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*Reconnected after 63 years...*

## Finding ‘letter of love’ provides uplift, closure

**By Dan Stevens**  
*Special to the Sentinel*

*(Editor’s Note: The following article about former Johnston County resident Lawanda Smith - who now resides in Durant - appeared in the May 6 edition of Village Voices, a weekly newspaper serving northwestern Illinois and headquartered in Lena, Ill. It is being republished here by permission of Village Voices Publisher Dan Stevens.)*

Lawanda Smith was only 20 years old, but she knew right away how much she wanted children in her life. She and her husband Bobby both loved children dearly, but due to infertility issues they were unable to have any of their own.

Still, living down in Hobbs, N.M., there was a Baptist Children’s Home nearby that allowed people to “sponsor” a child for one week over Christmas.

The idea was that it gave kids a week where they could enjoy a “normal” family setting, complete with parents, siblings and grandparents over the holidays.

So over Christmas back in 1956, Lawanda and Bobby sponsored a young 6-year-old girl named “Bunny” for the Christmas holiday.

It was a magical week for everyone involved – so much so that Lawanda soon wrote a letter to Bunny:

**Dear Bunny:**

*How has our little girl been since Christmas?*

*We sure have missed you since you went back.*

*We want you to tell Mrs. Hubbard that the first time it is possible, we want you to come back and visit us again. Any time that she feels you can come for a weekend, just write us and let us know. We enjoyed you so much.*

*I guess you are back in school now. I hope that you and the other children have enjoyed the gifts Santa Claus brought you.*

*We forgot and left your red cap in the car so I will mail it to you. I know you will need it to keep from having that cough again.*

*Well, in two more days, I will be 21 years old. The 11th is my birthday. I guess that seems terribly old to you but really it isn’t.*

*I got a letter from mother and Daddy last week. They said to be sure and tell you to write them. I thought you might get Margie to help you write us all.*

*At this time, we are unsure of our vacation plans for this summer. We are trying to get our vacation divided*

*into two separate weeks instead of just one two week vacation but don’t know whether they will let us or not. If we can we will go to Oklahoma again one week and we would like to take you*

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The young girl Lawanda Smith knew as “Bunny” (pictured at the age of 6, left, and as she appears today) recently discovered a letter Smith had sent to her over six decades ago, setting the stage for what she has called a ‘spirit lifting experience.’



## Wind farm construction continues

Neither the recent rainy weather nor the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic have slowed down progress on the construction of the new Allele Clean Energy’s wind farm project in northern Johnston County. While some area residents have expressed concerns and distaste over what they consider an “unsightly” addition to the local landscape, others are looking forward to the positive economic impact on area schools once the wind farm is completed and added to the county’s assessment rolls. (*Sentinel* staff photo by Mary Lokey)

## Courthouse set to reopen on Monday

**By John A. Small**  
*Managing Editor*

It’s official: barring a dramatic upswing in the number of local confirmed positive COVID-19 cases in the next few days, the Johnston County Courthouse will reopen to the public next Monday, May 18.

During their regular weekly meeting on May 11, the Johnston County Board of Commissioners voted to approve the resolution authorizing the reopening. The courthouse will remain closed for the remainder of this week, then open to the public at 8:30 a.m. next Monday.

Each office in the courthouse will post signs limiting access in order to continue compliance with social distancing practices. Representatives from each office requested that public access be limited in hopes of protecting both customers and employees.

A lengthy discussion on the issue during this

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## County Class of 2020 series continues

Featured in this week’s issue of the *Johnston County Sentinel* is the second set in our series of “Senior Spotlight 2020” profiles which the newspaper plans to run in the coming weeks.

The profiles are being published in lieu of the *Sentinel’s* annual Special Graduation Supplement, which was canceled this year due to the pandemic.

As reported in the April 23 edition of the *Sentinel*, plans call for the profiles of students graduating from Johnston County’s five high schools - as well as eighth grade graduates

at Ravia and Mannsville Schools - to appear each week throughout the summer, putting as many as we can make fit in each issue.

Those wishing to participate can look at the profiles appearing in this week’s issue to see how they will appear in print.

Keep in mind that space will be limited, so some editing may be re-

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### Weekend Weather:

**FRIDAY:** Mostly cloudy and humid with strong thunderstorms in the evening; expected high around 84F. **SATURDAY:** Cloudy and humid with rain and a thunderstorm tapering to showers. **SUNDAY:** Partly cloudy throughout the day, with clouds increasing at night. High of 83F.

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# An open letter to readers of the next generation...

A number of years ago, Time magazine and Volkswagen got together to create a series of short essays written by some of the most illustrious individuals of the day and published over a series of weeks under the collective title "A Letter To The Next Generation."

The series – whose contributors included authors, scientists, athletes, even *Star Trek* creator Gene Roddenberry – was intended to offer the children of a hundred years into the future some insight into late 20th century society and culture. I collected the entire series and placed it into a scrapbook, and from time to time I like to dig it out and re-read what the various contributors had to say at the time... and wonder what they might have to say today, those who have lived long enough to be given the opportunity.

I'm not sure why, but the idea of leaving behind a message of my own to some future generation has been on my mind quite a bit in recent years. It started when my own two sons were both still young, and now that I am a grandfather it seems to have intensified. I don't know why, really, although I'm sure part of it stems from the realization age brings when one's yesterdays start to outnumber their tomorrows.

Maybe it's the fascination I have in the possibility that something I might have to say could somehow affect someone after I've gone.

That, or the rumors are true and I really am just a long-winded so-and-so who doesn't know when to quit.

In any event, I've given a great deal of thought in recent days as to what message I'd like to leave for those who walk this world after me, and with your kind permission I'd like to devote my space today to that message.

I don't know how my words will stack up against those of such luminaries as Isaac Asimov or Robert Jarvik, but I'd like to think they might

mean something to somebody...

Dear Reader of the Future:

Greetings from a newspaper columnist who has had the great fortune to live through some of the most interesting and turbulent times in our world's history.

Indeed, as I write this we are grappling with a global pandemic that has already taken countless lives and doubtless will take countless more; is straining our economy in a manner not seen since the Great Depression of my grandparents' day; and is somehow managing to bring out both the very best and the very worst qualities of the human race.

As for me... well, I have reached an age where the issue of mortality can no longer be ignored. Not the way it was when I was a youth and thought I had all the time in the world. One of the great cosmic injustices in this universe is the fact that it takes so much time to grow up, but so little time to grow old.

But I digress...

Being in this profession, I suppose it is only natural that I often wonder what effects the events of my lifetime will have upon the world you inhabit.

I wish I could look upon the world you live in, and see how these things might have changed it from the world I have known. I wish I could see if any of the great dreams we had for our future have become realities in your present. And I wish I could speak to you, and learn the answer to the two questions I would most like to ask.

Are you happy with who you are? And, perhaps more importantly, should you be?

If the people of your time have the same values and concerns as most of us in my time, the answer to the first question may well be "No."

I've never understood why, but it almost seems wrong for people in my day to be happy with who they are. But that's all right, because there's al-

## Small Talk

John A. Small



ways a cure for who you are. Those of us like myself who are overweight, for example, have been convinced that we can never be truly happy unless we become thin; and so some of us work ourselves to death in the hope that we might one day look like some make-believe television personality.

Those who don't like the natural color of their hair can pour chemicals over their head in order to obtain what they think is "the right look." We can wear lenses that change the color of our eyes. We can have surgery to "improve" our physical appearance and remove any "deformities." Women can have their bustlines altered – and there are ways for people to transition from one gender to the other if they feel that is what is best for themselves.

And while our advertisers are trying to turn us all into near-perfect clones of some unattainable ideal, many politicians and special interest groups and other so-called "role models" are telling us how we should all think, feel, and behave like they do.

