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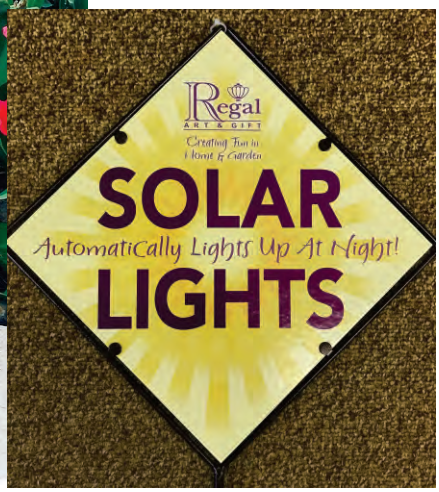

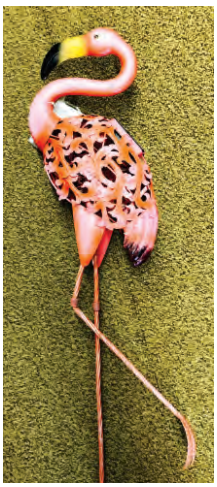

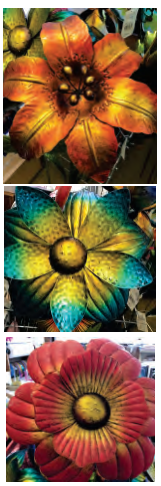

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Lynn Says

My first job: paper boy

By Lynn L. Martin

I have no clue at what age I decided to ask for a newspaper route at the Rolla Daily Herald. I'm guessing I was ten. I remember getting outfitted with a bright red canvas paper-carrying bag to sling over my shoulder. I was handed a subscriber list containing probably 50 names, along with a ring-binder with little perforated squares containing weekly dates that were used as receipts for collection of money from subscribers.

It was an evening paper and after school about two-dozen of us carriers assembled in the back of the newspaper office. The printing press was very ancient, with metal frames ("chases") of lead type slugs squeezed into a locked position. The press operator stood on a stand beside the press that fed one sheet (probably four broad-sheet pages) at a time as the inked type slid back and forth underneath a rotating cylinder containing the single sheet. Eventually, the type chases had to be changed out with the other so the other side of the sheet could be printed by being fed through the press again.

If the newspaper was an eight pager, then we carrier boys had to fold and assemble the two sections. If it was 12 pages, the assembly line increased by one step.

Then we had to fold the paper into either an aerodynamic square or triangle shape so it would sail through the air when thrown. Later, the newspaper purchased an electric motor-driven "tying machine" that would snap-wrap string around a rolled newspaper if you placed the paper within the jaws of the device. I actually purchased one of those for the Alva Review-Courier/Newsgram off eBay 20 years ago. Turned out it malfunctioned more than it worked so it sits on a shelf in our back room. Today, our rolled papers are secured by rubber bands.

A couple of life lessons all of us paper boys learned during our employment: (1) Never miss work and never be late. If you missed, you were supposed to have trained your own substitute. We rarely missed and learned we had to do the job in rain, sleet, snow or boiling sun. The news carrier job went away for paper boys when schools started scheduling extracurricular activities after school.

The second life lesson we learned is there were adults out there who would cheat you. As I recall, every Friday was collection day. We were to knock on the subscriber's door and be prepared to issue the little square receipt after collecting the dime (I think) for a week's worth of delivery. The cheating adults were those who would not answer the door in order to avoid paying their dime. Many times the carriers knew a person was home, either because we had seen them coming home from work, or we could hear the radio or TV playing. We simply had to try to collect double the next Friday.

The newspaper frequently had subscription drives where we carrier boys tried to sign up new subscribers in order to win a prize. I don't recall what the prize was, but I must have been a good salesperson because I frequently won the contest.

Later, when I was a freshman in high school, and well into photography with my own home dark room, the publisher of the Rolla Daily Herald offered me a job that influenced me for the majority of my adult life. If I would take one picture a day, and turn it in for the evening paper, he would pay me $10 per day. I had to buy the film, chemicals and printing paper with my pay. Sometimes he assigned the photo to be taken, but most of the time I was on my own to come up with a photo. Usually it was cute kids playing in the park. I was a pretty rich kid earning $50 per week in the mid 50s for my photography. From that point on, I was "programmed" that you could charge money for pictures.

The Herald was the "second" paper in town and it could not make it against the long-established Rolla Daily News. I have always felt sorry for the publisher, a guy named, Bill, who tried so hard to establish his own newspaper business.

One lesson I DID NOT learn at the Rolla Daily Herald was about "type lice." Several years later, I started dating Marione who worked for her father's newspaper, the Licking News. She was setting type on a hot-lead Linotype. After each slug of type was ejected, it was placed in a long metal tray. After I had visited for awhile, she complained of their problem with type-lice. She said, "Come here; I'll show you." She said something about pouring water on the slugs of type to make the "lice" float to the surface. She urged me to lean over and look closely and then she slammed the type slugs together which splashed a lot of water into my face.

Apparently, "type-lice" was known nationwide as a trick to play on gullible visitors. See "Printer's Jargon" on www.moah.org.

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Alva school district gets clean audit

By Lynn L. Martin

The Alva Board of Education held a special meeting at noon Monday, March 20, to hear the annual audit report by Chas W. Carroll for the period from July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016.

The auditor said there were no findings on any federal programs that should be reported. Also, the Alva school district is in compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs.

Buddy Carroll praised the district for putting in place corrections for previous concerns from earlier audits. However, there were two items he wants improved.

The first is that some activity sponsors did not always follow prescribed school procedures in immediately turning in (next day) all receipts and money collected at fundraising events. He said these collections were not always turned in on a timely basis, with some lying in a desk drawer for a many as 12 days. He did not believe any money had been misused during that period, but it certainly set up an opportunity. The case in point he cited was the vo-ag department.

The board already knew that a Christmas bonus they gave in December 2015 was not properly handled. The teacher's contract did not mention such a bonus, and the board cannot voluntarily give away taxpayer money without some type of assigned work being performed to merit the payment. That was correctly handled in December 2016.

Finally, Carroll wants two signatures on the document reconciling gate collections at ball games. In the past, the form had space for only one signature. The office will redesign the form and will put this recommendation in effect April 1.

Kelli Christine Armbruster and Steven Eric Anderson.

Armbruster - Anderson announce engagement

Alan and Karen Armbruster of Burlington would like to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Kelli Christine Armbruster, to Steven Eric Anderson.

Steven is the son of Rod and Terry Anderson of Juneau, Wisconsin.

