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On Tuesday, Feb. 11, three Waynoka FFA officers traveled to Northwestern Oklahoma State University to be interviewed by NWTV7. During the interview they talked about what FFA is, why it's important to be a good leader, National FFA Week, and the goals that the chapter had set for their FFA week. The officers featured were President Brooke Ferguson, Vice President Sagelyn Budy, and Reporter Lainey Seaman. If you would like to see the interview, you can view it on YouTube under NWTV7.



Aline-Cleo Elementary students are learning about and working on character components. The month of December and January was "Humility" and the following students received awards. Front, from left: pre-K – Waylon Vickery, kindergarten – Mackenzie Srader, first grade – AJ Wyman. Back row: second grade – Falen Boeckman, third grade – Emily Wallace, fourth grade – Emma Littrell, and fifth grade – Lili Perez.

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Benefits of Medicaid expansion in Oklahoma

By **Marione Martin**

While world news has been focused on the Coronavirus, many more people



in this area are reported suffering from the flu, strep throat, bronchitis and pneumonia. Here at the newspaper, we've had some employees and their families affected.

Medical care is important in identifying the illness and providing treatments in the form of medications. Medical personnel can also tell us how to avoid infecting others.

However, some families avoid seeking medical care due to the cost. These are families who work but don't have enough income to cover extra expenses like medical visits and prescriptions.

This year Oklahomans will have a chance to vote on State Question 802 for Medicaid expansion. Enough signatures were gathered to place it on the ballot. Gov. Stitt has yet to designate when that vote will occur. The governor is working to put his own Medicaid expansion program into place before that vote occurs.

Medicaid expansion will benefit those who make too much money to be covered by current Medicaid policies or Sooner Care. But these are generally working people who just don't have the income to pay for health insurance. Expansion increases the income level so more people are eligible.

In addition to helping these families, Medicaid expansion will be valuable to hospitals, especially those in rural areas like Share Medical Center in Alva. An article by Dan Desai Martin explains:

Most rural hospital closures are in states that refuse to expand Medicaid

A Missouri hospital just became the 87th rural hospital to shut down in a state that did not expand Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act.

In late January, Pinnacle Regional

Hospital in Boonville, Missouri, became the first rural hospital in the country to shut down in 2020. However, it was the 121st rural hospital to shut down since 2010, the year the Affordable Care Act was signed into law.

More than 7 in 10 of the rural hospitals that shut down in that time period — 87 — were located in just 14 states that did not expand Medicaid, according to an analysis of data from the University of North Carolina's Sheps Center for Health Services Research.

Under the ACA, states had the option of expanding Medicaid to cover tens or hundreds of thousands of residents, with the federal government picking up almost all of the financial cost. Since that time, all but 15 states have implemented a Medicaid expansion program, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation.

Those 15 states are Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

Republicans control the legislative branch, executive branch, or both, in all 15 states.

"If you look at the states, put them in buckets, and look at where rural hospital closures are happening, there are more happening in states that did not expand [Medicaid]," Mark Holmes, a professor of health policy and management and the director of UNC's Rural Health Research Program, said in a phone interview this week.

Holmes said that the most visible work on the topic comes from a 2018 journal article in Health Affairs. That research concluded Medicaid expansion in a state "was associated with improved hospital financial performance and substantially lower likelihoods of closure, especially in rural markets and counties with large numbers of uninsured adults before Medicaid expansion."

Brock Slabach, executive vice president of the National Rural Hospital Association, cited different research showing a similar relationship between rural hospital closures and Medicaid expansion.

"Being located in a state that expanded Medicaid decreased the likelihood of closure by 62.3%," Slabach said in a phone interview, referring to a study from Chartis Center for Rural Research.

Further, Slabach said that of the 216 rural hospitals around the country most at risk of closing, 75% are located in states that did not expand Medicaid.

Texas leads the country in rural hospital closures since 2010 with 20. Tennessee has seen 13 rural hospitals shut down, one of a total nine non-expansion states seeing five or more rural hospitals close. Wyoming is the only non-expansion state that had no rural hospital closures.

In Alabama, six rural hospitals have closed since 2010.

"Alabama's current, bare-bones Medicaid program means too many fall into the coverage gap," Rep. Terri Sewell (D-AL), a lead proponent of Medicaid expansion, said in an email.

Expanding Medicaid "could generate \$2.7 billion in annual economic activity and create thousands of jobs, in addition to helping shore up our rural hospitals where every dollar counts," Sewell added. "Expansion, which would increase the number of patients with health insurance to cover the cost of care, is essential to both delivering the services Alabamians need and keeping our rural hospitals open."

The refusal to expand Medicaid could also have life or death consequences. A 2019 report from the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities found 15,600 adults died prematurely because states decided not to expand Medicaid.

Holmes emphasized the broader economic harm to a community when a rural hospital shuts down. In addition to hundreds of jobs lost at the hospital, he said closures impact the florist across the street and groundskeepers who maintain the lawn. Rural towns might have trouble attracting new residents if the closest hospital is miles and miles away.

Both Holmes and Slabach emphasized that Medicaid is not the only issue at play in rural hospital closures.

Slabach said rural communities tend to have residents who are disproportionately older, sicker, and poorer than non-rural communities, adding that changes to both Medicare and Medicaid could help rural hospitals shore up their finances.

But both men agreed that states expanding Medicaid, while not a silver bullet, would help rural hospitals.

"Anytime you have more revenue, that's a good thing," Holmes said. "It's hard to imagine it would make things worse."

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Principal Bart re-employed at Burlington School

Elks and Lady Elks basketball teams play at Regionals in Arnett Thursday; Spelling bee winners named

By Yvonne Miller

As Burlington School Board President Terry Graham called the February meeting to order Monday morning, all members were present including: T.J. Rockenbach, April Kisling, Aaron Smith and Robert Hill. Also attending were: Superintendent Dr. Stacey Croft, Principal Tim Bart and board clerk Tamre McGinnis.

Following an executive session later in the meeting, the board voted to re-employ Bart as principal for the 2020-21 school year.

Also in executive session, the board conducted their ongoing evaluation of Superintendent Croft. The board also discussed certified personnel with no vote to be taken in open session.

Burlington Elks and Lady Elks Play at Regionals Basketball Thursday

Discussing sportsmanship at ballgames, Dr. Croft and Principal Bart reported it has been a good year and asked the fans, players and coaches to keep up the good work through the remainder of the season. Both the Elks and Lady Elks are District Champions.

Burlington teams and fans head to Arnett for the Regional Basketball Tournament Thursday. Coached by Jade Jones, the Lady Elks are 18-8

and ranked 11th in Class B. They play Arnett at 6:30 p.m.

With a record of 19-7, the Elks are coached by Garrett Bebermeyer and ranked 10th in Class B. They play Goodwell at 8 p.m.

Burlington School Board Business

Principal Bart discussed the school calendar for 2020-21. He said a committee of teachers will be appointed to review numerous options. The board agreed to see the proposed calendar at their March meeting.

The following encumbrances, change orders and warrants received board approval as follows: General Fund: Encumbrances 301-324 for \$70,397.44, Change Orders (\$4,510.26), Warrants 696- 797 for \$509,825.38; Building Fund: Encumbrance 8 for \$2,000.00, Warrant 12 for \$756.09; and Child Nutrition Fund: Warrants 31 - 35 for \$6,359.32.

The January 2020 Activity Fund Report was board approved.

Superintendent Croft Reports on Finances and More

Superintendent Croft presented a Mid-year Expense and Revenue Comparison. She said they had no January figures – since changing treasurers everything is behind. Croft said the figures are similar to last

year. The report will be revisited in March.

Regarding General Fund balance calculations, the superintendent said that Burlington “is over our carryover.” She said the school must file a waiver that says Burlington School has exceeded their carryover limit. She reminded that because of Burlington’s favorable financial situation, the school is not on the state formula – and doesn’t receive state funding. They only receive transportation money as that is required by the state to provide that to all schools.

“We feel blessed. Our goal is to stay off of state funding,” Dr. Croft told the Newsgram.

She said the Alfalfa County Multi-jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan was just rewritten by Alfalfa County.

The annual meeting of Burlington’s Education Foundation Meeting was Tuesday evening. Beverly Hankey is president of the Foundation.

The New/Incumbent School Board member workshop is April 17-18 at the Double Tree Warren Place in Tulsa.

The OSSBA Region 2 meeting is at Seiling Classroom Building Commons Area, April 30. The extra points session is at 5:30 p.m., with the regular session at 6:30.

Principal Bart Reports on Events and Activities

Principal Bart updated the board on some past events and activities as well as some in the future.

Recent Past Events: 01/24- Cherokee Strip Professional Development Day in Enid; 01/31- High School Valentine Dance; 01/31- Prevention Needs Assessment Survey; 02/07- Basketball Senior Night; 02/14-15- Basketball Districts; 02/17- FFA Officers to Enid for a radio interview. Swing by Cherokee Farm Bureau to take picture with Steve Clark; 02/18- Education Foundation Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. in School Auditorium;

The Elementary Spelling BEE was February 5. The winners are:

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Cherokee city manager proposes putting officer in school

School would pay half of the officer's salary; officer would work for city when school's out

By Kathleen Lourde

At the Cherokee School Board's Feb. 11 meeting, the first action was to swear in board member Kurtis Goodwin. The board then voted to keep the board's organization the same.