Consider this premise: each individual should somehow seek to do everything the best way he or she knows how, and should follow this pattern regardless of social pressures. To do less than one's heart and mind dictates is to cheat yourself of some part of life.

Sounds like an interesting idea, doesn't it? Trouble is, nobody here seems to believe it. "Conformity" seems to be the catchword of the day.

We might not agree with something, but if we're smart we'll keep it to ourselves. We don't need any negative thinking around here; be comfortable with your conformity, and let it set you upon the track that will bring you a clean suit, a good job, a nice car,

a pretty little house and a pretty little wife and 2.5 pretty little kids.

After all, nonconformity is bad. It's just troublemaking for the sake of troublemaking, and is liable to put you in the company of such notorious attention-seeking nonconformists as Henry David Thoreau, Gandhi, Martin Luther King Jr. – and Jesus of Nazareth.

This is what some would have us think is right and true, and if we believe this then our lives will be easier and more immediately rewarding. Or so they say.

I, for one, do *not* believe it. Actually, there are still a few of us left in my day who take some pride in being different from the norm – whatever the norm might be.

Admittedly, there are some who take their nonconformity to silly, sometimes dangerous, extremes; but at least the conformists know we're still here.

Hopefully, by the time your time has arrived, you will finally have come to realize that the basis of any pattern of activity should reside within the heart and the mind of the individual, with little thought as to how such activity "conforms" to that of other individuals.

Take pride in who you are, whether you are short or tall or fat or skinny or male or female or blonde or brunette or purple with pink polka-dots. And don't let what the person standing next to you says or does bother you; just be the best You that you can possibly be.

I ask again: Are you happy with who you are? I hope so, I really do. Only you can know for sure. But perhaps I can at least help answer the second question:

Should you be happy with who you are? Only if the You you are happy with is the You you were to begin with, and not the artificial You you allowed someone else to turn you into...

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## Courthouse Continued from Page 1

week's meeting centered around the question of just how much public access should be limited. District 3 Commissioner T.J. Clements suggested that each county official be allowed to decide how many customers would be allowed inside their office at a time. The eventual consensus was that most offices would limit access

to two customers at a time. The decision was based upon the amount of space available inside each office to allow for proper social distancing.

The two exceptions to the "two customers at a time" rule will be the second floor office of Assistant District Attorney Fern Smith, which will be limited to one customer at a time due to available space; and the office of County Clerk Kathy Ross, which will allow two customers in the office and two customers in the vault for research purposes at a time.

County officials also requested that plastic barriers - similar to those that have been put in place at the Tishomingo Post Office and several area businesses in recent weeks - be installed in their offices as a means of further protecting employees and customers.

Board Chairman Mike Thompson asked the other officials to meet with courthouse custodian Randy McCollum to

determine how the barriers are to be installed.

Court Clerk Cassandra Slover noted that District Judge Wallace Coppedge had not yet released an order regarding the May 18 reopening of the District Court offices, but added that she expected him to do so "within the next few days."

District 2 Commissioner Jacky Hallmark made the motion to approve the courthouse reopening, which passed by a vote of 3-0.

The commissioners also indicated that they could revisit the decision to reopen the courthouse should the pandemic worsen locally.

Also during this week's meeting, the commissioners voted 3-0 to approve resolutions to encumber money from their County Bridge and Road Improvement (CBRI) fund for a pair of projects currently in the preliminary stages.

The projects in question include installation

of culverts and possible elevation of a segment of Kite Road in District 1 to prevent washouts of the road during heavy rains; and similar installation of a culvert on Lone Cedar Road in District 3.

Thompson stated that the resolutions did not cite a specific dollar amount for either project. Clements said he expects cost of the Lone Cedar project to be under \$20,000.

Hallmark stated that the use of CBRI funds for the Kite Road project had been recommended by the county's Civil Engineering District (CED) representative.

In a related item, the commissioners also voted 3-0 to run any future expenditures drawn from the county's CBRI fund through their meetings in order to keep track of how much money from the fund is being spent.

Clements noted that the fund is shared between all three commissioners, and said running them through the meetings will serve as a

sort of manifest that will keep the commissioners aware of how much is available in the fund.

In other business at Monday's meeting, the Board of Commissioners took the following actions:

- Voted 3-0 to change the planned date for a public hearing regarding Sand Pit Road to June 15;

- Voted 3-0 to approve the county's annual engagement letter with the Oklahoma State Auditor and Inspector's Office for the county's audit of Fiscal Years 2017-18 and 2018-19; and

- Voted 3-0 to reject a contract with the Northwest Oklahoma Juvenile Detention Center in Woodward.

The latter was at the request of Sheriff Jon Smith, who stated that the cost to the county - \$68 per child per day - is nearly twice the amount which the county is currently paying for juvenile detention services at other locations with whom it is contracted.

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## Voice Of The People

### Importance of donating blood has not changed

Dear Editor:

In this time of health crisis, I want to reaffirm Johnston County's commitment in maintaining blood supply for the area.

The critical importance of blood donation has not changed, and to ensure Johnston County has access to the blood products we need to support our community, I wanted to restate our commitment in this endeavor.

Blood is perishable, so constant, regular donations are needed to maintain a sound blood supply. The COVID-19 virus has caused some minor inconveniences that may impact the donation process in the near term.

Also, in accordance with the recent governor's recommendations, elective surgeries are resuming. This is going to cause additional strain on the available blood supply.

"Social distancing doesn't mean social disengagement," U.S. Surgeon General Jerome Adams said.

Oklahoma Blood Institute (OBI) has established a number of new policies to ensure donor safety, including social distancing measures, additional cleaning and more - see the website at [www.obi.org](http://www.obi.org).

Donating blood is safe and easy, so I encourage you to please contact your local blood center at (877) 340-8777, [www.obi.org](http://www.obi.org), or [customerservice@obi.org](mailto:customerservice@obi.org) and make an appointment today.

If you are a business, school, church or community organization that has the ability to support a blood donation location, either a location within your facility or a location in your parking lot for the bloodmobile, please contact the Oklahoma Blood Institute and work with them to facilitate.

You may contact your local blood program consultant, Michelle McGuire, at (580) 220-9420 or [michelle.mcguire@obi.org](mailto:michelle.mcguire@obi.org).

There is no substitute for human blood.

**Michelle McGuire**  
Blood Program Consultant  
Oklahoma Blood Institute

# Dateline: Johnston County

## Senior Center lunches to resume starting May 21

By Matthew Cravatt  
Sentinel Correspondent

The Ravia Senior Citizens Center steering committee met Monday.

They voted to re-open the Ravia Senior Citizens Center for the regular Thursday dinner at the Ravia Community Center, located at 202 E. 2nd Street, around noon on May 21.

This will be on a trial for carry-out only basis.

“We’re all seniors, and will behave like adults, because the virus may not have gotten the government’s all-clear notice,” one committee member said.

Ravia area residents have reported several instances of suspicious activity lately, which

### Ravia News

seems to have brought a welcomed increase of sheriff’s department patrols, hopefully curtailing mischievous activities.

Recent rain has been a help to local gardens, although earlier storms brought wind and hail that damaged crops. Some have been replanted in hopes of better weather conditions.

Recent stress on household income among many area residents has led Ravia Mayor Ricky Kreger to order a temporary halt of utility cutoff for nonpayment.

The Ravia Board of Trustees will meet Monday, May 18, at 6 p.m., in the Ravia Town Complex.

The temporary halt is expected to be on the agenda for discussion and action.

Mayor Kreger reminds Ravia residents to pen or leash your dogs to protect your neighbors from bites, and pets from the consequences of biting.

You can inform the Ravia area community of important news and upcoming events with a call to 371-0275, or e-mail at [ravias.news@gmail.com](mailto:ravias.news@gmail.com) with details.



## Mother of the Year

Annette Black, a resident at Blue River Healthcare in Tishomingo, was honored as the facility’s 2020 Mother of the Year during its recent Mother’s Day festivities.

