



Power outage causes disruptions

Downtown Purcell hit the hardest

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After a series of brown outs last Friday afternoon, power was lost to the downtown area and much of northern residential sections of Purcell.

The power outage lasted 44 minutes before power was restored to downtown businesses.

Electricity was never out for the south portion of Purcell where businesses and traffic lights were never on the blink.

The electricity went off at 2:12 and came on about 2:56 p.m. The Heart of Oklahoma welcomed its first

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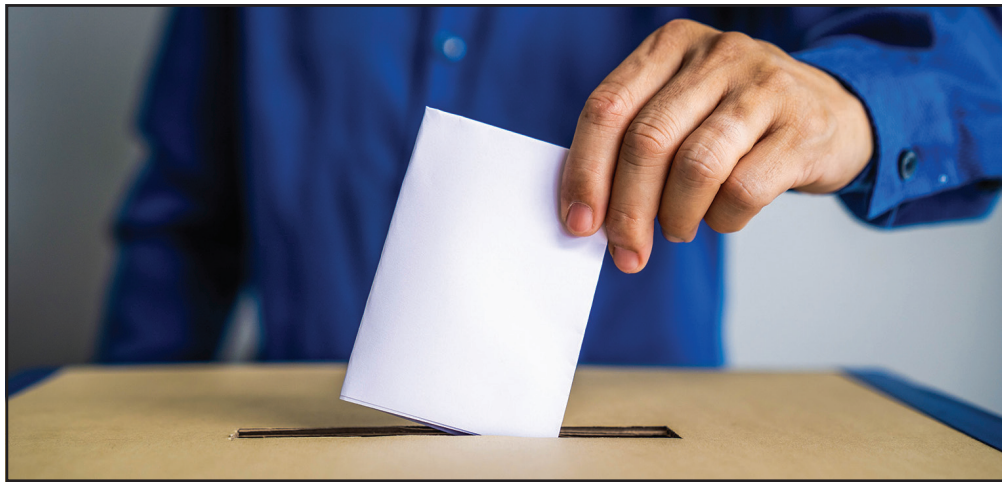
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Lightning bolt

Purcell City officials report last Friday's 44 minute power outage was caused by lightning during a thunderstorm that produced the first measurable rainfall here since May 26.

DECISION TIME

Tuesday's ballots full of races



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In-person absentee voting for the June 30 election opens today (Thursday) at county election boards across Oklahoma.

Polling hours today and Friday will be 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On election day, precinct polling places will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

In addition to federal and state office primaries, voters will also be selecting the winners of runoff municipal and school board races.

In McClain County, those are:

- Purcell City Council Division 1 – Graham Fishburn (I), Bill Boyle.
- Purcell School Board Office 5 – Tracy Folsom (I), Kevin Andrews.
- Dibble School Board Office 5 – Greg Hamby,

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Hospital financing

Investors favor city's bond offerings

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Investors from small Oklahoma banks to the largest bond buyer in the country lined up to get a share of the financing for Purcell's new hospital.

Mayor Ted Cox told city council members Friday that the slight bump in Purcell's credit rating allowed Bank of Oklahoma to lower the asking price for the \$20 million worth of bonds.

The A- rating by Standard and Poor will save the city more than \$700,000 in interest over the life of the loan.

The bond sales, which will close on Tuesday, were the first municipal sales tax bonds sold after the emergency declaration, Cox said.

Some of the bonds will expire in 2023. Those have a net interest rate of 1.55 percent.

The interest rate rises slightly the further out the bonds mature. Those dates which Cox cited are 2029, 2035 and 2040.

"There were several groups that wanted long term bonds,"

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Senior development

Village on Green geared to low income elders

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Forty-eight duplex and four-plex apartments under construction at Village on Green will provide affordable housing for low-income senior citizens when they

open later this year.

Angie Paro, compliance officer with Belmont Development Co., in Oklahoma City, said the construction will consist of one- and two-bedroom units at 1900 N. Green Ave.

All residents must be 62 or older with income under certain levels to qualify.

Projected rents for one-bedroom units are \$610 and \$700 per month.

The one-bedroom units are 681 square feet and the

two-bedroom units are 967 square feet.

Section 8 vouchers will be accepted.

Paro said construction

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Village on Green

Construction is on schedule at Village on Green, an apartment development for low-income senior citizens. The development will include 48 units and a large community room. Jim Prader, project superintendent, said three of the units will be handicap accessible.

Non-lethal means

Training, policy curtail use of deadly force

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Many law enforcement agencies are feeling their way when it comes to determining how much force to use to subdue suspects.

That type of chokehold has been cited in numerous suspect deaths at the hands of police.

In fact, the use of all chokeholds by McClain County deputies is strongly



But both the McClain County Sheriff's Department and Purcell Police Department rely on training and policy that strictly curtails use of deadly force.

"Right now the carotid artery restraint is not used unless life is in extreme jeopardy," McClain County Sheriff Don Hewett said.

discouraged.

Det. Sgt. Scott Stephens, public information officer at the police department, said chokeholds have never been used in his 21 years at the department.

Instead, Purcell police of-

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Mega mess

Purcell Police, fire units, Purcell Electric Department and the ECI responded to a freak accident behind Star Travel Plaza at 2605 SH 74 south just after 6:30 p.m. last Thursday. Firefighters said a 2002 Tan Peterbilt semi hauling an oversized load with a height of 15'2" tangled up in power lines that served the travel plaza. The incident caused a power pole with two transformers full of oil to fall to the ground. Electric crews requested ECI be contacted to clean up the spilled oil. There were no reported injuries. Crews left the scene around 9:30 p.m.

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Saharan Dust to be here soon

Should make sunsets even prettier than normal

The rain chances are going to decrease and the chances for sun return. Overall, this next week will be average and mild for the beginning of summer. High temperatures will be in the upper 80's and the lows at night will be around 60 degrees. The Saharan dust that has been blowing across the Atlantic will begin to impact Oklahoma Friday. The skies may be slightly hazier than normal, but this will lead to increased color at night during sunsets. There is a small chance of rain at night on Friday leading into Saturday morning, but overall the weekend looks very nice.

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Flu shot more important than ever experts say

Getting the annual flu shot is always important. But this year, it might be essential. The SARS-Cov-2 coronavirus is surging throughout the state and much of the country, and many health experts are predicting an epidemic-level wave during the fall and winter months, right in the heart of the annual flu season in the U.S. “That timing could be potentially disastrous for a number of reasons, but the most obvious is that the combined fight against coronavirus and influenza is potentially more than our healthcare system can handle,” said Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation physician-scientist Eliza Chakravarty, M.D. Since the coronavirus first started spreading across the U.S. earlier this year, it has resulted in almost 2.3 million confirmed cases and 120,000

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OSU EXTENSION News

Keeping your cool in hot weather

Trisha Gedon
Extension Educator

The Oklahoma heat can be brutal—deadly, even. Now that temperatures are really heating up, it is important to know how to keep cool. High temperatures kill hundreds of people across the country every year, said Gina Peek, Oklahoma State University Extension housing and consumer specialist. “Heat-related illness and death are preventable; yet more than 600 people across the country die from extreme heat every year. Getting too hot can actually make you sick,” Peek said. “When that happens, your body is no longer able to properly cool itself off. This is why it’s so important to stay cool and hydrated,” she said. Heat can affect people differently, but those who are at a higher risk of heat-related illness are people age 65 and over, children younger than 2 years of age and people with

chronic health conditions and mental health issues. Peek said one of the main things affecting a person’s ability to cool itself during extremely hot weather is high humidity. A person’s sweat won’t evaporate as quickly, and this keeps the body from releasing heat as quickly as it needs to. “Other factors include age, obesity, dehydration, heart disease, high blood pressure, poor circulation, sunburn and prescription drug and alcohol use,” she said. Signs of a heat stroke include a temperature of 103 degrees Fahrenheit or higher; hot, red, dry or damp skin; rapid, strong pulse; headache; dizziness; nausea; confusion; or losing consciousness. If someone is exhibiting signs of heat stroke, call 911 immediately, then place cool, damp cloths on that person and try to move them to a cooler place while waiting for medical help to arrive.

She said signs of heat exhaustion can include heavy sweating; cold, pale and clammy skin; fast, weak pulse; nausea or vomiting; muscle cramps; dizziness; headache; and fainting. Peek has some tips that can help everyone stay safe, especially those who may be more at risk.

- Stay in air-conditioned buildings as much as possible. It is the simplest way to protect against heat-related illness and death.
- Do not rely on a fan as the main source of cooling during an extreme heat event.
- Drink more water than usual and do not wait until feeling thirsty.
- Check on elderly family, friends and neighbors.
- Do not use a stove or oven to cook as because those appliances make homes hotter.
- Limit outdoor activities, especially during midday.

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Busy day

Purcell Firefighters responded twice to this location at 100th and Eastern last Thursday afternoon assisting Payne Firefighters battling a grass fire. The first call came in just after 10 a.m. with the rekindle blaze answered around 1:35 p.m. Purcell also responded to a small grass fire at the 98 mile marker southbound at 12:48 p.m. High winds fanned the flames.

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NEWS In Brief

SummerSing

Sunray Baptist Church, 2223 N.9th, in Purcell will host its annual SummerSing on Saturday, June 27, at 6 p.m.

Performing will be Mark Bishop from Irvine, Ky., and The Williamsons from Wetumka.

Admission is free. A love offering will be taken to help with expenses.

Safety precautions will be taken, if necessary. Face masks are optional.

Freedom Celebration

The public is invited to a free God Bless America Freedom Celebration Fellowship Sunday, July 5, at Rose Hill Pentecostal Church of God, 19251 State Hwy. 39 (10 miles east) of Lexington.

The event will begin at 8 p.m. with prayer/flagpole/singing and food followed by fireworks at 9 p.m.(dark).

Bring lawn chairs and blankets for seating and insect repellent.

Purcell Prom July 18

Purcell Junior-Senior Prom will be held from 6-11 p.m. Saturday, July 18, at the Canadian Theater in Purcell.

The promenade will begin at 6 p.m.

The event, which is parent sponsored, is open to any Purcell junior or senior.

Each junior and senior will be allowed to have one guest. Guests must be a sopho-

more during the 2019-2020 school year through the age of 20. Guests must show ID, if not a Purcell student.

The dress code is semi formal or formal attire.

Those attending must print and sign the COVID-19 waiver and have a parent sign it if under 18. Students will not be granted entry without the signed waiver.

There will also be temperature checks at the door.

If you have already signed up you don't need to do anything. If you haven't signed up, email candy_tuck@yahoo.com.

Required Immunization

An immunization requirement is in effect to help fight the spread of whooping cough in Oklahoma schools and communities.

All students entering the seventh grade are required to have one dose of TDAP (tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis vaccine) before the start of the school year.

The McClain County Health Department, 919 N, 9th, in Purcell will be able to give this shot by appointment only by calling 527-6541.

Museum News

The McClain County Museum and Historical Society will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-4 p.m. and by special appointment.

Patrons and visitors can reach Pam Ellis-Hobbs at 527-8698 to request a tour or genealogy research information.

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deaths, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as of June 22.

Those numbers – and the associated strain on hospitals and healthcare resources – could be compounded by the flu, which in the during the 2019-20 season infected as many as 56 million Americans, with 740,000 hospitalizations and nearly 62,000 deaths, according to preliminary CDC data.

“Efforts taken with the shutdown, like social distancing and wearing masks, have kept rates low enough to keep coronavirus patients separated from others who need other routine care,” Chakravarty said. “Add another outbreak and toss in a fast-spreading virus like the flu, and all that progress could go out the window.”

Chakravarty also worries about people getting exposed to both viruses.

“Each of them is deadly enough individually, but we know they are especially dangerous for those with compromised immunity or lung function,” she said. “You don’t want to catch both if you’re already compromised.”

The good news is that there are ways to avoid this nightmare scenario, said OMRF President Stephen Prescott, M.D.

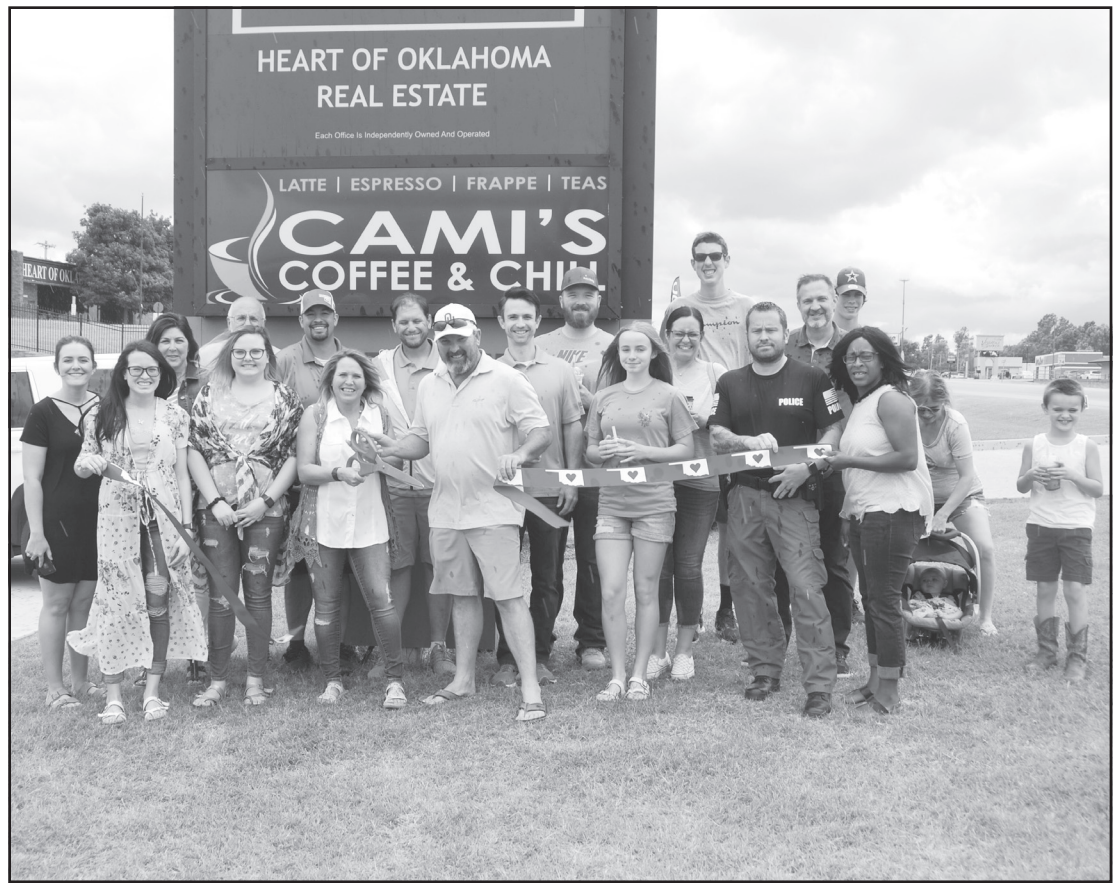
“We have to maintain already sensible practices, like physical distancing, wearing masks, and washing our hands,” said Prescott, a physician and researcher. “An obvious additional step is to get the flu shot. Even if you don’t normally get one, this is the time to do it.”

Flu shots are generally inexpensive or free, and drive-thru vaccinations may become widely available.

And while the shots are far from perfect, typically providing between 40 and 60 percent protection, “Some protection is better than none,” said Prescott.

Even if you contract the flu after receiving your shot, vaccination often leads to a milder case, said Chakravarty.

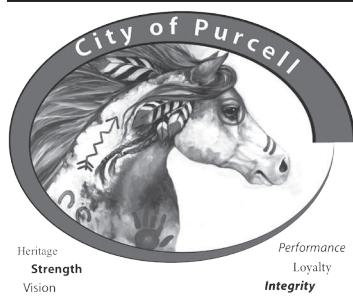
“A less-severe version is always a good thing, but now it might also save you or a loved one a trip to the hospital where coronavirus exposure is possible,” she said. “So, the bottom line is that flu shots save lives – this year, maybe more than ever.”



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Coffee and chill

Camilla White and her husband, **Auther White**, were joined Friday by members of the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce for a ribbon cutting outside their coffee shop at 1800 N. Green Ave. The Whites opened the shop during the pandemic shutdown on May 20. The caffeine stop offers customers free wi-fi and already has garnered a loyal customer base.



NEWS from the City of Purcell

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Cool:

- Use and reapply sunscreen as indicated on the product's label.
- Wear loose, lightweight, light-colored clothing.
- Never leave children or pets in parked cars.

“Summer is a great time to enjoy the outdoors. Just as you take precautions to keep yourself warm in the winter, you need to do the same in the hot weather. It can mean the difference between life and death,” Peek said.

70-73 Fireworks

C. It is unlawful to discharge, fire, explode or ignite fireworks at any time in the city.

The City of Purcell may issue a citation in the amount of \$109 if you are caught.

There will be a fireworks display at dusk on Saturday, July 6, at the Purcell City Lake.

The City of Purcell, the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce and private donations are sponsoring the show. For more information call 527-6561.

Madelynn Meeks honored by NCWIT

Mid-America Technology Center Pre-Engineering student Madelynn Meeks has received the Honorable Mention NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing.

The award, sponsored by the National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT), recognizes high school students for their interests as part of an effort to encourage more young women to choose careers in technology.

“Encouraging young women’s interest in technology careers is critical: our workforce needs their creativity and their innovation,” said Lucy Sanders, CEO and Co-founder of NCWIT.

A total of 17 award recipients were selected from high schools across Oklahoma for their outstanding aptitude and aspirations in technology and computing as demonstrated by their computing experience, computing-related activities,

leadership experience, tenacity in the face of barriers to access, and plans for post-secondary education.

Madelynn, a 2020 graduate of Newcastle High School, aspires to be an aerospace engineer. In order to achieve her future goals, Madelynn sought out STEM programs and enrolled in rigorous courses most high school students shy away from.

She was a five-year member of her school’s FIRST Tech Challenge Robotics Team, Team Medusa, where she assisted in designing, building, and driving the robot for competitions. She also maintained the team’s engineering notebook.

While in high school, Madelynn was a member of the National Honor Society, SkillsUSA, and named the 2019-2020 Outstanding Pre-Engineering

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Killing time

Editor's Notebook



John D.
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We have a clock, well make that had a clock, that is very difficult to get to.

It's always the last one we get to when we switch from regular time to daylight savings or vice versa.

The other day that hard-to-reach clocked stopped. Needed a new battery.

The tallest person available last Monday to reset the time-piece in its position was our old pal David Stull.

David stretched up high and put the clock on its perch.

I had no idea that clock was about to become our very own "Humpty Dumpty".

