



## Stephanie Knowles Teacher of the Year

### Gray, Clary and Allen Building Teachers of the Year



**Stephanie Knowles**  
Purcell Intermediate

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Purcell Intermediate School Physical Education teacher Stephanie Knowles has been named the district's 2023-24 Teacher of the Year.

Joining her as building Teachers of the Year are Kurt Gray at the high school, Steve Clary at the junior high and Barbara Allen at Purcell Elementary School.

Mrs. Knowles has taught at the Intermediate School for five years. She has a passion for helping to develop healthy schools here in Purcell and across Oklahoma.

Mrs. Knowles, who also serves as Intermediate Stu-



**Kurt Gray**  
Purcell High School

dent Council Sponsor and Assistant Junior High Fast-pitch coach, serves as Coordinator for Healthy Schools OK. She was selected their Coordinator of the Year this past summer. She is also working with the State Department of Education to train teachers to incorporate new health standards into their instruction.

A true Dragon at heart, Mrs. Knowles can be seen behind the camera at various sporting events capturing Purcell student athletes performing and excelling on the field of athletic competition.



**Barbara Allen**  
Purcell Elementary

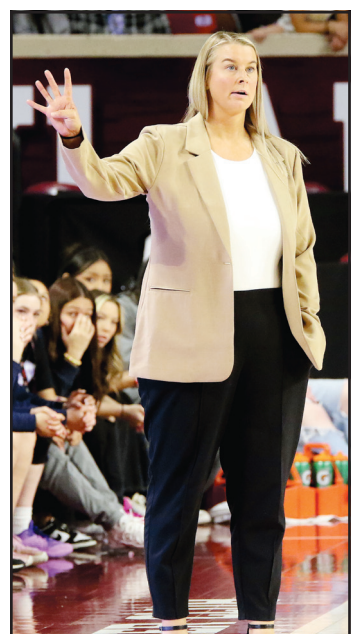
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**Steve Clary**  
Purcell Junior High

## Lex grad leads El Reno to title

### Jennifer Douglas coaches girls to 5A State Championship



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**State champion**

**Lexington Alumni** Jennifer Douglas coached the El Reno Indians to a state championship in 5A girls basketball this season.

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Lexington native and 2006 graduate Jennifer Douglas coached the El Reno Indians to the 5A State Girls Championship this past season.

The Indians finished the 2023-24 basketball campaign 28-0, defeating defending State Champion Sapulpa in the finals at Lloyd Noble Arena, 48-41.

Douglas, who attended Lexington Schools for all 12 years, has been coaching at El Reno for the past eight years.

The Indians have made the State Tournament seven out of her eight seasons and had previously won two Silver Balls before taking the top prize this season.

After earning her degree

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# Bolling has two important roles

## Assistant Purcell Police Chief and Air Force Master Chief

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When Purcell Assistant Chief of Police James Bolling isn't being Purcell's next to top cop he's not propping up his feet and hanging onto a cane pole trying to land a big bass.

Bolling has recently been promoted in the United States Air Force to E-9/CMSgt.

With his promotion, Chief Bolling has been selected as the Command Chief, 446th Airlift Wing, Joint Base Lewis-McChord in Tacoma, WA.

He will advise the wing commander and staff on matters of health, morale, welfare, training, professional development and utilization of over 1,350 enlisted personnel and 500 officers.

The command chief serves as the commander's representative on councils, boards and



**James Bolling**

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## RWD 8 water line upgrading

### District 8 approved for \$1M for infrastructure

The McClain County Rural Water District No. 8 received approval for \$1,000,000 in funding Tuesday from the Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB) to improve the district's water infrastructure.

Construction of upgrades and improvements to the water system will be financed by the Oklahoma American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant program along with \$860,375 in McClain County ARPA funds.

The district operates a water treatment plant and the towns of Byars, Maysville, and Wayne are interested in purchasing water from the District.

These proceeds will be used to drill a new water well with

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## Huge controlled burn

**Firefighters were** called Monday afternoon to a huge controlled burn 7.4 miles south and east of downtown Lexington in Cleveland County. Lexington Fire Chief Trent Mitchell said a farmer who owned miles of property intended to burn to the river but the fire got a little too far south so firefighters doused a little corner of the fire. No structures were damaged.

## County filing begins April 3

Statewide election activity officially begins at 8 a.m. Wednesday, April 3, when the candidate filing period opens, the Secretary of the McClain County Election Board.

Candidates for state offices file with the Secretary of the State

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## 5 questions with Dustin Green

*Editor's note: Answering The Purcell Register's five questions this week is Dustin Green, the owner of That Shop, 209 W. Main, in Purcell.*

#### Q. How did you get into the collectibles business?

A. I was influenced by my family. A few members of my family chose agriculture, collecting and selling as ca-



**Dustin Green**

reers. I've ended up doing all three.

I started collecting art around 14 and never stopped. I started selling art and vintage items in my 20s even during my farming years. I couldn't stop buying and selling unique and fun items.

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- **Display Ads:** 12 noon, Tuesday
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- **Legal Notices:** 2 p.m., Tuesday

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Purcell flirted with \$1M in sales tax collections for February.

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### Dressed to kill

Getting ready for the Easter Parade is Boney Bones on far north Ninth Street in Purcell.

## McClain County GOP to meet

Save the date! McClain County GOP continues with its March speaker series Monday, March 25.

The guest speaker and author of "Stolen Government" will be former State Representative Charles Key. Key is the principal of Key Financial Advisors LLC, an independent financial consulting firm specializing in retirement, financial planning and insurance services.

Key has been helping business owners, individuals and families reach their goals for 33 years using safe money concepts and common-sense solutions to their financial planning needs.

He has lived in Oklahoma City for 60 years and has been an active member of local and national organizations.

Key has served in the Oklahoma House of Representatives

from 1986-1998 and from 2006-2012. In the Oklahoma House he was the Chair of the Insurance Committee, Judiciary, Financial Services, Retirement, Commerce, Industry & Labor, Education, Corrections, Rules, Banking & Finance, Asst. Floor Leader

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Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
62° 48°	69° 46°	69° 54°	72° 53°	67° 49°	53° 34°	57° 35°
50% T-storms	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	30% Showers	30% T-storms	Sunny	Sunny

## Spring is officially underway

Spring is officially underway and that means a few rounds of showers and thunderstorms over the next seven days.

On Thursday, we will see a chance for scattered showers and thunderstorms as afternoon highs top off in the lower 60s.

Rain and storms will move

out by Friday, with a mix of sun and clouds and temperatures in the upper 60s.

Saturday will offer much of the same conditions as Friday, before another chance of showers return for the latter half of the weekend with temperatures in the lower 70s.

A few isolated thunder-

storms may impact the start of your work week as temperatures hold in the upper 60s.

Precipitation should be moved out of the area by Tuesday and into Wednesday next week, with sunny skies and temperatures in the middle to upper 50s.

## Purcell Junior High Teacher/Staff and Students of the Month

Purcell Junior High School recognizes a teacher/staff and six junior high students, a boy and girl from each grade, as Faculty and Students of the Month.

The March faculty and students include:

### Ashley Howell - Teacher of the Month

Ashley Howell is a sixth grade reading teacher.

Mrs. Howell said, "I am enjoying my second year with my current sixth graders since I came to PJH! I am looking forward to welcoming baby



Ashley Howell

number two in May!" "Something you might not know about me is that I enjoy rock concerts and love playing Fortnite," she said.

Mrs. Howell's favorites include:

- Hobby: All things crafty!
- Sport: Cheerleading
- Book: *The Maze Runner*
- Movie: "Tangled"
- Game: Fortnite
- Subject: Reading

### Ethan Heck - Sixth Grade Boy of the Month

Ethan is 13 years old and in the sixth grade. He likes to play baseball and wears the number 50. He also likes basketball.

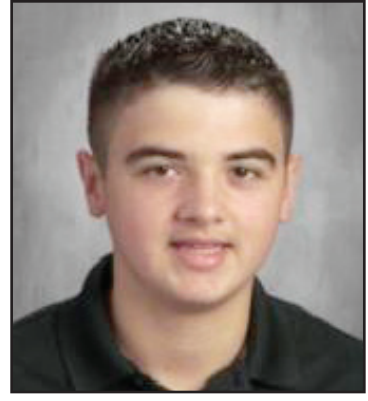
Ehgan's favorite movie is "Small Foot," his favorite TV



Sixth graders Ethan Heck and Isabella Reyes



Seventh graders Brody Rivera and Nora O'Donnell



Eighth graders Cannan Haynes and Emma Schlotthauer



show is "Family Guy," his favorite animal is a pig and his favorite food is crab.

Ethan likes to play baseball. He likes it because he gets to have fun with his friends.

### Isabella Reyes - Sixth Grade Girl of the Month

Isabella is 11 years old and in

the sixth grade. She has three siblings and four dogs. She loves softball and also enjoys spending time with her family and best friends.

Isabella's favorite movie is "Ordinary Angels," favorite TV show is "The Rookie," her favorite animal is a ShihTzu dog and her favorite food is spaghetti.

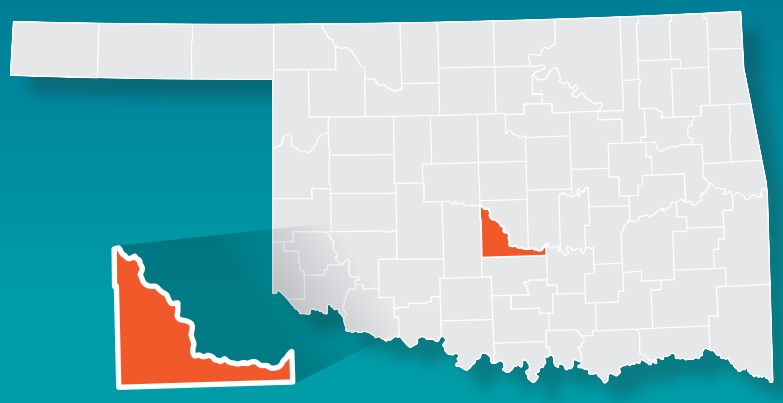
Isabella loves to spend time with her best friend all the time

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## Investing in McClain County's Health. It Starts with You.



TSET Healthy Living Program (HLP) grants are a force for good in our community. They're working to address obesity and help people quit tobacco — or never start.

Partners throughout the community are stepping up to improve health in McClain County. We thank the following organizations for their support:

- Purcell Parks and Recreation Department
- OSU Extension Services
- McClain County State Health Department
- Pioneer Library System
- Southwest Oklahoma Regional Transportation Planning Organization
- OU Health Sciences Center

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

## Kiwanis Egg Hunt

The Heart of Oklahoma Kiwanis Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, March 30, at the Purcell Lake Weaver Pavilion, 1400 Chandler Road.

Each age group will have their own hunt and prizes. Age groups include 0-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12.

The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures.

The hunt begins at 9:30 a.m. sharp.

## Easter Egg Hunt

An Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the Huckleberry Hill Barn, 20551 Ladd Road, in Purcell from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 23.

The event will include an Easter Egg Hunt, food trucks, vendors and a meet the Easter Bunny.

The egg hunt age groups will include 1-3, 4-7 and 8-13.

## Sunray

### Homecoming

Sunray Baptist Church, 2223 North 9th in Purcell, will be celebrating the 77th anniversary of its founding Saturday, March 23, at 6 p.m.

The evening will include a Homecoming Sing featuring The Williamsons and Mark Bishop.

At 10:50 a.m. Sunday, March 24, Brother Mark will be singing and former pastor Dennis Clark will be preaching. Love offerings will be taken to help with expenses. A lunch will follow worship.

For more information call 405-527-6808.

### Final Plat for

#### Southbrook Phase

Southbrook phase one final plat will go before the Planning Commission Monday, March 25, at 6 p.m. at the police station.

It will then go to the City Council at their April 1 meeting, also set to begin at 6 p.m. at the police station.

### Property

#### Tax Deadline

The deadline to pay the second half of property taxes is Friday, March 29, at 4:30 p.m.

If anyone has questions regarding their tax statements, call the McClain County

Treasurer's Office at 405-527-3261.

## Purcell Budget Meetings

Tentative dates have been announced for budget meetings for the City of Purcell.

The unconfirmed dates are April 8 at the police department at 6 p.m. with swearing in of new councilmen at 7:30 p.m.

Another meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 11 at 6 p.m. at city hall.

## Roll Off

### Dumpsters

McClain County District 1 residents only will have roll off dumpsters put in the maintenance yard in Wayne starting March 18 through April 15 for spring clean up.

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

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

Call 405-449-3355 for more information.

## Dibble School

### Alumni Reunion

The 2024 Dibble School Alumni Reunion will be held Saturday, April 27, in the Dibble School Cafeteria.

The reunion will recognize the Class of 1974 who is celebrating its 50th anniversary.

The event will be held from 2-6 p.m. with a meal at 4 p.m. furnished by Heff's Fish & Q.

The \$25 per person fee must be sent by April 13 to Debbie Whitehead Bartels, 21229 Tamarack Road, Blanchard, OK 73010.

For questions or information contact Jackie Christian at 405-203-2465, Debbie Whitehead Bartels at 405-823-6999 or Mike Spivey at 405-320-0819.

## Cruising with the Bulldogs

The first annual Cruising with the Bulldogs will be held Saturday, May 18, sponsored by the Wayne Alumni Association.

Bring your car, motorcycle or highway legal cruiser to help support the Wayne Alumni Association.

Registration will be held from 9-10:30 a.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center, 117 N. Shannon St., in Wayne.

Prizes will include \$500 for first place, \$300 for second place and \$200 for third place. One person per prize with five stops and five chances to win.

For more information contact Twana Tate Scalf at tscalfsr729@gmail.com or call 405-818-7576.

## 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 safecare referrals@northcare.com or online at 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.

# PLS to celebrate solar eclipse

Celebrations for the upcoming solar eclipse are underway at the Pioneer Library System, with events happening throughout its service area now through April 8, the day of the eclipse.

"Folks who register and attend these eclipse-focused programs will be able to receive a free pair of certified solar eclipse glasses," said Norman Public Library East Branch Manager Kelsey Williamson.

To prepare for the event, residents can attend one of PLS's astronomy events, intended for all ages, leading up to April 8. These include eclipse art programs, meditation under the stars, DIY eclipse viewer programs, and a stargazing night with OU's Lunar Sooners, happening Friday, April 5, at the Tecumseh Public Library.

Astronomy students will be speaking at the Tecumseh event to talk about the eclipse and other topics relating to astronomy.

The April 8 total solar eclipse will cross North America, passing over Mexico, the United States, and Canada. Weather permitting, the first location in continental North America that will experience totality is Mexico's Pacific coast at around 11:07 a.m. PDT.

The path of the eclipse continues from Mexico, entering



• Photo provided

## Eyeing the eclipse

Blanchard Public Library staff view the August 2017 eclipse.

the United States in Texas, and traveling through Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine. Small parts of Tennessee and Michigan will also experience the total solar eclipse.

The eclipse's path will continue into Canada in Southern Ontario before exiting continental North America on the Atlantic coast of Newfoundland, Canada, at 5:16 p.m. NDT.

While locals who want to experience full totality may wish to visit Southeastern Oklahoma, the view will still be impressive

for those not able to make the trip from the central part of the state.

"We'll be hosting a watch party during the eclipse in the afternoon, and most of those run from 1-2 p.m. since that is the peak time for maximum viewing in the area," Williamson said.

PLS eclipse viewing parties will happen Monday, April 8, in Blanchard, Moore, Norman, Purcell, Southwest Oklahoma City and Tecumseh.

To explore eclipse events happening at PLS, visit <https://pioneer.libnet.info/events?term=eclipse> or see all events at [pioneerlibrarysystem.org](http://pioneerlibrarysystem.org).

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## GOP:

and Minority Whip.

Join the McClain County GOP March 25 as Key discusses his latest book *Stolen Government*.

Also on the agenda will be

local candidates sharing updates on their campaigns for public office.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, March 25, in the Newcastle Storm Shelter.

A meet and greet will be held from 6:30 to 7 p.m.

The Newcastle Storm shelter is located at 851 North Carr Drive in Newcastle.

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## PJH:

and spend time with her family because she loves them!

### Brody Rivera - Seventh Grade Boy of the Month

Brody is in the seventh grade. He lives with his mom and dad as well as his older brother. He has two dogs and he is from Purcell.

His favorite movie is "The Outsiders," favorite TV show is "Friends," his favorite animal is a wolf and his favorite food is sushi.

Brody likes to read and hang out with his family on the weekends. He enjoys these activities because they make him happy.

### Nora O'Donnell - Seventh Grade Girl of the Month

Nora is in the seventh grade and is 13 years old. She is in Student Council, FCCLA, band and music theatre. She has a brother and sister, enjoys writing and her favorite singer is David Kushner.

Nora's favorite movie is "Mulan (Live Action)," her favorite TV show is "The Summer I Turned Pretty," her favorite animal is a cow and her favorite food is brisket.

Nora loves to do music theatre because she likes being able to perform on stage.

### Cannan Haynes- Eighth Grade Boy of the Month

Cannan is 14 years old and in the eighth grade. He plays football and baseball. He also likes to watch NFL and MLB.

Cannan's favorite movie is "Rocky IV," favorite TV show is "ESPN," favorite animal is a lion and favorite food is chicken quesadillas.

Cannan's favorite thing to do is play football with his friends because he enjoys being with his friends. He thinks they are fun to be around.

### Emma Schlotthauer - Eighth Grade Girl of the Month

Emma is 13 years old. She has two older sisters, Allison and Makenna, and three dogs named Jack, Remy and Zeus. She also has several wonderful friends.

Emma's favorite movie is "The Hunger Games," favorite TV show is "Nailed It!," favorite animal is a turtle and favorite food is pasta.

Emma loves listening to music and playing music in band.

# HAPPY 65TH

Jana (Bacon) Selman

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great things He has done.

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## Spreading word about AFE

Washington resident Lea Ann Stephens is on a mission spreading the word about a deadly rare condition that took the life of her daughter in 2020. Gifted Washington athlete Jacie Stephens Cochran's water broke when she was about to deliver her son, Jaxon.

That's when amniotic fluid leaked into her blood stream causing cardiovascular collapse.

It's very rare occurring in one in 40,000 births in Oklahoma and one in 53,800 deliveries in Europe.

"It's kind of like a bee sting that can cause a person to go into anaphylactic shock," Lea Ann said.

"It happens very fast causing cardiac arrest. I had been an RN for 33 years and had never heard of it," she said.

But now, to make something positive out of one of the darkest days of her life, Lea Ann is spreading the word as far and wide as she can about Amniotic Fluid Embolism.

In fact, Amniotic Fluid Em-

### Editor's Notebook



John D. Montgomery

bolism Awareness Day is next Wednesday, March 27.

That's when Lea Ann will be at the State Capitol for Governor Kevin Stitt to sign a proclamation commemorating the day.

Since Jacie died July 2, 2020 Lea Ann has taken on the role of Oklahoma State Liaison for the AFE Foundation.

As the liaison Stephens contacts labor units around the state including delivery units and hospitals telling them about clinical educational opportu-

nities with regard to AFE so they can be prepared in case a situation arises at their location. "And it's free," Lea Ann confirmed.

She said the symptoms of AFE are similar to other complications during childbirth, like uterine rupture, placental abruption and eclampsia which makes diagnosis more difficult.

At the photo opportunity next week, Jacie's now 3 1/2 year old son Jaxon will be among family members on hand at the capitol.

"It's a pretty big deal," Lea Ann said of the signing. "It's only the second governor to do so on AFE Awareness Day."

Stephens wants to keep the legacy of her daughter alive and hopefully help others to avoid going through such a tragedy.

Also scheduled to be at the 10:30 a.m. signing are Jacie's parents, sister and husband.

If you would like to contact Jacie's mother for your hospital to receive information please contact her at OK@afesupport.org.

## Hello from District 43

• Senator Jessica Garvin •



## Update from the Capitol

Last week, the Senate cleared its second major deadline week of this session with a lengthy, 13-hour floor hearing, in which we advanced numerous bills to the House. March 14 was the deadline for bills to be heard in their chamber of origin, meaning Senate bills that advanced from committee had to pass off the Senate floor last week in order to continue through the legislative process. My Senate colleagues and I voted on more than 100 bills last week, sending some of our best policy proposals to the House.

I was surprised and honored last week when the Conservative Political Action Conference, commonly known as CPAC, gave me a Conservative Achievement award for my voting record. I was one of a handful of Oklahoma lawmakers to be recognized for my commitment

to supporting the state's deeply held Republican values.

My three bills to boost state retirement and pension benefits for retired police officers, firefighters and Oklahoma Highway Patrol troopers all unanimously passed the full Senate last week. Leading public safety organizations say these measures are key to helping them recruit and retain more law enforcement officers and first responders. I am very proud of these three bills, as I know they directly impact every community in our district in a positive way.

In addition to the unanimous support on the three pension bills, I also received unanimous support for a bill that eliminates the statute of limitations on rape convictions when someone confesses to the crime or new DNA evidence becomes available.

Senate Bill 1658 is one of Attorney General Gentner Drummond's legislative priorities this year. This bill is a huge win for victims of rape, an issue that impacts predominately women across the country.

One of my most unusual bills this year has to do with Santa Claus. Yes, you read that right. The Office of Juvenile Affairs asked me to introduce legislation to eliminate the agency's Santa Claus Commission. At its core, this bill is simply streamlining state government and getting rid of an unnecessary commission. The Santa Claus Commission has long coordinated a program to provide Christmas gifts to children in group homes across the state. These children in state custody

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## NEWS FROM CAPITOL HILL

### The necessity of strong national security

#### Congressman Tom Cole

At a time when we are facing so many challenges and threats, the need for strong national security is as important as ever. Yet, the Biden Administration's displays of weakness both at home and abroad have put our nation's national security at risk.

