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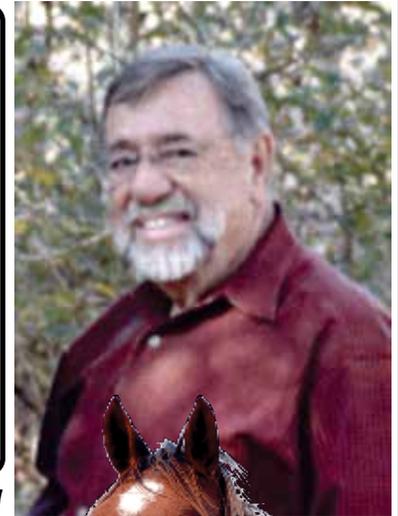
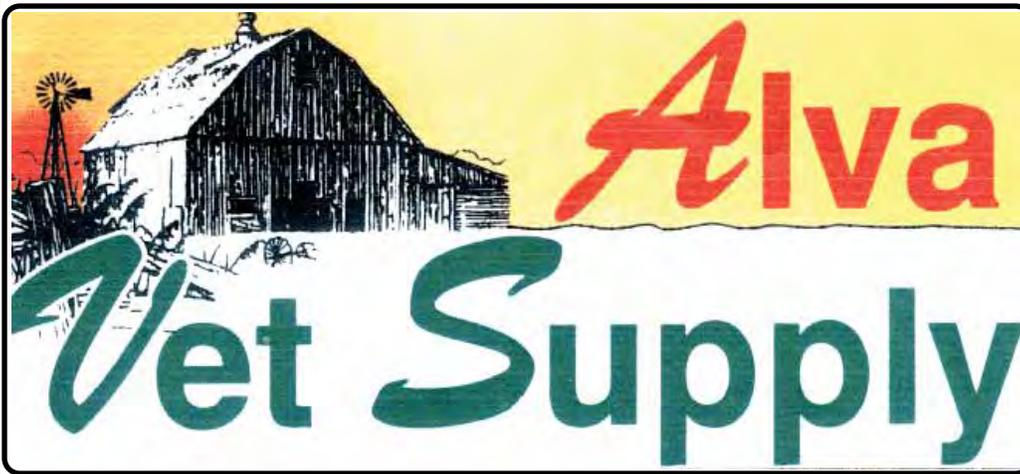
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**At the Runnymede:** NWOSU Art Society's Christmas Crafts and Gifts, AHS Orphan Pottery Sale, Caroling by the NWOSU Chorale and refreshments will be served.

**At the Rusty Bucket:** Open late for Art Walk--come see our wonderful Holiday Decor and \$10 Bouquets!

**At the Gallery VIP:** NWOSU Senior Art Student, Rachel Davis, will have her Senior Exhibit on display! Stop in and check out her work and enjoy Tea from the gallery's tea table!

## CLASSES THIS MONTH AT GRACEFUL ARTS:

### DECEMBER 14TH AFTER SCHOOL

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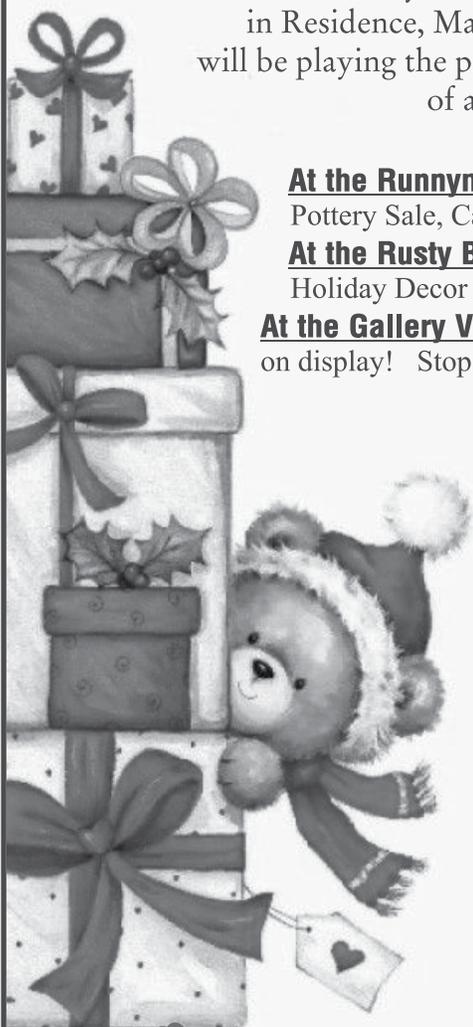
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## Lynn Says

# Do I dare be honest in this column?

By Lynn L. Martin.



I've mentioned many times the pain of going through chemotherapy in my battle against esophageal cancer. I've appreciated many times the friends in northwest Oklahoma who have allowed me to tell their story. It helps the rest of us feel like we're not the Lone Ranger.

Indeed, it helps us to gird ourselves for the next step we're facing. I like the way it feels that northwest Oklahomans are joining together in helping northwest Oklahomans.

Karen Koehn spoke with Marione (who is subbing for me as a reporter at the Alva School Board meetings) about how her husband is also fighting esophageal and stomach issues. His problem was caught early. Although he had to endure surgery and a lengthy hospital stay, the doctors believe any malignancy has been eradicated. However, he's slated for chemotherapy as a preventative measure in case something was missed. I actually can't remember if I've written about Byron. I hope he is not offended by this small bit as he is a great likable guy and should not be suffering.

For your information I may have made a big mistake in my cancer fight treatment. Monday morning I looked up the following on Google: "How to handle

the end of life crisis." It very calmly told about the various steps that some people go through as they move from the light at the end of the tunnel phenomenon to a closing peace that overwhelms you. About every two hours that evening I experienced that call. It WAS very peaceful and I concluded two or three times I thought my time had come.

Personally, I have way too much undone and too many promises to keep to shut down that way. I have some newly (thanks, Kandice, for your support and bottle of deVine Water) close friends at Share Medical Center (three weeks in the hospital will do that to you), and I would like them to accompany me when I make that journey. And poor Marione, Kat and Trey are overwhelmed at getting the papers out (not to mention photography) along with the great team who depend on the publications for their livelihood.

### A Letter To Me

Dear Lynn:

Thanks for your upbeat, positive approach to your medical condition each week in the Newsgram. I appreciate your openness. I think it gives other people hope going through other experiences. I can hardly remember when you and Marione were not covering the news in this part of that country. I graduated from Burlington 50 years ago (1968) and entered college at Northwestern the same year. From that point forward, I seem to remember you being the main news reporter (thanks Yvonne Miller) for the area. Thanks for a great job.

I hope your condition continues to improve. Philippians 4:6-7 (Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.) has always been a source of comfort for me.

Thanks for the encouragement you have given me and my family down that the years. Hang in there. Roland Pederson.

### Back to Lynn Says

A great note of appreciation to the Alva School System: They have given us a lot of leeway in getting school pictures out. We've benefited from Kat and Trey moving here and providing more local employment. I apologize to all the school secretaries and principals who are caught in the middle of slow picture delivery. (Probably nine weeks for picture delivery is livable instead of our usual three, but we are all spoiled.)

By the way, ALL movie and slide transfers will take place by Becky Tyree at the newspaper office at much faster service speeds. All audio cassette to CD, DVD or USB will take place at the newspaper. Kat is taking passports and couple pictures at both places but such sessions require appointments. We are doing very speedy old photo copying at the newspaper office as well as very high quality great large color brochure printing.

## Find 'Christmas in the Heartland' at Kiowa Sunday afternoon

*Gift and Vendor Show 1-4 p.m. at Community Building; merchants open downtown; Santa at Chief Theater 1:30 p.m.; free movie 3 p.m.; Lighted Christmas Parade 6 p.m.*

By Yvonne Miller

Hopefully there won't be too much snow for "Kiowa's Christmas in the Heartland" Sunday afternoon. That's because Kiowa's Chamber of Commerce has a full afternoon of activities planned for you from shopping, a free movie and Santa to a

lighted Christmas Parade.

Stores will be open along Kiowa's Main Street from 1 to 4 p.m. Be sure and drop by Kiowa's Community Building where you'll find a gift and vendor show at that same time. While there you can buy a bowl of chili or soup and other goodies.

At 1:30 p.m., Santa's sleigh will glide into town so he can see the Christmas lists of little boys and girls and determine if they are on the naughty or nice list. That's at the Chief Theater where the free movie starts at 3 p.m.

Be downtown at 6 p.m. to see the Lighted Christmas Parade.

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# Improving student literacy

## Alva School Board hears from high school teachers

By Marione Martin

Alva High School Principal Les Potter is enthusiastic about the school’s classroom teachers. He told the Alva Board of Education Monday that he’s asked school faculty and staff to focus on “telling our story better.” He has challenged them to do a better job of telling what the school does

well.

Potter said Alva Schools have a good reputation around the state. When he talks to people he knows in other areas, they usually refer to Alva’s athletic programs, but he tells them, “Come look at my teachers.”

He said on Nov. 9 the freshmen and

sophomores took the ACT Aspire test, a precursor to the ACT. Students will be tested again on Feb. 12 and April 10. He expects these tests to show progress made by the students and identify “holes” or weak places in the curriculum.

Potter said literacy is a “big thing” in raising students’ test scores. To improve literacy, teachers are asked to have the students write in every class once a week, even though that can be a challenge in some classes like math.

He asked two high school teachers to tell how they implement literacy in their classrooms. Crystal Murrow teaches language arts to sophomores and a couple of freshman classes. She described having the students use a notebook for journaling every day. They will choose a written piece and answer questions before reading to try to predict what the story is about. Then they read and have class discussions comparing their predictions to the actual story.