## Center renovations move prayer meeting to home

By Jerry Blackerby  
Sentinel Correspondent

Last week we had our first Thursday of the month community prayer meeting at my house, since the community center has contractors replacing the floor and other renovations.

We had four in attendance. Our next community prayer meeting is scheduled for June 4.

The four of us prayed for about two dozen prayer requests. If you know of any prayer requests needed, please let me know.

We are trying to get prayer requests that may not be getting wide distribution, especially now with many churches not meeting.

On Saturday, May 9, I saw the matinee showing of the excellent movie *I Still Believe* at the Indie Theatre in Tishomingo. It is a faith-based movie based on a true story.

If you enjoy faith-based true stories, try to see this movie when you get a chance.

Milburn First Baptist Church met May 10 for church service only in the auditorium.

Families sat together with social distance between families. We will meet again next Sunday, May 17, the same way.

### Milburn News

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#### Milburn School:

On May 14, Milburn School will have a drive-in senior graduation ceremony at 6:30 p.m.

The state board passed a resolution to close all school buildings for the remainder of the year. The teachers have been working to develop distance learn-

ing lesson plans that are equitable and beneficial to student learning.

The school will continue to run meal routes daily, as well as meal grab-and-go.

At this time, all extra curricular events are canceled until the CDC

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## Cost-share program signup begins

The Johnston County Conservation District’s application period for the Oklahoma Conservation Cost-Share Program Year 21 began on May 1, and ends May 22.

The program offers financial assistance for construction of new farm ponds, and this year the conservation district has added fencing and terraces to their conservation practices.

The local cost-share rate is 70 percent of the total cost, not to exceed an amount to be determined by the district board.

Landowners can file

applications at the Johnston County Conservation District office, located in the USDA Service

Center at 1014 North Kemp in Tishomingo, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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### JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student’s Name:** Whitney RyAnn McDonald

**School:** Coleman High School



**Parents/Guardians:**

Robert and Christy McDonald

**School Activities:**

Basketball, softball, Student Council. She currently works at Ma and Pa’s in Coleman.

**Awards and Honors:**

Class vice president; co-captain of the basketball and softball team; class officer for four years.

**Plans After Graduation:**

She plans to attend Southern School of Beauty in Durant after graduation to receive her degree in Cosmetology.

### JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student’s Name:** Micah Michalk

**School:** Wapanucka High School



**Parents/Guardians:**

Marcus and Janessa Michalk

**School Activities:**

None listed

**Awards and Honors:**

None listed

**Plans After Graduation:**

He plans to continue his education in the technology field and he will miss all his family at Wapanucka School.

### JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student’s Name:** Maeleesa Taylor

**School:** Wapanucka High School



**Parents/Guardians:**

Jason and the late Heather Taylor; granddaughter of David and Rhonda Upchurch

**School Activities:**

Basketball, softball, cross country, FFA, FCA.

**Awards and Honors:**

National Honor Society; Lion’s Club Senior of the Month.

**Plans After Graduation:**

She plans to attend college to major in criminology, and become a social worker for DHS.

# County library begins second phase of reopening

The Johnston County Library announces its transition into the second phase of reopening to the public.

The second phase began Wednesday, May 13. While all branch locations will

partially open to the public, patrons are encouraged to continue to place holds online or call a library staff member and pick up materials curbside.

In this new phase, customers will

have access to computers and limited browsing of materials.

Restrictions and policies guests must follow to enter the library are as follows:

- The first hour of opening will be reserved for customers in vulnerable populations only;
- No more than 5 people will be permitted inside the library at a time;
- Guests must wear a face covering (masks, bandana, scarf, etc.);
- Customers must follow social distancing practices and remain six feet apart;
- Patrons must sanitize their hands before entering the building;
- Computer time will be limited to 30 minutes per day;
- Copying, faxing and printing will be available;
- Passport applications by appointment only;
- Curbside pickup available and recommended; and
- Library stacks are closed; limited browsing available.

“While considering the safety of staff and citizens in our communities, we also want to support the communi-

ty’s well-being by providing the necessary services needed during this time,” Executive Director Gail Oehler said.

“Many people need access to computers to apply for jobs, check the status of unemployment, or to conduct business. Our mission is to strengthen our communities with access to information in a safe and clean environment.”

Customers can choose to check out their items digitally if they wish to remain at home.

Patrons can access the Oklahoma Virtual Library from their smartphone or digital device through the apps *Libby* and *Overdrive*.

Customers can use their SOLS library card and download digital materials like e-Books, audiobooks, magazines, and more.

To apply for an online library card visit the library website <https://www.southernoklibrarysystem.org/>, or call a local branch and a staff member can assist you.

For more information, contact the Johnston County Library at 116 W. Main in Tishomingo; or call 371-3006.

## Chickasaw filing period nears

The Chickasaw Nation Election Commission announces the filing period opens June 1, and continues through June 3, for the 2020 general elections.

Candidates must file in the election secretary’s office, located in the government services building at 2015 Lonnie Abbott Industrial Boulevard in Ada.

Candidates may file between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Seats up for election include four legislative seats and one seat on the Supreme Court.

Legislative seats to be filled are Seats 3 and 4 of Pontotoc District; Seat 2 of Pickens District; and Seat 3 of the Tishomingo District.

Seat 3 of the Chickasaw Nation Supreme Court is also up for election this year.

Legislative candidates must be registered

Chickasaw voters at least 25 years of age; residents of the Chickasaw Nation for at least one year; and residents of their respective district for at least six months immediately preceding the election.

Legislators must remain residents of their elected district during the tenure of their office. Term of office is three years. Filing fees are \$500.

A Supreme Court candidate must be a registered voter of the Chickasaw Nation at least 30 years of age.

Justices must be residents of the Chickasaw Nation during their three-year term of office. Filing fees are \$500.

Candidates must bring verification of physical and mailing address, such as a utility bill or homestead exemption, which displays candidate’s physical address.

Candidates must submit filing fee and complete a financial disclosure statement upon filing.

Financial statements are also due at the end of every month during the candidate’s active campaign period.

Candidates will receive an electoral packet containing election rules and regulations; the Chickasaw Constitution; financial disclosure forms; biography form for the *Chickasaw Times*; and watcher form.

Candidates must not have been convicted of a felony. Background checks are conducted on all candidates.

Primary election is July 28 and run-off election is August 25, if applicable.

For further assistance, please contact Rita Loder, election secretary, toll free at (888) 661-0137.

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loosens restrictions. When I am informed of any changes, I will put the information in this column.

Milburn Public Schools have announced that the office, cafeteria and food bank will be open Monday through Thursday, from 8 to 11 a.m.

*openeth not his mouth.”* (Isaiah 53:5-7, KJV)

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If you have any announcements or other input for the “Milburn News” column, please notify me.

I see many events at the Milburn Community Center that I have not

heard about.

Please send an e-mail to [jerryblackerby@windstream.net](mailto:jerryblackerby@windstream.net), or call me at home at (580) 443-5618 or my cell phone at (972) 824-2733, at least a week before an event, to have time to get an announcement in the “Milburn News” column.

## JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student’s Name:** Madison Harrell

**School:** Wapanucka High School



**Parents/Guardians:** Michael and Michelle Harrell

**School Activities:** Fastpitch softball, cross country manager, Academic Team, Student Council, FCA.

**Awards and Honors:** Co-valedictorian; Fastpitch MVP; 2019-20 Homecoming Queen; Student Council president; National Honor Society; Southeast Oklahoma Vype Pre-Season Fastpitch Softball Team; several scholarships.

**Plans After Graduation:** She plans to attend SOSU to receive a pre-med degree, then attend medical school to become a general surgeon.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

*How much do public notices cost?* The Oklahoma Legislature sets a rate, which is typically much lower than other newspaper ad rates, so the cost of notices can be controlled, and exact wording – rather than a summary – printed.