In 2021, the President assumed office with an aggressive pro-illegal immigration agenda, resulting in record-breaking illegal border crossings, an unprecedented fentanyl epidemic, and an influx of bad actors pouring across our border, including hundreds of individuals whose names appear on the terrorist watch list and thousands of "special interest aliens" from countries like

Iraq, Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Yemen.

This is a serious threat to our national security, as it sends a message of weakness to the rest of the world.

Furthermore, his disastrous withdrawal from Afghanistan, which included the tragic loss of thirteen brave American service members, was chaotic, embarrassing, and demonstrated the wrong message to our adversaries.

Now, as a result, the Taliban, a known supporter of terrorism, has retaken control of Afghanistan.

Then, just six months later, we watched Vladimir Putin wrongfully invade Ukraine, igniting the largest war in Europe since World War II and significantly impacting the

global stage.

If we allow Putin to overcome Ukraine in this war, it will show our adversaries that we are not willing or ready to aid those who are facing unjust aggression.

During this unstable time where Chinese hostility against both our nation and our partners in the Western Pacific region has significantly increased, we must send a strong message to the world: the United States of America will not allow tyrannical leaders to prevail against sovereign nations.

Then, most recently, on October 7, 2023, after three years of President Biden's pathetic strategy of appeasement

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## Letters to the Editor Policy

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## Your Views

### News from District 42

• Rep. Cindy Roe •



## Deadline week

Last Friday, I spoke at a Pauls Valley Chamber event, where I gave an update on where we are in the legislative process. I also spoke about all my bills that passed the House floor ahead of Thursday's deadline.

At the State Capitol, we spent hours on the floor each day this week to hear and pass hundreds of bills before our Thursday deadline. I managed to pass three of my bills off the House floor before our deadline.

House Bill 3329 would require public schools with students in sixth through 12th grades to provide free menstrual products in all female bathrooms and in an administrative office. Schools with grades below sixth would be required to keep the free products only in an administrative or nurse's office.

This bill received numerous questions on the floor, which later led to debate. I had the opportunity to defend the bill, and it ultimately passed. It now moves to the Senate for consideration.

Another of my bills, House Bill 3331, increases the fines for selling any tobacco product, nicotine product or vapor product to someone under 21. Current law states that only the clerk gets fined, but HB3331 would fine the business owner as well. This was necessary because the number of adolescents and teens that vape has risen 500 percent in recent years.

The use of these vapor products is linked to numerous health issues throughout their lives, and by limiting easy access to these products, we can save these children from a lifetime of health concerns.

A third bill I passed this week was a constituent request bill, House Bill 3332, which changes the definition of "military surplus vehicle" by removing the requirement that the vehicle be manufactured less than 35 years ago.

On Thursday, I voted for a cost-of-living adjustment, often called a COLA, for our state retirees. House Bill 1277 provides a two percent COLA for state retirement plans and a four percent COLA for any plan that is more than 80 percent funded. This is critical to help our retirees offset the cost of inflation. If the bill becomes law, it would take effect November 1.

We also passed a bill this week that would ban ranked-choice voting in the state. Ranked-choice voting re-

quires voters to designate their top choice in a race, their second choice and so on down the ballot, but the process requires specialized computer software to handle the reallocation of votes between candidates. This confusing process could potentially take away two-party candidate voting.

The Secretary of the Oklahoma State Election Board said in an interim study last year that the adoption of ranked-choice voting would necessitate the replacement of all state election machines, including new computer software, with an estimated cost of tens of millions of dollars. He also said that the days of knowing the election results on election night would be long gone.

Here is a quick overview of some other bills I want to highlight this week:

- House Bill 2973 would extend tax-free vehicle title transfer exemptions to grandparents transferring a title to a grandchild, including through family trusts.

- House Bill 3022 would require every restroom, changing room and sleeping quarters within a state correctional facility to be used by only members of one sex. This would ensure that no biological man ends up in a women's prison, which could be dangerous for the other inmates.

- House Bill 3181 would create the Oklahoma Workforce Education Partnership Revolving Fund to target critical needs of career technology education programs in the state.

- House Bill 3598 would allow police to review camera footage before completing reports or making statements regarding events while they are performing their official duties.

- House Bill 3757 would establish the Oklahoma Jail Standards Act to set standards for all state detention and lockup facilities.

- House Bill 3573 would cover cancer screenings for all firefighters, including volunteer firefighters.

- House Bill 3642 would add visual depictions, including AI-generated content, of children engaged in sexually explicit conduct to the state's definition of "child pornography."

- House Bill 3749 would

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# I yam who I yam

By Andy Bowman,  
CoffeeTime  
Columnist

Remember the old TV cartoon "Popeye The Sailor Man?" He had a favorite saying: "I yam what I yam and dat's all I yam." And poor old Olive Oyl could never get him to see himself any other way.

A popular song put out in the last few years made me remember Popeye and how wrong he was.

The lyrics have a repeating line in the chorus: "I am who I am because the I AM tells me who I am."

Word salad? Not at all. Broken down, that one sentence says so much about you. Those seven little words are saying who you truly are, who created you for His purpose, and how and why you exist.

"I am who I am...." You are not just the weird little result of Mom's 'romp in the hay.' There's no one else, nor has there ever been, anyone in the world exactly like you.

A unique combination of

certain gifts and talents was put into only you. Creating a special and God-given drive within that is hard to deny.

For example; ever seen a disappointed mother arguing with her wannabe-professional-singer son that he needed to become a lawyer? One of them walked away disgruntled. Hope it was the mom.

"...because the I AM..." Just who in the world is this great I AM, and what gives that dude the right to say who you are? Well, the Bible says He is your Creator and He calls himself I AM, so I would guess that gives The Dude that right.

After all, if you were the One who has always been, always will be, and the creator who spoke everything into being – then you would certainly have the right to do exactly as you please.

"...tells me who I am." That very I AM says that you are wonderful and lovable in His sight. That you were worth letting His son die to pay the penalty for your sins. In a nutshell, that should tell you

just who you are...somebody special indeed.

But a popular piece of garbage says that you were just a blob of cells until you popped out of Mom. That only at birth did you become human, with the ability to learn, think, and to experience emotions. Then and only then did you begin the journey into who you are now.

But according to your Bible, from the very beginning of Mom's pregnancy the Creator made the you that looks back in the mirror each morning. The you that He wanted in this world. Then life experiences began happening, and you developed personality warts on that perfect you.

So, remember who you are when the going gets rough and it is so tempting to get down on yourself. Underneath the anger, the anxiety, the depression, the hopelessness, and all your rough edges, there is the Real You. Keep digging. Because you're worth it.

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## Roe:

create a revolving fund to restart the prison rodeo at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary in McAlester.

- House Bill 3860 would allow school districts to acquire communications and alarm systems that can be used between schools, counties, municipalities and law enforcement departments in the event of emergencies.

- House Bill 3992 would require individuals convicted of certain sex crimes to serve 100 percent of any sentence imposed. This was brought to our attention by the tragedy in Henryetta last year, during which a convicted rapist murdered five children and his wife.

- House Bill 4017 would

fix the State Department of Education's flawed signing bonus for teachers returning to the classrooms. The signing bonus would be paid in five equal annual installments rather than one lump sum.

- House Joint Resolution 1002 would amend the Oklahoma Constitution to allow legislators to return to the classroom without the two year waiting period.

- House Joint Resolution 1025 would ask voters to decide whether to double the income threshold for the freeze on the assessed value of a senior's residential property. Currently, only people 65 years or older with a below average gross household income lower are eligible for

the property tax freeze.

- House Joint Resolution 1034 would send to a statewide vote a proposed amendment to expand protections of the Second Amendment.

We'll soon switch bills with the Senate and begin considering their bills in our House committees. 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.*

## Congress must demonstrate what it takes to succeed

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

the time.

There are always dishes to wash, grass to mow and bills to pay. Life is filled with the daily chores and tasks of life.

Try to fit into your schedule what brings you some pleasure. It may be the simplest of activities but that's okay. A car drive, a walk around the block, fishing or sitting in church, whatever it is then find time for the simple pleasures of life.

Life is fragile. We are all one heartbeat away from death. We never know what's lurking inside these bodies that could disable or kill us at any moment.

Routine physical exams are vital to try to maintain our health but even then, they are not the silver bullet. Anything can happen at any time.

Take value in this day that you have and soak in the sunshine or the rain, whatever is going on, find joy in another day of life.

Do not fall out with people over politics and issues. It's important to be able to express our points of view and work to accomplish change.

However, the only way we are going to bring about change and progress is by working together.

A divided house cannot stand, nor can a divided nation. The planet needs for America to be "United."

United doesn't necessarily mean in harmony. I heard a story about a little boy who tied the tails of two tomcats together and hung them on a clothesline. They were very united but they had no harmony.

Obviously, this would be a bad thing to do but it's sort of like our United States Congress. They are all united by political positions and have to show up in the same room but they argue, fight and scratch every day without bringing about solutions.

Each of us must demand from our local Congressional representation that they go to D.C. to work beyond party lines, embrace each other, and get things accomplished.

Those who serve us in D.C. must demonstrate to the American people what it takes to get things done instead of what it takes to fail.

Find books by Glenn Mollette at Amazon.com. Learn more about his books, columns and music at [GlennMollette.com](http://GlennMollette.com).

## MULREADY SAYS GET READY



## Strengthen Oklahoma Homes Act: Making your home resilient while saving you money

By Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner Glen Mulready

As Insurance Commissioner, I understand the pressing issue of high insurance rates voiced by the Oklahoma consumer, particularly in homeowners insurance, brought about because of increased severe weather events and rising costs to rebuild.

Unfortunately, I can't do anything about the weather, but I can help Oklahomans fortify their homes.

I'm pleased to announce that the Oklahoma Insurance Department (OID) is actively addressing this with initiatives aimed at consumer relief. We are focusing on the Strengthen Oklahoma Homes Act (HB 3089), currently under consideration in the Oklahoma Legislature.

This legislation seeks to improve disaster resilience and lower homeowners insurance rates. Let's explore how this program can benefit Oklahomans and create a more secure future for all.

### What is the Strengthen Oklahoma Homes Act?

The Strengthen Oklahoma Homes Act is legislation that, if it becomes law, will create a grant program to help Oklahomans strengthen roofs with impact-resistant materials that meet FORTIFIED standards set by the Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety (IBHS). OID would use existing budgeted funds and redirect these dollars to provide grants to Oklahoma consumers.

### How will this program lower premiums?

The grant funds would assist consumers in constructing or retrofitting their homes with impact-resistant shingles and other enhancements. Many insurance companies reduce premiums when these types of modifications are made to homes.

### How will this program work?

Consumers would submit a formal application with OID. The program would be first-come, first-serve, so

once the application is open, it's crucial to apply as soon as possible. It will be open to consumers in all 77 counties, and grant awards will be disbursed with priority given to lower-income applicants, as well as applicants who live in locations that, based on historical data, have a higher susceptibility to catastrophic weather events.

Once approved, grantees must make the retrofits and renovations using an IBHS-approved contractor within a set period of time.

### If I don't qualify for a grant, is there any way I can get help with my rising premiums?

If you don't qualify for a grant, there are other ways you can save. Discounts are available to consumers who construct or retrofit their homes to IBHS FORTIFIED standards. These discounts, ranging from three percent to 42 percent depending on the insurance company, can make a big difference on your insurance bills.

Additionally, fortifying your roof can reduce the number of future claims and deductibles that result from severe weather events by resisting damage that an unfortified roof would sustain.

The current insurance market is tough, and Oklahomans, as well as Americans across the country, are feeling the frustration with higher insurance premiums. I'm excited about the Strengthen Oklahoma Homes Act and look forward to helping Oklahomans make their homes more resilient to disasters and bringing some relief amid rising prices.

To find more information on homeowners insurance or request assistance, please visit [oid.ok.gov](http://oid.ok.gov) or call OID at 800-522-0071.

For questions regarding HB 3089, please contact Govt. & Community Affairs Director, Ashley Scott 405-521-6616.

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## Cole:

towards Iran, we saw Hamas, an Iranian-backed terrorist organization, invade Israel and carry out the deadliest attack on the Jewish people since the Holocaust.

As a result, the Middle East has become further destabilized. In fact, since then, there has been over 150 attacks on American military installations in the Middle East.

Sadly, these events make it very clear – the Biden Administration's questionable and ineffective national security missteps have emboldened our adversaries and made the world a much more dangerous place.

During this time of instability on the world stage, it is imperative that this Administration begin to seriously prioritize our national security to ensure that the American people are safe and secure from threats both at home and abroad.

We must send a strong message to the rest of the world that the United States of America is strong and our men and women in uniform are more than ready to fight if need be.

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## Garvin:

will still receive presents at Christmas time.

Senate Bill 1754 just simplifies the process by allowing agency staff to coordinate the gift-giving program without having to rely on a separate commission. Some of my Senate colleagues have joked that I'm trying to kick Santa out of Oklahoma, but that couldn't be further from the truth. Santa is always welcome in the Sooner State and at the Garvin household. To stay informed about what's happening in the Senate, visit [www.oksenate.gov](http://www.oksenate.gov), along with my Facebook page @SenatorJessicaGarvin. You can also follow the main Senate Facebook @oksenate or the Senate GOP page @OKSenateGOP.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns on legislative matters. You can reach me by writing to Senator Jessica Garvin, State Capitol, 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd. Room 237, Oklahoma City, OK, 73105; emailing [Jessica.Garvin@oksenate.gov](mailto:Jessica.Garvin@oksenate.gov); or calling (405) 521-5522.

## OSU EXTENSION News

### Severe weather program

Connie Wollenberg  
Extension FCS Educator

How well prepared are you and your family for severe weather? In Oklahoma, it is not if we have severe weather, but when and what will you do when it arrives.

The Severe Weather Pro-

gram will be held on April 1, 2024, at 6 p.m. at the McClain County Farm and Home Building, 1721 Hardcastle Blvd., in Purcell.

Wes Lee, with the Oklahoma Mesonet, will explain the importance of becoming weather aware and how to prepare for severe weather to

keep your family safe.

Ron Johnson, of the McClain County Management, will explain the county's role in the event of severe weather, along with the importance of registering your storm shelter.

Please RSVP by calling the McClain County OSU Extension Office at 405-527-2174.

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# Society



## It's a Small World

Gracie Montgomery

Happy birthday to my great-nephew Easton Rusler.

Easton celebrates his 6th birthday Tuesday, March 26.

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Happy birthday to Ryan Russ, Janet Moore, Abbi Castle, Maribeth Dawson, Char Page, Kim Shubert, Gary Hayes, Linda Burke, Randy Ashcraft, Jon Forster, Judy Pickle, Todd Clouse, Debbie Frasier, Cassidy Bennett, Madison English, Jennifer Lizana, John Gullion, Gary Koehn and Robert Jones.

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The Purcell Public Library will present "Teen Connect: Solar System Bracelets" Monday, March 25, from 4-5 p.m.

Make new friends and celebrate the eclipse while making a bracelet representing the solar system. Connect with other's experiences while sharing your own. Designed for ages 12-17. Registration is required.

Join us as we come together to make bracelets with beads representing the solar system and talk about upcoming solar eclipse and get to know people who share a similar interest. Discover new techniques and perspectives as we meet with others to learn about their experiences while sharing your own.

Please bring any materials to help support your experience and comfort.

For more information call 405-527-5546 or register online at pioneerlibrarysystem.org.

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The Heart of Oklahoma Kiwanis Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, March 30, at the Purcell Lake Weaver Pavilion, 1400 Chandler Road.

Each age group will have their own hunt and prizes. Age groups include 0-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12.

The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures.

The hunt begins at 9:30 a.m. sharp.

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Another Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the Huckleberry Hill Barn, 20551 Ladd Road, in Purcell from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 23.

The event will include an Easter Egg Hunt, food trucks, vendors and a meet the Easter Bunny.

The egg hunt age groups will include 1-3, 4-7 and 8-13.

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The deadline to pay the second half of your property taxes is Friday, March 29, at 4:30 p.m.

If anyone has questions regarding their tax statements, call the McClain County Treasurer's Office at 405-527-3261.

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This is really good and so easy to make.

### Crockpot Zesty Italian Chicken Pasta

2 pounds about 3, skinless, boneless chicken breasts  
0.6 oz. envelope Zesty Italian dressing  
2 cans 10.5 oz. condensed cream of chicken  
1/3 cup chicken broth  
4 oz. cream cheese, room temperature  
16 oz. box cooked pasta. I used bow ties

Place the chicken breasts in the slow cooker liner. Poke each breast with a fork 3 to 4 times.

Sprinkle the zesty Italian dressing on the chicken breasts. Add the condensed cream of chicken and chicken broth.

Cover the slow cooker and cook for 3 hours on high or 5-6 hours on low.

Thirty minutes before the end of the cook time, place your cream cheese on the counter. I have noticed if I bring my cream cheese to room temperature it will melt more evenly in the broth/cream.

Cook your pasta according to the directions on the package.

Shred the chicken and add the cream cheese to the broth and cover for 10-15 extra minutes or until the cheese is melted.

Add the cooked pasta to the slow cooker. Mix to coat the pasta.

## Hollywood meets Mozart

Come hear the spectacle of Darth Vader clashing with the passion of Mozart's masterwork "Requiem" on Sunday, April 14, at 4 p.m. in the Pauls Valley High School Auditorium, 601 North St., in Pauls Valley.

The Garvin County Choral Society & Sinfonietta presents a spectacular finale to its third season.

The program features John Williams' Grammy award winning music to "Star Wars" and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's historic "Requiem" that was

being written at the time of his death in 1792.

The chorus for the Mozart includes the Garvin County Chorale, the East Central University Concert Choir and members of the Kemp Concert Choir from First Presbyterian Church in Oklahoma City.

Tickets are available for \$20 in advance at the Pauls Valley Chamber of Commerce and online at GarvinCountySings.com.

Adult tickets are available at the door for \$25. Under 20 are admitted free.

## Lexington Pre-K signup

Lexington Elementary School will host the 2024-2025 Pre-K signup at Enrollment Night Thursday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the elementary safe room.

Students must be four years old on or before September 1, 2024.

The following documents are required for each child to be placed on the enrollment list:

- Updated shot record;
- Social Security card;

- State issued birth certificate; and
- Parent photo ID.

Completed pre-enrollment will hold your child's spot in line but students will be required to provide a current proof of residency at August enrollment.

Students eligible for Kindergarten who have not attended Pre-K may also sign up for school at this time.

Limited spots are available.

## Wayne Elementary Pre-K, new kindergarten student enrollment

Wayne Elementary Pre-K sign up and new kindergarten students enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year will be held Monday, March 25, through Thursday, March 28, in the Wayne Elementary School office.

Pre-K students must be four years old on or before Sept. 1, 2024 to qualify.

The following documents are required for each child:

- Updated shot record;
- State issued Birth Certificate;
- Proof of residency (utility bill);
- Parent photo ID; and
- CDIB card, if applicable.

Please sign up to secure your child's place in Pre-K.

Parents are required to complete school enrollment in August to finalize placement in Pre-K.

## Oklahoma Libertarians conclude convention

Libertarian Party members from across the state met in convention in Oklahoma City over this past weekend.

In addition to addressing party business matters such as choosing national delegates, members of committees, and presidential electors, state delegates decided on by-laws and platform amendments as well as approving a resolution in favor of legalizing the

sale of organs and tissues for transplant.

Billy Roberts, author of the resolution, was motivated to do so after seeing a friend suffer heart failure while waiting for a needed transplant. His belief that amending the Anatomical Gift Act to allow for the purchase and sale of organs and

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## Stealey OHCE

Stealey OHCE held its monthly meeting March 11, 2024 at the McClain County Farm and Home Building in Purcell.

Members present were vice president Peggy Christian, Bonita Brakefield, Jan Lenard, Pat Barrow, Sharon McGee and Cindy Hensley.

The meeting was called to order by vice president Peggy Christian followed by the Inspiration thought for the day.

Secretary Bonita Brakefield read the minutes from the February meeting which were approved. Jan Lenard gave the treasurer's report which was approved.

Bonita Brakefield presented the two options for the new OHCE Aprons available to be purchased and how they can be decorated and personalized.

Monday, March 18, at 9 a.m. those interested in helping assemble the next quilt to be raffled at the McClain County Fall Fair will meet at the McClain County Farm and Home Building.

At the Stealey OHCE April meeting we will be sewing pillow cases for the Children's Cancer Center beginning at 9 a.m.

Recycle Projects including used postage stamps for Wounded Warriors and greeting cards reports were turned in to Bonita Brakefield. Member volunteer hours reports for January were completed and turned in to Peggy Christian.

Follow us online at OHCE McClain County Stealey. Anyone interested is welcome to attend. The next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, April 8, at 1 p.m. in the education room at the McClain County Farm and Home Building.

## School Menus

Week of March 25

### WAYNE

<b>MONDAY BREAKFAST</b> Breakfast bar, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.	<b>LUNCH</b> Barbeque sandwich, whole grain chips, carrot, pears, milk.
<b>LUNCH</b> Chicken noodle, peas and carrots, tropical fruit, milk.	<b>THURSDAY BREAKFAST</b> Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.
<b>TUESDAY BREAKFAST</b> Cereal, fruit, juice, milk.	<b>LUNCH</b> Spaghetti, green beans, garlic bread, strawberry shortcake, milk.
<b>LUNCH</b> Beef taco, pinto beans, rice, peaches, milk.	<b>FRIDAY</b> No School.
<b>WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST</b>	

### PURCELL

<b>MONDAY BREAKFAST</b> Yogurt and toast or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.	<b>LUNCH</b> Pizza, caesar salad, cucumber slices, fruit, milk.
<b>LUNCH</b> Grilled cheese, tomato soup, cucumber slices, fruit, milk.	<b>THURSDAY BREAKFAST</b> Kolache or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.
<b>TUESDAY BREAKFAST</b> Pancakes with syrup or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.	<b>LUNCH</b> Pulled pork sandwich, french fries, chocolate chip cookie, coleslaw, fruit, milk.
<b>LUNCH</b> Chicken alfredo, green beans, baby carrots, garlic knot, fruit, milk.	<b>FRIDAY BREAKFAST</b> Doughnut or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.
<b>WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST</b> Biscuit and sausage gravy or cereal and toast, fruit, juice, milk.	<b>LUNCH</b> Chicken quesadilla, refried beans, tortilla chips, salsa, fruit, milk.