Before I could really get the words, "Good job, Dave" out of my mouth the clock jumped off the wall and landed on a desk below.

The new battery flew out of the back of the clock.

But that wasn't the worst of it. No, far, far from it.

The force of the collision knocked the hands right off the face of the clock.

A search and rescue mission was immediately dispatched but to no avail.

The hands were never recovered. Much like they were

buried at sea.

I'm not sure even if we could have found the little guys that they would have gone back to working order.

But I guess we'll never know. Right now that wall is barren, kinda like the Sahara Desert.

And, of course, that's the clock I use most in the whole office. I must have looked for it 50 times during the day Monday.

A replacement clock will soon get a battery and will be set in place of the old one.

Hopefully, we will be able to secure it on the wall in a much more protected position.

It was quite a start to David's Monday.

It was one, I'm sure, he wasn't remotely thinking about when he climbed into his vehicle to drive to work to kick off the week.

Let the oxygenated blood flow

I'll have an angiogram and some laughter

Last week I had my annual let's-see-how-bad-the-carotid-blockage-is-now test at the Health Plex on Tecumseh Road.

This year, my cardiologist opted for a CT scan with contrast.

The results must have been exciting because the very next day, the doctor himself called me to discuss them.

I've been getting these regular checkups for at least 12 years or longer. And each test only served to confirm both the original diagnosis and that there'd been no change.

Until now. Some years the test consisted of an ultrasound. Other years, we skipped that and went right to an MRA or CT.

And the results were always pretty much the same. An area of stenosis with blockage holding at 60 to 70 percent.

Initially, this alarmed me. But I was assured there's more than one arterial route to get blood

MUCH ADO



Jeanne Grimes

to the brain.

Well, this time the report came back at 80 percent blockage.

Hence the personal call from the doctor.

Eighty percent, it seems, is the tipping point at which we go from see-you-next-year to let's-take-a-closer-look-from-the-inside-this-time.

I'm waiting on a call from

his office to schedule an angiogram. This, the doctor tells me, is the "gold standard" of diagnostic tools to determine exactly how badly that blood flow to the brain is compromised.

And to assess stroke risk.

It could be I will need a stent to open up that bothersome carotid artery.

Or the angiogram could definitively disprove the CT scan results.

After explaining all this, the doctor asked if I had any questions.

Just one, I said. How much smarter did he think I would be with all that extra blood flow reaching my brain?

My sense of humor is kind of wonky sometimes. It took a few shocked seconds before he realized that wasn't a serious question and then he laughed.

After all, you know what they say about laughter being the best medicine.

NEWS FROM CAPITOL HILL

Safely returning to work

Congressman Tom Cole

After local and national economies were effectively forced to close in response to coronavirus this spring, communities across the nation are continuing to slowly and cautiously reopen.

While it is encouraging to see businesses opening back up and Americans returning to work, it's important to keep in mind that life as we know it is not yet back to normal.

Until there are effective treatments, therapeutics and ultimately a vaccine to control COVID-19, we must continue to take precautions, including adapting our workplace operations.

Though the battle against COVID-19 is not yet over, it is not sustainable to keep businesses closed and workers at home.

While employers may feel pressure to ramp up production or operations at full speed

ahead to make up for lost time, it is critical that workers are shielded from potential health hazards.

Indeed, returning to more regular functions and operations requires thoughtful preparation, gradual action and continual evaluation.

Fortunately, since the first cases of COVID-19 were confirmed in the United States back in January, we have learned a lot about the sorts of practical steps we can all take to slow the spread of the disease in our communities.

Whether at work or interacting with others elsewhere, all Americans should continue to practice hygienic precautions like thoroughly and frequently washing your hands, not touching your face, daily disinfecting surfaces, staying home when you're sick, keeping a safe social distance from others and wearing a face covering or mask, especially when social distancing isn't possible.

To help create safe and healthy workplace environments amid this ongoing pandemic, I am encouraged that the Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has issued guidance and recommendations specifically for employers and their workers.

This includes steps to prevent infection and guidance to help employers rapidly respond in the event of a workplace outbreak of COVID-19. OSHA's extensive resources for both employers and workers can be found at osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19.

As we continue to navigate the days ahead and await discovery of a vaccine, the President's Coronavirus Task Force continues to provide progress updates at coronavirus.gov. And for health and prevention updates provided locally by the Oklahoma State Department of Health, visit coronavirus.health.ok.gov.

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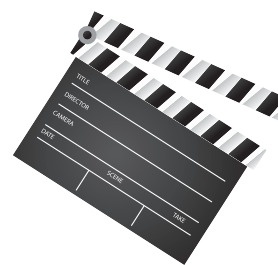
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Our Views

MOVIES WITH DAVE

By David Stull



It's been quite the active week as far as movie theater news goes.

With next month fast approaching, it looks like the major theater chains, including Regal, Cinemark, and AMC are all dead set on reopening their doors July 10, just weeks ahead of blockbuster releases like Disney's live action remake of "Mulan," and Christopher Nolan's action thriller "Tenet."

Originally scheduled to release July 17, "Tenet" was pushed back a couple weeks to the 31st. I guess Warner Bros. is hoping the extra two weeks will give movie fans more time to get used to the idea of watching new films in theaters again. Only time will tell if their bet pays off.

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Your Views

Rest of the story

(This is an opinion piece that once ran in The Mustang Times by John Martin)

Paul Harvey says: I don't believe in Santa Claus, but I'm not going to sue somebody for singing a Ho-Ho-Ho song in December. I don't agree with Darwin, but I didn't go out and hire a lawyer when my high school teacher taught his Theory of Evolution.

Life, liberty and your pursuit of happiness will not be endangered because someone says a 30-second prayer before a football game. So what's the big deal? It's not like somebody is up there reading the entire Book of Acts. They're just talking to a God they believe in and asking him to grant safety to the players on the field and the fans going home from the game.

But it's a Christian prayer, some will argue. Yes, and this is the United States of America, a country founded on Christian principals. According to our very own phone book, Christian churches outnumber all others better than 200-1. So what would you expect -- somebody chanting?

If I went to a football game in Jerusalem, I would expect to hear a Jewish prayer.

If I went to a soccer game in Baghdad, I would expect to hear a Muslim prayer.

If I went to a ping pong match in China, I would expect to hear someone pray to Buddha.

And I wouldn't be offended. It wouldn't bother me one bit. But what about the atheists? That's another argument.

What about them?

Nobody is asking them to be baptized. We're not going to pass the collection plate. Just humor us for 30 seconds. If that's asking too much, bring a Walkman or a pair of ear plugs. Go to the bathroom. Visit the concession stand. Call your lawyer!

Unfortunately, one or two will make the call. One or two will tell thousands what they can and cannot do. I don't think a short prayer at a football game is going to shake the world's foundation.

Christians are just sick and tired of turning the other cheek while our courts strip us of all our rights. Our parents and grandparents taught us to pray before eating, to pray before we go to sleep. Our Bible tells us to pray without ceasing. Now a handful of people and their lawyers are telling us to cease praying.

God, help us. And if that last sentence offends you, well, just sue me.

The silent majority has been silent too long. It's time we tell that one or two who scream loud enough to be heard that the vast majority doesn't care what they want. It is time that the majority rules!

It's time we tell them, you don't have to pray; you don't have to say the Pledge of Allegiance; you don't have to believe in God or attend services that honor Him. That is your right and we will honor your right; but by golly, you are no longer going to take our rights away.

We are fighting back and we WILL WIN!

God bless us one and all, especially those who denounced Him. God bless America, despite all her faults. She is still the greatest nation of all. God bless our service men and women who are fighting to protect our right to pray and worship God. Keep looking up.

And that's the rest of the story.

Dave:

It seems pretty clear this pandemic won't be over in just over a month's time. Especially with new cases of COVID-19 reaching record highs in our state just over the past few weeks.

Obviously, you can't expect everyone to lock themselves away forever, but I still think people should take some preventative measures to help slow the spread of COVID-19, and help the most vulnerable in our communities stay healthy.

Easy things like washing your hands, or using hand sanitizer if soap and water isn't easily accessible.

Then there's slightly less convenient things. Like wearing a mask while out and about among others. Yes, only slightly inconvenient for most, but not that difficult.

Frankly, it's infuriating to go out in Purcell and see nearly everyone going about with their faces completely uncovered. You'd think everything was business as usual, and that we weren't dealing with a disease that had killed over 120,000 Americans.

The worst part is that wearing masks only works to slow the spread if everyone has one on. A simple cloth mask on its own won't keep you from getting sick. But it just might prevent others from getting sick because of you.

When you sneeze, cough, or even when you're just speaking, you're constantly spewing tiny little droplets of moisture all over the place. Drops that could contain COVID-19, even without you knowing it as you can transmit the virus to others before showing symptoms.

Wearing a mask makes it so these teeny tiny drops can't travel as far, and make less likely that others will breathe them in. It's as simple as that.

I know, constantly wearing a mask out isn't exactly the most pleasant experience. But I'll gladly take a little discomfort for the peace of mind, knowing I did something to prevent the most vulnerable in our community from falling ill.

To circle around back to movie theaters, this is why I'm grateful for the backlash AMC received after publishing that they wouldn't require theatergoers to wear masks. Of all the places people should be wearing masks, it's inside an enclosed space like a movie theater.

Part of this backlash came from AMC CEO Adam Aron saying in a statement last week, "We did not want to be drawn into a political controversy. We thought it might be counter-productive if we forced mask wearing on those people who believe strongly that it is not necessary."

Of course only a reckless, uncaring, selfish fool would make wearing a mask and keeping others healthy a political issue. But I digress.

Fortunately, since then, AMC has completely reversed course, and now will require all guests to wear masks when they open their doors next month.

This backlash has also caused Regal to adopt a similarly strict mask wearing policy, which is fantastic news as far as I'm concerned since Regal owns the movie theater I used to frequent the most.

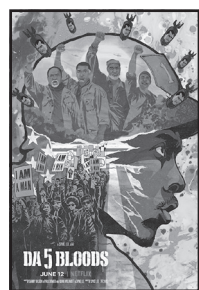
Seriously people. It's not that hard.

If you're going out among others, wear a mask.

Yes, it's a little uncomfortable. But right now it's a small price to pay to help keep others safe.

Anyway, I guess I suppose I should actually talk about some movies this week.

get to the reviews.



First up is "Da 5 Bloods." Decades after their military service, four African-American Vets, Paul (Delroy Lindo), Otis (Clarke Peters), Eddie (Norm Lewis), and Melvin (Isiah Whitlock, Jr.) return to Vietnam to search for the remains of their fallen Squad Leader (Chadwick Boseman) and the promise of buried treasure

Joined by Paul's concerned son (Jonathan Majors), our heroes battle forces of man and nature while confronted by the lasting ravages of the immorality of The Vietnam War.

I guess I delayed talking about this film long enough.

As I mentioned previously, I had planned to review "Da 5 Bloods," along with "Artemis Fowl" in last week's issue, but time being as fleeting as it usually is, I found myself staring at my laptop at 3 a.m. on a Tuesday morning with only one review written.

Luckily, I had written so much about "Artemis Fowl" and how much I disliked the film, I wasn't exactly lacking for content. In fact, I wrote twice as much about "Artemis Fowl" as I usually do for other movies. Heck, somehow I'm still talking about it.

It's a little strange honestly. For whatever reason, I find it much easier to write about the movies I hate, versus the films I actually enjoy.

"Da 5 Bloods" for instance. In general, this is a movie I liked fairly well.

It's well acted, especially by Delroy Lindo who I found impossible to look away from during the film's most intense scenes.

And the story here is an interesting one as well. Clearly a subject Spike Lee, the director of this film, is passionate about.

Not too long ago, while discussing Spike Lee with a friend of mine, they mentioned that Lee was not a man who has any time for subtlety. They were absolutely right, and nowhere is that more clear than with his latest film.

Spike Lee isn't a filmmaker that's gonna beat around the bush, and ease the audience in with sublimity metaphors or add in aspects to the story that can be interpreted in multiple different ways.

Oh no. Spike's gonna tell you exactly how he feels, how he thinks you should feel, and he's gonna knock you over the head with a sledgehammer if you don't happen to get it the first time.

I think this is partially why in the past I've had a difficult time appreciating some of Lee's other work, including his last film, "BlacKkKlansman," released in 2018.

I like subtlety. I like being guided by a storyteller into seeing the world from a different perspective, all without feeling like the concept has been forced upon you. These are the messages that tend to stick with me the most.

That's not what Spike Lee is

here to do though, and if you're going to watch his movies you've gotta be okay with that.

I think accepting that fact helped me enjoy this movie more.

This is a movie about a group of old black men who all carry mental scars from fighting in the Vietnam War.

Scars that not only came from numerous near death encounters, but also from fighting in a war impossible to justify, against an enemy they had no qualms with. Scars from risking their lives for the very United States government who seemed hellbent on suppressing their brothers and sisters back home, fighting for the civil rights of all African Americans.

If this isn't a topic you find all that pleasant to confront, Spike Lee isn't here to sugarcoat it for you. As I said, he isn't a man to mince words. He's gonna tell you exactly how he feels, whether you like it or not.

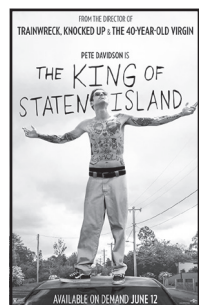
And I guess, if nothing else, I admire this movie for that alone.

Even if I do feel like the narrative loses a bit of focus in the final 30 minutes or so, there are scenes in this film that physically shook me with their intensity. One moment in particular was so anxiety inducing, I was nearly brought to tears because of it. It was that shocking.

Look, I'm not gonna say this movie is for everyone. Honestly, I'm not even sure it's for me.

But after watching "Da 5 Bloods," I think I do appreciate more of what Spike Lee is trying to accomplish with his films. I might not always enjoy it, but I think I finally might be starting to get it.

"Da 5 Bloods" is rated R and is available to stream on Netflix.



The other film this week is "The King of Staten Island." Scott (Pete Davidson) has been a case of arrested development ever since his firefighter father died when he was seven. As his ambitious younger sister (Maude Apatow) heads off to college, Scott is still living with his exhausted ER nurse mother (Marisa Tomei) and spends his days smoking weed.

But when his mother starts dating a loudmouth firefighter named Ray (Bill Burr), it sets off a chain of events that will force Scott to grapple with his grief and take his first tentative steps toward moving forward in life.

As someone who's only ever been a casual fan of Judd Apatow films like "The 40-Year-Old Virgin," "Knocked Up," and "Trainwreck," I have to say, this wasn't exactly the kind of movie I was expecting to see from this filmmaker.

Not that I'm complaining. While this film certainly has many comedic elements, and there are scenes which will likely make you laugh, there's definitely a larger focus on the drama here than you might expect.

And of course, most of this drama is focused on the main character of this film, Pete Davidson's character Scott.

I have to say, up until just a couple months ago I had absolutely no idea who Pete Davidson was. The first time I even remember seeing him in anything was back in April, in a film I quite liked called "Big Time Adolescence."

I know he's a current cast member on "Saturday Night Live," but I've I've never watched SNL with any regularity, and can't even remember I sat down and watched even a clip of the show.

I've heard good things though, and it seems Pete has also made a decent impression on others in Hollywood.

And based on the performances I've seen in his past two films, I'm definitely getting a clearer picture of what everyone else sees in the guy.

Granted, both of these movies seem to have had Pete playing two very similar roles. That of the "stoner loser" with very little direction in his life.

But to his credit, he's quite good at portraying this kind of character. In fact, I'd go as far to say that his performances have been some of the biggest highlights of the movies I've seen him in.

His role in this film takes a more sobering turn though, as this movie is partially based on Pete Davidson's real life experiences growing up.

Much like Scott in the film, Pete also lost his dad at the age of seven, who was also a firefighter.

But unlike the fictionalized character, Pete's dad didn't die in a freak hotel fire. Tragically, Pete's father Scott Davidson was one of the 343 firefighters who lost their lives in the September 11 attacks.

I don't even have the words to describe how gut wrenching that would be for a child.

And this right here is largely what this entire film is about. Dealing with the trauma of losing a father at such a young age. Devastation that Pete Davidson knows only too well.

I didn't know any of this before watching this film. I finally clued in when, before the end credits, the movie showed a photo of a father and son with the caption "Dedicated to the memory of Scott Davidson."

Only then did I realize just how personal of an experience this must have been for Pete, and at the same time it cast the film I had just watched in an entirely different light.

Of course, it takes more than one actor to make a movie, and I'd be remiss if I didn't at least mention the other performances in this film. Especially Marisa Tomei as Scott's mom, and Bill Burr who plays the firefighter trying to date Scott's mom, both of whom are great here.

I honestly can't remember seeing Bill Burr in many movies before this one, unless you count clips from his comedy specials, so it was a pleasant surprise to see just how well he performed here.

This won't surprise anyone familiar to Bill Burr's material, but he is by far the funniest part of this movie. It's not even close. The man just oozes comedy, even when he isn't trying to be funny. Every scene he's featured in is a treat.

But Bill's not only good for a few laughs here and there. He's actually pretty dang fantastic during the film's more dramatic and touching moments. Again, I wouldn't necessarily expect that kind of range from a guy like Bill Burr, but he proved

me dead wrong here.

Bottomline though. For those looking for a typical Judd Apatow comedy, this might not exactly be what you're looking for.

This definitely isn't Apatow's funniest movie, nor will it be nearly as quotable as many of his past films have been.

But I certainly appreciate this movie for what it is. A tale of a young man filled with self-loathing and regret, trying to find his way in the world.

And I'm very grateful Pete was willing to share a story this personal, and so similar to his heartbreaking real life experiences with the rest of us.

"The King of Staten Island" is rated R and is available to rent for \$19.99 on video-on-demand

An Open Letter to Steve Fair, Chairman of the 4th District Republican Party

Dear Mr. Fair:

I do not know which 4th district town you live in in but after reading your letter I gather you still have a hospital. I live in Pauls Valley. We lost our hospital almost two years ago.

Wilburton lost theirs right about the same time then Prague and Stigler followed suit. The last best count I've heard is that eight rural communities in Oklahoma have lost their hospitals.

Perhaps you're one of the very few people in the state who hasn't heard about the 94-year-old lady, a long-time resident of Pauls Valley, who called her daughter to take her to the hospital. She was having chest pains. They arrived at the emergency room just after the last person out had turned out the lights and locked the doors. Her daughter raced her to the hospital in Purcell where she died in the hospital parking lot.

In the last sentence of your letter addressing your concerns on State Question 802 you wrote "Oklahoma taxpayers simply can't afford it." That's like me telling my 96-year-old mother, "Mom, I simply can't afford you." I assure you I would find some way to "afford" her.