She is also teaching them to annotate their reading to identify primary and secondary sources. Another exercise called commit and toss is a fun way to improve their vocabularies.

She said students are showing improvements in literacy and also showing improvement on the ACT.

Mary Tyree teaches science at the high school. She said her students are reading and writing every week. They work in groups to share materials and do experiments. Tyree showed a Power Point about some of the topics they cover and the experiments they use to have fun while learning.

She showed a short video clip highlighting some of their experiments. Tyree said she posts videos of their experiments on Google Classroom so students who miss school can watch them and catch up.

### Great Report in Special Ed

Superintendent Tim Argo asked Sherrye Lovelace, special education director, to speak about the special ed compliance report from the state. “This is our report card in the special ed department,” said Lovelace. She provided copies of the report to the school board and went over each section.

She said all the students in the program have shown improvement. All secondary



AHS teachers discuss literacy at the Alva school Board meeting Monday... Crystal Murrow (left) talks about language arts as Mary Tyree waits her turn to talk about science. Photo by Marione Martin



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160	Woods Co, OK	S/2 S/2, 30-26N-13W	\$300,000	
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160	Alfalfa Co, KS	SE/4 15-28N-11W	\$500,000	SOLD
12,032	Woodward Co, OK	Multiple Legal Desc.	\$12,500,000	SOLD
2000	Clark Co, KS	Multiple Legal Desc.	\$1,700,000	SOLD
440	Morton Co, KS	Multiple Legal Desc.	\$900,000	SOLD
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# Why is your Newsgram late?

By Marione Martin

The Newsgram learned just before noon Monday that postal service facilities will be closed Wednesday. President Donald J. Trump has proclaimed Wednesday, Dec. 5, as a national day of mourning throughout the United State and has called on the American people to pay homage to the memory of former President George H.W. Bush on that day.

The postal service will suspend regular mail delivery and retail service Dec. 5. USPS will provide limited package delivery service on that day to ensure that the postal service network remains fluid and USPS does not experience any impacts to its package

delivery operations that might negatively affect customers or business partners during the remainder of the busy holiday season.

Additionally, USPS facilities are required to fly the flag at half-staff through sunset Sunday, Dec. 30, to honor Bush, who died Nov. 30 at age 94.

The Newsgram, which is delivered to post offices Tuesday night, will not go out until Thursday. The Alva post office usually has a heavy delivery day of mail on Thursday and has said they may not be able to deliver the Newsgram until Friday. We regret this delay which is beyond the Newsgram's control.

# Obituary

## GERALD 'BUD' LEO MURROW

Funeral service for Bud Murrow was held on Saturday, December 1, 2018, at



10:30 a.m. at the Apostolic Christian Church in Kiowa, Kansas, with burial at Riverview Cemetery. Arrangements by Lanman Funeral Home Inc. of Kiowa. Online condolences may be made at [www.lanmanmemorials.com](http://www.lanmanmemorials.com).

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Gerald "Bud" Leo Murrow was born April 8, 1926, and passed away November 26, 2018. He was born in Alva, Oklahoma, the son of Dora Mae Eisenhower Murrow and William Isaac Murrow and spent his early years living there, as well as in Freedom and Dacoma. He was working by the time he was ten years old, watching cattle on the open range alone. His father and uncles raised and broke horses for the military while he was growing up. He told many stories about those years. He married the only love of his life, Helen Elaine Roth, on July 24, 1947. Their marriage was blessed with three daughters: Gayle Elaine, Janet Lea and Lynne Marie. He worked many years as a carpenter, along with farming and working nights as a policeman. He and Helen took over Meyer-Murrow Construction in 1976 and worked together in that business until their retirement. Over the years they enjoyed many trips to Illinois to see Helen's family, trips to Colorado and to several other states. In their retirement they enjoyed winters spent in Texas and made many good friends there.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Helen; granddaughter, Jeanette Elaine Robb; sisters, Edna Wallace, Lula Wallace, Rella Courson and Patsy Hamilton; brother, Jerald.

He will be greatly missed by daughters Gayle Robb of Cunningham, Kansas; Janet (Burton) Smith of Kiowa, Kansas; and Lynne (Shawn) Johnson of Kiowa, Kansas; six grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; six great-great grandchildren; one sister, Wildora Zednick; sister-in-law, Norleen Polson Murrow and nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Apostolic Christian Church through the funeral home.

# Barber County Cattlemen's Association scholarships

By Justin Goodno, County Agent

The Barber County Cattlemen's Association will once again be offering scholarships to local high school seniors and college age youth. Scholarships will be a minimum of \$500 each and are available to any Barber County resident, individual attending high school in Barber County or individual

with parent(s) operating an agricultural endeavor within Barber County. Selection preference will be given to applicants with high levels of academic achievement and community service, agricultural majors, and involvement with Barber County Cattlemen's Association activities. Previous applicants and recipients may re-apply. Recipients may receive a scholarship up to two years.

Scholarship applications are available in the Barber County Extension Office. Deadline for submitting the completed application to the Barber County Extension Office is 5 p.m. on Feb. 1, 2019.

For more information, please contact Justin Goodno at the Barber County Extension Office at 620-886-3971 or [jgoodno@ksu.edu](mailto:jgoodno@ksu.edu).

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**SOLD** - 191 Acres - All grassland, Lots 1, 2 & 3 & the E $\frac{1}{2}$  NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  18-27-15, Woods Co, OK **PRICE: \$250,000.00**

**SOLD**-140 Acres - All Cropland, New 5 wire fence, 12'x100' Lean To, pipe corral w/Ritchie Waterer. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ -22-26-14. **PRICE: \$300,000.00**

**SOLD** - 160 Acres, All Cropland NE $\frac{1}{4}$ -18-28-12 Alfalfa County. **PRICE: \$440,000.00**

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# Waynoka school personnel to receive professional development stipend

By Stacy Sanborn

Members of the Waynoka Board of Education met Monday evening for their final regularly scheduled meeting of 2018 and with all members present except Rick George, the meeting kicked off with the consent agenda. Objects on this line item include fund reports and encumbrances from several accounts at the school – bond funds, child nutrition, activity, general and building.

Scott Cline, the superintendent, gave his report and started with the state of the school's finances. He said expenditures are a little higher than last month due to the purchase of the new ag truck, but overall, revenue is up about \$58,000 from this time last year. In child nutrition they are spending more money because of the breakfast program and the school has been receiving collections for it, Cline said, but he would like to figure out a way to start collecting on the outstanding \$14,778 balance that's accumulated since last year.

The superintendent recognized the delicate situation, telling the board that he didn't want the collection effort to seem like it was punishing the student.

For the current school year, \$45,000 in child nutrition has been spent and only \$10,000 remains to be collected. In the building fund, less has been spent this year compared to last, but also less collections have been made (compared

to that of last year at this time). Cline said the next two months are their biggest collecting months, however.

Moving away from finances, he mentioned that he hadn't heard of anyone running for a board position, but filing was open until Wednesday, Dec. 5. Also, the two above-ground shelters the district recently purchased have been installed, he said, and shifting the conversation to student activities and accomplishments, the superintendent spoke on the football team, praising them for the award they accepted last Friday for the Class C state championship. He said this weekend will be the Northwestern tournament, barring inclement weather, and that band auditions will be hosted by Waynoka schools this week, welcoming kids from all across the area.

The schedule for the board's regular meetings to be held during the 2019 calendar year was reviewed, and discussion ensued on possibly changing the meeting times from the usual 6 p.m. to 7 a.m. on the first Monday of each month. The group ultimately decided that they would keep the schedule as is.

Four board of education policies were looked at next. The first one (CFB-R4) was for exempt food fundraisers and states that there shall be limited sales of competitive foods during the school day while the school district's food program is offering meals. Each fundraiser can-

not last more than 14 days.

The second policy (DEE-R) was regarding travel and expenses and stated that official school travel for board members must be approved in advance by the board and travel for employees will be approved in advance by the building administrator or the superintendent. Travel requests will be made as early as possible and placed on the building calendar as well as the master calendar. The school will reimburse reasonable costs, subject to the availability of funds, for approved and documented travel. The policy also detailed the guidelines on lodging and mileage expenses, meal costs, use of school vehicles, and claim forms.

The next policy (DEEC) looked at was for Student Activities Expense Reimbursement. It says the Waynoka Board of Education policy is to reimburse pre-approved itemized and necessary meal and lodging expenses incurred by school district students and sponsors involved in authorized school-sponsored co-curricular activities. The school will reimburse reasonable costs, subject to the availability of funds, for approved and documented lodging and meal expenses.

The Overtime and Compensation Time (DLE) policy was up for review last. It says it is the policy of the Waynoka Board of Education that no employee shall work overtime without the prior approval of the appropriate supervisor or the superintendent. Employees may elect by written agreement to take compensation time off instead of overtime pay. All compensation time must be used within the fiscal year in which it was earned and that specific days off must be approved in advance by the appropriate supervisor or the superintendent. Board members approved the adoption of all four policies.

Nearing the meeting's end, the board declared a 2010 Blue Bird Micro-Bus (VIN 1GB6G3AG4A1176259) surplus, as well as a short list of other items that were broken and didn't work.

Last on the agenda, a \$1,500 professional development stipend for certified and support personnel was approved.

The motion to adjourn was entertained as there was no new business to be addressed.

