	3
Jeremiah Tontz	2
Jace Myers	2
Case Alexander	2
Owen McCalip	2
Kade Norman	2



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### Baby hook

**Washington senior** Cage Morris puts up a shot in the District tournament against Dove Science. The Warriors defeated the Rockets 79-16. Morris scored a game-high 14 points.

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# Lex:

some issues. We’ll have to stay out of foul trouble, too,” head coach Kyle Wells said.

**District Tournament**  
Saturday night, Lexington was in Crooked Oak for a district championship. The Bulldogs dropped the game 96-52.

“Crooked Oak was tough. They really pushed the pace and we had trouble keeping up. Their speed and athleticism was just too much for us in the end.”

The Ruf-Nex held a 50-26 lead at halftime and they didn’t slow down at all in the second half.

Crooked Oak outscored Lexington 46-26 in the final two stanzas.

Zeke Faulkenberry and Colt Mixon were the lone Bulldogs in double figures with 13 and 11, respectively. Ty Mixon and Drew Dierking added seven apiece.

**Little Axe**  
Last Tuesday, in their final regular season game, Lexington picked up a 77-54 win over the Indians.

The Bulldogs jumped out, fast and furious, from the tip. They outscored Little Axe 22-5 in the first quarter and had a 41-16 halftime lead.

The game seemed to even up in the second half, but Lexington had already built a sizeable lead.

“The Little Axe game went really well; we played great as a team,” Wells said.

The Bulldogs finished the night with 21 assists, 19 steals and 44 rebounds, 16 of which were offensive.

“It’s always nice when you have multiple players contributing in all areas.”

Dierking led the Bulldogs with 20 points. Faulkenberry and Ty Mixon each added 17 points. Elijah Pearman had six.

## Lexington box scores

### 2/13 Lexington 53 Little Axe 11

Little Axe	2	4	0	5	11
Lexington	26	21	4	2	53

Player	Points
Abby Sample	15
Jordan Hardy	11
Landri Bean	6
Kiely Givens	5
Natalie Dickson	4
Charli Moore	4
Addi Lippel	4
Ryleigh Markovich	2
Hadley Wilkins	2

### 2/13 Lexington 77 Little Axe 54

Little Axe	5	11	25	13	54
Lexington	22	19	24	12	77

Player	Points
Drew Dierking	20
Zeke Faulkenberry	17
Ty Mixon	17
Elijah Pearman	6
Gage LaGace	5
Hunter Olson	4
Reagan Smith	3
Skylar Rollins	2
Cale Garver	2
Colt Mixon	1

### 2/17 Lexington 45 Crooked Oak 41

Lexington	6	9	13	17	45
Crooked Oak	8	10	7	16	41

Player	Points
Abby Sample	13
Addi Lippel	9
Marleigh Givens	9
Mackenzie Manuel	6
Natalie Dickson	5
Landri Bean	2
Jordan Hardy	1

### 2/17 Crooked Oak 96 Lexington 52

Lexington	9	17	19	7	52
Crooked Oak	21	29	25	21	96

Player	Points
Zeke Faulkenberry	13
Colt Mixon	11
Ty Mixon	7
Drew Dierking	7
Skylar Rollins	6
Gage LaGace	3
Elijah Pearman	3
Reagan Smith	2

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# Religion

## Lexington United Methodist Church

### The Little Church's Big Impact

In the heart of America a small rural community nestled among ranches and farms in the rolling hills of a great nation stood a humble little church. Its weathered walls and modest appearance might have seemed insignificant amidst the grandeur of the surrounding landscape, but within its walls, something extraordinary was happening.

The church was not wealthy by any means, but it possessed something far more valuable: a community of compassionate souls determined to make a difference in the world. It all began with a simple idea: to feed the hungry.

Every Sunday, volunteers from the church would gather in the basement kitchen, chopping vegetables, stirring pots, and preparing healthy meals for those in need. Word quickly spread, and lines of hungry men, women and children soon formed outside the church, eagerly awaiting a hot meal and warm smile.

But Pastor and the congregation knew that hunger was just one of the many challenges facing the community's most vulnerable residents. So, the church expanded its outreach efforts, setting up clothing drives to provide warm coats; blankets,

and shoes to the homeless and the destitute.

Donations poured in from all corners of the community, as people rallied behind the church's compassion and service.

As the church's reputation grew so too did its impact. Local businesses began offering support, donating food, clothing, and funds to help sustain the church's outreach programs. Volunteers from all walks of life came forward, eager to lend a helping hand and be part of something meaningful.

It never was about the Pastor's sermons; in fact you could hear people snoring from time to

time. Nonetheless, guided by its Pastor, a kind-hearted man with a deep sense of empathy, the congregation continued to band together and tackle some of the community's most pressing issues.

Perhaps the most remarkable aspect of the church's work was its ability to open its doors and their hearts to those who had nowhere else to turn. Homeless individuals found refuge within the church's walls, welcomed with open arms and treated with dignity and respect.

The Pastor and the congregation often said, "The church was not just a building, but a beacon of hope and sanctuary for the soul."

Over time, the little church's efforts began to ripple outward, inspiring others to take action

and make a difference in their own communities.

Churches, synagogues, mosques, and temples joined forces, forming a network of compassion and solidarity that transcend religions and cultural boundaries.

Years passed and the little church continued to serve as a shining example of the power of kindness and generosity. Its impact reached far beyond the city limits, touching the lives of countless individuals and families in need.

And though the challenges of poverty, hunger, and homelessness persisted, the spirit of hope and resilience that thrived within the walls of the Lexington United Methodist Church served as a beacon of light in a world often shrouded in

darkness.

In the end, it wasn't the grandeur of its architecture or the size of its congregations that made Lexington UMC special. It was the simple yet profound belief that even the smallest acts of kindness would make a world of difference - a belief that transformed a humble place of worship in a powerful force for good in the world.

If you desire to be a beacon of hope in a world of chaos there are many churches that would welcome you.

Lexington UMC, opens its heart, mind, and doors to all who seek to make a difference in the world and their life, and perhaps on Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m., you might catch the best nap of the week. It's a Jesus thing.

## Lexington Westside Church of Christ

Good week to all: Welcome to the "front porch"!

Years ago, one of my good English-teaching friends introduced me to an idea she called "Good stuff." Ms. Burnette would have students bring items in a paper sack that the kids considered things of value. That idea grew into just always looking for 'good stuff' -- good ideas, inspirational moments -- wherever you go.

One story we ran across about this time -- oh, there are a hundred more, I know -- was about a young man who wanted knowledge. The eager boy's story quickly went into our "good stuff" file.

The young man goes to his teacher one day and asks if he would give him knowledge. The teacher said he would see what he could do, but that he would need the young man to meet him down at the nearby river that evening.

The request perplexes the boy, but he obeys, nonetheless, and meets his teacher down at the river a little while before the sun goes down. The teacher takes the puzzled boy by the arm as soon as he comes to him and leads him out into the river chest deep.

He stops there, takes the boy by the back of the neck, and dunks him in the water for a good 10, 15 seconds.

He finally pulls the boy up -- just for a moment so he can get a little bit of a breath -- then dunks him again the second time, then the third.

When the boy comes up out

of that water after that third dunking, he is sputtering and gasping for air, and he cries out, "Sir, I need air! I need air!"

The teacher waits until the boy catches his breath -- at least somewhat -- and says to him calmly, "Son, when you want knowledge the way you just now wanted air, then come back and see me."

Then the teacher walked out of the water and went on his way, leaving the young man in the middle of the river to ponder the lesson on his own. I'm sure the student learned his lesson, even if he had to learn it the hard way. It is one thing to want knowledge, and it is another thing altogether to thrive, yearn, and long for it.

It is not until we become desperate for truth, and knowledge, and righteousness that we will take the steps necessary to achieve them. We have to want it the way we want air!

Many years ago, Jesus, much like the teacher of that story, stood in front of one of the first crowds He would face, and He teaches that very same lesson, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness," He says, "for they shall be filled." In other words, you have to want to be righteous more than you want popularity, wealth, or, say, a brand-new car.

You understand. I've had similar talks to my basketball players from years ago: "You want to be good at basketball, I mean really good?" I'd say. "Or do you

want to hang out with all your buddies and spend all your time with that young lady I see hanging all over you every day walking down the hall? You decide."