Now, as far as our state constitution is concerned, the House, Senate and Governor's office are all controlled by the Republicans. If they had addressed this matter instead of focusing on other issues such as school vouchers and having guns in schools we wouldn't be having to put healthcare in our constitution. They haven't addressed this issue therefore the people are having to by-pass them.

Television commercials for State Question 802 state that for every dollar Oklahomans spend for healthcare the federal government will reimburse us nine dollars. I like those odds.

You stated, "Oklahoma taxpayers simply can't afford it." Oklahoma taxpayers simply can't afford not to pay for it.

Steve Jarman
Pauls Valley

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Society

Science Museum Oklahoma takes summer presentations online

As in many summers past, Science Museum Oklahoma is a big part of the Pioneer Library System's Summer Learning Challenge.

In a time of safety precautions, SMO has adapted to the changing circumstances of 2020 by offering multiple virtual activities for library users to experience.

Signup for SMO programs must be completed online with a valid email address at www.pioneerlibrarysystem.org under the library's Events Calendar at www.pioneerlibrarysystem.org.

Participants will receive an email the day before each program with the link to access the video, as well as informational sheets about the program.

Upcoming programs presented by SMO feature:

Defending Against Dragons: 10 a.m. Monday, June 29—Children up to age 11 can create and test their own anti-dragon defense system in an engineering-based virtual program.

Studio Ghibli Bath Lab: 2

p.m. Tuesday, June 30—Teens who are fans of Studio Ghibli movies will make bath bombs and sugar scrubs worthy of use in the "Spirited Away" bathhouse.

Magic and Myth Extravaganza: 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 21—Teens can engage their brains through a variety of experiments and demonstrations based on myths and magic but occurring in real life.

The 2020 Summer Learning Challenge is sponsored by: Anne and Henry Zarrow Foundation; Friends of the Library groups; Hitachi Computer Products of America (Inc.); Institute of Museum and Library Services; Oklahoma College Savings Plan; Pioneer Library System; Pioneer Library System Foundation; Sonic: America's Drive-In. Corp.; the Oklahoma Department of Libraries; and the Oklahoman Newspapers in Education.

For more information on this series or the library's services during the coronavirus pandemic, go online to www.pioneerlibrarysystem.org.



Jeanne Grimes • The Purcell Register

Banners and bunting

Working aloft, workers were getting ready for the Fourth by hanging red, white and blue bunting and banners from the roof of city hall last week.

Food, Fun, 4-H program gets youth in the kitchen

Trisha Gedon
Extension Educator

The COVID-19 pandemic may be keeping people out of movie theaters, sports arenas and schools, but it is putting hundreds of Oklahoma 4-H'ers in their kitchens.

Thanks to a new program called Food, Fun, 4-H, club members from across the state and beyond are developing kitchen skills and bringing the family back to the table for meals.

Food, Fun, 4-H is funded through the Walmart Healthy Habits grant and was developed to get young people in the kitchen, preparing home-cooked meals and trying new foods. In addition, the program is encouraging family time, developing communication skills and having fun, said Cathy Allen, 4-H curriculum coordinator with the 4-H Youth Development Program at Oklahoma State University.

"When we were developing the program, we thought we'd have about 100 kids participate. We currently have 669 families enrolled, including several from out of state, and they're all creating fabulous things in their kitchens," Allen said.

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"The program is good for youth of all ages. Young children can work with a parent or older sibling to create their recipes, while those with some kitchen experience can test their independence and culinary skills creating each recipe."

All youth who registered for the program receive monthly themed packets via email containing recipes for a complete meal, featuring colorful photos with step-by-step directions. Participants also receive nutritional facts, educational information, conversation starter topics for when the family is around the table and a family physical activity challenge.

Audrey Allen, 13, said she has been cooking since she joined 4-H four years ago and enjoys spending time in the kitchen. She was excited when her mom, Susan Allen, told her about Food, Fun, 4-H.

"I like cooking with my friends. I really like decorating cupcakes and cookies the best," said Audrey, who is a member of the South Logan County 4-H Club. "I like trying the food we make and it's cool to get a feeling of accomplishment when I'm cooking."

Audrey teamed up with her 10-year-old brother Luke to create the Mexican themed recipes from the first packet.

Luke has some experience in the kitchen due to his participation in the 4-H competition Cupcake Wars. He also is a firm believer in the fact that boys do belong in the kitchen.

"Boys can make good food,"

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It's a Small World

Gracie Montgomery

A special happy birthday wish to Brady Moakley of Norman.

Brady celebrates his 16th birthday Wednesday, July 1.

The Purcell Register will be closed on Friday, July 3, for the 4th of July holiday.

Happy birthdays also go out to Jake Harris, Loretta Farley, Carissa Mengers, Norma Tompkins, Jean Carleton, Pam Irwin, Leona Mote, Adam Ballard, Amber McCoy, Janone McCoy, Katie Wilson, Isidro Ibarra, Ma. de Jesus Cruz, Shane Ellis, Katie Loux, Juan Aguinaga, Sarah Dumas, Andrea Johnson, Amy Woods and Pat Martin.

Donations are being accepted for the July 4 Heart of Oklahoma Fireworks show which will be held Friday, July 3, at Purcell City Lake.

Funded totally by donations, they can be sent to the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce, 218 W. Main, in Purcell.

Gary Goodfriend from Austin, Texas, a cousin to Suzanne Wells, Ali Bell and Adam Wells, visited Purcell to visit family last week.

He was delighted to see another cousin, Blakeley Bell. He and Suzanne were feted to a grand meal in Sulphur with one of her friends and took in the sights.

While in town, they looked at new homes and visited Red Hill during the brief visit. He also had an opportunity to acquaint himself with Dixie Bell along with Zoey and Honey Wells.

Goodfriend and family enjoyed a Friday dinner at Jo's Pizza along with an earlier hamburger meal prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Wells.

Goodfriend is the nephew of

the late Joe and Pauline Krapf.

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I've made this recipe with a roast before but never with chicken. I think I like the chicken version better!

Mississippi Chicken
3 pounds boneless, skinless chicken thighs

1 packet au jus gravy mix
1 packet ranch dressing mix
1 stick (1/2 cup) salted butter
6-8 pepperoncini peppers
Add chicken thighs to the bottom of the slow cooker.

Sprinkle both packets of au jus gravy mix and ranch dressing mix on top of the chicken.

Then, top with stick of butter. Cover and cook on low for 6-8 hours or high for 4 hours.

The chicken will produce its own juices so you don't have to add any other liquid to this.

When it's ready, take a couple of forks and shred the chicken.

Serve over rice, potatoes, noodles or riced cauliflower.

"Imagination Activation" the goal of library's virtual series

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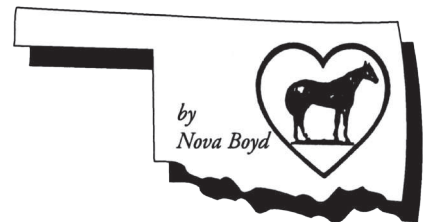
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Southwest Reined Cow Horse Association Schedules

Free Youth Clinic July 11 and 12 at Purcell Expo

The Southwest Reined Cow Horse Association has scheduled a free Youth Clinic Saturday and Sunday, July 11 and 12, at the McClain County Expo Center in Purcell.

Deadline to enter is June 26. To see all details and information, go to their website at www.SRCHA.COM. For questions you may contact Gay Lenz at glenz@lenzenterprises.com or call 405-818-7556.

Clinicians include McClain County's Todd Crawford, Crawford Performance Horses and Stallion Services, Blanchard, as well as Wade Meador, Dell Hendricks, Taylor Gillespie, Russell Dilday and Mark Mills.

Reservations must be made and there are 3 forms required. Again, the clinic is free, and if you are not a member, you must fill out a membership form, but the first year dues are free. Lunch will be provided. Stalls are free, but you must pay for shavings. Coggins papers are required for all horses, and if you are coming from out of state, you will also need a Health Certificate.

Check-in is at 8 a.m. Saturday. The clinic starts at 9 a.m.

The purpose of the SRCHA is to perpetuate traditional methods of training reined cow horses; to encourage riders to continue the ways of the vaquero; to stimulate interest in the training, owning, breeding, and/or exhibition of reined cow horses; to sponsor reined cow horse exhibits and events; to promote the active participation of all members in reined cow horse activities; to use and encourage standard rules for holding and judging contests of the reined cow horse.

The SRCHA is the fastest growing affiliate of the National Reined Cow Horse Association with over 300 members. We are a nonprofit organization dedicated to showcasing the amazing athletic abilities of the reined cow horse. The association is open to ALL breeds of horses.

While headquartered in Oklahoma in the "heart of horse country," our membership is spread across many states and

includes the nation's top horseman and breeders as well as the grass roots participants.

Oklahoma Quarter Horse Association

2020 Redbud Spectacular Horse Show Results

The Oklahoma Quarter Horse Association held its annual Redbud Spectacular Horse Show beginning May 28 through June 7. Established in 1998, this is the show's 22nd year. It has been designated by AQHA as one of its Top Ten shown for the past five years. Exhibitors could show in each class three times under a total of 8 judges with the opportunity to earn eight sets of AQHA points.

The Redbud this year had 875 horses and 1103 exhibitors from 42 states making a total of 17,230 entries in 191 classes. The Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau calculated the economic impact of the show at just over \$12 million. Show entries were up this year by just about 4000, and total horses shown were up just over 100.

With the threat that the COVID-19 pandemic presents this year, the trickle-down effect of that economic impact was not as evident here in Purcell as in years past, but with the lifting of some restrictions just prior to the show, I'm sure that some of that money changed hands here.

The show was in some real jeopardy of not being held, but the green light to proceed followed the announcement on May 14 of Oklahoma City Mayor David Holt's proclamation regarding the city's COVID-19 regulations being eased. With that announcement, the OQHA Redbud Spectacular entry deadline was extended from May 20th to May 25th to accommodate the late information. All entries had to be pre-entered to limit backed-up traffic in the office.

Due to the effects of the pandemic, modified environmental protocols were implemented to keep everyone and their horses healthy and safe. Those guidelines incorporated both state and city ordinances, along with the processes put in place by the Oklahoma State Fairgrounds and best practices which were developed by OQHA.

This year OQHA implemented a flat rate of \$650 for all di-

visions and classes. Additional activities included the Redbud Ranch Riding Challenge, with added money for Open, Amateur and Youth Divisions, the OQHA Hunter Series and the Great American Stallion Incentive, in which \$10,000 was paid to the highest placing eligible horse sired by VS Code Red or VS Flatline, owned by Kristen Galyean, in the 4-5 Year Old Western Riding class.

Following are results for our Heart of Oklahoma Equine industry professional trainers, owners, amateurs and youth:

Halter
Open Yearling Mares (2 shown)—1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, 2nd, 2nd, 1st, 2nd, Charmin Heartz, owned and shown by Harl Pruitt, trained by Luke Castle, Castle Ranch, Wayne.

Open Two Year Old Mares (2 shown)—2nd, 1st, 1st, 2nd, 1st, 2nd, 1st, 1st, Solars Dream, shown by Luke Castle, Castle Ranch, Wayne, for Dan Fox.

Open Three Year Old Mares (3 shown)—2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, Sirprized At Last, shown by Luke Castle, Castle Ranch, Wayne, for David and Susan Melbourn.

Open Aged Mares (2 shown)—2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, Zip Up My Blumers, owned and shown by Dr Kimberly Roark, Ada, trained by Stacey Roberson, Diamond R Ranch, Byars.

Open Three Year Old Geldings (1 shown)—1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, Elio, shown by Luke Castle, Castle Ranch, Wayne, for Ritchie Rivers, Amite, La.

Open Aged Geldings (4 shown)—2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 1st, 1st, 2nd, 1st, McClintock, shown by Luke Castle, Castle Ranch, Wayne, for Beverly Krich.

Amateur Yearling Mares (2 shown)—1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, 2nd, 2nd, 1st, 2nd, Charmin Heartz, owned and shown by Harl Pruitt, trained by Luke Castle, Castle Ranch, Wayne.

Amateur Aged Mares (3 shown)—2nd, 3rd, 3rd, 3rd, Zip Up My Blumers, owned and shown by Dr Kimberly Roark, Ada, trained by Stacey Roberson, Diamond R Ranch, Byars.

Amateur Three Year Old Geldings (1 shown)—1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, Bad An Boujee, owned and shown by Todd Gralla, Gralla Farms, Norman.

Amateur Aged Geldings (5 shown)—2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 1st, 1st, 2nd, 1st, McClintock, owned and shown by Beverly Krich, trained by Luke Castle, Castle Ranch, Wayne.

Youth Three Year Old Geldings (1 shown)—1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, Bad An Boujee, shown by Lauren Gralla, Norman, owned by

Todd Gralla, Gralla Farms, Norman.

Youth Showmanship at Halter 14-18, Level 3 (58 shown)—7th, 4th, 3rd, 4th, 9th, 1st, 5th, Greedy Ghost, shown by Rosella Roberson, owned by J D Roberson, Diamond R Ranch, Byars; 15th, 12th, 7th, 15th, 9th, 19th, PS Bringin In The Bucks, shown by June Roberson, daughter of J.D. and Stacey Roberson, Diamond R Ranch, Byars owned by Natalie Ward.

Youth Performance Halter Geldings (19 shown)—8th, 8th, 7th, Greedy Ghost, shown by Rosella Roberson, owned by J D Roberson, Diamond R Ranch, Byars; 6th, 6th, 6th, 7th, 8th, PS Bringin In The Bucks, shown by June Roberson, daughter of J.D. and Stacey Roberson, Diamond R Ranch, Byars owned by Natalie Ward.

Western Pleasure
Open Western Pleasure Level 1 (19 shown)—4th, 7th, 4th, 3rd, 8th, 2nd, Mastering The Lope, owned and shown by Angie Rigdon Cannizzaro, CAC Show Horses, Purcell.

Open Junior Western Pleasure Level 3 (29 shown)—2nd, 1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 2nd, Knockin It Out, shown by Gil Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, Purcell, for Richard and Betty Jo Carr; 4th, 5th, 2nd, 12th, 3rd, 9th, 6th, 3rd, Gorgeous the moonlite, shown by Angie Rigdon-Cannizzaro, CAC Show Horses, Purcell, for Voge Quarter Horses.

NSBA Open Junior Western Pleasure Level 3 (4 shown)—1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, Knockin It Out, shown by Gil Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, Purcell, for Richard and Betty Jo Carr.

Open Junior Western Pleasure Level 2 (21 shown)—8th, 5th, 6th, 6th, 9th, 9th, Certain To Be Lazy, shown by Angie Rigdon-Cannizzaro, CAC

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Meeks:

student at Mid-America Technology Center. She also participated in concurrent enrollment, where she earned 21 hours of college credit.

Madelynn will begin classes at the University of Oklahoma this fall, pursuing her goal of becoming an Aerospace Engineer. In addition, she plans on obtaining an internship, which will further her knowledge and give her experience on the job.

She hopes her education and experience will lead to a position working at NASA. As Madelynn states, "I want to go into space. I want to find the end of the universe, and that is what I have set my heart on."

Show Horses, Purcell, for Patti Green.

Open Senior Western Pleasure Level 3 (26 shown)—3rd, 2nd, 2nd, 4th, 2nd, 2nd, 1st, I Will Be A Good RV, shown by Gil Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, Purcell, for Richard and Betty Jo Carr.

NSBA Senior Western Pleasure (3 shown)—1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, shown by Gil Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, Purcell, for Richard and Betty Jo Carr.

Open Senior Western Pleasure Level 2 (15 shown)—1st, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, The Dark Impulse, shown by Gil Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, Purcell, for Bill Baskin and Susan Blackburn.

NSBA Open Senior Western Pleasure Level 2 (3 shown)—1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, The Dark Impulse, shown by Gil Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, Purcell, for Bill Baskin and Susan Blackburn.

Amateur Western Pleasure Level 3 (15 shown)—1st, 3rd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 3rd, 3rd, Too Cute To Snooze, shown by Becky Galyean, owned by Gil and Becky Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, Purcell.

NSBA Amateur Western Pleasure Level 3 (3 shown)—1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, Too Cute To Snooze, shown by Becky Galyean, owned by Gil and Becky Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, Purcell.

Amateur Select Western Pleasure Level 3 (13 shown)—2nd,

1st, 3rd, 4th, 3rd, 8th, 1st, 2nd, I Will Be A Good RV, owned and shown by Richard Carr, trained by Gil Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, Purcell.

NSBA Amateur Western Pleasure Level 3 (4 shown)—2nd, 1st, 2nd, 4th, I Will Be A Good RV, owned and shown by Richard Carr, trained by Gil Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, Purcell.

Youth Western Pleasure 14-18 Level 3 (15 shown)—1st, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 1st, 3rd, 3rd, 1st, Too Cute to Snooze, shown by Brody Galyean, son of Gil and Becky Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, owned by Gil and Becky Galyean.

NSBA Youth Western Pleasure Level 3 (1 shown)—1st, 1st, 1st, 1st, Too Cute to Snooze, shown by Brody Galyean, son of Gil and Becky Galyean, Gil Galyean Quarter Horses, owned by Gil and Becky Galyean.

Trail
Open Senior Trail Level 1 (21 entries)—8th, 4th, 2nd, 8th, 7th, 9th, Shake N Bake, shown by Colton Lasusa, owned by Ellen Holmes, Ellen Holmes Farm, Wayne.

NSBA Senior Trail Level 1 (3 entries)—3rd, 1st, Shake N Bake, shown by Colton Lasusa, owned by Ellen Holmes, Ellen Holmes Farm, Wayne.

Open Working Hunter Level 1 (7 entries)—7th, 7th, 7th, 1st, 1st, 1st, Shiny New Ride, shown by Linda Crothers, owned by Jesilyn McCarroll, Blanchard.

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Purcell and Wayne Senior Citizens

By John Webb

Hello again neighbors. Wasn't it great to get some rain this week? Helped to cool things down a little, and make the lawns around town a bit greener.

There's not much news to report this week. We received new menus for the summer. Some of the heavier meals were replaced with lighter ones for summer.

Menu for June 29-July 2:

Monday—Barbecue ribette on bun, hominy casserole, three bean salad, cake.

Tuesday—Closed for site manager's meeting in Duncan.

Wednesday—Chicken salad, fruit cup, pickled beets, crackers or sliced bread, lemon bars.

Thursday—Pinto beans with ham and onion, oven fried potatoes, spinach, cornbread, fruit crisp.

Friday—Closed for Independence Day holiday.

Milk is available with every meal.

The garage sale is open every Thursday and Friday with all proceeds benefiting the senior center. Donations are always welcome, but if you plan to drop off items on the weekend, call Hester at 990-1840 so she can meet you here to assist.

