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ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME – This group in Kiowa did the CROP Hunger Walk in Kiowa Sunday: kids in front (from left) Callen Corr, Hayden Hutson, Garin Cantrell, Grady Hutson; (second row) Brenda Myers with her dog Roxie, Deb Helfrich, Jane Thompson, Mary Ann Gillig, Yvonne Harbaugh, Belinda Hitchcock, Erica Hudson, Fiona Walz, Trilbey Dorsey, Jenny Cantrell; (back row) Carra Mayberry, Judy Schrock, Max McGee, Mike Mayberry, Ann Walz, Amanda Corr, Heather Blick, Kim Lyons, Grace Cantrell, Arrington Allen and Nora Gugelmeyer. *Photo by Yvonne Miller*

Locals helping to feed people around the globe and at home

Nearly 30 Kiowans participate in annual CROP Walk; Over \$1,100 raised; you can still donate

By Yvonne Miller

Walk. Donate. Help hungry people around the globe and in your hometown.

The unique thing about CROP Hunger Walks is the money raised doesn't just purchase food for the hungry. The global mission of Church World Service (CWS), CROP Walks help people in third-world countries learn how to feed themselves by raising animals, planting crops and garden, etc.

On a windy, warm October Sunday,

27 Kiowans and Brenda Myers beloved dog Roxie, made the 2.3 miles walk, passing by all seven churches in town. The group raised over \$1,100 by Sunday. They hope to raise more. You can still give by contacting Carra Mayberry or Judy Schrock in Kiowa, both members of Kiowa's Ministerial Alliance who organizes the walk. The deadline is Nov. 1.

Besides helping people in other countries, 25 percent of your donation will be returned to the South Barber

Ministerial Alliance food bank located in Kiowa.

In 2020 CROP Hunger Walks continue to fight against the new challenges of disease and disaster that leave people hungry. This year's theme is "Raising Animals; Growing Communities." One of their videos shows a woman in the Dominican Republic who was given a pig. She raised the pig and grew her small pig farm, earning her own money and teaching the children in her family how to help. In the video the woman said, "Don't give us money. Teach us how to work."

CWS is a faith-based organization transforming communities around the globe through just and sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster. The Crop Project was organized in 1947 when farmers were asked to donate food and seed crops to help America's hungry neighbors in post-World War II Europe and Asia. The walk events started in 1969 in Bismarck, North Dakota, and in 1970 in York, Pennsylvania. Since then, CROP Hunger Walk events have been held in hundreds of communities of all sizes across the U.S., and raised millions of dollars to eradicate hunger and poverty.

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Woods County EMS services could benefit from election

By Marione Martin

The general election is three weeks away, and the TV ads are increasing.



Unfortunately, those ads aren't a good basis for voting decisions. Some give you an indication of what the candidate supports, but they're drowned out by the attack ads. Newscasts on one TV station will give a conservative slant to political news while another station takes a liberal viewpoint.

This year has been tough for politicians with the pandemic closing many of their usual avenues for campaigning. And the few debates so far haven't been that helpful. After viewing portions of the debates, I'm surprised our federal government manages to accomplish anything.

In Oklahoma, we'll be choosing from among six presidential/vice presidential candidate pairs: one Republican, one Democrat, one Libertarian and three Independents. We've all heard about the Trump/Pence and Biden/Harris campaigns. Jo Jorgensen and Jeremy Spike Cohen are the Libertarian candidates. The Independents are Jade Simmons with

Claudelia J. Roze, Kanye West with Michelle Tidball, and Brock Pierce with Karla Ballard.

There's also a state race between two people running for Corporation Commissioner. Todd Hiatt on the Republican side is facing Todd Hagoplan on the Libertarian ticket.

Five candidates will be on the ballot for U.S. senator while we have two in the U.S. representative race for District 3. There are also eight judges listed for a retention vote.

Last week we reviewed the two state questions: SQ805 and SQ814. We're also putting information about those in editions of the Alva Review-Courier up until the election.

Woods County will be voting on a 522 EMS District. From yard signs in Alva, it's evident that several people have already decided which way they will vote on this proposition. Those in favor are showing a willingness to financially support the county EMS services while those opposed are against any new taxes, according to the signs.

If you've decided how you'll vote on the Woods County proposition, you may want to stop reading now. But for those who are looking for more information, keep reading. You can also find information and ask questions on the Woods County 522 EMS District Information Facebook page.

What Is a 522 EMS District?

In 1976 Oklahoma voters approved State Question 522 resulting in a constitutional amendment that allows a district to be formed following the boundaries of a county, school district or an incorporated city or town. This district may establish an annual recurring ad valorem tax levy of not more than three mills per dollar of assessed valuation of all taxable property in the district for EMS operations.

The 522 district can also be used to establish funds for a bond issue for capital equipment, but this type of funding is not included in the Woods County proposition.

How Much Will It Cost?

The Woods County proposition is for a three mill ad valorem tax. A mill is defined as \$1.00 on every \$1,000 of assessed valuation. The assessed value of property is much lower than the market value that you could expect if the property was sold.

In Woods County, the current assessed value is 11.50 percent of market value on real estate, land or structures that are permanently attached to the ground such as a house or building. For example, in addition to a house and two business buildings, I used to own an aircraft hangar built on leased land at the airport. So that hangar would be assessed at the real estate rate.

The current assessment rate for personal property in Woods County is 12.00 percent. That applies to movable assets like mobile homes, RVs, vehicles, boats, planes, etc.

If the county says the market value of your home is \$50,000 it would be assessed at 11.5 percent (0.115). This would result in an assessed valuation of \$5,750. Then you would multiply the assessed value by 0.003 (3 mill) to get the added amount. ($\$50,000 \times 0.115 = \$5,750$ $\times 0.003 = \$17.25$)

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Waynoka Schools day care proving expensive, not helped by gross production losses

By Kathleen Lourde

Superintendent Scott Cline went over the school's finances with the Waynoka Board of Education this Monday as he does each month, but this month – like this whole year – had some unexpected elements.

In the general fund, expenditures were slightly down over last month, but are up on the year.

Revenue was down \$105,000 over last year; \$75,000 of that is due to a drop in gross production, but vehicle tax and interest are also down. "We knew gross production would be down this year," Cline said.

"One of the big things this month is Woods County Excise Board; last year we paid that in October," Superintendent Scott Cline said. "We have cut some costs and we'll get (the general fund balance) back down to where it needs to be."

In the building fund, expenses are slightly down. "Revenue shows we are way down," Cline said, "but keep in mind (...) \$58,000 was from the sale of the house."

The child nutrition fund was actually not in the red – a situation Cline said was "very rare," adding, "we probably won't

see this again, but let's enjoy it while we can. We have not lost money in our child nutrition fund. Of course, the main reason is everybody is free for a while. That's why our checkbook's balancing there. We get reimbursed by the state."

The day care, though, was another matter. Day care expenses were \$27,000 and revenue was just \$10,000, "so we are losing quite a bit of money on day care," Cline said.

On COVID-19, Cline said, "We've had two positives all year, and the county is back down to yellow. Hopefully we can keep cases low and continue this school year. It's a day-by-day situation; you never know what's going to happen. We just have to be on our toes." He made a point to praise the cleaning staff. "Support staff is doing a good job keeping the school clean," he said.

In response to a question from the board, Cline said that none of the students have tested positive and although the school is taking students' temperatures ever day, they have not had anyone show up with a fever so have not had to send a student home or discuss quarantining them. "It may start happening now," Cline said. "We're getting to that flu season."