## The Waynoka Superintendent News is a monthly presentation of



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**Miscellaneous:** books, cookbooks, several jewelry boxes, lamps, quilts, lots of bedding, embroidered tea towels and table cloths, several electric space heaters, Electric fans, Lot of miniature knickknacks, Christmas decorations, lot of cookware and cutlery,

**Outdoor/Tools:** Electric drill, electric hedge trimmer's, Makita finish sander, bench grinder, Eager Beaver chainsaw, Poulan chainsaw, garage shelving, sockets, and wrenches, lots of hammers, lots of miscellaneous hand tools, tool boxes, wooden stepladder, commercial airless paint sprayer, aluminum extension ladder and step ladder, small Campbell air compressor, heavy duty battery charger, propane patio heater, miscellaneous new lumber, sawhorses, 46 inch Murray riding lawnmower, Drop fertilizer spreader, lawnmower trailer, wheelbarrow, gas powered walk behind trimmer, push mower, lawn wagon, lot of garden tools, Cook Master electric smoker, propane grill, lawn furniture, cast iron bench

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# Retro Bill advises all to turn off your cell phone, computer and TV and talk to each other

*‘Mute the negative’; ‘Family impacts education tremendously’*



Motivational D.A.R.E. speaker ‘Retro Bill’ coaxes local businessmen R.L. Simpson and Matt Swonger into this hilarious scenario while speaking at South Barber High School in Kiowa. *Photo by Yvonne Miller*

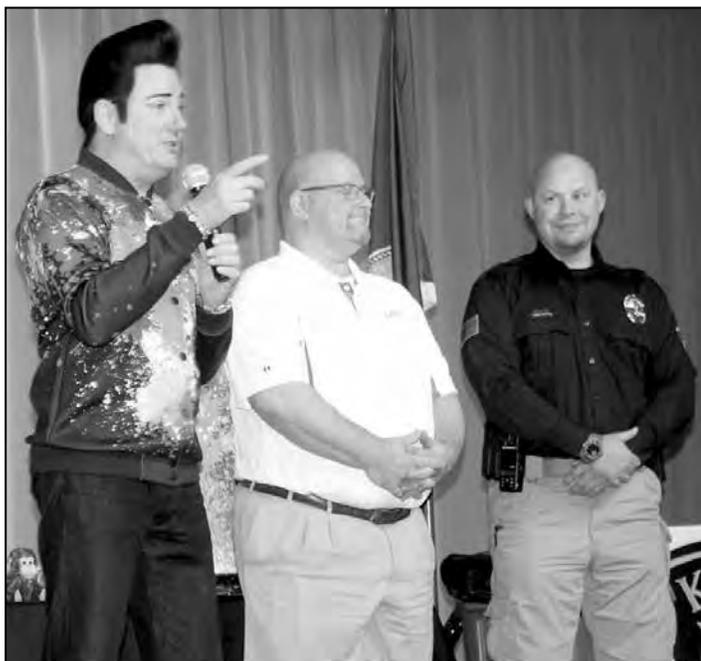
**By Yvonne Miller**

When you enter a lyceum and hear Elvis music playing and then see the beyond-energetic man run back and forth across stage with an Elvis pompadour hairstyle – you’re not sure what you’re going to get. Retro Bill just entered the building.

Well, you laugh until your sides hurt because he is so hilarious with the animated sounds he makes to open an imaginary door – the jokes he cracks about himself and willing members of the audience who become part of his show on stage (grown men riding stick horses) – how he makes a willing South Barber Superintendent Dr. Mylo Miller his sidekick and on and on.

Retro Bill entertains the audience so much that one doesn’t even realize he is giving them the most powerful, uplifting advice. After just a few minutes it’s evident why this character is currently one of the most in-demand kindergarten through 12th grade motivational speakers in North America. His sound effects as real as

**See Retro Page 46**



Visiting motivational speaker Retro Bill has nothing but accolades for Kiowa’s City Administrator Lou Leone and Police Chief Nate Houston who were responsible for bringing him to Kiowa. Retro Bill said he met Houston four years ago and “He touched my heart.” *Photo by Yvonne Miller*



South Barber Superintendent Dr. Mylo Miller introduces guest motivational speaker Retro Bill. This wasn’t just any introduction – Miller had to say the name just right – Reeetrooo Bill! The superintendent was a good sport as the speaker had a little fun with him, which had the audience cackling out loud. *Photo by Yvonne Miller*



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## 2018 NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT



Jane Hobbs McDermott of Alva, a 1977 graduate and a regent for the Regional University System of Oklahoma will deliver the commencement address on Sunday, Dec. 9, at 3:30 p.m. in Percefull Fieldhouse.

A native of Lamont, she graduated from Northwestern with a bachelor's degree in library science and physical education, and later earned a master's degree in secondary curriculum and instruction. While at Northwestern, McDermott played for the Lady Rangers basketball team and ran track.

McDermott and her husband, Max, own and operate deVine Water, a producer of bottled water products, and McDermott and Associates, an insurance brokerage.

In 2017, McDermott was appointed by Gov. Mary Fallin to serve as a regent for the Regional University System of Oklahoma, the governing board for Northwestern.

McDermott began her career as owner and general manager of Colonial House, a popular Alva restaurant. In 1984, she began working for Community National Bank in Alva as a new accounts director, a general ledger accountant and IRA consultant.

She returned to her alma mater in 1987 to work as the executive director of the Northwestern Foundation and Alumni Association, leading the organization through a period of unprecedented growth.

McDermott serves as president of Wheatland Republican Women, and is past president of the Higher Education Alumni Council of Oklahoma, Delta Zeta Alumnae, Alva Youth Council and Northwest Family Services. She also currently serves on the advisory council for the Oklahoma Small Business Development Center. McDermott is a graduate of Leadership Oklahoma.

She was recognized as Alva's Citizen of the Year in 1984 by the Alva Chamber of Commerce, and in 2007, Northwestern's Chapter of the American Association for University Women honored her with the Economic Development Award.

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**ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS** – You guessed it. All they want for Christmas is their two front teeth. Looking sweet as a candy cane, MacKeena Brattin and Neal Ligenstoffer sing the classic Christmas song with the Pre-K-2nd grade performance at South Barber Elementary School’s “An Old-Fashioned Christmas” under the direction of Naicee Sutter. *Photo by Yvonne Miller*



**WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS** – During the grand finale of the South Barber Elementary Christmas program, students and vocal teacher Naicee Sutter sing “We Wish You a Merry Christmas” to the gymnasium full of family and friends. Sutter said she selected classic Christmas songs for “An Old-Fashioned Holiday” to help these favorites stay alive for future generations. She said some students were not even familiar with all the songs on the program. “But everyone seems to know ‘Jingle Bells,’” Sutter said with a smile. *Photo by Yvonne Miller*



**OH TANNENBAUM** – During South Barber Elementary School’s presentation of “An Old-Fashioned Holiday,” these second graders look as festive as the song is traditional as two of the soloists for “O Tannenbaum:” Lynn Hymphrey and Saige Schurter. *Photo by Yvonne Miller*



**FUM, FUM, FUM** – With a voice as clear as a Christmas bell, Kevin Mendoza is the soloist for the 3rd - 6th grade performance of “Fum, Fum, Fum.” This is at the South Barber elementary school’s program, “An Old-Fashioned Holiday.” *Photo by Yvonne Miller*

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# Aline-Cleo November Student of the Month

Myah Cunningham, seventh grade, has been chosen as the November Student of the Month at Aline-Cleo school.

She feels the school's students have become family because it is so small.

She is inspired by her family and friends. She enjoys basketball, softball and photography.

Favorite quote: "Don't be pushed around by the fears in your mind. Be led by the dreams in your heart." – Roy T. Bennett

Myah is the daughter of Jeremy Cunningham and Kerri Cook, both of Cleo Springs.

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# SCCF gives \$5,400 to Barber County, community and teacher grants

*\$1,000 to South Barber Elementary; \$1,000 to Medicine Lodge Heritage Center; Remainder to North Barber Schools*

**By Yvonne Miller**

The South Central Community Foundation, based in Pratt, Kansas, awards grants to help provide funding for quality programs and projects that allow local communities to succeed.

Recently the SCCF presented Barber County with a \$5,400 grant for community and teacher grants. SCCF spokesperson Holly Rooks said \$1,000 went to the Heritage Center at Medicine Lodge; \$1,000 went to South Barber Elementary with the remainder going to North Barber Schools.

South Barber Elementary Title 1 teacher Samantha Nichols said she applied for the grant and is so appreciative to receive it. This grant will enable the school to implement the One Book, One

School program. One Book, One School allows all children, despite economic level, to get a book and participate in a variety of educational activities directly linked to the novel.

Each family will receive their book at Spring Parent Teacher Conferences. Every week families will read the designated pages and participate in weekly activities about what they read recently in their book. There will also be daily trivia questions for students at school. Multiple activities for community and parent involvement will be available.

Nichols said her colleagues at the South Barber Elementary "are excited for this opportunity and thank the South Central Community Foundation in helping make our students' learning a priority."

# Woods County commissioners approve payroll, monthly reports

*The Dacoma Road, County Road 500, closed for construction*

**By Kat Lunn**

It was a short meeting for the Woods County commissioners this Monday, when they approved the usual items. Approval of payroll, warrants and claims were motioned by Smiley, seconded by Hamil.

The minutes from the last meeting, Nov. 26, were approved by all, motioned by Hamil, seconded by Smiley. Monthly

appropriations were also approved.

The monthly reports were approved as well, including Assessor's Office, County Clerk, Health Department and Treasurer's Office.

Next, Amy Grimsley, was approved as Requisition Officer for Woods County. Smiley, seconded by Hamil, motioned to approve Grimsley.

New business, not on the agenda, was a reminder that the Dacoma Road, County Road 500, is closed now for construction.

Blanket purchase orders were approved, then the meeting was adjourned.