Please continue to make your reservations to ensure that there is a meal for you. That policy has not changed. Call the kitchen at 527-9462 by 8:30 a.m. and ask for Sherrie, Evelyn or John. Our young volunteers continue to be a blessing to our seniors. We appreciate these ladies.

There is still no news about reopening the centers, but I hope to have more information after the meeting next week. On Tuesday, June 30, we will be closed but sack lunches will be made available. We will offer these with your meals on Monday. Let us know if you want one so we will have them ready.

We will be closed on Friday, July 3, in observance of Independence Day.

Thank you for your continued support of the senior centers in Purcell and Wayne.

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Demolition

The old outdoor classes on the south side of Purcell Elementary School have been demolished and taken down. They were the original ISD.

Failed to register

Sex offender faces charge

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

An arrest warrant is outstanding for James L. Brown Jr., 36, of Noble.

Brown is charged in McClain County District Court with failure to register as a sex offender after it was discovered he'd been living at a homeless camp north of the 100 block of East Main.

According to an affidavit,

police noticed Brown walking toward the camp early in the morning of May 9. When an officer checked the camp early on May 13, he found Brown in a sleeping bag. Several bags containing Brown's personal property were stored beneath a tarp.

However, Brown denied living at the camp.

The charges were filed after former felony convictions.

Car wash crime

Purcell man charged in burglary

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

McClain County prosecutors have charged a 36-year-old Purcell man with second degree burglary and possession of burglary tools.

James R. Crum was released on his own recognizance.

According to an affidavit, Crum was seen on video surveillance using a ratcheting screwdriver and a pry bar to force open the vending kiosk at USA Car Wash, 230 S. Green Ave.

Oklahoma tax deduction still available for college savings

With this year's tax deadline extended, State Treasurer Randy McDaniel wants to remind Oklahomans that there is still time for a 2019 state income tax deduction by investing in their children or grandchildren's higher education.

The deadline to file 2019 state and federal income taxes is Wednesday, July 15, and contributions made to an Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan (OCSP) account through that date are eligible.

"Making contributions to an Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan is something I encourage all parents and grandparents to consider," said McDaniel, board chair for OCSP. "Not

only is it the only 529 college savings plan that offers an income tax deduction for Oklahomans, it also offers excellent investment choices."

According to a report from USA Today, the average amount families save for their child's education is around \$18,000, just enough to cover one year of higher education costs in Oklahoma. This shortfall remains a primary reason Treasurer McDaniel encourages saving for college as early as possible.

"Saving early shows children the value placed on higher education by adults in their lives," said McDaniel. "To continue Oklahomans' success in college and beyond, a strong foundation must be set. The Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan exists to help parents and grandparents create a foundation that improves

expectations and outcomes."

It's also never too early to get a head start on 2020 tax benefits, as state income tax refunds can be invested back into a child or grandchild's Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan.

Any OCSP earnings are federal and Oklahoma income tax free when used for higher education expenses such as tuition, living expenses, books, supplies and fees. Funds may be used at most private or public universities, colleges or career technology centers, nationwide.

In addition, up to \$10,000 per year may be used for tuition at private elementary and secondary schools.

For more information about the Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan or to open an account, go to www.ok4saving.org or call (877) 654-7284.

Child abuse

Accused father posts \$50,000 bond

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

A Purcell man is free after posting \$50,000 bond in a child abuse case.

Prosecutors in McClain County District Court charged Brandon S. Skinner, 25, for an

incident on June 11 at his home.

According to an affidavit, Purcell police were called to the emergency department at Purcell Municipal Hospital where a 5-month-old infant girl was being treated for suspected abuse.

The youngster's mother is in the process of getting a divorce from Skinner. She told police that their two children were staying with Skinner for several days.

Skinner reportedly sent her a message on June 11 stating he had slapped the girl, bruising her. The message also stated he didn't deserve the children and the mother needed to retrieve them.

After taking the two children to her home in Noble, the mother contacted DHS and was instructed to take the infant to the hospital and notify police, according to the affidavit.

An officer reported there were visible bruise marks on the baby's buttocks.

A preliminary hearing conference will be at 9 a.m. July 29. Skinner is to have no contact with the child.

Protect your landscape


By Melinda Myers

While you're busy filling your landscape with beautiful flowers and scrumptious vegetables, the deer, rabbits and other wildlife are watching and waiting to move in to dine. Don't lose your beautiful investment to hungry animals. Be proactive in keeping wildlife at bay, so you can grow a beautiful landscape this season.

Protect plants as soon as they are set in the ground. It's easier to prevent damage rather than break a habit. Once critters find delicious plants, they will be back for more and they're likely to bring along a few additional family members.

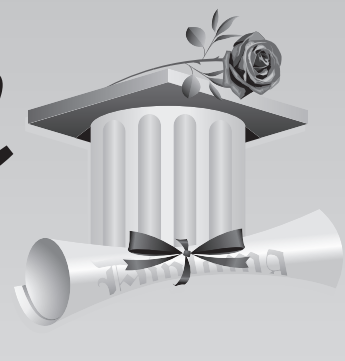
A fence is an excellent defense against animals. A four-foot-high fence anchored tightly to the ground will keep out rabbits. Five-foot-high fences around small garden areas will usually keep out deer that tend to avoid smaller spaces.

Woodchucks are more difficult. They will dig under or climb over the fence. You must place the fence at least 12" below the soil surface with four to five feet above ground. Make sure gates are secured so animals can't squeeze through or under these. The last thing



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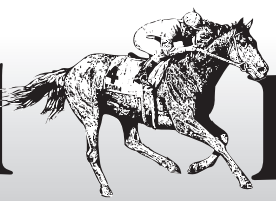




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Drafted for training

Mitchell Taggart, left, holds Stella, one of two dogs Honoring America's Warriors selected from the Purcell Animal Shelter. The group will train the dogs and place them with veterans in need. On hand from the Purcell Police Department were Lt. John Albertson and Capt. James Bolling. Both are military veterans.

Three ways to help your gardens thrive with minimal care

By **Melinda Myers**

So, you filled your shopping cart and gardens with lots of new shrubs, flowers, and vegetables. Now what? Keep your plants looking their best with minimal effort so you can enjoy them and your summer even more.

Watering is one task where I find even experienced gardeners struggle. Proper watering is key. Too much or not enough water can result in yellow, wilting and even death of plants.

Check container plantings daily. Stick your finger into the soil and water whenever the top few inches of soil is starting to dry. Water thoroughly so the excess runs out of the pot and away from the planter.

New plantings need special attention the first few weeks. Water thoroughly and often enough to keep the roots and surrounding soil slightly moist. Gradually reduce frequency and only water thoroughly when the top few inches are crumbly, but slightly moist.

Continue giving perennials, trees, and shrubs regular care the first two years. It takes this long for them to establish a robust root system. Water thoroughly, but only as needed.

Water early in the day to reduce water lost to evaporation. Avoid watering at night. Wet foliage at night is more

susceptible to disease.

Use soaker hoses, drip irrigation or watering wands to apply water to the soil. Less water is wasted plus you'll help decrease the risk of disease by avoiding wet foliage.

Mulch gardens to conserve moisture, suppress weeds and improve the soil as it decomposes.

Spread a two- to three-inch layer of organic mulch such as shredded leaves, evergreen needles, wood chips or shredded bark on the soil surface surrounding your plants. The thicker the mulch used, the thicker the layer.

Do not bury the base of your plants or pile mulch against the trunks of trees. This can lead to a decline of your plants. I like to use wood-based mulches for permanent plantings and pathways.

Consider using shredded leaves, evergreen needles or even a thin layer of chemical-free grass clippings for annual plantings. These mulches break down more quickly than wood and do not cause nutrient deficiencies if worked into the soil.

Fertilization provides the nutrients plants need to grow and thrive, but too much of a good thing can be detrimental. Over fertilization can result in lots of green leafy growth, but no flowers or fruit. Lush succulent growth from over fertilization

is more susceptible to insect and disease problems.

Select a fertilizer labeled for the plants you are growing and your gardening goals. Organic and slow release fertilizers provide a slow, steady supply of nutrients over a longer period of time. You'll need to make fewer applications throughout the growing season.

Do not apply more than the recommended rate. Not only are you wasting fertilizer and money, but an overdose of fertilizer can damage and even kill plants.

Consider taking a soil test in the future. The results tell you how much and what type of fertilizer to apply. Contact your local Extension office for tips on how to take a soil test and where to send the sample for testing.

Visit your gardens regularly. Pick a few flowers to enjoy in a vase indoors and harvest vegetables when they are mature. Regular harvests of ripe vegetables and herbs keeps them producing.

So, enjoy your summer and gardening adventures. Each year brings new successes, plants to try, and lessons to learn from our gardens. As you experience the joy and benefits of this season's garden, you will be looking for more opportunities to expand your plantings next year.

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Critters:

you want is an animal happily living and dining inside your fenced in garden.

For gardeners who do not want to spend the money on fencing or view their flowers and other ornamental plantings through a fence, there are other options.

Scarecrows, rattling pans and other scare tactics have been widely used for decades. Unfortunately, urban animals are used to noise and human scent and not discouraged by these tactics. You must move and alternate the various scare tactics to increase your chance of success.

Repellents may be your best and most practical option. Always check the label for details on use, application rates and timing. Research has proven that odor-based repellents are

more effective than other types of repellents. Wildlife will avoid plants rather than taking a bite before they discover they don't like the taste.

Look for organic repellents labeled for use on food plants when treating edibles. Plantskydd (plantskydd.com) is the only OMRI certified organic repellent and is effective against rabbits, deer, voles, elk, moose, chipmunks and squirrels. It is rain resistant and each application lasts three to four months during the growing season.

Maximize results by treating new growth according to label directions. Most liquid repellents need time to dry while granule repellents may need to be watered to activate the smell. Always check the label for the product you are applying.

Protect new tree whips by dipping them in a long-lasting liquid repellent. Mature trees will benefit as well. Treat them prior to bud break or two to three weeks after leaves have developed.

Continue to monitor plantings throughout your landscape all season long. Watch for animal tracks, droppings and other signs wildlife have moved into your area. Protect new plantings and those favored by wildlife before they start dining on your plants. Always be as persistent as the hungry animals.

If you're ever feeling discouraged, remember that gardeners have been battling animals in the garden long before us and there are lots of options to help protect your flowers and harvest.

OSU EXTENSION News



Dealing with armadillos

Justin McDaniel
Extension Ag Educator

One of the most common wildlife damage complaints during the summer months concerns armadillos. Armadillos usually cause problems during the late hours of the night as they dig for insects and larvae in lawns.

Armadillos may be active year around, but they are most active during the warmer months of the year. During the heat of the summer, homeowners begin irrigating their lawns. This makes lawns especially attractive to the armadillo.

The lawns are usually mowed and thus there is little vegetation to impede foraging.

Additionally, the irrigation results in the soil being loose and easy to dig. Finally, the irrigation often keeps larval insects close to the soil surface.

Once armadillos find a suitable foraging spot, they normally will return repeatedly. Many times the damage is only superficial as the holes are seldom more than a few inches in depth.

In the case of sod forming turf such as Bermuda, the damage is typically repaired by the turf rather quickly.

In the case of cool season grasses such as fescue, the damage is more long-term.

While exclusion fences or other barriers may provide relief for small garden beds, lawns are normally too large for this to be a viable option.

Modification of the habitat, such as removal of ground vegetation can work.

But this is usually not a good solution for most residences as the vegetation is likely ornamental.

If possible, the homeowner might consider decreasing irrigation of their lawn to attempt to interrupt the foraging cycle of the armadillo. This will sometimes provide relief and may work for drought tolerant lawns.

There are no known repellents that are effective for armadillos. Soil insecticides for grubs are promoted to reduce the food source for the armadillo.

However, this is a poor practice unless you have a serious grub problem as you will be eliminating many beneficial insects and other soil dwelling

creatures in the process.

Shooting is very effective, but limited by local ordinances within city limits. Thus, trapping is the primary method of control in many situations.

Fortunately, armadillos can be trapped. The first step is to identify what areas of the lawn are being most visited by the animal(s). A live catch trap measuring 10" x 12" x 32" should be set in that area. No bait is needed, but funnels can be used to direct the animal into the trap.

You can make a funnel by setting a 1x6 or larger board on its edge and directs the animal to the trap. They have very poor eyesight and once they bump into the board, they will either go left or right hopefully

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They include Chris' Grill and Frozen Treats, Contrabandz Ice Cream Lab, Meat Monkey, Oklahoma Kettle Corn and Carnival Eats & Treats.

The fireworks show is co-sponsored by the City of Purcell and Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce.

It will commence at 9:45

p.m.

The display will again be staged by Arc Pyrotechnics Inc., of Oklahoma City.

Residents and businesses are encouraged to Adopt A Boom.

Adoption fees are as follows:

- Big Bang, 360-foot plume, \$250

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Heavy lifting

A crane lifts a new restroom over the trees last week before placing it precisely on target at the Rotary Pavilion by Purcell Lake.

Forced removal of Kaw Nation from its native Kansas

Alex Baron
Gaylord News

By 1888, a tribe that had once numbered in the thousands would be reduced to about 190 surviving individuals who endured forced removal, disease, starvation and unfair land treaties.

The Kaw Nation began its history with 20 million acres in northern and eastern present-day Kansas and hunting grounds throughout the state.

The Europeans referred to them as the Kanza or Kansa people. Like all tribes, the Kaw Nation faced the oppressions of

westward expansion, and their control of Kansas would lead to action by the U.S. government.

According to the Kaw Nation website, "A succession of treaties sought to change the Kaw from an independent, semi-sedentary people into individual family farmers on the model of white agricultural society."

The first of the treaties was signed in 1825 and moved the Kaw to a 30-mile-wide reservation in what would become

Oklahomans we are still connected to our people and our land," said Dwight Pickering, director of American Indian education for the Kaw Nation.

Education has become a critical aspect of Kaw life because it has been the only way to stay connected to the tribe's culture and history as well as fight tyranny and rebuild the nation, Pickering said.

Now, the goal is bigger than educating tribal members -- the Kaw Nation wants to educate the state of Oklahoma, he said.

The Kaw believe that interconnectivity between the tribes and the general population is critical for an improved society overall, Pickering said.

Pickering said he has been working with the Oklahoma Department of Education to "support a Native history course attached to Oklahoma history." The proposal is intended to give more focus to all tribes and expand the education of Oklahoma students to understand all concepts of Native life.

Pickering believes this can be done with a Native history book with 39 chapters, for each of the 39 recognized tribes. Each chapter would include the history of the tribe and information about tribal jurisdictions and how each government developed and existed.

Pickering said the Kaw Nation worked with other tribes to provide tribal consultation guides to public school districts in an effort to have tribes and schools work together to help all students.

The Kaw Nation has rebuilt to more than 3,500 citizens, overcoming hardship and oppression and using education to develop hospitals, schools, entrepreneurs and politicians.

Alex Baron is a reporter for Gaylord News, a reporting project of the University of Oklahoma Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication.



Topeka.

Between 1825 and 1846, the Kaw Nation's population was severely reduced due to disease and wrongdoing by new settlers in the territory. The land treaties were consistently dismissed and disregarded, leading to another forced move to a 250,000-acre plot of land with an 1846 treaty

Then, the land treaty of 1852 further reduced the Kaw Nation's land to 80,000 acres. On this land, families were placed on separate 40-acre plots in an attempt to reduce the community through forced separation. The final forced removal occurred in 1872, when the tribe was sent to present-day Oklahoma.

At one point the Kaw Nation was reduced to only 194 people. Education about their history and culture and how education would lead to a rebirth of the nation became critical for Kaw citizens, a tribal historian said.

"The cultural side is what grounds us to where we come from. Even though we are all

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Library:

50 and 125 students and also produce two musicals for early elementary-age children.

Time spent with this activity can be used for participation in the library's annual Summer Learning Challenge. The series is geared specifically to children age 11 and under.

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The 2020 Summer Learning Challenge is sponsored by: Anne and Henry Zarrow Foundation; Friends of the Library groups; Hitachi Com-

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Dealing:

towards your live trap.

You might also use natural barriers such as fences or landscape materials as a funnel.

Close the traps during the day to help avoid catching pets and other wildlife. Set them at dusk and check the traps early in the morning for armadillos.

In Oklahoma, armadillos

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may be controlled all year without a special permit. Do not handle the armadillo once caught as they can become infected with the bacteria that causes leprosy.

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Obituaries

Earl Dean Wright

Earl Dean Wright, 72, of Lexington, Okla., died June 4, 2020, at Purcell Municipal Hospital.

Earl was born August 28th, 1947 to Warren and Oleta (Cole) Wright, the eighth of 10 children in Enid, Okla. The family moved to Wichita, Kan., where he graduated high school before enlisting in the United States Marine Corps in 1965. He served until 1969 in Vietnam, Turkey, France, Italy, Puerto Rico, and Spain, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant/E-6.

He moved to Lexington in 1978, to make his life away from the hustle and bustle of the city and enjoy country living. It was there that he and his wife Jacque raised three children. Earl was an avid hunter who loved wild game and kept, at various times, rabbits, peacocks, chickens, goats, guineas, and turkeys. He loved providing the freshest food possible for his family, and also kept a garden producing tomatoes, okra, corn, snap peas, melons, spinach, and strawberries among others. He also enjoyed smoking meats for family events and his ribs and brisket were among the best anywhere.

Earl is survived by his wife, Jacque; his three children, Wayne Wright and his wife, Aimee, of Norman, Okla., Eric Wright of Ft. Smith, Ark., and Meaghan Eubank of Lexington, Okla.; four grandchildren, Madison, Hunter, Zack and Mason; his brother, David Wright; his sisters, Donna Walton, Sharon Rotenberry, Netty Clouse and Margaret Lee, and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Clyde, Frank and Leonard; and one sister, Nellie Ake.

In accordance with his wishes, and due to current health concerns surrounding the novel coronavirus, Earl's memorial will be family only, at his home in Lexington.

In lieu of flowers or cards, please help support his favorite organization by making a donation to Veterans Corner Inc. on West Highway 9 by calling (405) 250-6304 or visiting their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/VeteransCornerInc>.

Betty Johns

Graveside services for Betty Johns, 82, of Rosedale were held Saturday, June 20, 2020 at the Rosedale Cemetery. Services were under the direction of the Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mrs. Johns passed away Tuesday, June 16, 2020.

Betty Laverne Hays was born February 7, 1938 in Rosedale, the younger of two daughters born to Charlie and Marion Hays. She was raised in Rosedale and attended school there.