Kelli is a graduate of Burlington High School and Oklahoma State University with a degree in agricultural communications. She is employed by North Dakota State University (NDSU) in Fargo, North Dakota, as an agriculture communications specialist for the NDSU Extension Service. Kelli is the granddaughter of Doris Armbruster and the late Robert (Bob) Armbruster of Burlington, and Joyce DeMuth and the late Jim DeMuth of Sperry.

Steven is a graduate of Dodgeland High School in Juneau and North Dakota State University with a degree in animal sciences. He is employed by NDSU as the sheep research unit manager and is completing his master of science degree in the Department of Animal Sciences. Steven is the grandson of Dolores Anderson and the late Kenneth Anderson, and Dorothy (Gahlman) Strassmann and the late Fred Gahlman, all of Juneau.

Steven and Kelli reside in Fargo where they are planning a June 3 wedding at Saint Francis De Sales Catholic Church.

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Dean and Carolyn Stands of Cherokee end up together at Share Medical Center at same time.

Interesting story from our January 18, 2017 Newsgram.

The children of Dean Stands grew very concerned about their Dad's nightly worsening upper respiratory problems when breathing became laborious. They had Dean brought to Alva by ambulance in order to get the fastest possible medical attention. He was immediately diagnosed with pneumonia. They got him checked in and breathing treatments, lab work and medicine began.

Daughter Diane Ferrell said, "The care he has gotten is beyond unbelievable. It is simply awesome.

"I was thanking a nurse who was going off duty for the wonderful care they had given my Dad. She said, 'I just treated him like how I would want my own grandpa treated.'

Another daughter, Karen Eckhart echoed those sentiments. "Everything about this experience at Share Medical Center has been wonderful and with such a personal touch. You can feel it in the air."

"The telemedicine stuff is so impressive. We've had two different telemedicine doctors and both are excellent. They are able to electronically listen to his heart and lungs. (One told us the sounds are about ten times louder than when using a regular stethoscope.) They observe him and go over his lab blood work with us. It's just like these doctors are in the same room."

How did Carolyn end up in Share Medical Center?

Cheryl Evans said, "Dad had been here about three days and was now much improved and on swing bed. I went home to check on Mom and she was worsening with the crud as well. We decided she should come over and visit **Urgent Care.**

"Immediately it was determined she had pneumonia as well. So she was taken across the building to the **ER** so breathing treatment and blood work could be done. When all that came back from the lab, it was clear she needed admission to the hospital as well. So we walked down the hall a little further and she was checked in. It was very easy and the people were so kind. It saved us so many road trips with everything under one roof."

Dean and Carolyn's children: Cheryl Evans, Karen Eckhardt, Diane Ferrell and Gordon Stands.

Carolyn said, "I think I will get out in two days. I like the fact we came over without appointment. There was no fuss or bother about that. They simply took care of us. There's a lot of places you can't get in without first making an appointment with a primary care physician. (Also, they let us take over the front lobby to watch the OSU football bowl game . . moving the chairs, too!)"

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Heather René Moore and Lucas Cole Russell

Moore - Russell announce engagement

Brad and Michelle Moore of Anthony, Kansas, would like to announce the engagement of their daughter Heather René Moore to Lucas Cole Russell.

Lucas is the son of Tom and Julie Russell of Freedom, Oklahoma.

Heather is a graduate of Chaparral High School and is studying early childhood education at Northwestern Oklahoma State University as well as teaching pre-school at Blessed Beginnings and working at Jett's Department Store in Anthony, Kansas. Heather is the granddaughter of Kathleen Garner and the late Glen Garner and Wilma Moore and the late John P. Moore.

Lucas is a graduate of Freedom High School and Northwestern Oklahoma State University and is employed at Cox Manufacturing in Harper, Kansas. Lucas is the grandson of the late Wesley and Maxine Nixon and the late Virgil and Helen Russell.

The couple is planning a June wedding.

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He retired from the City of Cherokee where he was city manager for 45 years. She retired from Cole's Flowers after 20 years.

They are active members of the First Christian Church where he is deacon and trustee and they both are on the Worship Committee. Glenda taught Sunday school for 62 years.

They have one daughter, Sherri Parr of Enid; two grandchildren, Abby Fleming of Conway, Arkansas and Eric Parr of Blanchard, Oklahoma; and four great-grandchildren, Collin Condit, and Cale, Callen and Camryn Paar.

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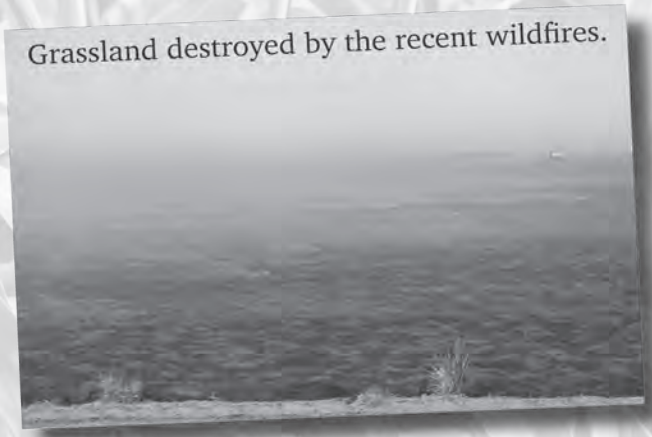

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Obituaries

WINIFRED LEE ALLEN

Funeral services for Winifred Lee Allen will be 2 p.m. Thursday, March 23, 2017, at the Dacoma Church of God with Pastor Connie Kinnard and Jonathan Gilliland officiating. Interment will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Winifred Lee Allen, daughter of the late Ray V. and Pearl Elizabeth (Ikler) Morse, was born December 16, 1928, in Dacoma, Oklahoma, and passed away March 19, 2017, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at the age of 88 years, 3 months and 3 days.

Winifred graduated from Dacoma High School. On May 25, 1949, she was united in marriage to Dale Wayne Allen at Cherokee, Oklahoma. She lived in Dacoma until moving to Medford four years ago.

She was a member of the Dacoma Church of God and attended the Baptist Church in Medford. She was an avid Thunder fan and adored her grandkids and great grandkids and all their activities.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Donald Morse, and two great granddaughters, Alli and Brynn Lamle.

Winifred is survived by three daughters, Rita Lamle and husband, Ken, of Medford; Debbie Settle and husband, Larry, of Garden Plain, Kansas; and Patricia Settle and husband, Troy, of Edmond; three brothers, Charlie Morse of El Paso, Texas; Wayne Morse and wife, Joan, of Enid; and Max Morse of Lahoma.