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# KDH Board – Jeans and Gems raises \$20,000; room changes at manor

By Yvonne Miller

Kiowa District Hospital Board President Pat Myers called the December meeting of the board to order with all members present including Chantae Simpson, Miranda Allen, Jeff Miller and Jim Parker. Also at the board table were Robert Whitaker, CEO, and John Fonang, manor administrator. Also attending the meeting were Janell Goodno, CFO, Manor Administrator; Robyn Whitaker, DON; Godwin Fey, founder of Cohesive Healthcare and other members of that management/consulting company; Judy Schrock, foundation president; and members of the public.

## Room Changes at Manor and Monthly Reports

Schrock said the fundraising dinner and auction Jeans and Gems in November was another success – “a wonderful evening.” She said that donations keep coming in and she’s estimating the number to be around \$20,000. She thanks everyone for their support. This money will go toward Phase II fundraising to build a new physical therapy (and other types of therapy) department as the volume of patients exceeds the space available.

Fonang approached the board about some changes in manor room pricing. He would like to reclassify one couples room into a suite (larger room for one person) at a price of \$263 per day. This

would make the room about one and a half times the cost of a single but much less than a couples room, he explained. The board approved the pricing.

While he’s been applauded for not using the more costly agency nursing, Fonang said they’ve had to again recently as a nurse moved.

In the CEO report, Whitaker said he’s been holding “town hall” meetings with the staff to explain the changes in the annual evaluation process (all done in September and October instead of scattered through the year). He said it’s open enrollment time for employee health insurance in Dec. Cohesive is working with KDH on survey readiness.

The CEO said the employee appreciation dinner was well received.

The board calendar was approved and the board scheduled their in-town day long retreat.

Dr. Hamm will be reading the KDH radiology reports again starting in January.

## Hospital and Manor Statistics and Financials

Hospital statistics for October show that patient numbers were down a little which actually helps the hospital’s payable status to Medicare, Goodno told the board. KDH had 17 total admissions for 71 days of care for acute/swingbed. Of that total, 49 were swingbed days.

Outpatient visits totaled 583 (of those

99 were therapy visits). There were 387 clinic visits.

For October the hospital showed a gain of \$5,693. That was derived from net patient revenue of \$451,261 after total contractual adjustments of \$102,702. Add in 340 B (Prescription revenue) of \$17,545 to make total operating revenue \$468,806.

Total operating expenses were down some at \$541,600. So the hospital had a loss of \$72,794 before the addition of mainly tax revenue totaling \$74,488. That made the \$5,693 gain for October.

The manor had a census of 24 at the end of October and the day of the December meeting. They again used no agency nursing in October. The manor showed a gain of \$36,800 in October. This makes their year-to-date loss just \$30,084. Last year the manor was in the red \$301,971 at the end of October. The board commended manor administrator Fonang for his efforts.

The combined balance sheet for the hospital and manor show net accounts receivable improved at \$541,168. The average days in AR (accounts receivable) is 46, which is “excellent,” according to CEO Whitaker who commended Goodno for doing “an amazing job” and the board applauded her.

At the end of October the combined loss for the hospital district is \$189,670. Total net assets are \$5,191,014.

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# Incumbents file in school election

By Marione Martin

So far incumbents have filed for election to school boards in Alfalfa and Woods counties in Oklahoma. The only exception is an unexpired term in Freedom. The filing period ends at 5 p.m. today, Dec. 5. The primary election date is Feb. 12, 2019, for those offices with more than two candidates filing. The school general election is April 2, 2019.

### Alfalfa County

April Kisling has filed for Seat 4 on the Burlington School Board.

Kory Littlefield filed for Seat 4 for

Cherokee.

By 4 p.m. Tuesday no one had filed for the Timberlake School Board seat.

### Woods County

Karen Koehn has filed for Seat 4 on the Alva School Board.

Freedom has two candidates for two seats. Robert Babcock has filed for Seat 4, and Phil Kirkpatrick has filed for the unexpired term for Seat 2.

Waynoka School Board candidate is Clint Olson for Seat 4.

Incumbent Eldon Edingfield has filed for Northwest Technology Center.

# Christmas and Southern Gospel Music at Sod House rescheduled

The Christmas Open House at the Sod House Museum located southeast of Aline on State Highway 8 scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 8, has been canceled due to upcoming weather predictions and has been rescheduled for Saturday, Dec. 15. For more information contact Director Renee Trindle at 580-463-2441 or sodhouse@okhistory.org.

# Commission OKs \$105M contract for Oklahoma City highway work

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The Oklahoma Transportation Commission has awarded a \$105 million contract to expand the interchange between interstates 235 and 44 in Oklahoma City, which transportation officials say will help end bottlenecks on the two highways that each serve nearly 100,000 motorists daily.

The contract is the single largest award for the Oklahoma Department of Transportation and will help ex-

pand the interchange into four levels, which will be a first for the agency's state highway system, The Oklahoman reported.

"This is an exciting project for many reasons, and by the end of construction the most important benefit to drivers will be the end of traffic bottlenecks at the I-235/I-44 interchange," said Mike Patterson, the department's executive director.

Officials say 11 bridges will be

built or reconstructed in the mile-long construction zone.

"Adding new lanes and building the two flyover ramps to more safely move traffic between the two interstates brings this corridor up to modern standards," Patterson said.

The project is part of a decades-long effort to widen I-235 from Edmond to Oklahoma City.

Allen Contracting Inc. of Oklahoma City was awarded the construction contract on Monday. Work is expected to begin next spring and take more than two years to complete.

I-235 may see up to four full weeks of closures, while I-44 is projected to be closed for one weekend, though dates for the closures haven't been set, officials said.

"Please be safe out there. Please pay attention," Patterson said. "When you go through out there in the morning, it likely will look different at night because it is going to be fast moving. Even with that, it's going to take 785 days to complete."

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## Lawsuit: Kansas "Ag-Gag" law violates free speech rights

By Roxana Hegeman

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — A Kansas law banning secret filming at slaughterhouses and other livestock facilities unconstitutionally criminalizes free speech on matters of considerable public concern, a coalition of animal rights and consumer protection groups argued in a lawsuit filed Tuesday.

At issue in the lawsuit is the state's "Ag-Gag" law, which was enacted in 1990. The law makes it a crime for anyone to take a picture or video at animal facilities without the owner's consent or to enter them under false pretenses.

"The Kansas Ag-Gag law has silenced whistleblowers seeking to protect animals from cruelty for far too long," Animal Legal Defense Fund Executive Director Stephen Wells said in a news release. "This unconstitutional law exists solely to protect the financial interests of industries that abuse animals, and it will not hold up in court."

The litigation, filed in U.S. District Court in Kansas, was brought by the Animal Legal Defense Fund, the

Center for Food Safety, Shy 38 Inc., and Hope Sanctuary.

The Kansas attorney general's office said in an email that it has not yet been served with the lawsuit, but it intends to defend against the suit as it does with every other challenge to a duly enacted Kansas statute.

Undercover operations, which expose unsafe and inhumane conditions, are a crucial form of free speech, the lawsuit argues. It contends such investigations have revealed information about animal cruelty, unsafe food handling practices, environmental hazards and inhumane working conditions.

"Americans want and deserve more transparency into how their food is produced, not less," said George Kimbrell, legal director at the Center for Food Safety. "Videos and photos of feedlot operations with unsafe and unsanitary conditions, like those unconstitutionally banned by Kansas's law, are vital to protecting food safety."

Similar laws in Utah and Idaho were struck down within the past two years as unconstitutional violations of the First Amendment, and litigation is pending in several other states.

## Oklahoma jail inmate bites off parts of officer's ears

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — An Oklahoma jail inmate is facing new charges after authorities say he attacked a detention officer and bit off parts of his ears.

The Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office says 22-year-old Benjamin Buford assaulted the detention officer Saturday evening while the officer was removing food trays from inmates' cells.

Sheriff's department spokesman Mark Opprante says Buford punched and kicked the detention officer several times before biting off portions of his ears and trying to gouge out one of the officer's eyes. Buford was eventually subdued by other detention officers.

The officer was treated at a hospital and is recovering at home. He is a five-year veteran of the department. His name wasn't released.

Buford was booked in August for sexual battery. He faces additional complaints of aggravated assault and battery and maiming by disfigurement.

## US Marshals apprehend escaped Oklahoma inmate in Missouri

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — The U.S. Marshals Service says a man convicted of murder who escaped from a county jail in Oklahoma has

been apprehended in Missouri.

Deputy U.S. Marshal Callen Stephens says 34-year-old Patrick M. Walker was taken into custody about

11:15 a.m. Tuesday at an extended-stay motel in St. Louis.

Authorities say Walker escaped from the Payne County Jail on Thursday after he assumed the identity of a cellmate who was being released on bond. Walker, also known as "Notty G," was serving a life sentence for first-degree murder out of Oklahoma County and was housed temporarily at the Payne County Jail for a court appearance.

Federal marshals say Walker made his way to St. Louis with the help of a female accomplice. Details about the woman haven't been released.