The public is well-served by notices published in a community newspaper.

[www.oklahomanotices.com](http://www.oklahomanotices.com)  
for free access to public notices in Oklahoma newspapers

## Sooner Pharmacy Good Health Tips



Acetaminophen (otherwise known by brand names such as Tylenol) is one of the most widely used pain relievers. Almost 60 years of widespread use have made acetaminophen a household product. It’s distributed over the counter in most countries and judged safe by the scientific community. However, acetaminophen is also one of the most common medications involved in overdoses (the medical term for taking more of a medicine than you should) and is the most common cause of drug-induced liver failure. Past research also suggests a range of possible risks from increased asthma to interactions with other medications or the risk for developing other health concerns (such as kidney toxicity, bone fractures, or blood cancers). Now a new study published in the *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society* has shown that among participants who had diabetes, there was a slightly higher risk for stroke for those who took acetaminophen.

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A higher intake of vitamin C is crucial for metabolic syndrome patients trying to halt a potentially deadly cycle of antioxidant disruption and health-related problems, according to findings published in *Redox Biology*. The type of eating that leads to metabolic syndrome can prompt imbalances in the gut microbiome, with impaired gut function contributing to toxins in the bloodstream, resulting in vitamin C depletion, which subsequently impairs the trafficking of vitamin E. It’s a treadmill of antioxidant disruption that serves to make a bad situation worse; antioxidants such as vitamins C and E offer defense against the oxidative stress brought on by inflammation and the associated free radicals, unstable molecules that can damage the body’s cells.

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# Pandemic taking its toll on Oklahoma's finances

April Gross Receipts to the Treasury plunged by more than half a billion dollars as the coronavirus pandemic disrupts Oklahoma's economy, State Treasurer Randy McDaniel announced last week.

Gross receipts in April total \$1.08 billion, a drop of \$502.5 million, or 31.8 percent, from April 2019.

The economic impact of the pandemic is spread across all major revenue streams, but is most evident in income tax collections due to the postponement of the April 15 filing deadline to July 15. Gross income tax receipts are down by more than 50 percent for the month.

"The state economy is clearly showing the repercussions of the novel coronavirus," McDaniel said. "While the resiliency of Oklahomans is a key source for enduring optimism, the near-term situation is expected to be especially challenging."

McDaniel pointed out that gross production tax collections have yet to reflect the impact of record low oil prices. Gross production receipts in April are based on oil field activity two months earlier – in February – when oil was still more than \$50 per barrel. Even so, collections this month were down by 24 percent from a year earlier.

The average price of oil during April was less than \$20 per barrel. The impact of the price crash will begin to be seen in May receipts, but will be more fully realized in June collections.

Combined sales and use tax collections of \$430.4 million are down by \$44.7 million, or 9.4 percent, indicating a pullback in consumption during April likely due to shelter-in-place policies. Sales taxes, down by \$47.3 million, are somewhat offset by a \$2.6 million increase in use taxes assessed on out-of-state purchases including online sales.

Economic indicators  
The unemployment situation in Oklahoma is rapidly changing. The March jobless rate was listed at 3.1 percent, but the employment survey

was taken early in the month before many jobs were lost due to the pandemic.

Since March 15, the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission reports it has paid more than 430,000 jobless claims. In early March, 56,100 Oklahomans were listed as unemployed.

The Oklahoma Business Conditions Index dropped to 34.2 in April, down from 45.7 in March. Numbers below 50 indicate economic contraction is expected during the next three to six months.

April collections  
April gross collections total \$1.08 billion, down by \$502.5 million, or 31.8 percent, from April 2019.

Gross income tax collections, a combination of individual and corporate income taxes, generated \$405.8 million, a decrease of \$414.4 million, or 50.5 percent, from the previous April.

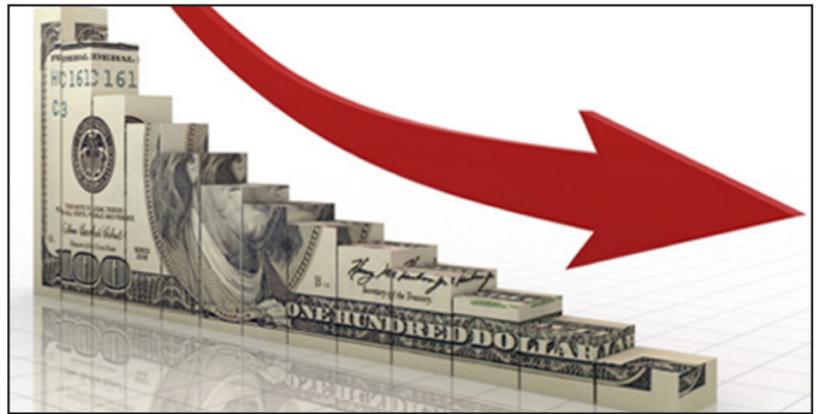
Individual income tax collections for the month are \$368.4 million, down by \$325.1 million, or 46.9 percent, from the prior year. Corporate collections are \$37.4 million, a decrease of \$89.3 million, or 70.5 percent.

Combined sales and use tax collections, including remittances on behalf of cities and counties, total \$430.4 million in April. That is \$44.7 million, or 9.4 percent, less than April 2019.

Sales tax collections in April total \$368.3 million, a drop of \$47.3 million, or 11.4 percent from the same month of the prior year. Use tax receipts, collected on out-of-state purchases including online sales, generated \$62.1 million, an increase of \$2.6 million, or 4.3 percent, over the year.

Gross production taxes on oil and natural gas total \$60.7 million in April, a decrease of \$19.1 million, or 24 percent, from last April. Compared to March 2020 reports, gross production collections are down by \$18.2 million, or 23.1 percent.

Motor vehicle taxes produced \$53 million, down by \$18.1 million, or



25.5 percent, from the same month of 2019.

Other collections composed of some 60 different sources including taxes on fuel, tobacco, medical marijuana, and alcoholic beverages, produced \$129 million during the month. That is \$6.2 million, or 4.6 percent, less than last April.

Twelve-month collections  
Gross revenue totals \$13.22 billion from the past 12 months, May 2019 through April 2020. That is \$223.9 million, or 1.7 percent, below collections from the previous 12-month period.

Gross income taxes generated \$4.38 billion for the 12 months, reflecting a decrease of \$186.7 million, or 4.1 percent, from the prior 12 months.

Individual income tax collections total \$3.86 billion, down by \$193.1 million, or 4.8 percent, from the prior period. Corporate collections are \$524.7 million for the period, an increase of \$6.4 million, or 1.2 percent, over the previous 12 months.

Combined sales and use taxes for the 12 months generated \$5.52 billion, a decrease of \$15.9 million, or 0.3 percent, from the prior period.

Gross sales tax receipts total \$4.79 billion, down by \$89.4 million, or 1.8 percent, during the period. Use tax collections generated \$729.8 million, an increase of \$73.5 million, or 11.2 percent, over the previous 12 months.

Oil and gas gross production tax collections brought in \$957.3 million during the 12 months, down by \$151.9 million, or 13.7 percent, from the previous 12 months.

Motor vehicle collections total \$778.2 million for the 12 months. This is a decrease of \$12.8 million, or 1.6 percent, from the trailing period.

Other sources generated \$1.58 billion, up by \$143.5 million, or 10 percent, from the previous period.

About Gross Receipts to the Treasury

The monthly Gross Receipts to the Treasury report, developed by the state treasurer's office, provides a timely and broad view of the state's economy.

It is released in conjunction with the General Revenue Fund report from the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, which provides information to state agencies for budgetary planning purposes.

The General Revenue Fund, the state's main operating account, receives less than half of the state's gross receipts with the remainder paid in rebates and refunds, remitted to cities and counties, and apportioned to other state funds.

