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Repeat winner

Jon Corea, left, was presented the Jayne N. Montgomery award for the second straight year for developing the most outstanding grant proposal to the Purcell Public School Foundation. Board president Kerry Wilhoit made the presentation at the annual breakfast for faculty and staff Monday at Purcell High School.

Compassionate care

PMH cares for more than the patient

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

Nothing is more gut-wrenching than to have a family member in the hospital, not knowing if they will recover or die.

And nothing is more comforting than the realization that your family member is more than just another case.

Purcell Municipal Hospital has a long history of

treating patients as family and extending care in difficult times to family members who can only

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Short and sweet

School board breezes through agenda

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Going head to head against open houses at Purcell's elementary and intermediate schools translated into a light

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New road project begins

Affects Johnson Road west of Purcell

McClain county District 2 has started work on Johnson Road west of Purcell.

The county crew consists of Richard Ward, Ethan Pendleton and Don Cole on the road grader.

They started the process

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Fuel spill

A collision involving two semi tractor-trailers just after 8 a.m. August 4 necessitated brief closings of State Highway 59 and the ramps to Interstate 35. According to an Oklahoma Highway Patrol spokeswoman, the tanker didn't lose its load though there was a fuel leak from the truck. No one was injured in the collision.

Faculty additions

Purcell Public Schools starts year with nine new teachers

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The students who answered the ringing of school bells Wednesday in Purcell found nine new faces in classrooms across the district.

New faculty members this year are J.D. Beck, Jacob Cupp, Gidget Greenlee, Kortnie Henson, Jana Higbee, John Higbee, Van L. Kinchen, April Thompson, and Sharie Wilhoit.

Beck is teaching eighth



Cupp



Greenlee

Beck previously taught history at Clinton High

grade history at Purcell Junior High School. He is a graduate of Wellington (Kans.) High School and Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

In addition he is an assistant football coach and basketball coach.

Beck previously taught history at Clinton High



Henson



Higbee

He is a graduate of Elk City High School and SWOSU.

School and wanted to move closer to Norman.

He and his wife, Anne, have three children—Jaxon, 10; Addyson, 6, and Hudson, 5.

Cupp is teaching high school math and fifth and sixth grade social studies and math.

He is a graduate of Elk City High School and SWOSU.



Higbee



Kinchen

math and science at Purcell Intermediate School. She is a graduate of Pauls Valley High

He previously taught at Clinton.

Cupp chose Purcell for the "great opportunity to work with a great school district and community."

He has a wife, Alison. Greenlee is teaching third grade



Thompson



Wilhoit

School and the University of Central Oklahoma.

She previously taught at Midwest City Schools and Paoli Public Schools.

"My goal is to finish my teaching career in a small town

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Rain pretty scarce

While some localized locations have seen substantial rain in recent days, Purcell has been relatively dry.

Last Friday .01" was recorded here with another .05" falling Saturday morning.

That brings the total rainfall for the year-to-date to 25.99".

Oklahoma City has recorded 19.36" with the normal rainfall for this date at 22.53".

Annual precipitation for central Oklahoma is 35.85".

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Washington and Lexington starting softball

Both teams in the Chisholm Trail Classic at Shawnee.



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Protecting the protectors

Mary Myers of Purcell and her great-granddaughter Jordyn Lindsay presented Lexington Police Chief Deana Allen and Patrolman Greg Lindsay with a check for \$2,100 to be used to purchase six hard armor protective vests from Armor Advantage in Purcell for the department's full-time officers.

Mauldin launches new business

Lynda Mauldin, a long time Purcell resident and former Horticulture instructor at Mid-America Technology Center, has announced the launch of MyTimes Publishing, a company specializing in helping individuals write and publish their life stories.

According to Mauldin and co-founder Steven Stelpflug, the company was founded on the concept that everyone has a story to tell.

"So many people have amazing experiences throughout their lives, yet very few have the opportunity to document and record them for their children and future generations," explains Mauldin.

"At MyTimes, we work one-on-one with our clients to uncover the significant moments and events in their lives. We then take that information and, using our proprietary production methods, create a short biography, which we publish in both book and electronic form. Our unique approach to telling our clients' life stories

not only captures the character and texture of their life, but adds context and dimension to their legacy," she said.

Mauldin brings more than 25 years of teaching and retail marketing experience to the partnership. Prior to becoming a teacher, Mauldin worked as a caregiver at several nursing homes and assisted living centers in the greater Oklahoma City area. She firmly believes that seniors deserve our respect and admiration, and she considers the opportunity to work with MyTimes a blessing.

"We created this company to preserve the integrity of our client's lives and their memories," says Mauldin. "When I was a child, I loved to sit and listen to my grandparents tell stories about their experiences and our family history. Unfortunately, when they passed, many of the details of their lives passed with them. It would have been great if they or someone else had taken the time to record their history. With MyTimes, families now have that option."

Her partner, Stelpflug, who is a Lawton native and a former journalist and marketing executive, says the pair rely heavily on a storytelling approach to preserving their clients' personal and family history.

"Storytelling has been used for centuries as a means of teaching life lessons and passing family history from generation to generation," explains Stelpflug. "Unfortunately, we as a society have largely abandoned this tradition. At MyTimes; however, we utilize storytelling as a means of both acquiring information and producing a finished product for the client.

"We are confident that the timing of the launch was optimal given the size of the senior population in the region and the fact that it will continue to grow as Baby Boomers age," adds Stelpflug. "Further, we feel that Oklahoma is the perfect home state for our business since there are so many families here have deeply rooted ties to the land and the community."

Mauldin says the most rewarding aspect of creating MyTimes was being able to make a difference in peoples' lives as well as the lives of their loved ones.

Now in its second month of operation, Mauldin and Stelpflug are excited to see their creative dreams come to life in the form of MyTimes Publishing.

A mother's gift

Donation buys 6 vests for Lexington Police Department

Sometimes all it takes to make a situation better is a manufacturer that is willing to put personal safety above profit.

That's what happened when a local business, Armor Advantage, announced an initiative to cloak as many law enforcement officers as possible with hard armor that is impermeable to even high-power rifle rounds.

"We must protect those who protect us," said Armor Advantage President Michael Blackmore.

The recent tragic loss of law enforcement lives in Dallas, and Baton Rouge showed first responders like police, fire and EMS are woefully unprepared when facing the onslaught of rifle fire, he added.

Blackmore set an ambitious goal for his company — providing free of charge more than 1 million sets of hard armor in every police cruiser, fire truck and EMS unit in the country.

"Until the events of Dallas, we had done little more domestically than offer substantial

discounts to those departments that reached out to us," Blackmore said.

Dallas changed that.

The company is committing 10 percent of every dollar generated in export sales to providing Hard Armor sets at no charge.

"If the projections of our distributors and representatives are accurate, we will be able to commit over \$2 million to this effort over the next 12 months," he said.

Blackmore called on communities, organizations and other corporate sponsors to generate the funds necessary "to make this a reality."

Such a partnership became reality last week.

Mary Myers of Purcell has a son, Greg Lindsey, who is a Lexington police officer.

Lindsey contacted Armor Advantage and met with Blackmore to discuss the small department's need.

Through a series of discounts, Blackmore was able to bring the armor price down

from \$750 to \$354 per set.

"We placed the Lexington need on the list and I was contemplating how we would help Lexington gather the balance of the funds needed when the most amazing thing happened," Blackmore said.

Myers had accompanied Lindsey to the meeting and quietly listened to the entire conversation. As the meeting concluded, she spoke up.

"I have one question, how much is it to make sure that every full time officer in the department has one of these?"

Told the balance on six vests came to \$2,124, Myers quietly reached into her purse, pulled out a checkbook and stated "I want to make sure our officers are safe, I will pay the balance myself."

"This is such a tremendous gift to all my guys," Allen said. "We are a small agency and our pay is not what it would take for our officers to be able to buy their own vests. I don't think Mary will ever know what a gift she has given us."



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Vested interest

Lexington Police Chief Deana Allen and Armor Advantage President Michael Blackmore hold one of six hard armor protective vests which a citizen's donation purchased for the department's six full-time officers. Armor Advantage is a manufacturer located in Purcell.

Mail-in ballots available

PMH sales tax vote will be August 23

Less than a week remains for registered voters in McClain County to apply for absentee ballots to be mailed to them for the August 23 Purcell municipal special election, County Election Board Secretary Karen Haley said today.

Applications for absentee ballots must be received by

the county election board no later than 5 p.m. August 17 to be processed in time for the election.

Absentee voters may apply in person at the county election board office or may send their applications by mail, fax, or e-mail. An online version of the form may be filled out and

submitted electronically <http://www.elections.ok.gov>.

Any registered voter eligible to vote in the election may vote by absentee ballot without stating a reason, Haley said.

However absentee voters

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Chamber Coffee Break

The Chamber Coffee Break will be held Thursday, August 11, from 8-9 a.m. at Purcell Municipal Hospital, 1500 N. Green.

The coffee break is sponsored this month by Purcell Municipal Hospital.

The second Thursday of every month the chamber will host a networking event at a different business each month.

If you are interested in hosting a Thursday's perks event in your business, contact the chamber office at 527-3093.

Lex Senior Citizens Lunch

The Lexington senior citizens serve lunch from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays for a \$5 donation. The lunch is open to the public and home cooked and served by the Lexington Senior Citizens at the Lexington Senior Citizens Center at 131 S. Main.

Seminole Sing

The 47th Seminole Gospel Sing will be starting a three day run August 18-20.

Thursday, August 18, features The Hoppers, Dove Brothers, Southern Raised Band and Summit Trace.

On Friday, August 19, The Kingsmen will be featured along with The Browders, the McKameys and Summit Trace.

The finale on Saturday, August 20, will feature Jeff and Sheri Easter, The Diplomats, The Nelons and The Freemans.

Seminole State College is holding a nationwide gospel talent search for gospel singers and instrumentalists.

For information on the talent search or for ticket information call (800) 557-8815.

Indian Tacos

Indian tacos will be available Friday, August 19, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Chickasaw Nation Senior Center, 703 Sherri Classic Blvd., in Purcell at a cost of \$7.

Deliveries will be made on orders of five or more.

For pick-up and delivery orders or for more information call 527-8855.

Museum News

The McClain County Museum and Historical Society will be open Thursday, August 11, and Friday, August 12, from 1-4 p.m.

Thursday, August 18, Gary Rice with the Purcell Public Library will be available to help individuals with genealogical research and McClain County historical questions at the museum, 203 W. Washington, from 2-4 p.m. No appointment is needed.

Contact the museum at mcmuseum@mail.com, call (405) 701-3171 or Facebook to schedule an alternate time to visit or to purchase the historic Purcell poster.

Kiwanis Shoe Drive

The Purcell Kiwanis are hosting a shoe drive. Donate a new pair of shoes for local students in need from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade.

Drop-offs are accepted at the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce office, Rodney's Pizza and with Kathy Wollenberg at McClain Bank.

Shoes will be made available to students enrolled in Purcell, Washington and Wayne Schools.

For more information contact Kiwanis by message on Facebook: HeartOfOK-Kiwanis.

PHS Band Boosters

Purcell High School Band Boosters should mark Tuesday, August 23, on their calendar for a meeting at the

PHS Commons.

Parents of freshmen will meet at 6:30 p.m. to be followed with all Boosters meeting at 7 p.m.

Information about the upcoming marching season will be provided and the meeting will conclude with an ice cream social for all attendees.

Senior Citizens Music Project

Lexington Senior Citizens is sponsoring a music jam from 1-5 p.m. every Tuesday. All traditional country, gospel, or bluegrass musicians and singers are invited to perform.

All live music and admission free. The public is invited. Make your plans to be with us and bring your friends.

For more information contact Hank Ivester at 527-7694.

Purcell NA Group

Purcell New Beginnings Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. for Living Clean, Fridays at 7 p.m. for Basic Text and Saturdays at 7 p.m. for It Works.

The group meets at the 7th and Monroe Church of Christ in Purcell.

For more information call Sarah W. at (405) 816-9233 or Cody C. at (405) 468-1732.

Business Consulting

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You can register for free online business counseling at www.osbdc.org or schedule a confidential meeting by calling (580) 559-5920 or e-mail aritter@ecok.edu.



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Fearsome foursome

Teammates during the Saturday Knights of Columbus golf scramble were, from left, Steve Sherman, James Sherman, Bryan Dye and Tommie Herrell.

Election rules and reminders

Following tips will simplify voting experience

Voters will go to the polls August 23 for the Purcell municipal special election, McClain County Election Board Secretary Karen Haley said today.

Haley offered the following information and tips for those voting:

- Early voting will be available at the County Election Board office from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., August 18 and 19. On election day, polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- Lines are possible at peak voting times. Wait times will likely be shortest at mid-morning and mid-afternoon. Anyone in line to vote at 7 p.m. will be allowed to cast a ballot.

- Anyone who needs to look up their polling place, verify their registration information or view a sample ballot can do so online. The Online Voter Tool can be accessed on the Oklahoma State Election Board's website: www.elections.ok.gov. Those who vote by mail can also check the status of their ballot using the Online Voter Tool. Sample ballots are also available at the County Election Board office.

- Oklahoma law requires every voter who votes in person at the precinct polling place

or during early voting at the County Election Board to show proof of identity before receiving a ballot. There are three ways for voters to prove their identity under the law (only one proof of identity is required): Show a valid photo ID issued by federal, state or tribal government; show the free voter identification card issued to every voter by the County Election Board; or sign an affidavit and vote a provisional ballot. (If the information on the affidavit matches official voter registration records, the ballot will be counted after Election Day.)

- Physically disabled voters who cannot enter the polling place, need help marking their ballots, blind or visually disabled voters and illiterate voters may be assisted by a person the voter chooses.

In all cases, a person providing such assistance may not be the voter's employer or an agent of the employer or an officer or agent of the voter's union.

A person providing assistance also must swear or affirm that the voter's ballots will be marked in accordance with the voter's wishes.

Alternatively, all blind, visually impaired, and physically disabled voters in McClain

County may use the audio-tactile interface (ATI), a feature offered on all Oklahoma voting devices, to vote privately and independently, either at McClain County Election Board during early voting or at their assigned polling place on election day.

- Voters who have moved since the last election, but who have not transferred their voter registration to their new address, may do so on Election Day by going to vote at the polling place where their registration has been in the past. While voting, they may fill out a form instructing the County Election Board to transfer their registration to the new address before the next election.
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That was in response to a challenge from the Oklahoma Hospital Association.

"Influenza is associated with 36,000 deaths per year and the risk of complications from influenza is higher among the types of people who are admitted to our hospitals," said LaWanna Halstead, the association's vice president of quality and clinical initiatives. "These hospitals have stepped up in ensuring that their patients are protected and a number are joining a trend of hospitals nationwide in instituting mandatory vaccination policies."

"Many of these hospitals actually went above and beyond the challenge and met vaccination rates of 100

percent."

Hospitalized patients are particularly vulnerable to the dangers of influenza because their immune systems are often compromised by the illness that caused their admission or by the treatments they are undergoing.

Vaccination of health care personnel has been shown to prevent illness and death in patients and reduce influenza and absenteeism among those workers.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has recommended annual vaccination of health care personnel since 1984.

Several key national professional organizations have endorsed mandatory policies for influenza vaccination as a condition of employment within health care facilities, including the American Hospital Association.

In 2011, the Oklahoma

Hospital Association board of trustees developed a position statement urging mandatory influenza policies.

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What Olympics?

If you are a Dish Network customer like we are, trying to watch the every four-year-historic-event known as the Olympics is about as easy as capturing Sasquatch on film.

For whatever monetary reason, Dish and Tribune Company - who owns KFOR in Oklahoma City - are at odds.

NBC happens to be the network of the Olympics and KFOR is the local NBC affiliate.

So KFOR, and in turn NBC, has been off the air at my house for nine weeks and change now.

That's over two months. It was one thing to miss the British Open.

I didn't really have a horse in that tournament, but now we're missing one of my favorite sporting events of all time.

The most patriotic athletic competition that comes along only once every leap year is

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leaping. No Michael Phelps. No swimming at all.

No basketball or gymnastics. We called up to Channel 4 hoping to get the "In Your Corner" team down here.

No such luck. The good folks at Channel 4 said they just wanted to get their fair share of the market.

Said they depend on that

revenue.

When we called their hand and told them that was a bunch of bunk; that they keep the doors open by selling advertising.

They backed off on that line of double talk and said they're "working on it".

That hasn't done us any good and it's been off for so long I've forgotten what Lester Holt looks like.

For the most part there's nothing on to watch on network television anyway.

So, until the Olympics rolled around, we really didn't care.

But now we do. It's awful and a disgusting hardship.

I know many folks who are jumping ship and going to Direct TV.

That may be an option for us. It's just down right ridiculous.

In God We Trust

Senator James Lankford

Politics is still relatively new to me, but politics is not new for ministers. Obviously church politics is its own special variety of politics, but for more than two centuries, ministers have also served in Congress, including the very first Speaker of the House of Representatives in 1789.

Before I sensed a call to a new ministry in our nation's Capitol, I spent 22 years in church ministry, including the last fifteen years as Director of Student Ministry at the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma and Director of the Falls Creek Youth Camp.

One of the many issues that drew me to politics was the need to defend religious freedom in America. For whatever reason, America has become afraid of religious liberty and our culture doesn't appreciate our nation's deep foundation of the right to live your faith freely.

On July 30, 1956, President Eisenhower signed legislation officially making "In God We Trust" our national motto. A few weeks ago, we recognized its 60th anniversary.

Prior to the passage of the law, there was no official motto for the United States. Congress noted that "In God We Trust" had already been inscribed on coins and was part of the national anthem, which showed that it had a strong claim as our national motto.

However, the official designation would be "of great spiritual and psychological value to our country," according to the Senate and House of Representatives at the time.

Even though the motto was not officially adopted until 1956, it is interwoven into the fabric of this nation, from our founding documents, to our currency, to inscriptions on our government buildings. Despite the prevalence of this motto throughout our society, it is still challenged by some

as being controversial and an unconstitutional endorsement of religion.

So the question is, can our nation recognize the importance of faith without endorsing a particular religion?

The Declaration of Independence famously states, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights."

Fifteen years later, the religion clauses took shape, proclaiming that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

Taken collectively, our Founders recognized a Creator on one hand, while still protecting religious freedom - the freedom to believe or not - as the first freedom codified in our Constitution. In doing so,

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NEWS FROM CAPITOL HILL

Rededicating ourselves

Congressman Tom Cole

Our nation was founded on the idea that the government should serve the people, not the other way around.

In order to establish and protect that principle, our Founding Fathers established a Constitution which established a government structure unlike the world had ever known. Their plan to have a government of three branches - legislative, judicial and executive - has stood the test of time and has served as the foundation of our Republic.

This system of checks and balances is intended to hold each branch accountable. However, that balance has shifted in recent years - unfortunately at the expense of the branch most representative of the people, the Legislative Branch.

The Executive Branch increasingly relies on executive orders rather than the normal legislative process, and the Judicial Branch too often legislates from the bench rather than applying the Constitution as the Founders intended.

The Legislative Branch is the only branch where each member is elected directly by the people. Therefore, it stands to reason that it most clearly reflects the opinions and aspirations of the American people. The Executive Branch has exactly one person elected by the people and the Judicial has none.

And yet in the past several years we have seen President Obama attempt to implement blanket amnesty to illegal immigrants, impose gun control and allow unprecedented numbers of potentially dangerous refugees into the country, all in direct contradiction to the will of the people as expressed by their representatives in the Legislative Branch.

One of the most solemn responsibilities of the Judicial Branch, especially the Supreme Court, is to serve as an honest broker between the Legislative and Executive. They have at their disposal the most powerful document the Founders created - the United States Constitution.

Despite this, we see increas-

ingly a Court that is reluctant to enforce the Constitution when disputes arise between the other two branches, but at the same time not at all reluctant to create law from the bench.

This imbalance severely undermines the people's confidence and trust in their government. They know inherently that the Executive is overreaching its authority and that the Judicial is all too often complicit by standing on the sidelines until they decide to usurp the power of the other two branches.

And they are irate that the people they elected to represent them seem to be powerless to do anything about it.

It is critically important that the appropriate balance between the three branches be restored - but it won't be easy.

The politicization of the Supreme Court must end, and Justices, including the one who will ultimately be confirmed to replace Justice Scalia, must be an individual with a deep

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Letters to the Editor Policy

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

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

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

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

Our Views

I love newspapers

Did I mention that I love newspapers?

My favorite weekly newspaper is, of course, **The Purcell Register**, which keeps me informed about what's happening in McClain County.

My favorite daily newspaper is **The Oklahoman**. Newspapers keep me up on what's going on in our wonderful world.

I enjoy the comic strips and I miss the ones that are not there anymore. Among them are Dick Tracy, Tarzan and Li'l Abner. And do you remember Jiggs and Maggie?

One of my favorite things in the newspaper is the daily crossword puzzle and there was a very clever one recently by C.W. Stewart.

The clue for 20 across was "photo caption for Condo-leeza with a bowl of pintos."

The answer, of course, was "rice and beans."

Clue for 36 across was "photo caption for Chris with a sand-

Potpourri



Joan Parker

wich bun." Yes, it referred to Chris Rock so the words that fit in the blanks were "Rock and Roll."

"Huff and Puff" was the answer to "photo caption for NFL Hall of Famer Sam with a pastry shell." (Sam Huff with a cream puff equals what the Big Bad Wolf did to The Three Little Pigs to blow their house down.)

The photo caption for Kevin with his Easter basket was "Bacon and eggs."

I love 'em!

Your Views

Take the money, Fallin

Dear Editor,

I am writing about last week's column by Tom Cole. What he says is just not true.

After two years of the Affordable Care Act in other states, it is working fine. Premiums have not "skyrocketed" and hospital visits are not "outrageous." This fear mongering is keeping our state from taking \$900 million.

Compare the 19 states (Oklahoma included) not getting these funds with states that do. This shortfall is from the legislature giving corporate income tax credits, incentives and rebates. Cutting taxes for the rich, refusing the \$900 million and Capitol Improvements starting at \$125 million now doubled to \$250 million, shows the priorities of this administration.

The Arizona governor wasn't going to take the money, but after the voters insisted, she did. Look how Arizona is doing compared to Oklahoma.

I hope people will do as Arizona did and tell Gov. Fallin to take the \$900 million.

Respectfully,
Mary Brannon,
former registered Republican

School finance

There is an old Holiday Inn Express television commercial which goes something like this:

A group of four explorers are lifting off in a helicopter from the cold snow and ice.

They are celebrating their lift-off when a passenger notices someone left behind on the ground, and says to the "pilot" - "Dude, I think that guys trying to get your attention" as the person desperately waves his arms to the departing helicopter.

The "pilot" then tells the passenger that the person left behind is the real pilot, and the fact that he stayed at a Holiday Inn Express gives

him the expertise to actually fly the helicopter.

You probably remember the look of fear on the passengers faces as the "fake" pilot gleefully heads out over the frozen tundra.

This is a good analogy to the expertise that many legislators believe they have concerning school finance and funding. I believe most legislators are experts in politics, but not school finance.

They often convey, however, that they are experts on many issues, including complicated "school finance" - so they're

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Chef-tell

Victor Lohn, right, and **Bob Shea** grilled up some tasty hot dogs for lunch after the Knights of Columbus golf scramble Saturday.

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Mail:

can activate certain special conditions in the following circumstances:

Registered voters who are physically incapacitated, who care for physically incapacitated persons who cannot be left unattended or who are confined to nursing homes may apply for absentee ballots only by mail, fax, e-mail, online or via an agent who is at least 16 years of age and who is not employed by or related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity to any person whose name appears on the ballot.

Military personnel, residents of McClain County living overseas, and the spouses and dependents of each group may apply only by mail, fax or e-mail. For more information and instructions, military and overseas voters may visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program website at <http://www.fvap.gov/oklahoma>.