You see, if you want to be good at something -- I mean, really good -- you've got to hunger and thirst for it. The same goes for desiring to be 'good' with the Lord.

The Lord could have told the crowd that day, "When you want to be right with the Lord the way you'd want air when you can't breathe -- well, then come back and see Me."

I still think that old story is 'good stuff.' Now I just need to walk out of the water and live it.

Bible Reading: February 22 - 28

February 22 ~ Lev. 13:1-59 ~ Mk. 6:1-29 ~ Ps. 39:1-13 ~ Prov. 10:10

February 23 ~ Lev. 14:1-57 ~ Mk. 6:30-56 ~ Ps. 40:1-10 ~ Prov. 10:11-12

February 24 ~ Lev. 15:1 - 16:28 ~ Mk. 7:1-23 ~ Ps. 40:11-17 ~ Prov. 10:13-14

February 25 ~ Lev. 16:29 - 18:30 ~ Mk. 7:24 - 8:10 ~ Ps. 41:1-13 ~ Prov. 10:15-16

February 26 ~ Lev. 19:1 - 20:21 ~ Mk. 8:11-38 ~ Ps. 42:1-11 ~ Prov. 10:17

February 27 ~ Lev. 20:22 - 22:16 ~ Mk. 9:1-29 ~ Ps. 43:1-5 ~ Prov. 10:18

February 28 ~ Lev. 22:17 - 23:44 ~ Mk. 9:30 - 10:12 ~ Ps. 44:1-8 ~ Prov. 10:19

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**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  
2705 N. 9th • 527-2535  
Mike Bailey, Pastor  
Sunday services 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship 6 pm Evening worship  
Wednesday services 6:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Awana's & Youth  
www.ebcpurcell.org

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LEXINGTON**  
Connecting People With God and One Another  
Children's Activities - Youth Activities  
Wednesday Evening - 6:30 p.m.  
Sunday School 9:15  
Morning Worship 8:15 • 10:15  
Rusty Canoy Pastor 527-6758  
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**newlife TABERNACLE**  
715 W. Harrison, Purcell  
Sunday Morning - 10 a.m.  
Revival Service - 11 a.m.  
Wednesday Evening - 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor: Rev. Mark A. Stacy  
Office Ph. 405.527.3045

**Westside Church of Christ**  
401 W. Broadway Lexington  
Sunday Morning 10:30 am  
Sunday Evening 3:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening 7:30 pm

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

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

**CHRISTIAN LIFE**  
sunday 10:30AM  
www.christianlifeok.com

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

**Memorial Assembly of God**  
7th & Monroe, Purcell  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Services 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Services 6:30 p.m.  
We Invite You to Worship With Us.  
527-2769

**LANDMARK CHURCH**  
Sunday Worship 8:15, 9:45, 11:15 am  
Wednesday Evening 7:00 pm  
Pastor Justin Blankenship  
1106 W Grant Street, Purcell (405) 527-3342

**First Baptist Church Purcell**  
Growing In Grace  
4th & Main 405-527-3327  
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**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church**  
CORNER OF THIRD & JEFFERSON  
Saturday - 5 pm (English)  
Sunday - 11 am (English)  
1 pm (Español)  
Daily Mass  
Tues. & Fri. 9 am • Wed. Noon • Thurs. 7 pm (Español)  
Parish Office/Oficina: 527-3077  
Priest House/Padre Juan Pedro: 527-4242

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

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

**Trinity United Methodist Church**  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Pastor 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.

## Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Stella Bledsoe

February 25, 2024 is the second Sunday in Lent. The transfiguration of Jesus, Mark 9:2-10, describes a stunning event witnessed by Peter, James and John. Peter told Jesus that he, James, and John could build a shelter for Jesus, Elijah, and Moses.

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them.

Some say listening is easy. Actually, hearing is easy unless it is like our home where the most spoken word is "what" because age reduces hearing acuity.

Half-hearing is an interesting and selfish phenomenon. Half-hearing is when you think

what is being said to you is unimportant or boring.

Half-hearing also occurs when you are formulating your answer instead of concentrating on all the words being spoken. Good listening requires patience. It is an act of love. It helps us ask perceptive questions. It prepares us to speak well.

It can be a ministry when someone is hurting and just needs a compassionate listener. Finally, it reflects our relationship to God. Having a "chatty mindset" will drown out what God is trying to tell us.

In teaching my granddaughter to listen, I would gently place one hand on each side of her face, tell her to "look at me," and then instruct her.

Once while washing dishes, she kept pulling on my skirt

and I did not give her my attention. Finally, she said "look at me." When I bent down, she put her hands on both sides of my face and said, "Read to me NOW."

Accounts of God speaking are few in the Bible. If his voice boomed out of the clouds today saying, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him," would that cause you to listen more attentively?

Would you be willing to sit down, clear your mind, and wait to hear what God will tell you? God gave you his Son.

Can you spare 15 minutes for Him?

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



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## Warrior seniors

The Washington senior basketball players this season, from left, include Cage Morris, Noah Ladlee, Jace Cole, Cole Beller, Jeremiah Tontz and Kade Norman.

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# OLV:

While the inside of the church is under renovation, we will have all Masses in the Parish Hall.

Our Lady of Victory parish is located at 307 West Jefferson in Purcell.

The church administrative office is located at 501 N.

4th, and it is open weekday mornings. The office number is 405-527-5077.

Weekend mass services are Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday, 8:30 a.m., 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, 6 p.m. (During Lent.) During Lent there is no morning Mass on Friday. Daily Masses will be held in the Juan Diego room in the parish hall.

Peace be with you.

No. 111-February 22-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

CLIFF McBETH and LINDA McBETH, as Trustees of THE CLIFF AND LINDA McBETH FAMILY TRUST, Plaintiffs,

vs. LINDA SUE GEORGE, TOMMY LEON TILLEY; The Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees, Successors and Assigns Immediate and Remote of LOGAN TILLEY aka LOGAN J. TILLEY aka LOGAN JUNIOR TILLEY, Deceased; and The Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees, Successors and Assigns Immediate and Remote of ROSIE TILLEY aka ROSIE VIOLET TILLEY, Deceased. Defendants.

Case No. CV-2024-39 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: LINDA SUE GEORGE, TOMMY LEON TILLEY, and The Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees, Successors and Assigns, Immediate and Remote LOGAN TILLEY aka LOGAN J. TILLEY aka LOGAN JUNIOR TILLEY, Deceased, and The unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns of ROSIE TILLEY aka ROSIE VIOLET TILLEY, Deceased. You, and each of you, are hereby notified that THE CLIFF AND

LINDA McBETH FAMILY TRUST, as Plaintiff, has filed in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, their Petition against the above named Defendants alleging that plaintiff is the owner of the fee simple title and is in the actual and peaceable possession of the following described real property situate in McClain County, State of Oklahoma, to-wit:

The North Half (N/2) of Lot Five (5) and all of Lot Six (6), Block Seventeen (17) of the Seifried Addition in the Town of Wayne, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof, 1981 Melody Mobile Home, VIN#381SB470S40878 and 1983 Wellington Mobile Home, VIN#WHAL3921383. LESS AND EXCEPT all oil, gas and other minerals lying under or which may be produced therefrom. SURFACE ONLY.

AND Lots Nine (9), Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Twelve (12), Block Three (3) of the First Addition in the Town of Wayne, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof, 1982 Skyline Mobile Home VIN#03510265S, 1984 Commodor Mobile Home VIN#FH5222A, 1983 Skyline Mobile Home VIN #045101L2S, 1978 Renbrant Mobile Home VIN #TX147635023D, 1973 Mansion Mobile Home VIN #3919MAN, 1972 Bolin Mobile Home VIN #1721735S095014, and 1982 Mobile Home VIN #GC33AR4781. LESS AND EXCEPT all oil, gas

and other minerals lying under or which may be produced therefrom. SURFACE ONLY.

Plaintiff further alleges that said Defendants are claiming some right, title, interest or estate in and to said real property adverse to Plaintiff, and that said claim constitutes a cloud on Plaintiff's title which he is entitled to have removed.

That said Defendant, and each of them, must answer said Petition on or before the 12th day of April, 2024, or said Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered accordingly quieting Plaintiff's title in and to said real property; adjudging and decreeing that said Defendants, and each of them, and all persons claiming by, through or under them, have no right, title, interest or estate in said real property; and that said Defendants be forever barred and enjoined from asserting or claiming any such right, title, interest or estate in said property adverse to that of Plaintiff.

