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Memorial held for Herron family

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A memorial service for all four members of the Herron family was held at Faith Church in Checotah on Saturday, Sept. 26, just three weeks after the tragic plane crash that claimed their lives.

They were killed Friday, Sept. 4 when their Cirrus SR-22 single-engine airplane crashed near Chester, AR, a community about 35 miles south of Fayetteville.

The four-seat aircraft belonged to Kevin Herron, 32.

Herron, his wife Holly, 29, their son Gavin, 7, and Herron's father, Paul D. Herron, 57, and a family pet, all perished in the crash, which was not discovered until Saturday morning.

As surviving family members have done their best to deal with such a tragic loss, the community has done its best to hold them up in prayer and with several benefits to help cover funeral expenses.

In the Herron/Ward family statement released a few days after their deaths, the family expressed their gratitude to everyone who had helped them during this difficult time:

"The families are beyond grateful for the outpouring of love, support and prayers. They will never be able to say thank you to each and every one of you individually, but know we appreciate it.

We want to thank some agencies specifically for their incredible work and continued support during our unimaginable grief. Crawford County Sheriff

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Memorial table with the ashes and memories of the Herron family.



Kevin Herron



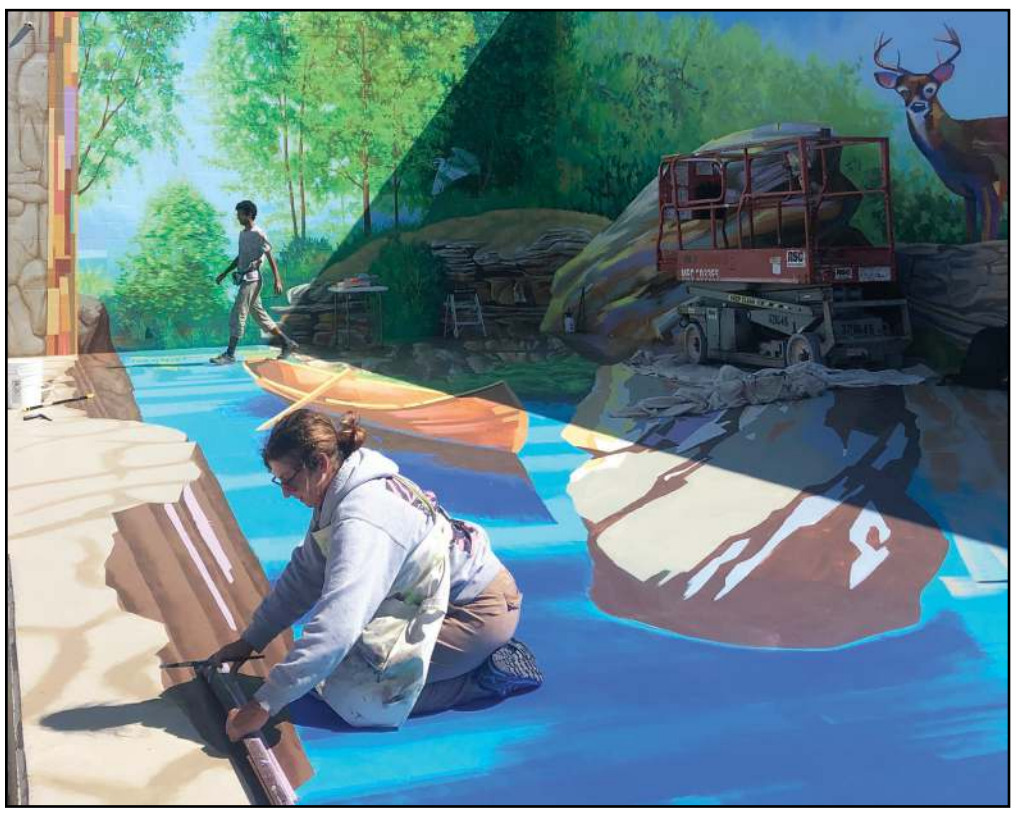
Holly Herron



Gavin Herron



Paul "P.D" Herron



STAFF PHOTO

Cutline 2: Tracy Stum and her husband Sayak Mitra battle against some windy and wet weather on Sept. 26.

Work continues on Eufaula's 3D mural

JERRY FINK

MANAGING EDITOR

After more than a year of anticipation, the 3D mural being created by internationally acclaimed artist Tracy Lee Stum and her husband Sayak Mitra is finally emerging on the site where JMs Restaurant fed folks steaks and other favorites for decades.

Now Stum's work will be a feast for the eyes.

The focus of the mural, which will cover the walls of two buildings and a floor, will be historic Standing Rock – once a gathering place for Native Americans that disappeared under the waters of Lake Eufaula when the dam was completed in 1964.

Stum and Mitra arrived early and on Friday, Sept. 11 they were

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Student still fighting brain cancer

Still "Superman" strong

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In September of 2018, Michael Hamilton was an inquisitive kindergartener that loved being in Mrs. Mandi Loud's class with his twin brother, James. Now, he's 7 years old, in 2nd grade in Mrs. Michelle York's class at Marshall.

But back in March of 2018 while attending Creek Nation Headstart, Michael's teachers noticed something wasn't right. Michael's smile was off and he was losing control of his hands, losing balance and even losing some of his memory.

Michael's parents, Jennifer and Jayson,

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COURTESY PHOTO

Michael Hamilton wins Reserve Champion Overall with his lamb at the McIntosh County Livestock Show. Also pictured is Jade McPeak.

Checotah Lions plan for busy 2020-21

The Checotah Lions Club kicked off their new year on Thursday, Sept. 10 and concluded the September meeting schedule on Thursday, Sept. 24. The Lions meet the second and fourth Thursdays of every month beginning in September and they conclude their year on the second Thursday in June. This year the club will meet at the First United Methodist Church's Fellowship

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Meals for young people available

Virtual, distance and children from the ages of two to 18 not currently enrolled at Checotah are now able to pick up seven breakfasts, seven lunches and seven dinners between 10:20 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., Monday through Friday at the Checotah High School east parking lot.

All students enrolled and attending school daily will be brining home

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CHECOTAH NEWS

Checotah Lions Club upcoming meetings

The Checotah Lions Club meets the second and fourth Thursday beginning in Sept. and ending in June. Upcoming meetings are Oct. 8 and Oct. 22 at noon at the Methodist Fellowship Hall. Contact Darren Armstrong at 918-577-1510 if interested in joining the club.

School Blood Drive Today

The CHS Community Blood Drive will be held Thursday, Oct. 1, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Appointments are preferred and masks are required. Call 877-340-8777 to schedule.

There will be two separate entrances

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McIntosh County 4-H Fall Fun Night scheduled Oct. 13

Bring your 3rd-12th grade kids to learn about 4-H Tuesday, Oct. 13, at 6 p.m. at the McIntosh County Fairgrounds in Eufaula. RSVP by Oct. 8 before 4 p.m. to 918-689-7772.

The event will feature walking tacos, games and prizes.

Fall Fundraiser Ghost Dinner set for Oct.

The Checotah Landmark Preservation Society will hold its annual Fall Fundraiser Ghost Dinner this October. "No food to prepare, no costume to wear, no place to go, just mail in your dough."

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Eufaula VFW a collection point for hurricane relief

Eufaula VFW Post 8798 is joining three other posts across the state to serve as a collection point for disaster relief supplies for veterans affected by Hurricane Laura in Louisiana.

The VFW will began collecting last week and collections will last through Wednesday, Sept. 30.

All supplies will then be transported to a distribution point located in Vinton, Louisiana.

Post 8798, located one mile east of Eufaula on State Highway 9 (telephone number 918-689-5577); VFW Post 577 in Tulsa; VFW Post 382 in El Reno and VFW Post 5263 in Lawton are the four posts reaching out to veterans who were victims of the August hurricane.

Laura, which hit land on Aug. 27, caused more than $10 billion in damage, killed 77 people and forced the evacuation of 260,000 people in southwestern Louisiana and southeastern Texas near the Gulf of Mexico.

The Category 4 hurricane, with sustained winds of 150 mph, was one of the strongest on record.

"We have over 4,000 veterans directly affected by power outages and damage to their property who are in desperate need of supplies," said Louisiana VFW State Commander Bobby Lovergne. "Because of the power outages and shortages, nothing is staying on store shelves."

Oklahoma VFW State Commander Michael Merit said, "So many times in the past, other states have stepped up when Oklahoma has been in need, now is the time to return the Oklahoma Standard to those who have helped us. Now is the time to help our fellow veterans any way we can."

Merit has been in contact with Commanders from Texas, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida and Georgia who all stated that they were doing okay but appreciated the offer of assistance.

Disaster Relief items needed:

Cleaning Supplies
Air Freshener 8 or 9 oz. can
Gloves, Latex
Bleach, 82 oz.
Gloves, Work
Bucket, 5 Gallon w/ Lid
Masks, N-95 Rating
Household Cleaner, 12-16 oz.
Scouring Pads
Clothes Pins, 50 Count
5 Scrub Brush
Clothesline, 100 ft.
Sponges
Detergent, Liquid Laundry 50 oz.
Towels, Cleaning
Disinfectant Dishsoap, 16-28 oz.
Trash Bags, Heavy Duty, 35-45 gl.
Tarps
Gas Cans
Flash Lights & Batteries
Ant Poison & Maliton
Washing Powder
Softners / Bounce

Home Goods
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Electrical Fans for Campers
Hoses & Nozzles
Tools (Hammers, etc.)
Visqueen Plastic Covering
Double Blade Sharp Axes
Totes for Storage
Wash Buckets
Batteries - All Sizes

First Aid Kit Supplies
Aspirin
Insect Repellent w/ Antibiotic
Bandages
Deet
First Aid Booklet
Gauze
Gloves
Ointments, Antibiotic & Burn
Sunscreen, SPF 30
Thermometers
Baby Wipes

Personal Hygiene
Deodorant & Soap
Hand Sanitizer, Alchohol Based
Baby Items
Toothbrush & Toothpaste
Rubber Boots (Any Size)
Washcloth
Water (1 Galllon per Person Daily)

Clothing & Items
All Baby Items Needed
All Sizes for Kids & Adults
Shoes All Sizes Kids & Adults
Underwear - Kids & Adults
Depends - Adults
Blankets
Towels
Wash Cloths
Pillows
Sheets - All Sizes
Pillow Cases

Food
Any Non-Perishable Foods
Candy - Doesn't Melt for Kids

LIONS

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Hall at noon.

At those two September meetings the Lions discussed and planned a busy activity schedule for 2020/2021. Activities planned for this year include supplying eyeglasses for individuals with visual impairments, the Angel Tree program and providing scholarships for Checotah graduates.

These programs are funded by Lions activities such as rib sales, Old Settlers' Day breakfasts and lunches of hamburgers and fries.

Another project planned is the 2nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament at Arrowhead State Park Golf Course in Canadian on Friday, Oct. 16. It will be a four person scramble with cash and door prizes, food and fun fellowship.

For more information contact Lion Darren Armstrong by phone at 918-577-1510 or by email armstrongd@armstrongbank.com.

Lions say that this tournament will help the club raise finances to go a long way toward helping finance the club's many projects that help the community.

Last year's golf tournament held at the Fountainhead Golf Course was very successful and raised a significant amount of money to help Lions finance their many community activities. Lions hope this year's tournament will also be fun and successful.

The Checotah Lions Club was chartered in 1921 and club members will plan a 100th anniversary celebration in 2021. The date for that celebration will be determined later. Watch the McIntosh County Democrat newspaper for news stories publicizing the club's activities throughout the year.

Lion officers this year include Darren Armstrong, president; Tony Fields, 1st vice president; Iris Park and Bill Frame will co-chair the secretary duties; and Robert Jennings will serve as treasurer. Two other offices, lion tamer and tail twister, will be selected at the next meeting.

The Checotah Lions Club is actively looking for men and women who would like to join the club and make a difference in their community.

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didn't realize the severity of Michael's condition until he had a syncopal episode and ended up in the hospital.

This is when the Hamilton family would hear the news that no parent should ever have to hear, "Your child has a rare type of cancer and there's no cure."

Michael had a golf ball-size tumor in his brain and doctors believed it was Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma or DIPG.

DIPG is a type of tumor that starts in the brain stem, the part of the brain just above the back of the neck and connected to the spine. The brainstem controls breathing, heart rate and the nerves and muscles that helps us see, hear, walk, talk and eat. These tumors are called gliomas because they grow from glial cells, a type of supportive cell in the brain.

Michael had multiple sections of abnormal cells in the pons or brain stem.

By June of 2018, Michael had to have a biopsy and doctors discovered the cancer to be a grade one pilocytic astrocytoma. The incidence rate of pilocytic astrocytoma is very low. It's estimated to occur in just 14 out of every one million children younger than 15 years of age.

The genetics of Michael's cancer is a H3H27M.

His cancer is in two different parts of the brain. However, it is not acting like the normal H3K27M, which is usually a rapid, fast growing cancer giving its victim only months or a few years to live. But Michael's tumor had not grown or shown progression, which is rare in itself.

Michael was transferred to multiple facilities before he finally was sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.

In September 2018, the Hamilton family was called back to St. Jude's due to concerning results.

The genetics of Michael's tumor, a H3K27M mutation which is a midline glioma, was no longer classified as a stage I (one) but was rather a stage IV (four).

Generally surgery could be performed on these pilocytic astrocytomas, but in Michael's case, surgery was taken off the table because what was in the pons was the same cancer that was in the cerebellum.

Doctors couldn't see a trail from where the cancer had spread and were very concerned they might be connected by blood vessels. If they couldn't get the entire tumor, they didn't want to get any of the tumor.

The way Michael's cancer was presenting itself, proved Michael's cancer to be one of a kind. This was concerning the doctors on how it would respond to treatments. However, because there is no known cure, doctors chose to go ahead with treatment because the tumor is acting like "kryptonite" to their little "Superman."

The specialists decided to give Michael the highest dose of radiation for six weeks, Monday through Friday.

Michael finished these radiations treatments on Nov. 28, 2018.

Back in Checotah the Hamilton family has had many angels on assignment. Ashley Stewart and Janie Underhill with Pistols and Pearls raised $1,770 for the Hamilton family.

Michael's logo was a superhero letter "M" with the words one of a kind in the



COURTESY PHOTO

Michael shows off his "Superman" pose during one of his doctor's appointments.

background because even though Michael's cancer is one of a kind, Michael himself was already proving to everyone that he was one of a kind too.

Marshall Elementary, Checotah Intermediate School and Checotah Middle School also helped do a benefit penny drive.

Marshall Elementary teachers brought in the most funds. Wendy Logan's class came in first with $523.79, while Chelsea Simmon's class came in second with $508.57. Principal Cindy Frame presented the total earnings of $5,540.32 to Michael's dad, Jayson, who was brought to tears as he accepted the donation.

Michael's mother, Jennifer, was also thankful for all the help, especially at the McIntosh County Sheriff's Department where she worked as a 911 dispatcher.

"On Jan. 16, 2018, I delivered Hunter, my stillborn baby at 4 months. Then in March we found out about Michael's tumor and were in treatment by Oct. until Christmas with my coworkers backed us through this whole battle by giving me their sick leave to use. Then Checotah Schools helped us out and Pistols and Pearls. We are so thankful and we still believe God has a plan," Jennifer said.

In the past two years, Michael has continued to have check ups and since his tumor has shrunk and remains stable doctors now believe it is not DIPG but now they believe it's brain cancer with the H3K27M histone.

"At our last appointment the doctor (Dr. Santhosh Upadhyaya MD at St. Jude's) told us that Michael also has a cavernoma and advised us to not let him participate in any sports that could cause trauma to the head," Jennifer said. "Unfortunately, Michael always wanted to play football but now that has been taken off the table for him.

"Recently Make a Wish Foundation called and asked him what he wanted and he said he wanted to be a football player, but since he can't then he wanted to be the football coach.

He also loves showing lambs, like his sister Hayli did, and recently won Reserve Grand Champion Overall at the McIntosh County Livestock Show.

"We have learned so much from this kid as he's gone through all this. He really is a little superman. It's made us so grateful for the little things and we hold on to each other through the big trials."

Michael returns for more testing Oct. 22.



COURTESY PHOTO

Jade McPeak won Reserve Overall Doe and Champion Junior Goat Showman at the Arklahoma Sheep and Goat Show on Sept. 27.

Fire at McAlester Army Ammunition Plant

At approximately 10:15 a.m. on Sept. 23, a fire occurred in the production area at McAlester Army Ammunition Plant. Three employees were transported to the MCAAP's Occupational Health Clinic for medical evaluation.

The fire was said to be extinguished by a fire suppression system. Employees were evacuated a safe distance from the fire. There was no danger to the community.

The incident occurred during ammunition production operations.

McAlester Army Ammunition Plant adheres to strict safety standards to ensure the safety of workers handling munitions.

"The safety of our employees is our number one priority. Because of the safety procedures and processes in place, there were no major injuries," said MCAAP Civilian Deputy, Brian Lott.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.

McAlester receives, stores, ships, produces, renovates and demilitarizes conventional ammunition.

MEALS

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meals for Saturday and Sunday each Friday.

Checotah Public Schools wants to make sure that all children in its area have access to nutritious meals on a daily basis.

The meal program began Tuesday, Sept. 22.

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for social distancing:

Student donors - CHS Event Center main doors

Community donors - Enter on the west side of CHS.

BX of PEO to meet

Chapter BX of PEO will meet Tuesday, Oct. 6, at 4 p.m. at the home of Sharlene Eddy. This will be a short business meeting.

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Ron Brown, Captain Patty Stroud of the Crawford County Sheriff's office, Crawford County Coroner Pam Wells, Crawford County Emergency Manager Brad Thomas, Arkansas State Forestry, FAA, NTSB, all of the staff in those agencies, as well as all the volunteer fire departments and search volunteers.

In closing, we want everyone to know that PD, Kevin, Holly as well as Gavin all lived life to the fullest. They loved their families, they loved their work, and enjoyed everything life had to offer. We want the memories of the life they lived to outlast the tragedy of their death."



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the guests of honor at a meet-and-greet held at the Legacy on Main Street.

Legacy owner Karen Weldin, who spearheaded the drive by Vision Eufaula for the 3D mural, hosted the event.

"It's amazing how the community has come together for this," Weldin said.

The money for the project comes from grants and local donations, including the donation of the use of a lift by Jonathan Hampton of Readyline Rentals.

Financial donations have been committed by the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Bank of Eufaula, Farmers State Bank, Vision Eufaula, Gary Moores and J.C. Watts.

Also, Weldin and Weldin-owned businesses have made contributions, businesses that include Eufaula Lakeshore Realty, Our Favorite Place and Legacy on Main Street.

Work on the mural began in earnest Saturday morning, Sept. 12, with outlining the mural's design on the walls.

Stum stated the mural was not one of divine inspiration.

"It was a year or more of research and planning," she said.

The public has been invited to watch her and Mitra work.

Work on the project was to have begun in October, 2019, but other projects caused a delay.

And then the new coronavirus struck the world.

"We're half-way through a project in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, but the covid virus forced us to stop," she said.

Eventually, they will return to the resort city in Mexico City to finish that artwork, but for now their palettes are full.

They took a couple of months off of their travels to work on projects at home, in Ventura, Calif.

"It was a good time to re-organize ourselves," Stum said.

Stum has been busy getting the colors for the mural ready – using weather-resistant paint that should withstand Oklahoma weather.

Most of her murals are indoors, like at the Mall of America in Bloomington, Minn., said to be the largest mall in the world.

Although her husband Mitra, a native of Kolkata, India (formerly Calcutta), has been working with her on large projects, he is primarily a fine artist who does gallery work.

The couple met in 2017 and married a year later in 2018.

Stum stated 3D art, which has been popular for the past 15 years, is nothing new.

Leonardo de Vinci, who lived from 1452 to 1519 and was considered to be one of the greatest painters of all time, actually created some 3D art, according to Stum

"And some Indian art pre-dated him by 1,000 years," she said.

Anyone who has visited the Venetian Resort in Las Vegas has seen her work – she painted the ceilings that are over the shops in the resort's mall.

And now Stum and her husband are hard at work in Eufaula, anticipating the completion of the mural around Sept. 27.

About Stum:

Stum earned a Bachelor's degree at Tyler School of Art in Philadelphia. She continued her studies in naturalism at the Florence Academy of Art in Italy.

She began street painting in 1998 and is considered by many to be one of the finest street painters today.

Known for splashing color in festivals and events in all corners and crevices of the globe, her paintings have won numerous awards and accolades.

In 2006, Tracy made the Guinness World Record for the largest street painting by an individual. It was The Lord's Supper in the movie, The Da Vinci Code.

In 2013, she was honored to be a contributor on the Cannes Gold Lion award-winning team for their work in the now iconic Honda CRV commercial.

Experienced in multi-city campaigns for such clients as Cadillac, SoBe, and Dos Equis, Stum is continually creating commissioned 3D and 4D works in chalk for advertising, public and private events, corporate PR and educational sectors.

In 2013 she was named curator of the first annual DO/AC 3D Chalk Festival in Atlantic City, New Jersey, showcasing 14 renowned international 3D street art and chalk artists.



STAFF PHOTO

Tracy Lee Stum, left, and husband Sayak Mitra, plan their strategy on creating the 3D mural they will create in a mini-park on Selmon Road, at the location where JM's Restaurant once stood. For months folks have seen nothing but the white paint that covers the walls of two buildings and the floor. Everyone is excited to see color beginning to adorn the walls.

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SQ 805 is bad for Oklahoma

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Angela Marsee

State Question 805 seeks to change the Oklahoma Constitution to prohibit the use of prior criminal convictions to increase the range of punishment for repeat offenders. This prohibition against sentence enhancements applies to ALL felonies, except the 52 "violent crimes" as defined on Jan. 1, 2020.

By enshrining SQ 805 in the Constitution, these prohibitions can only be changed with a subsequent vote of the people. The Oklahoma District Attorneys Association voted unanimously to oppose SQ 805. As President of the Association, I want to ensure citizens understand what SQ 805 actually does.

SQ 805 is a terribly dangerous proposition that is marketed, using terms like "non-violent crimes" without explaining which crimes are included. Habitual offenders who will benefit from SQ 805 include those committing serious crimes such as domestic violence (even if against a pregnant woman, by strangulation, or in the presence of a child); on-line predators who use a computer to solicit sex from a minor; animal cruelty; identity thieves; home burglars; repeat drunk drivers; vulnerable adult abusers, and many others.

If passed, SQ 805 would limit the penalties for these crimes to the same range of punishment for a first-time offender, forever, no matter how many prior felony convictions an offender has. SQ 805 constitutionally tips the scales of justice in favor of career criminals.

Currently, there is no transparency in sentencing. A 10 year prison sentence doesn't mean 10 years. Offenders are eligible for parole after serving just 25% of their sentences. For example, under SQ 805 a repeat offender who committed domestic violence by strangulation could be released after just 9 months in prison.

SQ0 805 applies the law, retroactively, and mandates the reduction of existing sentences for habitual offenders currently in prison to what the penalty would have been had they been a first-time offender.

Crime victims will no longer be able to rely on the sentence they were promised, and the prior decisions of judges and juries will be overturned.

Proponents of SQ 805 would have you believe that if SQ 805 is passed, prosecutors can just avoid the consequences of the law by finding a crime on the "violent crime" list with a higher penalty to charge instead, even though the facts, law, and ethical rules require otherwise.

Not all crimes could even have an alternate offense that could be charged. If the stated goal of SQ 805 is to reduce sentences for habitual offenders, why are proponents of SQ 805 the ones asserting that prosecutors can just overcharge someone with a violent crime that carries a higher sentence range to circumvent the consequences of the very constitutional amendment they are seeking? It is circular logic, at best.

When you hear claims from proponents of SQ 805, I would encourage you to take a step back. The stated goal of this group is to lower prison sentences for habitual criminals. They argue cost savings by reducing the number of people in prison, but they fail to address the costs to public safety. If you want to know what the true costs of crime looks like, just ask a crime victim.

Marsee, who serves as President of the Oklahoma District Attorneys Association and has 24-years of experience as a prosecutor, authored this in her personal capacity.

Budget Breakdown

SEN. ROGER THOMPSON
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS CHAIR

It's often said the most important responsibility of the Legislature is to write and pass a balanced budget. As Senate Appropriations chair, I can tell you that the budget impacts every single man, woman and child in our state. Each week, I plan to share an article examining different aspects of the budget to help give Oklahomans insight into this work.

This week, I want to look at the fiscal year 2021 budget and how we prioritized our public schools while still ensuring vital areas including transportation and retirement systems were also protected.

To say the least, 2020 has been an unusual year. Even though many of the revenue numbers in Oklahoma were strong when we began the year, we were concerned about the downturn in oil and gas as a result of the price war between Russia and Saudi Arabia. While we have worked diligently to diversify our economy, Oklahoma is still at its heart an oil and gas state. When prices are low, it impacts almost every aspect of our economy, so we were already preparing for the hit to our economy and the state budget.

A challenging economic picture was further complicated when the COVID-19 pandemic hit our state last spring. Businesses were closed, impacting a variety of revenue streams. Among those closed were the casinos. The tribes pay exclusivity fees that go straight into the 1017 fund, a critical revenue source that directly impacts our public schools - last year, the 1017 fund represented about 28 percent of state appropriations to public education. Casino exclusivity fees represent about $144 million a year for the 1017 fund. When the casinos shut down completely, it cost the state about $12 million dollars for just one month. When you looked at the overall impact of everything that was happening in our economy, we knew we would have to identify more than $300 million we could redirect to the 1017 fund just to keep education whole and moving forward.

We knew we had to redirect money to the 1017 fund, but in a way that would preserve other essential services. Oklahoma has made significant progress improving our transportation infrastructure, which had been underfunded for decades. We normally give roads $575 million a year. Instead of giving them that same amount in cash, we redirected $180 million of that to the 1017 fund, but we gave transportation the right to bond long-term infrastructure, and at a time when interest rates were historically low - it just made good sense. We didn't slow down any of Oklahoma's ongoing road work.

We also examined the extra payments we'd been making to our retirement systems. These had also been underfunded for years, threatening the stability of state pension funds. Over the past several years, we've enacted numerous reforms and even made extra payments each year into the retirement systems. This year, we looked at the areas of revenue that go into our state payments for the Teachers Retirement System. Normally, we put about $156 million from income tax collections into TRS. We took 25 percent of this, about $39 million, and redirected it to the 1017 fund and did the same thing with other revenue sources, including sales tax, corporate income tax and use taxes, which enabled us to redirect another $73 million to the 1017 fund.

We did not touch the corpus of TRS. The way I describe it is when times are good, I may choose to make double house payments - when times are tight, I still make the required payment, but I don't double it. That is basically what we did with TRS. Furthermore, over

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Census counting extended, OICA ramps up for fall



The Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy (OICA) applauded a federal court decision last week that ordered the extension of the Census deadline to the original Oct. 31 date. That extra month will make a huge difference, especially as we work to ensure historically undercounted groups - including children age zero-to-five, one of the hardest-to-count groups.

OICA will use our upcoming Political Hacks' Chili Cookoff fundraiser, set for Saturday, Oct. 17, as a Census-promoting event. The chili cook-off is slated for the parking lot behind OICA's building, located at 2915 N. Classen Boulevard in Oklahoma City. OICA will observe social distancing with entries set up tailgate style. We will distribute samples via drive-thru pick-up for those wishing to try them and people can vote online from our website for the people's choice.

Further, OICA will have a notary on hand to notarize absentee ballots and offer copy service to those who need to copy identification to send in with their absentee ballots.

OICA is also partnering with the Oklahoma Blood Institute to accept blood donations, with a goal to have 50 donors at the event. Go to oica.org for more information and we will continue to add sponsors and information as it is solidified.

In addition, OICA has several awards which are under nomination at this time. They will be presented at our Fall Forum on November 18. Please go to oica.org to nominate for these recognitions.

The Laura Choate Resilience Award recognizes someone who has risen from traumatic experiences as a child and works to help young Oklahomans overcome those similar issues that they are currently facing.

The Steven A. Novick Child Advocacy Award identifies an "unsung hero" for young people in our state. This award is given to a person who has dedicated themselves to helping children in our state lead better lives.

The third of the awards is the Moran Kidizenship Award. The Kidizenship Awards is the Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy's statewide recognition rewarding excellence in youth philanthropy for those under 18 who have made the state better for their peers.

We are also looking for the next Oklahoma "Kid Governor" to represent our state. Candidates should address statewide issues affecting the well-being of Oklahoma's children. Kid Governor candidates must be between the ages of 7 and 11, live in Oklahoma, and submit a one-minute campaign video to OICA.

The video should outline the following:

- A little about themselves (name, age, school and where they live).
- Why they want to be Oklahoma's Kid Governor.
- The qualities and skills as a spokesperson they will bring to the position.

Applicants must talk about an issue involving the state's children that they think is particularly important and why it is essential. The issue could be child abuse and neglect, education, foster care, the physical or mental health of children, or any appropriate topic chosen by the candidate.

Videos longer than one minute will be disqualified. To submit a video, upload the video to Google Drive at https://tinyurl.com/okkidgov or post it on our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/OKChildAdv.

Finally, OICA also is seeking entries for our calendar art contest - the 365 best will be in our calendar and the best in show wins $100. The art can be uploaded at https://oicaart.artcall.org. The theme is "A Healthy Future for Oklahoma's Children."

Please encourage children under 18 in your lives to submit their work and also reach out to your local schools to promote this as a class project.

DEATH NOTICES

Frances Pearl (Strange) Conrad, 77, passed away Sept. 22. A memorial service was held Sept. 25 at First Baptist Church in Wainwright under the direction of Checotah Funeral and Cremation Services.

Nancy Jane (Anthony) Lankford, 90, passed away Sept. 26. Interment was Sept. 30 at Fort Gibson National Cemetery under the direction of Checotah Funeral and Cremation Services.



OPINION

It's not just yes or no



Oklahoma State Question 805 (the Criminal History of Sentencing and Sentence Modification Initiative) is not just a quick yes or no check mark on your voting ballot on Nov. 3. For some it may mean the difference between life or death (and I'm not talking about the criminal's sentencing either).

A "yes" vote supports the criminal by prohibiting using that person's past non-violent felony convictions to impose a greater (enhanced) sentence when sentencing a person convicted of a non-violent felony; and providing for sentence modifications for eligible individuals serving or set to serve sentences that were enhanced based on past felony convictions.

While a "no" vote opposes the amendment, thereby maintaining that a person convicted of a non-violent felony can receive greater (enhanced) sentences based on past felony convictions.

I think the words we need to focus on aren't just "yes" or "no," but "non-violent felony" and "past felony convictions."

First of all, the very definition of the word felony means "a crime, typically one involving violence, regarded as more serious than a misdemeanor, and usually punishable by imprisonment for more than one year or by death."

Hmmm so with that being said if this so-called criminal that's committing this felony keeps repeating their "past mistakes" but suffers no ramifications then who really becomes the victim here? The criminal? I'm sorry but I don't think so. Come on we are talking about REPEAT OFFENDERS people. Do you really think that not making them have any consequence for their repetitive actions is going to rehabilitate them? Seriously?

I also do not like how this SQ805 lumps domestic abuse in with fraud, writing bogus checks, stealing property and other silly choices. Domestic abuse is an ABUSE whether physical or emotional because it is done to a person not to property. I can promise you that if an abuser isn't held accountable for their actions, the violence will escalate and someone will end up hurt or dead.

I know I will never forget the night I received the fragmented message from my daughter who had been knocked down to the ground by her estranged husband and her phone wrestled away from her and the SIM card removed so she couldn't call for help. Thankfully she was smart enough to grab her laptop, lock herself in the bathroom and message me on messenger.

"MOM!!!! I NEED YOU...HELP ME! (Estranged husband's name) ... TOOK MY PHONE ... HURT ME ...HE'S COMING BACK!!...HURRY MOM!!!!! ... PLEASE HURRY MOM!!! ... OH GOD PRAY, MOM!!!!!"

I can barely type these words today without tears streaming down my face and that was over three years ago. I knew that they had been having fights. I knew they were getting worse and I had been coming over to their home several times trying to de-escalate the situations. But that particular night changed our worlds forever.

Domestic abuse doesn't just hurt the one being abused. It affects everyone involved and for years to come. Thankfully my daughter is now divorced and away from her narcissistic, abusive ex-husband but I still struggle with the fear of something happening to her. That fear has crippled us at times, even redefining our relationship because it has made it hard for me to not stay in protective mode with her which in the end only enables her to not let go of the past and go on and live a life free from fear and torment.

So you see, SQ805 doesn't mean to me the reuniting of family members who have made poor choices over and over again. It means the abuser gets away with the abuse one more time. And though I am sorry that Oklahoma does incarcerate people for drugs, bogus checks, fraud, etc. for probably longer than they should. I don't see how letting repeat offenders get away with their actions is wise because of a money issue.

I would give any amount of money to end domestic abuse once and for all. I would give anything to have not experienced it in my own marriage too. But I will let my voice be heard and I will vote "no" on SQ805 because domestic abuse shouldn't be part of it.

Even if part of SQ805 looks good to some, the bottom line is it doesn't benefit the victims of these crimes so no way, no how. Just vote NO.

Historical boycotts



It is often said that words matter. Historically speaking, this is often seen by using a particular word to connect to the past. The Whig Party chose that name because in the 1830s everyone knew that the Whigs in England were the ones who had opposed the King. By calling themselves the Whigs, they were criticizing Andrew Jackson by implying he wanted to be a monarch.

Recently this idea has played out with a Twitter beef between certain sports writers and LeBron James.

After the shooting of Jacob Blake, the Milwaukee Bucks announced they would not play their opening round game against the Orlando Magic. Quickly the rest of the NBA games were canceled as players refused to play in light of the most recent shooting. The NBA came out in support of the cancelations and announced the games would be played at a later date in the near future. In writing about the games, many writers referred to the canceled games as postponements. It was at that time that LeBron James tweeted, "Boycotted not postponed."

Why does the name make a difference? Either way, postponed or boycotted, the games were all held two days later and the playoffs continued.

May I suggest that James, understanding the historical significance of boycotts, wanted to connect his actions to the past. By insisting what he did was a boycott, the current movement could be seen in a similar light as, say, the Montgomery Bus Boycott. James did not articulate his reasons for his Tweet, but there must have been a reason for his insistence he was boycotting.

To be fair to the journalists, they had reasons for their word choice. First, traditionally in sports a boycott has referred to players skipping a game or event while the game went on without them. When past NBA All-Stars like Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Elgin Baylor boycotted games because of racial injustice, the games were still played but without them. So when the NBA rescheduled the recent playoff games, to many it seemed more like a postponement.

Secondly, though not required, to make a good sports boycott story, some amount of sacrifice is usually made. There are some excellent examples in history. In 1936, the Olympic Games were held in Hitler's Germany. Hitler planned to use the games as a showcase for his achievements and show off he did. He built amazing venues and used the world's captured attention to turn everything into a pageant of Nazi propaganda. He also showed off his nation's athleticism by dominating the games and winning the most medals. Even while cautious of Hitler, most of the world arrived in Berlin anyway, not wanting to let politics ruin the games. However, there were some athletes who just could not bring themselves to ignore Hitler's treatment of the Jews.

One such athlete was Albert Wolff, a French fencer. Though Wolff had a chance to medal in the Olympics, as a Jew he simply could not tolerate Hitler's Jewish views. Instead of competing, he gave up any chance of Olympic glory and remained at home. He never gave up on his Olympic dreams, however. In 1948, twelve years later, when the games commenced again after WWII, the now 42-year-old athlete finally got his chance to compete. Much older now and out of his prime, this time he represented his new home of America and had the honor to carry the flag in the Opening Ceremonies. It's worth noting how Wolff spent his time between the two Olympics. Instead of sitting in his hotel suite for a few days, eating room service, he decided to enlist with the French army and left for the front, willing to die for his beliefs. He did not just fight; he earned his nation's highest honor for bravery. Eventually, he was captured by the Germans and sent to a Jewish war camp. He managed to escape the camp and made his way to Portugal and then eventually the U.S. Once in America, he enlisted in the American Army and was sent back to the front in Africa to fight again.

There are other famous boycotts. The U.S. boycotted the 1980 Summer Olympics in Russia because of Russia's invasion of Afghanistan. Many athletes who had trained for years for this one event were forced to give up their only opportunity to ever win a medal. There was some satisfaction for America, not the summer athletes, but for the winter ones. Later that year America did play in the winter games. That was the year when the American hockey team beat the Russians during the "Miracle On Ice" game, arguably the most inspirational American Olympic game ever. By not sacrificing even one game, James' boycott does not seem to measure up for many.

In the end it really does not matter what the game stoppage was called, the playoffs have continued and James looks poised to win his fourth championship. James wants to be seen as fighting for social justice like those who came before him. However, maybe it is the very fact that he might win that fourth title that some have questioned his choice of words and have denied what he did was a boycott.

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Rules for thee, but not for Speaker Pelosi



Speaker Pelosi and the Radical Left have been dead set on resisting President Trump and anything he stands for at all costs. They have blamed the rioting, violence and hatred in our country on President Trump and Republicans rather than condemning it outright.

When "peaceful protestors" were tearing down monuments in Baltimore, Speaker Pelosi said, "people will do what they do."

When discussing foreign interference in our elections, Speaker Pelosi called President Trump and Republicans in Congress, "enemies of the state."

When asked about the vacancy on the Supreme Court, Speaker Pelosi wouldn't rule out impeaching President Trump again if he fulfilled his constitutional responsibility of nominating someone for the seat.

Just imagine the outrage that would come from Speaker Pelosi and the Radical Left if any Republican made comments like those. The mainstream media would never let it go. But when Speaker Pelosi makes those remarks, they don't even report it.

Speaker Pelosi repeatedly claimed during impeachment that, "no one is above the law." But when she was caught violating local health protocols in San Francisco by going to a salon, despite ordinary citizens not being allowed to get the services she received, her response was "she was set up." Speaker Pelosi's philosophy is clear: Rules for thee, but not for me.

Our country is better than this and deserves leaders who practice what they preach. Our country is great, and we need great leadership.

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Checotah stories from the past

114 Years Ago:
Checotah Times • June 1, 1906

$15,000 Fire

Ira Marsh's Drug Store Was Completely Destroyed This Morning

The fine drug store and building of Ira Marsh located on Gentry Ave. burned to the ground this Friday morning completely destroying the building and the entire stock of goods at a loss of about $12,000.

The origin of the fires is not known but it is supposed that the building was either struck by lightning or was started from a live electric wire in Dr. Tayman's office up stairs.

Skating Rink Opening

Checotah's new $1,000 skating rink was opened to the public in brilliant style Wednesday night of this week.

An excellent orchestra of fine pieces from Muskogee furnished the music. Skating occurred until 10 o'clock followed by a dance. A large attendance was present and all report a fine time.

Will Practice Law

J.W. Crow has decided to re-engage in the practice law in Checotah and will open an office soon. He is a graduate of the Missouri State University and has had six years experience in the practice in Missouri before coming to this place.

100 Years Ago:
McIntosh County Democrat • September 30, 1920

Killed at Wagoner

Former Checotah Man Murdered at Wagoner Monday Night

Jack Burris, taxicab driver, was shot and beaten to death five miles south of here at 1:30 this morning by an unidentified man who hired him to drive him two miles into the country.

Burris was found lying in the road. He had been robbed, shot in the breast and in the temple, his head beaten to a pulp and his car stolen.

Perry Madewell, the slayer of Burris, was captured Tuesday at Vinita after having left the stolen car at Choteau.

JACK FROST DUE TONIGHT

His Arrival, However, Not Expected to Damage Cotton

The first frost of the season is due to hit Oklahoma and the surrounding states tomorrow morning, according to weather bureau officials and the district forecaster for the southwest.

The weather bureau employees said that although the frost is three weeks earlier than usual, little damage is expected to be done to cotton, as those parts of the state which will be affected are not heavy cotton producing areas.

Checotah Birds Still at Large

The two homing pigeons released in this city last Saturday by the Alston Drug Co. in the big Rexall Pigeon Race up to the hour of going to press had not "trapped in" at the pigeon lofts in St. Louis. A telegram was received by the Rexall store in this city Monday announcing the winners in the great race.

The two birds from Arcadia, La., 500 miles distance, won first.

75 Years Ago:
McIntosh County Democrat • September 27, 1945

WOMAN KILLED IN MOTORCYCLE, BUS ACCIDENT

A woman motorcycle rider was killed and her companion was injured when their machine was crushed beneath a Santa Fe Trail bus four miles west of Checotah on highway 266 about 8:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Eva May Zwink, 22, of Oklahoma City, was killed instantly while the pilot of the machine, Virgil McBride, 22, also of Oklahoma City, sustained a bad cut on his left foot and painful abrasions and bruises.

Santa Fe Bus Lines to Change Schedule

The Santa Fe Trail Bus lines in order to facilitate a return to faster pre-war running has rearranged all schedules, according to an announcement this week by Jimmy Thompson, local agent.

Antho Marlin Hurt While Riding Horse

B.A. Marlin, prominent Checotah trader, was seriously injured last Wednesday afternoon when a horse he was riding on a farm in the Deep Fork bottom apparently stumbled and threw him into a creek bed.

He suffered a broken collar bone and several crushed ribs.

50 Years Ago:
McIntosh County Democrat • October 1, 1970

Trucking Line to Open Big City Terminal

Spector Freight systems of Chicago, which is rated as the sixth largest trucking line in the nation, will open a terminal in Checotah on October 19.

Officials of the company stated that 13 families would move to Checotah to make their homes. The crew to be stationed here will consist of 11 drivers and two dispatchers at the start with others to be added as the company's operation expands.

CITY BECOMES STAGE FOR COMICAL PICTURE

It's been "Lights, Camera, Action!" at the Old Checotah pump station where Ultima Productions, Inc., has set up quarters for the shooting of their 100 minute color feature film, "This Stuff'll Kill Ya!"

The motion picture, a wild moonshine comedy, is being filmed here due to the effort of Lt. Gov. George Nigh.

Wildcats Upset Eufaula's Team

The Wildcat gridders defeated arch rival Eufaula Friday night in the biggest upset on the local field in the past 10 years.

The Wildcats, who barely missed victory on their first two outings, put it all together for their initial victory of the young 1970 season.

25 Years Ago:
McIntosh County Democrat • October 5, 1995

Mid-Week Drug Roundup Corrals 18 Suspects

A middle-of-the-week drug roundup by law enforcement authorities from the state, county and city of Checotah resulted in the arrest of 15 men and three women.

Checotah Police Chief Jimmy Hamm said the Sept. 27 drug raid was the culmination of a nine-month investigation that included undercover agents from the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs (OBNDD) and confidential informants who have been purchasing illegal drugs in connection with the investigation.

Council Accepts Bid for Access Road

Checotah's City Council voted in a special session Thursday night, Sept. 28, to accept a $40,535 bid from D&L Excavating of Checotah for the beginning dirt work on an estimated $230,000 access road project that will link Interstate 40 with Paul Carr Road.

Mayor Jay Hayes said that once the project is completed there will be a loop that will carry traffic from I-40 behind the intermediate school over to the Katy Depot area on Paul Carr Road hooking up with U.S. 266 near Wal-Mart.

Old Graveyard Is Vandalized

Two juveniles have been taken into custody following investigation of vandalism at the Indian Territory Cemetery in Checotah, according to Checotah Police Chief Jimmy Hamm.

Hamm said both juveniles, a 15-year-old and a 17-year-old, have been released to the custody of their parents.

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the next four years, as our economy improves, those funds will be restored.

We did the same thing with retirement system payments for police, fire and other law enforcement, temporarily redirecting approximately $45 million in insurance premiums - those payments will also be restored.

The work we've done shoring up those pension systems has been so solid, that even temporarily redirecting part of the additional payments we've been making, we were still able to enact a cost of living adjustment (COLA) for state retirees this year, for the first time in 12 years.

The 1017 fund was further bolstered by utilizing $30 million from the Medical Marijuana licensing fees and excise taxes from sales of the product. Again, looking at the full budget picture and the needs in education and other vital areas, I remain convinced these moves were essential and were approached in the most thoughtful and fiscally responsible way possible.

Again, despite facing a $1.3 billion shortfall for the FY'21 budget, these strategies enabled us to protect funding for our schools while still protecting the critical investments we've made in transportation and our pension systems while minimizing reductions in other areas of state government that so many Oklahomans depend on.

These were tough, but solid decisions and I appreciate the support of every legislator who voted for this budget - a budget that will leave us in much better shape moving forward.

If you have any questions about the budget or the appropriations process, I invite you to contact me at 405-521-5588 or email Roger.Thompson@oksenate.gov. Thank you.

SENIOR CENTER MENU

Oct. 5-9
Monday, Oct. 5: BBQ beef sandwich; baked beans; oven-fried okra; rosy pears; milk
Tuesday, Oct. 6: Roast; mashed potatoes; green beans; roll; pudding; milk
Wednesday, Oct. 7: Frito chili pie w/ cheese and onions; corn; fruited Jell-O; milk
Thursday, Oct. 8: Baked chicken nuggets; potato wedges; carrots; bread; applesauce cake; milk
Friday, Oct. 9: Chef salad; cream of broccoli soup w/ crackers; cookie; milk

COMMUNITY

Flu shot clinic offered

A flu shot clinic will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1 at Mays Home Health Care, 303 S. Main St., Eufaula.

Medicare Part B will completely cover the immunization, so bring your Medicare card with you.

Private pay is also accepted.

For more information call 918-689-2740 or 800-362-4344.

House of Reps. passes Fallen Journalists Memorial Act

The Fallen Journalists Memorial (FJM) Foundation, News Media Alliance, National Newspaper Association and National Association of Broadcasters today commended the U.S. House of Representatives on passing bipartisan legislation authorizing the FJM Foundation to establish a national memorial that honors the many reporters, editors, photographers and broadcasters who have lost their lives reporting the news.

"Washington has many monuments honoring those who have sacrificed their lives to protect our freedoms — yet, there is no memorial on public land to recognize the journalists who have made the same sacrifice," FJM Foundation President Barbara Cochran said. "Such a memorial will demonstrate to citizens and visitors from around the world that our country values a free press, honors the sacrifices of journalists, and supports the families, friends and colleagues of the fallen."

The Fallen Journalists Memorial Act, H.R. 3465, was sponsored by Reps. Grace Napolitano (D-California) and Tom Cole (R-Oklahoma). Similar legislation (S. 1969) was introduced in the Senate by Sens. Ben Cardin (D-Maryland) and Rob Portman (R-Ohio).

"I am grateful to my former colleagues in Congress for approving this legislation and recognizing the sacrifices of those journalists who have been attacked, imprisoned and murdered around the world," the Hon. David Dreier, former chair of Tribune Publishing, said. "This memorial will be a testament to our commitment as a nation to the freedom of the press and an enduring symbol of freedom."

"Over our nation's history, hundreds of U.S. journalists have lost their lives while bringing critical news and information to Americans," News Media Alliance President & CEO David Chavern said. "We applaud members of the House of Representatives for voting to approve the Fallen Journalists Memorial Act, which recognizes the ultimate sacrifice that these journalists have made to bring high-quality journalism to the public and to shine a light on domestic and world events. We also commend Representatives Raul Grijalva (D-Arizona), Grace Napolitano (D-California) and Tom Cole (R-Oklahoma) for their leadership in championing the legislation."

"Journalists put their lives on the line for the American public whenever they go out into the world to cover conflict," Matthew Adelman, president of the National Newspaper Association and publisher of the Douglas (Wyoming) Budget, said. "They do it because they believe in the public's right to know. But they cannot always do their jobs safely. We recognize their valor and commitment in the plans to establish a memorial to Fallen Journalists and hope the lessons of their contributions will help to inform future generations about the importance of journalism in our democracy."

"A free press plays an indelible role in American democracy by reporting the facts to keep communities engaged and informed," the Hon.

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Court extends census deadline

The Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy (OICA) applauded a federal court decision that ordered the extension of the Census deadline to the original October 31 date.

"This is great news for those of us fighting to ensure a full count of Oklahoma's citizens," said Joe Dorman, OICA's chief executive officer. "That extra month will make a huge difference, especially as we work to ensure historically undercounted groups – including children age zero-to-five, which is one of the hardest-to-count groups, Native Americans and other people of color.

"We at OICA will continue to aggressively work with our Census partners to boost the counts across Oklahoma."

Oklahoma's current response rate is an anemic 60.5 percent self-response rate, ranking the state 41st in the nation. The nation's best state for self-response is Minnesota with a 74.7 percent self-response, and Oklahoma even trails Texas, which has a 62.0 percent self-response rate. In 2010, Oklahoma had a 62.3 percent self-response rate; response rates nationwide have been lagging during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The U.S. Census Bureau originally extended the time for counting to October 31 due to the challenges caused by the pandemic. However, after pressure from Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross to reduce the counting period, the Census Bureau rolled back the date to September 30.

A federal lawsuit was filed in the Northern District of California and Judge Lucy Koh today issued a preliminary injunction requiring the Census Bureau to keep counting until October 31. The Justice Department, according to reports, is expected to appeal the judge's ruling. Even so, for now the date is once again October 31.

"We will use the time to make sure everyone who can be counted is counted," Dorman said. "The stakes are too high, especially for children, since programs and funding benefitting them are often tied to population numbers. Every Oklahoman we miss means $1,700 per year in our federal tax dollars will go to other states that did a better job counting. Resources are so scarce, that we simply cannot afford that."

Dorman said OICA will use its upcoming Political Hacks' Chili Cookoff fundraiser, set for Saturday, October 17, as yet another Census-promoting event. The chili cookoff is slated for the parking lot behind OICA's building, located at 2915 N. Classen Blvd. in Oklahoma City.

OICA will facilitate Census response and great chili tasting, all while observing social distancing. Further, OICA will have a notary on hand to notarize absentee ballots and offer copy service to those who need to copy identification to send in with their absentee ballots. OICA also partnering with the Oklahoma Blood Institute to accept blood donations, with a goal to have 50 donors at the event.

"Expect an event celebrating our Constitution – which requires the once-in-a-decade Census – and the upcoming election as we work to help people do their duty and vote while being safe and observing social distancing," Dorman said. "This extension of the Census counting gives us great chance to do the best job possible counting Oklahoma's residents."

For more information about the Census or the chili cookoff, go to oica.org.

Time running out for youth artists to submit work for desk calendar

Time is running out for young artists under the age of 18 to submit work for consideration to be published in the Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy's 2021 Desktop Calendar.

Each year, OICA publishes a daily desktop calendar that is given to each legislator's office, OICA sustaining members, sponsors, and sold online to the public. Each day's calendar page features an important statistic relating to child well-being in Oklahoma. The calendar also celebrates the critical work done by organizations and individuals to help improve the quality of life for the state's children. The calendar runs from February 2021 through January 2022, beginning with the opening of the state legislative session.

Featured prominently on each page is artwork created by a youth artist in line with the theme. Partnering with the Oklahoma State Medical Association (OSMA) and the American Academy of Pediatrics, Oklahoma chapter, the theme for the 2021 OICA Desktop Calendar will be "A Healthy Future for Oklahoma's Children." Among the myriad of health-related topics young artists can show include:

- Eating a balanced diet.
- Getting immunized against preventable diseases.
- Proper seatbelt and child-seat usage.
- Reducing Adverse Childhood Experiences and trauma.
- Protecting against household dangers like common cleaners and chemicals.

"This is a great opportunity for young artists to get wide exposure for their work and promote a tremendous cause to improve health," said Joe Dorman, CEO of OICA. "The calendars are on almost every desk at the State Capitol, and hundreds are sold and distributed in the state. There really is no better way for a young artist to get their work in front of so many people and teachers can showcase the talent of their classes as this can be done from home and submitted online."

In addition to appearing on the calendar, the work will be seen across OICA's social media channels. Every day's calendar page is the first post from OICA each day, and the posts occur every morning by 8 a.m. The entries will be judged with a $100 cash prize to the young artist creating the best work. Also, that young artist will be featured on the cover of the calendar.



COURTESY PHOTO

OICA's CEO, Joe Dorman, shows an example of the artwork submitted for the 2020 OICA Desktop Calendar. The Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy is seeking young artists to submit work for the 2021 edition of the calendar. Sponsored by the Oklahoma State Medical Association, young artists and their parents can submit work at https://oicaart.artcall.org.

"We want to encourage these young artists to become advocates at an early age and work to promote better health by reaching out to the policymakers who can help with the change we need in our state," Dorman said. "We strongly encourage our state's talented youth artists and their parents to consider submitting their work for the 2021 calendar."

To submit the work, artists and their parents should go to https://oicaart.artcall.org, create a user account, and submit the work. Each artwork will need to reflect the theme of "A Healthy Future for Oklahoma's Children." Entries will be accepted through October 31, 2020.

If any youth artist or parent has questions about the call for art or the calendar program, call OICA at (405) 236-KIDS (5437), or email OICA at info@oica.org.

Kiowa's Legislative Speaker passes away due to COVID-19

NANCY SPEARS
GAYLORD NEWS

After a long battle in an intensive care unit, Kiowa tribe's Speaker of Legislation Angela Chaddleson-McCarthy life was celebrated in services held Tuesday in Indian Country U.S.A. in Anadarko.

McCarthy, 49, who died Sept. 17, spent more than a month in the Integris Deaconess Hospital in Oklahoma City battling a COVID-19 infection.

During her time as Speaker, McCarthy pushed for a $1,000 COVID-19 relief payment to each tribal member, in addition to all the other things she did during her career as Kiowa's District No. 1 legislator. She advocated for Native American rights as well as working for the tribe for many years in a number of roles.

"Her passion for her people and love for the tribe will not be forgotten. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family," Kiowa Chairman Matthew Komalty said in a statement after her death.

This comes after a much longer battle between the tribe's Legislative and Executive branches regarding which entity controlled spending of the tribe's allotment of CARES Act funds. The impeachment process against tribal chairman Matthew Komalty, being led by McCarthy, is still ongoing.

The tribe is currently working to disperse CARES Act funds to members following the tribal council's approval of the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year budget.

There is no word indicating whether the Legislative Branch will hold a special election to determine McCarthy's replacement as Speaker or her seat as District 1 Legislator.

Gaylord News is a reporting project of the University of Oklahoma Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication.

Native American dolls on exhibit

The American Indian Culture and Preservation office (AICP), a department within the Oklahoma Historical Society, has opened a new educational exhibit to be on display through Dec. 1.

The exhibit, entitled "Child's Play: Dolls of Native America," includes Native American dolls from different regions of the country.

It is in the Research Library at the Oklahoma Historical Society Research Division, 800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive, Oklahoma City, and will be accompanied by an exhibit publication.

According to Curator and Native American Cultural Research Specialist, Tamara Elder, "We wanted to feature dolls not just from Oklahoma and the Southern Plains region, but dolls from the Southwest, Southeast, Northeast, Arctic, Subarctic, Northern Plains, Great Basin, Plateau, Woodlands and Great Lakes, so that viewers can see and appreciate the great diversity of traditional clothing styles within these tribes."

The exhibit not only presents the importance of dolls and their essential development for young girls, but their importance as an art form and documentation of materials used in making traditional tribal clothes.

"For doll makers such as Mildred Cleghorn, the importance of passing down knowledge of tribal clothing was imperative to saving cultural traditions, especially for young people. Some of these dolls will be kept within the families to be passed down from generation to generation," Elder said.

The exhibit features selected biographies of doll makers such as Mildred Cleghorn, Ft. Sill Apache, Lorene Drywater, Cherokee, and Donna Tsatoke, Kiowa/Caddo.



COURTESY PHOTO

Historical Society exhibits Native American dolls.

OETRA encourages memberships to support state equine trails

Oklahoma Equestrian Trail Riders Association, Inc., the state's trail riding association dedicated to trail advocacy, is encouraging individuals and families to join for 2020. Those who join now, the membership will be good through Dec. 31, 2021.

OETRA was established in 1974 as the state's trail riding association with the mission of promoting good stewardship towards Oklahoma's trail system.

Membership is based on the calendar year. The cost is $25 for individuals and $35 for families. OETRA sponsors equestrian trails rides throughout the year. Members receive a monthly newsletter full of upcoming rides, important news concerning equestrian trails and ride reviews. The club publishes a membership directory in the spring. OETRA has a group page on Facebook under Oklahoma Equestrian Trails Riders Association.

Since 2009, OETRA has donated more than $75,637 to Oklahoma's equestrian trail systems through its membership dues and fundraisers.

OETRA's trail ambassador program initiated in 2012 designates an OETRA member to serve as a liaison between the club and the trails' facility manager.

In 2018, OETRA donated $9,500 to five equestrian trails across the state.

Trail ambassadors submitted grant requests from OETRA.

Locations receiving funding include Bell Cow Lake, Chandler; Cedar Lake Equestrian Camp, Hodgen; Foss Lake State Park, Foss; Robbers Cave State Park, Wilburton, and Sardis Lake, Clayton; Great Salt Plains, Jet; Prague Lake, Prague; Lake Thunderbird, Norman; Liberty Lake, Guthrie; Arrowhead State Park, Eufaula; Mohawk Park, Tulsa, and Lake Texoma Platter Flats, Platter.

The association also hosts work weekends at trail systems each year to mark and clean trails among other projects.

"Joining OETRA gives you an opportunity to become a member of the most active equestrian group that supports equestrian trails and parks in Oklahoma," said Phyllis Dragus of Luther, OETRA president. "Membership dues help us continue our efforts of maintaining and enhancing our trails systems. Currently, OETRA is working with 21 equestrian trail systems across Oklahoma to make improvements and increase communication with the facility managers."

For more information and additional details about joining OETRA, upcoming rides and trail projects, visit oetra.com. A membership application can be downloaded from the website or dues can be paid via PayPal online.



COURTESY PHOTO

Equestrian group support trails.

Art in Posey Park

The Eufaula-Canadian Tribal Town will host two activities on Saturday, Oct. 3.

An Arts & Crafts show and sale will take place beginning at 9 a.m. in Alexander Posey Park on Selmon Road.

This park is named after the noted poet, publisher and writer. He was the publisher of the State's oldest newspaper, The Indian Journal. He also penned the Fus Fixico letters. He resided in the Bald Hill area South of Stidham.

Many artisans will be on hand to display and sell their works.

Among the confirmed artists are Lucille Olive of Bennington, with her Choctaw design beadwork. Winner of the Eufaula Artwalk, Bill McCulley will display his rock art. Josie & Donna Tiger will show their clothing, beadwork and cultural items.

Others include Barbara West and Melissa Hallum Santos with Ribbon Skirts, Leon Harley with Paintings, Jackie Jackson with T-shirts, and Jon Tiger artwork. More artists will be here for the show and sale.

For those in need of a massage, Sandra Sulphur Goddard will be on hand to give a 15 minute massage for $15 per session. Please wear a mask.

A Chili/Fry Bread or Stew food sale will be going on at 502 Foley Ave. (Tiger Residence). Dinners are $5 a piece and carry-out only. It will begin at 11 a.m.

The Tribal town, Indigenous Parade will be Monday, Oct. 12 (Columbus Day) beginning at 2 p.m.

All native persons are invited to participate in the parade. The theme is "We are still here".

All native supporters, churches, ceremonial grounds, tribes, princesses, floats, service men and anyone participating will line up at 1:30 pm at the Eufaula Community center on High Street.

Storytelling Event, Friday, Oct. 16 at 5:30 p.m. out Deers' Chappell Road.

For more information call 918-850-3806.

Eastern to host virtual 5th annual Mountaineer 5K in November

The 5th Annual Eastern Oklahoma State College Mountaineer 5K will be held virtually this year from Nov. 9 – Nov. 15. The entry fee will be $30.

"As champions of the Mountaineer community and beyond, we are facing an unprecedented challenge with the global COVID-19 pandemic," said Teresa Brady, Executive Director of the EOSC Foundation and Alumni Relations. "We are all working to do our part to protect the health and well-being of students, faculty, staff and our running/walking community. We have decided to make this year's Mountaineer 5K a virtual event."

Each runner will be asked to complete their run individually between Nov. 9 and Nov. 15. After their run is completed, participants will submit their time, registration form and payment either by mail or online at eosc.edu by Nov. 20 at 11:59 p.m.

Runners will receive a t-shirt and a finisher medal. Drive-through packet pickups will be held at all four of the EOSC campus locations. Dates for pick up will be scheduled at a future date.

The Mountaineer 5K is a Choctaw Nation PACE registered event. PACE runners will submit their time, registration form, and location for shirt and finisher medal pick up to:

Choctaw Nation P.A.C.E. Program
One Choctaw Way
Talihina, OK 74571
Or email: hcmize@cnhsa.com

Non-PACE runners will submit their time, registration form, location for shirt and finisher medal pick up, and payment to:

EOSC Alumni Association – Mountaineer 5K
1301 W. Main Street
Wilburton, OK 74578

Checks should be payable to EOSC Foundation or payment by credit card can be made online at eosc.edu.

For more information, contact Teresa Brady at 918-465-1761 or tbrady@eosc.edu.

JOURNALISTS

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Gordon H. Smith, president and CEO of the National Association of Broadcasters, said. "Sadly, hundreds of journalists have lost their lives throughout our history performing this invaluable public service. NAB, local radio and TV stations and our broadcast network partners thank the House of Representatives for passing the Fallen Journalists Memorial Act to honor their memory, and we strongly support the establishment of this monument to their ultimate sacrifice."

The legislation authorizes the FJM Foundation to establish a memorial on federal land in Washington, D.C., to commemorate America's commitment to a free press by honoring those journalists who sacrificed their lives in service to that cause. It precludes the building of such a memorial on what is known as the "Reserve," the area of the Mall in Washington, D.C., where new commemorative works are prohibited.

The measure also prohibits the use of federal funds. It requires the FJM Foundation, which operates under the auspices of the National Press Club Journalism Institute, to follow a particular process to ensure that the memorial is appropriately designed, constructed and located, and that sufficient private funds are provided to the National Park Service to maintain the memorial.

Other organizations supporting the legislation include the Military Reporters and Editors Association, National Federation of Press Women, Committee to Protect Journalists, Freedom Forum, News Leaders Association and Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press, and the Radio Television Digital News Association.

About the Fallen Journalists Memorial Foundation

The FJM Foundation was established to support the enactment of the Fallen Journalists Memorial Act and, once enacted, to lead the effort to raise funds to design, develop, construct and maintain a memorial that will be an enduring tribute to the reporters, photojournalists, producers, editors and others who have died while performing their jobs as journalists. The FJM Foundation operates under the auspices of the National Press Club Journalism Institute (NPCJI), which is the non-profit educational affiliate of the National Press Club.

Homecoming 2020



Senior attendant Amanda Brown is escorted by Clancy Campbell.



Senior attendant Keah Collins is escorted by Brach Hall.



Senior attendant Alexis Hamilton is escorted by Jalen Atkins.



Senior attendant Ciara Moore is escorted by Jhonathen McGuire.



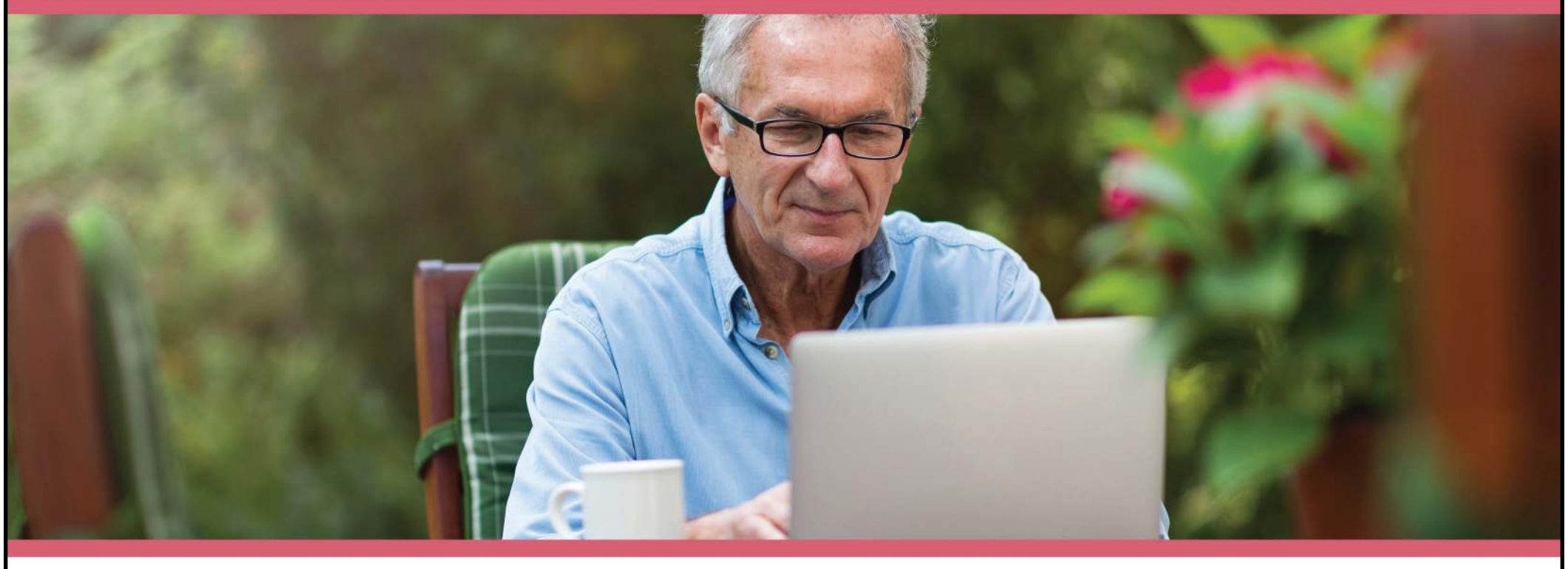
Pictured above is freshman attendant Maci Britt. Maci is escorted by Mason Coleman and Bailey McIntosh. Pictured to the right is sophomore attendant Sarah Hamm is escorted by Cody Robinson and Connor Jenkins.





Pictured left, junior attendant Briana Fields is escorted by Elijah Fuller and Malachi Harris. Pictured right, Flower girl Katie Dismukes is escorted by crown bearer Jaxon Coleman.

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Wildcats hang 50 on Webster

RODNEY HALTOM
SPORTS EDITOR

The Checotah Wildcats rolled out the offense and put it on Tulsa Webster Friday night in a 53-0 drumming at Ray Grandstaff Stadium. The victory moved the Wildcats to 2-2, 1-0 in District 3A-3 standings. Checotah began homecoming night crowning Alexis Hamilton as queen and Clancy Campbell as king then the fireworks began.

Dontierre Fisher took the first offensive play 63 yards to the Webster 4-yardline, setting up a short yardage touchdown run by Fisher scoring the first of 34 first quarter points.

The Wildcat defense forced Webster's offensive to stall at midfield, forcing a punting situation.

It didn't take long for the Wildcats to score again as Malachi Harris took the punt 90 yards to the end zone to take a 13-0 lead. Harris razzled and dazzled through the Webster defense, dodging numerous would-be tackles on his way to the house.

Checotah scored on all seven possessions of the first half as they ran up the score 46-0 at intermission.

Harris led the Wildcats with three touchdown receptions for 135 yards.

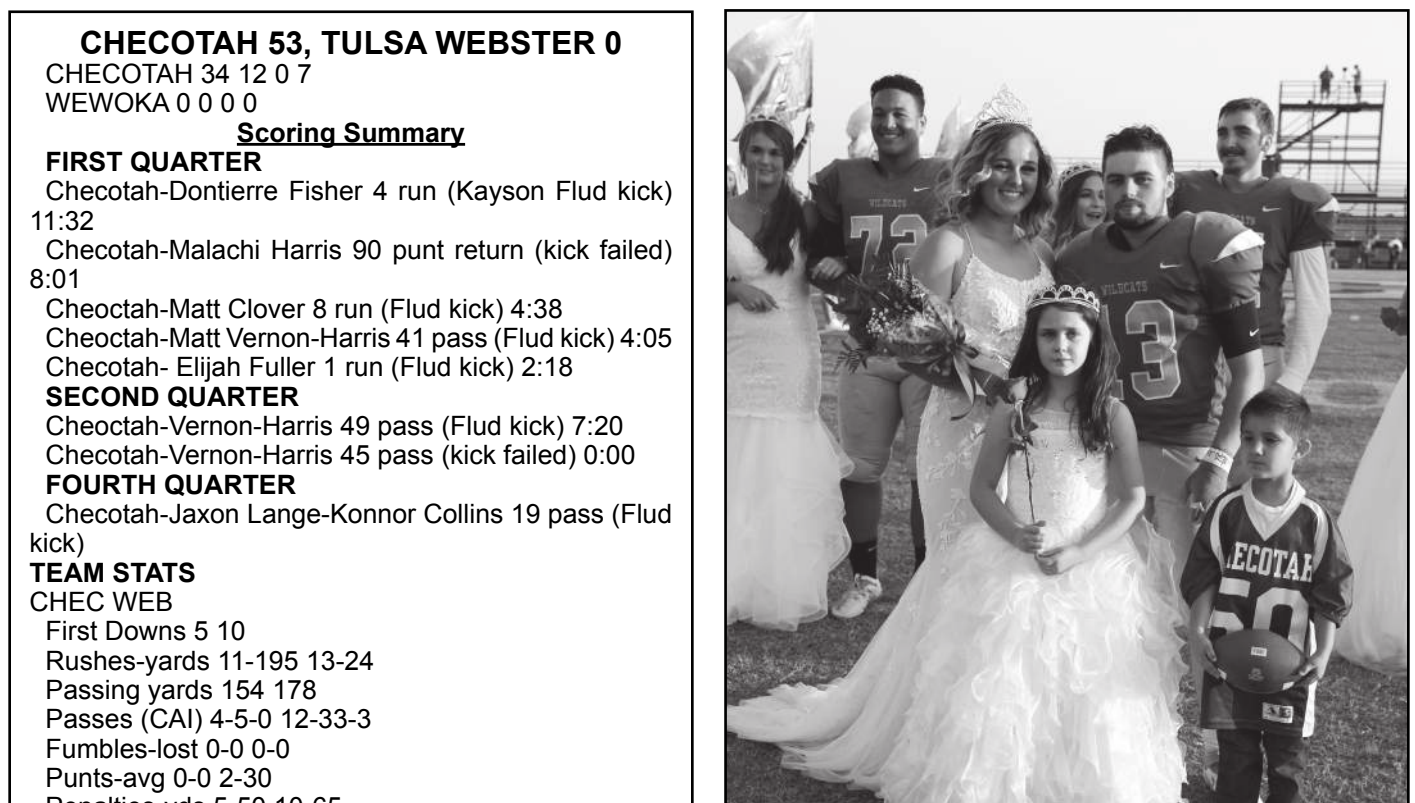
"This was a big win for us. It gave our team the confidence that we can play great football when we play up to our potential. This was no doubt a confidence-building win on both sides of the football," Checotah head football coach Zac Ross said.

Checotah quarterback Jake Vernon was 5/6 for 154 yards and three touchdowns.

Matt Clover scored on an eight yard run with 4:38 remaining in the first quarter. Vernon then connected with Harris on a 41-yard touchdown. The Wildcats' defense forced Webster to punt, giving Checotah excellent field position. Vernon guided his team down field and Elijah Fuller capped of the drive on a short run.

The second quarter was the Vernon and Harris show as the duo scored on touchdown passes of 49 and 45 yards.

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RODNEY HALTOM | SPORTS EDITOR

Checotah's Dontierre Fisher returns this kick to midfield in the Wildcats 53-0 win over Tulsa Webster.



RODNEY HALTOM | SPORTS EDITOR

Malachi Harris of Checotah returns this punt 90 yards for a touchdown against Tulsa Webster.

CHECOTAH 53, TULSA WEBSTER 0

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Scoring Summary

FIRST QUARTER
Checotah-Dontierre Fisher 4 run (Kayson Flud kick) 11:32
Checotah-Malachi Harris 90 punt return (kick failed) 8:01
Cheoctah-Matt Clover 8 run (Flud kick) 4:38
Cheoctah-Matt Vernon-Harris 41 pass (Flud kick) 4:05
Checotah- Elijah Fuller 1 run (Flud kick) 2:18

SECOND QUARTER
Cheoctah-Vernon-Harris 49 pass (Flud kick) 7:20
Checotah-Vernon-Harris 45 pass (kick failed) 0:00

FOURTH QUARTER
Checotah-Jaxon Lange-Konnor Collins 19 pass (Flud kick)

TEAM STATS

CHEC		WEB
5	First Downs	10
11-195	Rushes-yards	13-24
154	Passing yards	178
4-5-0	Passes (CAI)	12-33-3
0-0	Fumbles-lost	0-0
0-0	Punts-avg	2-30
5-50	Penalties-yds	10-65

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING- Chec: Kreed Hall 5-86 Web: Jeremiah Barnes 10-21
PASSING- Chec: Jake Vernon 5-6-3 Barnes 12-32
RECEIVING- Chec: Malachi Harris 3-135 Web: Martwon Taylor 7-92

RODNEY HALTOM | SPORTS EDITOR

The 2020 Checotah homecoming queen Alexis Hamilton and king Clancy Campbell with flower girl Katie Dismukes and crown bearer Jaxon Coleman.

Ironheads bury Hartshorne Miners on Homecoming

RODNEY HALTOM
SPORTS EDITOR

The Eufaula Ironheads (2-2) dominated the Hartshorne Miners 47-14 in every phase of the game on homecoming night at Paul Bell Stadium in Eufaula. Eufaula quarterback Luke Adcock had his best game in an Ironhead jersey going 10-of-11 for 178 yards and three touchdowns. Adcock connected with Khelil Deere on touchdown receptions of 36 and 14 yards in the first quarter.

Nick Jones was on the receiving end of a 10-yard touchdown pass to open the second quarter. The Ironheads' defense controlled the line of scrimmage and tortured the Hartshorne quarterback and skill players with bone-crunching hits and brutal tackles.

The Miners were forced to punt on their next offensive possession, giving Eufaula a short field to work with. That set up Adcock's next touchdown pass as he threw a dart to senior receiver Tevion Nichols giving Eufaula a 27-0 lead.

Hartshorne was limited on their next offensive possession as Noah Gray, Tye Pippenger and Briar Sweitzer disrupted the Miners' play with great speed and toughness.

Adcock led his team down field on a long drive that was capped off with a Nick Jones 11-yard touchdown run, 34-0.

Hartshorne's offense took their next possession to the 46-yardline on short runs but was intercepted by senior linebacker Tye Pippenger who rumbled 54 yards for another Ironhead touchdown.

"Tye has had Hartshorne's number for a couple of years now. He intercepted them last year in almost the same area," Eufaula head coach Larry Newton said.

Eufaula star running back Noah Alexander got in the groove as he busted loose on a two-yard touchdown to start the third quarter. Alexander finished with 14 carries for 127 yards and a touchdown.

Deere finished with three receptions for 664 yards and two touchdowns.

Eufaula racked up 356 total offensive yards (178 passing/178 rushing) while holding Hartshorne 231 total offensive yards.

"We are in the same spot we where in the last two years at 1-2 entering district play and now 2-2 overall and 1-0 in district. We still have a lot to improve on. We're nowhere we want to be right now. We have to get better up front on both sides of the football. This district is tougher than the last couple of years and we need to be ready each and every week. I'm proud of

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RODNEY HALTOM | SPORTS EDITOR

Nick Jones of Eufaula sprints to the outside eluding Hartshorne defenders as he scores a touchdown against Hartshorne.



RODNEY HALTOM | SPORTS EDITOR

Eufaula Lady Ironhead pitcher Avery Williams throws a strike against Kiefer in a 2-1 win.

Morris edges Eufaula Lady Ironheads 6-5

RODNEY HALTOM
SPORTS EDITOR

The Eufaula Lady Ironheads (11-14) saw their six inning rally come up short as they fell to Morris 6-5. Morris scored three runs in the first inning to take a commanding 3-1 lead. The Lady Eagles added three more runs in the fourth to extend their lead 6-1.

The Lady Ironheads did not go away easily as they finally got their bats

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The scores were set up by great runs by Fuller, Clover and Kreed Hall.

Webster (0-2, 0-1) began to show fatigue as they only dressed out 18 players, forcing them to play both sides of the football. Webster had its moments as quarterback Jeremiah Barnes led a long drive to the Checotah 9-yardline. The next play Matt Mercer intercepted Barnes pass to stop the drive.

Back–up quarterback Jaxon Lange threw a 19-yard touchdown to Konnor Collins to seal the 53-0 victory.

IRONHEADS

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how we played tonight in front of our alumni and fans. That means so much to me and this coaching staff is to show that the Ironheads is and always will be a team to be proud of," Newton added.



RODNEY HALTOM | SPORTS EDITOR

No.19 Brett Pippenger and No.11 Noah Gray of Eufaula zoom in and tackle Hartshorne player for a short gain.



SHAUNA BELYEU | STAFF

Eufaula homecoming queen Madison Lynn and king Jacob Fitzer.

Lady Wildcats swing past Glenpool 6-1

RODNEY HALTOM
SPORTS EDITOR]

The Checotah Lady Wildcats (15-11) jumped out to an early 1-0 lead in the first inning and never looked back. Senior Vanessa Henson drove in one run on a single. Then the Lady Wildcats began their offensive onslaught as they scored three runs in the second inning.

Kohlie Atkins, Ciara Moore and Maci Britt each drove in runs while holding Glenpool scoreless.

Alexis Hamilton was the winning pitcher going four and third innings, allowing one run on six hits while striking out four.

Checotah tallied seven hits as Bia Fields and Henson each had multiple hits. The Lady Wildcats stole nine bases and most importantly never made an error in the game.

Softball Round Down

Checotah blanked Union 7-0 on Saturday. The Lady Wildcats scored four runs in the first inning and added one run in the second, third and fifth innings. Kaitlyn Searles, Bia Fields and Amanda Brown each hammered in runs in the first. Searles singled on a 3-1 count, scoring one run.

The Lady Wildcats racked up 14 hits with Brown, Maci Britt, Searles, Natalie Knight and Alexis Hamilton each finishing with multiple hits.

Hamilton was the winning pitcher as she surrendered zero runs on three hits over four and two-thirds innings, striking out three and walking one.

NSU Tournament

Tahlequah edged Checotah 6-5 on Thursday at the NSU Softball Tournament.

Jay topped Checotah in a slugfest 11-9 in game one of the tournament. Jay scored nine runs in the third inning. Hamilton took the loss from the pitching circle. She allowed 11 runs on 14 hits while striking out two.

Natalie Knight, Hamilton, Jessie Rochell and Amanda Brown each recorded RBIs in the second inning.



RODNEY HALTOM | SPORTS EDITOR

Kohlie Atkins of Checotah has been very productive at the plate and has played a big part in the Lady Wildcats' success.

Wildcats rattle Sooners 38-35

RODNEY HALTOM
SPORTS EDITOR]

The Oklahoma Sooners was handed their second consecutive loss by Kansas State as the Wildcats rallied from behind to defeat the No.3 team in the nation 38-35.

The Sooners led 35-14 with just less than three minutes remaining in the third quarter before the Wildcats scored 24 unanswered points, dominating the OU offensive line and forcing four turnovers.

Oklahoma quarterback Spencer Rattler finished the game going 30/41 for 387 yards, four touchdowns and three interceptions. He was pressured the entire second half of the game by a feisty Wildcat defensive front.

With 4:32 to go, Kansas State kicker Blake Lynch gave the Wildcats their first lead with his 50-yard field goal. Prior to the field goal, Kansas State quarterback Skylar Thompson connected with a long pass play, and powered in from two yards out to start the rally. Then he added his fourth rushing score of the afternoon on the following drive, a 4-yard TD, drawing the Wildcats to back within one score. Vaughn would tie it up on his 38-yard touchdown run with 8:17 left.

Thompson finished going 18/25 for 334 yards and a touchdown. The loss moves the Sooners to No.6 in the Big12 conference standings.

Final stats:

Passing: OU – Spencer Rattler (30-of-41, 387, 4 TD, 3 INT); KSU – Skylar Thompson (18-of-25, 334, 1 TD)

Rushing: OU – 35-130-1; KSU – 26-66; Leading rusher: OU – Seth McGowan (13-73-1); KSU – Deuce Vaughn (8-45)

Receiving: OU – 30-387-4; KSU – 18-334-1; Leading receiver: OU – Drake Stoops (3-93); KSU – Deuce Vaughn (4-129)

Total yards: OU – 517; KSU – 400

First downs: OU – 28; KSU – 10

Penalties: OU – 10-75; KSU – 13-1084COMMENTS

Turnovers: OU – 4; KSU – 0



RODNEY HALTOM | SPORTS EDITOR

University of Oklahoma Coach Lincoln Riley has lost the last two games against Kansas State. OU dropped to 6th in the Big 12.

SOFTBALL

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hot scoring four runs in the sixth inning as Addison McLaughlin connected on a double and Allie Anderson and Jordas McClish each singled.

Liberty Glover took the loss from the pitching circle. She allowed six hits and five runs over three innings, striking out two and walking one. Eufaula racked up 12 hits in the game. McClish went 3-for-3 with a pair of RBIs and Mikah Osborne and Kambry Williams each went 2-for-3 from the plate.

Softball Run Down

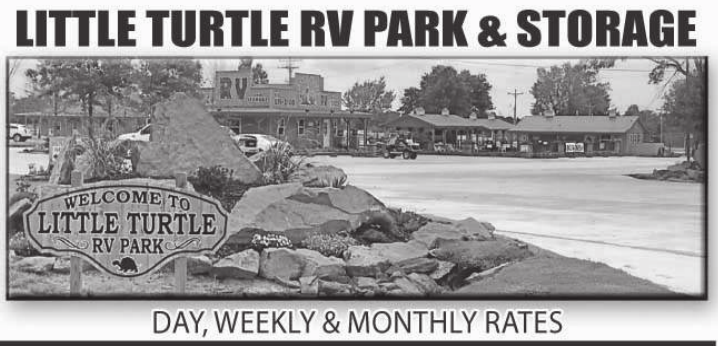
Eufaula topped Kiefer 2-1 on Monday. With the game tied 1-1 going into the seventh inning, the Lady Ironheads rallied to add another run as they held on to a 2-1 win as Mikah Osborne singled on a 1-2 count scoring the winning run. Avery Williams earned the win from the pitching circle. She struck out eight in the victory.

Addison McLaughlin, Glover and Osborne each collected one hit to lead the Lady Ironheads.

"This was a big win for us. We never quit. These girls continued to battle and got the win. Sure you want to see more production at the plate but this was a battle of pitchers. I believe they struck out eight of our batters. This win showed just what kind of character this team has. I'm very proud of them," Eufaula head coach Ryan Green said.

Spiro Bulldogs roared to a 9-2 win on Saturday. Eufaula scored a run in the first two innings until Spiro went on a batting barrage scoring four runs in the third inning and four more in the sixth. Gabrielle Noriega singled for an RBI in the first inning. Eufaula collected eight hits on the day. Jordas McClish went 3-for-4 to lead Eufaula. Avery Williams took the loss, surrendering four runs on five hits.

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12' x 30'	$75	$85
12' x 35'	$90	$100
12' x 40'	$105	$115

Boat and RV Storge: 13'6" Tall (w/concrete floors)	Year	Month
15' x 30'	$90	$100
15' x 40'	$110	$130
15' x 50'	$145	$170
Boat or RV Covered: 13'6" Tall (w/ gravel floors)	Year	Month
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More than 33 million Americans to bet on NFL Season

Approximately 13 percent of American adults plan to bet on National Football League (NFL) games this year despite lower enthusiasm from fans in general about the 2020-21 season, according to a new survey from the American Gaming Association (AGA).

Of the estimated 33.2 million adults who plan to bet on this NFL season:

20 percent (6.6 million) will wager at physical, legal sportsbooks, up from 18 percent last year.

34 percent (11.3 million) will place a bet through legal and illegal online platforms, up from 29 percent.

18 percent (6 million) will wager with a bookie, either in person or via a mobile platform, up from 12 percent.

26 percent (8.6 million) will bet casually through pools, fantasy contests, and squares, down from 31 percent.

50 percent (16.6 million) will bet casually with friends, family, or coworkers, down from 53 percent.

Those who plan to wager on the upcoming season are more enthusiastic than NFL fans overall. Sports bettors are significantly more likely (54%) to be excited about the upcoming season than the general population (18%), self-described avid and general NFL fans (41%), or casual NFL fans (12%). The AGA previously found the NFL stands to gain $2.3 billion annually from legal sports betting, largely due to increased fan engagement.

"The NFL traditionally drives a significant amount of action from sports bettors, and this year appears to be no different," said AGA President and CEO Bill Miller. "While we've known for a long time that bettors are more engaged fans—particularly when it comes to football—continuing to drive them to the legal market is essential for protecting consumers and the integrity of the games they wager on."

Engagement from sports bettors will prove even more important to the NFL as fans report generally lower enthusiasm for the NFL season. 4 in 10 (42%) American adults say they are less excited about this season than last year, citing the increased political activism around the league (36%), absence of fans in stadiums (19%), and inability to gather with friends to watch games (17%) as the main factors contributing to their lessened interest.

Looking to the Lombardi Trophy, 13 percent of NFL bettors plan to wager on the Kansas City Chiefs to win the Super Bowl, followed by nine percent on the Dallas Cowboys, and five percent each on the Baltimore Ravens, Cincinnati Bengals, Miami Dolphins, New England Patriots, and San Francisco 49ers.

"The legal sports betting market continues to grow to the detriment of dangerous, illegal offshore operators. The NFL and its teams must continue to prioritize and act on the shared responsibility to educate customers on regulated markets and responsible gaming principles in order to realize the full benefit of legal sports betting," Miller added.

Area Athletic Schedules

Area Football Schedules
Stigler at Checotah 7 p.m.
Hugo at Eufaula 7 p.m.

Area Fast-Pitch Schedule
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HALTOM'S HUDDLE

Kindness appreciated

After nearly 10 years working in the newspaper business one of the first lessons I learned was that no matter how hard one might work they are not going to make everyone happy. Being in the newspaper business is much like being a politician. You travel everywhere, long and short distances, to where your constituents may be. You work long hours, weekends and holidays to make sure you get the news out to your subscribers.

Recently I had a gentleman by the name of Kenneth Eddy call me. He said that he had three things to say to me. First was that he appreciated me and my co-workers for continuing to work every day through this epidemic. Secondly, he thanked me for putting him on the Greatest All-Time Checotah Football team, to which I said he had earned it and it was a privilege to add him to a team of many greats. Thirdly, he advised where we had made a mistake and we discussed it.

Even though he pointed out my mistake, the kindness and laughter in his voice made my week. It is the small things like this that go a long way. Most people take their local newspaper for granted and expect some things that are not achievable. However, I'm proud to say that both the Eufaula Indian Journal and McIntosh County Democrat have achieved the highest honors a newspaper can by the Oklahoma Press Association and numerous individual awards. And yes, we're not perfect but it's phone calls from people like Mr. Eddy that makes me want to work long, hard hours. Your compliments are highly appreciated. 1-2-3 break.



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The Outdoors are Always Open

Archery Season Opens Oct. 1 for Deer, Elk, Bear, Antelope, Turkey

While certain fall activities may be more limited this year due to Covid 19, the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation reminds hunters that the outdoors are always open. With Oct. 1 marking the first day of several archery seasons across Oklahoma and the Wildlife Department encouraging hunters to harvest more antlerless deer, it could be a perfect year to focus on bowhunting.

The deer archery season is the most popular archery season in Oklahoma, with a record 113,000 archery hunters bringing home 30,748 deer in 2019-20. It's also one of the most widely available, running Oct. 1 - Jan. 15, 2021. Deer archery season is open statewide, with a season limit of six deer. New this year, regulations on some public hunting lands have been changed to mirror statewide regulations, and a new rule is now in effect regarding the importation of deer and elk carcasses and carcass parts into Oklahoma from surrounding states.

Deer archery season coincides with turkey archery season, and it's common for deer hunters to head to the field along with the proper fall turkey license in case they get a chance to harvest a turkey while deer hunting.

For a rundown on deer, turkey and other big game archery seasons opening Oct. 1, including elk, black bear and pronghorn, check out this new post on the Wildlife Department's blog, the Outdoor Oklahoma Journal.

2020 Big 12 Conference Standings

TEAM	CONF	OVR
Okla. State	1-0	2-0
Texas	1-0	2-0
Baylor	1-0	1-0
Iowa State	1-0	1-1
Kansas State	1-0	1-1
Oklahoma	0-1	1-1
Texas Tech	0-1	1-1
West Virginia	0-1	1-1
TCU	0-1	0-1
Kansas	0-1	0-2

OU-Iowa State scheduled for 6:30 p.m. CT on ABC

OU and Iowa State will do battle in primetime. Saturday's contest is set for 6:30 p.m. CT on ABC, it was announced Sunday afternoon.

The Sooners have dominated the Cyclones to the tune of a 76-6-2 (.927) mark in the all-time series. That includes victories in 20 of the last 21 meetings and a 24-game winning streak in Ames. In fact, they haven't lost in Ames since all the way back in the 1960 season. Cyclone coach Matt Campbell has handed the Sooners two losses in his short time in Ames.



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At his ranch near Tishomingo, Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Foundation member, Blake Shelton, shares the joy of fishing with local children in foster care. The OWCF is a nonprofit organization formed to work exclusively alongside and provide support for the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation.

Lake Eufaula Fishing Report

Elevation normal, water 82 and murky. For current elevation conditions go to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers website at https://www.swt-wc.usace.army.mil/EUFA.lakepage.html. Striped bass fair on jigs, small lures, and topwater lures below and around the dam. Crappie good on jigs and minnows around coves, docks, main lake, riprap, and standing timber.

Report submitted by Cannon Harrison, game warden stationed in McIntosh County.

On this day in U.S. military history

RODNEY HALTOM
SPORTS EDITOR

On October 1, 1878 – General Lew Wallace was sworn in as governor of New Mexico Territory. He went on to deal with the Lincoln County War, Billy the Kid and wrote Ben-Hur.

1880 – John Philip Sousa started his 12-year tour as director of the U.S. Marine Band. He premiered many of his marches and produced the first commercial phonograph recordings.

1890 – Congress created the Weather Bureau, moving the Weather Warning Service from the US Army Signal Corps to the Department of Agriculture.

1934 – Adolph Hitler expanded the German army and navy and created an air force, violating Treaty of Versailles.

1936 – General Francisco Franco was proclaimed the head of an insurgent Spanish state.

1942 – Bell P-59 Airacomet fighter, 1st US jet, made its maiden flight.

1944 – The U.S. First Army began the siege Aachen, Germany.

1945 – The 1st Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment landed and occupied Chinwangtao, China.

1946 – Twelve Nazi war criminals were sentenced to be hanged at Nuremberg trials– Karl Donitz, Hermann Goring, Alfred Jodl, Hans Frank, Wilhelm Frick, Ernst Kaltenbrunner, Wilhelm Keitel, Joachin von Ribbentrop, Fritz Saukel, Arthur Seyss-Inquart, Julius Streicher, and Alfred Rosenberg. Karl Donitz was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

1950 – The ROK 3rd Infantry Division crossed the 38th parallel in pursuit of the retreating In Mun Gun, the North Korean Army. The U.S. Army's Puerto Rican 65th Infantry Regiment arrived in Korea and was assigned to the 3rd Infantry Division. The USS Magpie struck a mine while sweeping a channel two miles off Chuksan, becoming the first U.S. Navy vessel to be sunk during the war. Twenty-one members of her 33-man-crew were lost.

1951 – The all-African-American 24th Infantry Regiment and 159th Field Artillery Battalion, 25th Infantry Division, were disbanded and the personnel reassigned to formerly all-white units. Other formerly all-African-American units were infused with white soldiers, thus beginning racial integration in the Army.

1958 – Inauguration of NASA. Formed as a result of the Sputnik crisis of confidence, NASA inherited the earlier National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), and other government organizations, and almost immediately began working on options for human space flight.

1961 – The United States Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) is formed, becoming the country's first centralized military espionage organization.

1990 – Air Force General and VP candidate Curtis E. LeMay died at March Air Force Base, California, at age 83. General Curtis Emerson Lemay was the "Father of the Strategic Air Command."

1996 – Operation Frontier Shield commences. It is the largest counter-narcotics operation in Coast Guard history. FRONTIER SHIELD was the cornerstone of a strategy and a genuine case study for the regional impact of interdiction.

1997 – The first African-American female colonel in the Marine Corps was promoted to that rank during a ceremony at MCAS Cherry Point, North Carolina. Colonel Gilda A. Jackson, a native of Columbus, Ohio, made Marine Corps history when she achieved the rank of colonel.

LEGALS & CLASSIFIEDS

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Big blowout sale Oct. 2nd and 3rd at 8:00am, 307 1/2 W. Jefferson, Checotah. Guns, cast iron skillets, knives, Precious Moments figurines, milk glass, clothes - teens and plus sizes.

Moving garage sale Friday and Saturday, Oct. 2-3, beginning at 8:00am, 116823 S. 4250 Dr., Eufaula, 8.9 miles east on Texanna Rd, turn right and follow signs.

SPECIAL NOTICES

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Carport sale October 1st, 2nd and 3rd at Leisure Land Estates, 112345 S. 4178 Rd. Watch for signs. Fishing, bicycles, glassware, furniture, heater, household goods, items too numerous to mention. Many pieces from having to close mall booth due to COVID-19 virus. Prices slashed on many items.

Eufaula on Friday, Oct. 2nd from 3:00pm-8pm, Saturday, Oct. 3rd from 9:00am-3pm, and Sunday, Oct. 4th from 12:00pm-4pm.
You may sign in 30 minutes before sale. Enter and exit at front door. Maximum ten people in home at one time. No early birds. Please no children under 16. No public restroom.
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE MCINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF,
POLA O. FORD,
Decedent
Case No. PB-2016-1

ALIAS NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that Rita Monroe, the duly appointed and qualified Personal Administrator of the Estate of Pola O. Ford, deceased, has returned and presented for confirmation, and filed in said Court her Return of the sale of the following described real property of said Estate, located in McIntosh, County, State of Oklahoma, to-wit:

Lake View Country Estates Lots 26 and 27, Block 2 First Addition

to Eddie Huggard for the sum of $24,000.00, and that on the 13th day of October, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. of said day, at the court room of the District Court in the McIntosh County Courthouse in the City of Eufaula, McIntosh County, Oklahoma aforesaid has been duly appointed by said Court for hearing said Return, at which time any person interested in said Estate may appear and file his or her exceptions in writing to said Return and contest the same, are hereby referred to said Return for further particulars.

DATED this 25th day of Sept., 2020.
/s/ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
BRENDON BRIDGES
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT
For Judge McLaughlin
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR McINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

BANK OF EUFAULA
A Banking Corporation
Plaintiff.
vs.
DEBBIE A. BLISS;
JOHN DOE, AS OCCUPANT OF THE PREMISES;
JANE DOE, AS OCCUPANT OF THE PREMISES;
STATE OF OKLAHOMA EX REL., OKLAHOMA TAX COMMISSION
Defendants.
Case No. CJ-2020-8

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 10 day of November, 2020, at 10:00a.m., in the hallway in front of the McIntosh County Assessor's Office on the first floor of the McIntosh County Courthouse in the City of Eufaula, McIntosh County, Oklahoma, the Sheriff of said County will offer for sale and sell, with appraisement, for cash, at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, all the certain real estate in McIntosh County Oklahoma, to wit:

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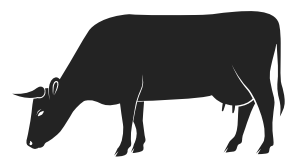
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property, if any, said property having been duly appraised at $75,000.00. Sale will be made pursuant to a Special Execution and order of Sale issued in accordance with judgment entered in the District Court of McIntosh County, Oklahoma in Case No. CJ-2020-8, entitled Bank of Eufaula, Plaintiff, vs. Debbie Bliss, John Doe, as occupant of the premises, and Jane Doe, as occupant of the premises, being all of the Defendants and person holding or claiming any interest or lien in the subject property.

Sheriff of McIntosh County
/s/ Angela Reasor
McIntosh County Deputy
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR MCINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHERYL A. RACKLEY
Deceased.
Case No.: PB-20-44
Judge:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF OKLAHOMA)
)ss.
COUNTY OF MCINTOSH)

All creditors having claims against CHERYL RACKLEY, 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 TONY RACKLEY, Administrator, in care of:

COURTNEY L. EAGAN
Eagan Law Office
150 Foley Ave.
Eufaula, OK 74432

on or before the following the presentment date, on the 27 day of November, 2020, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 22 day of September, 2020.

/s/ Courtney L. Eagan
COURTNEY L. EAGAN, OBA #22553
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Attorney for Administrator

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR MCINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GERALD D. WEBB
Deceased.
Case No.: PB-20-45
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF OKLAHOMA)
)ss.
COUNTY OF MCINTOSH)

All creditors having claims against GERALD D. WEBB, 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 CHRISTOPHER L. WEBB, Administrator, in care of:

COURTNEY L. EAGAN
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on or before the following the presentment date, on the 27 day of November, 2020, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 22 day of September, 2020.

/s/ Courtney L. Eagan
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR MCINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF, BOBBY JO FOREMAN, SR., DECEASED.

CASE NO. PB-2017-58

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT AND PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

Notice is hereby given that Bobby Jo Foreman, Jr., and Jeannia Shalaine Foreman, Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Bobby Jo Foreman, Sr., deceased, having filed in this Court their Final Account of the Administration of said estate, and their Petition for Distribution of said estate and for final discharge of said Co-Personal Representatives, the hearing of the same has been fixed by the Judge of said Court for 9:00 o'clock a.m., on the 28th day of October, 2020, at the Courtroom of said Court in the District Courthouse in Eufaula, McIntosh County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of Bobby Jo Foreman, Sr., deceased, determined, said estate distributed, and the Personal Representative discharged.

WITNESS my hand this 17th day of September, 2020.

/s/ ORIGINAL SIGNED
BY BRENDON BRIDGES
Brendon Bridges,
Associate District Judge
Gregory R. Stidham, OBA#8632
Attorney for Estate
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Legal Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR MCINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF, MICHAEL N. RIZZO, DECEASED.

CASE NO. PB-2019-12

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT AND PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE

Notice is hereby given that Sandra Kay Pryor, Personal Representative of the Estate of Michael N. Rizzo, deceased, having filed in this Court her Final Account of the Administration of said estate, and her Petition for Distribution of said estate and for final discharge of said Personal Representative, the hearing of the same has been fixed by the Judge of said Court for 9:00 o'clock a.m., on the 28th day of October, 2020, at the Courtroom of said Court in the District Courthouse in Eufaula, McIntosh County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of Michael N. Rizzo, deceased, determined, said estate distributed, and the Personal Representative discharged.

WITNESS my hand this 22nd day of September, 2020.

/s/ ORIGINAL SIGNED
BY BRENDON BRIDGES
Brendon Bridges,
Associate Judge of the District Court
Gregory R. Stidham, OBA#8632
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BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

APPLICANT: CANAAN RESOURCES, L.L.C.

RELIEF SOUGHT: LOCATION EXCEPTION

LANDS COVERED: SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST, PITTSBURG COUNTY, OKLAHOMA AND SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST, PITTSBURG AND MCINTOSH COUNTIES, OKLAHOMA

CAUSE CD NO. 202001622

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: All persons, owners, producers, operators, and takers of oil and gas, and all other interested persons, particularly in Pittsburg and McIntosh Counties, Oklahoma.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Applicant, Canaan Resources, L.L.C., has filed an application in this cause requesting authorization and permission for an exception to the permitted well location tolerances in the 640-acre horizontal drilling and spacing units in Sections 33-8N-13E, Pittsburg County, Oklahoma and 28-8N-13E, Pittsburg and McIntosh Counties, Oklahoma, for the Caney, Mayes, Woodford, Hunton and Sylvan common sources of supply, so as to allow, in part, a well to be drilled and to be completed in and to produce hydrocarbons from the above-named separate common sources of supply in said Sections 33-8N-13E and 28-8N-13E, with such authorization and permission running in favor of Applicant; being a multiunit horizontal well, to be drilled at the following location:

First Perforation
North/South Location 165' south
East/West Location 330' east
Unit Boundary Section 33-8N-13E
Last Perforation
North/South Location 0' north
East/West Location 330' east
Unit Boundary Section 33-8N-13E
First Perforation
North/South Location 0' south
East/West Location 330' east
Unit Boundary Section 28-8N-13E
Last Perforation
North/South Location 165' north
East/West Location 330' east
Unit Boundary Section 28-8N-13E

Applicant intends to run casing in the horizontal portion or lateral of the borehole of the multiunit horizontal well and to cement such casing so as to cover and isolate the first and last perforations in such horizontal portion or lateral.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the application in this cause requests that the order to be entered in this matter be made effective as of the date of the execution thereof or as of a date prior thereto and that the authorization and permission requested herein run in favor of Applicant.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the "land sections adjacent to the area within the location exception" requested herein in said Sections 33-8N-13E, Pittsburg County, Oklahoma and 28-8N-13E, Pittsburg and McIntosh Counties, Oklahoma, in regard to the subsurface location tolerance areas described above are Sections 21, 22, 27 & 34-8N-13E and Sections 3 & 4-7N-13E, Pittsburg and McIntosh Counties, Oklahoma. There are no wells towards which this well is moving.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause is set before an administrative law judge for hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to the Corporation Commission of Oklahoma.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause will be heard before an administrative law judge on the Conservation Docket at the Western Regional Service Office of the Corporation Commission, Jim Thorpe Building, 2101 North Lincoln, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at 8:30 A.M. on the 26th day of October, 2020, and that this notice be published as required by law and the rules of the Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that Applicant and interested parties may present testimony by telephone. The cost of telephonic communication shall be paid by the person or persons requesting its use, interested parties who wish to participate by telephone shall contact Applicant or Applicant's attorney, prior to the hearing date, and provide their names and telephone numbers.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action, contact Matt Holliman, Needham Energy Land Services, LLC, 410 N. Walnut Avenue, Suite 110, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, 405-297-0176, Ext. 118, or Jessica D. Hatcher, Attorney, 201 Robert S. Kerr Avenue, Ste. 1600, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102, (405) 996-3395.

CORPORATION COMMISSION OF OKLAHOMA
J. TODD HIETT, CHAIRMAN
BOB ANTHONY, VICE CHAIRMAN
DANA L. MURPHY, COMMISSIONER
DONE AND PERFORMED this 16th day of September, 2020.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:
PEGGY MITCHELL
SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION

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BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

APPLICANT: CANAAN RESOURCES, L.L.C.

RELIEF SOUGHT: MULTIUNIT HORIZONTAL WELL

LANDS COVERED: SECTIONS 33, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST, PITTSBURG COUNTY, OKLAHOMA AND SECTIONS 28, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST, PITTSBURG AND MCINTOSH COUNTIES, OKLAHOMA

CAUSE CD NO. 202001623

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: All persons; owners, producers, operators, purchasers and takers of oil and gas, and all other Interested persons, particularly in Pittsburg and McIntosh Counties, Oklahoma, including all parties listed on Exhibit "A" attached to the Application, and if any of the listed individuals be deceased, then the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, both immediate and remote, of such deceased individual; if any of the above-named parties is a dissolved partnership, corporation or other association, then the unknown successors, trustees and assigns, both immediate and remote, of such dissolved entity; if any of the above-named parties designated as a trustee is not presently acting in such capacity as trustee, then the unknown successor or successors to such trustee; if the above-named party designated as a guardian Is not presently acting in such capacity as guardian, then the unknown successor or successors to such guardian, and if the above-named party designated as an attorney-in-fact is not presently acting in such capacity as attorney-in-fact, then the unknown successor or successors to such attorney-in-fact.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Applicant, Canaan Resources, L.L.C., has filed an application in this cause requesting the Corporation Commission of Oklahoma to approve a multiunit horizontal well in the 640-acre horizontal drilling and spacing units formed for the Caney, Mayes, Woodford, Hunton and Sylvan common sources of supply in Sections 33-8N-13E, Pittsburg County, Oklahoma and 28-8N-13E, Pittsburg and McIntosh County, Oklahoma, so as to allow such multi-unit horizontal well to be drilled at the following location:

First Perforation
North/South Location 165' south
East/West Location 330' east
Unit Boundary Section 33-8N-13E
Allocation 50%
Last Perforation
North/South Location 0' north
East/West Location 330' east
Unit Boundary Section 33-8N-13E
Allocation
First Perforation
North/South Location 0' south
East/West Location 330' east
Unit Boundary Section 28-8N-13E
Allocation 50%
Last Perforation
North/South Location 165' north
East/West Location 330' east
Unit Boundary Section 28-8N-13E
Allocation

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the application in this cause requests that the order to be entered in this matter be made effective as of the date of the execution thereof or as of a date prior thereto.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause is set before an administrative law judge for hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to the Corporation Commission of Oklahoma.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause will be heard before an administrative law judge on the Conservation Docket at the Western Regional Service Office of the Corporation Commission, Jim Thorpe Building, 2101 North Lincoln, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at 8:30 A.M. on the 26th day of October, 2020, and that this notice be published as required by law and the rules of the Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that Applicant and interested parties may present testimony by telephone. The cost of telephonic communication shall be paid by the person or persons requesting its use, interested parties who wish to participate by telephone shall contact Applicant or Applicant's attorney, prior to the hearing date, and provide their names and telephone numbers.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action, contact Matt Holliman, Needham Energy Land Services, LLC, 410 N. Walnut Avenue, Suite 110, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, 405-297-0176, Ext. 118, or Jessica D. Hatcher, Attorney, 201 Robert S. Kerr Avenue, Ste. 1600, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102, (405) 996-3395.

CORPORATION COMMISSION OF OKLAHOMA
J. TODD HIETT, CHAIRMAN
BOB ANTHONY, VICE CHAIRMAN
DANA L. MURPHY, COMMISSIONER
DONE AND PERFORMED this 16th day of September, 2020.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:
PEGGY MITCHELL
SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION
EXHIBIT "A"

THE FOLLOWING RESPONDENT(S), IF LIVING OR IF DECEASED, THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, SUCCESSORS, TRUSTEES OR ASSIGNS, IMMEDIATE AND REMOTE, OR THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS, TRUSTEES OR ASSIGNS, IF ANY, OF ANY DISSOLVED CORPORATION, COMPANY OR PARTNERSHIP OR THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSOR(S) OF ANY TRUSTEE, CONSERVATOR OR ATTORNEY-IN-FACT:

1.Ruth M. Green
Address Unknown
2.Sappington Mineral Interest, Inc.
Address Unknown
3.Vernon L. Wolland, deceased
Address Unknown
4.Danea Fay Grantham
Address Unknown
5.Elmer Epps
Address Unknown
6.Maggie M Epps
Address Unknown
7.Sherry Epps Mautino
Address Unknown
8.Unice Grantham
Address Unknown
9.Velma M. Dobson
Address Unknown
10.Gary R. Fisher, deceased
ADDRESS UNKNOWN
11. Estate of Opal Swicegood
ADDRESS UNKNOWN

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BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

APPLICANT:CANAAN RESOURCES, L.L.C.

RELIEF SOUGHT: POOLING

LANDS COVERED: SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST, PITTSBURG AND MCINTOSH COUNTIES, OKLAHOMA

CAUSE CD NO. 202001672

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: All persons, owners, producers, operators, purchasers and takers of oil and gas and all other interested persons, particularly in Pittsburg and McIntosh Counties, Oklahoma, and more particularly Roundball Cattle Company, LLC; and if any of the above whose addresses are not known or are deceased, the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote, of the above-named parties; and if any of the above are corporations which do not continue to have legal existence, the unknown trustees or assigns of such parties.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant in this cause is requesting that the Commission pool the interests and adjudicate the rights and equities of oil and gas owners in the Caney, Mayes, Woodford, Hunton and Sylvan common sources of supply underlying Section 27-8N-13E, Pittsburg and McIntosh Counties, Oklahoma, designating the Applicant or some other party as operator. Applicant is proposing to drill a well in said drilling and spacing unit.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any Order issued in this cause may result in a unit pooling.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that Applicant may request more than 180 days to commence operations.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause be set before an Administrative Law Judge for the hearing, taking of evidence and reporting to the Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause will be heard before an Administrative Law Judge on the initial hearing docket at the Corporation Commission, 1st Floor, Jim Thorpe Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at 8:30 a.m. on the 26TH day of October, 2020, and that this notice be published as required by law and the Rules of the Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Applicant and interested parties may present testimony by telephone. The cost of telephonic communication shall be paid by the person or persons requesting its use. Interested parties who wish to

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Legal Notice

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Advertisement to Contractors - October 15, 2020
10:30 A.M. Bid Opening

Plans and proposals for this bid opening will be ready for sale on September 24, 2020. No bidding proposals will be issued to any Contractor after October 14, 2020 10:30 A.M. The cost for each bidding proposal is $50.00 + tax. State Standard Specifications may be purchased by contacting Office Services Division. No refunds will be made for bidding documents or specification books purchased.

Sample proposals, preliminary plans, long form and short form notices, order forms, bid tabs and awards, can be accessed on ODOT's Web site: http://www.okladot.state.ok.us/contracts/index.htm

Bids must be prepared as directed by the State Standard Specifications. Unless otherwise specified, bids for all projects must be submitted over the internet to Bid Express(http://www.bidx.com) using AASHTOware Project Bids. Instructions for using Bid Express, Project Bids, and the electronic bidding process are available from the Office Engineer Division. When written bids are allowed, sealed proposals may be delivered directly to the Office Engineer Division prior to the scheduled bid opening. For written bids, do not disassemble the bidding proposal in any way.

Any firm bidding a project as a joint venture must complete the 'Request for Joint Venture' form, which is posted on the ODOT website, prior to the bid opening.

Unless otherwise specified in the proposal, all bids must be submitted with a proposal guaranty equal to 5% of the bid total.

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at 10:00 A.M. on October 02, 2020 concerning this October 15, 2020 10:30 A.M. bid opening in the Oklahoma Department of Transportation(ODOT) Commission Room. Submit any questions or concerns to the Office Engineer Division via email: ODOT-Prebid.Question@odot.org, fax: 405-522-0972, or phone: (405) 521- 2625. Please include the words "Pre-bid question(s)" along with the call order and the bid opening date of the project in question in the subject line of the correspondence.

Plans, proposals, and specifications may be examined for free in the ODOT plan reading room, in the Office Engineer Division in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma or on the ODOT website.

The minimum wage to be paid laborers and mechanics employed on this project shall be included in the proposal.

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation(ODOT) ensures that no person or groups of persons shall, on the grounds of race, color, sex, religion, national origin,age, disability, retaliation or genetic information, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any and all programs, services, or activities administered by ODOT, its recipients, sub - recipients, and contractors. To request an accommodation please contact the ADA Coordinator at 405-521-4140 or the Oklahoma Relay Service at 1-800-722-0353. If you have any ADA or Title VI questions email ODOT-ada-titlevi@odot.org.

Description of work and location of project:

Call Order: 200
STP-246C(047)AD US-266 MCINTOSH JP NO. 32839(04)

PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS (SIDEWALKS)

US-266: FROM THE NW 6TH STREET JUNCTION, EXTEND EAST IN CHECOTAH.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
- By: TIM GATZ, Director.

Legal Notice

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City of Eufaula Public Hearing Notice

Notice is hereby given that the City of Eufaula, Oklahoma, will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Specific Use Permit application of the property located within the City of Eufaula.

The property requesting a Specific Use Permit is described as follows:

Legal Description: Lot 3 Less S95' BLK 81 OT – Eufaula 642/217 705/543 1051/625 1081/309 (Tastee Freez);

General Location Known As: 514 N Main Street.

Proposed Use: Permanent commercial wholesale, distribution, and retail sale of fireworks.

Applicant/s: Patrick Notaro and Regina Blair

The public hearing will be held as follows:

October 19, 2020 at 5:30 P.M Planning and Zoning Commission, Eufaula Community Center, 121 High Street.

At this time any interested citizen of Eufaula, Oklahoma will have the opportunity to be heard regarding the zoning variance request. If there are any questions about the proposal, or you need additional information prior to the public hearing, please contact the Eufaula City Hall at 918-689-2534. A copy of the application is available for public inspection during normal working hours and can be accessed from the Eufaula City Hall at 918-689-2534 or by emailing aa@cityofeufaulaok.com.



Legal Notice

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City of Eufaula Public Hearing Notice

Notice is hereby given that the City of Eufaula, Oklahoma, will conduct a public hearing on the proposed zoning change of the property located within the City of Eufaula.

The property requesting a zoning change is described as follows:

Legal Description: E2 NW10.07A, S2NE10.07A Lot 4 Less 1.05 A & Less 1.25A Sec 2-09-16 (baseball field) 44D/322. Tract in Gov't Lot 4 N011218W 656.14' S883208W 433.79' POB N052405W 214.03 N001024W 67.80' N870524W 57.27' Curve Left Chord Bearing S630619W Arc Length 7.20' Radius 62.29' S265531W 79.79' Curve Left Chord Bearing S074838W Arc Length 93.71' Radius 2390.02' S012303E 93.93' N883208E 185.72' POB 2-9-16 (City Pool) 836-637 1060/31

General Location Known As: 215 N 6th St.

Zoning Change Request: Change from R-1 Residential to RM-1 Residential Multi-Family.

Applicant/s: STSS LLC. Richard and Stan Shelton.

The public hearing will be held as follows:

October 19, 2020 at 5:30 P.M Planning and Zoning Commission, Eufaula Community Center, 121 High Street.

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participate shall contact the Applicant or Applicant's attorney, prior to the hearing, and provide their name and telephone number.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action, contact Matt Holliman, Needham Energy Land Services, LLC, 410 N. Walnut Avenue, Suite 110, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, 405-297-0176, Ext. 118, and/or Jessica D. Hatcher, Attorney, 201 Robert S. Kerr, Ste. 1600, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102, (405) 996-3395.

CORPORATION COMMISSION OF OKLAHOMA
J. TODD HIETT, CHAIRMAN
BOB ANTHONY, VICE CHAIRMAN
DANA L. MURPHY, COMMISSIONER
DONE AND PERFORMED this 24TH day of September, 2020.
BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:
PEGGY MITCHELL
SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION

Legal Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR MCINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MABLE LOUIS BALLAS
Deceased.
Case No.: PB-20-54
ORDER AND NOTICE OF SETTING HEARING ON PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES, AND ISSUANCE OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

Now, on this the 24 day of Sept, 2020, EDWARD E. CLARK petitioned this Court for the appointment as Administrator of the Estate of MABLE LOUISE BALLAS, deceased, and prayed that the heirs of said Decedent be determined by the Court, and that Letters of Administration be issued to EDWARD E. CLARK.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that said Petition be and hereby is set for hearing on the 27 day of October, 2020, at 9:00 A.M., in the Courtroom of the undersigned Judge, MCINTOSH County Courthouse, Eufaula, Oklahoma.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PARTIES that this matter has been ordered set down for Hearing to be held on the 27th day of October, 2020, at 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 EDWARD E. CLARK should not be appointed Administrator, heirs be determined, and Letters of Administration issued to EDWARD E. CLARK.

Your Failure to Appear may result in the relief requested by the Petitioner being granted.

IT IS SO ORDERED.
/s/ ORIGINAL SIGNED BY MIKE HOGAN
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT
Prepared by:
COURTNEY L. EAGAN, OBA #22553
Eagan Law Office
150 Foley Ave.
Eufaula, Oklahoma 74432
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918-689-2529 – facsimile

Legal Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In re the Marriage of
Angela B. Ketcher
Petitioner
and
Henry Joseph Ketcher
Respondent.
Case No. FD-20-61
PUBLICATION NOTICE

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO THE ABOVE RESPONDENT:

You will take notice that the Petitioner has sued you for dissolution of marriage. Unless you answer the Petitioner on or before the 24 day of Nov., 2020, at 2:00pm, the Court will take the petition as true and will grant judgment to the Petitioner as sought in the Petition.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court this 24 day of Sept., 2020.

MacIntosh County District Court Clerk
/s/ By: Lisa Rodebush
Deputy

Legal Notice

Published in the Indian Journal, Thursday, September 17, 24 and October 1, 2020

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF McINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

PAUL BROWN, and
SHELLEY BROWN,
Plaintiffs,
vs.
The successors, both known and unknown of JOHN NORRIS, deceased,
and
JOHN W. KROSCH, if living, and if deceased the unknown successors of JOHN W. KROSCH deceased,
and
MARY RUTH KROSCH, if living, and if deceased the unknown successors of MARY RUTH KROSCH deceased,
and
State of Oklahoma, ex rel,
Oklahoma Tax Commission
Defendants.

Case No.: CV-2020-88
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:

1. "The successors, both known and unknown of JOHN NORRIS, deceased;"
2. "JOHN W. KROSCH, if living, and if deceased, the unknown successors of "JOHN W. KROSCH", deceased;"
3. "MARY RUTH KROSCH, if living, and if deceased, the unknown successors of "MARY RUTH KROSCH", deceased;"

GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that you have been sued in Case No. CV-2020-88 in the District Court of McIntosh County, Oklahoma, by Paul Brown and Shelley Brown as Plaintiffs and you and each of you must answer said Petition filed in said Cause on or before the 2nd day of November 2020, or the allegations contained therein will be taken as true and judgment rendered as prayed therein, against you and each of you, quieting the title and confirming possession as to the following described property, to-wit:

Lot Fifty-One (51) in Block Twelve (12) of Enchanted Oaks, a Replat of Addition No. 1, a subdivision located in the South Half (S/2) of Section Ten (10), Township Eleven (11) North, Range Sixteen (16) East of Indian Base Meridian, McIntosh County, Oklahoma, according to the recorded plat thereof.

Improvements thereon bear the address: 51 Windjammer, Checotah, OK 74426

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
McINTOSH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 14th, 2020

The McIntosh County Board of Commissioners met on Monday, September 14th, 2020, in a regularly scheduled Meeting, at 8:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' meeting room on the first floor. Chairman, Michael Burns; Vice Chairman, Bill Phillips; Member, Tim Pendley; and Susan Whittle, Matt Hackler, Betty Whisenhunt, Janelle McKnight, Trina Williams, Lisa Rodebush, Tom Wicks and Ronda Prince were all present. Advance notice of the Meeting was posted on the bulletin board next to the Commissioners' room, and also at both the south and east entrances of the Courthouse, on the 10th day of September, 2020.

I. The Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman, Bill Phillips, at 8:00 am.
II. Roll was called with the following responses: Burns, present; Phillips, present; and Pendley, present.
III. Sherry Burke absent no update on COVID-19.
IV. Reports
  a. Emergency Manager, Susan Whittle, nothing to report.
  b. 911 Coordinator, Matt Hackler nothing to report.
V. Action Items

A. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve deposits. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
B. A Motion was made by Phillips and seconded by Pendley to approve Donations R-20-104. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
C. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve Minutes of Commissioners' Meeting held on September 8th, 2020. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
D. Discussion Tom Wicks for Rolling Oaks Subdivision Mike Burns D#3 will send a letter to the Corp of Engineers for the Home Oner Association wanting to take over the Boat Ramp.
E. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve Lisa Rodebush: Court Clerk to hire Crystal Newton. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
F. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to Disapprove Tax Deferral for McIntosh County Employees to Defer payroll Taxes per President's Executive Order. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
G. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve County Treasurer's Transcript of proceedings on sale of County Property Lot 16 BLK 4 TWIN MTN EST #3 to Jay Wright. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
H. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve County Deed from McIntosh County Commissioners to Jay Wright the property Lot 16 BLK 4 TWIN MTN EST #3. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
I. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve Monthly Report of the County Treasurer to the State Auditor and Inspector for month of August 2020. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
J. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve Transfer of Appropriations from Election Board Travel Election Board M&O in the amount of $300.00 to help cover M&O expenses. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
K. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve Transfer of Appropriations from Election Board Capital Outlay to Election Board M&O in the amount of $300.00 to help cover M&O expenses. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
L. A Motion was made by Phillips and seconded by Pendley to approve Requisitioning and Receiving Officers for Assessor Office adding Aidan Marion to replace Crystal Newton. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
M. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve Cherokee Nation Annual Memorandum of Agreement with McIntosh County October 1st, 2020 to September 30, 2021. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
N. A Motion was made by Phillips and seconded by Pendley to approve Application for Permit Public Service Utility Crossing for Oklahoma Natural Gas Company Cross S. 4190 RD SE/SW Corner Section 1/6 township 10N Range 16/17 e. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
O. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve County Clerk Declaration of Surplus R-20-105 for Filing Cabinets. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
P. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve County Clerk Declaration of Surplus R-20-106 for Filing Cabinets. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
Q. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to Table Requisitioning and Receiving Officers for Fairboard adding Janice Duke and Mandy Blocker. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
R. A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to Strike Special Apportionment for Court Clerk Payroll. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
S. Review McIntosh County 2020-2021 Estimate of Needs General Fund Worksheet
T. Purchase Orders: A Motion was made by Pendley and seconded by Phillips to approve signing of purchase orders to be processed for payment on September 14th, 2020. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye: 2019-2020 Health 412, OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, 8884.69, SALARY; 2020-2021 911 Phone 97, HOPKINS FUEL & PROPANE, 61.65, FUEL98, KAY ROBBINS WALL, ATTORNEY AT LAW, 225.00, ATTORNEY FEES99, U.S. CELLULAR, 262.25, UTILITIES100, AT&T (SBC), 20.76, UTILITIES101, AT&T (SBC), 93.42, UTILITIES102, MUSKOGEE COMMUNICATIONS INC., 150.00, REPAIRS103, NATIONAL PUBLICSAFETY SOLUTIONS, 1440.00, UTILITIES; Flood Plain 1, STAPLES, 239.22, OFFICE SUPPLIES; General 730, APAC CENTRAL, INC, 1189.15, Road Material731, FOUNTAINHEAD SHELL, 208.86, FUEL732, CHECOTAH TRUE VALUE HARDWARE, 15.95, SUPPLIES733, STANDLEY SYSTEMS, 123.56, COPIER LEASE734, MCINTOSH CO FAIR BOARD, 600.00, RENT735, STAPLES, 105.33, OFFICE SUPPLIES736, STAPLES, 43.37, MEDICAL SUPPLIES737, QUILL CORPORATION, 124.22, SUPPLIES738, COOKSON HILLS PUBLISHERS INC, 128.16, PUBLICATION739, BANK OF EUFAULA, 5.00, PROCESS ACH PAYROLL740, STAPLES, 215.24,OFFICE SUPPLIES741, CVEC, 212.12, UTILITIES742, CVEC, 108.27, UTILITIES743, CVEC, 54.99, UTILITIES744, PIED PIPER, 230.00, PEST SPRAYING745, HOPKINS FUEL & PROPANE, 312.19, FUEL746, AT&T, 113.68, UTILITIES747, AT&T (SBC), 171.50, UTILITIES748, AT&T (SBC), 185.90, UTILITIES749, AT&T, 162.04, UTILITIES750, MILLER OFFICE EQUIPMENT, 186.60, COPIER/OVERAGES751, MCI, 61.96, UTILITIES752, OKLATEL, 45.60, UTILITIES753, SECURITY OPTIONS, 34.95, ALARM MONITORING754, EAST CENTRAL ELECTRIC, ECE, 38.29, UTILITIES755, EUFAULA TRUE VALUE, 7.98, SUPPLIES756, AT&T, 71.85, UTILITIES757, WELCH STATE BANK, 1498.63, PAYMENT758, CHECOTAH AUTO REPAIR, 393.31, PARTS AND LABOR; Health 66, MCALESTER REGIONAL HEALTH CENTER AUTHORITY, 153.00, Registrations67, STANDLEY SYSTEMS, 199.04, COPIER LEASE68, STANDLEY SYSTEMS, 195.34, COPIER LEASE69, PENDLEYS PEST PATROL AND LAWN CARE, 375.00, LAWN CARE70, FIVE STAR OFFICE SUPPLY, 363.00, OFFICE SUPPLIES71, STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE, 322.88, OFFICE SUPPLIES72, STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE, 344.66, OFFICE SUPPLIES73, SUE'S RECYCLING & SANITATION, 43.00, UTILITIES74, VYVE BROADBAND A, LLC, 39.44, UTILITIES75, VYVE BROADBAND A, LLC, 69.53, UTILITIES; Highway 465, ATWOODS, 141.05, SUPPLIES466, O REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC., 180.62, SUPPLIES467, SOUTER LIMESTONE & MINERALS, LLC, 1815.29, Road Material468, YOUNGMAN ROCK INC., 1714.83, Road Material469, SOUTER LIMESTONE & MINERALS, LLC, 12432.23, Road Material470, O REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC., 362.07, FILTERS471, DIRECT DISCOUNT TIRE OF STILLWATER, 326.70, TIRE472, LAS VEGAS TIRE LLC, 140.00, TIRES473, COMBS, TOMMY, 126.00, SHALE474, O REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC., 145.30, FILTERS475, B&J OIL CO., INC., 555.55, OIL476, WINDSTREAM TELEPHONE, 183.70, UTILITIES477, ROLLING PRAIRIE-FILTER CARE OF MO, 132.10, FILTERS478, LLOYD S HEAVY EQUIPMENT REPAIR, CHARLIE L PADGETT, 300.00, REPAIRS479, CINTAS, 130.02, UNIFORMS480, ATWOODS, 148.12, SUPPLIES481, HOPKINS FUEL & PROPANE, 449.25, FUEL482, SOUTER LIMESTONE & MINERALS, LLC, 7576.09, Road Material483, YELLOWHOUSE MACHINERY CO., 63.80, PARTS484, PREMIER TRUCK GROUP, 216.66, TRUCK PARTS485, P&K EQUIPMENT, 56.86, PARTS486, AT&T, 54.01, UTILITIES487, WELDON PARTS INC, 201.62, PARTS488, U.S. CELLULAR, 82.05, CELLULAR SERVICE489, EAST CENTRAL ELECTRIC, ECE, 12.00, UTILITIES490, EUFAULA TRUE VALUE, 15.49, PARTS491, ODOT, COMPTROLLER DIVISION, 991.67, Equipment Payment492, OKLAHOMA TURNPIKE AUTHORITY, 16.05, TOLLS493, STAPLES, 511.47, OFFICE SUPPLIES494, APAC CENTRAL, INC, 2382.48, ASPHALT495, APAC CENTRAL, INC, 2268.54, ASPHALT496, AT&T (SBC), 204.39, UTILITIES497, NAPA AUTO PARTS, 296.17, PARTS498, SUE'S RECYCLING & SANITATION, 65.00, UTILITIES499, ODOT, COMPTROLLER DIVISION, 638.39, Equipment Payment500, ODOT, COMPTROLLER DIVISION, 308.47, Equipment Payment501, FIRST NATIONAL BANK, 1589.19, Equipment Payment502, FIRST NATIONAL BANK, 1589.19, Equipment Payment503, FIRST NATIONAL BANK, 1610.00, Equipment Payment504, FIRST NATIONAL BANK, 1458.33, Equipment Payment; Jail Authority 2, MCINTOSH CO. PUB. FAC. AUTH., 907.50, RENTS ETC COLLECTED: Jail Debt Pavments 3. MCINTOSH CO. PUB. FAC. AUTH., 114958.43, JAIL DEBT PAYMENT; ML Fee 13, STAPLES, 84.89, OFFICE SUPPLIES14, STAPLES, 144.99, FAX MACHINE15, STAPLES, 63.23, OFFICE SUPPLIES16, STAPLES, 198.19, OFFICE SUPPLIES17, STAPLES, 140.78, TONER18, STAPLES, 166.35, OFFICE SUPPLIES; SH Commissary 47, STIGLER HEALTH & WELLNESS, 1132.00, MEDICAL SUPPLIES48, HOPKINS FUEL & PROPANE, 141.78, FUEL49, COMDATA, 140.09, FUEL50, OLIVER, DONNA S., 1590.00, MEDICAL51, AT&T, 171.50, UTILITIES52, AT&T, 324.08, UTILITIES53, CROSS COMMUNICATIONS INC., 1.73, UTILITIES; SH Svc Fee 56, OFFICE DEPOT, 210.49, OFFICE SUPPLIES57, TIRE ONE, 146.94, REPAIR AUTO/SHERIFF58, GUARANTEE PEST CONTROL, 30.00, PEST SPRAYING59, AT&T, 270.05, UTILITIES
U. A Motion was made by Phillips and seconded by Pendley to approve Expense Report(s) for FY 2019/2020 and FY 2020/2021 dated September 14th, 2020. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.
VI. BOCC Comments or Concerns: None.
VII. A Motion was made by Phillips and seconded by Pendley to adjourn Meeting. The Motion was approved with the following votes: All aye.

Signed this 21st day of September, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Michael Burns, Chairman
Bill Phillips, Vice Chairman
Tim Pendley, Member

ATTEST: Ronda Prince, County Clerk

PUBLICATION SHEET - Stidham, OKLAHOMA
FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE VARIUS FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020, AND ESTIMATE OF NEEDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021, OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF Stidham, OKLAHOMA

EXHIBIT "Z" Page 1

STATEMENT OF FINANICAL CONDITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2020	GENERAL FUND Detail
ASSETS:	
Cash Balance June 30, 2020	$1000 -00
Investments	$ -
TOTAL ASSETS	$1000 -00
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:	
Warrants Outstanding	$ -
Reserve for Interest on Warrants	$ -
Reserves From Schedule 8	$ -
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	$ -
CASH FUND BALANCE (Deficit) JUNE 30, 2020	$ -

ESTIMATED NEEDS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020

GENERAL FUND	GENERAL FUND	SINKING FUND BALANCE SHEET	SINKING FUND
Current Expense	$ -	1. Cash Balance on Hand June 30, 2020	$ -
Reserve for Int. on Warrants & Revaluation	$ -	2. Legal Investments Properly Maturing	$ -
Total Required	$ -	3. Judgements Paid to Recover by Tax Levy	$ -
FINANCED		4. Total Liquid Assets	$ -
Cash Fund Balance	$3138 -77	Deduct Matured Indebtedness:	
Estimated Miscellaneous Revenue	$ -	5. a. Past-Due Coupons	$ -
Total Deductions	$ -	6. b. Interest Accrued Thereon	$ -
Balance to Raise from Ad Valorem Tax	$ -	7. c. Past-Due Bonds	$ -
ESTIMATED MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE:		8. d. Interest Thereon After Last Coupon	$ -
1000 Charges for Services	$ -	9. e. Fiscal Agency Commissions on Above	$ -
2000 Local Sources of Revenue	$ -	10. f. Judgements and Int. Levied for/Unpaid	$ -
3000 State Sources of Revenue	$513 -48	11. Total Items a. Through f.	$ -
4000 Federal Sources of Revenue	$ -	12. Balance of Assets Subject to Accruals	$ -
5000 Miscellaneous Revenue	$ -	Deduct Accrual Reserve If Assets Sufficient:	
6111 Contributions from Other Funds trna	$8925 43	13. g. Earned Unmatured Interest	$ -
Total Estimated Revenue	$ -	14. h. Accrual on Final Coupons	$ -
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BONDS	NDUSTRIAL BONDS	15. i. Accrued on Unmatured Bonds	$ -
1. Cash Balance on Hand June 30, 2020	$ -	16. Total Items g. Through i.	$ -
2. Legal Investments Properly Maturing	$ -	17. Excess of Assets Over Accrual Reserves *	$ -
3. Total Liquid Assets	$ -	SINKING FUND REQUIREMENTS FOR 2020-2021	
Deduct Matured Indebtedness		1. Interest Earnings on Bonds	$ -
4. a. Past-Due Coupons	$ -	2. Accrual on Unmatured Bonds	$ -
5. b. Interest Accrued Thereon	$ -	3. Annual Accrual on "Prepaid" Judgements	$ -
6. c. Past-Due Bonds	$ -	4. Annual Accrual on "Unpaid" Judgements	$ -
7. d. Interest Thereon After Last Coupon	$ -	5. Interest on Unpaid Judgements	$ -
8. e. Fiscal Agency Commissions on Above	$ -	6. Annual Accrual From Exhibit KK	$ -
9. Balance of Assets Subject to Accruals	$ -		
10. Deduct: g. Earned Unmatured Interest	$ -		
11. h. Accrual on Final Coupons	$ -		
12. i. Accrued on Unmatured Bonds	$ -		
13. Excess of Assets Over Accrual Reserves*	$ -		
INDUSTRIAL BOND REQUIREMENTS FOR 2020-2021			
1. Interest Earnings on Bonds	$ -		
2. Accrual on Unmatured Bonds	$ -		
Total Sinking Fund Requirements	$ -	Total Sinking Fund Requirements	$ -
Deduct:		Deduct:	
1. Excess of Assets Over Liabilites	$ -	1. Excess of Assets Over Liabilities	$ -
2. Surplus Building Fund Cash		2. Surplus Cash	
Balance Required	$ -	Balance to Raise By Tax Levy	$ -

S.A.&I. Form 2652
EXHIBIT "Z"

** If line 12 is less than line 16 after omitting "h" deduct the following each in turn from line 4, "Total Liquid Assets".	SINKING FUND
13d. j. Unmatured Coupons Due 4-1-2021	$ -
14d. k. Unmatured Bonds So Due	
15d. l. Whatever Remains is for Exhibit KK Line E.	$ -
16d. Deficit as Shown on Sinking Fund Balance Sheet.	$ -
17d. Less Cash Requirements for Current Fiscal Year in Excess of Cash on Hand (From Line 15d Above).	
18d. Remaining Deficit is for Exhibit KK Line F.	$ -

* If line 14 is less than the sum of lines g. h. i. after omitting "h" deduct the following each in turn from line 4, "Total Liquid Assets".	NDUSTRIAL BONI FUND
13d. j. Unmatured Coupons Due Before 4-1-2021	$ -
14d. k. Unmatured Bonds So Due	
15d. l. Whatever Remains is for Exhibit KKI Line E.	$ -
16d. Deficit as Shown on Industrial Bonds Balance Sheet.	$ -
17d. Less Cash Requirements for Current Fiscal Year in Excess of Cash on Hand (From Line 15d Above).	
18d. Remaining Deficit is for Exhibit KKI Line F.	$ -

CERTIFICATE - GOVERNING BOARD

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, COUNTY OF _____, ss:
We, the undersigned duly elected, qualified Governing Officers of _____, Oklahoma, do hereby certify that at a meeting of the Governing Body of the said City/Town, begun at the time provided by law for Cities/Towns and pursuant to the provisions of 68 O. S. 1991 Sec. 3002, the foregoing statement was prepared and is a true and correct condition of the Financial Affairs of said City/Town as reflected by the record of the City/Town Clerk and Treasurer. We further certify that the foregoing estimate for current expenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, as shown are reasonably necessary for the proper conduct of the affairs of the said City/Town, that the Estimated Income to be derived from sources other than ad valorem taxation does not exceed the lawfully authorized ratio of the revenue derived from the same sources during the preceding fiscal year.

Chairman of Board
Member
Member
Member
Member
Member

NOTARY PUBLIC SEAL — DEE DUNKLE, Notary Public in and for the State of Oklahoma, Commission #03007276, My Commission expires 6/22/2023

Attest _____ County Clerk Seal

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 day of June, 2020.

Notary Public

Required to be published in a legally-qualified newspaper printed in the County, or one issue published in a legally-qualified newspaper of general circulation in the County.

S.A.&I. Form 2652

LPXLP

barring and enjoining you and each of you from ever asserting any right, title or interest in and to said property adverse to the determination of ownership made by the Court.

WITNESS my hand this 9th day of Sept., 2020.

(SEAL)

MCINTOSH COUNTY, COURT CLERK

By:/s/ Taylor Thomason

Deputy

Courtney L. Eagan, OBA #22553

Attorney for Plaintiff

150 Foley Avenue

Eufaula, Oklahoma 74432

(918) 689-2528

Legal Notice

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BID REQUEST

The City of Eufaula – Independent Contractor Bids for the Following Services:

Cemetery mowing and weed eating around headstones and fence-line at Evergreen Cemetery and Greenwood Cemetery.

Contract is for January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

The City reserves the right to disapprove any and all bids received.

Bids are required to be received no later than October 22, 2020 at 2:00pm. Bid packets must be sealed and labeled "Cemetery Mowing 2021", and can be mailed or turned in to:

Mailing:

City of Eufaula

Cemetery Mowing 2019-2020

Attn: City Manager, Jacob Foos

PO Box 684

Eufaula, OK 74432

Delivering:

City of Eufaula

Cemetery Mowing 2019-2020

Attn: City Manager, Jacob Foos

17 Hospital Dr.

Eufaula, OK 74432

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CASE NO. PB-2020-46

NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS OF VICTORIA LYNN KILLINGSWORTH DECEASED

All persons having claims against, Victoria Lynn Killingsworth, deceased, are required to present the same with the necessary vouchers, to the Personal Representative, at the Law office of Gregory R. Stidham, 106 South Broadway or P.O. Box 265, Checotah, Oklahoma, 74426, within 60 days of the date of first publication of this notice, or by the 23rd day of November, 2020, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 23rd day of September, 2020.

/s/ Gregory R. Stidham

Gregory R. Stidham,

Attorney for the Estate

Legal Notice

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CASE NO. PB-2020-48

NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS OF CALVIN LEON DORNAN, a/k/a CALVIN L. DORNAN, a/k/a CALVIN DORNAN, DECEASED

All persons having claims against, Calvin Leon Dornan, a/k/a Calvin L. Dornan, a/k/a Calvin Dornan, deceased, are required to present the same with the necessary vouchers, to the Personal Representative, at the Law office of Gregory R. Stidham, 106 South Broadway or P.O. Box 265, Checotah, Oklahoma, 74426, within 60 days of the date of first publication of this notice, or by the 23rd day of November, 2020, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 23rd day of September, 2020.

/s/ Gregory R. Stidham

Gregory R. Stidham,

Attorney for the Estate

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MCINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VALDHE FRANKLIN PITMAN, Deceased

No. PB-20-38

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against Valdhe Franklin Pitman, 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 Robert M. Seymour, Administrator of the Estate, c/o Michael L. Seymour, 1416 Terrace Dr., Tulsa, Oklahoma 74104, on or before the following presentment day: October 21, 2020, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 16th day of Sept., 2020.

MICHAEL L. SEYMOUR, OBA #8098

Attorney for Administrator

1416 Terrace Drive

Tulsa, Oklahoma 74104

(918) 749-1202

Legal Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT WITHIN AND FOR MCINTOSH COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

QUICKEN LOANS INC.,

Plaintiff,

-vs-

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, DEVISEES, AND ASSIGNS, IF ANY, OF ROBERT A. WOLFE, A/K/A ROBERT ALLEN WOLFE, DECEASED;

SHEILA M. BLACKWOOD, AS GUARDIAN OF KELSIE WOLFE AND BRIELLA WOLFE;

JOHN DOE, AS OCCUPANT OF THE PREMISES; AND

JANE DOE, AS OCCUPANT OF THE PREMISES,

Defendants.

CASE NO. CJ-2019-60

Judge Brendon Bridges

NOTICE OF SALE

TO: Above-named Defendants and All Persons Having or Claiming an Interest in the Real Property

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Sheriff of McIntosh County will sell the real property described below to satisfy a judgment in the above-entitled action.

THE SOUTHEAST FOUR (4) ACRES OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW/4) OF SECTION THIRTY (30), TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) NORTH, RANGE SEVENTEEN (17) EAST, OF THE INDIAN BASE AND MERIDIAN, MCINTOSH COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SE/4 OF THE SW/4 OF SAID SECTION 30, THENCE GO ON A STRAIGHT LINE WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 417.42 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE GO ON A STRAIGHT LINE NORTH FOR A DISTANCE OF 417.42 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE GO ON A STRAIGHT LINE EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 417.42 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE GO ON A STRAIGHT LINE ON THE EAST SIDE OF SAID SE/4 OF THE SW/4 FOR A DISTANCE OF 417.42 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING;

Property Address:

419475 E 1120 Rd

Checotah, OK 74426

The real property will be offered for sale for cash at public auction to the highest bidder to take place on:

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Date: 10th day of November, 2020

Place: McIntosh County Courthouse

The real property has been appraised as required by law at a real value of $100,000.00.

Sale will be made pursuant to a Special Execution and Order of Sale issued in accordance with judgment entered in the District Court of McIntosh County, Oklahoma, in Case No. CJ-2019-60, entitled Quicken Loans, Inc., Plaintiff, v. The Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Trustees, Devisees and Assigns, if any, of Robert A. Wolfe, Deceased, Sheila M. Blackwood, as Guardian of Kelsie Wolfe and Briella Wolfe, John Doe, as occupant of the premises, Jane Doe, as Occupant of the Premises, and Armstrong Bank, being all of the Defendants and persons holding or claiming any interest or lien in the subject property.

Dated: September 18, 2020

/s/ Kevin Ledbetter

Sheriff of McIntosh County

/s/ Angela Reasor

Deputy

Sally E. Garrison, OBA # 18709

THE MORTGAGE LAW FIRM. PLLC

421 NW 13th Street, Suite 300

Oklahoma City, OK 73103

Telephone: (405) 246-0602

Facsimile: (405) 698-0007

Sally.garrison@mtglawfirm.com

Attorney for Plaintiff

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING A PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROJECT

All interested persons are hereby given notice that KI BOIS Community Action Foundation Inc. is applying for 5310 funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation, for the purpose or procurement of rolling stock. 5310 grant funds will be used to purchase 6 ADA Mini Vans (replacement) to provide transportation in Haskell, Hughes, & McIntosh Counties.

If any person desires a public hearing to consider the social, economic and/or environmental effects of the proposed project, may submit their request in writing, to Mr. Carroll Huggins, Executive Director, KI BOIS Area Transit System, P.O. Box 727, Stigler, OK 74462 no later than October 14, 2020.

A copy of the grant is currently available for public inspection and copying at KI BOIS Area Transit System, 1107 Industrial Road, Stigler, OK, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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CV-2020-89

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: D. DIANE DAVIS, if living, and if deceased, then the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, trustees, successors and assigns, immediate and remote of D. DIANE DAVIS, Defendants, GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiffs, LUIS DELGADILLO and MICHELLE DELGADILLO, husband and wife, has filed Petition in the District Court of McIntosh County, Oklahoma, to quiet title as to the following described real estate in McIntosh County, Oklahoma, to-wit:

Lot 5 in Block 138 to the City of Checotah, McIntosh County, Oklahoma, according to the official plat thereof,

and all Defendants must answer said Petition on or before the 8th day of November, 2020, or judgment and decree will be granted as prayed for in said Petition.

Dated and signed the 15th day of September, 2020.

(SEAL)

LISA RODEBUSH, COURT CLERK

/s/ Lisa Rodebush

Deputy,

MCINTOSH COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

GREGORY R. STIDHAM, OBA #8632

P. O. Box 265

Checotah, Oklahoma 74426

918-473-5700

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFFS

Quapaw Tribe



They called it the "Indian problem." The white settlers wanted more land, and the tribes held rich acreages. Removing tribes from the Southeast was more than just an idea by the time Andrew Jackson was elected president in 1828.

The Indian Removal Act was among his defining pieces of legislation. Jackson argued that moving tribes west of the Mississippi River would guarantee their survival. Instead it launched an era of genocide.

Thousands died during the forced marches to land designated as Indian Territory. For members of the 39 tribes in Oklahoma, the removal stories have not been forgotten. Neither has the Dawes Severalty Act of 1887, intended to assimilate Native Americans into white society by stripping them of their cultural and social traditions. The ramifications persist today.

Thie University of Oklahoma's Gaylord News project has written a series of stories about this issue entitled Exiled to Indian Country. The series details the stories of how each of the state's 39 tribes wound up in Oklahoma.

JIM NORTH
GAYLORD NEWS

The Boston Recorder, in July of 1824, described them as "a remarkably peaceful and quiet race."

The Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma's name derives from O-gah-pa, "Downstream People." The French and the Illini Indians referred to them as "Arkansea," a name that would eventually be given to Arkansas, where the Quapaw people lived in the 17th century.

The Quapaw's oral history of crossing the Mississippi tells of a rope of twisted grapevine that snapped. Tribes that safely crossed went upstream. The Quapaw went downstream and settled in Arkansas near the confluence of the Mississippi and Arkansas rivers.

Their territories eventually encompassed most of Arkansas, lower Oklahoma and portions of Louisiana and Mississippi, including the delta. By 1818, the Quapaw were pressured by the U.S. government into signing a treaty that would cede all territories except a reservation in central Arkansas.

"The treaty retains and establishes the first reservation, which was vastly smaller, but still a fairly substantial amount of land from around Little Rock, down past Pine Bluff," said Everett Bandy, tribal historic preservation officer.

But in 1824, a second treaty was signed that ceded the reservation. This agreement called for the removal of the Quapaw to Louisiana on the Red River, 30 miles north of Shreveport, a journey that has been called the Quapaw Trail of Tears. They were to join the Caddo, historically not their friends. Both tribes became destitute. Many Quapaw lost their lives, about one-third, due to starvation, disease and the flooding of crops.

Conditions grew worse and they eventually walked back to Arkansas in search of familiar hunting grounds where they could find sustenance.

By 1833, a third treaty was signed calling for the Quapaw peoples' complete removal from Arkansas to northeastern Oklahoma. The tribe was generally considered in the way, already outnumbered by white settlers.

Bandy said the Quapaw had no interest in relinquishing land.

"In 1833, they didn't really want to sign that treaty either. They wanted to stay where they were."

But all three of the Quapaw treaties were ratified by the U.S. Senate and signed by the president.

"Signing was necessary for survival," Bandy said.

"Payments of money and goods were often lacking and sometimes not the same amounts agreed upon. We were already selling land for less than pennies for an acre. All the treaties were supposed to be final and clearly they weren't."

The 1833 treaty was signed in May. Three hundred Quapaw returned to the Red River in Louisiana to pursue outstanding government payments and by April of 1834, removal to Oklahoma was underway by the remaining members. The number on the original roster in Oklahoma was 170.



ANNA MCKIBBEN | COURTESY

No event attracts a crowd like the Quapaw powwow, held every July 4 weekend. For 147 years running, thousands have gathered to celebrate the connection, language, culture, tradition and bright hope of the Quapaw Nation. Pictured are Jesse McKibben, son of Anna McKibben, and Isabella Vance, daughter of Kenadee Vance.



QUAPAW NATION | COURTESY

Tall Chief, aka Louis Angel, was the last of the hereditary Quapaw chiefs. He settled near Skiatook Lake before receiving an 1893 land allotment in Quapaw at age 48.

"They discovered a survey error. They had built their homes on Seneca-Cayuga land, which is just south of here. But they were settled on the wrong piece of land. Some of them got fed up and just walked back to Arkansas again," Bandy said.

Others continued north onto Quapaw land and remained. Some went on to Kansas where they thought they might live more traditionally than the Indian agent in Oklahoma allowed the Native people to live.

"Those were the effects, though, of the 1833 treaty. It really had this effect of scattering our tribe," Bandy said.

"They took us and shoved us in these places, and we were small nations. The legal opinion is they have plenary authority over us, which means absolute authority. It's a really nice way of saying we have to do what they say because they could kill us. The goal of the government for many, many years was to eradicate Native Americans. If not physically kill them, then eradicate their culture."

Anna McKibben, public relations director for the tribe, says the Quapaw are the successful minority of the minority.

"I just wish our ancestors could see how we are now, because if you look…some of the pictures, if you just look at their eyes, they're so sad, very sad eyes."

Would she characterize the unfolding of events as genocide?

"Yes. Absolutely. If the government had their way, we wouldn't be here."

McKibben said there is triumph, but not for those who were lost. They were persecuted for who they were, and families were broken apart.

Reconciling a bitter, painful past with the present involves a lot of forgiveness and healing.

"Not forgetting, but you can always forgive, not forget what happened," McKibben said. "We're survivors. We're resilient. We're tough."

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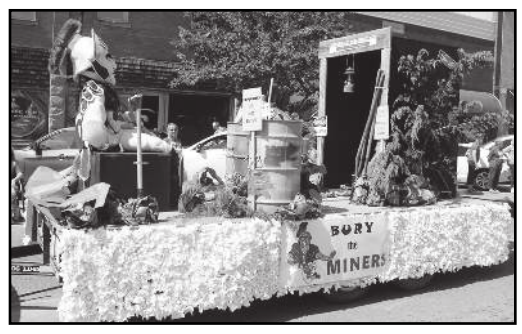






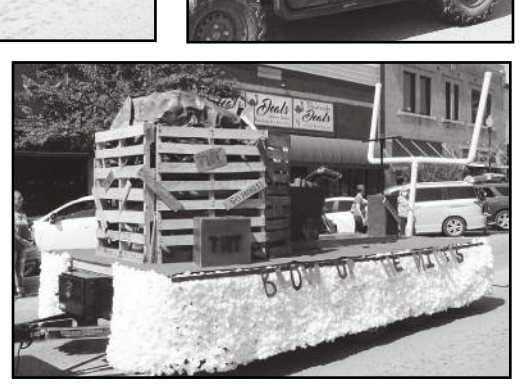






























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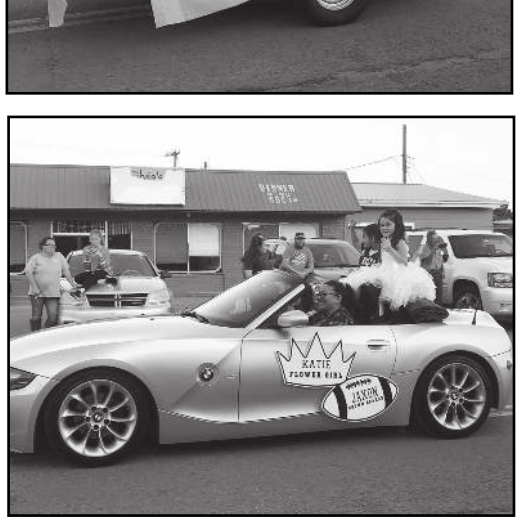






















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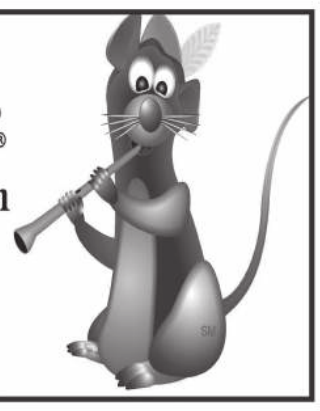
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Oklahoma's Brennon Eldred wins Career-First PBR Unleash The Beast event in Des Moines surging to No. 20 in the world

As the elite PBR (Professional Bull Riders) Unleash The Beast returned to Des Moines, Iowa, for the first time in four years with the PBR Lucas Oil Invitational, the socially-distanced crowds inside Wells Fargo arena for the two-day event witnessed performances that tightened the world championship races for both rider and bull, as well as career firsts for several competitors.

Going a near perfect 2-for-3 in the Hawkeye State, including the biggest ride of his career when it counted most, Brennon Eldred (Sulphur, Oklahoma) captured the first elite tour event victory of his career after debuting on the Unleash The Beast in April 2017.

While Eldred's event began in less-than-ideal form, bucked off by Proctors Pride (K-C Bucking Bulls/Bull Creek Bucking Bulls) in 3.66 seconds in Round 1, he was dominant on championship Sunday.

The 25-year-old Oklahoman began the final day of action with a runner-up ride in Round 2, reaching the requisite 8 aboard Viper (Cord McCoy/Big Sky Bulls LLC) for 89 points to punch his ticket to the championship round for the seventh time this season.

Earning the third pick in the final round's bull draft, Eldred drafted a familiar opponent in Crossover (Hodges/Shuler). Eldred had matched up with the bull in January at his home state elite tour event in Oklahoma City, reaching the whistle for 88.5 points inside Chesapeake Energy Arena to win Round 1 of the event.

In Des Moines, Eldred again reached the 8, and recorded his first-ever 90-point ride on the premier series, marked a monstrous, event-best 92.25 points.

"I wasn't sure the whole ride if I was going to make the whistle or not. I just thank God it worked out okay," Eldred said. "This is one of the biggest moments of my career. I've been on this tour for three or four years battling it out trying to get an event win, and it finally came. This money I'll spend, and this buckle will fade. But the way you all make me feel here tonight I will have forever."



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Brennon Eldred of Sulphur, Oklahoma rides the bull known as Viper in the PBR Unleash the Beast event.

Eldred, who has now won three rounds in 2020, earned a check for $33,385.62 for his milestone win, in addition to a critical 110 world points. He began the event No. 29 in the world and surged nine positions to No. 20. Eldred is the 12th different rider to win an Unleash The Beast event thus far in 2020.

Atop the world rankings, both 2018 PBR World Champion Kaique Pacheco (Itatiba, Brazil) and two-time World Champion Jess Lockwood (Volborg, Montana) gained ground in the 2020 World Championship race with current world No. 1 Jose Vitor Leme (Ribas do Rio Pardo, Brazil) not cleared to compete in Iowa.

Of the duo, Pacheco gained the most ground, leap-frogging Lockwood in the world rankings for the No. 3 position after finishing 10th in the main event and second in Saturday evening's 15/15 Bucking Battle. The 26-year-old earned a collective $6,267.89 and 49 world points.

Pacheco who rode Peep Show (Cornwell Bucking Bulls) for 83 points in Round 1 of the main event did not compete in the championship round despite qualifying, sidelined due to a left hamstring strain.

Now ranked No. 3 in the world, Pacheco is within 713.5 points of No. 1 Leme.

Lockwood finished fourth in the PBR Lucas Oil Invitational to garner $8,283.69 and an ever-critical 41 world points. Despite slipping to No. 4 in the world, the Montana cowboy inched closer to No. 1 Leme, now within 716 points of the dominant Brazilian.

Lockwood's 1-for-3 effort inside Wells Fargo Arena was highlighted by a win in Round 2, covering Rebel Call (Torres Brothers Bucking Bulls LLC) for 89.75 points and his ninth round win of the season. Lockwood has the second most round wins of any rider thus far in 2020 on the premier series, trailing only Leme who has ridden to 15.

Rookie of the Year contender Alex Cerqueira (Iguatemi, Brazil) was second, collecting $15,640 and 65 world points.

First riding Bad Boujee (Mike Miller Bucking Bulls) for 69 points in Round 1, declining a re-ride, Cerqueira logged his second 8-second effort of the weekend when he covered Godzilla (Blake Sharp/Henry Wilson/High Voltage Cattle) for 87.75 points in the championship round.

Cerqueira, who was ranked No. 23 in the world prior to the event, surged seven positions in the standings, now No.16 and 54 points outside of the Top 10.

Third was Junior Patrik Souza (Sonora,Brazil).

Souza reached the championship round atop the event leaderboard as the only rider to cover both of his draws in the opening rounds.

First covering My Time (Kruger Bucking Bulls) for 82 points in Round 1, Souza remained perfect in Round 2 when he rode Witch Doctor (Gene Owen Bucking Bulls) for 74 points.

Souza's bid for his career-first event win, however, came to a heartbreaking end when he was dispatched by Sugar Boom Boom (Cornwell Bucking Bulls/Circle G) in 7.65 seconds in the championship round.

Souza was propelled to a $9,148.49 payday, and netted an additional 50 world points. He is now ranked No. 36 in the world, climbing from No.53, and within 0.5 points of the Top 35.

Rounding out the Top 5 was two-time PBR World Champion J.B. Mauney (Statesville, North Carolina) in fifth.

The veteran rider's efforts were highlighted by a Round 1 win when he made the 8 aboard Show Me Homie (K-C Bucking Bulls/JoZ Bucking Bulls) for 88.5 points.

Despite not being able to claim sole ownership of the all-time Unleash The Beast event wins record, still tied with two-time PBR World Champion Justin McBride (Elk City, Oklahoma) with 32, Mauney earned $6,617.94 and 37 world points.

Mauney catapulted from No. 98 in the world at event's start to No. 55, now 44.5 points outside of the Top 35 as he seeks his 15th consecutive qualification to the PBR World Finals.

In the bull pen, reigning PBR World Champion Bull Smooth Operator (Dakota Rodeo/Julie Rosen/Clay Struve/Chad Berger) and Blue Crush (Cord McCoy/Chad Reese) tied for the YETI "Built for the Wild" Bull of the Event. The duo of powerful bovine athletes posted matching 45.75-point scores in the 15/15 Bucking Battle held Saturday night following Round 1.

Chuba seals win for OSU, honors Thurman Thomas

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OSU running back Chuba Hubbard scored on a 23-yard run with 1:17 remaining to salvage a difficult afternoon and help No. 15 Oklahoma State beat West Virginia 27-13 on Saturday.

Hubbard ended up with 101 yards on 22 rushes for his 12th 100-yard performance in his last 13 games. With the additional action, Hubbard's backup, L.D. Brown, gained 103 yards on 11 carries, including a 66-yard touchdown run, for Oklahoma State (2-0, 1-0 Big 12).

It was the second consecutive win over West Virginia for head coach Mike Gundy.

True freshman backup quarterback Shane Illingworth, in his first collegiate start, completed 15 of 21 passes for 139 yards, but also had an interception, for the Cowboys.

Jarret Doege threw for 285 yards and a touchdown for West Virginia (1-1, 0-1), which actually outgained Oklahoma State 353-342.

Oklahoma State honored former running back Thurman Thomas (1984-87) at halftime, inducting him as the first player in their new Ring of Honor. His name and his No. 34 was unveiled atop the west end zone at Boone Pickens Stadium. Thomas, who was the Big Eight's Offensive Player of the Year in 1985 and '87, is still the OSU's leading rusher with 5,001 yards and his 50 total touchdowns rank second. Thomas, who went on to play 14 years in the NFL, 13 with the Buffalo Bills, was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2007 and the National College Football Hall of Fame in 2008.



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The Oklahoma Cowboys are rank No.1 in the Big12 after Saturdays win over West Virginia.

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