City Manager Jones Proposes Placing Officer in School

Cherokee City Manager Mike Jones spoke to the board about a proposal that's close to his heart: having an officer in the school keeping the kids safe.

It was a timely presentation; Superintendent Donna Anderson said the drug dog had found some prohibited substances at the school that day.

"This officer is to be an instructor, a mentor, and to be reactive in the case of a crime being committed in their presence," Jones said.

The school resource officer would be employed by the city, and would work part-time for the city, but the school would pick up half of his salary package in return for that officer being at the school while school is in attendance.

Such officers can have a huge impact on the lives of students, Jones said.

"In the 17 years of my career in the criminal justice field, I've seen how important a school resource officer is. I told our council that it would be important to me.

"The idea is we send this officer to their school, so they teach in elementary, first through fifth grade, and establish trust with these kids. As they go into junior high and high school, the officer is going to be in the hallways, students are going to be able to talk with them," Jones said.

"This individual officer is going to be able to solve so many problems before they're ever a problem. They're going to hear rumors or stuff that happens at home. This is going to make the city safer."

Jones said the proposed plan was kind of a hard sell with the city council. Some members didn't see that it was the city's responsibility to put an officer in the school, he said. "I would argue that," he said. "I did argue that."

"Twenty-five years ago there were six police officers for the city of Cherokee, and we had a 24/7 police force," Jones said. "Today I have three police officers. The financing just isn't there to have the police that we used to. Now, I have two reserve officers and they help, but we can't provide 24/7 service. However, Monday through Friday during the day, the majority of our population is right here, and they're the most precious of our population. And it's important to me to be able to provide that security."

Under the draft agreement drawn up by Jones in collaboration with Superintendent Anderson and with the input of the city council, the city would be responsible for hiring, firing, and discipline of the officer. The school would pay some of the officer's salary – "we're guessing somewhere around \$20,000 would be half of what the salary and benefit package would be," said Jones.

Superintendent Anderson said she thought grants were out there that might help with this, and they might be able to cover some of the salary with federal money.

Board members questioned Jones about the officer's schedule. Jones said that the officer would work at the school for the half of the year while school is in session.

"Their schedule would be really flexible depending on the needs of the school district, but primarily they would have to be with the elementary school in the morning for D.A.R.E., and then in the afternoon be in the hallways at the junior high and high school. But they'd also have a flexible schedule so if there's a school event, that uniformed officer will be there. So if there's games, they might have a flex schedule where they come in at 9 o'clock or something like that."

Jones hopes to hire an officer by May, if the school and city come to an agreement.

"This will allow us to put somebody here and have a uniform officer to not only protect these kids but also be able to help guide and counsel these kids," he said. "They really form a close bond with these kids."

The wording of the agreement, which was stamped "draft," was agreed to by Anderson, Jones and the city council.

"The city council approved an agreement for one year, and then will revisit the issue," Jones said.

The board voted to approve moving forward with the proposal.

Upcoming Activities

"We had our official final basketball game on Monday," Feb. 10, said Principal

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Obituaries

STEPHEN LYNN FARNEY

Stephen Lynn Farney was born May 14, 1950, in Wichita, Kansas, to Phyllis Erline Farney and passed from this life on February 11, 2020, at his home in Enid. He graduated from Burlington High School in 1968. Following high school graduation, he attended Northern Oklahoma College then later pursued an associate degree at Wichita State University. He married Debra Frech on September 20, 1975. He worked as a service manager for Holderby Ford Garage.

He later started his trucking career driving cross country for various companies and that allowed him to visit most of the lower 48 states, which earned him the 2 million mile safety award for Texaco. Toward the end of his trucking career he owned "Driftwood Carrier Corp" hauling crude oil.

He was a great friend to many people, especially his graduating class. He would keep in touch through late night phone calls, letters and postcards that always ended "got to keep on trucking."

He is preceded in death by one brother, Timothy Leroy Farney; father, Aaron Leroy Farney; grandparents, Earl and Olive McDowell and Lydia and Reuben Farney.

Stephen is survived by his mother, Phyllis Erline Farney of Burlington; daughter, Diana Kaye Hamilton and husband Ryan and grandchildren Ethan and Brooklyn of Waukomis; one brother, Daniel James Farney and wife Stacey and niece Remington of Burlington and two step-nieces; an aunt; an uncle, and several cousins.

Celebration of life service for Stephen were held on Saturday, February 15, 2020, at 2 p.m. at Riverside Church of Christ. Burial followed in the Apostolic Christian Cemetery near Burlington with arrangements by Lanman Funeral Home, Inc. of Cherokee. Online condolences may be made at www.lanmanmemorials.com.



LT. SHIRLEY JO LANNING

Lt. Shirley Jo Lanning was born November 15, 1961, in Alva, Oklahoma. She left this life far too soon on February 14, 2020.



Shirley had a passion for law enforcement. She worked as a public servant for the Oklahoma County Jail, the University of Central Oklahoma, US Marshals, Oklahoma County Sheriff's Department, and finally for the Canadian County Sheriff's Department.

Shirley was a real spitfire. She displayed her compassionate heart by fiercely fighting for and defending all those that she loved. She was greatly loved and will be deeply missed.

She is survived by her parents, John and Clara Frech; husband, David Lanning; stepson, Seann Lanning; sister, Beth Schoeling and her husband Gary; brothers, Paul Frech and his wife Donita and Chris Frech and his wife Cecilia; nephews, Kyle Schoeling and Cody Frech and his wife Emily; niece, Cortney Frech; great-niece, Sophia Chastain; and many other family members, coworkers and friends.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m., Wednesday, February 19, 2020, at Henderson Hills Baptist Church with interment to follow at Memorial Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations made be made to Concerns of Police Survivors 3100 Highland Glenn, Norman, OK 73069.

KATHRYN ANN PULLAN

It is with great sadness that the family of Kathryn Ann Pullan announces her passing after a battle with a long illness. Kathi entered Heaven's gates on February 9, 2020, at the age of 75 years. She will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 54 years, Jack Pullan, and their daughters, Jana Roets and Jaime Cherry. Kathi will also be fondly remembered by her two



sons-in-law, Rick Roets and Jack Cherry as well as her siblings and sisters-in-laws. She was predeceased by her father, Charles, mother, Aileen, and a brother.

Kathi graduated from Enid High School in 1962 and then went on to complete Enid School of Business in 1964. She and Jack married in 1965. Most of her life was spent with the most important job title of Mom and housewife. She was the perfect farm wife pitching in whenever necessary to support the harvesting operations as well as managing the household. She will be deeply missed by family, friends, and all who knew her.

No services will be held at this time.

ALLISON ADAIR ZIMMERMAN

Memorial services for Allison Adair Cunningham Zimmerman will be at 2 p.m., Wednesday, February 19, 2020, at Herod Hall Auditorium on the Campus of Northwestern Oklahoma State University with Rev. Jeremy Coolley officiating.



There will be a private interment for the family under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Allison Adair Cunningham Zimmerman, daughter of Rick and Janet (Erikson) Cunningham, was born January 10, 1987, at Norman, Oklahoma, and passed away February 14, 2020, at the age of 33 years, 1 month and 4 days.

Allison attended school in Alva and graduated with the Class of 2005 at Alva High School, with highest honors. She developed a wonderful set of friends that lasted a lifetime. Allison participated in speech and debate where she earned All-State Honors two years in a row in Dramatic Duet, with her partner Jamie Gourley Peters. She was also in Electric Gold and Mixed and Girls Vocal. She was president of Le Club. She served as a page for Rep. Elmer Maddux at the Oklahoma State Capitol.

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New wood desk/furniture and cushy chairs give the newly renovated Kiowa City Council meeting chambers a warm, professional look. The City of Kiowa's new logo shown on the wall here is also beautifully displayed throughout the renovated city hall, council, police department and more. Shown at the February meeting are (from left) Councilman Brian Hill, City Attorney Brandon Ritcha, City Administrator Rusty Varnado, Mayor Bill Watson, Council President R.L. Simpson and councilmen Jason Thayer and Tom Wells. *Photo by Yvonne Miller*

Kiowa Council hears update on waterline project

Interest in starting a gun club

By Yvonne Miller

Kiowa's City Council sat in their new chambers that are nearing completion for their regular monthly meeting Feb. 10. This is in the building directly to the east of the city office that was the Terwort building before the city purchased it to remodel.

The new spacious area has multiple rows of seating for the public. That's compared to the tight, crammed space at the city office next door where often citizens have packed in for years, sometimes with standing room only. At the February meeting only a handful of the public attended.

Mayor Bill Watson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilman R.L. Simpson giving a word of prayer.