Elementary School: 61 Students Earn AR Incentive Trip to Alabaster Caverns

Elementary school parent-teacher conferences were last week, reported Elementary Principal Patricia Burrows. In-person conferences were Tuesday evening and virtual conferences were Thursday. Burrows reported 100 percent participation in the conferences.

A firefighter visited the pre-K, kindergarten and day care to discuss fire safety, Burrows said.

Teachers met Wednesday after school to discuss wrinkles in the virtual learning program. One issue, Burrow said, is that "sometimes students don't realize when they're out of school that they still have homework to turn in."

The elementary had an AR incentive trip planned for the day after the school board meeting. More than 60 students have met their first reading goal, and will go as a group to Alabaster Caverns.

The elementary school plans to hold Halloween parties in classrooms, rather than all together. The Spook Parade will be held and will follow a route throughout the school and downtown. Some precautions will be implemented to protect everyone's health.

The sixth grade basketball team was scheduled to pay Buffalo on Monday evening.

And the word of the week, Burrows said, is honesty.

Junior High/High School: Activities Heat Up

The junior high/high school also held parent-teacher conferences last week, and they went well, said Principal Dustin Smith.

Smith agreed with Burrows that "we do struggle with getting packets back" on virtual learning days, but added "in the big scheme of things, it's going really well."

The school hosted district ACTs on Oct. 6. Most of the school's juniors and

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Freedom School Board prepares for Election Day

By Kathleen Lourde

As a fitful October wind brushed dry leaves down the street in front of the Freedom Public School on Monday evening, the school's board of education met inside to discuss upcoming fall activities and the November election.

Two favorite activities – the fall carnival and Red Ribbon Week – will take place in the next weeks.

The Freedom Schools Fall Carnival will be Saturday, Oct. 24, at the American Legion. Dinner will be from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The carnival itself will be 7-9 p.m. Games and activities will include hoop shoot, putt putt golf, a petting zoo, punching bag, ball toss, prize wheel, Halloween mini golf, escape room/jail, cake walk, bingo, and a silent auction.

Red Ribbon Week at Freedom Schools will be Oct. 26–30. That Monday, Oct. 26, is Sweats Day; Tuesday is Hawaiian Day; Wednesday is Pledge Day (patriotic apparel); Thursday is Jeans Day; and Friday is Boo Day (Halloween costumes).

School Board Seat 1 Up for Election

The approved the 2021 school election resolution. The Board of Education Primary Election will be held Feb. 9, 2021 – but only if three or more candidates file for the Seat 1 position. The filing period for candidates is Dec. 7–9.

Among the eligibility criteria for running are that the candidate must:

- have lived in and been a registered voter in the school district for at least six months.
- have a high school diploma or its equivalent.
- not have been convicted of a misdemeanor involving embezzlement or a felony, or have pled nolo contendere to such a charge, within the past 15 years.

The board later closed the Harper County polling place for the school board member election.

Candidates may file at the Woods County Election Board in Alva between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Dec. 7–9.

Bond Election Nov. 3

Superintendent Bryant Weber spoke about the upcoming school bond election, which will be on the ballot Nov. 3.

The bond would fund campus infrastructure repairs and upgrades, such as making the gym and certain restrooms ADA accessible, replacing old lighting and windows with energy-efficient models, enlarging and updating the auditorium, and replacing the gym floor.

A taxpayer cost analysis by Stephen L. Smith Corp. says the overall tax increase, if the bond passes, would be

7.89 percent. The amount changes over time. For example, if your previous tax amount was \$25, in the first year your tax amount would be \$26.97, with an annual increase of \$1.97. If your previous tax amount was \$1,000, your tax the first year would be \$1,078.87, with an annual increase of \$78.87.

The board also approved the schedule of regular board of education meetings for 2021, and the consent agenda, consisting of the Sept. 14 meeting minutes; treasurer's and activity fund reports; encumbrances for the general, building and child nutrition funds; and signing warrants for those three funds.

Alfalfa County commissioners convene for short meeting

By Stacy Sanborn

The Alfalfa County commissioners held their regular meeting Tuesday morning because of Monday's holiday. Jay Hague, Stan Tucker and Marvin Woodall started on a short list by approving a large stack of maintenance and operation payment warrants and blanket purchase orders.

With no road-crossing permits for the week, the men moved on to support a 60-hour sick leave donation from one county employee to another.

Last on the agenda were two ODOT selections of consulting engineers for District 2 – one for Project JP#31772 and the other for Project JP#29810.

Scheduled later in the day at 3 p.m. was a special meeting for the FY 2020-2021 Estimate of Needs and budget. The agenda noted the preparer of the budget, CPA Buddy Carroll, might join the forum via telephone.






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HAROLD ALLEN HADA

Memorial services for Harold Allen Hada will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, October 17, 2020, at the Marshall Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Gail Edmison officiating. Harold was cremated at his request under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.



Harold Allen Hada, son of the late Bert and Jessie Mae (Lewis) Hada, was born July 22, 1941, in Alva, Oklahoma, and passed away September 24, 2020, in Enid, Oklahoma, at the age of 79 years, 2 months and 2 days.

Harold attended Alva schools. He proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1966 to 1968 including one tour in Vietnam. He was united in marriage to Vergie Wilks on November 30, 1959. To this union one daughter, Sherri Lynn, was born on March 6, 1962. He lived in Alva until moving to Kiowa, Kansas, in 1962 then to Cherokee in 1964 and then moved back to Alva in 1980. He worked at several jobs before becoming a custodian in the Alva school system in 1980. On July 7, 1984, he was united in marriage to Connie Graves in Alva and with this union he acquired two daughters, Tanya and Jennifer. His health forced him to retire from the

Alva schools in 2013.

He was a member of the Town and Country Christian Church. He was an avid supporter of the Alva Ladybugs and the Goldbugs. He also enjoyed fishing and loved spending time with his grandchildren.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Vergie; his wife, Connie; one daughter, Sherri Lynn Hada; three brothers, Gilbert, David, and Alfred Hada; and three sisters, Jessie Hart, Sue Eckels, and Lillie Ann Hada.

Harold is survived by two daughters, Tanya Franklin and husband, Glenn, of Enid and Jennifer Hess and husband, Scott, of Alva; five grandchildren, Xavier, Xon and Xcell Franklin (all of Enid) and Rhett and Riley Hess (both of Alva); other relatives and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the Alva Goldbug Foundation (checks must be made payable to CFO).

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

KYLE FRANK MAUK

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Mauktrot, Brother, and a warrior. He had a smile that lit up every room he walked into. Kyle Frank made everyone he spoke to feel loved.

Kyle is survived by his parents, Glandy and Jenifer Gani, and his sister, Cambrie, all of Edmond; his grandfather, Richard Price of Alva; his Oma Hilwiah Gani of Jakarta, Indonesia; and Levi Veitch of Oklahoma City. He is also survived by numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, brothers, scout "moms" and friends.

Kyle is preceded in death by his great-grandparents Frank and

Florence Sorter of Forgan; his Opa Kosasih Gani of Jakarta, Indonesia; and grandmother Joanne Price of Alva.

Kyle honorably served in the US Army 10th Mountain Division and was deployed in Afghanistan.

Kyle made an immeasurable impact on those he met. He was a mentor to many, a best friend to more, a brother and "son" to even more. Most important, the best Bubby any Squirt could have. Until we see you again, rest easy sweet boy.

A service to Celebrate Kyle's life will be held Saturday, October 17, 2020, at 2 p.m. at Matthews Funeral Home, 601 S. Kelly, Edmond, Oklahoma. Online condolences may be made at www.matthewsfuneralhome.com.

SHIRLEY VELEY

Services for Shirley Veley are pending with Wharton Funeral Chapel. Online condolences may be made at www.whartonfuneralchapel.com.



Shirley Veley, daughter of Clara Gertrude (Moore) and Fred Veley, was born on November 19, 1949, in Enid, Oklahoma. She passed away on October 9, 2020, at the age of 70 years, 10 months and 20 days.

Shirley attended the Lawton Public School system in Lawton, Oklahoma, from which she graduated. She was an LPN from 1976 until she retired in 2008.

Shirley enjoyed being a youth leader at the First Presbyterian Church in Lawton, taking care of her family, sewing and cooking for her little "army."

Shirley is preceded in death by her grandparents, Edna and Ernest Veley; her parents, Clara Gertrude (Moore) and Fred Veley; two sisters, Faylene Cline, and Paula Hickum; and one infant son, Clifford Alan Veley.

Shirley is survived by her daughter, Kylee Veley; granddaughter Peyton Veley; her sister Esther Dillman and brother-in-law Larry Dillman and their three children, Heather, Larry Jr. and Gary. She is also survived by Dean Cline, Jackie, Tina and Kathy.

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NEW - SOLD - 320 Ac - NW 1/4 & W 1/2 NE 1/4 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 4-25-12 Alfalfa Co, OK **\$800,000.00**

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Carl's Capitol Comments

SQ814 would change TSET formula to help fund Medicaid expansion

By State Rep. Carl Newton

State Question 814 will be on the Nov. 3 statewide ballot. If approved,



it would result in an increase in money the Legislature receives annually from the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust, or TSET. The additional money could then be spent to help cover the state's share

of Medicaid expansion, which was approved by state voters through a separate state question in June. That expansion is set to take effect July 1, 2021. The projected cost to the state for Medicaid expansion is between \$162 and \$211 million. Thus, there will be a large demand on the budget to fulfill the state's portion of Medicaid Expansion.

TSET was created in 2000 by a state question after Oklahoma reached a settlement agreement with tobacco companies after courts ruled the

companies engaged in practices that knowingly harmed the public's health. The trust is used primarily for tobacco prevention, one of Oklahoma's leading causes of death.

Every year, TSET receives approximately \$70 million to \$75 million from tobacco companies, and 75% of that goes into the trust. The remainder is apportioned to the Legislature and the state attorney general's office, which is responsible for ongoing enforcement and compliance of the Master Settlement Agreement.

State Question 814 would flip the funding formula to give the Legislature 75% of the money paid by tobacco companies, and TSET would keep the remaining 25% beginning in July 2021.

The TSET funding formula is part of the Oklahoma Constitution and can only be amended through a state question approved by voters statewide.

Proponents of this question believe the trust does not need as much cash each year because its principal stands at

about \$1.3 billion, which will continue to cover the cost of the programs provided by TSET.

Supporters also say that all Oklahomans can benefit because the remaining funds would be used to help cover the cost of Medicaid expansion. Helping fund Medicaid expansion through this process helps preserve funding for other state agencies that provide vital services for Oklahomans.

If State Question 814 passes, TSET will continue to operate and provide valuable resources for Oklahomans struggling with tobacco use. The 75% of funds would provide more funding for Medicaid expansion.

If the question does not pass, the Legislature will have to find other funding sources to fund Medicaid expansion.

As always, if I can help you with anything, please do not hesitate to contact me. You may reach me by email at carl.newton@okhouse.gov, or phone me at 405-557-7339. May God Bless you and the State of Oklahoma.

Burlington has positive cases of COVID-19

By Marione Martin

Alfalfa County, Oklahoma, has seen a jump in COVID-19 cases according to the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) website on Tuesday morning. Alfalfa County is listed as having had 95 positive with 76 recovered for a total of 19 active cases. The city listing shows six active cases in Burlington after none last week. Cherokee has four, Goltry one and Helena six. Carmen had three positives but all are recovered. Jet had four positive cases but all are recovered.

Woods County, Oklahoma, is shown with 16 active cases. Nine of those are in Alva and six in Waynoka. Freedom currently has no active cases, according to the OSDH information. Sometimes the numbers in the cities (determined by zip code) do not add up to the same numbers

as the county listing.

In the Newsgram coverage area, Cleo Springs is shown with three active cases while Nash has one. There are no cases listed for Aline.

In surrounding counties, Major County is listed with 24 active cases; Harper County, Oklahoma, with 12; and Woodward County with 63.

Barber County, Kansas, is listed with 25 positive cases. The Kansas website does not show the number of those recovered.

On Tuesday, Oklahoma reported 1,309 new cases since the Monday report. There were 15 additional deaths, none identified as being in the preceding 24 hours; 760 people were hospitalized as of Tuesday morning.

For more information, visit coronavirus.health.ok.gov.



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I have known Cameron Quick since he was very young, and also for the past six years that I have been a Sergeant for the Pratt County Sheriff's Office. I began working with Cameron when he was a Patrol Deputy for the Sheriff's office after retiring from 30 yrs service and as Chief of the Medicine Lodge Police Dept. I have personally found that Cameron's work ethics are above reproach, and has a vast knowledge of Law Enforcement. I think a large part of that is due to growing up in a Law Enforcement family with a father who has dedicated his life to the career.

I have always felt that Cameron's attitude to the career was always professional, and he is easy to approach and just a great person. Cameron, as a supervisor, always showed great leadership skills and his military training and experience shines in this role, making him the best candidate for Barber County Sheriff.

I know that Cameron's training and years of experience as the head jailer in Harper County also give him the knowledge on how to operate a jail effectively and fairly. His years as a road Deputy on patrol has helped him to see what works and what doesn't and helps him to make those critical decisions in the field. Experience is paramount for the leadership of a department for the employees to look up to and get the training and answers they need.

Cameron grew up in Barber county and knows what the needs are for the public to have a safe relationship with the Sheriff's office and to be there for the citizens of Barber County to ensure their protected and feel safe in our day to day lives. He has what it takes to be a good Sheriff; he knows what needs to be done and is willing to go that extra mile to do just that. Cameron has my support, and I wish him the best in the November election.

Sgt. Brian Miller, Pratt Co. Sheriff Office

Seven teens injured in wreck near Cherokee

By Marione Martin

Seven area teens were injured in a one-vehicle wreck Sunday night. Four were hospitalized and three were treated and released.

The wreck occurred at 10:12 p.m. on Oct. 11 on Grant Road, three-quarters of a mile west of State Highway 8 and three-tenths of a mile west of Cherokee in Alfalfa County.

Tierna Mustard, 19, of Cherokee, was driving a 2007 Pontiac Grand Prix eastbound on Grant Road when the vehicle went out of control, went into a broad slide and departed the roadway to the right. The vehicle rolled and struck a telephone pole. The driver and all six passengers were ejected. According to the highway patrol report, none of the occupants were wearing seatbelts.

Mustard was transported by Alva

EMS to Bass Hospital in Enid where she was admitted in stable condition.

The six passengers were all under age 18 so their names were withheld. A 16-year-old male from Cherokee was transported by Alva EMS to St. Mary's Hospital in Enid and transferred to OU Children's Hospital in Oklahoma City by Miller EMS where he was admitted in serious condition.

A 14-year-old male from Waynoka was transported by Alva EMS to Bass Hospital in Enid and transferred to OU Children's Hospital in Oklahoma City where he was admitted in stable condition.

A 15-year-old male of Amorita was transported by Alva EMS to Bass Hospital in Enid and transferred to OU Children's Hospital in Oklahoma City where he was admitted in stable

condition.

A 14-year-old male from Alva was transported by Helena EMS to Bass Hospital in Enid where he was treated and released.

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The cause of the crash is listed as under investigation.

OHP Trooper Carter Mathews investigated, assisted by Trooper Burch, Trooper Cagle, Alva EMS, Helena EMS, Cherokee Fire Department, Alfalfa County Sheriff's Office and Cherokee Police Department.

Burlington area hit hard with COVID-19, school and C-Store both temporarily closed

By Yvonne Miller

At least four staff members at Burlington Public School tested positive with COVID-19 and the school closed temporarily last Tuesday, Oct. 6, and remains closed. Then this Tuesday the C-Store in Burlington closed their doors due to COVID concerns.

Burlington Co-op Manager Robbie Newman said they had started serving carry-out food only last Tuesday, as there was so much COVID in Burlington. He

said their decision to close was because they became so short-handed. "We had some illness" and some needed to quarantine, Newman said. The co-op service station, central office and elevator remain open. Newman said they hope to re-open the C-Store Thursday.

When contacted Tuesday at his Cherokee CPA office, Burlington School Board President Terry Graham confirmed the school remains closed. Besides the infected staff members, Graham said he

doesn't know of any sick kids.

Graham said he's been in touch with Superintendent Dr. Stacey Croft who is quarantined. Since fall break is Wednesday through Friday the school will remain closed as already planned.

"We hope to be back next week, but we'll have to see," Graham said. "Everyone needs to get through their quarantine period."

Graham said school personnel is trying to implement some distance and virtual learning for students. Teachers sent learning packets home with the elementary students.

"We're just trying to manage," Graham said.

He said Cherokee and the Amorita and Byron areas also have their share of COVID. The Cherokee School remains open.

"People need to be responsible and wear a mask – not only to protect yourself but others," Graham said. "I'm taking every precaution. It hits those of us 55 and older harder."

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City of Kiowa receives COVID money, part of water project ready to bid

By Yvonne Miller

Kiowa's City Council held their October meeting Monday night with all members present, including Mayor Bill Watson, council president R.L. Simpson, B.J. Duvall, Brian Hill, Jason Thayer and Tom Wells. Also seated with the council was City Clerk Trish Brewer and council attorney Brandon Ritcha. The council opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer by Simpson.

BG Consultants engineer Sam Johnson joined the meeting by speaker phone to update the council on the city's \$8 million waterline replacement project. The first part of the project is replacing waterlines from the city's water wells south of Sharon and down the Tri-City county road to Hazelton. Johnson said they still await two land easements. Some of the wait on those is dependent on railroad easements.

Johnson said the KDHE approved the final design of the project. "We can advertise the project now," Johnson said.

COVID CARES grant money for the city

Simpson announced the amounts of some COVID CARES grant money received by the city. The police department received \$7,100. That will go toward four defibrillators (AED), a portable electronic device that automatically diagnoses life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias. The cost is approximately \$5,980.

The city received just over \$22,000 of this COVID CARES grant

money. It will be used to purchase three automatic (touchless) doors the council intends to install at the city office and also at Kiowa's Community Building. The doors will cost just over \$14,000. The city will have grant money remaining and have a list of other items to purchase with the money. The money must be used by Dec. 30.

More City of Kiowa Business

Fall Clean Up dates are Nov. 2-6 for the north side and Nov. 9-13 for the south side of town.

Simpson said he had an inquiry from a potential new business owner to Kiowa, but did not say who. The person asked about land annexation at Hardtner Street and KS-2 (directly north of D&W) and for zoning for commercial use.

Regarding the standing water problem in front of the General Store on the east end of Main Street, Simpson said they have a possible solution. This involves 422 feet to the corner by the ball field. It also involves Randy and Roxie Blunk's yard where water stands. The project will involve digging up a lot (a fiber optic main; a sewer main and a gas main). Simpson said they will use a hydrovac to insure the depth of all the lines. It's still in exploratory stages, he said.

Fire Chief Bill Duvall asked the council for direction in selling the old firetruck. He'll set a bottom price before they put it out for bid.

The council discussed more electric pole replacement. A truckload of 40 concrete poles cost \$53,000.

They also discussed the need for water tower inspections.

City Superintendent John Duvall shared a long list of what he is working on with the council. He said the city's old brick building is emptied out and ready to be torn down. The council approved Graves bid for fencing to go around the sub-station.

Duvall said he has price options from Caterpillar to service the city's generator. The issue was tabled until November.

The council voted 3-2 to purchase a dump trailer from Bogner. Duvall and Hill cast the no votes.

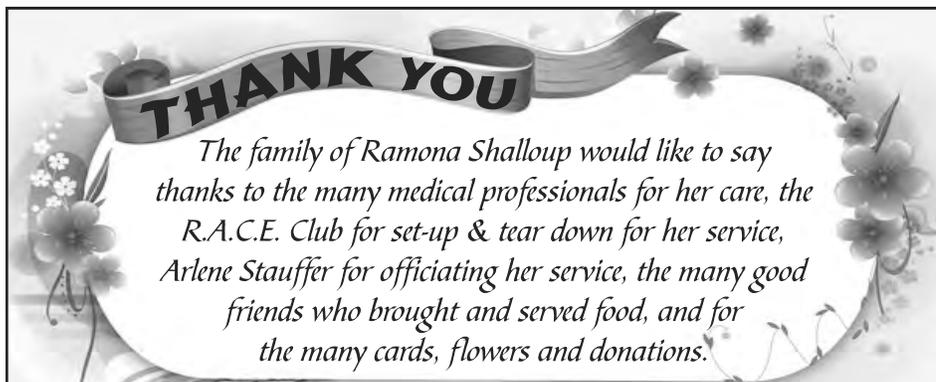
Brewer said Stan from the auditor's office has worked with her and Simpson on finances. "We're sitting better than we thought we were," she said and added, "Stan is worth his weight in gold."

Brewer said Blue Cross/Blue Shield sent a check for \$1,138, which was a reimbursement on dental insurance for April.

Under the public comment period, Brian Ricke, resident and father of two young girls, addressed the council about a dog issue. "I don't feel safe playing with my kids due to the dogs," Ricke said. He discussed two different times that mean dogs came into his yard - one time when the girls were playing and the dogs almost attacked them. The issue is being looked into.

Deb Helfrich thanked the council for working to fix the retaining wall in her yard.

Following executive session the board took no action.



Please call your local resource concerns/priorities into the Alfalfa County Conservation office this year at 580-596-2883. On November 10th, the Board of Directors will take the data gathered and prioritize needs & concerns for next year's agricultural cost-share funding.



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160	Woods Co, OK	NW4 of Sec. 8-27N-16W	\$240,000	NEW
360	Lawrence Co, AR	25 acre Private Lake 3000sq/ft Home	\$1,500,000	NEW
525	Wayne Co, MO	525acres Hardwood Timber/135acre Lake	\$2,995,000	NEW
138	Kingman Co, KS	2 miles from Norwich Kansas	\$299,874	NEW
80	Brevard Co, FL	80acre Subdivision	\$2,490,000	
900	Livingston Co, KY	Kentucky Wildlife Retreat	\$4,400,000	
900	Pope Co, IL	Illinois Trophy Property	\$2,600,000	
10	Woods Co, OK	2.5 mile North of Alva	\$30,000	
462	Barber Co, KS	Mult Legal Desc. NW of Hardtner-KS	\$668,500	
190	Barber Co, KS	Mult Legal Desc. NW of Hardtner-KS	\$218,500	
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Oklahoma City City Council extends mask mandate until Dec. 7

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A requirement to wear masks in Oklahoma City in an effort to slow the spread of the coronavirus was extended to Dec. 7 on Tuesday by the City Council.

"I think it's important that we know again that masking reduces the transmission of infection in the community by 70-85%," Oklahoma City/County Health Department Director Patrick McGough said before councilors approved the extension from

the original Oct. 20 expiration date.

The Oklahoma State Department of Health on Tuesday reported 1,309 new virus cases and 15 more deaths due to COVID-19, the illness caused by the virus. There have been 101,493 reported virus cases and 1,119 deaths since the pandemic began. The department reports that a record 760 people are currently hospitalized.

The true number of coronavirus cases in Oklahoma is likely higher because many people have not been

tested, and studies suggest people can be infected and not feel sick.

The department reported 13,872 active cases of the virus and that 86,502 people have recovered.

For most people, the COVID-19 virus causes mild or moderate symptoms that clear up within weeks. But for others, especially older adults and people with existing health problems, the virus can cause severe illness, including pneumonia, and be fatal.

Oklahoma County prosecutor reduces charges in protest case

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Oklahoma County District Attorney David Prater agreed Monday to reduce criminal charges against five young people accused of inciting a riot following a confrontation with police in June.

Court records show five defendants initially charged with felony

inciting a riot each received a deferred sentence after pleading guilty Monday to a misdemeanor count of obstructing an officer.

"I believe that the guilty pleas today acknowledge the conduct that led to charges being filed while offering the individual an opportunity to dispose of their criminal cases without

ruining the remainder of their young lives," Prater said in a statement.

Those who entered guilty pleas on Monday were Trevor Webb, 26; Tyreke Baker, 20; Mia Hogsett, 32; Sincere Terry, 19; and Preston Nabors, 23.

The five were arrested after a confrontation with a police officer while they were painting a street mural outside the Oklahoma City Police Department. The incident followed two days of street protests in Oklahoma City over racial injustice and police brutality.

Prater has faced some criticism for charging several people involved in those protests with felony terrorism charges amid allegations they broke windows of downtown businesses and set fire to a sheriff's department van.

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Police: Man upset about Chiefs' loss pointed a gun

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — A Kansas City Chiefs fan who was upset about the team's loss to the Las Vegas Raiders pointed a gun at a victim in a neighborhood about 10 miles (16.09 kilometers) away from Arrowhead Stadium, authorities say.

Police in Kansas City, Kansas, said in a tweet that officers responded to disturbance call around 5 p.m. Sunday, after the game ended. A victim and witnesses then told officers that a person, upset over the result of the Chiefs' 40-32 loss to the Raiders, pointed a gun.

"A physical fight then ensued as one of the witnesses attempted to disarm the suspect," police said. "The suspect then fled the scene."

Police recovered the gun on the scene and notified detectives. The release didn't indicate what sparked the fight, and a police spokesman didn't immediately respond to a text message.

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First lady unseen as Trump restarts campaign after COVID-19

By Darlene Superville

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump and his wife received their positive COVID-19 tests on the same day. He's already returned to campaigning, but there's been no public sighting yet of the first lady.

Melania Trump last provided a health update over a week ago after saying her symptoms were mild, and the White House has not indicated when she will make her next public appearance.

What role she will play in the campaign's final weeks remains an open question as Trump embarks on a schedule of daily rallies through the Nov. 3 election.

"My family is grateful for all of the prayers & support! I am feeling good & will continue to rest at home," the first lady tweeted Oct. 5, three days after the president announced they both had the disease caused by the coronavirus and that they would quarantine.

"Thank you to medical staff & caretakers everywhere, & my continued prayers for those who are ill or have a family member impacted by the virus," she said.

Mrs. Trump was last seen Sept. 29 accompanying the president to Cleveland for his nationally televised debate with Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden.

Before that trip, she attended a Sept. 26 gathering in the White House Rose Garden that is now believed to have been a "super spreader" event for the virus. The president introduced Supreme Court nominee Judge Amy Coney Barrett to scores of guests who sat close together, many without face coverings. Several guests later tested positive for COVID-19.

The first lady's office provided no update Tuesday on her condition. The president's campaign referred questions to the White House.

A possible upside for the White House in the positive test results is that they overshadowed the release of audio recordings by Stephanie Winston Wolkoff, a former confidante and adviser to the first lady, in which Mrs. Trump was heard complaining about having to decorate the mansion for Christmas. She also was heard downplaying the conditions in which migrant children were housed in U.S. detention centers after the administration separated them from their families at the Mexico border.

Wolkoff detailed her falling out with Mrs. Trump in a new book the White House has dismissed as full of "mistruths and paranoia." Wolkoff also had confirmed she had Mrs. Trump on tape.

David B. Cohen, political science professor at the University of Akron, said the tapes were "damaging" for the first lady's image, especially since the president often bragged that he was singularly responsible for people saying "Merry

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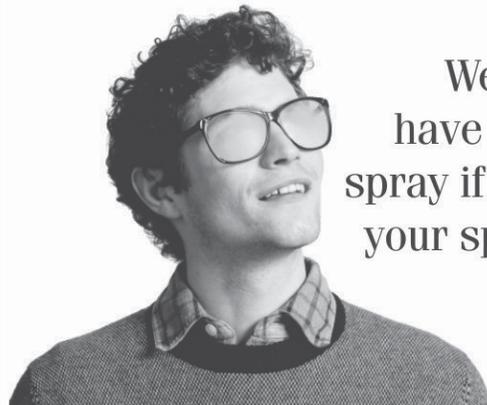
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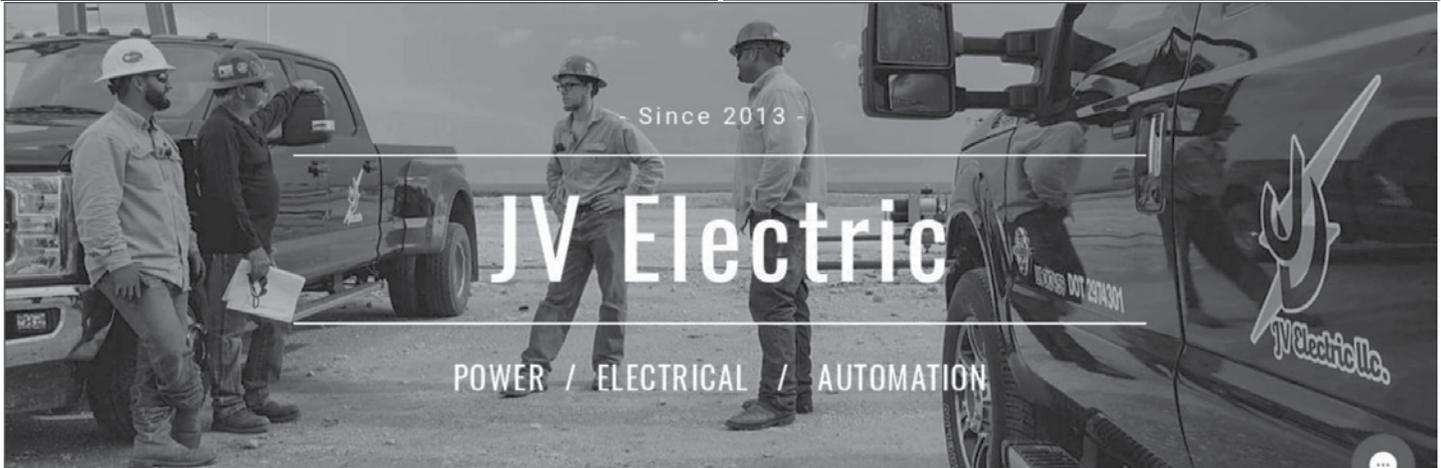
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Supreme Court halts census in latest twist of 2020 count

By Mike Schneider

The U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday stopped the once-a-decade head count of every U.S. resident from continuing through the end of October.

President Donald Trump's administration had asked the nation's high court to suspend a district court's order permitting the 2020 census to continue through the end of the month. The Trump administration argued that the head count needed to end immediately so the U.S. Census Bureau had enough time to crunch the numbers before a congressionally mandated year-end deadline for turning in figures used for deciding how many congressional seats each state gets.

A coalition of local governments and civil rights groups had sued the Trump administration, arguing that minorities and others in hard-to-count communities would be missed if the count ended early. They said the census schedule was cut short to accommodate a July order from Trump that would exclude people in the country illegally from the numbers used to decide how many congressional seats each state gets.

Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor dissented.

"Moreover, meeting the deadline at the expense of the accuracy of the census is not a cost worth paying, especially when

the Government has failed to show why it could not bear the lesser cost of expending more resources to meet the deadline or continuing its prior efforts to seek an extension from Congress," Sotomayor wrote.

Last month, U.S. District Judge Lucy Koh in San Jose, California sided with the plaintiffs and issued an injunction which suspended a Sept. 30 deadline for finishing the 2020 census and a Dec. 31 deadline for submitting numbers used to determine how many congressional seats each state gets — a process known as apportionment. That caused the deadlines to revert back to a previous Census Bureau plan that had field operations ending Oct. 31 and the reporting of apportionment figures at the end of April 2021.

When the Census Bureau, and the Commerce Department, which oversees the statistical agency, picked an Oct. 5 end date, Koh struck that down too, accusing officials of "lurching from one hasty, unexplained plan to the next ... and undermining the credibility of the Census Bureau and the 2020 Census."

An appellate court panel upheld Koh's order allowing the census to continue through October but struck down the part that suspended the Dec. 31 deadline for turning in apportionment numbers. The panel of three appellate judges said that just because the year-end deadline is impossible to meet doesn't mean the court should require the Census Bureau to miss it.

With plans for the count hampered by the pandemic, the Census Bureau in April had proposed extending the deadline for finishing the count from the end of July to the end of October and pushing the apportionment deadline from Dec. 31 to next April. The proposal to extend the apportionment deadline passed the Democratic-controlled House, but the Republican-controlled Senate didn't take up the request. Then, in late July and early August, bureau officials shortened the count schedule by a month so that it would finish at the end of September.

The Republicans' inaction coincided with a July order from Trump directing the Census Bureau to have the apportionment count exclude people who are in the country illegally. The order was later ruled unlawful by a panel of three district judges in New York, but the Trump administration is appealing that case to the Supreme Court.

By sticking to the Dec. 31 deadline, control of the apportionment count would remain in the hands of the Trump administration no matter who wins the presidential election next month.

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3 denied bond in alleged plot to kidnap Michigan governor

By David Eggert and Kathleen Foody

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Members of anti-government paramilitary groups implicated in an alleged plot to kidnap Michigan's governor over measures to slow the spread of the coronavirus during a fraught election year also discussed abducting Virginia's governor during a June meeting, an FBI agent testified Tuesday.

During a hearing in a Grand Rapids federal court to review the evidence against the five Michigan defendants, Magistrate Judge Sally Berens ordered Kaleb Franks, Daniel Harris and Brandon Caserta to be held without bond until the trial. She said she would rule at a later date on the bond status of the other two Michigan men, Adam Fox and Ty Garbin. A sixth defendant from Delaware, Barry Croft, was ordered Tuesday to be transferred to Michigan to face the charges.

Berens' ruling came after a day-long hearing in which FBI agent Richard Trask revealed new details about investigators' use of confidential informants, undercover agents and encrypted communication in the alleged plot to kidnap Michigan's Democratic governor, Gretchen Whitmer, before Election Day.

"They discussed possible targets, taking a sitting governor, specifically issues with the governor of Michigan and Virginia based on the lockdown orders," Trask said, noting that the roughly 15 people at the June 6 meeting in Dublin, Ohio, were unhappy with the governors' responses to the coronavirus pandemic.

Trask said Fox, who authorities say was one of the ringleaders and who was the only defendant without a mask at the hearing, said during a post-arrest interview that he considered taking Whitmer from her vacation home out onto Lake Michigan and

stranding her there on a disabled boat.

The FBI learned of the June meeting while investigating various anti-government groups, leading to the months-long case in Michigan that relied on confidential sources, undercover agents and clandestine recordings to foil the alleged kidnapping conspiracy, according to the criminal complaint and Trask's testimony.

It wasn't immediately clear if the talk of targeting Virginia's Democratic governor, Ralph Northam, went beyond the June meeting, and nothing from the criminal complaint or Trask's testimony indicated that anyone had been charged with plotting against Northam. Trask said members of anti-government groups from "four or five" states attended that meeting, and the complaint noted that Croft and Fox were among those who were there.

During a news conference Tuesday, Northam said he wasn't going to discuss the alleged plot and stressed that he and his family feel safe with the security the state police provide.

"I'm continuing my work for the commonwealth as I would any other day."

Earlier Tuesday, Northam's spokeswoman, Alena Yarmosky, issued a statement in which she said the FBI alerted key members of Northam's security team throughout the course of its investigation, but neither the governor nor members of his staff were informed, as per security protocols for highly-classified information. She said the governor and his family were never believed to be in imminent danger, and that there have been enhanced security measures in place for them for quite a while.

"Here's the reality: President Trump called upon his supporters to 'LIBERATE VIRGINIA' in April — just like Michigan. In fact, the President regularly encourages

violence against those who disagree with him. The rhetoric coming out of this White House has serious and potentially deadly consequences. It must stop," Yarmosky said.

Whitmer and others have similarly accused President Donald Trump of emboldening extremists.

Trump urged supporters to "LIBERATE" Michigan, Virginia and Minnesota in a series of tweets in April, encouraging protesters who turned up at state Capitols to oppose restrictions aimed at minimizing the spread of the virus.

Following the arrests last week, the White House said the president has condemned hate, and Trump tweeted: "I do not tolerate ANY extreme violence."

In the Michigan case, authorities said the men were trying to retaliate against Whitmer due to what they viewed as her "uncontrolled power" during the coronavirus pandemic.

Some defendants conducted coordinated surveillance of the Democratic governor's vacation home in northern Michigan in August and September, according to a criminal complaint. Authorities said four of the men had planned to meet last week to pay for explosives and exchange tactical gear.

Defense attorneys for several of the men used their opportunity to question Trask about the investigation to suggest that their clients were "big talkers" who didn't intend to follow through with action.

During investigations of paramilitary-type groups, "you find a lot of people who talk about things, but they're never a threat to do anything. It's fairly common in these groups?" Scott Graham, attorney for

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"By keeping her behind closed doors, it makes it sort of a non-story at this point," Cohen said.

Most coronavirus patients suffer mild to moderate symptoms and recover quickly, typically anywhere from two to six weeks, according to the World Health Organization, though older, sicker patients tend to take longer to get well.

The president's quicker reemergence again highlights differences in how he, at age 74, and the first lady, who is 50, have approached the pandemic — from mask wearing to travel. The White House has said their son, Barron, 14, tested negative for the virus.

President Trump was admitted to Walter Reed National Military Medical Center for treatment on Oct. 2, and was sent home three days later. He remained out of public view until this past weekend, when he stepped onto a balcony to address a large crowd of supporters who had been invited to the White House lawn to watch him speak.

On Monday, a week after leaving the hospital, the president — who has declared himself "immune" to COVID-19, although the science makes it impossible to know that — resumed the rigors of campaigning at a Florida rally. His White House doctor said Trump tested negative for the virus on consecutive days and was no longer considered contagious.

Trump has an aggressive schedule

with campaign rallies set for every day this week in Pennsylvania, Iowa, North Carolina, Georgia and back to Florida.

Former Trump White House press secretary Sean Spicer said Mrs. Trump may want to be a "little bit more selective" about how she reengages after recovery. The first lady is known to be intensely private and someone who operates on her own timetable.

"She just may be taking a different approach to this as well," Spicer said.

Mrs. Trump has been more consistent about encouraging use of face masks while her husband has vacillated between describing mask-wearing as "patriotic" and criticizing Biden for routinely donning one. Trump was mask-free on Monday. Neither Trump nor the first lady wore masks at the Rose Garden event.

Trump also traveled extensively during the height of the pandemic, including to "hot spot" cities, while his wife waited until mid-September to visit New Hampshire on her first solo appearance outside the Washington area since the outbreak.

COVID-19 isn't Mrs. Trump's first bout with illness at the White House.

She spent a week at Walter Reed military hospital in May 2018 after undergoing an embolization procedure to treat what her office said was a benign kidney condition. Mrs. Trump convalesced at the White House for nearly a month before she resumed a public schedule.

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Franks, asked Trask. "Big talk between crackpots — you've seen that, haven't you? People who talk a lot, brashly, boldly, but are never going to do anything about that talk."

Graham described Franks as a "follower, not a leader" and argued that he shouldn't be detained before trial. He said Franks was a drug addict but had turned his life around and said there is "no evidence whatsoever" he would be a flight risk.

But Assistant U.S. Attorney Nils Kessler countered that it was a "serious plot" and argued that Franks should not be released. "There's a serious public safety risk," he said, not disputing that Franks was more of a follower than the men who allegedly led the plot.

The judge acknowledged that some of the men did not have a leadership role in the alleged plot, but she said their participation in repeated discussions about kidnapping Whitmer and surveillance of the governor's vacation home convinced her they would be a danger if released before trial.

During a break, Gary Springstead, an attorney for Garbin, told reporters outside the courthouse that the allegations were "serious." The defendants face up to life in prison if convicted.

During the brief hearing in Wilmington, Delaware, Croft waived his right to a detention hearing there but reserved his right to one in Michigan.

Whitmer, who was considered as Joe Biden's running mate and is nearly halfway through a four-year term, has been widely praised for her response to the virus outbreak but also sharply criticized by Republican lawmakers and people in conservative areas of the state. The Capitol has been the site of many rallies, including ones with gun-toting protesters calling for her ouster.

Michigan, and particularly the Detroit area, were particularly hard hit by the virus early on during the pandemic, leading Whitmer to put major restrictions on personal movement and the economy, although many of those limits have been lifted since spring.

Seven others linked to a paramilitary group called the Wolverine Watchmen were charged in state court for allegedly seeking to storm the Michigan Capitol and providing material support for terrorist acts by seeking a "civil war."

The investigation is ongoing.

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Epic Charter Schools must repay \$11.2M in taxpayer funding

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The Oklahoma State Board of Education voted unanimously to demand Epic Charter Schools to pay \$11.2 million in state funds that auditors say was illegally used and falsely classified in financial reports.

The state school board's vote on Monday demands Epic to repay the millions of dollars spent on administrators that were supposed to support students and teachers, within 60 days of receiving notice.

The state board total of \$11.2 million they aim to recoup comes from \$8.3 mil-

lion in misreported salaries and \$2.7 million wrongfully paid to Epic Youth Services — with the addition of \$203,000 in taxpayer funds illegally transferred to Epic's charter school in California.

On Oct. 2, State Auditor and Inspector Cindy Byrd released the first part of the audit of Epic, following a directive from Gov. Kevin Stitt to investigate the school's finances and "all related entities."

Epic exceeded the state-mandated limit on administrative costs by overspending on salaries and payments to Epic Youth Services, auditors said. The school reportedly covered it up by reclassifying certain expenditures as non-administrative in financial reports

to the Oklahoma State Department of Education.

State schools Superintendent Joy Hofmeister said the findings were "very significant and alarming" during Monday's board meeting.

"We have, as a state board, a duty to recoup those funds," Hofmeister said.

Epic has been under investigation since last year by state and federal officials for embezzling millions in state funds by illegally inflating student enrollment counts.

Epic denies any wrongdoing and disputes the audit's findings. Superintendent Bart Banfield said the school intends to "debunk" the audit report by reviewing the auditors' calculations.



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seniors took it, but a makeup opportunity will be this Friday at 3 p.m.

The high school academic team has a meet at Timberlake, and then will host tryouts here.

Two basketball games last night finished out the junior high season, Smith said. The high school basketball team is undefeated so far this year, he said. "It's been a really good season so far."

In FFA, the COLT conference was last week. Some FFA officers went to Enid for training, and students have enrolled in the Tulsa State Fair. A few judging contests are still ahead.

FCCLA will have a district meeting Oct. 21. Waynoka has hosted the meeting in the past, and it drew several hundred kids. "It's one of the most fun events that our kids go to," he said, but it's virtual this year.

Senior night will be Thursday at 6:30. The cheer team will hold a clinic for elementary students at the game.

Other Business: Remediation Policy Adopted

In other business, the board approved hiring Amy Ferguson as part-time support staff.

They also approved a remediation

policy for inclusion in the student handbook. Remediation, or re-teaching, happens when a teacher and student work together to help the student learn something that they may not have fully understood the first time. This could be help with a difficult homework assignment, or just something the student has questions about.

The policy says that students have several opportunities for remediation during the day. Students in grades 6-12 may choose to attend remediation between 8 and 8:20 each morning. After school, students in grades 6-8 may attend remediation from 3:20 to 3:40; those in grades 9-12 can attend remediation from 3:20 to 4 p.m.

Some classes have required remediation, although students with an 80% or above are exempt. Failure to attend required remediation makes a student ineligible for participating in any school activity.

The board also approved the the consent agenda, consisting of minutes from previous meetings, reports on the general, building, activity and bond funds, as well as their encumbrances and change orders; and the annual election resolution and call for an election.

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Alfalpa County Sheriff's Office logs

Tuesday, October 6, 2020
During this day there were two traffic stops.
6:43 p.m. – Report of a steer out on LeFlore and County Road (CR) 630.
9:49 p.m. – Medic need at the Helena Jiffy Trip for a female possibly having a stroke. Medic took the patient to Bass Hospital in Enid.

Wednesday, October 7, 2020
10:23 a.m. – Gateway Bank advised of possible bank fraud by someone who got a business loan and used it for personal use.
11:01 a.m. – Report of a ditch fire on U.S. Highway 64.
11:24 a.m. – Report of harassment and wanting a restraining order.
11:58 a.m. – Report of a camper trailer with a missing tag. Advised he came from Guthrie and went to Great Salt Plains and is unsure of when it was stolen.

4:27 p.m. – Medic needed for a female who is weak and having trouble standing. Medic took patient to St. Mary's Hospital in Enid.

8:35 p.m. – Report of a green Dodge pickup headed south on Ohio going about 60 mph.

Thursday, October 8, 2020
During this day there were two traffic stops.

12:57 a.m. – Report of a male who had fallen in the bathtub. Medic took patient to St. Mary's in Enid.

2:39 a.m. – Report of a possible drunk driver west on OK-11. Report of it going off the road multiple times. Negative contact was made.

6:35 a.m. – Person walked

into the sheriff's office and advised of two kids sleeping in a car on Greer and CR 630. Sheriff made contact and advised he will be following the kids back to town.

4:29 p.m. – Medic needed for a male possibly having a stroke. Medic took patient to St. Mary's Hospital in Enid.

11 p.m. – Report of a vehicle vs. deer wreck.

Friday, October 9, 2020
During this day there was one traffic stop.

9:59 a.m. – Report of an unwanted person hanging around outside of Dollar General.

7:24 p.m. – Report of a vehicle vs. deer wreck on OK-38 south of OK-11.

Saturday, October 10, 2020
8:53 a.m. – Report of a suspicious vehicle on Osage and CR 610.

Sunday, October 11, 2020
10:21 a.m. – Report of a reckless driver on OK-8.

1:09 p.m. – Caller advised a person was trying to take her children. They were cursing and being loud. Advised they had a protective order against the subject in the past.

8:09 p.m. – Caller advised she burned her arm on a radiator. No transport needed.

8:27 p.m. – Report of a rollover accident on Oklahoma highway s58 and 45. No transport needed.

10:04 p.m. – Report of a rollover accident on Grant, west of Sonic, involving multiple individuals. Multiple air evacs were needed. Medics took some individuals to Bass Hospital and St. Mary's Hospital in Enid.

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Wednesday

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Noon Alva Kiwanis Club will meet at Cancun Mexican Grill.

1-5 p.m. The Cherokee Strip Museum in Alva is open Tuesday through Sunday.

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

Thursday

9 a.m. The Woods County Senior Citizens Center, 625 Barnes, Alva, is doing only carry out meals. Please call 327-1822 until noon the day before to order. Meals will be ready for pick up at 10:30 a.m.

1-5 p.m. The Cherokee Strip Museum in Alva is open Tuesday through Sunday.

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

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

Friday

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Felony Filings

Sandra Louise Cain, Cherokee, 58, has been charged with two charges of burglary, second degree (\$730.50).

Marriage License Filings

Charles Leslie Smith, Jet, and Lorrie Roxann Smith, Jet: marriage license (\$50).

Traffic Filings

Derek Michael Klaus, Alva, was cited for not wearing a seatbelt (\$20).

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result.

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How Would the Funds Be Distributed?

If passed, the Woods County 522 EMS District would be distributed to each EMS service within Woods County. Current EMS services are at Alva, Freedom and Waynoka. They divide the county coverage and provide mutual assistance to cover emergency calls.

The 522 District would be governed by a board of five to 11 members appointed by the Woods County Commissioners. They would be accountable for all the funds collected from the ad valorem tax and the distribution. Money collected for 2021 taxes would be available for distribution the following year.

This doesn't mean the separate EMS services will become one. Each will

continue to be operated separately.

It's expected the total amount of ad valorem taxes at the three mill rate would be approximately \$645,000 for a year. The board would hold out ten percent as an administration fee to pay for their required annual audit. The remainder, about \$580,000, would be divided among the three ambulance services according to their boundaries. If any money is left over after the audit, that amount will also go to the EMS services.

The added revenue would provide funds for needed equipment, upgrades and medical supplies as well as covering some of the deficits now being experienced in the ambulance budgets. For quick responses to emergencies, the EMS services must keep trained personnel on call around the clock. Some days may be quiet but a really bad accident mixed with routine calls can change boring to hectic in a hurry.

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LARGE 2 DAY- HORSE, HORSE DRAWN EQUIPMENT, CARRIAGE, FARM PRIMITIVE, COLLECTIBLE AND ANTIQUE AUCTION

October 16 and 17, 2020 9:00 AM both days.
Location: K-14 Auction Center
 10919 S K14 Hwy Hutchinson Ks 67501,
 from the Loves Truck Stop in South Hutchinson
 take Hwy 14 south 6 miles to location.

Oct 16th Early Consignments: Anvils; Forges; Cream Cans; Vintage School Bell; Pedal Cars; Vintage Metal Toys; Wooden Butter Churns; Crocks; Large Metal Signs; Hobby Horse; Chicken Nests and Feeders; Wash Tubs; Garden Gates; Implement Seats; Crosscut Saws; Lightning Rods; Gas and Oil Cans; Wire Meter; Old Baby Stroller; RR Jack; Box Wagon Seats; Hog Oiler; Old Coca Cola Cooler; Vintage Wash Machines; Wooden Boxes; Cast Iron Skillets, Pots and Pans; Lumber Cart; Vintage Ertl and Arcade Toys; Vintage Toy Trucks; Old Harley Frame; Winder; Wooden Advertising Boxes; JD Letz Corn Grinder; Van Brunt Garden Drill(small); plus more coming daily.

Oct 17th Early Consignments: Good Selection of Horses including: Carriage and Buggy Horses; Riding Horses; Crossbred Horses and Colts; Ponies and Mules, 15 yr old Belgium Mare; 9 yr old Dunn Mule; 10 yr old Pony; 15 yr old Standardbred Mare; 3 yr old Quarter Gelding; 2 Yr Old Reg Percheon Gelding; plus more broke ponies. Carriages and Horse Drawn Equipment; Visa-Via; Doctors Buggy; Oak Buckboard; 2 Wheel carts; Pony Wagons and Carts; Open Buggy; New and Used Harnesses; New Pony Harness; Approx. 30 Saddles; Large Selection of New Tack; Steel Wheels; Eveners; Neckyokes; New Wagon Tongues; plus more.

A large 2 day auction where Farm Primitives and Antiques are in strong demand, also Horse Drawn Equipment, Carriages, Box Wagons, Saddles, Tack, Harnesses, Well Broke Teams, Carriage Horses, Mules, Ponies and Riding Horses. Watch the auctionzip.com site for daily updates and hundreds of photos. Bring a friend as we may sell at two locations.

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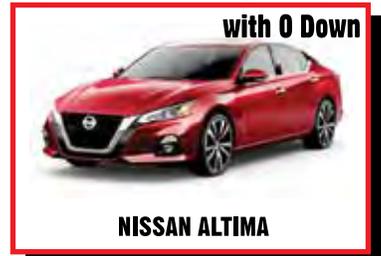
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