Also surviving are eight grandchildren, Lana Cecil and husband, Jason, of Leander, Texas; Blake Lamle and wife, Crystal, of Shattuck; Lacy Moore and husband, Gregg, of Woodward; Shea Settle and wife, Trisha, of Ponca City; Lindsay Henry and husband, Chris, of Kremlin; Lara Kostka and husband, Corey, of Kingfisher; Leia Laird of Edmond; and Lori McDaniel and husband, Scott, of Springtown, Texas; 18 great-grandchildren; other relatives and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the Pleasant View Cemetery Association.

Remembrances may be shared with the family at www.marshallfuneralhomes.com.

RONALD CLAY BRADY

Funeral services for Ronald (Ron, Buddy) Brady will be Friday, March 24, 2017. A public graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. at Alva Municipal Cemetery followed by a memorial service at 11 a.m. at First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), with Rev. Ron Pingelton officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Ronald Clay Brady was born December 25, 1931, on a farm in Alfalfa County, Oklahoma, and died March 18, 2017, at the age of 85 years, 2 months and 21 days.

He attended school at Shorts Springs, later graduating from Lambert High School. On August 2, 1952, Ronald married Barbara Ann Baltz. Shortly after their marriage, the couple moved to San Antonio, Texas, where Ronald served in the U.S. Army. Upon his discharge, the couple returned to Oklahoma and settled on a farm west of Cherokee where they raised their three daughters, Ronda, LeAnn, and Becky, as Ronald worked in car sales in Cherokee, Oklahoma, and farmed with his father.

In 1964, the family moved to a farm east of Alva. Ronald continued farming until his retirement in 2012. In 1976, the couple moved to their home in Alva, where Ronald resided until moving to Beadles Nursing Home in mid-February 2017.

Ronald was a member of the First Christian Church where he served for years as a deacon. An extremely caring, generous and humble man, Ronald encouraged and supported many friends and family throughout his life. With a smile, a hug and a handshake, he warmed the hearts of many with his kindness and friendship. Fishing, attending Goldbug and Ranger basketball games, and sharing daily coffee with his "Ampride buddies" provided great happiness for him. Ronald was also actively involved in bingo at Beadles Nursing Home, helping set up and assisting residents.

Ronald was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and Myrtle; his wife, Barbara, in January 2017; four siblings, Maxine Pederson, Vera Mae Smith, Mary Ellen Watkins, Gayle Jones and their spouses. He is survived by his brother Larry (Nelda) Brady; three daughters, Ronda and Jim Martin of Newkirk, Oklahoma, LeAnn and Jennie Brady of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Becky and Oswaldo Leon of Centennial, Colorado; nine grandchildren, Jill (Ryan), Jessica (Zachary), Amy (Aaron), Clayton (Amanda), Jordan (Dala), Evan (Lauren), Cori (James), Allison, and Anna; twelve great grandchildren; other relatives and a multitude of friends.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to Beadles Nursing Home Activity Fund or First Christian Church Foyer Fund.

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ANNE DORRIS

CHEROKEE, Okla. — Anne Dorris passed away peacefully in her sleep on March 21, 2017. Services will be held on Saturday, March 25, 2017, at 1 p.m. at Plaza Christian Church in Joplin, Missouri. She is survived by her husband, Doug; two daughters; three grandchildren; other family and friends.

RACHELLE HANAN

Funeral services for Rachelle Hanan are pending at Marshall Funeral Home of Waynoka LLC.

LEONARD CLIFTON MOREHEAD

Leonard C. Morehead, 73, Broken Arrow, was born March 13, 1944, in Arkansas to Nancy (Dalton) and James Milton Morehead and passed from this life March 14, 2017, in Tulsa.

As a child he went to Spencerville Grade School until eighth grade and then he went to Hugo High School.

He married his first wife Mary and they had two sons – Ronnie and Robert.

He later met, then married his wife Carolyn (Corbin) on July 29, 1967, in Altus, until her untimely death on July 6, 1998. In between those years, they moved from Oklahoma City to Cherokee in 1969 and raised six children.

Leonard wore many hats during that time and held many different jobs in the Northwest Oklahoma area, from Hammer and Phillips to United Supermarket. In 1985, he worked for Rick Caruthers Construction and worked there for 18 years. While in Cherokee he was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cherokee and baptized in 1990.

He met his current wife, Barbara, around the year 2000 and they moved to Hugo in 2003. They married January 24, 2004. Leonard worked and retired from Choctaw County, while living in Hugo. The couple then moved to Muskogee. After that, they moved to Broken Arrow to be closer to their doctors.

He enjoyed going to estate sales with this wife and purchasing things that he could refurbish. He loved to do projects with woodwork and prided himself in keeping a nice looking yard and flower gardens.

He was proceed in death by his parents; three sisters, Wanda, Juanita and Marilyn; one brother, Robert; his wife Carolyn and twin granddaughters, Caedence Lynn and Clara Jane.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Barbara, and cat, Sally, of the home; three daughters, Pam Bouziden, Enid; Tina and husband Doug Lavicky, Cherokee; and Desiree and husband Dustin Malicoat, Alva, stepdaughter, Brenda Stout, Talequah; five sons, Ronnie Morehead, Arkansas; Robert Morehead, Arkansas; Kimey Kimery and wife Janet, Mesquite, Texas; Shane Morehead, Sanger, Texas; and Christopher Morehead and wife Corrine, Williamsburg, New Mexico, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He also left behind two sisters, Lois Chappell, Grant; Rachel and husband James Young, Harrah; and a sister-in-law, Deanna Morehead, Hugo, along with many nephews, nieces, cousins and loving friends.

His memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 25, 2017, at Bethel Baptist Church in Cherokee with Sonny Daub officiating. He will be laid to rest with his parents in Spencerville Cemetery at a later date.

DR, JOE JACK STRUCKLE

Funeral services for Dr. Joe Jack Struckle will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 24, 2017, at the Herod Hall Auditorium on the NWOSU campus with the Rev. Dr. Carol Cook Moore officiating. Interment will be in the Alva Municipal Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Dr. Joe Jack Struckle, age 83, of Edmond, Oklahoma, was reunited with his heavenly family on March 18, 2017. Joe was the youngest of seven children born on June 29, 1933, in Bryant, Oklahoma, to the late Louis and Caroline (Luzar) Struckle. Joe's father passed away while he was an infant, and was thus raised by his adoring mother, Caroline, and his older brothers and sisters. Joe's mom was the ever-present angel and guiding influence in his life who shaped his values and beliefs. He was also cared for by three father-like big brothers (Louis, Otto and Victor) and two loving sisters (Mary Josephine [Neumann] and Velma). He was preceded in death by all brothers and sisters listed as well as another infant sister (Margaret).