KRISTEL GRAY, MCCLAIN COUNTY COURT CLERK By: /s/ Karen Weltmer Deputy (Seal)

BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389) Attorney for Plaintiffs 223 West Main - P.O. Box 1407 Purcell, OK 73080 (405) 527-5623 blester@lesterlawoffice.com

No. 109-February 22-1 Time FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION RESOLUTION NO. 01-24

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS OF The Town of Byars, Oklahoma, McClain County, that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin is prohibited by Title VIII of the 1968 Civil Right Act (Federal Fair Housing Law).

It is the policy of The Town of Byars, Oklahoma, McClain County, to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 expands coverage to include disabled persons and families with children. Therefore, the town of Byars, Oklahoma, McClain County,

does hereby pass the following Resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED that within available resources the Town of Byars, Oklahoma, McClain County, will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability or familiar status to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity Compliance Division.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the town of Byars, Oklahoma, McClain County shall publicize the Resolution and through this publicity shall encourage owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law and amendments and any applicable state or local

laws or ordinances.

SAID PROGRAM will at a minimum include: 1) printing and publicizing of this policy and other applicable fair housing information through local media and community contacts; 2) distribution of posters, flyers and any other means that will bring to the attention of those affected, the knowledge of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning equal opportunity in housing; and 3) prepare an analysis of impediments to fair housing choices and actions to mitigate such impediments.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect this 5th day of February, 2024. /s/ Marion D. Cail Chief Elected Official ATTEST: /s/ Angela Fisher Town Clerk (SEAL)

No. 110-February 22-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROGER LEE MOONEY, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2024-23 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND DETERMINATION OF HEIRS NOTICE is hereby given that on the 20th day of February, 2024, Cynthia Ann Mooney filed her ap-

plication for Letters Testamentary on said estate to be granted to her and for judicial determination of the heirs of said decedent.

Pursuant to an Order of this Court made on the 20th day of February, 2024, notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of March, 2024, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., the Petition will be heard before the Honorable Judge Charles Gray, in his Chambers in the McClain County Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma, when and where all persons interested may appear and contest the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of February, 2024.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE Judge of the District Court /s/ Bill C. Lester BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389) Attorney for Personal Representative 212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407 Purcell, OK 73080 (405) 527-5623 blester@lesterlawoffice.com

No. 82-February 15-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MODEAN HUDDLESTON MITCHELL, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2024-10 NOTICE TO CREDITORS To the Creditors of Modean Huddleston Mitchell, Deceased: All creditors having claims against Modean Huddleston Mitchell, 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 Randy L. Mitchell, 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: 8th day of April 2024, or the same will be forever barred. DATED this 8th day of Febru-

ary 2024.

/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 Personal Representative

No. 106-February 22-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, CHICKASHA, OKLAHOMA, Plaintiff, -v.- SOUTHWIND HILLS, LLC an Oklahoma limited liability company; PUNKY MAY PROPERTIES, LLC an Oklahoma limited liability company; KELLY M. BOYD; KRISTOPHER D. BOYD; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ex rel. U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MCCLAIN COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA; and TERESA JONES, COUNTY TREASURER OF MCCLAIN COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA Defendants.

No. CJ-2023-148 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Special Execution and Order of Sale issued by the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, on the 15 day of February, 2024, in the above entitled cause wherein THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, Chickasha, Oklahoma, is Plaintiff and SOUTHWIND HILLS, LLC, et al, are Defendants, commanding me to levy upon, have appraised and advertise and sell according to law the following described real property, to-wit:

A tract of land laying in the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section twenty-eight (28), Township Eight (8) North, Range Three (3) West of the Indian Meridian, McClain County, Oklahoma, said tract being more particularly described as follows:

The Basis of Bearing for this description is the East line of the NE/4 of said Section 28 and assumed to bear S 00°14'04" E.

COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of said NE/4 thence S 89°37'39" W along the South line of said NE/4 a distance of 918.47 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence N 02°37'57" W a distance of 283.36 feet; thence N 38°14'34" E a distance of 122.57 feet; thence N 23°00'16" E a distance of 206.11 feet; thence N 38°42'22" E a distance of 79.12 feet; thence N 55°19'10" E a distance of 71.20 feet; thence N 42°01'10" W a distance of 198.87 feet; thence N 45°23'41" W a distance of 448.40 feet; thence S 89°37'33" W a distance of 371.19 feet; thence S 00°22'27" E a distance of 1135.20 feet to the South line of the said NE/4; thence N 89°37'39" E along the South line of said NE/4 a distance of 564.71 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER with a 30 foot ingress/egress and utility easement lying 15 feet either side of the following centerline, as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of said NE/4 thence N 00°14'04" W a distance of 613.33 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence S 73°13'05" W a distance of 179.89 feet; thence S 63°14'31" W a distance of 190.42 feet; thence S 83°59'03" W a distance of 113.80 feet to the beginning of a curve to the right; thence 62.82 feet along the arc of said curve to the right having a radius of 48.34 feet, the long chord of which bears N 53°47'11" W a distance of 58.49 feet; thence N 16°14'27" W a distance of 56.88 feet to a curve to the left; thence 106.12 feet along the arc of said curve to the left having a radius of 124.54 feet, the long chord of which bears N 40°39'02" W a distance of 102.94 feet; thence N 66°28'47" W a distance of 86.07 feet to the East line of Tract B also being the POINT OF TERMINATION

to satisfy a judgment and decree of foreclosure in favor of the Plaintiff, THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, Chickasha, Oklahoma, and against the Defendants, heretofore entered for judgment of the Plaintiff as follows:

**COUNT I ACTION ON A PROMISSORY NOTE**

Judgment against the Defendant, SOUTHWIND HILLS, LLC, as follows:

*Promissory Note No. \*\*\*\*5051*

The principal sum of \$2,537,637.59; together with: (a) interest accrued through the 3rd day of January, 2024 in the amount of \$144,666.94; (b) interest accruing from the 3rd day of January, 2024 until paid at a variable rate, currently at the rate of 4.5% per annum or \$317.20 per day; (c) late charges in the amount of \$1,530.00; (d) attorneys' fees as provided by the Note, in the amount of \$14,310.00 from the beginning of collection efforts to the date of the motion, plus fees accruing through the completion of this action; (e) all costs incurred by Plaintiff in the amount of \$846.64 as of the date of the motion, plus costs accruing; (f) appraisal expenses in the amount of \$4,550.00; (g) abstracting/title report expenses in the amount of \$500.00; (h) all costs incurred by Plaintiff for taxes and preservation of the property; and (i) such other relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

**COUNT II ACTION ON A**

**PROMISSORY NOTE**

Judgment against the Defendant, SOUTHWIND HILLS, LLC, as follows:

*Promissory Note No. \*\*\*\*5197*

The principal sum of \$195,624.10; together with: (a) interest accrued through the 3rd day of January, 2024 in the amount of \$7,311.45; (b) interest accruing from the 3rd day of January, 2024, until paid at a rate of 4.50% per annum or \$24.45 per day; (c) late charges in the amount of \$1,615.00; (d) attorneys' fees as provided by the Note, in the amount of \$14,310.00 from the beginning of collection efforts to the date of the motion, plus fees accruing through the completion of this action; (e) all costs incurred by Plaintiff, in the amount of \$846.64 as of the date of the motion, plus costs accruing; (f) abstracting/title report expenses in the amount of \$500.00; (g) all costs incurred by Plaintiff for taxes and preservation of the property; and (h) such other relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

**COUNT III GUARANTY AGREEMENTS**

Judgment against the Defendants, KELLY M. BOYD, PUNKY MAY PROPERTIES, LLC, KRISTOPHER D. BOYD, AND PUNKY MAY, LLC, in the amounts as set forth in Counts I and II above, pursuant to the terms of their Personal Guaranty Agreements.

**COUNT IV FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE**

Plaintiff further recovered a judgment decreeing that Plaintiff has a valid mortgage upon the real estate hereinafter described for the full amount of the judgment above set forth, and foreclosing said mortgage and ordering that if said judgment be not paid, that a Special Execution issue from the office of the Court Clerk directed to the Sheriff of McClain County, Oklahoma, commanding said Sheriff to levy upon, advertise, and sell said real estate with appraisal as provided by law.

