



Harroz, Titus charged in 2019 triple homicide

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Charges have been filed against two people in a 2019 triple homicide near Beggs.

Okmulgee County District Attorney Carol Iski formally announced the charges last Thursday in a news conference.

Barry Titus II and Keegan Harroz have been charged with three counts of first-degree murder and one count of first degree burglary in the September 7, 2019, incident.

The victims were Tiffany Eichor and her parents, Jack and Evelyn (Kaye) Chandler, who were found in their home. Each victim was shot several times with at least two different caliber weapons by someone who had kicked in the front door, the district attorney stated.

A lengthy investigation by members of the District 25 Violent Crime Task Force, a collaboration of different law enforcement agencies in both Okmulgee and McIntosh Counties, led to the filing of the charges.

During the press conference, the various factors leading up to the filings were outlined:

- Investigation revealed there were reports of Titus assaulting Tiffany on at least two previous occasions and felony charges were ending against him in relation to one of those assaults. Further, court records revealed Tiffany had an active protective order against Titus.

- The attorney representing Titus in his felony case and his protective order case was Oklahoma City



District Attorney Carol Iski announced formal charges against two people in the triple homicide of three county residents during a press conference last Thursday. Pictured with Iski are Luke Keck with the ATF, County Sheriff

Eddy Rice, Chief Investigator Andy Blizzard and Okmulgee Police Chief Joe Prentice.

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attorney, Keegan Kelley Harroz, who officers later learned was also the wife of Barry Titus.

- Video from the scene showed two people came to the victims' home the night of the murder and parked

near the home, in a car similar to one owned by Harroz. Two people, one obviously a man, who was very tall and a person much shorter and smaller walked toward

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County 911 dispatchers honored for hard work



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Emergency Management/911 Director Tim Craighton listens as 911 Communications Supervisor Christa Walker reads a proclamation from the Okmulgee County Board of Commissioners declaring April 11-17 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

Rebate received from ACCO

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The week of April 11-17 has been declared National Safety Telecommunications Week by the Okmulgee County Board of Commissioners.

During Monday's meeting, Tim Craighton, Okmulgee County 911 Communications director was recognized and he thanked supervisor Christa Walker and the 13 dispatchers of the department for their hard work.

"This is who really takes care of 911," Craighton said regarding Walker and the 911 staff. "We would like to say thank you to all of our amazing dispatchers, we couldn't do our job without the amazing job you all do."

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week is observed every second week in April. This week has been

set aside to recognize and celebrate the work of telecommunicators or dispatchers.

Without these people behind the scenes, countless lives would have been lost due to untimely assistance.

During the meeting, County Clerk Cathi Murphy announced the county received a performance rebate for the 2017-18 year for the ACCO Workers Compensation Program. The rebate from County Claims from the company was \$35,329.34.

Agenda items discussed and approved were:

- Blanket Purchase Orders - District 1, S&H Auto, parts and supplies as needed, \$1,000; District 1, Premiere Truck Group, repairs, \$27,094.37; District 2, Unifirst Holdings, uniforms as

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Outgoing Morris City Council members thanked

Lease agreement disapproved during session

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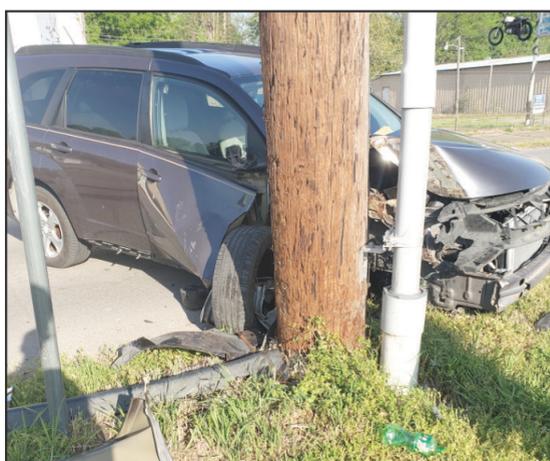
Outgoing Morris City Council members Carolyn Haworth and Wayne Payne were thanked for their service during Monday's meeting.

"I will take a moment here and just extend an expression of gratitude to Mrs. Carolyn Haworth and to Wayne, who is not with us," Mayor Jeremy Avery said, "both of whom is their last meeting on the council after years of service to the City of Morris."

Haworth has served on the council for 13 years. The council was presented the monthly report of activity from city departments.

- Police - There were 16 tickets issues and two acci-

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ANTHONY NIETO | GENERAL MANAGER

No Serious Injuries Reported in Single-Vehicle Crash

Okmulgee police and first responders were called to a single vehicle crash on Monday. The wreck happened just shortly before 9 a.m. on Oklahoma between 4th and 6th Street. The vehicle was occupied by an unidentified woman and child. No serious injuries were reported.



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Alex Thomas Delson

August 26, 1937 - April 10, 2021

Alex Thomas Delso, 83, died peacefully in his home Saturday, April 10, 2021. Alex was born August 26, 1937, to Alex and Marguerite (Bowdler) Delso. He lived in Dewar most of his life. He married Kathleen Thomas on August 30, 1958, in Dewar. He was a proud U.S. Veteran serving with the United States Marines.



He served as a board member of the Dewar Public School and Council Member of the Town of Dewar. He was a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Freemason.

He worked at PPG Industries for 16 years and later enrolled as a student at OSU Okmulgee in 1974. He became a Plumbing and Pipefitting Instructor at OSU Okmulgee and taught for 20 years.

Alex was preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, Daniel James Delso.

Alex is survived by his wife, Kathleen, of 62 years. Also surviving are three children, Thomas Wayne Delso of Dewar, Alexia Kaye Bible and husband Dennis of Morris, Roxanne Kathleen Delso of Dewar. Five grandchildren, Laura Marquez and husband Reggie of Park Hill, Heather Young and husband Morgan of Broken Arrow, Jesse Bible and wife Sarah of Council Hill, Jayme Sharp and husband Matt of Morris, Logan Delso and wife Shelby of Dewar.

Eleven great great-grandchildren, Luke Marquez, Carli and Chloe Young, Deklan, Liam and Turner Bible, Easton and Peyton Sharp, Adelynn, Kyleigh and Nova Delso; along with numerous nieces and nephews. He is also survived by three sisters, Sandra Smith and husband Van of Belton, Texas; Linda Huffman and husband Kenneth of Bryan, Texas; Anna Grady and husband Dwight of Prague.

At Alex's request, the casket will remain closed with no public viewing.

Graveside services are private with immediate family only.

In memory of Alex Delso, please donate to St. Jude or a charity of your choice.

An online guestbook is available at www.integrityfuneralservice.com.

Loretta Fay Danker

September 9, 1942 - April 7, 2021

Loretta Fay Danker, a resident of Morris, died Wednesday, April 7, 2021, in Tulsa, at the age of 78. She was born September 9, 1942, in Waldron, Arkansas to George Young & Jewel (Slate) Young.

Memorial Services for Loretta will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, April 15, 2021, at Integrity Funeral Service Chapel with Rev. Ryan Wells officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Integrity Funeral Service of Henryetta.

Jerry Dwayne McKee

December 21, 1951 - April 4, 2021

Jerry Dwayne McKee left this life peacefully on April 4, 2021. Jerry was born on December 21, 1951, to Willie and Frances McKee in Morris. He married Martha Burtchett on April 21, 1972.

Jerry worked as a heavy equipment operator throughout his life. He was a die-hard sports fan of the only teams of existence to him; OU, Dallas Cowboys, and the Thunder. If he wasn't watching his teams on T.V., he was listening to the games on the radio.

Jerry loved to attend all school events that his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren participated in. He loved his family more than anything.

He is preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his soulmate of 49 years Martha; his children Stacy and son-in-law Greg, Shannon and daughter-in-law Angela, and son Scott. His six grandchildren, Kelsey and husband Bo, Trey, Blaiklyn, Hayden, Jameson, and Rylee. His two great-grandchildren, Brantley and Kaisyn. His brother Larry and Tammy Mckee; and brother Kenneth McKee.

A memorial service will be held Friday, April 16, at 10 a.m. at the Second Baptist Church in Okmulgee. Flowers and/or condolences can be sent to the church Friday morning.

Robert Fox

February 3, 1936 - April 9, 2021

Robert Fox, age 85, of Grayson, died Friday, April 9, 2021, at the Porta Caeli House in Tulsa.

A Home Going Celebration will be conducted, Saturday, April 17, 2021, at 1 p.m. at Union Baptist Church, Grayson, with the pastor, Rev. Jerrell Ivy, eulogizing. Interment will follow in Grayson cemetery. Visitation, Friday, April 16, in House of Winn-Okmulgee Chapel during the hours of 1-5 p.m. Services will be livestreamed of Facebook. Masks are mandatory at all services. The family has been cared for by House of Winn Funeral Home-Okmulgee.

Kathryn Sue Serrato

August 30, 1946 - April 12, 2021

Kathryn Sue Serrato, age 74, passed from this life on April 12, 2021, in Morris. She was born August 30, 1946, to Walter Theodore McFarlan and Pauline Mae (Vaughn) McFarlan. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, April 16, 2021, at the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home Chapel with interment following at Salt Creek Cemetery in Wilson. Arrangements have been entrusted to McClendon-Winters Funeral Home of Okmulgee. Memories, condolences, photos and videos may be shared with the family on Kathy's Tribute Page at www.mcclendon-winters.com.



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Police Searching for Subject in Phone Theft

The Okmulgee PD is looking for help in identifying this person. On April 7, around 11:30 a.m., this subject walked into a business and asked to use the phone to call for a ride. After making his call, he walked out of the establishment without returning the phone. If you can identify the person in the picture, please call 918-756-3511 and speak with Detective Cantrell.

FFA plant sales being held by county program

Plant lovers around the county have several opportunities this week to purchase a vast variety of plants from several high school FFA programs holding plant sales this week.

The Okmulgee FFA plant sale will be held on Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the AgEd building (610 North Central Avenue). Proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase classroom and lab materials for the AgEd program and FFA chapter.

The Beggs FFA Plant Sale is today from 4-7 p.m., at the Beggs Agricultural Education Teaching Greenhouse.

Those attending will have the opportunity to choose from 100 hanging baskets, 40 sit-down porch pots (2-3 different plants in each), sweet potato vine (several varieties), marigolds, citronella, Black-eyed Susan, bedding petunias, various other bedding plants, tomato plants, pepper plants and possibly other garden plants.

The Wilson-Henryetta FFA Plant Sale continues today, in addition to two days next week, April 19 and 21, from 3-5:30 p.m. There is a variety of hanging baskets with flowering and fern plants, and lots of vegetables including tomatoes, peppers, squash, cucumbers and egg plants.

All of the students have worked hard to make this a successful fundraiser for their various program, and your support is appreciated.

Blood drives planned in area

Hospital blood usage has surged nearly 10 percent over previous levels, as the community moved into COVID recovery mode, according to the Oklahoma Blood Institute.

Blood donors are needed immediately to respond.

There are several blood donation events planned for Okmulgee County:

- Green Country Technology Center - April 14, 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Preston Public School - April 21, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Wilson Schools - April 21, 12 noon to 4 p.m.
- Muscogee Creek Nation Medical Center - April 28, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

March was the highest distribution of certain blood products in the 44-year history of OBI.

The dramatic increase in hospital usage comes at a time when local patients return to the medical system

for planned and routine medical care. Trauma-related blood needs have also increased dramatically, as Oklahomans return to vigorous spring activities and travel.

The local blood supply typically operates at a three-day supply, but the surge in demand has lowered levels to a one-day supply. Recent vaccination efforts have also challenged giving levels, as some donors mistakenly believe they can't donate after receiving their COVID-19 vaccine.