Water Project Update and Action

Sam Johnson, engineer with BG Consultants, attended to update council members on the progress of the major waterline replacement project along Tri-City Road (from the city's water wells south of Sharon, Kan., to Hazelton). Johnson said the permit with BNSF Railroad

was approved. The contract fee with the railroad is \$5,193. The city must also have protective liability insurance while working with the railroad for boring, etc. The council discussed if it's best to go with insurance through the railroad or their own coverage. That matter was tabled until further research. Regarding getting the necessary property easements from landowners along Tri-City Road to replace the waterline pipes, Johnson said he's almost finished. "We can move forward," he said of having enough signatures.

SCTelcom CEO Carla Shearer

SCTelcom CEO/General Manager Carla Shearer spoke to council about services they provide to the community. She distributed flyers about their managed Wi-Fi service. SCTelcom provides Kiowa with telephone and Internet service. As a cooperative, Shearer said SCTelcom is a regulated entity. She said they've made "revolutionary changes" that have what they offer "way ahead of the curve."

"Just as important as your water lines are you broadband connections," Shearer told council. "Our goal is to make sure everyone has an elevated experience."

She told how SCTelcom has modified their packages – all require use of their routers. She said SCTelcom is invested in

the success of Kiowa and has constructed a state-of-the-art fiber optic network.

Councilman Thayer described himself as "a big streamer" and said Kiowa's internet has improved this past year.

Kiowa Business Items

An agenda item regarded employee policies. One issue was to be paid overtime or put it in an employees "OT bank." Varnado said it's best to pay OT as it's earned. He'll bring a plan to the March meeting.

Also it's been realized employees were making money on travel reimbursements. The council voted to pay only the IRS reimbursement rate of 57 ½ cents/mile. That's instead of also paying for their fuel.

The council agreed to purchase gravel for Front Street.

Varnado said he's learned the cost of pool maintenance is expensive – an estimated \$47,000 to sandblast, caulk, recoat, etc. He's researching for the best deal for the city and will have a proposal at the March meeting.

Council gives their approval to the Kiowa Recreation Commission who plans to tear down the old concession stand and construct a new one at the baseball field.

See Kiowa Page 40

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2017 CHEVY 2500



4WD, LTZ, Diesel, GG, Leather, H&C Seats, 271, (T47231)

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1989 Chevy 2500



4WD, Diesel, Flat Bed, GG, 5 speed (U555)

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2011 CHEVY 1500



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Terrel inducted into auctioneers hall of fame

Shawn Terrel, president of United Country Auction Services and owner/broker of United Country Real Estate | Kansas City Auction and Realty, was recently inducted into the Oklahoma State Auctioneers Association Hall of Fame. The honor is given by a vote from fellow members of the OSAA.

Terrel is a veteran auction professional with nearly 30 years of experience and over 4,000 auctions under his belt. As the president of United Country Auction Services, he oversees the management and operations of the largest integrated real estate and auction company in the United States. He is a graduate of both the Missouri Auction School and the Texas Auction Academy and is an instructor for the Certified Auctioneers Institute (CAI) at Indiana University. Terrel said receiving the honor of being inducted in the hall of fame came as a complete surprise.

“The auctioneers on the hall of fame committee that are inducting you tend to have a lot of longevity and set the standard in the industry,” said Terrel. “To be recognized by my peers in the

auction business is a reward in itself. It was a special moment to be presented the honor by two men I admire very much, auctioneer Leroy Hendren, and my long time mentor and a 50-year veteran auctioneer, Perry Wiggins. It was an emotional experience.”

Terrel said he has been present for many other auctioneers who have been inducted into the hall of fame and didn't know it was his turn until they started talking about his childhood and early parts of his auctioneer career. Ultimately, he was happy to be surrounded by fellow members of OSAA, an organization he respects deeply.

“You have people you respect in the industry that are giving you accolades. It was a great moment,” said Terrel. “Being a member of your states auction organization is much more than who has the most auction sales, more importantly, it's about people who have given back to the auction industry. We are seeing a lot of transition in the auction business. Within these state organizations, the education and networking are all becoming

increasingly important to auctioneers and the auction industry as we move towards advancements in technology and new ways to conduct our business.”



Wiggins auctioneers attend the Oklahoma State Auctioneers Association Convention

On Feb. 7-8, approximately 150 Oklahoma auctioneering families and companies gathered in Oklahoma City for the Oklahoma State Auctioneers Association (OSAA) Annual Winter Convention and Trade Show. The participants competed in bid calling,

ring work, auction advertising and attended educational seminars.

Wiggins' auction managers attending the event were Kim and Vicki Wiggins Allen, Jeff and Debbie Crissup, Kendall and Debbie Decker, Megan and Clay Albright, and Perry

Wiggins.

Jeff Crissup, the 2016 Pro Bid Calling Champion, competed in the Champion of Champions Contest and Kendall Decker competed in the Pro Bid Calling Contest. In the auction advertising competition, Wiggins auctioneers team won four categories: Website design and content; Newspaper; Stationary; and Postcard Brochure.

A highlight of the convention was the induction of Shawn Terrell, a former auctioneer and auction manager for Wiggins Auctioneers, into the Oklahoma State Auctioneers Hall of Fame. Terrell is now the president of the United Country Auction Services, headquartered in Kansas City.

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NEW-UNDER CONTRACT - 160 Acres with older well-kept farm home, outbuildings and grain bins with rural water. The farm consists of 78.4 Acres of good cropland (primarily Dale Silt Loom and Grant Silt Loom Soils) and the balance being 81.6 Acres of good Jose wheatgrass. SE¼ - 21-26-11 Alfalfa County, OK. Farm is located 2 miles South of Cherokee, OK to Garvin Road, then 1¼ miles West. 59813 Garvin Road. **PRICE: \$425,000.00**

NEW-UNDER CONTRACT - 320 Acres - This farm consists of 320 acres of which 171 ac. is good cropland (primarily Marge Loom & St. Paul Silt Loom Soils) and the balance being 149 acres of good native grassland. Nice pond. Excellent hunting, canyons & trees. N½SE¼ & NE¼ & N½SE¼ of Section 13-27-17 W.I.M. Woods County, Okla. **PRICE: \$475,000.00**

NEW-UNDER CONTRACT: 320 Acres - 197 Acres excellent cropland (Pond Creek Silt Loom Soils) and balance being 123 acres of excellent grassland. Good 5 wire fences, excellent hunting and fishing, large 5.5 acre pond. Improvements - 36'x50' barn and 28'x48' shed. NW¼ & W½NE¼, SE¼NE¼, NW¼SE¼ - 4-25-12 Alfalfa County, OK. **PRICE: \$800,000.00**

NEW - UNDER CONTRACT - 80 Acres - All Cropland (Grant Silt Loom Soils) N½ SW¼-16-26-13 Woods County, Okla. **PRICE: \$220,000**

NEW-SOLD: 160 Acres - 155 Acres excellent cropland (Pond Creek Silt Loom & Lovedale Fine Sandy Loom Soils), 5 Acre Home site with improvements, 2 sheds, 1 barn, 4 grain bins, 1 overhead bin, corrals and well house. NE¼ - 30-26-12 Alfalfa County, OK. **PRICE: \$450,000.00**

NEW-SOLD-160 Acres - This Blue Ribbon farm consists of 158 Acres of excellent cropland. (Primarily Pond Creek Silt Loom & Lovedale Fine Sandy Loom Soils.) SE¼ - 32-26-12, W.I.M. Alfalfa County, OK. **PRICE: \$500,000.00**

NEW-SOLD - 720 Acres - 590 Acres excellent grassland and 130 Acres of good

cropland - excellent hunting - Keno Creek meanders through the property, S½ SE¼ - 23-28-20, N½NW¼ - 35-28-20, E½, E½NW¼, and the S½SW¼ - 26-28-20 W.I.M. Woods County, OK. **PRICE: \$900,000.00**

NEW-SOLD - 160 Acres - 111 Acres good cropland with balance being 49 Acres in Bermuda grass. New steel corral with new ritchie waterer. W½ W½ - 1-27-13, W.I.M. Woods County, Okla. **PRICE: \$340,000.00**

NEW-SOLD: 560 Acres of excellent grassland, 3 large ponds, 5 wire fences, excellent hunting and fishing, rural water at corral, SE¼, NW¼, NE¼ - 33-28-16, and the S½SE¼, - 28-28-16 Woods County, OK. From Alva, go 14 miles west (Cora Road), then 4 miles north on paved road. **PRICE: \$728,000.00**

NEW - SOLD - 160 Acres good grassland, excellent hunting and fishing, new fences SE¼ SE¼ 29-28-16, E½ NE¼ & SW¼ NE¼ 32-28-16, Woods Co., Okla. **NEW PRICE: \$160,000.00**

NEW - SOLD - 160 Acres - 152 Acres cropland, 8 Acres grass and waterways, (Tilman Silt Clay Loom, Holister Silt Clay and Clairemont Silt Loom Soils), SE¼-9-27-15 Woods County, Okla. **PRICE: \$300,000.00**

NEW - SOLD - 80 acres - All cropland (Grant Silt Loom Soils) S½ NE¼-20-26-13 Woods County, Okla. **PRICE: \$210,000.00**