AND, WHEREAS, the judgment in favor of the Plaintiff remains wholly unpaid, and the Plaintiff has filed its written Praecipe in this cause demanding a Special Execution and Order of Sale to issue in accordance with said judgment.

NOW THEREFORE, you are commanded to levy upon and cause to be appraised, advertised, and sold, in accordance with said judgment and as by law required, the following described land and tenements situated in McClain County, Oklahoma, described as follows:

A tract of land laying in the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section twenty-eight (28), Township Eight (8) North, Range Three (3) West of the Indian Meridian, McClain County, Oklahoma, said tract being more particularly described as follows:

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with the buildings, improvements, appurtenances, hereditaments and all other rights thereunto appertaining or belonging to, and pay the proceeds thereof to the Clerk of this Court as required by law.

TOTAL VALUE & APPRAISEMENT OF \$3,750,000.00.

**COUNT V LIFE INSURANCE ASSIGNMENT**

Plaintiff further recovered a judgment decreeing that Plaintiff has the right to recovery of benefits available pursuant to

the assignment of Life Insurance Policy, conveying and assigning to FNBT an interest in American General Life Insurance Policy, No. 4190011626, for the policy owner/insured Kristopher Boyd and an interest in an American General Life Insurance Policy, No. 4190011642, for the policy owner/insured Kelly Boyd.

**COUNT VI SECURITY AGREEMENTS**

Plaintiff further recovered a judgment decreeing that Plaintiff has a valid security interest, prior and superior to the claims of any of the parties to this action, in all of SOUTHWIND HILLS, LLC fixtures and appurtenances now owned or hereafter acquired, together with all proceeds therefrom including but not limited to all furniture, fixtures and equipment, including all equipment located at 1819 Joe Taylor Circle, Norman, Oklahoma, and all furniture, fixtures and equipment located at the legal description on the attached Exhibit "A" to the Security agreement filed in this cause. The property on Exhibit "A" is the entirety of the tract of land which is the subject of the original mortgage and which includes the business location/venue of Southwind Hills LLC. Plaintiff is further entitled to the immediate possession of all of the collateral identified herein and in the Security Agreements and Exhibits attached to the Petition, owned or thereafter acquired by SOUTHWIND HILLS, LLC (collectively "Collateral"). Plaintiff is entitled to sell the Collateral, equipment, and inventory at public or private sale, or at FNBT's option, turn over the Collateral to the Sheriff of McClain County for sale.

That on the 2nd day of April, 2024, at 10 o'clock A.M., on said date, at the McClain County Sheriff's Office, 121 N. 2nd Street, Room 121, Purcell, Oklahoma, I will offer the above described property for sale and sell the same to the highest bidder, provided that a bid is received of at least two-thirds of the appraised value to satisfy the above described judgment according to the aforesaid Order of Sale.

WITNESS MY HAND, this 16 day of February, 2024.

/s/ Landy Offolter SHERIFF OF MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA PARK, NELSON, CAYWOOD, & JONES, LLP 122 North Fourth Street Post Office Box 968 Chickasha, Oklahoma 73023-0968 Telephone: (405) 224-0386 Facsimile: (405) 224-0907 Attorneys for Plaintiff

No. 105-February 22-1 Time NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Service Storage Facility Lien Act, Monday, March 11, 2024, at 10:00 A.M., Gizmo Storage will sell to the highest bidder via online public auction, CASH ONLY, (subject to occupant's right of redemption prior to sale), all right, title, and interest to miscellaneous personal property remaining in the below listed storage units located at Gizmo Storage, 2200 Weedn Blvd., Purcell, Oklahoma, to wit: Unit No. 813, occupied by Brittany Asbury, last known address: 1614 S Green Apt B, Purcell, Oklahoma 73080, Unit No. 723, occupied by Diana Lara and Son's Construction, last known address: 501 SE 3rd Pl, Newcastle, Oklahoma 73065, Unit No. 1024, occupied by Cecidia Gentry, last known address: 131 S 3rd Ave., Purcell, Oklahoma 73080, Unit No. 141 and 146, occupied by Lisa Sanders, last known address: 1106 Parkview Cir., Purcell, Oklahoma 73080.

The sale will be held online at www.StorageTreasures.com.

No. 83-February 15-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARTHUR R. MERCER, JR., Deceased.

Case No. PB-2024-4 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To the Creditors of Arthur R. Mercer, Jr., Deceased: All creditors having claims against Arthur R. Mercer, Jr., 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 Stephanie Mercer, 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: 8th day of April 2024, or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 8th day of February 2024.

/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 Personal Representative

No. 74-February 15-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR MCCLAIN COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA Scissortail Minerals Company Plaintiff vs. Mollie E. Julian, Stoltenberg Trust, Gordon Urban, Helen Urban, Gladys Nemirow, all unknown heirs, unknown successors, unknown spouses, Ron Clinton, Brian F. Clinton, Gregory D. Clinton, Joe D. Clinton, June D. Clinton, The Clinton Family Trust, Linea I. Clinton, all unknown heirs, unknown successors, unknown spouses, Daisy Voncille Neal, all unknown heirs, unknown successors, unknown spouses, Peggy Sue Taber, all unknown heirs, unknown successors, unknown spouses, Defendants

Case No. CV-2023-63 NOTICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: Mollie E. Julian, Stoltenberg Trust, Gordon Urban, Helen Urban, Gladys Nemirow, all unknown heirs, unknown successors, unknown spouses, Ron Clinton, Brian F. Clinton, Gregory D. Clinton, Joe D. Clinton, June D. Clinton, The Clinton Family Trust, Linea I. Clinton, all unknown heirs, unknown successors, unknown spouses, Daisy Voncille Neal, all unknown heirs, unknown successors, unknown spouses, Peggy Sue Taber, All Unknown Heirs, Successors, Spouses And Assigns NOTICE is hereby given to all

persons and Mollie E. Julian, Stoltenberg Trust, Gordon Urban, Helen Urban, Gladys Nemirow, all unknown heirs, unknown successors, unknown spouses, Ron Clinton, Brian F. Clinton, Gregory D. Clinton, Joe D. Clinton, June D. Clinton, The Clinton Family Trust, Linea I. Clinton, all unknown heirs, unknown successors, unknown spouses, Daisy Voncille Neal, all unknown heirs, unknown successors, unknown spouses, Peggy Sue Taber, All Unknown Heirs, Successors, Spouses And Assigns and any other persons interested in the Mineral Interests listed below known as:

Tract 1: 33.6012499 Acres in N/2 NW/4 + SE/4 NW/4 + Lot 5 South of the RR + NE/4 less the RR of Section 12, Township 5, Range 2 EIM, McClain County, Oklahoma, Recording Number I2015-000462. Tract 2: 6.22685 Acres in NE/4 NE/4 and SW/4 NE/4 of Section 25, Township 5, Range 1 EIM, McClain County, Oklahoma Recording Number I2010-009928. Tract 3: 1.705 Acres in N/2 N/2 of Section 35, Township 5, Range 1 EIM, McClain County, Oklahoma Recording Number I2010-009928. that a Quiet Title Petition has been filed in McClain County Court on March 23, 2023. Plaintiffs seek to quiet any right, title, or interest in and to the Mineral Interests described as Tract 1, Tract 2 and Tract 3 above in McClain County, Oklahoma. Claimants should file an answer with the court on or before May 15, 2024, or the allegations of said Petition will be

taken as true and judgment rendered accordingly, adjudging and decreeing that the Plaintiff is the owner of, and that the Plaintiff is in actual and peaceful possession of said property free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances of the Defendant named above, their heirs, successors and assigns and are entitled to possession thereof, and that the Defendants, their heirs, successors and assigns, have no right, title, interest, lien, estate, encumbrance, claim, or assessment in or to said hereinabove described real property, and a Decree quieting and confirming the Plaintiff's title and possession thereto, as against said Defendants and their unknown successors, and forever barring and enjoining the Defendants and their unknown successors from any and all right, title, estate, interest or equity of redemption in and to the said lands and premises, or any part thereof. WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL this 7th day of February, 2024.

/s/ Kristel Gray By: Court Clerk. (Seal)

Approved: DATED this 7th day of February, 2024.

/s/ Joey D. Schmidt Joey D. Schmidt, OBA 11507 Central Law Office PC PO Box 720633 Norman, OK 73070 405.329.5777 Fax 405.329.3841 centrallawoffice@sbcglobal.net Attorney for Plaintiffs

No. 103-February 22-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF: S.C.B. DOB: 01/17/2022 A MINOR CHILD.

Case No. FA-2024-4 NOTICE OF HEARING THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: The Unknown father of S.C.B., a minor child, who was born on the 17th day of January, 2022, at Integris Southwest Medical Center, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma. That the mother of the minor child is Kaylie Marie Baker.

You are notified that on the 8th day of February, 2024, an Application for Order Determining the Child, S.C.B., Eligible for Adoption Without the Consent of the Father and Termination of Parental Rights was filed herein. Said Application is set for hearing on the 26th day of April, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the District Courtroom of Judge Charles Gray in the District Court of McClain County, State of

Oklahoma. The Petitioners have alleged in the Application that said child is eligible for adoption without your consent in that you, the Unknown father of S.C.B., have wholly failed to show he has exercised parental rights or duties toward the minor, including, but not limited to, failure to contribute to the support of the mother of the child to the extent of his financial ability during her term of pregnancy pursuant to 10 O.S. § 7505-4.2 (C)(1) and you have abandoned the minor child pursuant to 10 O.S. § 7505-4.2(G).

YOU ARE, THEREFORE, NOTIFIED THAT THE COURT WILL HEAR EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF AND IN OPPOSITION TO THE GRANTING OF THE PETITION AT THE TIME AND PLACE ABOVE SHOWN WHERE YOU WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE PRESENT AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD AT SAID TIME AND PLACE INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO OBJECT TO THE ADOPTION OF YOUR CHILD. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING SHALL CONSTITUTE A DENIAL OF YOUR INTEREST IN YOUR

CHILD WHICH DENIAL MAY RESULT, WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE OF THIS PROCEEDING OR ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS, IN YOUR CHILD'S ADOPTION WITHOUT YOUR CONSENT THEREBY ULTIMATELY TERMINATING YOUR RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA.

Dated this 12th day of February, 2024.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

/s/ Rob B. Hopkins GILLET AND HOPKINS FAMILY LAW ADVOCATES, L.L.C. Rob B. Hopkins, OBA #31818 Linque H. Gillett, OBA #21966 10802 Quail Plaza Drive, Suite 100 Oklahoma City, OK 73120 405-215-9647 405-353-7012 (fax) Email: linque.gillett@lhglawoffice.com ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONERS

No. 72-February 8-3 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA CHERYL ANN FARRELL, STEVIE GENE WELLS, RANDY GERALD WELLS, HAROLD DUANE WELLS, and RICHARD RUSSELL WELLS, Plaintiffs,

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVEISEES, LEGATEES, TRUSTEES, SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS OF GERALD DON WELLS, Deceased, if any; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVEISEES, LEGATEES, TRUSTEES, SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS OF EDITH COY WELLS, Deceased, if any; Defendants.

Case No. CV-24-29 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION The State of Oklahoma to: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVEISEES, LEGATEES, TRUSTEES, SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS OF GERALD DON WELLS, DECEASED, if any; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES,

ADMINISTRATORS, DEVEISEES, LEGATEES, TRUSTEES, SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS OF EDITH COY WELLS, DECEASED, if any

The above name defendants (the "Defendants") will take notice that in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, in the above styled and numbered case, an action has been filed by Cheryl Ann Farrell, Stevie Gene Wells, Randy Gerald Wells, Harold Duane Wells, and Richard Russell Wells, to quiet any right, title or interest in and to the real property described hereinbelow which you have or may claim to have, and to determine the succession and heirship of Gerald Don Wells and Edith Coy Wells in and to such property, and you must answer the Petition of said Plaintiffs on file in said cause on or before March 29, 2024, or the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered accordingly, adjudging and decreeing that the Plaintiffs are the owners of and are in actual and peaceful possession and occupancy of, the following described real estate situated in McClain County, Oklahoma, to-wit (the "Property"):

Leasehold interests (including overriding royalty interests) in the oil, gas and other minerals and mineral interests in, under and that may be produced from wells located in Section 31, Township

7 North, Range 3 West, McClain County, Oklahoma,

free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances of the Defendants, and are entitled to possession thereof, and that the Defendants have no right, title, interest, lien, estate, encumbrance, claim or assessment in or to said hereinabove described real property, and further judgment determining the names and individual identities of the heirs and successors of Gerald Don Wells, Deceased, and Edith Coy Wells, Deceased, and a Decree quieting and confirming the Plaintiffs' title and possession thereto, as against said Defendants, and forever barring and enjoining the Defendants from any and all right, title, estate, interest or equity of redemption in and to the said lands and premises, or any part thereof. WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL this 6th day of February 2024.

Court Clerk, McClain County By /s/ Karen Weltmer Deputy Court Clerk

APPROVED: Darrell G. Ford, OBA #11835 Darrell G. Ford, A Professional Corporation P. O. Box 756 118 North Second Street, Suite C Purcell, Oklahoma 73080 (405) 527-7049 Attorney for the Plaintiffs

No. 79-February 15-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TONY WALLACE SMITH, DECEASED.

Case No. PB-2023-91 COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF HEARING FOR FINAL ACCOUNT AND ORDER OF DISTRIBUTION

TO: ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATES OF TONY WALLACE SMITH, deceased:

You are hereby notified that the hearing of the Final Account of the administration of said estate, distribution of said estate, and for final discharge of Cheryl A. Smith, Personal Representative, has been fixed by the Judge of said Court for the 28 day of March, 2024, at 9:30 o'clock A.M. at the McClain County Courthouse, State of Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have,

why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of TONY WALLACE SMITH, Deceased, determined, said estate distributed, and the Personal Representative discharged.

In an Order for Combined Notice entered herein, the Court found that it should dispense with the regular estate proceedings prescribed by law and order notice to creditors combined with Notice of Hearing for Final Account and Order of Distribution.

Pursuant to the Order for Combined Notice, all persons having claims against TONY WALLACE SMITH, deceased, are required to present the same with the necessary vouchers, to the Personal Representative, Cheryl A. Smith, c/o Reese Allen, Attorney at Law, 10300 Greenbriar Place, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73159, on or before the 18 day of March, 2024 or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 8 day of February, 2024.

CHARLES GRAY

ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

/s/ Reese Allen Reese Allen, OBA 215 Attorney at Law 10300 Greenbriar Place Oklahoma City, OK 73159 405-691-2555 ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

No. 97-February 22-1 Time Public Notice

The Town of Goldsby hereby gives notice that the annual audited financial reports for the year ending June 30, 2023 has been completed. Copies are available to the public for review in the Town Clerk's office at 100 E Center Rd, Goldsby OK 73093 and on the Town's Website at www.townof-goldsby.com. Town Clerk/Treasurer Sandra Jenkins

No. 98-February 22-1 Time ORDINANCE 2024-002

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT DESIGNATION, AS SHOWN ON THE OFFICIAL ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE TOWN OF GOLDSBY, OKLAHOMA, SO AS TO PLACE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TRACT OF LAND, TO-WIT:

A tract of land that is part of the SW/4 of the NW/4 of the NW/4 of Section 14, T-8-N, R-3-W of the I.M., McClain County, Oklahoma; being more particularly described as follows: Commencing from the NW Corner of the NW/4 of said Section 14, Thence along Section line, S0°23'45"E a distance of 953.99 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence continuing along Section line, S0°23'45"E a distance of 260.30 feet; Thence N89°25'55"E a distance of 222.11 feet; Thence S0°23'45"E a distance of 110.00 feet; Thence N89°25'55"E a distance of 127.21 feet to the West Right of Way of said Interstate 35 (I-35); Thence Northwesterly along the West Right of Way of Interstate 35 (I-35), along a Curve to the Right having a Radius of 5829.58 feet, Arc Length of 391.56 feet, Chord Bearing of N 20°48'41"W, and a Chord Distance of 391.56 feet; Thence S89°45'30"W along an existing pipe fence a distance of 212.77 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;

IN THE C-2 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT AND TO REMOVE THE SAME FROM THE A-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT OF SAID TOWN;

AND TO PLACE THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TRACT OF LAND, TO-WIT:

A tract of land located in the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Fourteen (14), Township Eight (8) North, Range Three (3) West of the Indian Meridian, McClain County, Oklahoma, More particularly described as follows: Commencing at the NW Corner of the NW/4 of Section 14, T-8-N, R-3W; Thence S0°23'45"E a distance of 1214.32 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence S0°23'45"E, 110.00 feet; Thence N89°25'55"E a distance of 222.11 feet; Thence N0°23'45"W a distance of 110.00 feet; Thence S89°25'55"W a dis-

tance of 222.11 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;

IN THE R-3 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT AND TO REMOVE THE SAME FROM THE A-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT OF SAID TOWN.

WHEREAS, the owner of the hereinafter described property made application to the Town of Goldsby to have said property rezoned and removed from the A-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL zoning district and placed in the C-2 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL Zoning District of said Town; and said Commission, upon notice as by law required, at public meeting, considered said application and recommended that the same should be granted and an ordinance adopted to effect and accomplish said rezoning; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the Town of Goldsby, Oklahoma, after public hearing upon notice by mail and by publication as by law required, has considered said application and has determined that said application should be granted and an ordinance adopted to effect and accomplish said rezoning;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF GOLDSBY, OKLAHOMA:

Section 1. The Zoning District Designation, as shown on the Official Zoning District Map of the Town of Goldsby, Oklahoma, is hereby amended and changed so as to place the following described property, to-wit:

A tract of land that is part of the SW/4 of the NW/4 of the NW/4 of Section 14, T-8-N, R-3-W of the I.M., McClain County, Oklahoma; being more particularly described as follows: Commencing from the NW Corner of the NW/4 of said Section 14, Thence along Section line, S0°23'45"E a distance of 953.99 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence continuing along Section line, S0°23'45"E a distance of 260.30 feet; Thence N89°25'55"E a distance of 222.11 feet; Thence S0°23'45"E a distance of 110.00 feet; Thence N89°25'55"E a dis-

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in the C-2 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL Zoning District and to remove the same from the A-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL Zoning district of said Town; and said property is hereby rezoned and placed in the C-2 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL Zoning District.

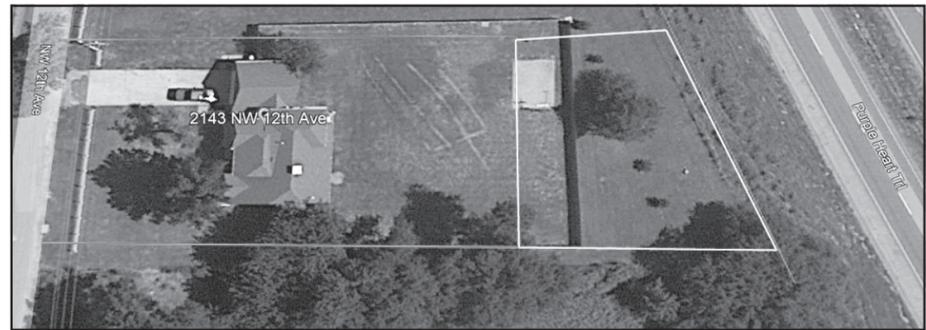
Section 2. The Zoning District Designation, as shown on the Official Zoning District Map of the Town of Goldsby, Oklahoma, is hereby amended and changed so as to place the following described property, to-wit:

A tract of land located in the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Fourteen (14), Township Eight (8) North, Range Three (3) West of the Indian Meridian, McClain County, Oklahoma, More particularly described as follows: Commencing at the NW Corner of the NW/4 of Section 14, T-8-N, R-3W; Thence S0°23'45"E a distance of 1214.32 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence S0°23'45"E, 110.00 feet; Thence N89°25'55"E a distance of 222.11 feet; Thence N0°23'45"W a distance of 110.00 feet; Thence S89°25'55"W a distance of 222.11 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;

in the R-3 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL Zoning District and to remove the same from the A-1 AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL Zoning District of said Town, and said property is hereby rezoned and placed in the R-3 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL Zoning District.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of February, 2024

/s/ Michael Herrin MAYOR ATTEST: /s/ Sandra J. Jenkins TOWN CLERK (Seal)



No. 99-February 22-2 Times NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff,

v. BRANDON K. BROOKMAN; SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF BRANDON K. BROOKMAN; JOHN DOE, OCCUPANT; MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC.; AND CREDIT CORP SOLUTIONS INC. Defendant(s)

Case No. CJ-2023-41

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE IS GIVEN to Brandon K. Brookman; Spouse, if any, of Brandon K. Brookman; John Doe, Occupant; Midland Credit Management, Inc.; Credit Corp Solutions Inc., and their unknown successors and assigns that on the 26 day of March, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., at Sheriff Office of the County Courthouse at the County Courthouse in Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, the Sheriff of said County will offer for sale and sell for cash at public auction to the highest and best bidder, with appraisal, all that certain real estate in McClain County, Oklahoma, to wit:

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF SECTION ELEVEN (11), TOWNSHIP SEVEN (7) NORTH, RANGE FOUR (4) WEST OF THE INDIAN MERIDIAN, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF A TRACT OF LAND BEING DESCRIBED IN BOOK 1754, PAGE 81 OF THE MCCLAIN COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDERS OFFICE, SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE NORTHEAST COR-

NER OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4); THENCE WEST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID TRACT, A DISTANCE OF 720.00 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TRACT; THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID TRACT, A DISTANCE OF 605.00 FEET; THENCE EAST A DISTANCE OF 175.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH A DISTANCE OF 535.00 FEET; THENCE WEST A DISTANCE OF 360.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH A DISTANCE OF 535.00 FEET; THENCE EAST A DISTANCE OF 360.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH A 30 FOOT ROAD ACCESS AND UTILITY EASEMENT DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4); THENCE SOUTH 1290.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE WEST A DISTANCE OF 545.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH A DISTANCE OF 150.0 FEET; THENCE WEST A DISTANCE OF 30.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH A DISTANCE OF 150.0 FEET; THENCE WEST A DISTANCE OF 745 FEET, MORE OR LESS TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF THE SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4); THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID WEST LINE A DISTANCE OF 30 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4); THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID

NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4), A DISTANCE OF 1320 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4); THENCE NORTH A DISTANCE OF 30 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 14162 263rd Street, Blanchard, OK 73010

subject to taxes and tax sales, said property being duly appraised at \$125,000.00.

Sale will be made pursuant to an Order of Sale issued upon a judgment entered in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, in Case No. CJ-2023-41, wherein Niationstar Mortgage LLC is Plaintiff and Brandon K. Brookman is/are Defendant(s) to satisfy said judgment in the sum of \$101,441.08 together with interest at 4.25% per annum from June 1, 2022, including late charges, a reasonable attorney's fee, and all necessary funds advanced by said Plaintiff accrued or accruing hereafter through completion of this action.

The addresses of the Defendant(s), Brandon K. Brookman and Spouse, if any, of Brandon K. Brookman, and her/his/their unknown successors are unknown to the Plaintiff. WITNESS MY HAND this 15 day of February, 2024.

BY: /s/ Landy Ofloter Sheriff

LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP 770 NE 63rd St. Oklahoma City, OK 73105-6431 (405) 848-1819 Attorneys for Plaintiff File No. 23-139062

No. 102-February 22-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHANNON E. TABOR, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2024-22 NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION, APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estate of Shannon E. Tabor, Deceased, that on the 15th day of February 2024, there was filed with this Court the

Petition of Cindy Maynard praying that Letters of Administration be issued to her as Personal Representative of the Estate, to serve without bond, for a judicial determination of the heirs of the Decedent.

Pursuant to an Order of this Court made on the 15th day of February 2024, notice is given that the 14th day of March 2024, at 9:30 o'clock a.m. is the day and time that the Petition will be heard in the Courtroom of Judge Charles Gray in the County Courthouse at Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested may appear and contest the same. Witness, the undersigned,

Judge of the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, this 15th day of February 2024.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

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

# American Legion Post 0310 project

**AngieSteele**  
**Washington Correspondent**

Every Memorial Day Week-end, Legion Post 0310 teams up with Boy and Cub Scout Troops #234 to put American Flags at gravesites of our local heroes in Washington.

As Post 0310 is rebuilding and becoming more active within our community, we would like to go above and beyond. Our goal this year, is to place a permanent veterans' marker on all veterans' sites to recognize their service and make them easier to identify year-round.

The markers are six inches in diameter and stand about 18 inches tall. They will cost us about \$16 each. We are needing about 150 markers. If you would like to donate to the cause, or sponsor a specific veteran, please let us know.

We have set up a non-profit charity Venmo account, and as a 501(C)(3), all donations are tax deductible.

You can find us on: Venmo @ American Legion Post 0310. **Warrior Way 5k**

The Annual Washington Warrior Way 5k has chosen their recipient of the 2024 run, Darcie Boyd. This year's run will take place on Saturday, April 13, in Washington.

Please join us for this year's Warrior Way 5k benefiting Darcie Boyd and her fight against APS. The course uses paved roads and winds through the town of Washington. Student discount available. Race Shirts are not guaranteed for registrations received after April 1, 2024.

Race Day Schedule of Events  
 6:30 a.m. – Race Day Packet Pick-up

8:30 a.m. – Kids Fun Run  
 9 a.m. – Competitive 5k Run  
 Sign up at <https://runsignup.com/Race/OK/Washington/WarriorWay>

Darcie's personal biography:

My name is Darcie Albert Boyd, I am the daughter of the late Lonnie and Cindy Brewer. I grew up in Washington where I attended Washington schools and graduated with the class of 2002. I participated in many sports, basketball, slow- and fast-pitch softball, ran track and was a cheerleader. I attended Goldsby Baptist Church where I publicly professed my faith in Christ. I currently live with my husband Jason and our two fur-babies, Leo and Lulu.

I have a condition called APS (Antiphospholipid syndrome). This condition causes blood clots, and the clots can cause strokes and problems in pregnancy. Because of this I have had numerous strokes and two stillborn births and three miscarriages.

2017 while I was employed as a supervisor at Hitachi Data Systems, I had two massive strokes, one on each side of my brain. It was by the grace of God that I lived through that.

January 3 of this year I had another massive stroke leaving me unable to talk and swallow. After two weeks in rehab my speech has improved, and I am able to swallow soft foods.

Even with my condition I can still say I have been blessed beyond measure.

**A Week of LOVE**

Warrior Community,

We are happy to announce that the recipient of A Week of Love (A.W.O.L.) 2024 is Chris Aday.

The recipient is chosen through a community-driven process that reflects the values and spirit of our Warrior Community. Submissions are taken from the community, allowing individuals to nominate those they believe would benefit from the love and support offered during our district-wide A.W.O.L. fundraiser, usually held in March.

Each submission shares the story of a community member facing adversity, hardship, or a



• Photo by Ron Ladlee

## A Week of Love

**A.W.O.L.** (A Week of Love) for Chris Aday. Go to the link for all the current information. Place a donation and order a shirt! Thank you for being so supportive! [https://www.wps-isd.com/375028\\_2](https://www.wps-isd.com/375028_2).



• Photo by Melinda Tague

## Show lambs

**Libya Hicks, Lariat Hale and Paige Burns** showed their lambs at the McClain County Show in Purcell last weekend.



• Photo provided

## Warrior Way 5K

**Please join us** for this year's Warrior Way 5k benefiting Darcie Boyd and her fight against APS. <https://runsignup.com/Race/OK/Washington/WarriorWay>.

significant medical challenge. In the case of the A.W.O.L. 2024 recipient, the community rallied together and submitted numerous heartfelt nominations on Aday's behalf.

Chris and his wife, Ladonna (Albert) Aday, were born and raised in our beloved Washington. They are both members of the Warrior class of 1989. They were high school sweethearts and have been married for 33 years.

Their daughters, Maddison and Allison, also graduated from Washington Public Schools. WPS is proud to have Maddison Siebert, their oldest daughter, as a second-grade teacher at Washington Elementary.

Recently, Chris has faced immense challenges after being diagnosed with Chronic Lymphatic Leukemia and undergoing a spinal fusion surgery. As a self-employed individual, his ability to work has been significantly impacted by this diagnosis.

It is not easy for Chris to accept such incredible generosity, but he is sincerely touched and grateful for being nominated for this honor. His humility and grace in the face of adversity is inspiring.

Please join us in contributing to this cause as we stand with the Aday family during this difficult time. Every donation will make a meaningful impact, whether big or small.

Let's show the Aday family what it truly means to be part of the Warrior community. Together, we can make a difference for this amazing family.

We will be sure to follow up with more details of the events for the week of A.W.O.L. Thank you, Warriors!

Donation Link: [https://www.wps-isd.com/online\\_store](https://www.wps-isd.com/online_store).

**Washington Senior Center**

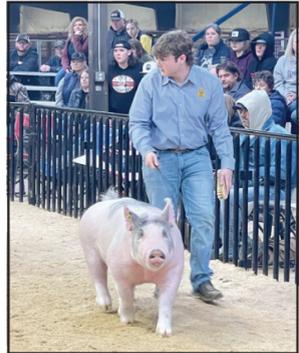
Did you know that you don't have to be a senior to eat lunch at the center? We welcome everyone to come in and eat. Plus, when you come in to eat, it helps us to keep meal deliveries going for our seniors who can't get out.

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

Menu for February 22-March 1:

Thursday, February 22—Smoked sausage, baked beans, cabbage, applesauce.

Friday, February 23—Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy,



• Photos by Melinda Tague

## McClain County Livestock Show

**Washington students** showing their animals in the McClain County Show included (from left) Kinser Scott with his steer, Gracie Flint with her pig and Noah Price with his pig.

green beans.

Monday, February 26—Chicken and dumplings, peas.

Tuesday, February 27—Beef enchiladas, beans, salad.

Wed. February 28: Spaghetti, Italian green beans, garlic bread.

Thursday, February 29—Potato soup, carrots, cheese toast.

Friday, March 1—Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans.

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

All meals are served with beverage, bread, 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 March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10, July 5, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 4 and December 9.

## Washington Public Schools Calendar

February 22—Regional Basketball in Washington, 2:30 p.m., boys losers bracket, 6 p.m., girls winner, and 7:30 p.m., boys winner bracket.

February 23—Regional Basketball in Kellyville.

February 24—Little League Basketball, McAlister, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Regional Basketball in Kellyville; FFA Local Stock Show.

February 25—Little League Basketball, McAlister, 3-6 p.m.

February 26—MS FCA, Indoor, 7 p.m.; HS Slow-Pitch scrimmage, Tecumseh, home.

February 27—HS Baseball scrimmage at Bridge Creek, 4 p.m.; HS Slow Pitch scrimmage at Cache, 5 p.m.; FFA Bonus Auction, 5 p.m.

## Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation

It looks like 2024 is going to be another good year for the many veterans and surviving spouses who we assist with their VA benefits.

As the Department of Veterans Affairs has accredited our Veterans Foundation, we receive all rating decisions on each of the veterans and surviving spouses who we assist with their VA claims for service-connection of a disability or for DIC benefits. Those decisions are our report card telling us if we are providing the right evidence to support service-connection of a disability or for an increase rating.

One of the things I have been doing to speed up the time it takes for us to process some veterans' claims is to give the veteran the opportunity to fill out their own forms that are needed when applying for an increased rating. I still triage each veteran to see what forms to use along with what types of evidence is needed to support their claim for a new disability or for a re-evaluation of a ser-

vice connected one.

When I triage a veteran, I start by reviewing their service medical records in the VA computer system (VBMS). Many times, veterans do not remember being injured when in combat or during training.

After reviewing their service medical records, we ask the veteran about those injuries. We also ask if they are chronic, and if they are they still receiving treatment.

I believe that for us to do our best we must thoroughly review each veteran's military service records for any conditions that occurred or were aggravated by their military service.

We also check to see if the veteran served where some conditions are presumptive to their military service similar to the diseases that are presumptive to exposure to Agent Orange. Veterans who served in Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, Guam and Johnston Island are presumed to have been exposed to that chemical.

If you do not have an open claim with VA and would like to open one, call 1-800-827-1000 to tell the agent that you want to start a claim this will give you a start date for VA benefits and gives you one year to file a fully developed claim.

Log into our system @ [www.dkgvf.org](http://www.dkgvf.org) to register your information for us to help with your application for VA benefits.

Please consider joining our volunteers as we continue to improve the lives of the men and women who have served our country's military. By moving to a digital claims system when helping veterans our volunteers can now work from home. We have volunteers working from several different states. Our training classes can now be done online or at our Norman location at 1233 West Lindsey.

Our drivers are continuing to provide transportation for veterans to their VA Hospital appointments and to our location for benefit assistance. For transport call Clayton at 405-901-3197 or Louie at 405-642-7100. As always there is no charge for anything we do to help the men and women who have served the United States Military.

As a 501(C)(3) all donations are tax deductible. We need your help to make a difference in the lives of Veterans and their families. We accept the donation of cars and trucks that can be given to veterans or sold to raise funds to help more veterans and their families. As always, we appreciate all donations that can be used to make a difference in the lives of our men and women who have served in the military.

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

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

Street in Norman.

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

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

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

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

**Dale K. Graham,**  
**Accredited Claims Agent**  
**Dale K. Graham**

**Veterans Foundation**  
**Washington Correspondent Contact Information**

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

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

**Angie Steele**

No. 107-February 22-2 Times  
**ALIAS NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
 CJ-2023-167

Notice is given that on the 2nd day of April, 2024, at 10:00am, in Room 121 of the County Courthouse, in the city of Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, The Sheriff will offer for sale and sell, with appraisal, at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, all that certain real estate in McClain County, Oklahoma,;

Lot Two (2), in Block Four (4), of Lyla Glen Replat of Blocks 3 and 4, an Addition to Washington, McClain County, Oklahoma, being a part of the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section 26, Township 7 North, Range 3 West, Indian Meridian, according to the recorded plat thereof.

subject to unpaid taxes, and all amounts set forth in the judgment granted herein, said property having been duly appraised at \$304,000.00. Sale will be made pursuant to an Alias Special Execution and Order of Sale issued in accordance with judgment entered in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, in Case No. CJ-2023-167, titled MidFirst Bank, vs Robert W Downey, Eva S Downey, Jane Doe, John Doe, Professional Finance Company, Inc., being all of the Defendants and persons holding or claiming any interest in lien in the subject property.

McClain County Sheriff  
 McClain County, Oklahoma  
 By: /s/ Sheriff Landy Offolter  
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 Kim S. Jenkins - #32809  
 Gina D. Knight - #12996  
 Chynna Scruggs - #32663  
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No. 108-February 22-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
WITHIN AND FOR  
MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,  
Plaintiff,  
-vs-  
SHANNON E. TABOR;  
SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF SHANNON  
E. TABOR;  
TINKER FEDERAL CREDIT  
UNION;  
OCCUPANT(S), IF ANY, OF THE  
PREMISES;  
Defendants.  
CASE NO. CJ-23-245  
NOTICE OF SALE  
Attention: Defendants and all  
parties with interest in the listed  
real property  
The McClain County Sheriff  
will sell the below-described real  
property to satisfy a judgement for  
the indicated action.  
TRACT A  
A TRACT BEING A PART OF  
THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER  
OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER  
OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER  
(SE/4 SE/4 NE/4) OF SECTION  
TWENTY-EIGHT (28), TOWNSHIP  
SEVEN (7) NORTH, RANGE  
TWO (2) WEST OF THE INDIAN  
MERIDIAN, MCCLAIN COUNTY,  
OKLAHOMA, BEGINNING AT THE  
NE/CORNER OF THE SE/4 SE/4  
NE/4 OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP  
SEVEN (7) NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST;  
THENCE S 00°09'34" E ALONG  
THE EAST LINE OF THE SE/4  
SE/4 NE/4 A DISTANCE OF 330.86  
FEET THENCE S 89°57'54" W A  
DISTANCE OF 664.28 FEET TO  
A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF  
THE SE/4 SE/4 NE/4; THENCE N  
00°06'21" W ALONG SAID WEST  
LINE A DISTANCE OF 330.79  
FEET TO THE NW/CORNER OF  
THE SE/4 SE/4 NE/4; THENCE N  
89°57'34" E ALONG THE NORTH  
LINE OF THE SE/4 SE/4 NE/4 A  
DISTANCE OF 663.97 FEET TO  
THE POINT OF BEGINNING.  
Common Address: 23615 John-  
son Ave, Purcell, OK 73080  
The property will be sold to the  
highest cash bidder at the public  
auction:  
Time: 10 A.M.  
Date: April 2, 2024  
Place: McClain County Sheriff  
Office, 121 N. 2nd, Suite 121,  
Purcell, Okla.  
Appraised real value:  
\$180,000.00  
The sale adheres to the  
Special Writ of Execution and Order  
of Sale issued per the judgment  
in the District Court of McClain  
County, Oklahoma, in Case No.  
CJ-23-245, titled, Plaintiff, v.  
SHANNON E. TABOR; SPOUSE,  
IF ANY, OF SHANNON E. TA-  
BOR; TINKER FEDERAL CREDIT  
UNION; OCCUPANT(S), IF ANY,  
OF THE PREMISES; all those  
holding or claiming any interest  
in the property.  
Landy Offolter  
Sheriff of McClain County  
by /s/ Landy Offolter  
Sally E. Garrison, OBA #18709  
Matthew Eads, OBA #35103  
Alex S. Rivera, OBA #32269  
THE MORTGAGE LAW  
FIRM, PLLC  
421 NW 13th Street, Suite 300  
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## HELP WANTED

FULL-TIME HELP WANTED: CMAS or CNA/MAT, 6:30-6:30, for assisted living, with every other weekend (3) days off, 2 free meals per shift. Looking for dependable team members who love serving our seniors. Great work environment and benefits. Apply at 1215 Westbrook Blvd., Purcell, OK or email resume to admin@westbrookgardens.com. 02/15/2tc

H&M ENERGY SERVICES, LLC in Lindsay, Okla., is now hiring Class A CDL drivers. Competitive pay & benefits available. Please call Scott at 405-428-6740 or Nathaniel at 405-428-0740. 01/04/26tc

HELP WANTED: Elderly transportation needed, to and from appointments. Doctor's appointment times vary and are mainly located near Norman and Oklahoma City. I'm located near the Dibble Crossroads. Will pay \$40 per round trip plus a meal. Contact Paula Moore at 405-519-1153. 02/22/3tp

HELP WANTED/Trade out for custom 2 BR home plus modest salary. PT/FT with hands on and oversight of a farm. Full background & credit check required. Send thorough resume to gvoffice@impactsquared.net or call 405-990-0452. 02/08/tfc

HELP WANTED/TRADE OUT for home plus modest salary. PT/FT with hands on and oversight of a farm. Full background & credit check required. Send thorough resume to gvoffice@impactsquared.net or call 405-990-0452. 11/2/tfc

LAWN MAINTENANCE Service is looking for dependable help. Must be able to work 40-50 hours per week. Starting pay \$11 to \$13 per hour. Call 405-306-1928. 03/23/tfc

NOW HIRING: Immediate openings for CNA's 11/7 shift, must be able to work weekends. Also need LPN's weekends. Apply in person at Lexington Nursing Home, 632 SE 3rd St., Lexington. EOE. 01/04/tfc

SEEKING CIVIL/WATER resource engineer for municipal water plant remodel. References and portfolios welcome. Inquire Town of Maysville, 405-867-5850 or Maytownhall@windstream.net. 02/08/2tc

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:  
KENNETH WOODROW,  
Petitioner,  
vs.  
JENNIFER WOODROW,  
Respondent.  
Case No. FD-2024-22  
SERVICE OF SUMMONS  
BY PUBLICATION NOTICE  
State Of Oklahoma To: Jennifer Woodrow  
TAKE NOTICE that a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage has been filed in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, Case Number FD-2024-22, styled as In Re the Marriage of Kenneth Woodrow vs. Jennifer Woodrow. The Petitioner alleges that the Petitioner is entitled to and should be awarded a Decree of Dissolution of Marriage/Divorce from you. You are further notified that you must file a Response to the said Petition filed by Petitioner on or before March 25, 2024, or the allegations contained in the Petition will be taken as true, and judgment will be entered against you and in favor of the Petitioner as prayed for in his Petition for Dissolution of Marriage.  
Given under my hand and seal on this 31 day of January 2024.  
By: /s/ Lynda Mauldin  
Deputy Court Clerk (Seal)

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