## Tishomingo Senior Citizens Center Menus

601 West Main, Tishomingo • 371-9116

Thursday 1/9, 2/20, 4/2, 5/14, 6/25	Friday 1/10, 2/21, 4/3, 5/15, 6/26	Monday 1/13, 2/24, 4/6, 5/18, 6/29	Tuesday 1/14, 2/25, 4/7, 5/19, 6/30	Wednesday 1/15, 2/26, 4/10, 5/20
Ranchers Chicken	Beans and Ham (8 oz)	Chicken Tortilla Soup (5 oz)	Meatloaf	Fish Sticks
Whole Kernel Corn, Roasted Cauliflower	Sauteed Spinach, Potato Wedges	Guacamole, Black Beans	Mashed Potatoes, Sauteed Zucchini	Cole Slaw, Mac & Cheese
Dinner Roll	Cornbread	Tortilla Chips	Dinner Roll	Hush Puppies
Margarine	Margarine	Sour Cream	Margarine/ Gravy	Tarter Sauce
Iced Cake	Fruit Cobbler	Sugar Cookie (2)	Fruit Cobbler	Bread Pudding
Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
Water, Tea	Water, Tea	Water, Tea	Water, Tea	Water, Tea

## JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student's Name:** Racee Reed

**School:** Wapanucka High School



**Parents/Guardians:**  
Tucker Johnson  
and Rendy Reed

**School Activities:**  
FFA and  
library aide.

**Awards and Honors:**  
National Honor Society  
and  
Principal's Honor Roll.

**Plans After Graduation:**  
She plans to attend East  
Central University to  
get a BSN.

## JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student's Name:** Noah Carter

**School:** Wapanucka High School



**Parents/Guardians:**  
Tim and Tracy Carter

**School Activities:**  
FCA, Student Council,  
Academic Team, basketball,  
baseball and golf.

**Awards and Honors:**  
FCA president; Student Council  
vice president; Academic Team  
co-captain; regional and state  
qualifier in golf; numerous  
baseball awards; All-Star  
basketball team.

**Plans After Graduation:**  
He plans to attend MSC to play  
golf and follow course work that  
will lead to a degree in athletic  
training.

## JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student's Name:** Presley Patience Deaton

**School:** Wapanucka High School



**Parents/Guardians:**  
Jason and Ginny Deaton

**School Activities:**  
Softball, basketball, Student  
Council and concurrent classes  
at MSC. She completed the CNA  
program at Pontotoc Technology  
Center in Ada in 2018 and is a  
licensed CNA.

**Awards and Honors:**  
Superintendent's honor roll, class  
salutatorian, National Honor  
Society. She was chosen to be  
a Page for Rep. Charles McCall,  
but that was canceled because of  
COVID-19.

**Plans After Graduation:**  
She is enrolled to attend East  
Central University to be an OB-RN.

# Johnston County Milestones

## Tishomingo Middle School releases spring honor rolls

Students listed on the second semester honor rolls for Tishomingo Middle School are:

### All A's

Morgan Bryant, Lander Burkhalter, Jakob Carroll, Stella Caskey, Brooklyn Claborn, Adelyn Clary, Kimber Collins, Creed Corbin, Presley Dan-

iels, Spencer Gray, Jaxon Grube, Joslyn Harbin, Christian Hendrix, Jordyn Hook, Chloe Huls, Logan Huls, Addi Huston, Jakob Hutchings, Jenna Hutchings, Dakota Justice, Karlie Justice, Aubrie Kemp, Brayden Knight, Ladison Lockwood, Brynlee Martin, Adiah Mayo, Cali Northcutt, Cameron Northcutt, Troy Olsen, Aiden Orr, Matthew Patton, Cayden Perkinson, Whitley Pigg, Jolee Prentice, Madelenn Pryor, Brailey Reinhart, Lexy Rogers, Rhianna Ross, Hagen Sallee, Tali Schuler, Marlee Shackelford, Callen Slover, Taylor Stroud, Lance Thompson, Mariah Thompson, Joey Triplett, Marion Wilson, Caleb Wooley and Isaac Wright.

### A's and B's

Laney Alford, Sadie Arms, Braden Arnold, Owen Baker, Brylie Barnes, Adalyn Boggs, Jayce Brown, Sam Cabaniss, Ashlynn Callen, Ambria Caraway, Mason Carter, Lainey Cribbs, Wyatt Deaton, Keely Dollar,

Baylee Easterling, Pepper Gibson, Alex Gonzalez, Drew Harcrow, Samuel Harcrow, Tatum Harcrow, Hailey Hardin, Colyn Hart, Taven Heath, Lily Hendrickson, Boston Higgins, Hannah Holmes, Emma Jenkins, Lola Jones, Taegan Justice, Kaidance Kilby, Allie Kinnamon, Ezekiel Knight, Kara LaFevers, Kason LaFevers, Eeliah Love, Jacie Lowe, Summer Maldonado, Preslea Martinez, Keilee Maxey, Charlee Mayes, Cheyenne Mayo, Maddox Mayo, Kellil Menifee, Elijah Miranda, Marco Mondragon, Sierra Moore, Trevor Nance, Eli Olinger, Justin Parham, Mary Parks, Rigdon Percell, Bryndle Pitmon, Cloey Pope, Ryan Ratliff, Roman Rawls, Zachary Rollyson, Audrey Sandlin, Hunter Schultz, Rhylee Schultz, Madison Scruggs, Tyler Shelton, Keaton Slover, Kaylen Stewart, Joseph Thompson, Luke Triplett, Carli Upton, Jonah Vanmeter, Sammy Walker and Molly Wolf.

## TES honor rolls announced

Students listed on the second semester honor rolls for Tishomingo Elementary School are:

### Kindergarten All A's

Deacon Alexander, Afton Armstrong, Elly Atteberry, Rhevick Benson, Kayden Brannum, Cooper Callen, Hunter Cavitt, Carter Cellum, Dax Cobb, Kassidy Collins, Case Easterling, Avery Garrett, Hunter Garrett, James Houser, Pitch Howard, Angelique Huff, Jordis Johnson, Haven Johnson-Howard, Henley Lowe, Kiernan Lowe, Hayden Mathews, Meya McClendon, Judah Moore, Jagger Morgan, Kross Parish, Brynlee Payne, Rylan Robledo, Zayden Rogers, Jerry Rojas, Anzlee Salmon, Shelby Shipman, Aiden Smith, Emma Smith, Anna Sok, Annabelle Stewart, Reese Stewart, Rylan Stewart, Alexis Stuart, Colt Triplett, Waylon Tyson, Preslee Utley, Hudson Walker, Kenna Whitmire and Aiden Willis.

### A's and B's

Jody Black, Piper Gastineau, Benjamin Harris, Zoey Kimpton, Mason Knight, Brynleigh Mathews, Elias Miranda, Karley Ruelle, Camden Starn, Colton Strouse, Shooter Traweck, Cinch Walker, Jayden Wellman and Baylin Wood.

### First Grade All A's

John Blue, Mikaya Boles, Braelynn Brooks, Shaylei Campbell, Tyler Caskey, Conner Cole, Rosalee Dean, Kutter Dill, Barry Henry, William Kemp, Ruby McSwain, Michelle Nguyen, J.R. Parks, Liberty Pope, Haven Reynolds, Wilo Rogers, Sullamon Rojas, Luke Searles, Sidney Shipman, Dylan St. Clair, Trigger Traweck and Benjamin Vossler.

### A's and B's

Max Baker, Brook

Barnes, Alyssa Bigham, Conner Cole, Max Chaney, Brax Daniels, Joshua DeLaPalma, Tucker Lane, Briar Ledford, Brady Leming, Liam Monroe, G.W. Neal, Daniel Nichols, Bodree Powell, Espyn Rojas, Aidric Sanchez and Blakeleigh Yochum.

