



# COPING in a CRISIS

### SDE hits area schools with funding cuts, uncertainty

**Jeanne Grimes**  
**The Purcell Register**

The COVID-19 pandemic fueled an economic crisis and public schools are seeing state support cut as a result.

What the economic downturn has meant is readily seen in the mid-year funding adjustments from the Oklahoma State Department of Education.

The cut for Purcell Public Schools amounted to 5.11

percent or \$265,828.15.

It wasn't quite break even for the district which received \$231,688 from the CARES Act in 2020.

"It is the norm for school funding to have fluctuations, but it is most challenging to experience mid-year cuts after the budget for the district has been developed and deployed

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### Just shy

**Purcell Police** snapped this picture of a 16-18' ladder burglars tried to use to steal the large speakers overhead in the sanctuary at Johnson Road Baptist Church two weeks ago but the ladder wasn't tall enough for them to reach the huge speakers. But all the things they did steal from the church is valued at \$11,318, according to police.



• Photo provided

### Swearing in

**Three McClain** County Sheriff Deputies including Undersheriff James Goins, Lt. Steve McMahan and Detective Curtis Albertson were sworn in earlier this week to the Oklahoma Western District Safe Trails Task Force by Western District U.S. Marshall Johnny Kuhlman.

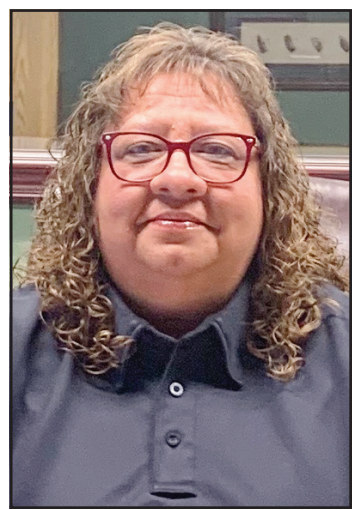
## Deputies join task force

### Department has immediate authority to investigate

McClain County Sheriff Landy Offolter has announced members of the McClain County Sheriff's Department would be joining federal, state and local agencies in the Oklahoma Western District Safe Trails Task Force.

Undersheriff James Goins, Lieutenant Steve McMahan and Detective Curtis Albertson have been appointed to the task force. The trio was sworn in

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Deana Allen

## 5 questions with Allen

*Editor's note: The Purcell Register continues a feature in which civic leaders and others will answer five questions. The following were answered*

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## Homecoming date

### PHS crowning queen, king Friday

**Jeanne Grimes**  
**The Purcell Register**

Purcell High School's basketball homecoming will play out Friday before the Dragons meet the Pauls Valley Panthers in The Reimer Center.

The coronation of a homecoming queen and king will be at center court at 6 p.m.

Tip off in the boys game will be at 6:40 p.m. followed by the girls game.

Queen candidates are Kora Keith, Emily Madden and Kayla Skinner.

Vying for the king's crown are Mojo Browning, Misael Duque and Gammy Solis.

All six candidates are seniors.

Keith is senior class president and president of the

National Honor Society. She is also an officer of Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She is a four-year member of the Lady Dragons basketball team and the track team. Keith was a member of the 2018 All-State 4x400 meter relay team. She is the daughter of Krysta Matthews and Kody Keith.

Madden is a four-year member of the basketball, cross country and track teams. She is on Student Council and is an NHS member and FCA officer. She is on the superintendent's honor roll. She is on this year's CCS basketball All-Tournament Team. She is the

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### Dragon hopes an' hoops

**The basketball** homecoming court at Purcell High School will gain a queen and a king Friday evening before the Dragons play the Pauls Valley Panthers. In front from left are Leni Snow, Emily Madden, Kayla Skinner, Kora Keith and Kache Hines. In back from left are Gammy Solis, Misael Duque and Mojo Browning.

## Tourism boost?

### Supporters pushing 5 percent hotel tax

**Jeanne Grimes**  
**The Purcell Register**

Though there is little similarity in logistics between the 2016 campaign for a penny sales tax to save the hospital and the push for a 5 percent

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See who made the list for Washington and Wayne.



### Tuesday Night Ticker

#### High school basketball

Boys	
Purcell 67	Davis 32
Lindsay 61	Lexington 48
Washington 36	Marlow 30
Wayne 50	Dibble 45
Girls	
Purcell 41	Davis 35
Lexington DNP	
Marlow 42	Washington 28
Wayne 36	Dibble 19

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### Making head way

Progress continues on North Ninth at the site of the new Purcell Municipal Hospital.

## Rash of Purcell car burglaries

Police encourage residents to lock their vehicles

John D. Montgomery  
The Purcell Register

Police are encouraging residents to lock their vehicles after a recent surge in auto burglaries and some vehicle thefts have recently occurred.

Officers have been very busy investigating the incidents including:

- Theft of a vehicle in the 800 block of W. Pierce January 16.
- Burglary of a vehicle in the 600 block of W. Madison

January 10.

- Burglary of a vehicle in the 1000 block of W. Adams where a shotgun and billfold were taken sometime between midnight January 16 until mid morning January 18.

- Burglary of a vehicle on W. Lovers Lane where some loose change and some golf clubs were stolen from a vehicle January 18.

- Larceny of a vehicle at

Love's Travel Stop at 225 N. Green Avenue. Police said two suspects were getting gas at the convenience store. When one went in to pay he noticed an employee's keys and fob on the counter taking them. The second suspect drove off in the vehicle northbound on Green. A tracking device led

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## Five COVID vaccine questions

Oklahomans are rolling up their sleeves by the thousands for COVID-19 vaccines. Although demand is outpacing supply, many remain uncertain about aspects of the shots.

Experts at the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation offer answers to five frequently asked questions about the vaccines.

### 1. Which vaccine should I get?

"Whichever one is available to you," said OMRF President Stephen Prescott, M.D.

Pfizer and Moderna's vac-

cines, the only ones currently authorized in the U.S., are shown to be nearly 95 percent effective against COVID-19 after two doses.

"These are among the most effective vaccines ever created. Getting vaccinated is more important than which vaccine you receive," Prescott said.

### 2. Can I get COVID-19 from the vaccine?

No. None of the authorized Covid-19 vaccines or vaccines in development in the U.S. contain live virus.

Prescott noted that the mild

side effects associated with Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, such as fatigue, fever and headache are part of the body building protection against the virus.

"It's unfortunate that the side effects experienced by some share some similarities with virus symptoms, but it's not the virus. It's a sign the vaccine is working," Prescott said.

### 3. Why are there two shots, and what if I don't get my second dose on time?

SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes Covid-19, is brand new to our bodies. That means your immune system needs an extra boost as it learns how to fight it, explained OMRF immunologist Eliza Chakravarty, M.D. According to Pfizer trial data, its vaccine nearly doubles in effectiveness after the second shot.

"The first dose teaches your

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7 day forecast from @PurcellRegister @OUNewsCrowd

Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
48° 25°	58° 35°	61° 51°	52° 38°	56° 34°	61° 47°	65° 51°
Partly Cloudy	Windy	60% AM	Breezy	Sunny	Cloudy	Cloudy

## Variable weather pattern

Another week ahead with some variability as we round out January and head to February.

Thursday looks to be the coolest day of the week, with morning lows dropping below freezing into the mid-twenties. Friday look for a warmup ahead

of some showers Saturday

Saturday looks very mild considering the rain moves out around noon and we are left with temperatures poking into the sixties. Sunday and Monday return to the fifties with clear skies.

Look for cloud cover to return Tuesday, but it is accompanied by again a mild day into the sixties. If the forecast hangs on, look for a taste of spring with middle-sixties to come Wednesday.

— Colton Williams

## Purcell Intermediate School honor roll students announced

Purcell Intermediate School has announced honor rolls for the first semester of the 2020-2021 term.

Superintendent's Honor Roll students have no grade lower than an A. Students named to the Principal's Honor Roll have no grade lower than a B.

### Fifth Grade Superintendent's

Grady Andrews, Journey Balkema, Anna Berger, Aidan Brown, Cynthia Calixto, Fatima Diaz, Wyatt Downing, Kori Doyal, Tripp Eck, Justus Fulbright, Mia Garduno, Eli Gracey, Cole Guinn, Luka Hannah, Lyric Harding, Cannan Haynes, Taizen Hernandez, Yamilet Hernandez Montes, Mason Holmes, William Hopkins, Leah Jones, Alexis Jurado, Bradley McCart, Bryson Miller, Madison Miller, Emily Moody, Maddie Moreno, Chloe Morrow, Kamren Nash, Jett Norman, Brendan O'Donnell, Pedro Paez, Kaylee Peoples, Rylee Peoples, Anastyn Pliker, Jeidy Resendiz, Mia Ruiz, Jose Salinas, Valeria Salinas, Emma Schlotthauer, Jaxon Spor, Kamdyn Stokes, Alexys Swain, Aubrey Swain, Aspynn Taube, Baya Thomas, Kylie Thurston, Vanaustin Williams, Taygan Winters and Jayden Wright.

### Principal's

Allison Aguinaga-Villegas, Kendra Anderson, Kylee Beasley, Robert Benedict, Jackson Bradshaw, Whitney Bruehl, Brecken Burson, Liam Cummings, Oscar Dominguez, Kyleigh Dunagan, Anthony

Estrada, Elijah Fuentes, Hannah Holler-Willis, Liam Hope, Teah Howe, Emilie Howsley, Haleigh Huitron, Taylor Leggett, Valeria Marquez Estrada, Maliya Moody, Naomi Myury, Kegan Nash, Myah Padilla, Easton Perkins, Melania Pondrom, Kamilah Rendon Alamos, Edwin Resendiz, Kaleb Rosenberg, Liliana Segoviano, Peyton Thompson and Aubrey Thurston.

### Fourth Grade Superintendent's

Huck Autry, Izak Auz, Alison Brady, Tyler Featherston, Mylan Fleming, Jessica Foulk, Lilly Gwin, Bruce Holt, Juliet Lambert, Michael Little, Kiernan Meigs, Belen Resendiz, Eddi Resendiz, Brody Rivera, Elle Robertson, Julissa Rujo, Axel Shobert, Brilyn Smith and Kyra Warren.

### Principal's

Isai Barraza, Cadee Bolton, Emery Bourassa, Angel Cardona, Isabella Carmo, Jose Chavez Cervantes, Addison Cronk, Adlee Croslin, Easton Davis, Bodee Duke, Andrew Feroli, Kaylee Finch, Estant Fink, Rhydon Foutch, Jasi-lyne Fuentes, Brelyn Gilley, Brayden Gonzalez, Jayden Hitchcock, Faith Hope, Blakeleigh Ivey, Peighton Johnson, Ashley Mantoath, Joshua McAnally, Dante McGee, Ava Midkiff, Tristan Miller, David Mitchell, Kaleb Nelson, Nora O'Donnell, Riya Patel, Alexis Pounds, Zulet Ramirez, Layla Ramos Castro, Easton Resendiz, Braley Saunders, Xander

Schutz, Aubrie Sewell, Tucker Shawn, Elijah Sixkiller, Abigail Smith, Chase Tardiff, Cru Venegas and Bryce Walkup.

### Third Grade Superintendent's

Haze Baker, Lauren Black, Dylan Caralampio, Westin Cunnus, Kynlee Davis, Katherine Feroli, Ethan Heck, Connor Henderson, Isaiah Hines, Jackson Hines, Taryn Knowles, Aryan Marfatia, Emersyn McGee, Chance Midkiff, Jack Montgomery, Mason Moreno, Alivia Nichols, Ty Nichols, Blane Nicklas, Kyleigh Reinhold, Daisy Resendiz Aguinaga, Spencer Stone, Ashtyn Ward, Kenzligh Waterman, Jordan Webb, Klaire Wilhoit and Chandler Wilken.

### Principal's

Hayes Anderson, Nicole Belongie, Rainee Bennett, Jeremiah Berger, Ethan Bingenheimer, Matthew Boren, Zayra Chavez, Aspen Chilton Marzean, Ryker Clary, Kamberlee Coughlan, Emaleigh Davis, Zoey Elam, Camden Elkins, Maclin Engert, Brielle Gardner, Breklyn Gilley, Elijah Haysler, Teagan Hernandez, Khloe Howeth, Cash Huff, Mason Kimball, Bentley Kirk, Sophia Lawrence, Michael Lee, Kiley Leonard, Kaeli O'Donnell, Stephani Olguin, Alejandria Rangel English, Alejandra Rendon Alamos, Yareli Resendiz, Emiliano Reyes, Drake Rogers, Brynlee Shephard Maxwell, Brandon Thurston, Daniel Veloz, Destiny Walden and Molly Ward.

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### Municipal filings open February 1

Candidates for municipal office in McClain County municipalities may file Declarations of Candidacy beginning at 8 a.m. Monday, February 1.

McClain County Election Board Karen Haley said the filing period ends at 5 p.m. Wednesday, February 3.

Declarations of Candidacy will be accepted at the County

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Samantha Ardery and Hannah Camp

## Purcell High School Students of the Month

Samantha Ardery and Hannah Camp have been named January Students of the Month at Purcell High School.

Samantha Ardery is the daughter of Rex and Liezl Ardery. She is involved in band, Academic Team, FCCLA, National Honor Society, Health Occupational Students of America (HOSA), Key Club and Winter Guard.

Her honors include Superintendent's Honor Roll, "A" Honor Roll, Oklahoma Honor Society, National Technical Honor Society, Girls' State and Letter "P" Award winner.

Samantha's favorite class is U.S. History. After graduation she plans to attend the University of Oklahoma for pre-nursing and their nursing school to later become an RN and after graduating, go back to school to earn a doctorate degree in Nurse Anesthesia.

Hannah Camp is the daughter of Shannon and Mark Camp. She is involved in band, STUCO, Key Club and Leadership Team. Her honors include Drum Major, Honors English and AP calculus and physics.

Hannah's favorite class is English. After graduation she plans to attend college and study psychology.

# Lexington Intermediate School honor students announced

Lexington Intermediate School has announced honor rolls for the first semester of the 2020-2021 school term.

Superintendent's Honor Roll students have no grade lower than an A. Students named to the Principal's Honor Roll must have a 3.0 grade point average or no grade lower than B.

### Fifth Grade Superintendent's

Reece Beason, Nathanael Browning, Sayuri Galicia-Ginola, Emily Greene, Jayda Idlett, Jenna Idlett, Sofie Ille, Rolin Loux, Rilie Merrell, McClain Moore, Dulce Rodriguez-Zuniga, Valeria Ruiz Reyes, Abigail Snow, Aaron Trejo Olguin, Emma Turnpaugh, Fherdinand Velasco Olguin, Phyllis Webb and Madilyn Yandell.

### Principal's

Allyson Avery, Jordan Cline, Wyatt Colvin, Cash Dierking, Joseph Downs, James Gabehart, Cote Garver, Elizabeth Gross, Macy Gullion, Liberty Hammack, Halleer Haswell, Sydney Hellberg, Olivia Hurst,

Bailey Johnson, Jackson King, Serenity Mathews, Mylee Mathis, Donovan Moulton, Heidi Ocampo-Resendiz, Charles Powell, Kale Reynolds, Jose Rodriguez Zuniga, Peyton Senn, Loudon Stamper, Ryan Taber, Brinlee Turner, Brooklyn Veach, Kai-Lani Wheeler and Jonathan Woody.

### Fourth Grade Superintendent's

Kolton Alexander, Kinzi Barnes, Addyson Beck, Autumn Bryant, Safira Christensen, Paisley Compton, Landon Diven, Emma Garrett, Kambri Henry, Jasmin Henson, Chase Horton, Erin Howse, Alexander Little, Addison

McBride, Jaedyn McCoy, Alan Munoz, Emily Ocampo Guzman, Kynlee Page, Hunter Paul, Adilenee Rojo, Jocelyn Rojo, Kelsi Thetford, Jaxon Torres, Kaylee Vaughn, John David Vison, Abigail Walker, Kaius Walter and Julianne Winterton.

### Principal's

Claire Campbell, Santiago Chavez, Corbin Combs, Elijah Dawson, Harley Feuerborn, Clayton Fischer, McKinley Fowler, Jhovany Fuentes, Blayke Givens, Destiny Hill, Saige Mowdy, Lexi Mundell, Veronica Paulus, Halleer Richter, Charlie Ross, Samuel Stohand and Gracie Jane White.



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## Drive by vaccinations

The Chickasaw Nation Purcell campus is administering drive-by vaccinations for COVID-19.

# Lex Middle School honor roll students

Lexington Middle School has announced honor rolls for the second semester of the 2020-2021 school term.

Superintendent's Honor Roll students have no grade lower than an A.

Students named to the Principal's Honor Roll must have a 3.0 grade point average or no grade lower than B.

### Eighth Grade Superintendent's

Jamie Grizzle, Brooklyn Johnson, Cash Lippel, Klauen Shird, Jace Townsend and Savannah Warren.

### Principal's

Dax Beason, Jaxon Beck, Tanner Brock, Hailey Brown, Chasity Chandler, Christopher Dennis, Ingrid Espinoza-Trejo, Virginia Feuerborn, Daisy Fuentes, Preston Hay-

man, Faith Humbolt, Kason Kraft, Addison Lippel, Izabel Nunez, David Ocampo, Kayedence Olson, Sadye Paul, Logan Pedersen, Abbigayle Ramos, Baylee Rillema, Jesse Stockdale, Shirrie Strasser, Spencer Vanoostrum and Haskell Vanvorst.