While COVID-19 vaccines aren't required to donate, those who have been vaccinated can donate immediately, if they're feeling well.

Blood donation takes about an hour and can save up to three lives. About 1,200 donors are generally needed each day to ensure a healthy blood supply. Donors can make appointments to donate at obi.org or walk-in to any mobile blood drive or donation center to give.

returned between April 16-23.

Bids were accepted for replacement of a sewer main replacement in the alley behind the post office and ending behind the Morris Community Center. It is an 8" line, with six taps. One bid was submitted from Tru-Flo Plumbing in the amount of \$33,500.

The bid for the asphalt overlay for that 350 ft. project, including road crossing, was submitted for \$9,450.

The cemetery cleanup project is reportedly underway. Of the 11 trouble spots, there are only three left to be completed.

"I speak for the all the councilmembers here," Councilmember Jerome Dugas said.

"We really appreciate the report that you made. Thank you for doing that ... I want to commend you on what you have

been doing the past few weeks."

"Mr. Hackney has been putting in quite a few hours these past few weeks," Mayor Avery said.

A proposed lease agreement on city-owned property on Massingale Road was brought before the board.

In February, property owners Jamaica and Tracy Lawson, approached the council about a resolution to a situation involving a neighbor accessing the Lawson's driveway and private property to get to the adjacent residence.

The property in question leads to the city's youth sports complex.

At that time, council members pondered whether to sell the property or if some type of lease agreement would be possible.

During the March meeting, resident

Joe Watts expressed concerns to the council stating the access to property owned by Watts was being restricted by the Lawsons.

During Monday's meeting, Councilmember Jennifer Simmons felt it would not be in the city's best interest to enter into the lease agreement, and made a motion to disapprove it. After a second on the motion, and a council vote, the lease agreement was disapproved.

The council also Ordinance 324-20 for the Fair Housing Ordinance, necessary to apply and obtain Community Development Block Grants.

No questions or comments were made on the proposed budget.

The Morris Public Works Authority meeting was also held Monday evening, covering a short agenda.

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dents.

• Fire - During March, the city department worked one vehicle accident. On the rural side, the department had four EMS assist, one first response, two false alarms, one animal rescue, eight grass fires, and one vehicle fire.

• Morris Public Works Authority - MPWA representative Taylor Hackney reported during the month of March, there were two leaks repaired, three taps installed, one drain was opened and closed, one sewer main jetted, 14 work orders were completed; two fire hydrants flushed by MPWA, no pot holes were filled. Special projects - backhoe was sent off for repair, expected to be

MCN announces new Mobile Health Vaccine Delivery for rural and underserved areas

Advance appointments will not be required for COVID-19 vaccines

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Department of Health (MCNDH) continues to invest in rural healthcare with the recent purchase of two mobile health units. The units will deliver lifesaving COVID-19 vaccines to both Natives and the general public in rural and underserved areas.

MCNDH will travel throughout the Muscogee Reservation in communities like Holdenville, Muskogee, Coweta, Checotah, Bristow and Cromwell. Advance appointments will not be required. The list of vaccination events can be found at creekhealth.org/covid-vaccine, and will be updated frequently.

"Studies show rural areas have been heavily impacted by the virus because residents are statistically older and have a higher prevalence of underlying med-

ical conditions," Shawn Terry, Secretary of Health for the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, said. "These factors, combined with a lack of access to intensive care beds, mean that tribal citizens and rural Oklahomans are disproportionately suffering from COVID-19. We are committed to removing vaccine disparities within our Reservation boundaries and protecting the people within the communities we serve."

Named "Little Caretaker on the Go" and "Medicine Runner," the mobile units will deliver COVID-19 vaccines directly to people in communities that historically lack access to medical services. They will also be deployed to tribal communal events and gatherings, such as wild onion dinners.

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Muscogee (Creek) Nation healthcare workers vaccinate individuals at the Springfield United Methodist Church at a carry-out, wild onion dinner in Okemah on Saturday, April 3.



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Promotions Announced at OFD

The Okmulgee Fire Department announced promotions within the ranks this month. Paul Fowler (right photos), who has served the Okmulgee Community for the past 30 years, was promoted to Battalion Chief on April 1. Greg Carmack (left photos), who has been serving as a Okmulgee Fire Department Lieutenant, was promoted to Captain on Monday, April 12. Both men take great pride in serving those in the Okmulgee Community and are very deserving of their recent promotions.

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Funds continue to increase for Okmulgee County Veterans Memorial

American Legion Post 10 recently donated \$1,500 towards the construction of the Okmulgee County Veterans Memorial. The monument will be located on the grounds of the Okmulgee County Courthouse.

Present at the regular monthly meeting of Post 10 to accept the donation was Christie Baldrige, Executive Director for the Deep Fork Community Action Foundation, Inc. and Project Leader, Tom Payne.

Deep Fork Community Action Foundation, Inc agreed in 2019 to sponsor the long needed memorial at the request of Tom Payne.

All donations for the memorial are tax exempt and maintained in a separate account for identification at a local bank.

The large granite memorial is estimated to cost less than \$50,000 and thus far some \$33,000 has been received. Payne also announced to the Post 10 members the planned dedication ceremony will be this year's Veterans Day on Nov. 11 at 11 a.m.

The Memorial was the idea of Tom Payne, an Okmulgee High School graduate of 1960, who is a member of Post 10, and a two-tour veteran of Vietnam with the U.S. Army.



American Legion Post 10 Commander Richard Raby, second from right, presents a check to Thomas Payne, that will be used for the building of the County Veterans Memorial, to be located on the lawn of the Okmulgee

County Courthouse. Joining them are members of American Legion Post 10, along with Christie Baldrige, executive director for Deep Fork Community Action Foundation, Inc.

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Veterans from American Legion Post 10.

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“Most of the wild onion dinners this year are drive-through events,” Rhonda Beaver, Chief Administrative Officer for MCNDH, said. “We are making it convenient for attendees to pick up a traditional to-go meal

and get their COVID-19 vaccination.”

The tribe recently added the one-dose Janssen/Johnson & Johnson vaccine for populations who might not be able to return for a second dose. To-date, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation has administered more than 27,000 first and second dose vaccines through its clinics and large-scale vaccina-

tions events. MCNDH recently administered nearly 2,500 first-dose Pfizer vaccines at Tulsa's Expo Square to both Native Americans and non-Natives. More information on the Tribe's COVID-19 response is available at creekhealth.org/covid.

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needed \$700; District 2, RPI, parts and supplies as needed, \$1,000.

- Invitation to Bid #22 for District 1 to purchase by sealed bids a 2019 or newer conventional day cab truck.

- District Attorney's Office Expenditures in the amount of \$805.22.

- Service Agreement between Okmulgee County and Oklahoma State University for IT services including maintenance for the Okmulgee County Assessor's Office.

- Declaration of Surplus: Commissioner's Office, window A/C unit; District 2, window A/C unit, HP computer and monitor; 1994 GMC pickup, 2005 GMC Sierra truck, 2003 Chevy truck, and a 1999 Dodge truck.

Requisitioning/Receiving Officers for several departments were announced:

District 1 - Ron Ballard, requisitioning; Jessica Creason and Ernie Fer-

reira, receiving.

District 2 - David Walker, requisitioning; Jean Gouthier and Charles Mohmeyer, receiving.

District 3 - James Connors, requisitioning; Linda Smith and Jimmy Ed-

mondson, receiving.

Emergency Management - Ron Ballard, requisitioning; Tim Craighton and Dawn Longan, receiving.

Okmulgee County Emergency Management

Director Tim Craighton also informed the board that the Forestry Service has been in the county several times over the past few weeks assisting with fires, which are still ongoing, but are almost

complete.

Craighton encourages everyone to use extreme caution since the fire danger is still there.

The history of National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week was founded to honor the telecommunication personnel dedicating their lives to public safety.

How did National Public Safety Telecommunications Week come about:

It was a local initiative that was initially set up in 1981 by Patricia Anderson of Contra Costa County, which later went on to become a nationwide, week-long event.

There's quite an interesting backstory that marked the establishment of the week. It goes something like this: Sheriff Rainey of the Contra Costa County wanted to treat all his administrative staff (then called secretaries) to lunch one afternoon, to show appreciation for their work, but did not realize that the administration's lines should never go un-

answered during business hours. At that time, it was a practice to forward all administration lines to dispatch after business hours, but the day Sheriff Rainey bought them lunch, the whole administration pushed their calls to dispatch at 11 a.m. and recklessly left the building.

The dispatchers were shocked to receive a higher-than-usual volume of calls. The supervisor called the admin department to find out what the problem was, only to have the call routed back to him because all of them had gone out for a feast! Angered, the supervisor sent a dispatcher to the admin department to see what was going on, who came back to tell the supervisor that the entire building was vacant. Although the staff came back at 1 p.m. and disconnected the auto-forward

feature, a long-time dispatcher, Patricia Anderson walked over to the administration side to give Sheriff Rainey an earful of what the dispatchers had gone through for two hours straight.

An hour later, on the same day, a sheepish Sheriff Rainey walked into the dispatch department with a giant cake decorated with the words “Happy Dispatcher Week,” launching an initiative that has now culminated into National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

President Bill Clinton signed the proclamation in 1991 declaring the second week of April as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

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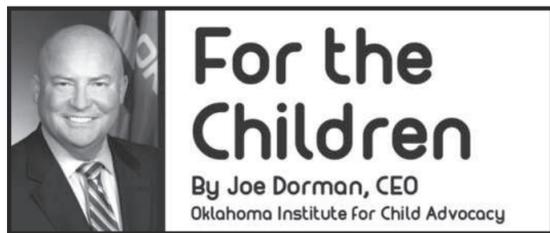
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This Shucking Legislature...



We are going to “get in the weeds” this week on a rule once rigidly followed in the Oklahoma Legislature.

In prior years when a bill was cast aside, not considered in committee or not brought up in a legislative chamber, that was it – the bill was dead. This year, lawmakers are using a practice called “shucking” to resurrect ideas that failed to advance.

“Shucking” is not a typo or mispronounced dirty word. “Shucking” is a process the 2019 Oklahoma House of Representatives Legislative Manual called “a measure which has been so greatly changed from its original subject the current language bears no relation to the original.”

Historically, lawmakers and legislative observers frown upon shucking. It is bad practice, allowing ideas to avoid public scrutiny by skipping steps in the legislative process. It makes it difficult for advocates to follow an idea when a bill is publicized by its number to identify merits and it suddenly becomes something completely different. This is confusing and frustrating for those not watching the process closely; it also costs

time and money to educate citizens about the change.

In the past, only the most extreme situations when a large majority of lawmakers agreed to contend with something emergent was shucking employed, and rarely on something controversial. One example happened in 1999 when the entire Legislature agreed to appropriate emergency funds to help recover from a devastating tornado. This bipartisan effort to strip language from another bill and allocate emergency funds for aid was justified.

Another happened in 2010 on a tort reform compromise to allow for “loser pays” legislation when that portion was left out of the primary bill. A bill was shucked to complete the agreement.

This year, much of the shucking puts language into a different title of state law; normally not allowed because such an amendment is not “germane.” Amendments containing subject matter not adequately related to the subject of the measure under consideration are ruled “non-germane” and are not allowed unless two-thirds of lawmakers vote to suspend the rules. Even amendments in the same title of law can be non-germane if they are not close to the same concept as the original bill.

A bill was “shucked” last week OICA strongly supported. A good potential law was replaced with something that had nothing to do with the bill except both dealt with schools.

Advocates interested in the original bill supported the work done by the bill’s author and were caught off-guard when it was gutted with language from another

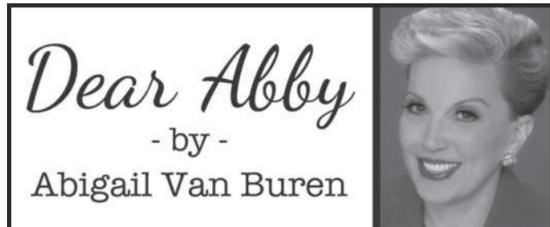
bill that died earlier. “Frustration” does not adequately express our feeling over losing a bill which could help save young lives.

We ask lawmakers to resist the temptation to “shuck” bills with noble ideas in the rush to resurrect dead bills, worthy or not. Instead, we ask they work with each other to find bills more in line with the original concept and file a germane amendment, or work with House and Senate leaders who can file bills anytime through a relatively new process allowed under current rules.

We asked lawmakers to restore the original Emergency Action Plan language, and fortunately they did, although placing it in House Bill 1801. OICA strongly supports House Bill 1801 that will, as amended, help save students’ lives in classrooms and at sporting activities.

About OICA: The Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy was established in 1983 by a group of citizens seeking to create a strong advocacy network that would provide a voice for the needs of children and youth in Oklahoma, particularly those in the state’s care and those growing up amid poverty, violence, abuse and neglect, disparities, or other situations that put their lives and future at risk. Our mission statement: “Creating awareness, taking action and changing policy to improve the health, safety, and well-being of Oklahoma’s children.”

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DEAR TRUTH: If your children have questions, answer them honestly. Do not jump the gun and render any opinions about their grandmother and her choices. I’m sure you had your reasons for testing your children’s DNA. As to how to deal with your ex’s reaction to the fact that you did, let it be his problem. Do not allow him to make it yours.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been married for 20 years. I have used my maiden name since we were married. His daughter still insists on addressing mail to me using my husband’s last name, even though I have never used it and have signed documents for her using my correct name.

I have asked him to remind his daughter what my name is. He is very sensitive to anything construed as criticism of his daughter, so I need to know of a diplomatic way to ask again. -- NOT MY NAME IN THE WEST

DEAR NOT MY NAME: Do not ask your husband to do what you need to do. Are you at all close to his daughter? The time has come to do something you

should have done well over a decade ago. Talk with her and ask why she persists in doing something she knows annoys you. Is she intellectually challenged? Forgetful? From where I sit, it seems like a passive-aggressive attempt to get your goat.

DEAR ABBY: I am five years sober after 35-plus years of drinking. I have recently gotten married and plan a small celebration once COVID-19 slows some more. I’m not comfortable serving alcohol at my wedding since most of my friends are in the AA fellowship. But I am also around people who drink responsibly, including my new wife. Any help is appreciated. -- SERVING ALCOHOL

DEAR SERVING: If the majority of your guests will be members of the AA fellowship, I see no reason why you can’t have a sober celebration. If the number is about equal, however, it would be gracious to have alcohol for those who indulge, while providing a generous array of alternatives for yourself and your AA friends.

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Therapeutic Foster Care changes the world, one child at a time

AMANDA MARTINDALE
THERAPEUTIC FOSTER PARENT



Amanda Martindale

During my music therapy internship at a state facility for teens and adults with mental illnesses, I learned many of the adults we served with in the facility, who were there largely because they had been charged with crimes, shared the foster care experience of my teens.

Most of my teens had been through about 14

different placements by the time they got to our

facility and had developed negative coping mechanisms due to their life experiences. No one had taught them how to process their emotions or trauma, which would come out in explosive tantrums. Like my adult patients, they also had no one in their lives who was there just for them, but only staff who went home at the end of each shift. Can you imagine what being raised in an insti-

tution instead of a family and not having even one consistent parent could do to a person’s psyche? It turns out, it gives you no way to learn about love and respect for others.

I decided I wanted to make a difference and break this cycle. I saw trying to understand the “why” behind their coping mechanisms, connecting and showing unconditional love (especially after be-

haviors meant to drive you away) brought about significant changes, even healing. As soon as I learned about Therapeutic Foster Care (TFC), I knew I wanted to be involved.

TFC serves children in loving home settings instead of institutions, equipping foster parents to help children work through the trauma they’ve experienced. TFC homes receive more

intensive services - weekly family and individual therapy for the child, an on-call team of therapists to help in times of crisis, monthly respite to give tired foster parents time to rejuvenate, and trauma-based trainings to help parents understand why children have developed these negative coping mechanisms and help reframe them in a more positive way.

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St. Michael Catholic Church

3rd Sunday of Easter

(Act. 2:14, 28/1 Peter 1:17-21/Luke 24:13-35)

On the third Sunday of Easter, the Church again invites us to hear another story about Jesus Christ appearing to other Disciples after his Resurrection from the Dead! Only God can do it! The story is told on the road to Emmaus.

On Easter Sunday evening, two disciples of Jesus were returning to their village. They were filled with sadness because the man on whom they had pinned their hopes had been executed! They felt hopeless. On the way back to their village, the risen Lord Jesus joined with them, explained the Bible to them, opened their eyes to understand the scriptures. They finally invited him to have a small dinner with them because the sun set. He broke the bread... From this way, they opened their eyes and recognized Jesus, the Risen Lord who accompanied them on the road. They immediately went back to Jerusalem to tell their fellow friends and told them they met Jesus...

The gospel today gives us hope to live. Many of us have spent years with Jesus' accompaniment and service. Sometimes, we could lose hope in him. The world does not seem to have changed because of our prayers, our works. He does not seem to have lifted our burdens perhaps. Some may feel Jesus has forgotten us or he is not listening to our prayers! We may be afraid to place our hope in him again, afraid to risk the foolhardiness of total commitment to him as Lord. We want to run away from the niggling message he has truly risen to a new life and is calling us to a new

way of living as brothers and sisters of a caring family. Maybe, it is too big a risk. How can we be sure it is not all an illusion? Today's Gospel assures us if we share our bread with the hungry and shelter the homeless, we still meet and recognize him through the bread we do.

Like the men in today's gospel, we too are on a journey of life. Our real home, lasting home is with our loving Father in Heaven. Also like the two men, we can lose our perspective while away from home. We can get out of touch with reality, lost in the distraction of every life, and become confused and discouraged. We need our own personal Emmaus, a place where we can get things straightened out again. We need God and our brothers and sisters on our journey of life. We support each other. We need our faith to trust Jesus who is truly only one God now and forever.

Lord Jesus, give us the hope in You.

Religious Classes: 10 a.m.

Sunday Mass: 11 a.m.

Welcome all of you

Henryetta First Christian Church

Sunday School begins at 9 a.m. followed by worship service at 10 a.m. Come join us for worship! Everyone is welcome and invited to attend. Henryetta First Christian Church is located at 412 N. 5th Street.

"Boldly Go" by Mary Morris

"Therefore, let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in time of need. (Hebrews 4:16)"

We are never so far removed from God's grace we

cannot go to Him on our knees.

Grace - just what is it? It's the thing in which we are so sadly lacking but which is God's entire being. It's forgiveness that is neither deserved nor asked for. It's love when we're unlovable and incapable of giving it. It's light when we feel like we're in the deepest, darkest pits of hell. It is that which God gives so freely.

No matter how blackened we think we may have made our soul, our Father still has grace enough to acknowledge us, recognize us, have pity on us, and save us. So, when we are told to go boldly before Him, that is an open invite which requires no RSVP. There is no expiration date except at our last breath.

And just exactly when do we need the Lord's help? Sure, in sickness, in scary situations, in times of crisis. But what about "I Need Thee Every Hour?" Those words hold more truth than we can imagine until we actually begin to make ourselves notice just how much He actually moves in our lives. Make it a habit to look around for all those unexpected times God spares you, lifts you up, blesses you. Every hour? You bet!

So yes, boldly go before the Lord. Seek His mercy, His forgiveness, His grace. Then expect a miracle, because that's how He works.

Eastside Baptist Church

3rd & Osage

Join Eastside Baptist Church and Pastor Marcus Jeffrey with services Sunday morning at 11 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study is at 6 p.m. and Weekly Encouragement is Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

How would you pray that God be with you like Jabez prayed?



"I would pray that God's hand be with me when I am hunting or fishing, or maybe when my sister is driving," says Jacob, 10.

A sister with a heavy foot can do wonders for a guy's prayer life. Shelby, 6, has a similar prayer: "When I'm driving with Mommy, please keep me safe."

All drivers with child passengers should remember their precious cargo could be praying they'll slow down. Give your guardian angels a little rest.

"I would want God to be with me when I go upstairs all by myself," says Brandon, 6.

You never know what's lurking in closets, under beds and behind curtains. God's presence can protect you from the biggest, baddest monsters you've ever imagined. No monster would dare show his green, slimy face when God is with you.

Brandon, when you get older, the monsters don't disappear. They just change shapes. The monster called Fear has an insatiable appetite. He has a monster cousin called Worry. They're always looking for

lives to destroy.

The Apostle Peter wrote we should cast all our cares on the Lord because he cares for us. He warned we should be alert because our adversary, the devil, is like a roaring lion seeking to devour our lives (I Peter 5:7-10). We can resist fear and worry by looking to the Lord for our strength instead of our abilities, things or people.

"I would ask God to help me win races against bigger kids," says Joseph, 7.

In the 1924 Paris Olympics, a Scot stood on the platform to receive a gold medal in the 400-meter race. The strange thing was he didn't train for the 400 meters and hadn't planned to run in it. The preliminary heats for his race, the 100 meters, were on Sunday. He withdrew from the race because competing on Sunday violated his convictions. Instead, he ran and set a record in the 400 meters. He also ran in the 200-meter race and won a bronze medal.

"Chariots of Fire," which won several Academy Awards, captures the drama and excitement of this true story. It shows how Eric Liddell struggled with whether he should run at all. Liddell knew God had called him to serve as a missionary to China, but he also knew God gave him the ability to run fast. In the movie, he said he felt God's pleasure when he ran.

In real life, Liddell said: "To give up running is to hold Him in contempt. To win is to honor Him."

Liddell saw running as part of his missionary service, which he later completed in China. Part of know-

ing God's will is sensing his pleasure in the use of a special gift or talent. Sometimes, God may call you to lay down a gift for greater service, but often, he will use your giftedness for his glory. The key to handling your gifts properly is to keep their source before you at all times.

A short prayer from Callie, 9, sounds as if it could have come from the mouth of Eric Liddell: "Show me your will and your power so that I may be like you."

Think about this: Every child of God who loves the Lord Jesus and experiences his presence has nothing to fear.

Memorize this truth: "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7).

Ask this question: Are you enjoying God's presence and the sense that God is with you?

Kids Talk About God is designed for families to study the Bible together. Research shows that parents who study the Bible with their children give their character, faith and spiritual life a powerful boost. To receive Kids Talk About God three times a week in a free email subscription, visit www.KidsTalkAboutGod.org/email.

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COLUMNS & OPINION

Budget Breakdown

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SENATE APPROPRIATIONS CHAIR

For years, we've worked to expand and grow Oklahoma's economy. We're still very much an oil and gas state and we will continue to be. Aerospace is our number two leading economic generator and agriculture remains a top economic driver. But as we continue efforts to diversify our economy, the film industry has become increasingly important to Oklahoma and is still growing. We've attracted independent projects and larger studio-backed films and TV series, with titles I'm sure many of you will recognize. They include films like "I Can Only Imagine," "American Underdog," and most recently, "Killers of the Flower Moon," as well as series like "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel," "American Gods," and "Reservation Dogs."

With our diverse geography and natural beauty, our modern skylines and historic, territorial era architecture, we have much to offer, and we further capitalize on that through our Oklahoma Film Enhancement Rebate Program. This incentive program offers a cash rebate of 35% to 37%. The rebate currently has an \$8 million rolling cap per fiscal year, which runs from July 1 through June 30. This program has been renewed through 2027. There is no per-project cap, but each production must have a minimum budget of \$50,000 with at least \$25,000 in qualified Oklahoma spending.

Rebate funds are pre-qualified for eligible applicants on a first-come, first-served basis. The rebate offers a base percentage of 35% on qualified Oklahoma expenditures. However, if a minimum of \$20,000 is spent on music that has been recorded in Oklahoma by an Oklahoman or on Oklahoma music production costs, an additional 2% is added to the total rebate on

qualified Oklahoma expenditures, for a total of 37%.

The program also has several requirements in place to protect our state's investments. The production company must provide proof of complete financing prior to beginning principal photography. Proof that 50% of funding is in place is due 60 days prior to the start of principal photography, and proof that complete funding is in place is due 30 days after that. Film and television projects are required to include a screen credit to the Oklahoma Film and Music Office, and the final rebate applications must be accompanied by a certified public accountant's report, prepared at the expense of the applicant, attesting the amounts in the application are qualified Oklahoma expenditures that comply with the requirements of the program's administrative rules.

The film rebate program will sunset in 2027, which means without review and reauthorization, it will end, so between now and then we will continue to look at the numbers to ensure we're getting the biggest bang for our buck. As with any incentive, the goal is the economic benefit to Oklahoma exceeds the investment. We not only want to bring film productions to our state, but we also want to encourage industry development here on a permanent basis.

So, what do we get for that \$8 million investment? In Fiscal Year 2020, productions spent over \$32.8 million directly on Oklahoma crews and vendors, with 3,960 jobs created for Oklahoma residents. In the current fiscal year, it's estimated the 33 film and television productions utilizing the state's incentive program will create 10,218 local jobs, with a direct fiscal impact of \$161.7 million.

Just looking at the most recent major film produc-

tion this rebate made possible, "Killers of the Flower Moon," this represents a \$120 million investment in our state. "American Underdog: The Kurt Warner Story," just wrapped production. Disney and FX shot a pilot near Okmulgee for a new series called "Reservation Dogs," directed and co-written by Oklahoma filmmaker Sterlin Harjo. I'm sure there will be a lot of interest in the film "Reagan," another major motion picture that now has Oklahoma ties.

These companies hire Oklahoma carpenters, electricians, caterers, costumers, hair and make-up artists, medics, security and more. The productions not only employ Oklahomans, but they buy products here, rent office buildings and houses, and provide business to local hotels and restaurants.

We're also seeing an increase of home-grown film and TV production companies. There's Green Pastures Studio, with multiple sound stages - they're also training people to work in the industry. Also there's Castle Row Studios in Del City, started by two OSU graduates who learned their trade in New York and California and now they've come back and invested more than \$2 million in this recording and post-production business. Prairie Surf Media has leased the old COX Convention Center in downtown OKC and has created five sound stages for film and television productions.

It's really an exciting time to be in Oklahoma. The rebate program created by the Legislature is attracting big film and TV productions, and the Oklahoma Film and Music Office is doing a fabulous job. Film and music are alive and well and growing in our state. And keep your eyes open - you never know if you may see a TV or movie star at your local ice cream shop.

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Okmulgee County OHCE recognizes members for service

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Okmulgee County OHCE (Oklahoma Home and Community Education) formerly known as the Home Demonstration Club, recognized members for years of service.

Bobbie Powell is the vice-president of the Josie Franklin group with Rae Ann Wilson presiding as president. Both have been members for five years.

Betty Hall is a member of the Liberty group serving for 25 years and Norma Green is president of the Osage Hill group serving for 40 years.

Whether it is raising funds to provide scholarships for 4-H Youth, planting trees to beautify the community or sewing thousands of cloth face masks during the COVID-19 pandemic, members of the Oklahoma Home and Community Education group are ready to help.

Established in 1935, the group is celebrating its service to Oklahoma families and communities May 3-9 during Oklahoma Home and Community Education Week.

The Oklahoma State University Cooperative Extension Service offers its programs to all eligible persons regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, sexual ori-



Pictured from left are Bobbie Powell, Betty Hall, Rae Ann Wilson and Norma Green.

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other legally protected status. OCES provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.

HOMICIDE

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the house, then the video stopped when the power was cut at 3:04 a.m.

• Harroz' brother in Texas called law enforcement and turned over an AR-15 rifle he suspected had been used in a triple homicide in Beggs, but declined to provide any more information.

Both Harroz and Titus are already in federal custody. Harroz was sentenced in March to 24 months in prison for unlawful possession of a firearm while subject to a victim protective order.

On April 2, Titus was sentenced to serve 36 months in federal prison for possession of a firearm while using illegal substances.

There has not been a date set for when the pair will appear in Okmulgee County district court to face these new charges.



Keegan Harroz



Barry Titus II

Here is the complete press release from the April 8 press conference by Okmulgee County DA Carol Iski:

These gentlemen are representative members of the District 25 Violent Crime Task Force which is a collaboration of different Law Enforcement Agencies in both Okmulgee and McIntosh Counties. As a result of the members of that task force's hard work and countless man hours, we are here today to announce the filing of charges for those responsible for the triple murder that occurred on Sept. 7, 2019, in rural Beggs.

On that date, a family member went to the residence located at 6450 Lakeview Circle Road only to discover the bodies of Jack Chandler, his wife Kaye Chandler, and the couple's daughter, Tiffany Eichor. Law enforcement was summoned and the District 25 Violent Crime Task Force was activated.

The family member that discovered the bodies reported to law enforcement the family had been having problems with Tiffany's former boyfriend, Barry Titus. Investigation revealed there were reports of Titus assaulting Tiffany on at least two previous occasions and felony charges were ending against him in relation to one of those assaults. Further, court records revealed Tiffany had an active protective order against Titus. The attorney representing Titus in his felony case and his protective order case was Oklahoma City attorney, Keegan Kelley Harroz, who officers later learned was also the wife of Barry Titus. Officers learned Harroz had a 2010 silver or light colored Lexus sedan registered in her name.

When processing the crime scene, officers discovered all three victims had been shot multiple times with at least two different caliber weapons. It appeared the perpetrators gained entry by kicking in the front door. Multiple shell casings were found at the scene, which were 5.56 caliber and 9 mm.

In further processing of the crime scene, it was discovered the residence was equipped with a digital video surveillance system which recorded a portion of the events leading up to the homicides. The video revealed the perpetrators arrived in a light colored vehicle and parked in the roadway to the southeast of the residence.

Two individuals exited the vehicle; one was obviously male and very tall and the second individual much shorter and smaller than the first. The perpetrators approached on foot and then the video stopped. It was also determined the perpetrators pulled the electric meter prior to forcing entry into

the residence. Investigators later examined the clock on the stove inside the residence and once power was restored, they discovered the power was disconnected at 3:04 a.m. Based on that information, investigators believe the murders occurred in close proximity to that time. The vehicle seen in the video is consistent with the car owned by Keegan Kelley Harroz.

Investigators also discovered and collected a dark colored ball cap near the area where the perpetrators parked their vehicle. That ball cap, as well as DNA swabs collected from numerous other items collected from the scene, were submitted to the OSBI Laboratory for analysis. Investigators later received a notice the DNA samples taken from the ball cap had been processed and a match was discovered in CODIS (Combined DNA Index System). The sample in the CODIS system was a known sample taken from Barry Titus II while incarcerated in Colorado and matched the DNA sample taken from the ball cap found at the scene.

Also during the investigation, it was learned in January, 2019 the Sheriff's Office responded to this address when the homeowners found a suspicious package of a powdery substance under the porch. The substance was seized by law enforcement, and tested for controlled substances which were negative. During the investigation of the homicides, it was discovered that one Jose Uribe, a defendant in a drug trafficking case in Oklahoma County, admitted he had planted this package. He explained that in a lighter sentence, he had been attempting to work with law enforcement to provide information helpful to the prosecution. He advised his attorney, Keegan Kelley Harroz, approached him in January, 2019, and asked him to plant what he believed to be methamphetamine at this residence. She explained this was an act of revenge because one of the individuals living at that residence testified against one of her clients. She also instructed Uribe to contact his handler with the Drug Task Force and advise them drugs were being sold out of this house. As a result of this information, charges were filed on Sept. 13, 2019, in Okmulgee County against Ms. Harroz for Witness Intimidation. She was arrested on the same date. Those charges remain pending.

On this same date, Ms. Harroz's brother, Jacoby Kelley, who lives in Sachse, Texas, contacted local law enforcement and turned over an AR15 rifle he stated he had reason to believe had been used in a triple homicide in Beggs, Oklahoma. He refused to give any other information or cooperate

any further. Officers seized this weapon and ultimately turned it over to the District 25 VCTF. An E-Trace was conducted through the ATF and it revealed the original purchaser of the rifle's receiver was identified. That witness lives in a rural area and has a shooting range on his property. The witness was interviewed and advised he had purchased the receiver and built the rifle, and had sold the rifle to Barry Titus and a female with him later identified as Keegan Kelley Harroz when they came to his property to look at the rifle. He further stated during the negotiations, both Titus and Harroz fired the rifle. Once the transaction was completed, Harroz retrieved a second AR15 from the vehicle they arrived in, and both she and Titus fired this second rifle with the ammunition they had brought with them. The witness showed investigators where the rifles had been fired and told them no one had fired any other weapons in the area since that time. Officers collected shell casings from the area and found two different kinds of 5.56 ammunition. The shell casings were collected from the witness's property and submitted to the OSBI for analysis and comparison to the shell casings collected at the scene of the murders. It was determined the shell casings fired from the rifle Keegan Harroz retrieved from the vehicle matched those shell casings seized from the crime scene.

This was a very lengthy investigation that spanned numerous jurisdictions in both Oklahoma and Texas. Countless man hours have been dedicated to this investigation and I applaud the District 25 VCTF for their tireless efforts to bring this case to justice.

As a result of those efforts, we have filed charges against Barry Roland Titus II, and Keegan Kelley Harroz for the murders of Jack Chandler, Kaye Chandler and Tiffany Eichor. They will both be charged with three counts of pre-meditated murder, and one count of burglary in the first degree. Arrest warrants were issued earlier today. Both are currently in federal custody, so these warrants will be served upon them while in jail.

I understand this is a high profile case and of great interest to many. However, it is a case that needs to be tried in a court of law and subject to the rules of evidence, not a court of public opinion. The rules of Professional Responsibility limit the information I am able to give out to those facts already a matter of public record. All other facts will be disclosed during the course of the prosecution of this matter.

FOSTER CARE

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As a TFC parent, I have seen my house walls torn apart because something I did unknowingly triggered memories of past abuse. As anger shifted to tears, I've

had children melt into my arms and let me hug them as they deescalated from their meltdowns. I've seen them work hard to pay me back for damages after I didn't kick them out like so many had done before, and start to develop personal responsibility and a mutual respect for others.

As a TFC parent, I've seen kids and teens learn to identify the feelings underlying all of their anger. This has often been fear and sadness, which, when allowed to fester, become depression and anxiety. I've gotten to know my kids for who they really were and found them to be sweet, incredibly loving children who were just hidden underneath the walls they'd built to protect themselves. I got to truly connect to them in a way no one else had, and watch them learn to trust others.

Being raised in a home instead of a hospital or group home taught them what being a part of a family is like. They learned how to care about others and how their

actions can hurt someone. They learned self-worth because someone was willing to love them instead of just focusing on their behaviors. I saw them excel in school, work and activities and start to make healthy relationships. These are things that don't readily happen in institutions.

If we want to make our society a safer place, we need to teach kids how to love. As a TFC parent, you can teach by example and be a part of truly changing the world, one child at a time.

It takes all kinds of people to serve children and help them become healthy and whole again. Why not you?

Amanda Martindale is a Therapeutic Foster Parent with Choices for Life Counseling and Foster Care in Oklahoma. To learn more about Therapeutic Foster Care or apply to become a certified TFC foster family, visit beaneighbor.ok.gov, or call 1-800-376-9729.

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Eagles rout Kiefer to finish 3rd at home tourney

Six-run win No. 3 over Trojans in 2021

LARRY OWEN
SPORTS EDITOR

The Morris Eagle varsity baseball team defeated the Kiefer Trojans last Saturday to finish third at last weekend's Morris Eagle Baseball Tournament.

The 9-3 victory over Kiefer was the third for the Eagles this season with the first two wins coming in District 3A-6 play March 8 and 9 (16-6, 13-0).

The six-run win last Saturday came after the Morris diamond squad found themselves on the short end of a 4-2 setback to Tulsa Edison last Friday in the semifinal round.

The Eagles kicked off the 3-day tournament last Thursday with a come-from-behind, 7-5, victory over the McAlester JV in first-round action.

The Morris squad returned to action Monday and Tuesday with District 3A-6 meetings with the Victory Christian Conquerors. The Eagles were scheduled to host the Conquerors on Monday and were slated to travel to Tulsa Tuesday for the conclusion of the home-and-home district series.

The Eagles will close out this week's schedule at the Preston Baseball Invitational this Thursday-Saturday at Preston High School.

In last Thursday's opening-round battle with the McAlester JV, the Eagles led 2-1 after one inning of play, then both teams tallied two runs in their half of the second to make it a 4-3 contest.

After the next two innings went scoreless, McAlester's JV took over the lead



LARRY OWEN | SPORTS EDITOR

Morris' Keegan Burgess (2) slides in safely at second base in last Thursday's first-round contest against the McAlester JV at the Morris Eagle Baseball Tournament in Morris.

at 5-4 with a pair of runs in the top of the fifth.

The Eagles took back the lead for good in the bottom of the sixth by tallying three runs in the frame. The Morris de-

fense kept the Buffaloes off the scoreboard in the top of the seventh to earn the 7-5, come-from-behind victory.

Ty Long earned the pitching win for Morris, working three scoreless innings

of relief, striking out two while giving up just two hits.

Long entered in the fifth, taking over for starter Jake Hopper, who went the

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Bulldogs rout Tulsa Memorial

LARRY OWEN
SPORTS EDITOR

The Okmulgee Bulldogs snapped their 3-game losing streak here last Thursday with an 11-3, run-rule, victory over the Tulsa Memorial Chargers.

The Dogs used an 8-run first to put the game out of reach early in the contest.

The Okmulgee diamond squad added two in the third and one in the fourth for their 11-run total in the 5-inning contest.

Memorial scored a run in each of the first, third, and fifth innings, but were unable to overcome the early 8-run deficit to award the visiting Bulldogs the 11-3 victory.

The Okmulgee squad was back in action Monday and Tuesday with District 3A-6 action against

the Adair Warriors. The Bulldogs were scheduled to travel to Adair Monday and host the Warriors on Tuesday. The Bulldogs are slated to close out the week at home Thursday against the Eufaula Ironheads at 5 p.m.

Kevin Washington went the distance on the mound for Okmulgee last Thursday to earn the pitching win. Washington allowed three runs on seven hits, walking one and striking out seven in five innings of work.

The top hitters for the Bulldogs against Tulsa Memorial were Washington (2 for 3, 2 singles, RBI), Gavin Garcia (2 for 3, single, triple, RBI), and Austin Burwell (2 for 2, 2 singles, 2 RBI) with two hits each.

The other two hits for Okmulgee

in the road win came on a double by Xander Dunn and a 2-run single by Daylan Callaway.

Other baserunners for the Bulldogs last Thursday were Garcia (hit by pitch), Washington (hit by pitch), Dunn (walk, dropped third strike), Burwell (walk), Garrett McElroy (walk), Tyler Pollard (2 walks), Dustin Dunlap (RBI walk), and Alex Gilmour (walk).

Thursday's Game
Okmulgee 11, Tulsa Memorial 3

Okmulgee - 8 - 0 - 2 - 1 - 0

11 - 8 - 0

Memorial - 1 - 0 - 1 - 0 - 1

3 - 7 - 0

WP: Kevin Washington

LP: Munoz

HR: Tulsa Memorial: Jamerson

Preston to hold annual baseball tournament

County matchup slated for first round Thursday at 6 p.m.

LARRY OWEN
SPORTS EDITOR

The Preston varsity spring baseball team will host its tournament this weekend at the Jim Waller Sports Complex in Preston.

The annual 8-team tournament will get underway this Thursday at 12 p.m. with a first-round meeting between the Kellyville Ponies and the Okmulgee junior varsity squad.

Thursday's middle two opening-round contests will feature the Victory Christian Conquerors taking on the Olive Wildcats at 2 p.m. and the Stroud Tigers battling the Warner Eagles at 4 p.m.

The final first-round game at the 2021 Preston Baseball Invitational on Thursday will be an Okmulgee County matchup at 6 p.m. between the host Preston Pirates and their county rivals, the Morris Eagles.

Friday's tournament schedule will feature the consolation semifinals at 2 and 4 p.m., respectively, and the winner's bracket semifinals at 12 and 6 p.m., respectively.

Saturday's tournament action will get started with the seventh-place contest at 10 a.m., followed by the consolation finals at 12 p.m. and the third-place game at 2 p.m. The tournament championship game will close out the 3-day event at 4 p.m.

There will be no time limit set for the tournament, but there will be three run rules in effect for each contest: 12 (runs) after 3 (innings), 10 (runs) after 4 (innings), and 8 (runs) after 5 (innings).

Admission to the tournament will be \$5 per person and only OSSAA passes will be accepted at the event.

Preston Baseball Invitational
April 15-17, 2021

First Round

Kellyville vs Okmulgee JV; Thursday, 12 p.m.

Victory Christian vs Olive; Thursday, 2 p.m.

Stroud vs Warner; Thursday, 4 p.m.

Preston vs Morris; Thursday, 6 p.m.

Consolation Semifinals

Kellyville/Okmulgee JV loser vs Stroud/Warner loser;

Friday, 2 p.m.

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Pirates finish 5th at Morris baseball tournament

Preston outlasts Eufaula in consolation title game

LARRY OWEN
SPORTS EDITOR

The Preston Pirates knocked off the Eufaula Ironheads by a 14-9 margin to take home the consolation championship trophy at the Morris Eagle Baseball Tournament this past Saturday.

The fifth-place finish at the 3-day event puts the Pirates at 15-5 on the year, heading into Tuesday's road showdown with the Weleetka Outlaws.

Following the meeting with Weleetka, the Preston diamond squad



LARRY OWEN | SPORTS EDITOR

Preston's Colton Conley (32) slides in ahead of the throw at second base during last Thursday's opening-round showdown with Kiefer at the Morris Eagle Baseball Tournament in Morris.

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Dragons take 2 of 3 at home in recent action

Lone loss comes Saturday to Class A No. 2 Rattan

LARRY OWEN
SPORTS EDITOR

The Dewar Dragon varsity baseball team went 2-1 this past weekend at Wiley Ryal Park.

The lone loss for the Dragons came this past Saturday to Class A No. 2 Rattan by a 15-3 margin.

The two wins this past weekend for the Dewar diamond squad came this past Friday, defeating the Stonewall Longhorns by a 5-1 margin and the Canadian Cougars by a 14-2 decision.

The Dragons were back in action Tuesday with a trip to Crowder for a showdown with the Crowder Demons and are scheduled to host Porum and Oilton on Friday and Beggs and Henryetta on Saturday.

In Friday's win over Canadian, the Cougars tallied their two runs in the first and second innings.

Dewar plated seven runs in the home half of the first for a 7-1 margin, then closed out the run-rule win with seven runs in the bottom of the third.

The top hitters for the Dragons against Canadian were Joey Fowler (2 for 2, single, double, 2 RBI), Jaden Maxwell (2 for 2, 2 doubles, RBI), Thomas Brownfield (2 for 3, 2 singles), and Brett Hays (2 for 3, 2 singles, 2 RBI) with two hits apiece.

The other base hits for Dewar in the contest came on singles by Tryton Mack and Baylor Selby, an RBI single by Micah Cloud, and a 2-run single by Shawn Maxwell.

Other baserunners for the Dragons against Canadian were Cloud (error), Brownfield (error), Shawn Maxwell (walk), and Garrett Loyd (walk, error). Selby drove in a run in the third with an RBI sacrifice fly.

Kade Henderson earned the pitching win for Dewar, allowing two runs on one hit with three strikeouts and six walks in two innings of work.

Tyler Maldonado walked two in a scoreless inning of relief work for the Dragons in the run-rule win.

In Friday's hard-fought win over Stonewall, the Dragons opened the score with a run in the bottom of the first. The Dewar squad added a run in each of the third and fourth innings for a 3-0 advantage, then put the finishing touches on their 5-run total with a pair of runs in the last of the fifth.

Stonewall broke up the shutout bid with a run in the top of the seventh to award the host Dragons the 5-1 victory.

The offensive standout for Dewar in the win was Garrett Loyd, who blasted a solo home run in the third.

The other three base hits in the contest for the Dragons were RBI singles by Shawn Maxwell, Joey Fowler, and Brett Hays.

Other baserunners for Dewar against Stonewall were Loyd (walk), Hays (error), Shawn Maxwell (walk), Tyler Maldonado (error, hit by pitch), and Thomas Brownfield (2 hit by pitch).

Micah Cloud worked the first six-

plus innings on the mound for Dewar to earn the pitching win. Cloud gave up one run on two hits, striking out three and walking five in the quality start.

Brownfield entered with the bases loaded and no outs in the seventh and kept the Longhorns off the scoreboard the remainder of the inning, striking out one, to receive the pitching save in the contest.

In Saturday's showdown with the second-ranked Rams, the Dragons got the scoring started with a run in the home half of the first.

Rattan plated four in the second and six in the third for a 10-1 advantage after three and one-half innings of action.

The host Dragons made it a 10-3 contest with a pair of runs in the last of the third, while Rattan tallied five in the top of the fifth to hand the Dewar squad the 15-3 setback.

Thomas Brownfield was saddled with the pitching loss for Dewar, allowing nine runs on two hits with two strikeouts, five walks, and one hit batter in two innings of work.

Joey Fowler worked an inning of relief for the Dragons, allowing two runs on two hits, walking two and hitting two.

Brett Hays went the final two innings of the 5-inning contest, giving up four runs on three hits with one strikeout, three walks, and one hit batter in the relief appearance.

The Dragons were limited to five hits in the meeting - RBI singles by Brown-

field and Baylor Selby, a double by Garrett Loyd, and singles by Tyler Maldonado and Shawn Maxwell.

Other baserunners for Dewar against Rattan were Maldonado (2 walks), Fowler (walk), Selby (fielder's choice), Hays (hit by pitch), Shawn Maxwell (walk, fielder's choice), Micah Cloud (walk), and Jaden Maxwell (hit by pitch).

April 9
Dewar 14, Canadian 2
Canadian - 1 - 1 - 0 2 - 1 - 5
Dewar - 7 - 0 - 7 14 - 12 - 0
WP: Kade Henderson
LP: Jake Brewster
HR: None

April 9
Dewar 5, Stonewall 1
Stonewall - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 1
1 - 2 - 3
Dewar - 1 - 0 - 1 - 1 - 2 - 0 - x
5 - 4 - 3
WP: Micah Cloud
LP: Blue
SV: Thomas Brownfield
HR: Dewar: Garrett Loyd

April 10
Rattan 15, Dewar 3
Rattan - 0 - 4 - 6 - 0 - 5 15 - 7 - 0
Dewar - 1 - 0 - 2 - 0 - 0 3 - 5 - 2
WP: Birchfield
LP: Thomas Brownfield
HR: Rattan: J. Clay

PIRATES

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is scheduled to be at home this Thursday-Saturday at the annual Preston Spring Baseball Invitational at the Jim Waller Sports Complex in Preston. See today's edition for the complete tournament bracket.

Game stats for last Saturday's consolation championship win over Eufaula were not available at presstime.

The Pirates kicked off last weekend's Morris tournament action with a heart-breaking 10-8 loss to the Kiefer Trojans last Thursday, then rebounded from the opening-round defeat last Friday with an 18-3, run-rule, win over the Morris junior varsity team in the consolation semifinal round.

In last Thursday's first-round showdown with Kiefer, the Trojans opened the scoring with a run in the top of the first.

The Pirates broke onto the scoreboard with four runs in the last of the third, then added two more runs in the fourth for a 6-1 advantage.

Kiefer regained the lead at 10-6 with a nine-run top of fifth, while the Preston squad attempted a comeback in their final at-bat in the bottom of the seventh, managing just two runs in the frame to suffer the 10-8 setback.

David Cleland was saddled with the pitching loss for Preston, allowing 10 runs on six hits, striking out eight, walking three, and hitting three in four and two-third innings of work.

Dawson Sumner worked the final two and one-third innings in relief, giving up just one hit with three strikeouts and one walk in the relief appearance.

The trio of Cleland (2 for 3, single, double), Easton Shaw (2 for 4, 2 singles, 2 RBI), and Cooper Ausbrooks (2 for 3, single, double, RBI) led the way offensively for the Pirates with two hits each.

The only other base hit for Preston in the opening-round loss came on an RBI single by Sumner.

Other baserunners against Kiefer were Cleland (walk), Ausbrooks (walk), Sumner (error), Lance Porter (2 errors), Devon Aguilera (RBI fielder's choice, error), and Colton Conley (hit by pitch, error).

In Friday's consolation semifinal win over Morris' JV, the Pirates opened the

scoring with four runs in the top of the first, then added a run in the second for a 5-0 advantage.

The Morris JV squad plated three runs in the last of the second to make it a 5-3 contest after two innings of action.

The Preston squad put the game out of reach in the top of the third, erupting for 13 runs in the frame for an 18-3 margin.

The Pirate defense retired the Morris JV in order in the bottom of the third to bring the contest to a close on the run rule, 18-3.

Lance Porter went the distance on the mound for Preston to earn the pitching win. Porter gave up three runs on six hits with three strikeouts and one walk in three innings of work.

Cooper Ausbrooks was the top hitter for the Pirates in the loser's bracket win, going 3 for 4 with two singles, a double, and 4 RBIs.

The other base hits for Preston in the contest were a single by Devon Aguilera, RBI singles by Porter, David Cleland, and Braxton Kennedy, a 2-run single by Easton Shaw, and a 2-run double by Dawson Sumner.

Other baserunners against the Morris JV were Cleland (2 walks, RBI), Shaw (walk), Porter (2 hit by pitch, RBI, fielder's choice), Aguilera (2 walks), Kennedy (RBI walk, hit by pitch), Dawson Sumner (2 errors), Marshall Sumner (2 walks, RBI hit by pitch), and Colton Conley (2 walks, RBI hit by pitch).

Morris Tournament
First Round
Kiefer 10, Preston 8
Kiefer - 1 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 9 - 0 - 0
10 - 7 - 6
Preston - 0 - 0 - 4 - 2 - 0 - 0 - 2
8 - 7 - 0
WP: No. 2
LP: David Cleland
HR: None

Consolation Semifinals
Preston 18, Morris JV 3
Preston - 4 - 1 - 13 18 - 9 - 1
Morris JV - 0 - 3 - 0 3 - 6 - 4
WP: Lance Porter
LP: No. 18
HR: None

Consolation Finals
Preston 14, Eufaula 9

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Preston/Morris loser vs Victory Christian/Olive loser; Friday, 4 p.m.

Semifinals
Preston/Morris winner vs Victory Christian/Olive winner; Friday, 12 p.m.

Kellyville/Okmulgee JV winner vs Stroud/Warner winner; Friday, 6 p.m.

Seventh Place
Consolation semifinal losers; Saturday, 10 a.m.

Consolation Finals

Consolation semifinal winners; Saturday, 12 p.m.

Third Place
Semifinal losers; Saturday, 2 p.m.

Championship
Semifinal winners; Saturday, 4 p.m.



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Preston's Devon Aguilera forces out a Kiefer baserunner at first base during last Thursday's opening-round meeting with Kiefer at the Morris Eagle Baseball Tournament in Morris.



LARRY OWEN | SPORTS EDITOR
Preston's Lance Porter fouls off a pitch during an at-bat in last Thursday's opening-round battle with Kiefer at the Morris Eagle Baseball Tournament in Morris.

Golden Demons drop two at home

Setbacks put Beggs at 12-9 in 2021

LARRY OWEN
SPORTS EDITOR

The Beggs Golden Demons suffered a pair of home losses last weekend at Golden Demon Park.

The Demons dropped a 4-2 decision to the Metro Christian Patriots last Thursday, then were on the short end of a 7-3 outcome to the Kellyville Ponies on Saturday.

The Beggs diamond squad was scheduled to battle Holland Hall in back-to-back District 3A-8 contests Monday and Tuesday, hosting the Tulsa school on Monday and traveling to the Dutch's home field on Tuesday. The Demons are slated to travel to Davenport Friday and Dewar Saturday for a pair of road games to close out this week's schedule.

In last Thursday's meeting with Metro Christian, the Demons opened the scoring with a run in the bottom of the first.

The Beggs lead remained at 1-0 until the visiting Patriots plated four runs in the top of the fifth for a 4-1 advantage.

The Demons managed only one run

in their final at-bat in the last of the seventh to end up on the short end of a 4-2 outcome.

Dakota Angelski worked the first five innings to absorb the pitching loss for Beggs, allowing four runs on seven hits with five strikeouts, four walks, and a hit batsman in the start.

Andrew Duclos gave up two hits, while striking out one and hitting a batter in two innings of relief.

The Demons were limited to three hits in the home contest - all singles. The three base hits for Beggs against Metro Christian came off the bats of Duclos, Caleb Burright, and Wyatt Nail. Duclos also reached base on three walks, while Burright drew a pair of free passes in two of his other plate appearances.

The only other Beggs hitter to reach base in the contest was Jameson Ross, who drew a walk and also reached on a defensive error.

In Saturday's home showdown with Kellyville, the visiting Ponies tallied a run in the first, third, fourth, fifth, and seventh innings and two runs in the sixth for a 7-0 advantage.

The Demons broke up the shutout bid with three runs in the bottom of the seventh to suffer the 7-3 setback.

Andrew Duclos was saddled with the pitching loss for Beggs last Saturday, allowing three runs on four hits, striking out five, walking three, and hitting two in three and two-third innings of work.

Brayden Gable worked the next two innings in relief, giving up three runs on four hits with three strikeouts, two walks, and two hit batters. Gable entered in relief for Duclos with a 2-2 count, the bases loaded, and two outs in the fourth.

Caleb Burright took over on the mound for Beggs in the sixth, entering from the bullpen with a 3-1 count, the bases loaded, and two outs in the frame. Burright struck out one and walked two while giving up one run on no hits in his inning and one-third of relief work.

Jameson Ross led the way offensively for Beggs, going 3 for 4 with three singles and an RBI. Dawson Barrett also recorded a multi-hit game for the Demons, going 2 for 4 with a single, double, and RBI.

The other four base hits for Beggs last

Saturday came on singles by Burright, Darieon Johnson, Dalton Hastings, and Nathan Melton.

Additional baserunners for the Demons against Kellyville were Gable (walk), Burright (error), Hastings (hit by pitch), Melton (error), and Ethan Busby (RBI fielder's choice).

Thursday's Game
Metro Christian 4, Beggs 2
Metro Chr. - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 4 - 0 - 0 - 4 - 9 - 3
Beggs - 1 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 3
WP: Simpson
LP: Dakota Angelski
HR: None

Saturday's Game
Kellyville 7, Beggs 3
Kellyville - 1 - 0 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 2 - 1 - 7 - 8 - 3
Beggs - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 3 - 9 - 1
WP: Moseby
LP: Andrew Duclos
HR: Kellyville: Thornbrugh

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first four-plus innings, allowing five runs on three hits with seven strikeouts and four walks.

The duo of Kolby Adams (3 for 4, 2 singles, double, RBI) and Garrett Uva (3 for 4, 2 singles, triple, 2 RBI) led the way offensively for Morris with three hits apiece.

Keegan Burgess also recorded a multi-hit game for the Eagles in the opening-round win, going 2 for 4 with a pair of singles and an RBI. Burgess also reached base on a fielder's choice and an error in the contest.

The final three hits for Morris against McAlester's JV came on a single by Koen Burgess, an RBI single by Junior Walls, and an RBI triple by Kolby Burgess, who also drove in a run with an RBI groundout in the first and also reached base on a hit by pitch.

The other Morris baserunners in the contest were Long (walk), Mateo Terriquez (2 walks), and Trey Daniels (walk).

In Friday's semifinal loss to Tulsa Edison, the visitors tallied a run in each of the first, second, and fourth innings for a 3-0 advantage.

The host Eagles cut the deficit to one, 3-2, with a pair of runs in the last of the fourth.

Edison tacked on an insurance run in the top of the fifth to make it a 4-2 contest.

The Morris offense was unable to produce any runs in their final three at-bats of regulation to suffer the 2-run defeat to the Tulsa Edison Eagles.

Garrett Uva went the distance on the mound for Morris and was saddled with the pitching loss. Uva gave up four runs on five hits, striking out six, walking four, and hitting two in seven innings of work.

The host Eagles scattered six hits in the semifinal contest, led by Keegan Burgess, who had a 2-run single in the third. Burgess also reached base on a walk in the contest.

The other five base hits - all singles - for Morris came off the bats of Uva, Mateo Terriquez, Kolby Burgess, Ty Long, and Trey Daniels.

Additional baserunners for the host Eagles against Tulsa Edison were Terriquez (walk), Uva (walk), and Kolby Adams (hit by pitch, fielder's choice).

In Saturday's third-place battle with Kiefer, the Eagles opened the scoring with three runs in the bottom of the first. The Morris squad then added two in the second and one each in the third and fourth innings for a 7-0 advantage after four innings of action.

After a scoreless fifth, Kiefer tallied three runs in the top of the sixth to cut the Morris lead to four, 7-3.

The host Eagles pushed their lead to six, 9-3, with two runs in the last half of the sixth, then held the Trojans off the scoreboard in the top of the seventh to put the finishing touches on the third-place win.

Kaynen Powell worked the first six innings for Morris to earn the pitching win. Powell allowed three runs on one hit with seven strikeouts, five walks, and one hit batter in the quality start.

Junior Walls worked a scoreless inning of relief in the seventh for the Eagles.

The top hitter for Morris against Kiefer was Keegan Burgess, who went 3 for 3 with a pair of singles, a triple, and an RBI. Burgess also reached in his fourth plate appearance after being hit by a pitch.

The duo of Kolby Adams (2 for 4, 2 singles) and Ty Long (2 for 3, 2 singles) also recorded multi-hit games



LARRY OWEN | SPORTS EDITOR

Morris' Kolby Burgess ropes a pitch towards right field for an RBI triple in the sixth inning of last Thursday's come-from-behind win over McAlester's JV at the Morris Eagle Baseball Tournament in Morris.

for the Eagles with two hits each. Adams and Long also reached base on walks in the contest.

The other six hits for Morris against Kiefer came on singles by Mateo Terriquez and Koen Burgess, RBI singles by Garrett Uva, Junior Walls, and Trey Daniels, and a 2-run triple by Kolby Burgess.

Other baserunners for the Eagles in the third-place game were Terriquez (3 walks), Uva (fielder's choice), Walls (walk), Daniels (error), and Koen Burgess (RBI fielder's choice).

Morris Tournament
First Round
Morris 7, McAlester JV 5
McAlester - 1 - 2 - 0 - 0 - 2 - 0 - 0 - 5 - 5 - 2
Morris - 2 - 2 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 3 - x - 7 - 11 - 4
WP: Ty Long
LP: Lesnau
HR: None

Semifinals
Tulsa Edison 4, Morris 2
Edison - 1 - 1 - 0 - 1 - 1 - 0 - 0 - 4 - 5 - 0
Morris - 0 - 0 - 0 - 2 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 2 - 6 - 3
WP: Turnbull
LP: Garrett Uva
HR: Tulsa Edison: Hutchings

Third Place
Morris 9, Kiefer 3
Kiefer - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 0 - 3 - 0 - 3 - 1 - 2
Morris - 3 - 2 - 1 - 1 - 0 - 2 - x - 9 - 13 - 2
WP: Kaynen Powell
LP: Bevan
HR: None



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Morris' Trey Daniels sends a pitch down the third-base line during an at-bat in last Thursday's opening-round battle with the McAlester JV last Thursday at the Morris Eagle Baseball Tournament in Morris.

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McIntosh Tumblers claim state titles

MELISSA HEMINOVER
STAFF WRITER

Henryetta's own McIntosh Tumbling hosted Oklahoma's USTA State Championship this past Saturday at the Henryetta High School Gym. McIntosh Tumbling Head Coach Katie Thompson, along with assistant coaches Josh Thompson, Chuck Pauley, Andrea Guynes and Alexis Thompson, coached the team to 22 State Championship nods in addition to seven second place or runner-up medals. Competing with McIntosh Tumbling at this year's State Meet was Edmond's Twist and Shout and Powerhouse Tumbling from Weatherford.

The team now has their eyes set on the AAU Junior Olympics to be held in Houston, Texas.

"Most of our athletes have been tumbling with us for the past four or five years," Head Coach Katie Thompson said. "They started at the beginning and are now at an advanced level."

Coach Thomson says there are some new team members that have joined them this year. "We are looking forward to having many more seasons with them."

McIntosh Tumblers is currently looking for athletes to join their team for next season and encourages anyone to stop by one of their practices to see what they are all about.



COURTESY PHOTOS

The USTA Senior Scholarship recipient is McIntosh Tumbler Kaden Hayes of Shawnee. Kaden competes at the highest level, Elite, in Double Mini as well as Trampoline. Kaden is a senior with Epic and a member of the USTA Elite Athletes as well as the USTA All-Star Team. "Kaden is a great kid and has pushed himself to achieve a lot," McIntosh Tumbling Head Coach Katie Thompson said. Pictured with Kaden is his grandfather, Chuck Pauley, who was recently added to the coaching staff for McIntosh Tumbling. Coach Pauley has logged more than 40 years of coaching in the Shawnee area.



Memphis Black received the Advanced Athlete Award at Saturday's USTA State Championship. Memphis tumbled his way to State Champion on floor, double mini and trampoline in his division and was also named the Overall Level Champion on Advanced Trampoline.



McIntosh Tumbling Head Coach Katie Thompson pictured with Raynee Howell and Memphis Black with the Team Banner for Overall Team in Advanced Double Mini.



McIntosh Tumbler Lexi Parish received the Overall Level State Champion in Intermediate Double Mini at the USTA State Championship held in Henryetta this past Saturday.



McIntosh Tumbler Lucas Thompson was named the Oklahoma Athlete of the Year for Double Mini, pictured left, and McIntosh Tumbler Raynee Howell, pictured right, Oklahoma Athlete of the Year for Trampoline. Both received their awards at the USTA State Championship held Saturday at the Henryetta High School Gym.



McIntosh Tumbling Head Coach Katie Thompson pictured with McIntosh Tumblers after winning the Team Banner for Overall Team in Sub-Advanced Trampoline.



The Overall USTA State Champion for Sub-Advanced Trampoline is Raynee Howell with McIntosh Tumbling.



USTA Overall State Champion in Sub-Advanced Double Mini is McIntosh Tumbler Veronica Ramsey.



McIntosh Tumbling Head Coach Katie Thompson pictured with Kaden Hayes with the Team Banner for Overall Team in Elite Double Mini.



McIntosh Tumbling Head Coach Katie Thompson pictured with McIntosh Tumblers after winning the Team Banner for Overall Team in Intermediate Double Mini.



McIntosh Tumbling Head Coach Katie Thompson pictured with McIntosh Tumblers after winning the Team Banner for Overall Team in Sub-Advanced Double Mini.



McIntosh Tumblers Memphis Black, Raynee Howell, Jordyn Hollis, Veronica Ramsey and Lanie Guynes pause for a photo during Saturday's USTA State Championship competition held at the Henryetta High School Gym.



McIntosh Tumbling Head Coach Katie Thompson pictured with Kaden Hayes with the Team Banner for Overall Team in Elite Trampoline.

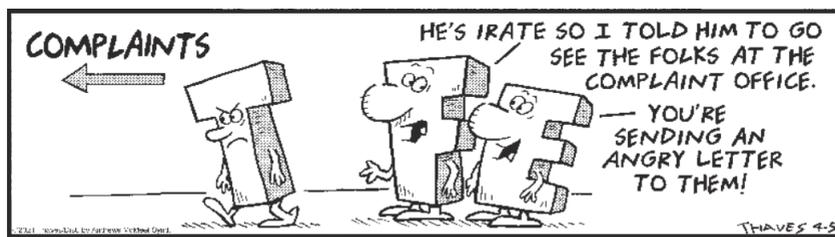


McIntosh Tumbling Head Coach Katie Thompson pictured with Memphis Black with the Team Banner for Overall Team in Advanced Trampoline.

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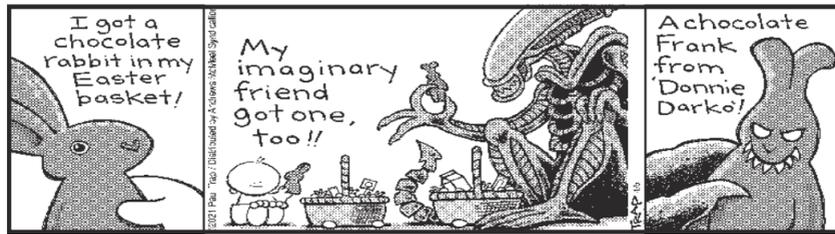
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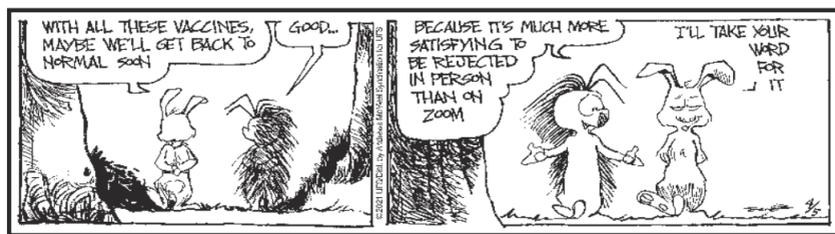
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ASTROGRAPH

Use your imagination to figure out a way to make the most out of any situation you face this year. The deeper you dig, the more you will discover that will help you get ahead. Get ready to let go of the past and head into the future with optimism.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Pace yourself, and you will accomplish all you set out to do. Gravitate toward people who are willing to give back as much as they take. Strive for equality in all things.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Extravagant behavior will hold you back. Moderation mixed with discipline and hard work will be your ticket to success. Walk away from temptation, and remain focused on your long-term objective.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
Work quietly on your own until you are satisfied with the results. Presenting a well-prepared plan will encourage interest, assistance and success. Don't lose sight of your goals.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
You can reach out and get help, or you can figure it out yourself. The latter will be significantly more satisfying and the rewards yours to enjoy. Don't listen to someone enticing you to indulge.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Let your charm, leadership ability and skills help you build your future. You can advance if you keep your emotions out of the equation and put your intelligence to work for you. Romance is encouraged.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Information you gather will change the way you do things. A chance to try something new will push you in a new direction. Stay calm, regardless of what others do or say.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
Put your time and effort into personal growth, fitness and expanding your skills and talents. Use charm to bypass anyone who tries to stand in your way or take control. Learn as you go.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)
A change of plans will upset you. Begin your journey and continue down the path that beckons you, regardless of what others decide to do. Someone you least expect will have your back.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)
Reach out to like-minded individuals and start making plans that encourage safe socializing, fitness and self-improvement. Jealousy and possessiveness are apparent. Don't let anyone interfere.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Stick close to home. Set up a place where you can relax and develop something you want to pursue. Distance yourself from those who don't play by the rules or use inappropriate measures to dominate your time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)
Take a deep breath and put things in perspective. Spend more time on self-improvement and less worrying about what others think. Choose peace and love over discord.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)
Consider what you enjoy doing and find a way to incorporate it into your everyday routine. Refuse to let anyone persuade you into doing something you find taxing and unrewarding.

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

5	9	7	1	6	8	3	4	2
8	1	4	9	2	3	7	5	6
2	6	3	7	5	4	9	1	8
7	5	8	2	4	6	1	3	9
9	2	1	8	3	7	4	6	5
4	3	6	5	1	9	8	2	7
3	4	9	6	8	5	2	7	1
6	8	2	3	7	1	5	9	4
1	7	5	4	9	2	6	8	3

HOW TO PLAY: Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

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ACROSS

- Small barrel
- Hack
- Wet thoroughly
- Ms. Rand
- Type of reef
- Keats opus
- Pastoral spot
- Excel
- Oxford tutor
- River mouth
- Get on the bus
- Denver clock setting
- Pro vote
- Cope with change
- Lively
- "Porgy and —"
- Roomy vehicle
- Mouths, in zoology
- Fergie's daughter
- Annapolis grad
- Containers

DOWN

- Cabbage cousin
- Watches carefully
- Tiny insect
- Game area
- Soothe
- Twist violently
- Model, to begin with
- Kind of coat
- Lockable
- Acknowledged
- I, to Nero
- Shortstop's slip
- Gun owner's org.
- Goalie's protection
- Like a chimney
- Berlin article
- Ms. Lupino
- Grand Teton st.
- Reaction to a mouse
- Bohemian
- Wretched
- Carbonated water
- Smell
- Remain undecided
- Beach location
- Earring sites
- Refs' cousins
- Nose bag bit
- Sudden urges
- Mr. Eban
- dish pie
- PDQ
- Big name in Western novels
- Pate de — gras
- Decorative vases
- Keep on going
- Goose-down garment
- Wheat husk
- Make do with
- Helpers
- Worn out
- Scrapbook item
- Military cap
- Mild rejoinder
- Luke Skywalker's guru
- Actor — Donahue
- Toddler's perch
- Ontario neighbor
- Wet and chilly
- Ply an oar

Answer to Previous Puzzle

BEA	BRAD	FIX
ALL	OBIE	HUGE
LIE	WIMBLE	DON
MACAW	TUNDRA	
	MOW	SSN
TAI	WAN	HABIT
GIG	SIAM	SICS
PLUS	FRAT	TOP
SLATE	CAREEN	
	ROT	MER
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by Luis Campos
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KZBGZHLK XYGLB IFK VRX NWL DRBN
MIXN WICL ICRZKLNWLD."
— UGRXZB GLIUWDF
Previous Solution: "Dawn and resurrection are synonymous. The reappearance of the light is the same as the survival of the soul." — Victor Hugo
TODAY'S CLUE: J Spnbn W
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 Prepared by: OBA# 3746
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OKMULGEE COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA
 Steven G. Mauldin and Lavonna S. Mauldin,
 Plaintiffs,
 -vs-
 USA Products, Inc.,
 if in existence, and if not, its Unknown Successors In Interest,
 Defendant.
 No. CV-21-35

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA
 TO:
 USA Products, Inc., if in existence, and if not, its unknown successors in interest.
 Take notice that you, and each of you, have been sued in the above-styled and numbered cause by the plaintiffs who bring suit for the purpose of quieting plaintiffs' title to the surface rights in and to the following described land:

The W/2 of the NW/4 of the NW/4, and the West 88.91 feet of the E/2 of the NW/4 of the NW/4, all in Section 8, Township 15 North, Range 12 East of the Indian Meridian, Okmulgee County, Oklahoma, LESS the following: A strip, piece or parcel of land lying in the NW/4 NW/4 of said Section 8, said parcel of land described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said NW/4 NW/4, thence N01°20'56"W along the West line of said NW/4 NW/4 a distance of 1322.44 feet to the Northwest Corner of said NW/4 NW/4, thence N89°14'33"E along the North line of said NW/4 NW/4 a distance of 160.01 feet; thence

S01°20'56"E a distance of 24.75 feet, thence S17°45'43"W a distance of 167.99 feet; thence S01°20'56"E a distance 700.00 feet; thence S02°46'51"E a distance of 400.12 feet; thence S01°20'56"E a distance of 38.51 feet to a point on the South line of said. NW/4 NW/4; thence S89°15'56"W along said South line a distance of 115.01 feet to the point of beginning, and for removing as clouds upon the title of the plaintiffs the claims of said defendant; and that you must answer the petition filed herein on or before May 13, 2021, or said petition will be taken as true and judgment will be rendered for plaintiffs and against said defendants, quieting plaintiffs' title to said land, and removing the clouds upon plaintiffs' title in and to said land and perpetually barring the claims of said defendant.

WITNESS My hand and seal of said Court this 26th day of March, 2021.

Charly Criner, Court Clerk of Okmulgee County, Oklahoma
 By /s/ Julie Cleland
 Deputy Court Clerk
 Loeffler, Allen & Ham
 Keith Ham, OBA# 3746
 Attorneys For Plaintiffs
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Arborstone Storage at 720 W. 9th St., Okmulgee, OK 74447 will auction the contents of these units on Thursday, May 6th, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.; in accordance with Section 191-200, title 42 of Oklahoma Statutes. Units contain household and personal goods unless otherwise indicated. The following Unit's contents will be auctioned:
 Unit, Name, Address
 38 Abbie/Lloyd Lane
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR OKMULGEE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BERNADINE JENKINS,
 Deceased.

CASE NO.: PB-2018-17
 Judge Cynthia D. Pickering
ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING ON ORDER APPOINTING SUBSTITUTE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Now, on this the 7th day of April, 2021, CLENTON JENKINS III petitioned this Court for the appointment as Substitute Personal Representative of the Estate of BERNADINE JENKINS, deceased, and prayed that the heirs of said Decedent be determined by the Court, and that Letters Testamentary be issued to CLENTON JENKINS III.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that said Motion and Order to Substitute Personal Representative be and hereby is set for hearing on the 18th day of May, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., in the Courtroom of the undersigned Judge, Okmulgee County, State of Oklahoma.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PARTIES that this matter has been ordered set down for Hearing to be held on the 18th day of May, 2021, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. All parties are directed to appear at the aforesaid date and time for hearing and show cause, if any they have, why CLENTON JENKINS III should not be appointed Personal Representative, heirs be determined, and Letters Testamentary be issued to CLENTON JENKINS III.

Your Failure to Appear may result in the relief requested by the Petitioner being granted. IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ Cynthia D. Pickering
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

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DISTRICT COURT OF OKMULGEE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA PROBATE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE GUARDIANSHIP OF

CARMEN FLEMING, an Incapacitated Person.
 Case No. PG-2020-52

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY AT PRIVATE SALE

Notice is hereby given that, and pursuant to an Order of the District Court of the County of Okmulgee, State of Oklahoma, made on March 26, 2021 in the matter of the guardianship of Carmen Fleming, an incapacitated person, Yvette Anaya, the Guardian of the estate of the said Carmen Fleming will sell at private sale to the highest bidder for cash, subject to confirmation of said Court, on or after the 30th day of April, 2021 at 12:30 P.M. all of the right, title, interest and estate of the said Carmen Fleming, and all right, title and interest that the said Carmen Fleming has by operation of law or otherwise acquired in and to the surface only of the following described real property located in Okmulgee County, State of Oklahoma, to-wit:

The Surface Only of A tract of Land in Section 27, T13N-R13E, described as beginning at the NE Corner of the NE/4 of the NE/4; thence South 921.72' to the point of beginning; thence South 395.67'; thence West 621.97'; thence North 395.67'; thence East 621.92' to the point of beginning.

Bids must be in writing and must be delivered to the office of Hugh M. Robinson, 114 North Grand, Suite 200, Okmulgee, Oklahoma, 74447.

Dated 8th day of April, 2021.
 /s/ Hugh Robinson
HUGH M. ROBINSON, OBA NO. 12188
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 Attorney for Guardian

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OKMULGEE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA
JOHN T. WHITE, a married person;
 Plaintiff,

vs.
SARAH ELIZABETH WHITE; JOHN DOE, SPOUSE OF SARAH ELIZABETH WHITE, if any; all if living, and if deceased, their unknown successors;
 Defendants.
 Case No.: CV-21-40

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA
TO:
 SARAH ELIZABETH WHITE; JOHN DOE, SPOUSE OF SARAH ELIZABETH WHITE, if any; all if living, and if deceased, their unknown successors

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GREETINGS:

Said Defendants are hereby notified that they have been sued by Plaintiff in the above cause in the District Court of Okmulgee County, Oklahoma, entitled John T. White, a married person v. Sarah Elizabeth White, et al, Defendants; and that they must answer the Petition therein on or before the 3rd day of June, 2021, or the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true and a judgment forever barring the Defendants from asserting any interest in or to the subject real property and decree quieting Plaintiff's title to the described real property will be entered. The real property which is the subject of this lawsuit is described as follows, to-wit:

Tract 30 in Oakwood Country Estates Addition, an Addition to Okmulgee County, State of Oklahoma, a subdivision of a part of the NW/4 and SW/4 of Section 26, Township 16 North, Range 13 East.

DATED April 6th, 2021.
COURT CLERK OF OKMULGEE COUNTY
 By: /s/Desirie Underwood
 Deputy Clerk

Marcus N. Ratcliff, OBA No. 19201
 Troy J. McPherson, OBA No. 32071
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 918-970-2002 (fax)
 Attorneys for the Plaintiff

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OKMULGEE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA
FOURSIGHT CAPITAL LLC
 Plaintiff,

vs.
JAMES LACQUEMENT
 Defendant
 No. CJ-2020-143

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
 James Lacquement you are hereby notified that you have been sued by FOURSIGHT CAPITAL LLC and you must answer plaintiff's petition on or before the 4th day of June, 2021 or a money judgment in the amount of \$19,562.32 plus interest will be rendered accordingly.
 Dated this day 4-1-21
 By: /s/ Lacey Dixon
DEPUTY COURT CLERK FOR OKMULGEE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT CLERK

APPROVED BY:
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THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR OKMULGEE COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA
ELDON DAY,
 Plaintiff,

-vs-
 The following named persons, if living or if he/she/they may be deceased, the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees or assigns, immediate and remote, if any, of each such deceased persons, to-wit: PAUL CONLEY and ANNA M. CONLEY; et al

Defendants.
 Case No. CV-2021-26
SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION NOTICE
 THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA
 TO:

The following named persons, if living or if he/she/they may be deceased, the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees or assigns, immediate and remote, if any, of each such deceased persons, to-wit: PAUL CONLEY and ANNA M. CONLEY.

GREETINGS:

Take notice that you and each of you have been sued in the District Court of Okmulgee County, Oklahoma, in the above entitled and numbered cause by the plaintiff, and that you must answer the petition filed by Plaintiff in the office of the undersigned Court Clerk on or before the 20th day of May, 2021, or judgment against you and a decree quieting Plaintiff's title in and to the following described property and premises situated in Okmulgee County, Oklahoma, to-wit: Lots Twelve (12), Thirteen (13), Fourteen (14) and Fifteen (15), Block Twenty four (24) in the Original Town of Morris; and judicially determining his possession and ownership of said real property, all as set forth in the petition, will be rendered accordingly.
 Dated this 31st day of March, 2021.

CHARLY CRINER
 By: /s/ Julia Cleland, Deputy
LUKE GAITHER
 Attorney for Plaintiff
 Henryetta, OK

Henryetta Public Schools

Position Opening

High School Varsity Girls Basketball Coach for the 2021-22 school years

Applications / interviews are being accepted for the position listed above. Contact Kelly Furer, High School Principal, or Justin Been, Athletic Director, for information and to apply; call 918-652-6523. The job will remain open until a suitable applicant is found. Henryetta Public Schools is an E.O.E.

United Community Action Program

is accepting applications for an Early Head Start Teacher for Okmulgee Early Head Start.

Desired qualifications: CDA in Infant/Toddler, BA, AA degree in Early Childhood or Child Dev., experience working with children a plus. A year around program offering health and retirement benefits. **UCAP is also seeking a Teacher's Assistant for Okmulgee Head Start.** Desired qualifications: CDA in preschool, having experience working with young children is a plus. This is a year around program offering health and retirement benefits. Applications are available at Okmulgee Head Start 4300 N. Wood Drive, Okmulgee or on our website at www.ucapinc.org or call 918-762-2561, ext. 147. EOE. Closing date is Monday, April 26, 2021.

J&H Spring Farm Consignment Auction

SATURDAY, APRIL 24TH 2021 AT 9AM • WARNER, OK

It's that time of year again for the spring consignment auction!

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will be accepting applications for a position at the Henryetta Cemetery.

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BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

APPLICANT: Robyn Strickland, Director Oil and Gas Conservation Division)	
RELIEF SOUGHT: An Order to Use State Funds to Plug One (1) Oil and/or Gas Well.)	CAUSE SF NO. 202100025
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Mario Well No. 2-21: SW/4 NE/4 SE/4, Section 21, T15N, R12E, Okmulgee County, Oklahoma)	ITN 20-40546

NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF OKLAHOMA: To all persons having an interest in the above-described relief.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Application to plug the above described Mario Well No. 2-21 in Okmulgee County, Oklahoma has been filed and will be heard by an Administrative Law Judge at the Corporation Commission, First Floor, Jim Thorpe Building, 2101 N. Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73105, at 8:30 a.m. on the 16th day of June, 2021. Interested persons may appear in person or by telephone. For information, contact Tracy A. Case, OKLAHOMA CORPORATION COMMISSION, 2101 N. Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105, (405) 521-4258, tracy.case@occ.ok.gov.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, access to the Jim Thorpe Building is restricted, and the Oklahoma Corporation Commission is allowing limited in-person participation in hearings in certain cases. To determine whether in-person participation will be allowed, or if this hearing will be conducted virtually by phone or by video-conference through the use of Scopio, please contact the attorney listed above by e-mail. If the hearing is conducted via Scopio, more information may be found at http://occeweb.com/ap/For_Attorneys_UsingScopio.pdf. To join a Scopio hearing by telephone, you will dial 888.238.5279 and use the following Meeting ID: 96914055212222.

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