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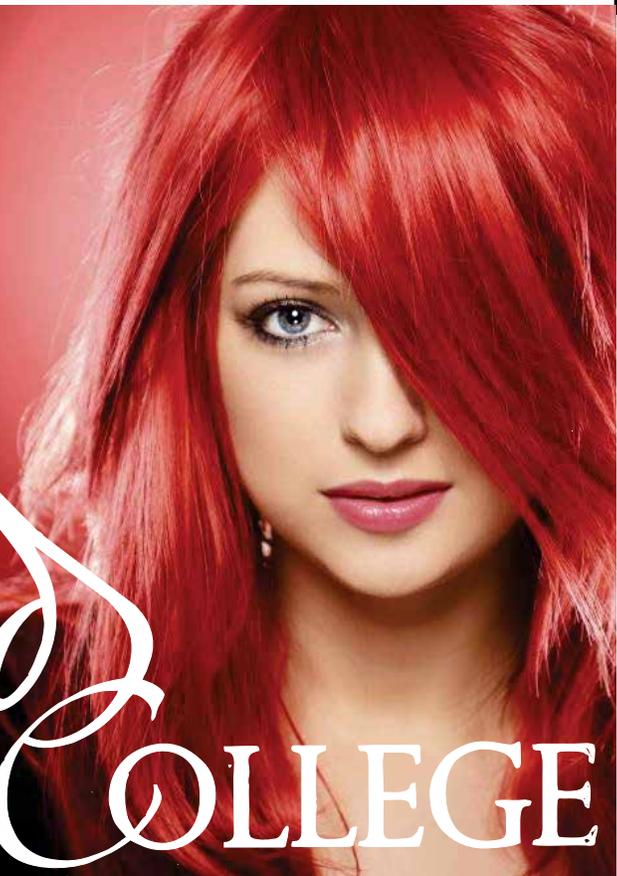
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# Gunman shoots man, then chases him to hospital and kills him

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — A gunman is suspected of wounding a man and a woman and chasing them 2 ½ miles to a Kansas hospital, where he fatally shot the man as he ran to the entrance. The gunman then took his own life, authorities say.

Police said in a news release that the gunman apparently shot 28-year-old Dominic Garcia and an unidentified woman around 11:30 p.m. Monday in Kansas City, Kansas. Garcia then drove himself and the woman about 2 ½ miles (about 4 kilometers) to the University of Kansas Hospital with the gunman in pursuit.

Upon arriving, Garcia ran to the secured main entrance, where he was shot

again before the gunman shot himself. The victims were rushed inside for treatment but both men died. The hospital said in a news release that the woman's injuries aren't life-threatening.

The name of the gunman wasn't immediately released. Police said it appeared that the shooting stemmed from a domestic dispute, although no details

were provided.

The hospital said no employees were hurt and the gunman never made it inside. The release said the hospital locks its entrance after 8 p.m., requiring anyone who enters after that time to pass through security. The hospital sent out an active shooter alert amid the melee but never ceased operating.

## Body of 14-year-old boy found after Oklahoma apartment fire

GUTHRIE, Okla. (AP) — Authorities in Logan County say the body of a 14-year-old boy was discovered in the rubble of an apartment building that caught fire and burned.

Firefighters say they found the body of 14-year-old Saul Bernal, an eighth grade student at Guthrie Junior High School, inside a charred apartment Tuesday morning.

Flames broke out at 11 p.m. Monday in the second floor of a two-story apartment building in Guthrie. Firefighters helped two women through a window of their burning second-story apartment and learned that the 14-year-old boy was still inside. Firefighters attempted to rescue the boy but were forced out of the building by flames.

The women who were rescued from the burning apartment as well as a Guthrie firefighter were treated at local hospitals for smoke inhalation and other injuries.

## Tourism slumps in Mexico border city since caravan arrives

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Tour operators and medical and dental offices in the Mexican border city of Tijuana are reporting a slowdown in business since a caravan of Central American migrants arrived.

Tourists and visitors have been cancelling planned trips to the Mexican state of Baja California since the border crossing shut down briefly a week ago, and according to tour-friendly business owners, many fear getting trapped in Mexico should the crossing close again, the San Diego Union-Tribune reported Sunday.

Antonio Gamboa, who owns a well-known food truck park, said business has slumped 30 percent.

"It's very disappointing because everything is normal in Tijuana, and it's a very isolated area where the migrants are," he said.

Thousands of migrants, mostly Hondurans, have joined caravans in recent weeks in an effort to speed across Mexico to request refuge in the United States. The border crossing — which Tijuana residents use to reach jobs and shopping on the U.S. side and U.S. tourists use to head south— was closed briefly last weekend after some migrants tried to rush across.

About 6,000 migrants were staying

in an overcrowded shelter that authorities closed over the weekend, moving people instead to a former concert venue further from the border. Dozens of migrants interviewed by The Associated Press have said they are fleeing poverty and violence back home.

The Rosarito Beach Hotel, which hosts many American tourists, has seen business drop 60 percent, said owner Hugo Torres. And members of the Tijuana medical association are offering discounts and benefits for local and U.S. patients to try to make up for lost business.

Georgina Carabarin, a prosthodontist in Tijuana, said about 70 percent of her patients come from San Diego.

"Right now, we're hoping everything goes back to normal," she said. "On the news, they keep saying there are more people coming, so some patients are saying let's wait for the situation to cool down and then we'll set up another appointment later."



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# Crowds honor Bush for long service, from war to White House

By Calvin Woodward, Laurie Kellman And Ashraf Khalil

WASHINGTON (AP) — Soldiers, citizens in wheelchairs and long lines of others on foot wound through the hushed Capitol Rotunda on Tuesday to view George H.W. Bush's casket and remember a president whose legacy included World War military service and a landmark law affirming the rights of the disabled. Bob Dole, a compatriot in war, peace and political struggle, steadied himself out of his wheelchair and saluted his old friend and one-time rival.

As at notable moments in his life, Bush brought together Republicans and Democrats in his death, and not only the VIPs.

Members of the public who never voted for the man waited in the same long lines as the rest, attesting that Bush possessed the dignity and grace that deserved to be remembered by their presence on a

cold overcast day in the capital.

"I'm just here to pay my respects," said Jane Hernandez, a retired physician in the heavily Democratic city and suburbs. "I wasn't the biggest fan of his presidency, but all in all he was a good sincere guy doing a really hard job as best he could."

Bush's service dog, Sully, was brought to the viewing, too — his main service these last months since Barbara Bush's death in April being to rest his head on her husband's lap. Service dogs are trained to do that.

The CIA also honored Bush, the only spy chief to become president, as three agency directors past and present joined the public in the viewing.

In the midst of the period of mourning, first lady Melania Trump gave Laura Bush, one of her predecessors, a tour of holiday decorations at the White House, a "sweet visit during this somber week,"

as Mrs. Bush's Instagram account put it. And the Trumps visited members of the Bush family at the Blair House presidential guesthouse, where they are staying. Former President George W. Bush and his wife greeted the Trumps outside before everyone went in for the private, 20-minute visit.

Although President Donald Trump will attend Bush's national funeral service Wednesday, he is not among the eulogists announced by the Bush family, a list that includes George W. Bush. The others are Alan Simpson, the former senator and acerbic wit from Wyoming; Brian Mulroney, the former Canadian prime minister who also gave a eulogy for Ronald Reagan; and presidential historian Jon Meacham.

People lined up before dawn to pay

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# US law against encouraging immigrants to stay is struck down

By **Sudhin Thanawala**

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A U.S. appeals court struck down a federal immigration law Tuesday that opponents warned could be used to criminalize a wide range of statements involving illegal immigration.

The law made it a felony for people to encourage an immigrant to enter or live in the U.S. if they knew the person would be doing so illegally.

The law violates the First Amendment because it criminalizes a substantial amount of protected speech, a three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said.

The statute, for example, would make it illegal for a grandmother to urge her grandson to ignore limits on his visa by encouraging him to stay in the U.S., Judge A. Wallace Tashima said.

In addition, a speech addressed to a crowd that encouraged everyone in the country illegally to stay here could also

lead to a criminal prosecution, Tashima said.

"Criminalizing expression like this threatens almost anyone willing to weigh in on the debate," he said.

A message to the Justice Department was not immediately returned.

Attorneys for the government argued that the law only prohibited conduct and a very narrow band of speech that was not protected by the U.S. Constitution. They also said it had not been used against "efforts to persuade, expressions of moral support, or abstract advocacy regarding immigration."

The law preceded the Trump administration, but it posed a greater threat now given the administration's hard line on immigration, said Kari Hong, who teaches immigration law at Boston College Law School.

Hong co-authored a brief in the case that encouraged the 9th Circuit to apply the law narrowly. She said in a phone interview on Tuesday that the law was

a danger to attorneys advising immigrants about how to obtain legal residency and public officials who promote so-called sanctuary policies that limit cooperation with federal immigration authorities.

"What this decision does is make clear that statements of encouragement that immigrants are welcome will not be subject to criminal prosecution," she said.

The ruling came in the case of an immigration consultant in San Jose, Evelyn Sineneng-Smith, who was convicted of fraud after prosecutors said she falsely told immigrants they could obtain permanent residency under a program she knew had expired.

Sineneng-Smith was also convicted of two counts of encouraging or inducing an immigrant to remain in the country for financial gain. Sineneng-Smith appealed those convictions as unconstitutional, and the 9th Circuit panel in Tuesday's ruling overturned them.

# School's historical re-enactment causes shooting scare

By **Jeffrey Collins**

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Dozens of police officers rushed to a South Carolina elementary school Tuesday after 911 dispatchers heard gunshots and someone pulled an alarm reporting a shooting on campus. But it turns out the gunfire was actually blanks being fired as part of a historical re-enactment, deputies and officials at Delmae Heights Elementary School in Florence said.

"No one in that school told us they were doing any type of re-enactment," Florence County Chief Deputy Glen Kirby said over his cellphone with an edge to his voice about an hour after the initial reports of gunfire.

The first 911 call came from someone at an apartment complex next to the school around 9 a.m. Tuesday. The dispatcher could hear what sounded like gunfire on the other end, Kirby said.

At about the same time, someone pulled an alarm to report a shooting inside the school in Florence, Kirby said.

"We got that alarm from inside the school and we sent everybody — deputies, Highway Patrol, Florence police," Kirby said.

Dozens of officers raced to the school along with parents. No one was shot or hurt, Kirby said.