### Seventh Grade Superintendent's

Danica Bjork, Natalie Brickey, Clay Campbell, Kaia Christensen, Kora Parker, Sarah Potts, Katelyn Sieja and Samantha Woody.

### Principal's

Brodie Anderson, Michael Bradsher, Brooklynn Davis, Boston Day, Courtney Dickson, Micaiah Downs, Jordan Faulkenberry, Cale Garver, Karson Gustin, Cameron Haley, Triston Hamm, Colby

Haynes, Boston Huffert, Zeke Hughes, Addison Kessler, Jade Moser, Brennan Page, Brooke Patterson, Aubrey Ramos, Lexie Torres, Kaylin Vazquez and Axel Velasco.

### Sixth Grade Superintendent's

Chloe Becker, Jalyn Busche, Madalyn Farley, Lilian Johnson, Trey Madden, Tia Peery, Kaydence Ritter, Emma Stone and William Uglean.

### Principal's

Addison Abbott, Addyson Cormany, Aubree Dilts, Roxanna Hauser, Leslie Ibarra, Addison Jacobs, James McMillan, Jayden Morgan, Shea Sharp, Hannah Stolhand, Reydi Trejo, Peyton Velez, Marley Whipple and Brooklynn Wise.

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## Vaccine:

body to recognize the virus," explained Chakravarty. "The second dose further instructs the immune system to remember the virus and make a stronger, more focused response if it sees it again."

Although Britain is adopting a wider gap between doses to get more first doses administered, data is not yet available on its impact.

"Stay as close as you can to the schedule recommended by the CDC, but don't worry if you're a few days late," said Chakravarty.

### 4. If I've had COVID-19, do I still need the vaccine?

The short answer is yes, said Chakravarty. "It's unknown how protective the natural antibodies to the virus will be or how long they will last, but we do know it is possible to get COVID-19 twice," she said.

Researchers at OMRF are investigating the body's immune response to the virus and how that response varies in different ethnic groups. They're also studying whether the immune response is protective against future infections, or if it might worsen them.

### 5. Once I'm vaccinated, can I return to life as normal?

"Data from the trials shows it about two weeks from the time of your second dose to achieve maximum immunity," said Prescott.

And while the vaccine will prevent most people from becoming ill, scientists are still studying whether vaccinated people can spread the virus.

"For the time being, I will keep wearing my mask and practicing physical distancing until Dr. Fauci tells me it's safe," said Chakravarty. "We're already used to these practices; we just need to keep them up a little longer."



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## Dirt work

Moving dirt has been a big part of the early construction work at the site of the new Purcell hospital.

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## Filing:

Election Board office for the indicated offices for each of the following municipalities:

Town of Byars – Board of Trustees 2 Positions Town, Treasurer

Town of Dibble - Board of Trustees 2 Positions Board of Trustees 3 Positions (Unexpired)

Town of Goldsby – Board of Trustees Office Number 1 (Unexpired) Board of Trustees Office Number 2 Board of Trustees Office Number 4

The municipal offices at stake in Byars, Dibble and Goldsby will be filled in the non-partisan election scheduled April 6.

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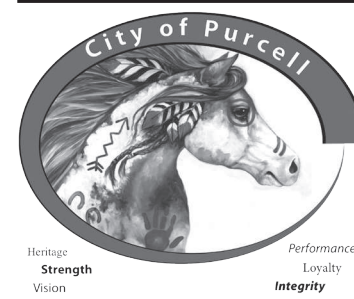
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# NEWS from the City of Purcell

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This section shall not apply with regard to a vehicle in an enclosed building, a vehicle on the premises of a business enterprise operated in a lawful place and manner when necessary to the operation of such business enterprise, or a vehicle in an appropriate storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner by the city.

Don't forget to register your storm shelter on the McClain County website.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at 527-6561 or 527-4656.

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## Rash:

officers to 2256 Donna Drive in Norman where the vehicle was recovered and towed back to Purcell January 22.

- Larceny of items in a vehicle at 317 W. Madison when a Vortez Binoculars with case and a pair of Native Sunglasses were taken January 16.

- Larceny of items in a vehicle at 405 W. Madison when five gallons of gasoline were siphoned from the vehicle and the victim noticed pry marks on the passenger side door January 20.

- Larceny of items from a vehicle in the 300 block of W. Madison January 16 where a chain saw and an electric air

pump were stolen.

- Larceny from a vehicle in the 600 block of North 7th in Purcell where a touch screen radio was taken out of the dash of a vehicle January 16.

- Police were called to the 1700 block of Anthony Avenue where a Purcell couple said one of their vehicles had been "gone through". While they were checking out the inside of the vehicle they noticed their second vehicle, a cream 2017 Chevy Malibu was missing from the driveway. The victims told police they kept a spare key to the Malibu in the 2017 Dodge Caravan. The Malibu has been put into the NCIC.

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## Virus survivors say it's the pits

I was visiting with a friend who just returned to work Monday after suffering from the COVID-19 virus.

When I asked him how it was he told me it was 10 times worse than the worst case scenario with the flu.

"I had fever all day and all night for six days," he said. He drank as much water as he could and took Tylenol.

"I'd sweat out the water," he said.

He said the entire ordeal was way worse than he ever imagined.

I have another friend who caught the virus.

This person is in the medical field and he told me at one point he was worried about himself.

Luckily, both survived.

The one common denominator from people I know that have had it is they wouldn't wish it on their worst enemy.

Still the best bet to stay healthy is to socially distance, wash your hands frequently for at least 20 seconds and wear

### Editor's Notebook



John D. Montgomery

Technology Center last week and he raved about the process and the way he was treated.

He said people were very professional and courteous and his experience was fantastic.

Gracie and I received our first round of inoculations at Sooner Mall last week and we had the same type of experience.

Exceptionally organized and planned.

One of our colleagues here at **The Register** and members of her family also went to Sooner Mall for their vaccines.

So far, reports of any reactions have been minimal.

I had zero. Herd immunity needs between 70 and 85 percent of the population getting the vaccine.

So far, only 68 percent of Oklahomans report to being acceptable to take the vaccine.

According to the survey the highest percentage of people that will take the vaccine is on the east and west coasts at around 80 percent.

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## Welcome hard-working legal immigrants

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Americans can expect more immigrants to enter our country in the months and years ahead. Most Americans aren't opposed to more citizens. Many of us are not favorable to undocumented foreigners roaming about our country.

I've been to Mexico and a few other countries. I've always had to show my passport and answer questions when entering another country or coming back to America. It only takes a few minutes.

Many years ago, my sons and I stood in a line of about a hundred people coming back to San Diego from Tijuana, Mexico. We showed our driver's license back then and came on back into the country.

No one even asked for identification when we crossed into Mexico.

I'm happy to see documented immigrants come to America. They will come and they will work. In our area of the country we have a growing population of Hispanic farmers working our farmland.

There are Hispanic restaurants popping up in every town. Asian restaurants, nail salons and more are on the increase. The best little food joint in our community is owned by a Hispanic immigrant and his family. They are the hardest working restaurant people I've ever seen.

Immigrants who document and come the legal way to America are coming here for a better life. They are not coming to sit on their backsides and collect our food stamps, welfare and whatever minimal amount of income they can obtain.

Most of them come to help their families, send money back

home and to achieve the American dream. They don't come to be poor Americans.

Many of these immigrants who are business owners often struggle and pay the price with many hours of hard work to stay open.

Steve Geis, from my town, had this to say recently about his documented grandfather coming to America.

"Over 100 years ago my grandfather immigrated to the U.S. from Germany. He came here via Ellis Island where it was documented where he came from as well as the destination he was going to.

"He said, 'We know the name of the ship he was on, and names of all of its passengers. He and the many others did what was

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## NEWS FROM CAPITOL HILL

### Unity requires bipartisan cooperation

**Congressman Tom Cole**

Last week's inauguration of President Joe Biden marked the peaceful transfer of power, symbolizing that our unique government institutions and systems are still intact.

During the next four years, I hope to cooperate with the Biden Administration when and where possible, but I will certainly not withhold criticism of damaging policies that will further divide the country or circumvent bipartisan debate and action in Congress.

Indeed, there are many areas where Republicans and Democrats can and should work together immediately. Most urgent, Congress and the Biden Administration must address the lingering consequences of the coronavirus pandemic and continue working toward defeating it entirely.

Although President Biden signaled his desire to deliver solutions and additional relief by issuing and signing an

executive order related to the pandemic, this is no substitute for congressional action.

In the days ahead, Congress should prioritize bipartisan relief for the Americans still struggling and strengthen support for vaccine distribution in communities across the country. Although President Biden's executive order on the coronavirus pandemic could easily be met with bipartisan debate and action in Congress, the same cannot be said of several other partisan executive orders he has issued since taking the oath of office.

While many are largely symbolic and are simply sops to various Democratically aligned special interest groups, others are dangerous and damaging to the long-term national interests of the United States. I will oppose these policies respectfully but forcefully.

First, the president's alarming decision to immediately cancel the Keystone XL pipeline and halt all activities relating to the

federal government's implementation of the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge will cost our country billions of dollars, thousands of jobs and will force America to rely more on foreign energy.

Considering that President Biden promised not to ban fracking and reassured voters that he would support the oil and gas industry if elected, this move should concern all Americans.

Moreover, canceling the Keystone XL pipeline hurts the economy of our nearby friends and neighbors in Canada, which will certainly damage the relationship with one of America's most reliable allies and trading partners.

Second, the decision to re-enter the Paris Climate Agreement without renegotiating its terms will weaken our already struggling economy and put

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## Your Views

### How will lodging tax be spent?

What will the Lodging Tax be spent on and how will it be spent? Have you ever stated "if only Purcell had a \_\_\_\_\_" (fill in the blank?) Or have you ever dreamed what would be a nice improvement or addition to our community? I trust most of us have had one or both of those thoughts. I believe those dreams are about making Purcell a more attractive community for its residents and its visitors.

A great example of the impact of a dream coming true in our community is the Christmas Lights at the lake. The best estimates put the number of visitors to the lake between Thanksgiving and New Years in 2020 to be over 30,000 folks! Those visitors ate, drank and fueled up in our community! What a boom to our local economy.

As with any dream or wish, the hard part in making one come true relies on having the necessary resources to make it a reality.

If this ordinance passes, our community will be on the path of securing the necessary funds over time to make some of those dreams come true. The ordinance specifies the funds to be spent on "tourism event and venue infrastructure" and "advertising and promotion of tourism events and venues."

The decision as to what to spend the funds on will rest in the hands of the Lodging Tax Committee whose members are a broad cross section of the stake holders in our community. Many ideas will be presented to the committee and it will be up to them to prioritize and spend the funds as designated by the ordinance.

And with those realized dreams, we will increase the reasons for visitors to make our community a stop on their schedule. And when visitors come to town they will spend their money on accommodations, food, fuel and supplies. Not only does that increased spend benefit our local businesses it also benefits the community with increased sales tax revenue.

Make the dreams come true by voting YES February 9th.  
**Committee for Yes  
Allen Eubanks, Treasurer**

## News from District 42

• Rep. Cindy Roe •



### House completes bill filing

The House passed its first major deadline on Thursday, January 21, which was the bill filing deadline for the 58th Legislature. Lawmakers have filed all of their bills that will be considered in the upcoming legislative session, which begins February 1.

Many bills are already online and can be viewed on the House website at [www.okhouse.gov](http://www.okhouse.gov) under the "Legislation" tab.

There were 1,942 bills filed in the House. This number is higher than in years past because of the shortened time frame of last session due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many lawmakers will be refiling legislation that there was not enough time to pass last year.

Last week, the House Speaker announced committee assignments for the upcoming session. The House will operate with 30 standing committees and 10 appropriations and budget subcommittees.

In addition to serving as the chair of the Public Health

Committee, which I previously served as vice chair of, I will also sit on several other committees: the Alcohol, Tobacco and Controlled Substances Committee; the Health Services and Long-Term Care Committee; and the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health.

Session resumes on Monday, February 1 with a State of the State address by Governor Kevin Stitt.

We'll soon begin the process to update and pass legislation to benefit Oklahomans, including the people of House District 42!

If you ever have any questions or issues I may be able to assist with, please feel free to reach out to my Capitol office at (405) 557-7365 or [cynthia.roe@okhouse.gov](mailto:cynthia.roe@okhouse.gov).

Thank you for allowing me to represent you at the State Capitol!

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

# Hello from District 43

• Senator Jessica Garvin •



## Session starts Monday

The past two months have flown by, and I've been looking so forward to session starting. I hope everyone can tune in Monday.

With the bill filing deadline last week, we're focused on advocating for our bills among our colleagues and finding coauthors.

I ended up filing nearly 20 bills this session. My bills focus on healthcare issues from pharmacies to tracking health stats to long-term care, along with childcare investigations, medical consent, and teacher retirement among many others. You can read all of my bills and others filed this session on the Senate website at [www.oksenate.gov](http://www.oksenate.gov).

In total, there were just over 1,000 Senate bills and nearly 30 joint resolutions, which typically create state questions for voter consideration. The House filed nearly 1,950 bills and just over 40 joint resolutions. Altogether, the two chambers will be considering nearly 3,050 bills and joint resolutions.

We will spend the month of February working in our committees and considering those bills that make it out of committee on the Senate floor. All committee meetings are available to view live on the Senate website under "Live Proceedings" at the top. And if

you happen to watch something after the fact, video is archived in the same location on the site by selecting the monthly calendar on the left side of the screen.

In non-legislative news, I was pleased by the Department of Education's announcement about a new way that students and staff can easily report school threats.

Individuals can already call any suspected threats in to (855) 337-8300 or submit them online at [www.tipline.ok.gov](http://www.tipline.ok.gov), but these simply aren't as easy as texting a message in.

Now people can text suspicious activity or concerns to "OKSThreat" to 226787. This is an anonymous service that also accepts images and videos 24 hours a day.

This important safety measure was made available from a \$250,000 U.S. Department of Justice grant given to the state Department of Education. I hope you will share this vital info for your children to protect themselves and their school.

Hopefully, they never have to use it, but it's better to be proactive than reactive. It's imperative that if someone sees something that makes them uncomfortable or scares them that they share it immediately.

Another exciting statewide announcement is the launch of the updated version of Okla-

homa Mobile ID, which now allows Oklahomans to enroll for REAL ID. We were the second state in the nation in 2019 to launch Mobile ID.

This provides a digitized version of a physical driver's license that's available on one's smart phone. The technology is very secure, and users will be able to control their privacy settings and who they want to share their personal information with if needs be.

This will not only be easier and more efficient for users, but for the businesses and organizations they visit as they can easily verify necessary information since credentials are continually updated against the Department of Public Safety's system of record.

Please know that you will still need to show your physical ID to law enforcement and the Transportation Security Administration (TSA).

Lastly, as vaccines continue statewide, the Oklahoma Medical Reserve Corps (OKMRC) is looking for medical and non-medical volunteers to support efforts around the state. There are more than 50 locations statewide that need assistance. You can apply or learn more at [OKMRC.org](http://OKMRC.org). Training will be provided.

Among other duties, volunteers are needed to give vaccinations (medical staff), review forms, help with registration, control traffic, assist the elderly and help sanitize the facility. Background checks will be conducted.

If you have any questions or concerns on legislative matters, please contact me at the Capitol. Please write to Senator Jessica Garvin, State Capitol, 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd. Room 237, Oklahoma City, OK, 73105, email me at [Jessica.Garvin@oksenate.gov](mailto:Jessica.Garvin@oksenate.gov) or call (405) 521-5522.

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## Cole:

America's hard won energy independence at risk by locking in inequitable mandates that favor China at the expense of the United States.

If President Biden were serious about unifying and healing a divided country, he would put the Paris Climate Agreement before Congress and ask for bipartisan changes and approval.

While climate change is certainly real, there are other solutions that are internationally equitable and would not cost millions of American jobs.

Finally, President Biden ordered the federal government to cease all work on border barriers. This decision is simply wrong headed and will surely be interpreted as a signal across Central America encouraging a new wave of illegal immigra-

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## Mollette:

required of them to become legal citizens. Locally, we found copies of his naturalization process. He and most other immigrants did it correctly!

"He added, "I would say welcome to anybody who would follow the procedure and become a fellow citizen of our great country."

America is not opposed to legal immigrants. Most of us are opposed to undocumented people crossing our border illegally. We are opposed to anyone from any nation who might come with any intent to harm our country.

Let's continue to keep America a beautiful country for legal immigrants and a safe, free place for all.

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Dr. Mollette is a graduate of numerous schools including Georgetown College, Southern and Lexington Seminaries in Kentucky. He is the author of 12 books including *Uncommon Sense*.

tion into the United States.

Although barriers are not the only answer to border security, they are an effective tool when it comes to limiting drug and human trafficking. For the past four years, we have experienced unprecedented worldwide peace and, before the coronavirus crisis, a robust economy.

I am dismayed to see that, instead of working with Republicans to keep this momentum going and repair our economy, President Biden is moving forward with executive orders that will harm the long-term

interests of the nation.

President Biden promised to be a president for all Americans, but his actions thus far reveal quite the contrary. Unifying the country and getting work done for the American people is more important than ever, and he should allow lawmakers to negotiate and bring fair legislation to his desk to be signed into law.