### Second Grade All A's

Addison Ballard, Elizabeth Barnes, Brooklyn Bird, Gunnar Cavitt, Lilia Dupree, James Harris, Harper Lowe, Kendall Lowe, Kynlee Martin, Caleb Moore, Naomi Pigg, John Pryor, Kane Quirey, Adrian Robinson, Fynlee Sallee, Andon Schmucker and Blaire Stroud.

### A's and B's

Faith Boggs, Durisha Boston, Kialon Cheadle, Landri Daniels, Kassidy Davis, Zachary DuBose, Taylen Farmer, Kinzley Frazier, Aubrey Fugate, Max Gatlin, Layla Gonzales, Dillaynie Gray, Caull Harcrow, Jaxon Kite, Jael Martinez, Keith Mayo, Charlene McKenzie, Izabell Mills, Lexus Parks, Wyatt Sneed, Hagan Stewart, Ethan Tinsley, Kohen Varner, Taelyn Walters and Baylee Wicker.

### Third Grade All A's

Breyer Campbell, Lailey Coats, Taisen Conner, Hayden Hamilton, Jonah Hutchings, Aidyn Moreland, Rhys Moreland, Carsyn Reinhart, Case Rogers, Olivia Studebaker, Luke Williams and Bryor Winningham.

### A's and B's

Tucker Allmon, Bellah Bailey, Kymber Bentley, Aubrey Blevins, Gavyn Boggs, Emma Brown-Payne, Alysun Chapman, Daylon Davis, Chaynie Dill, Avery Dodd, Chloe DuBose, Rowdie Godwin, Channa Greenwood, Halie

Harbour, Emmerson Henson, Callee Huls, Brianna James, Trapper Kennedy, Peggy Nash, Kahlor Patterson, Ian Ruelle, Nathan Thompson, Cayden Turner, Callen Whitmire, James Willhite, Hunter Williams, Kase Williams, Jesse Wolf and Kizzie Wood.

### Fourth Grade All A's

Evan Alexander, Savannah Arnold, Raynie Carroll, Duncan Clary, Kendyl Cram, Trenton Creighton, Makayla Cryer, Kayden Dean, Jaci Frelich, Alex Gantt, Ross Gray, Jackson Haggard, Elizabeth Holmes, Clara Hutton, Jacee McGehee, Callie Miller, Kyla Mills, Kanna Stroud, Miranda Torralba and Sawyer Whitmire.

### A's and B's

Emilee Anthony, Violet Black, Kambree Cagle-Reynolds, Jaxton Davis, Ethen Fleming, Brailyn Frazier, Diego Gonzalez, Emilee Harcrow, Jax Hays, Ava Johnson, Carson Lewis, Kaitlyn Nguyen, Tyler Orr, Marley Owens, Christian Paulin, Ian Reynolds, Noah Sloggett, Bentlee Thomas, Emilee Thomas, Aydrion Turner, Jacey Watson and Ruben Wolf.

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## JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student's Name:** Sharayah Adams  
**School:** Wapanucka High School



**Parents/Guardians:**  
 Rebekah Bailey.

**School Activities:**  
 Yearbook staff and track team.

**Awards and Honors:**  
 None listed.

**Plans After Graduation:**  
 She plans to attend Southern Beauty School in Durant and to get a job.

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## JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student's Name:** Victor Amorim  
**School:** Wapanucka High School



**Parents/Guardians:**  
 Erly and Andreia Silva (host parents: William and Vanessa Turner).

**School Activities:**  
 A foreign exchange student from Brazil, his activities have included volleyball, handball, swimming, basketball, baseball and academic team.

**Awards and Honors:**  
 None listed.

**Plans After Graduation:**  
 To Return to Brazil to finish school, then to return to the U.S. for medical school.

## JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student's Name:** Steven Landry  
**School:** Wapanucka High School



**Parents/Guardians:**  
 Marcus and Janessa Michalk.

**School Activities:**  
 None listed.

**Awards and Honors:**  
 None listed.

**Plans After Graduation:**  
 He plans to join the workforce in either Ada or Mississippi, depending upon which career plan is to his liking.

# Chickasaw online curriculum aids home learning

With many businesses and schools closed as a result of the coronavirus pandemic, many families are spending much more time at home.

Parents who have also become homeschool teachers are searching for teaching resources, entertainment and new recipes for their families.

In response, the Chickasaw Nation is making curricula available for new homeschool teachers, along with Chickasaw language resources and interactive activities for all ages at [Chickasaw.net/AtHome](http://Chickasaw.net/AtHome).

Every lesson of the Chickasaw Nation curriculum is aligned with Oklahoma Academic Standards as outlined by the Oklahoma State Department of Education social studies guide. Lessons are aimed at both elementary and secondary school students.

Areas of study include history, social studies, geography and government. Students who dive into these studies will develop skills like reading, writing, critical thinking, test taking and artistic creation.

Each lesson is complete with its own lesson plan, reading material, discussion questions, student activity and reference list for convenience. This material can be easily incorporated into any educational setting.

These studies are designed to inform and educate individuals about the dynamic history of our Chickasaw leaders, monumental events and culture. Chickasaw historians, researchers, archaeologists and other educators, as well as tribal elders, have worked tirelessly to develop this curriculum.

Parents and teachers can guide students into a deeper understanding of the lives and impact of historical figures.

The Chickasaw Nation curricula covers pre-removal Chickasaw leaders like Piominko, Payamataha and Tishominko, as well as modern Chickasaw figures who heavily impacted Oklahoma history like Te Ata, Douglas Johnston and Overton James.

The lessons which explore government studies touch on American Indian sovereignty, government in Indian Territory, as well as the Chickasaw Nation

Constitution and three-branch style of government, including the executive, legislative and judicial departments.

Students can learn about historical conflicts like the Battle of Hikki'ya' (Ackia); the War of 1812; the Civil War; World War I; and World War II.

Historical events in the curriculum include Chickasaw Removal; American Indian first encounters with Europeans; and the foundation and formation of Oklahoma.

Cultural studies include explorations of Chickasaws, pre-removal; the Natchez Trace; and the history of Chickasaw entrepreneurship.

Two documentaries in the Chickasaw Heritage Series that can be streamed online are also incorporated into the curriculum with the *Bearer of the Morning: The Life of Te Ata Thompson Fisher* and *First Encounter* lessons.

The curriculum and film *Bearer of the Morning: The Life of Te Ata Thompson Fisher* share the story of Mary Frances "Te Ata" Thompson Fisher, a world-renowned storyteller who shared traditional First American stories, overturned negative stereotypes, and advocated the preservation of First American cultures.

*First Encounter*, as a documentary and curriculum, examines the Chickasaws' first encounter with Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto and his conquistadors in 1540.

When it's time to take a break from lessons, there's more to enjoy, learn and do at [Chickasaw.net/AtHome](http://Chickasaw.net/AtHome).

At this web portal, the Chickasaw Nation offers home activities, entertainment, lessons and resources at a distance.

Social distancing does not have to mean cultural distancing. Anyone can access this assortment of online resources from anywhere with an Internet connection.

Whether for education, entertainment or somewhere in between, the Chickasaw Nation has something to offer.

Parents or caregivers using time at home to continue a child's learning need look no further than *ChickasawK-*



**Bearer of the Morning: The Life of Te Ata Thompson Fisher**, a documentary in the Chickasaw Heritage Series, is one of the lessons available in the Chickasaw Nation's set of online curricula for educators and others who may need access to lesson plans at home during the COVID-19 pandemic.

*ids.com* for a connection to Chickasaw language and culture.

*ChickasawKids.com* is an interactive site featuring history, culture, recipes, language, games and more.

At *ChickasawKids.com*, you can print coloring sheets featuring Chickasaw Nation landmarks, take a virtual tour of the Chickasaw White House, and meet the Chickasaw Kids characters Nashoba, Ofi and Pakali'.

The Chickasaw Language Basics app is the first of its kind to be developed by a tribe or nation. The app features hundreds of Chickasaw words, phrases, songs and videos.

Chickasaw Language Basics can be downloaded for free at *Apple.com/iTunes* or accessed on an Android mobile device or Internet at *Chickasaw.net/Anompa*.

The Chickasaw Nation Department of Culture and Humanities has launched a YouTube channel by the same name to feature step-by-step video guides on how to make items of

cultural significance to the Chickasaw people.

The first guide is available now and covers Stickball Stick Creation (Kapochocha' itti' ikbi'). Subscribe to discover and create more traditional items preserved by Chickasaws for generations.

The "Get Fresh!" program is brought to you by the Chickasaw Nation and USDA. *GetFreshCooking.com* promotes healthy eating habits and cooking techniques through cooking demonstrations, nutrition education and wellness information.

Make a deeper connection with the Chickasaw heritage and take your speaking skills to the next level with Rosetta Stone Chickasaw.

Rosetta Stone Chickasaw lessons are also available on mobile devices. If you are new to Rosetta Stone Chickasaw, visit [Chickasaw.net/RosettaStone](http://Chickasaw.net/RosettaStone) to register and begin your journey.

App downloads are available for Apple and Android devices.

## Johnston County Church Guide

### TISHOMINGO ABUNDANT LIFE CATHEDRAL

99 and Morrow Lane • 371-0129  
Revs. Daniel & Delores Stevens,  
Pastors

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

211 N. Broadway • 371-2112  
Cordell and Erin Hines, Pastors

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### BULLARD CHAPEL BAPTIST

Bullard Chapel Rd • 371-2504  
Howard Stanley, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

1/4 mi. South of Y • 371-9296  
Rex Clayton, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

407 E. Main • 371-3243  
Luke Holmes, Pastor  
(Transportation available;  
call for ride.)

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

6th and Burris • 371-3497  
Bobby L. Davis Sr., Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### FIRST INDIAN BAPTIST CHURCH

803 N. Byrd • (580) 443-5665  
(Message)  
Rev. Dale Perry, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sun & Wed Evening.....7:00 p.m.

### FREE LOVE

**OUTREACH MINISTRY**  
609 North Byrd St. • 387-5035  
Gary Poole, Pastor; Angella Poole,  
Co-Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Tuesday Overcomers.....12:00 p.m.

### WESTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

9450 U.S. Hwy. 377 S. • 371-2271  
Stuart Bailey, Minister

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### LIGHTHOUSE CHAPEL OF PRAYER

Sixth Street and North Byrd  
Kay Williams, Pastor

Wednesday Services.....7:00 p.m.  
Sunday Services.....3:00 p.m.

### MAD MINISTRIES

900 East Main • 371-8509  
Ivan Richeson, Jim Branch,  
Pastors

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

### MT. OLIVE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

701 East 6th Street • 371-3165  
Samuel Huff, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Nightly Prayer.....7:00 p.m.

### CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

400 South Muldrow • 371-3120  
Rev. Larry Strouse, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### MURRAY STATE COLLEGE BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

801 South Murray • 371-2160  
Tuesday Evening.....8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....Noon

### UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

202 N. Neshoba • 371-2498  
Rev. Joel Thompson, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.  
Wed. ASK Group.....3:30 p.m.

### VICTORY TABERNAACLE

201 West 4th St.  
(580) 257-0180  
Charles Pitts, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### UNITED CHURCH

8th & Kemp  
Jon Hazell, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

### BROMIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

Allen Hicks, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

### BUTCHER PEN BAPTIST MISSION

193 E. Butcher Pen Road •  
443-5675

### SEELEY CHAPEL UMC

David Boggs, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### COLEMAN COLEMAN CHURCH OF CHRIST

Highway 48

Sunday Morning.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

### COLEMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

6610 OK Hwy. 48 S., Coleman,  
OK (580) 937-4311  
Ron Brown, Pastor  
[www.colemanbaptist.com](http://www.colemanbaptist.com)

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### FOLSOM FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Rayden Whitmire, Pastor  
Coleman, OK  
[www.folsomfwbc.com](http://www.folsomfwbc.com)

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....10:45 a.m.

### HOPEWELL FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Southeast of Coleman

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

### CONNERVILLE BLUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Hwy. 377 North • 836-7882  
Larry Hawkins, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Hwy. 377 • 836-7161  
Art Brown, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.

### SEELEY CHAPEL UMC

Rev. Gene Hancock, Pastor

Seeley Chapel Road • 836-7142

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### TEMPLE OF GOD

Hwy 99 • 384-5569  
Tony Poe, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

Rev. Gene Hancock, Pastor

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

211 S. Grand Ave. • 371-2065  
Rev. Kevin Russell, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:50 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

15th and Burney  
Mat Benedick, Minister

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....5:00 p.m.

### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

13th and Chickasaw  
Ron King, Pastor  
(580) 239-1161 (Home)  
(580) 653-2649

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.

### MILBURN CHURCH OF GOD

(229) 415-2283  
Rev. Billy Hall and  
Sister Addie Hall, Pastors

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Hwy. 78 • (580) 443-5713  
Mark McGehee, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:50 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### CHRIST INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH

Brother Earl White, Pastor

Sunday School.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Night Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Service.....6:30 p.m.

### MILL CREEK FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner of Pontotoc & Choctaw

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS

Sunday Fellowship.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship.....10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.  
Thursday Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

### UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

622-3553  
Rev. Betty Stone, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Bible Study...Immediately Following  
Monday Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.

### PONTOTOC UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Marsha Purcell, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....9:45 a.m.

### REAGAN PENNINGTON UNITED METHODIST

Hwy. 7, Indian Church Rd.

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Worship.....7 p.m.

### RAVIA RAVIA BAPTIST CHURCH

Hwy 1 North

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### CHURCH OF GOD

P.O. Box 117 • 371-9384  
Len Gipson, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### ROCK HARBOR CHURCH

Hwy 22, Ravia • 371-9441  
Jon Smith, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### WAPANUCKA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Tim Carter, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### LIGHTHOUSE CHURCH OF GOD

5th and N St.  
(580) 364-2709  
Leon & Sharon Crites, Pastors

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

### NEW BEGINNINGS

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Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

1st & 3rd Sunday.....2:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

### EMMANUEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

402 E. Main  
Mark Hodges, Pastor • 638-2254

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

1st & 3rd Sunday.....2:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

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Protective face masks with American Indian designs are produced by the Regalia Making Mothers to protect elders from COVID-19.

## Regalia group helps protect elders from COVID-19 virus

Regalia Making Mothers, a group formed by Chickasaws to provide Native American regalia for American Indian foster children, is now making face masks to protect the health of tribal elders.

The group began as a quest to provide regalia for children before the COVID-19 pandemic hit the nation. Skirts, vests, ribbon shirts and other fashion items were being prepared for dances and other ceremonies – either now canceled or indefinitely postponed.

As the pandemic gripped the nation, the need for masks became paramount to protect elders, who are at a greater risk of succumbing to it due to underlying medical conditions such as heart disease and diabetes.

Regalia Making Mothers began when Chickasaws were asked if they would be interested in making regalia to help introduce young people to their Native American culture.

The idea took off like an Oklahoma prairie fire. The notion to bring together the talents of Chickasaws came to Sonya Frazer, a Chickasaw Nation medical center nurse, late last year.

Regalia Making Mothers total 25 members. Until the pandemic, every other week the group met in the conference room at the Chickasaw Community Center in Ada.

They turned it into a sewing and cutting room, where child-sized ribbon skirts, ribbon shirts, dresses, vests and other garments indicative of Chickasaw and

American Indian heritage were crafted.

However, as the pandemic sweeps America and several cases have been documented in Pontotoc County, they turned to making face masks.

While national health experts initially said facial masks were not necessary, the experts did an about-face recently and began recommending them for the general public.

Filters, which trap small particles that might sicken elders, are sewn into the masks. American Indian patterns bring beauty and solace in these stressful and uncertain times.

The team is making masks daily for tribal elders since no one is certain when the COVID-19 risk will pass.

In the past, Regalia Making Mothers gathered as a group, shared ideas, assisted each other with projects and inspired one another's creative notions. They last banded together Feb. 26, shared a meal, prayer and enjoyed social interaction.

When the first cases of COVID-19 were confirmed in Washington state, gathering as a team ended with the pandemic and members now work from home.

The group is inventive, often incorporating fabric not necessarily resembling traditional American Indian patterns.

Raymond Cooper, a Choctaw citizen, completed a ribbon skirt with beautifully coordinated ribbons sewn to fabric covered with images of

Walt Disney's Minnie Mouse.

"To a young female American Indian, this will bring joy to her heart," Cooper said. Within an hour, he finished a ribbon vest for an American Indian male foster child with a Mickey Mouse theme.

Cooper did not use a pattern to make the items. He has been cutting and sewing since childhood.

Isolated at home due to a diagnosis of tuberculosis, his mother taught him as a child how to sew, cut fabric, and craft garments through intuition and educated guesses. He also is a master at beading, and has been called on by others in the group to place beaded bling into a few of the garments.

Chickasaw Jennifer Kellner, a Chickasaw Nation family services employee, was particularly thrilled to be working on garments featuring a multi-colored paisley pattern.

Stationed at a sewing machine, Kellner worked from a pattern. It would result in a traditional tribal prairie skirt after it was cut, hemmed, fashioned with ribbons and elastic tucked into the waist.

"There is just an excess of color in this. I love it," she said while wrestling with the large bundle of material. Cassandra Alexander, also a Chickasaw Nation employee working with community services as an outreach supervisor, was finishing a navy-blue skirt adorned with orange, yellow, pink and lime green ribbons.

## Local schools make plans for graduation ceremonies

This week, the JCCC would like to highlight the education industry on what would have been a week full of in-person graduation ceremonies and celebration.

Many who experienced this rite of passage in the traditional way have been feeling nostalgic, sharing their grad photos on social media and laughing about the good ole days.

I still can't believe it has already been eight years since my own high school graduation. Time really does fly.

As a graduating Bullfrog, I really thought I knew how my life would play out – I had so many plans.

I just knew I wanted to teach high school history; that I would marry my high school boyfriend; and that it would all be so easy. Then life happened. Circumstances change and people grow, but the good and the bad are all worth it.

I wouldn't change a thing. I'm so happy with how things turned out and that is what counts.

Saturday evening, I will be celebrating my next-to-youngest brother, Jeremiah, at his parade graduation in Mill Creek.

He, along with my mom and dad, will ride in my granddad's old-school Jaguar down Main Street, the last in line as valedictorian. We will then proceed to the gymnasium, where we will stay in our vehicles to watch as he accepts his diploma.

He is glad that things are different this year. "It's a different time, I don't think graduation should be the same way it usually is," he said.

If he's good with it, so am I! There are still plans in the works to have graduation ceremonies this week, though they are limiting access and requiring tickets or the like to attend with a graduate.

Milburn will hold their ceremonies on Friday night; Mill Creek and Wapanucka are Saturday night; Tishomingo's is tentatively sched-

### Chamber News

Jordyn Frazier  
JCCC Executive Director



uled for June 5; and Ravia and Mannsville's eighth-grade graduations are currently not set, as far as I know.

Though I'm sure most of us have a connection without being directly related to a graduate, we will have to tune in virtually to celebrate with them this year.

For the last three weeks we have done Chamber Bucks giveaways, and participants have dined and shopped locally and reviewed our service businesses online.

This week, we would ask that county residents nominate one Johnston County graduating senior and one Johnston County teacher to receive Chamber Bucks.

Post to the Johnston County Chamber of Commerce Facebook page the name(s); which school they attend/work for; and why they are deserving of the giveaway.

We will draw winners on Friday, May 15. If there is any business that would like to sponsor this giveaway, please contact me.

Congratulations, Johnston County graduates! We are all so very proud of you and your accomplishments.

I would like to shout out Jaci Currie, Chris Collins and Jeremiah Naugle for your participation in the Johnston County Junior Chamber of Commerce (JCJC).

You have helped to build a great program, and I hope it has had a positive impact on your high school careers. I know you will each be highly successful in life!

"Your life is your story, and the adventure ahead of you is the journey to fulfill your own purpose and potential." – Kerry Washington

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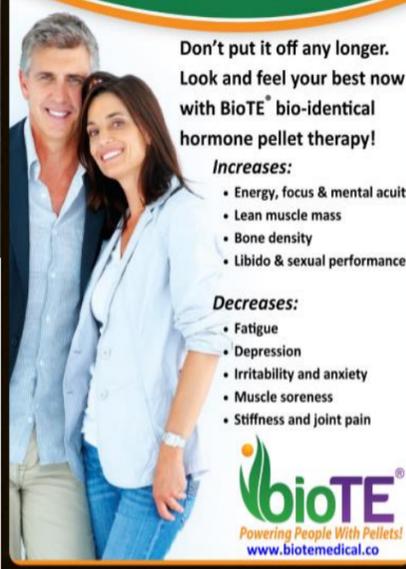
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## JOHNSTON COUNTY CLASS OF 2020 SPOTLIGHT

**Student's Name:** Zane Bullard

**School:** Ravia Eighth Grade Class of 2020



**Parents/Guardians:**  
Jake Bullard and  
Christy Smith.

**School Activities:**  
Student Council, Gifted and  
Talented.

**Awards and Honors:**  
A-B Honor Roll, AR Point  
Goal Achiever, Student of  
the Month.

**Plans After Graduation:**  
He plans to attend high  
school with a focus on an  
art program.

# Crime News

## Police Phone Log

### MONDAY, MAY 4:

2:49 a.m. - Caller reporting complaint.  
11:19 a.m. - Caller reporting unwanted person  
10:18 p.m. - Caller reporting unwanted person.

### TUESDAY, MAY 5:

2:24 a.m. - Alarm call.  
12:03 p.m. - Caller reporting vehicle accident.  
7:37 p.m. - Caller reporting reckless driver.  
8:36 p.m. - Caller reporting kids in road.  
9:56 p.m. - Caller requesting welfare check.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 6:

9:07 p.m. - Caller reporting suspicious vehicle.

### THURSDAY, MAY 7:

1:43 a.m. - Caller reporting suspicious vehicle.  
1:59 a.m. - Caller reporting suspicious vehicle.  
9:38 a.m. - Medical call.  
5:52 p.m. - Caller reporting dog bite.

### FRIDAY, MAY 8

11:13 p.m. - Alarm call.

### SATURDAY, MAY 9:

4:20 p.m. - Caller reporting dog bite.  
6:53 p.m. - Caller reporting assault.  
9:55 p.m. - Caller reporting vehicle accident.  
10:39 p.m. - Caller reporting domestic.  
11:27 p.m. - Caller reporting suspicious activity.

### SUNDAY, MAY 10:

2:03 a.m. - Medical call.  
10:15 a.m. - Caller reporting abandoned vehicle.  
11:14 a.m. - Caller reporting suspicious person.  
1:30 p.m. - Caller requesting welfare check.  
4:16 p.m. - Caller reporting complaint.

## Sheriff's Phone Log

### MONDAY, MAY 4:

12:16 p.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting aggressive dog.  
12:48 p.m. - Caller on South Bynum Lane reporting vandalism.  
3:00 p.m. - Caller in Mill Creek reporting trespassing.  
7:24 p.m. - Caller in Mannsville reporting theft.  
10:18 p.m. - Caller on West Acorn Road reporting unwanted person.

### TUESDAY, MAY 5:

8:00 a.m. - Caller in Bromide reporting harassment.  
9:40 a.m. - