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Housing developments address shortage in Jay

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Two housing developments are under construction to address the critical housing shortage in Jay and some units will be ready to move into by summer.

One is at 4th and Monroe across from the city park and the other is at the north intersection of highway 59 and 20, just south of McDonald's.

Mike Maxwell of Jay is building the rentals at 4th and Monroe, and making them very energy efficient with 2 foot by 6 foot walls and extra insulation, with high quality interiors at an affordable monthly rent.

The outside maintenance will be included in the monthly rental price and each resident will have their own parking space right



Two bedroom rentals for 55 and over being constructed at Highway 59 and 20 in north Jay.

outside their door.

The kitchen will sport granite counter tops, with a dishwasher, stove and refrigerator provided, with one bedroom and

bath.

He said the location is very favorable,

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Jay plans clean up days

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The City of Jay has set April 24-28 as its clean up days.

Residents are asked to have their refuse set out on April 23 for pickup as the crew will only pass through an area one time and no repeat passes will be made.

All items are to be set up alongside the street in the city right-of-way.

"You must have your stuff set out before they get there, they will not wait and will not go back. Have your things out by April 24," according to the city website.

Items allowed are furniture, appliances, yard debris and building waste. Leaves, grass and clippings must be on bags.

Items not allowed are household garbage, shingles, batteries, motor oil, oil-based paint, varnish, paint thinners, tires, etc.

Every resident will be allowed one dump truck load at no charge, then their utility bill will be charged \$175 per load after that limit.

Museum fundraiser deemed a success

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The Jay Historical Society held a pulled pork sandwich dinner fundraiser for Jay's Marilee Wallace Museum, Thursday, April

13. The funds raised went toward continuing the expansion and upgrade of the museum kitchen.

The kitchen is heavily used by the Jay Chamber of Commerce and other groups during meetings and community events such as the

Huckleberry Festival and Cruise Night.

The fundraiser sold 184 pulled pork dinners at \$7 each, with some dinners consumed at the museum and many orders phoned in and delivered by volunteers.

Continuing plans are to

purchase a commercial size dishwasher and sink, new cabinets, move some interior walls, new flooring, add electrical outlets and move the bathroom so it is more easily accessed.

Already, an expanded serving area, new counters with multiple outlets, new cabinets and a new floor have been installed in the serving area.

Chamber President Dustin Holland appreciated all the community support: "Your continued support is greatly appreciated, and we will keep working on our improvements to the museum."

He was appreciative of the volunteers who helped, "Thank you, Mike, Kerri, Zeld, Patti, Anita, John and Lori for all your hard work serving the food. Thank you, Rhonda, Wanda, and Harps, for your donations."



Volunteers prepare meals to be delivered and take orders over the phone for the Marilee Wallace Museum pulled pork sandwich dinner on April 13.



CIVIL WAR RE-ENACTMENT THIS WEEKEND AT HAR-BER VILLAGE

Har-Ber Village will host a Civil War Historical Era Days program this weekend from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. from Friday to Sunday.



Har-Ber Village will be covered in canvas tents as Civil War re-enactors fill the streets with educational demonstrations and battle reenactments.

Shots will be fired in Har-Ber Village next weekend as a Civil War re-enactment program fills the streets with soldiers and onlookers. The three-day event which begins on Friday, April 21 through Sunday, April 23 will provide entertainment, living history, education and shopping from

9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Friday is the day many home-school students attend.

Re-enactors will fill the Village with canvas tents. The dedicated re-enactors come from many areas including Oklahoma City, Tulsa, as well as St. Louis. They cook over open fires and wear period clothes

including many dresses and uniforms sewed by hand.

"We try to be authentic," said one of the re-enactors with Hart's Battery out of Oklahoma City. The hobbyists, many of whom meet nearly weekly at various events, blast away at each other with antique rifles. It is an expensive hobby. The

antique rifles can cost up to \$1,000.

Stores sell uniforms and ladies dresses as well as souvenirs. There will be lessons on everything from broom making, blacksmithing and printing in their many themed buildings.

The event is an annual event, according to Har-Ber



Dedicated re-enactors will travel to Grove this weekend to provide entertainment and living history demonstrations.

Village Director Nicole Reynolds.

The shows include an attempt by both sides to capture the Village as well as the taking of hostages. In addition, the artillery battery from Oklahoma City will provide cannon fire.

The dedicated hobbyists

travel throughout the country to re-enactments which were severely cut back last year.

"We pay homage to the fighting men," said one of the re-enactors. "It is not about a social cause; it is about how men struggled to fight despite lack of supplies and support."

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Photo courtesy Cherokee Phoenix

Total mayhem is about to happen as giggers prepare to launch as the flare fires to signal the 9 p.m. start of the giggering tournament at Lake Eucha.

GIGGERING GATHER FOR ANNUAL LAKE EUCHA TOURNAMENT

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The 51st annual National Green Country Giggering (NGCGA) Tournament was held at Lake Eucha on April 14-15.

Hundreds of giggers were present each night to compete, the youth competed on Friday in the National Green Country Youth Giggering Tournament and adults in the National Giggering Tournament on Saturday night with thousands more there to observe the wild shotguns starts each night.

The boats are flat bottom boats with a maximum of a 15 horsepower motor, fitted out with very bright LED spot lights on the front aimed down into the water.

Giggers have a multi-pronged spear mounted on a very long handle (shorter ones for the youth) used to spear fish in the water.

The starting flare launches the giggers at 9 p.m. and they have two hours to gig until they bring in their catch for weighing.

Points are given to determine the

winners: five points per pound for Red Horse, four points per pound for suckers, three points per pound for white bass, and one point per pound for carp, perch and flathead.

The giggering tournament was originally the idea of John Ward and Matt Mathews who were giggering on Spavinaw Creek near the low water bridge outside of Jay in 1972.

During the evening, they had caught enough fish to eat and were sitting around eating their bounty, enjoying some Old Charter whiskey, when they came up with the idea of a giggering tournament, like the bass fishermen had.

They thought April would be the best time for a tournament, since fish would be the most plentiful, and planned it as a moveable weekend date in order to avoid Easter and the full moon.

Approval was granted from the game warden, then Tulsa had to approve the tournament, since Lake Eucha was owned by the City of Tulsa.

The first year they had 47 teams arrive to compete, and it has grown

since, now it is so popular, it isn't uncommon for families to set up their campsites two weeks in advance of the tournaments.

NGCGA board member and Cherokee Nation citizen Clifton Hughes has commented that the tournament brings in between 5,000 and 8,000 people during the weekend and that more than two-thirds of the competitors have Native American heritage.

Not commonly known, is the tournament can be taken away at any time if the site is not properly maintained, so the giggers are responsible for cleaning the site every year.

Their board has worked with the state legislature to legalize giggering all year in Delaware and Mayes counties, due mainly to the large percentage of Cherokee and Native Americans who rely on giggering to help feed their families.

Every year a fish fry had been held for the public after the first day of giggering, this year a pulled pork dinner was offered to the public.

Delaware County court reports

Divorces

Samantha Renne Sizemore v. Ryan Lee Estep
Kayla Jo Hargis v. Donald E. Hargis
Barbara Jo Mundy v. Timothy Jacob Mundy
Brian Ray Randol v. Regina Lee Randol
Ashley Justin Tomlinson v. Pamela Jaye Tomlinson

Protective orders

Bruce Edward Desoto v. Joshua James Henning
Bobby Ann Henning v. Joshua James Henning
Nicole Kalynn Serage v. Shelby Nicole McDonald
Shelby-Nicol Marie McDonald v. Brian Scott Serage
Shelby-Nicole Marie McDonald v. Nicole Kalynn Serage

Misdemeanors

State of Oklahoma v. Kelli Lovina Barnes for causing aiding, abetting a minor to be deprived
State of Oklahoma v. Janie L. Clark
State of Oklahoma v. Krystal Marie Collins
State of Oklahoma v. Brandy Kindle for causing aiding, abetting a minor to be deprived
State of Oklahoma v. Joshua Roberson for unauthorized use of credit card
State of Oklahoma v. Stephanie Williams for causing aiding, abetting a minor to be deprived
State of Oklahoma v. King Xiong for causing aiding, abetting a minor to be deprived

Felonies

State of Oklahoma v. Jennifer Lynn Dauzat for driving under the influence of alcohol
State of Oklahoma v. Christopher Don Fields for felony value-false pret/bogus check/con game
State of Oklahoma v. Janet Lynn Hawthorne for embezzlement
State of Oklahoma v. Samuel L. Huddleston for unauthorized use of a vehicle
State of Oklahoma v. Michael Jacob Lane for kidnapping
State of Oklahoma v. Corinna Ann Wagner for endangering others while eluding/attempting to elude
State of Oklahoma v. Wesley Bryan Yoakum for grand larceny

Delco commissioners hear concerns regarding road closure request

A subdivision on Horse Creek that was platted in the 1940s called Indian Hills Camp Subdivision which was never developed now is raising concerns of neighbors.

The land is north of east of Bernice across the Horse Creek Cove from Carriage Hills. There are very few roads to the property and most access the land by East 249 Road which is in Commission District 1. There are several gullies which make access to the property difficult.

One landowner is attempting to have a platted road, but one that has never been developed, vacated. The platted roadway divides the property owned by Mark and Janice Tuttle. However, a couple who recently purchased property to the east of the Tuttle's property is attempting to block the action.

John Ordelheide addressed Delaware County commissioners during their meeting stating, "Vacating this road would harm myself and at least 15 other lot owners... Vacating the road would harm us by removing any viable access to our lots... of the Indian Hills Camp Subdivision."

The commissioners forwarded the petition to vacate the roadway to the district attorney's office and a hearing is expected to be held by the group on May 23.

In other action, the commissioners approved a bid for painting the interior walls on the three floors of the courthouse from Brookside Construction in the amount of \$52,580.

They also agreed to seek sealed bids for annual extermination services for county property until April 21. Bids will be opened at the April 25 meeting. Also, the commissioners will advertise for annual janitorial service for the county which also are due by April 21 and will be opened April 25.

Commissioners appointed Brooke Downing as the OSU Extension requisition officer and Penny Meridith and Chee Xiong-Pha as receiving and inventory officers for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Commissioners also received and filed a certificate of liability insurance for officers of the Tiff City Volunteer Fire Department.

Kenwood athletes heading to state

Nine athletes from Kenwood School

have qualified for the Oklahoma Rural Elementary Schools state track meet at Rock Creek on Saturday, April 22.

Qualifiers include Aliza Nofire, Kamilla Smoke, Tatum Stopp, Izzy Sanders in the girls' competition and Josh Nichols, Duece Panther, Crayton Sapp, Brennon Dry and Lakota Cochran in boys' events. Nofire, Smoke, Stopp

and Sanders qualified in the girls' 4x400-meter relay.

The boys are entering three relays: Nichols, Panther, Dry and Cochran in the 4x100- and 4x200-meter relays and Nichols, Panther, Sapp and Cochran in the 4x400 relay.

Panther has earned a spot in the 300-meter hurdles while Sapp will be in the discus competition.

Dain Pippin is their coach.



Athletes from Kenwood School that have qualified for the Oklahoma Rural Elementary Schools state track meet at Rock Creek on Saturday include (at front, from left) Aliza Nofire, Kamilla Smoke, Tatum Stopp, Izzy Sanders; (back row) Josh Nichols, Duece Panther, Crayton Sapp, Brennon Dryand Lakota Cochran.

JAY MAN GETS THREE LIFE SENTENCES

A Jay man convicted of sexually abusing three toddlers was sentenced to three life sentences.

Bruce Allen Bandy, Jr., 43, was convicted in February of three counts of child sexual abuse.

During sentencing District Judge Jennifer McAffrey address Bandy saying, "I don't anticipate you will see the light of day."

The three life sentences are to run consecutively.

During Bandy's trial, testimony showed Bandy stopped sexually abusing the toddler when the toddler learned to speak.

Brianna Brakefield, Bandy's attorney, said Bandy had issues with the presentence investigation report recommendation because he had not been allowed to fully participate in or present information to the investigator

preparing the report.

McAffrey read the report's summary which stated Bandy had "multiple victims over several years" and "showed no remorse for his actions" and "probation was not recommended."

In a related matter, Bandy's girlfriend Shelley Delcour-Douthit, 42, of Fairland, is charged in Ottawa County District Court in Miami with two counts of possessing juvenile pornography. She testified in Bandy's trial that she saw him sexually abusing a toddler, who was under the age of two during a video call and was physically present when he sexually assaulted a child in a motel room.

Delcour-Douthit is expected to appear in court later this month on a felony disposition docket where a trial or plea date will be set.

Jay senior menu

Monday, April 24 — Chicken fried rice
Tuesday, April 25 — Hamburger steak
Wednesday, April 26 — Chicken & dressing casserole (\$2 bingo with meal, bingo starts at 12:45 p.m.)
Thursday, April 27 — Fish fry
Friday, April 28 — Italian chicken & noodles
Fresh salad and dessert served daily.
Everyone us welcome to come and eat with us.
Serving hours are 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
If you can't come in and eat, call 918-253-8405 between 9 and 10:30 a.m. for home delivery within the Jay city limits for \$5.
Dine in: 55 and older, \$4, 54 and under, \$4.50, kids 10 and under, \$2.
The menu is subject to change.
If Jay Schools are closed due to bad weather, the Jay Senior Center also will be closed.

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Housing

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New apartments are being completed at 4th and Monroe in Jay.

right across the street from the park and swimming pool, a couple of blocks from the school and easily accessible to all parts of Jay.

Onie and David Irvine of Grove are building the housing development at Highway 59 and 20, designed for the 55 and over clientele.

“Seniors deserve a safe and affordable place to live, and Jay is such a place,” Onie Irvine said.

Their units will be very energy efficient and will have solar panels with battery storage for each of the 30 planned units, two bedrooms and a walk-in shower or tub in the bathroom.

Every unit will have a pad for a vehicle and the streets will be

paved.

Five units are nearing completion, with some additional pads already poured, but more units will await construction until the first streets are paved, and first residents have a safe entrance into the development.

There will be a small clubhouse for residents in which to meet, play cards or just meet with friends.

The grounds will be maintained by the developers and the utilities will be covered in the targeted monthly rent at \$750-\$800.

Both developers saw a need to be met in specific demographics and aimed to meet those needs, all in helping Jay provide badly needed housing.

Delco K9 snapshots



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Last week's sudoku

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

Sudoku uses pure logic and requires no math to solve. It is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers.

The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

CRYPTOQUIP

Q E N B P U Z N Q L W Q L G J E
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Q T F P R R Q Z B J F I G X P N
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Last Week's Cryptoquip: HIT MOVIE ABOUT A HINDU RELIGIOUS SAGE WHO IS LOVED BY EVERYONE HE MEETS: "SWAMI DEAREST."

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: R equals S

C R O S S W O R D

Across

- 1) God-America link
- 6) Worthy of the booby prize
- 11) Play section
- 14) Dressing type
- 15) Opposite of persona
- 16) Hee's go-with
- 17) How nags make commands
- 19) Archaic "before"
- 20) Strings for a lei person
- 21) Organ with a drum
- 22) What cake candles signify
- 23) Trash
- 27) Checked for fit
- 29) Early afternoon hour
- 30) And others, for short
- 32) Utah's lily
- 33) Burning evidence
- 34) Sharply accelerate
- 36) Tips, as one's hat
- 39) Hood's Marian, for one
- 41) Prevent from progressing
- 43) Octagonal sign
- 44) Assembly of church leaders
- 46) Less antiquated
- 48) Rage
- 49) Wee amount of liquid
- 51) Construction locale
- 52) Multiple guys
- 53) Decides not to quit
- 56) Least cluttered
- 58) That gentleman
- 59) Antelope preyed on by crocodiles
- 60) A Bobbsey sister
- 61) Org. for some court figures
- 62) Viewed suspiciously
- 68) Prefix with "solve" or "respect"
- 69) Certain Greek letter
- 70) Josh or rib

Down

- 71) Beast of burden
- 72) Prepare to start a football game
- 73) Real suckers use it
- 1) One who hasn't turned pro?
- 1) Sis's relative
- 2) Brit's bathroom
- 3) Shreveport-to-Tupelo dir.

Across

- 4) Cancel, as a mission
- 5) Less stable
- 6) Roll of bills
- 7) The avant-garde's Yoko
- 8) Beam fastener
- 9) Badmouths
- 10) Left slowly and hesitantly
- 11) When to make a reservation
- 12) Shipks goods
- 13) 12-year-old, for one
- 18) Fit one inside another

Down

- 23) Goes hither and yon
- 24) Retract a statement
- 25) Where one's true identity may be hidden
- 26) Place of sanctuary
- 28) They cause head swellings
- 31) Mandolin's cousins
- 35) Plover relative
- 37) Golf course warnings
- 38) Lightened one's wallet
- 40) Small boat
- 42) Eyeball membrane
- 45) Strong revulsion
- 47) Edits for publication
- 50) Clyde's crime partner
- 53) Criminal
- 54) It travels from one joint to another
- 55) Gently elbow
- 57) Coastal passage
- 63) Tall, flightless bird
- 64) Urban music genre
- 65) Rower's blade
- 66) Miss with a crown
- 67) Morning droplets

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Last week's crossword

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LEGALS

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR DELAWARE
COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE CIM TRUST 2021-R1, MORTGAGE-BACKED NOTES, SERIES 2021-R1; Plaintiff,

vs.

PEGGY I. EIGHMY, et al. Defendants.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

**THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
CJ 2023-25**

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:

PEGGY I. EIGHMY, IF LIVING, AND IF DECEASED, HER HEIRS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, DEVISEES, TRUSTEES, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, AND THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS; HER SPOUSE, IF MARRIED

GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that you have been sued by Plaintiff in the above cause in the District Court of Delaware County, Oklahoma, entitled U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as indenture trustee, for the holders of the CIM Trust 2021-R1, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2021-R1, Plaintiff v. Peggy I. Eighmy, et al., Defendants, and that you must answer the Petition of said Plaintiff on or before the 12th day of June, 2023, or the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true and a judgment will be entered for the sums due under the Note and Mortgage which are the subject of said suit in the amount of \$26,565.90 with interest, attorney fees and all costs and a Decree ordering foreclosure of said Mortgage, barring your interest in the following described real property:

Lots Two Hundred Sixty-seven (267), Two Hundred Sixty-eight (268), Three Hundred One (301) and Three Hundred Two (302), CAMBRIDGE SHORES SUBDIVISION, Delaware County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof, commonly known as 32261 South 4505 Road, Afton, OK 74331 (the "Property")

DATED this 12th day of April, 2023.

**COURT CLERK OF
DELAWARE COUNTY
By: Ashlyn Andrews
Deputy Clerk**

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FRANCIS
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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
DELAWARE COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

CODY DUANE HAAG, Plaintiff,

vs.

AMANDA LEE BEWOOD, Defendant.

**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
NO. CV-22-169**

State of Oklahoma To: AMANDA LEE BREWOOD

TAKE NOTICE that you have been sued in the above named court by Plaintiff. Plaintiff had filed an Application for Registration and Modification of Foreign Judgment asking to register and modify a foreign judgment. The Plaintiff is asking the Court to award him full custody of said minor child subject to supervised visitation to you and that you be required to pay him child support according to Oklahoma law.

You must answer said Application by May 23, 2023, or said Application will be taken as true and judgment will be rendered for the Plaintiff granting him the relief he is seeking.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court this 29th day of March, 2023.

**/s/David Crutchfield
Judge of the District Court**

**/s/David A. Bailey, OBA #17269
Attorney for Plaintiff
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LEGAL NOTICE

Excavation Unlimited, LLC., 28151 S. 620 Rd., Grove, Oklahoma, 74344, has submitted a permit application to the Oklahoma Department of Mines (ODM) to mine gravel through the surface mining method on portions of the following parcels of land:

Property Address:
TED East 380 Road, Jay, OK 74346

E/2 W/2 SW/4; NW/4 SW/4 SW/4; W/2 NW/4 SW/4; SW/4 SW/4 NW/4; of Section Seventeen (17), Township Twenty-three (23) North, Range Twenty-four (24) East of the Indian Base and Meridian, Delaware County, State of Oklahoma, according to the United States Government Survey thereof. AND S/2 SE/4 NE/4 and Part of the E/2 SE/4 being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said E/2 SE/4; thence South 0° 10'01" East 1841.72 feet along the East line of said E/2 SE/4; thence South 89°40'23" West 808.33 feet; thence North 0°10'02" West 43.73 feet; thence South 89°40'23" West 511.38 feet to the West line of said E/2 SE/4; thence North 0°11'10" West 1795.75 feet to the North line of said E/2 SE/4; thence South 89°34'34" West 1320.32 feet to the Point of Beginning; Section Eighteen (18), Township Twenty-three (23) North, Range Twenty-four (24) East, Delaware County, State of Oklahoma, according to the U. S. Government Survey thereof.

The total permit area, containing 152.0 acres, is located in Jay, Oklahoma U.S.G.S. quadrangle map. The permit site is located approximately 3/4 of a mile south of the town of Jay Highway 59 on the eastern side of Highway 59.

Upon written request to the Oklahoma Department of Mines, information contained in the permit application may be inspected or copied at the Department of

Mines. Any landowner or resident of any occupied dwelling, any public entity or public agency, or any party that may be adversely affected has the right to submit comments or object to the issuance of the permit in writing. An informal conference will be provided if requested. Any objections or requests for an informal conference on this application must be in writing and received no later than fourteen (14) days after the final publication of this notice to the

OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF MINES 2915 N. Classen Blvd., Suite 213 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106

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LPXLP

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO
USE GROUNDWATER**

Bui Chau Farm LLC whose address is 14506 Catalpa Dr, Urbandale, IA 50323 has filed an application, #2022-594, with the Oklahoma Water Resources Board (Board) for a permit to use 79 acre-feet of groundwater per year. The groundwater is proposed to be used for agriculture (poultry houses) and taken from 56 acres located as follows: 7.2 acs in NE NE SE, 8.2 acs in NW NE SE, 8.2 NE NW SE, 8.2 acs in NW NW SE, 8.2 acs in NE NE SW, 2.5 acs NW NE SW, 3.5 acs SW NE SW, 10 acs in SE NE SW; all in Section 29, T22N, R25E1M, Delaware County. The water is to be withdrawn from two (2) wells located in the SE NE SW of Section 29, T22N, 25E1M, Delaware County, and used in Delaware County, Oklahoma, as more specifically described in the application, viewable at orw.ok.gov. Wells and dedicated lands are located over the Boone/Roubidoux groundwater basin. Board rules require that the well be located a distance of at least 1320 feet from existing wells or proposed well locations on lands of another unless a well location exception is granted. One such well location exception provides that the exception may be granted if no objection is received from any landowner having a well located within 1320 feet of the well requested to be authorized. Use of groundwater is governed by Sections 1020.1 and following of Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes and rules of the Board, Oklahoma Administrative Code, Title 785, Chapters 4 and 30.

Protests to the application must be in writing and received by the Board at the address listed below and by the applicant at the address listed above no later than May 22, 2023, and contain the following: (1) name, address, and telephone number of the interested person; (2) the particular application number to which the protest relates; (3) specific information to show how approval of the application proposed may directly and adversely affect legally protected interests of the person filing the protest; and (4) a statement of the relief sought by the interested person. A person who sends a letter containing only a general objection or comment will not be deemed to be a party, but the letter will be made part of the permanent record.

If a protest that meets the requirements listed in the paragraph above is filed with both the applicant and Board, a hearing on this application will be scheduled and the applicant and protestant(s) will be advised of the hearing date. Protestants or their representatives must appear at the hearing and present the protest to be considered. Hearings are governed by Section 309 of

Title 75 and Section 1020.8 of Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and the rules of Board. OAC Title 785, chapters 4 and 30. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Robinson at (405) 530-8800. Board mailing address: Oklahoma Water Resources Board, Water Rights Administration Division, 3800 N. Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73118-2881. Board fax number: (405) 530-8900.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF BONDS

In accordance with 62 O.S. 2021, § 354, notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of Independent School District Number 4 of Delaware County, Oklahoma will receive bids by; sealed bid, facsimile bid, electronic (Parity®) bid or similar secure electronic bid on the 2nd day of May, 2023, at 6:00 o'clock p.m., at the Dan Draper Community Center, Colcord Public Schools, 433 South Larmon, Colcord, Oklahoma, for the sale of \$120,000 of Building Bonds of said School District, which Bonds will mature \$60,000 annually in two (2) years from their date and \$60,000 annually each year thereafter until paid.

Said Bonds shall be sold to the bidder bidding the lowest rate of interest the Bonds shall bear and agreeing to pay par and accrued interest for the Bonds. Each bidder shall submit with his bid a sum in cash, cashier's or certified check, electronic (wire) transfer or surety bond payable to the Treasurer of the District, equal to two (2%) percent of the amount of his bid. The Board reserves the right to reject all bids.

WITNESS my official hand and seal this 13th day of April, 2023.

**/s/Donnie Craghead
Clerk, Board of Education**

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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR DELAWARE
COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARTHUR R. BLIER, Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
PB-2022-111**

All creditors having claims against Arthur R. Blier, deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the named Personal Representative, at the office of Erin Lanway, Attorney at Law, 409 S Main, Grove OK 74344, on or before the following presentment date: June 23, 2023, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 14th day of April, 2023.

**Brian Elder
Personal Representative**

**/s/Erin Lanway
OBA #5232
Attorney for Personal
Representative
PO Box 451334
Grove OK 74345-1334
(918)786-6640 Phone**

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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR DELAWARE
COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EMILY RUTH HENDERSON, Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
PB-2023-16**

All creditors having claims against Emily Ruth Henderson, deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the named Personal Representative, at the office of Erin Lanway, Attorney at Law, 409 S Main, Grove OK 74344, on or before the following presentment date: June 23, 2023, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 14th day of April, 2023.

**Ronald Jay Henderson
Personal Representative**

**/s/Erin Lanway
OBA #5232
Attorney for Personal
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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
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STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JACKIE DARRELL DAVIS, Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
PB-2023-19**

All creditors having claims against Jackie Darrell Davis, deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the named Personal Representative, at the office of Erin Lanway, Attorney at Law, 409 S Main, Grove OK 74344, on or before the following presentment date: June 23, 2023, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 14th day of April, 2023.

**James Darrell Davis
Personal Representative**

**/s/Erin Lanway
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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE DELAWARE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023, DUE TO FLOORING PROJECT PREP AND CONSTRUCTION.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

**BARBARA BARNES
DELAWARE COUNTY CLERK**

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NOTICE

PUBLIC SALE

Secure storage located at west Siloam Springs, Oklahoma will hold a public sale on Sunday, May 07th 2023 at or after 1:00pm.

The contents of the occupancy leased space will be sold to satisfy the owner/operator lien in accordance with section 191-200 title 42 of the Oklahoma statutes. Bids will be accepted and awarded on the day of the sale. Owner reserves the right to refuse any bid on the entire contents of the leased space. Terms are cash. Successful bidders must remove property on the day of the sale, unless other arrangements are made prior to sale with management. (918)422-9981.

The following units containing household and miscellaneous items shall be sold.

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- 803 Amanda Dr.
- Siloam springs, AR
- #131 – Tonya Williamson
- 48009 US HWY 59 Jay, OK
- #163- Angela Willis
- RT1 Box 1196 Watts, OK
- #353- Ryan Robrahn
- 260 E 57th Kansas, OK
- #453- Tonya Williamson
- 48009 US HWY 59 Jay, OK
- #535- Jerry and Caroline Linn
- RT 2 Box 1305 Watts, OK

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**SOLICITATION FOR BIDS
(BID NOTICE)**

Sealed bid proposals will be received by the Northeast Technology Center for construction of the NE Tech BIS Grand Lake Renovation and Addition project. This project will be located at 8705 U.S. 59, Grove, OK 74344. Sealed bids will be received and opened at the Northeast Technology Administration Office, located at 511 S Elliot St, Pryor, OK 74361, or electronically via the Building Connected website until 2:00PM on April 27th, 2023. Bids submitted on Building Connected will remain sealed until the bid deadline. Send requests for a Building Connected bid invitation to chris@ellingsoncontracting.com. Bids will be opened publicly and then taken under advisement to determine the lowest responsible bidder. The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities and accept or reject any or all bids. Complete sets of plans, specifications, and other bidding documents can be obtained at the following locations: Digital documents can be found at Dodge Construction Central www.construction.com, and BuildingConnected www.buildingconnected.com. Physical documents can be obtained at Gill Reprographics Inc, 5115 South 122nd East Ave, Suite 202B, Tulsa, OK 74716, or Southern Reprographics, 2709 SE Otis Corley Dr, Suite 5, Bentonville, AR 72712. A pre-bid meeting will be held on site at 8705 U.S. 59, Grove, OK 74344 on Tuesday, February 7th, 2023, at 10:00 AM to ensure all Bidders understand the scope of the Work.

For additional information contact Ellingson Contracting at (479)549-9055 or info@ellingsoncontracting.com.

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COLCORD MARIJUANA GROWER DELAYS COURT ACTION

The attorney for OK Sonny's Licensed Cultivator, which is suing the state for attempting to pull its license, has delayed district court action. The law firm representing the Colcord grow operation, Viridian Legal Services of Tulsa, asked for a postponement of two April hearings and the matter has now been set for May 4.

The license was granted in April 2021 to the limited liability company which lists Vinita resident Dean Hughes and Pennsylvania residents Adam Aloise and Daniel Izzo as members. In the state of Oklahoma, in order to obtain a grower's license, the corporation at least 75% ownership of the company must be by Oklahoma residents. In addition, the 75% owners must have proof of two years of residency or five continuous years of residency within the last 25 years.

A number of out-of-state growers wanted

to establish a grow operation in Oklahoma. In order to meet the state requirements, some may have formed corporations which list a resident who meets state requirements as a 75% owner, but who does not have administrative control of the company. Even though someone is the 75% owner of a corporation, they may not be a controlling "manager" of the corporation. Managers of corporations are listed in the minutes of the corporation's formation.

The Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics claims that OK Sonny's License Cultivator is set up in this manner and, therefore, is operating illegally. An agent of the OBN visited the 75% owner of OK Sonny's who is Vinita resident Dean Hughes at his home in January. The OBN agent Paul Hawk allegedly obtained a voluntary surrender of the grow license from Hughes as the 75% owner of the corporation

which does business in Colcord.

The attorney for the corporation argues Hughes did not have managing control of the corporation and, therefore, cannot surrender the license.

The company values its current operation at \$1 million. The attorney for OK Sonny's, Christine Vaughn, argues the state did not go through the state's Administrative Procedures Act (APA) to remove the license.

In a court filing in Delaware District Court, OK Sonny's attorney argues the court should prohibit the state from arguing Dean Hughes was authorized to surrender the grower's license, also prohibit the state from arguing Hughes was authorized to surrender the OBN registration, and prohibit the state from arguing Hughes was acting on behalf of the company when he signed the voluntary surrender.

CHEROKEE NATION WELCOMES PATIENT EXPERIENCE TEAM

The Cherokee Nation is welcoming its new Health Services Patient Experience Team to help Cherokee citizens better navigate the tribe's expansive health system.

Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. and Deputy Chief Bryan Warner proposed the new team last year and the Council of the Cherokee Nation approved funding for the project in November.

"Increasing access to care means also expanding access to vital information and resources concerning the health needs of our citizens," Chief Hoskin said. "This team is not only connecting patients with resources but improving the overall experience for patients seeking guidance for their health or the health of their families. I'm particularly proud of the assistance that will be provided to our at-large Cherokee citizens."

The patient experience manager, Jessica Lewandowski, and two patient experience navigators, Stephanie Osborn and Chandler Romero, are working to serve the needs of all health system patients and are focusing some initiatives on improving access to healthcare for at-large Cherokees who are living outside the reservation.

"We want Cherokee citizens to have every opportunity to ask questions and gain access to resources that positively impact their health and quality of life," Deputy Chief Warner said. "Our new Patient Experience Team is yet another addition to our health system that creates value and a unique opportunity for patients."

The Patient Experience team has already begun meeting with citizens to talk about their options for health care either inside or



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outside the tribe's health system, including during visits to at-large community gatherings with Cherokee citizens.

"I am exceptionally excited about the new

Patient Experience Team and the impact their work will have for at-large citizens in particular," said At-Large Councilor Julia Coates. "The team will be a one-

stop shop in assisting at-large citizens with making arrangements with Cherokee Nation health clinics and hospitals inside reservation boundaries, as well as providing information about tribal and other health facilities that may be available in other states."

Cherokee Nation operates the country's largest tribal healthcare system in the United States, serving 1.4 million patient visits per year across 10 healthcare facilities and W.W. Hastings Hospital.

"This is a major positive step forward in terms of healthcare services for the 300,000-plus at-large citizens that Councilwoman Dr. Julia Coates and I represent across the United States," said At-Large Councilor Johnny Kidwell. "This Patient Experience Team is yet another example of the Cherokee Nation's tireless and diligent efforts to expand benefits and resources to all Cherokee citizens, no matter where they live."

More information on Cherokee Nation Health Services and the Patient Experience team is available online at health.cherokee.org.

"I am honored to be a part of the Patient Experience Team and I look forward to implementing several new initiatives that will help enhance health care for our Cherokee people. We will work to provide the best experience possible for CNHS patients, as well as increase access to care for at-large citizens," said Jessica Lewandowski, patient experience manager.

The Patient Experience Team can be contacted at 539-234-2273 or by email at health@cherokee.org

Multiple charges dismissed

Drug and weapon charges were dismissed on Wednesday at a Grove woman's preliminary hearing.

Shanie Marie Roberts, 47, appeared in court on charges of aggravated trafficking in illegal drugs, unlawful possession of a controlled drug with intent to distribute, possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony and possession of a controlled dangerous substance without tax stamp affixed, all felonies.

At the conclusion of the hearing in Delaware County District Court in Jay, Terry Allen, Roberts' attorney, made a demurrer to evidence, arguing that the state had not met its burden of proof.

At the center of the case was a large amount of drugs police say they found in a large safe at Roberts' home.

During the examination of drug enforcement officers, Jordee Maner and Jamey Lennox, both testified that Roberts said, during the September drug bust, she didn't know the combination to the large safe.

Rowdy Roberts, Shanie Roberts' youngest son, gave the agents the safe's combination, according to preliminary hearing testimony.

At the onset of the preliminary hearing, prosecutor Misty Fields announced they were dropping the charge of unlawful possession

of a controlled drug with intent to distribute. Fields also announced she was amending the trafficking charge to include 166.95 grams of fentanyl.

Drug enforcement agents say they seized over 30 guns and pills in various colors and shapes, some in a sealed zip-lock bag.

According to the search warrant, authorities seized ammunition, fentanyl pills, 1,000 alprazolam pills (generic Xanax), multiple bags containing an unknown white powder, multiple bags containing mushrooms, digital scales, multiple glass bottles labeled alprazolam, multiple clear capsules containing an unknown substance and approximately \$1,200 from the Roberts' Grove residence.

Rusty and Rowdy Roberts are members of the Cherokee Nation tribe and were charged in Cherokee Nation Criminal Court in Tahlequah with two counts of unlawful possession of a controlled drug with intent to distribute, two counts of possession of a firearm during the commission of a crime, two counts of possession of drugs without tax stamps affixed and acquired proceeds of drug activity.

The brothers are accused of distributing fentanyl in the Grove area, according to an arrest affidavit.

They are scheduled to return to court on April 20.

We must preserve telemedicine options to fight the opioid crisis

Chuck Hoskin Jr.
Cherokee Nation Principal Chief

One of my most urgent priorities as Chief of the Cherokee Nation has been combatting the opioid epidemic. The opioid industry flooded Cherokee communities with these dangerous drugs. Overdose deaths more than doubled among Cherokee citizens between 2003 and 2014, and the fallout

strained many of our tribal services, including clinics and emergency rooms, law enforcement and child welfare.

In 2017, we were the first tribe in the nation to file a lawsuit against the opioid industry, and our \$100 million settlement from that lawsuit is now being invested in addiction care. The goal for these funds is to make

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Crisis

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treatment easily accessible, without judgment or unnecessary barriers, for every Cherokee who needs it.

That's why I was disturbed to see a new proposed federal regulation that would increase barriers for some of our most vulnerable patients. The proposal by the Drug Enforcement Administration would prevent telemedicine doctors from prescribing controlled substances such as buprenorphine, a lifesaving medication for those struggling with opioid addiction. Without an in-person appointment, the proposed rule limits prescriptions of buprenorphine to a single 30-day supply. This change poses a severe risk to our citizens, especially those living in rural areas with limited access to transportation and resources.

Telemedicine, the practice of connecting patients and medical professionals via phone and video calls, has been essential for reaching patients. New flexibilities for telemedicine were allowed during the COVID-19 public health emergency. However, with the emergency declaration expiring, some regulators are now attempting to make telemedicine more restrictive and less convenient.

This makes little sense. Over the past few years, telemedicine has proven to be an extremely valuable and successful way to provide care, especially for behavioral health issues like addiction. It reduces waiting times for an appointment and increases flexibility for patients and providers alike.

For example, many of our patients newly in recovery have recently found employment. Telemedicine appointments, which can be as short as 15 to 20 minutes, allow them to continue working and receive essential treatment during their breaks. Without this option, patients may be forced to take hours off work, jeopardizing their recovery journey.

Quick and easy access to a buprenorphine prescription is especially important in the early days of recovery. Buprenorphine can ease opioid withdrawal symptoms while blocking the ability for other opioids to cause an effect. But if a patient's buprenorphine access is disrupted, they face a very high risk of falling back into addiction with far more dangerous substances.

The DEA's intention to catch over-prescribers by requiring an in-person appointment is misguided, as there is no evidence that a single in-person visit would reduce any misuse of buprenorphine. Unscrupulous over-prescribers will continue to find ways to exploit the system. Meanwhile, this additional hurdle inconveniences everyone.

Access to telemedicine is a lifeline for many Cherokees, and we must protect it to keep up the fight against the opioid crisis. Cherokee Nation is among thousands of voices across health care and addiction recovery communities who are speaking out against this proposed rule. You can join us by writing to your members of Congress and President Biden.

ECHOES FROM THE PAST

A love story

D Bruce Howell

Those who write about history most often focus on political events, wars, exploration, or similar aspects, mentioning the names of those involved, but revealing very little about their background or personal lives. The result is an abundance of information about what happened, but little, if any, understanding of who was involved or their motives. Sam Houston is an example, he's well known as a leader of the Texas Revolution from Mexico and its first president, but for the most part, his personal life and what motivated him are not revealed.

Born in 1793 in Tennessee, three years before it was admitted to the Union and raised by a widowed mother, as a teen-ager he left home to live with the Cherokees and soon became a favorite of Chief John Jolly. He also became acquainted with John Rogers, his sons and daughter Diana, who would have an impact on Houston's later life. In 1812 he enlisted in the Army of Tennessee, led by Andrew Jackson to quell Indian tribes in what was known as the Creek Indian War. Houston became acquainted with Jackson who later would assist him to become a lawyer, then a Tennessee politician. He first was elected as a Tennessee representative to Congress, then became governor of the state in 1837.

Houston seemed destined for further fame and success, but his good fortune was waylaid by love. Two years into his second term, Houston married 19 year old Eliza Allen, a wealthy socialite. But after experiencing only two months of "wedded bliss," Eliza moved out of the governor's mansion in Nashville amid rumors she was repelled by the site of old war wounds Houston had suffered years earlier. Both embarrassed and distraught, a few weeks later Houston

resigned his office and sought solace with his old friend John Jolly, now chief of the Western Cherokees.

Houston sailed down the Mississippi, up the Arkansas on a paddle boat, drinking with new found friends the entire trip, finally arriving in the Three Forks area with his baggage and a barrel of whiskey. Continuing to drown his sorrows, he gained a reputation as the "big drunk," but fate was about to change his life...Diana Rogers Gentry. Diana, the young daughter of John Rogers, had grown up and married David Gentry, a wealthy blacksmith. Despite being labeled as "Indian," Diana was mostly of Scotch and English ancestry, tall, olive skinned and beautiful. The couple moved from Georgia to a community of Western Cherokees near Dardanelle, Arkansas. Several years later, Gentry was killed by a marauding band of Osage, prompting Diana to move closer to the Rogers family who now lived near Fort Gibson. During the summer after his arrival, Houston met Diana during a Green Corn Dance and, after a brief courtship, they were married in 1830.

Building a home they called Wigwam Neosho, about three miles west of Fort Gibson on the Texas Road, the couple settled into married life. Early in their marriage, Sam continued to drink heavily and stories about their life together are interspersed with his drinking bouts as well as increasing involvement representing the Cherokee government on tribal issues in Washington. The couple's home, also a trading post managed mostly by Diana, became a center of social activity. Always gregarious, Sam held forth with guests and dignitaries that were passing through on their way to Fort Gibson. Gradually, with Diana's support and encouragement, Houston regained his confidence and reputation as a political

leader, also speculating in local land and business deals.

As his self-confidence returned, so did long forgotten dreams. Houston had been a long time advocate of joining Texas to the United States and viewed it as "the promised land." Ultimately, the magnetism of Texas overcame the comfortable life he had reconstructed with Diana and, in the fall of 1833, he left for Texas. Various versions have been advanced as to whether Diana was or was not supposed to join him, but in any event she didn't. One version of their parting has her riding with him to a promontory overlooking the Arkansas River called Wilson's Rock, watching as he crossed the river, then waving farewell. Apparently, there was no truth to the rumor that Diana would rejoin Sam. In 1836, she married Samuel Mc Grady, but became ill and died in 1838. Initially buried at Wilson's Rock, her remains were reinterred at Fort Gibson National Cemetery in 1904.

The "rebirth" of Sam Houston is well known. A war hero when Texas became independent from Mexico, he became first president of the fledgling republic, then senator after its acceptance into the Union and governor when Texas became a state. He is celebrated as an icon in Texas history. In 1840, Sam married 21 year old Margaret Lea and the couple raised eight children, but despite his triumphs in Texas there is reason to believe that his heart remained with Diana. During an interview in 1856, the 64 year old Houston, when questioned about Diana, is quoted as saying, "I loved her and will always remember where I spent the happiest days of my life."

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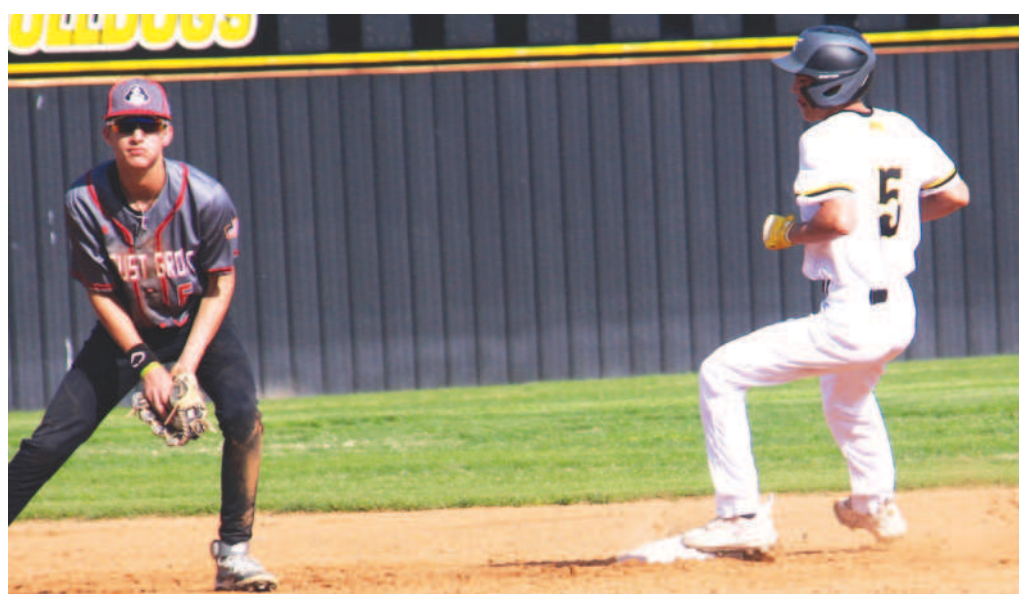


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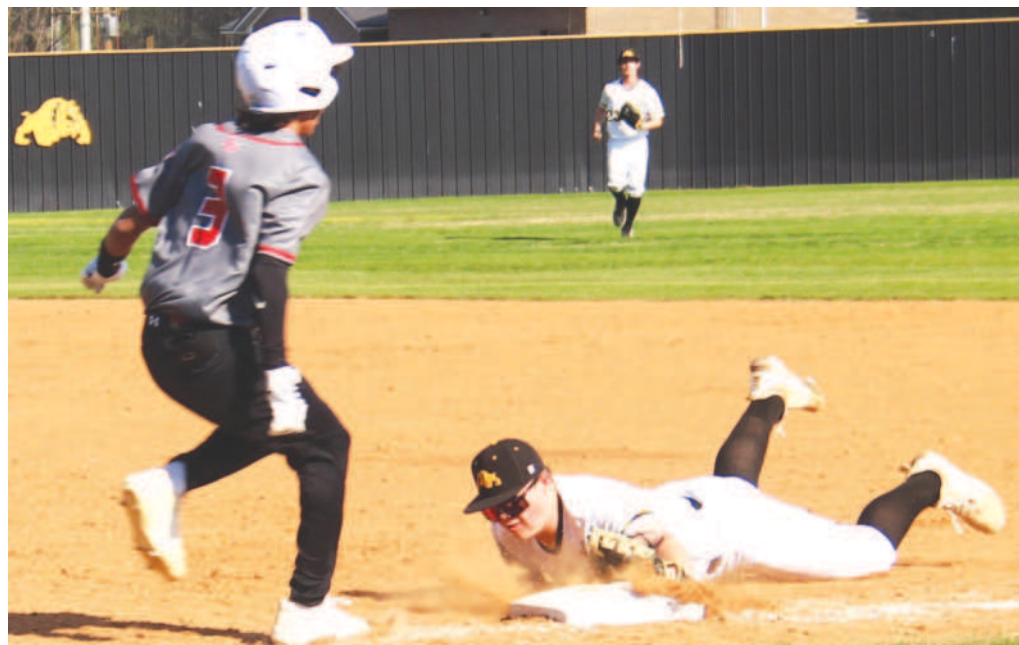
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Jay hosted the Locust Grove Pirates on April 10 and though the Pirates took an early lead, the Bulldogs fought back for a 10-6 win.

Cody Whitlock led off the pitching duties for Jay during the first three innings, then Bradee Rutherford closed out the last four innings.

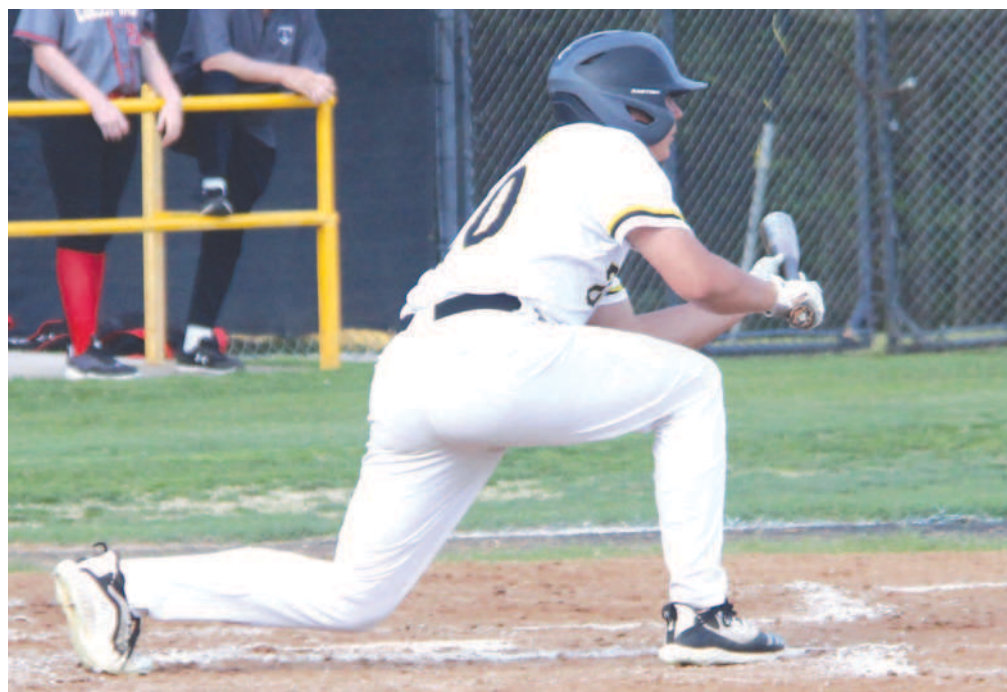
The Pirates led 3-0 in the first inning, then Jay put up two runs in the second and four runs in the third to take a 6-3 lead, while not

allowing the Pirates to add any runs.

Locust Grove brought in two more runs at the top of the fourth to make it 6-5, still Jay's lead, then the Bulldogs broke it open in the fifth with four more runs to go up 10-6.

Neither team scored in the sixth and Bulldogs kept the Pirates from adding any more runs in the seventh, as they locked in the 10-6 win.

The Bulldogs played two game against the Miami Wardogs on April 17 there, and at home on April 18, then host Sperry on April 22 and Quapaw on April 24.



Kaleb Wickham of Jay squares around and attempts a bunt.

Colcord fall to Wyandotte, 10-1



Rylan Studie winds up a pitch to Wyandotte.



Josh Kramer takes a lead off first base.



Collier Buck snags a popup for an out against Wyandotte

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Colcord hosted the Wyandotte Bears on April 11 in a game the Bears dominated for a 10-1 win.

The Bears scored a run in the first inning and four in the second while holding the Hornets scoreless.

Colcord brought in a run at the bottom of third, trailing 5-1, then Wyandotte broke loose and added five runs in the fourth for a 10-1

lead.

The Bears didn't allow the Hornets to come back with any more runs as the game closed with the Bears win.

Colcord hosted Quapaw on April 18, then travel to Checotah for its tournament on April 20-22.

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Celebrate 420 Relief Day at Grands Golden Canna



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According to the National Day Calendar, 420 Day is celebrated every year on April 20, where cannabis producers, consumers, and advocates celebrate and smoke marijuana, and you are invited to visit Grands Golden Canna in Grove for all your medical marijuana (MM) needs leading up to the celebration.

Grands Golden Canna, open 10-9 daily, offers boutique medicine with top shelf flower for their patients and supplies top quality MM medications for the Grand Lake area.

Started on April 20, 2020, in Grove, Grands Golden Canna owner Cory Cantrell has always operated under the philosophy that patients should come before profits, and they offer the “highest quality medicine at competitive patient-oriented pricing.”

From Grands’ opening day, the store was managed by Cantrell’s father, Kyle, who unfortunately passed away on April 22, 2022. This was a huge blow to not only the Grands Golden Canna family, but to everyone in the community that loved dealing with him.

Grands will host a tribute to Kyle on

April 20 this year with a lantern release in the parking lot at dusk that day. The public is invited to stop by to pay tribute to a great man and to “shop at the best, family oriented dispensary at Grand Lake.”

“We’ve got the Gas! Come see us,” Cantrell said. “Stay Golden - Roll Gold.”

For more information, visit Grand’s Golden Canna at 4621 US-59 in Grove, call 918-791-0728, e-mail grandsgolden@gmail.com, or log onto <https://www.grandsgolden.com/>. You can also visit them on Facebook at <https://m.facebook.com/people/Grands-Golden-Canna/100027836276353/>



SPANKY FARMS DISPENSARY AND GROW

Spanky Farms Dispensary and Grow has gone through a metamorphosis or two on its way to their present business, located at 26850 S. 655 Rd on Highway 10, northeast of Grove.

Previously, it was well-known as the “Old JR Spanky Night Club” which drew in customers and provided party space for groups in the four-state area for years.

The J in the name, is for brother Jim and the R is for Russ Arnold, the owner of Spanky Farms.

The business name originated from a mean donkey named Spanky, the

brothers like to ride at their uncle’s house, the donkey was prone to kicking and biting, as Spanky bit a chunk out of the uncle’s back while he was repairing the fence.

Hence, the advertising phrase “Home of Kickass Weed.”

Arnold had closed the night club for three years, rebuilt part of the interior for a grow facility, then later, remodeled the front area for a dispensary, which opened in August 2022.

A medical marijuana card is required to purchase edibles, marijuana (3 Oz./

day), marijuana plants, candies, dabs, extracts, chocolate bars, sleep aids, vapes with THC, and liquid infusions.

Their website states, “Here we cultivate a fantastic selection of both indoor and sun grown strains of some of the best and most potent flower with great terpenes, that has been cured to the strictest standards, and nurtured throughout the growth cycle with only the highest quality nutrients, all-natural pest and disease controls. You can be assured of only the finest flower available anywhere when you buy from us.”

They also offer CBD products that don’t require a medical marijuana card.

Arnold states 75% of his customers are north of 50 years old, many with heart problems, who carry medical marijuana cards.

Additionally, Spanky Farms offers choices in pipes, bongs, papers, stash boxes, assorted caps, t-shirts and more.

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Get relief on 420 Day at Meds R Us in Grove

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The annual 420 Day is April 20, a long celebrated event centered around marijuana.

Records show it has been celebrated since long before medical marijuana (MM) was legalized in Oklahoma. And with more than 368,000 Oklahomans having a medical marijuana license as of mid-2021, roughly 10 percent of the state's population, there will be a lot of celebrating going on.

Meds R Us, a MM dispensary off of Highway 59 outside Grove, carries a wide variety of products including flower, concentrates, edibles, cartridges, pre-rolls, and topicals, to name a few, in addition to the tools and accessories to go along with them. They also have an ATM on site for dispensary services only and offer "quality products with hospitality in mind."

"Stronj" Stranzhee Moore, Manager, said, "All of our best reviews are based on our customer service and that's what I strive for. I want our budtenders to be knowledgeable so they can assist and talk to those who have never used before, in addition to those that have for years. I also try to keep things in mind for those that don't want to use flower or edibles, like topicals and extracts for instance."

"We have Arkansas and Missouri customers that drive a long way to visit us and they say our prices are really cheap compared to others, which is really nice for a small business. I have worked in this industry since 2019 and this is my third dispensary, which I opened by myself last July. I have worked in Grove for 12 years and winters are hard here. We were concerned about that, but now I am almost nervous about the summer (being extremely busy) because the winter business has been so good. I am



very proud," Moore continued.

"I love our customer base and it is very important to me that our customer service and hospitality be the best around. Our store is like a one stop shop. You can get really good pricing on individual items and we carry most everything our customers need and want. And if we don't have something a customer needs, we will do our best to find a dispensary that does. We also do tiered giveaways for our gold price people where if you spend \$250 to \$350 you get a free t-shirt and pre-roll, and if you

spend \$600 or more you get even more freebies because we try to give back...a lot. I also do a raffle every Wednesday where three winners receive a 20 percent discount.

"I personally love our community and try to be a big part of it. I would love to do more ...at least what I can realistically, since the business is weed-related."

For more information, visit Meds R Us at 64107 E. 290 Road, Grove, call 918-791-0408, or find out more online at www.weedmaps.com/dispensary/Meds-R-Us-5

Local dispensary honors late husband

miTs Farmacy was started in honor of my late husband, Tim Montgomery.

Tim was diagnosed with lung cancer in the Fall. My brother, J R Mathews started researching what might help the treatment of the cancer.

He discovered Rick Simpson Oil (RSO).

We purchased some of the RSO from Colorado and started giving it to Tim.

He did pass away in May of the following year, but while taking the RSO, he never had to take the pain medication the doctor's prescribed or got nauseated with the chemo.

Our store is named miTs as it spells Tim backwards.

Tim was a blackjack dealer at Quapaw Casino in the early 90's and his name badge said Tim.

He also dealt with a mirror behind him. People would sit at his table and say "Hi, Tim."

He would say back to them, "I don't know why you call me Tim because all I see on my name badge is miT. Thus, miTs Farmacy.

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Cream Dispensary is unique, modern and fun

A relatively new dispensary in the Grove area has an unusual name – The Cream Dispensary. With each purchase you even get a scoop of Oklahoma-produced ice cream. On the wall there is a saying related to the name which state “Cream’s image is derived from ice cream an American past time. A social equalizer. Something delicious, comforting and loved by all.”

The manager, Kaitlyn Bratcher, says the store has been open for about

six or seven months. It is the outlet for the owner’s grow operation which is also located in Grove. The owner is Wyandotte resident, Paul Nahari. Kaitlyn says the store has multiple flavors in order to meet customer’s needs.

They mainly sell indica and sativa although they have hybrids. She talks with customers to determine what the customer’s needs actually are. Are they looking to relax with a movie or use it as a relaxer before bedtime

or are they needing the sativa strain to energize and have clearer thinking. She points out that every person has a different body chemistry, so it affects each person differently.

The growing cycle of indicas is short than those of stivas. She also points out the products are fresh from the grow at the Cream store.

They have a busy social media page where they feature things such as pixie dust and gummies. However, Kaitlyn points out that

buds and flowers are the most popular.

There are Okie Tokie pipes for sales as well. Made locally by Ed Carpenter the pipes have a “Lake Look” including several that resemble lures and fish in keeping with the Grand Lake theme.

In addition, another employee makes handmade earrings. Ranae Tribbey has a display in the store as well. There are also t-shirts available.

Flavors vary in the store but some of the favorites are Granddaddy Pluto, Cherry Fritter and “The Soap.”

The Cream store is open every day from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. They are located just across the street from the Northeast Tech Center on Highway 59 just north of downtown. Fresh product, fresh ideas and fun are the Cream Dispensary’s trademarks.

▲ The Cream Dispensary is located just north of downtown Grove on Highway 59, just across the street from the Northeast Tech center. Items from flowers, buds, pixie dust and gummies are among the best sellers. The plants are produced from their own local grow assuring freshness.



Cream employee Ranae Tribbey offers her handmade jewelry in the store.



Employee Ranae Tribbey and Store Manager Kaitlyn Bratcher emphasize the need to determine the customer’s needs. Each customer gets a free scoop of ice cream with every purchase.



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Comets blank Indians, Chouteau, but lose to Verdigris

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The Kansas Comets played the Tahlequah Sequoyah Indians in a doubleheader on April 10 to beat the rain forecast for the following day.

Kansas came away with a sweep, winning 12-0 and a 15-0 as they dominated the Indians.

The Comets scored in every inning until the fifth in the first game until the 12-0 score ended the game after the fifth inning.

In the second game, the Comets repeated the scoring, though it was done in four innings instead of five to close the game with the shutout win.

Seneca Steel pitched the five innings in the first game of the day, with four strikeouts and 13 first-pitch strikes; Max Noe had 4 RBIs, Ty Rollman and Justin Dobsin each had one.

Avery Graham pitched the second game with seven strikeouts and 15 first pitch strikes; Elias Warren had five RBIs while Noe and Dobsin each had one.

Kansas traveled to Chouteau to play the Wildcats and again blanked another team, this time 4-0 in seven innings.

Jordan Haynes and Slate Blaine pitched for the Comets, Haynes for five innings and Blaine for two.

Landon Pilcher had two



Landon Pilcher winds up to deliver a pitch.

RBIs and Graham and Seneca Steele each had one.

On April 14, the Comets traveled to Verdigris to take on the Cardinals.

Verdigris put three runs on the board in the bottom of the first inning while holding the Comets scoreless until the sixth inning when they score one run.

Kansas came back in the seventh to tie the game with two more runs, but the Cardinals wasn't going to let go

of the lead and added one more run in the bottom of the seventh inning to secure their win.

Pilcher and Graham shared pitching duties; Pilcher had four strikeouts and 11 first pitch strikes, Graham threw three innings.

Warren brought in two runs and Dobsin drove in one.

Kansas played Adair on April 17 and 18, then will travel to Salina to play on the Salina Tournament on April 20, 21 and 22.

Cherokee Nation honors two veterans

The Cherokee Nation honored two veterans with the Medal of Patriotism during the April meeting of the Council of the Cherokee Nation.

William Shade of Tahlequah, and Clayton Nathan Dale of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, were recognized by Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Chuck Hoskin Jr. and Secretary of Veterans Affairs S. Joe Crittenden, acknowledging their service and sacrifices to their country.

Dale joined the Army on Aug. 13, 2000. He was deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2006 and 2007, then served in Company B, 1st Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, 45th Infantry Brigade Combat Team from 1997-2001, then in Company C, 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade, 101st Airborne Division out of Fort Campbell, Kentucky, from 2001-2004.

Afterward, Mr. Dale went to the Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 501st Parachute Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade, 25th Infantry Division from 2004 to 2008. Mr. Dale was honorably discharged on June 1, 2008.

"Thank you all for this," Dale said. "I am so appreciative of this honor, and I am happy to be back home."

Shade enlisted in the United States Air Force on Jan. 24, 1977. Sgt. Shade completed basic training in San Antonio, Texas, and was transferred to Chanute Air Force Base in Illinois after graduation.

While there he trained as a ground equipment mechanic where he worked on turbine engines, hydraulic systems, portable generators and other equipment for the F4 Phantom aircraft. Sgt.

Shade completed his enlistment at Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina where he was promoted from Airman Basic to Airman 1st class, then later to Senior Airman. Sgt. Shade was ranked as a sergeant when he was honorably discharged on Jan. 23, 1981.

Each month the Cherokee Nation recognizes Cherokee service men and women for their sacrifices and as a way to demonstrate the high regards in which all veterans are held by the tribe.

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