That is the way our founding fathers intended for our system to work: cooperation where there is consensus and bipartisan but vigorous debate and compromise where there is not.

# Rants? Raves?

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**GET READY**

## Insurance checklist for 2021

By Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner Glen Mulready

The start of a new year is a great time to reevaluate your insurance policies. Why now? The calendar change gives us a reminder to do something that we often forget about the rest of the year. It's like replacing the batteries in your smoke detectors when the clocks change.

Think about the new "normal" we're living in right now. Does COVID-19 have you spending more time at home? Did you have a baby? Get married? Purchase a new home or car? Work on new home improvement projects?

If so, you'll want to check whether you have the right policy protection. Take some time to talk with your agent and review your policies to see if they meet your current needs.

Even if you haven't experienced a life-changing event, you could be eligible for discounts or new insurance products that may serve your needs better.

### Homeowners Insurance

When reviewing your homeowners or renters insurance, think about what's changed over the last year. Do you have new, expensive possessions that you received over the holidays? What about other things you've acquired this year? Will your insurance cover the full value of these items if they are damaged or stolen?

Also, consider liability coverage. For example, suppose you got a new puppy or a trampoline for the holidays. In that case, you may want to check with your insurance agent or company to ensure that you have the necessary liability coverage.

This is also a great time to update your home inventory. Take some photos or videos

of your prized possessions. Remember to note any antique items and their value so you can talk with your insurance agent or insurance company to ensure that they are properly covered. If you need to create a home inventory, visit our Home Inventory Checklist page.

### Auto Insurance

Your auto insurance needs commonly change from year to year. Review the list below to see what other things you need to think about when it comes to your auto insurance. Talk to your agent or insurance company to get information and make decisions.

Make sure your coverage is appropriate for your life situation. Liability is the part of the policy that pays for any injury or damage if you cause an accident. If your liability insurance is too low, it is possible that you could be sued for any damages above your liability limits.

Review your deductibles for comprehensive and collision coverage. This is the amount you will pay if your car is damaged or totaled without another driver's fault or by an uninsured driver. Raising or lowering this amount can affect your premium.

Do you have medical payments or uninsured motorists coverage? These types of coverage pay medical costs if you are injured in an automobile accident.

What about the outdoor toys? Do you have your boat, boating equipment and recreational vehicles adequately insured?

For more insurance information, please contact the Oklahoma Insurance Department at 1-800-522-0071 or visit our website at [www.oid.ok.gov](http://www.oid.ok.gov).

## Boren files bill to protect students from pregnancy discrimination

While women are protected from various types of discrimination throughout their education under Title IX, Sen. Mary Boren says the law needs to be stronger to protect expecting mothers in Oklahoma's colleges and universities.

The Norman Democrat has filed Senate Bill 138 to require public and private higher education institutions to offer accommodations for pregnant students such as permitting a leave of absence, and also prohibit colleges from requiring pregnant students to take leaves of absence, withdraw from a program, or otherwise limit their studies solely due to their pregnancies.

"Getting a degree is difficult enough, but for expecting mothers, it can be near impossible. While Title IX extends some protections to pregnant women attending state universities and college, it does not cover the awarding or discontinuing of scholarships for expecting mothers, nor does it include protections of those women's financial aid or housing," Boren said.

"Another problem is that several Oklahoma private schools are exempt from Title IX, yet often the students are receiving state aid or state-funded scholarships. There have been numerous situations where pregnant students at private schools have taken a leave of absence because of their pregnancy or birth, and the schools

took away their scholarships or didn't extend them to allow the student to complete their degree program."

SB 138 would require all higher education institutions in Oklahoma, whether public or private, to reasonably accommodate pregnant students so they can complete their courses of study and research.

Such accommodations include providing allowances for the students' health and safety, providing make up tests or assignments, and allowing pregnant students to take a leave of absence without it affecting their transcript, scholarships, research plan, housing or other benefits. The measure would also require schools to maintain written policies for enrolled students on pregnancy discrimination and their rights.

Under the bill, students who opt for a leave of absence due to a pregnancy or recent birth would be provided one consistent with the school's policies or 12 months leave, whichever is longer, to prepare for and take preliminary and qualifying examinations.

Schools would also be required to grant a 12-month extension to such students to complete their degree and must be allowed to maintain residency in student housing during the pregnancy and throughout the leave of absence.

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# Newsmakers

## Roberts named to honor roll

**Pamela Roberts** of Purcell has been named to the president's honor roll for the Fall 2020 semester at Redlands Community College in El Reno.

Students on the President's Honor Roll have completed 12 or more credit hours and have earned a GPA of not less than 3.8, with no grade less than a B excluding 0-level courses.

## OU names honor roll students

The University of Oklahoma has announced the students named to its fall 2020 honor roll, a distinction given to those who achieve the highest academic standards.

President's Honor Roll students earned an "A" grade in all their courses. Students with a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher were included in the Dean's Honor Roll.

Students who are on both the President's Honor Roll and the Dean's Honor Roll are denoted by an asterisk.

Heart of Oklahoma students in the honor rolls included **Zoie Michelle Bates, Aaron Blaine Beller, Kaleb Alan Kilcrease, \*Maci Jo Milligan, \*Kaitlin Maria Milligan, \*Jordan Taylor Nelson, Dhilan R. Patel, Josie D. Pruett, \*Brock Alan Wright and \*Connor Yates**, all of Goldsby.

Also **Kathrina RaNae Bennett, Maryllely Chavez, \*Nicole Renee Escoe, Connor Eli Findley, Payton M. Little, \*Cassady Allen Shaw, Zachary Clay Simcsuk, Austin G. Stejskal, Tobi LeeAnne Wade and Larissa Janae Whisenhunt**, all of Lexington.

And **Kierra Joelle Irunge Brown, \*Emily Evelyn Cornforth, \*Jacob M. Craig, Ryan Robert Craig, Brenda Diaz, \*Gabriela Katherine Escobedo, Cooper Glyn Frankenberg, Aubrey Nicole Gibson, \*Kala Maria Guthrie, Abigail Jane Hayes, \*Connor M. Horton, Kaitlin Humbarger, \*Kaitlyn Eunji Kim, \*Braiden Allen Maggia, Gabino J. Mandujano, Conner William McElderry, \*Jackson C. Milner, Reece William Milner, \*Alexis Magdaleno Munoz, Caylin Blaise Nimmo, \*Payte Lynn Owen, \*Annabel Nikole Phillips, Ross Alan Rodriguez, \*Ryan S. Rogez, \*Makenna Lea Schlotthauer, \*Madison Katherine Shields, Bryce Lynlee Tuck and Madalyn Diann Ward**, all of Purcell.

Also **Maxwell James Kadachuk, \*Kathleen Stephanie Kernal, \*Tanner Ray Gordon Madden, Michael Patrick McClung, Allison June Nicks, \*Esmeralda Pacheco, \*Ashlen Sage Rasmussen, \*Kayla Ann Warren and \*Makayla N. Zimmer**, all of Washington.



Jeanne Grimes • The Purcell Register

## Laying pipe

**Not all** work for the new Purcell Municipal Hospital is on site. This new pipe is going in the ground southeast of the the new hospital's location.

# Mahota Textiles featured in January/February Smithsonian Magazine

Writer Glenn Adamson profiled the Chickasaw Nation's company, Mahota Textiles, as part of an article titled "Artisan America: The state of American craft has never been stronger," which can be found in the January/February 2021 issue of the Smithsonian Magazine.

The piece explores today's artisan boom and dives into the history, struggles and successes of craftspeople in North America. Chickasaw weavers Margaret Roach Wheeler and Taloa Underwood shared their words and likenesses within the story.

Underwood said it felt almost too good to seem true when she first found out the Smithsonian was interested in covering Mahota.

"I told Glenn we would be honored to be included in his article. The article is beautifully written, and we couldn't be happier about our profile in it," Underwood said. "The excitement of being in the magazine has not worn off yet for me, and I am very blessed to be a part of a great company and a tribe who supports their citizens' dreams."

The author takes a broad and deep look at American craft, paying special attention to First Americans and African Americans. Adamson turns to successful modern creators like Wheeler to find insight into an ongoing-story centuries old.

"To better understand this great resurgence of craft, I interviewed contemporary

makers about their experiences of learning, setting up shop, developing a name for themselves, working with clientele and finally, passing skills on to others," Adamson writes. "I have been fascinated that many stories from the past find continuity with today."

Adamson notes that across the country craftspeople are prevailing and overcoming modern challenges, all while preserving and transforming long-standing traditions. "Wherever you go in the U.S., country or city, north or south, red state or blue, you will find makers, and communities of support gathered around them," he writes.

Mahota Textiles draws inspiration from Southeastern heritage to create elevated and meaningful textiles, designed in Oklahoma and woven in the U.S.A.

The first textile firm solely owned by a First American tribe, Mahota's goods draw on Chickasaw themes.

Though only a few years old at this point, the company reaches back generations, as it is named for Wheeler's great-great-grandmother, who experienced forced removal from the Chickasaw Homeland in the 1830s and '40s.

The Chickasaw Nation's entrepreneurial spirit and financial backing were key in the realization of Mahota Textiles, the article explains. So were the three women who have been with it since its inception.

Wheeler founded Mahota

Textiles, and together with Underwood and businesswoman Bethany McCord, brought the company from proposal to reality.

Wheeler is introduced in the article as an example of the intertwining of craft and self-determination. She grew up in a house where her mother and grandmother would crochet, knit and embroider, so she picked up on these skills early in life.

It was through her own determination that Wheeler went on to study many art forms and come to build a career in working with fibers and design.

"Wheeler's designs reflect a more affirmative aspect of the past, emulating motifs from ancient Mississippian mound-building cultures, as well as more recent traditions of featherwork, beading and quillwork," Adamson writes.

Her tendency to teach weaving to her family helped represent a major point of the article, the importance of passing on skills to others.

In the article, Wheeler remembers a patron asking her 9-year-old granddaughter how long she had been weaving, prompting the reply, "About seven years now."

Photographer Shane Brown captured Wheeler and Underwood's likenesses for the article.

Wheeler is pictured hand weaving red fabric at a loom. Underwood is shown smiling in front of a shelf of Mahota

blankets stacked and awaiting shipment in the workspace of Mahota Textiles in Sulphur.

"In the end, it's this combination of ambition, diversity and generosity that most distinguishes the current craft renaissance," Adamson concludes, wondering if craft can bring us together in a time when common ground is hard to find.

These ideas are also deeply explored in Adamson's book "Craft: An American History," which is described as a groundbreaking and surprising history of how artisans created America.

McCord said the Smithsonian article was a huge benefit for Mahota, which has big things coming in 2021.

Fans and patrons should keep an eye out for new products, like silk scarves and cosmetic bag sets, as well as new lines and designs in collaboration with featured Chickasaw artist Dustin Mater.

For more information, contact (580) 622-8018 or visit MahotaTextiles.com.

# Republican precinct meetings February 20 in Newcastle

McClain County Republican precinct meetings will be held Saturday, February 20, at 8:45 a.m. Sign-in will occur from 8-8:45 a.m. Party officials expect a good turnout statewide.

The main business of the meeting will be to elect precinct officers, delegates to the county convention, gathering planks for the platform, and conducting business as needed.

This meeting is an opportunity for all Republicans to participate in the affairs of the Republican party.

Immediately following the precinct meeting at 9:45 a.m., the county convention will take place to elect delegates to the state convention scheduled for Saturday, April 10, 2021.

In announcing the meetings to be held February 20, Paul Maus, McClain County chairman said, "a person must be a registered Republican voter of the precinct to take part in a precinct meeting and to serve as a delegate to any Republican convention. Others are most welcome to attend the meeting, but may not vote. These meetings are informative with time allowed for discussing problems at the

local, state and national levels."

McClain County GOP precincts and county convention will have its meeting at the Newcastle Storm Shelter, 901 North Carr Drive, Newcastle.

Registration will be from 8-8:45 a.m.

An alternate date of February

27 has been reserved in case of severe weather.

Check the Facebook page "McClain County Republican Party" to see if the meeting is rescheduled.

For questions, contact McClain County Chairman Paul Maus at 650-1581.

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FOR THE PROPOSITION - YES

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# Reconciling a painful past with the present involves lots of healing

Jim North  
Gaylord News

The Boston Recorder, in July of 1824, described them as “a remarkably peaceful and quiet race.”

The Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma’s name derives from O-gah-pa, “Downstream People.” The French and the Illini Indians referred to them as “Arkansa,” a name that would eventually be given to Arkansas, where the Quapaw people lived in the 17th century.

The Quapaw’s oral history of crossing the Mississippi tells of a rope of twisted grapevine that snapped. Tribes that safely crossed went upstream. The Quapaw went downstream and settled in Arkansas near the confluence of the Mississippi and Arkansas rivers.

Their territories eventually encompassed most of Arkansas, lower Oklahoma and portions of Louisiana and Mississippi, including the delta. By 1818, the Quapaw were pressured by the U.S. government into signing a treaty that would cede all territories except a reservation in central Arkansas.

“The treaty retains and establishes the first reservation, which was vastly smaller, but still a fairly substantial amount of land from around Little Rock, down past Pine Bluff,” said Everett Bandy, tribal historic preservation officer.

But in 1824, a second treaty was signed that ceded the reservation. This agreement called for the removal of the Quapaw to Louisiana on the Red River, 30 miles north of Shreveport, a journey that has been called the Quapaw Trail of Tears. They were to join the Caddo,

historically not their friends. Both tribes became destitute. Many Quapaw lost their lives, about one-third, due to starvation, disease and the flooding of crops.

Conditions grew worse and they eventually walked back to Arkansas in search of familiar hunting grounds where they



could find sustenance.

By 1833, a third treaty was signed calling for the Quapaw peoples’ complete removal from Arkansas to northeastern Oklahoma. The tribe was generally considered in the way, already outnumbered by white settlers.

Bandy said the Quapaw had no interest in relinquishing land.

“In 1833, they didn’t really want to sign that treaty either. They wanted to stay where they were.”

But all three of the Quapaw treaties were ratified by the U.S. Senate and signed by the president.

“Signing was necessary for survival,” Bandy said.

“Payments of money and goods were often lacking and sometimes not the same amounts agreed upon. We were already selling land for less than pennies for an acre. All the treaties were supposed to be final and clearly they weren’t.”

The 1833 treaty was signed in May. Three hundred Quapaw returned to the Red River in Louisiana to pursue outstanding government payments and by April of 1834, removal to Oklahoma was underway by the remaining members. The number on the original roster in Oklahoma was 170.

“They discovered a survey error. They had built their homes on Seneca-Cayuga land, which is just south of here. But they were settled on the wrong piece of land. Some of them got fed up and just walked back to Arkansas again,” Bandy said.

Others continued north onto Quapaw land and remained. Some went on to Kansas where they thought they might live more traditionally than the Indian agent in Oklahoma allowed the Native people to live.

“Those were the effects, though, of the 1833 treaty. It really had this effect of scattering our tribe,” Bandy said.

“They took us and shoved us in these places, and we were small nations. The legal opinion is they have plenary authority over us, which means absolute authority. It’s a really nice way of saying we have to do what they say because they could kill us. The goal of the government for many, many years was to eradicate Native Americans. If not physically kill them, then eradicate their culture.”

Anna McKibben, public relations director for the tribe, says the Quapaw are the successful minority of the minority.

“I just wish our ancestors could see how we are now, because if you look...some of the pictures, if you just look at their eyes, they’re so sad, very sad eyes.”

Would she characterize the unfolding of events as genocide?

“Yes. Absolutely. If the government had their way, we wouldn’t be here.”

McKibben said there is triumph, but not for those who were lost. They were persecuted for who they were, and families were broken apart.

Reconciling a bitter, painful past with the present involves a lot of forgiveness and healing.

“Not forgetting, but you can always forgive, not forget what happened,” McKibben said. “We’re survivors. We’re resilient. We’re tough.”

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

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## Boren:

The Office of Civil Rights Enforcement within the Attorney General’s office would be tasked with investigating complaints of student pregnancy discrimination.

“I know so many stories of young women whose financial aid, scholarships and housing were compromised because of an unexpected pregnancy,” Boren said.

“We need to support these mothers and provide them whatever exemptions and assistance we can to ensure they have a safe pregnancy and delivery. They should then be able to continue their education when they’re ready with the same scholarships and other assistance they had before their pregnancy,” she concluded.

# Rental assistance

\$6.4M grant goes to Cleveland County

Cleveland County has been approved for a U.S. Treasury Emergency Rental Assistance grant, county commissioners announced Tuesday.

The grant will provide more than \$6.4 million in funds to assist qualifying renters throughout Cleveland County.

Under the direction of the Board of County Commissioners, staff applied for grants available for counties with a population of more than 200,000.

Once the money has been received, the county will set up an equitable distribution system. Applications are not open yet.

“We were excited about this opportunity to help our county residents,” Commissioner Rod Cleveland said. “We hope to have it set up for people to apply by late spring or early summer. The program was designed to go directly to landlords on behalf of renters who need it most.”

Funds were made available through the Consolidated Appropriations Act.

Qualifications for households seeking rent relief are established by federal guidelines that look at unemployment or a

reduction in household income and risk of homelessness due to COVID-19.

“Federal guidelines for this assistance target the poorest of the poor to make sure no renter loses a home due to COVID,” Commissioner Darryl Stacy said. “This is good news for children, the elderly and other vulnerable populations within our county.”

Households receiving other federally funded rental assistance will not be eligible for this program under federal rules, enabling more people to receive help.

“Helping those who have been hit the hardest by the pandemic and the resulting economic hardships is critical,” Commissioner Harold Haralson said.

More information on the application process will be released at a later date.

“We will get the word out when we’re ready to accept applications,” Cleveland said. “We don’t want anyone to fall between the cracks because they didn’t know about this.”

Federal guidelines allow for households to apply directly or for landlords to apply on behalf of eligible households.

# Embezzlement

Employee charged in \$1,505 theft

Jeanne Grimes  
The Purcell Register

A woman who handled accounts receivable for a Newcastle construction company allegedly embezzled more than \$1,500 before quitting abruptly.

Kathy F. Simpson, 38, of Choctaw, is charged in McClain County District Court with embezzlement. An arrest warrant is outstanding.

According to an affidavit, Simpson left the business to run an errand on September 14.

When she didn’t return after several hours, employees attempted to contact her.

She responded to the office manager, telling her she’d left a note on the owner’s desk.

That note, according to the affidavit, was Simpson’s resignation.

The office manager told Newcastle police that in addition to accounts receivable, Simpson handled the firm’s payroll and other financial matters.

The company’s owner, Derry Owen and the office manager started to investigate those fi-

ancial transactions and found that in a half-dozen transactions between June 19 and September 6, Simpson reportedly used Paypal to move \$1,505 from the company to her Visa Chime account.

An investigator reached Simpson by phone on September 17. She declined to be interviewed, but told the officer she had spoken to the owner and was returning the money the following day.

When the investigator called back on September 18, Simpson reportedly told him Owen had agreed not to file charges. She said she would pay Owen on September 19, the affidavit states.

Four days later Simpson texted Owen an apology for taking the money and offered to repay it through Venmo.

Simpson declined several requests from police to come in for interviews, according to the affidavit.

Also, according to Owen, he never had an agreement with Simpson not to charge her.

To date, none of the money has been repaid.



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# Will Rogers' one-liners still relevant in today's world

**Bennett Brinkman**  
**Gaylord News**

Hands in pockets and sporting a wry smile, the Oklahoman in the US Capitol gazed down from his pedestal as if he had seen it all before.

The statue of Will Rogers was not damaged during the Jan. 6 insurrection in Washington, D.C., but it had, indeed, witnessed something like it before.

In 1932, a group of protesters marched to the U.S. Capitol.

Coming from all over the nation, they camped out for months in shanty towns they built near the Capitol.

Having fought in World War I and promised bonuses for their service, this "bonus army" marched on Washington to demand that the checks be paid immediately, according to the National Park Service.

Eventually, then-President Herbert Hoover called in the army led by Gen. Douglas MacArthur to clear out the protesters with tear gas, causing many injuries and one death.

Rogers expressed his thoughts about the Bonus Army March in his weekly newspaper column.

"I was just thinking of the effect of that being shown all over the world," Rogers wrote. "We can never go around preaching 'Dissarmament' and 'Brotherly Love' any more."

Many Americans had a similar reaction after watching the Capitol insurrection of Jan. 6 that left five dead including a Capitol Hill police officer.

Will Rogers' thoughts still sounding familiar nearly a century later is not unusual, said Tad Jones, executive director of the Will Rogers Memorial Museum in Claremore.

"As crazy as things may seem today, he made comments 90 years ago that still continue to-

day," Jones said. "These kinds of conversations have been going on a long time."

Echoes of Rogers' thoughts could be heard in a Pew Research Center Fact Tank article which quoted a man in his 60s who said the riot was "A slap in the face to democracy, something you would expect to see in a Third World nation."

The same article said 14% of Americans "expressed surprise, incredulity or embarrassment that such an event could happen in the United States."

This collective embarrassment is similar to what Rogers expressed when he said the U.S. could no longer "preach" about "brotherly love."

From the statue's place on the second floor near the House chamber, not much happens in the Capitol without its oversight. As one of the few places in the Capitol where camera crews can set up and film, the statue has made its way into many Americans' homes in the background on their TVs.

With his "everyman" approach to politics and American life, Rogers was so popular that in the 1932 election he appeared at and influenced both the Republican National Convention and the Democrat National Convention, said Frank Keating, former Oklahoma governor and author of a Will Rogers children's book.

"His humility, his good cheer, his wonderful respect for his fellow human beings would be a splendid lesson for us today," Keating said. "We build walls between each other, and Rogers would not pull them down, but he would laugh them down."

Born in 1879 in Cherokee Territory near what would eventually become Claremore, Rogers traveled the country and

became famous for his roping skills and Western drawl. He stayed famous with his humor and wit.

"I think he was the most popular person in American history," Jones said. "He had politicians Republican and Democrat that liked him."

Rogers was able to use his wit to be a part of American politics while staying above the fray of partisanship. He frequently took shots at the whole of Congress with lines such as:

"Most people and actors appearing on the stage have some writer to write their material. Congress is good enough for me. They have been writing my material for years."

Rogers also had many thoughts about elections that are still echoed today.

One of these thoughts, "In this country people don't vote for, they vote against," seems to be rather poignant, Jones said.

"You look at this year's election, and there's a lot of people that voted against Trump, and that happens a lot," Jones said.

Rogers' statue had a front-row view of the rioters nearly three weeks ago. Just before 2:30 p.m., protestors stormed into the corridor on the second floor of the Capitol, according to a video from the Washington Post. The phrases "Drag 'em out!" and "Hang 'em out!" are shouted as the rioters move toward the House chamber.

One of Rogers' most famous quotes is "I never met a man I didn't like," though if he could see what his statue saw that day, one wonders if the soft-spoken Cherokee could defend that statement.

"Will Rogers is a shining example of what I think civically we should be," Jones said. "You can make your comments, but you still want to have a civil conversation."

For an extensive list of Will Rogers' quotes, visit the Will Rogers Memorial Museum website.

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

# OSU EXTENSION News

## It's almost time to top dress cool season forages

**Justin McDaniel**  
Extension Ag Educator

Tired of feeding hay? Wish those cows were harvesting their own dinners? If so, there is something you can do on both accounts, spring fertilization of cool season forage crops.

If you are fortunate enough to have a stand of annual rye grass, fescue, wheat, rye or are planning on seeding spring oats, you can make a large and cost effective difference in the amount of late winter through spring grazing you have with a simple application of nitrogen (N) fertilizer.

Cool season forages respond effectively to N fertility applied in the February time frame. A good rule of thumb is to expect an additional ton of production for each 60 pounds of actual N you apply.

OSU typically recommends an application of 60-75 pounds per acre which is 130-160 pounds of urea/acre. The average price of N as urea in southeast Oklahoma last week was \$450/ton. Looking at this from a feed standpoint, each additional ton of forage will cost you \$36. Can you buy a ton of hay for this? If you could, what would the quality be?

Research has shown that all of these varieties, when spring fertilized, have the potential to maintain the body condition score on both dry cows in late gestation and wet cows with calf at side.

This means, when observing a correct stocking rate, that haying and supplementation would no longer be required! Think about the savings in this practice.

If \$36 per acre in fertilizer cost startles you, you are not alone. However, by calculating our estimated cost per cow per day, it is clear we are cutting our daily maintenance costs to one quarter the cost of hay and supplement.

This does not take into ac-

count the efficiency of utilization for these feedstuffs.

There will be some losses of both fed hay and grazed forage which drive costs up slightly. According to research, a cow is 65 percent efficient at rotationally grazing high-quality forage, so we would expect one ton of forage to provide this 1,200 pound cow with 45 days of grazing.

Even with grazing losses, \$36/ton over 45 days = \$0.80/

cow/day which is still one-third the cost of hay and feed with no waste, and that rarely happens!

With proper fertility and adequate soil moisture expect yields of 3-5 tons/acre with annual rye grass, 2-3 tons/acre with fescue, 1-2 tons/acre with cereal rye and 2-3 tons with fall seeded wheat or spring seeded oats.

That is a lot of cow grazing days and proves it is still cheaper to grow it.

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The statue of Will Rogers smiles down from his pedestal in the House connecting corridor on the second floor of the Capitol.

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Sower of seeds

Lane Griffith, 5, wasted no time when tasked with sowing wildflower seeds at Purcell Lake last week. The wildflower garden near Rotary Pavilion will serve a dual purpose as the seeds sprout. It will provide food and habitat for pollinators and wildlife at the lake and will also decrease the mowing and maintenance needed. Water for the garden will be recycled treated waste water from the newly installed bathroom.

From page 1A

Task Force:

Monday by Western District U.S. Marshall Johnny Kuhlman.

The Safe Trails Task Force is a joint task force with the Federal Bureau of Investigations which gives specific federal credentials to investigators that allow them to investigate major crimes that occur in the

Oklahoma Western District involving an Indian tribal member.

It also grants investigators the authority to execute arrest and search warrants involving federal crimes.

Offolter noted that joining the task force will be beneficial to his department, as well as the

citizens of McClain County.

Investigators can start significant investigations immediately, rather than standing by for assisting agencies.

The task force members will also have access to federal tools and resources necessary to work the investigations and serve the communities.



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From page 1A

Homecoming:

daughter of Melissa Madden.

Skinner is active in basketball and volleyball. She is also an NHS member. She is the daughter of Brandon and Robin Skinner.

Browning is a four-year member of the basketball and football teams. He was named Canadian Valley Most Valuable Player and made the All-Region team in basketball. He is the son of Nicole Leather-

man and Gianni Browning.

Duque is a four-year member of the basketball team and is a member of NHS. He is the son of Marcial and Lucia Duque.

Solis is a four-year member of the basketball team and is also on the football and track teams. In 2019 he was on the Conference Championship basketball team. He is the son of Ana and Juan Solis.

Other court members are kindergarten students Leni Snow, flower girl, and Kache Hines, crown bearer.

Leni is active in gymnastics and plays softball for the Purcell Rockets. She also plays basketball. She is the daughter of Kasi and Luke Snow.

Kache plays both basketball and baseball, and also enjoys swimming. He is the son of Amber and Roy Hines.

From page 1A

Tax:

lodging tax now, the measures themselves do share some common ground.

Opportunity, possibility and a better Purcell for residents and visitors alike.

Allen Eubanks, treasurer of the Committee for Yes, would like to see numbers on February 9 like the hospital tax received in August 2016. That vote was 987 in favor to 142 against.

"I know some people are against it (lodging tax)," Eubanks said, "and some people are for it."

Much will depend, he acknowledged, on how many turn out to vote.

While backers of the hospital tax in 2016 met weekly to brainstorm ideas to sway the voters and called every registered voter in Purcell, supporters of the lodging tax are relying solely on yard signs, newspa-

per ads, a Facebook page that updates a couple times a week and word of mouth to get their message across.

At this stage, Eubanks and the committee have "no preconceived notions" on how the tax revenue will benefit tourism.

He sees a potential for baseball and softball tournaments, golf tournaments and more livestock events at the Expo Center.

And who's to say the committee won't use part of the money to "re-create" the Loose Caboose festival in downtown Purcell.

"But nobody is actively working those angles," he said.

Indeed, the committee is yet to be named.

The Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce will appoint three members—a hotel

representative, a merchant and chamber director.

Four seats will be filled by the City of Purcell as follows: a council member, Parks & Recreation employee, city manager and citizen at-large.

The committee will have full say how the funds are spent.

There is just one caveat. All of the revenue must go to cover tourism-related expenses.

That freedom to operate will allow the committee "to address needs as they come up," Eubanks said.

Early in-person voting will be open for two days next week at the McClain County Election Board office in the county courthouse.

Those hours will be 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. February 4 and 5.

Polling places will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on February 9.

From page 1A

Allen:

by Deana Allen, city manager and former police chief of Lexington.

Q: What was the best part of being police chief?

A: Interacting with the public. Getting to know the people in the community and being able to help them. I thought I would bring that with me to the city manager side.

Q: What is the best part of your job now as city manager?

A: Being able to see how the city works as a whole. For 24 years, I saw how one department works. Now I have a full view of each department. It's a unique opportunity.

Q: What are the differences in law enforcement and city management?

A: I think the difference for me is I am a problem solver and fixer. At the police department, I was a mediator and fixed everyone's problem. Here I'm

not a fixer for everyone anymore. My job now, I handle a lot of infrastructure problems and I try to be a fixer of those things now.

Q: What motivates you?

A: Interacting with the public. Q: What do you do to relax? A: I enjoy spending time with my 15-year-old daughter and husband. We ride ATVs together, go to the lake together. We enjoy swimming.

From page 1A

Crisis:

for the current year," superintendent Dr. Sheli McAdoo said.

However, McAdoo said that cut doesn't tell the whole story.

Purcell Public Schools was the recipient of a \$905,777 emergency relief grant funded through the nation's second stimulus package passed in late 2020.

"This allocation will help the district offset the revenue loss we experienced in state aid," McAdoo said, citing cost-saving measures such as staffing, projects and over prioritization of expenditures.

"The goal of Purcell Public Schools is to be good stewards of our taxpayer dollars to benefit students," McAdoo said.

But the real unknown for superintendents and school boards is what funding will look like for the 2021-22 school year.

One factor will be having a healthy cash carryover at the end of the fiscal year on June 30.

"Carryover is important to the district as it is the way that we meet our financial obligations at the beginning of the school year until we receive state aid," McAdoo said. "We are still projecting a healthy carryover for 2021-22 at this time."

Lexington Public Schools received \$188,330 through the CARES Act. The district's share from the second stimulus is \$796,007.

Superintendent Chad Hall received the formula for assessing the mid-year adjustment, but hasn't yet done the math to arrive at the exact figure.

"But I can tell you it is significant," he said.

Early estimates are the

district stands to lose about \$180,000.

"We knew it was coming," Hall said of the cut, adding in a "normal" year, it is possible a district will see a bump in their mid-year adjustment.

"This year we're seeing a cut in funding per ADM (average daily membership) weighted enrollment," he continued.

The mid-year funding adjustment is typically a few thousand dollars either way for a district the size of Lexington.

"This (\$180,000) is definitely a drop in terms of what is going on," he said. "I told the board if we were frugal enough... We feel like we're in a good position to weather this. Next year is a total unknown."

Toby Ringwald, superintendent at Wayne Public Schools, said his district lost about \$52,000 at mid-term.

"We are still on pace to lose roughly \$450,000 in total funding this school year," he added.

That is taking into account the \$105,288 Wayne received from the CARES Act and \$411,301 in the second stimulus.

Those second stimulus dollars are "preventing us from having to dig too far this year into our Building Fund to offset previously anticipated losses."

Ringwald admits to "tremendous concerns" about the funding outlook for the 2021-22 school year.

It's like a one-two punch from the pandemic's effects on the overall economy and the negative effect Epic Charter School has on the school funding formula.

The combination "will have many schools playing catch up financially next year," he said.

"We still expect to have a healthy fund balance at the end of fiscal year 2021," he continued. "And the money we didn't spend out of the Building Fund this year can help offset next year's losses."

"We will carefully examine what positions will need to be hired back next year for staff that retire or leave the district."

Washington Public Schools Superintendent Chris Reynolds noted that district was down more than \$202,517 in the mid-year adjustment.

Reynolds said the district plans to use \$219,418 received from the second stimulus to "fill the void caused by the midterm cut."

"Washington is hoping for additional support from the federal government to offset the cost of running school during a pandemic and to reduce anticipated future losses in state funding," he continued. "We specifically are advocating for a change in the funding process for future federal stimulus."

Reynolds explained that both of the two initial CARES Act stimulus packages allotted funds through the federal Title I system—a process that creates an uneven playing field among districts.

"Based on the Title I process, districts such as Washington with low free and reduced (lunch) rates have received significantly lower federal stimulus funding," Reynolds explained. "We are advocating that all additional stimulus funds be funded on a per-pupil basis. We believe this would be a more equitable way for the federal government to provide stimulus funds."



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### Third place Dragons

David Sikes' Dragons gutted out a 37-35 win over Class 4A Plainview to win third place in the Heart of Oklahoma tournament last week. Purcell outscored Plainview 11-4 in the fourth quarter to hold on for the win.

## Girls take third in Heart

CCS boys and Anadarko girls crowned champions

**John D. Montgomery**  
The Purcell Register

Coach David Sikes' Dragons are on a bit of a roll after winning five of their last six games and finishing third with a victory over 4A No. 12 Plainview in last weekend's Heart of Oklahoma Tournament.

Their lone loss in the latest run was in the semifinals to 4A No. 2 Anadarko. The Lady Warriors gave up a total of 41 points in their three tournament games to win the girls' bracket.

CCS won the boys' bracket

with a two point win over Blanchard in the finals, 45-43.

Sikes' club edged Washington here early last week, 40-39 and eased by Noble in the first round of The Heart, 42-38.

After the 59-12 setback in the semifinals, Purcell bounced back to post a 35-37 win over Plainview. Purcell came from behind to out-score Plainview 11-4 in the fourth quarter to preserve the victory.

Emily Madden dropped in three treys en route to her game-high 16 points over the Lady Bears. KK Eck was

also in double figures with 11 points.

Madden and Kora Keith led the offense against Washington with 11 and 10 points respectively.

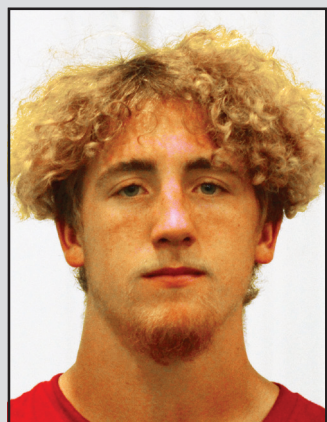
Sikes said, "Wow, what a week!

"Against Washington we played hard. I'm happy with the steps we are taking."

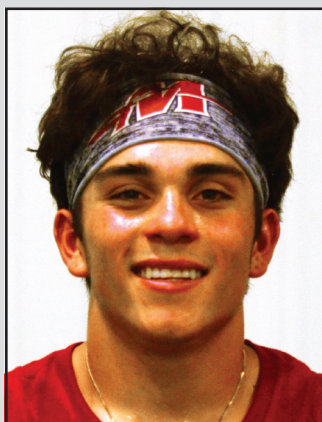
Sikes said the Anadarko game ended his club's five game winning streak but he felt

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## Washington All-District All-District 2A-3



**Kelton Schultz**  
Tight End of the Year



**Jaxon Sanchez**  
Safety of the Year



**Jadon Sanchez**  
Co-Defensive Player of the Year



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**Seth Tague**

## Wayne All-District A-4 All-District 1st team



**Ethan Mullins**



**Brannon Lewelling**



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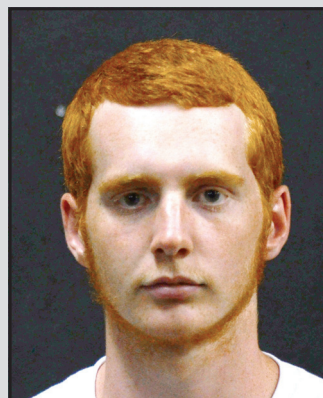
### A-4 All-District



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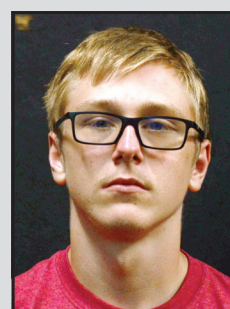


**Kevin Bynum**

### A-4 Honorable mention



**Kolton Miller**



**Jacob Mooney**



**Billy Dodd**



**Junior Perez**

# Lady Bulldogs are Consolation champs

A 57-50 victory over Waurika wins consolation bracket

**Emily Montgomery**  
The Purcell Register

Josh Trent and his Lady Bulldogs were in Marlow last week for the Stephens County tournament.

Though Wayne fell to Commanche in their first game, 62-36, they came back to win their next two contests to win the Consolation bracket.

In a back and forth game with the Waurika Lady Eagles, Wayne held a 24-17 lead at the half.

That cushion would prove helpful as Waurika outscored Wayne 20-16 in the third stanza.

But, free throws would be the difference. Going 10-14 at the charity stripe in the fourth quarter gave Wayne the edge they needed to pull out the win.

"This was a hard-fought, team win. We played well and everyone contributed," Trent said.

McKenzie Fisher, Wayne's hot handed junior, continued here scoring streak leading the Lady Bulldogs with 15 points. Fellow junior Lorensa Martinez joined her in double figures with 13.

Five other Lady Bulldogs scored in the win, including Allie Walck, Haiden Parker, Kaylee Madden, AJ Gray and



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## Consolation champs

The Wayne Lady Bulldogs beat Waurika 57-50 on Saturday to claim the Consolation champ hardware in the Stephens County Tournament held in Marlow.

Mayce Trejo.

Earlier in the tournament, Wayne fell to Commanche in their first game and eased by Marlow 55-43.

Fisher was the leading scorer against Marlow with 19 points. Madden was just behind with 18.

Wayne has a full slate this week including two home

games with Dibble on Tuesday and CCS tonight (Thursday). Friday night they travel to Konawa and then travel to Apache on Saturday.

"The girls are definitely improving their play at the right time in the season," Trent said.

### Boys

The Bulldogs were in Marlow last week for the Stephens

County tournament and came away with a win over Central Marlow, 55-51.

Wayne lost to Waurika 52-49 in their opening contest and Empire, 61-53.

Brannon Lewelling led the team in all three games, scoring

Please see **Wayne**, page 3B

# TSCA soccer meeting

TCSA Soccer is organizing its second season for Purcell teams.

An in-person meeting to discuss the season will be held at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 3, at the Purcell Multi-Purpose Center.

Boys and girls ages three to 19 are eligible to participate.

Purcell teams will practice in Purcell and play in

Blanchard. The season begins in March and ends May 27.

The season will consist of eight games and an end of season tournament.

For more information go to [Tcsasoccer.org](http://Tcsasoccer.org) or call (405) 326-8063.



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## Up and over

Lexington junior Heath Winterton gets a shot off over the outstretched hand of a defender. The Bulldogs defeated Ninnekah 55-47 in the Grady County tournament.

# Bulldogs clip Ninnekah, 55-47

Furious fourth quarter rally falls just short against Alex

**John D. Montgomery**  
The Purcell Register

Senior Seth Pearman led all scorers with 22 points in Lexington's 55-47 victory over Ninnekah in the Grady County Tournament.

Pearman really caught fire in the third period coming out of the halftime locker room to nail 11 of his total for the night.

Fellow senior Teagin Pruitt joined him in double digits

with a dozen.

Head coach JD Beck got steady scoring up and down the lineup.

The victory followed a heart-stopping 71-66 loss at the hands of Alex.

Ezra Faulkenberry and Teagin Pruitt both caught fire in the furious fourth period

Please see **Lex**, page 3B



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## Directing traffic

Lexington senior Jaci Idlett controls the offense for the Bulldogs. Lexington was scheduled to host Lindsay on Tuesday and travel to Washington on Friday.



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The Purcell Register

## See the floor

Wayne senior Allie Walck runs the offense for the Lady Bulldogs. Wayne beat Waurika 57-50 to win the Consolation bracket at the Stephens County tournament in Marlow.

# Warriors conclude long week

Played five games in six days

**John Denny Montgomery**  
The Purcell Register

The Warriors completed a grueling week of basketball with strong outings in the Sweet Pea Invitational Basketball Tournament in Newcastle.

"I thought towards the end of the week we played pretty well," said Washington head coach TJ Scholz.

The Warriors went 1-2 in the tournament, picking up a 66-38 win over Christian Heritage JV.

They lost to Class 5A No. 2 Lawton MacArthur (67-51) and Class 5A No. 9 Bishop McGuiness (43-39).

The Warriors opened the tournament with Lawton Mac and got into a hole early, falling behind by 16 points by the end of the first quarter.

Washington played them mostly even for the rest of the game.

"Aside from the first quarter we played pretty solid," Scholz said. "We played hard and have some positive takaways from the game."

Kenneth Love III led the Warriors in scoring with 14 points. Luke Hendrix was also in double figures with 12 points.

Washington had no trouble dispatching Christian Heritage JV. They finished the game by outscoring Christian Heritage by 23 points in the second half.

"We did what we were supposed to do against a JV team," Scholz said.

Hayden Hicks scored a game-high 19 points. Hector Quinonez tallied 12 points for the second highest output on the team.

Washington came back Saturday to face McGuiness.

"We tried to slow the game down and defensively we played really well," Scholz said. "We shut down two of the big-time players in Class 5A and held them below their season average."

Washington did play well defensively, holding the Irish to 10 points or less in three of the quarters.

Quinonez played a big part in the defensive effort.

"We put Hector on the other teams' best players and he held each of them under their shooting percentage or below their scoring average," Scholz said. "He played really well defense through the five-game stretch."

Washington had a chance to win the game with an open look at a three point shot with less than 20 seconds left in the game but missed.

"We missed three layups in the game too," Scholz said.

Jamison Holland led the Warriors in scoring with 10 points.

Kobe Scott finished with nine and Graham Schovanec had eight points.

### Earlier games

On Monday before the tournament, Washington traveled to Bridge Creek. They were defeated 63-61 but had the ball late in the fourth quarter trying for the final shot.

They misplayed the possession and shot too early.

The game was tight, with both teams getting a quick start.

Love led the team in scoring with 14 points. Quinonez and Luke Hendrix were also in

double digits with 11 and 10 respectively.

Hendrix began to find his groove on the offensive end of

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1/19 Girls

**Purcell 40**

**Washington 39**

Washington ..... 6 2 10 6—24

Purcell ..... 10 6 23 13—52

Player	Points
Laylin Scheffe	14
Mattie Richardson	11
Tinley Lucas	7
Madisson Myers	5
Kyndall Wells	3



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## Post defense

Tinley Lucas (2) and Mattie Richardson (3) defend Purcell's Kayla Skinner during Washington's game against the Dragons. Washington was defeated 40-39.

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# Dragons:

the girls grew a little from it. "The Plainview game was ugly but it was the grittiest game these girls have ever played," the coach said.

Purcell trailed the entire game and even fell behind by as much as nine points in the fourth quarter.

"Yet we still found a way to win against the No. 12 team in Class 4A. I am so proud of my team," Sikes concluded.

Purcell's boys had only one practice session before last week's game at home with Washington.

But behind Nate Willis' 15 points and Jorge Munoz with 14, Purcell bounced the War-



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riors, 52-24.

The Dragons edged Noble 42-38 in the first round of the Heart but the lack of practice proved to be too much to handle with the Dragons losing to Blanchard and Destiny Christian in the next two rounds.

"After being quarantined for two weeks my concerns about conditioning at the end of the week came to be real," head coach Roger Raper said.

"As a team, we really struggled to score and make shots. We battled and played hard but when your legs go, your shot usually follows," the coach said.

"We hope to get our legs back this week and shots falling again. I was very pleased at how we defended but you have to score to help your defense out and we really struggled to score."

## Pump fake

**Jorge Munoz** gets his man in the air during Purcell's 33-28 win over Elgin in the Heart of Oklahoma Basketball Tournament. Munoz scored six points in the victory.

Blanchard pinned a 59-45 loss on the Dragons while Destiny Christian won by the exact same score.

Willis sank a pair of treys in the Washington victory while he was playing his way to a game-high 15 points.

Misael Duque canned three

buckets from downtown and both of Lincoln Eubank's buckets were the three point variety.

Purcell was scheduled to host Davis Tuesday night and host Pauls Valley Friday. Purcell will travel to Lexington next Tuesday.



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## Press breaker

**KK Eck** (3) handles the ball against Washington's Karlee Kilcrease during Purcell's 40-39 win over the Warriors at the Reimer Center last Tuesday night.

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# Lex:

each scoring seven of their team-high 15 points. Pearman was also in double figures pumping in 11.

As a team, Lexington scored 29 points in the period after trailing by 17 going into the final frame.

But in the end Alex held on for a five point victory.

Coach Derek Clark gave great effort but came up short to Minco and Ampo in the tournament.

"I'm really proud of my kids' effort," Clark said. "I feel like we are young but are eager to learn. Our goal is to try to improve with every game and learn from our mistakes."

Rylee Beason led the team with 12 points in the loss to Minco while Ryli Harmon was the scoring leader with eight against Ampo.

1/20  
**Lexington 66**  
**Alex 71**

Lexington ..... 10 12 15 29—66  
Alex ..... 15 19 20 17—71

Player	Points
Ezra Faulkenberry	15
Teagin Pruitt	15
Seth Pearman	11
Drew Dierking	8
Heath Winterton	7
Carter Moore	5
Israel Trejo	4

1/22  
**Lexington 55**  
**Ninnekah 47**

Lexington ..... 9 20 17 9—55  
Ninnekah ..... 13 13 4 17—47

Player	Points
Seth Pearman	22
Teagin Pruitt	12
Ezra Faulkenberry	7
Drew Dierking	7
Carter Moore	4
Heath Winterton	2
Israel Trejo	1

1/18  
**Lexington 38**  
**Minco 65**

Lexington ..... 4 10 10 14—38  
Minco ..... 20 22 12 11—65

Player	Points
Rylee Beason	12
Landri Bean	7
Harley Salisbury	6
Janelle Winterton	4
Jaci Idlett	2
Ryli Harmon	2
Madison Manuel	2
Leslie Barber	1

1/21  
**Lexington 21**  
**Ampo 66**

Lexington ..... 4 3 8 6—21  
Ampo ..... 15 19 17 15—66

Player	Points
Ryli Harmon	8
Landri Bean	4
Madison Manuel	4
Rylee Beason	3
Jaci Idlett	2



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## Overpowering

**Wayne junior** Brannon Lewelling uses brute strength to get a shot off over the defense. Lewelling led the Bulldogs with 16 points in each game of the Stephens County tournament last week.

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# Wayne:

16 points each time.

Ethan Mullins also returned to play this week from an ankle injury sustained in a football. He scored in all three games.

"Ethan was back in action and though he's not 100 percent, we're hopeful he'll get there by playoff time. And, now that the team is all together we have 10 games to build chemistry and put it all

together," Trent said.

In the win over Central Marlow, Trent was pleased with the way the scoring was spread among his players.

"Spreading the scoring around will make it harder for opponents to focus on one player. I'm excited that we are starting to improve our play," Trent said.

And, though the Bulldogs fell to Empire in their final

game of the tournament, Trent was pleased with how his team fought back in the second half.

"We outscored them in the in the second half, but were down too much to overcome the deficit."

Wayne kicked off their busy week hosting Dibble Tuesday night. They are scheduled to host CCS tonight (Thursday) then travel to Konawa Friday night and Apache on Saturday.

1/18  
**Comanche 62**  
**Wayne 36**

Comanche .... 20 14 17 11—62  
Wayne ..... 11 10 10 5—36

Player	Points
Kaylee Madden	12
Allie Walck	11
Lorensa Martinez	10
Mayce Trejo	2
Haylee Durrence	1

1/19  
**Waurika 52**  
**Wayne 49**

Waurika ..... 16 10 17 9—52  
Wayne ..... 10 12 8 19—49

Player	Points
Brannon Lewelling	16
Kaleb Madden	9
Ethan Mullins	7
Talon Trent	7
Jr. Perez	6
Andy Lee	4

1/22  
**Wayne 55**  
**Central Marlow 43**

Wayne ..... 10 17 18 10—55  
C. Marlow ..... 10 10 8 15—43

Player	Points
McKenzie Fisher	19
Kaylee Madden	18
Lorensa Martinez	6
Haiden Parker	5
Allie Walck	3
Haylee Durrence	2
Mayce Trejo	2

1/22  
**Wayne 55**  
**Central Marlow 51**

Wayne ..... 11 12 21 11—55  
C. Marlow ..... 4 20 15 12—51

Player	Points
Brannon Lewelling	16
Ethan Mullins	11
Talon Trent	11
Kaleb Madden	8
Jr. Perez	5
Andy Lee	4

1/13  
**Wayne 57**  
**Waurika 50**

Wayne ..... 7 17 16 17—57  
Waurika ..... 10 7 20 13—50

Player	Points
McKenzie Fisher	15
Lorensa Martinez	13
Allie Walck	8
Haiden Parker	7
Kaylee Madden	6
AJ Gray	4
Mayce Trejo	4

1/13  
**Empire 61**  
**Wayne 53**

Empire ..... 8 22 17 12—61  
Wayne ..... 11 5 18 19—53

Player	Points
Brannon Lewelling	16
Ethan Mullins	14
Kaleb Madden	11
Andy Lee	7
Talon Trent	5



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## Someone is open

**Wayne junior** Mayce Trejo finds an open teammate. The Bulldogs won two games and claimed the Consolation Championship at the Stephens County Tournament in Marlow.

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### Soft touch

**Washington sophomore** Hayden Hicks elevates for a jump shot against Purcell last Tuesday. The Warriors were defeated 52-24. Hicks scored five points in the game.

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### Games:

the floor as the week went on. He scored 34 points during the week.

Washington’s legs failed them in their game against Purcell. They were defeated 52-24.

“We did a good job on defense and did a good job against Mojo (Browning),” Scholz said. They schemed us pretty well and we’ll have a better

plan going forward.”

The Warriors missed 10 three pointers in the game.

Schovanec and Love paced the team in scoring with seven each.

Scholz knew the week would be challenging for his team playing so many games.

“I knew we’d just have to learn from mistakes as we

played,” he said.

#### Notes

Quinonez was selected to the Sweet Pea Invitational All-Tournament team.

Washington hosts Lexington Friday night.

1/18 Boys  
**Bridge Creek 63**  
**Washington 61**

Washington .. 18 15 15 13—61  
 Bridge Creek . 19 18 13 13—63

Player	Points
Kenneth Love III	14
Hector Quinonez	11
Luke Hendrix	10
Hayden Hicks	8
Jamison Holland	6
Graham Schovanec	5
Kobe Scott	4
Cash Andrews	3

1/19 Boys  
**Purcell 52**  
**Washington 24**

Washington ..... 6 2 10 6—24  
 Purcell ..... 10 6 23 13—52

Player	Points
Kenneth Love III	7
Graham Schovanec	7
Hayden Hicks	5
Cash Andrews	3
Hector Quinonez	2

1/21 Boys  
**L. MacArthur 67**  
**Washington 51**

L. MacArthur 25 12 17 13—67  
 Washington ..... 9 7 17 19—51

Player	Points
Kenneth Love III	14
Luke Hendrix	12
Graham Schovanec	9
Hayden Hicks	6
Jamison Holland	4
Kelton Schultz	3
Kobe Scott	2
Hector Quinonez	2

1/22 Boys  
**Washington 66**  
**Christian Her. JV 38**

Washington .... 23 9 15 19—66  
 Christian Her. .... 8 19 4 7—38

Player	Points
Hayden Hicks	19
Hector Quinonez	12
Luke Hendrix	9
Jamison Holland	8
Kobe Scott	8
Graham Schovanec	4
Kelton Schultz	4
Cash Andrews	2

1/23 Boys  
**Bishop McGuiness 43**  
**Washington 39**

Washington ..... 13 12 8 6—39  
 McGuiness ..... 17 8 8 10—43

Player	Points
Jamison Holland	10
Kobe Scott	9
Graham Schovanec	8
Hayden Hicks	5
Luke Hendrix	3
Cash Andrews	2
Hector Quinonez	2

# OSU EXTENSION *News*



## Beef quality assurance certification training to be held February 1

**Justin McDaniel**  
 Extension Ag Educator

Cattle Producers will have the opportunity to become Beef Quality Assurance Certified on February 1 at a training held by the McClain and Cleveland County Extension Offices.

The training will begin at 6 p.m. in the Convention Center at the McClain Co Extension Office located at 1721 Hardcastle Blvd. in Purcell. The certification and meeting are free of charge and open to the public.

Beef Quality Assurance does more than just help beef producers capture more value from their market cattle: Beef Quality Assurance also reflects a positive public image and instills consumer confidence in the beef industry.

When producers implement the best management practices of a Beef Quality Assurance program, they assure their market steers, heifers, cows, and bulls are the best they can be. Today, the stakes are even higher because of increased public attention on animal welfare. Beef Quality Assurance is valuable to all beef producers because it:

- Demonstrates commitment to food safety and quality.
- Safeguards the public image of the beef industry.
- Upholds consumer confidence in valuable beef products.
- Improves sale value of marketed beef cattle.
- Enhances herd profitability through better management.

Beef Quality Assurance is all of our responsibility

Much has been said about Beef Quality Assurance in recent years, but how many of us really know what it is and why it is important to all beef producers? Simply put, BQA is the effort to instruct beef producers, and their workers, as to ways that they can produce

a high quality and wholesome product that keeps the consumer coming back for more.

While great strides have been made with fed cattle, cow operators have a ways to go. In feedlots a few people are handling large numbers of cattle, and feedback from the processor is fairly simple. In cow country, many more people are handling smaller numbers of cattle, and the feedback, while real, is not so obvious.

Injection site lesions in the sirloin are one measure of the care with which cattle are processed and medicated. From 1995 to 1999 the feedlot industry reduced these lesions from 12 percent of fed carcasses to less than 2 percent.

In 1999 however, over 40 percent of all cow and bull carcasses had lesions in the sirloin. Too often cow operators see the cow as a calf production unit rather than a part of the food chain. The fact is, about one quarter of the beef consumed in our country comes from cull cows and bulls and it is not all hamburger.

Today, the better cuts such as the round, sirloin, loin, and ribeye allow the packers to pay better cow prices than we have seen in years past. Cull cows and bulls represent about one quarter of the gross income for most cow operators. If we, as an industry, could reduce the annual carcass losses due to bruising, injection lesions, excess fat trim, and condemnation due to drug residues, what would be your part of the extra one-half billion dollars on the table?

Cow buyers are aware of what this waste costs, and they know what herds, areas, and sales most of the problems come from. When your animals come through the ring you need as many hands in the air as possible.

Proper techniques when handling and processing cattle can go a long way. Use the smallest needle that will do the job and change it at least every 10 head. Dull needles cause more lesions, and a needle that fatigues and breaks off is a serious problem.

While injection site lesions are trimmed away when found, they make the whole cut of meat tougher due to extra connective tissue deposited in the muscle. Be sure to give all injections in front of the shoulder, and when you have a choice, give injections subcutaneously.

Reduce bruising by eliminating overcrowding and make sure loading facilities are safe and cattle flow through them easily. Market cull animals before lameness and eye problems get severe, or barren cows get overly fat.

Proper drug and vaccine usage can be summed up with five words, “Read the label,” and “Keep records.” Drug residue problems result when dosage, course of treatment, or route of administration are not according to the label, or withdrawal time before slaughter are not adhered to.

According to law, all violations are the responsibility of the producer, so if you have a problem not only are the future prices you receive affected, but you will be subject to possible fines and/or quarantine. If you do have a violation, if you can produce proper treatment records officials are likely to work with you to help identify and solve the problem. Without records, they may well resort to sterner measures.

As Americans we have the safest and most wholesome meat in the world, but we need to constantly work to keep it that way. Beef is still “What’s for Dinner” today, but we need to make sure it’s on the menu tomorrow too.

## Purcell Box Scores

1/19  
**Washington 24**  
**Purcell 52**

Washington ..... 6 2 10 6—24  
 Purcell ..... 10 6 23 13—52

Player	Points
Nate Willis	15
Jorge Munoz	12
Misael Duque	9
Mojo Browning	9
Lincoln Eubank	6
Noah Mason	1

1/19  
**Washington 39**  
**Purcell 40**

Washington .... 12 12 11 4—39  
 Purcell ..... 7 14 7 12—40

Player	Points
Emily Madden	11
Kora Keith	10
Leslie Thompson	7
KK Eck	5
Jaiden Avila	5
Kayla Skinner	2

1/21  
**Purcell 33**  
**Elgin 28**

Purcell ..... 7 11 8 7—33  
 Elgin ..... 4 4 12 4—28

Player	Points
Lincoln Eubank	9
Nate Willis	8
Jorge Munoz	6
Misael Duque	5
Mojo Browning	5

1/21  
**Purcell 42**  
**Noble 38**

Purcell ..... 8 11 10 15—42  
 Noble ..... 11 6 9 12—38

Player	Points
Emily Madden	16
KK Eck	11
Kayla Skinner	6
Jaiden Avila	6
Kora Keith	3
Lauren Holmes	2

1/22  
**Purcell 33**  
**Blanchard 47**

Purcell ..... 7 5 7 14—33  
 Blanchard ..... 8 10 9 20—47

Player	Points
Misael Duque	10
Mojo Browning	9
Lincoln Eubank	6
Jorge Munoz	4
Nate Willis	4

1/22  
**Purcell 12**  
**Anadarko 59**

Purcell ..... 0 4 3 5—12  
 Anadarko ..... 24 15 12 8—59

Player	Points
Emily Madden	5
Jaiden Avila	5
Kayla Skinner	2

1/23  
**Purcell 45**  
**DC 59**

Purcell ..... 8 15 8 14—45  
 DC ..... 14 16 14 15—59

Player	Points
Nate Willis	11
Misael Duque	10
Mojo Browning	9
Noah Mason	6
Jorge Munoz	5
Lincoln Eubank	5

1/23  
**Plainview 35**  
**Purcell 37**

Plainview ..... 14 8 9 4—35  
 Purcell ..... 6 12 8 11—37

Player	Points
Kora Keith	9
Leslie Thompson	7
KK Eck	5
Emily Madden	5
Kayla Skinner	4



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### Laying water line

A new water line that will be used by the new hospital is being put in place up on North Ninth Street.

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# Washington Elementary Students of the Week

**Angie Steele**  
Washington Correspondent

Congratulations to Washington Elementary Students of the Week! Rylan Haxel, Klaire Haxel and Kace Madden represent their second-grade classes for the week of January 25-29.

Kace Madden is in Mrs. Bates' class. He loves to eat pizza and his favorite color is red. His favorite class at school is writing and his favorite movie is "Venom." When Kace grows up, he wants to be a police officer.

Mrs. Burch's class is represented by Rylan Haxel. He loves to eat steak and his favorite colors are blue and red. Rylan enjoys P.E. class at school and his favorite movie is "Sonic." When he grows up, he wants to be a gamer.

Klaire Haxel is in Mrs. Talley's class. She likes to eat hot dogs and her favorite movie is "Brave." She enjoys science class at school and likes to draw and play hopscotch. When Klaire grows up, she is going to be a scientist.

**Trammell Family Spaghetti Fundraiser**

The Warrior Community is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser for the Trammell Family on Saturday, February 6, at 5 p.m. in the Washington cafeteria.

John continues to improve but will take a while before he is back on his feet, so let's show our love and support to this amazing Warrior family!

For to go orders call (405) 826-9634.

**Military Appreciation Night**

Saturday, February 6, the Washington Warrior basketball teams will honor current and former military heroes at the 4th Annual Military Appreciation Night.

Washington will take on Purcell at home beginning with the JV girls and boys playing at 4:30/5:30 p.m. Followed by the varsity girls and boys games beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Due to COVID guidelines the number of visitors in the gym is limited. However, the games will be broadcast live on the NFHS network.

**Washington Senior Center Lunch**

Need a job? Know someone who does? The Washington Senior Center is still in need of a cook. The hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at \$10 an hour. Responsible for cooking the main meals, serving, and doing general clean up. Come to the Center to fill out an app or call (405) 818-4171 for more info.

Lunch is served at the Washington Senior Center at 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon Monday through Friday for senior citizens in the community. Come

on down and enjoy lunch and time with friends. Age 60 and over and any age with a disability is a \$2 donation, under 60 meal charge is \$5.

Menu for January 28-February 5:

Thursday, January 28—Chicken and noodles, peas and carrots, banana bread.

Friday, January 29—Pulled barbecue pork, baked potato, green beans, hot rolls, cookies.

Monday, February 1—Hamburgers, cheese slices, oven fries, brownies.

Tuesday, February 2—King Ranch Chicken, Mexican corn, tortilla chips, lemon bars.

Wednesday, February 3—Beans, rice, marinated vegetables, cornbread, peach crisp.

Thursday, February 4—Chicken tetrazzini, broccoli, garlic bread, oatmeal cookies.

Friday, February 5—Steak fritters, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, dump cake.

Friday Music Jams starts at 10 a.m.

All meals are served with a beverage, dessert and salad bar.

**Washington Public Schools Calendar**

January 28—JH Basketball-Girls home, Boys at Pauls Valley, 5 p.m.

January 29—JV/V basketball, Lexington, Home 4:30/6:30 p.m.

January 30—Cheer State.

February 1—JH Basketball-Boys home, Girls at Bridge Creek, 5 p.m.

February 1—P/T Conference, Times TBA.

February 2—JV/V basketball home vs Lindsay, 4:30/6:30 p.m.

February 4—JH Basketball-Boys home, Girls at Lexington, 5 p.m.

February 5—JV/V basketball at Pauls Valley, 4:30/6:30 p.m.

February 6—HS Basketball, home vs. Purcell, JV, 4 p.m., Military Appreciation Night.

February 8—JV/V basketball, Home vs. Bridge Creek, 4:00/6:30 p.m. (Miss/Mr Washington)

February 9—JH Basketball-Girls home, Boys at Bridge Creek, 5 p.m.

**Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation**

Our new claims process is up and running, but we need more volunteers to help us work on claims from home. If you are interested in learning how to help veterans submit claims, while staying safe at home, please volunteer with us!

Each week we receive calls from veteran's family members who are informing us that their veteran has passed away from COVID or other reasons. Last week I received five of these death notifications from the families we have helped. After offering our condolences, I



• Photo by Suzy Talley

## Students of the Week

Rylan Haxel, Klaire Haxel, and Kace Madden represent their second grade classes at Washington Elementary School as Students of the Week for January 25-29.



• Photo provided

## Seniors honored

Karlee Trammel and Laylin Scheffe were honored at last Friday's Senior Night.



• Photo by Teresa Scheffe

## Tournament participants

**Lady Warriors** placed second in the Bobby Hicks Tournament in Little Axe last weekend. Laylin Scheffe was named All-Tournament Team. Players include (front) Mattie Richardson, Tinley Lucas, Kyndall Wells, Laylin Scheffe, Madisson Meyers, Kamy Johnston, (back) Karlee Trammel, Abby Wood, Alexis Gay, Skylar Wells, Baylee Hyde, Karlee Kilcrease, Kaytin McKay and Katie Adams.

asked each of them what was the primary cause of death listed on the death certificate.

I check to see if the veteran's service-connected disabilities could be a contributing factor to their death. We have found over the years if a service-connected disability is listed as contributing to the veteran's death, the spouse or dependents maybe eligible for DIC benefits from the VA. This is between \$1,200-\$1,600 per month.

In many instances, the person who signs the Death Certificate is not aware of the conditions the veteran is service-connected for. When that happens, the only option is to provide evidence of their service-connected disabilities to the person who signed it with a request to amend the Death Certificate to list those conditions.

I would like to share a couple recent VA decisions for two of our surviving spouses. In 2010 we helped a woman file for DIC benefits whose husband was a Navy veteran. We had filed for service-connection for a heart condition caused by Agent Orange exposure during the Vietnam War. Over the past 10 years she has kept her DIC appeals current, always providing whatever the VA asked for.

Last week we received word that the VA has approved her claim for DIC payments. She will receive those payments with back pay starting in 2010. These payments are critical for the quality of life for surviving spouses. It's an honor to serve surviving spouses like this, and these claims remain a vital cornerstone of the work we do here at the Foundation.

We received a call last Thursday morning from a lady we have been helping apply for DIC benefits. She was down to her last 16 cents having sold what household items she possessed to buy food. I logged into the VAVBMS computer system to review her claims folder and to my surprise she had just been approved for DIC benefits. The VA sent a deposit to her bank for \$25,000, the problem was

the account had been closed. As her 16 cents would not open a new account, I called one of our veterans who lives in her town and asked if he would meet her at the bank and give her \$25 to open an account. This woman's life has been changed forever.

We are currently working new claims, but we are still operating at a limited capacity due to new COVID protocols. To begin a new claim please visit [dkgvf.org/new](http://dkgvf.org/new) and we can get you started. A representative from the Foundation will reach out as soon as possible.

To donate to our Foundation, you can do so online at [dalekgrahamveteransfoundation.org](http://dalekgrahamveteransfoundation.org) or mail a check to Dale K. Graham Veterans Foundation, 1268 N. Interstate Drive, Norman, OK 73072.

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personal or community news with our readers.

My contact information is [angiesteel73@gmail.com](mailto:angiesteel73@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**



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## All-Tournament

**Hector Quinonez** was named to the All-Tournament Team in the Otho "Sweet Pea" Curtis Invitational tournament this week in Newcastle.

No. 61-January 28-1 Time  
BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
APPLICANT: CASILLAS PETROLEUM RESOURCE PARTNERS, LLC  
RELIEF SOUGHT: LOCATION EXCEPTION  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SECTIONS 30 AND 31, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH,  
RANGE 4 WEST, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
CAUSE CD NO. 202100078  
NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: All persons, owners, producers, operators, purchasers and takers of oil and gas, and all other interested persons, particularly in McClain County, Oklahoma.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant in this Cause is requesting that this Commission grant a well location exception for a well to be drilled and produced from the Mississippi, Woodford and Hunton common sources of supply underlying Sections 30 and 31, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma, at a location as follows:

Completion Interval in Section 30-6N-4W, McClain County, Oklahoma:

First Perforation: Not closer than 165 feet from the North line and not closer than 1,280 feet from the West line of Section 30, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.

Last Perforation: Not closer than 0 feet from the South line and not closer than 1,280 feet from the West line of Section 30, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.

Completion Interval in Section 31-6N-4W, McClain County, Oklahoma:

First Perforation: Not closer than 0 feet from the North line and not closer than 1,280 feet from the West line of Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.

Last Perforation: Not closer than 165 feet from the South line and not closer than 1,280 feet from the West line of Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.

and to complete such multiunit horizontal well in and to produce hydrocarbons from the separate common sources of supply involved herein. Applicant intends to run casing in the lateral of the multiunit horizontal well involved herein and to cement such casing so as to cover and isolate the first and last perforations in such lateral. Given the available data, the above-described subsurface locations are necessary for the further development of the separate common sources of supply in the drilling and spacing units involved herein in said Sections 30 and 31, and is an exception to Order No. 667103. A request will be made to designate the Applicant or some other party as the operator of the proposed well.

The name of the wells and operators of the wells toward which the location exception is moving is provided below:

Operator	Well Name
CPRP Services, LLC	Jameson 1-6WH
CPRP Services, LLC	Jameson 2-6WH
CPRP Services, LLC	Jameson 3-6WH
CPRP Services, LLC	Jameson 4-6WH
CPRP Services, LLC	Jameson 5-6WH
CPRP Services, LLC	Jameson 6-6WH
CPRP Services, LLC	Kilkenny 1-6MH
CPRP Services, LLC	Kilkenny 2-6MH
CPRP Services, LLC	Stella 1-19-18MXH
Charter Oak Production Co.	Claire Benson 1-19

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the drilling and spacing unit described in the caption hereof underlies Sections 30 and 31, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, and the sections adjacent are Sections 19, 20, 29 and 32, Township 6 North, Range 4 West; Sections 5 and 6, Township 5 North, Range 4 West; Section 1, Township 5 North, Range 5 West; and Sections 24, 25 and 36, Township 6 North, Range 5 West, all in McClain County, Oklahoma

IT IS ORDERED that this Cause be referred to an Administrative Law Judge for hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to the Commission.

IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that this Cause will be heard before an Administrative Law Judge on the Merits Docket at the Corporation Commission, First Floor, Jim Thorpe Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at 8:30 a.m., on the 16th day of February, 2021, and that this notice be published as required by law and the Rules of the Commission.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, access to the Jim Thorpe Building is restricted. The referenced hearing may be conducted via teleconference or videoconference. Before coming to the building for this hearing, please visit the Oklahoma Corporation Commission website at [www.occeweb.com](http://www.occeweb.com) to determine the status of building access. Instructions for participating via teleconference or videoconference are available on the Commission's website.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action contact SAM SADLER at (918) 998-9390, OR JORDAN VOLINO at (405) 594-2395, Casillas Petroleum Resource Partners, LLC, 123 N.W. 8th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73102, or CHARLES L. HELM/STEPHEN T. GARY, Attorneys, 400 North Walker, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73102. (405) 232-9000. Please refer to Cause CD Number. CORPORATION COMMISSION OF OKLAHOMA  
J. TODD HIETT, Chairman  
BOB ANTHONY, Vice Chairman  
DANA L. MURPHY, Commissioner

/s/ Charles L. Helm  
CHARLES L. HELM



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## Student cheer zone

Washington Basketball's student section is on fire this season!

# Religion

## Church Directory

**First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**  
2nd & Washington, Purcell  
Rev. Bill Crawford  
405-820-8184  
Sun. Worship: 10:45  
Wed. Events:  
Adult Studies: 6 or 7pm  
Chalice Kids and Kiddos:  
5:45-7 (experiential)  
(Light meal at 6-ish - all)

**Emmanuel BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Purcell, OK  
2705 N. 9th • 527-2535  
Sunday services  
9 am Sunday School 6:30 pm Bible Study  
10 am Worship 6:30 pm Aunias &  
6 pm Evening worship Youth  
www.ebcpurcell.org

**Union Hill Baptist Church**  
Hwy 39, 5mi. west of Purcell  
405.527.3957 - unionhillpurcell@aol.com  
Sundays  
Age Group Bible Study 9:45 am  
Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Community Outreach 4:30 pm  
Age Group Bible Study 5:30 pm  
Evening Worship 6:30 pm  
Wednesdays  
Fellowship Meal 5:30 pm  
Age Group Bible Study 6:30 pm

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

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

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LEXINGTON**  
Connecting People With God and One Another  
Team Kids • The Way (Youth)  
Upward • Senior Activities  
Sunday School 9:15  
Morning Worship 8:15 • 10:15 • Evening 6:00  
Rusty Canoy  
Pastor 527-6758  
900 E. BROADWAY • LEXINGTON

**Johnson Road Baptist Church**  
4 mi. N. of Purcell on I-35  
Pastor Wayne Brown  
9:45 a.m. .... Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. .... Worship Service  
6:30 p.m. .... Sunday Evening  
6:30 p.m. .... Wednesday  
527-7155 • 447-9709

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

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

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

**LANDMARK CHURCH**  
Pastor: Justin Blankenship  
1106 W. Grant • Purcell • 527-3342  
Sunday Worship ..... 9:15 & 10:55 a.m.  
Sunday Night ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m.

**Lighthouse Worship Center**  
Rev. Jeff Pierce  
527.6214  
2726 N. 9th, Purcell  
Sunday Morning - 10:30 am  
Sunday Evening - 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening - 7:00 pm  
www.lighthousechurch.tv

**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church**  
CORNER OF THIRD & JEFFERSON  
Saturday - 5 pm (English)  
Sunday - 11 am (English)  
1 pm (Español)  
Parish Office/Oficina: 527-3077  
Priest House/Padre Jim: 527-4242

**GRACE CHAPEL GCLEX.ORG**  
118 W. Broadway/Hwy 39 Downtown  
Post Office Box 1028  
Lexington, OK 73051  
Sunday - 10:00am/6:30pm  
Wednesday - 7:00pm  
Pastor Charles Barton  
527-5726

**First Baptist Church Purcell**  
Growing In Grace  
4th & Main 405-527-3327  
www.purcellfbc.org  
Come worship with us!  
Sundays 10:15 a.m. & 5 pm  
Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.  
Activities for all ages & child care provided for all services!

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

**Trinity United Methodist Church**  
Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Pastor Susan Whitley  
211 N. 2nd, Purcell  
527-2256 Office

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

**9th & Pierce Church of Christ**  
1207 North 9th  
Purcell, OK 73080  
405-527-3176  
Sunday Bible Class 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Evening 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Class 7 p.m.  
Search Ministries Sunday 7:30 a.m. Channel 34  
www.searchtv.org

**SUNRAY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
2223 N. 9th, Purcell, OK 73080  
Pastor David Pickard  
527-6808  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship: 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship: 5:00 p.m.



### Green Avenue Church of Christ

The Wednesday evening Bible class continued the study of the fifth chapter of the apostle Paul's letter to the church at Ephesus where he warned the readers not to join the disobedient in their works of darkness. He urged them instead to behave wisely.

The Sunday morning adult Bible class continued looking at the subject of sanctification and personal responsibility. The class considered many of the ways men respond to God's calling.

During the Sunday morning assembly Keith Shackelford presented a lesson on being ready for service beginning with the reading of Luke 12:35-48. The message emphasized

the importance of being fully prepared to handle what is required, including unexpected tasks.

The parable of the two managers found in the last seven verses of the reading served to illustrate the lesson. The parable contrasted the manager who managed his master's household wisely with the other who was careless in his duties.

The Sunday evening sermon was titled "Three Worlds and Two Kingdoms." The word world as found in the Bible may refer to the people in the world (as in John 3:16), the material things of the world (as in 1 John 2:15) or the planets (as in Hebrews 11:3). The two kingdoms

are the kingdom of Christ and the kingdom of Satan.

The bulk of the lesson was spent contrasting the two kingdoms, pointing out that all responsible adults are a member of one of them and emphasizing the importance of being a member of the kingdom of Christ.

The church meets at 407 Jackson and Green Avenue. Worship assemblies are at 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. every Sunday and Bible classes at 9:45 a.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Wednesday.

You can call the office at 527-4052 or email cofc\_purcell@hotmail.com for correspondence courses or other information.

### Lexington United Methodist Church

The next Food Bank Give-Away will be held Saturday, February 20, from 12 to 4 p.m. We ask that everyone wear masks to protect each other and to pay attention to social distancing. Masks can be provided if you do not have one. Hand sanitizer will also be available.

Over the past few days, my mind has been on asking God to help increase my faith. I remember that our loving God will give us what we ask for, as long as we ask for good things. These requests are guided by what we have inside of us: the Spirit of God's Love.

Our Sunday school lesson was based on Romans 8:31-39. Paraphrasing verses 38 - 39 from the New Living Translation, Paul states, "I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love... Nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God..."

The only thing that can ever take God's love from us is if we give up God's love willingly. Accepting God's love means that we allow the Holy Spirit to control us and live within us. If we don't have the Spirit of God living within us, we don't belong to God at all.

How do we know if someone has given up God's love? Time and time again, we read that "by their fruits you shall know them." We humans aren't called to judge others—it's not our job. Only God can truly judge. But as a friend once said, we can be fruit inspectors! If we see people behaving in an unloving way toward others, we may be able to inspect their fruit—they aren't showing the love of God toward others. One fruit example in current times: wearing a mask during the COVID-19 pandemic.

We may choose to not wear a mask or take the vaccine because we aren't afraid. We won't catch this awful virus. God will protect us from it because of our faith. This germ is a hoax. However, if we are

believers, and if we have the Spirit living within us, we demonstrate our love for others and our concern for their health and safety by wearing masks and seeking the vaccine so that we won't pass this disease on to them. It has nothing to do with politics and everything to do with showing God's love to others.

Again, how do we know if someone has given up God's love? The fruits they produce are rotten or, at a minimum, severely bruised. Another "fruit" is socially distancing ourselves. I agree, it is difficult to give up hugging our friends or to avoid parties. But we choose to give the appropriate space for now so that we can gather later, eating in close proximity and allowing ourselves to be physically close.

A friend shared that part of her family chose to meet together at Christmas, sharing a meal for more than the recommended number in a gathering and including some guests. The girlfriend of one of the young men of the family was there, as was one of the patriarchs of the family who was 94 years old. A good time was had by all.

However, the young girlfriend turned out to have the corona virus, which exposed the whole group. I don't know how many tested positive afterward, but for sure the 94-year-old gentleman ended

up developing the disease. As you may have guessed, the man was dead within a few days.

There are a number of lessons we can learn. A mark of maturity is not having to have immediate gratification. We can give up something now in order to have the same thing, or something even better, later. We can play by the rules of pandemic for now to protect everyone, ourselves and others, in order to enjoy a lifetime of visits, holidays, dinners, etc. after the pandemic guidance is relaxed.

All earthlings are tired of "playing by the rules" of COVID-19. We want to do what we want to do when we want to do it. But we have to maintain the faith that, by following the guidance graciously, the ultimate reward will be the ability to get back to "normal" or at least a new type of normal.

We must "keep the faith" that the scientists will keep learning about how to keep ourselves and others safe. And, overall, please God, increase our faith that everything works together for the good of those who love God. (Romans 8:28).

No matter who you are, what you look like, or where you are from, you are welcome to be with us. 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.

### Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Stella Bledsoe

January 24, 2021 was the third Sunday in Ordinary Time. Ordinary Time is the time of the liturgical year that is not a major season like Lent, Advent, Christmas, or Easter. During Ordinary Time, the readings focus on Christ's time on earth and the miracles he performed.

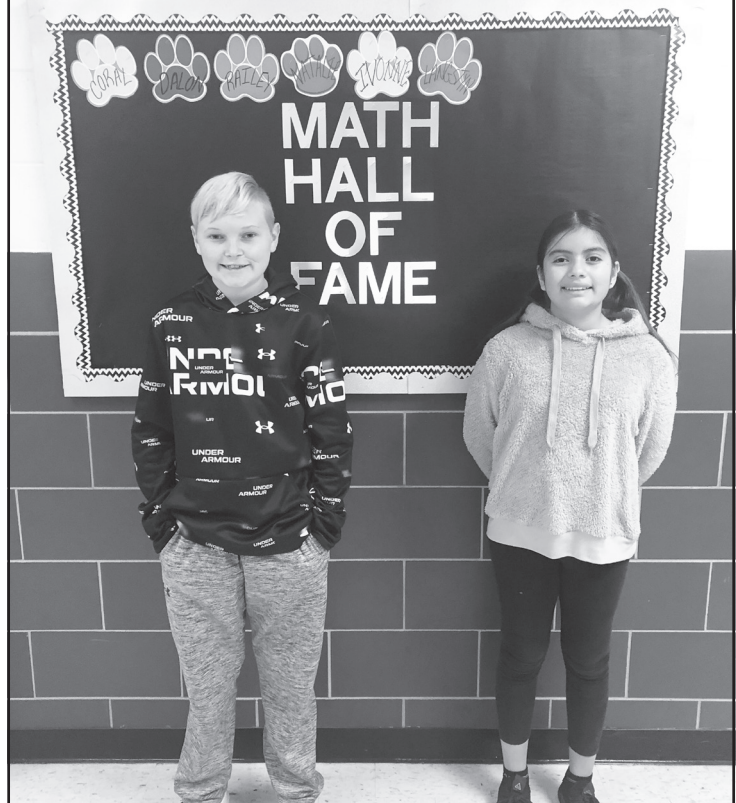
This week's readings are about God's words to us and our reaction to them. In Jonah 3:1-5, 10, Jonah finally does what the Lord told him to do and this resulted in a large city turning from its evil ways. The writer of Psalm 25 asks the Lord to 'make known your paths,' and 'to guide me in your truth and teach me.'

In the second reading, 1 Corinthians 7:29-31, Paul urges the followers to stop their normal activities and remember the world as they knew it was passing away. Finally, in the Gospel reading, Mark 1:14-20, Jesus calls Simon, Andrew, James, and John. They were all working in their profession and Jesus simply says, "follow me," and they stop their normal activities and immediately follow.

What does it take for us to STOP our normal activities? I immediately thought of tornadoes. Today we have knowledgeable individuals tracking storms using sophisticated equipment and people trained to follow the paths of tornadoes.

But in May 1959, such detection abilities were much more limited. As is in the Daddy job description, my daddy had watched the sky most of the day. At about 3 p.m., he yelled "run" and my little feet were flying like Scooby Doo. Laying

**EASTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
"PREACHING FIRST CENTURY CHRISTIANITY IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY"  
N.E. 4th and Ash  
Lexington, OK  
527-3131  
Sunday Services  
Bible Study- 9:30 am  
Morning Worship- 10:30 am  
Evening Worship- 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study- 7:00 pm



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## Math Hall of Fame

The newest Math Hall of Fame recipients are Langstyn McClendon and Ivonne Sanchez. These students mastered addition, subtraction, multiplication and division math facts with 100% accuracy on their timed tests which qualified them for the Wayne Elementary Math Hall of Fame.

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**OLV:**  
flat on our faces in the ditch, we survived the storm with only dirty clothes. My reaction was immediate. I knew with all my heart that my Daddy loved me and would do his very best to protect me from the storm. I also knew that “run” did not mean “let’s all sit down and talk about this.” In our relationship with God, let us remember that He wants the best for us. We do not need to discuss His direction to us. We need to immediately do what He tells us. We need to keep our hearts and minds open to His direction and listen to what He wants for us. We are practicing social distancing and everyone is asked to protect each other by wearing a mask. Our Lady of Victory parish is located at the southwest corner of 3rd Street and Jefferson. The office is open Monday through Friday in the morning. The phone number is 527-3077. Our Facebook page has links to both the English and Spanish weekend masses. Weekend mass services are: English Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Spanish Sunday, 1 p.m. Daily masses are Tuesday, 9 a.m.; Wednesday, 12 noon; Thursday, 7 p.m. (Spanish), and Friday, 9 a.m. Peace be with you.

No. 56-January 28-1 Time Town of Wayne  
117 N. Shannon Street  
PO Box 160  
Wayne, OK 73095  
405-449-3451  
E-mail: wayneclerk@wind-stream.net

**Dear Jose Rivera and Lucinda Mendez,**  
As you are aware, The Town of Wayne (Oklahoma) Board of Trustees received a report from our Code Enforcement Officer that the structure located at 202 East Division, Wayne, Oklahoma 73095 had become a dilapidated building. Ashley Tucker, someone alleging to be your attorney, contacted the Town Hall in October, 2020, and our Town Hall put you in to contact with our Town Attorney, in hopes that we might come to a mutually beneficial resolution. Our Town Attorney advises that he spoke to Ashley Tucker one time on the telephone, Ms. Tucker said that she was on vacation, but that she would contact our Town Attorney when she returned to her office. Our Town Attorney further advises that Ms. Tucker has not contacted him since that time, and his numerous attempts to contact Ms. Tucker have resulted in receiving a voicemail that her mailbox is full and unable to receive messages. Our Town Clerk also advises that she has received no further contact from Ms. Tucker.

No. 52-January 28-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL KEVIN WINCHESTER,  
DECEASED  
PB-2019-150  
ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING FIRST AND FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION, APPROVAL OF ATTORNEY'S FEES, COSTS, AND EXPENSES, AND DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE  
Julia Marie Winchester, the duly appointed and acting Personal Representative of the Estate of Michael Kevin Winchester, Deceased, filed her First and Final Account, Petition for Decree of Distribution, Approval of Attorney's Fees, Costs, and Expenses, and Discharge of Personal Representative on the 21st day of January, 2021, and the Court finds that the First and Final Account and Petition should be set for hearing on a day certain.  
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED by the Court and NOTICE is further given that hearing on the First

No. 58-January 28-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MURL DEWAYNE STEWART, Deceased.  
Case No. PB-2020-90  
NOTICE OF HEARING FIRST AND FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE  
Notice is hereby given that Lana L. Steen, the duly appointed and qualified Personal Representative of the Estate of Murl Dewayne Stewart, Deceased, has filed her Final Account, Petition for Decree of Distribution and Discharge of Personal Representative. A hearing has been fixed by the Judge of the Court for the 4th day of March 2021, at 9:30 a.m., in the District Courtroom of Judge Charles N. Gray, County Courthouse, Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in the Estate are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the Account should not be settled and allowed, the Estate distributed and the Personal Representative discharged.  
DATED this 21st day of January 2021.  
CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT  
James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881  
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731  
Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC  
138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565  
Purcell, OK 73080  
Phone: 405-527-7575  
Fax: 405-527-7574  
Attorney for Personal Representative

No. 54-January 28-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF OTIS CASKEY, A/K/A ODUS CASKEY, Deceased.  
Case No. PB-19-48  
NOTICE OF HEARING FIRST AND FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION, AND DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE  
Notice is hereby given that Rick Horton, the duly appointed and qualified Personal Representative of the Estate of Otis Caskey, a/k/a Odus Caskey, Deceased, has filed his Final Account, Petition for Decree of Distribution, and Discharge of Personal Representative. A hearing has been fixed by the Judge of the Court for the 25th day of February 2021, at 9:30 a.m., in the District Courtroom of Judge Charles Gray, County Courthouse, Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in the Estate are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the Account should not be settled and allowed, the Estate distributed, and the Personal Representative discharged.  
DATED this 21st day of January 2021.  
CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT  
James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881  
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731  
Blevins and Associates Law, PLLC  
138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565  
Purcell, OK 73080  
Phone: 405-527-7575  
Fax: 405-527-7574  
Attorney for Personal Representative

No. 40-January 14-3 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:  
Hank William Sawyer,  
Petitioner,  
and  
Terra Leigh Sawyer,  
Respondent.  
Case No. FD-2020-00171  
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:  
TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT: Terra Leigh Sawyer  
GREETINGS:  
You will take notice that you have been sued in the above names Court by the above petitioner, for a Dissolution of Marriage on the grounds of incompatibility and that unless you answer the petition filed by this petitioner in said Court on or before the 24th day of February, 2021, said Petition will be taken as true and judgment granting to the petitioner a Dissolution of Marriage, annulling, canceling, setting aside and holding for naught the marriage contract with you and for other relief and orders rendered according to the prayer thereof.  
WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court this 11th day of January, 2021.  
Hank Sawyer  
Petitioner  
Kristel Gray by DM  
Notary/Deputy  
SUBSCRIBER AND SWORN to before me this 11 day of January, 2021.  
My commission expires: with term  
Kristel Gray by DM

No. 66-January 28-1 Time  
BEFORE THE CORPORATION  
COMMISSION OF THE  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
APPLICANT: CAPSTONE LAND COMPANY  
RELIEF SOUGHT: WELL LOCATION EXCEPTION  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, AND SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA CAUSE CD NO. 202100100  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: All persons, owners, producers, operators, purchasers and takers of oil and gas and all other interested persons, particularly in McClain County, Oklahoma.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant/Operator in this cause is requesting that the Commission grant a well location exception for a well to be drilled and produced from the Woodford targeted reservoir underlying Section 34, Township 6 North, Range 1 West, and Section 3, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma, said well to be located:  
Commencement of Completion Interval in Section 3:  
no closer than 660 feet from the south line and no closer than 1,320 feet from the west line of Section 3, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma,  
End of Completion Interval in Section 3:  
no closer than 0 feet from the north line and no closer than 1,320 feet from the west line of Section 3, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma,  
Commencement of Completion Interval in Section 34:  
no closer than 0 feet from the north line and no closer than 1,320 feet from the west line of Section 34, Township 6 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma,  
The offset lands to said Sections 34 and 3, are contained within Sections 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, and 35, Township 6 North, Range 1 West, and Sections 2, 3, 4, 9, 10 and 11, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.  
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed well is moving towards the following wells: None.  
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Applicant/Operator in this cause is requesting the following special relief: to designate the

THE PURCELL REGISTER, Thursday, January 28, 2021-7B  
No. 68-January 28-1 Time  
BEFORE THE CORPORATION  
COMMISSION OF THE  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
APPLICANT: CAPSTONE LAND COMPANY  
RELIEF SOUGHT: WELL LOCATION EXCEPTION  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SECTIONS 10 AND 15, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA CAUSE CD NO. 202100102  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: All persons, owners, producers, operators, purchasers and takers of oil and gas and all other interested persons, particularly in McClain County, Oklahoma.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant/Operator in this cause is requesting that the Commission grant a well location exception for a well to be drilled and produced from the Woodford targeted reservoir underlying Sections 10 and 15, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma, said well to be located:  
Commencement of Completion Interval in Section 10:  
no closer than 165 feet from the north line and no closer than 1,320 feet from the west line of Section 10, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma,  
End of Completion Interval in Section 10:  
no closer than 0 feet from the south line and no closer than 1,320 feet from the west line of Section 10, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma,  
Commencement of Completion Interval in Section 15:  
no closer than 0 feet from the north line and no closer than 1,320 feet from the west line of Section 15, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma,  
End of Completion Interval in Section 15:  
no closer than 165 feet from the south line and no closer than 1,320 feet from the west line of Section 15, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.  
The offset lands to said Sections 10 and 15, are contained within Sections 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22 and 23, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.  
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed well is moving towards the following wells: None.  
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Applicant/Operator in this cause is requesting the following special relief: to designate the Applicant or some other party as Operator of the unit well. Applicant/Operator is further requesting that the Order to be entered in this cause be made effective on a date prior to the date of the Order.  
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause be set before an Administrative Law Judge for hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to the Commission.  
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause will be heard before an Administrative Law Judge on the Initial Hearing Docket at the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, Jim Thorpe Building, 2101 N. Lincoln, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73105, at 8:30 a.m., on the 16th day of February, 2021, and that this Notice be published as required by law and the Rules of the Commission.  
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, access to the Jim Thorpe Building is restricted. The referenced hearing may be conducted via teleconference or video-conference. Before coming to the building for this hearing, please visit the Oklahoma Corporation Commission website at www.occeweb.com to determine the status of building access. Instructions for participating via teleconference or video-conference are available on the Commission's website.  
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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action, contact JOSHUA C. HYLTON, Capstone Land Company, PO Box 517, Mustang, OK 73064, (405) 494-9191, or Eric Huddleston, Attorney, Two Leadership Square, 211 North Robinson, Suite 1300, Oklahoma City, OK 73102, Telephone: (405) 232-3722.  
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COMMISSION  
OF OKLAHOMA  
J. Todd Hiatt, CHAIRMAN  
Bob Anthony,  
VICE CHAIRMAN  
Dana L. Murphy,  
COMMISSIONER  
DONE AND PERFORMED THIS 22nd DAY OF JANUARY, 2021.  
BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION  
Peggy Mitchell, Secretary

No. 55-January 28-2 Times  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES OF  
ALMA FLORENE WILLINGHAM, Deceased,  
AND JIMMIE "J.E." WILLINGHAM, Deceased.  
Case No. PB-21-9  
COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF HEARING  
To: All persons interest in the Estates of Alma Florene Willingham, Deceased, and Jimmie "J.E." Willingham, Deceased:  
You are hereby notified that on the 21st day of January 2021, the Petitioner, Sandra Dian Clifton Logan filed in the District Court of McClain County a Petition for Summary Administration and Appointment of Special Administrator.  
The Petitioner has alleged that Alma Florene Willingham, Deceased, address unknown, died intestate on July 12, 1998, domiciled in and residing in McClain County, Oklahoma. Petitioner has asked this Court for summary proceedings pursuant to 58 O.S. 245, et seq.  
The names, addresses of the administrator and heirs at law of Alma Florene Willingham at the time of her death, so far as known to the Petitioner are:  
Jimmie "J.E." Willingham, now deceased.  
Randy Willingham, c/o James B. Blevins, Jr., 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565, Purcell, OK 73080  
Sandra Dian Clifton Logan, c/o James B. Blevins, Jr., 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565, Purcell, OK 73080  
The value of the Estate of Alma Florene Willingham is less than \$200,000.00.  
The Petitioner has further alleged that Jimmie "J.E." Willingham, Deceased, address unknown, died intestate on April 20, 2002, domiciled in and residing in McClain County, Oklahoma. Petitioner has asked this Court for summary proceedings in this estate pursuant to 58 O.S. 245, et seq.  
The names, addresses of the administrator and heirs at law of Jimmie "J.E." Willingham at the time of his death, so far as known to the Petitioner are:  
Randy Willingham, c/o James B. Blevins, Jr., 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565, Purcell, OK 73080  
Sandra Dian Clifton Logan, c/o James B. Blevins, Jr., 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565, Purcell, OK 73080  
The value of the Estate of Jimmie "J.E." Willingham is less than \$200,000.00.  
In an Order for Combined Notice entered on the 21st day of January 2021, the Court found that it should dispense with the regular estate proceedings prescribed by law and order notice to creditors and issue an order for hearing upon the Petition for Summary Administration and Appointment of Special Administrator, the final accounting, and petition for determination of heirs, devisees and legatees, and distribution.  
Pursuant to the Order for Combined Notice, all creditors having claims against Alma Florene Willingham, Deceased, or Jimmie "J.E." Willingham, Deceased, are required to present the same with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to Sandra Dian Clifton Logan, Special Administrator, at the law offices of Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC, 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565, Purcell, OK 73080, addressed to James B. Blevins, Jr., attorney for the Special Administrator, on or before the following presentment date: February 22, 2021 or the same will be forever barred.  
Notice is also hereby given that a hearing will be held on the 25th day of March, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. at the McClain County Courthouse, in Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, before Judge Charles Gray. At the hearing the Court will decide whether to approve the Petition for Summary Administration and petition for determination of heirs and distribution of property of the Decedent. The final account and petition for determination of heirs, devisees and legatees and distribution will be filed herein on or before the 1st day of March, 2021.  
You are hereby advised that you must file objections to the Petition for Summary Administration and the final account and petition for determination of heirs and distribution at any time before the date of the final hearing and send a copy to the Petitioner in care of her attorney, James B. Blevins, Jr., 138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565, Purcell, OK 73080, or you will be deemed to have waived any objections. If you have no objections, you need not appear at the hearing or make any filings with the Court.  
If an objection is filed before the final hearing, the Court will determine at the hearing whether summary proceedings are appropriate and, if so, whether the estates will be distributed and to whom the estates will be distributed.  
/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.  
James B. Blevins, Jr.,  
OBA #881  
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731  
Blevins & Associates  
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138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565  
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080  
Phone: 405-527-7575  
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Attorney for Petitioner



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No. 64-January 28-1 Time BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA APPLICANT: CASILLAS PETROLEUM RESOURCE PARTNERS, LLC RELIEF SOUGHT: INCREASED DENSITY LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SECTIONS 30 AND 31, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA CAUSE CD NO. 202100081 NOTICE OF HEARING STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: All persons, owners, producers, operators, purchasers and takers of oil and gas, and all other interested persons, particularly in McClain County, Oklahoma, and all parties listed as respondents on Exhibit "A", attached to the Application on file herein, and more particularly: CARL B MARTIN; DAVID J THEOBALD; DON MARSHALL LUCAS; DONALD H REES TTEE; ELEANOR KAPLAN; FRANCIS DAVIS; GOLDIE MAE LAMONS DECD; JERRY LAMONS; JEWEL NEAL; JUDY A GUTHRIE; KATHY THEOBALD; LANDO WOOD; LAROY WOOD DECD; LARRY THEOBALD; LAVETA WOOD MCELROY; LILLIAN RUTH FERRELL; MARTHALENE SWARTZ ROWLAND DECD; MILDRED R SHIRLEY; NANCY LAMONS CLARK; PEGGY LUCAS BETH; ROBERT H MITCHELL; ROBERTA THEOBALD DECD; UNITED STATES DEPT OF THE INTERIOR; W L STEWART; WILIAM E NAPHEN; AND WM E NAPHEN, if living, or if deceased, the known and unknown heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, successors, trustees and/or assigns, immediate and remote, of the above named parties.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant in this Cause is requesting an exception to Order No. 667103 to allow one (1) Increased Density Well to be drilled and produced from the Woodford common source of supply on the 640-acre horizontal drilling and spacing units described as Sections 30 and 31, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma, and to designate the Applicant or some other party as operator of the additional well.

IT IS ORDERED that this Cause be referred to an Administrative

Law Judge for hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to the Commission.

IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that this Cause will be heard before an Administrative Law Judge on the Merits Docket at the Corporation Commission, First Floor, Jim Thorpe Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at 8:30 a.m., on the 16th day of February, 2021, and that this notice be published as required by law and the Rules of the Commission.

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

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action contact SAM SADLER at (918) 998-9390, OR JORDAN VOLINO at (405) 594-2395, Casillas Petroleum Resource Partners, LLC, 123 N.W. 8th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73102, or CHARLES L. HELM/STEPHEN T. GARY, Attorneys, 400 North Walker, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73102, (405) 232-9000. Please refer to Cause CD Number.

CORPORATION COMMISSION OF OKLAHOMA  
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DANA L. MURPHY, Commissioner

/s/ Charles L. Helm  
CHARLES L. HELM

No. 60-January 28-1 Time BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA APPLICANT: CASILLAS PETROLEUM RESOURCE PARTNERS, LLC RELIEF SOUGHT: MULTIUNIT HORIZONTAL WELL LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SECTIONS 30 AND 31, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, MCCLAIN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA CAUSE CD NO. 202100077 NOTICE OF HEARING STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: All persons, owners, producers, operators, purchasers and takers of oil and gas, and all other interested persons, particularly in McClain County, Oklahoma, and all parties listed as respondents on Exhibit "A", attached to the Application on file herein, and more particularly: CARL B MARTIN; DAVID J THEOBALD; DON MARSHALL LUCAS; DONALD H REES TTEE; ELEANOR KAPLAN; FRANCIS DAVIS; GOLDIE MAE LAMONS DECD; JERRY LAMONS; JEWEL NEAL; JUDY A GUTHRIE; KATHY THEOBALD; LANDO WOOD; LAROY WOOD DECD; LARRY THEOBALD; LAVETA WOOD MCELROY; LILLIAN RUTH FERRELL; MARTHALENE SWARTZ ROWLAND DECD; MILDRED R SHIRLEY; NANCY LAMONS CLARK; PEGGY LUCAS BETH; ROBERT H MITCHELL; ROBERTA THEOBALD DECD; UNITED STATES DEPT OF THE INTERIOR; W L STEWART; WILIAM E NAPHEN; AND WM E NAPHEN, if living, or if deceased, the known and unknown heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, successors, trustees and/or assigns, immediate and remote, of the above named parties.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant in this Cause is requesting an order, to be effective as of the date of the execution thereof or as of a date prior thereto, as follows: (i) approving a multiunit horizontal well in the 640-acre drilling and spacing units formed for the Mississippian and Woodford separate common

sources of supply in Sections 30 and 31, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, all in McClain County, Oklahoma, so as to allow such multiunit horizontal well to be drilled as follows:

Completion Interval in Section 30-6N-4W, McClain County, Oklahoma:  
First Perforation: Not closer than 165 feet from the North line and not closer than 1,280 feet from the West line of Section 30, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.  
Last Perforation: Not closer than 0 feet from the South line and not closer than 1,280 feet from the West line of Section 30, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.

Completion Interval in Section 31-6N-4W, McClain County, Oklahoma:  
First Perforation: Not closer than 0 feet from the North line and not closer than 1,280 feet from the West line of Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.  
Last Perforation: Not closer than 165 feet from the South line and not closer than 1,280 feet from the West line of Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 4 West, McClain County, Oklahoma.

and to complete such multiunit horizontal well in and to produce hydrocarbons from the separate common sources of supply involved herein. Applicant is intending to file before the Commission applications requesting the Commission to enter orders granting exceptions to the permitted well location tolerances in the drilling and spacing units involved herein so that the multiunit horizontal well involved herein may be drilled and completed as described above. Applicant intends to run casing in the lateral of the multiunit horizontal well involved herein and to cement such casing so as to cover and isolate the first and last perforations in such lateral. Therefore, the completion interval of the multiunit horizontal well involved herein will be from the first perforation to the last

perforation in the lateral of such well. Applicant is proposing to drill the multiunit horizontal well involved herein with a completion interval in such multiunit horizontal well of approximately 10,000 feet. The proposed multiunit horizontal well involved herein will prevent waste, will protect correlative rights, and will aid in the full and efficient development of each of the affected units covered hereby.

IT IS ORDERED that this Cause be referred to an Administrative Law Judge for hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to the Commission.

IT IS ORDERED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that this Cause will be heard before an Administrative Law Judge on the Merits Docket at the Corporation Commission, First Floor, Jim Thorpe Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at 8:30 a.m., on the 16th day of February, 2021, and that this notice be published as required by law and the Rules of the Commission.

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DANA L. MURPHY, Commissioner

/s/ Charles L. Helm  
CHARLES L. HELM

No. 59-January 28-1 Time IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF Robert John Vanderfin Case No. CV-2021-14 NOTICE OF FILING PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Take notice that Robert John Vanderfin by and through John Lawrence Benedict his Guardian and next of friend has filed in the above Court a Petition to have his name changed as follows, to-wit: From Robert John Vanderfin to Robert John Benedict; and that the same will be heard by the undersigned Judge in his Courtroom in the McClain County Courthouse, located at Purcell, Oklahoma, on the 11th day of February, 2021, at 9:30 o'clock a.m.; and that any person may file a written protest in the case, prior to the date set for the hearing.

/s/ Charles N. Gray  
Judge of the District Court



No. 50-January 28-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES OF DEE JOHN HARPER, Deceased, and RUBY ELIZABETH HARPER, Deceased CASE NO. PB-2020-81 NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

NOTICE is hereby given that Ruby Marie Huddleston and Patricia Elaine Webster, the Co-Personal Representatives of the ESTATES OF DEE JOHN HARPER, Deceased, and of RUBY ELIZABETH HARPER, Deceased, having filed in this Court their Final Account of the Administration of said estate, and his Petition for Distribution of said estate and for Final Discharge of said Personal Representative, the hearing of the same has been fixed by the Judge

of said Court for 9:30 o'clock a.m., on the 4th day of March, 2021, before Judge Charles Gray in his chambers in the McClain County Courthouse in Purcell, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of DEE JOHN HARPER, Deceased, and of RUBY ELIZABETH HARPER, Deceased, determined, said estate distributed, and the Personal Representative discharged.

WITNESS MY HAND this 20th day of January, 2021.  
CHARLES GRAY  
ASSOCIATE  
DISTRICT JUDGE  
Judge of the District Court  
BILL C. LESTER (OBA #5389)  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
212 West Main - P.O. Box 1407  
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