NEW - SOLD - 160 Acres - good cropland (Grant Silt Loom & Pond Creek Silt Loom Soils), new 5 wire fence, solar pump and fiberglass tank, NE¼ - 31-27-12 Alfalfa County, Okla. **PRICE: \$360,000.00**

NEW - SOLD - 160 Acres - good cropland (Waynoka Fine Sandy Loom, Pond Creek Silt Loom and Deval Fine Sandy Loom soils), 5 wire fence, windmill and fiberglass tank. SW¼-2-27-13 Woods County, Okla. **PRICE: \$375,000.00**

NEW-SOLD-360 Acres - 280 Acres excellent cropland, 80 Acres grass, New Fences, Steel Corrals, Barn-Lean-To with Living Quarters, 1 mile N of Hardiner, KS, Barber Co, KS. **PRICE: \$650,000.00**

NEW - SOLD - 320 Acres-195 Acres excellent cropland, 125 Acres grassland w/

3,088 sq. ft. brick home, 3 sheds, 30,000 bushel grain storage, corrals & scales, 2 water wells, E1/2-32-27-13. From Alva, go 2 miles East to County Rd 470, then go 1 mile South. 26001 County Rd 470. **Price \$1.1 Million**

NEW - SOLD - 160 Acres - All cropland - Pond Creek, silt loam soils, NW1/4-33-27-13, Woods County, Oklahoma. **Price \$500,000.00**

NEW - SOLD - 1505 Acre ranch, 1265 Acre grassland, 240 acre cropland, excellent cattle grazing, hunting & fishing, Woods County, OK 3 Miles West of Camp Houston. **PRICE: \$1.8 Million**

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SOLD - SE¼-13-28-13 160 acres, Woods Cty, All Cropland, **PRICE: \$400,000.00**

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Murdock's Minutes

By Sen. Casey Murdock

There's a lot going on at the Capitol right now, with bills coming through committee and starting to make their way to the floor. This past week, I chaired the first meeting this session of the Senate Agriculture Committee.

We approved Senate Bill 1271, the Oklahoma Meat Consumer Protection Act. The bill would make it illegal to misrepresent the cut and grade of meat – for example it couldn't be labeled as "prime" if it's not graded prime by the USDA or call something a tenderloin if it's really a chuck steak.

But this bill also addresses another critical issue on the horizon – laboratory produced products. We're not talking about something like a veggie-burger. This is something produced in a lab, grown from animal cells. While it's still in the research and development phase, there are companies who aim to have these products available for consumers in the next few years. Under SB 1271, they would have to clearly label what the product is. Unless it came from actual livestock, they couldn't claim their lab-grown product was beef. I think this is an important distinction not just for producers, but for consumers as well.

We also passed Senate Bill 1274, which repeals the Oklahoma Fuel Alcohol Act. This was a provision which enabled individuals and businesses to manufacture alcohol for use as a motor fuel, but just was not being used. This kind of manufacturing is big in huge corn states like Iowa, but not in Oklahoma, so it's time to modernize the statutes.

Both bills now move to the full Senate for further consideration.

The full Senate passed an important public safety bill on Wednesday. House Bill 2336. Currently, for school personnel

to carry on school grounds, they must be CLEET certified. But that training can be expensive and time prohibitive. Under HB 2336, local school boards could opt to replace the 240-hour CLEET training with either an eight-hour concealed carry class or 72 hours of armed security guard training along with active shooter training conducted by local law enforcement.

This legislation would be particularly helpful to rural schools that can't afford a resource officer or other security and may be some distance from local law enforcement, making it difficult for them to arrive quickly in an emergency. This gives our local, rural schools a more affordable way of helping protect students. The bill now goes back to the House.

Also, work continues on an Oklahoma plan to increase access to healthcare through a program being developed in cooperation with President Trump's administration. I'll keep you posted as details become available.

In addition to legislative action, we also observed Higher Education Day this past week at the Capitol and we had groups here representing Panhandle State University and Northwestern University. We also welcomed a Ringwood student who a member of FCCLA – Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, a Career and Technical Student Organization.

I want to thank all our constituents who took the time to visit us here at the Capitol, advocating for key issues and being a part of the political process. It's an honor to serve you all.

This is your State Capitol, and I look forward to welcoming you to the Senate. You can reach me by calling 405.521.5626 or emailing murdock@oksenate.gov.

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South Barber Homecoming Coronation happens Thursday night

Also Parent's Night pep rally 2:30 Thursday

By Yvonne Miller

Finally the three senior girls nominated for the 2020 South Barber Basketball Homecoming Queen will find out who wears the crown. Postponed from Jan. 17 due to weather, the coronation is this Thursday night, Feb. 20. The Chieftains and Lady Chieftains host Pretty Prairie.

A pep rally is Thursday at 2:30 in the gym. The homecoming queen coronation happens at halftime of the varsity boys as is customary. This is also Parent's Night, which will happen between the varsity girls and boys games. The homecoming dance is Friday night from 8 to 10 p.m. There is no ballgame Friday.

Candidates for Homecoming Queen are senior young women Maddison Dotts, Desiree Doherty and Mercedes Rogge. Attendants for each class are Allie Hoch, escorted by Emilio Perez representing the juniors; Breckynn Behee, escorted by Caden Rathgeber representing the sophomores; and Jayden Michel, escorted by Brent Duncan representing the freshmen.

Kindergarten helpers for the coronation are: Hailey Foster, daughter of Jamie Duvall and Lawrence Foster; Kobi Keidel, son of Brittany Carillo; and JP Ligenstoffer, son of H. J. and Raelynn Ligenstoffer.



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Carl's Capitol Comments

By State Rep. Carl Newton

The Legislative session is back in full swing with many subcommittees and committees meeting to pass bills before they can be considered on the House floor.



We passed several bills recently in the House Appropriations & Budget on Natural Resources and Regulatory Services Committee, which I chair.

In its Feb. 10 meeting, the committee passed:

House Bill 2970, which removes the requirement that money accruing to the Oklahoma Viticulture and Enology Center Development Revolving Fund administered by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry be used to establish a Viticulture and Enology Center on the campus of Redlands Community College in El Reno. Viticulture enology science is essentially the growing of grapes. State funds had been restricted to allow only Redlands Community College to use these funds. This bill will free up those funds so other higher education institutions, such as Oklahoma State University, can make use of the grants for things such as research and education, product development, grower and winemaker assistance, tourism and marketing.

House Bill 3111, which creates the Oklahoma Tourism Ignition Program, is intended to increase traffic flow and revenue from tourism into communities throughout the state. The program, operated through the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department, would allow municipalities to submit applications for a grant of up to \$5,000 for the purpose of creating a statue, structure, mural or other attraction to create a tourism draw and bring more people and tax dollars into their communities.

House Bill 3188 creates the Cooperative Extension Revolving Fund for the Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry. It requires money in the fund to be expended by the department for the purpose of supporting Cooperative Extension Service offices, which are available in all 77 counties and are funded cooperatively by state, federal, and local dollars. In the past few years there has been cuts to the cooperative Extension Services, and this bill is designed to help protect those services which are essential especially in the rural areas. The Cooperative Extension Service provides programs in the areas of agriculture, economic development, youth education, business, community and rural development, fire training and so much more.

Now these bills have passed in this subcommittee, they will be eligible

to be considered by the full House Appropriations & Budget Committee, of which I am a member. Once bills pass the full A&B Committee, they can be considered on House Floor. The deadline for bills to be out of subcommittee was Feb. 17. Regular committee work continues until Feb. 27, and all House bills must be passed to the Senate by March 12.

I'll keep you posted on other work as the session progresses. In the meantime, you can reach me at 405-557-7339 or carl.newton@okhouse.gov.

Local student graduate of Fort Hays State University

Molly L. Miller, Medicine Lodge, Kansas (Barber County) is a graduate of Fort Hays State University with a Bachelor of Science in Biology (Natural Resources). She was among 921 students who completed associate, bachelor's or graduate degrees at Fort Hays State University in the fall of 2019 semester.

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Cherokee man charged with embezzling \$25,000

By Marione Martin

A Cherokee man has been charged with felony embezzlement. According to court records, Jesse Tyson Crissup of Alva alleges that Jason Wayne Voth, 43, of Cherokee, fraudulently appropriated \$25,000 from him.

Crissup says between June 21, 2018, and Nov. 30, 2018, he paid \$25,000 to Voth with the understanding that Voth would construct Crissup a motor vehicle. Voth is the owner and operator of Chief Auto Body located in Cherokee. Crissup states that Voth has not completed any of the work toward the construction of the vehicle from the time the monies were paid until he made the report to Cherokee Police Chief Ryan McNeil on Jan. 29.

According to the affidavit in the case, Crissup provided copies of three personal checks and a cashier's check to Voth totaling \$25,000. Crissup also provided McNeil with copies of text messages between himself and Voth regarding the agreement that Voth was to build a motor vehicle for Crissup, the plans for the vehicle and the conversation between the parties regarding that no work or progress was made on the motor vehicle.

On Friday, Feb. 14, in Alfalfa County District Court, Voth was charged with one count of felony embezzlement. This crime is punishable by imprisonment in the state penitentiary for up to eight years and a fine not to exceed \$10,000 and restitution.

