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Aline-Cleo held their annual FFA and Sports Banquet Friday night at the Aline Gym. Carly Hamen, FFA president, presided over the evening. FFA awards were presented to members by Troy Gosney, Chapter adviser. Sports awards were presented by Coach Judd Matthes. FFA Officers and some FFA members will be attending the State FFA Convention in Tulsa May 6-8. Aline-Cleo will be represented in the State FFA Band by guitarist Jacoby Gould. Officers are, from left: Gabby Taylor, Tucker Roundtree, Kassie Irwin, Brendon Hurst, Grant Gosney, Carly Hamen.

Correction

In the Burlington School Board report last week, in a list of approved items Gateway Bank was listed as the holder of the school bank accounts. It was "not approved" and we regret the inadvertent error.



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Alfalfa County commissioners approve monthly paperwork

By Stacy Sanborn

The beginning of May brought with it lots of paperwork for the Alfalfa County commissioners. Garret Johnson, Mike Roach and Nate Ross approved monthly items like appropriations and tax allocations for alcoholic beverages and motor vehicles, monthly officer reports and highway expenditures. They also had blanket purchase orders and maintenance and operation warrants for payment to sign. After that, they approved a correction transfer for the Sales Tax - County General Personal Services account 1311-1-2000-1110 to the Sales Tax County General M&O account 1311-1-2000-2005 for the remainder of April's salary for maintenance. With the help of county clerk Laneta Schwerdtfeger, the three commissioners decided to change the date to receive six-month bids to May 31, giving them more time to review them. Lastly, Johnson, Roach, and Ross approved changing the purchasing agent's name to Lacey Elliott.

Motor Vehicle Tax

Aline \$125.07, Amorita \$27.54, Burlington \$92.32, Byron \$27.54, Carmen \$262.79, Cherokee \$1,069.78, Goltry \$185.37, Helena \$1,137.53, Jet \$144.42 and Lambert \$4.47. Total: \$3,076.83.

Alcoholic Beverage Tax

Aline \$512.54, Amorita \$115.93, Burlington \$378.30, Byron \$112.88, Carmen \$1,098.29, Cherokee \$4,502.99, Goltry \$765.75, Helena \$4,689.10, Jet \$601.01 and Lambert \$15.25. Total: \$12,792.04.

Appropriations

911 Phone Fees (1201) \$14,025.53
Assessor Revolving Fee (1204) \$74.16
CBRI (1103) \$24,372.64
County Clerk Lien Fee (1208) \$1,136.72
County Clerk RM&P (1209) \$1,750.96
Court Clerk RM&P (7210) \$149.75
Election Board - County General \$140
Emergency Management (1212) \$2,500
Emergency Medical Service (1304) \$69,575.87
Enhanced 911-ST (1332) \$11,671.40
Fair Improvement - ST (1310) \$7,823.28
General Govt - ST (1311) \$17,265.31
Highway (1102) \$502,350.17
Highway ST (1313) \$17,207.83
Rural Fire (1321) \$16,340.19
Sheriff Forfeiture (1225) \$57.46
Sheriff Service Fee (1226) \$2,854.84
Sheriff Sales Tax (1319) \$8,364.50
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Talking about spam in texts and emails

By Marione Martin



Monday, someone in the office was complaining about a scammer trying to tell her someone would be serving her with a summons. Tuesday, I had an email telling me I needed to update my email program by clicking on a button. The email supposedly was from alvareviewcourier.net support but the actual email address was messages@alvareviewcourier.net. Since I know this is not the way our email provider handles updates, I marked the message as spam.

It seems like I have to delete more and more of these annoying emails and messages.

With recent experiences like these, I was interested in an email from the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) titled Let's Talk about Spam. (They weren't referring to the canned meat product.) Here's what Andrew Rayo, Consumer

Education Specialist, had to say:

Another day, another round of spam texts and emails trying to sell you things. At best, spam is annoying. At worst, it's pushing scams or trying to install malware on your device. If you're tired of getting spam, there are some ways to help.

When scammers send spammy messages that seem legit (but aren't), they're often trying to trick you into clicking links and giving them personal or financial information. Things like your passwords or bank account and Social Security numbers are valuable to scammers. With that access to your accounts, scammers could try to steal your money or your identity. Or both.

To help you cut down on spam and avoid scams:

- Use filters. Your mobile phone probably has options to filter and block texts from unknown senders. Some wireless providers and call blocking apps can also help block unwanted messages. Many popular email providers (like Gmail) have strong spam filters turned on by default. But if any spam gets into your inbox, mark it as spam or junk.

- Protect your personal information. Before you enter personal information on a website, email or text chain, stop. Ask yourself: Why do they need this information? And what's going to happen to it? Remember, too: never share your Social Security number with someone who reaches out to you.

- Unsubscribe from unwanted emails. Getting fewer unwanted emails helps you avoid clicking on links that can lead to a phishing attack.

- Report unwanted messages. Unwanted messages often lead to scams. Report them. Use your phone's "report junk" option or forward unwanted texts to 7726 (SPAM) and unwanted emails to your email provider.

Learn more about how to get fewer spam texts and emails. If you spot a scam, report it to the FTC at ReportFraud.ftc.gov.

Scammers often try to get you to click on links in text messages by promising you something. Scammers might

- Promise free prizes, gift cards, or coupons — but they're not real

- Offer you a low or no interest credit card — but there's no deal and probably no card

- Promise to help you pay off your student loans — but they won't

Scammers also send fake messages that say they have information about your account or a transaction. Scammers might

- Say they've noticed some suspicious activity on your account — but they haven't

- Claim there's a problem with your payment information — but there isn't

- Send you a fake invoice and tell you to contact them if you didn't authorize the purchase — but it's a scam

- Send you a package delivery notification — but it's fake

The messages might ask you to give some personal information — like how much money you make, how much you owe, or your bank account, credit card, or Social Security number — to claim your gift or pursue the offer. Or they might tell you to click on a link to learn more about the issue. Some links might take you to a spoofed website that looks real but isn't. If you log in, the scammers then might steal your username and password.

Other messages might install harmful malware on your phone that steals your personal or financial information without you realizing it.

Report Spam

If you get an unwanted email, there are two ways to report it.

Forward unwanted or deceptive messages to:

- your email provider (like Gmail, Hotmail, or Yahoo). Most email services include buttons to mark messages as junk mail or report spam.

- the sender's email provider, if you can tell who it is. Most web mail providers and ISPs want to cut off spammers who abuse their systems. Again, make sure to include the entire spam email and say that you're complaining about spam.

You can also report it to the FTC at ReportFraud.ftc.gov.

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NEW - 160 Acres - Excellent Cropland - This tract consists of 153 Acres of cropland (primarily Tabler Silty Clay Loam and Grant Silt Loam Soils), and the balance being a 7 Ac. grass waterway. It is watered by a solar pump. NE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 18-28-12, W.I.M., Alfalfa County, Okla. **PRICE: \$475,000.00**

NEW - 2 - 80 Acre tracts - A HUNTING PARADISE! Tall grass, trees and tree lines, brush, plum thickets - deer everywhere! S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ - 12-19-23, W.I.M. and N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ - 13-19-23, W.I.M., Ellis County, Okla. Location of property: From Arnett, go 8.5 miles east on Hwy 60 to County Road 190, then go 1 mile south to a hunting paradise. **PRICE: \$160,000.00 per 80 Acre tract**

NEW: 355 Acres - Excellent Hunting & Grazing with Live Water. This tract consists of 355 Acres, which 127 Acres is improved grass and the balance being 228 Acres of good native grassland and canyons. This balance being 228 Acres of good native grassland and canyons. This balance being 228 Acres of good native grassland and canyons. This balance being 228 Acres of good native grassland and canyons. **PRICE: \$650,000.00**

NEW: 870 Acres - Excellent Hunting, Grazing, Live Water. This tract consists of 870 Acres, which 204 Acres is improved grass, with the balance being 666 Acres of good native grassland. This tract has new live water and two live-water creeks. This tract has excellent hunting potential is unbelievable with the beautiful canyons and the live water running down through them. Located in Sections 2, 10 & 11 - 27-17W.I.M. Woods County Okla. **PRICE: \$1,400,000.00**

NEW - 80 Acres - Excellent Cropland - This tract consists of 80 Acres of excellent cropland (primarily Grant Silt Loam soil), with rural water, and lays 4 miles west of Alva on Hwy 64. E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 29-27-15, W.I.M., Woods County, Okla. **PRICE: \$240,000.00**