For more information on absentee voting, contact the McClain County Election Board in the McClain County Courthouse.

The telephone number is 527-3121 and the fax number is 527-9347.

For additional election-related information, visit www.elections.ok.gov.

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Beckham:

sometimes communicating false information.

This false sense of expertise becomes frustrating to those people who know the facts of school finance issues. By the way, I don't pretend to know anything about the complicated art of politics (as has become evident) and I certainly didn't stay at a Holiday Inn Express last night, but I do have a moderate degree of knowledge on school finance and funding issues.

I have a Ph.D. in public school finance from the University of Oklahoma and I've taught school finance classes at OU as an adjunct professor, so I believe an obligation exists to correct misinformation and inaccurate assumptions.

Over the past couple of weeks, I've discussed how "no budget cuts" to public school funding are actually giant budget cuts – and how the Commissioners of Land Office funding increases are

"chargeable", so the legislature decreases school appropriations by the same amount (no net loss or gain is realized when "chargeables" change).

This week's school finance issue is about using "one-time" revenue for "recurring" expenses – which is not a good idea. It seems the legislature cut more funding from state agencies than they really had to, as \$140 million mysteriously appeared in the treasury at the end of the fiscal year.

To the governor and many lawmakers, this \$140 million now becomes new money that they intend to spend. Instead of sending the money back to state agencies from which it was cut, the governor has suggested that a special legislative session be called in order to spend it on teacher pay raises.

There are two issues that concern many people if the governor takes this particular action.

First of all, many people

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Lankford:

there was both a recognition of faith without showing favoritism toward one religion over another, or even religion over non-religion.

The Establishment Clause does not prohibit the government from referencing religion altogether, nor does it require that the government scrub all references of religion from the public square.

As Justice Sandra Day O'Connor once wrote in 1984, "government acknowledgments of religion serve, in the only ways reasonably possible in our culture, the legitimate secular purposes of solemnizing public occasions, expressing confidence in the future, and encouraging the recognition of what is worthy of appreciation in society. For that reason, and because of their history and ubiquity, those practices are not understood as conveying government approval of particular religious beliefs."

I serve as co-chairman of the Congressional Prayer Caucus in the United States Congress. The Caucus was founded by Virginia Congressman Randy Forbes in 2005 to protect the fundamental human right of religious freedom and guard the right of individuals to pray and practice their faith freely.

The separation of church and state ensures that neither entity can control the other. But America's birth is rooted in the free exercise of religion without government coercion, and we must protect this fundamental right at all cost. I am glad that this is a part of our nation's history that cannot be erased, and I will do whatever necessary to defend that right.

believe it is unconstitutional to cut agency appropriations in order to spend money in another area, so a lawsuit may be filed if the governor calls a special session.

Secondly, anyone knows that you can't spend one-time revenue on recurring expenses, and this \$140 million is one-time revenue – and teacher salaries are recurring expenditures.

We truly hope that the governor allows the funds to go back to the 62 agencies from whence it came.

At least the five public service agencies should be re-allocated funding for the over-estimated cuts, instead of providing pay raises to teachers.

I've said it before and I'll say it again - there are much better ways to provide pay raises to teachers, rather than using one-time money or increasing the state sales tax.

Jim Beckham



Valley Clergy Unite

"Evil must be stopped," warns Pinrod

Every fifth Friday of the month, which generally comes around about four times most years, the clergy of the Valley would gather together for lunch. Over time, the gathering came to be known as the Ministerial Alliance of Lennox Valley.

To outsiders, meaning just about anyone who doesn't work for one of the Valley churches, the words "Ministerial Alliance" bring thoughts of important discussions concerning major theological and ethical issues. The pastors are careful to be sure the meeting is included in each of their respective church newsletters, and the good folks of the Baptist, Catholic, Lutheran and Methodist churches can feel relief that their shepherds are guarding against any corrupt influences that might infiltrate their community.

To the clergy of the Valley, however, the Ministerial Alliance basically means a chance to have lunch together and compare notes about what's going on in their congregations.

So it was on July 31, 1998, the ecclesiastical leaders of the community gathered together for lunch. One danger of announcing the meeting so prominently was that members of the community often requested an opportunity to address the Alliance, usually to bring to their attention some moral concern requiring their collective wisdom and guidance.

It didn't take long for the pastors to realize the necessity of planning a "business meeting" after lunch to allow members of the community to address the group. Otherwise, the respected leaders would never be able to discuss politics, sports or other matters of great importance.

This would be the first Alliance meeting for Sarah Hyden-Smith, and she approached the date with a combination of excitement and trepidation. After all, she was the first female to enter the all-male fraternity of ministers in Lennox Valley, and she was concerned she might not be welcomed with open arms.

Sarah was pleasantly surprised by her reception. All her colleagues, even those from churches that didn't allow female clergy, offered their sincere welcome and quickly made her feel at home.

Kevin Slimp now makes his home in Knoxville, Tennessee. Write to Kevin at lennoxvalley@kevinslimp.com



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Three quarters

Teaming Saturday in the Knights of Columbus golf scramble were, from left, **Todd Clouse**, **Garrett Goldsby** and **Chris Goldsby**. Not pictured was the fourth member of the team, **Greg McKiddy**.

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Cole:

reverence for the Constitution.

Our next President needs to commit to working with the Congress and stop the dangerous reliance upon executive orders. And individual Members of Congress need to understand that they can compromise on tactics and details without compromising their principles.

We must return to being a nation of laws that understands and respects our founding documents and rejects the dangerous animosity that has crept into our national political discourse.

The U.S. Constitution has served as the world's best example as to how free men and women can govern themselves and create the greatest nation on earth.

But we as citizens must rededicate ourselves to the timeless principles contained in that brilliant document.

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Rules:

cally incapacitated after 5 p.m. August 16 still can request an emergency absentee ballot. Those who might qualify for an emergency absentee ballot should contact the County Election Board office at 405-527-3121 as soon as possible for more information.

• Any violation of election law will be reported to the proper law enforcement authorities.

Electioneering is not allowed within 300 feet of a ballot box. It is also unlawful to remove a ballot from the polling location, possess intoxicating liquors within half a mile of a polling place or to disclose how you voted while within the election enclosure.

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Society



It's a Small World

Gracie Montgomery

Happy birthday to **The Register's** own Skye Tompkins. Skye celebrates her birthday on Saturday, August 13.

Happy birthday to Rodney Powers, Sheila Walck, Patsy Atterberry, Hunter Bay, Kristen Townsend, Savannah McCurdy, Ellie Walck, Genesis Canales, Rudean Miller, Matthew Hickman, Donna Drago, Nicole Moore, Alma Huddleston, John Rummage, Carrie Eyer, Payton Blackburn, Mike McElderry, Nolan Douglas, Chris Davis, Zackary Carpenter, Hannah Hail, Mary Alyce Alford, Wyatt Steiner, Paul Trejo, Francisco Perez, Julia Purus, Christin Lee Ann Warren, Sheila Baker, Misty McKiddy, Maria Susan Aguinaga, Kay Collett, Jim Dugins, Missy Burrough, Sarah Murrieta and Katie Johnson.

School has started in the Heart of Oklahoma.

Crosswalks and neighborhood streets are filled with children walking and bicycling to school.

The message is simple: Moritists - Put down the phone, stay alert and watch out for these precious, vulnerable children.

The Chamber Coffee Break will be held Thursday, August 11, from 8-9 a.m. at Purcell Municipal Hospital, 1500 N. Green.

The coffee break is sponsored this month by Purcell Municipal Hospital.

The second Thursday of every month the chamber will host a networking event at a different business each month.

If you are interested in hosting a Thursday's perks event in your business, contact the chamber office at 527-3093.

The Purcell Kiwanis are hosting a shoe drive. Donate a new pair of shoes for local students in need from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade.

Drop-offs are accepted at the Heart of Oklahoma Chamber

of Commerce office, Rodney's Pizza and with Kathy Wollenberg at McClain Bank.

Shoes will be made available to students enrolled in Purcell, Washington and Wayne Schools.

For more information contact Kiwanis by message on Facebook: HeartOfOKKiwanis.

The Summer Reading Program means the Purcell Public Library's Preschool and Toddler Story Time is racing ahead with stories and more for youngsters, with Story time set for 10:30 a.m. Thursday, August 11.

Each session of Preschool and Toddler Story will feature stories, rhymes, songs, games and other activities geared to toddlers and preschool-age children and their caregivers.

Registration is not required to attend any of the story times. Find out more by visiting the library, calling 527-5546 or going online to www.pioneerlibrarysystem.org/purcell.

The start of school always meant dinner on the table earlier than usual for me! Here's something quick to prepare.

Chinese Casserole

1 lb. ground beef
1 medium onion, chopped
3 celery stalks, chopped
1 can Chinese vegetables, undrained
1 can cream of mushroom soup
1 can cream of celery soup
1/2 cup instant rice
1 cup water
Chow mein noodles
Soy sauce to taste
Heat oven to 350°.

Brown ground beef, onion and celery in a large skillet. Drain off any excess fat.

In a bowl, combine Chinese vegetables, mushroom and celery soups, rice, water and soy sauce, mixing well to combine.

Combine the group beef mixture with the soup mixture, mixing well.

Pour into a casserole dish and bake 40 minutes. Serve with chow mein noodles.



• Photo provided

Special guest appearance

Kyra Cargill will be one of the performers at the next Pauls Valley Opry September 3. The show begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Pauls Valley High School auditorium.

Pauls Valley Opry set for new show

The Pauls Valley Opry hosted six wonderful guests Saturday, August 6. Jae L. Stilwell, of McSwain Theatre fame, entertained the audience with selections from Connie Smith, Reba McEntire and Jerry Lee Lewis' "Great Balls of Fire."

Representing the Hank Williams Museum, all the way from Montgomery, Ala., Jeff Petty crooned "I'm Just an Old Chunk of Coal" and other great country songs.

Joining him and keeping it country, was an Opry favorite, Ray Deviney singing such numbers as "It Won't Hurt" (Dwight Yoakam). Ray also sang a Johnny Rivers' classic, "Memphis."

Anne Young gave a great performance of "You Say You Will" while Shannon Herrod shined with "I Would've Loved You Anyway," both Trisha Yearwood numbers. Shannon also sang a beautiful inspiring gospel number "In You Alone" (Kim Hill).

The last guest, but not the

least, Cutter Elliott is a very impressive young man. He shared his talents in songs such as "Where Corn Don't Grow" by Travis Tritt, and "Blue Clear Sky" by George Strait, to name a few.

Rounding off the evening were the Memory Makers Band with selections from Linda Ronstadt, Merle Haggard, Bob Dylan, Lacy J. Dalton, Emmy Lou Harris, Buddy Holly, and "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry," written by Hank Williams and arranged by Leon Russell (Hank Wilson).

The next show on September 3, features guests, Mary McDonald, John Williams, Becca Herrod, Clancy Davis, Kyra Cargill, and a special tribute to Dickie McCoy.

If you want a trip down Memory Lane in song - loves (and lost loves), bayous, cities, ways of life, childhood, laughter, old friends and new, philosophies, lyrics woven in unforgettable melodies - come to the Pauls Valley Opry!

PURCELL SCHOOL MENU

August 11-12
Week of August 15
THURSDAY

Meat nachos or beef and bean burrito, corn, refried beans, salsa, mixed fruit, juice, milk.

FRIDAY

Chicken quesadilla or pepperoni pizza, peas, romaine salad with ranch dressing, rosy applesauce, salsa, juice, milk.

MONDAY

Salisbury steak or chicken nuggets, brown rice, brown gravy, broccoli with cheese sauce, whole wheat rolls, pears, juice, milk.

TUESDAY

Fish sandwich or hot ham and cheese sandwich, lettuce and tomato, creamy coleslaw, peaches, chocolate pudding, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY

Spaghetti and meat sauce or beef and bean burrito, romaine salad with ranch dressing, zucchini squash, pineapple chunks, salsa, vanilla pudding, juice, milk.

THURSDAY

Beef taco or chicken fajita, lettuce and tomato, fajita vegetables, refried beans, mandarin oranges, salsa, juice, milk.

FRIDAY

Hamburger on a bun or hot-dog in a bun, lettuce, tomato and pickle cup, french fries, mixed fruit, rice krispy treats, juice, milk.

Town and Country OHCE

Town & Country OHCE Club met at the McClain County Farm & Home Building in Purcell Aug. 4, 2016. The meeting was called to order by President Peggy Howard at 2 p.m.

Members present were Betty Verduzco, Denice Davis, Sharon Hardcastle and Peggy Howard.

Minutes of the last meeting was read and approved as read. Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Discussion was held on the 2016 McClain County Fair. First item of business was the booth display and set-up. Next discussion was held on the pre-registration of OHCE entries. Town & Country OHCE is assigned to work on Friday, September 9, from 2-8 p.m. Work schedules were assigned. Fair entries will be Wednesday, September 7. OHCE booth set-up will be Thursday afternoon.

Items needed for County Fair include homemade items for the Country Store and cookies or brownies pre-packaged in groups of three for the kitchen.

Leaders' Training for September will be held on August 18 at 1:30 p.m. at the Farm & Home Building.

Arthritis classes will begin again on August 17 at 10:30 a.m. in the Farm & Home Building.

Volunteers are needed for the Reality Check which will be held September 27-29 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Anyone who can help should call Mickey Simpson at 527-2174.

The list of items needed for the Make It & Take It Craft Show on October 15 was read. Items can be dropped off at the McClain County OSU Extension Center office.

No further business was brought up and the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.



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Tournament director

Bobby Bruehl ran the Knights of Columbus golf scramble at the Brent Bruehl Memorial Golf Course Saturday.



• Photo provided

Donation for veterans

Sun Dog Trails owner Greg Snow, right, recently made a donation of \$1,000 to Lexington veteran organizations. Accepting the donation from Greg is American Legion Post 301 Commander Glen Parker. Glen also serves as Judge Advocate for Veteran of Foreign War Post 12103 and the donation was divided equally between the two organizations.

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Courthouse News

The following persons have been charged by the State of Oklahoma with traffic or other violations or have filed other court actions in McClain County District Court between July 27-August 4, 2016.

Traffic

Lujan A. Abuelshar, speeding 97/75.
Courtney D. Alexander, speeding 80/70.
Brienne M. Allen, speeding 80/70.
Noah A. Allen, speeding 80/70.
Mary A. Angelo, speeding 108/70.
Rebecca L. Avant, speeding 80/70.
Kylie R. Bailey, no seatbelt.
James W. Baldwin, no seatbelt.
William F. Barnes, speeding 80/70.
Summer A. Bitjeman, speeding 95/75.
Jeffrey J. Bourgoin, speeding 94/75.
Michael W. Brock, speeding 80/70.
Karla Brooks, operating vehicle with defective headlights.
Karla Brooks, DUS.
William J. Cantrell, speeding 84/70.
Gloria A. Cantu, speeding 80/70.
Marclay T. Chatmon, DUS (2nd offense).
Colby B. Christian, no seatbelt.
Courtney R. Colbert, DUS.
Kimberly A. Cooper, speeding 85/75.
Terrance C. Cooper, failure to stay in lane.
Darbye A. Cotner, speeding 90/75.
Cody L. Courtney, speeding 75/65.
Renaldo C. Davis, speeding 80/70.
Ryan L. Dawson, no insurance.
Blake L. Dexter, no valid DL.
Tanner C. Dial, speeding 75/65.
Lonnie D. Dibler, DUS (3rd offense).
Lonnie D. Dibler, failure to stop.
Lelar B. Dorsey, failure to devote full attention.
Kaci J. Draper, speeding 89/70.
Claudia Y. Escobar, speeding 85/70.
Stephen C. Fike, speeding 96/75.
Kimberly D. Gabel, no seatbelt.
Cale T. Galloway, speeding 85/75.
Kimberly L. Gallegos, speeding 80/70.
Tabitha M. Garell, speeding 90/70.
Russell W. Gee, failure to obtain current registration.
Christopher J. Giddings, following too closely.
Cody G. Gilbreath, no seatbelt.
Rebecca J. Gilder, failure to reduce speed.
Jesus R. Giron De Leon, overweight-3,001 to 4,000.
Jessica Gray, no valid DL.
Michael F. Gross, no seatbelt.
Kyle M. Halberg, speeding 80/70.
Jarred Hall, speeding 80/70.
Brian L. Hamm, DUS.
Brian L. Hamm, operating without current license decal.
Shantel L. Harge, no seatbelt.
Candice A. Harper, speeding 80/70.
Bryce J. Hays II, speeding 89/70.
Loni D. Hensley, speeding 85/65.
Cecilia Hernandez, speeding 80/70.
Alfonso Hernandez-Salinas, speeding 90/75.
Shenna D. Diatt, speeding 80/70.
JT Hignite, unsafe lane change.
Russell P. Hobson, no seatbelt.
Brandon L. Houch, speeding 55/45.
Ryan A. Huff, speeding 80/70.
M. Shane Hughes, no seatbelt.
Andrea D. Jackson, no valid DL.
Shane C. Jackson, speeding 80/70.
Nick K. Jay, speeding 80/70.
James N. Jones, no seatbelt.
Trey H. Jones, 108/75.
Curtis N. Knapp, speeding 80/70.
Clifford D. Knight, speeding 80/70.
Joseph A. Lambert, failure to devote full attention.
Anthony M. Leland, speeding 80/70.
Andrew J. Lines, improper tag display.
Andrew J. Lines, DUS (3rd offense).
Kody B. Long, speeding 90/70.
Mary S. Lopez, speeding 100/70.
Ryan A. Lowery, speeding 92/70.
Cody L. Mantooth, left of center.
Brandy D. Martin, unsafe condition.
Brandy D. Martin, no insurance.
Nicole M. Martinez, speeding 85/70.
Preston T. McCormac, speeding 80/70.
Samuel D. McGregor, speeding 82/65.
James C. McIntyre, speeding 80/70.
Tara G. McLead, no seatbelt.
Dillon W. Meeks, speeding 91/70.
Nancy S. Mellenthin, speeding 86/70.
Morgan M. Meredith, speeding 88/70.
Cameron S. Middleton, speeding 107/75.
William R. Miller, speeding 80/70.
Chad W. Moore, no seatbelt.
Lizeth L. Morales-Gonzalez, speeding 70/45.
Jazmin Moreno, speeding 85/70.
Jennifer D.M. James, speeding 80/70.
James DW Morris, speeding 75/65.
Jeremy S. Mullican, no seatbelt.
James D. Murphy, speeding 90/75.
James D. Murphy, no valid DL.
Mitzi B. Nahaku, no valid DL.
Osie A. Neasbitt, speeding 90/60.
Eugene O. Neboh, speeding 91/75.
Kortney L. Olguin, speeding 80/70.
Anthony E. Owen, no valid DL.
Gavin L. Palmer, speeding 100/75.
Michelle D. Parker, speeding 80/70.
Angela S. Pearson, following too closely.
Amber L. Pierce, no seatbelt.
Brandy J. Popejoy, no seatbelt.

Terri L. Quintero, speeding 80/70.
Kayce Raines, no valid DL.
Jesse Ramirez, speeding 75/65.
Tisha M. Redd, speeding 80/70.
Keith I. Redding, speeding 85/75.
Trevor A. Register, no valid DL.
Corey R. Rider, speeding 75/65.
Andres Rocha, speeding 105/65.
Andres Rocha, no valid DL.
Andres Rocha, no insurance.
Marina C. Rodriguez, speeding 94/75.
Eddie R. Rogers Jr., no seatbelt (passenger).
Jordan L. Rogers, speeding 81/70.
William J. Rowe, improper passing.
Tyler Rozzi, speeding 80/70.
Lashay B. Sanchez, speeding 96/70.
Lashay B. Sanchez, no child restraint.
William E. Sappington, speeding 92/75.
Devan R. Scott, speeding 80/70.
Jeremy A. Seven, speeding 70/60.
Mary A. Sewell, texting while operating non-commercial motor vehicle.
Sarah J. Simpson, speeding 75/65.
La Donna G. Skaggs, speeding 55/45.
Kailey R. Slatten, speeding 80/70.
Nora J. Soto, unsafe condition.
Nora J. Soto, no valid DL.
Nora J. Soto, no insurance.
Ronald D. Stewart Jr., speeding 92/75.
Robert L. Stone, speeding 75/65.
Jessica L. Story, speeding 80/70.
Tandy M. Torres, speeding 90/75.
Deon J. Tucker, speeding 80/70.
Amelia M. Van Buskirk, speeding 80/70.
Steven D. Walker, speeding 86/70.
Ryan T. Walters, taxes due state.
Austin L. Warren, speeding 80/70.
Matthew S. Warren, no seatbelt.
Marshall T. Webb, no seatbelt.
Reagan E. West, speeding 85/70.
Bobby D. White Jr., speeding 85/75.
Johnny R. Wilbanks, 80/70.

Misdemeanors

Patrick A. Alford, assault and battery.
Robert C. Bullock, possession of CDS.
Jaret D. Carlile, DUI.
Brock W. Caudle, domestic abuse-assault and battery.
Yoav F.B. Hagan, domestic abuse-assault and battery.
Cory D. Holt, petit larceny.
Jeremy S. Murrin, larceny of lost property.
Gregory S. Shobe, DUI-aggravated.
Jarryl A. Songer, larceny of lost property.
Matthew T. Winfrey, obstructing an officer.

Felonies

Jeffrey T. Cantrell, knowingly concealing stolen property.
Ashley M. Hall, failure to obtain registration and title within 30 days of used vehicle.
Donald W. Hamblin, trafficking in illegal drugs.
Billy J. Hendershot, obtaining cash or merchandise by false pretense.
Lori A. Hernandez-Escobar, possession of CDS.
Martin F. Ibarra, burglary, second degree.
Johnny K. Parker, burglary, second degree.
Abraham Rios, unauthorized use of a vehicle.
Janie J. Sanford, possession of CDS.
Jason R. Shandy, obtain (or attempt) controlled substance by forgery/fraud.
Anthony Soto, burglary, second degree.
Carl W. Thompson, maintaining place for keeping/selling controlled substance.
Mitzie B. Williams, possession of CDS.

Small Claims

Holly Chambers v. Cole Griffin, forcible entry and detainer under \$1,500.
Clyde Cobbs v. Michael Fielder, forcible entry and detainer under \$1,500.
Tower Loans v. Kelly D. Cordrey, small claims under \$1,500.
Neil W. McElderry Jr. v. James A. Green, forcible entry and detainer under \$1,500.
Samuel Eggleston v. Felipe Sagastirado, small claims under \$1,500.
Tower Loans v. Monty Jensen, small claims under \$1,500.
Tower Loans v. Amy L. Johnson, small claims under \$1,500.
Jack S. Wheeler II v. Amber Mahan, forcible entry and detainer under \$1,500.
Tower Loans v. Caitlyn B. Mullen, small claims under \$1,500.
Tower Loans v. Angela D. Newkirk, small claims under \$1,500.
Lois Schrader v. Angie Pritchett, small claims under \$1,500.
Thompson & Rose LLC v. Amanda K. Wheeler, forcible entry and detainer under \$1,500.
Tower Loans v. Tonya M. Richmond, small claims under \$1,500.
Tower Loans v. Delsi M. Roberts, small claims under \$1,500.
Tower Loans v. Rebecca J. Thomas, small claims under \$1,500.