Alfalfa County to get new hydraulic excavator

By Stacy Sanborn

The commissioners in Alfalfa County didn't have a long agenda to tackle this week. Jay Hague, Stan Tucker and Marvin Woodall kicked off their meeting signing a contract on a 2020 Caterpillar 323 TC Hydraulic Excavator from Sourcewell (a public cooperative) with Warren Cat representative Mike Walls. The machine is to be used in Tucker's District 2.

After that paperwork was completed, the three officials reviewed and signed off on the usual items: minutes from last week's meeting, maintenance and operation warrants for payment, and blanket purchase orders. Woodall's District 3 had a couple of road crossing permits totaling \$3,500.

Next, a report for December, January and February from the Court Clerk Records Management and Preservation was approved, followed by some resolutions for equipment disposal – one for District 2 on a 2014 Armor Lite trailer (Inv. no. D2 348-213, Serial no. 56EA53K21EA00089) and one for a 2013 John Deere Tractor (Inv. no. FB 304-100.01, Serial no. LV5075MCDJ513934).

There was no new business and the meeting adjourned.

Lamont man injured in collision

By Marione Martin

A Lamont man was injured in a Grant County collision on Friday, Feb. 14. The wreck occurred at 11:20 a.m. on SH74 and Craig Road approximately two miles north of Salt Fork.

Kenneth Charles Vallot, 47, of Lafayette, California, was driving a

2006 Peterbilt with an oversized load northbound on SH74 north of the Salt Fork River Bridge. Earl Lowell Schuyler III, 74, of Lamont, was southbound on SH74. Schuyler said he did not see the oversized load and struck it.

Schuyler was pinned in his vehicle and was extricated by the Lamont Fire Department using the Jaws of Life. He was transported by Pond Creek EMS to Bass Baptist Health Center in Enid where he was admitted in stable condition with head and arm injuries.

OHP Trooper Joshua Byrd investigated, assisted by Troopers Seth Sturgeon and Carter Mathews along with Grant County Sheriff's Office.

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Briggs Jewell is regional champion in Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest

By Yvonne Miller

He swooshed in 22 of 25 free throws this weekend to become the Regional Champion of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest in Garden Plain, Kansas. He is Briggs Jewell, a 14-year-old eighth grader at South Barber in Kiowa, Kansas, who plays with the SB Junior High Tornadoes.

Jewell will proudly wear the Tornado colors of blue and gold when he competes at the state competition in Salina, Kansas, March 1.

He is the son of Justin and Danielle Jewell of Kiowa. When asked where Briggs gets his basketball talent, mom quickly replied, "Justin was definitely the basketball player – not me. Justin played basketball at Burlington under Coach (Randy) Turney. They made three state appearances in his four years of high school, winning state runner-up one year.

"Ever since Briggs was little, he was in a gym shooting baskets. With two older brothers, he just wanted to do everything they were doing, so he started attending camps with them when he was actually too young to go."

Jewell attended Burlington Public School from PK to 6th grade until his family moved to Kiowa.

When asked how many baskets he shoots per week, Jewell estimated 800.

Does he get nervous during competitions or games, Jewell replied, "Not really. I stay calm."

His personal goals are to "always try to beat myself from last time and always get better." When he misses a free throw, how does Jewell react? "I correct what I did wrong and hope the next one goes in."

How did the Tornadoes do this season? "We had a pretty good year and had some close games."



Payton Rauch named Aline-Cleo January Student of the Month

Freshman Peyton Rauch has been chosen as the Aline-Cleo January Student of the Month.

Her school philosophy is, "Don't cause problems, and you won't have problems." She finds Aline-Cleo unique because of the community atmosphere, and everyone gets along. She is inspired by her teachers, coaches and parents. Her favorite activities include basketball, softball, track and FFA.

Babe Ruth's quote "Never let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game" is her favorite.

Peyton is the daughter of Detra and Matthew Rauch Of Cleo Springs.



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Less than a week remains for registered voters in Alfalfa County to apply for absentee ballots to be mailed to them for the March 3 Presidential Preferential Primary Election, Alfalfa County Election Board Secretary Kelly Stein said today.

Applications for absentee ballots must be received by the county election board no later than 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, to be processed in time for the election.

Absentee voters may apply in person at the county election board office, located at 602 W. 5th St., Ste 3, Cherokee, or may send their applications by mail, fax, or e-mail. An online version of the form may be filled out and submitted electronically at www.elections.ok.gov. Any registered voter eligible to vote in the election

may vote by absentee ballot without stating a reason, Stein said, however absentee voters can activate certain special conditions in the following circumstances:

- Registered voters who are physically incapacitated and voters who care for physically incapacitated persons who cannot be left unattended 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.

- Registered voters who are confined to nursing homes in the county may apply by mail, by fax, by 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 Alfalfa County living overseas, and the spouses and dependents of each group may apply only by mail, by fax, or by e-mail. For more information and instructions, military and overseas voters may visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program website: www.fvap.gov/oklahoma.

For more information on absentee voting, contact the County Election Board at 602 W. 5th St., Ste 3, Cherokee. The telephone number is 580-596-2718 and the fax number is 580-596-2778.

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The Medicine Lodge basketball team loses to Chaparral but defeats Douglass

Medicine Lodge loses to Chaparral, 54-62

The game between Medicine Lodge and Chaparral was held Feb. 11, with Chaparral coming out on top. Players earned the following points.

Medicine Lodge	
Theron Wedel	5
Cason Liebst	14
Tyce Lonker	11
Dasik Clouse	13
Kirk Fisher	11
Total	54
Chaparral	
Pfaff	2
Francis, J.	8
Vornauf	3
Wootonn, J.	9
Francis, K.	2
Atkins, M	20
Atkins, R.	4
Foley	4
Harding	10
Total	62

Medicine Lodge Defeats Douglass, 54-31

On Valentine's Day, Medicine Lodge played Douglass, this time winning 54-31. Players turned in the following points:

Medicine Lodge	
Theron Wedel	18
Cason Liebst	8
Tyce Lonker	2
Grady Clouse	2
Cauy Scripsick	3
Dasik Clouse	8
Chance Winter	4
Kyson Cunningham	7
Total	54
Douglass	
Stoffel, Jordan	9
Ramey	2
Headrick	1
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Stoffel, Jared	10
Titus	4
Total	31



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320	Gray Co, KS	S/2 of 32-29-27	\$368,000	NEW
280	Barber Co, KS	Mult Legal Desc.	\$395,000	NEW
40	Major Co, OK	SESW of 25-21N-10W	\$100,000	NEW
40	Woods Co, OK	Sec. 17-27N-13W	\$110,000	NEW
160	Woods Co, OK	Sec. 17&20-24N-15W	\$240,000	NEW Price
500	Woods Co, OK	Sec. 4&9-22N-13W Cimarron River	\$750,000	NEW
720	Barber Co, KS	Sec. 22,23&27-33S-12W 3 Ponds	\$864,000	under contract
160	Alfalfa Co, OK	SE4 of 31-26N-10W	\$352,000	SOLD
320	Woodward Co, OK	Sec. 11&12-24N-18W Large Pond	\$375,000	
555	Major Co, OK	Cimarron River, w/tractors&implements	\$780,000	
2.17	Alva, OK	Angry Bull Saloon Bar&Grill	\$500,000	NEW Price
.76	Alva, OK	Other Place Restaurant Bar&Grill	\$450,000	NEW Price
160	Woodward Co, OK	SE4 of 26-20N-22W	\$360,000	NEW Price
6300	Barber Co, KS	Mult Legal Desc. Medicine Lodge River	\$11,000,000	
1320	Barber Co, KS	Mult Legal Desc.	Call for price under contract	
1410	Barber Co, KS	Mult Legal Desc.	Call for price under contract	
2662	Barber Co, KS	Mult Legal Desc.	Call for price under contract	
200	Woods Co, OK	N/2NE, E/2NW4, NESW of 26-26N-16W	\$250,000	SOLD
70	Woods Co, OK	Tract in NE4 of 6-23N-13W	\$105,000	
80	Woods Co, OK	W/2NW 24-29N-15W W/Improvements	\$200,000	
80	Woods Co, OK	E/2SE of 24-29N-15W	\$120,000	
80	Woods Co, OK	N/2SE of 33-29N-14W	\$120,000	under contract
160	Woods Co, OK	NW4 of 19-29N-14W	\$246,400	NEW Price
151	Meade Co, KS	NW4 of 4-31S-27W	\$151,000	NEW Price
12,032	Woodward Co, OK	Mult Legal Desc.	\$12,500,000	SOLD
33,000	Hamilton Co, KS	Mult Legal Desc.	\$15,000,000	SOLD

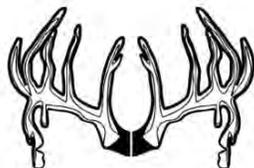
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Annual Woods County Republican Party convention

The Woods County Republican Party will hold its annual convention on Saturday, Feb. 29, at 10 a.m. in the all-purpose room at Northwest Technology Center, 1801 S. 11th Street, Alva.