Joe grew up hunting, fishing and playing sports in Bryant, Oklahoma, where he graduated from high school. A short time after his graduation, Joe was drafted by the United States Army and served stateside during the Korean Conflict. After active duty and while serving in the Army Reserves, Joe attended East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma, where he

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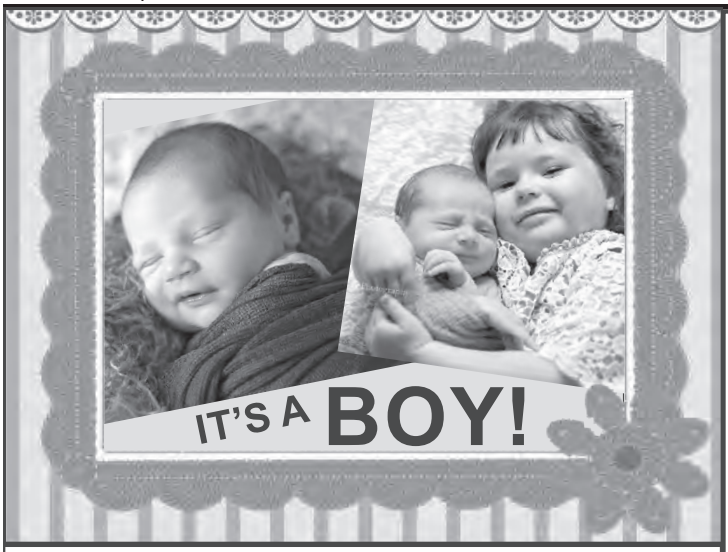

Henry "Hank" Robert Huff *was born in Phoenix, Arizona, on February 28th at 11:38 a.m. He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces and 20.5 inches long. He is the son of Wesley and Heidi Huff and little brother to Hadley May Huff.*

His grandparents are Rob and Patricia Nida of Alva, Oklahoma, and Scott and Penny Huff of Scottsdale, Arizona. He is a great grandson to Don Huff of Phoenix, Arizona. Henry is loved by many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

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Wheat Crop 2017 needs rain – a unanimous opinion among elevator operators

By Yvonne Miller

With March temperatures hitting unseasonable 80-plus degrees, the 2017 wheat crop isn't sure what month it is. One thing the wheat craves is moisture – on that everyone agrees.

Jake Kelln, manager of the Dacoma Co-op, said, "The hot weather has kicked the wheat crop into high gear." At that rate he said the plants won't see additional tillers in the dry conditions.

Kelln said that three weeks ago the crop looked better. "We need a shot of moisture," he said. Some wheat, he said, has mites and aphids (little bitty insects) that are more prevalent in drought conditions.

"We'll see an increase in grazed out acres," Kelln said. "We've still got a good crop coming if it rains." He said that Dacoma-area wheat fields "are still fair. We could still see some good fill – we could still salvage."

OK Grain Manager Steve Inslee in Kiowa, Kansas, said, "It's looking better than it did. Some rain (predicted toward the end of the week) will certainly help."

Despite "a little freeze damage, insect damage and leaf rust," Inslee said the crops in the Kiowa, Hazelton and Hardtner area are "looking decent. The majority looks pretty good."

This is a view in mid-March 2017 of growing wheat plants that are in desperate need of moisture at the Oklahoma/Kansas border. *Photo by Yvonne Miller*

Alva Farmer's Cooperative General Manager Ronnie Truelock was out of town for meetings when called, so Agronomy Department Manager Merle Ridgway commented. He said that despite the dry conditions, "There's still a chance of some average yields," for the 2017 harvest in the Alva area. Ridgway predicts, "The volume of wheat will be down because there's lots of graze-off." The crop already has some freeze damage and bug pressure, he said.

When asked about the status of the wheat crop, Burlington Co-op Manager Robbie Newman said, "That's a good question."

"The unseasonably warm and dry weather has not been good, but we have good potential," Newman said. He added that the wheat has "a little aphid pressure because of the dryer conditions," but said rain will help that problem. He said the Burlington area wheat fields are seeing "no more graze-off than usual for us."

Shane Parker, manager of the Cherokee Co-op, said, "The wheat still looks pretty good for as dry as it is. It seems to be growing well in the warm weather but the topsoil moisture will run out pretty quick."

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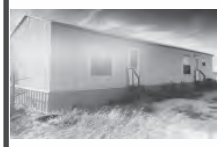

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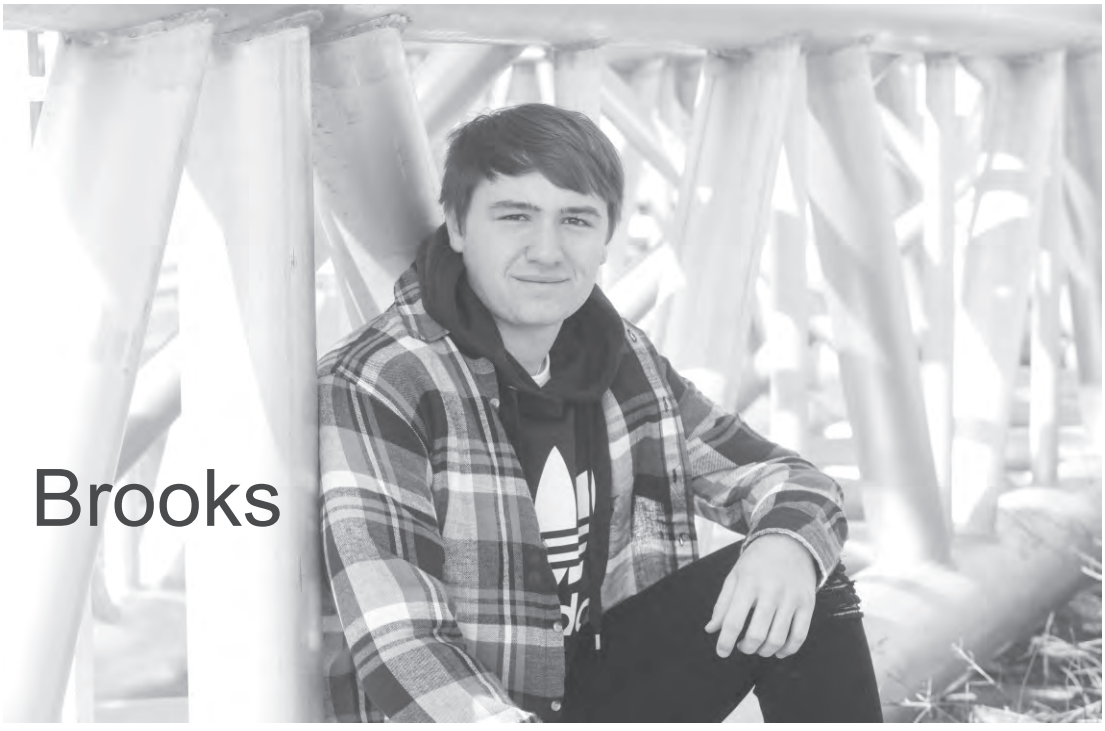

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Alva Farmer's Co-op celebrates 100 years

John Berg, left, of Triangle Cooperative Insurance Company of Enid, presents the Director of the Year award to Randy Schwerdtfeger at the co-op annual meeting. Standing with Randy is his wife, Karen. *Photo by Lynn L. Martin*

Standing at the podium telling about his 40 years as an employee of the Alva Farmer's Co-op, former manager Bob Davison tells about some of the challenges farmers and the association have faced over the years. At left is Randy Schwerdtfeger, president of the board, and at right is Ronnie Truelock, manager of the co-op. *Photo by Lynn L. Martin*

By Lynn L. Martin

The annual meeting of the Alva Farmer's Cooperative Association was held Monday night at the Woods County fairgrounds. The meeting served an additional purpose of celebrating the co-op's 100th anniversary of being in business.