### LEXINGTON

<b>MONDAY BREAKFAST</b> Cereal or biscuit and gravy, applesauce, juice, milk.	<b>BREAKFAST</b> Cereal or biscuit/breakfast bar, peaches, juice, milk.
<b>LUNCH</b> Popcorn chicken or yogurt meal, cheezy potatoes, green beans, pears, milk.	<b>LUNCH</b> Chicken spaghetti or sandwich, English peas, steamed carrots, applesauce, milk.
<b>TUESDAY BREAKFAST</b> Cereal or breakfast burrito, pears, juice, milk.	<b>THURSDAY BREAKFAST</b> Cereal or yogurt and crackers, fruit, juice, milk.
<b>LUNCH</b> Beef taco pie or chef salad, whole kernel corn, pinto beans, peaches, milk.	<b>LUNCH</b> Pizza or chef salad, steamed broccoli, green salad, pineapple tidbits, milk.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b> No School.

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# Oklahoma 529 2023 tax benefits through April 15

State Treasurer Todd Russ wants to remind Oklahomans that it's not too late to open or contribute to an Oklahoma 529 account to enjoy 2023 tax benefits.

Oklahoma taxpayers have until April 15, 2024, to qualify for a state tax deduction on their 2023 Oklahoma state tax return.

As the state's education savings plan, families who invest in an Oklahoma 529 account, can receive a triple tax benefit to potentially help save thousands of dollars each year in taxes. There are three ways to save once you open and contribute to an Oklahoma 529 account:

- Account owners may qualify for a state tax deduction up to \$20,000 if married filing jointly;
- Tax-deferred growth on any earnings;
- Tax-free withdrawals for qualified higher education expenses such as tuition, fees, housing and food, books and more.

"With inflation at the top of consumers' minds and the cost of education continuing to rise, Oklahoma 529 is a flexible way for education savings, from kindergarten all the way through a student's higher

education journey," Russ said.

Saving for college has never been more important as tuition costs continue to rise.

For public 4-year college and universities, the 5-year average tuition inflation rate is 17 percent, while for non-profit private institutions average tuition increased by 13 percent. For the academic year 2024, the average cost of attendance at Oklahoma four-year colleges is \$23,007 for residents, according to college tuition-compare.com.

Earlier this year, 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. The plan has no sales charges, enrollment fees or annual account maintenance fees.

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

Visit Oklahoma529.com to learn more about Oklahoma 529 and ways to open an account.

# Senate approves Garvin bills to boost benefits for law enforcement, firefighters

Sen. Jessica Garvin, R-Duncan, on Thursday passed a trio of bills to improve pension benefits for retired police officers, firefighters and the Oklahoma Highway Patrol.

It's rare for a senator to pass three major pension reforms during a single legislative session, let alone to pass them off the Senate floor in a single day.

Officials from local law enforcement and firefighters' groups say these bills are essential to helping them recruit and retain public safety employees. The full Senate unanimously approved all three of Garvin's pension bills on Thursday.

"These reforms are the least we can do as a state to thank retired police officers, firefighters and the Troopers for their service," Garvin said. "Our men and women in uniform deserve the best and most com-

prehensive benefits available after spending years protecting Oklahomans."

SB 102 increases the retirement benefits an officer receives when they retire.

SB 453 increases pension benefits for volunteer firefighters, who make up an overwhelming majority of the fire personnel in our state.

SB 631 ensures members of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol who joined after November 1, 2012, would be eligible for the equally robust benefits offered to their predecessors.

Public safety officials resoundingly praised Garvin for her unwavering support for retired police, Troopers, and firefighters.

Oklahoma Fraternal Order of Police President Mark Nelson said, "Passing one pension bill in a legislative year is difficult, but this year, on a deadline day,

Senator Garvin proved to be a champion for not only every single police officer in this state, but also for every single firefighter in Oklahoma, as well as our friends at the Oklahoma Highway Patrol.

On behalf of the state's police officers, we are grateful for her work on the most meaningful piece of legislation we've had in many years."

Oklahoma State Firefighters Association Director Mike Kelly stated, "The Oklahoma State Firefighters Association appreciates the hard work and perseverance of Senator Jessica Garvin and the Oklahoma Senate for unanimously passing Senate Bill 453. This bill will be a great help in recruiting and retaining volunteer firefighters across our state at a very critical time when wildfires have devastated massive amounts of range land."

Oklahoma State Troopers Association President Kevin Crawford added, "Garvin is known at the Capitol for her incredible work ethic, her grit, her fearless determination, and her commitment to always doing the right thing for our state. She is a relentless advocate for law enforcement and has proven that, once again, by passing Senate Bill 631.

"This bill is a game changer for the Oklahoma Highway Patrol and will help recruit and retain the dedicated Troopers that protect and defend all four million Oklahomans.

"We are thankful to the entire Senate for their support of this measure, and especially thankful for the hard work Garvin has put in over the last few months to push our priority bill this far. Senate District 43 is fortunate to have her working on their behalf," he concluded.

# CPAC recognizes Senator Garvin with award

Sen. Jessica Garvin was recognized this week by the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) for her conservative voting record while serving in the Oklahoma Senate.

The national group honored Garvin and several other Republicans at the Capitol.

"I'm truly honored to receive CPAC's award for Conservative Achievement," Garvin said.

"I don't work hard for the people of Senate District 43 expect-

ing awards or recognition, but I am humbled that national policy experts recognize my successful track record of introducing and supporting Oklahoma's deeply held Republican values," she concluded.

CPAC reviews the voting records of lawmakers across the country each year and issues awards to those who demonstrate steadfast dedication to upholding conservative values and principles.

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# Firefighter Nancy Howell is 2023 Chickasaw Nation Dynamic Woman of the Year

A first responder trainer who has dedicated her career to safety and public service, Nancy Howell was named the 2023 Chickasaw Nation Dynamic Woman of the Year during the annual Chickasaw Nation Dynamic Women Conference.

"Women have had important roles throughout the history of the Chickasaw Nation, and we have long valued the strength that they bring, the wisdom that they have and leadership that they provide. This award pays tribute to a Chickasaw woman who has inspired, given hope, or opened new opportunities or possibilities for others through her example," Chickasaw Nation Governor Bill Anoatubby said. "We appreciate Nancy's dedication and service, and we honor her as the 2023 Chickasaw Nation Dynamic Woman of the Year," he said.

As an EMT (emergency medical technician) and firefighter instructor, Howell's influence extends well beyond the classroom. Through the curriculum she teaches and develops, she assists and ensures that firefighters and EMTs from volunteer, municipal and industry departments statewide are prepared to save lives and property.



• Photo provided

## Dynamic Woman

Chickasaw Nation Governor Bill Anoatubby presents Nancy Howell with the 2023 Chickasaw Nation Dynamic Woman of the Year Award during the annual Chickasaw Nation Dynamic Women Conference.

"The important thing to me is community and giving back to the community as a volunteer. I am a volunteer firefighter. I volunteer in my community and teach at a technology center that gives back to the community by offering free classes for the

volunteers," she said. Howell, a Chickasaw citizen from Central High, Okla., is widely known as an authority in her field. She is considered a subject matter expert for both the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education and Oklahoma State University Fire Service Training Program.

Howell's decades of community service began as a volunteer with the local Red Cross, teaching safety classes and swimming lessons. She accepted a position as a first responder at Kirk's Emergency Service in 1988 and later became a Central High volunteer firefighter, where she served for 20 years, retiring in 2022.

Only nine percent of U.S. firefighters are women, according to the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) and five percent of all career firefighters are women.

Howell began teaching EMT training in 1992 and in 2000, she was instrumental in developing the EMT and firefighter course that is currently taught in Oklahoma technology centers. Howell's first responder program at Great Plains Technology Center (GPTC), Lawton, was the first in the state and among the first in the United States.

The instruction and courses she developed are used to train numerous firefighters and instructors across the state.

Her influence extends well beyond her classroom, ensuring firefighters and EMTs from departments across the state are prepared to save lives and property through the curriculum she develops.

Howell is integral to GPTC's industry partnerships, coordinating the emergency service training for local manufacturing plants and fostering relationships with both volunteer and professional departments.

While working full time, she continued to pursue her bachelor's degree and graduated from Oklahoma State University in 2019. She also earned an associate degree in liberal arts and an associate of applied science in fire technology from Western Oklahoma State University.

"The Chickasaw Nation education program was such a blessing. I have zero college debt and have three degrees," she said.

Although she is planning to retire from her full-time teaching position at the technology center in June 2024, she does not plan to slow down.

"I plan to continue to teach, develop and coordinate classes for first responders on a part-time basis. I turned 60 this year and I am always going to keep working and learning."

Howell has been honored as the 2021 Oklahoma Fire Service Instructor of the Year and 2022 Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) Postsecondary Professional of the Year for ACTE Region IV.

Howell was also a 2023 national finalist for Postsecondary Professional of the Year and recently included in the Marquis Who's Who biographical registry.

Howell said her Chickasaw lineage can be traced to her Chickasaw great-great-grandmother Katherine Harris, Chickasaw great-grandfather Lemuel Blevins and Chickasaw grandfather W.C. Blevins, all original enrollees on the Dawes Rolls.

"I am so proud to be Chickasaw," she said.

Her parents are Kenneth, a Chickasaw citizen, and Lawanna Blevins. She is married to Jerry Howell, a retired Oklahoma Highway Patrol lieutenant. They have three children and two grandchildren.

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## Early voting for BOE

### March 28-29 for general election

Early voting in the state's April 2 Board of Education general election will be open starting March 28.

McClain County voters unable to make it to the polls on election day will have the option of voting early at the McClain County Community Center, 1721 Hardcastle Blvd.

Karen Haley, McClain County Election Board secretary,

said early voting is open to all voters.

"You do not need to provide an excuse to vote early," she said. "Oklahoma allows early voting for all elections conducted through the State Election Board. This is a great option for those who will be out of town on election day or who want to avoid long lines."

Early voting is available

Thursday, March 28 and Friday, March 29, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Haley reminds voters there will be no early voting at precinct 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.

The McClain County Election Board is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays in the McClain County Courthouse. For questions, call 405-527-3121 or email mcclaincounty@elections.ok.gov.

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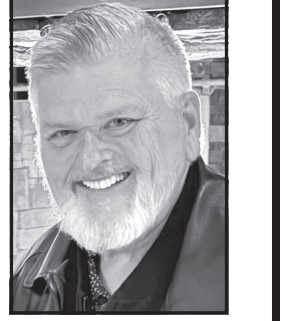
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## Lonnie Burns Republican for House District 20

**ABOUT LONNIE**  
Lonnie Burns is an ordained minister with the International Pentecostal Holiness Church and a licensed behavior counselor in Oklahoma. He has dedicated his life to serving his community in various roles, including as a council member and mayor of Blanchard, OK, and a town treasurer in Hammon, OK. He is also a published author having written the faith-based book, "The Breakdown of Truth," in 2021.



Burns is now running for the House District 20 seat to bring his values of community, compassion and care to a broader platform.

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# Purcell Senior Citizens

By Val Blackburn

Legal Aid will be at the senior center on Tuesday, March 26, at 11 a.m. They assist with free services for seniors and can answer many questions on matters concerning individuals and/or direct to other resources that can assist with legal issues. Everyone is invited.

There will be no dance on Friday, March 22. Both bands will be at an event out of town. The dance will resume on March 29 and proceed every week after. Come and join us for all the fun!

Support Group will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 26. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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 March 25-29:  
Monday—Barbecue ribette sandwich, baked beans, applesauce, cookies.

Tuesday—Macaroni, cheese and franks casserole, green beans, carrots, cornbread.

Wednesday—Breaded fish, oven browned potatoes, cabbage, hush puppies, pudding.

Thursday—White chicken chili, tomato relish, greens, cornbread, fruit crisp.

Friday—Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, broccoli, roll, strawberry cake.

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.

## PCCC to meet March 26

The Purcell Chickasaw Community Council will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, at the Chickasaw Area Office, 1430 Hardcastle Blvd., in Purcell.

Brad Frizell, Director of Home Maintenance for the Aging Division, will present information regarding home maintenance for Chickasaw Elders which includes supplemental lawn program, wood program and car care.

Those attending are asked to bring finger food dishes, chip and dip, veggie tray and or dessert.

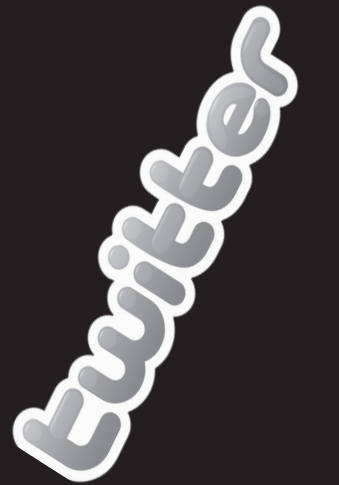
All interested Chickasaw citizens are encouraged to attend.

For more information contact Carolee Maxwell at 405-527-7676 or Angie Wallace at 405-615-8863.

### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE 2024-2027 STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation is seeking public comment on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for federal fiscal years 2024 through 2027. The full proposed FFY 2024-2027 STIP can be viewed online at [www.ODOT.org](http://www.ODOT.org) by clicking the Programs and Projects tab and then clicking Transportation Programs. Comments may be made via email to Michael Flynn at [Michael.flynn@odot.ok.gov](mailto:Michael.flynn@odot.ok.gov) or in writing to Oklahoma Department of Transportation, Project Management Division, 200 NE 21st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73105. Comments will be taken until April 4th 2024.

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No. 186-March 21-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RONALD MOORE FISHBURN, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2020-43 NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

NOTICE is hereby given that Graham Madison Fishburn, Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF RONALD MOORE FISHBURN, Deceased, having filed in

this Court his Final Account of the Administration of said estate, and his Petition for Distribution of said estate and for Final Discharge of said Personal Representative, the hearing of the same has been fixed by the Judge of said Court for 9:30 o'clock a.m., on the 18 day of April, 2024, before Judge Charles Gray in his chambers in the McClain County Courthouse in Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs

of RONALD MOORE FISHBURN, Deceased, determined, said estate distributed, and the Personal Representative discharged.

WITNESS MY HAND this 18th day of March, 2024.

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

No. 185-March 21-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JERRY DON CHANDLER, Deceased.

CASE NO. PB-2021-43 NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

NOTICE is hereby given that Keith Meek, the Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF JERRY DON CHANDLER, Deceased, having filed in this Court his Final

Account of the Administration of said estate, and his Petition for Distribution of said estate and for Final Discharge of said Personal Representative, the hearing of the same has been fixed by the Judge of said Court for 9:30 o'clock a.m., on the 18th day of April, 2024, before Judge Charles Gray in his chambers in the McClain County Courthouse in Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of JERRY

DON CHANDLER, Deceased, determined, said estate distributed, and the Personal Representative discharged.

WITNESS MY HAND this 18th day of March, 2024

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

No. 170-March 21-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALBERT J. ANDREWS, DECEASED.

Case No. PB-2024-33 Notice of Hearing on Petition for Probate of Will

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estate of Albert J. Andrews, Deceased, that Carol Reynolds filed in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, an instrument purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of the Decedent and a Petition praying for Letters of Administration to be issued thereon

to Carol Reynolds.

Notice is hereby given that said Petition further prays that the heirs-at-law, legatees and devisees of Albert J. Andrews, Deceased, be determined at the hearing thereon, all for the purpose of waiver procedures as provided by the applicable statutes of the State of Oklahoma.

Pursuant to an Order of said Court, notice is hereby given that the 4th day of April 2024, at 9:30 A.M., has been appointed as the time for hearing said Petition and proving said Will, in the Courtroom of Judge Charles Gray, or the Judge to whom this cause is assigned on said hearing date, in the McClain County Courthouse in the

City of Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, when and where all persons interested may appear and contest same as provided by law, or may assert rights to the administration and pray that Letters be issued.

Dated this 13th day of March 2024.

/s/ Charles Gray JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Prepared By: Mona Guziar, OBA 33186 Unity Legal Services, PLLC 3750 W. Main Street, Suite 157 Norman, OK 73072 Phone: 405-857-8231 www.unitylegalservices.net

No. 183-March 21-3 Times IN AND FOR THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA LIME ROCK RESOURCES IV-A, L.P. Plaintiff,

vs. TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS; ET AL. Defendants.

CASE NO. CJ-2024-27 NOTICE

TO: Kenny Varnell; and The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Administrators, Executors, and Assigns, if any, of G.M. Farmer, a/k/a Gwen M. Farmer, a/k/a Gwendolyn McNatt Farmer, deceased; M. Frank Farmer, a/k/a Maynard Frank Farmer, deceased; Eva Louise Farmer, a/k/a Eva Louise Brown Martin Farmer, deceased; Barbara Ann Farmer O'Connor, a/k/a Barbara F. O'Connor, deceased; Frank O'Connor, Sr., deceased; Mary Evelyn Farmer Stooksbury,

deceased; James L. Pardue, deceased; Cliff W. Trice, a/k/a Clifford W. Trice, a/k/a Clifford William Trice, deceased; Alice Ann Trice McBride, deceased; and Clifford David Trice, deceased

GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff filed a Petition in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, in the above styled and numbered cause.

The property at issue herein is undivided interest in the oil, gas, and other minerals and royalty monies on proceeds from sales of oil and gas from oil and gas wells operated by Lime Rock Resources in the following-described property, to wit:

S/2 S/2 NW/4 and N/2 SW/4 and SE/4 SW/4 and E/2 SW/4 SW/4 of Section Twenty-seven (27), Township Seven (7) North, Range Two (2) West, McClain County, Oklahoma, containing

180.00 acres, more or less.

This Notice is served upon you in accordance with Section 2004, Title 12 of the Oklahoma Statutes. You are further notified that you have forty-one (41) days from the date of service of this Notice upon you in which to plead as provided in said Statutes.

Issued this 14th day of March, 2024.

(SEAL)

McClain County Court Clerk /s/ Karen Weltmer Attorney for Plaintiff:

/s/ Tiffany K. Peterson Tiffany K. Peterson, OBA No. 31186 Munson & McMillin A professional corporation 247 North Broadway, Suite 103 Edmond, Oklahoma 73034 Telephone: (405) 513-7707 tpeterson@munsonmcmillin.com

No. 188-March 21-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA PEOPLES BANK & TRUST CO., Plaintiff,

vs. BRYAN SHANE CASTOR and TINA CASTOR, husband and wife, and BRYAN SHANE CASTOR, Trustee of the Bryan Shane Castor Revocable Trust Agreement dated January 3, 2014 Defendants.

Case No. CJ-2023-87

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICE is given on the 23 day of April, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the Sheriff Office of the County Courthouse at Purcell, Oklahoma, the Sheriff of McClain County, will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash to the highest and best bidder, subject to the appraisal thereof in the sum of \$3,406,000.00, all that certain real property located in McClain County, Oklahoma, described as follows:

Tract 1: The Northwest Quarter (NW/4) and the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE/4 SW/4) and the East Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (E/2 NW/4 SW/4) of Section Thirty-Five (35), Township Six (6) North, Range Three (3) West, I.M., McClain County, Oklahoma.

Tract 2: The Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Sixteen (16), Township Five (5) North, Range Three (3) West, McClain County, State of Oklahoma.

AND The North Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (N1/2 NW1/4 NW1/4) of Section-Nine (9), Township Five (5) North, Range Three (3) West, McClain County, State of Oklahoma;

AND The South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (S1/2 NW1/4 NW1/4); and the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW1/4 NW1/4) of Section Nine (9), Township Five (5) North, Range Three (3) West, McClain County, State of Oklahoma;

AND The Southwest Quarter (SW1/4); and the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the

Southeast Quarter (NW1/4 NW1/4 SE1/4) and the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (W1/2 SW1/4 NE1/4); and the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (EE1/4 NW1/4) of Section Nine (9), Township Five (5) North, Range Three (3) West, McClain County, State of Oklahoma;

AND The Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE1/4 NW1/4); and the West Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (W1/2 NW1/4 NE1/4) of Section Nine (9), Township Five (5) North, Range Three (3) West, McClain County, State of Oklahoma.

Less and Except a Tract of Land described as Beginning at the Northwest Corner of the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of said Section 9; thence N 89°57'26" E along the North boundary of said NW1/4, a distance of 3010.42 feet to a point on the center line of 150th Street; thence S 71°30'45" W along the center line of said street, a distance of 3174.26 feet to a point on the West Boundary of said NW1/4; thence N 00°00'07" E along the West boundary of said NW1/4, a distance of 1004.30 feet to the Point of Beginning.

subject to taxes and tax sales, if any. Said property has been appraised for the sum of \$3,406,000.00.

Sale will be made pursuant to a Special Execution and Order of Sale No. 2 issued upon a Judgment entered in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, in Case No. CJ-2023-87, wherein Peoples Bank & Trust Co., was plaintiff and Bryan Shane Castor and Tina Castor, husband and wife, and Bryan Shane Castor, Trustee of the Bryan Shane Castor Revocable Trust Agreement dated January 3, 2014 were Defendants, to satisfy the Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure in favor of said Plaintiff and against said defendants, obtained in said Court on October 4, 2023, as follows: on Note No. 1 in the principal sum of \$96,045.50, plus Late Charges in the amount of \$49.50, together with accrued interest the amount of \$10,161.39, with interest accruing thereon at the rate of \$26.31 per diem, from April 6, 2023, until paid; on the Note No. 2 in the principal

sum of \$1,609,447.63, plus Late Charges in the amount of \$33.00, together with accrued interest the amount of \$149,832.95, with interest accruing thereon at the rate of \$440.94 per diem, from April 6, 2023, until paid; on Note No. 3 in the amount of \$200,000.00, plus Late Charges in the amount of \$66.00, together with accrued interest the amount of \$33,470.96, with interest accruing thereon at the rate of \$38.36 per diem, from April 6, 2023, until paid; on Note No. 4 in the principal sum of \$300,000.00, plus Late Charges in the amount of \$33.00, together with accrued interest the amount of \$27,434.49, with interest accruing thereon at the rate of \$82.19 per diem, from April 6, 2023, until paid, abstract expenses; advances for preservation of subject property; and the further sum of \$40,000.00, its reasonable attorney's fees, and for all costs of this action.

Persons having an interest in the property being sold whose interest is sought to be extinguished and whose actual address is unknown are as follows: None.

SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO PLACE 10% OF THE BID AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT WITH THE COURT CLERK'S OFFICE ON THE DATE OF THE SALE. THE REMAINING BALANCE MUST BE PAID ON OR BEFORE THE CONFIRMATION HEARING DATE, WHICH IS USUALLY 2-3 WEEKS AFTER THE SALE DATE. ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE IN THE FORM OF A CASHIER'S CHECK OR MONEY ORDER. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THESE INSTRUCTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT KEVIN BLANEY AT (405) 235-8445 PRIOR TO THE SALE DATE.

WITNESS My hand this 19 day of March, 2024.

/s/ Landy Offolter Landy Offolter, Sheriff of McClain County, State of Oklahoma BLANEY TIPTON HIRSCH & ODOM, PLLC 204 North Robinson 1250 City Place Post Office Box 657 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73101 Telephone: (405) 235-8445 Facsimile: (405) 236-3410 10536.0031

No. 176-March 21-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Edward Charles Tabor, Deceased.

Case No. PB-24-17 NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF OKLAHOMA

ss. COUNTY OF MCCLAIN

All persons having claims against Edward Charles Tabor, Deceased, are required to present the same with a description of all security interests and other collateral, if any, held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the named Personal Representative at: c/o Spencer Allred

Oklahoma Estate Attorneys, PLLC 2909 NW 156th Street Edmond, OK 73013

on or before the following presentation date: May 20, 2024, or the same will be non-suited, void and forever barred.

Dated this 14th day of March, 2024.

Anthony Tabor Personal Representative

Prepared by: Spencer D. Allred, OBA #35299 Oklahoma Estate Attorneys, PLLC

2909 NW 156th Street Edmond, OK 73013 (405) 733-8686 Spencer.Allred@terrellmonks.com Attorneys for Personal Representative

No. 187-March 21-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DEBRA ANN THOMPSON, Deceased.

Case No. PB-2024-37 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 Debra Ann Thompson, Deceased, that on the 19th day of March 2024, there was filed with this Court the Petition of Aubrey John Thompson praying that Letters of Administration be issued to him as Personal Representative of the Estate, to serve without bond, for a judicial determination of the heirs of the Decedent.

Pursuant to an Order of this Court made on the 19th day of

March 2024, notice is given that the 11th day of April 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 19th day of March 2024.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT 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

No. 184-March 21-2 Times NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE PARADISE AIR HAVEN HOME OWNER'S INC. OF MCCLAIN COUNTY

Pursuant to 11 O.S. § 42-106.1(C) and the Bylaws of the Paradise Air Haven Home Owner's Inc. of McClain County, please be advised that the Paradise Air Haven Home Owner's Inc. of McClain County will conduct a regular meeting on Thursday, April 4th,

2024, at 6:00 P.M. Said Meeting will be held at the Goldsby Community Center, located at 100 E. 1290 Rd., Goldsby, Oklahoma 73093.

Joanna Southard President

Wendee Perceful Secretary/Treasurer PARADISE AIR HAVEN HOME OWNER'S INC. OF MCCLAIN COUNTY AGENDA Regular Meeting

April 4, 2024

No. 189-March 21-2 Times 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 Retail Beer & Retail Wine License under authority of and in compliance with the said Act: That it intend(s), if granted such license to operate as a Retail Beer & Retail Wine establishment with business premises located at 509 S. Seifried in Wayne, McClain, Oklahoma under the business name of Hop N Shop #27.

Dated this 19th day of March, 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)

# Obituaries

## Terrie Lyne Castleman

Terrie Lyne Castleman died surrounded by family March 13, 2024, in Wanette at the age of 60 years 2 months 23 days.



Memorial Services are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 23, 2024, at the Wanette Baptist Church, entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service.

Terrie was born December 21, 1963, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to Jerry and Nancy (Ford) Frair. Her formative years were nurtured in the embrace of Tecumseh, where she diligently pursued her education.

In the tapestry of her life's journey, a significant chapter unfolded on April 19, 1990, when she exchanged vows with Gary Castleman in Norman, Oklahoma. Terrie dedicated numerous years of service as a Loan Officer, culminating in her well-deserved retirement from Tower Loan in 2019. The essence of who she was transcended these professional accomplishments.

Terrie's spirit found solace and joy in the simple beauties of life - tending to her beloved plants, embarking on exhilarating motorcycle adventures with dear friends, and seeking moments of excitement at the casino. However, above all else, her heart bloomed brightest in the presence of her family. Each cherished moment spent with them held profound significance. Her little companion, JJ, nestled deeply within her affections, embodying a bond of unwavering love.

Terrie was preceded in death by her parents, Jerry and Nancy Frair; her mother- and father-in-law, Paul and Sharon Castleman; her brother, Jerry W. Frair; her sister-in-law, Linda Howen; and her great-niece, Maya Grace Hill.

Survivors include her husband, Gary Castleman; her sisters, Linda Heflin and Lisa Buckmaster; her brothers, Donnie Frair and Dennis Frair; her nieces, April Martin and Heather Ledger; her sisters-in-law, Debbie Snow, Margie Schafer and Karen Martin; and numerous other relatives and friends.

Wadley's Funeral Service, Inc. 303 W. Washington • P.O. Box 903 • Purcell, OK • (405) 527-6687

## Leona Davenport

Funeral services for Leona Davenport, 80, of Wayne were held Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Interment was at the Hopping Cemetery in Wayne under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.



Mrs. Davenport passed away peacefully at her home on March 5, 2024.

Leona Marie Weeden was born on August 18, 1943 in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, to Dallas Lafayette Weeden and Cora Lee Weeden (Mooney). She grew up in the area attending Whitebead School and later, Pauls Valley

High School.

By chance, Leona met a young man at the drive-in named Jake Davenport and they quickly fell in love. Leona and Jake were married on August 5, 1960, starting their family soon after. In 1969, they moved to Wayne and called it home ever since.

Leona raised her family, then began working outside the home with great success. Leona was a bold, bright businesswoman owning several businesses during the 80s, 90s and early 2000s. For a time, she owned a bar in Wayne, "Jinks", then moved on to the convenience store business owning Tom's in Wayne and later the Slaughterville Store. She worked seven days a week in these stores - and loved it!

In her later years, she enjoyed spending time with her kids, and watching soap operas and basketball on T.V. Leona had a generous heart, always willing to help those in need. She was a treasured mother, grandmother, and friend. She will be dearly missed by all those who knew and loved her.

Leona was preceded in death by her parents, Dallas Weeden and Cora Jarnigan; her husband, Jake Davenport; her son, David Davenport; her grandson, Brian Lane and her siblings, Irene Songer and Clifford Weeden.

She is survived by her daughters, Jeanne Birkes and husband, Roland, of Wayne and Ronnie Davenport of Wayne; her five grandchildren, Amy White and husband, Noah, David Davenport and wife, Stormy, Macy Davenport, Larrison Stevens, Jake Stevens and Kristie Greb and husband, Daniel; great-grandchildren, Kailey, Rya, Raylee, Rowdy, Emersyn, Charlie, Max and Violet and two great-great-grandchildren, Paisley and Kamdyn.

Online condolences may be made at wilsonlittle.com.

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

## Steven Dale Yeary

Steven Dale Yeary, age 69, passed away peacefully, after a lengthy illness, on March 13, 2024, in Purcell, Oklahoma. He was born to T. S. (Red) Yeary and Louie Dale (Martin) Yeary on September 7, 1954, in Norman, Oklahoma.

He attended school in Lexington, graduating with the Bulldog Class of 1972. He enjoyed spending time with his sons and granddaughter. He loved the OSU Cowboys and enjoyed wearing his orange, loud and proud. He loved all animals, especially his cats and his rabbits. Steven was a great mechanic and most recently worked in the restaurant industry until his health forced his retirement. He will be dearly missed.

Steven was preceded in death by his parents, T. S. (Red) Yeary and Louie Dale (Martin) Yeary; his son, Kevin Yeary; and his brother, Jerry Yeary.

He is survived by his son, Stephen Yeary; his granddaughter, Madyson Yeary; his roommate, Linda McLellan; his brothers, Gregory Yeary and wife, Wanda Yeary, of Norman, Oklahoma; and Tom Yeary and wife, Becky Yeary, of Moore, Oklahoma; and several nieces and nephews.

No services are currently planned, but a celebration of life may be scheduled. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Purcell Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) or an animal shelter or rescue of your choosing.

## Helen Harrington

Graveside services for Helen Harrington, 93, of Wayne will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, March 22, 2024 at the Hopping Cemetery. Services will be under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.



Mrs. Harrington passed away on March 16, 2024 surrounded by family.

Helen Louise Brakefield was born on July 18, 1930 in Wayne, Oklahoma, the second of six children born to James and Myrtle Brakefield. She was primarily raised in the Wayne community, and she attended Blantonview schools up until the eighth grade.

A short time later, she caught the eye of a handsome young man named, Virgil Corby Harrington. The two married young and together they shared countless memories, enough to last a lifetime. Virgil served in the military for nearly 21 years, and Helen was a proud military wife. She followed Virgil while he served on different tours all around the world and back, before they eventually settled back down in Wayne, Oklahoma. It was there that they made their home and finished raising their three beautiful children, Anita, Mike and Dana.

Helen was a caretaker at heart, and as such, she felt very blessed to be a homemaker for several years. Later, she worked in the cafeteria at Wayne Public Schools. Helen was a very gentle, loving, forgiving and patient woman. She was also very independent and outspoken. She would tell you her honest opinion, whether you wanted to hear it or not!

Helen had a fun sense of humor, an infectious laugh and she loved to cut-up with her friends and family. In her free time, she enjoyed crossword puzzles and being in the comfort of her own home. More than anything, Helen was a family woman. She truly loved spending time with her family, especially her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren. Helen chased them around to their various sporting events and other activities, and she was always their number one fan! She cherished every moment with them. Helen was a beloved mother, Granny, sister and a true friend to all. She will be dearly missed!

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Virgil Harrington; parents, James and Myrtle Brakefield; daughters, Anita Arnett and Dana Worley; son, Mike Harrington; infant twins and baby Harrington; granddaughter, Amber Hinkle and four siblings.

Helen is survived by her sister, Shirley O'Hagen of California; sister-in-law, Mona Brakefield of Dibble; seven grandchildren, Amy Harmoning of Wayne, Shandi Self of Wayne, Sara Blackwood and husband, Tommy, of Wayne, Jeremy Self of Durant, Tony Harrington and wife, Shaunna, of El Reno and Ryan Worley and wife, Breanna, of Blanchard; 11 great-grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren and a host of other family and friends.

Online condolences may be made at wilsonlittle.com.

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## Carolyn Earline Ward

Funeral services for Carolyn Earline Ward, 86, of Purcell will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 22, 2024 at Union Hill Baptist Church. Interment will be at Hillside Cemetery under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mrs. Ward passed away peacefully on March 19, 2024.

Carolyn was born in Shawnee, Okla., on September 23, 1937. She shared a birthdate with her Aunt Jewel, sister Claudine and niece Tammie.

In 1953, she caught the eye of a young man named, W.R. (Sonny) Ward. He worked for Carolyn's dad's broomcorn crew. Carolyn and Sonny quickly fell in love and were married on February 3, 1956. Together they raised two sons, Scott and Grant.

Carolyn worked as a secretary for General Telephone Company for 32 years. After retiring from the telephone company, she fulfilled a lifelong dream of owning the Living Word Christian Bookstore in Norman and Shawnee for 25 years.

She was a long-time faithful member of Union Hill Baptist Church. She lead the Growing In Faith Together (GIFT) most recently known as the elderly ladies Sunday School class for a number of years.

She loved her Sister Trips throughout Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, Georgia, Tennessee and even Colorado. She loved lighthouses and enjoyed her trip to Boston.

She was a beloved Mother, Grandmother, Sister, Friend and Woman of Faith who will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Marvin and Mabel Walker and her sister, Claudine.

She is survived by husband, Sonny of Purcell; her sisters, Jo Ann Huddleston of Purcell and Arlene Kennedy of Maysville; her son, Scott Ward and wife, Pam, of Oklahoma City and Grant Ward and wife, Lisa, of Byars; grandchildren, Amanda and husband, Brad, of Norman, Richard of Purcell, Michelle and husband, Brad, of Oklahoma City and Jeri and Ty of Las Vegas; 13 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

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Mark Codner • For The Purcell Register

## Help on property tax exemptions

McClain County Assessor Kendal Sacchieri works with Newcastle resident Rosemary Scherer on her property tax exemption. Sacchieri was at the Newcastle Storm Shelter on Friday to aid those seeking help with senior freeze exemptions and homestead exemptions.

## Rosedale Cemetery needs assistance

The Rosedale Community Cemetery needs your help.

To anyone connected to the Rosedale community, whether you have family or friends buried there or would just like to help with the maintenance of our beautiful cemetery, organizers need you now.

Rosedale residents are blessed to have a beautiful cemetery for the community of Rosedale but rely on the donations received to cover the costs of maintaining it. The money received goes 100 percent to the maintenance and upkeep of the property, most of which is mowing the grass.

With the grass beginning to grow, organizers will be forced to begin mowing soon in order to stay on top of it.

"We have someone who

graciously mows and cleans the cemetery at a very reduced cost but it still gets very expensive.

In my experience these past few years of being the caretaker, I have found that the majority of the donations have come from elderly people, many of whom cannot give now and/or have passed away," Brent Boles said.

"Donations have dropped substantially, so if you have loved ones buried there or any other connection to this cemetery we are asking you to please consider helping with a financial donation," Boles concluded.

If you would like to make a donation please make your check out to: Rosedale Cemetery, c/o Brent Boles, 14365 Luper St., Rosedale, OK 74831.

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## Libertarians:

tissue would increase their availability for transplant and save the lives of as many as 30 Americans a day was unanimously supported by the convention.

Delegates heard from 2020 LP vice-presidential candidate Spike Cohen who spoke about the need for Libertarians to communicate the basis of our commitment to individual liberty is respect of the rights of all individuals.

They also heard from research scientist and author Dr. Mary Ruwart whose talk centered on our increasing understanding of COVID and how that clarifies the failures of the politically driven response to the pandemic.

With over 22,000 Libertarian-affiliated voters across the state, the party looks forward to continued growth during this presidential election year.

## Newsmakers

### Hamby receives degree

Hunter Hamby of Dibble received his degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Hamby received his College of Letters and Science, Master of Science-Physics, Physics.

### Waters in Phi Kappa Phi

Michelle Waters of Lexington was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Waters was initiated at The University of Oklahoma.

Waters is among approximately 25,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter.

Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

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# Purcell flirting with \$1 million sales tax dollars for January city coffers

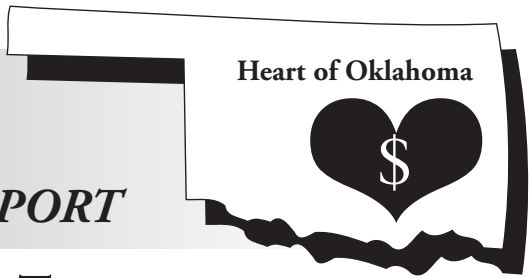
The February report from the Oklahoma Tax Commission was recently sent out showing returns of tax dollars sent to area municipalities for business done in January.

Retail and Use taxes returned indicate sales in Purcell showed an increase from the same time last year. In fact, Purcell had almost \$1 million in sales tax for this year's re-

turns. Adding the Use tax from January, Purcell had a total of \$1,051,244.55.

McClain County sales showed a decrease during the same time period.

## FEBRUARY SALES/USE TAX REPORT



### Sales Taxes

CITY	RATE	2024	2023	DIFFERENCE
Blanchard	.05	\$438,490.54	418,590.93	19,899.61
Byars	.04	\$1,608.80	1,990.68	-381.88
Cole	.04	\$1,954.46	4,734.89	-2,780.43
Dibble	.05	\$22,607.20	18,682.87	3,924.33
Goldsby	.035	\$187,416.40	178,398.82	9,017.58
Lexington	.04	\$44,022.61	44,259.51	-236.90
Lindsay	.04	\$353,607.47	298,605.45	55,002.02
Maysville	.04	\$35,406.55	27,066.39	8,340.16
Newcastle	.04	\$739,900.10	726,307.19	13,592.91
Noble	.04125	\$165,040.65	165,581.31	-540.66
Norman	.04125	\$8,367,268.02	8,501,744.70	-134,476.68
Paoli	.03	\$4,700.96	4,334.33	366.63
Pauls Valley	.045	\$640,653.45	686,920.54	-46,267.09
Purcell	.05	\$957,104.29	892,839.06	64,265.23
Slaughterville	.02	\$25,590.31	22,843.07	2,747.24
Wanette	.035	\$2,504.30	4,532.51	-2,028.21
Washington	.04	\$20,409.71	\$29,898.58	-9,488.87
Wayne	.035	\$22,777.36	31,483.21	-8,705.85
McClain County	.005	\$288,887.57	324,648.79	-35,761.22

### Use Taxes

CITY	RATE	2024	2023	DIFFERENCE
Blanchard	.05	\$255,360.26	176,627.17	78,733.09
Byars	.04	\$2,801.96	1,880.09	921.87
Cole	.04	\$6,199.49	4,925.30	1,274.19
Dibble	.05	\$4,988.71	5,931.26	-942.55
Goldsby	.035	\$31,991.73	34,818.64	-2,826.91
Lexington	.04	\$22,669.41	19,327.56	3,341.85
Lindsay	.04	\$35,130.70	67,278.58	-32,147.88
Maysville	No report			
Newcastle	.04	\$223,061.92	188,022.65	35,039.27
Noble	.04125	\$79,650.54	72,615.53	7,035.01
Norman	.04125	\$1,785,208.75	1,677,475.06	107,733.69
Paoli	.03	\$3,309.95	3,038.53	271.42
Pauls Valley	.045	\$73,806.32	77,828.01	-4,021.69
Purcell	.05	\$94,140.26	97,478.48	-3,338.22
Slaughterville	.02	\$14,396.06	13,120.97	1,275.09
Wanette	.035	\$1,875.10	2,705.89	-830.79
Washington	.04	\$21,385.86	17,587.19	3,798.67
Wayne	.035	\$5,448.15	5,228.08	220.07
McClain County	.005	\$77,067.93	115,776.55	-38,708.62

#### Use tax:

Every state with a sales tax has a companion tax for outside the state. In Oklahoma, this is a "use tax."

When someone purchases items for use in Oklahoma from retailers who do not collect sales tax, the buyer owes the state on those items. The state use tax was first enacted in 1937.



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### Ribbon cutting

Purcell Rotarians cut the ribbon celebrating the Rotary Club of Purcell archives, library and research room at the McClain County Historical Museum that they recently restored.

## Wayne Senior Citizens

By John Webb

Happy spring everyone. So refreshing to see folks working in their lawns and gardens, trying to make things grow, while, at the same time, working to kill things you don't want to grow. What a great season.

Lots of people may make time to establish some new habits. A good one to try is joining us for lunch at the Wayne Senior Citizens Center. Delta Senior Nutrition serves a delicious meal served at 11:30 a.m. every Monday through Friday, excluding federal holidays and business closure days.

If you are a senior, 60+, and would like to find out how to qualify, please call the kitchen in Purcell at 405-527-9462. We will be glad to explain the process.

Here is the menu for March 25-29:

Monday—Barbecued ribette on bun, baked beans, red hot apple sauce, chocolate chip cookies.

Tuesday—Macaroni cheese and franks casserole, green beans, carrots, cornbread or dinner roll, cherry gelatin with fruit.

Wednesday—Breaded fish with tartar sauce, oven browned potatoes, cooked cabbage or coleslaw, hush puppies, rocky road pudding with topping.

Thursday—White chicken chili, tomato spoon relish, spinach or greens, cornbread, fruit crisp.

Friday—Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and white gravy, broccoli, dinner roll, frosted strawberry cake.

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

Menus are subject to change, or days may be swapped occasionally, due to product availability or delivery issues. We do strive to keep changes to a minimum.

Meal reservations are required in Wayne and Purcell to ensure we prepare enough meals for anyone who dines with us. But we do not want to prepare so many that we must throw them away.

Active roster members can make a voluntary donation of \$2

per meal. Guests will be charged the full cost of the meal which is \$6 and a receipt will be issued.

We have a great bunch of seniors here in Wayne, but there is always room for someone new. Please consider joining us for food and fellowship. You'll be glad you did.

Finally, the WSCC garage sale returns on Thursday, March 28, and Friday, March 29, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lots of new items to see. The place looks great and the prices are low. Come check it out.

I appreciate all who continue to support your Wayne Senior Citizens Center.

Until next time...



## NEWS from the City of Purcell

Working together we can beautify our community!

The City of Purcell may issue a citation in the amount of \$249 if you are in violation of any of the following:

1. Trash and or debris on your property
2. Tall weeds or grass (including edging along the street and

3. Inoperable and/or junk vehicles
4. Trailers and autos in alleyways
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## RWD 8:

a 12-inch transmission line to the water plant, two new water filters and housing.

Joe Freeman, chief of the OWRB's Financial Assistance Division, calculated the district's customers will save an estimated \$1,553,200 compared to traditional financing.

The ARPA grant program is administered by the OWRB with funding from the U.S. Department of the Treasury and appropriated through the Water and Wastewater American Rescue Plan Act grants program.

This OWRB program has been structured to provide

communities and other eligible entities with the financial resources necessary to address water and wastewater infrastructure needs within their systems.

Since 1983 the Water Resources Board has approved over \$7.3 billion in loans and grants for water and wastewater infrastructure improvements throughout Oklahoma.

"We are grateful to State Legislators from the McClain County area for their continued support of our financial assistance programs," said Executive Director of the OWRB Julie Cunningham.

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## News:

foot clearance

6. Failure to trim trees, grass and weeds in the alley

7. Leaving grass clippings in the street after mowing

8. Setting bulk trash to the curb sooner than three days before pick-up. (Bulk pick-up is the last Monday of every month)



**Heart of Oklahoma Kiwanis**  
**Annual Easter Egg Hunt**  
**Saturday, March 30th @ 9:30 am\***  
**Purcell Lake Weaver Pavilion**  
 1400 Chandler Park Road Purcell, OK 73080  
**Each age group will have their own hunt and prizes**  
**0-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12**  
**The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures**  
 \*The hunt will start at 9:30 am, get there early

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## Douglas:

from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, Douglas taught elementary school for three years.

She was an assistant girls coach at Midwest City for one year, when the Bombers were State Champions, and broke into the head coaching position at U.S. Grant for two years.

"Candy Hunt was the softball coach my freshman and sophomore years at Lexington," Douglas said. "She was the athletic director at U.S. Grant and offered me the head coaching position.

"That's how it all started," she said.

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## Filing:

Election Board. Candidates for county offices file with the Secretary of the County Election Board.

McClain County Election Board Secretary Karen Haley said the following offices are expected to be filled this year include County Commissioner District 2, County Clerk, Court Clerk and Sheriff.

Filing forms and information for county offices may be obtained by contacting the McClain County Election Board at 405-527-3121 or mcclaincounty@elections.ok.gov.

The McClain County Election Board is located at 121 N Second Avenue in Purcell and is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Filing packets for all offices are available for download on the Election Board's website at Oklahoma.gov/elections.

The filing period closes at 5 p.m. Friday, April 5.

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## Dustin:

**Q. What is your favorite item you've ever found?**

A. This is a hard one as I've bought so many cool things over the years. But I would say it's an original oil painting bought on the streets in New Orleans. Turned out that painting was going to be the event poster for a festival the year Katrina hit.

**Q. Have you ever found out something was really valuable after purchasing it?**

A. Many times over, but my favorite was a bronze statue of this lion family. It was signed and numbered. Turned out it was titled Family Pride, created in 1996 by Gerald Balciar for the OKC Zoo. No need to visit the zoo to see the lions, this piece sits in my home.

**Q. How far have you traveled to purchase an item?**

A. All the way to Florida to grab a unique piece.

**Q. How did you pick Purcell to establish your business?**

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the home for business until I met my business neighbors. From that point forward you couldn't convince me that Purcell wasn't the right spot for me.

Purcell is very fortunate to have a collection of business and owners gathered on Main Street.

Not only have they all supported me and each other but they've taught me a few things in my short time here.

I'm very happy to be here and hope to do my part in making Main Street a destination for collectors and vintage enthusiasts.

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## Bolling:

military and local civilian community events.

Once a month he will be on site at the base for 4-5 days and then do tele-work.

"The most challenging thing is balancing the assistant chief job, which is a very important role day to day at the police department and being a senior leader in military," Bolling admitted.

"And balancing that position when I'm not always at my location to work with challenges and issues. Not being face to face is hard. I like to be hands-on on the ground so it can be challenging at times to work through those issues," he confirmed.

Only one percent of military members make the E-9/CMSgt rank in the Air Force and less than half of those will ever be selected as a command chief.

Bolling will function as the liaison and spokesperson between the enlisted force and the commander.

The 446th Airlift Wing flies and supports the C-17 Globemaster III weapon system.

Partnering with active-duty, Guard and civilian agencies, the 446th Airlift Wing provides airlift support to Operation Deep Freeze, the National Science Foundation's U.S. Antarctic Program.

"Our mission is to provide ready Airmen to support global operations and our vision is Airmen first, a cohesive and ready team," Bolling said.

Currently CMSgt James Bolling is the Senior Enlisted Leader at the 931st Mission Support Group at McConnell Air Force Base, Kansas.

He serves as the principal advisor to the commander on matters of health, welfare, morale, professional develop-

ment, good order of discipline, mission readiness and effective employment of the group's 177 enlisted members.

CMSgt Bolling enlisted into the United States Air Force in January 2000 as an active-duty member and was assigned to the 56th Security Forces Squadron at Luke Air Force Base in Arizona.

He served as a Security Forces Specialist, Patrolman and on the External Security Response Team.

In 2002, Chief Bolling was deployed to Camp Oasis, Bahrain, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom as a Fire team Leader and Security Controller.

Returning from deployment, he was stationed at Keflavik Naval Air Station in Iceland, where he served as a Flight Chief and Security Controller.

In 2005, Chief Bolling was stationed at Tinker Air Force Base and held the role of Security Forces Patrolman and Flight Chief.

Chief Bolling would follow his dream to become a civilian police officer and left active duty to become a traditional reservist with the 507th Security Forces Squadron at Tinker in 2006.

Chief Bolling was deployed to Kirkuk Air Base in support of IRAQI FREEDOM in Iraq in 2007 as a Radio Telephone Operator assigned to the Base Defense Operation Center and the Air Force Liaison at the Army Tactical Operation Center.

Chief Bolling was promoted to SMSgt in 2013 where he performed duties as the Operations Superintendent.

During this time, he deployed to the Transit Center at Manas, Kyrgyzstan, where he was se-

lected to be a leader for the base Closure and Transition Team.

In 2018 Chief Bolling was hired as the Training Superintendent for the 507th Security Forces Squadron at Tinker AFB.

In 2019 Chief Bolling was selected as the Senior Enlisted Leader of the 507th Security Forces Squadron where he was responsible for the daily management and coordination of manpower and resources in support of 131 assigned Reserve and four Active Reserve personnel.

He provided oversight and guidance to the Security Forces Commander with applications of information, personnel, equipment, budgets and all Readiness Reporting items. During this time Chief Bolling deployed to Kuwait International Airport as the Senior Enlisted Leader.

Bolling grew up a "military brat" living in California, Florida, Arizona and Texas but mostly in Arizona.

The most rewarding part of it? "It's the success of my younger airmen to help guide them," Chief Bolling said. "My role now is not about me but grooming future leaders in the military. Whether helping them through education or getting Airman of the Year. When they win it's successful to me."

Bolling has much the same thoughts with respect to the Purcell Police Department.

"I have a responsibility in the police department. Chief Elmore and I won't be there forever. It's about helping the department and preparing for the future," he said.

The assistant chief says, "no two days are ever the same. I always had a dream what I wanted to do," he confirmed.

"I've enjoyed it although the career field is tough and demanding," he said.

Bolling has been at Purcell PD since 2015.

He started working in the civilian status in 2006 with the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department working his way up to Captain in patrol.

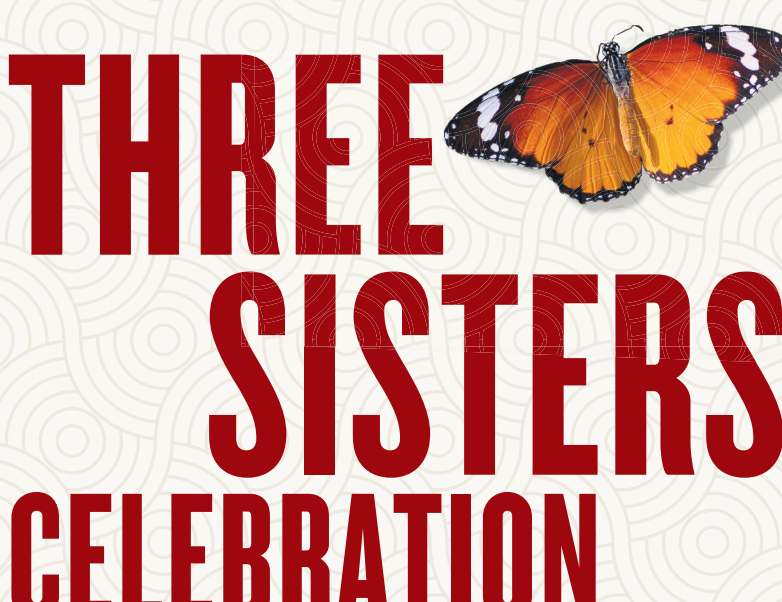
He's on the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and thoroughly enjoys that position.

"I enjoy the community as a whole," he said. "The community is very accepting of the police department. I've had invitations to go back to Arizona and turned them down."

"I enjoy being out in the community interacting with different functions of what makes a community and what people do. This is a good place. I've lived in small communities in Arizona and they don't have this."


Working at the Purcell Police Department can be tough on recruiting. Bolling reports of the higher pay in larger area towns.

"We have to create a culture where officers feel valued. It's the same in the military. We have to take care of each other and create a positive work environment where you are not just a number. There's a lot of value in anyone willing to put their life on the line for the betterment of the community or country."



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**Covering the bag**

**Purcell freshman** Kash Knowles and his Dragon buddies have been in Broken Bow this week for the Southeast Shootout. Purcell was scheduled to play Durant, Panama and Stigler. Knowles was playing second base in a game earlier this season.

**Canadian Valley  
Basketball  
All-Conference**

Washington		Purcell	
 <b>Breanna Lindert</b> Co-MVP	 <b>Kelby Beller</b> Co-MVP	 <b>Kobe Freeman</b> First Team	 <b>Haven Buchanan</b> First Team
 <b>Preslee Johnson</b> First Team	 <b>Shelbie Caveness</b> Second Team	 <b>Kenna Esparza</b> Second Team	 <b>Jenna Avery</b> Second Team

**Dragons win  
CONSOLATION TROPHY**



At Wayne/Wynnewood tournament

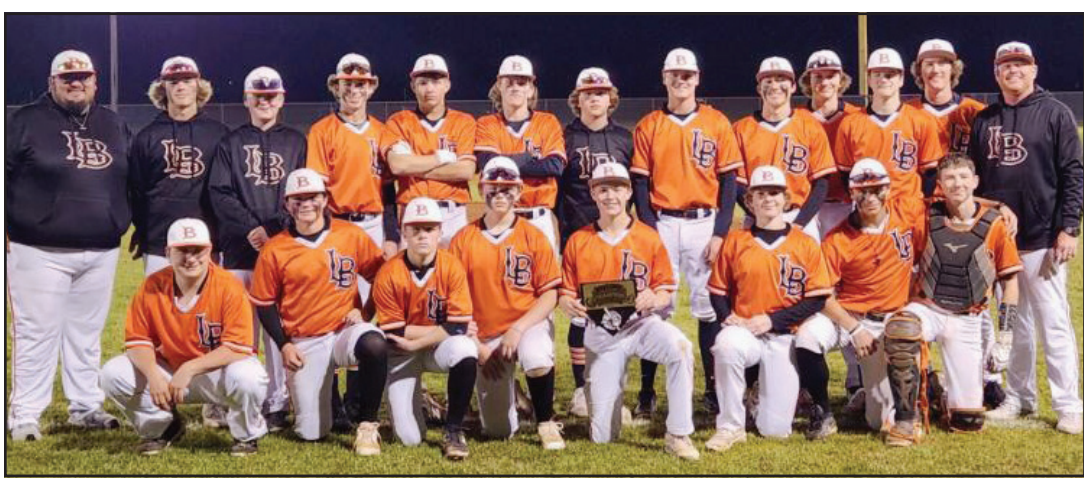
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Cole Sharp's Purcell Dragons took a four-game winning streak into Spring Break at the Southeast Shootout at Broken Bow. The Dragons were sched-

uled to play Durant at 6 p.m. Monday, 2A Top 10 Panama at 5 p.m. Tuesday and Stigler at 11 a.m. Wednesday. After dropping their first round game in the I-35 Classic (Wayne and Wynnewood) Tournament 3-2 to Velma,

the Dragons reeled off four straight victories when their offense clicked in. They knocked off Maysville 13-1 in three innings, Nin-

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• Photo provided

**Tournament champions**

The Lexington Bulldogs were named the I-35 Classic Tournament Champions. They beat Pauls Valley 4-3, Dickson 4-3, Wynnewood 13-5 and Velma Alma in the championship 8-4. "Skylar Rollins was hot at the plate collecting 6 hits 5 -2B and 1HR. Drew Dierking pitched a great six innings against Pauls Valley giving up 4 hits 2ER and 10SO. Rollins pitched well in the Championship game against Velma giving 2ER, 7H and had 5SO. Buddy Cormany had both game winning hits against Dickson and Pauls Valley. We played great team baseball. I think this weekend showed us that we can win close games. Hopefully it gives us confidence going forward," said Coach Matt Dierking.

**Conference  
tourney  
on tap**

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An 8-5 loss to Union City last Tuesday moved the Wayne Lady Bulldogs' record to 5-1. Both teams finished the game with 14 hits. Lily Whitaker led her team at the plate with three hits. Taelyn Ringwald, Addison Keeler and Faith Brazell each had two hits in the loss. Audra Watts, Alyssa

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**Washington slow-pitch  
2024**

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
March			
3/25	Blanchard/N. Rock Creek	Blanchard	6:30 p.m.
3/26	Harrah/Lexington	Home	5 p.m.
3/28-30	Beast of the East	Stonewall	TBA
April			
4/2	Davis	Home	6 p.m.
4/4-5	Washington Tournament	Home	TBA
4/8	Choctaw	Choctaw	5 p.m.
4/9	Southmoore	Home	4:30 p.m.
4/11	Westmoore	Westmoore	5 p.m.
4/12	Hall of Fame Festival	HOF	TBA
4/15	Big Cat Festival	Moore	TBA
4/18	Mustang	Mustang	5 p.m.
4/19	Districts	Home	TBA
4/22	Moore	Moore	4:30 p.m.
4/25	Regionals	TBA	TBA
4/30	State	HOF	TBA

**2024  
Washington Slow-pitch**

 Presley Lucas So. 1	 Alexis Gay Sr. 2	 Kelby Beller So. 3	 Ava Salcedo Fr. 4	 Olivia Palumbo Jr. 5
 Isabella Castillo Fr. 6	 Halle Andrews Sr. 7	 Daphne Palumbo Fr. 8	 Shelbie Caveness Jr. 9	 Taylon Elliot Jr. 10
 Emersyn Massey So. 11	 Mikala West Jr. 12	 Leksi Rector Jr. 13	 Laney Gay So. 15	 Reese Schrader So. 16
 Ava Grimes Jr. 17	 Sage Ryan Jr. 18	 Aly Reyes So. 19	 Bailey Hyde Sr. 20	 Dorothy Shepard So. 21
 Emjay Lucas Sr. 23	 Addy Larman Jr. 24	 Breanna Lindert Jr. 25	 Raelee Adkins Fr. 26	 Bree McHughes So. 28
 Elena Lopez Fr. 30	 Abigail Austin Fr. 31	 Kinzlee Pogue Fr. 32	 Julie Hoehner So. 33	 Tatum Hyde Mgr.
 Tylor Lampkin Head Coach	 Jennifer Gay Asst. Coach			



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### Thief

**Lexington senior** Zeke Faulkenberry steals a base against Washington. The 'Dawgs fell 24-1. Faulkenberry had a pair of stolen bags.



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### Over the top

**Lexington junior** Ryan Johnson lets a pitch fly for the Bulldogs. The 'Dawgs are back in action Monday at Comanche.

# Lex splits games on Tuesday

Win over Blanchard, loss to Purcell

**Emily Montgomery**  
**The Purcell Register**

The Lady 'Dawgs had another two-game Tuesday hosting Blanchard and Purcell. Lexington split their games, beating the Lady Lions 14-5, but falling to the Dragons, 9-7.

#### Blanchard

Lexington scored 14 runs on 13 hits in their game with Blanchard on Tuesday.

Kiely Givens led the team with four hits – singles in

the first, third, fifth and sixth innings. Brodie Anderson, Marisa Northrup and Jocelyn Senn each had two hits.

Givens was in the circle for the win. She went six innings and allowed five runs on 13 hits. She fanned two batters.

#### Purcell

Despite outpitching Purcell 13-10, Lexington fell to the Dragons in their second of two games.

Abi Clifton led her team at the

plate with three hits. Anderson and Senn each had two.

Eight errors were seemingly the difference for Lexington.

Givens was in the circle again for Lexington. She lasted seven innings and fanned three batters. Only three of Purcell's nine runs were earned.

The Lady Bulldogs are off for Spring Break and will return to the diamond on March 25 when they host Dale and Newcastle starting at 5 p.m.



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### Safe!

**A Lexington baserunner** pulls into third safely against the Blanchard Lions last week during action at home.

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## Conference:

Hobson, Ava Stottlemire, Karson Adams and Brysten Shephard had one hit apiece.

Watts, Whitaker, Brazell, Hobson and Adams accounted for Wayne's five RBIs.

Down 2-0 in the first inning, Watts doubled, Whitaker doubled, Brazell doubled and Hobson singled to score four and take the lead.

Union City tied it up with two

runs in the third inning.

Wayne added a run to take the 5-4 lead in the sixth.

But, the Lady Tigers scored four in the top of the seventh to go up 8-5. Wayne couldn't answer and picked up their first loss.

Ava Stottlemire was in the circle. She allowed three earned runs on 11 hits and fanned four batters.

Adams came on in relief. She had one strikeout.

The Lady Bulldogs were scheduled to be in Elmore City last Thursday for games with the Lady Badgers and Konawa. Severe weather in the area canceled those games.

Wayne will be at Dibble on Saturday and will play in the conference tournament starting Monday.

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## Dragons:

nekah, 12-4 in four innings, Stratford 14-0 in three innings and Dickson, 13-5.

Parker Page went 3-3 with a pair of RBIs in the Maysville victory.

The Knowles brothers, Boston and Kash, led the offense in the Ninnekah win. Boston was 2-2 with two RBIs and scored three times. Kash was 2-3 with an RBI and scored once. Casey Billingsley, Page, Deaken Dobbins, Jett Tyler and Cooper Selman all had hits in the game.

Page and Dobbins led the offense in the Stratford victory with two each. Page was 2-2 with five RBIs including a double and a home run. Dobbins was 2-2 including a double and scored twice.

Dickson drew first blood pushing across three runs in the top of the first.

The Comets pushed their lead to 4-2 heading into the bottom of the second but Purcell scored five unanswered runs to take a 7-4 lead in the third and went on to post the eight run victory.

Selman, Dobbins, Bryson Perkins and Tyler all had two hits in the game. Tyler was 2-3 with three RBIs. Page and Cash Cook both had doubles in the contest.

"We took the lead in the second 2-0 but Velma came back to take the lead 3-2 and we could not overcome it," Sharp said. "I thought the Velma pitcher did a good job against us keeping us off balance. We never could barrel him up. We made a couple mistakes in the field and they made us pay. We just came a little flat and could not get any rhythm going."

Dobbins took the loss on the mound.

All games in the tournament were limited to five innings or 90 minutes due to the rain.

Boston Knowles was credited with the win over Maysville. "Boston overall didn't throw his best but still competed," the coach said.

"This was our first win of the season and that was big relief. We needed it."

In his first varsity start,

freshman Cash Cook pocketed the win on the mound against Ninnekah.

"I was proud of Cash for how he came out and threw strikes," Sharp said. "He did lose a little control but overall did what he was supposed to do."

"Freshman Preston Kane got his first varsity action as well, coming in relief and finished the game."

We hit the ball well as a team and had good approaches at the plate," Sharp said. "We played well and took care of business."

Sophomore Bryce Blair tossed a one-hitter against Stratford.

"Bryce controlled the strike zone all day. Dialed in, he only threw 37 pitches in the game."

"That was probably our best game overall including hitting, pitching and defense. We played a lot of guys and got some guys varsity experience."

The Dickson game was for third place.

"Casey Billingsley got the start for us on the mound," Sharp said. "Kash Knowles and Bryce Blair both pitched in relief with Kash ending up the winning pitcher. This game was kinda' back and forth before we pulled away in the late innings. It was a rainy game for the most part and our guys battled and took care of business and brought home the consolation championship trophy."

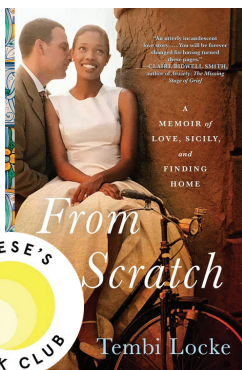
Purcell was 4-9 heading into the Spring Break Southeast Shootout.

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# Register's March Madness

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The Purcell Register's advertising department is once again getting into the act with March Madness and the basketball tournament.

Area merchants are represented in this week's edition of **The Register** with the team that was randomly drawn out of a hat.

As long as the team remains alive in the tournament the merchant will continue to get to play along in the newspaper with the eventual champion team winning a full page advertisement.

Advertising sales representative Cathy Hanselman encourages everyone to patronize these area merchants.

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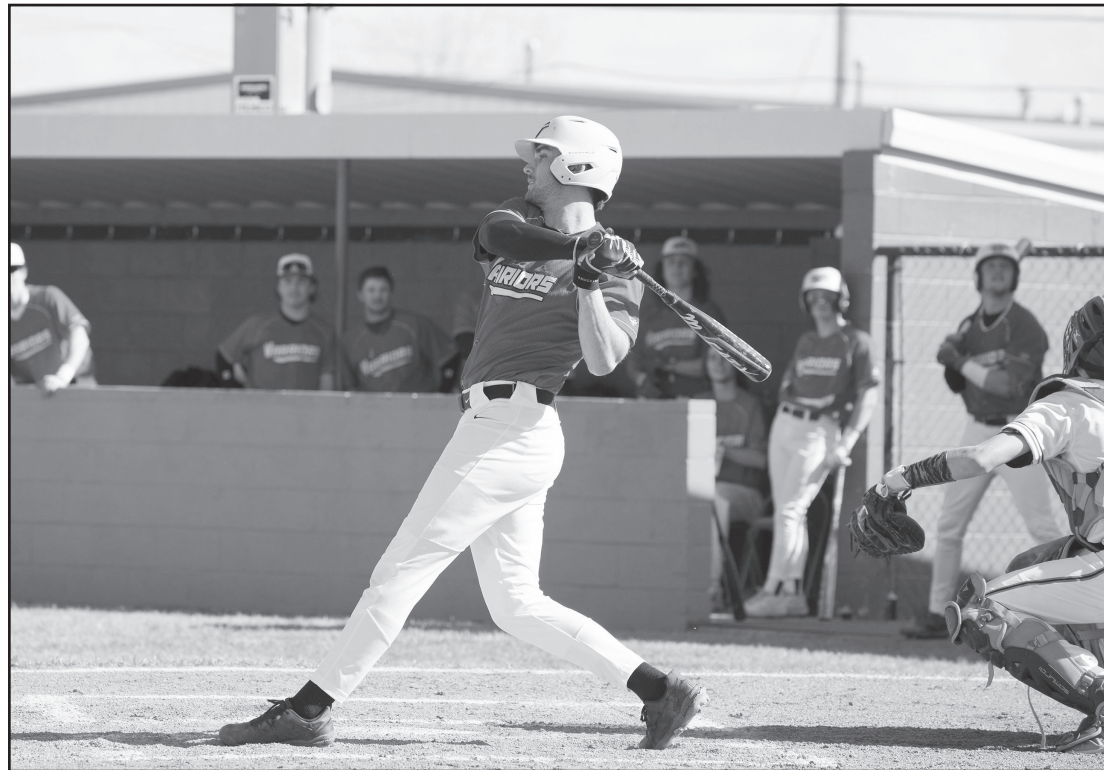
The advertisements are in this week's **Register** on 4B and 5B.



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## Watching it roll

**Purcell junior** Emma Lynn watches her putt during the Purcell Invitational at Brent Bruehl Golf Course while golf coach Mike Gowens watches behind. Lynn shot 118 at the tournament.



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## Strike a pose

**Washington senior** Dax McCaskill takes a rip at a ball during the Warriors' 24-1 win over Lexington. McCaskill was 2-3 with three RBIs in the game.



• Photo provided

## Gathering of Warriors

**Jfa Academy** held its 5th Annual Gathering of Warriors March 9 and it was a hit again. Jfa students took many awards with 16 students competing this year. Jfa appreciates the City of Purcell for allowing them to host the competition at the Purcell Multi-Purpose Center and all the black belts, martial art competitors who shared a great day with all participating.



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## Swing through it

**Lexington senior** Abby Sample tees off during the Purcell Invitational at Brent Bruehl Golf Course. Sample shot 127 at the event.

# PHS Slow-pitch 2-2 on season

Purcell's slow-pitch softball team leveled its season record at 2-2 with victories over Lexington and Blanchard at Lexington last week.

The NRC Tournament was not played due to inclement weather.

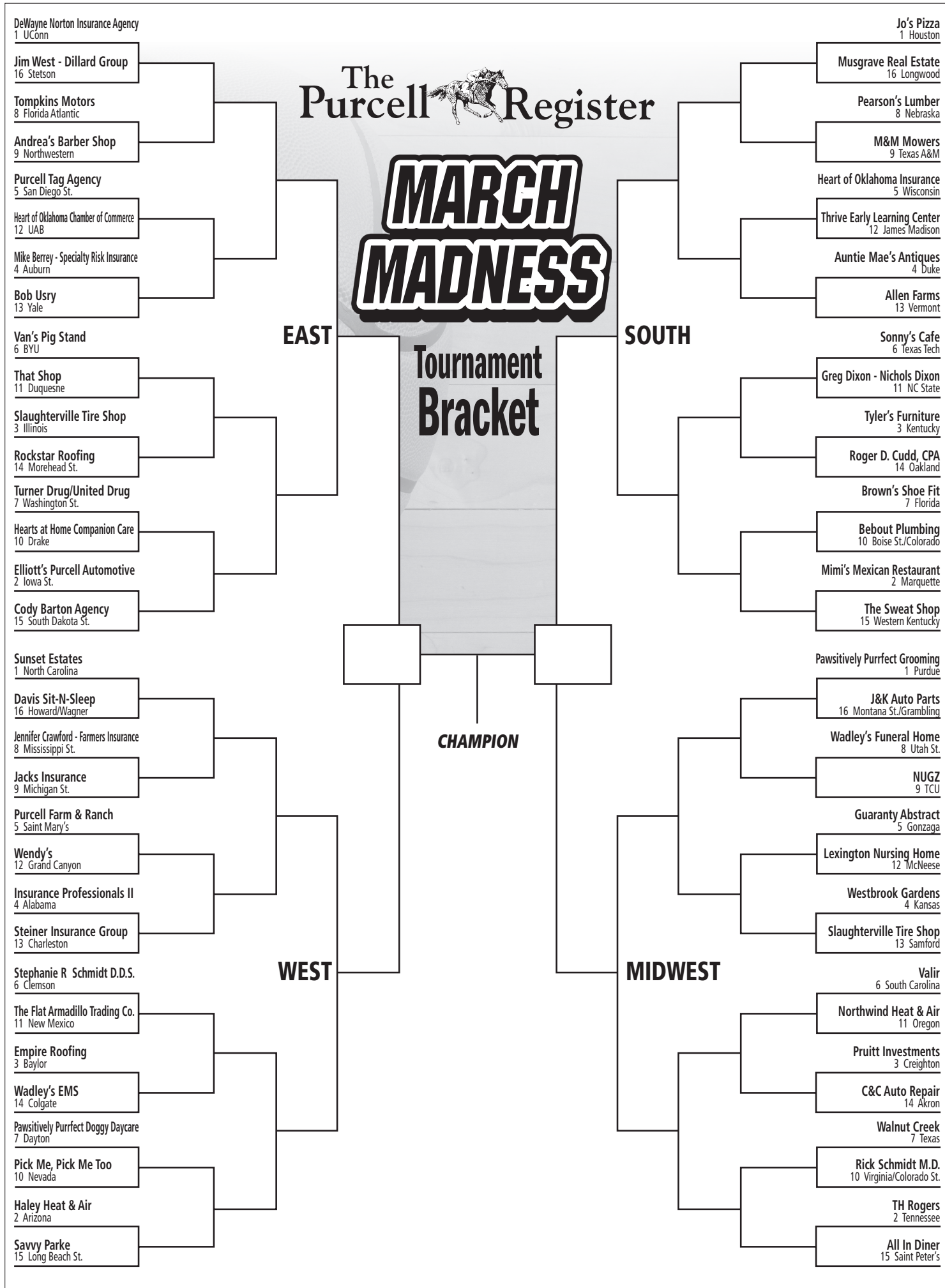
"We are low on numbers and our senior pitcher, Kelly Anderson, is currently out due to injury," head coach Sarah Jones said.

"We appreciate manager

Rosie Smith and Isabella Walker who are willing to come in and help us out when we need them so we can play," Jones said.

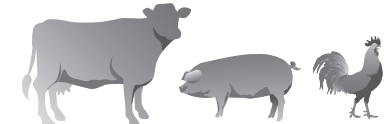
"The girls are still having fun. We will get more comfortable at the plate," Jones confirmed. "Our defense has been really good and our hitting is coming around."

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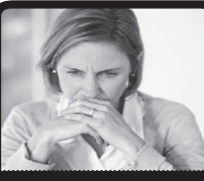


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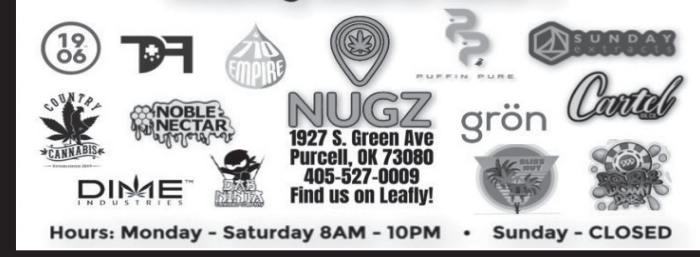
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# Religion

## Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Stella Bledsoe

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on March 24, 2024. March 31, 2024 is Easter Sunday. Our services will be as follows:

Masses for Palm Sunday will be March 23, 2024 (Saturday) at 5 p.m. in English, on March 24, 2024 (Sunday) at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. in English, and at 1 p.m. in Spanish.

For each of these Masses, the service will begin in front of the Rectory Garage with a procession to the parish hall. Palm Sunday honors the day when Jesus humbly rode into Israel's capital city, cheered as the new King of the Jews—and

as the Son of God who would usher in an eternal kingdom.

Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024: A bilingual Mass will begin at 7 p.m.

Good Friday, March 29, 2024: The Hispanic Community will have their Stations of the Cross in Spanish at 2:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross in English and bilingual Liturgy of the Veneration of the Cross will be at 7 p.m.

Easter Schedule: On Saturday March 30, there will not be a 5 p.m. Mass. Instead, we will begin the Easter Vigil at 8:30 p.m. This will be a bilingual Mass.

On Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024, the Masses will be at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. in English and at 1 p.m. in Spanish.

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

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. Peace be with you.

## Lexington United Methodist Church

By Rev. David D. Cook

### The Damascus Road

Having been a hobo for a few years, I have walked many dusty roads. At various times in my life, I have encountered people and, yes angels, who have altered my life course or enhanced my life choices. From time to time I suspect we all find ourselves on that road and meeting those people and experiences that change our lives.

It happened to Saul on a dusty road on a hot afternoon, "I found myself traveling along the ancient Damascus Road. The sun beat down mercilessly, casting long shadows across the barren landscape. I was lost in thought, grappling with the turmoil in my heart. Little did I know that this journey would change my life forever.

As I walked, my mind replayed the events that had led me to this point. I was Saul, once a fervent persecutor of the followers of Jesus. My mission was to stamp out this new movement that threatened the traditions I held so dear. But then, everything changed

in an instant. A blinding light enveloped me, brighter than the noonday sun. I stumbled and fell to the ground, trembling with fear and confusion. "Who are you, Lord?" I cried out, my voice filled with both awe and terror.

A gentle yet powerful voice responded, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." My heart raced as I struggled to comprehend what was happening. Jesus, the one whom I had vehemently opposed, was speaking to me directly. His words pierced through my doubts and fears, filling me with a sense of purpose I had never known.

Slowly, I rose to my feet, my eyes still adjusting to the brilliance of the light. With each step, I felt a weight lifting off my shoulders, replaced by an overwhelming sense of peace. The road ahead was unknown, but I knew I was no longer alone."

Matthew 7:13 Jesus relates

the difficulty of that road. In Paul's story, he related the experience "As I entered Damascus, I was greeted by Ananias, a disciple of Jesus. He had been instructed by the Lord in a vision to find me and restore my sight. With trembling hands, Ananias laid them on my eyes, and scales fell away, allowing me to see once more."

What happened to Saul, later to be known as Paul, happens to many who choose to follow Jesus. The Story of Paul's transformation is much like most of us.

"Over the following days, I stayed with the disciples, absorbing their teachings and sharing my transformation. The former persecutor had become a passionate proclaimer of the Gospel. Everywhere I went, I spoke boldly of Jesus and His saving grace."

However my newfound faith did not come without chal-

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## Lexington Westside Church of Christ

### 'Meet Grouchy People on Their End of the Brick Wall'

Welcome, all, to the front porch. I was thinking of something recently: Shouldn't Christians be the nicest people in the world? It isn't always easy, I know. It's true, now, that some people seem to make a living being contrary, difficult and smug, that's just the way it is.

So, today, we're going to give a little "pep talk" on how to deal with these people. In short, when people make walking a mile with them tough, volunteer to go the second tough mile.

Not that I've been all that successful at that second-mile walk, but I learned to at least try it as a young man. Back in my bricklaying days, I worked once with a big, long-haired fella with a bad attitude.

He was grouchy from the time he got out of his truck and climbed on the scaffold in the morning until he packed his tools up and climbed down to go home.

I made a point always to

be as nice to him as I could and to greet him with a hearty "Good mornin'!" every day. Of course, at the age of 20, part of that kindness, I'm sure, was due to a healthy desire for self-preservation.

I never got a 'good morning' back, maybe just a growl or a groan. And he did his half of the wall all day long, nothing more.

Bricklayers, you see, usually get on a long wall — each starting on different ends — and they lay brick until they meet in the middle. This fella, of course, was about the last guy you'd want to have to meet in the middle, or anywhere else, for that matter.

Most of the time he would beat me to the middle and figure he'd done his half of the wall and would turn around and go back to his end and clean his trowel or joint up his work until I caught up. That put me a step behind all day.

Occasionally, though, I'd beat him to the middle of the wall. You know I hesitated

when we got there, thinking, "Ah, I'm goin' to show him." But, somehow, we dug down deep enough to find a way to keep laying brick until we met. Then I'd end up laying the 'closure.'

The closure brick is that one brick nobody wants to lay. It's the last one when the two bricklayers meet in the middle of the wall. Having to lay that brick is one of the big disadvantages of being courteous and going ahead and meeting somebody over halfway. It's the slowest brick to lay, and — if one of the bricklayers is off bond — you may have to adjust a few other bricks to make it fit.

Of all the time my grouchy buddy and I worked together, I don't think he ever laid the closure. If he beat me to the middle, he went back to the other end and piddled while I finished up.

If I beat him, I kept going

Please see **Westside**, page 7B

## Sunray Baptist Church

James and Pam Kyzer sang "What a Savior" for the morning special.

Brother John used Mark 6:6-13 and 30-32 for his sermon, "Partaking in the Ministry of Christ." God wants us to be motivated, doing things to spread the name of Christ everywhere.

The ministry of Christ let others do what He had done. The apostles were sent out and expanded His ministry and evangelism. We should be representatives of Christ.

We rely on God's provision. When He calls us to obey, He will provide. Some people will be responsive to the Gospel. They will listen to the message of the cross, repent and turn to faith in Christ.

We should rest and have joy in the Lord. He has called us to be in His ministry.

The evening message was from John 14:15-18. The Holy Spirit lives inside the believer. His is a permanent and eternal ministry. It is comforting,

reminding us we are children of God.

We are to live our lives knowing God is always with us. It should change the way we live.

We will be observing the 77th anniversary of our church's founding this weekend. Sunray Baptist Church was organized through the efforts of local missionary M.L. West and the South Canadian Missionary Association (known today as the BMA of Central Oklahoma).

Brother West made contacts and the church was organized on March 23, 1947 with nine charter members.

The church first met at the Odd Fellows Hall, located on South Canadian Street. Land was purchased in 1949 and a building was built on the corner of 4th Street and Jefferson. The first service there was on March 15, 1950.

Land was purchased on North 9th Street and the present building was built. The first service

here was on Mothers Day, May 14, 1989.

On Saturday, March 23, at 6 p.m. we will be hosting a Homecoming Sing gospel singing service featuring The Williamsons and Mark Bishop.

On Sunday, March 24, at 10:50 a.m. our morning worship service will feature singing by Brother Mark and preaching by former pastor Dennis Clark.

Love offerings will be taken to help with expenses.

A potluck fellowship lunch will follow worship. There will be no evening service.

Pastor John Wylie and the Sunray church family invite everyone to join us in this celebration. We praise God for blessing us mightily these past 77 years.

Sunray is a small, traditional church with a lot of friendly people. We are located at 2223 North 9th Street in Purcell.

For additional information, call 405-527-6808.

## Methodist:

lenges. Many were skeptical of my conversion, doubting the sincerity of my transformation. Yet, through it all, I clung to the words Jesus spoke to me on that Damascus Road.

One night, as I lay awake pondering the path ahead, I felt a familiar presence. Jesus stood before me, His eyes filled with compassion and understanding.

“Do not be afraid, Saul,” He said, using my old name as a reminder of the journey I had taken. “For I am with you always, guiding you and strengthening you for the tasks ahead.”

Tears filled my eyes as I knelt before Him, overwhelmed by His love and forgiveness. “Lord, what would You have me do?” I whispered, surrendering my life completely to His will.

And so, my days were filled with preaching, teaching and sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. I faced persecution and hardship, but through it all, I clung to the promise of His presence. The Damascus Road had been the beginning of my journey, but it was in the every-day moments that I truly walked with Jesus.

Years passed, and I became known not as Saul the persecutor, but as Paul the apostle. My letters traveled far and wide,

encouraging believers and spreading the message of hope. Through shipwrecks, imprisonments, and trials of every kind, Jesus remained my constant companion.

Reflecting on that fateful day on the Damascus Road, I am reminded of the transformative power of encountering Jesus. He took a heart hardened by prejudice and hatred and turned it into a vessel of love and grace. My life was no longer my own; it belonged to Him completely.

And so, dear friend, if ever you find yourself on a dusty road, lost in doubt or fear, remember the Damascus Road. For it is there that Jesus meets us amid our brokenness, offering redemption and a new beginning. May we, like Paul, embrace His call and walk boldly in His light.

Lexington UMC invites you to our Easter Service. A group from the University Of Oklahoma singers will be presenting our Easter Message.

Lexington United Methodist Church, 631 E. Ash, meets each Sunday Morning at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday School at 10:45 a.m. The food closet is open the third Saturday of each month from 12 to 4 p.m. The second Tuesday of each month we have lunch and a movie at noon.

## Westside:

until we met, and he always seemed to time it just right so that I'd be the one to lay the last brick. (Ah, you know people like that). Then he'd head back early to his end and get a head start on raising his line and getting ready for the next course. Consequently, even when I got ahead, I always managed to stay behind.

I don't remember the fella's name, and I don't remember ever running into him again down the road. I'd love to tell you that all that being nice to him made a difference in him, that one day I climbed up on the scaffold and he said, “Good morning, kid!” with a pleasant tone to his voice, and added, “Come down here and get some of these donuts I brought cha.”

And I'd love to tell you that all that day he met me way past halfway and volunteered to lay that closure brick, and that occasionally when we met for the last brick that he'd say things like, “Hey, kid, how're the wife and kids?”

But I don't remember any of that ever happening.

I do wonder if he has mel- lowed some, and if our being

nice to him was something he appreciated down deep.

What I know, though, is this: In our lifetime, you and I will meet many a grouchy man in the middle of the brick wall in our day. When we do, it's best to smile, lay the closure brick, and wish him and his family well.

That's part of walking down that rough old second-mile road. I'll see you there.

Bible Reading March 21-27  
March 21 ~ Num. 32:1 – 33:39 ~ Luke 4:31 – 5:11 ~ Ps. 64:1-10 ~ Prov. 11:22  
March 22 ~ Num. 33:40 – 35:34 ~ Lk. 5:12-28 ~ Ps. 65:1-13 ~ Prov. 11:23  
March 23 ~ Num. 36:1 – Deut. 1:46 ~ Lk. 5:29 – 6:11 ~ Ps. 66:1-20 ~ Prov. 11:24-26  
March 24 ~ Deut. 2:1 – 3:29 ~ Lk. 6:12 -38 ~ Ps. 67:1-7 ~ Prov. 11:27  
March 25 ~ Deut. 4:1-49 ~ Lk. 6:39 – 7:10 ~ Ps. 68:1-18 ~ Prov. 11:28  
March 26 ~ Deut. 5:1 – 6:25 ~ Lk. 7:11-35 ~ Ps. 68:19-35 ~ Prov. 11:29-31  
March 27 ~ Deut. 7:1 – 8:20 ~ Lk. 7:36 – 8:3 ~ Ps. 69:1-18 ~ Prov. 12:1

graveatted.  
Mark A. Orange, unlawful possession of CDS with intent to distribute, methamphetamines.  
**Small Claims**  
Luis De La Fuente vs. Richard Perea, small claims under \$5000.  
OKC Residential Income LLC vs. All Other Known & Unknown Occupants et al, forcible entry and detainer under \$5000.  
OKC Residential Income LLC vs. Jose Zapata, forcible entry and detainer under \$5000.  
Strategic Property Solutions, LLC vs. Amber Walker et al, forcible entry and detainer under \$5000.  
**Civil**  
Save Auto Insurance Company vs. Terry Carnes et al, civil action \$10,000 or more.  
American Express National Bank vs. Roger Mena, civil action \$10,000 or more.  
Capital One, N.A. vs. Katherine L. Snow, civil action \$10,000 or more.  
**Marriages Filed**  
Wellington DA Pereira, 42, and Sandra R. De Souza, 40, both of Purcell.  
Wyatt M. Mills, 23, of Purcell and Ashleigh R. Hartman, 24, of Norman.  
**Divorces Granted**  
Dennis K. Miller vs. Dana N. Miller.

No. 168-March 21-2 Times  
NOTICE OF SALE OF BONDS  
In accordance with 62 O.S. 2021, § 354, notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of Independent School District Number 5 of McClain County, Oklahoma, will receive bids by: sealed bid, facsimile bid, electronic (Parity®) bid or similar secure electronic bid on the 12th day of April, 2024, at 11:30 o'clock a.m., at the Library, 5/6 Building, Washington Public Schools, 101 E Kerby, Washington, Oklahoma, for the sale of \$1,685,000 of General Obligation Combined Purpose Bonds of said School District, which Bonds will mature \$1,685,000 annually in two (2) years from their date. The bids will be opened and read and shall

No. 173-March 21-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT, LLC F/K/A REVERSE MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS, INC., Plaintiff,  
v.  
PEGGY LYNN MARSH A/K/A PEGGY MARSH; SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF PEGGY LYNN MARSH; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA EX REL. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; AND JOHN DOE, OCCUPANT Defendant(s).  
Case No. CJ-2023-202  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
MOTION TO CONFIRM

No. 155-March 14-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
SITTING IN AND FOR  
MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
FIRST UNITED BANK & TRUST CO., Plaintiff,  
vs.  
MACH 1 DEVELOPMENT, LLC, DALLAS DYE, MACH 1 HOLDINGS, INC., UNKNOWN TENANTS OR OCCUPANTS, IF ANY, OF 1416 LAMAR DRIVE, NORMAN, OK 73072, Defendants.  
Case No. CJ-2023-173  
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE  
Notice is given that on April 16th, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the foyer of the McClain County Courthouse, at 121 North 2nd Avenue, Purcell, OK 73080 Oklahoma, the Sheriff of said county will offer for sale and sell for cash at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, all that certain real estate in McClain County, Oklahoma, to wit:

A tract of land located in the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Fifteen (15), Township Eight (8) North, Range Three (3) West of the Indian Meridian, McClain County, Oklahoma, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner (NW/C) of said NE/4; thence N89°39'40"E along the North line of said NE/4 a distance of 1522.23 feet; thence S00°21'25"E a distance of 891.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence N89°39'40"E and parallel to the said North line of the NE/4 a distance of 153.00 feet; thence S00°21'25"E a distance of 213.53 feet; thence S89°39'40"W a distance of 153.00 feet; thence N00°21'25"W a distance of 213.53 feet to the point of beginning. TOGETHER with a 20 foot road easement being 10 feet either side of the following described centerline: Commencing at the Northeast corner (NE/C) of said NE/4; thence S00°23'46"E along the East line of the NE/4 a distance of 1123.90 feet to the point of beginning; thence N82°52'49"W

a distance of 402.16 feet; thence N85°42'43"W a distance of 37.06 feet; thence N80°25'17"W a distance of 101.88 feet; thence N77°07'04"W a distance of 292.53 feet; thence N83°11'07"W a distance of 140.94 feet to the point of ending. (Property address: 1416 Lamar Drive, Norman, OK 73072)  
Sale will be made pursuant to a Writ of Execution issued upon a judgment entered on February 23, 2024, in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, in Cause No. CJ-2023-173, wherein First United Bank & Trust Co. ("Plaintiff") was Plaintiff, and Mach 1 Development, LLC; Mach 1 Holdings, Inc.; Dallas Dye; and the Unknown Tenants or Occupants, if any, of 1416 Lamar Drive, Norman, OK 73072 were Defendants, Plaintiff recovered a judgment against said Defendants as follows:  
As of August 8, 2023, there is due to First United Bank & Trust Co. on the Note and the Mortgage, the principal sum of \$332,453.11, plus accrued interest and late fees in the amount of \$7,404.46, for a total payoff amount of \$340,242.65, together with interest accruing thereon pursuant to the contract rate, all expenses advanced on behalf of these parties, reasonable attorney's fees, court costs, and the costs of collection accrued and accruing, for which the Mortgage is a first and prior lien upon the real property and premises described hereinabove.  
Said lands and tenements identified hereinabove have been appraised according to law at the value of \$603,000.00.

/s/ Landy Olforter  
Sheriff of McClain County  
State of Oklahoma  
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130N. Broadway Ave., Suite 100  
Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801  
Telephone: (405) 275-0070  
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STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
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Advertisement to Contractors  
April 18, 2024 – 10:30 A.M. Bid Opening

Plans and proposals for this bid opening will be available on March 21, 2024. No bidding proposals will be issued to any Contractor after April 17, 2024 10:30 A.M.. The cost for each bidding proposal is \$ 50.00 + tax. State Standard Specifications may be purchased by contacting ODOT Business Services Center Branch (405) 521-4509. No refunds will be made for bidding documents or specification books purchased.

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be awarded at the first Board of Education meeting held after the bids are due.

Said Bonds shall be sold to the bidder bidding the lowest rate of interest the Bonds shall bear and agreeing to pay par and accrued interest for the Bonds. Each bidder shall submit with his bid a sum in cash, cashier's or certified check, electronic (wire) transfer or surety bond payable to the Treasurer of the District, equal to two (2%) percent of the amount of his bid. The Board reserves the right to reject all bids.

WITNESS my official hand and seal this 11th day of March, 2024.  
Monty Strickland  
Clerk, Board of Education  
(SCHOOL DISTRICT SEAL)

SHERIFF'S SALE  
NOTICE IS GIVEN TO: Peggy Lynn Marsh; Spouse, if any, of Peggy Lynn Marsh; United States of America ex rel. Department of Housing and Urban Development; John Doe, occupant, and their unknown successors and assigns, that the hearing on Plaintiff's Motion to Confirm Sheriff's sale is set on the 3 day of April, 2024, at 9:00 o'clock a.m., before Judge Leah Edwards, at the McClain County Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma. LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP  
770 NE 63rd St.  
Oklahoma City, OK 73105-6431  
(405) 848-1819  
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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
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No. 181-March 21-2 Times  
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 TO CREDITORS  
To the Creditors of Shannon E. Tabor, Deceased:

All creditors having claims against Shannon E. Tabor, 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 Cindy Maynard, 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: 14th day of May 2024, or the same will be forever barred.

DATED this 14th day of March 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. 166-March 14-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of LAQUANAH SUE GARDNER, deceased.

Case No. PB-2023-112  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
PETITION FOR ORDER  
WAIVING INVENTORY  
AND FINAL ACCOUNT,  
DETERMINATION OF IDENTITY  
OF HEIRS, DEVEISEES AND  
LEGATEES AND FOR DECREE  
OF FINAL DISTRIBUTION AND  
DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE

On this 11th day of March, 2024, there having been filed in this court a Petition alleging that the above named Decedent died testate as alleged in said Petition, leaving an estate within the jurisdiction of this Court, and praying for settlement of the estate, determination of heirship, final distribution and discharge of personal representative in said estate according to the allegations in said Petition, and it appearing that said Petition should be set for hearing.

Notice is hereby given that said motion is set for hearing in the Courtroom of the Honorable Judge Charles Gray in the McClain County Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma, on April 11, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.

Dated: March 8, 2024

/s/ Greg Dixon  
Greg Dixon, OBA #16492  
NICHOLS I DIXON, PLLC  
108 North Second Avenue  
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080  
405-527-5888  
[greg@nicholsdixon.com](mailto:greg@nicholsdixon.com)  
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

No. 177-March 21-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of Carol Yvonne Wells, deceased.

PB-2023-57  
NOTICE AND ORDER  
FIXING TIME FOR HEARING  
FINAL ACCOUNT

Gary Michael Wells, Personal Representative of the Estate of Carol Yvonne Wells, deceased, having filed in this court his Petition for Final Account, Determination of Heirs, Distribution and Discharge of the Personal Representative of the administration of said estate, the hearing of the same is hereby fixed by the undersigned Judge of said Court for 9:30 a.m. on the 18th day of April, 2024, to be heard before this court in the District Courtroom of McClain County at Purcell, Oklahoma.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Notice of this hearing be given to the heirs at law of the deceased by mailing a copy of said notice with postage thereon prepaid to each of said heirs at their places of residence at least ten (10) days before the date of said hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Notice of said hearing be given by publication for two (2) successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published in this County.

Witness my hand this 14 day of March, 2024.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
Judge  
Cheryl Clayton, P.C., OBA 1726  
Attorney for Personal Representative

110 S. Main St./ P. O. Box 88  
Noble, Oklahoma 73068  
(405) 872-9216  
Josh Bex, OBA No. 21602  
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[joshbex@gmail.com](mailto:joshbex@gmail.com)  
Co-Counsel for Petitioner

No. 178-March 21-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of KANELLOS D. CHARALAMPOUS, deceased.

Case No. PB-2014-19  
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 Phillip 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, Oklahoma, on the 25th day of April 2024, at 9 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 13th day of March 2024.

/s/ Greg Dixon  
Greg Dixon, OBA #16492  
108 North Second Avenue,  
Purcell, OK 73080  
405-527-5888  
[greg@nicholsdixon.com](mailto:greg@nicholsdixon.com)  
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

No. 171-March 21-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:  
JERALNELLE TONEY RESZ,  
Petitioner,  
-and-

JESSE EUGENE RESZ,  
Respondent.

Case No. FD-2023-188  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
TO: JESSE EUGENE RESZ  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage (hereafter "petition") has been filed against you by Petitioner, Jeralnelle Toney Resz, in the District Court of McClain County, 121 N. 2nd Street, Purcell, OK 73080, in an action entitled, In re the Marriage of: Jeralnelle Toney Resz and Jesse Eugene Resz, Case No. FD-2023-188. This summons by publication is specifically directed to Jesse Eugene Resz, whose whereabouts are unknown.

The nature of this suit against you is for Dissolution of Marriage, property and debt division and such other and further relief as the Court may grant.

Unless you answer the petition on or before the 30 day of April, 2024, judgment will be taken in favor of Jeralnelle Toney Resz and against you for Dissolution of Marriage, property and debt division and such other and further relief as the Court may grant.

Kristel Gray, Court Clerk  
By /s/ Kristel Gray  
Deputy Court Clerk  
(Seal)

PETITIONER:  
JERALNELLE TONEY RESZ,  
PRO SE

1011 SE 17th Terrace  
Newcastle, OK 73065  
Telephone: (757) 956-7352

No. 182-March 21-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF RUDEAN MILLER, Deceased

Case No. PB-2024-36  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION  
FOR APPOINTMENT  
OF PERSONAL  
REPRESENTATIVE AND  
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 15th day of March, 2024, Gwendolyn L. Ferguson filed her application for Letters of Administration 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 15th day of March, 2024, notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of April, 2024, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., the Petition will be heard before the Honorable Judge Charles Gray, 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 15th day of March, 2024.

CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE

Judge of the District Court  
/s/ Bill C. Lester  
BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389)  
Attorney for Petitioner  
212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407  
Purcell, OK

No. 169-March 21-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
KIM LEE FARMER and STEPHEN  
KENT FARMER,  
Plaintiffs,  
VS.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EX-  
ECUTORS, ADMNISTRATORS,  
DEWISEES, TRUSTEES, SUCCE-  
SORS AND ASSIGNS, IMMEDI-  
ATE AND REMOTE OF WILLIAM  
S. (BILLY) FARMER, DECEASED,  
Defendants.

CASE NO. CV-2024-49  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
TO: The unknown heirs, execu-  
tors, administrators, devisees,  
trustees and assigns, immediate  
and remote of WILLIAM S. (BILLY)  
FARMER, deceased;

You, and each of you, are hereby  
notified that KIM LEE FARMER  
and STEPHEN KENT FARMER, as  
Plaintiffs, have filed in the District  
Court of McClain County, State of  
Oklahoma, their Petition against  
the above named Defendants  
alleging that Plaintiffs are the  
owners of the fee simple title and  
the surviving children of William S.  
(Billy) Farmer, and are in the actual  
and peaceable possession of the  
following described real property  
situate in McClain County, State  
of Oklahoma. to-wit:

The South Twenty (20) acres  
of Lot Three (3); and the South  
Twenty (20) acres of Lot Four  
(4); and the Southeast Quarter  
of the Northwest Quarter (SE1/4  
NW1/4); and the North Half of the  
Northeast Quarter (N1/2 NE1/4  
SW1/4); and the North Half (N1/2  
NE1/4 SW1/4); and the North Half

of the South Half of the Northeast  
Quarter of the Southwest Quarter  
N1/2 S1/2 NE1/4 SW1/4), LESS a  
strip 82-1/2 feet wide off the West  
side of said Tract, all in Section  
Four (4), Township Five (5) North,  
Range One (1) West, I.M., McClain  
County, Oklahoma.

Plaintiffs further allege that said  
Defendants are claiming some  
right, title, interest or estate in  
and to said real property adverse  
to Plaintiffs, and that said claim  
constitutes a cloud on Plaintiffs'  
title which they are entitled to have  
removed.

That said Defendants, and  
each of them, must answer said  
Petition on or before the 6th day  
of May, 2024, or said Petition will  
be taken as true and judgment  
rendered accordingly quieting  
Plaintiffs' 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 claim-  
ing 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 Plaintiff  
212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407  
Purcell, OK 73080  
(405) 527-5623  
blester@lesterlawoffice.com

No. 175-March 21-2 Times  
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE  
CV-2023-128

Notice is given that on the 23rd  
day of April 2024 at 10:00 o'clock  
a.m., at the McClain County  
Courtroom, in the City of Purcell,  
McClain County, Oklahoma, the  
Sheriff of said County will offer for  
sale and sell, with appraisal,  
for cash, at public auction, to the  
highest and best bidder, the sur-  
face of all that certain real estate  
in McClain County, Oklahoma,  
to-wit:

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

2/3 of \$200,000.00  
=

\$133,333.34

Subject to unpaid taxes, ad-  
vancements by Plaintiff for taxes,  
insurance premiums, and expens-  
es necessary for the preservation  
of the subject property, if any, said  
property having been duly ap-  
praised as set out above. The mini-  
mum bid allowed pursuant to law  
will be two thirds of the appraised  
value, as set out more specifically  
above. Sale will be made pursuant  
to a Special Execution And Order  
Of Sale issued in accordance with  
judgment entered in the District  
Court of McClain County, Okla-  
homa, in Case No. CV-2023-128,  
entitled Carol Ann Davis, Trustee  
of the Carol Ann Davis Trust, dated  
the 13th day of May, 2014, Mary  
Lou Davis, Trustee of The Jimmy  
and Mary Lou Davis Living Trust,  
dated November 13, 1998, Evelyn  
Mae Harkins, Kathy Kendall, San-  
dra McKinley and Susan Harris,  
Plaintiff, vs Joseph Marcelous  
Davis, Deceased, Tressie Davis,  
Deceased, Willie Loy, a/k/a, Lloyd,  
Will Davis, Deceased, Katie or  
Cathrin Hedrick, nee Davis, De-  
ceased, George Marion Davis,  
Deceased, Leonard Lance Davis,  
Deceased, Sophia Melvina Collins,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Dollie May  
Curnutt, nee Davis, Dolley Curnutt,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Allen David  
Davis, Deceased, Earl Michael  
Davis, Deceased, Sylvia Evelyn  
Scott, nee Davis, Deceased, Rose/  
Rosa/Rosey/Rosie Langham nee  
Sherwood, Deceased, Almeady  
Ward, nee Sherwood, Deceased,  
David Hedrick, Deceased, Josie  
Owen, nee Hedrick, Dovie Smith,  
nee Hedrick, Della Lee Sines, nee  
Hedrick, Josie Lorraine or Lorene  
Caldwell, nee Davis, Deceased,  
Ruby Davis, Deceased, Jack  
Davis, Deceased, Jimmie Davis,  
Deceased, Margie Roberts, nee  
Davis, Deceased, Mildred Bean,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Billy Ray  
Bean, Deceased, Judy Bean,  
Alfred Bean, Deceased, Bobby  
Bean, Deceased, Margie Roberts,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Sheba Da-

vis, Oswald (Ott) Davis, A.D. Davis,  
Dorothy Davis, Ancel Davis, Carol  
Sue Hall, nee Davis, Melinda We-  
ber, Darlene Machemehl, Robert  
H. Machemehl, Marion Curnutt,  
Marjorie Curnutt, Bobby George  
Curnutt, Rose Davis, Donald  
Gene Davis, Comel Marcellus  
Davis, Ophelia Carrigan Davis,  
Deceased, Bobbie Earl Davis,  
Deceased, Anne Dunn, nee Davis,  
Sharon L. Scott, Martin R. Scott,  
William J. Scott, Melissa S. Bishop,  
Tressie Langham, Deceased, Earl  
Ray Langham, Deceased, Trulan  
Ward, Lloyd Ward, Billy Joe Ward,  
Tressie Fulton, nee Ward, Betty  
June Silva, nee Ward, Weida Nell  
Nix, nee Caldwell, Deceased,  
Hershel A. Moore, Rose Latham  
Davis, Donald Gene Davis, Eddie  
M. Stephenson, a/k/a Marion Ed-  
die Stephenson, Melodi Frances  
McKinley Stephenson, Joseph W.  
Hayhurst, Jr. and the Unknown  
Successors, Heirs, Executors, Ad-  
ministrators, Devisees, Trustees  
and Assigns of and the Unknown  
Successors, Heirs, Executors, Ad-  
ministrators, Devisees, Trustees  
and Assigns of Joseph Marcelous  
Davis, a/k/a J.M. Davis, Deceased,  
Tressie Davis, Deceased, Willie  
Loy, a/k/a Lloyd Davis, a/k/a Will  
Davis, Deceased, Katie Hedrick,  
a/k/a Cathrin Hedrick, nee Davis,  
Deceased, George Marion Davis,  
Deceased, Leonard Lance Davis,  
Deceased, Sophia Melvina Collins,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Dollie May  
Curnutt, nee Davis, a/k/a Dolley  
Curnutt, nee Davis, Deceased,  
Allen David Davis, Deceased,  
Earl Michael Davis, Deceased,  
Sylvia Evelyn Scott, nee Davis,  
Deceased, Rose/Rosa/Rosey/  
Rosie Langham, nee Sherwood,  
Deceased, Almeady Ward, nee  
Sherwood, Deceased, David He-  
drick, Deceased, Josie Lorraine  
or Lorene Caldwell, nee Davis,  
Deceased, Ruby Davis, Deceased,  
Jack Davis, Deceased, Jimmie  
Davis, Deceased, Margie Roberts,  
nee Davis, Deceased, Mildred  
Bean, nee Davis, Deceased,  
Billy Ray Bean, Deceased, Alfred  
Bean, Deceased, Bobby Bean,  
Deceased, Margie Roberts, nee  
Davis, Deceased, Tressie Lang-  
ham, Deceased, Earl Ray Lang-  
ham, Deceased, and Weida Nell  
Nix, nee Caldwell, Deceased, and  
if any of the Defendants above  
are deceased, their Unknown  
Successors, Heirs, Executors,  
Administrators, Devisees, Trust-  
ees and Assigns, Defendants,  
and persons holding or claiming  
any interest or lien in the subject  
property. No guaranty or warranty  
to title is made by the Plaintiffs.

Landy Olfalter, Sheriff  
McClain County, Oklahoma  
BY: /s/ Sheriff Landy Olfalter  
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 Plaintiffs

No. 174-March 21-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF ROGER LEE MOONEY, De-  
ceased.

Case No. PB-2024-23  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
All creditors having claims  
against the Estate of ROGER LEE  
MOONEY, Deceased, are required  
to present the same, with a de-  
scription of all security interests  
and other collateral (if any) held  
by each creditor with respect to  
such claim, to the named Personal  
Representative at the Law Office of

BILL C. LESTER, Attorney at Law,  
212 West Main, P.O. Box 1407,  
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080, on or  
before the following presentation  
date: 14th day of May, 2024 or the  
same will be forever barred.  
/s/ Cynthia Ann Mooney  
Cynthia Ann Mooney  
Personal Representative  
BILL C. LESTER  
Attorney for Personal Repre-  
sentative  
212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407  
Purcell, OK 73080  
(405) 527-5623  
OBA #5389  
Email: blester@lesterlawoffice.com

No 179-March 21-1 Time  
BEFORE THE CORPORATION  
COMMISSION OF THE  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
APPLICANT: FAR WEST DEVEL-  
OPMENT, LLC  
RELIEF SOUGHT: HORIZONTAL  
WELL LOCATION EXCEPTION  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: E/2 NW/4  
AND E/2 SW/4 SECTION 19,  
TOWNSHIP 7 NORTH, RANGE  
4 WEST, MCCLAIN COUNTY,  
OKLAHOMA  
CAUSE CD NO. 2024-000565  
AMENDED NOTICE  
OF HEARING

TO ALL PERSONS, OWNERS,  
PRODUCERS, OPERATORS,  
PURCHASERS AND TAKERS OF  
OIL AND GAS, INCLUDING but  
not limited to all persons if living  
or if deceased, their known and  
unknown heirs, executors, admin-  
istrators, devisees, trustees and  
assigns, immediate and remote of  
any such party, and all corporations  
existing and if dissolved, known  
and unknown successors, and all  
persons having an interest in the  
captioned land.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
Applicant requests that the Com-  
mission enter an order amending  
Order No. 165494, dated February  
29, 1980, for the Osborn common  
source of supply, to permit a well for  
such common sources of supply  
at the following location:

SURFACE LOCATION: Will be  
specified in the final order to issue  
in this cause.

LOCATION OF WELLBORE  
(LATERAL) AT THE E/2 SW/4 OF  
SECTION 19 COMPLETION IN-  
TERVAL: The proposed location of  
the end points of the comple-  
tion interval will be no closer than  
330 feet from the South line and  
no closer than 330 feet from the  
East line and no closer than 0 feet  
from the North line and no closer  
than 330 feet from the East line of  
E/2 SW/4 of Section 19, Township  
7 North, Range 4 West, McClain  
County, Oklahoma.

LOCATION OF WELLBORE  
(LATERAL) AT THE E/2 NW/4 OF  
SECTION 19 COMPLETION IN-  
TERVAL: The proposed location of  
the end points of the completion  
interval will be no closer than 0 feet  
from the South line and no closer  
than 330 feet from the West line  
and no closer than 330 feet from  
the North line and no closer than  
330 feet from the West line of E/2  
NW/4 of Section 19, Township 7  
North, Range 4 West, McClain  
County, Oklahoma.

LOCATION OF LATERAL WITH-  
IN THE MULTIUNIT: No closer than  
330 feet from the South and East  
line of the E/2 SW/4 of Section  
19, and 330 feet from the North  
and West line of the E/2 NW/4 of  
Section 19.

Same to be a well for the units  
consisting of said E/2 SW/4 and  
E/2 NW/4 of Section 19, 80-acre  
horizontal units by said order which  
requires that the well be located  
as follows:

4.1  
Not less than 330 feet from the  
boundary of the proper govern-

No. 172-March 21-1 Time  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
TRUE SKY CREDIT UNION,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
GAIL TUCKER A/K/A GAIL S.  
TUCKER; SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF  
GAIL TUCKER; JOHN DOE, OC-  
CUPANT; AND UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA EX REL. INTERNAL  
REVENUE SERVICE  
Defendant(s).

Case No. CJ-2023-139  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
MOTION TO CONFIRM  
SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
Advertisement to Contractors  
April 18, 2024 - 10:30 A.M. Bid Opening

Plans and proposals for this bid opening will be available on March 21, 2024. No bidding proposals will be issued to any Contractor after April 17, 2024 10:30 A.M.. The cost for each bidding proposal is \$ 50.00 + tax. State Standard Specifications may be purchased by contacting ODOT Business Services Center Branch (405) 521-4509. No refunds will be made for bidding documents or specification books purchased.

Sample proposals, preliminary plans, long form and short form notices, order forms, bid tabs and awards, can be accessed on ODOT's Web site: <https://oklahoma.gov/odot/business-center/contracts-and-proposals.html>

Bids must be prepared in accordance with the State Standard Specifications. Unless otherwise specified, bids for all projects must be submitted over the internet to Bid Express (<https://www.bidx.com>) using AASHTOware Project Bids. Instructions for using Bid Express, Project Bids, and the electronic bidding process are available from the Office Engineer Division. When written bids are allowed, sealed proposals may be delivered directly to the Office Engineer Division prior to the scheduled bid opening. For written bids, do not disassemble the bidding proposal in any way.

Any firm bidding a project as a joint venture must complete the "Request for Joint Venture" form, which is posted on the ODOT website, prior to the bid opening.

Unless otherwise specified in the proposal, all bids must be submitted with a proposal guaranty equal to 5 % of the bid total.

Questions and comments regarding the April 18, 2024 bid opening will be accepted until March 29, 2024. Please submit your questions through the ODOT pre-bid email address: [ODOT-Prebid.Question@odot.org](mailto:ODOT-Prebid.Question@odot.org). Responses will be posted to the "Pre-bid Questions and Answers" section of the ODOT Contracts & Proposals webpage as they are received. It is recommended that interested contractors visit the "Pre-Bid Questions and Answers" link regularly in order to stay informed of the latest information: <https://www.odot.org/contracts>.

Unless otherwise noted in the proposal, upon award of the contract to the successful bidder, the contract will be completely and correctly executed by the contractor and returned to the Department within ten(10) working days from the date of award. The Department will have fourteen(14) working days from the date of award to complete its execution of the contract.

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation(ODOT) and the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority(OTA) ensures that no person or groups of persons shall, on the grounds of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, retaliation or genetic information, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any and all programs, services, or activities administered by ODOT or OTA, their recipients, sub-recipients, and contractors. To request an accommodation please contact the ADA Coordinator at (405)521-4140 or the Oklahoma Relay Service at 1-800-722-0353. If you have any ADA or Title VI questions email [ODOT-adatitlevi@odot.org](mailto:ODOT-adatitlevi@odot.org).

Description of work and location of project:  
STP-244C(103)CI COUNTY ROADS MCCLAIN JP No. 34439(04)  
RESURFACE (ASPHALT)  
COUNTRY ROADS (COTTON GIN AVE/120TH ST/GALLAMORE AVE): FROM THE SH-59  
EXTEND SOUTH ON COTTON GIN AVE, THEN WEST ON 120TH ST THEN SOUTH ON  
GALLAMORE AVE NEAR WAYNE.  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
- By: TIM J. GATZ, Director.

mental quarter quarter section  
for the Osborn common source of  
supply, in a NW-SE drilling pattern.

The legal descriptions of the land  
sections adjacent to the area within  
which the location lies are within  
Sections 18, 19 and 30, Township  
7 North, Range 4 West. Applicant  
further requests that Applicant or  
some other party be authorized the  
right to drill said well. Applicant  
further requests that it be per-  
mitted to produce said well at said  
location from all common source of  
supply covered hereby without any  
downward allowable adjustment.

Special Relief: Applicant further  
requests that the order to be en-  
tered in this cause may be made  
effective prior to the date of issua-  
nce of the order.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN  
that the hearing on the Well Lo-  
cation Exception is set before an  
Administrative Law Judge on  
April 9, 2024, at 8:30 a.m., at the  
Concourse Theater, Suite C50,  
Will Rogers Memorial Office Build-  
ing, 2401 N. Lincoln Blvd., in the  
Capitol Complex, Oklahoma City,  
Oklahoma 73105. The Concourse  
Theater is located in the tunnel  
between the Will Rogers Memorial  
Office Building and the Sequoyah  
Memorial Office Building.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN  
that the referenced hearing may  
be conducted via teleconference  
or videoconference. Instructions  
for participating via teleconference  
or videoconference are available  
on the Commission's website at  
[www.occeweb.com](http://www.occeweb.com).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN  
that Applicant and interested  
parties may present testimony by  
telephone. The cost of telephonic  
communication shall be paid by the  
person or persons requesting its  
use. Interested parties who wish  
to participate by telephone shall  
contact Applicant or Applicant's  
attorney, prior to the hearing date,  
and provide their names and tele-  
phone numbers.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN  
that all interested persons may  
appear and be heard. For informa-  
tion concerning this action contact  
Dana Sittig, Far West Develop-  
ment, LLC, 1410 NW 44th Street,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118,  
405/557-1384, email: [dana.sittig@farwestdev.com](mailto:dana.sittig@farwestdev.com), and/or Gregory L.  
Mahaffey, Attorney, 300 N.E. 1st  
Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73104-  
4004, Telephone: 405/236-0478.

CORPORATION  
COMMISSION  
OF OKLAHOMA

J. TODD HIETT, Chairman  
KIM DAVID, Vice-Chairman  
BOB ANTHONY, Commis-  
sioner

DONE AND PERFORMED ON  
THIS 13TH DAY OF MARCH, 2024.  
BY ORDER OF THE COMMIS-  
SION:  
GAREY L. WORTHAM Commis-  
sion Secretary  
O:\Clients\A\Far West Devel-  
opment, LLC 2504\5003 CD2400-  
00 LE Dibble Prospect\1. A&N\  
LE NOH.rtf  
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NOTICE IS GIVEN TO: Gail  
Tucker; Spouse, if any, of Gail  
Tucker; John Doe, Occupant;  
United States of America ex rel.  
Internal Revenue Service, and  
their unknown successors and  
assigns, that the hearing on the  
above Motion to Confirm Sale is  
set on the 3 day of April, 2024, at  
9:00 o'clock a.m., before Judge  
Edwards, at the McClain County  
Courtroom, Purcell, Oklahoma.  
LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP  
770 NE 63rd St.  
Oklahoma City, OK 73105-6431  
(405) 848-1819  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
File No. 23-139556

No. 180-March 21-1 Time  
BEFORE THE CORPORATION  
COMMISSION OF THE  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
APPLICANT: FAR WEST DEVEL-  
OPMENT, LLC  
RELIEF SOUGHT: POOLING  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: E/2 NW/4  
SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 7  
NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, Mc-  
CLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
CAUSE CD NO. 2024-000566  
AMENDED NOTICE  
OF HEARING

TO ALL PERSONS, OWNERS,  
PRODUCERS, OPERATORS,  
PURCHASERS AND TAKERS OF  
OIL AND GAS, INCLUDING but  
not limited to all persons if living  
or if deceased, their known and  
unknown heirs, executors, admin-  
istrators, devisees, trustees and  
assigns, immediate and remote  
of any such party, and all corpo-  
rations existing and if dissolved,  
known and unknown successors,  
and all persons having an interest  
in the captioned land.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
Applicant requests that the Com-  
mission enter an order pooling the  
interests and adjudicating the  
rights and equities of oil and gas  
owners in the Osborn common  
source of supply underlying the  
E/2 NW/4 of Section 19, Township  
7 North, Range 4 West, McClain  
County, Oklahoma, and designat-  
ing Applicant or some other owner  
of the right to drill as operator of  
the unit well. Applicant may re-  
quest at the hearing that the order  
provide that any owner electing an  
alternative to participation in the  
well drilled thereunder shall be  
deemed to have relinquished all  
working interest and right to drill  
in the unit and common sources  
of supply named herein as to such  
well and any wells drilled subse-  
quent thereto.

SPECIAL RELIEF Applicant  
further requests that the order to  
be entered in this cause may be  
made effective prior to the date of  
issuance of the order.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN  
that this cause will be heard before  
an Administrative Law Judge on

No. 156-March 14-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-  
TATE OF EDWARD J. CARLILE,  
DECEASED.

Case No. PB-2024-34  
COMBINED NOTICE  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS;  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
PETITION FOR SUMMARY  
ADMINISTRATION, HEARING  
ON THE FINAL  
ACCOUNTING, AND THE  
PETITION FOR  
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS,  
DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE  
AND DISCHARGE

NOTICE IS HEREBY given to all  
persons interested in the Estate of  
Edward J. Carlile, Deceased, that  
on this date, Terri L. Carlile, who  
may be contacted through counsel  
at the address below, filed a Peti-  
tion for Summary Administration  
naming Terri L. Carlile as Personal  
Representative and praying that  
Letters of Special Administration  
issue to Terri L. Carlile. Said Peti-  
tion further prays that the heirs at  
law of said Decedent be deter-  
mined; that the final accounting be  
approved; that the property of the  
Decedent subject to the jurisdic-  
tion 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.

The name and address of the  
Petitioner and Personal Repre-  
sentative is: Terri L. Carlile, 312  
NE 10th St., Newcastle, OK 73065.

The probable value of the estate  
of Edward J. Carlile, Deceased, so  
far as known to the Petitioner is  
less than \$200,000.00.

The above named Decedent  
died on January 25, 2024, at which  
time the address of the Decedent  
was 312 NE 10th St., Newcastle,  
OK 73065.

Notice is hereby given that a  
hearing will be held on the 25 day of  
April, 2024, at 9:30 a.m., at the Mc-  
Clain County Courthouse, Purcell,  
Oklahoma, before Judge Charles

the Initial Hearing Docket at the  
Corporation Commission, Will  
Rogers Memorial Office Building,  
2401 North Lincoln Boulevard,  
Oklahoma City, OK 73105, at  
8:30 a.m., on April 9, 2024, and  
that this notice be published as  
required by law and the rules of  
the Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN  
that the referenced hearing may  
be conducted via teleconference  
or videoconference. Instructions  
for participating via teleconference  
or videoconference are available  
on the Commission's website at  
[www.occeweb.com](http://www.occeweb.com)

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN  
that Applicant and interested  
parties may present testimony by  
telephone. The cost of telephonic  
communication shall be paid by  
the person or persons requesting  
its use. Interested parties who  
wish to participate by telephone  
shall contact Applicant or Appli-  
cant's attorney, prior to the hearing  
date, and provide their names and  
telephone numbers.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN  
that all interested persons may  
appear and be heard. For informa-  
tion concerning this action contact  
Dana Sittig, Far West Develop-  
ment, LLC, 1410 NW 44th Street,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118,  
405/557-1384, email: [dana.sittig@farwestdev.com](mailto:dana.sittig@farwestdev.com) and/or Gregory L.  
Mahaffey and/or Caleb A. Hartwell,  
Attorneys, 300 N.E. 1st Street,  
Oklahoma City, OK 73104-4004,  
Telephone: 405/236-0478.

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OF OKLAHOMA  
J. TODD HIETT, Chairman  
KIM DAVID, Vice-Chairman  
BOB ANTHONY,  
Commissioner

DONE AND PERFORMED ON  
THIS 13TH DAY OF MARCH, 2024.  
BY ORDER OF THE COMMIS-  
SION:

GAREY L. WORTHAM, Com-  
mission Secretary  
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Gray. At the hearing the Court will  
decide whether to approve the Peti-  
tion for Summary Administration  
and the final account, and consider  
all relief prayed for in the petition.  
All persons interested may appear  
at said hearing.

The Petition sets forth the  
names and addresses of all known  
creditors, heirs and devisees of  
the Decedent. Pursuant to 58 O.S.  
Sec. 246, each person receiving  
this Notice is advised of the fol-  
lowing:

Any person receiving this notice  
or any interested party may file  
objections to the Petition at any  
time 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 be-  
fore the hearing date, on the hear-  
ing 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 distrib-  
uted. The Special Administrator  
shall present the final accounting  
at the final hearing.

TO ALL CREDITORS OF THE  
ABOVE NAMED DECEDENT: All  
creditors having claims against  
the above named Decedent are  
required to present the same,  
with a description of all security  
interest or other collateral (if any)  
held by each creditor with respect  
to such claim, to Elaine Arnold at  
the address shown below, on or  
before the presentment date of  
April 8, 2024, or the same will be  
forever barred.

/s/ Elaine Arnold  
Elaine Arnold, OBA #16168  
P.O. Box 202  
Mustang, Oklahoma 73064  
Telephone: (405) 376-6014  
[elaine.arnold@sbcglobal.net](mailto:elaine.arnold@sbcglobal.net)  
Attorney for Petitioner

No. 154-March 14-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF Hubert Doil Millsap, Deceased  
Case No. PB-2022-97  
ORDER FIXING TIME FOR  
HEARING AND NOTICE OF  
HEARING ON PETITION FOR  
ORDER ALLOWING FIRST  
AND FINAL ACCOUNT;  
DETERMINATION OF  
HEIRSHIP; AND FINAL  
DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION  
AND DISCHARGE

Notice is hereby given that  
Cyrstl Key, also known as Crystl  
Key, Special Administrator for  
the Estate of Hubert Doil Millsap,  
deceased, has filed in this Court  
a Petition for Order Allowing First  
and Final Account, Determina-  
tion Of Heirship, and Petition for  
Final Decree of Distribution and  
Discharge of the Estate.

IT IS ORDERED that the hearing  
of the same is hereby fixed by the  
Court for the 25th day of April,  
2024, at 9:30 o'clock A.M., at the

County courthouse in McClain  
County, Oklahoma.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED  
that all persons interested in the  
Estate are notified to appear and  
show cause, if any, why the heirs  
of Hubert Doil Millsap, deceased,  
devisees, and legatees should not  
be fully determined and the Estate  
be distributed.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that  
copies of the notice of this hearing  
be mailed to the heirs, devisees  
and legatees whose addresses  
are known with postage thereon  
prepaid, at least ten (10) days  
before the date of the hearing.

WITNESS my hand this 4th day  
of March, 2024.

/s/ Charles N. Gray  
Judge of the District Court  
By: /s/ Jennifer B. Volino  
Jennifer B. Volino, OBA #30499  
THE TITLE LAW GROUP, PLLC  
301 NW 63rd St., Suite 350  
Oklahoma City, OK 73116  
Telephone: (405) 608-1900  
[jvolino@thetitlelawgroup.com](mailto:jvolino@thetitlelawgroup.com)  
Attorney for Special Admin-  
istrator

# Washington Schools raise nearly \$29,000 for AWOL

**Angie Steele**  
Washington Correspondent

The incredible spirit of unity and generosity has shone brightly throughout the AWOL Week at WPS.

Washington Public School appreciates the coming together as a community to make a difference in the life of the Aday family.

In just one week, the dedication and kindness of students, staff, families, and the community have led to a remarkable achievement - raising nearly \$29,000 for the Chris Aday family. This outpouring of love and support is a powerful reminder of the profound impact we can create when we join hands for a great cause.

WPS extends their deepest appreciation to each and every person who contributed, whose generosity has touched lives and represented hope in our community.

A special acknowledgment goes to Mrs. Gena Flick, whose dedication and efforts have been instrumental in the success of this meaningful fundraiser. Your commitment and passion inspire us all.

Together, we have once again proven that when we work together, we can present hope and blessings to others.

Thank you, WPS family, for showing the true meaning of community and that together, we can move mountains. It is indeed another great day to be a Warrior."

## American Legion Post 0310 Project

Every Memorial Day Weekend, 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>

**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 March 21-29:  
Thursday, March 21 - King



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## Aday family

**Chris Aday**, a Washington AWOL recipient, was joined by his family at the Washington AWOL Assembly.



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## Baseball in Gulf Shores

**Warrior baseball** players and coaches had a great rainy day at the beach in Gulf Shores which was topped off with a fantastic steak dinner with families. The team is playing in Gulf Shores during spring break.



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## Kiss the Goat

**Seventh grader** Tripp Brennan and freshman Nate Steele were the goat handlers for the Annual Kiss a Goat contest during Washington's AWOL assembly. Students voted for their GOAT (Greatest of All Time) teachers and winners got to enjoy goat kisses last Friday at the assembly. Goats Josie Rose and Jay Jay did a spectacular job representing the local farm, Steele Family Farm.

Ranch Chicken, Mexican corn.  
Friday, March 22 - Steak fritters, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans.

Monday, March 25 - White beans and ham, home fries, cornbread.

Tuesday, March 26 - Chicken pot pie, peas, carrots.

Wednesday, March 27 - Pasta bake, broccoli mix.

Thursday, March 28 - Fish sticks, coleslaw, tomatoes and macaroni.

Friday, March 29 - Pulled pork, gravy, mashed potatoes, hot rolls.

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 April 8, May 13, June 10, July 5, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 4 and December 9.

## Washington Public Schools Calendar

March 25 - 5th Grade to Goddard; MS Slow-Pitch, Blanchard, home, 5 p.m.; HS Baseball at Marietta\*, 5 p.m.(DH); HS Slow-Pitch at Blanchard with NRC, 6:30 p.m.; HS Girls Golf Lincoln Park East OKC (Classen SAS host); MS Golf at Fort Cobb; MS Baseball at Lindsay, 5 p.m.

March 26, HS Slow-Pitch Harrah and Lexington, home, 5 p.m.; MS Slow-Pitch at Lexington with Harrah, 5 p.m.; MS Baseball, Lindsay, home, 5 p.m.

**Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation**

In Honor of National Vietnam War Veterans, we are hosting a Claims Processing Event for all Vietnam Era veterans who served from Aug. 5, 1964, to May 7, 1975, at 1233 West Lindsay Street in Norman. Mark your calendars for this special event happening on March 28!

Join us as we open our doors at 8 a.m. for a day dedicated to honoring your service and providing valuable support:

- Get your claims processed
- Have your paperwork scanned in
- Complete the First Forms
- Meet our dedicated volunteers for assistance

Your sacrifices have shaped our nation, and it's our turn to give back. Let us show our gratitude by ensuring you receive the care and attention you deserve.

Spread the word and bring your fellow Vietnam veterans along! We can't wait to welcome you.

Veteran Spotlight in honor of

## Women's History Month

Sabrina Jones is a veteran who served in both the Army and the Air Force, and an incredible volunteer here at DKGVF. She left quite a mark on the military landscape. Here's a glimpse into her journey:

**Inspiration to Serve:** Sabrina's journey began with a search for direction in life. She embarked on her military career driven by a desire to explore, travel, and find her calling. After completing her initial enlistment with the Army, she pursued a new path through college ROTC, eventually becoming an officer in the Air Force.

**Overcoming Challenges:** As a woman in the military, Sabrina faced her fair share of obstacles. From encountering skepticism during training to navigating through a male-dominated unit, she persevered by proving her capabilities through hard work and determination.

**Memorable Moments:** Sabrina reflects on some incredible moments from her time in the military. During Desert Shield/Storm, she had the honor of flying with LT Luck on a Blackhawk helicopter to meet President George H.W. Bush. She even got to chat with First Lady Barbara Bush, who was as kind as she was grandmotherly. Such a memorable experience!

Another incredible moment for Sabrina was playing the trumpet in the 82nd Airborne Division Band which allowed her to jump into Sainte Mere Eglise, France, for the 50th Anniversary of the D-Day Celebration. She states that performing in that historic church alongside the 82nd Airborne Division Chorus was truly unforgettable.

**Personal Growth:** Through her military journey, Sabrina experienced profound personal growth. She honed her leadership skills, learned to control her emotions, and gained a deeper understanding of what it means to lead with compassion and empathy.

**Advice to Aspiring Women:** Sabrina encourages women considering a military career to seize the opportunity for growth and development. Despite challenges, the military offers unparalleled benefits, experiences, and a strong sense of camaraderie among fellow service members.

Sabrina's story serves as an inspiration to women everywhere, reminding us of the determination, courage, and strength that define the spirit of Women's History Month.

Let's celebrate her resilience and bravery in serving her country.

## NEXT GEN

Do you know someone between the ages of 16 and 22 years old and passionate about history with an eagerness to make a difference? Here's an incredible opportunity for them!

Best Defense Foundation and Delta Air Lines are excited to announce and host their upcoming program NEXT GEN, where you can embark on a journey to preserve history, honor veterans, and share your experiences with the world!

**Submission Details:**  
Submit a 2-3 minute video answering:

Why is preserving history important to you?

What motivates you to join this program?

Share how you contribute to preserving history and supporting veterans in your community.

The top video submissions will be invited for an interview with BDF and sponsor representatives. Students will also participate in the June 1-12 Normandy Battlefield Return and walk places like Omaha Beach, Utah Beach, Ste. Mere Eglise and Carentan, where students will assist in escorting veterans back to those battlefields. NEXT GEN is seeking dynamic and charismatic personalities who are comfortable in front of



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## State Runner-Up

**Washington Warrior** High School Powerlifting team won state runner-up. The team included Naithen Spaulding, third; Tanner Olson third; Wyatt Wilk, sixth; and Kallon Hodges, eighth.

the camera, ready to interview veterans and share their stories.

Travel Dates: June 1, 2024 - June 12, 2024.

Send your submissions to Mayo Strauss at mayo@bdf.org. Deadline for submissions: Monday, April 1, 2024.

This program isn't just about learning history; it's about being inspired, making a difference, and sharing your journey with the world. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity!

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 at [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.

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 501(C)(3) non-profit organization and there is never a charge for the services we provide to veterans and their families. We do accept financial contributions to be used to support veterans and this organization.

We also accept donations of wheelchairs and other types of handicap equipment that can be given to other veterans or their families.

We are open to active clients Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon. To donate to our Founda-



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## 10th place

**Washington freshman** Nate Steele placed 10th at the Warrior Junior High Powerlifting event.



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## DKG volunteer

**Sabrina Jones** is a veteran who served in both the Army and the Air Force and an incredible volunteer at the Dale K Graham Veterans Foundation. She left quite a mark on the military landscape.

tion, 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




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