Several elected officials will provide the group with updates occurring at the state and country levels and attendees will have the opportunity to present resolutions to send in to the Oklahoma GOP office and there will be an election of county officers for the upcoming year.

Attendees will also be able to select delegates to attend the Oklahoma GOP Convention.

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Oklahoma officials alter language excluding Native Americans

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Oklahoma officials were forced to revise the language on a new state branding website after backlash over its exclusion of Native Americans' historical roots in the state.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars, coming from the state and private groups, were spent on the attempted re-branding of the Sooner State as a place of opportunity that best represents its heritage, history and people, Lt. Gov. Matt Pinnell said.

But officials failed to recognize the ties one crucial group has to the state: Native Americans.

On the website that provides information on the advertising endeavor, a paragraph described Oklahoma's history as beginning with the 1889 Land Run, when thousands of Americans took over what the U.S. government at the time called unclaimed territory and what has become known as the Oklahoma Land Rush.

"This is a place that was built from scratch, made by people who gave up everything to come here from all over the world to create something for themselves and their families," said the statement on the website, which has been revised. "We started this place with a land run in 1889 — and honestly, we're still running, still making, still pioneering."

But Native American tribes have been living in Oklahoma for hundreds of years, well before the Land Run.

Democrat Rep. Collin Walke from Oklahoma City, who is a member of the Cherokee Nation and co-chairs the House Native American caucus, criticized the omission of that detail.

"If you start to lose pieces of those

historical perspectives, then you're marginalizing Oklahomans, marginalizing our history and undoubtedly, in the future, people will wake up and say, 'Wait, I didn't even know that was an issue,'" he told The Oklahoman.

That paragraph was rewritten to honor Oklahoma's pre-Land Run heritage, Pinnell said Monday.

"It came to our attention that this specific paragraph was not inclusive of Oklahoma's rich Native American heritage and was not in line with the other brand elements that did embrace indigenous cultures," he said.

The revised paragraph now says: "This is a place that was built from scratch, starting with Indigenous cultures that learned how to survive and thrive in changing conditions, to those who gave up everything to pursue new opportunities in the land run of 1889. However you got here, whenever you got here, however long you stay, you're invited to exhale and bring out the pioneer inside yourself — to make something of your time, your opportunity and your future — and be part of something special. Our roots run deep, and we're still running, still making, still pioneering. ..."

The revised wording did little to appease Ryan RedCorn, an Osage Nation citizen and a graphic designer who said it was clearly an afterthought and part of a longstanding pattern of Oklahoma leaders ignoring Native American voices.

"It sounds like they're trying to fold the story of indigenous people into the story of pioneers," RedCorn said. "It's like they're trying to say indigenous people were pioneers too. And that mindset is not the same."



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Man playing video game fatally shot in central Oklahoma

MIDWEST CITY, Okla. (AP) — A man playing a video game inside a home in the Oklahoma City suburb of Midwest City was fatally shot, apparently accidentally, police said Monday.

Joshua Allen, 21, died after being shot in the chest Sunday afternoon, according to Midwest City Police Chief Brandon Clabes.

Witnesses told police that Allen was shot when a handgun apparently discharged accidentally while being cleaned by another man inside the home.

While the shooting appears accidental, a report will be sent to the Oklahoma County district attorney to determine whether criminal charges will be filed, Clabes said.

Stitt issues warning amid flat Oklahoma budget projections

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A state panel led by Gov. Kevin Stitt certified on Tuesday a relatively flat budget for the upcoming fiscal year, and the governor urged the Legislature to use caution while drafting a state spending plan.

The State Board of Equalization certified the Legislature will have about \$8.2 billion to spend on the upcoming budget, about 1% less than current spending levels. But the governor cautioned that included in that spending level is about \$310 million in one-time cash that won't be available next year.

"Even though we have \$8.2 billion to spend, we have to be very, very careful," Stitt told reporters after the meeting. "If we don't have growth in the economy, we're going to have to take it right back away from some agencies."

The one-time cash is leftover from a 5% cushion that's built into each year's state budget, but is unlikely to be available next year. As a result, Stitt urged lawmakers to spend that money on one-time items, like technology upgrades or building construction, and not build it into the base for state agency spending.

Driver who hit Oklahoma runners gets 3rd manslaughter charge

MOORE, Okla. (AP) — A man accused of striking a group of suburban Oklahoma City high school cross-country athletes with his speeding pickup truck faces an additional manslaughter charge after the death of a third student.

Prosecutors on Tuesday filed a third charge of manslaughter against 57-year-old Max Leroy Townsend, in addition to a third count of leaving the scene of a fatality accident. Kolby

Crum, 18, died Saturday.

Police have said Townsend was going 79 mph (127 kph) in a 25 mph (40 kph) zone on Feb. 3 in Moore when he crossed two lanes of traffic onto the sidewalk and struck seven Moore High School students.

Rachel Freeman, 17, died on the day of the crash and Yuridia Martinez, 16, died the next day.

Townsend was charged earlier this month with two counts of manslaughter and two counts of leaving the scene of a fatality accident in addition to several counts of driving under the influence of alcohol and leaving the scene of an accident involving injury.

Townsend remained in jail Tuesday on \$1.2 million bond. Court records do not list an attorney who could speak on Townsend's behalf.

The day before the crash, Townsend's 28-year-old son was killed in a multi-vehicle auto accident in Moore.

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Kansas considers more disclosure on officer-involved deaths

By John Hanna

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — Kansas lawmakers are considering measures that would require the public disclosure of information from investigations when a law enforcement officer kills someone and isn't charged with a crime over the death.

But law enforcement officials expressed strong reservations about two disclosure bills during a House Judiciary Committee hearing Tuesday. Critics said requiring disclosure could endanger witnesses or make them less likely to cooperate fully and could allow private or embarrassing information about the deceased or their families to circulate.

The bills were inspired by the fatal shooting by a police officer of a Kansas City-area teenager in January 2018 as he backed a minivan out of his family's garage. The incident also prompted a federal lawsuit and a \$2.3 million settlement and Sheila Albers, of Overland Park, the teenager's mother, testified that she and her husband still haven't seen most of the information from the investigation into their son's death.

"My husband and I find it grossly unacceptable that we have not seen any of

the material used to clear the officer who shot my son," she said.

One bill, sponsored by Democratic Rep. David Benson, of Overland Park, would require investigators who review an officer-involved death to make their report public if the local prosecutor declines to file charges against the officer. The report could be edited to withhold some names, addresses and personal information.

Law enforcement officials said the bill could allow the disclosure of sensitive, misleading or false information gathered during an investigation of a death involving an officer.

"Witnesses are much less likely to provide true and accurate statements when they believe they'll be publicly identified," said Kansas Bureau of Investigation Director Kirk Thompson.

The other bill, sponsored by Republican Reps. Chris Croft, of Overland Park, and John Resman, of Olathe, would require the prosecutor to release a report summarizing the investigation in such cases, but only after the family of the person killed has been given a chance to read it.

Law enforcement officials had less

heartburn with the measure but suggested that a partial disclosure of only a summary would not build public trust.

"Both of them are trying to put a cookie-cutter approach to very dynamic situations., said Bel Aire Police Chief Darrell Atteberry.

In Overland Park, 17-year-old John Albers was killed after officers responded to a report that he was making suicidal comments on social media. Dashcam police video showed the minivan slowly backing out when two shots are fired from the side, and then whipping around backward toward the house again as an officer fired 11 more times.

The officer resigned after the shooting, but prosecutors declined to file charges. The city did not acknowledge wrongdoing in agreeing to the settlement of the federal lawsuit.

Sheila Albers told the committee that a lack of public disclosure about her son's case "retraumatized the community." She was joined in advocating Benson's bill by open government groups.

"The reason we're here is disclosure. It is building public trust in the law enforcement agencies we have," Benson said.

Kansas Marine killed during island battle in WWII identified



SILVERDALE, Kan. (AP) — The remains of a Kansas Marine who died in World War II fighting in the Gilbert Islands have been identified.

U.S. Marines Corps Reserve Pfc Raymond Warren was 21 when he was killed in 1943 during the Battle of Tarawa. After his burial site was discovered in 2015, his nephew, Warren Cooper, of San Diego, and his niece submitted mouth swabs, The Wichita Eagle reports.

The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency announced this month that his remains had been identified, in part through DNA.

Cooper said his mother and uncle grew up on a farm in Silverdale, around 8 miles (12.87 kilometers) east of Arkansas City. "Just kinda a normal life up until WWII started," Cooper said.

Warren, who was posthumously awarded the Silver Star, is eligible to be buried at Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors and a flyover during the burial.

"We figured that enormity of the sacrifice and the great honor it is to be buried at Arlington tipped that in the (direction) of him being buried there," Cooper said.