A video slideshow ran throughout the meeting displaying both early and current images of the co-op facilities and employees. Former manager Bob Davison spoke, telling the middle 40 years of the firm's history, and President Randy Schwerdtfeger told of the recent 20 years.

The auditor's statement of operations revealed net earnings of $659,910.38 after taxes. The auditor said 60 percent of this has been distributed to stockholders as patronage dividends. The total assets of the organization were $12,611,159.58. This is down from $15,090,697.47 from last year because the inventories fell from $5,419,809.76 to $1,753,543.35

Overall, the year was very good. The co-op's acquisition of the Buffalo Co-op several years ago is paying off. This is because the wheat harvested and stored out there is generally of a higher quality, and can be mixed with the wheat stored at the other Alva co-op elevators to make all the wheat more salable. A new wheat cleaner installed at Buffalo replaced a much slower 40-year-old machine, and the speed and efficiency of the new cleaner is attracting new customers.

In the board member election, Tim Ohm was re-elected to the board, and Daryl Buckhaults was elected to replace Steve Sneary, who chose not to run again.

Each of the co-op department managers stood and introduced their employees. Manager Ronnie Truelock spent some time telling about directions in which the co-op is expanding, including sharing in a new fertilizer facility at Ames.

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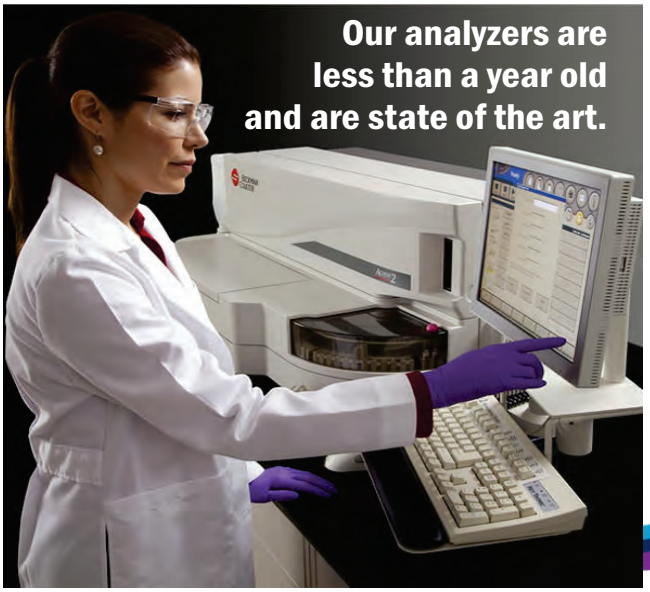

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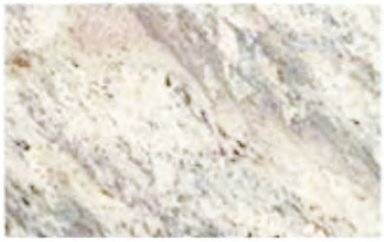

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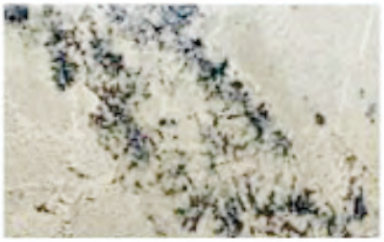

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Special election in Kansas April 11 to fill U.S. Rep. Pompeo's seat

Kansas school and city elections moved to November; Candidates must certify by June 1

By Yvonne Miller

Earlier Kansas legislative action moved the state's school and city elections to the fall of 2017 instead of in the spring as has been the norm.

So there would be no election this spring in Barber County. However, Barber County Election Deputy Amy Sill said a special election is called for April 11 to fill the position of U.S. House of Representatives for the Kansas 4th Congressional District. That's since Congressman Mike Pompeo was named director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) under the Trump Administration. Pompeo represented Kansas as U.S. Representative for the 4th District from 2011-2017.

Candidates for that congressional position in the April 11 election are: Ron Estes, Republican; James A. Thompson, Democrat; Chris Rockhold, Libertarian.

Barber County School and City Election Seats Available

The general municipal election is set for Nov. 7. People wishing to run for the open positions must file by June 1 at the Barber County Courthouse, Sill said.

The deputy confirmed there is now a $20 filing fee, instead of the $5 fee of the past. To avoid the fee, she said candidates can file a petition. The number of required signatures per petition is: Medicine Lodge, 111; Kiowa, 50; Isabel, 5; Hardtner, 3; Hazelton, 3.

The number of people running for the open positions (four or more) on the city councils and school boards will determine whether a primary election is held, Sill said. A primary election would be held Aug. 1 if needed. The last day to file for the primaries would be July 11.

Kiowa City and USD 255 Open Positions

The positions open on Kiowa's City Council are: Mayor (held by Brandon Farney, who has served two four-year terms so cannot run for the position this time) and two four-year councilmember terms currently held by R.L. Simpson and Tom Wells.

USD 255 (South Barber School District) has three open positions that are currently held by Steve Allen, Dooli Rugg and Mark Pollock. Those are: Position #4 (Pollock) Dist 2 – inside Kiowa; Position #5 (Allen) Dist 1 – outside Kiowa; Position #6 (Rugg) Dist 1 – outside Kiowa.

Medicine Lodge City and USD 254

In Medicine Lodge three city council seats are open. They are currently held by Norman Clouse, Mike Roe and Ron James.

USD 254 has three positions open that are currently held by Andrea Fisher, Allen Dick and Micha Werner. Those are: Position #4 (Fisher); Position #5 (Dick); Position #6 (Werner).