The school posted on Facebook that everyone was safe.

"They are conducting a re-enactment of a pioneer encampment on the campus and a neighboring citizen mistook the situation for an emergency incident. Law Enforcement responded accordingly in response to their established procedures," read the posting, signed by Doug Nunnally, who is Director of Security & School Safety for Florence District 1 schools.

Kirby said the school didn't tell authorities they would be firing blanks or anything that sounded like gunfire and they feared the worst.

Just over two months ago, seven police officers were shot and two killed by a gunman who fired dozens of rounds in an ambush in an upscale Florence County neighborhood, authorities said.

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# From Page 33 Bush

respects to the 41st president, a son and father of privilege now celebrated by everyday citizens for his common courtesies and depth of experience.

"He was so qualified, and I think he was just a decent man," said Sharon Terry, touring Washington with friends from an Indianapolis garden club. Said her friend Sue Miller, also in line for the viewing: "I actually think I underestimated him when he was in office. My opinion of him went up seeing how he conducted himself as a statesman afterward."

Fred Curry, one of the few African-Americans in line, is a registered Democrat from Hyattsville, Maryland, who voted for Bush in 1988, the election won by the one-term president. "Honestly I just liked him," he said. "He seemed like a sincere and decent man and you couldn't argue with his qualifications."

Inside the Capitol, Sully, the 2-year-old Labrador retriever assigned to Bush, sat by the casket in the company of people who came to commemorate Bush's sign-

ing of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the 1990 law that, among its many provisions, required businesses that prohibit pets to give access to service dogs.

"After Mrs. Bush's death, general companionship was a big part of Sully's job," John Miller, president and CEO of America's VetDogs, said in a phone interview. "One of the things that I think was important to the president was the rest command, where Sully would rest his head on the president's lap."

The law was just one point of intersection for Bush and Dole, now 95, who was one of its leading advocates in the Senate.

They were fellow World War II veterans, Republican Party leaders, fierce rivals for the 1988 Republican presidential nomination won by Bush ("Stop lying about my record," Dole snapped at Bush) and skilled negotiators. Dole, an Army veteran hit by German machine gunfire in Italy, has gone through life with a disabled right arm. Bush, a Navy pilot, survived a bail-out from his stricken aircraft over the

Pacific and an earlier crash landing.

On Tuesday Dole was helped out of his wheelchair by an aide, slowly steadied himself and saluted Bush with his left hand, his chin quivering.

Dignitaries had come forward on Monday, too, to honor the Texan whose service to his country extended three quarters of a century, from World War II through his final years as an advocate for volunteerism and relief for people displaced by natural disaster. Bush, 94, died Friday.

Trump's relationship with the Bush family has been tense. The current president has mocked the elder Bush for his "thousand points of light" call to volunteerism, challenged his son's legacy as president and trounced "low-energy" Jeb Bush in the Republican presidential primaries en route to office. The late President Bush called Trump a "blowhard."

Those insults have been set aside, but the list of funeral service speakers marked the first time since Lyndon Johnson's death in 1973 that a sitting president was not tapped to eulogize a late president. (Bill Clinton did so for Richard Nixon, and George W. Bush eulogized Ronald Reagan and Gerald Ford.)

In an invocation opening Monday evening's ceremony, the U.S. House chaplain, the Rev. Patrick J Conroy, praised Bush's commitment to public service, from Navy pilot to congressman, U.N. ambassador, envoy to China and then CIA director before being elected vice president and then president.

"Here lies a great man," said Rep. Paul Ryan, the House speaker, and "a gentle soul. ... His legacy is grace perfected."

After services in Washington, Bush's remains will be returned to Houston to lie in repose at St. Martin's Episcopal Church before burial Thursday at his family plot on the presidential library grounds at Texas A&M University in College Station. His final resting place will be alongside Barbara Bush, his wife of 73 years who died in April, and Robin Bush, the daughter they lost to leukemia in 1953 at age 3.

Trump has ordered the federal government closed Wednesday for a national day of mourning. Flags on public buildings are flying at half-staff for 30 days.

Bush's death reduces membership in the ex-presidents' club to four: Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton, George W. Bush and Barack Obama.



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# Adams, Westbrook lead Thunder to rout of Pistons

By Dave Hogg

DETROIT (AP) — Detroit hadn't lost in 12 days. Oklahoma City has been on a tear since the end of October.

On Monday night, it was the Thunder who stayed hot.

Steven Adams scored 21 points, Russell Westbrook added 18 and the Thunder routed the Pistons 110-83.

"I thought we played a very complete game," Oklahoma City coach Billy Donovan said. "There were things we could have done better, but I'm pleased that we went on the road and played this well against a very good team."

Paul George added 17 points for the Thunder, who are 15-3 since losing their first four games.

Detroit had won the first five games of a six-game homestand, including a victory over the Golden State Warriors on Saturday, but the Thunder held the Pistons to a season low in points.

"Their defense is very good — hats off to them," Pistons coach Dwane Casey said. "They came in with the right approach and we didn't. I take the blame for that. I didn't have us ready to play against one of the top defensive teams in the league."

Blake Griffin led Detroit with 20 points, while Andre Drummond added 13.

The 33 points was 10.5 below their combined season average, and they combined for 11 rebounds after coming in with an average of 25.9.

"We didn't come out with any urgency, and that's entirely on us," Griffin said. "No coach can go out there and make us play hard. We need to take a hard look at this game and learn from what we did out there."

The Thunder double-teamed Griffin, and while he finished with four assists, he couldn't create easy baskets for his teammates.

"It is always tough to double Blake because he's such a good passer," Donovan said. "Tonight, though, we were making him send the ball back to the perimeter. I think he hit Andre for one layup, but that was about it."

The Thunder led 50-40 at halftime behind 14 points from Adams and 10 from Jeremi Grant. Griffin had 15 points for Detroit, which shot 34.7 percent from the floor.

"We were doubling Blake, but we did a great job of rotating and recovering off the double-team," Adams said. "We were playing good defense and we were making shots. That's good stuff."

Detroit's offense continued to struggle in the second half without Reggie Bullock, who left the game in the first quarter with an ankle injury. The Thunder took a 71-51 lead midway through the third quarter and led by 28 at the end of the period. In the fourth, Oklahoma City led by as many as 35.

"We've got to play with more intensity than that," said Reggie Jackson, who finished with 10 points against his former

team. "We weren't good enough tonight."

Adams made his first seven field-goal attempts, along with five free throws, and forced Drummond and Zaza Pachulia to the bench with four fouls each. The Pistons finished the third quarter with Griffin at center and 6-foot-7 Stanley Johnson at power forward.

"I thought Steven and Russell did a great job in the pick-and-roll," Donovan said. "Steven was able to create pressure at the rim all night, and even when the Pistons adjusted their coverage, he and Russell adjusted at the next stoppage of the play."

TIP-INS

Thunder: Oklahoma City is 15-5 against the Pistons since leaving Seattle. ... The Thunder, who came into the game with the league's best defensive rating, are now 4-0 when holding their opponents under 90 points.

Pistons: Detroit fell short of its first seven-game home winning streak since March 14-April 4, 2008. ... Drummond went 1-for-2 from the free-throw line and has now missed 19 of his last 24 attempts.

TOUGH CROWD

The 5-0 homestand didn't prevent the Pistons from getting booed in the second half.

"I've been in this league for a long time, and you are only as good as your last game," Griffin said. "That's normal these days. It isn't just this fan base."

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# Oklahoma QB Murray's 2-sport persistence pays off

By Cliff Brunt

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma's Kyler Murray pulled off an impressive triple play during a brutal 30-hour stretch in April.

On a Friday night, he played center field for the Sooners' baseball team. The next day, he played quarterback in the football team's spring game. After that, he played another baseball game Saturday night.

It was a mental and physical grind for Murray, but his dedication to both sports has paid off. Two months later, the Oakland A's selected him in the first round of the Major League Baseball draft. He chose to continue playing football, and after posting one of the most impressive statistical seasons in FBS history, he was named a Heisman Trophy finalist on Monday.

Murray easily could have quit football after being drafted, but his reason for returning offers a window into his mentality. After a disappointing freshman season at Texas A&M in 2015, he transferred to Oklahoma. He sat out a year because of transfer rules, then waited last season behind Heisman winner Baker Mayfield. Murray's sudden rise in baseball left him facing the possibility that his last significant football memories would come from the rough year at Texas A&M.

He wasn't having it.

"I've been playing this game my whole life," he said. "To leave this game with a bad taste in my mouth after my freshman year at A&M is just not who I am. I've worked my whole life for this, and we're here. So for me, leaving after getting drafted was never an option. And they (the A's) knew that. They gave me the opportunity to do what I'm doing. I'm thankful.

"For the people that say I'm crazy for doing it (coming back), it's (quitting) just not who I am. I've played this game since I was 4 years old. I love this game, and I couldn't go out like that."

Instead, he goes out with a 205.7 passer efficiency rating, which would be an FBS record. He has rushed for 892 yards to lead the fourth-ranked Sooners to a Big 12 title and a College Football Playoff meeting with Alabama.

None of Murray's success has surprised Tom Westerberg, his coach at Allen (Texas) High School who watched him go 43-0 and win three state titles. Even with the time off between his freshman year and this season, Westerberg thought Murray had the tools to pick up where he left off in high school, especially under Oklahoma coach Lincoln Riley's direction.

"I always thought he could do it," said Westerberg, who now coaches at Barbers Hill (Texas). "He's doing what he did in high school at the college lev-

el. Knowing him and his confidence, with the right situation with the right surrounding cast — and he is totally in the right place — when that gets around him, it's pretty dang good."

Murray's decision to return and play football gave Oklahoma a rare athlete who excels in football and another sport. Kirk Gibson was a star receiver at Michigan State and a first-round draft pick in baseball who famously helped the Los Angeles Dodgers win the 1988 World Series. Florida State cornerback Deion Sanders is a Pro Football Hall of Famer who also played in the majors. Florida State quarterback Charlie Ward won the Heisman in 1993 before enjoying an 11-year NBA career.

But the comparison most often made is to Bo Jackson, the Auburn running back who won the Heisman in 1985 and eventually played in the NFL and was an MLB All-Star. Murray and Oklahoma even revisited the famed Jackson photo with the baseball bat and shoulder pads and did a "Kyler Knows" video that included famous Oklahomans, similar to the "Bo Knows" Nike campaign.

Oklahoma baseball coach Skip Johnson said it took a lot of cooperation between the football and baseball staffs to help Murray elevate his game to elite levels in both sports.

"It's pretty rare what he's done in football and baseball, especially in our world today of select baseball — you're either going to play select baseball or football, and in football, they won't let you do baseball," Johnson said. "You have to make the choice."

Murray is a junior who would be eligible to play football next year, but he has said multiple times that he plans to focus strictly on baseball after this season. He didn't want to think about the end of his football career.

"I'm not really focused on that," he said. "If I was, I think that would take away from some of the great things that are happening, and I don't think I'd be all in it right now if I was thinking about that stuff. It's something I obviously have to think about. It's coming up pretty quick."

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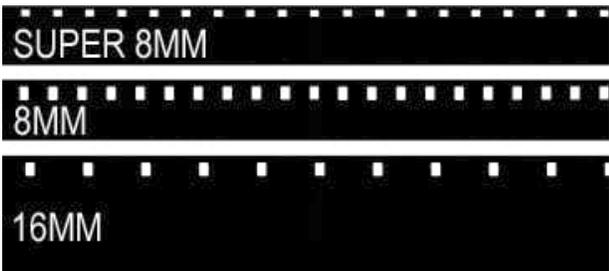
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## From Page 12 **Retro**

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KPD Chief Nate Houston is heading a Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program for South Barber sixth graders. This is Retro Bill's 20th year as part of the D.A.R.E. family. He travels some 300 days per year to schools, speaking to youth about timely subjects such as bullying, peer pressure, social media, gangs, and abuse of alcohol, drugs and tobacco.

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Bantering back and forth with Mill-

er, Retro Bill asked the superintendent to share a short piece of advice. Miller's answer: "Family impacts education tremendously."

Retro Bill talks to youth everyday and finds some who feel totally unloved. He pointed to the police putting on the D.A.R.E., program, teachers, community members and said, "They've got your back." When times are tough "drugs and alcohol are not the answer," he said. "It's what you focus on that matters. Focus on the good – the positive," he said. "Don't let the little things become the big things."

The story Retro Bill shared to discourage chewing tobacco incorporated humor and at the same time had a grown man in tears. Using a simple hula hoop, he told a story of his grandma who told him to treat others like you want to be treated because what you give you will receive – a full circle.

## From Page 6 **Alva**

students in special ed have an individual education plan (IEP).

Points are assigned to each section of the report. Alva had a combined rating of 85.71 percent. This places them in the top tier, tier 1, which requires 85 to 100 percent in meeting requirements. Last year Alva was in tier 2. Lovelace told the board that she is aiming for an even higher percentage next year.

### **Planning for Snow**

Argo said the snow predicted for the weekend caused Pioneer to move the start date of their basketball tournament to Wednesday instead of Thursday. The Alva Ladybugs will play at 12:50 p.m. and the Goldbugs will play at 2:15 p.m.

He said the weather may also prevent a Friday trip by FFA students to Hutchinson, Kansas. FFA sponsors are keeping a close eye on the weather and may decide to cancel the trip if driving is hazardous.

### **Retirement**

Traci Wynn, special education teacher at Washington Early Childhood Center, is planning to retire at the end of the year. Argo said she will be missed.

### **Other Business**

Supt. Argo went over several reports. In the financial report, he said gross

production revenue is predicted to continue to increase. The board was given a comparison of charges or expenses for November this year compared to the same month last year. The monthly bill for phone service has been reduced since the school switched to an internet system.

Last year the school bought washers and dryers for the locker rooms and some ice machines. This year the appliances section is lower because they haven't made so many purchases.

The school continues to track the activity funds which Argo said are all in good shape. The board will be provided with a spreadsheet each month so they can see which fundraisers have been completed.

Another report showed the distribution of gate receipts from football. After paying for officials, about \$6,000 was left to be divided among various sports. Argo said football gets the highest gate receipt night plus 50 percent of the rest. Basketball gets 30 percent of the football distribution, and other sports divide the remainder.

The child nutrition report shows that more students were eating in the cafeteria in November compared to October.

Longfellow School had a number of

items that are broken or are no longer used that were declared as surplus. The items were stored in a bus barn. The declaration will allow the school to dispose of the items to clear space.

The middle school HVAC heaters are not working. Principal Stephanie Marteney collected quotes from a number of providers and determined Greydog Mechanical had the lowest cost for replacing the units.

Lincoln School was experiencing problems with leaves clogging roof drainage which then caused leaks and water problems. Some trees have been removed to cut back on this problem.

The board approved travel for two adults and 16 FFA students to the Kansas Beef Expo Livestock Contest in Hutchinson, Kansas, on Dec. 7. Supt. Argo said sponsor Randy Nation will watch forecasts and decide if they can make the trip.

The board approved voting for five new members to the board of directors of the Oklahoma Public School Investment Interlocal Cooperative. They also approved a number of board policies to put them in alignment with federal and state policies.

The meeting ended with an executive session to conduct an ongoing evaluation of the superintendent.



# Alfalfa County Sheriff's Office logs

## Tuesday, November 27, 2018

6:38 a.m. Caller advised a red extend-  
ed-cab pickup was on U.S. Highway 64  
in the construction zone and passed him  
and almost ran him off the road. Advised  
sheriff, Woods County, and OHP.

12:47 p.m. Controlled burn north of  
town.

4 p.m. Caller stated there was a fight  
going on between a female and three  
males in the yard across the street in the  
200 block of Sixth Street. They stated the  
female had been screaming for someone  
to stop touching her. Advised officers.

8:29 p.m. Deputy had a traffic stop on  
State Highway 8 and Johnson.

## Wednesday, November 28, 2018

11:23 a.m. Controlled burn north of  
Cherokee.

12:01 p.m. Deputy had a traffic stop  
on State Highway 11.

12:12 p.m. Deputy had a traffic stop.

1:50 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop on  
Fifth Street and Grand.

3:29 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop on  
Texas and Adams.

5:52 p.m. Caller advised there was  
a vehicle sitting on the east side of the  
road at Second Street and Kansas, with  
its lights on and running. Advised the  
lights were blinding the drivers. In addi-  
tion there were children in the area and  
caller was afraid one might get hit. Ad-  
vised officer.

6:02 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop at  
Second Street and Oklahoma.

7:03 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop  
north of Cherokee.

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12:37 a.m. Caller advised of a white  
four-door Hyundai in a ditch at Cotton  
Road and County Road 710. It looked  
like it had struck a deer and it appeared  
to have happened recently. Caller also ad-  
vised no one appeared to be around. Dep-  
uty en route. He advised the vehicle was  
secure and the debris was off the road.

10:56 a.m. Caller advised of a reck-  
less driver who turned on State High-  
way 58 from State Highway 11. Advised  
OHP.

2:33 p.m. Caller advised of a head-on  
collision on County Road 740 and Coal  
Road. Advised there were no injuries but  
the airbags had been deployed and vehi-  
cle were not drivable.

3:11 p.m. Caller advised of a reckless  
driver going west on Highway 45. Ad-  
vised deputy, who was unable to go and  
advised to call OHP.

3:55 p.m. OHP advised of a drunk  
driver coming in on Fifth Street by the  
fairgrounds. Deputy en route. Deputy  
advised they were unable to locate the  
driver.

9:48 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop  
north of Cherokee.

## Friday, November 30, 2018

2:54 a.m. Caller advised she had fall-  
en and couldn't get up. Transferred call  
to Woods County.

8:05 a.m. Controlled burn on County  
Road 630 and LeFlore.

8:13 a.m. Caller asked about digging  
area at the salt plains. She explained she  
was on field trip and wanted to know if  
they could look around out there. Dis-  
patch told her it was closed and no one  
was supposed to be out there. She advised  
there were three vehicles out there. Depu-  
ty went to check on the people out there.

8:45 a.m. OnStar advised of a female  
who had hit a deer on County Road 605  
and Highway 45. Advised of no injuries

and the car was drivable.

11:23 a.m. Report of a reckless driver  
in a sheriff's vehicle from another coun-  
ty speeding and passing in a construction  
zone. Dispatch called the other county  
and they advised they monitored their  
cars and he had not been speeding.

1:45 p.m. Caller advised of a reck-  
less driver in a silver Kenworth. Advised  
deputy and OHP.

7:47 pm. Medic needed for a male in  
respiratory distress. Medic en route with  
patient to St. Mary's Hospital in Enid.

## Saturday, December 1, 2018

8:53 a.m. Report of cattle out.

1:44 p.m. Medic needed for a female  
in Jet. Medic en route with patient to  
Bass Hospital in Enid.

2:18 p.m. Officer had a traffic stop at  
Highway 11 and County Road 650.

3:03 p.m. Caller advised of a person  
stealing soda at Subway and being rude  
to customers. Officer en route. Officer  
advised trespass warning and the subject  
left the building.

4:08 p.m. Reckless driver on High-  
way 8. Advised officer and OHP.

4:57 p.m. Medic needed for a female  
with trouble breathing. Medic en route  
with patient to Bass Hospital in Enid.

9:17 p.m. Caller advised of big hay  
bales on U.S. Highway 64 causing a road  
hazard. ODOT notified.

9:22 p.m. a second call came in about  
the hay bales. Deputy en route. Jet Fire  
Department cleared the road.

## Sunday, December 2, 2018

2:14 a.m. Advised of a possible sui-  
cidal person in Carmen.

7:05 a.m. Residential alarm went off  
in the 1100 block of Ohio. Homeowner  
advised she set it off accidentally.

10 a.m. Woods County advised they  
needed mutual aid for a grass fire on the  
Aline blacktop.

1:06 p.m. Caller advised of a suitcase  
sitting on the highway across from Dol-  
lar General. Advised a homeless person  
had been sitting there and they thought  
maybe it was his.

11:13 p.m. Caller advised of a calf  
out on Jefferson Road and County Road  
510.

## Monday, December 3, 2018

8:10 a.m. Caller advised an elderly  
woman had fallen and was throwing up  
red fluid and asked for an ambulance.  
Medic en route with the patient to St.  
Mary's Hospital in Enid.

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### Misdemeanor Filings

Liam Andrew Rosebeck, Vail, Arizona, 20, has been cited for possession of controlled dangerous substance and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia (\$553).

### Civil Filings

Ally Bank vs. Dustin Wimpee, Cherokee, and Dana Wimpee, Cherokee: replevin (\$252.14).

Nationstar Mortgage LLC vs. Maegan L. Whelchel, Oklahoma City: foreclosure (\$282.14).

Dawnita Lynn Smith, Burlington, vs. Daphne Phae Smith, Isbell, Kansas: partition suit (\$164.14).

### Small Claim Filings

Eldon Hood, Aline, vs. Oklahoma Tax Commission, Oklahoma City: small claims (\$68).

### Protective Order Filings

Latasha Lynn Olson, Amorita, vs. Cody Allen Blessing, Lawton: protective order (\$173).

### Wildlife Filings

Turner Stephen Burke, Blair,

has been cited for hunting deer without orange (\$264).

George B. Canning, Stillwater, has been cited for illegal possession of fur bearer - closed season (\$264).

George B. Canning, Stillwater, has been cited for hunting without deer license (\$289).

Wayne Dean Prewett, Cherokee, has been cited for hunting with aid of motor vehicle (\$489).

Wayne Dean Prewett, Cherokee, has been cited for shooting from a public roadway (\$739).

Wayne Dean Prewett, Cherokee, has been cited for attempting to possess deer illegally (\$989).

Wayne Dean Prewett, Cherokee, has been cited for failure to check deer properly (\$339).

Robert Ray Watson, Norman, has been cited for improper disposal of wildlife (\$739).

Robert Ray Watson, Norman, has been cited for giving false info to obtain license (\$339).

Matthew W. Roberts, Cherokee, has been cited for head lighting (spotlighting) (\$489).

### Traffic Filings

Phillip M. Carroll, Anthony, Kansas, has been cited for failure to yield on right (\$249).

The following individuals have been cited for speeding:

Nelson Franklin Ndayizeye, Abilene, Texas, has been cited for speeding 1-10 mph over the speed limit (\$100).

Rebecca Lynn Matlock, Fairview, has been cited for

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### 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.

### Thursday

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 Rotary Club meets at Cancun Mexican Grill.

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

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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.

8:15 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 1027 8th (Wesley House) in Alva.

### 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.

# Barber County court filings

### Criminal Filings

William Thomas Dorsey has been charged with possession of marijuana, two or more prior convictions; interference with law enforcement officer; obstruct/resist/oppose felony warranty; fleeing or attempt to elude a law enforcement officer; vehicles unlawful acts; e.g., registration.

Johnnie Leroy Brock has been charged with criminal threat; causing terror, evacuation or disruption; and domestic battery; knowing rude physical contact with a family member.

### Limited Civil Filings

Synchrony Bank vs. Kim Roland: debt collection.

Victory Electric Cooperative Associates Inc. vs. Joshua Fishgrab: debt collec-

tion.

Synchrony Bank vs. Neva Calhoun: debt collection.

Medicine Lodge Memorial Hospital and Physicians Clinic vs. Brenda Pettit: debt collection.

Medicine Lodge Memorial Hospital and Physicians Clinic vs. Mary Struble: debt collection.

Cavalry SPVI LLC vs. Daniel S. Countryman: debt collection.

OK Cooperative Grain and Mercantile Co. vs. Ernest Rhodes: debt collection.

### Small Claims

Farmers Cooperative Equity Company vs. Ryan S. Dohm.

A Full House vs. Marcy Smith.

### Traffic Filings

Mickey Lynn Ferrell has been cited for maximum speed limits (\$240).

Robert Murder Kane has been cited for maximum speed limits (\$177).

Anthony Nichols has been cited for maximum speed limits (\$222).

Patty Ann Parker has been cited for maximum speed limits (\$159).

Jack Ramsay has been cited for maximum speed limits (\$177).

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speeding 1-10 mph over the speed limit (\$100).

Jeana Marie Bailey, Clearwater, Kansas, has been cited for speeding 1-10 mph over the speed limit (\$100).

David A. Yerton, Wichita, Kansas, has been cited for speeding 1-10 mph over the speed limit (\$100).

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# Barber County real estate transactions

### Real Estate Transfers

Book 143 page 582: Wilbur D. Miller and Janet I. Miller, husband and wife, convey unto Wilbur and Janet Miller Trust. Lot 6 in block 1 in Reginier's Lakeview Addition to the City of Medicine Lodge, Barber County, Kansas. Warranty deed.

Book 143 page 584: Mark R. Morgenstern and Tiffany Moregnstern, husband and wife, grantors, convey unto Mark R. Morgenstern and Tiffany Morgenstern, husband and wife, grantees. Lots 19 and 21 on First Avenue East in the original townsite of the City of Medicine Lodge. Joint tenancy quit claim deed.

Book 143 page 586: Ryan Strait conveys unto Sue Catlin. The north 10 feet of lot 5 in Block 35 of Peck's Addition to the City of Hazelton in Barber County,

Kansas, which includes all of the alley on the west adjacent to said ten feet.

Book 143 page 587: Sue Catlin conveys unto Ryan Strait. Lot 9 in block 35 of Peck's Addition to the City of Hazelton in Barber County, Kansas, less the east 10 feet thereof. Quit claim deed.

Book 143 page 588: Claudia M. Beason and Leonard Beason, wife and husband, grantors, convey unto Leonard Dean Beason and Claudia Mae Beason as trustees of the Beason Family Trust. A tract of land located in the south half of the northeast quarter of section 32, township 34 south, range 10 west of the 6th PM, Barber County, Kansas. Quit claim deed.

Book 143 page 594: Marion Winder, a widower, grantor, conveys unto Randy Lander, grantee. Commencing at a

point 120 feet east of the southwest corner of Hartzell's Addition to the City of Medicine Lodge, Barber County, Kansas, thence north a distance of 150 feet, thence east a distance of 80 feet, thence south a distance of 150 feet, thence west a distance of 80 feet to the place of beginning. Warranty deed.

Book 143 page 596: Jerry Lee McNeal, a single person, grantor, conveys unto Byran Investments LLC, grantee. Lots 10, 11 and 12 in block 63 in the town's company's addition to the City of Kiowa. Quit claim deed.

### Mortgages

Book 232 page 221: Wendelin A. Flesner to JPMorgan Chase Bank. Lot 19 in block 2 in Regnier's Amended Revised Second Addition to the City of Medicine Lodge, Barber County, Kansas. Note: \$55,000.00.

# Barber County Sheriff's Office log

### November 26, 2018

Medicine Lodge ambulance transported patient from the Attica Annex to Medicine Lodge Memorial Hospital.

Medicine Lodge ambulance transported patient from Curry Lane to Medicine Lodge Memorial Hospital.

Deputy Woods investigated a theft on Mumford Road in Nashville.

Sgt. Paasch investigated damage on Catalpa Road.

### November 27, 2018

Medicine Lodge ambulance transported patient from Medicine Lodge Memorial Hospital to Pratt Hospital.

Kiowa ambulance responded to east Wichita in Hardtner. No transport.

### November 28, 2018

Medicine Lodge ambulance re-

sponded to west Kansas. No transport.

Deputy Woods investigated damage to property in Sharon Park.

### November 29, 2018

Kiowa ambulance transported patient from 7725 southeast Hargis in Hazelton to Medicine Lodge Memorial Hospital.

Medicine Lodge Fire Department responded to a fire on East Second. Sgt. Paasch also responded.

Deputy Woods responded to a suspicious person on south Ave. A. in Hazelton.

### November 30, 2018

Deerhead/Aetna Fire Department responded to mutual aid for Comanche County. Deputy Miller also responded.

Medicine Lodge ambulance trans-

ported patient from east Washington to Medicine Lodge Memorial Hospital.

Medicine Lodge ambulance transported patient from Medicine Lodge Memorial Hospital to St. Francis.

During the week officers received three reports of cattle out, performed one public assist and assisted three other agencies.

### ARRESTS

### November 27, 2018

Shane Thomas Fortune, Medicine Lodge, W/M, 34. Arrested by MLPD. Charges: reckless driving, drive commercial motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drug, criminal trespass.

### November 30, 2018

Shane Flyingout, Sharon, W/M, 38. Arrested by BASO. Charges: probation violation.

### December 2, 2018

Joseph Roy Ivan Greathouse, W/M, Arrested by BASO. Charges: warrant arrest.



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