Betty married her childhood sweetheart, Bill Johns on August 21, 1954 in Purcell. They started their life together in Oklahoma City where together they raised two daughters, Donna and Debbie. Betty was a devoted wife and mother, and she was never happier than being a grandmother and great grandmother. She was an excellent cook and will be forever remembered for her fried chicken, her salsa and one of a kind peanut brittle.

She enjoyed watching the birds and tending to her garden, and crocheting. Betty loved people, and she shared many of her gifts with her family and friends, always affirming her love for you, by saying, "I made this just for you." She was a woman of great faith and longtime member of the Rosedale Baptist Church. She will be dearly missed!

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charlie and Marion Hays and her sister, Mary Carol Shires.

Betty leaves behind her husband, Bill Johns of the home; her daughters, Donna Akin and husband, Kelly, of Edmond and Debbie Ramsey and husband, Rodney, of Edmond; grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Shawn Akin and wife, Jennifer, and their children, Emery, and twins, Joseph and Hannah; Jami Baker and husband, Rigel, and their children, Rylee and Ramsey; Ryan Akin and wife, Jennifer, and their children, Hudson and Jackson and Justin Ramsey and son, Jude; niece, Terri Cates and husband, Kyle, of Oklahoma City and their children, Logan and Layne and a host of other family and friends.

Online condolences may be made at wilsonlittle.com.

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Billy Charles Shore

Billy Charles Shore died June 16, 2020 in Norman, Oklahoma, at the age of 86 years 3 days. Memorial Services (Celebration of Life Services) are scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, June 27, 2020 at the Wadley's Funeral Chapel. Services are entrusted to the care of Wadley's Funeral Service. Online condolences may be made at www.wadleysfuneralservice.com.

Bill was born June 13, 1934 in Enid, Oklahoma, to Charles Howard and Wilma Audrey (Bashaw) Shore. He was raised in Enid, Oklahoma, graduating in 1952, and then continued his education at Phillips

University earning his Bachelors in Geology. Bill was inducted into the United States Army in 1956. During his service, he was stationed in Brussels, where the 1958 World's Fair was hosted. There he met Sarah Alice Cowart, who was a hostess in the America's pavilion. Bill was honorably discharged in 1959.

On May 30, 1960, he married Sarah Alice Cowart in Reform, Alabama. They made their home briefly in Norman, Oklahoma, where they both pursued their higher education. Bill earned his Master's in Criminal Justice from the University of Oklahoma. Bill and Alice have made Lexington their home, for the last 60 years, after they purchased their current home.

Bill began working for the Department of Corrections at the Lexington Assessment and Receiving Center in 1978, and retired in 2000 as the Facility Classification Manager.

Bill enjoyed many things in his life including a love of the outdoors, and everything that meant. He enjoyed woodworking, restoring old steam trunks, gardening, vacations on the beach, and above all else, family.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Wilma Shore; and his son, Charles Walker Shore.

Survivors include his wife, Alice Shore of Lexington; son, Ross Shore and wife, Noell, of Lexington; daughters, Sarah Pearson and husband, Keith, of Estes Park, Colorado, and Mary Shore of Purcell; nine grandchildren, David Peery, Stephanie Shore, Erin Shore, Morgan Maddux, Alexander Pearson, Josh Pearson, Lucas Pearson, Caylin Clanton and husband, Walker, and Camlin Dunn; eight great-grandchildren, Brendon Peery, Bradley Shore, Mason Shore, Emmett Clapp, Alexia Bennett, Charleigh Clanton, Terri Clanton and Waylon Clanton; and numerous other relatives and friends.

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4-H:

Luke said. "My favorite things to make are milkshakes and smoothies because my mom says I can have a smoothie any time of the day and I can make it myself."

Susan said Audrey and Luke have really enjoyed the project.

"It's comprehensive, but easy to follow and teach at home," said Susan, who serves as a volunteer leader for the South Logan County 4-H Club. "The step-by-step photos makes it easy for the kids to visualize. As a parent I just show them the picture and say, 'Make it look like that.'"

Once members receive the monthly packet, they have 20 days to prepare the recipes, share two photos -- one of them preparing the food and another of the family enjoying the meal -- and answer three questions about their cooking and mealtime experience.

"4-H programming has al-

ways been hands-on, experiential learning, and getting kids in the kitchen is a great way to help them develop life-long skills," Allen said. "We've had such great response to this first round of recipes, and I can't wait to see what the kids create over the next three months. We have some really neat themes planned out for the kids in the next packets."

Allen encourages participants to print the recipes, put them in plastic sheet protectors and keep them in a three-ring binder.

For more information about Food, Fun, 4-H, contact Allen at cathy.allen@okstate.edu or 405-744-8892. Youth who are interested in participating in Food, Fun, 4-H still can sign up to receive the electronic packets.

The 4-H Youth Development Program is the youth component of Oklahoma State University Extension.



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A dog's purpose

Purcell police Capt. James Bolling pets Blu, one of two dogs selected from the city's animal shelter to become service dogs trained to assist veterans in need. The dogs will be trained and placed by Honoring America's Warriors. Bolling is an Air Force veteran and present reservist.

Safely manage insect pests in your gardens

By Melinda Myers

You plant and tend your garden hoping to enjoy a bountiful harvest and beautiful blooms. Despite proper planning and planting, insects can move in and wreak havoc on your garden. The good news is you can manage problem pests without harming the pollinators that are so important to your garden.

Start by reviewing the care your plants need to thrive. Make sure you are watering thoroughly and only when needed.

Only fertilize if needed. Over fertilization, especially with high nitrogen and fast release products, can stimulate lush, succulent growth that is more susceptible to insect damage. Let your plants, not the fertilizer label, be your guide.

Pale plants and those not performing as expected may need a nutrient boost. Consider a low nitrogen, slow release fertilizer that won't stimulate lush, succulent growth or damage the

plants when the weather is hot and dry.

Tolerate a bit of damage and wait for the songbirds and beneficial insects, like lady beetles and green lacewings, manage these pests for you. If the damage is more than you can tolerate, consider using an eco-friendly control product.

One you may not be familiar with is lightweight horticulture oil, like the OMRI-certified Summit Year-Round® Spray Oil (YRSO). This can be applied to garden plants during the growing season to manage insects such as aphids, mites, adelgids, scale, leafhoppers and whiteflies.

Horticulture oils kill insects by blocking the air holes through which they breathe. This makes them effective against all stages of the insect's development from egg through adult.

The oil must contact the insect to be effective. If a beneficial

insect lands on a treated plant, it will not be injured. Avoid treating plants when bees and other beneficial insects are present, so you do not accidentally spray them with the oil.

YRSO horticulture oil (SummitResponsibleSolutions.com) can also help reduce the incidence and spread of aphid-transmitted viruses. It interferes with insect feeding which helps reduce the transmission of the virus by the insect.

Lightweight horticulture oils have a minimal waiting period between the last application and harvest. Always check the label before using any product whether organic, natural or synthetic.

You will find valuable information on the label, including application rates and directions to help you attain the best results.

You may also find some added benefits when reviewing the label. Horticulture oils can help in managing powdery mildew on plants like beebalm, phlox, peonies and cucumbers.

Some can be applied when plants are dormant to smother and kill overwintering mites and aphids as well as egg masses of pests like the gypsy moth.

Monitor your garden throughout the summer. You will enjoy watching your plants grow, make timely harvests and discover insect pests when the populations are small and much easier to manage.

Fraud allegations

Charges cite daughter's actions

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

An arrest warrant is outstanding for a 52-year-old Purcell woman who allegedly fraudulently withdrew more than \$24,000 from her parents' bank account.

Lynne E. Robertson, aka Lynne Wright, is charged in McClain County District Court with abuse by a caretaker, unauthorized use of credit card and two counts of impersonating another in execution of instrument.

According to an affidavit, the fraud investigation by Purcell police has been pending since mid-January.

On January 15, Lloyd and Mary Lou Sherman reported to police that they suspected their daughter had withdrawn \$24,231.26 from their bank account.

Mrs. Sherman has Alzheimer's and was being cared for by Robertson, who had access to a debit card for the account.

One of the suspect charges was \$500 to Get Loose Bail Bonds on Oct. 16, 2019.

A representative of the bail bond company told police Robertson used the Sherman's debit card to pay the \$500 fee to secure a \$5,000 bond for her son, Zachary Wright.

Sherman denied making charges to the bail bond company and a rental business. He also alleged Robertson wrote several unauthorized checks on the account.

Police were able to identify two checks that appeared to be forged, according to the affidavit.

When police interviewed Robertson, she first denied making the transactions or writing the checks.

She later admitted she had made the transactions with her mother's permission, adding she wrote the checks at her parents' request.

Parent sponsored Purcell Junior-Senior Prom coming in July

Purcell Junior-Senior Prom will be held from 6-11 p.m. Saturday, July 18, at the Canadian Theater in Purcell.

The promenade will begin at 6 p.m.

The event, which is parent sponsored, is open to any Purcell junior or senior.

Each junior and senior will

be allowed to have one guest. Guests must be a sophomore during the 2019-2020 school year through the age of 20. Guests must show ID, if not a Purcell student.

The dress code is semi formal or formal attire.

Those attending must print and sign the COVID-19 waiver

and have a parent sign it if under 18. Students will not be granted entry without the signed waiver.

There will also be temperature checks at the door.

If you have already signed up you don't need to do anything. If you haven't signed up, email candy_tuck@yahoo.com.

Konawa man facing felonies

Allegedly kidnaps his mother

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

A Konawa man charged with four felonies is in the McClain County Detention Center in lieu of a \$50,000 bond.

A preliminary hearing conference for Zachary E. House, 29, will be at 9 a.m. July 29.

He is charged in McClain County District Court with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, kidnapping, endangering others while attempting to elude police and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

House was ordered to have no contact with the alleged victim.

Prosecutors filed the charges after former felony convictions.

According to an affidavit,

House was wanted for questioning by the Oklahoma Highway Patrol for leaving the scene of an injury accident.

His mother, Robbie Busler, was driving him to the hospital on June 3 in far southeast McClain County.

When House saw a McClain County deputy sheriff's unit parked in a neighbor's driveway on an unrelated call, he allegedly shoved the tip of a knife blade against Busler's right leg.

Telling her to drive, he reportedly pushed down on her right leg causing the car to accelerate.

Fearing for her life, Busler continued to drive against her will, according to the affidavit.

The neighbor identified

Busler's car as the vehicle that picked House up when OHP was looking for him.

The deputy followed the car, which accelerated out of sight around a curve. It came to a stop at Fox Road and 110th Street and the deputy reported seeing Busler arguing with and pushing House.

Busler exited the car and House climbed into the driver's seat and drove away with the deputy in pursuit.

The chase went into Pontotoc County at speeds in excess of 70 mph. House reportedly drove into oncoming traffic several times, running vehicles off the highway as the pursuit continued back into McClain County at speeds reaching 80 mph before fleeing to Garvin County.

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Washington graduates

Washington High School Graduation Ceremony was held Saturday, June 20, at Reed Field.

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Vote:

Jennifer Mandrell.

- Washington School Board Office 5 – Melinda Tague (I), Brooke Walkup.
- Wayne School Board Office 5 – Jay Posey (I), Stephanie Montgomery.

A runoff race in Cleveland County for Noble City Council’s Ward 4 seat will be between Marge Hill (I) and Janet Riggio.

Candidates for Cleveland County offices are:

- County Clerk, Republican – Tammy Belinson (I), Lisa Meyer.
- County Court Clerk, Republican – Marilyn Williams (I), Lisa Jorns-Galey.
- County Sheriff, Republican – Rick Adkins, Chris Amason, Tim Deal, Michael Freeman.

The federal primary races are:

- U.S. Senate, Democrat – Sheila Bilyeu, Elysabeth Britt, Abby Broyles, R.O. Joe Cassidy Jr.
- U.S. Senate, Republican – Jim Inhofe (I), Neil Mavis, JJ Stitt, John Tompkins.
- U.S. House of Representatives District 4, Democrat – John D. Argo, Mary Brannon, David R. Slemmons.
- U.S. House of Representatives District 4, Republican

– Tom Cole (I), Gilbert O. Sanders, Trevor Sipes, James Taylor.

State offices are:

- Corporation Commission, Republican – Todd Hiatt (I), Harold D. Spradling.
- State Senate District 15, Democrat – Matt Hecox, Alex Scott.
- State Senate District 43, Republican – Paul Scott (I), Jessica Garvin, Kaity Keith.
- State Representative District 20, Republican – Sherrie Conley (I), Steve Herburger.
- State Representative District 42, Republican – Cynthia Cindy Roe (I), Nicole Stevens.
- State Representative District 91, Republican – Chris Kannady (I), Bruce Fleming.

Also on the ballot will be State Question 802 which puts the decision in the hands of the voters to accept annual funds from the federal government to expand Medicaid.

If needed, a runoff election for federal and state offices will be August 25. The general election is scheduled for November 3.

Only registered Republicans can vote in the state’s Republican primaries. Democrat primaries are open to both registered Democrat and Independent voters.

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Village:

hasn’t been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

“We are shooting for a November 1 opening,” she said, adding the company will begin accepting applications in mid-to late-August.

Applications are only good for 120 days.

Paro said there is already a waiting list for applications with more than 30 names.

Prospective tenants have been “blowing up my phone” since the construction began, Paro said.

“I’ve talked to some of the sweetest folks,” she added.

The units will rent unfurnished, but will have new appliances including washers and dryers. There will be plank flooring and carpeting.

The development will include a large community room which will feature a workout room and library.

Belmont acquired tax credits through the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency to finance the development.

“The competition for state tax credits is pretty steep,” Paro said.

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Police:

Officers have less lethal means of ensuring compliance, including tasers, pepper spray and batons.

“We use the force necessary to accomplish the arrest,” Stephens said. “And we don’t use excessive force. That’s the way it’s been the whole time I’ve been here.”

“I guess you could look at it as common sense.”

The police department has a written “force continuum” gleaned from policy provided by Lexipol.

The company is recognized as America’s leading provider of public safety policy and training solutions for law enforcement, fire and rescue, and corrections.

“We adjust that to what we need,” he said, adding the chief has final approval of the written policy.

Stephens said new hires must complete the CLEET academy unless they are already certified through another department.

The academy is followed by the department’s 16-week field training program.

The five-phase training program pairs the new officer with three different training officers. The final month is spent with the original training officer.

“No one goes right from the academy to the street,” he said.

Hewett said the department’s policy and procedures are closely aligned with those of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol.

Deputies are instructed to use only the level of force that is reasonable to restrain someone who is resisting or who becomes combative.

And once a suspect is restrained, Hewett’s deputies are “not to use any type of deadly force whatsoever.”

Hewett said the Oklahoma Sheriffs Association is in the process of addressing law enforcement’s use of deadly force.

“We are working with them,” he said.



John D. Montgomery • The Purcell Register

Food station

Purcell School District Transportation Director Jerry Hailey worked the pickup for food at the elementary school last Thursday while on vacation feeding hungry Purcell students. The food giveaway lasts until July 31.

From page 1A

Power:

measurable rainfall in over two weeks when .8” was recorded.

With the rain came cooler temperatures. It was 71 in Purcell at 3 p.m. on June 19.

Purcell Electric Department Superintendent Trey Phillips told City Manager Dale Bunn it must have been caused by a lightning strike because everything else checked out.

“Central areas were affected and then far south by Southfork Road,” Phillips said of who was hit the hardest.

“They are doing maintenance on a transformer on Monday so our circuits were switched around from normal. That made the outage a little larger than

what it would have been on a regular day,” he said.

Another glitch in the electric system occurred Monday at 4:05 p.m. but it was only a split second and nothing else happened.

On top of last Friday’s .8” another inch of rain fell overnight Sunday night into early Monday morning hiking the total for the year-to-date here to 27.1”.

Friday’s rainfall was the first measurable moisture in Purcell since May 26.

Oklahoma City has recorded 17.80” of rain this year. The normal for this year-to-date is 17.50”.

Rain is in the forecast for the next several days.

From page 1A

Hospital:

he said.

The city will receive the first proceeds from the bond sales around July 1, which is also the start of the city’s new fiscal year.

Cox made the comments during a special joint meeting of the council and city’s Public Works Authority.

During the meeting, members voted to award a \$110,285 contract to Urban Contractors

for sanitary sewer rehabilitation in the alley off of 9th Avenue between Pierce and Harrison Streets.

The contract includes both a base bid and alternate bid.

Urban Contractors was the low bidder by \$500, according to city engineer Kenny Sullivan.

Also approved was the city’s 2020-21 agreement with Pioneer Library System.



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Background

- 3rd generation Purcell resident and graduated PHS ‘89
- Retired Career Military Officer/Combat Veteran
- Current Practicing Attorney
- Father of 6 children

Accomplishments

- New hospital project in progress
- Multiple Parks projects completed
- 45 year water lease signed
- City funding is strong and secure

Plans

- Improve Infrastructure
- Support Business Development
- Develop community sports and recreation
- Maintain fiscal discipline
- Maintain strong and disciplined fire, police, and essential services

Election Day

June 30th at your polling place 7am – 7pm

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June 25th & 26th at the Courthouse 8am – 6pm

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LOOKING BACK . . .

Washington's 2003 State Basketball Championship

Betsy Simmons scores 35 points to ring-lead at Big House

It all happened so suddenly. Suddenly they weren't just the Washington Lady Warriors, but the State Champion Lady Warriors with a 26-3 record.

When the State Fair Arena public address introduced Ashley Curry suddenly she wasn't just Ashley Curry anymore.

"Now introducing State Champion Ashley Curry!" blared the P.A.

And so were the rest of them. On a warm March Saturday night in Oklahoma City, the lives of 14 high school freshmen, sophomores, juniors and a special senior changed forever.

Hoppin' happy, Washington's Lady Warriors accepted their new title and became the first basketball team in school history to be crowned State Champions and hoist the Gold Ball skyward.

Led by that special senior, Betsy Simmons, Washington finished off its triumphant march through the Class 2A State Tournament with a methodical, if not spectacular, 64-49 title, taking victory over Okarche.

All six of the Lady Warriors who saw the floor contributed. Freshman Lana Keith had her moments nailing 13. Jennifer Jupin was solid again pumping in 13 as well. Leslie Beaty ran the offense with aplomb



• Photo provided

The champs!

Coach Rocky Clarke and the 2003 Class 2A State Champion Lady Warriors at the Big House.

while Carolyn Winchester added three free throws. Julie Reddick gave good minutes off the bench.

But the center of attention at the Big House was number 20.

All Betsy did was score 35 of the Lady Warriors' 64 points that included a just-for-fun 12-footer as the game clock ticked off the finals seconds.

Saturday night was one for the ages, especially in the fourth quarter when Washington said, "No way Jose," to any Okarche Lady Warrior thoughts of a comeback.