Other Barber County Community Open Seats

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Three City Council (right now is Kathy Hays, Gene Weber and Jose Ruiz)

Isabel

Mayor (right now is Marilyn Murphy)

Two City Council (right now is Lonnie Frederick and Tamara Krom)

Sharon

Mayor (right now is Ken Ricke)

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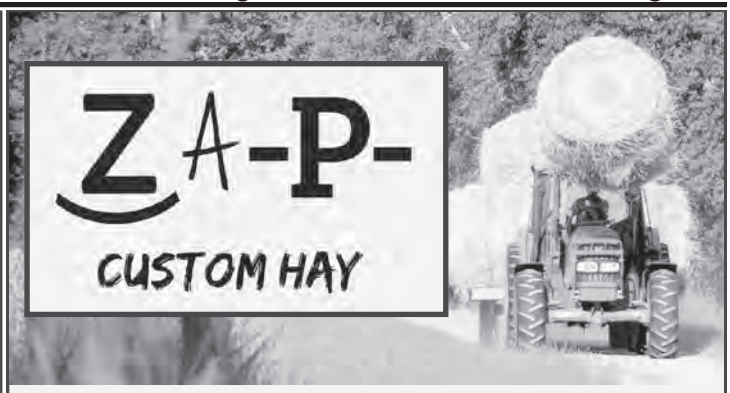

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You can own this work of art featuring Alva landmarks

Painting is artist's gift to Nescatunga Arts Council, 48th Nescatunga Festival June 3; Place your silent auction bid for this painting displayed at Graceful Arts Center

By Yvonne Miller

If you love history of the Alva area, don't miss this opportunity to own a piece of it as beautiful as the architecture of the structures. Drop by the Graceful Arts Studio on the south side of Alva's downtown square and write down your bid in a silent auction for this keepsake painting featuring some Alva landmarks.

Edmond artist Arni Anderson, who has exhibited work at the festival and also judged the show numerous times, created the masterpiece. He presented Nescatunga Arts and Humanities Council President Charla Parker with this gift. Parker said Nescatunga paid to have the painting matted and framed. Proceeds from the silent

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Woods County commissioners wrestle with beer sales request

By Lynn L. Martin

The bulk of Monday's county commissioner meeting was spent discussing various policies regarding the sale of 3.2 beer on county property.

The Northwest Oklahoma Leadership Class VI represented by Kelsey Martin and Blake Jordan were on the agenda to request permission to use the courthouse square for a new promotion called "Night in the Northwest" for Aug. 25. Martin said, "The event is scheduled within a few days of the start of college (Aug. 21) in order to get students to cross Oklahoma Boulevard and come and see there is a downtown business district."

The document she distributed suggests a goal of five food trucks and lots of local bands performing in 30 minute increments on the stage.

She said there are two or three food trucks in Alva, one in Cherokee, and several in Enid that might participate. Some of these routinely sell 3.2 beer and have their own liquor license. She said that beer was served by Champs at the Chamber Gala event at the Act 1 building with no problems.

Much of the discussion had to do with possibly obsolete city ordinances that prohibit the parking of vendor trucks on the square in regular parking places. The county would not have any say as to what those trucks sold because they were operating on city property. On the other hand, if the food trucks were denied parking on city streets, but on the courthouse parking lot, then the beer/no beer policies of the city and county might collide. It was pointed out that vendor trucks park in city parking spaces during the car show in September.

The commissioners said there is plenty of time for the Northwest OK Leadership Class to approach the city and possibly get the ordinance changed. Also, the next step would be to get the sheriff, police chief and city manager to see if they can agree on a policy. David Hamil said the sheriff has always been opposed to any event permitting alcohol sales on county property.

Burn Ban

In other business the commissioners voted to extend the burn ban another week. John Smiley said he talked to six fire chiefs in the area and five of them wanted to continue the ban.

Donnie Head from Circuit Engineering (#8) presented a bill for the inspection of 44 bridges in the amount of $10,054.50. He mentioned only one bridge as having a slight problem: its carrying capacity is mislabeled too low.

The commissioners paid a juvenile detention transportation claim of $197.24.

Consolidating OEDA and SWODA

Finally, the commissioners approved a plan entitled Local Elected Officials Consortium Agreement. The purpose is to consolidate the Southwest Workforce Development Area with the Northwestern Workforce Development area. Any questions should be directed to Jennifer Miller or Justin Carnagey of OEDA. The counties affected in OEDA are Beaver, Cimarron, Dewey, Ellis, Harper, Texas, Woods and Woodward counties. The counties affected in SWODA are Beckham, Custer, Greer, Harmon, Jackson, Kiowa, Roger Mills and Washita counties.

Oklahoma hunter education class

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From Page 36 Painting

auction of this one-of-a-kind painting will go toward Nescatunga's expenses of putting on the 48th festival June 3. Nescatunga is the longest consecutive running art show in the state of Oklahoma.

Anderson painted this picture featuring a collage of Alva landmarks. He took photographs of the structures on his multiple trips to Alva and then created his magic on canvas.

Landmarks featured in the collage painting include: the Nickel/Ensor/McClure House, the Brizzolara home, the original Woods County Courthouse, the Rialto Theater marquee, Wheeler Brothers Grain Elevator, a piece from The Castle on the Hill on the NWOSU campus, the 1906 Crowell House, the old armory building and Alva's First United Methodist Church Rose Stained Glass Window.

The Nickel/Ensor/McClure House is located at 1301 Locust St. The Romanesque revival style structure was built in 1909 for Alva banker George Nickel. Later Dr. Daniel Ensor, chief of staff at the Alva Hospital, owned the house until 1962. Then Wade and Jane McClure purchased the home and raised their family there while operating an insurance business. The home has changed owners numerous times since them. Parker said Mark Bellah currently resides there.

The (Hal and Evelyn) Brizzolara home on College Street next to the First Christian Church was built by Dr. Bilby. He was the father of Afton Bilby, a longtime schoolteacher in the area, Alva woman LaDonna Benningfield recalled.

There is a mural of the original Woods County Courthouse, built in 1904, on the existing courthouse, which was started in 1954 and finished in 1956.

The Rialto Theater building location reportedly began as the New Opera House in 1907. The history of the Rialto is pre-1949.

Wheeler Brothers Grain Elevator was built about 1950, according to Dean Goll, and the elevator on Mill Street was built prior to that.

The former armory building is located at Second and Choctaw streets and is now the Alva schoolbus barn.

The picture of Alva's First United Methodist Church features their rose stained glass window.

Parker said the part of a structure in the painting related to NWOSU is the famous "The Castle on the Hill" that was dedicated in 1898. The ornate structure burned March 1, 1935, and started as the Normal School in the community's quest for an institution of higher education. The building stood where the Jesse Dunn building stands today on the NWOSU campus.

The 1906 Crowell House stands at 801 Flynn. This magnificent house is a historic prairie-style mansion. The house was built for local businessman George W. Crowell. In the last several years the house was transformed into The Vintage Inn. The house has been a home for many families through the years and is reportedly currently owned by Randon Miller. Benningfield said she remembers as a youth in the 1950s when the garage of that house was the Goldbug Inn and they served burgers.

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*Sale is subject to confirmation by District Court.
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Obits

earned a bachelor of science degree. While attending East Central University Joe's life was forever impacted for the better when he met Barbara Ann Mitchell. On August 1, 1958, Joe united in marriage with his best friend, love of his life and respected partner. After Joe and Barbara were married, Joe attended Oklahoma State University where he was awarded a master of science degree. He later was awarded a doctoral degree in education from the University of Tulsa.

Joe started his education career as a math teacher in both Shidler and Ponca City, Oklahoma. Joe would go on to serve as a math professor and later dean of men at Northern Oklahoma College in Tonkawa, Oklahoma. In 1968, Joe was hired as associate professor of education and dean of students at Northwestern Oklahoma State University. In 1975, Joe was appointed the 16th president of Northwestern Oklahoma State University where he served until his retirement in 2000. Joe's tenure as Northwestern Oklahoma State University's chief executive officer is the longest in the university's history.

Joe was the recipient of many awards for distinguished service. In 1995, he was bestowed one of Oklahoma's highest honors in education with his induction into the Oklahoma Educators Hall of Fame. He was also elected to the Oklahoma Higher Education Hall of Fame in 1999.

While Joe received many accolades during his career, he would always quickly point out that any successes achieved were only the result of a great team that surrounded him in his life. If not for the guiding influence of his mom and siblings, the strength and passion of his dear wife Barbara, and the remarkable support from Northwestern Oklahoma State University faculty, staff and students, successes would not have been possible. Joe would say he had three families. The family he was honored to be born into, the family he and Barbara fostered and his Northwestern Oklahoma State University family. His love and passion for all three were deep and absolute.

Joe is survived by his wife, Barbara; his two sons, Jay Struckle of El Reno, Oklahoma, and Jeff Struckle and wife Sharon of Olathe, Kansas, and two grandchildren Katelyn Struckle and Carter Struckle. Joe is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Northwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation.

Remembrances may be shared with the family at www.marshallfuneralhomes.com.

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Wheat

As for other issues with wheat in the Cherokee area, Parker said they haven't had a bad insect problem. They've mainly battled weevils in alfalfa fields, he said.

"If we catch a few more rains, we have a chance of having a good harvest," Parker said.

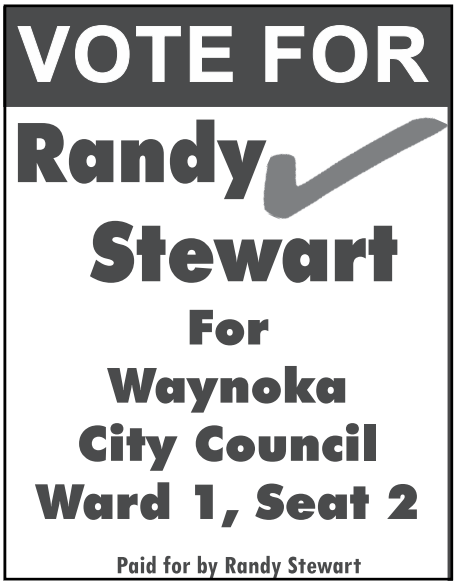
Price of Wheat and Global Outlook

The price of wheat closed at $3.51 Monday. At 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, the price of wheat was trading down nine cents at $3.41.

In an AgWeb article in December, the USDA estimated a third year of back-to-back falling prices, with the average wheat farm price for 2016-17 at $3.60 to $3.80 per bushel. That would be lower than the estimated 2015-16 farm price of $4.89, and roughly 60 percent less than the 2014-15 price of $5.99.

Analysts' predictions called for an even greater global wheat glut in 2017 to drive down prices. This is prompting farmers to look at planting even more other crops such as soybeans, corn, milo and canola.

With already record-high global supplies of wheat and Australia's recent record-breaking harvest, there's little hope that the price of wheat will rise to profitable levels for the American farmer this year.



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Tuesday, March 14, 2017

6:45 a.m. Reporting party (RP) advised they could smell wires burning in the lobby at the Jiffy Trip. Advised Cherokee Fire Department. Firefighter advised they got the problem fixed.

6:45 a.m. RP advised he had hit a deer on Highway 38, 2 miles south of Highway 11. RP was not injured and airbags did not deploy. RP advised he did want a report. Advised OHP.

7:45 a.m. RP advised of a calf lying in the ditch and OHP also was notified. Attempted to locate owner.

7:55 a.m. RP asked for an ambulance to be sent for a man who had fallen and has a lump on his head and they want him checked out by the ER.

8:27 a.m. RP advised of cattle out near the road ½ mile west of County Road 710 on Highway 45.

2:33 p.m. RP stated her sister had passed out while in the kitchen. Advised she had surgery for a brain aneurysm in the last two weeks. Paged Helena ambulance. Medic with patient en route to St. Mary's Hospital in Enid.

7 p.m. 911 call, one vehicle rollover with injuries. Paged medic. Medic en route. Cherokee Fire Department en route. Medic with patient en route to Share Medical Center in Alva to air evacuated.

10:36 p.m. RP would like a welfare check done for her boyfriend. Advised he hadn't answered the phone and had been depressed. Advised officer. Officer advised he was okay.

Wednesday, March 15, 2017

12:07 a.m. RP advised of a ditch fire on Osage Road between county roads 700 and 710. Advised Amorita and Byron Fire Department.

12:37 a.m. RP advised there was a grass fire at Highway 11 and County Road 720. Nescatunga Fire Department (NFD) en route.

1:10 a.m. NFD en route to help Holly Fire Department and Wakita Fire Department on Highway 11 and County Road 760.

9:08 a.m. RP advised two horses were out north of Jet. Advised owner.

5:34 p.m. Civil papers served.

7:41 p.m. RP advised of cow out on Highway 45 and County Road 690.

7:48 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop on Oklahoma.

8:15 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop on 10th Street and Grand.

8:48 p.m. 911 call, female patient was dizzy and nauseated and vomiting. Paged medic. Medic with patient en route to St. Mary's Hospital.

Thursday March 16, 2017

6:51 a.m. RP advised of a dead deer on a curve. Advised ODOT.

10:43 a.m. RP advised someone had backed into her in front of Smith Drug on Grand.

3:30 p.m. RP advised of a dog at large and chasing kids around on south Pennsylvania. Advised officer.

3:57 p.m. RP advised of a black cow out ½ mile south of County Road 600 off of Highway 8.

4:14 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop by Cottonwood bridge.

4:56 p.m. Deputy advised there was a semi headed west on Highway 11, running people off the road. He advised dispatch he will be on the lookout.