Civil

Patricia A. Lawson v. American Bankers Insurance Co., civil action \$10,000 or more.
American Express Bank FSB v. Kevin D. McKenna, civil action \$10,000 or more.
Blanchard Building Center v. David Allred Construction Inc., civil action \$10,000 or more.
Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC v. Zachary M. Bost, civil action \$10,000 or more.
Cascade Capital LLC vs. Clifton Penner, civil action \$10,000 or more.
LSF9 Master Participation Trust v. Heather Elliott, civil action \$10,000 or more.
Hugh Ebert v. Bill Huff civil action \$10,000 or more.
US Bank National Association v. Joshua S. Sparks, civil action \$10,000 or more.
First National Bank of Omaha v. Mickie F. Yates, civil action \$10,000 or more.
Steven T. Lamar v. Phillip Torrance, civil action \$10,000 or more.
Christopher M. Salyer v. Clifford R. Spotts, civil action \$10,000 or more.
Wells Fargo Bank NA v. Karen Parker, civil action \$10,000 or more.

Marriages Filed

Jonathon David Arbuckle, 20, and Daja Nicole Bell, 20, both of Blanchard.
Michael Glen Averett Jr., 33, and Sirena Larae Ward, 41, both of Cedderedge, CO.
Shannon Michael Boyd, 52, and Cynthia S. Ellis, 50, both of Purcell.
Thomas Keith Rollins, 25, and Kylie Delin Chitwood, 26, both of Lexington.
Evan Blake King, 22, of Shawnee, and Ashley Rae Huffman, 21, of Yukon.
Garrett Mark Melton, 28, and Sunny Skye Freeman, 28, both of Newcastle.
Brandon Michael Sturgell, 24, of Blanchard, and Baylee Tristen Malone, 22, of Purcell.

Divorces Granted

Jessica J. Phillips v. Daren K. Phillips.
Kimberley K. Hartsfield v. Charles L. Hartsfield.
Lisa Upchurch v. Ralph Upchurch.
Bryan E. Bartz v. Paige D. Bartz.

Ride for Recovery to benefit J. D. McCarty Center set

The 4th annual Ride for Recovery sponsored by the Survivors Clean and Sober Motorcycle Club will be held on Sunday, September 4.

Registration for this poker run will begin at 9 a.m. at the J. D. McCarty Center, 2002 East Robinson, in Norman. The ride will leave at 11 a.m. and end back at the J. D. McCarty Center.

Registration is \$20 for a single rider and \$30 for a couple. A BBQ dinner is included for the riders. Dinner is available to non-riders for \$10 a plate. There will also be bike games and a 50/50 raffle.

All proceeds from this event will go to the J. D. McCarty Center's Camp ClapHans. Camp ClapHans is a residential summer camp for kids with special needs ages 8 to 18.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Survivors MC nationally. The Central Oklahoma Survivors MC will also be hosting the club's 25th anniversary national run

as a part of the September 4 poker run. It is anticipated that riders will come from Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and Colorado to participate.

The Survivors are a national organization, a brotherhood of clean and sober bikers whose primary purpose is to be in the community for the brother or sister who wants to stop drinking or druging. Their members have all changed their lives through 12 step programs and carry that message where ever they go.

"Giving back to the community is very important to club members," said Willie "Farm Boy" Moore, president of the Central Oklahoma Survivors. "As addicts we spent a lot of time taking freely from the community. Giving back to the community is an important part of recovery for us."

Listening to Moore talk about the club one thing is abundantly clear: recovery is everything. Without it mem-

bers don't have their families or their jobs. Their recovery is worth protecting and fighting for everyday of their lives.

Members of the Survivors heard about Camp ClapHans and felt it would be a worthy project to support as a part of their community outreach.

Camp ClapHans is an outreach program of the J. D. McCarty Center for children with developmental disabilities. The camp serves children with special needs ages 8-18. The camp is accredited by the American Camp Association and serves 12 campers per session with a one-to-one camper to staff ratio.

While the McCarty Center is a state agency, Camp ClapHans was built entirely with donated money. No state dollars were used. The camp is also operated using donated and fundraised monies.

For more information about the 4th annual Ride for Recovery contact "Farm Boy" at (580) 451-0712 or moorewillie@gmail.com.

Drug trafficking suspect in custody

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

A Newcastle man is in federal custody after posting a \$100,000 bond in McClain County on a trio of drug charges.

Prosecutors charged Donald W. Hamblin, 55, in McClain County District Court with trafficking in illegal drugs, possession of a controlled dangerous substance and unlawful pos-

session of drug paraphernalia. The charges were filed after former felony convictions in Oklahoma County for drug trafficking.

According to an affidavit, a member of the District 21 Street Crime Unit learned from a Newcastle police officer that multiple federal probation and parole agents were conducting a compliance check on Hamblin at his home in Newcastle.

During the check, they found approximately 222 grams of suspected methamphetamine, 47 grams of suspected psilocybin mushrooms, promethazine cough syrup not prescribed to Hamblin or others in the home, five 1,250 mg vials of testosterone enanthate, a vial of nandrolone, as well as unknown powders, syringes, spoons with burnt residue, two digital scales and multiple plastic baggies.

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• Student Films, Native American Club film students of Angelo Baca
11:30 a.m. Other, Rod Pocowatchit
12:45 p.m. Our Church, Mark Williams
2:00 p.m. Q&A with Mark Williams
2:30 p.m. Dreamkeeper, Eddie Spears
5:30 p.m. Actions of the Storyteller
On-Screen: The Traditional Connections of Myths and Reality panel discussion with Eddie Spears, Lower Brule' Sioux; Chris Eyre, Cheyenne-Arapaho; and Mark Williams
6:30 p.m. The Revenant

SATURDAY

10:30 a.m. Student Films, Native American Club film students of Angelo Baca
11:00 a.m. First Contact, Steven P. Judd and Ryan Redcorn
• Search for the World's Best Indian Taco
• Ronnie BoDean, Steven P. Judd, Chris Eyre
11:30 a.m. Q&A with Chris Eyre
1:00 p.m. Empire of Dirt
3:00 p.m. We Shall Remain, Chris Eyre
4:30 p.m. We Are Still Here: Sharing Respective Cultures panel discussion with Chris Eyre, Cheyenne-Arapaho; Eddie Spears, Lower Brule' Sioux; and Mark Williams
5:00 p.m. Red Carpet Meet & Greet
6:30 p.m. Black Cloud, Eddie Spears
8:10 p.m. Q&A with Eddie Spears

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Obituaries

Lisa Mischelle Huffman

Memorial services for Lisa Mischelle Huffman, 41, of Wayne will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13, 2016 at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Services will be under the direction of Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Ms. Huffman died Aug. 4, 2016 after a lengthy illness.

She was born Nov. 11, 1974 in Moore, the daughter of Jimmy C. Huffman and Carla Jane (Kerr).

Survivors include her father and stepmother, Jim and Jo Huffman of Lewisburg, Tenn.; mother, Carla Saunders of Wayne and two half brothers, Buck Huffman of Birmingham, Ala., and Bobby Saunders of Purcell.

Online condolences may be made at wilsonlittle.com.

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Randy Drake

Funeral services for Randy Drake, 58, of Oklahoma City were held August 9, 2016 at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Interment was at the Norman IOOF Cemetery under the direction of Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Lisa Mischelle Huffman age 41 of Wayne passed away on Thursday, August 4, 2016 after a lengthy illness. She was born on November 11, 1974 in Moore, Oklahoma. She was the daughter of Jimmy C. Huffman and Carla Jane (Kerr). Survivors include his wife, Becky of the home; daughter, Charlin Beth Drake of the home; sons, Kalem Drake of Ottawa, Kan., Chase Drake of Oklahoma City and Zachary Tims of Oklahoma City; sisters, Cindy White of Maysville, Cydnie Conley of Fairbolt, Minn., and Sherry Pruitt of Forney, Texas; brothers, Kelly Don Drake of Dallas, Texas, and Teddy Ray Drake of Lake Tawakoni, Texas; and four grandchildren.

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Glovetta D. Hightower

Funeral services for Glovetta D. Hightower, 91, were held Aug. 9, 2016 at Wadley's Funeral Chapel. Interment was at Resthaven Cemetery in Oklahoma City under the care of Wadley's Funeral Service. Online condolences may be made at www.wadleysfuneralservice.com.

Mrs. Hightower died Aug. 4, 2016 in Ardmore.

She was born July 6, 1925 in Crawford, Okla., the daughter of MC and Dora (Lewis) Timmons.

She is survived by her sons, Fred Hightower and wife, Charlene, and Mike Hightower and wife, Anna; daughters, Brenda Hightower and Carylton Jarvis; sister, Lou Moon; 12 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

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Ida Mae Wilcox

Funeral services for Ida Mae Wilcox, 87, of Byars were held Aug. 8, 2016 at the First Baptist Church in Byars with the Rev. Kevin Driskill and the Rev. Troy Madden officiating. Interment was at Byars Cemetery under the direction of Criswell Funeral Home in Ada.

Mrs. Wilcox died Aug. 3, 2016 at her home in Purcell.

She was born July 28, 1929 in Castle, Okla., the daughter of Willie and Pearl Marie Clark Pike.

Survivors include her children, Donald Real of Rudy, Ark., Shirley Pimental of San Jose, Calif., Anna Lee Tate and Larry Seay, both of Duncan, Harley Wayne Seay of Waurika, Ronny Hawkins of Davis, Gary Harrison of Fittstown, Ernest Hawkins of Byars and Linda Hawkins of Independence, Mo.; two brothers, Albert Pike of Stratford and Wayne Pike of Pauls Valley; 15 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Obituaries may be viewed and online condolences sent to criswellfh.com.

Miguel Herrera Marquez

Miguel Herrera Marquez died August 5, 2016 in Norman, Oklahoma at the age of 63 years 9 months 30 days. Rosary Services are scheduled for 6 p.m., Monday, August 8, 2016 at Wadley's Funeral Chapel. Funeral Services are scheduled for 10 a.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at Wadley's Funeral Chapel with interment to follow at Lexington Cemetery. Online condolences may be made at www.wadleysfuneralservice.com.



Miguel was born October 6, 1952 in Lagos De Moreno Jalisco Mexico to Jose Marquez and Cesarea Herrera Ramirez. Miguel moved to America when he was 21 and worked as a Carpenter for many years.

On June 26, 1989 he married Priscilla Upton in Oklahoma City. He loved spending time with his grandkids, being outdoors, and going to flea markets. Miguel enjoyed taking care of his animals, but his dog "Lucy" was his favorite. He was a tinkerer, a Cubs fan, and enjoyed playing ball in his younger years. Miguel was a people person and has always loved music.

Miguel was preceded in death by his parents, Jose and Cesarea. He is survived by his wife, Priscilla Marquez; daughters, Yolanda Alvizo and husband, Poncho Ramirez, and Carol Bennett and husband, Mark; son, Robert Duarte and wife, Michelle; grandchildren, Heather Bennett, Dylan Duarte and wife, Kirstie, Taylor Duarte, Cassidy Bennett, Alex Estrada, Shelby Bennett, Adriana Estrada, Blake Pearn, Logan Pearn, Ava Duarte, Noah Duarte and Kaydence Duarte; great-grandchild, Myah Duarte; sister, Marie Marquez Herrera; brothers, Marcial Marquez, Felipe Marquez and Felix Marquez and numerous other relatives and friends.

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Garland Webb

Funeral services for Garland Webb, 87, of Purcell were held Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at Southwest Baptist Church in south Oklahoma City. Interment was at Resthaven Memory Gardens in Oklahoma City under the direction of Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.



Mr. Webb passed away unexpectedly on Friday, August 5, 2016 in Norman, Okla.

He was born on October 22, 1928 in Lindsay, Oklahoma. Garland was the youngest of 11 children born to James Clint Webb and Lula (Hicks) Webb. Garland grew up in the Lindsay and Davis areas, moving to Oklahoma City at the age of 16.

On November 9, 1948, he married the love of his life, Ruth Nadine Aldrich. Together they raised three children, Jerry, Patricia and Dwayne and lived in the Oklahoma City area until moving to Purcell in 1974. While living in Oklahoma City he attended the First Bible Baptist Church where he was the choir leader for nearly 10 years. After moving to a small acreage northwest of Purcell, he attended the Washington First Baptist Church for nearly 30 years. For the past 12 years he has attended the Southwest Baptist Church in Oklahoma City.

Garland began working at Tinker Air Force Base at the age of 19. He worked 36 years for the civil service before retiring as an Inspector for the Defense Supply Agency.

Throughout his life, Garland enjoyed traveling and being in the outdoors. He loved hunting, fishing, working in his yard and mowing. He also enjoyed cooking and making candy.

Garland never met a stranger and loved meeting people. He had a great sense of humor and always had a joke to tell. He will be dearly missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Lula Webb; wife, Nadine Webb in 2009; four brothers, Perry, Ben, Everett and Roy; five sisters, Ruella Baiard, Jewell Moss, Lorene Bridwell, Morene Gregory and Juanita Louderdale and son-in-law, Danny Reid in 2015.

He is survived by three children, Jerry Webb and wife, Sherry, of Greer, S.C., Patricia Reid of Oklahoma City and Dwayne Webb and wife, Debbie, of Norman; one brother, Beauford Webb of Ft. Worth, Texas; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews and a host of other relatives and friends.

Online condolences may be made at wilsonlittle.com.

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William Darrell Stone

Sept. 4, 1943 - Aug. 5, 2016

William Darrell Stone went to be with the Lord Friday, August 5, 2016 in Worthington, Penn. He was born September 4, 1943 in Purcell, Okla., to James Amber "Stoney" and Clara Stone.

Darrell attended school in Purcell and Pauls Valley graduating from high school in 1961. He then attended and graduated from Draughon's Business College in Oklahoma City and worked as an accountant at several jobs including Cato Oil and Grease, The Journal Record and Hoffman's Furniture. He moved to Butler, Penn. in 1982 where he spent the rest of his life.

Darrell was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by three children, Felicia Anne Stone-Pocock and husband, Tim, of Branson, Mo., Johnny Lee Stone of Oklahoma City and William Darren Stone and wife, Emily, of Snyder, Okla.; two grandchildren, Kylee and Anistyn Stone of Snyder, Okla.; a brother, Curtis Stone and wife, Emma Faye, of Oklahoma City; nephews, Robert Stone and wife, Brenda, of Oklahoma City and Ronald Stone and wife, Diana, of Norman, Okla.; also a special cousin, Jim Tudor and wife, Bev, of Butler, Penn., and many other relatives.

Pair freed on bond

Teens charged in auto burglaries

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

Two Purcell teens are free on \$8,000 bond each after they were charged in McClain County District Court with burglarizing vehicles.

Preliminary hearing conferences for Anthony Soto aka Pablo A. Soto, 19, and Martin Ibarra, 19, will be at 9 a.m. August 31.

Prosecutors charged Soto with one count second degree burglary and Ibarra with two counts.

According to an affidavit, Purcell police were called shortly before 5:30 a.m. July 22 about two suspicious males dressed all in black seen walking along Brookside Drive.

When an officer arrived in the neighborhood, he was flagged down by a resident on Willow Creek Circle who said

someone had broken into his wife's Range Rover, stealing \$5 before fleeing.

Justin Carr said he was alerted when the alarm on his Lexus went off.

Police recovered a neoprene glove from the Range Rover.

A second police officer arrived in the area and was flagged down on Scott Street by Bret Bruza who said he had just chased two men dressed in black to the north after finding them inside his truck. They ran when he confronted them.

Police found a sweating Ibarra about two blocks north near North 9th Avenue and Crown Heights. He was carrying the matching glove. He identified the other suspect as Soto.

Soto was located about one block south and was also arrested.



NEWS

from the
City of Purcell

School Begins

When school bells ring to signal the start of the 2016-17 school year bells should also go off inside drivers' heads to drive safely.

Thousands of students will be hurrying to their respective schools most likely not paying much attention to the vehicles on crowded streets. We are reminding drivers to be careful in school zones, follow the traffic laws as well as the directions given by crossing guards. Remember to stop for children and adults at crosswalks.

"Please keep our children safe."

Stabbing attempt

Prosecutors charge Byars man

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

A Byars man is free on a \$15,000 bond after prosecutors charged him in McClain County District Court with assault with a dangerous weapon.

A preliminary hearing conference for Brent L. Miner, 37, will be at 9 a.m. August 31.

The charge was filed after a former felony conviction.

According to an affidavit, Miner allegedly reached through a vehicle window and attempted to stab a man sitting in the passenger seat.

The incident, which reportedly occurred around 5:55 p.m. on August 1, was witnessed by the vehicle's driver.

Newsmakers

Cline receives award

Zachary Cline of Lexington, and a student at Mid-America Technology Center in Wayne, was awarded a Skill Point Certificate in Prepared Speech at the 2016 SkillsUSA Championships, held in Louisville, Ky., June 22-23.

More than 6,000 students competed at the national showcase of career and technical education. The SkillsUSA Championships is the largest skill competition in the world and covers 1.2 million square feet, equivalent to 19 football fields or 25 acres.

Students were invited to the event to demonstrate their technical skills, workplace skills and personal skills in 100 hands-on occupational and leadership competitions including robotics, automotive technology, drafting, criminal justice, aviation maintenance and public speaking.

The Skill Point Certificate is a component of the SkillsUSA Work Force Ready System, a national assessment program for career and technical education.

OSU names spring graduates

Oklahoma State University awarded degrees to a total of 3,414 students this past spring.

Area graduates include **Chelsea Paige Renbarger**, BHS, Human Development and Family Science, of Lexington; **Katelynn Elizabeth Gifford**, BSAG, Natural Resources, Ecology and Management, of Purcell; and **Christine Elizabeth Teel**, BS, Elementary Education, MS, Teaching Learning & Leadership, Summa Cum Laude (with highest honor), of Wayne.

USAO honor students

The University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma registrar has announced 200 students at USAO achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or greater during the spring 2016 trimester and were named to the university's two honor rolls.

University records show 135 students were named to the USAO Honor Roll and 65 students to the Regents Honor Roll.

The USAO Honor Roll recognizes students whose grade point average is 3.5 or higher for 12 or more hours of class work. The Regents Honor Roll recognizes those who have been named to the USAO Honor Roll for three or more consecutive trimesters.

Regents Honor Roll students include **James Uhles** of Paoli and **Alexis Avery**, **Alice Dunaway** and **Bailee McGowen**, all of Purcell.

USAO Honor Roll students include **Alissa Brummett** and **Bethany Poe** of Dibble; **McKenna Eubank** and **Amber Lovett**, both of Purcell and **Preston Lowe** and **Jace Woodrow**, both of Washington.

Ozment receives ECU scholarship

Erin Ozment of Purcell received a biology scholarship from East Central University.

SWOSU honor students

Southwestern Oklahoma State University at Weatherford has announced both the President's and Dean's Honor Rolls for the 2016 summer semester.

An undergraduate student who earns all A's in six or more hours during the summer semester qualifies for the President's Honor Roll.

Named to the President's Honor Roll were **Thad Ryan Mowdy** and **Letha Shannon Starchman**, both of Lexington, and **Laura Justine Ferguson** and **Leigh Ann Gwin**, both of Purcell.

Scriver graduates UCO

Coltan Wayne Scriver of Lexington graduated from the University of Central Oklahoma this summer.

Scriver graduated with honors with a Masters in Science in Forensic Science - Biology/Chemistry.

Study: Undervalued property deprives schools of sizable sums

Warren Vieth
Brad Gibson
Oklahoma Watch

Below-market property valuations and constitutional caps on tax increases are depriving Oklahoma schools, counties and cities of tens of millions of dollars in annual revenue, according to a recent data study.

The data analysis shows that 52 of the state's 77 counties would have generated an additional \$192 million in property tax revenue in 2014 if their valuations had been accurate and if they could have immediately begun collecting the proper amounts.

The study was prepared by the Oklahoma Tax Commission at the request of State Auditor and Inspector Gary Jones and Oklahoma Watch. It was limited to 52 counties that participate in a state computer-assisted property appraisal system. Tulsa and Oklahoma counties, which operate their own systems, were not among those studied.

Jones said the findings show that funding for public schools, vo-tech education, county and city governments, libraries and local health departments could be boosted significantly if property taxes were being assessed and collected fairly.

"Over a period of time, it's in the hundreds of millions of dollars," Jones said. "Some counties are barely getting 50 cents on the dollar because they have kept their values so low for so long," Jones said. "Even for the ones that are starting to do it right now, it's going to take a long, long time before the values get up to where they need to be. In fact, if we have increasing real estate values, it won't happen in our lifetimes."

Jones, whose view was shared by other state and county officials interviewed by Oklahoma Watch, said the property tax problem had several causes:

--For many years, elected assessors in some counties lacked the expertise, technology and

political will to make sure they were assessing property correctly. Although some are trying to do a better job now, 16 counties have been put on notice they might face future penalties if they do not improve their assessment practices.

--Many smaller counties are still using antiquated computer hardware and software to help determine property values accurately. For three years in a row, the Legislature and



governor have been unable or unwilling to come up with about \$5 million sought by the state auditor to help assessors with their technology and training needs.

--Even in counties where property valuations have been increased, assessors are unable to raise assessments by more than three percent for homestead residences and farmland, and five percent for other property, because of constitutional caps approved by Oklahoma voters in 1996 and 2012. Even if property values remained flat, it would take years and possibly decades to ratchet up assessments in counties with gross under-valuations.

For example, the Tax Commission study said residential property valuations in Pottawatomie County, where Gov. Mary Fallin grew up, are 16 percent too low, and commercial property valuations 24 percent too low.

Because of the constitutional caps, Pottawatomie County tax collections were nearly \$17 million less in 2014 than they might have been otherwise. It could take five years or so to

raise them to their proper levels even if market prices did not change. If they did increase, it would take even longer.

In Pittsburg County, where residential properties were considered 19 percent undervalued and commercial property 54 percent undervalued, tax collections were \$8 million lower than they might have been in 2014, the study indicated.

Pittsburg County Assessor Cathy Haynes, who took office in 2011, said she had been working hard to come into compliance with state standards. The county failed to meet the minimum threshold on the last state test and is one of the 16 counties facing possible sanctions.

"I'm hoping, although I think I am compliant now, we will be able to improve that next year," Haynes said.

Haynes said her office still used a computerized valuation system more than 20 years old.

"It's hard to get it to produce what we need it to produce," Haynes said. "A lot of our reports ... are still in the DOS format, and that's nearly obsolete."

State Senate Finance Committee Chairman Mike Mazzei, R-Tulsa, said he shared the state auditor's concern about the unfairness of the current situation, particularly with respect to education funding.

In counties where property tax collections are too low, the state helps make up the difference every year by appropriating more money to public schools through its state aid formula.

That means taxpayers throughout Oklahoma are subsidizing the cost of education in counties where property owners aren't paying their proper share, Mazzei said. In counties where property is fully taxed, it's a double whammy because local property taxes are higher and state education aid is reduced.

"You've got a true imbalance," Mazzei said. "It's not fair to counties that are doing it right."

Care:

wait and watch.

The hospital and the compassionate care it provides are in jeopardy with expenses exceeding revenue.

Without an influx of cash, it is expected the only hospital in McClain County will be forced to close by the end of this year.

Purcell voters will go to the polls August 23 to vote on a penny sales tax increase.

All proceeds from the sales tax will go to the hospital to cover expenses and keep the doors open.

To Danny Jacobs, the thought the hospital may be forced to close is equally gut-wrenching.

A former educator and now a city council member, Jacobs said his family has experienced first-hand the level of compassionate care that is the norm at PMH.

Jacobs' father, Joe Jacobs, moved the family to a refinery camp west of Maysville.

"My parents utilized Purcell for their needs," Jacobs said.

He recalled the experience with Purcell Municipal Hospital in March 1994 when a very ill Joe Jacobs was admitted.

His physician was Rick

Schmidt and the elder Jacobs was seriously ill with blood clots in both lungs.

"We called everybody in," Jacobs said. "It wasn't just the care the hospital gave my father, but the incredible care they gave to my mother. Not just patient care. It was care to the entire family."

Joe Jacobs recovered. Just as he had the first time he was admitted to the hospital. That was when he suffered burns to the lower half of his body in a refinery accident.

When his father-in-law suffered a devastating stroke at Lindsay in the spring of 1995, Jacobs told them to put him in the car and drive to Purcell Municipal Hospital.

"The love and support they showed for my mother-in-law was pretty incredible," he recalled.

Jacobs compared that to his personal experience of being a patient in a large hospital in Oklahoma City.

"There were 20 of us in a ward," he said, "and when you needed something, you waited and waited."

Eventually there came an

illness that couldn't be cured.

Joe Jacobs was admitted to Purcell Municipal Hospital one last time. It was spring 2011.

Jacobs wrote to **The Purcell Register** after his father's death. He wanted to thank the hospital for their compassionate care.

"Every staff member from the ER, Housekeeping, Nutrition, LPN, RN, Career Tech Students and Administration went above and beyond all expectations to provide comfort and care for our father and our family," the letter read.

"This community and all the surrounding communities are truly blessed to have such an outstanding resource for health service."

Not having that resource, Jacobs believes, is unthinkable.

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PROPOSITION

Shall the City of Purcell, Oklahoma be authorized pursuant to Ordinance No. 16-03 to levy and collect an additional one percent (1%) excise tax (sales tax) (in addition to any and all to excise taxes now in force) with the proceeds thereof being used to fund the operation, maintenance, staffing, construction, equipping, and remodeling of the Purcell Municipal Hospital located in the City of Purcell, Oklahoma, and with said proceeds also being available to pay, if necessary, debt service on obligations issued to finance said operation, maintenance, staffing, construction, equipping, and remodeling of the Purcell Municipal Hospital, provided said tax shall terminate and shall cease to be levied after December 31, 2019, all as more specifically set forth in Ordinance No. 16-03 of the City.

FOR THE PROPOSITION - YES

AGAINST THE PROPOSITION - NO

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Technology excitement

New iPads at Purcell Elementary School are stirring excitement among teachers before the start of the 2016-17 school year this week. From left are Amy Stone, physical education; Kim Thompson, first grade; Deanna Wilder, kindergarten; Paige Brown, first grade; Natalie West, reading, and Melinda Maggia, kindergarten. The school purchased 157 iPads with a \$65,000 grant from the Oklahoma Educational Technology Trust and the PTO and Purcell Public Schools Foundation paid for carts like the one pictured to keep the iPads safe when not being used by students.

From page 1A

School:

turnout for Monday's board of education meeting.

The board made short work of an abbreviated agenda, needing just five minutes to approve the consent agenda and listen to superintendent Jason Midkiff's equally brief remarks before going into a 28-minute executive session to discuss hiring decisions for four positions – a fourth grade teacher, special education paraprofessionals at the elementary and intermediate schools and an office assistant at the junior high school.

Selected to fill those vacancies were Sharie Wilhoit, fourth grade teacher at the intermediate school; April Selman and April Trumbo, special education paraprofessionals at the elementary and intermediate schools, respectively; and Charlotte Petty, office assistant at the

junior high school.

Midkiff expressed excitement at the start of a new school year. Students returned to the classroom on Wednesday while the fall sports season began Monday with the Dragons' softball match up against Pauls Valley.

The superintendent had earlier issued a news release on the board's recent campus tours.

"I want to thank the Purcell school board for taking the time to thoroughly go through a facility review two weeks ago and then sitting down and starting to lay out a plan for the district," he said. "I appreciate their hard work and taking extra time on such an important issue."

"As we move forward, we hope to develop a long range plan for the district while also identifying those areas and

issues that we can address immediately."

The board has spent more than five hours on the project. Additional special board meetings are expected as the facilities study and planning continues.

Midkiff said the district plans to utilize about \$200,000 of the building fund this year to ensure the facilities are being properly maintained.

"We plan to make improvements at all sites," he added. "We are also going to look into moving Education Station into the present administration building and better utilize the space we have at the Human Resources Center. We don't have a timetable on that yet, but we are looking into what it would take. We want to try to do that sooner rather than later."

From page 1A

Johnson:

Monday which will include a complete reclamation of the road with additional aggregate being added to stabilize, District 2 Commissioner Wilson Lyles said.

"The roadway along with compaction equipment to insure a solid base, to be completed with a double layer of chip and seal surface," Lyles continued.

Funds for this project was

awarded to District 2 through a Rural Economic Action Plan (REAP) grant.

Lyles said District 2 had applied for the grant two previous years for improvements to Johnson Road and was fortunate enough to be awarded the funding in 2015.

"We would like to express our appreciation to our local legislators who have fought hard at the state level to pre-

serve these grants through our states' difficult budget process," he said.

Weather permitting, the project should be completed in late September. Commissioner Lyles said he appreciates the patience and understanding of the local residents throughout the construction process and asks all drivers to please drive carefully around workers and equipment.

From page 1A

Teachers:

district because I love the atmosphere and culture of a small town," she said. "Purcell is an amazing place to accomplish this goal."

She has two children – Lauren, 20, a junior at Southeastern Oklahoma State University, and Logan, 17, a junior at Southmoore High School.

Henson is a pre-kindergarten special education teacher. She is a graduate of Pauls Valley High School and East Central University.

A new teacher, Henson did her student teaching last year at Purcell Elementary School and Purcell Junior High School.

"Working as a preschool special education teacher has been my dream job," she said, adding during her student teaching here she "automatically felt the sense of community the school had."

She is married to Matthew Henson.

Jana Higbee is a counselor at Purcell Junior High School. She is a graduate of Edmond Memorial High School, Oklahoma State University and ECU.

She previously was fifth and

sixth grade counselor at Washington Elementary School in Clinton.

She is married to John Higbee.

John Higbee is teaching math at the high school. He is a graduate of Dewey High School and OSU.

He previously taught AP calculus, pre-calculus and honors algebra at Clinton.

"I wanted to be a head coach and Purcell was a great school and a great fit," he said.

The Higbees have two adult children – Corey, 25, and Cole, 23.

Kinchen is teaching seventh grade geography at Purcell Junior High School.

He is also an assistant coach for high school football and junior high baseball.

He is a graduate of Apache High School, Langston University and the University of Oklahoma. He retired after 33 years in the Army and Oklahoma National Guard and wanted to give back to the community and state.

He and his wife, Crystal, have two children – James and Julia.

Thompson is a counselor at

the intermediate school. She is a graduate of Pauls Valley High School and has bachelor's and master's degrees from OSU.

She previously worked in Pauls Valley, Perry, Norman, Stillwater and Guthrie schools, as well as OSU.

"I have family in Pauls Valley and am also very happy to be closer to them," she said. "I am excited to start the new school year and very much looking forward to meeting all the kids. I love what I do and feel fortunate to be in the position to help students, teachers and parents."

Wilhoit is teaching fourth grade reading, language and social studies at Purcell Intermediate School.

She is a graduate of Tuttle High School and UCO.

She previously taught second and third grade at Moore's Santa Fe Elementary.

"I chose to come to Purcell to be a part of the school district that my children will attend," she said. "After moving to Purcell, I knew the school district was a great one."

She and her husband, Kerry, have two children – Klaire and Karter.

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**Rick
McCurdy**



Whether Purcell Municipal Hospital, or even the City of Purcell of my youth survives, will depend on the outcome of the voting for an increase in sales tax next week.

To think of Purcell without a hospital or emergency room or outpatient clinics is incomprehensible to me.

This is especially difficult for me knowing my grandfather, W.C. McCurdy and his brother T.C. McCurdy were responsible for the care of patients before statehood. My uncle Bill McCurdy continued his practice for over 40 years. Together, my cousin, Billy, and I have assisted in the care of countless patients for the past 40 years through the Specialty Clinic started by my brother, Tom when he was on the hospital board.

Outstanding physicians through the years include Don Walker & Ed Lee, along with many others.

Dr. Bryan Dye and Dr. Rick Schmidt have continued that legacy and currently are providing care with compassion and commitment.

In addition, PMH has had outstanding nursing care with a dedicated supportive staff and excellent hospital administrative support.

The exemplary care provided has set a high standard that other larger hospitals should emulate.

It would be a travesty for the City of Purcell to lose your hospital. Purcell is The Heart of Oklahoma with wonderful families, strong educational values, outstanding professionals, community leaders, compassionate churches, resilient character and neighborly attitudes.

I urge all voters to imagine Purcell without a hospital or accessible medical care and vote YES.

**Joe & Angie
Wallace**



Being members of this community our entire lives, we felt compelled to write this letter in support of the upcoming vote on the hospital tax.

Despite the fact that 139 people will be unemployed if the hospital is closed – some who do not live in Purcell but spend some of their paychecks here for gasoline, groceries, medicine, etc., 19.6 miles from a Norman facility could possibly mean someone's life – it is so important to have a hospital and emergency room here in town!!

Unforeseen events happen every day – vehicle accidents, broken bones, heart attacks, strokes, plus childhood illnesses and injuries – all emergency situations to the patients and their families!

Also important are the Nursing Home residents in need of immediate medical care. Stop and think how you would react if you or your family member needed immediate medical care, but the nearest help was almost 20 miles away!

We support the hospital tax and urge everyone to vote "YES" on this important issue August 23 and help save our hospital!!

**Connie
Sikes**



Connie's mother, Joy Sikes, passed away July 18.

She had a recurring infection and was at the Purcell Municipal Hospital Emergency Room. As Connie made his way to the hospital, he received a telephone call from her doctor Dr. Bryan Dye.

"He called and said you need to hurry," Sikes recalled. "She's not going to make it this time," Dye told him.

When Connie arrived at PMH, Dr. Dye was at his mother's side. He had other patients who were waiting but he stuck by the side of Mrs. Sikes.

"He told me he didn't want my mother to be alone when she died," Sikes said.

"You aren't not going to get that kind of treatment at a larger hospital like Oklahoma City or Norman. This is small town medical care at it's finest," Sikes said.

**Fredda
Davis**



Although I was not born and raised in Purcell, this is definitely home.

I have lived in Purcell for 45 years. Over that time period, I have used the Purcell Municipal Hospital many times for various illnesses. The care I received was excellent, from the care received by the doctors, the lab technicians and the nurses on all levels.

There have been times I simply needed nursing care, which I received with great compassion.

However, I also had a time I needed surgery immediately and the hospital doctors were very professional at the time of the surgery. I was up and out in three days.

There have been other times I was stabilized by the emergency room doctors and sent to Oklahoma City to one of the hospitals where my cardiologist was waiting on me. Had the hospital emergency room doctors not been in Purcell, I would probably not have made it 20 miles to Norman to be stabilized.

Over the years I have been in several of the larger hospitals in Oklahoma City and Norman. The care I received here at PMH has been of the same quality or better than the care of the larger facilities.

My cardiologist is one of the doctors who practices in our Specialty Clinic. If the hospital should close, not only would we lose our hospital, but we would also lose the Specialty Clinic.

Our older citizens would then be forced to go to Oklahoma City for appointments with specialists who now come to Purcell.

If you live in the Purcell City limits, I urge you to come out and vote YES August 23. Help us keep our hospital open.

Ben & Arlene Branum



About four years ago my husband, Ben, woke up in the middle of the night with chest pains. Although he felt like it was severe indigestion or heartburn, we decided to go to the nearby Purcell Hospital ER to have him checked out. Arriving there a few minutes later the medical personnel staff went right to work on him running tests and attempting to ease his pain. Tests revealed that he had suffered a heart attack and arrangements were being made to have him transported by ambulance to the Integris Heart Hospital in

Oklahoma City. Before that could be done, Ben suffered a massive heart attack and flat-lined for 12 minutes. MediVac was called while Purcell worked feverishly to revive him.

All in all, without any previous indication of heart trouble, he ended up with four stints and nearly a month in Integris, much of it in ICU. Both of us fully believe that he would not be alive today if it had not been for our local Purcell Municipal Hospital and are very thankful that we did not have to make a middle of the night trip to Norman or Pauls Valley.



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Sharp shooting

Jeff Smith, a retired Ada Policeman who is currently serving as the Wayne Mayor, has recently competed in the NRA police pistol combat PPC tournament. He scored a 446 with his service revolver, 572 with a disingished revolver, had a 1,456 six match total, scored 451 in the Dale DeBerry Memorial Regional and scored 591 in Row Labels.

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PMH:

there are no primary runoff races in McClain County.

The hospital's chief executive officer, Kem Scully, told the city council that if a funding source couldn't be found to offset dwindling revenue and reimbursements, the hospital would be forced to close by the end of the year.

In-person absentee voting at the McClain County Election Board will be available from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. today (Thursday) and Friday.

On election day, polling

places will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Only voters who are residents of Purcell will be allowed to vote.

In Cleveland County, there is a Republican runoff in the district court clerk's race.

That race is between Mike Reynolds and Marilyn Williams. The winner will face Lynn C.R. Statton, a Democrat, and Kelly Owings, an Independent, in the general election on November 8.

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Cole:

and then open the town hall to questions from the audience.

According to a spokeswoman in the congressman's Norman office, there isn't a scripted agenda for the town hall.

"He will answer people's questions, whatever they are concerned about," she said.

The town hall will last as long as there are questions coming from the audience, she added.

On August 2, Cole conducted a town hall meeting at Newcastle and on August 30, he will be at Frederick.

Purcell City Hall is located at 130 W. Main.

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Rodeo:

will be admitted free.

Opening night is designated family night with two tickets for one paid admission.

The stock contractor is located at Sterling.

Like last year's rodeo, cowboys and cowgirls will compete in two long go-rounds on August 25 and 26 and a short go on August 27.

Rodeo chairman Butch Biby said only contestants with qualifying rides or times at the first two performances will come back to compete in the short go-round.

Ranch bronc riding and bull riding will be the rough stock events. Racing the clock will be the norm in timed events including team roping, steer wrestling, breakaway roping, tie-down calf roping, steer roping and barrel racing.

The round-up club is offering \$500 added money in the junior barrel race and \$1,000 added money for all other events.

Businesses supporting the rodeo are McClain Bank, The Rusty Knot, Thru Tubing, Wade Higgins Chevrolet,

Bravo's, Freedom Ford, Sleep Inn, Barrett Trailers and Loving Care.

Books will be open from 6 to 10 p.m. August 23 and 24. Contestants should call (580) 512-4682 to enter the rodeo.

Returning this year will be the Ring of Fear, a novelty event introduced here at last year's rodeo.

The Ring of Fear is a circle drawn in the arena and occupied by four brave—some would say foolish—souls.

The rules are simple. A bull is turned loose and the last contestant remaining in the circle is the winner.

If one bull fails to clear all but one entrant from the Ring of Fear, another bull is turned into the arena.

Just to keep things interesting.

Organizers are also bringing in a carnival with 10 rides. Additional family fun will be provided by a rock wall and bungee jump.

Kona Ice and three food trucks will also be on the grounds.

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Neighbor:

girl next door.

They sold all they owned, bought a new 5th-wheel camper and moved to Oklahoma.

It's not like they were moving to a place they didn't know anyone.

For years Bob and a Purcell blacksmith had plied their trade at the Quarter Horse Congress in Columbus.

"He said 'Come to Purcell,'" Bob recalled.

Instead, Bob went to work at Stockyards City. That didn't pan out and again his blacksmith buddy drew him aside at yet another Congress and again urged him to come to Purcell.

"So we did—and just fell in love with this place," Bob said.

His skill set moved on as well.

Remember those bridles? Bob and Mary opened Handlebar Saddle & Leather Repair at 223 W. Main.

In the heart of both Oklahoma and horse country, it was the perfect place to set up shop.

"The caliber of clientele I'm getting are very knowledgeable," Bob said. "They know how they want it (saddle work) to be done."

It's a combination of trainers, ranchers and the entire horse community.

"Purcell is still a small town," Bob said, adding he can recall when Oklahoma City was still a small town, too.

By Ohio standards, anyway.

For all his decades dealing with horses and tack, you

would think that's all Bob has ever done.

You would be wrong. "In a previous life, I was an engineer. I ran an electrical engineering department for the world's largest machine tool company."

It was a process, Bob said, of "taking something broken and fixing it (and) sometimes improving it."

That "challenge of making things better" is now a hallmark of his saddle trade.

Saddle fitting—making the saddle fit the horse—is something about 90 percent of riders ignore even though it is important.

With English saddles, there is wool flocking or inside padding which can be manipulated to achieve a good fit. And some English saddles come with adjustable trees.

But with western saddles, the trees are fixed. The correct fit is made possible by the use of pads which act as shims.

Bob compares it to balancing a tire on a car.

"If you get the geometry right, the physics works," he explained.

When Bob sells a saddle, he's willing to go to the buyer's horse to ensure the fit is right—and correct it if it isn't.

He is a licensed saddle fitter for Stuebben, a well-known English saddle maker in Germany.

In addition, he has helped design some saddles for Reinsman and Bowman Saddlery.

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Jace Brewer Head Coach Dustyn Orr Asst. Coach

John D. Montgomery
The Purcell Register

The 2016 edition of Washington fast-pitch will have something in common with last year's State Championship season.

The talent pool is once again very deep for the Lady Warriors.

However, gone off last year's 39-4 team are the likes of Callie Busby, Blakeleigh Carwile, Brenna Busby, Bethany Hines and Savanna Hammonds.

Even though Jace Brewer, who enters his fourth season as the head coach (third as fast-pitch coach), he will be without last year's talented senior class.

Even though the Lady Warriors were hit hard by graduation, they appear to be merely reloading.

The senior class of 2016 won State Championships in all three of their years in high school.

Washington won the title in 2013 and 2014 before three-peat last year.

They also won State Titles in 1999, 2000, 2005 and 2008.

"We're going to be good," Brewer states matter of factly. "We've got a lot of talent but it's young. We only have three

seniors."

Brewer was referring to Raegan Roten, Aly Clemence and Hailey Miller.

Those three players plus juniors Lyndie Ervin and Hanna Brown are the returning

starters for Brewer and new assistant coach Dustyn Orr. Junior Maddie Brown returns with some playing experience

Please see **Warriors**, page 2B

Washington Softball 2016

| Day | Opponent | Site | Time |
|---------|-------------------|---------|---------|
| 8/11-13 | Chisholm Trail | Shawnee | TBA |
| 8/15 | Little Axe | H | 5:30 |
| 8/16 | Dale | A | 5:00 |
| 8/19 | Firelake Festival | Shawnee | 2 games |
| 8/20 | Firelake Festival | Shawnee | 2 games |
| 8/22 | Bridge Creek | A | 5:30 |
| 8/23 | Blanchard | H | 5:30 |
| 8/25 | Tuttle | H | 7:00 |
| 8/30 | Purcell | A | 5:30 |
| 9/1 | Lexington | A | 5:30 |
| 9/6 | St. Mary | H | 5:30 |
| 9/8-10 | OU Tournament | Norman | TBA |
| 9/12 | Chickasha | A | 5:30 |
| 9/13 | Pauls Valley | H | 7:00 |
| 9/15 | Westmoore | A | 7:00 |
| 9/16 | OK Shootout | ASA OKC | 2 games |
| 9/19 | Latta | A | 5:00 |
| 9/20 | Cache | H | 5:00 |
| 9/22 | Districts/Dale | TBA | 5:00 |
| 9/26 | Plainview | H | 5:00 |
| 9/29 | Regionals | | TBA |
| 10/3 | Bethel | H | 5:00 |
| 10/6-8 | State | ASA/OKC | TBA |

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Lexington Softball



Logan McKiddy Fr. 1 Amanda Graddy Fr. 2 Paige Humbarger Sr., 3 Lacey Barber Jr., 4 Bri Webster So., 5



Kenzie Lawson Fr. 6 Lindsey Barber Fr. 7 Makayla Finley So., 8 McKenna Adams Sr., 9 Konnor McDonald Jr., 10



Kaylee Fink Fr. 11 Rachel Beason Sr., 12 Tiffani Hinkle Sr., 13 Emilee Jenks Fr. 14 Lauren Beason Fr. 15



Morgan Clark Fr. 16 Kenzi Griffith Jr., 17 Anna Sample Fr. 18 Hannah Robbins Fr. 20 Bryndale Scruggs So., 21



Jacie Jones Sr., 22 Morgan Hamm Sr., 23 JoJo Turnpugh Jr., 27 Kayla Stewart Asst. Coach Hillary Price Head Coach

Lexington Softball 2016

| Day | Opponent | Site | Time |
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| 8/1-2 | Sulphur Festival | Sulphur | TBA |
| 8/8 | Lone Grove | A | 5:00 |
| 8/9 | Ardmore | H | 5:00 |
| 8/11-13 | Chisholm Trail Classic | Shawnee FireLake | TBA |
| 8/15 | Bridge Creek | H | 5:30 |
| 8/18 | Asher | A | 4:30 |
| 8/19-20 | Oklahoma Shootout | Shawnee FireLake | TBA |
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| 9/1 | Washington | H | 5:00 |
| 9/6 | Purcell | H | 6:00 |
| 9/12 | Pauls Valley | A | 5:00 |
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| 9/15 | CCS | H | 5:30 |
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Unity strength for Lex
Price entering fifth season as head coach

John D. Montgomery
The Purcell Register

Lexington fast-pitch softball coach Hillary Price enters her fifth season at the helm of the Lady Bulldogs with a steady stable of seasoned and promising talent.

Lexington is coming off a 14-22 season and lost Callie Iser,

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Tally another one

ShaeBug Scarberry won the American Junior Golf Association Oak Tree Girls Championship July 28. Scarberry shot a two-under-par 208, going 71-70-67.

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Warriors:

after some spot duty as a sophomore. She will be the starting catcher replacing Callie Busby.

Sophomore Morgan Posey will be playing middle infield every day along with Brown.

The strength of the team will be center stage in the pitcher's circle where Ervin will hold court.

"That's a good place to have as your strength," Brewer noted. "We're also going to be really good in the outfield."

It's in the outfield where two of the three regulars off last year's club return.

The Lady Warriors also return two starters in the infield.

"We're going to have to work to get better in the infield but they are very talented and very capable. They are just going to have to come around," he said.

Brewer, who is 79-6 in his first two fast-pitch seasons, will be relying on the senior leadership of both Clemence and Roten.

"They are four year starters and are our team leaders in every way," Brewer confirmed. Overall, Brewer reports this

year's team could be better hitting up and down the lineup than a year ago.

"They have a chance to be really good," he said. "Last year we were really good 1-5. We were a little top heavy with the 6-9 hole hitters kind of a toss up."

"I think this year we will be better 1-9 which will make it harder on pitchers and defenses," Brewer said.

"We can also run better this year. We will be pushing the issue like I like to do," he said. "The key to the lineup early will be finding who can drive people, especially in the middle of our lineup."

Warrior notes:
Under the direction of **Jace Brewer** the Lady Warriors are 79-6 with two championships. Washington will open the season in the Chisholm Trail Tournament in Shawnee starting today (Thursday) and running through Saturday in Shawnee.

Washington will host Little Axe on Monday at 5:30 and travel to Dale Tuesday with a 5 p.m. start.

First Battle of the Bands set for this Friday

Angie Steele
Washington Correspondent

Washington's Band program presents the 1st Annual Battle of the Bands Friday, August 12, from 7-9:30 p.m. at Washington High School, 101 East Kirby.

Admission is \$5 and a concession stand will be available. Bring your family and enjoy a night of great music!

Washington School News
First Day of School—Thursday, August 11.

Battle of the Bands—August 12, 7 p.m.

No School—Labor Day, September 5.

Football Alumni Luncheon
Mark your calendar! The Washington Warrior Booster club will be hosting a Washington Football Alumni luncheon August 13.

Hamburgers, hotdogs and other refreshments will be provided. The location will be inside the Washington Gymnasium.

Lunch will be served from 12-1 p.m. At 1 p.m. everyone will assemble in the gym and listen to a guest speaker along with past alumni players from each decade. Players and coaches going back over 40 years will share with us some history of their era and what it means to them to be a Warrior. The Warrior football program is something that is so special to many in our community.

This year the Warriors will seek to make the state playoffs for the 26th straight year! We want to celebrate that accomplishment but also want to recognize the foundation that was laid for that success by past players and coaches. Long before "the streak" began, blood, sweat and tears were shed on the same field that you see the Warriors play on today. Please come be a part of this special event.

If anyone would like to speak, just let us know and we will be sure that you are given an opportunity.

We are asking for all football alumni to reach out to teammates and coaches of your team and invite them to come celebrate with us!

We will have a donation bucket available for anyone

who would like to support the program.

Feel free to arrive early and meet the 2016 Warriors. They will have a short practice followed by media day. Practice will begin at 9:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Cole

Church schedule: Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. and worship at 10:45 a.m. Sunday evening Bible Study at 6 p.m.

Wednesday evening activities for all ages at 7 p.m. The church website is www.fbcole.org.

The church is located in Cole on SH 74 B between Washington and Blanchard.

For more information, send an email to the website or call (405) 485-3377.

Washington United Methodist Church

We are a friendly, Bible based church where everyone is welcome. Our Sunday worship service begins at 11 a.m. We have a Bible Study group that meets at 4:30 on Sunday afternoons.

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Union Hill Baptist Church

Sundays—Age Group Bible studies, 9:45 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.; Children's Church, 11 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Wednesdays—Evening meal, 5:30 p.m.; Age Group Bible Studies, 6:30 p.m.

Monthly Schedule—Retired/Senior Lunch, 4th Tuesday at Noon; Men's Breakfast, 1st Saturday of each month, 7 a.m.

First Baptist Church Washington

Weekly Worship Service Times:

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Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Weekly Small Group Opportunities:

Sunday School, Sundays, 9:45 a.m.

Youth Bible Study, Sundays, 5 p.m. and Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

GAs (girls 1-5 grade), RAs (boys 1-5 grade), Sundays at 5 p.m.

Mission Friends (Pre-K and

Kindergarten), Sundays, 5 p.m.

Ladies' Bible Study, Tuesdays, 9 a.m.

Kid's Choir and Bible Study, Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Journey Through the Bible, Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Events:

Brittaney Jones Baby Shower—Saturday, August 13, at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Brittaney is registered at Babies 'R Us.

Back to School Movie Night—Sunday, August 14, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be watching "Woodlawn."

Central Oklahoma Ministry Enrichment - C.O.M.E.—Saturday, August 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at FBC in Moore. \$5 for lunch and materials.

Follow Me Bible Study—Sundays at 5 p.m.

Men's Bible Study, "Experiencing God." Thursdays at 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

If you are not receiving the Baptist Messenger and would like to, please contact Skyler in the church office and give her your mailing address.

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Dale K. Graham Norman Veteran's Corner

Faith Pointe Baptist Church is used as a voting location. We will be closed on Tuesday, August the 23. Please mark this date on your calendar and remember to vote.

Dale K. Graham Veteran's Corner is not affiliated with any other organization. Our services are only provided at Faith Pointe Baptist Church, 3404 NW 36th, in Norman.



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Volunteer of Week

Dale K. Graham Veteran's Corner Volunteer of the Week is **Larry Hall**. Hall was as a Marine Helicopter Pilot who served in Vietnam. We appreciate Larry's continued service.

Over the years we have been assisting veterans and their families, we have had a lot of volunteers who have joined us. We have recognized hundreds of those volunteers for their service to our veterans and their families. Today we recognize a Marine veteran who has been with us since we started in 2003 at the old American Legion building in Norman. Larry Hall was a Marine helicopter pilot who served in Vietnam. We appreciate the many years he has been a part of what we do. Larry and his wife Sharon are residents of the Moore community.

Last week there were 201 veterans and surviving spouses assisted at Faith Pointe Baptist Church in Norman. Of that number, there were 75 who visited us for the first time. Since opening at this location, I have been adding all of the first time visitors to my POA using the VA 21-22A form. As we continue to grow, we will add other accredited claims agents and volunteer attorneys to our organization. This means that others will be listed as the POA for some of the veterans and surviving spouses.

The first one of our volunteers to be approved by VA in Washington DC was Rhonda Reynolds. She will receive the VA rating decisions on those veterans and surviving spouses who are listed on her VA 21-22A. As we continue to grow, we will need others in our

organization to consider seeking the VA accreditation that is required to receive veterans and surviving spouse rating decisions.

Last week I received VA rating decisions on nine veterans approved for a 100 percent disability rating on their service-connected conditions. These men and women will receive a combined annual income of \$300,666 per year. There were 22 veterans who received disability ratings from 10-90 percent for their service-connected disabilities. These men and women will receive a combined annual income of \$265,995 per year.

There were two surviving spouses approved for DIC benefits based on their husband's deaths caused by a service-connected disability or one that was presumptive to their military service. These ladies combined annual income will be \$30,100 per year. Many of the veterans and surviving spouses who visit us for the first time are not aware of the VA benefits that they might be eligible to receive. As always I encourage all veterans and the surviving spouses of veterans to stop by with their questions about VA benefits. Please remember that we are a free service offered to all veterans and their families.

If you need help with transportation to make a visit, please call Clayton at (405) 550-8806, extension 105. Our two drivers, Clayton and Louie, traveled almost 600 miles last week transporting eight people to us or their medical appointments. These two kind volunteers donated almost 40 hours last week providing this valuable service.

I was visiting with a veteran last week who is rated 100 percent service-connected by the Department of Veterans Affairs. When he received that rating, he became eligible for VA Dental Care. He said the OKC VA Dental Department sent him to the Dental Lodge in Noble for fillings and a crown.

What surprised me was he said that they removed the old crown and manufactured a new one while he waited. I did not know that kind of technology even existed. He told me he had the best dental experience he had ever had. Maybe I will try that next time. It seems like there are a lot of things those of us my age don't know anything about.

One thing is for sure, the VA has found ways to speed up their VA claims decision process. I'm seeing claims getting approved that were filed just a month ago. We are continuing to have a very high success rate on the veteran's claims we are working. The VA has changed the operating procedure on claims where we were once able to ask VA to reconsider decisions, now we must provide new evidence or file a Notice of Disagreement. I try to stay away from the NOD if possible as it usually adds more time to a veterans claim.

On each and every visit, veterans should bring all of their DD-214's (discharge papers), all VA rating letters, and all VA forms that have been filed. For privacy reasons, Dale K. Graham's Veteran's Corner does not keep your information on file and does not have access to any of this information. A couple of things are sometimes needed to file for VA benefits are D214 discharge papers, bank account information (voided check), marriage information, social security information, and all VA rating decisions.

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Bulldogs:

Katie Mooneyham, Jazmyn Short, Madi Harmoning and Tyrrah Smith to graduation.

Players returning with starting experience include Tiffani Hinkle, Jacie Jones, Rachel Beason, McKenna Adams, Konnor McDonald, Lacey Barber, Morgan Hamm and Paige Humbarger.

Price said she is looking forward to some younger players that have the potential to help the Lady Bulldogs be successful.

It's very difficult to beat a group of athletes who play as a team.

"That's what I've been telling them every day," Price said. "I think the strength of our team is how well they work together and play as a team. It's going to make us hard to beat."

Price has three pitchers with different styles and abilities that are going to be a huge asset to the 2016 edition of Lady Bulldog softball.

"We have a good mix of pitching in McKenna Adams, Kaylee Fink and Lauren Beason," Price said. "They will do a good job of mixing up their speeds and keeping hitters off balance."

"Another thing I like about this group is that they are very team oriented. They are very, very unselfish," the coach said.

"And, it's probably the strongest lineup 1-9 of hitters I've

ever had," Price continued. "There is not a weak spot in our lineup."

"I think I could put any one of them in the lineup at any time to come up with big hits," she said. "I also have several players that can come off the bench to pinch hit and pinch run at any time."

Another key ingredient to this year's club is the outstanding senior leadership from Beason, Jones, Adams, Hinkle, Hamm and Humbarger.

"I feel that's where it all starts and we have a good group that has played for me all four years. They are hungry to be in the State Tournament."

The Lady Bulldogs have multiple athletes that can play multiple positions.

"We have good speed in the outfield and we have good instincts in the infield," Price said. "We will be solid defensively."

Overall: "I think we will win a lot of games just for the fact that this group is willing to put each other before themselves."

"I think this team will be a building block to turn our program around. We are going to start to see a difference in the Lexington softball program," Price concluded.

The Lady Bulldogs opened the season on the road at Little Axe Monday.



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Leadership team

Tammi Coker and her Ambassador Leadership Summit participants.

Coker returns from Leadership Summit

Tammi Coker, a teacher at Lexington Middle School, just returned from teaching an Ambassador Leadership Summit at Yale University July 29-August 6.

Mrs. Coker team taught with 11 other teachers and taught students from the United States as well as Canada, China, Philippines, Albania, Fiji and Mexico. She helped students discover the key steps to constructing an effective Community Action Plan, and helped her team of students learn and develop a Lead2Feed project based off the book "Taking People With You" by David Novak, CEO of YUM! Brands.

They pushed their limits during a hands on team building experience at Pine Lake Challenge Course. As a team, they solved problems and overcame obstacles together. They listened and were inspired to make their own path by motivational speaker, Sunjay Nath.

They gave back to the community through a hands on service project of creating literacy kits led by United Way. They visited a Yale landmark, Peabody Museum of Natural History, one of the oldest, largest and most prolific university history museums in the world. They explored the Yale campus with an educational, yet entertaining, tour taking in its unique history and traditions.

They took part in a Yale college life presentation to gain insights into the college admissions process. They created a team identity, Thunder, researched the issue of hunger and other community needs and came up with Vertical Farming as their Big Goal as well as finishing their project

with their team.

They created two slogans, "I-B Pro Farm" and "Zhong Zhi Cheng Cheng" which means in Chinese "A lot of people get together and make things successful."

They developed a vision and action plan for their project and identified the people they would need to take with them to achieve their Big Goal of Vertical Farming. They presented their projects, created and performed a four minute commercial and got feedback so they could take it with them and make a difference in their home community.

They learned how to gain control of their life, resist peer pressure, and achieve personal success during a fun and interactive workshop, "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens." The workshop helped them with sharing their vision in a confident and compelling way and how to overcome the barriers for success. They learned a must have skill for today's workforce and global community when they took part in the Global Youth Panel and examined how they could be more aware and effective in cross-cultural settings.

They traveled via a private motor coach to New York City to explore Lower Manhattan and Wall Street during a guided tour. They paid tribute at the 9/11 Memorial, enjoyed the famed Central Park and immersed themselves in the sights and sounds of bustling Times Square.

They watched a documentary called "He Named Me Malala" about a Pakistani teenager that the Taliban tried to kill for speaking out on behalf of girls' education. She is

the youngest ever Nobel Peace Prize Laureate. It spoke of the challenges and responsibilities of leadership.

It was a successful summit and it was hard to bid them farewell. However, Mrs. Coker is very excited to hear about their successes in the

near future when they have implemented their vertical farming service project back home. She looks forward to implementing a service project in her community with her students this year and guiding them with the leadership skills they need to be successful.

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Washington:

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If you need a ride to and from a VA Medical Appointment, please contact Clayton Lee at 405-550-8806 Extension 105.

To schedule a visit for Tuesdays, please contact Helen at

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We are at Faith Pointe Baptist Church each Thursday morning at 7 a.m. and located at 3404 NW 36th in Norman. Please contact Dale with any questions at 405-550-8806 Extension 101 or dalekgrahamveteranscorner@gmail.com or Shirley Clark-Cowdin for spouse benefits at Extension 104. Visit our website at www.dalekgrahamveteranscorner.org. Semper Fi!

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Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

By Deacon John Warren, Pastoral Associate

Mary, Hope of Christians

On August 15 every year, we join the Church's celebration of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. How can we relate to Mary? Is there anything in our lives which resembles hers? Imagine a young Galilean teen. She has an infant son. She had given birth in an outdoor shelter or cave among animals found in a barnyard. She and her husband Joseph will have to flee into Egypt to avoid the murder of their son. She will undergo the nightmare of losing him while traveling. She will find him in the temple teaching the elders.

She will come to the realization that his life will be guided by a vision beyond her understanding. She will learn his teachings and will be his first disciple. She will see him unjustly accused time and again. She will be powerless to prevent his suffering. She

will witness his death and hold his dead body in her maternal embrace. She will experience wrenching maternal grief.

There had been a temptation on the part of some to see Mary as more than human and removed from the daily life of Christians. In response Pope Paul VI issued a letter with the title: "Truly Our Sister" which assured us that the Blessed Virgin Mary is truly our sister and thus closer to us than some of us had realized. Many Christians from the earliest times have believed that Mary, at the end of her life, was assumed, that is, taken directly to heaven to be with her Son for all eternity - the Assumption of Mary which we still celebrate.

Believing that Mary was the first disciple they also believed that she was the first disciple to enter heaven. She was and is a sign of hope for the rest of us. As she spends eternity with her

Son in heaven, so we too are offered the promise of heaven if we believe and follow her Son.

This year there will be no obligation to come to Mass on August 15. Because it falls on a Monday, the American bishops excuse us from Mass attendance on that day.

Fr. Jim will return in a few days from his time away. Religious Education will start on September 7. Those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, and those interested in becoming Catholics are invited to join us on Tuesday, September 6, at 7 p.m. in the parish hall (4th & Jefferson).

Our weekly Mass schedule: Saturday at 5 p.m. (English), Sunday at 11 a.m. (English) and 1 p.m. (Spanish).

For more information, call the church office at 527-3077 or visit our parish website at ourladyofvictorypurcell.org. And follow us on Facebook.

Lexington Westside Church of Christ

Good week to all. Welcome to the "front porch."

We began our journey through the New Testament this past Lord's Day there in downtown Lexington; and I hope you will join us in these Matthew studies and the books beyond along the way. We should be on the road for two years, Lord willing.

The purpose of Matthew's gospel is abundantly clear from the very beginning: His gospel is penned to convince the Jews of that day, in particular, of the truth and authenticity of Jesus, the Christ.

His is a "Messianic" gospel because it presents Jesus from that very first step in the journey as the Messiah that has long been prophesied in the Old Testament. Even though the Jews as a nation have rejected the Lord - "He came unto his own and his own received him not," John 1:11 -- this Jewish man, the tax collector, is a firm believer in our Lord, perhaps even before the Lord begins His ministry.

I tend to believe that Matthew gives his account of the work of John the Baptist in the third chapter as an eyewitness reporter. It is very possible there, down in Judea, a hundred miles from his Capernaum home, that the good apostle's faith takes root. He writes of these events: "Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judea, and all the region round about Jordan, And were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins" (vs. 5-6).

While Matthew does not identify himself as part of this crowd of baptized converts, the next gospel - the book of Mark - shows that Matthew certainly becomes an early disciple of our Lord, suggesting that he very well could have been in

that crowd listening to the great Baptizer's gospel!

We know from all three of the synoptic gospels that, early on in the Lord's ministry in Capernaum, that when the Lord "passed by, he saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting at the receipt of custom, and said unto him, Follow me. And he arose and followed him." All three writers go on to report that Jesus goes immediately to Levi's house where "many publicans and sinners sat also together with Jesus and his disciples ..."

This "Levi," of course, is the apostle Matthew! (Matthew 9:9-13; Mark 2:14; Luke 5:29).

Matthew's first act as a disciple is a beautiful thing, indeed. He takes Jesus home with him, and he invites many of his friends - and probably their friends, too - to meet the Lord. The writer the Lord chooses to pen the first gospel is a devout believer, and Matthew is not going to keep that faith locked away in a closet, by any means.

While Matthew's northern home in Capernaum is a long distance from the southern region of Judea where John had baptized, we understand that as a faithful Jew Matthew would make the pilgrimage to Jerusalem at least once a year to fulfill his obligation to the Law.

There is no record of when and how Matthew first hears the story of Jesus and begins to piece together the great tapestry of Old Testament prophecy; but he would have done so long before the Lord makes his appearance in his hometown of Capernaum. We have to think that perhaps the Lord will share many, many of the stories of men's monumental meeting of Jesus when we gather around God's throne one day.

What a blessing it must have

been for Matthew to have the commission of the Holy Spirit to pen his gospel, perhaps the first published. He sets out with a steady hand and an unwavering conviction to tell the story of Jesus Christ. He likely tells his story within a quarter of a century of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection.

Matthew, truly, is a ready scribe. He tells the world's great story from blistering sermons he had heard from the rugged John the Baptist, no doubt. He tells it as he himself researched and investigated the old scriptures to see how the Lord's story matches up beautifully. And he tells it as he walks and talks with Jesus as a firsthand eyewitness for the better part of three years. He watched in amazement so many great events in that busy three-year period that - as John writes in the very last thought of his gospel - "the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen" (John 21:25).

Matthew is as good of a witness as we could ever hope to find, rivaled only, perhaps, by men such as Peter, James, and John whom the Lord allows a few intimate views of Himself that even the other nine are not always allowed. Matthew writes with both the authority of an apostle who walks with the Lord and - more importantly - one who has the inspiration of the Holy Spirit flowing from his pen (John 14:26).

We feel the power of Matthew's pen, too, when he sets out to establish his "thesis," and we sense the clarity of his objective in his inspired opening: "The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham" (1:1).

As a Jew, the great apostle

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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

Grace Full Gospel Light House Church

Grace Full Gospel Light House Church, 303 E 2nd St., in Lindsay will have revival services August 11-13 with Fivefold Ministries from Enid.

A ministry team from Enid will be joining the Rev. Jess and Hadassah Bline from Fivefold Ministries Association as they minister in music, preaching and prayer each night.

Services will begin at 6:30 p.m. each evening. Pastor Martha Mitchell invites all to attend. Come and see what blessing the Lord has for you.

For more information call (580) 467-3935.

Bowman Methodist Church

Greetings to all our friends and readers and what a glorious day Sunday it was for church services. Next Sunday, August 14, will be our anniversary service starting at 3 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and join us for this wonderful event. After services we will adjourn to the Fellowship Hall for punch and cake.

The pastor, Cleo Bryan, was right on target with his message of Faith Street from the Bible. The scripture was from Proverbs 18:16 and Isaiah 43:1-2. On the road of life we have faith, but when something happens we want to go and do things our way and try to fix the problem ourselves. The Pastor has a lot of stories and this is one he used to get the point across about faith.

One day a man was driving his car down the road and came to a stop sign. He just sat there and when he went to take off he met a diesel truck head on that killed him instantly. The man went to heaven and was immediately met by Apostle Peter.

Of course, the man asked why he was there. Apostle Peter explained to him what he did and what got him there to heaven. He was anxious for him to meet the Lord, and as they were going down the hallway of heaven the man noticed different doors with people's names on them. He noticed his name was on one of them. He wanted

to go into his room but Apostle Peter wanted him to go forward to meet the Lord.

The man kept insisting on going to his room. Apostle Peter asked him if he really wanted to go there. He was determined to go to his room so he went in. When entering the room he saw shelves with boxes on them with his name on every box. The man asked why the boxes were there with his name on them. Apostle Peter responded that these are boxes with blessings in them that the man never received.

He explained to him that he was too busy while on earth to walk the street faith; he was doubtful; he was worrying about things all the time. The man responded all these blessings for me that I didn't get and other people with the boxes in their rooms didn't receive their blessings either?

You have got to stay the course and God will take care of you. You have got to stay the faith street. You don't have to worry about things. God will take care of you. You have got to be thankful for the blessings you receive and not be worrying about when you will get the blessings and what blessings you will receive.

You need to be rich with the Lord with his blessings and be thankful for being healed. Don't doubt God and think that He will bless someone else. Look to the Lord and don't be

doubtful. God has given each and every one a gift. It is not up to someone to tell you what gift your gift is. It is up to you to find out what it is.

God has something planned for you. Don't worry about protection because God has a hedge around you. When God delivers his blessings he delivers them on his time. It may not be your time, but it is His time. If you have faith in God, pray more than one time a day; pray until you can't pray any more. You will feel more connected to God.

The road of faith is hard. When you cut yourself you can wash the cut, cleanse it and bandage it and see healing. Street faith is something you can't see. Faith can get you up in the morning; faith can get you through the day and faith can put you down at night. Faith is linked to Jesus Christ the Son of God.

Proverbs 18:16 A man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men. Isaiah 43:1-2 Fear not: for I have redeemed you; I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee; when thou walkest through the fire, thou shall not be burned.

Remember this coming Sunday to join us for anniversary service at 3 p.m. Hope to see you there. God bless you.

Johnson Road Baptist Church

A husband and wife from Norman were driving down I-35 and passed by Johnson Road Baptist Church. They pulled off the interstate at Johnson Road, made a left turn at the underpass and drove a short distance north to the church. Marcus and Gloria decided they could help the church physically, prayerfully and financially. They were a great blessing to the church. They also were blessed by the love of the church members. It was a wonderful uniting of fellow Christians.

Our prayers are with the parents, students, teachers, coaches, cafeteria workers, bus drivers and administrators as they begin a new school year.

The children provided special music. Gynean Gentry and Wilma Turner provided the special for morning worship.

Scripture text for morning sermon was taken from Genesis 21:14-20. The congregation was asked to remember the occasions when they lost

something or had been lost. We spend several minutes each day searching for our lost glasses, keys or clothing. The feeling of being lost produces frustration, fear and disgust. The negative sensations that come with a loss are reversed with celebrations of recovered items.

The story of Abraham giving Hagar and her teenage son Ishmael bread and a bottle of water and sending them into the wilderness will break your heart. The story increases your sadness when the bottle of water runs dry, death is approaching, and both mother and son are crying. Hagar had lost all hope of survival.

God hadn't abandoned Hagar and her son. God heard their crying. He opened their eyes. He provided them water. He proclaimed a great future for the young son.

We can learn a lesson from the story of Hagar and her son Ishmael. No matter how dark today may be, God never loses track of our journey and status

in life. God knows when we are crying out for help. He provides an abundance of refreshing living water.

Sunday evening the discussion was Genesis 3. In the Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve were led astray by the craftiness of the old serpent, the Devil. The old serpent hasn't gone away; he still slithers his way into our life. We listen to his convincing proposals, partake of the forbidden fruit, and suffer the consequences.

When confronted with our nakedness, we hide, dress and blame someone else for our problems. God is forced to close the door to an eternal life of sin and open the door to eternal life of restoration through Jesus.

Sermon titles for this Sunday are "What Can I Give?" and "Climb Down."

The monthly business meeting is Wednesday, August 10.

Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship begins at 11 a.m.



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Clothing the community

Volunteers at First Baptist Church in Purcell have built a ministry around used clothing and household goods. In the front row from left are Jean Carleton, Ernestine Cavnar, Lois Beam and Carolyn Harrison. In the back row from left are Julie Burgess, Eulene Webster, Angela Byrd and Jo Anderson. Not pictured are Wilma Bennett and Gale Wilson.

More than clothes

Volunteers at First Baptist call clothes closet a ministry

Jeanne Grimes
The Purcell Register

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

— Matthew 25:35-36

Taking their lead from Scripture, volunteers at Purcell's First Baptist Church have been clothing about 130 families a month for more than nine years.

To them, it is more than giving away donated clothing and household goods.

It is a ministry in every sense of the word.

The clothes closet ladies may be few in number. But they are mighty in spirit.

They include Jo Anderson, Ernestine Cavnar, Eulene Webster, Julie Burgess, Carolyn Harrison, Lois Beam, Jean Carleton, Wilma Bennett and Gale Wilson.

Since 2008, they have been open for business Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings, as well as the third Monday evening of the month which is the church's medical clinic night.

The rules are simple.

Anyone can get clothes so long as they have a photo ID.

And along with the clothing, the ladies hand out gospel tracts

and leftover materials from the church's Sunday School classes.

"You hope to win souls," Beam said.

Recipients can walk out once a month with a large 13-gallon trash bag filled with as much clothing as will fit.

The volunteers use a simple record-keeping system on index cards, listing recipients by name and date of last visit to the clothes closet.

Although many Hispanics utilize the clothes closet — "when they come from Mexico, the just have the clothes on their backs," Webster said — the majority of clients are Caucasian.

They receive referrals from local schools when teachers and staff notice that children have few clothes or come to school without shoes or coats.

And they've clothed a goodly number of recently released prisoners from the McClain County Detention Center.

The clothes closet accepts all manner of donations, ranging from clothing, shoes and linens to holiday decorations and large appliances.

Garments that still have wear in them come in by the bag and box. They are sized, placed on hangers and appropriate rack.

Items that are too worn or torn go to the Senior Citizens Center which raises money selling them to a rag dealer.

Sometimes people come in with a need that the clothes closet can't meet. A volunteer takes the individual's contact information and without fail, within days a donation arrives that includes just what the person or family needs.

It's a God thing, the volunteers agree.

"He knows what we need and He provides it," Webster said.

If there's a downside to their ministry, the women said, it's that some people in the community "don't know we're here."

There is always a need for men's clothes and Anderson said the closet could use donations of linens and dishes.

"We appreciate all donations," Beam added.

The women say some people in the community are repeat donors of clothing and other items.

Those donors tell them they give to the clothes closet because they know there is no charge for whatever goes out the door.

Webster is a former church member who now attends church in Goldsby.

But she can't imagine not volunteering at the clothes closet.

Unable to drive due to a vision problem, she gets a ride from Burgess, a fellow Goldsby church member.

"I just look forward to Thursday mornings to see everybody," she said.

Veteran's Corner SH 9

Helping a Fellow Veteran

For years, Marine Corps veteran Earl Wright felt forgotten. Wright, 68, of Lexington, enlisted in 1965, shortly after graduating high school. He did a tour in Vietnam serving several months on a minesweeper team. Yet, when Wright's deployment ended and his state-

news that, at times, still brings him to tears. "I couldn't believe it," Wright said.

The credit union hosted an auction and casino night to honor Wright and three other Oklahoma veterans, with a goal of raising \$40,000 to help adapt their homes to accommodate their disabilities. Plans called for Wright, who has trouble walking, to receive a wheelchair ramp.

Veterans Corner recently nominated Wright for the renovation. In 2007, shortly after quitting his job of 25 years in heating and air conditioning due to a heart attack, Wright asked the Veterans Corner to help him write a disability claim for his wartime service. Two years later, the Veterans Corner asked him to become a volunteer. From 2009 until recently, Wright volunteered every Monday and Thursday to help other veterans.

In March, doctors diagnosed Wright with an aggressive form of leukemia. Although Wright isn't able to volunteer anymore, Veterans Corner has continued to support him during his fight against cancer. Through tears, Wright explained that Veterans Corner had brought him a motorized wheelchair, a walker, and he had received many visits

and phone calls from the fellow veterans he met there.

"We are so thankful to help support veterans like Earl Wright through our partnership with TFCU," said Chairman Alfred Hollis. "It's a joy to help give back to those who volunteered to serve our country. Their sacrifices will never be forgotten," he added.

Sam's Club Visits Veterans Corner

Dottie Cooper and Amanda McNeese from Sam's Club, one of the sponsors of Veterans Corner, came by to let everyone know about the special membership benefits offered to veterans. They offer a discount when a veteran signs up or renews their membership. Dottie and Amanda will be at Veterans Corner the first Thursday of every month to answer any questions or help fill out a membership form. You can also reach them by phone at (405) 307-8232 to find out more.

Transportation Available
Veterans Corner has three vans available to transport veterans to their medical appointments. If you need help getting to or from a medical

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Church:

knows that every Jew will expect the Messiah to come forth directly from both the patriarch Abraham and the king David. He lays those two facts before the minds of every reader as soon as they take the sacred

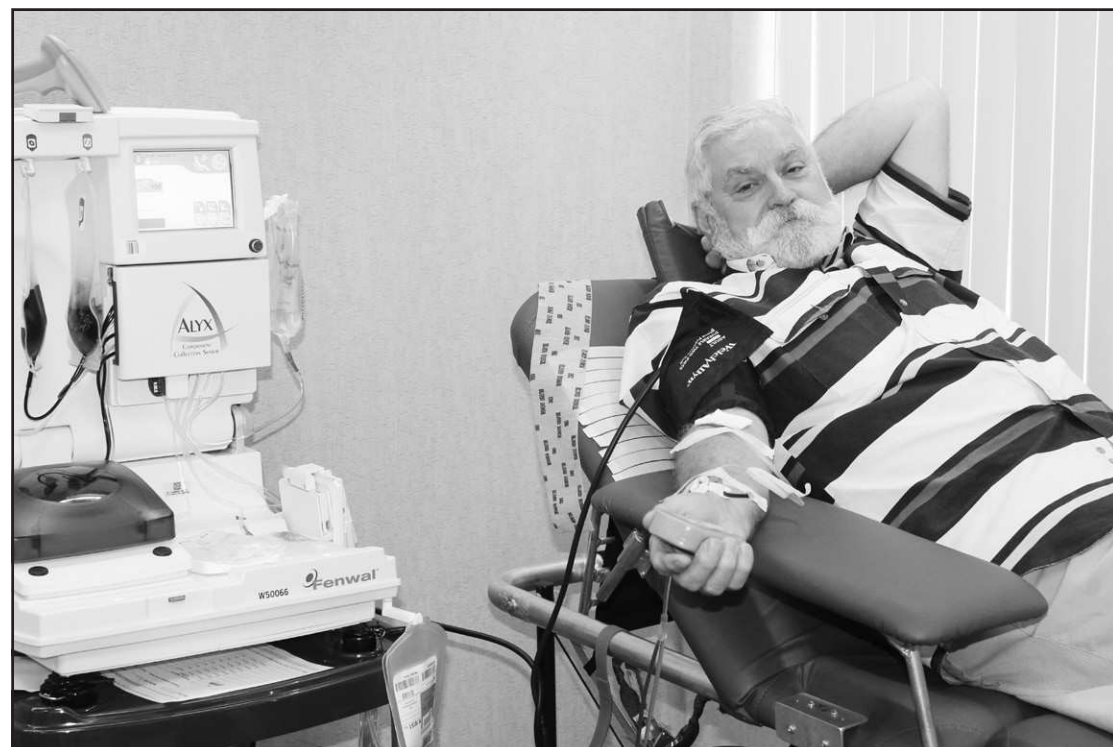
scroll in their hands, unfold it, and read its inaugural declaration. Then for 28 chapters Matthew stays with that theme faithfully.

We are thrilled here now to be able to see it and enjoy the

clarity of his purpose and the strength of his conviction every step in the journey.

Come go with us!

Note: If you have Facebook, you can follow our journey under Steven Ray Bowen.



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Giving life's blood

Bob Schneider takes time from his Handlebar Saddle & Leather Repair business on August 3 to donate blood at the Purcell Fire Station.



Earl Wright

side flight landed in California in 1969, he wasn't welcomed home by his country. "When we got home, people wouldn't even acknowledge that we were there," Wright said.

Three weeks ago, Wright received a call from Tinker Federal Credit Union (TFCU) with

No. 546-August 11-1 Time
PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIRED BY SECTION 25(e)(5) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND REGULATION 1.25-77 TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE REGARDING QUALIFIED MORTGAGE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM OF THE MCCLAIN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

OVERVIEW OF MORTGAGE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The McClain County Economic Development Authority (herein "Authority") has authorized a Program for qualified home buyers within the County whereby such Authority will issue Qualified Mortgage Credit Certificates to such qualifying Home Buyers within the County which will enable them to receive an annual federal income tax credit with respect to their federal income taxes so long as the original mortgage is on the home and the Homeowner continues to live in the home for which the Mortgage Credit Certificate was issued. The Authority has entered into a contract with the MCC Administration Corporation ("Program Administrator") to administer the program. This tax credit is a dollar-for-dollar reduction in the qualifying Homeowner's federal income tax due, not just a deduction from gross income. An explanation of the eligibility requirements for this Mortgage Credit Certificate is contained within this notice and you should review it carefully to see if you qualify.

AMOUNT OF QUALIFYING HOME BUYER'S FEDERAL INCOME TAX CREDIT

A holder of a Qualified Mortgage Credit Certificate issued by the Authority under the Program is entitled to a federal income tax credit equaling 50% of the interest paid on the certified indebtedness amount up to \$100,000 on the holder's home loan during that particular tax year in question. However, such qualifying Home Buyer Certificate holder is limited by Federal law to a \$2,000 per year income tax credit. Therefore, for example, if the holder paid \$4,000 of interest on the certified indebtedness amount up to \$100,000 on his or her home loan during the applicable tax year, then such holder would receive an income tax credit of \$2,000 (that is, 50% of \$4,000) and such Certificate holder would thus pay \$2,000 less in federal income taxes for the particular tax year than without the Mortgage Credit Certificate, subject to certain adjustments. **The amount of tax credit will vary depending on the interest rate on each loan and is limited to 50% of the interest paid on the first \$100,000 of the home loan which is the certified indebtedness amount and a maximum of \$2,000 per year. See the certified indebtedness amount on each individual certificate.**

HOW AND WHERE TO APPLY FOR THE MORTGAGE CREDIT CERTIFICATE

The Mortgage Credit Certificate Program is available to persons who are purchasing a home and obtaining a loan thereon for a house in the County which is to be used as his or her principal residence. Therefore, one should apply for the Program at the Mortgage Lender of the applicant's choice, however, such lending institution need not be located within the County. If the Mortgage Lender you contact does not have information concerning the Program, such information can be obtained by contacting MCC Administration Corporation at (405) 364-6565 or P.O. Box 1568, Norman, Oklahoma 73070. Therefore, a Home Buyer should contact a bank, savings and loan association or other mortgage lender to apply for a loan and work with the lending officer of such institution and the Program Administrator. Upon qualifying for a Mortgage Credit Certificate, such instrument will be issued by the Program Administrator. Thereafter, the Home Buyer will file a copy of the Certificate with IRS Form 8396 and IRS Form 1040. The Homeowner should thereafter be able to claim this credit every year as long as he or she lives in the home and is paying on the mortgage.

DURATION OF THE MORTGAGE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Persons may obtain Mortgage Credit Certificates under the Program until December 31, 2018. Persons receiving MCC's may be required to rebate to the Federal Government a portion of the federal subsidy represented by such tax credit upon resale of the related residence within the first nine years of the loan. The MCC Program will remain until December 31, 2018, or until the maximum amount of MCC's available through the Program have been issued.

FEATURES AND LIMITATIONS ON CREDIT

A Mortgage Credit Certificate holder is allowed to take the tax credit each tax year, so long as he/she continues to live in the home for which the Mortgage Credit Certificate was issued. In addition

tion to the tax credit, a Mortgage Credit Certificate holder is still able to take the standard mortgage interest deduction. That deduction is limited, however, to the mortgage interest paid during the year minus the amount of the tax credit for that year. For instance, if the Home Buyer paid \$4,000 of mortgage interest on the certified indebtedness amount for the year and receives a \$2,000 MCC tax credit, the taxpayer can also deduct \$2,000 (\$4,000-\$2,000) of mortgage interest from gross income for the year. If a holder's tax liability is less than the amount of the credit for the year, it may be possible for the unused portion of the tax credit to be carried forward.

COSTS OF MORTGAGE CREDIT CERTIFICATES

The Homeowner must pay a one-time Mortgage Credit Certificate origination fee of \$1,000 to the Program Administrator at the time of the closing of the loan. There will also be an annual Program administration fee of \$180 per year, and collected by the Program Administrator on a monthly basis from the Homeowner. The annual fee of \$180 is fixed for the first seven years of the loan, but may be increased annually thereafter by the Program Administrator but not to exceed 5% per year.

ADDITIONAL FACTS ABOUT MORTGAGE CREDIT CERTIFICATES

Before you decide to apply for a Mortgage Credit Certificate there are several features of Mortgage Credit Certificates that you should keep in mind. First, the tax credit is only available as long as you continue to live in the house financed in connection with the Mortgage Credit Certificate. You are required to notify the Program Administrator when you move and/or refinance your house. When you move, the Certificate is automatically revoked and you are no longer entitled to the tax credit. If you refinance your home, the Certificate will be revoked unless you make arrangements ahead of time with the Administrator to qualify the refinance for a reissuance of the Mortgage Credit Certificate. Call the Administrator for details. Second, a Mortgage Credit Certificate may be transferable. For information in regard to this, contact the Program Administrator before you sell the home. Third, if you make any misrepresentations about your eligibility for the Program you risk serious consequences. Your Mortgage Credit Certificate may be revoked as a result of the misrepresentation. Further, a misrepresentation may result in a fine of up to \$10,000 in addition to any criminal penalties imposed by law.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT OF THE MORTGAGE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

In order to qualify for the Program, Federal Law requires that a Home Buyer satisfy each of the following guidelines:

1. First Time Home Buyer Requirement (The Three Year Requirement): The Program and federal law require that MCC's be issued only to "first time home buyers", unless the home lays within a "targeted area". Since McClain County is an all "non-targeted area," the first time homebuyer requirement applies to all MCC's issued in McClain County. The First Time Home Buyer requirement is that the home buyer have had no present ownership interest in a principal residence at any time during the three year period prior to the date on which the mortgage on the home is executed.

2. Targeted Area Set Aside Requirement: At least twenty percent (20%) of the tax credit provided by MCC's will be devoted to residences located within Targeted Areas of the County for at least one year after the date MCC's are first made available. Since all of McClain County is a "non-targeted area", the set aside requirement does not apply.

3. Home Buyer Income Requirement: Federal law imposes a "family income" limit on home buyers receiving MCC's. "Family income" is the anticipated total income from all sources received by the family head and spouse (even if temporarily absent) and by each additional member of the family, including salary and wages, as well as overtime, dividends, housing allowances, alimony, public assistance, social security, unemployment compensation and investment income and profits for the 12-month period beginning the date of the issuance of the MCC to the Home Buyer, exclusive of income that is temporary, non-recurring or sporadic. An income work sheet making determination of "family income" which is signed by the Home Buyer is attached to and included within the sworn affidavit of the Home Buyer.

The Program income limits are as follows:
Non-Target Area
Family of 2 or less; \$64,400
Family of 3 or more; \$74,060

4. Purchase Price: Federal Law imposes certain purchase price limitations. The maximum purchase price limitations are as follows:
New House; Existing House
Non-Target Area
\$214,925; \$214,925

5. Principal Residence: Federal Law requires that the Home Buyer must occupy the home as a principal residence within 60 days after the financing is provided.

A principal residence is a home occupied primarily for residential purposes. A principal residence does not include a home used as an investment property, as a recreation home or a home 15% or more of the total area of which is used in a trade or business. Further, if the Home Owner ceases to use the residence as his principal residence for a period in excess of twelve (12) months, no deduction shall be allowed for mortgage interest accruing after the first day in such twelve month period.

6. Single Family Home: The residence financed must be a one-family residence. This includes a detached home, one unit of a duplex, a townhouse or condominium unit. Manufactured housing or mobile homes qualify only if the unit has at least 400 square feet of living space, if it is more than 102 inches wide, if it is permanently affixed to the real property and is not classified as personal property under Oklahoma law. Land adjoining the home is considered part of the home only if it maintains the home's livability and is not, other than incidentally, a source of income to the owner. The purchase price includes all amounts paid for the home including the cost of completion. For example, you may not agree to pay extra for a refrigerator or drapes so that the stated purchase price is low enough to qualify. The purchase price does not include legitimate settlement and financing costs or the value of the land if you have owned it for more than two years before beginning construction of the home.

7. New Mortgage: The mortgage loan financed in connection with issuance of a Mortgage Credit Certificate must be a new mortgage and may not replace a prior mortgage of the Certificate holder on the home (whether or not previously repaid).

8. Program Area: In order to be eligible for a Certificate, the home financed under the Program must be located within this County.

9. Prohibited Loans: Under the Program, any type of loan will qualify with two exceptions. First, a loan from a lender who is considered to be a "related person" to the Home Owner for tax purposes will not qualify. Second, a loan funded from the proceeds of a tax-exempt bond issue will not qualify.

10. First Come, First Served Nature of Program: Under the Program, Mortgage Credit Certificates will be issued to eligible Home Buyers on a first come, first served basis. Only loans closed on or after November 11, 2016, are eligible for the Program. MCC's must be issued by December 31, 2018.

11. Non-Discriminatory Nature of Program: The Program will be administered without regard to race, sex or national origin or other applicable Federal parameters prescribed by law relating to discrimination.

For further information with respect to the Program, please contact a local mortgage lender, a local realtor or the Program Administrator: MCC Administration Corporation at (405) 364-6565, P.O. Box 1568, Norman, Oklahoma 73070.

MCCLAIN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN AUTHORITY

By: s/s: Chairman

No. 501-July 28-3 Times
SA1301(2014)
68 O.S. § 3135

NOTICE TO SELL COUNTY PROPERTY ACQUIRED AT RESALE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the receipt of bid, that I, Teresa Jones, County Treasurer of McClain County, Oklahoma, will on the 16 day of August 2016, beginning at 10:00 am at my office in Purcell, Oklahoma sell separately the hereinafter described tracts, parcels, or lots of land, all situated in McClain County, Oklahoma and heretofore acquired by said county at the resale authorized by 68 O.S. § 3125. Following the description of each property separately offered for sale is the name of the bidder and the amount bid as follows:

Description; Bidder; Amount Bid
0000-29-07N-04W-0-023-00
150'X150' ON SE/C SE SE SE.
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JEC LAND TRUST, C/O ERIC HERM TRUSTEE, DATED APRIL 16, 2015

\$51.00
The said properties will be separately sold to the highest competitive bidder, for cash in hand, or to the original bidder at the amount bid if there be no higher bid offered, subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners. The apportioned cost of advertisement and other expense incident to the said sale shall be paid by the purchaser, in addition to the amount bid upon said properties.

Witness my hand this 28 day of July, 2016.

/s/ Teresa Jones
County Treasurer

No. 548-August 11-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES
OF CLAY GOLDSBY, Deceased,
And NORMA McCABE, Deceased.

Case No. PB-16-69
COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS, NOTICE OF HEARING UPON THE PETITION FOR SUMMARY ADMINISTRATION, AND THE FINAL ACCOUNTING, DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, AND DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estates of Clay Goldsby, Deceased, and Norma McCabe, Deceased, that on the 5th day of August, 2016, Kristina Klatt and Mary K. McCabe-Klatt produced in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, a Petition for Summary Administration praying that the heirs of said decedents be determined by the Court, and that the Court approve the final accounting, distribution and discharge. Clay Goldsby died on the 15th day of September, 1965. At the time of his death, he resided in McClain County. Clay Goldsby died without a will. The probable value of Clay Goldsby's estate is less than \$200,000.00. Norma McCabe died on the 29th day of May, 2013. At the time of her death, she resided in McClain County. Norma McCabe died with a will. The probable value of Norma McCabe's estate is less than \$200,000.00.

The name, known address, age, and relationship of the only heir of Clay Goldsby is listed below:

NAME; AGE; RELATIONSHIP; ADDRESS

Norma G. McCabe; Legal; Daughter, now deceased; N/A

The names, ages, relationships, and known addresses of and relationship of the only heirs and devisees of Norma Goldsby are listed below:

NAME; AGE; RELATIONSHIP; ADDRESS

Kristina McCabe; Legal; Daughter; 5714 Balsam St., Arvada, CO 80002

Mary K. McCabe Klatt; Legal; Daughter; 8990 Garland Ct., Westminster, CO 80021

Norma G. McCabe Family Trust; N/A; Inter Vivos Trust and Devisee; Norma G. McCabe Family Trust, C/O Kristina McCabe Co-Trustee, 5714 Balsam St., Arvada, CO 80002; and C/O Mary K. McCabe Klatt, Co-Trustee, 8990 Garland Ct., Westminster, CO 80021

The name, known addresses, and age of the petitioners herein, who pray to be named co-administrators and co-personal representatives, are listed below:

NAME; AGE; RELATIONSHIP; ADDRESS

Kristina McCabe; Legal; Daughter; 5714 Balsam St., Arvada, CO 80002

Mary K. McCabe Klatt; Legal; Daughter; 8990 Garland Ct., Westminster, CO 80021

That if any objection is filed before the 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.

That the claim of any creditor will be barred unless said claim is presented to the Kristina McCabe and Mary K. McCabe Klatt, c/o Ryan P. DeArman, 2512 N. Moore Ave., Moore, OK 73160 on or before September 6th, 2016, or the same will be forever barred.

Pursuant to an Order this Court made on the 5th day of August, 2016 notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of October, 2016, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., the Petition will be heard at the District County Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma.

CHARLES GRAY
ASSOCIATE
DISTRICT JUDGE
JUDGE OF THE
DISTRICT COURT

/s/ Ryan P. DeArman
Ryan P. DeArman, OBA #18691
2520 N. Moore Avenue
Moore, OK 73160
(405) 501-7640 Phone
(405) 445-3023 Cell
rdearman@cox.net
Attorney for Petitioner

No. 542-August 4-2 Times
Bid Advertisement: Washington Public Schools 2015 Bond Projects

Owner: Washington Public Schools
Construction Manager: Goldsby Construction

Solicitation For Bidders For: New Gymnasium Project
Solicitation Date: July 21st, 2016

Bid Date, Time & Place:
- Date: August 18th, 2016 At 2:00pm(Revised)

- Re-Bid Deadline: 2:00pm CDST

- Place: Washington Public Schools
101 E. Kerby Avenue
Washington, OK 73093

All Project Information may be obtained from Goldsby Construction:

Project Contact: Tyler Graves
Goldsby Construction
Project Manager

Cell: (405) 313-8313
Tyler@GoldsbyConstruction.com

No. 538-August 4-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
WITHIN AND FOR
MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc.,
Plaintiff,

vs.
Auther L. Noland aka Authur L. Noland and Sherah A. Noland aka Sherah Ann Curran, et al.,
Defendants.

Case No. CJ-2016-32
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
NOTICE IS GIVEN that on the 6th day of September, 2016, at 10 o'clock A.M., of that day at the County Courthouse in the City of Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, the undersigned Sheriff of McClain County will offer for sale and sell, with appraisalment, for cash at public auction to the highest and best bidder, all that certain real estate situated in McClain County, Oklahoma, described as follows, to-wit:

A tract of land being a part of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Fourteen (14), Township Seven (7) North, Range Three (3) West, of the I.M., McClain County, Oklahoma, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the NE/corner of the NE/4 of said Section 14; thence South 89° 21'00" West along the North line of said NE/4 a distance of 290.3 feet to the place or point of beginning; thence South 00° 33'07" East a distance of 435.60 feet; thence South 89° 21'00" West a distance of 150.00 feet; thence North 00° 33'07" West a distance of 435.61 feet; thence North 89° 21'00" East a distance of 150.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; and

No. 511-July 28-3 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
KIMBERLY A. YEARY, a single person,
Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF MAHALA E. BROWN aka MAHALA E. BROWN aka MAHALIA BROWN aka MAHALA BROWN, deceased; THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF IRA LLOYD BROWN, deceased; THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF JOANNA LYNN BROWN aka JOANNA BROWN, deceased; THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF MICHAEL J. BROWN, deceased; STATE OF OKLAHOMA, EX.REL. THE OKLAHOMA TAX COMMISSION, Defendants.

Case No. CV-2016-79
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:

THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF MAHALA E. BROWN aka MAHALA E. BROWN aka MAHALIA BROWN aka MAHALA BROWN, deceased; THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF IRA LLOYD BROWN, deceased; THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF GUY WILLIAM BROWN aka GUY BROWN, deceased; THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF JOANNA LYNN BROWN aka JOANNA BROWN, deceased; THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF MICHAEL J. BROWN, deceased

TRACT A
SURFACE ESTATE ONLY:

The South Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter

No. 525-August 4-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF BETTY HILL COOK,
Deceased.

Case No. PB-2016-68
NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR PROBATE
OF WILL, APPOINTMENT
OF CO-PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVES,
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS,
DEVISEES AND LEGATEES

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in the Estate of Betty Hill Cook, Deceased, that on the 2nd day of August 2016, there was produced and filed in the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, an instrument purporting to be a certified copy of the Will of Betty Hill Cook Deceased, dated May 19, 2008, and there was also filed in the Court the Petition of Ann Painter Sheeder and Sarah Hallowell Painter Bock, praying that the Will be admitted to probate, Letters Testamentary issued to them as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate, to serve without bond, for a judicial determination of the heirs, devisees and legatees of the Decedent.

Pursuant to an Order of this Court made on the 2nd day of August 2016, notice is given that the 1st day of September 2016, at 9:30 a.m., is the day and time that the Petition will be heard in the District Courtroom of the County Courthouse, Purcell, McClain County, Oklahoma, and all

2010 Skyline manufactured home,
VIN: Y6510153ZAB a/k/a
178 W. Redburn Rd.
Washington, OK 73093

subject to unpaid taxes and special assessments, if any.
Sale will be made pursuant to Special Execution and Order of sale issued in accordance with judgment and decree entered in the District Court of McClain County, Oklahoma, in Case No. CJ-2016-32 styled:

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc.,
Plaintiff,

vs.

Auther L. Noland aka Authur L. Noland and Sherah A. Noland aka Sherah Ann Curran, The Unknown Spouse of Auther L. Noland aka Authur L. Noland, The Unknown Spouse of Sherah A. Noland aka Sherah Ann Curran,
Defendants.

to satisfy the judgment and lien in the sum of \$ 156,732.80, and the costs of this action accrued and accruing, the total of the sums to bear interest at the legally allowed rate per annum until paid, whereof all of the sums remain unpaid.
Appraised at \$92,000.00.
WITNESS MY HAND this 1 day of August, 2016.

DON HEWETT
SHERIFF OF
MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
BY /s/ Don Hewett

Collin M. Hinds, OBA #17391
Hinds Law Firm, PC
1611 S. Denver Ave.
Tulsa, OK 74119
(918) 582-7472
(918) 592-4191
Attorney for Plaintiff

(S½ SW¼ NW¼ SW¼) of Section Twenty-six (26), Township Seven (7) North, Range Two (2) West, I.M., McClain County, Oklahoma.

AND
TRACT B
SURFACE ESTATE ONLY:

The North Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (N½ SW¼ NW¼ SW¼) of Section Twenty-six (26), Township Seven (7) North, Range Two (2) West, I.M., McClain County Oklahoma.

Plaintiff claims that you may claim some right, title, lien, estate, encumbrance, claim, assessment or interest in and to the surface estate of the above described real property adverse to Plaintiff which constitutes a cloud on the title to the above described real property, and that you have no right, title, lien, estate, encumbrance, claim, assessment or interest, either in law or in equity, in and to said property.

You are hereby notified that you have been sued and must answer the Petition filed by Plaintiff on or before the 9th day of September, 2016, or the allegations contained in said Petition will be taken as true and title will be quieted in the name of Plaintiff as reflected above as prayed for in Plaintiff's Petition. In such event, you will be adjudged and decreed to have no right, title, lien, estate, encumbrance, claim, assessment or interest, either in law or in equity, in and to said real property, and a decree quieting title in said real property in Plaintiff's name will be granted.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 22nd day of July, 2016.

KRISTEL GRAY, Court Clerk
McClain County, Oklahoma
By: /s/ Kathy Peterson
Deputy

/s/ Ted W. Haxel
Ted W. Haxel (OBA # 3997)
108 North Second Street
Post Office Box 367
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080-0367
(405) 527-5888 phone
(405) 527-6666 fax
haxellaw@aol.com
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

persons interested may appear and contest the same.

Witness, the undersigned, Judge of the District Court of McClain County, State of Oklahoma, this 2nd day of August 2016.

CHARLES GRAY
ASSOCIATE
DISTRICT JUDGE
JUDGE OF THE
DISTRICT COURT

James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731
Alyson T. Gildner, OBA #31376
138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565
Purcell, OK 73080
Phone: 405-527-7575
Fax: 405-527-7574
Attorney for Co-Petitioners

No. 536-August 4-2 Times
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The McClain County Board of Commissioners will be receiving sealed bids until 4:00 p.m., August 19, 2016 and the opening will be August 22, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. for sale of (1) 2002 CTIS Bottom Dump Trailer for District Two.

Invitation to Bid forms are on file in the McClain County Clerk's Office, McClain County Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma or request to be mailed. Submit bids to McClain County Clerk, PO Box 629, Purcell, Oklahoma 73080.

The Board has the right to accept or reject any/and/or all bids.

SEAL
DATE: 8/1/16
/s/ Pam Beller
Pam Beller
County Clerk

Legal Publications

No. 556-August 11-1 Time
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of
BOBBY JOE FOX JR., Deceased.

Case No. PB-16-66
AMENDED COMBINED NOTICE
AND ORDER FOR HEARING
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF
ADMINISTRATION AND
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS

WHEREAS, on the 21st day
of July, 2016, BOBBY JOE FOX
SR., having filed in this Court
his petition praying for Letters of
Administration of the Estate of
Bobby Joe Fox Jr., deceased, and
that Letters of Administration be
issued thereon to Bobby Joe Fox
Sr., the father of Bobby Joe Fox
Jr., deceased; that the Heirs of the
Estate be determined;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED,
that said petition be heard before
this Court on the 1st day of Sep-
tember, 2016, at the hour of 9:30
o'clock a.m.. at the Courtroom of
the Honorable Charles Gray, in
the McClain County Courthouse

No. 557-August 11-2 Times
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff,

v.
REBECCA G. JACKSON;
SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF REBECCA
G. JACKSON; JOHN DOE, OCCU-
PANT; JENNIFER INGLE; AND UN-
KNOWN HEIRS, SUCCESSORS
AND ASSIGNS OF REBECCA G.
JACKSON, DECEASED
Defendant(s).

Case No. CJ-2015-167
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
NOTICE IS GIVEN to Rebecca
G. Jackson; Spouse, if any, of
Rebecca G. Jackson; John Doe,
Occupant; Jennifer Ingle; Un-
known Heirs, Successors and
Assigns of Rebecca G. Jackson,
Deceased that on September 13,
2016, at 10 o'clock, a.m., at Room
121 of the County Courthouse in
Purcell, McClain County, Okla-
homa, the Sheriff of said County
will offer for sale and sell for cash
at public auction to the highest and
best bidder, with appraisal, all
that certain real estate in McClain
County, Oklahoma, to wit:

LOT FIFTEEN (15), OF BLOCK
FOUR (4), IN ROYAL GARDENS
ADDITION, TO THE CITY OF
PURCELL, MCCLAIN COUNTY,
OKLAHOMA, ACCORDING TO
THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1234
Cambridge Circle, Purcell, OK
73080

No. 558-August 11-2 Times
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Goldsby Water Authority
will receive separate sealed bids
for relocation of a 4" water line at
I-35/SH 74. Bids will be received
at Town Hall, located at 100 E.
Center Rd., Goldsby, Oklahoma
73093, until 11:00 AM, Tuesday,
September 1, 2016. Bids will be
publicly opened and read aloud,
at 11:00 AM at Town Hall.

Project to include extending
50 l.f. of existing steel casing
and installing approximately 100
l.f. of 4" PVC water line, and ap-
purtenances.

There will be a mandatory pre-
bid meeting held on Tuesday,
August 23, 2016 at 11:00 am, at
Goldsby Town Hall, 100 E. Center
Rd., Goldsby, Oklahoma 73093.

All work shall be performed
and all construction and material
used and furnished shall be in ac-
cordance with the Contract Docu-
ments prepared by Glenn Sullivan
& Associates, Inc., and on file in
the office of the Goldsby Water
Authority, located at Town Hall.

The Notice to Bidders, Form
of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans
and Specifications, Forms of Bid
Bond, Performance and Statutory
Payment Bond, and other Contract
Documents may be examined at the
following:

1. Town Hall
100 E. Center Rd.
Goldsby, Ok 73093-9112
(405) 288-6675
2. Glenn Sullivan & Associates,
Inc.

103 N. Mercedes Drive, Suite A
Norman, OK 73069
(405) 321-7232

A complete set of Plans and
Specifications to prospective bid-
ders may be obtained at the office
of Glenn Sullivan & Associates,
Inc., (405) 321-7232, upon receipt
of a non-refundable deposit of
\$50.00.

Each bidder shall accompany
his original bid, with a certified or
Cashier's Check on a solvent bank
located in Oklahoma or a Bidder's
Bond, in the amount of five (5)
percent of the amount bid, as a
guarantee of his ability to perform
the contract bid upon, and that he
will enter into a written contract
with the Owner to perform said

located at 121 N. 2nd Street, in
the City of Purcell, in the County
of McClain and State of Oklahoma.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that
notice of said hearing be given by
mailing copies of such notice to
all of the heirs, legatees, and de-
visees of said decedent, postage
prepaid, at their last known place
of residences not less than ten
(10) days prior to the date of said
hearing, as now provided by law.
Done in open Court this 4th day
of August, 2016.

CHARLES GRAY
ASSOCIATE
DISTRICT JUDGE
JUDGE OF THE
DISTRICT COURT
KRISTEL GRAY, COURT
CLERK

/s/ Jon W. Lurtz
Jon W. Lurtz, OBA #12382
JON W. LURTZ, P.C.
3801 North Classen, Suites 6 & 7
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
73118
Telephone (405) 557-1706
Facsimile (405) 521-8121
Attorney for Petitioner

subject to taxes and tax sales,
said property being duly appraised
at \$114,660.00.

Sale will be made pursuant to
an Order of Sale issued upon a
judgment entered in the District
Court of McClain County, Okla-
homa, in Case No. CJ-2015-167,
wherein Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. is
Plaintiff and Rebecca G. Jackson
is/are Defendant(s) to satisfy said
judgment in the sum of \$53,597.48
together with interest at 5.875%
per annum from February 1, 2015,
including late charges, \$2,500.00
for attorney's fee, \$845.00 ad-
vances for title search, taxes,
insurance, property preservation
and all costs of this action accrued
and accruing.

The addresses of the
Defendant(s), Spouse, if any, of
Rebecca G. Jackson and Un-
known Heirs, Successors and
Assigns of Rebecca G. Jackson,
Deceased, and her/his/their un-
known successors are unknown to
the Plaintiff.

WITNESS MY HAND this 8 day
of August, 2016.

BY: Don Hewett
Sheriff
BY: /s/ Don Hewett
SHAPIRO & CEJDA, LLC
770 NE 63rd St
Oklahoma City, OK 73105-6431
(405) 848-1819
Attorneys for Plaintiff
File No. 15-125078

work and/or furnish said materials
in accordance with said plans and
specifications and furnish the re-
quired bonds within seven (7) days
after the acceptance of his bid.

The deposit will be retained by
the Owner as, and for, liquidated
damages in case the successful
bidder fails to enter in said contract
and furnish the required bonds
provided for in the specifications
within the time required. Deposit
of the unsuccessful bidders will
be returned upon the execution of
the Contract and required bonds.

Each bidder shall accompany
his bid with a sworn statement
in writing that the Bidder has not
directly or indirectly entered into
an agreement, express or implied,
with any other bidder or the price
or amount of such bid or any bids,
the limiting of the bids or bidders,
the paying to anyone any money
for promotion expenses, the par-
celing or farming out to any bidder
or bidders or other persons of any
part of the contract or any part of
the subject matter of the bid or of
the profits thereof.

A Performance, Maintenance
and Statutory Bond in the amount
of 100% of the contract price with
a Corporate Surety licensed in
Oklahoma and approved by the
Owner and Engineer, will be re-
quired for the faithful performance
of the contract, and the bidder shall
state in the proposal the name and
address of the Surety or Sureties
who will sign this bond in case the
contract is awarded to him. The
Maintenance Bond required will
guarantee the repair of all damage
due to improper materials or
workmanship for a period of one
(1) year after the acceptance of
the work by the Owner.

All bids shall remain on file at
least forty-eight (48) hours. Bids
received more than ninety-six (96)
hours prior to the Bid Opening will
be returned.

Contract to be awarded to low
responsive responsible bidder.
The Owner reserves the right to
waive any informalities in the
bidding and the right to reject any
and all bids in accordance with the
Oklahoma Competitive Bidding
Act. Conditional bids shall not be
accepted.

No. 551-August 11-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of Alta Sue Smith
aka Sue Holloway Smith
an incapacitated person.

Case No. PG-2015-58
NOTICE OF SALE OF
REAL PROPERTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that pursuant to an order entered
on the 14th day of June, 2016, in
the above captioned matter, the
undersigned as guardian of the
estate of said ward, will sell at
private sale to the highest bidder,
for cash, subject to confirmation
of the District Court of McClain
County, State of Oklahoma, on
or after the 29th day of August,
2016, at 11:30 o'clock a.m., at
the courtroom of Charles Gray,
Associate District Judge of said
Court, at the county courthouse
in Purcell, Oklahoma, all the
right, title and interest that said
estate has by operation of law or
otherwise acquired in and to all
the certain improved real property
situated in the County of McClain,
State of Oklahoma, and described
as follows, to-wit:

SURFACE RIGHTS ONLY. A
piece, parcel, or tract of land in
the West Half of the Northwest
Quarter of the Northeast Quarter
of the Northwest Quarter (W/2
NW/4 NE/4 NW/4), and the East
Half of the Northeast Quarter of
the Northwest Quarter of the
Northwest Quarter (E/2NE/4NW/4
NW/4) of Section Twenty-Nine
(29), Township Seven (7) North,
Range Three (3) West, McClain
County; state of Oklahoma, more
particularly described as follows:
Beginning at a point on the North
line of said Section Twenty-Nine
(29), a distance of 1220 feet West
of the Northeast corner of the
Northwest quarter of that section,
and running South 571 feet, thence
West 381 feet, thence North 571
feet, thence East 381 feet to the
point of beginning.

Upon the following terms and
conditions, to-wit: Cash upon
confirmation of sale. Bids must
be in writing and may be left at
the office of Gregory T. Tontz, 301
E. Eufaula, Norman, Oklahoma
73069, Attorney for Guardian, or
may be delivered to the guardian
personally, or may be filed in the
office of Charles Gray, Associ-
ate District Judge of the District
Court of McClain County, State
of Oklahoma.

Dated this 8 day of August,
2016.

Lucretia Sue Harper and
Angela Kathleen Edmondson,
Co-Guardians
BY: /s/ Gregory T. Tontz
GREGORY T. TONTZ
OBA NO. 16323
301 E. Eufaula
Norman, OK 73069
(405) 701-1600
Attorney for Co-Guardians

No. 545-August 11-3 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
AMERICAN COLLECTION
SERVICES, INC.
Plaintiff,

vs.
JAMIE DEARMAN
Defendant.

No. CS 16-122
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
JAMIE DEARMAN YOU ARE
HEREBY NOTICED that you
have been sued by AMERICAN
COLLECTION SERVICES, INC.
and you must answer plaintiff's
petition on or before the 27th
day of September, 2016 or a
money judgment in the amount
of \$3,548.79 plus interest will be
rendered accordingly.

Dated this day July 29, 2016
MCCLAIN COUNTY
COURT CLERK
By: /s/ Kathy Peterson
(Seal)

APPROVED BY:
/s/ Richard A. Robinson
Richard A. Robinson, OBA
#7684

Michael R. Hoover, OBA #4352
Hugh H. Fudge, OBA #20487
Danielle L. Schinzing, OBA
#32113
Robinson, Hoover & Fudge,
PLLC

119 N. Robinson, Suite 1000
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
73102
(405) 232-6464
(405) 232-6363 fax
lawmail@rhfok.com
Attorneys for Plaintiff

No. 552-August 11-1 Time
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The McClain County Board of
Commissioners will be receiving
sealed bids until 4:00 p.m., August
19, 2016 and the opening will be
August 22, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. for
bid for custodial service at McClain
County Health Department, 600
North Main, Blanchard, OK.

Invitation to Bid forms are on file
in the McClain County Clerk's Of-
fice, McClain County Courthouse,
Purcell, Oklahoma or request to be
mailed. Submit bids to McClain
County Clerk, PO Box 629, Purcell,
Oklahoma 73080.

The Board has the right to ac-
cept or reject any/and/or all bids.
SEAL
DATE: 8/8/16
/s/ Pam Beller
Pam Beller
County Clerk

No. 547-August 11-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF ERNEST L. BOSWELL,
Deceased.

Case No. PB-16-14
NOTICE OF HEARING FIRST
AND FINAL ACCOUNT,
PETITION FOR DECREE OF
DISTRIBUTION AND
DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE

Notice is hereby given that
Marlin L. Boswell, the duly ap-
pointed and qualified Personal
Representative of the Estate of
Ernest L. Boswell, Deceased, has
filed his Final Account, Petition
for Decree of Distribution and
Discharge of Personal Represent-
ative. A hearing has been fixed
by the Judge of the Court for the
1st day of September 2016, at
9:30 a.m., in the District Court-
room of Judge Charles N. Gray,
County Courthouse, Purcell, Mc-
Clain County, Oklahoma, and all
persons interested in the Estate
are notified to appear and show
cause, if any they have, why the
Account should not be settled and
allowed, the Estate distributed
and the Personal Representative
discharged.

DATED this 4th day of August
2016.

CHARLES GRAY
ASSOCIATE
DISTRICT JUDGE

JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT
/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.
James B. Blevins, Jr., OBA #881
Carrie Kopp, OBA #21731
Alyson T. Gildner, OBA #31376
138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565
Purcell, OK 73080
Phone: 405-527-7575
Fax: 405-527-7574
Attorney for Personal Repre-
sentative

No. 508-July 28-3 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT

WITHIN AND FOR
MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
BILLY SHERWOOD and VICKIE
ANNETTE SHERWOOD,
Plaintiffs,

vs.
ROBERT SPELLMAN, et. al.
Defendants.

Case No. CJ-13-166
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMATO:
JENNIFER SPELLMAN
SPOUSE OF JENNIFER SPELL-
MAN, IF MARRIED

You, and each of you, are hereby
notified that you have been sued
by the Plaintiffs above named, in
the above entitled Court, and you
must answer the Petition of the
Plaintiffs on file in the above styled
and numbered cause on or before
the 8th day of September, 2016, or
judgment will be rendered against
you and the interest of each, or
any, of you in and to the following
described real property, situated
in MCCLAIN County, State of
Oklahoma, to-wit:

THE N/2 SE SE LYING WEST
OF STATE HWY 76, LESS AND
EXCEPT THE SOUTH 210 FEET
OF THE NW SE SE LYING
WEST OF STATE HWY 76,
SECTION 9, T5N, R4W,
MCCLAIN COUNTY,
OKLAHOMA, LESS AND
EXCEPT ALL OIL, GAS, COAL,
AND OTHER MINERALS.

WITNESS my hand and seal of
said Court this 18 day of July, 2016.

MCCLAIN County
District Court Clerk
By: /s/ Kathy Peterson
(Seal)

DON FRANKENBERG, OBA
#3095
FRANKENBERG LAW FIRM
502 S MAIN
LINDSAY, OK 73052
(405) 756-2000
FAX (405) 756-4316
Attorney for Plaintiffs

No. 544-August 11-3 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

UNITED AUTO CREDIT
CORPORATION
Plaintiff,
vs.
DAWNELL RYAN
Defendant.

No. CS 16-64
AMENDED NOTICE
BY PUBLICATION

DAWNELL RYAN YOU ARE
HEREBY NOTICED that you have
been sued by UNITED AUTO
CREDIT CORPORATON and you
must answer plaintiff's petition on
or before the 29 day of September,
2016 or a money judgment in the
amount of \$5,543.24 plus interest
will be rendered accordingly.

Dated this day July 29, 2016
MCCLAIN COUNTY
COURT CLERK
By: /s/ Kathy Peterson
(Seal)

APPROVED BY:
/s/ Richard A. Robinson
Richard A. Robinson, OBA
#7684

Michael R. Hoover, OBA #4352
Hugh H. Fudge, OBA #20487
Danielle L. Schinzing, OBA
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lawmail@rhfok.com
Attorneys for Plaintiff

No. 527-August 4-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF JERRY PHILLIP MORRIS,
Deceased.

Case No. PB-16-63
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To the Creditors of Jerry Phillip
Morris, Deceased:

All creditors having claims
against Jerry Phillip Morris, De-
ceased, 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 James B. Blevins, Jr., Personal
Representative, at the law office of
Blevins & Associates Law, PLLC,
138 W. Main, Purcell, OK 73080,
addressed to James B. Blevins,
Jr., Personal Representative, on or
before the following presentment
date: 28th day of September 2016,
or the same will be forever barred.
DATED this 28th day of July
2016.

/s/ James B. Blevins, Jr.
James B. Blevins, Jr.,
OBA #881
138 W. Main/P.O. Box 1565
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080
Phone: 405-527-7575
Fax: 405-527-7574
Personal Representative

No. 549-August 11-1 Time
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF MARSHA ANITA WARE, De-
ceased

PB-16-70
NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR LETTERS
OF ADMINISTRATION,
APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE AND
DETERMINATION OF HEIRS

Notice is hereby given to all
persons interested in the Estate
of Marsha Anita Ware, Deceased,
that on the 5th day of August, 2016,
there was filed with this Court the
Petition of John Allen Ware praying
that Letters of Administration be
issued to him as Personal Repre-
sentative of the Estate, to serve
without bond, and for a judicial
determination of the heirs of the
Decedent.

Pursuant to an Order of this
Court made on the 5th day of
August, 2016, notice is given that
September 1, 2016, at 9:30 a.m.,
is the day and time that the Peti-
tion will be heard in the courtroom
of Judge Charles Gray, McClain
County Courthouse at Purcell,
Oklahoma, when and where all
persons interested may appear
and contest the same.

Witness my hand this 5th day
of August, 2016.

CHARLES GRAY
ASSOCIATE
DISTRICT JUDGE

Judge of the District Court
/s/ Monte J. Wilson
Monte J. Wilson OBA #11572
1818 W. Lindsey, C-110
Norman, OK 73069
(405) 321-0500
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

No. 550-August 11-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN
AND FOR MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In The Matter of the Estate of
BETTY ANN SMITH, Deceased.

Case No. PB-16-55
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO: The Creditors of Betty Ann
Smith, deceased (the "Decedent"):
All persons having claims
against the Decedent are re-
quired to present the same with
a description of all security and
other collateral (if any) held by
each creditor with respect to such
claim to Katherine Ann Keeler, the
Personal Representative, at the
law office of Darrell G. Ford, P.C.,
P.O. Box 756, Purcell, Oklahoma
73080, on or before the following
presentment date: October 11,
2016 or the same will be forever
barred.

Dated this 4th day of August,
2016.
/s/ Katherine Ann Keeler
Katherine Ann Keeler,
Personal Representative of
the Estate of Betty Ann Smith,
deceased
Darrell G. Ford, OBA #11835
Darrell G. Ford, A Professional
Corporation
P.O. Box 756
118 North Second Street,
Suite C
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080
(405) 527-7049
(405) 527-7256 fax
Attorney for the Petitioner,
Katherine Ann Keeler

No. 553-August 11-1 Time
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The McClain County Board of
Commissioners will be receiving
sealed bids until 4:00 p.m., August
19, 2016 and the opening will be
August 22, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. for
bid for purchase of (2) used po-
lice vehicles for McClain County
Sheriff's Department.
Invitation to Bid forms are on file
in the McClain County Clerk's Of-
fice, McClain County Courthouse,
Purcell, Oklahoma or request to be
mailed. Submit bids to McClain
County Clerk, PO Box 629, Purcell,
Oklahoma 73080.

The Board has the right to ac-
cept or reject any/and/or all bids.
SEAL
DATE: 8/8/16
/s/ Pam Beller
Pam Beller
County Clerk

No. 543-August 4-2 Times
Bid Advertisement: Washing-
ton Public Schools 2015 Bond
Projects

Owner: Washington Public
Schools

Construction Manager: Goldsby
Construction

Solicitation For Bidders For:
Classroom Building Project

Solicitation Date: July 21st,
2016

Bid Date, Time & Place:
Date: August 18th, 2016 At
2:00pm

Re-Bid Deadline: 2:00pm
CDST

Place: Washington Public
Schools

101 E. Kerby Avenue
Washington, OK 73093

All Project Information may be
obtained from Goldsby Construc-
tion:

Project Contact: Tyler Graves
Goldsby Construction
Project Manager
Cell: (405) 313-8313
Tyler@GoldsbyConstruction.com

No. 554-August 11-2 Times
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF MCCLAIN COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

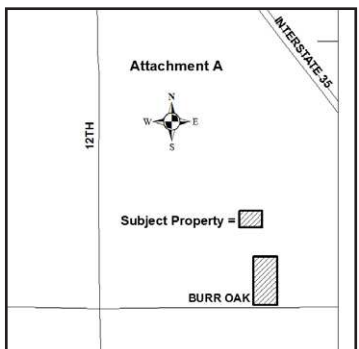
In the Matter of the Estate of
KATHERINE LOUISE GILMORE,
Deceased.

PB-2016-46
ALIAS NOTICE TO CREDITORS
TO THE CREDITORS OF THE
ABOVE NAMED DECEDENT:

All creditors having claims
against KATHERINE LOUISE
GILMORE, deceased, are required
to present the same, with a de-
scription of all security interests
and other collateral, if any, held
by each creditor with respect to
such claim, to JOAN LIZBETH
HOFFMAN, Personal Represen-
tative of the above mentioned
estate c/o Ted W. Haxel, 108
North Second Street, Purcell,
Oklahoma 73080, or to KRISTEL
GRAY, McClain County Court
Clerk, 121 N. 2nd Street, Ste. 231,
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080, on or
before the following presentment
date: October 14, 2016, or the
same will be forever barred.
Dated this 8th day of August,
2016.

/s/ Joan Lizbeth Hoffman
JOAN LIZBETH HOFFMAN
Personal Representative

By: /s/ Ted W. Haxel
Ted W. Haxel (OBA #3997)
Post Office Box 367
Purcell, Oklahoma 73080
ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE



No. 555-August 11-1 Time
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
FOR RE-ZONING APPLICATION
GOLDSBY, OKLAHOMA

NOTICE: AN APPLICATION
HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE
TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN
OF GOLDSBY, OKLAHOMA, TO
RE-ZONE THE FOLLOWING
TRACT(S) OF LAND FROM A-1
(AGRICULTURAL-RESIDENTIAL)
TO R-1 (RURAL RESIDENTIAL
ESTATES).

STREET ADDRESS: 913 W
BURR OAK RD, GOLDSBY, OK
(See map exhibit A).

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: A tract
of land in the Southwest Quarter
(SW1/4) of Section 14, Township
8 North, Range 3 West, more
particularly described as follows:
Beginning, at a point, 1472.8 feet
East of the Southwest corner of
the South line of said Section,
thence due North 400 feet to a
point, thence due West 200 feet
to a point, thence due South 400
feet to the South line of said
Section, thence due East along
the said Section line 200 feet to
the point of beginning, contain-
ing 1.8

Dibble FCCLA delegates attend National Leadership Conference

Dibble FCCLA delegates Bailee French, Gracie Ott and Madison Wyant were a part of the 305 Oklahoma Delegation and joined more than 8,500 FCCLA student leaders, members, and advisers nationwide in San Diego, Calif., July 3-7 to participate in the annual FCCLA National Leadership Conference (NLC).

The conference provided

the Dibble FCCLA Delegates opportunities to come together for energizing learning while listening to inspiring speakers, expanding leadership skills, sharpening talents, and exploring career pathways.

The theme of this year's conference was "Empowered," which inspired attendees to make the right choices and commit themselves to making a positive impact within their families, schools, FCCLA and communities.

"Our National Leadership Conference was a great success this year, with a record-setting attendance of over 8,500 members, advisers, partners and guests. During the past week we've watched thousands of students come together and realize their full potential through competition, career training, and workshops," said Sandy Spavone, executive director of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.

"The relationships developed and training experienced during this conference have empowered students to go into their schools and communities and make a difference, bringing with them the values and passions FCCLA brings to our members," Spavone concluded.

Bailee French represented Oklahoma in the Nutrition and Wellness Event, one of 30



Madison Wyant, left, and Gracie Ott

Family and Consumer Sciences related competitive events offered at NLC, including STAR (Students Taking Action with Recognition) Events and the FCCLA/LifeSmarts Knowledge Bowl.

These events support foundational, leadership and workplace skills in areas such as

advocacy, culinary arts and entrepreneurship. Competing with over 4,500 STAR Event participants, Bailee brought the silver medal home to Oklahoma.

"I could not be more proud of Bailee. She worked tirelessly on this project and has represented Dibble FCCLA

and Oklahoma FCCLA with distinction," stated Dibble FCCLA Advisor, Susan Wyant.

French is the daughter of Neal and Jennifer French of Dibble and Mari Jo French of Denton, Texas. She is the granddaughter of Cindy and Time Wike of Denton, Texas, Kay and Cordell White of Frisco, Texas, and Judy French of Garland, Texas.

Gracie Ott and Madison Wyant were selected as two of eight student members to represent the Oklahoma Association of the FCCLA's interests as National Voting Delegates.

As voting delegates, Gracie and Madison were charged with the selection of the 2016-2017 National Executive Council and served as the voice of Oklahoma during the Business and Recognition

Session as governance and bylaw changes were debated and voted on.

Chapter Adviser Susan Wyant commented, "Gracie and Madison served Oklahoma with distinction, displaying distinguished judgment and foresight while attending to the duties they were charged."

Ott is the daughter of Jason and Leanna Ott of Dibble. She is the granddaughter of Walter and Debbie Ott and Rama Christian, all of Dibble.

Wyant is the daughter of Greg and Susan Wyant of Dibble. She is the granddaughter of Billy and Shirley Wyant of Chickasha and Pam Waitman of Dibble.

For more information on FCCLA, please contact Susan Wyant at (405)344-6380 or wyant@dibble.k12.ok.us.



Bailee French

Legal Publications

No. 560-August 11-2 Times IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCCLAIN COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF:

LARRY O. ODEN, An Incapacitated person. Case Number PG-16-2 NOTICE FOR HEARING PETITION TO SELL REAL PROPERTY JUDY ODEN, as general guardian of the above estate, has filed in this Court a Petition for the sale of the real property of LARRY O. ODEN, an incapacitated person.

BE ADVISED, That the Petition is set for hearing on the 8th day of September, 2016, at 9:30 o'clock A.M., in courtroom 230 of the McClain County Courthouse, Purcell, Oklahoma, at which time the heirs and all persons interested in the above-named estate are required to appear and show cause, if any they have, why an order should not be granted for the sale of so much real property of said estate as is necessary for the reasons stated in the Petition. Dated this 9th day of August, 2016.

CHARLES GRAY ASSOCIATE DISTRICT JUDGE Judge of the District Court CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that on the 9th day of August, 2016, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing instrument was mailed, with proper postage fully prepaid thereon, to the following:

- JUDY ODEN PO BOX 1646 Blanchard, OK 73010
- TINA GOOD 15004 Kyle Dr. Ste. A Oklahoma City, OK 73170
- LARRY SCOTT ODEN 724 SW 133 St. Oklahoma City, OK 73170
- Donna J. Jackson & Associates, PLLC /s/ Stephanie Alleman DONNA J. JACKSON, OBA #13296
- STEPHANIE M ALLEMAN, OBA #32341 10404 Vineyard Blvd., Ste. E Oklahoma City, OK 73120 (405) 840-1874 (405) 840-1880 fax Attorney for Petitioner

No. 559-August 11-2 Times SECTION 00 1113 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids addressed to the Owner will be received at the Place of Bid until the Time of Bid on the Bid Date and then will be opened and read publicly the same date and hour.

PROJECT: McClain County Courthouse Reroof and Weatherproofing 121 N. 2nd Street Purcell, OK 73080 OWNER: McClain County Commissioners 121 N. 2nd Street, Suite 305 Purcell, OK 73080

BID DATE: September 1st, 2016 TIME OF BID: 2:00pm CDT

PLACE OF BID: McClain County Courthouse, County Commissioner's Office 121 N. 2nd Street, Suite 305 Purcell, OK 73080

Any bids received after the stated Time of Bid will be returned to the Bidder unopened.

Bidding Requirements and Documents, including Drawings, Specifications and Addenda may be obtained at the office of Architects in Partnership, LLC, 3220 Marshall Avenue, Norman, OK 73072. A deposit sum of \$50.00, which may be in the form of a check written on the bidder's business account made payable to the Architect, will be required for each set of Contract Documents.

Bidders may obtain a maximum of two (2) sets of Drawings and Specifications by deposit and additional sets by paying printing costs (\$5.50/sheet for Drawings - \$0.18/page for Specifications). Deposits will be refunded to Bidders who submit a bona fide Bid at the time and place designated herein and who return the Bidding Documents to the Architect in good condition within ten (10) days from the bid date. The full and complete replacement cost of missing, damaged or unreturned Bidding Documents will be deducted from the Bidders deposit. The full replacement cost for complete sets of Bidding Documents will be deducted from the deposits of Bidders who do not submit a bona fide Bid and do not return the Bidding Documents to the office of the Architect in good condition within five (5) days from the date they received them or no later than seven (7) days prior to bid date. Bidding Documents shall be returned to the Architect's Office postage paid. The Architect will not accept delivery of Bidding Documents returned C.O.D., freight collect or

other similar methods. All Bidding Requirements and Documents remain property of the Architect.

The Bidding Documents are on file at the Architect's office and are available and open for inspection by Bidders and Sub bidders during normal business hours.

In submitting a bid it is agreed that the Bid may not be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after Bid Date.

A Bid Security in the form of a cashier's check, or certified check, or acceptable bidder's surety bond, made payable to the Owner, in an amount that is not less than five percent (5%) of the Bid proposal submitted, including all Alternates, shall accompany each Bid as a guarantee that: (1) the Bidder will not modify, withdraw or cancel the proposal for thirty (30) days after the bid date; and (2) the bidder, if awarded the contract, will promptly enter into a contract and execute such bonds and furnish such insurance certificates as may be required. Should the Bidder fail to honor these two (2) guarantee for any reason, the Owner shall total his damages and shall deduct the amount of such damages from the Bidder's Bid Security. Should the damages total less than the amount of the Bid Security, the difference shall be returned to the Bidder. However, all damages in excess of the Bid Security shall be borne by the Owner. Damages may include, but shall not be limited to, reasonable compensation for the Owner's additional time spent, additional Architect's fees, costs to the Owner for delays in completion of the Work based upon the Bidders proposed Contract Time and the Contract Time as Awarded including, but not limited to, interest expense and lost revenue, the difference between the Bidder's proposed Contract Sum and the Contract Sum as awarded and costs to re bid the Project should such action become necessary. Such bid securities will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders after execution of the Contract.

For information concerning any part of the proposed work, contact the Architect: Architects in Partnership, 3220 Marshall Ave., Norman, OK 73072. Telephone: (405) 360-1300.

Additional bidding instructions are included in the Bidding Requirements bound into the Contract Documents.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive formalities and irregularities.

BY: McClain County Commissioners 121 N 2nd Street, Suite 305 Purcell, OK 73080

From page 5B

Veterans:



Dottie Cooper and Amanda McNeese

appointment please contact one of our drivers. They are: Greg Kelsch (405) 255-2208;

Sam Knight (405) 808-5096; or Richard Judd (405) 693-2755. There is never a charge

for these service but donations are always appreciated

If you would like to volunteer to drive one of our vans and have a good driving record, Veterans Corner could use your help. We are seeking drivers to help transport veterans to medical appointments and drive them to/from Veterans Corner. Please call Fred Zacher (405) 779-3693 if you would like to help.

Medical Equipment

Veterans Corner has manual and electric wheel chairs available. They also have electric lifts to transport the chairs. Please contact Jerry Baxter if you need some medical equipment to help make a veteran or their surviving spouses life a little better. Veterans Corner also has food boxes and monies available for benevolence needs. There is never a charge for Veterans Corner services.

About Veterans Corner

Veterans Corner is located just south of Norman, 2 miles west of I-35 Exit 106 on the north side of Highway 9. From the southwest go four miles north of Blanchard on Highway 62 to Highway 9. Travel east 4 miles to Western Avenue and make a U-turn. Veterans Corner is 1/4 mile west on the north side. The facility is open from 7 to 12 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. They offer extended hours on Thursdays from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Veterans Corner is a 501(c)(3) organization and all gifts are tax deductible. Please call 405-387-5070 for more information. Donations can be sent to: Veterans Corner; P.O. Box 722160; Norman, OK 73070-8635. All proceeds are used to support veterans and their spouses.



• The Purcell Register

Rally at Sun Dog Trails

Greg Snow, owner of Sun Dog Trails, recently planned a special rally at Sun Dog Trails in Lexington and pledged to gate receipts to The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 12103, in Lexington. Members of the posts were present to provide information, distribute buddy poppies, and serve lunch. On hand for the event were (from left) Jerry Martin, Orville Bass, Hank Ivester, Nick Jones, Kashton Haynes and VFW Commander Dale Haynes. In addition to sandwiches and soft drinks, all enjoyed fish and fries provided by Curt Haynes.

Purcell Senior Citizens

By Fredda Perry

Once again, summer weather has returned with extreme heat and it appears summer days will be around for a while. Continue to consume lots of fluids. They are especially important since dehydration can be extremely hard on senior adults.

Everyone needs to be aware of the signs of dehydration which include thirst, dry mouth and red skin, especially in the head and face area. Confusion, weakness and a severe headache are other signs of dehydration. The peak hours are from 1-5 p.m. No one really needs to be out for very long, but especially the seniors need to be inside with some type of cooling.

The next garage sale will be this Friday, August 12, at the Senior Shed beginning at 8 a.m. and closing at 3 p.m. Every day brings new donations to the center, so come and check them out. Hester welcomes many mornings with new donations which have been left on the doorstep. Come out and check the items. You can also check Facebook for more information.

The senior center is closed on Fridays until October 1. However the shed is open for the garage sale.

If you are looking for a place to have a birthday party, family reunion or any other type of gathering, the Senior Center is available to be rented. The center rents for \$70 per day. If you are interested, give us a call at 527-5070 and let us fill you in on the particulars. If there is no answer, call 405-990-1840. If you are planning to use the center, you need to schedule your date before someone else gets it. There are a few Saturdays left in August and we are scheduling for September.

Bingo starts promptly at 10 on Thursday morning. Everyone is welcome and everyone wins before the games are over. Come and join us in some good fun and fellowship, then stay and enjoy lunch with the seniors. Anyone 60 or over can eat for a \$2 donation.

Reminder for those seniors who like to dance and fellowship with like minds, there is a dance at the center every Friday night beginning at 6:30 p.m. and ending around 9:30 p.m. The price is \$6 per person. There is a live band which can be enjoyed by those who like music but do not dance.

The seniors invite all individuals who are 60 or above to come visit the center where there is always something good cooking and some planned activities for all. If you are looking for something new to do, give the center a try.

Washington Senior Citizens

By B.K. Barker

Well, it's been awhile! Vacations, church camps, basketball camps...you name it! It's been a busy summer for us all, but school is starting back and back to the grindstone we go!

The Washington Senior Center is still having musicians come to the center every Friday morning around 10 a.m. to play and sing until they can't play or sing anymore! You need to come hear them. They're great.

Also, every Tuesday morning beginning at 9 a.m. is movie day! Some of the golden oldies, westerns, love stories and action will be shown along with some of the best popcorn and Coca Cola you ever had! And as always, domino games, card games, quilting, sewing, laughing and visiting are all going on and going strong at the senior center!

Beginning October 1, the senior center will be an independent entity, cooking and serving their own cooked food, served with a smile. You will want to come down and try us out. The price will increase a bit from \$2 to a dollar or two more, but still you can't buy a good meal around town for less than \$5. Come try us out. Come try the food out. Come enjoy the best old-time, down home cooking now served from the ladies at the Purcell Senior Center. It's great food you can eat and enjoy now so come on down.

Things are hopping and changing and you need to get in on it from the ground floor over here at the Washington Senior Center! See you there!

Lexington Community News

By Hazel Shockey

New schedule for Exercise: Monday through Friday from 9-10 a.m. and Monday through Thursday from 5-6 p.m. There is a plan in the works to open some days at 6:15 a.m. Will keep you informed on this. If you would prefer another time on the schedule, contact Sue Peery at 527-3601, and leave a message if no answer. She will return your call.

Music on Tuesday at 1 p.m. Jam Session. You are invited to bring your instrument, guitar, fiddle or your singing voice and join in. Game time on Thursday has changed, and will begin at 1 p.m. The group plays card and/or domino games and the group is open to learning new table games if you have something you would like to teach us. This is a good time for fun and friendships to develop.

Lunch is served from 11-12:30 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday for a \$5 donation. The lunch is open to the public and home cooked and served by the Lexington Senior Citizens at the center at 131 S. Main.

All menus are subject to change.

Menu for August 11, 17 and 18:

Thursday, August 11 — Indian taco, Mexican corn, chips, queso, salsa, cheese, onion, peppers, sour cream, apple or peach cobbler.
 Wednesday, August 17 — Hamburger steak/onions, potato casserole, peas with carrots, corn, rolls, salad bar, strawberry angel food cake.

Thursday, August 18 — Fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans and squash, rolls, salad bar, brownie chocolate cake or pineapple.

If you would like to see another activity started at your community center, contact Sue Peery at 527-3601. If no answer, leave a message, I will return your call.

If you have news you would like to see in the Lexington Community news, contact me (Hazel) or call **The Purcell Register** and it can be included.



Classifieds

COMPUTER SALES

DALE'S ETC. COMPUTER sales & service. Repair, rebuild, and upgrade all brands. Free estimates. Reconditioned systems from \$299. 709 W Jackson, Purcell. 527-2949. 01/01/tfc

CHILD CARE

BRIGHT BEGINNINGS CHILDCARE located at 1729 Brookside Drive, Purcell, now has openings. Private pay only. For more info please call 405-443-5915 and ask for Wendy. 07/21/4tp

FOR SALE

FORSALE: 2-1998 Ford Taurus, silver/gray color. 1 has good motor, bad transmission and 1 has good transmission, bad motor. \$600 each. Call 405-288-0501 or 405-421-2038. 08/11/2tp

HOME GROWN black diamond watermelons—large \$7, small \$4. 7000 Pine Tree Dr. 08/11/1tp

GARAGE SALES

GARAGE SALE: 822 W. Washington, Saturday, 7-12. Lots of misc., too much to mention. 08/11/1tp

GARAGE SALE: Aug. 12th & 13th, 8-4, 2 1/2 miles east of Wayne, 1/2 north off Hwy. 59 on Ropers Rd. Cook stove, dishwasher, dryer, microwave, saddle, clothes, name brand shoes and boots size 6-6.5, yellow wooden Coca-Cola boxes with bottles, antique dishes, large dining table, dining room chairs, lots of misc. 08/11/1tp

RAIN OR SHINE GARAGE SALE: Aug. 12th & 13th, 8am, follow pink signs from Libby's in Goldsby. Refrigerator, baby crib, desk, children's desks, craft stuff, mason jars, girl clothes NB-6, boy's NB-3T, kitchenware, and more. 08/11/1tp

THE FARM HOUSE will be open Friday, the 12th and Saturday, the 13th, 10-4. Antiques, vintage, collectables, and much more. 21031 100 St., northwest of Maysville. Go south on Hwy 74 to Hwy 24 then west 4 miles. 08/11/1tp

HELP WANTED

DIRECT CARE PROFESSIONALS/ HTS/CNA: No experience needed—paid training provided. 12 hour rotating shifts—every other weekend off (6am-6pm & 6pm-6am). We have individuals in the Norman & OKC area that need caring staff to work with them in their homes. Excellent benefits package for all full-time employees. Come join our team at McCall's. Apply and interview in our HR office located at 3613 N.W. 56th, Suite 340, Oklahoma City, OK 73112. For more information call 405-702-1623. 08/11/2tc

All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

Full-time **Maintenance Position** AVAILABLE AT **Westbrook Gardens** Must be dependable and hardworking. Benefit package included. Please apply at 1215 Westbrook Blvd., Purcell, OK

HELP WANTED

HABILITATION TRAINING SPECIALIST: must be at least 21 years old, have a high school diploma or GED. No experience necessary (we will train you). You will be working directly with teenage boys who might have mental, disciplinary, and/or behavior challenges. If you are interested in applying for this position, please go to the program for an application at 12591 Jenny Lane, Wayne, OK 73095 or call 405-449-3219. Or you can fax your resume/letter of interest to 405-604-6825, or you can email your resume/letter of interest to jobs@sequoyahinc.com. We look forward to hearing from you soon. EOE. 07/28/3tc

NIMMO'S is hiring for a part-time CDL driver. Might be 1 to 3 loads a week, home same day and intra-state only. Good job for someone retired needing extra money. Must have medical card, clean MVR and pass background check. Apply at Nimmo's, 1021 S. Green Ave., Purcell, OK. 08/11/tfc

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS for a LPN for split shift evenings and nights, Dietary Dishwasher, part-time evenings. Must be dependable, have good work ethic. Apply today at 915 N. 7th, Ave., Purcell. Sunset Estates. EOE. 08/11/tfc

Registered Nurses needed at Lindsay Municipal Hospital. FT. Night shift and Flex. LMH pays 100% for medical, dental, and vision coverage. Please apply at 1305 W. Cherokee, Lindsay, OK 73052 or fax your resume to 405-756-1802 No phone calls please.

Respiratory Therapist Registered night and flex needed at Lindsay Municipal Hospital. Experience required. Associate degree in Respiratory Therapy, Certification as a Registered Respiratory Therapist, Licensure in Oklahoma and BLS certification all required. LMH offers a competitive salary, along with a great benefit package, which includes medical, dental, and vision provided to the employee at no cost. Please apply at 1305 W. Cherokee, Lindsay, OK 73052 or fax your resume to 405-756-1802 ATTN: Human Resources No phone calls please.

Physical Therapist needed at Lindsay Municipal Hospital. FT Day Shift. LMH pays 100% for medical, dental and vision coverage. Please apply at 1305 W. Cherokee, Lindsay, OK 73052 or fax your resume to 405-756-1802. No phone calls please.

Purcell MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL A St. Anthony Hospital Affiliate **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES** • Physical Plant/ Maintenance Director www.purcellhospital.com EOE

RETIRED PERSON (ONLY) (JACK OF ALL TRADES) Farm house plus moderate salary to supplement your own existing retirement income. Average of 20 hours per week. Duties include mowing, working with machinery, fencing, bldg. repair, carpentry, light plumbing and electrical. Impeccable character, integrity, good health (must have your own health insurance) and numerous references A MUST!!!! **Background Investigation Conducted Please do not call if not fully qualified** *Green Valley Farms* 405-414-7277

TRUCK DRIVERS WANTED **We Are Growing - Adding To Our Fleet LOADED WITH WORK** Regional Positions - CDL- Class A Required Belly-Dump • End-Dump • Pneumatic Well Maintained Tractors & Trailers Health/Dental/Vision Insurance Package Best Driver Pay with Bonuses • Weekly Minimum Pay Oklahoma City Davis, OK Denton, Texas Apply Online browntransportation.com 405-942-4658

HELP WANTED

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