After leading by a comfy margin, 33-25 at intermission, Okarche showed fans why they were in the finals.

Okarche closed the gap to

a deuce 45-43 at the end of the third quarter, out-scoring Washington 18-12 in that period.

"When we stopped turning the ball over in the third period that was the key," said head coach Rocky Clarke, who picked up his second state title.

"Even though we're a great team and we won state," we're

still young.

"I told them we had to turn up the heat, that we had to help back side and quit fouling," Clarke said.

They listened. Excuse me, the State Champions listened.

Okarche didn't score again until the 3:50 mark of the fourth period, and by then they trailed by a dozen once again.

Simmons, who went 12-13 from the field, 11-15 from the line and pulled 15 rebounds, was the key.

"I'm going to tell you, Betsy Simmons is a stud leader," Clarke continued. "But I, was proud of every one of them, he said calling by name Jupin, Keith, Winchester, Leslie and Julie Reddick.

"They held up under pressure, and I'm going to tell you there was pressure at times. Okarche worked their little rears off."

After Okarche brought the game within two as the third quarter was etched into the history books, Simmons took over.

First, she canned a pair of free throws. They seemed harmless enough at the time, but they started a run to the throne room for Washington.

Next, Jupin added a trey followed by two more charity tosses by Betsy. Jupin nailed a pair of free throws. Keith split a two-shot opportunity at the line and all of a sudden, Washington was up by a dozen and Okarche saw the handwriting on the wall.

Simmons didn't see it that way, saying she didn't think it was over until a little later.

"When we started dribbling the ball back and forth that's

Please see **Champs**, page 3B

Chelsea Spain 3 sport star

Taking her softball talents to Northwestern State University

Todd Newville
The Purcell Register

Fans of Purcell athletics were able to watch outgoing senior Chelsea Spain compete and excel in three sports.

She was a workhorse on the basketball court. She was very quick with her step on the track. And, Spain certainly proved her mettle on the softball field.

Spain might remind some people of the great Babe Didrikson-Zaharias, a multi-sport female standout athlete who excelled in golf, basketball, baseball, and track and field way back when.

Didrikson was named as Woman Athlete of the 20th Century in 1999 by the Associated Press.

Didrikson won two gold medals at the 1932 Summer Olympics. Didrikson won 10 career LPGA golf championships. She led the Dallas Golden Cyclones to the AAU basketball championship in 1931. Mildred Ella "Babe" Didrikson Zaharias got her nickname after Babe Ruth, following hitting five home runs in a childhood baseball game.

Now, Spain is a 5-foot-3 bullet and a sparkplug. Didrikson stood much taller at 5-foot-7. Despite the height difference, Spain certainly put on a show worthy of Didrikson for Purcell fans during her fantastic

athletic career.

"Basketball was never her first sport but she played and started for three years when I coached her," said Purcell Head Basketball Coach David Sikes.

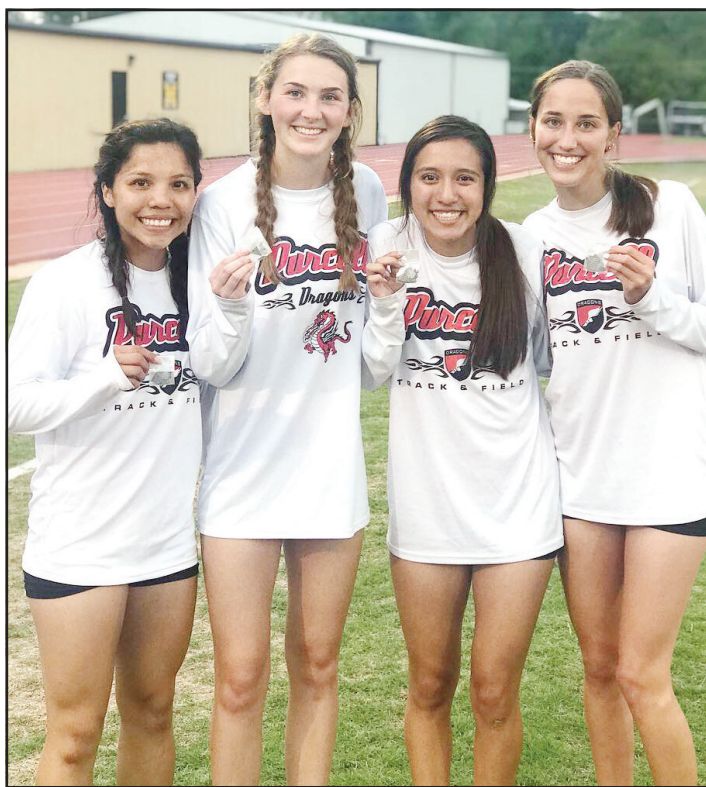
"She was one of the hardest workers I've ever seen on a basketball floor. She was able to shut down the other team's best player night in and night out.

"She's not very tall but

she could shut them down. She had extreme speed both up-and-down and laterally. There was never a second on the floor when she wasn't going 100-percent. Offensively, she was able to slowly but surely contribute quite a bit."

Spain averaged 1.6 points per game, 2.5 assists, 1.9 rebounds, and 2.7 steals

Please see **Senior**, page 3B



• Photo provided

Fantastic Four

The speedy foursome of Chelsea Spain, Kora Keith, Liz Caralampio and Tate Quintero prior to the State Meet last year. As usual, Spain ran the lead-off leg of the relay quartet, something Greg Dillard says he relied on heavily during her career.

Warriors named Native All-Staters

Two Washington Warriors have been named to the Native American All-State Baseball Team.

Devin Orr and Gabe Williams both earned the honors after a shortened 2020 baseball season.

Orr is Chickasaw and Williams is Kiowa and Creek.



Orr



Williams



Janet Moore • The Purcell Register

All-Stater

Lexington's Lauren Beason has been named to the 2020 Class 3A All-State team for track and field.

Washington Little League football sign-ups June 28

Angie Steele
Washington Correspondent

Little League Football signups and the parent/player meeting will be held on Sunday, June 28, at 2 p.m. The location will be announced on the Washington All Sport Association Facebook page.

If you have a child who is going into the first through sixth grades interested in playing football, please plan to attend this meeting!

Football president, Colby Trejo will go over the season schedule and rule changes for this season.

For questions please contact Colby at (405) 464-1825.

Washington Public Schools Dead Period

Washington Public Schools will recognize a dead period for activities June 27-July 5. No extra-curricular activities will be allowed between students/players and coaches/sponsors.

Campus facilities/fields are closed during this time. We appreciate your cooperation.

Athletic Physical Information for 2020-2021 School Year

Physicals for the 2020-2021 School Year will be on the following dates and location:

- June 27—8-4;
- July 11—8-4;

at Ortho Central, 3400 W Tecumseh Suite 101, in Norman.

Physicals will be \$20 and the funds will be donated back to the athletic department.

Student athletes can also have the physical exam at a primary care/family physician, urgent care, etc. at any time. Turn in the signed physical form to the athletic trainer or the high school office.

All Student athletes must have a physical on file.

If you have any questions, email Andy Newby at anewby@wps-isd.com.

Washington Pre-K and Kindergarten Enrollment

All day Pre-K and kindergarten enrollment has begun at Washington Public Schools. Pre-K spots are limited.

You can enroll your student online at https://www.wps-isd.com/233653_2 or you can pick up an enrollment form at the Fourth and Fifth Grade Center, Monday-Thursday from 8-11:45 a.m.

If you have any questions, please contact 288-6190.

School Board Election Date Change

The Washington School Board Election has been changed to June 30 due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation

Until it is safe for our clients and volunteers, we are not able to open our doors to provide one-on-one service to veterans and their families who need our assistance during this pandemic.

As many of you are aware, we have started assisting veterans and surviving spouses with their VA claims and questions by mail. If you're going to mail in your evidence, please fill out our DKGVF intake form, triage questions, and our intake cover sheet which are available on our website. When you complete these forms, send them along with your DBQs to PO Box 592, Washington, OK 73093.

During the last couple of weeks, we have received over 100 requests by mail to help veterans complete their applications for VA benefits or for an increased rating for a current service-connected disability.

Please direct questions to Lora Malone at 405-550-8806, ext. 101.

The number of VA rating decisions we receive daily has started to taper off slightly since we were forced to temporarily close our location due to COVID-19. We would all like to be back working across for veterans at our

workstations each Tuesday and Thursday morning.

As this virus continues to affect many people in all parts of the U.S., we do not want anyone to be exposed to any type of potential illness. Since veterans and their families make the trip to our location from many other states, we feel it is prudent to keep everyone safe until this virus has passed.

By the Numbers

Last week 12 veterans received a disability rating of 100 percent for their service-connected disabilities. This group will receive a combined annual \$448,642. They will also be eligible for the state benefits of sales tax exemptions, property tax exemptions, and other benefits our state provides for disabled veterans.

Thirteen veterans were awarded disability ratings from 10-90 percent and will receive a combined annual \$210,324. This group of men and women will be eligible for VA Health Care, and some of them may also be eligible for other state benefits. Four surviving spouses were awarded benefits totaling \$67,742 a year.

Giving

If you would like to help us make a difference, we welcome your support. We spend over \$30,000 each month in direct support of the veterans and

family members we serve. We are transporting many homeless veterans to our Norman location each week to begin the process of making a difference in the lives of the men and women who have served in the military.

If you are interested in including us in a gift, please contact Lora at 405-550-8806, ext. 101. Monetary donations can be made online or mailed to PO Box 592, Washington, OK, 73093.

Semper Fi!

Dale K. Graham
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Washington Correspondent Contact Information

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

My contact information is angiesteele73@gmail.com or 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



• Photo by Toni Gay

Washington School clean-up

Not only did Washington's Administration and School Board give the class of 2020 a prom and graduation, but they personally worked to make sure everything was perfect. Rocky Clarke, John Hancock, Andy Newby and other staff and administrators planted flowers, cleared beds and trimmed hedges at the Washington Event Center to prepare for graduation.



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Foundation volunteers

The team of volunteers at Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation work hard to help each veteran and surviving spouse get all of the benefits they are entitled to.

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Evening Worship 6:30 pm
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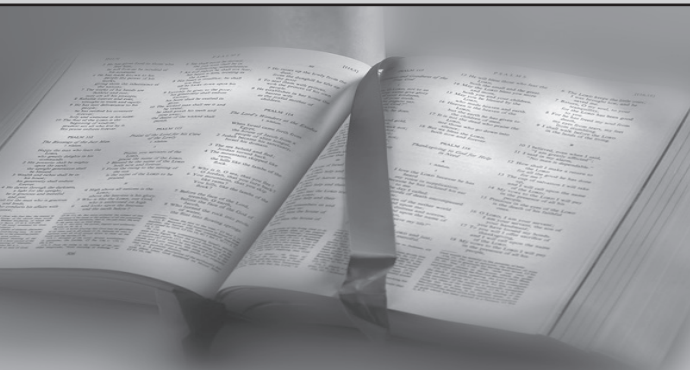
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Sunray Baptist Church

Join us this Saturday night at 6 p.m. for SummerSing featuring Mark Bishop from Irvine, Ky., and The Williamsons from Wetumka. There is no admission charge, but a love offering will be taken to help with expenses. Safety precautions will be taken. Face masks are optional.
Brother Mark will be singing at our Sunday morning worship service beginning at 10:50 a.m. Our youth will be sponsoring lunch following the service. There will be no evening service.
James and Pam Kyzer sang "Jesus Built A Bridge" and Debbie Clark and Donna

Stillwell played an instrumental medley for the specials at our morning service. Fathers were recognized and given a small gift.
Brother Dennis used Hebrews 12:14-17 and spoke about Esau. His brother Jacob stole his birthright because he appealed to his worldly desire. Esau was a wealthy, worldly man with no interest in anything spiritual.
He wasn't concerned about his sin or the things of God. He looked to things of the world, not to God and was separated from God throughout eternity.
The evening message was from Ephesians 1:15-23, and

spoke of the authority of the believer. We struggle in our daily walk with Christ. Some obstacles are placed in our way to give God glory. Our faith may waiver, but God speaks to us through His word and the illumination of His spirit.
We can do nothing outside of Christ. We, the church, are to show the characteristics of God.
We concluded our day with a dessert fellowship honoring our fathers.
You are always welcome at Sunray Baptist Church. We are located at 2223 N. 9th Street in Purcell. For more information call 527-6808.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Fr. Jim Chamberlain

The True Courage that Jesus Asks of Us

Many of us suffer from isolation at home, or from less work and less income. But most of us still have food to eat, clean water to drink, and electricity in our homes. And so we have much to be thankful for!
The Medical Mission Sisters are an order of nuns who work all over the world. In the African country of Ghana, they are making and distributing hand sanitizer to help people be safe from Covid. There is no other supplier for this vital good.
In Venezuela, they can no longer give food each day to the children who come to their door. There is not enough food in the country. But they help these children have hope. They give them a little task to do each day, and when they complete the task they get a little snack.
The children come to the sisters' house every day.
The sisters also work in Indonesia, where millions of people

are out of work because of the pandemic. These people do not have insurance or government unemployment. They simply are without income. The sisters can only pray with them and give them hope.
If we still have food to eat, let us be thankful to God. If we still have work, let us be thankful to God.
This past weekend we celebrated Father's Day. It is a good day in which to talk about a man's spirituality, that which is unique to a man's turn towards God. A good father is also a faithful follower of the words of Jesus.
We begin to see it when they are very young - Little boys are wired/built differently than little girls. Little boys like action and adventure. They seek the thrills and excitement of a game. They are not happy to sit at a make-believe tea party or to dress up a doll.

If it is true that women seek relationship in other persons, men seek challenges and projects to begin and complete. They are happier with doing something constructive than with simply being in relationship. And so men, especially, need to feel useful.
Jesus was speaking mostly to men when he talked about how to deal with our own anger. In past times, when people lived as tribes, when someone was offended, a warrior could retaliate by killing a whole family or burning down a village. It is for that reason that Moses gave the Israelites a new law - "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth."
When you retaliate, you must do so only in the same proportion as what you have received in hurt. This law put limits on

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Lexington Westside Church of Christ

Meeting the Lord a Good Day!

Good day: Welcome to the "front porch."
The sun arises down in this Jordan valley this day the way it always has.
There is not an extra gleam in its shine, and it doesn't flash brilliant streams of light off of Jordan's rolling tide to signal that today is a noteworthy day in the lives of two unique Palestinian fishermen.
But for these two young men, still in their early 20s, the sun might as well have put on a fireworks' display for the whole world to see. Today would be a day like no other, and a light would shine forth in their hearts that the sun itself could not rival.
They could not have imagined when they arise to head toward the Jordan to meet with the new teacher on the scene - John the Baptist - that they would meet the Messiah of the

world on this day. They get to John, greet him as they always do, and then spend the better part of the morning and afternoon listening to him teach. Perhaps they stand witness to additional baptisms down in the waters of the Jordan.
The afternoon has been long, and it is nearing four o'clock when their world changes. A man from Galilee walks by the Baptizer and these two disciples, probably about the time they are winding up their work for the day. The prophet John sees the Galilean carpenter as he walks along, and he points him out to his own two disciples, and says, "Behold the Lamb of God!"
It seems that there is little hesitation between John's bold declaration and these two disciples' leaving the prophet to follow this "Lamb of God." Perhaps the Baptizer motions to them to encourage them to go ahead and follow Him, indicating that it is all right, that this has been the plan all along. They must follow Him, for John is merely the forerunner,

the one to prepare the way of the Lord. Whether implicitly or explicitly, John gives his seal of approval.
"He is the One to follow," he would say, "I am not the One. I am not the Christ. I am not worthy to unloose the strap of this man's sandals. So, you go on, and you follow Him with all that you have. You have learned from me, and that was good. It was needed. But now go learn from the Master. Go meet the Lamb of God. Sit at His feet awhile. Sit there for as long as you live. Go to him, and never stray nor falter. Put your absolute faith in Him, and go wherever He goes. If he goes over the cold, dark mountain, you go there, too. If he takes you deep down into life's darkest valleys - and there you, indeed, will go one day - you go there, too. And, as you go, go in faith. Believe in Him, trust Him, follow Him, and He will lead you to a much better shore than this damp, sandy shore of the Jordan. He will lead you to heaven's blessed shore, and there you will doubt no more and you will fear no more, not the way you doubt and fear on this Jordan shore. Go, now, don't fret, and don't look back."
And these two eager men do precisely what every one of us need to do, must do!, when we meet Jesus. They followed him...and they never looked back.
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The last Sunday of the month is eating Sunday.
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Lexington United Methodist Church

Our next Food Bank Give-Away is planned for Saturday, July 18. We will be continuing to follow the CDC guidelines of social distancing, wearing masks to protect others, and keeping hands washed and sanitized. If you don't have a mask, they will be provided. Keep all of these "common sense" rules in mind since there is usually more than 20 people attending the Food Bank.

We are in the midst of a situation we haven't faced in a hundred years. The Pandemic of 1918 lasted a couple of years. What helped our society recover from it is exactly what we've been advised to do: wash our hands, wearing masks, and social distancing.

Our scientists and other researchers have been studying the coronavirus. Since it is "novel" (hasn't been seen before), they have been learning more and more about it. One of the latest findings is that even if a person has had it and developed immunity to it, that immunity may last only a short time, say a few months or so. We hope for a vaccine, yet it may not be possible until next year. All of us are surely praying for a cure for this pandemic.

Let us all recall Hebrews 11:1: [The Meaning of Faith 11] Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. (NRSV) An alternative translation is: "Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see." (NLT)

We have to continue to have hope that this disease will be "cured" soon. Even though we don't know how or when, we have assurance that it can happen. Our best action is to continually pray for those who take care of those who are sick with COVID-19. Pray for survival of those who have the disease. Most of all, pray for our researchers as they learn more and more about this virus, giving them knowledge and experience in working toward a vaccine or even a cure.

In the meantime, let us keep following the recommendations of our health leaders. One report has said that if we all wear masks in crowds, there is an 85 percent chance of avoiding the virus.

Please join us at the church on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. We have plenty of room to spread out in the sanctuary and distance ourselves. We also encourage each other to wear masks. Please remember that wearing masks is not to keep ourselves from getting the coronavirus. It is to keep from giving the virus to someone else before we even know that we are a carrier of the virus. What a small step to show compassion to others!

Our address is 631 East Ash, near Lexington High School. For more information, please call the church at (405) 527-3506 to leave a message, or contact Pastor David directly at (405) 406-6174.

Johnson Road Baptist

Because of the recent confinements due to the virus epidemic the annual Carnie Barnes and Herb Weidman Fish Fry will be celebrated at 5 p.m. Sunday, July 19.