The Cherokee High School boys' basketball team is the 2020 District Champions after their win Saturday night against Waukomis, 37-34. They play next on Thursday, Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. in Shattuck. *Photo by Karen Eckhardt*



Lady Chief Gracie Leslie (23) goes up for the layup in Saturday night's game. *Photo by Desiree Morehead*

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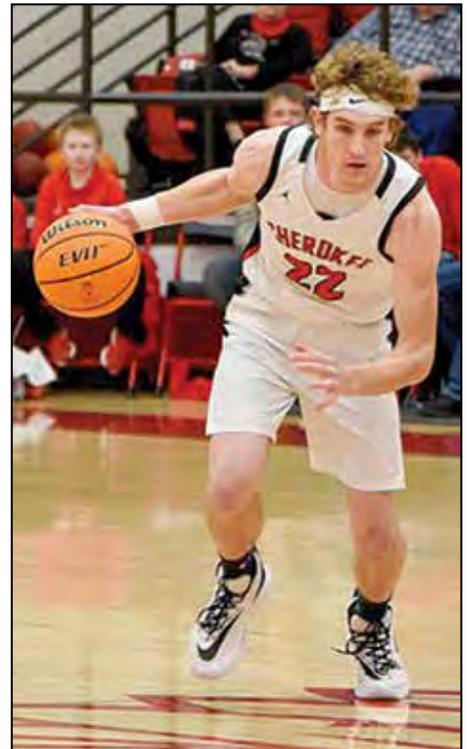


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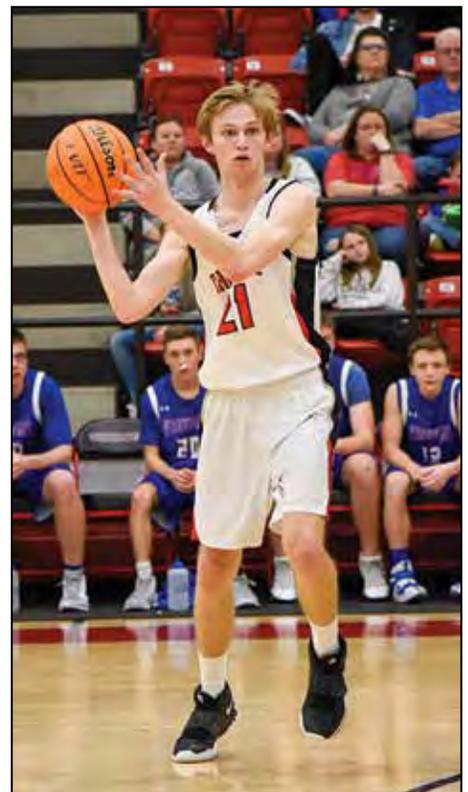
Cherokee's Lizzy Webster (2) jumps trying to get the ball from the Fargo-Gage/Ft. Supply offense. *Photo by Desiree Morehead*



Kade Chace pushes down the court around the Waukomis defense. Cherokee played Waukomis Saturday night for the District title, winning 37-34. *Photo by Karen Eckhardt*



Cherokee's Jade Jantzen keeps up with the Waukomis offense in Saturday night's District game. *Photo by Karen Eckhardt*



Cherokee's Gabe Wyatt (21) looks to his teammates to move the ball during Saturday night's game against Waukomis. *Photo by Karen Eckhardt*

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From Page 8 Cherokee

Jeremy Hickman. “We played Burlington last night, which was senior night. We will also host districts here Friday and Saturday. The girls will play at 6:30 p.m. on Friday; the boys got a bye. They will play at 8 p.m. on Saturday.

FCCLA Week was that week as well, and had a lot of various activities. FFA Week is this week. Regional basketball was last weekend in Shattuck.

The Local Livestock Show will be on Sunday, Feb. 23, here. On Feb. 24-26 is the county show.

“Elementary basketball is over with,” said Principal Ruth Richmond. Other upcoming activities at the elementary include the FFA putting on a petting zoo for the elementary and the PTA having their mother/son movie night.

Other Board Business

In other business, the board voted to keep the agreement with American Tower (cell tower) the same as in the past.

The board also approved the consent agenda, which consisted of past meeting minutes; encumbrances, purchase orders, balances and warrants for the general, child nutrition and building funds; the activity fund balance; treasurer’s report; and fundraiser and travel requests.

The fundraiser and travel requests were for the FCCLA students to be able to go to the National Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C. July 3-10.



Cherokee’s Madi Wheeler (55) looks to catch the ball from her teammate. Cherokee played Fargo-Gage/Ft. Supply Saturday night and lost 38-33, ending their season. Photo by Desiree Morehead

From Page 14 Kiowa

The police chief and other city staff helped go through the city’s former police department building at 1210 Main Street. Council unanimously approved putting that building on the market with Spicer Auction and Real Estate.

Varnado said the renovation of the city hall building is almost finished and well within the budget.

He made a public service announcement about minor changes in fluoride levels in city water. Varnado said he was approached

about a walking trail from Progress Park to the Medicine River – a two-mile stretch. The cost is estimated at \$55,000, he said. This suggestion came from the Barber County Economic Development Sunflower RC&D.

Citizen Randy Robbins spoke to council during the public comment period toward the end of the meeting.

One item was growing interest in forming a gun club. Robbins spoke of many details he’s working on and hopes to have a

public meeting about a gun club before the March council meeting.

The second item Robbins mentioned was his concern on repairing the streets. He wants the city to use the right material so it will stay in place.

The third item was reopening “the tree dump” about one mile east of Kiowa. “It’s spring and it’s time for people to clean their yards. Council should consider this.”

No action was taken after a brief executive session.



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From Page 10 **Obits**

Allison attended the University of Central Oklahoma for one year, but returned to Northwestern where she finished her bachelor's degree in mass communication in May of 2009. She was the senior class president and a Top Eight Outstanding Senior. Allison was the co-anchor for the Best Television Newscast awarded by the Oklahoma Broadcast Association (OBA) and received the Sadie Adwon Memorial Scholarship awarded by the OBA. She represented NWOSU at the George and Donna Nigh Leadership Academy and also as a speaker at Higher Education Day at the Capitol. She was a Northwestern Scholar Ambassador, serving as both president and vice president. Allison was in Cardinal Key and served as vice pPresident of Red and Black Scroll. Allison was a Ranger Connector and was first runner-up in the Miss Northwestern Pageant. She was the female lead in the Northwestern play, "The Shape of Things." She served as an intern for News Channel 9 in Oklahoma City, and also interned for Congressman Frank Lucas' Oklahoma City office.

Following graduation, Allison was accepted to graduate school at Oklahoma State University. She was a research and teaching assistant for her department. She graduated in May of 2011 with her master's degree in mass media and strategic communications.

On May 15, 2010, she was

united in marriage to Michael David Zimmerman at the Alva Friends Church. To this union two children, Brooklyn and Zane, were born. She was a college instructor in mass communications at NWOSU for the past five and a half years. She was also a member of the Friends Church and Chapter ET of PEO.

Allison loved teaching and her students and had a deep faith in God. She especially enjoyed music that helped her through the good times and bad. She loved parties and playing games and watching Dateline. She loved her family, her friends, makeup, watches, jewelry, new shoes, selfies, and Swedish Fish. Her favorite thing was to dance in the kitchen with Brooklyn and Zane.

She is survived by her daughter, Brooklyn Claire Zimmerman, and her son, Zane Michael Zimmerman; her parents, Rick and Janet Cunningham; three brothers, Brett Cunningham and wife, Kasey, of Edmond; Tanner Cunningham and wife, Erin, of Oklahoma City; and Drew Cunningham of Alva; her paternal grandmother, Vera Straw of Alva; three nieces and nephews, Jayden, Cloey, and Lenyx Cunningham; many friends (including the Wolfpack) and other family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the Northwestern Foundation to establish a scholarship

in Allison's memory.

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

From Page 6 **Burlington**

Reimer-Champion, Garrett Sims-Runner-up

3rd & 4th Grade Winners – Carleigh Hill-Champion, Trinity Wade-Runner-up

5th & 6th Grade Winners – Hope Olson-Champion, Cash Dotson-Runner-up

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Feb. 20: Basketball Regionals at Arnett

Feb. 24-26: Alfalfa County Livestock Show

March 2-7: Northwest District Show at Enid

March 10-20: OYE-Oklahoma Youth Expo OKC Fairgrounds

March 16-20: Spring break

Dr. Croft asked that the March board meeting be moved from March 12 to March 23 at 8 p.m. The board members had no objections to moving the meeting.

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Felony Filings

Jason Wayne Voth, Cherokee, 43, has been charged with embezzlement. (\$402.75)

Dagen Cyrus Wade, Cherokee, 18, has been charged with violation of Oklahoma statute via computer. (\$402.75)

Misdemeanor Filings

Rhonda Odella Ellis, Guymon, 51, has been charged with driving with license suspended and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia. (\$594.25)

Aaron L. Benshoof, Jet, 37,

has been charged with assault and battery. (\$351.50)

Michael Shane Bailey, Carmen, 51, has been charged with assault and battery. (\$351.50)

Civil Filings

Capital One Bank, Norcross, Georgia, vs. Amantha Kay Sanborn, Cherokee: indebtedness. (\$239.14)

Capital One Bank, Norcross, Georgia, vs. Betty J. Gnoth, Cherokee: indebtedness. (\$239.14)

William C. Richter, Edmond, vs. Chesapeake Exploration, LLC; Synergy Corporation of America and Tiptop Oil and Gas US, LLC: quite title. (\$194.14)

Divorce Filings

Hannah F. Woods, Cherokee, vs. Nehemiah Deashawn, Cherokee: divorce. (\$272.14)

Paternity Proceeding Filings

Rachel Marie Unruh vs. Brandon Tee Young, Enid: paternity (with no child support and/or custody). (\$272.14)

Small Claims Filings

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Alfalfa County real estate transactions

Real Estate Transfers

Book 853 page 848: East 15th, unto David Allen Penland and Jennifer Kay Penland. Lot one and the north 35 feet of lot 2; and the west 15 feet and two inches of the alley along the east side of lot 1 and along the east side of the north 35 feet of lot 2, all in block 6 in the Highland addition to the town, now City of Cherokee, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Warranty deed.