5:26 p.m. Deputy had a traffic stop on County Road 680 and Highway 11.

6:15 p.m. RP advised his 70-year-old wife had her leg caught and needed an ambulance. Medic paged. No transport needed.

6:23 p.m. Deputy had a traffic stop at Highway 11 and County Road 670.

6:51 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop at Main and Grand.

7:21 p.m. RP advised a drunk man threatened him and his family and was now standing in the street yelling at him. RP called back and advised the drunk individual was standing on his porch with a glass pipe. Advised deputy. Deputy advised everyone go home.

9:46 p.m. Deputy had a traffic stop at Highway 11 and County Road 630.

10:15 p.m. Deputy had a traffic stop at Highway 11 and County Road 640.

10:24 p.m. Deputy had a traffic stop at Highway 11.

Friday, March 17, 2017

2:17 a.m. RP advised a suspicious vehicle was about a half-mile west of the firing rage, near the DOC in Helena. Advised DOC, but unable to get ahold of Helena officer. Advised deputy.

4:09 p.m. RP advised a dog is in her yard and she cannot put her dog out. Advised officer. Officer advised the owner will try to keep the dog penned up.

4:42 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop south of the Cottonwood bridge.

5:04 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop north of the Cottonwood bridge.

8:32 p.m. RP stated her neighbour's dog ran at her several times and she asked him to put the dog back in his yard and he cussed her out and shut the door. Deputy advised of the situation and given RP's information. Deputy was going to contact RP. Deputy contacted RP and she called the dog catcher and see if it can be resolved.

9:43 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop on Grand.

11:16 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop on Grand.

11:36 p.m. Deputy en route to Amorita for a report of a possible burglary. Deputy en route.

Saturday, March 18, 2017

12:50 a.m. Deputy had a traffic stop at County Road 630 and Highway 11.

See **Sheriff** *Page 54*

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Noon Alva Kiwanis Club meets at Champs Restaurant.

Noon Narcotics Anonymous meets at The Wesley House, 1027 8th St., Alva (by the college).

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7 p.m. Alva Moose Lodge men's meeting is held every Thursday.

7 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous will meet at 1027 8th (Wesley House) in Alva every Monday and Thursday.

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Alfalfa County court filings

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Felony Filings

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Misdemeanor Filings

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Small Claims Filings

Jerry Barrett, Cherokee, vs. Mike Andrews, Cherokee; Chris Horstman, Ada and Hannah K. Horstman, Ada: small claims ($68).

Divorce Filings

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Traffic Filings

Andrew Brian Dragoo, Edmond, has been cited with failure to comply with compulsory insurance law ($255.25).

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March 14, 2017

At 5:43 a.m., Steve Probst, Medicine Lodge hit a deer on Highway 281 milemarker 17. Unknown damage, no injuries, investigated by Deputy Miller.

Medicine Lodge Rural Fire Department, Hazelton Fire Department, Sharon Fire Department responded to a grass fire on Sandplum Road.

March 15, 2017

Undersheriff and Deputy Woods responded to a report of a bull that had possibly been hit by a vehicle.

March 16, 2017

At 7:54 a.m., Marilyn J. Shanline, Pratt, driving a 2015 Kia Forte, hit a deer on Highway 281. Unknown damage, no injuries, investigated by Undersheriff Brewer and Deputy Woods.

Kiowa Fire Department responded to a grass fire on 11th Street.

March 17, 2017

Kiowa Rural Fire Department responded to a grass fire west of Kiowa.

March 18, 2017

Savanah Dutton, Isabel, driving a 2017 VW Jetta, hit a deer on Tri City Road. Unknown damages, no injuries, investigated by Sheriff Small.

Sharon Fire Department responded to a grass fire south of Sharon three miles.

During the week officers received five reports of cattle out, one report of a horse out and performed one public assist.

ARRESTS

March 14, 2017

Robert Levi Pruitt, Lansing, W/M, 25. Arrested by BASO. Charges: summons to appear warrant.

March 16, 2017

Andrew Clemment Dunham, Kiowa, W/M, 33. Arrested by BASO. Charges: failure to appear warrant.

Alisha Dawn Bryan, Kiowa, W/F, 34. Arrested by BASO. Charges: probation violation.

Cody Lee Mitchell, Sharon, W/M. 28. Arrested by BASO. Charges: driving while suspended, reckless, driving under the influence of alcohol of drugs, transporting an open container. Released March 17, 2017, on a $1,250 surety bond.

From Page 48 Sheriff

4:29 a.m. RP advised his girlfriend came home drunk and had kicked in the door and broke a window. He went to his grandparent's house to call 911 because the girlfriend had lost the phone. RP was staying at his grandparent's house for the night and decided he did not need an officer. RP called back again and decided he wanted his girls removed from the property and wanted to go home. Also advised his wallet was at the house. RP stated he will stayed at his grandparents until his girlfriend was removed. Officer advised everything was okay.

9:38 a.m. RP advised she needed an officer and ambulance. Officer and medic en route. Medic with patient en route to St. Mary's in Enid.

2:54 p.m. RP wanted someone to go take care of a dog that was in a yard that had no water or food. Advised officer. Officer advised someone had already gone to take care of the dog.

3:23 p.m. RP reported someone burning something in their front yard. Advised GFD. Individual advised on the burn ban and the fire was out.

7:51 p.m. RP wanted to know that the front door had been kicked in on a house. Contacted officer who advised it was okay. The bank had taken over the house and the renters had left.

8:06 p.m. RP reported about 40 head of cattle out. Contacted owner.

9:51 p.m. RP reported someone in her house in the 200 block of Texas. RP advised this person was taking stuff out of her house. The person was driving an older white pickup. Officer en route.

Sunday, March 19, 2017

11:45 a.m. RP advised she received a call about someone burning in a pit or barrel. Advised deputy. He advised he would call the RP. The party was warned and there was no fire at the time, it was nearly two days before.

1:01 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop south of the spillway.

2:51 p.m. RP advised of an individual in Jet who had threatened suicide. Advised deputy. Deputy en route. Deputy en route to family member's house. Family advised they will get the individual help the next day.

7:41 p.m. RP advised of cattle out at County Road 660 and Caddo. Advised owner.

8:19 p.m. RP requested officer's assistance. Deputy advised. Advised Grant County. NFD in personal vehicle and en route to County Road 720 and Jackson Road. NFD reported a vehicle on Highway 11 at County Road 720 going west at high rate of speed. Sheriff advised it was not the vehicle. Grant County was on the scene at County Road 730 and Highway 11.

9:24 p.m. RP advised of a gas drive off. Vehicle was a black four-door Toyota car. Amount was $34. Advised officer.

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