NEW - 280 Acres - Excellent Stock Farm This tract consists of 280 Acres, of which 186 Acres is good cropland (primarily Bethany silt loam, Yahola fine sand loam and Grant silt loam soils), and the balance being 94 Acres of grass and waterway. This tract has a new 5-wire fence and a Ritchie automatic waterer. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 22-28-13, W.I.M., and E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ & W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 19-28-14, W.I.M. Woods County, Okla. **PRICE: \$675,000.00**

NEW - 160 Acres - Excellent Cropland - This tract consists of 160 Acres of excellent cropland (primarily Pond Creek silt loam, Dowol sandy loam, and Grant silt loam soils). This tract has a new 5-wire fence and a Ritchie automatic waterer. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 31-28-12, W.I.M., Alfalfa County, Okla. **PRICE: \$475,000.00**

NEW - 400 Acres - "A Hunting Paradise" - Tall grass, trees, cropland, good fences - 1/4 mile from Salt Fork River. This tract consists of 400 Acres of which 151 Acres is good cropland and the balance being 249 Acres of excellent trees. This is truly a hunting paradise. Don't miss your chance to have a hunting place to call your own. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 24-28-15 & SW $\frac{1}{4}$ & W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 19-28-14, W.I.M. Woods County, Okla. **PRICE: \$775,000.00**

NEW - This tract consists of 960 acres of excellent grassland, all pastures, being 12 miles northwest of Alva, Okla. 94 acres was planted with trees. It has excellent hunting potential and is watered by five ponds. Fences are good, 4 and 5-wire fences with some new over the past years. **NEW PRICE: \$1,350,000.00**

NEW - 311 Acres - Excellent cropland. This tract consists of 311 Acres of excellent cropland (primarily Grant Silt Loam soil). It has new 6-wire fence and a 20,000-gallon concrete water tank with a solar pump, and a new set of steel corrals. This farm has everything done. S $\frac{1}{2}$ - 12-35S-13W, Barber County, KS. **PRICE: \$950,000.00**

NEW - 160 Acres - SW $\frac{1}{4}$ - 20-28-13, W.I.M. This tract has 158 Acres of excellent cropland (primarily Waynoka fine sandy loam and Grant silt loam soils). It is watered by rural water. **PRICE: \$475,000.00**

NEW - 154 Acres - NW $\frac{1}{4}$ - 29-27-13, Woods County, Okla. This tract consists of 154 Acres of good cropland, the balance being 22 Acres of trees, brush, and waterways. There is excellent building potential. Just one mile east of Alva. **PRICE: \$550,000.00**

NEW - 160 Acres Excellent cropland (primarily Pond Creek Silt Loam and Grant Silt Loam Soils), with all minerals intact. It is watered by a solar pump. Located east of Alva, Okla. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 27-27-12, W.I.M., Alfalfa County, Okla. **PRICE: \$485,000.00**

NEW - 146 Acres - NW $\frac{1}{4}$ - 20-27-13, Woods County, Okla. This tract has 146 Acres of excellent cropland (primarily Dale Silt Loam and Hardiman silt loam soils). The farm has rural water and lies north of the Alva Industrial Park. **PRICE: \$525,000.00**

NEW - 315 Acres of which 208 Acres is excellent cropland, and the balance being 107 Acres of excellent grassland. Improvements include a 32' x 60' shop w/ 16' lean-to, steel corrals, N $\frac{1}{2}$ - 29-29-12, W.I.M., Alfalfa County, OKLA. **PRICE: \$1,050,000.00**

NEW - 160 Acres - Blue Ribbon Farm - Excellent cropland (Pond Creek Silt Loam soil), with rural water. NE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 15-28-11, W.I.M., Alfalfa County, Okla. **PRICE: \$550,000.00**

NEW - 320 Acres - W $\frac{1}{2}$ - 11-25-14, Woods County, Oklahoma. This tract consists of 320 Acres of Ozark Bermudagrass. New fences and cross ties, electric bunk lines, corrals, and shade on a paved road. **PRICE: \$750,000.00**

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Senate Review

Emergency drought commission, tuition bills signed

By Senator Roland Pederson



Last week was quiet for the Senate except for conference committee work. One of my bills, HB2282, must go through the Conference Committee to restore the title. Once this occurs, then it will head to the governor's desk for his signature.

Gov. Stitt signed HB3182, my Emergency Drought Commission bill. This bill establishes a standing committee instead of waiting for an emergency order or executive order to be called by the Governor. The committee is made up of the secretary of the Oklahoma Department of Food and Forestry, the executive director of the Water Resources Board, the executive director of the Conservation Commission, a member appointed by the Speaker of the House who resides west of Interstate 35, and a member appointed by the President Pro Temp of the Senate who resides east of I-35. This bill will provide a faster reactionary time and be more responsive as droughts occur in the future.

Gov. Stitt also signed into law

SB1651, my Out-of-State Tuition bill. This bill allows schools to increase their student population by allowing out-of-state students to transfer to an Oklahoma school without paying exorbitant tuition. The receiving local school can receive out-of-state students contingent on that school district. Out-of-state parents now have a choice of education in Oklahoma schools.

Also signed into law was SB1209, Honorary Consul License Plate. This bill will eliminate issuing Honorary Consul Vanity Plates that have been misused in some states and have provided diplomatic immunity when it was not appropriate. This bill will prevent further fraud or abuse regarding the acquisition and use of this category of vanity license plates. It also assists law enforcement agencies by preventing confusion in identifying Federal Department-issued diplomatic plates to career diplomats versus vanity plates issued by states.

On Wednesday, I, along with Lieutenant Governor Matt Pinnell and Representative Daniel Pae, had the opportunity to present a Senate Concurrent Resolutions (SCR19) to Director General Yvonne Hsiao and Director Sean Wei from the Taipei Economic and Cultural located in

Houston, Texas. For several years now, we have celebrated the longstanding sister-state relationship between the U.S. (Oklahoma) and Taiwan. I also had the opportunity to visit Taiwan a few years ago and was greeted by incredibly kind people. We acknowledge that Taiwan is one of our greatest allies and has been a great partner in various trade agreements, economic dealings, and investments. The Taipei Economic and Cultural Office plays a large role in this partnership.

On Thursday, the National Day of Prayer held a program on the South Plaza here at the State Capitol. This time to come together to pray for us, our community, our state, and our nation is the foundation of our religious freedoms. Again, I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them (Matthew 18 19-20).

In closing, we have four more weeks until the end of the official session. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to my office. You can reach my office at 405-521-5630 or Roland.Pederson@oksenate.gov.

Carl's Capitol Comments

Water usage bill vetoed

By Rep. Carl Newton



For the first time, one of my House bills was vetoed by the governor.

House Bill 3194 would have ensured that permitted, high-volume, industrial water and commercial water wells monitored by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board are reporting their annual usage. This would not have impacted domestic, household or livestock wells.

The governor's veto message

shows he did not understand what this bill would do. It would have allowed measuring or metering and did not force anyone to purchase a meter. Thus, it was not an unfunded mandate on commercial water users. It would have incentivized industrial operators that did use a meter by allowing them the benefit of utilizing a five-year average of water usage. This would allow the water user to offset years of plenty with those years of low moisture.

The misinformation shared about this bill was frustrating. So many people chose to accept hearsay instead of reading what the bill actually did.

Several powerful interest groups came out against this measure, making it appear money was more important than ensuring our water resources are protected.

It would have been easier for me not to have run this bill and just wait until a water shortage occurs and lives and homesteads are lost. But I want to make sure future generations in western Oklahoma have enough water to live and feed their neighbors and animals. I don't want to see a return to the Dust Bowl days where dry farmers went bankrupt

See Carl's Page 8

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From Page 6 Carl's

and were forced to leave their homes and land to survive.

Nothing in this bill took away any rights or privileges for water users. It just would have made sure permitted commercial water users stayed within the parameters specified in statute. Without documented water use it is difficult to appraise the resources we have in our underground aquifers.

The final irony was the governor vetoed the bill the day after Water Appreciation Day.

This past week I did get two bills signed into law.

House Bill 3196 will assure student loan repayment for veterinary medicine students who agree to provide large animal services in rural areas of the state. This is similar to our rural physicians loan repayment program and will help our rural communities that sorely need these professionals. The act is named the Dr. Lee Denney Act of 2024, after the former representative who is a veterinarian and served as the head of the veterinary technology program at Oklahoma State University-Oklahoma City in 2016-17 and then as Oklahoma state director for rural development for the U.S. Department of Agriculture from 2017 to 2021.

House Bill 3192 also was signed by the governor. This will help firefighters by better defining guidelines in the Oklahoma Forestry Code.

Finally, Oklahoma lawmakers observed the National Day of Prayer on May 2. We need prayer now as much as at any time in history, and I'm thankful for all who participated in this gathering.

As always, if I can help in any way, 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. God bless you and the State of Oklahoma.

Waynoka FFA 89th annual end of year banquet

On Friday April 26, the Waynoka FFA chapter held its 89th annual end-of-year banquet. It was an evening filled with many awards, proficiencies and accomplishments, and new officer team positions were announced for the 2024-2025 year.

Eighth graders Riggin Bolar, Kaila Curtsinger, Dakota Davidson, Colton Fuqua, Whitney Hanks, Jake Inman, Morris Litzenberger, Weston Longoria, Wyatt Milledge, Titan Smith-Dunn and Cooper Truesdale received their Discovery Degrees. Freshmen Brylee Beck, Temperance Bouziden, Korbin Ferguson, Stetson Nix, Chase Porter and Chanan Wyatt received their Greenhand degrees.

Sophomores Rhiata Bouziden, Rholtou Bouziden, Roland George, Malachi Moore and Shay Wilson received their Chapter degrees.

In the proficiency awards, Alivia Seaman received Agriculture Communications, Brac Long received Agricultural Mechanics Design and Fabrication, Rhiata Bouziden received Beef Production Entrepreneurship, Korbin Ferguson received Beef Production Placement, Rholtou Bouziden received Diversified Ag Production, Rylan Nix received Diversified Livestock Placement, Roland George received Forage Production, Makinze Smith received Goat Production, Shay Wilson received Grain Production, Kennedy Zook received Nursery Operations, Serenity Green received Outdoor Recreation, Stetson Nix received Sheep Production,

and Marlie Pitts received Swine Production Entrepreneurship.

Rhiata Bouziden, Jake Inman, Rylan Nix, Stetson Nix, Morris Litzenberger and Alivia Seaman all received Chapter Leadership Medals. Korbin Ferguson, Alivia Seaman, Brac Long, Dakota Davidson and Lane Inman received the Chapter Scholarship Medals.

Rhiata Bouziden received the Kristi Olson Memorial Award. Alivia Seaman received the Adrian Devilbiss Memorial Award. Lane Inman received the Lane Merriwether Memorial Award. Morris Litzenberger received the Star Chapter Discovery Award, Stetson Nix received the Star Chapter Greenhand Award, Rylan Nix received the Star Chapter Farmer Award, Roland George received the Star Chapter in Placement Award, Makinze Smith received the Star Chapter Agribusiness Award.

Caleb and Mabelle Zook, Matt and Savannah Smith, Thure Tolson and Benny Buckland received Honorary Chapter Degrees. Savannah Smith was also presented with a gift to show appreciation for her years of hard work and dedication to the 4-H and FFA as Booster Club President.

After new officers were announced and then-president Makinze Smith gave her retiring address and hung her jacket up along with Kennedy Zook, an end of the year slideshow was presented to look back on all the memories made this past year. It is now time for Rhiata Bouziden, our 2024-2025 chapter reporter, to take over.

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Members of OHCE listen as Commissioner Randy McMurphy reads a proclamation for OHCE Week May 5-11 in Woods County. Standing from left are Carol Erikson, Carol McDaniel, Janice Litton, Janet Cunningham, Lisa Higgins, Woods County Extension Director Susan Holliday, and Mary Hamilton. Seated at the table, clockwise from left are Commissioner John Smiley, Damien Starks representing District 1, County Clerk Shelley Reed and McMurphy. Photo by Marione Martin

Woods County Commissioners proclaim OHCE Week

By Marione Martin

The Woods County Commissioners declared this week, May 5-11, as OHCE (Oklahoma Home and Community Education) week in the county. Visiting Woods County OHCE members listened as Commission Chairman Randy McMurphy read the proclamation. OHCE members also presented the commissioners with cookies for the occasion.

In addition to McMurphy, Commissioner John Smiley and District 1 Foreman Darien Starks were present along with County Clerk Shelley Reed. Starks is representing Commissioner David Hamil, who is recovering from

surgery.

The commissioners approved a transfer of appropriations from District 1 Highway M&O to Capital Outlay in the amount of \$100,000 for purchasing a grader.

Then they approved the purchase of two motor graders for District 1 from Warren Cat through Sourcewell. Mike Walls from Warren Cat was present with contracts for the purchase.

Two county fire departments are getting new vehicles with grants applied to the purchase price. Capron Fire Department is using a REAP grant of \$53,411.00 toward a vehicle purchase from Confidence Ford of Norman.

Waynoka Fire Department is also purchasing a vehicle from Confidence Ford of Norman, applying a REAP grant of \$52,251.26. The grants are set up to pass through county accounts. The commissioners signed off on the purchases.

The commissioners approved the following monthly reports: Assessor Collections \$239.00; County Clerk Office Collections \$13,533.75; Election Board Balance \$7,921.88; Health Dept. Collections \$1,322.10; Sheriff's Office Collections \$1,119.64; Board of Prisoners Expenses \$5,252.72; Treasurer's Office Balance \$19,055.02.

Three road crossing permit applications were approved in District 3. Alfalfa Electric Cooperative has an overhead electric crossing with no fee from 24-25-14 to 19-25-13.

Canvas Operating was approved for two road crossings for gas at \$1,500 each. One crossing is at 13-23-14 to 24-23-14 and the other is at 24-23-14 to 19-23-13.

The commissioners approved minutes of the last meeting, monthly appropriations and blanket purchase orders.

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300	McCurtain Co, OK	Historic Ranch in McCurtain County, OK	\$2,100,000	NEW
525	McCurtain Co, OK	Sportsman's Paradise on Little River	\$1,837,500	NEW
620	Meade Co, KS	Grazing - CRP - Hunting	\$1,260,000	NEW
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Voter registration deadline approaches

May 24 is the last day to apply for voter registration in order to be eligible to vote in the June 18 Primary and Special County Election, Alfalfa County Election Board Secretary Stephanie Jantz said today.

Jantz said that persons who are United States citizens, residents of Oklahoma, and at least 17 ½ years old are eligible to apply for voter registration. However, you must be at least 18 years old to vote.

Applications must be received by the county election board or postmarked no later than midnight May 24. Applications postmarked after that time will be accepted, but will not be processed until after the June 18 Primary and Special County Election. Applications may also be submitted to any motor vehicle agency that is also an official voter registration agency by the submission

deadline.

Applicants will be notified in writing when their application has been processed. Approved voters will receive a Voter Identification Card in the mail. Some may receive a letter that explains the reason or reasons the application was not approved. Jantz said those who do not receive a response within 30 days of submitting their application should contact the county election board office immediately.

The Alfalfa County Election Board reminds voters that applications must be approved by the county election board secretary in order to vote.

Registered voters who have moved to Alfalfa County from a different county or state will need to complete a new voter registration application in order to be eligible for elections in Alfalfa County.

If you have moved within the county and need to update your address, you may make changes online using the OK Voter Portal at oklahoma.gov/elections/ovp or complete a voter registration application.

Voter registration applications can be downloaded from the state election board website at oklahoma.gov/elections. You may also complete a form at your county election board. Most post offices, tag agencies and public libraries have applications available upon request.

The Alfalfa County Election Board is located at 602 W. 5th St., Ste 3, Cherokee and is open from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For questions, please contact the Election Board at 580-596-2718 or alfalfacounty@elections.ok.gov.

KDH offers wider, less claustrophobic MRI; annual meeting May 28, 6 p.m.

- Hospital and Manor Week May 13-17
- Circle Trust Grant purchases clinic exam tables, manor beds, hospital equipment
- All Girls Sports Camp; free student sports physicals four dates this summer

By Yvonne Miller

March was a good month for Kiowa District Hospital (Healthcare). The Physical Therapy Department is doubled from the same time in 2023. Their MRI truck features a wider, larger MRI machine that relieves that claustrophobic feeling for some patients; the daycare addition and manor improvements are about completed; and more.

Kiowa District Hospital Board of Directors President Pat Myers called the monthly meeting to order April 24 with all members present: Marcia Cantrell, Jeff Miller, Jim Parker and Chantae Simpson. CEO/CFO Janell Goodno and COO Philip Anton were also present along with other personnel: Hospital DON Robyn Whitaker, Quality Manager/Manor DON Brandy Campbell, Manor Co-ADON Sydney Hamill, Business

Office Manager Tara Girty, Accountant/Biller Courtney Larson, and Friends of the Hospital and Manor Foundation President Judy Schrock.

Free Sports Physicals and KDH Girls Sports and Wellness Camp

Goodno told the board that KDH offers a Girls Sports and Wellness Camp May 13-17 for \$15 per person (scholarships are available). Grades 2-6 from 9 to 10 a.m. daily; and grades 7-12 from 10:30 to 11:30 daily.

KDH offers sports physicals free of charge to surrounding students: May 29, June 6, July 10 and Aug. 8 at the Kiowa District Clinic for the 2024-2025 school year.

New MRI and Other KDH Business

Goodno told the board that the MRI truck that comes to KDH has a new GE Signa Voyager MRI unit installed.

“It’s much wider, comparable to

our CT scan – much more open, more efficient – good for people with that claustrophobic feeling,” Goodno said. She mentioned excitement with the new machine as they have Wednesday time slots starting at 4 p.m. and have unlimited exams. They’d been locked in at two exams per week for a really long time, she said.

The Scott and Ruby Circle Charitable Trust \$40,000 grant arrived to KDH through the Hospital and Manor Foundation. Goodno said they used the funds to purchase Manor beds (\$16,160); RHC exam tables/hospital equipment (\$23,840). One of those is an adjustment table Dr. Bliss can use to adjust patients.

Reporting on manor improvements, Anton said the spa construction is 10-

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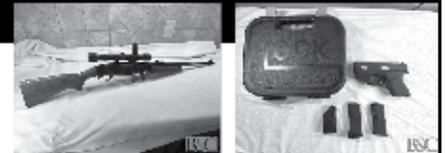


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Hope Jordan pages for Rep. Newton at Capitol



Rep. Carl Newton with Page Hope Jordan at his desk in the Oklahoma House of Representatives.

Hope Jordan, a senior at Cherokee High School, page for Rep. Carl Newton the week of April 29.

House pages run messages to legislators while they are in the chamber debating policy and voting on measures, and they help in their Capitol offices. Pages also participate in a mock session, in which they learn legislative procedure and how to write legislation.

She is the daughter of Kenneth and Anita Jordan. They live in Jet.

Jordan plans to attend Oklahoma State University to study nutritional sciences.

Her academic achievements include being valedictorian, receiving the College Board's National Rural and Small-Town Recognition Award, the Oklahoma Elks Association's 2024 Most Student Award, and the Northwest Technology Center's Bio Medical Sciences Student of the Year. She's a member of the National Technical Honor Society and an honors graduate.

Jordan also is the district and chapter president of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America; president of her school's student council; chapter president of HOSA-Future Health Professionals; senior class vice president. She's involved in cheerleading and an Oklahoma Hall of Fame Teen Board member. She's on the OERB Student Board of Directors and a four-time gold medalist in FCCLA Star Events.

Jordan plans to pursue a medical degree to become a doctor, wanting to make an impact in the lives of patients and in the community in which she lives.

"It was a great pleasure to have Hope page in my office," Newton said. "She's a young woman with a lot of passion and very big goals. I know she will do well in life and make a positive impact in the lives of those around her."



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From Page 14 **KDH**

15 days out to be finished. Facilities Director Brad Applegarth and crew are finishing the walls and most of the new doors are installed. Flooring in the guest bathroom and utility room is laid.

The childcare expansion project is basically on hold until the spa is finished. KDH submitted the 50 percent completion report to the state fire marshal.

Administrators Report on Spotlight Award and Facilities

Goodno said the employee spotlight award went to Franchesca Ellerbeck. She is a nurse at Kiowa Manor. Goodno said, "Franchesca's passion is caring for our residents, working at the Kiowa Manor, and getting to know the residents and their families."

During Laboratory Week, the KDH lab staff was honored. Dietician Shana Cables is scheduled to visit May 21. A \$20,000 grant went toward renovation of the activities room.

KDH is offering Certified Nurse Aide classes through Pratt Community College and they've had a lot of interest in the CNA course from area high school students. Goodno said Pratt has been limited in where they can do their clinicals and labs, so it's nice these can now be done at the Manor. The manor nurse Bridget will be doing Pratt's classes in our building.

Giving the manor report, Anton said they currently have 24 residents. He's started training for Campbell to become a preceptor administrator. On May 17, the manor will have a back-yard 1950s-themed cook-out with families.

Regular monthly reports were approved. The following medical staff appointments were approved: Selena Hinton, MD (vRad); Krishnan Kartha, MD (vRad); Thomas Boden, MD (vRad).

Following an hour-long executive session at the end of the meeting the board approved the risk management report for the manor.

KDH March Statistics and Financial Reports

Larson presented the March statistical and financial reports for the hospital and Manor to the board. The hospital had 19 total admissions, 61 of which were acute and swingbed. Total acute days were 25 and 36 were swingbed.

There were 924 total outpatient visits. Larson said that the Therapy Department (PT, OT, ST and RT) had 217 visits, which is double this same time last year. The lab had 384 visits; X-ray, 101; ER, 69; CT Scans, 49; MRI, 16.

For March, the hospital showed a profit of \$209,368. That was in part due to Medicare adjustments of \$74,392, and Medicaid adjustments of \$123,889 and others. The 340B discount drug operating revenue started again bringing \$22,308. With net patient revenue, the hospital's total operating revenue was \$851,814. Total operating expenses were \$814,501 (professional fees were over budget) for a net from operations of \$37,313.

Total non-operating revenue was \$172,056 (which was mainly \$68,750 tax revenue and \$98,611 refund for a grant). The result was a \$209,368 gain

for the hospital. Year to date, the hospital shows revenue in excess of expenses totaling \$552,161.

For March the Manor showed a loss of \$58,164. That was derived from total operating revenue of \$183,829 and expenses of \$248,607 for a loss from operations of \$64,778. Larson noted that agency nursing pay was a part of the increased expenses. Total non-operating expenses were \$6,614 (mainly \$5000 tax revenue) for the loss of \$58,164. Year to date, the manor's loss is \$66,493.

Using the comparative balance sheets of the hospital and manor, Larson said total cash in all funds is \$2,172,802. Total assets are \$12,067,984.

Girty presented total gross accounts receivable at \$1,448,778. The average days in AR were 39; days of cash on hand were 73. Total payments made to AR were \$901,527.

The board approved the stats, payment of the bills, financials and the AR report. They also approved turning the bad debt accounts to collection. There were no financial assistance cases for March.

Upcoming dates: Hospital Week is May 12-18; Skilled Long-Term Care/ Nursing Home Week is May 13-17; on May 15 will be the KDH Kick Ball Tournament at 6:30 p.m. (across from the Manor); on May 17 is Kiowa Manor BBQ at 5:30 p.m.

The annual meeting is May 28 at the Kirkpatrick room at KDH at 6 p.m. Subsequent meetings will move to the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m

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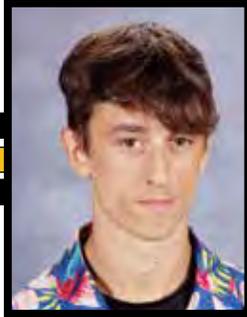
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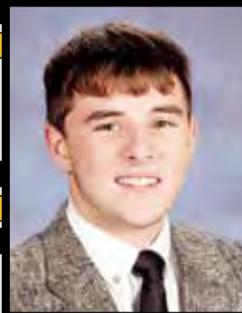
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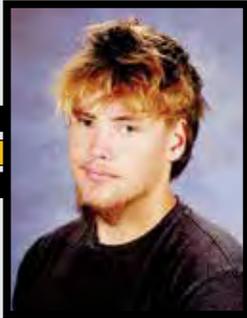
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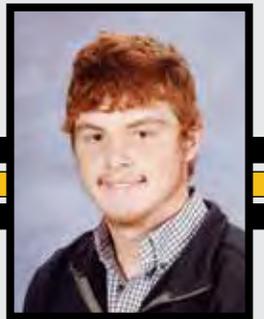
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South Barber forensics students Autumn Drake (left) and Rose Thompson both earned a place in the Top 5 at the state forensics meeting. Photo courtesy of yearbook

Two South Barber students place in top five at state forensics

By Yvonne Miller

South Barber Forensics Coach Meagan Henry missed the state forensics meet last weekend. That’s because her young son Torin, age 4, ended up having an appendectomy. With a few “pep talk” phone calls between coach and student finalists, they made it.

Senior (now 2024 SB graduate) Autumn Drake took 2nd overall in Poetry with a collection titled “The Princess and the Pea Poems.” Henry said, “Autumn is incredibly talented and was a consistently strong performer all day.”

Rose Thompson placed 5th overall in Prose. Her piece was called “The Princess and the Pizza.” A sophomore, “Rose has been in it to win it all season.

She made semifinals in Oration last year, and her goal was to make finals at State in either Oration or Prose this year. She wanted to win first overall, but a Top 5 placing is amazing,” Henry said.

“I’m so proud of both Autumn and Rose. The girls called me after the semifinals break so I could give them a pep talk over the phone, and then they called me again after the finals break for another one. It was really hard on all of us for me not to be there, but I left them in good hands with Luke MacKinney, Kevin Cox (who assisted me in coaching last year) and Chelsea Campbell. They all did a great job filling my shoes as coach so that I could be home with Torin, who is recovering well.”

Two charged in theft of firearms

By Marione Martin

Two women from Cherokee have been charged in the theft of guns and money from an Ingersoll residence.

Court records show on April 23, Jerran Waugh contacted law enforcement about missing firearms from his house. Alfalfa County sheriff’s deputies Caleb

Roberts and Loren Nusser met with Jerran Waugh and his wife Janelle at their home in Ingersoll. He said he had noticed the firearms missing about 20 minutes before calling. The firearms were in a gun safe inside the house. Jerran said he

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South Barber 2024 graduate and No. 1 Singles Player Xander Myers makes his third appearance at the state tennis meet in Kansas City.

South Barber’s No. 1 singles tennis to State Friday, record breaker

Coach Jewell calls Xander Myers “most dedicated player I’ve coached”

By Yvonne Miller

Xander Myers just graduated Sunday with the South Barber Class of 2024. He’s still busy representing South Barber, as Xander earned a trip to the State Tennis Meet. He plays Friday at the Prairie Village-Harmon Park Tennis Complex in Kansas City May 10-11.

At South Barber (SB), Myers is the first three-time State tennis qualifier. He’s also the first Chieftain tennis player to break 75 wins. He holds the all-time record of 76-32 at SB. Myers said he was 17-8 this year due to injury at the start of the season.

Myers’ Coach Danielle Jewell said, “Xander has been the most dedicated tennis player I’ve coached over the past six years. He has a great passion for the game and just wants to continue to learn and improve. His willingness to put in the extra work outside of practice and in the off season has earned him this third appearance at the State Tournament. It’s been a blessing to be on this adventure with him.”

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could have accidentally left it unlocked at some point. Ammunition stored on top of the safe was also missing. The cash that had been stolen was located in a glass jar in Jerran's bedroom closet. One of the stolen firearms was owned by a friend, Trey Clepper. Jerran said he last saw the firearms approximately six months ago and the money was last seen around April 13.

Missing items belonging to Jerran included a Ruger LCP .380 auto handgun (value \$400), a Glock 19 9mm Luger handgun (value \$550), a Springfield Armory XD .40 SW handgun (value \$550), a Uildiz Lineage Over/Under 20-gauge shotgun (value \$500), a Remington 770 .245 with bone collector sling (value \$350), a Winchester 61 .22SLLR (value \$1,000), five 50-round red boxes of Federal 9mm Luger 115 grain ammunition (value \$125), and a glass jar containing \$300 cash. Total value of the items is \$3,775.

Trey Clepper's missing firearm was

a Savage 17HMR stock w/thumbhole and a Nikon BDC Prostaff model scope (value \$700).

Janelle Waugh stated that Kolt Hudson, formerly known as Kaitlynn Hudson, knew about the glass jar of money in the closet. Jerran mentioned an occasion when Hudson asked about getting a gun out of the safe to shoot a varmint or some kind of nuisance animal in the yard. He was unsure of the date but it wasn't very long ago, and he told Hudson no.

Deputy Roberts asked if Hudson had ever been alone in the house without the Waughs being nearby, and Janelle said Hudson lived there recently so it was possible. Jerran said Hudson lived with them for around a year and moved out sometime in March.

Due to recent experience involving Hudson, Roberts looked into pawn sales and found Hudson had sold four guns at Tiger Pawn in Enid two different times during April. These

were a Remington 770 .243 with bone collector sling, a Yildiz Lineage 20-gauge shotgun, a Springfield XD .40SW, and a Glock 19 9mm. The firearms either had serial numbers or descriptions matching the list of firearms from the Waugh residence.

After looking into more pawn sales of guns, Roberts noticed the name Shyla Frost who is the significant other of Hudson, and found she had pawned two guns in April. One was a Savage 17HMR with Nikon scope matching the description given by Clepper.

Kaitlynn Garnett Ann Hudson, 27, of Cherokee, has been charged with grand larceny in a house or vessel, a felony. This crime is punishable by imprisonment for up to eight years.

Shyla Marie Frost, 29, of Cherokee, has been charged with conspiracy, a felony. This crime is punishable by imprisonment for up to 10 years, or a fine of up to \$5,000, or both.

Obituaries

CHARLOTTE BURNETT

On November 3, 1930, Charlotte Marie Edwards was born to Joseph Edwards and Clara Edwards (Howard) in Wichita, Kansas.

Charlotte was raised in Alva, Oklahoma, and lived there until she graduated from Alva High School in 1948.

Charlotte attended UCLA in California where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree with an English major. After moving back to Alva, briefly Charlotte and her husband George Burnett along with the three boys moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado, in December of 1959. It was described as one of the worst snow storms to hit Colorado Springs in quite a while.

In 1964 Charlotte was employed by Colorado Springs School District #11 as an English teacher at North Junior High School in Colorado Springs.

Both George and Charlotte furthered their education at Northwestern State University in Alva, Oklahoma, during the summers. Charlotte earned her Type D certificate allowing her to enhance her career in Colorado Springs.

In 1967 Charlotte was selected as

the Dean of Girls in a newly built junior high school and worked there until her retirement in 1995.

Charlotte had three sons: David, Jon and James.

In 1978 George preceded her in death and in 1999 her son Jon preceded her in death. Charlotte's younger sister, Carolyn, also preceded her in death.

Charlotte is survived by her brother, Ronald (wife, Doris) and Dan (wife, Ann).

She continued to live in Colorado Springs, Colorado, after her retirement and until her death November 1, 2023. The mind she so carefully nurtured and cherished through her entire life was slowly taken from her by dementia.

Personal observations

Mom always made sure that education was at the forefront while she and George raised their children.

Mom always made sure that her children had all of the things they needed to succeed.

Mom's caring and enthusiasm for education allowed her to touch the lives of many children. As it is with many educators, most of their students' successes are rarely ever known to

the educator. Mom, however, had two students that she did know about who attributed to her their success in life. One student published a book and Mom was prominent in the acknowledgements; that student kept in touch with Mom throughout the years.

Another student truly credits Mom's intervention as saving her life. This student, Roberta, was just entering seventh grade and was "running with Dan and his gang friends," as she put it, when Mom stepped into her life. She gave Roberta character-building tasks that obviously Roberta did not want to do but did anyway because, well, Mom said so. It was a rare occasion that a student did not follow her direct orders. One raised eyebrow was all it took to bring a kid in line.

Roberta soon felt her caring and started seeing her as more of a guiding light instead of an authority figure. Roberta went from Ds and Fs to As and Bs. This continued until the last semester of ninth grade. Roberta started backsliding and Mom became concerned. It was finally revealed that

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in-law, Danny Ackerman; sister, Carolee Whitacre and brother-in-law, Bob Whitacre; brother, Charles Armbruster and sister-in-law, Pat Armbruster.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Castle; daughters, Lisa (Terry) Cline, Gina (Kyle) Campbell, and son, Kent (Paula) Castle; thirteen grandchildren, Jordan (Kylie) Franz, Cecely Franz, Aleysa (Dalton Rose) Franz, Kylee (Adam) Alexander, Kale Campbell, Kole Campbell, Kord Campbell, Kortney Campbell, Kreed Campbell, Colton (Lindsay) Castle, Kristin (Chase) Craig, Kayla (Trenton) Grimes, Kelsey (Dillan) Schoonmaker and eleven great-grandchildren, Emma and Jimmer Franz, Erin and Eloise Alexander, Daniel Castle, Kinley, Sophie, and Jaxon Craig, Keaton Grimes and Ava and Addison Schoonmaker.

Her celebration of life was held at the Jet Community Church on May 7, 2024, at 1 p.m. Graveside followed at Pleasant View Cemetery. Arrangements are by Lanman Funeral Home Inc. of Cherokee. Online condolences may be made at www.lanmanfuneralhome.com.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made to the Jet Community Church.

"Cecelia was an amazing wife, mother, grandma, and great grandma. She will be dearly missed by all those who knew and loved her."

ROBERT 'BOB' KRAFT

Robert "Bob" Kraft was born to John and Rachel Kraft on February 22, 1927, and grew up on the family farm one mile west of Burlington, Oklahoma. As a schoolboy, Bob, would get up at 5 a.m. each morning to milk the cows and feed the hogs and chickens before going to school on the bus. Growing up, Bob loved to play baseball, basketball, softball, and tennis. After high school Bob joined the United States Marine Corps and served his country for two years. When Bob returned home as a young adult, he continued to play baseball and softball in local adult leagues. While playing an away game, Bob met the love of his life, Frances. Bob would tell people that when he first met Frances, he knew that she was the one. Bob and Frances were married November 14, 1948.

Bob was an avid hunter and fisherman. Bob and Frances could often be found fishing together at local ponds

and rivers. Later in life, Bob and Frances took up golf and enjoyed playing together. Bob was also part of a bowling league, where he was on an entire team of left-handed bowlers.

Family and community were very important to Bob. He served his community as Cub Master for the local Boy Scouts and was awarded the Order of the Arrow and the Silver Beaver Award. He was a charter member of the Burlington Lion's Club and served as secretary for 46 years. Bob was also a charter member of the Driftwood Church and held many roles in the church. He will be remembered primarily as a church elder. Even with all these responsibilities, Bob and Frances always made sure to attend all of their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren's activities and milestones of life.

Bob was a custom harvester and owned one combine for much of his life. He was also a carpenter and worked on Doc Lambert's crew. Bob was always busy doing small projects for others. He enjoyed being creative with the scroll saw and many of his creations can be found in local friends and family's homes. He was still working with wood and following his passion until a few weeks before his passing. Bob was a farmer, rancher and had a hog operation. Bob worked into his 80s before he turned the cattle and farming operations over to his grandsons who were living in the community.

Despite having numerous accidents with bodily injury and living with cancer for over a decade late in life, Bob lived to the age of 97.

Bob is preceded in death by his parents, John and Rachel Kraft; brother, Raymond Kraft, and son, Kevin Kraft.

Bob is survived by his wife, Frances Kraft; siblings, Doris Marsh and Joan Moore; children, Vickie (Terry) Morgan, Marsha (Dale) Lunsford, Kurt (Amy) Kraft; grandchildren, Rachel DeMoss, Hannah Lunsford, Shane Morgan, Brock Morgan, Kelly Owen, Kaleb Kraft, Katie Love, Colton Kraft, Kenzie Collins, Justin Clark, Brittany Rupp, Erin Kraft, Elise Kraft; great grandchildren, Libby Owen, Tucker Owen, Grady Owen, Jacobi Cox, Caleb Cox, Wyatt Morgan, Emmett Morgan, Merritt Morgan, Maddox Morgan, Kaselyn Collins, Kallum Collins, Kasey Rupp, Koby Rupp, Taten Rupp,

Leighton Rupp, Kaylee Love, Kole Love, Brooklyn Kraft, Olivia DeMoss, Linley Lunsford, Raleigh Clark, Lydia Clark and Lydie Clark.

BILLY GENE SAVELY

Funeral services for Billy Gene Savely were held at 2 p.m. Monday, May 6, 2024, at Freedom Cemetery in Freedom, Oklahoma, with pastor Mark Kinkle officiating. A visitation was held prior to services at Marshall Funeral Home in Alva.



Billy Gene Savely was born May 4, 1944, to Benjamin and Mary Mahala (Province) Savely in Alva, Oklahoma, and passed away at Fairview Fellowship Home, on April 30, 2024, at the age of 79 years, 11 months, 26 days.

He graduated from Freedom High School in 1962 and later attended Northwestern Oklahoma State University where he received both his Bachelor and Master degrees. He taught high school in Zenda, Kansas, for one year before he was drafted to the Vietnam War. He proudly served his country in the United States Army earning five commendation medals including the Bronze Star. Upon his return from war, he taught school for several years at Enid High School before spending the remainder of his career as a financial analyst underwriter. He had many interests including a love of travel, reading, cooking, art museums, American historical sites and presidential libraries. He was a scholar of American political history, President John F. Kennedy, and the British monarchy. He is perhaps best known for his bright smile and infectious laughter.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Oattie Ray and sister-in-law Judy Ann (Wilshire) Savely; his sister, Darlene Belle Burton; and his nephew, Nova Dean Burton Jr. (Nick).

Billy is survived by his nieces, Belinda Burton-Garinger and her husband Robert Seivert of Freedom; Tamara Wilson Green and her son Joe Saxon Green of Oklahoma City; and his life-long best friend and travel buddy Wilbur Wolffrun; and numerous cousins. Billy truly had hundreds of friends and

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After deadly Oklahoma tornado, forecasters warn Midwest residents to brace for more weather

By Alexa St. John, Sean Murphy and Jim Salter

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Weather forecasters warned residents in several Midwest states on Tuesday to brace for dangerous storms, one day after a powerful twister roared through a small Oklahoma town, killing at least one person and destroying dozens of homes.

A tornado watch was issued Tuesday afternoon for portions of northeast Indiana, southern Michigan and northwest Ohio with the possibility of tornadoes, large hail and wind gusts of up to 70 miles per hour. Tuesday's storms were not expected to pose as intense a threat, said Roger Edwards, lead forecaster with the National Weather Service's Storm Prediction Center.

The tornado that touched down Monday night in Oklahoma, one of several twisters that erupted in the central United States, ripped through the 1,000-person town of Barnsdall, about a

40-minute drive north of Tulsa. The National Weather Service there had warned Monday evening that "a large and life-threatening tornado" was headed toward Barnsdall, with wind gusts up to 70 mph (112 kph). It was the second tornado to hit the town in five weeks — a twister on April 1 with maximum wind speeds of 90 to 100 mph (145 to 161 kph) damaged homes and blew down trees and power poles in Barnsdall.

The Storm Prediction Center cited 17 reports of tornadoes from Monday evening through early Tuesday in the central part of the United States. Eight of the twisters were in Oklahoma, two each in Kansas, South Dakota and Iowa, and one each in Nebraska, Missouri and Tennessee. The powerful storms come amid a wild swing in severe weather across the globe that includes some of the worst-ever flooding in Brazil and a brutal Asian heat wave.

At least 30 to 40 homes in the Barnsdall area were damaged Monday night, the Oklahoma Highway Patrol reported, and a nursing home said it evacuated residents because a gas leak could not be turned off due to storm damage.

One person died in the town and one man is missing, Barnsdall Mayor Johnny Kelley said.

"There are several homes destroyed, completely leveled," he said. "The toughest thing on me as the mayor is this is a small community. I know 75%

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maintained special relationships with Larry and Lanora Bradt of Clearwater, Kansas; Kim Hertling of O'Fallon, Missouri; Donald Jensen of Frisco, Tezas; and his weekly coffee buddy, Rob Eden of Freedom.

Memorial contributions may be made to Freedom Ambulance Department through the funeral home or to your local animal shelter. Billy always said, "You have to take care of the animals."

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

PATRICIA CAROL SIMS

Patricia Carol Sims the daughter of Walter and Virginia Roberts, was born May 27, 2024. She passed away in Alva on May 1, 2024, at the age of 79 years, 11 months and 4 days.

She graduated high school in Grass Valley, California, and attended some college classes in Chico, California.



Patricia is a retired dispatcher working for Waynoka and Alva Police Department.

She was united in marriage to Jack Sims on September 2, 1978. They lived in the Woods County area for 45 years, the last 20-plus years in Alva.

Patricia was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Jack; son, Denny Burton; sisters, Cythia Bordie and Son-hi Solomon.

She is survived by her daughters, Pamela Cherry and husband Robert Cherry (of Virginia Beach, California); Paula Johnson (of Long Beach, California); grandchildren, Staff Sergeant Talon Tuszynski and wife Samatha Wilkie (of Providence, Rhode Island), Zachary Johnson (of Great Falls, Montana), and Kiarra Beard-Meseer and husband Martin Meseer (of Long Beach, California); great-grandchildren Cora and Jasper Tuszynski, and Melody Grace Johnson; and many other family and friends.

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Burlington musicians rock spring concert with Motown favorites

By Yvonne Miller

Under the direction of Music Director Isi Ofiu, Burlington School’s music department had the walls of the auditorium vibrating with some favorites of “Motown and More.” At the spring concert, pre-K through high school band and vocal students performed classic favorites such as “We are Family,” by Sister Sledge; “Sir, Duke,” by Stevie Wonder; “My Girl,” by The Temptations; “Respect,” by the great Aretha Franklin; “Build Me Up, Buttercup,” by The Foundations; “Celebration,” by Kool and the Gang; and others that most everyone knows and loves to sing along with.



SINGING A MOTOWN FAVORITE – Fifth graders Kaylee Cumbie and Carly Cass belt out their solos in “Do You Love Me (Now That I Can Dance).” Their performance was during the pre-K through sixth-grade mixed choirs portion of Burlington’s all school spring band and vocal concert directed by Isi Ofiu. *Photo courtesy of Burlington Yearbook*

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A fire overnight engulfs the Lite-N-Nite convenience store at 1624 Oklaoma Blvd. in Alva. Late Tuesday morning, the blaze was out but the crime scene tape and official vehicles blocked the parking lot and Skyline Drive. *Photo by Bill Marshall*

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to 80% of the people in this town.”

First responders rescued about 25 people, including children, from heavily damaged homes where buildings had collapsed on or around them, Kelley said. About a half dozen people suffered injuries, including a firefighter who was taken to a hospital with chest pains, he said.

Authorities launched a secondary search Tuesday morning to find one man who was still missing, Kelley said.

The Barnsdall Nursing Home posted online that all residents were accounted for with no injuries. They were being taken to other facilities. It asked families to bear with them “as it is chaos in town ... Please pray for us.”

Aerial videos from Barnsdall showed several well-built homes reduced to piles of rubble and others with roofs torn off and damaged walls still standing. The powerful twister tossed vehicles, downed power lines and stripped limbs and bark from trees across the town. A 160-acre wax manufacturing facility in the community also sustained heavy damage, Kelley said.

Gov. Kevin Stitt, who toured the damage on Tuesday, said the tornado was rated by weather researchers as an EF4, which is described as a violent tornado with wind speeds up to 200 mph. Stitt said he and legislative leaders have agreed to set aside \$45 million in this year’s budget to help storm-damaged communities.

“Oklahomans are resilient, and we’re going to rebuild,” Stitt said.

Damage also was reported in Bartlesville, about 20 miles (32 kilometers) northeast.

At the Hampton Inn in Bartlesville, several splintered 2x4s were driven into the south side of the building. Chunks of insulation, twisted metal and other debris was scattered over the hotel’s lawn, and vehicles in the parking lot were heavily damaged with smashed-out windows.

Matthew Macedo, 30, who was staying at the hotel, said he rushed with his coworker to the hotel lobby after hearing the tornado sirens and was then ushered into the hotel laundry room to wait out the storm.

“We lost power. ... That’s kind of the

first indicator that things were real,” he said. “When the impact occurred, it was incredibly sudden.”

The weather soured earlier Monday, bringing gusty winds and rain. But after dark, tornadoes were spotted skirting northern Oklahoma. At one point in the evening, a storm in the small town of Covington had “produced tornadoes off and on for over an hour,” the National Weather Service said. Throughout the area, wind farm turbines spun rapidly in the wind and blinding rain.

The storms tore through Oklahoma as areas, including Sulphur and Holdenville, were still recovering from a tornado that killed four and left thousands without power late last month. Both the Plains and Midwest have been hammered by tornadoes this spring.

Oklahoma and Kansas had been under a high-risk weather warning Monday. The last time such a warning was issued was March 31, 2023, when a massive storm system tore through parts of the South and Midwest including Arkansas, Illinois and rural Indiana.

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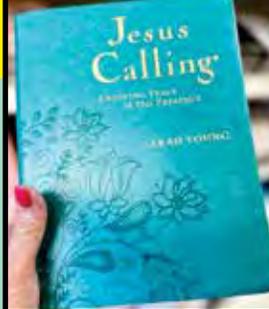
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Boy Scouts of America changing name to more inclusive Scouting America after years of woes

By Jamie Stengle

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Boy Scouts of America announced after 114 years that it will change its name and will become Scouting America in an effort to emphasize inclusion as it works to move past the turmoil of bankruptcy and a flood of sexual abuse claims.

The rebrand is another seismic shift for an organization steeped in tradition that did not allow gay youths or girls to begin joining its ranks until relatively recently. Seeking to boost flagging membership numbers, the Irving, Texas-based organization announced the name change Tuesday at its annual meeting in Florida.

“In the next 100 years we want any youth in America to feel very, very welcome to come into our programs,” Roger Krone, who took over last fall as president and chief executive officer, told The Associated Press in an interview before the announcement.

The change will officially take effect on Feb. 8, 2025, timed to the organization’s 115th birthday.

The organization began allowing gay youth in 2013 and ended a blanket ban on gay adult leaders in 2015. In 2017, it made the historic announcement that girls would be accepted as Cub Scouts as of 2018 and into the flagship Boy Scout program — renamed Scouts BSA

— in 2019. Over 6,000 girls have now achieved the vaunted Eagle Scout rank.

The Girl Scouts of the USA, a separate organization, has clashed with the Boy Scouts in recent years over its recruitment of girls. The Girl Scouts did not respond to requests seeking comment Tuesday.

A wave of reaction to the change on social media included criticism that the word “boy” will no longer appear in the name, including from Republican Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas.

Like other organizations, the Boy Scouts of America lost members during the pandemic, when participation was difficult. After a high point over the last decade of over 2 million members in 2018, the organization currently serves just over 1 million youths, including more than 176,000 girls and young women. Membership peaked in 1972 at almost 5 million.

Generations of scouts have included eventual presidents (among them Bill Clinton and Gerald Ford), astronauts (Buzz Aldrin) and celebrities (actor Harrison Ford, filmmaker Steven Spielberg). Krone said the organization must continue to attract newcomers.

“Part of my job is to reduce all the barriers I possibly can for people to accept us as an organization and to join,” he said.

There were nearly 1,000 young women in the inaugural class of female Eagle Scouts in 2021, including Selby Chipman. The all-girls troop she was a founding member of in her hometown of Oak Ridge, North Carolina, has grown from five girls to nearly 50, and she thinks the name change will encourage even more girls to join.

“Girls were like: ‘You can join Boy Scouts of America?’” said Chipman, now a 20-year-old college student and assistant scoutmaster of her troop.

Rebranding can risk alienating supporters who think the change is unnecessary, said David Aaker, vice chairman of the national branding and marketing firm Prophet. But he described the Boy Scouts’ rebranding as savvy,

saying it kickstarts a new conversation about the organization while not being so drastic that it strays too far from its original scouting mission.

“It’s a one-time chance to tell a new story,” said Aaker, who also is a professor emeritus at the University of California-Berkeley Haas business school.

The move to accept girls throughout the Boy Scout ranks strained a bond with the Girl Scouts of the USA, which sued, saying it created marketplace confusion and damaged its recruitment efforts. They reached a settlement agreement after a judge rejected those claims, saying both groups are free to use words like “scouts” and “scouting.”

Past pressure to allow girls into the Boy Scouts had come from those including the National Organization for Women, which applauded Tuesday’s announcement.

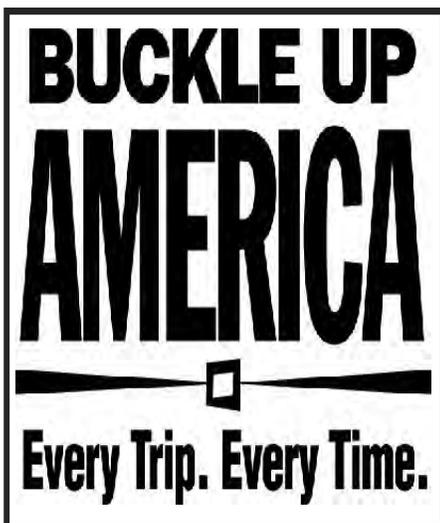
Much of the online criticism invoked the word “woke,” including Rep. Andrew Clyde, a Georgia Republican, who said on X: “Wokeness destroys everything it touches.”

But Lois Alvar, a 20-year-old Eagle Scout and assistant scoutmaster from the Dallas area, said the new name helps all scouts feel accepted. “Having it nationally recognized that girls are being welcomed and included in scouting allows it to be a more safe space, just in general,” she said.

The Boy Scouts’ \$2.4 billion bankruptcy reorganization plan took effect last year, allowing the organization to keep operating while compensating the more than 80,000 men who say they were sexually abused as children while in scouting.

Although the organization won’t officially become Scouting America until next year, Krone said he expects people will start immediately using the name.

“It sends this really strong message to everyone in America that they can come to this program, they can bring their authentic self, they can be who they are and they will be welcomed here,” Krone said.



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house public records, it will appear in this newspaper.

Felony Filings

Shyla Marie Frost, 29, Cherokee, has been charged with conspiracy (\$811.50).

Kaitlynn Garnett Ann Hudson, 27, Cherokee, has been charged with grand larceny in house (\$770.25).

Misdemeanor Filings

Stephanie Alexandra Bollimgmo, 24, Oklahoma City, has been charged

with possession of controlled dangerous substances (\$276.50).

Divorce Filings

Stacey Lee Wright, Cherokee, vs. Brandon Joe Wright, Amorita: divorce (\$272.14).

Traffic Citations

Carmen L. Stafford, Oklahoma City, has been cited for speeding 1-10 mph over the speed limit in construction zone (\$105).

Alfalfa County real estate transactions

Real Estate Transfers

Book 899, page 18: Ronnie Keith Brooks and Nicole Brook convey unto Christopher Jon Isaac and Natalia Breann Isaac. Lots 13 through 16, both inclusive, and the south half of Lot 17, Block 44, Goltry, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Joint tenancy warranty deed.

Book 899, page 58: Gary D. Sacket and Ruth Sacket convey unto Billy R. Sacket Jr. and Barbara A. Sacket. Lots

4 and 5 in Block 53 in the First Addition to Aline, Oklahoma. Joint tenancy quit claim deed.