Book 853 page 949: Joel Kent Garrett and Susan Markes Garrett, husband and wife unto Joel Kent Garrett and Susan Markes Garrett Revocable Living Trust. Southwest quarter of section 25, township 26 north, range 12 WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Quit claim deed.

Book 854 page 18: Royce D. Flamming and Wilda L. Flamming, husband and wife, unto The Wilda L. Flamming Living Trust. Lot 1, less east 10 feet, and the east 30 feet. Lot 2, in block 3 in Montgomery Addition to the City of Cherokee, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Warranty deed.

Book 854 page 23: Bruce E. Davis and Virginia C. Davis, husband and wife, unto Bruce E. Davis and Virginia C. Davis Family Revocable Trust. The northwest quarter of section 15, township 24 north, range 11, WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Warranty deed.

Book 854 page 26: Edward E. Kronenbitter and Sandra K. Kronebitter, husband and wife, Ronald G. Nepstad and Rosalie Joy Nepstad, husband and wife. Lot 43, in Hodgeden Second Subdivision, in section

20, township 26 north, range 9, WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Joint tenancy quit claim deed.

Book 854 page 35: Toni Nelson, a single person, unto Joy Glass, as Trustee of the Leslie Family Trust. Southeast quarter of section 32, township 26 north, range 12, WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Warranty deed

Book 854 page 160: Tony N. Tucker, a single person, unto Chantz Tucker. The northwest quarter of section 11, township 28 north, range 10, WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Quit claim deed.

Book 854 page 161: David McCreedy and Maria McCreedy, husband and wife, unto Shane Parker and Christina Parker. Southeast quarter of section 31, township 26 north, range 10, WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Warranty deed.

Book 854 page 163: Leslie Skinner and Danny Skinner, wife and husband, unto Shane Parker and Christina Parker. Southeast quarter of section 31, township 26 north range 10, WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Warranty deed.

Book 854 page 165: Ardith Wells, Ardith McCreedy Wells and Terry Wells, her spouse, unto Shane Parker and Christina Parker, as joint tenants. Southeast quarter of section 31, township 26 north, range 10, WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Warranty deed.

Book 854 page 167: William Max Winkler Jr. and Patricia M. Winkler, husband and wife,

See Estate Page 46

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Community Calendar

Wednesday

9 a.m. The Woods County Senior Citizens Center, 625 Barnes, Alva, is open for games and other activities. Exercise is scheduled each day at 11 a.m. Transportation provided upon request.

Noon Alva Kiwanis Club meets at Cancun Mexican Grill.

1-5 p.m. The Cherokee Strip Museum in Alva is open every day except Monday. For information or arranged tours, call 580-327-2030.

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

Thursday

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Noon Alva Rotary Club meets at Cancun Mexican Grill.

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1:30 p.m. Woods County Retired Educators Association will meet in the Alva Public Library Auditorium (elevator available). Megan Lehr will give a presentation on the Bank It Program. Refreshments will be served.

3-6 p.m. Food distribution every Thursday, Alva Wesleyan Food Bank, 818 Lane St.

7 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting at 623 5th St. (Youth Corr House), Alva on Mondays and Thursdays.

Friday

1-5 p.m. The Cherokee Strip Museum in Alva is open every day except Monday. For information or arranged tours, call 580-327-2030.

Alfalfa County Sheriff's Office logs

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

During this day there were three traffic stops.

2:22 p.m. – Medic needed for a man who couldn't walk and was confused. Medic took the patient to St. Mary's Hospital in Enid.

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

During this day there were six traffic stops.

12:54 p.m. – Caller advised her 16-year-old stepson had left the house without permission and she didn't know where he went.

1:48 p.m. – Caller advised his daughter was still receiving mail from an inmate that she has a protective order against.

6:56 p.m. – Caller advised of kids by the Methodist Church with flashlights and wearing shorts. Officer advised the structure was secure.

7:41 p.m. – Caller advised her partner wouldn't stop talking about people trying to harm him or looking at him through the windows. She said he was extremely paranoid and he refuses to get help. Deputy advised there was nothing they could do unless he tried to harm himself.

Thursday, February 13, 2020

During this day there were two traffic stops.

12:21 a.m. – Caller advised there was loud music coming from 3rd Street and Grand at the body shop. Officer said the owner said he would turn it down.

5:12 a.m. – Medic needed for a male who fell and possibly has a hip injury. Medic took patient to Bass Hospital.

1:53 p.m. – Medic needed at the elementary school for a fifth grader with having a seizure.

8:42 p.m. – Caller advised they hit an

animal on Oklahoma Highway 58 and Blaine Road. Advised ODOT.

10:51 p.m. – Welfare check needed. All was okay.

Friday, February 14, 2020

During this day there were four traffic stops.

7:26 a.m. – Caller advised a white suburban had backed into him at the four-way stop north of Cherokee. Advised no one was injured and both vehicles were off the road.

6:07 p.m. – Report of a reckless driver in a white Ford service pick-up on US-64.

6:57 p.m. – Caller advised they had a trespasser on this property.

Saturday, February 15, 2020

During this day there were one traffic stop and one controlled burn.

9:54 a.m. – Medic needed for a male having trouble breathing. Medic took the patient to Bass Hospital in Enid.

10:57 p.m. – Welfare check needed on OK-38.

Sunday, February 16, 2020

During this day there was one traffic stop.

1:46 p.m. – Caller advised her 100 gallon propane tank, that was half full, was taken.

2:16 p.m. – Report of a grass fire on County Road 510.

2:49 p.m. – Report of a reckless driver in a green Jeep on 8th Street and Pennsylvania.

3:11 p.m. – Report of a possible break-in in Nescatunga.

3:45 p.m. – Report of vandalism to his property in the 200 block of Grand.

4:47 p.m. – Caller advised there wanted to make a report for his rental house. Advised there was a gun shot through his double-paned glass window.

Call toll-free 1-800-FED-INFO to find out about government programs, benefits, and services.



From Page 45 Estate

unto Shane Parker and Christina Parker. Southeast quarter of section 31, township 26 north, range 10, WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Warranty deed.

Book 854 page 221: Mary A. Stoalabarger unto Serena K. Stoalabarger. Gwinn-summers 1-5, property no. 306800, section 5-23N-10W, Alfalfa County,

Oklahoma. Quit claim deed.

Mortgages

Book 854 page 73: Douglas D. Buller and Treasa Dianna Buller to The Bank of Kremlin. The north half of the southwest quarter of section 14, township 24 north, range 9 WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Note: \$27,000.00.

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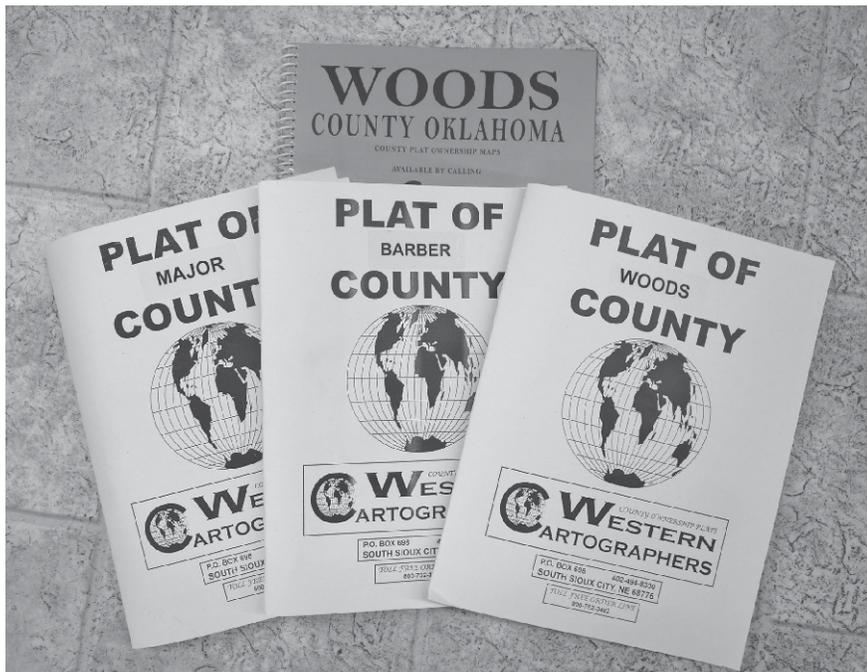
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