On the same Sunday of the fish fry, we at Johnson Road will be blessed to have Jennifer Liles Dailey as our guest speaker for the 11 a.m. morning service. Jennifer works as an urgent care nurse practitioner in a Dallas area hospital.

She has worked since early March with coronavirus patients at the outset of the pandemic. Jennifer was an honor student at Norman High School, Baylor University and the University of Texas.

In addition to her 12 hour night shift in the intensive care unit at the hospital, Jennifer teaches at the university.

Several years ago, one of our ladies at Johnson Road said, "Jennifer is a lady on a mission." As a wife, mother of two young children, student and caregiver, Jennifer is a great Christian lady.

Gynean Gentry and pastor provided the special music for morning worship.

Scripture texts from Genesis 37, I Samuel 17, Luke 15 and Proverbs 22 were included in the Sunday sermon.

The sermon topic centered on the challenges of fatherhood. No father is ignorant with the events that accompany the life of a father. Fatherhood has been the primary challenge of every father since the beginning of man's entry into this world.

Jacob, Jesse and the man with two sons represent the challenges faced by all fathers. Jacob was blessed by his special son whose name was Joseph. Jesse was blessed by a special son whose name was David. The man with two sons was blessed by the return home of his younger son.

There are days when fathers rejoice in the feats of their children and there are days of grief when loss is suffered in the family circle.

Fatherhood is filled with joy, troubles, failures and hope. Fathers are honored not because they are perfect, but because they give their best.

The third Sunday in June has special meaning for fathers. The nation's first event explicitly in honor of fathers took place on Sunday, July 5, 1908 in a West Virginia church.

The Sunday sermon was dedicated in memory of the 362 men who had died in the previous December's explosions at the Fairmont Coal Company's mines in Monongah, W.V.

May the memories of our father be a shining light of hope as we encounter the activities and problems of today's world.

The sermon title for this Sunday is "Rabbi."

Our pastoral services will still be available 24 hours daily.

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the revenge that men might feel when they have strong emotions of anger.

But Jesus took it one big step further. The law of Jesus says - "No, do not even retaliate at all. Return violence with non-violence. Return hatred with love. When your brother strikes you on the cheek, turn the other cheek." This new law of Jesus requires much more patience, more self-control, and more courage. It also requires that a man be confident in the power of love to change men's hearts.

That is the courage that Jesus asks of each of us.

Let us pray today for all men, and for Fathers especially, that they may use fully the gifts that they are given as men, that they may show the real courage of love, and of constant hope.

We continue to celebrate public Masses with masks and social distancing. Our Mass schedule is Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Spanish). You can also watch a recorded Mass on our Facebook page or website.



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Lake trail progress

New restrooms are in place at the Rotary Pavilion at Purcell Lake.

Washington United Methodist Church

Just another week in the life of the church and earlier this week I had several great ideas for articles...but I have since forgotten what they were. Therefore how can I not talk about what is going on in our country with BLM and I understand the communities where we live are in fact white with a little off white and brown.

As for myself, I am Muskogee Creek with parts Scots-Irish "used to tell my dad I was fortunate he was not Apache" could you imagine that blood heritage; I probably would have been mad all the time.

Just the same I have not been sworn at or cursed or threatened "with the exception of few church members from time to time" during my life, however, I have uncles and cousins and my father has experienced racism in their lives. I have never lived in poverty or for that matter gone too long without a meal.

Living and pastoring around the state of Oklahoma I can say that most of the churches I have served are much like churches some of you attend "if you attend one" and I might say that most who read this article have never experienced poverty.

Like me, you might have wondered how you are going to pay the light bill from month to month or for that matter the rent these days, but it's not an everyday occurrence of how to feed your family day in and day out and all the other things associated with poverty and yes racism.

As a Methodist Pastor in a predominantly white community I must remind "at least those who consider themselves Christians" Leviticus 19:17 "Thou shalt not hate thy brother" and in fact, we are called to be something different than the world we exist. I John 4:20-21 kind of tells it like it is. Try reading those verses. I am sure some of you don't agree, but even NASCAR is taking steps to curb the racism within its oval.

We wonder why so many of our young people are dropping out of faith communities. We ask ourselves what is happening to our country and why is there so much anger. We view ourselves as people of the 21st century and yet we continue with bigotry and anger.

We continue to look around and want to blame the other when perhaps it's about us. Perhaps you have heard children are not born racist...they are taught. Children are not born hating the other...they are taught. We live in communities that are reasonably safe and we like to think loving, and I suspect most are loving while it's convenient.

Now we hear black lives matter and I liked what Coach Riley said a few weeks ago "all lives can't matter until black lives matter."

As a Muskogee Creek and yes scots-Irish I come from a long heritage of targeted people. As a Christian, I have come from a long heritage of targeted people. If you think about it I suspect many of your ancestors have experienced bigotry and racism and hatred.

Perhaps in our small communities, it's time to break the circle of hate. As a pastor let me say; find a church community that is based on love because God's grace is sufficient for all of us. And when you hear black lives matter remember the words of Jesus "love your neighbor as yourself."

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Newsmakers

USAO graduates

While the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma's spring 2020 term was deeply affected by the sudden emergence of COVID-19, the institution leveraged technology so that graduates could still have their achievements publicly recognized during a virtual commencement ceremony held May 22.

Heart of Oklahoma graduates include **Cassidy Bennett** and **Carly Jenne**, both of Purcell.

Bennett earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration, while Jenne earned a Bachelor of Science degree in early childhood education.

In addition to a highlight reel for each individual graduate, the virtual commencement program had all the features of USAO's traditional ceremony, including an address to the class from President Feaver, the presentation of the Outstanding Graduate Awards for each of the university's four academic divisions, the hooding of participants in the Mentored Research Program and the presentation of the Alumni Association's Distinguished Graduate Award.

Horton named to honor roll

A total of 9,399 students were named to the 2020 spring semester honor rolls at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, including 5,240 students named to the President's Honor Roll for earning an A grade in all their courses.

Full-time undergraduate students who completed 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 4.00 made the President's Honor Roll.

Named to the President's Honor Roll was **Hudson Lain Horton** of Goldsby, a Washington High School graduate. Horton is in the AG College with a degree in BSAG and a major of AGBU.

SWOSU announces graduates

A total of 861 students at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford completed requirements for either associate, bachelor's, master's or doctoral degrees after the 2019 fall and 2020 spring semesters.

These students have the opportunity to participate in the 2020 SWOSU graduation ceremonies planned later in 2020 on the Weatherford campus.

Heart of Oklahoma graduates include **Kourtney Sharp** of Lexington, Nursing, RN to BSN; **Jada Renee Glasgow** of Wanette, Management, Bachelor of Business Administration; and **Katy J. Elmore** of Washington, History, Bachelor of Arts.

Cornforth awarded scholarship

Emily Cornforth of Purcell has been awarded a \$1,500 scholarship by Digital Federal Credit Union to attend the University of Oklahoma this fall.

As many educators and students alike adapt to new ways of learning during these unprecedented times, DCU remains committed to supporting students in their pursuit of a higher education.

Since 1996, DCU for Kids has awarded over \$1.1 million in scholarships to high school seniors nationwide that were chosen by an impartial panel of college educators who based their decisions on scholastic achievement, community involvement, leadership skills, character and integrity, recommendation letters, as well as an essay submitted by the students.

Eubanks receives scholarship

The University of Central Oklahoma College of Mathematics and Science awarded a scholarship to **Ebby Eubanks** of Purcell in recognition of her academic excellence and outstanding service to the university.

Eubanks, a biology - biomedical sciences and forensic science major, received the Dr. Margaret Hamilton Endowed Scholarship.

"On behalf of the faculty and staff in the College of Mathematics and Science, I congratulate each of our scholarship recipients," said Wei R. Chen, Ph.D., dean of Central's College of Mathematics and Science.

"The achievements of these outstanding students reflect the mission of the college and the university. We applaud them for their commitment to academic excellence and exceptional work. We are also grateful to our alumni and the benefactors of our college whose generosity made these awards possible."

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Legal Publications

No. 350-June 18-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF JOEL CHRISTOPHER LAW,
Deceased.

Case No. PB-2018-73
NOTICE OF HEARING
AMENDED FIRST AND FINAL
ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR
DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION
AND DISCHARGE OF
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
Notice is hereby given that Dawn
Lemme, the duly appointed and
qualified Personal Representative

of the Estate of Joel Christopher
Law, deceased, has filed her
Amended First and Final Account,
Petition for Decree of Distribution
and Discharge of Personal Represen-
tative. A hearing has been fixed
by the Judge of the District Court
for the 16th day of July, 2020, at
9:30 a.m., in the District Courtroom
of the Honorable Judge Charles
Gray in the McClain County
Courthouse in Purcell, Oklahoma,
and all persons interested in the
Estate are notified to appear and
show cause, if they have any, why
the Account should not be settled
and allowed, the Estate distributed

and the Personal Representative
discharged.
DATED this 12th day of June,
2020.

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

By: /s/ Brian J. Barrett
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Attorney for Personal Represen-
tative

No. 346-June 18-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF SUSAN ELOISE MERKLE,
DECEASED

CASE NO. PB-2020-57
NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR PROBATE
OF FOREIGN WILL
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
to all persons interested in the
Estate of Susan Eloise Merkle,
Deceased, that on the 10th day
of June, 2020, Shannon S. Taylor,
Petitioner, produced and filed in
this Court a Petition for Probate
of Foreign Will, having attached
thereto a duly Exemplified copy
of the Probate Proceedings in Es-
tate No. PC 2015-000867, Fulton
County, Georgia, including the
Petition to Probate Will in Solemn
Form of said Decedent, Letters
Testamentary, Executor's Oath,
Last Will and Testament of Susan

Eloise Merkle, and Order Admitting
the Last Will and Testament, all as
issued by the Court having juris-
diction of the domiciliary probate
proceeding.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN
that said Petition prays that an
Order be entered distributing all
property subject to the jurisdiction
of this Court in accordance with
the Last Will and Testament of said
Decedent and the Order distribut-
ing the Estate of the Decedent as
entered by the Court having juris-
diction of the domiciliary probate
proceeding; and that on the 23rd
day of July, 2020, at 9:30 o'clock
a.m., said Petition will be heard in
the courtroom of the undersigned
Judge, or the Judge to whom this
cause is assigned on said hear-
ing date, in the McClain County
Courthouse in Purcell, Oklahoma;
and that an Order distributing the
property subject to the jurisdiction
of this Court will be entered in ac-

cordance with the documents from
the domiciliary probate proceed-
ings unless a written objection is
filed prior to said date and time by
an interested party of Decedent.
You may refer to said Petition,
the Exhibits attached thereto, and
the instruments on file in this cause
for further particulars.
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND this
10th day of June, 2020.

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

Approved as to Form:
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Alan J. Looney, OBA #33953
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ATTORNEYS FOR PETITIONER

No. 337-June 18-2 Times
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
(Second Alias)

Notice is given that on July
21, 2020, at 10:00 o'clock a.m.
at in Room 121 of the County
Courthouse, in Purcell, McClain
County, Oklahoma, the Sheriff of
said County will offer for sale and
sell, for cash, at public auction,
to the highest and best bidder, all
that certain real estate in McClain
County, Oklahoma, to-wit:
LOT NINE (9) AND TEN (10),
BLOCK FOUR (4) OF EVATT'S
ADDITION, TO THE TOWN OF
WAYNE BEING A PART OF THE
SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SEC-
TION 8, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH,
RANGE 1 WEST, MCCLAIN
COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, AC-
CORDING TO THE RECORDED
PLAT THEREOF;
subject to unpaid taxes, ass-
essments, advancements by

Plaintiff for taxes, insurance
premiums, and expenses neces-
sary for the preservation of
the subject property, if any, said
property having been appraised
at \$119,500.00, and subject to
any applicable statutory right of
redemption. Sale will be made
pursuant to the Second Alias Spe-
cial Execution and Order of Sale
issued in accordance with judg-
ment entered in the District Court
of McClain County, Oklahoma.
Pursuant to judgment, Plaintiff
reserves the right to recall the
Special Execution and Order of
Sale and to cancel this scheduled
sale orally or in writing at any time
prior to sale without notice or leave
of Court.

PERSONS OR OTHER ENTI-
TIES HAVING AN INTEREST IN
THE PROPERTY WHOSE INTER-
EST IS SOUGHT TO BE EXTIN-
GUISHED INCLUDING THOSE

WHOSE ACTUAL ADDRESS
IS UNKNOWN AND PERSONS
OR OTHER ENTITIES WHOSE
UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS ARE
HEREBY NOTIFIED ARE: MI-
CHAEL LACK, MORTGAGE
ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION
SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE
FOR RED ROCK MORTGAGE &
LENDING, LLC.

DON HEWETT, SHERIFF
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY,
OKLAHOMA

BY: /s/ Don Hewett

MAEGAN WHELCHER #33303
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5613 N. Classen Blvd.
Oklahoma City, OK 73118
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NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE
LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER
vs. MICHAEL LACK;
Case No CJ -2019-17

No. 335-June 18-3 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Richard Allen Baum, as Trustee
of the Richard E. Baum Memori-
al Trust,
Plaintiff,
v.
Addie M. Westhafer, and her
spouse, if any;
Refus E. Maloy, and his spouse,
if any;
Flora Maloy, and her spouse, if any;
Eva M. Homung, and her spouse,
if any;
Hettie Baum, and her spouse,
if any;
Theodore H. Maloy, and his
spouse, if any;
Mary Virginia Williams, and her
spouse, if any;
L.F. Maloy, and his spouse, if any;
Lunette Fleming, and her spouse,
if any;
Florence H. Squeo, and her
spouse, if any;
Patricia Brown, and her spouse,
if any;
All of the above, if living, but if any
be deceased, the unknown heirs,
successors, executors, adminis-
trators, devisees, trustees and
assigns of any of the deceased
parties;
Defendants.

Case No. CV-2020-60
FIRST AMENDED
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:

Addie M. Westhafer, and
her spouse, if any; Refus E.
Maloy, and his spouse, if any;
Flora Maloy, and her spouse, if
any; Eva M. Homung, and her
spouse, if any; Hettie Baum, and
her spouse, if any; Theodore H.
Maloy, and his spouse, if any;
Mary Virginia Williams, and her
spouse, if any; L.F. Maloy, and
his spouse, if any; Lunette Flem-
ing, and her spouse, if any;
Florence H. Squeo, and her
spouse, if any; Patricia Brown,
and her spouse, if any. All of
the above, if living, but if any be
deceased, the unknown heirs,
successors, executors,
administrators, devisees,
trustees and assigns of any of
the deceased parties
("Defendants")

GREETINGS:
Said Defendants are hereby
notified that you have been sued
in the District Court of McClain
County, State of Oklahoma, in

Cause No. CV-2020-60, styled
Richard Allen Baum, as Trustee
of the Richard E. Baum Memorial
Trust is Plaintiff; and Addie M.
Westhafer, and her spouse, if any;
Refus E. Maloy, and his spouse, if
any; Flora Maloy, and her spouse,
if any; Eva M. Homung, and her
spouse, if any; Hettie Baum, and
her spouse, if any; Theodore H.
Maloy, and his spouse, if any; Mary
Virginia Williams, and her spouse,
if any; L.F. Maloy, and his spouse,
if any; Lunette Fleming, and her
spouse, if any; Florence H. Squeo,
and her spouse, if any; and Patricia
Brown, and her spouse, if any. All
of the above, if living but if any
be deceased, the unknown heirs,
successors, executors, adminis-
trators, devisees, trustees and
assigns of any of the deceased
parties are Defendants; and said
Defendants are further notified
unless you answer said Petition
of the Plaintiff filed herein against
you on or before the 31st day
of July, 2020, the allegations of said
petition will be taken as true, and
judgment for the Plaintiff will be
entered quieting the title in Plaintiff
as prayed for in the Petition and ex-
cluding said Defendants from any
claim in the following-described
real property, to wit:

i. An undivided 100 - acre
mineral interest in and to the
Southeast Quarter (SE/4) and the
South Half (S/2) of the Northeast
Quarter (NE/4) of Section 28,
Township Nine (9) North, Range
Four (4) West, in McClain County,
Oklahoma;

ii. An undivided 1/2 interest in the
oil, gas and other minerals in and
to the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of
the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of
the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of
Section 4, Township Five (5) North,
Range Four (4) West, in McClain
County, Oklahoma;

iii. An undivided 1/2 interest in
the oil, gas and other minerals in
the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of
the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of
the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of
Section Five (5), Township Five
(5) North, Range Four (4) West,
in McClain County, Oklahoma;

iv. An undivided Forty-Five
(45) - acre interest in the oil, gas
and other minerals in and to the
East Half (E/2) of the Northeast
Quarter (NE/4) and the South Half
(S/2) of the Northwest Quarter
(NW/4) of the Northeast Quarter
(NE/4), Section Twenty-one (21),

Township Eight (8) North, Range
Three (3) West, in McClain County,
Oklahoma;

v. An undivided Twenty Five (25)
- acre interest in the oil, gas, and
other minerals in and to the East
Half (E/2) of the Northwest Quarter
(NW/4) and the Southeast Quarter
(SE/4) of the Southwest Quarter
(SW/4) of the Northwest Quarter
(NW/4) of Section Twenty- Seven
(27), Township Nine (9) North,
Range Four (4) West, in McClain
County, Oklahoma;

vi. The oil, gas and other miner-
als in and to the East Half (E/2) of
the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of
Section Twenty-one (21), Town-
ship Nine (9) North, Range Four
(4) West, except an undivided one-
half of an undivided 1/8 of all oil,
gas, or other mineral that may be
produced and saved in said land,
in McClain County, Oklahoma;

vii. The mineral rights in and
to the Northwest Quarter (NW/4)
of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4)
and the North Half (N/2) of the
Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of the
Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of
Section Thirty-Four (34), Town-
ship Nine (9) North, Range Four
(4) West, except an undivided
One-sixteenth (1/16th) of the
royalty interest and an undivided
One-Fourth (1/4) interest in the
mineral rights, in McClain County,
Oklahoma; and

viii. An undivided Seven (7) -
acre interest in the oil, gas and
other minerals in and under and
that may be produced from the
West Half (W/2) of the Southwest
Quarter (SW/4) of the Southwest
Quarter (SW/4) of Section Sixteen
(16), Township Eight (8) North,
Range Three (3) West, in McClain
County, Oklahoma.

WITNESS my hand this 4 day
of June, 2020.

MCCLAIN COUNTY
COURT CLERK
By: /s/ Kristel Gray
Deputy
(Seal)

/s/ Colin A. McCormick
Colin A. McCormick, OBA No.
32461

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No. 345-June 18-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WANDA F. WHITE a/k/a WANDA
F. GODWIN a/k/a WANDA FAYE GODWIN WHITE, DECEASED

Case No. PB-2020-58
COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF
HEARING PETITION FOR SUMMARY ADMINISTRATION,
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, AND FOR APPROVAL OF
FINAL ACCOUNT, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

TO: THE CREDITORS OF AND TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN
THE ESTATE OF WANDA FAYE GODWIN WHITE, DECEASED.
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Faylin Fulbright of 6384 N. 6th
St., Fresno, California, 93710, Petitioner of the Estate of Wanda F.
White a/k/a Wanda F. Godwin a/k/a Wanda Faye Godwin White,
Deceased, (collectively "Decedent" or the "Estate") represented by
Lacey L. Egbert of Hartsfield & Egbert, PLLC, 307 E. Danforth Rd.
#130, Edmond, OK 73034, has petitioned the Court for Summary
Administration of the Estate.

Estate of Wanda F. White a/k/a Wanda F. Godwin
a/k/a Wanda Faye Godwin White
Petitioner alleges that Wanda F. White a/k/a Wanda F. Godwin a/k/a
Wanda Faye Godwin White, Deceased ("Decedent") died testate on
November 18, 2019, domiciled in Fresno County, California. Petitioner
alleges the total value of the Estate is less than \$200,000.00. Petitioner
further alleges that the names, ages, and last known addresses of
the administrators, executors, non-petitioning co-nominees, heirs,
legatees, and devisees of Decedent, so far as known to the Petitioner,
are as follows:

| Name | Relation | Age | Last Known Address |
|--|--------------|-------|---|
| Faylin Fulbright | Daughter | Adult | 6384 N. 6th St. Fresno, CA 93710 |
| Kathleen Brown | Daughter | Adult | 7216 Stoney-brooke Dr. No. Richland Hills, TX 76180 |
| Carolyn Fairchild | Daughter | Adult | 1041 Timothy Trail Abilene, TX 79602 |
| Nancy Godwin | Daughter | Adult | 765 E. Roberts Fresno, CA 93710 |
| Denise Murray | Daughter | Adult | 1277 E. Vartikino Fresno, CA 93710 |
| Randy White | Stepson | Adult | 4729 Woodview Dr. Santa Rosa, CA 95405 |
| Belinda White | Stepdaughter | Adult | P.O. Box 146 Ukiah, CA 95482 |
| Faylin Fulbright, Trustee of the Wanda F. White Revocable Living Trust Agreement Dated December 15, 2004 | Devisee | Adult | 6384 N. 6th St. Fresno, CA 93710 |

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Hearing will be held on the 6th
day of August 2020 at 9:30 a.m., at the District Courthouse in Mc-
Clain County, in Purcell, Oklahoma, before the Judge of the District
Court. At the hearing, the Court will decide whether to approve the
Petition for Summary Administration and the Petition for Approval
of the Final Account and for Determination of Heirs, Legatees and
Devisees, and Distribution (collectively "Petitions"). The Petition for
Approval of the Final Account and Determination of Heirs, Legatees
and Devisees, and Distribution will be filed herein on the or before the
17th day of July, 2020.

Persons receiving this Notice must file any objections they have
to the Petitions at any time before the Hearing and send a copy to
the Petitioner in care of her attorney or you will be deemed to have
waived any objections to the Petitions. If an objection is filed before
the hearing, the Court will determine at the Hearing whether sum-
mary proceedings are appropriate and, if so, whether the Estate will
be distributed. Claims of creditors will be forever barred unless the
claim is presented to Lacey L. Egbert, attorney for Petitioner, at the
law offices of Hartsfield & Egbert, 307 E. Danforth Rd. #130, Edmond,
OK 73034, no more than thirty (30) days following the granting of the
Order admitting the Petition and Combined Notice.

DATED this 10th day of June, 2020.

CHARLES N. GRAY
DISTRICT JUDGE

Prepared By:
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Faylin Fulbright

No. 336-June 18-2 Times
NOTICE OF THIRD
ALIAS SHERIFF'S SALE
Case No. CJ-2019-112

Notice is given that on the 21st
day of July, 2020 at 10 o'clock
a.m., at the McClain County
Sheriff's Office, located at 121 N.
2nd St., Room 121, Purcell, OK
73080, the Sheriff of said County
will offer for sale and sell, with
appraisalment, for cash, at public
auction, to the highest bidder, all
that certain real property in Mc-
Clain County, Oklahoma, to-wit:

The following described real
property situated in McClain
County, state of Oklahoma, to wit:
A part of the Southeast Quarter
of the Northeast Quarter (SE/4
NE/4) of Section Twenty-six (26),
Township Six (6) North, Range Two
(2) West, McClain County, Okla-
homa more particularly described
as follows: Beginning at the SE/
Corner of the SE/4 of the NE/4
for a place of beginning; thence
West 246 feet; thence North 176.5
feet; thence East 246 feet; thence
South 176.5 feet to the point of
beginning.

Property Address: 17487 Blan-
ton View Avenue, Purcell, OK
73080

Subject to unpaid taxes, tax
advancement by Plaintiff for taxes,
insurance premiums, and expens-
es necessary for the preservation
of the subject property, if any, said
real property having been duly
appraised at \$105,000.00. Sale
will be made pursuant to a Spe-
cial Execution And Order Of Sale
issued in accordance with judg-
ment entered in the District Court

of McClain County, Oklahoma, in
Case No. CJ-2019-112, entitled
FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPO-
RATION, Plaintiff vs. ESTATE OF
JAY L. GLENN, DECEASED; UN-
KNOWN SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF JAY
L. GLENN; UNKNOWN HEIRS,
SUCCESSORS, LEGATEES, AND
DEWISEES OF JAY L. GLENN, DE-
CEASED; UNKNOWN TRUSTEES
AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE
JAY L. GLENN LIVING TRUST,
DATED 19TH DAY OF APRIL, 2018;
AMELIA B. GLENN, as mother of
VICTOR GLENN, a minor child;
AMELIA B. GLENN, as mother of
MARTIN GLENN, a minor child;
MICHAEL WADE VICKERS, in-
dividually and as Successor Trustee
of the JAY GLENN LIVING TRUST,
dated April 19th, 2018; BRIAN
EDWARD FRANKLIN, individually
and as Successor Trustee of the
JAY GLENN LIVING TRUST, dated
April 19th, 2018; and UNKNOWN
OCCUPANTS, if any, of 17487
Blanton View Avenue, Purcell, OK
73080, Defendants, being all of the
Defendants and persons holding
or claiming interest or lien in the
subject real property.

Don Hewett, Sheriff
McClain County, Oklahoma
BY: /s/ Don Hewett

Daniel C. Nunley, OBA #15912
John Seidenberger, OBA
#30715

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No. 342-June 18-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-
TATE OF HELEN LOUISE LOVE,
Deceased.

Case No. PB-2020-47
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
All creditors having claims
against the Estate of Helen Louise
Love, deceased, are required to
present the same, with a descrip-
tion of all security interests and
other collateral (if any) held by
each creditor with respect to such
claim, to the named Co-Personal
Representatives at the Law Of-
fice of BILL C. LESTER, Attorney
at Law, 212 West Main, P.O. Box
1407, Purcell, Oklahoma 73080,
on or before the following present-
ment date: August 14, 2020, or the
same will be forever barred.

/s/ Richard Lee Pray
Richard Lee Pray
/s/ Robert Joe Pray
Robert Joe Pray
BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389)
Attorney for Co-Personal Rep-
resentatives
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No. 354-June 25-1 Time
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME
CHANGE OF:
LAURYN BAILEY WILLCOX, a
minor,
By and Through Her Mother/
Custodian,
MELISSA DAWN FLOWERS,
Petitioner.

Case No. CV-2020-76
NOTICE OF HEARING
Petitioner's Petition for Change
of Name of Minor Child filed herein
will be heard on the 16 day of
July, 2020, at 9:30 o'clock a.m.
before the Honorable Charles
Gray, Judge of District Court at
the McClain County Courthouse,
121 N. 2nd Street, Purcell, Okla-
homa 73080.

Any person who knows of some
reason why this change of name
should not be granted may file a
written protest in this case, prior to
the date set for hearing, and may
appear at said hearing to object.
Should you fail to do so, the Pe-
tition for Name Change of Minor
Child may be granted as prayed.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Heather Strohmeyer
Keith J. Nedwick,
OBA #18431
Heather Strohmeyer,
OBA #30745
The Law Offices of Keith J.
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Attorneys for Petitioner

No. 352-June 25-1 Time
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF FRANCES M. WILSON,
Deceased.

Case No. PB-2020-60
NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR PROBATE OF
WILL, APPOINTMENT OF
CO-PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVES,
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS,
DEWISEES AND LEGATEES

Notice is hereby given to all
persons interested in the Estate
of Frances M. Wilson, Deceased,
that on the 18th day of June 2020,
there was produced and filed in the
District Court of McClain County,
State of Oklahoma, an instrument
purporting to be a certified copy
of the Will of Frances M. Wilson,
Deceased, dated March 14, 2003
and there was also filed in the Court
the Petition of Ellen E. Baker and
Donald W. Wilson praying that the
Will be admitted to probate, Let-
ters Testamentary issued to Ellen
E. Baker and Donald W. Wilson as
Co-Personal Representatives of the
Estate, to serve without bond, for
a judicial determination of the
heirs, devisees and legatees of the
Decedent.

Pursuant to an Order of this
Court made on the 18th day of
June 2020 notice is given that
the 9th day of July 2020, at 9:30
o'clock a.m. is the day and time
that the Petition will be heard in
the District Courtroom of the
County Courthouse, Purcell, Mc-
Clain County, Oklahoma, and all
persons interested may appear
and contest the same.

Witness, the undersigned,
Judge of the District Court of Mc-
Clain County, State of Oklahoma,
this 18th day of June 2020.

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

Courthouse News

The following persons have been charged by the State of Oklahoma with traffic or other violations or have filed other court actions in McClain County District Court between June 11 thru June 17, 2020.

Traffic

Douglas R. Smith, improper backing.
 William I. Gallagher, unsafe lane change.
 Phillip M. Lauderdale, no seatbelt.
 Erick Gardea Ortiz, 84/65.
 Abbygale J. P. Porte, 113/75.
 Cavan J. Rice, 85/75.
 Kylie N. Courtney, 98/75.
 Brian R. Doherty, 70/60.

Misdemeanors

Claudia Y. Estrada, DUI.
 Jennifer L. Jeffords, DUI.
 Lazarus W. Bullock, domestic abuse, assault & battery.
 Vincent K. Smith, DUI - Drugs.
 Randall C. Schmidt, disturbing the peace.
 Shane W. Simmons, domestic abuse - assault & battery.
 Tyler D. Williams, knowingly receiving or concealing stolen property.
 Richard D. Green, possession of CDS.
 James D. Garrett, conspiracy.
 Collin A. Lair, larceny of merchandise from a retailer.
 Eva N. Mason, forgery, second degree.
 Lazarus W. Bullock, possession of CDS.

Felonies

Lynne E. Robertson, impersonating another in execution of instrument.

Zachary E. House, assault, battery or A&B w/a dangerous weapon.

Camilo Gutierrez-Hernandez, unlawful use or display of license or ID.

Randall C. Schmidt, assault, battery or A&B w/a dangerous weapon.

Brandon S. D. Skinner, child abuse.

Kelsey L. Swinford, burglary - 3rd degree.

Tremarius V. Robinson, falsely personate another to create liability.

James L. Brown, Jr., failure to register as sex offender.

Michaela B. Fox, terrorism hoax.

Kandus H. Fesperman, possession of stolen vehicle.

Wynde M. Ross, burglary, second degree.

Small Claims

OKC Residential Income LLC vs Joacim Robles, forcible entry and detainer under \$5000.

Brandon Folkert vs Alicia Heselbarthe, forcible entry and detainer under \$5000.

ARG II Borrower, LLC vs Carrie A. Miller, forcible entry and detainer under \$5000.

claims under \$5000.

Civil

Midland Funding LLC vs Michael W. Baird, civil action \$10,000 or less.

LVNV Funding LLC vs. Knykole Roberson, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Unifund CCR LLC vs Charlene Thompson, civil action \$10,000 or less.

Fox Building Supply LLC vs Bloom Fine Homes LLC, civil action \$10,000 or less.

McClain Bank vs. Joshua W. Cruz,

civil action \$10,000 or more.
 Farmer Royalty Co. vs EOG Resources, Inc. civil action \$10,000 or more.

Blake Bowers vs Jerry D. Wells, civil action \$10,000 or more.

Danny L. Ray vs. Carol A. Bennett, civil action \$10,000 or more.

Marriages Filed

Skylar W. Hensley, 22 and Logan M. Hathaway, 22 both of Blanchard.

Pablo Perez, 24 and Skye E. Tompkins, 24 both of Purcell.

Delton D. Hall, 23, Amarillo, TX and Mackenzie D. Woodward, 24, Blanchard.

Kasen B. Deaton, 18 and McKenzie B. Ham, 18 both of Purcell.

Divorces Granted

Evie L. Bird vs Michael R. Bird.

Carmen D. Palmer vs Dallas Palmer.

Michael C. Collins vs Tonda S. Collins.

Jennifer L. Bryant vs Daniel D. Bryant.

Candice W. Wood vs Jonathan K. Wood.

Sandra K. Steadman vs Matthew W. Steadman.



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Twice as nice

Greg Rush welcomed a pair of Black Angus calves this week at his Wanette ranch.



Classifieds

Newsmakers

EPIC Charter Schools graduates

EPIC Charter Schools, in its first-ever virtual graduation ceremony to honor the Graduating Class of 2020, conferred diplomas on 3,805 students on June 6.

The virtual ceremony, believed to be the largest of its kind in the state, included recorded remarks from notable Oklahoma speakers such as former Gov. George Nigh, members of Oklahoma's congressional delegation and state lawmakers.

"This isn't the graduation ceremony any of us expected when we started the 2019-2020 school year," said EPIC Superintendent Bart Banfield, "but our first-ever virtual ceremony is testament to a guiding principal at EPIC – the only constant in the world is change and we must be resilient, innovative and adapt to it. Watching our record-number of graduates succeed academically in the face of a global pandemic is truly inspiring."

The virtual commencement had all of the elements of a traditional graduation ceremony, including the reading of every graduate's name, recognition of academic honors, valedictorian addresses and special guest speakers.

Heart of Oklahoma graduates included **Madison Adkins, Chloe Bennett and William Schovanec**, all of Goldsby; **Jessica Carrillo, Julio Deleon III, Ashley Ferran, Don Ingram Jr., Dylan Jackson, Frank Nelson, Allison Pitts, Maria Retherford, Steven Rojo, Trista Thurmond, MaKayla Williams and Ashley Wooliver**, all of Lexington.

Also **Victoria Martinez, Victoria Adams, Ashtyn Burch, Hunter Gruszka, Mckenzie Ham, Allen Harris, Tyler Hughes, Dylan Lemay, Hannah Madden, Grace Singletary, Shayla Tresler and Kaeli Weldon**, all of Purcell.

And **Shawn Heiter, Faith Skelton, Lanie Skelton and Avery Trease**, all of Washington; and **Kelsi Baze, Paige Jones and Shawn Smith Jr.**, all of Wayne.

UCO honor rolls

The University of Central Oklahoma announced the students named to the university's honor rolls, a distinction given to those who achieve the highest academic standards.

Students named to the President's Honor Roll achieved a "straight-A" or 4.0 GPA.

Students named to the Dean's Honor Roll achieved a 3.5 GPA or better for the semester and no grade lower than a B.

To be eligible for the President's or Dean's lists, students must complete at least 12 hours of on-campus class credit for the semester.

Heart of Oklahoma students named to the President's Honor Roll include **Delane Grace Beller** of Goldsby; **Hunter D. Askew, Camryn Laurel Dickerson, Ebby Maria Eubanks and Vivian Teresa Steiner**, all of Purcell; and **Alexis Jo' Elle Andrews, Alexia Reagan Hendrix and Kari Renea Smith**, all of Washington.

Students named to the Dean's Honor Roll include **Robyn T. Ardery** of Byars; and **Daniel McGee, Neel Patel and Brady Thomas Rangel**, all of Purcell.

Davis graduates Colby College

Alecsandria J. Davis of Purcell was one of 480 seniors who graduated from Colby College in Waterville, Maine, May 24, 2020, receiving a bachelor of arts degree.

Davis, who majored in English, attended Washington High School and is the daughter of Blythe and Casey Wilson of Purcell.

Scarberry on Chancellor's List

Shaelee Scarberry of Purcell has been named to the Chancellor's List at Troy University in Troy, Ala., for the spring semester/Term 4 of the 2019/2020 academic year.

The Chancellor's List honors full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who earn a grade point average of 4.0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BODY of Tinker Air Force Base Official Denise F. Stice was discovered at approximately 9:30 a.m. on November 27, 2007, on the south side of Lake Overholser in Oklahoma City, OK. About the same time her body was found, Stice's gold 2002 Chevrolet Monte Carlo was spotted at the Bali Apartments, 1120 N. Tela Dr., Oklahoma City. Early that morning, a witness saw a stocky, white man about 5 feet 8 inches tall get out of the car. The man was wearing a white button-down dress shirt, black slacks, and cowboy boots. Oklahoma City Crime Stoppers, 405-235-7300. Homicide Tip Line 405-297-1200. 06/25/2tp

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TRACT 3: 38.37 Acres M.O.L. in Section 2, T7N, R2W.I.M., Cleveland County, Okla. (Surface Only)
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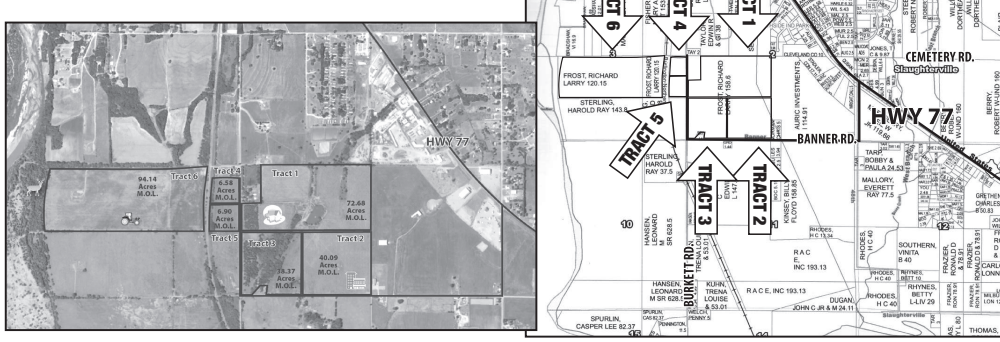
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