Book 899, page 62: Billy R. Sacket Jr. and Barbara A. Sacket, Timonty Michael Sacket and Lori Sacket; Jeremy David Sacket and Theresa Sacket and Sherry Ann Sacket Hofen and Scott Hofen convey unto Billy R. Sacket Jr. and Barbara A. Sacket. Lots 1 through 7 in Block 18 in the First Addition to

Aline, Oklahoma. Joint tenancy quit claim deed.

Book 899, page 78: Anita Kaye Jay conveys unto Anita Kaye Jay and Karri Dawn Goss. The northeast quarter and the east 60 acres of the northwest quarter of Section 30, Township 26 north, Range 10, WIM, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Joint tenancy warranty deed.

Book 899, page 103: Kimberly J. York and William Burney York convey unto William Burney York and Kimberly J. York as Co-Trustees of the York Family HBH Revocable Trust. West half of the southeast quarter of Section 23, Township 26 N, Range 11, WIM, etc. Warranty deed.

Book 899, page 108: Jerry Lynn Fagala and Tamera Ann Fagala convey unto Jerry Fagala and Tamera Fagala Living Trust. The north half of the northwest quarter of Section 29, Township 24 north, Range 11, WIM. Quit claim deed.

Mortgages

Book 899, page 22: Christopher Jon Isaac and Natalia Breann Isaac to Gateway Mortgage. Lots 13 through 16, both inclusive, and the south half of Lot 17, Block 44, Goltry, Alfalfa County, Oklahoma. Note: \$155,200.00.

Book 899, page 91: Brent Dean Gordon and Teresa White Gordon, to Alva State Bank & Trust Company. The northwest quarter of Section 21, Township 29 north, Range 10, WIM, Alfalfa County, Note: \$155,000.00.

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Tuesday, April 30, 2024

During this day were three traffic stops.

8:38 a.m. – Caller advised of a copper theft on County Road 510 and Kay Road.

11:12 a.m. – Report of a minor accident at the sports complex at the high school.

11:34 a.m. – Reporting party advised of his vehicle was on fire on US-64, just west of the four-way.

8:04 p.m. – Caller advised of a tree across the road on OK-11 east of Burlington.

8:27 p.m. – Medic needed in the 1000 block of Hadwiger. Medic took the patient to Bass Hospital in Enid.

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

During this day was one traffic stop.

11:01 p.m. – Report of a residential alarm going off. Security called back and advised all was okay.

Thursday, May 2, 2024

1:34 a.m. - Report of a residential alarm going off. Deputies advised all was okay.

8:11 a.m. – Medic needed in the 200 block of 7th Street for a male with shortness of breathing and chest pain. Medic took the patient to Bass Hospital in Enid.

8:40 a.m. – Officer advised of suspicious activity in the 300 block of Nebraska. Officer requested to get ahold of the property owner. Dispatch got no answer. Officer spoke with the individual. Property owner called back and stated all was okay. The female had permission to be on the prop-

erty.

12:18 p.m. – Caller requested a deputy remove a person from his property in the 200 block of 7th Street in Aline. Advised his ex has called her mom to come get her but he would like her to leave now. Dispatch stated they could hear a female yelling in the background. The reporting party then stated a deputy wasn't needed. A few moments later the male calls back stating he threw something, and it broke and cut him. He was now requesting medic. Medic en route. No transport was needed.

Friday, May 3, 2024

During this day were four traffic stops.

6:26 a.m. – Report of an alarm going off in the 100 block of Grand. Officer advised all was okay. He stated the front door wasn't locked properly but it wasn't able to be opened.

7:36 a.m. – Report of an alarm going off at BancCentral. All was okay.

3:09 p.m. – Report of an unwanted person in the 900 block of Grand. Additional units were requested. Officer advised all was okay.

8:58 p.m. – Caller advised of a male driving on her property after he had been trespassed. Deputy en route to location.

Saturday, May 4, 2024

12:14 a.m. – Report of an alarm going off at Dollar General. All was okay.

8:06 a.m. – Medic needed



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on County Road 690 for a male having stomach and back issues. Medic took the patient to Bass Hospital in Enid.

9:02 a.m. – Caller advised he had been scammed by a female again. Deputy advised the reporting party will come in Monday and speak to him.

7:40 p.m. – Medic needed at sheriff's office for an inmate having medical issues. Medic took the patient to Bass Hospital in Enid.

Sunday, May 5, 2024

9:19 a.m. – Medic needed in the 900 block of Oklahoma. Medic took the patient to Bass Hospital in Enid.

4:49 p.m. – Caller advised there was a fire in their kitchen, and they couldn't get it to go out. Cherokee Fire Department en route. All was okay.

7:57 p.m. – Caller advised kids were riding four-wheelers on the ballpark by AEC. Officer made contact with the individuals and their parents.

Barber County real estate transactions

Real Estate Transfers

Book 150, page 24: Sunflower Apartments of Medicine Lodge convey unto HTC Renovations LLC. Surface only of a tract of land in Block 2 in Swayden's Addition to the City of Medicine Lodge, Barber County, Kansas. Warranty deed.

Book 150, page 27: Tom Wells conveys unto Bryan Investments LLC. The south 24 feet of lots 10 through 12 and the south 24 feet of the west 18 feet of Lot 9, in Block 32, in the City of Kiowa, Barber County, Kansas, etc. Warranty deed.

Book 150, page 29: Kendra Douglass conveys unto Jesse Douglass. A tract of land commencing 162 feet north of the southwest corner of the northeast quarter of Section 1, Township 32 south, Range 12 west of the 6th PM, Barber County, Kansas. Quit claim deed.

Book 150, page 31: Jesse Douglass conveys unto Brandon D. Phipps and Jamie E. Phipps. A tract of land commencing 162 feet north of the southwest corner of the northeast quarter of Section 1, Township 32 south, range 12 west of the 6th PM, Barber County, Kansas. Joint tenancy warranty deed.

Book 150, page 32: David N. Wallace and Kim Wallace convey unto Kimberly Fisher. The north 88 1/2 feet of lots 1 and 2 in Block 163 in the Town Company's Addition to the City of Kiowa, Barber County, Kansas. Quit claim deed.

Book 150, page 34: Joseph Christopher Hall conveys unto Susanna Ritter Hall. Commencing at the northwest corner of the northeast quarter of Section 16, Township 32 south, Range 10 west of the 6th PM, Barber County, Kansas. Quit claim deed.

Book 150, page 38: 100M Holdings LLC conveys unto Revision Homes LLC. Lots 16

See Barber Page 38

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1-5 p.m. The Cherokee Strip Museum in Alva is open every day except Monday.

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, has in person dining and delivery for homebound seniors. Please call 327-1822 until noon the day before to order.

1-5 p.m. The Cherokee Strip Museum in Alva is open every day except Monday.

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and 18 and the north 16 feet of Lot 20 in Block E in Hammond's Addition to the City of Medicine Lodge, Barber County, Kansas. Warranty deed.

Book 150, page 41: Jackie L. Austin conveys unto Brian K. Austin. All of Lot 32 and the west 15 feet of Lot 34, on Second Avenue East in the Original Townsite of the City of Medicine Lodge, Barber County, Kansas. Quit claim deed.

Book 150, page 44: Bruce A. McFarland II convey unto Charles R. Sawyer III and Karla E. Sawyer. The west 70 feet of lots 9, 11, 13, 15 and 17, in Block B, in Hammond's Addition to the City of Medicine Lodge. Joint tenancy warranty deed.

Mortgages

Book 253, page 6: Samuel Clare Kinsler and Jordyn Danielle Kinsler to Farm Service Agency. Surface only commencing at the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of Section 23, Township 30 south, Range 11 west of

the 6th PM. Note: \$555,000.00.

Book 253, page 12: HTC Renovations LLC to Southern Bank. The surface only of a tract of land in Block 2 in Swayden's Addition to the City of Medicine Lodge, Barber County, Kansas. Note: \$250,000.00.

Book 253, page 52: Kyle W. Lynch to The Bennington State Bank. Lots 13 through 18, Block 9, in the City of Isabel, Barber County, Kansas. Note: \$255,000.00.

Book 253, page 62: Charles Jordan and Doug Jordan to Origin Bank. The west half of the west half of Section 14 and the north half of the southeast quarter of Section 15, Township 30 south, Range 14 west of the 6th PM, Barber County, Kansas. Note: \$900,000.00.

Book 253, page 74: Tiesa Maltby to The People's Bank. The north 110 feet of Lot 4 in Block 150 in the Town Company's Addition to the City of Kiowa, Barber County, Kansas. Note: \$80,000.00.



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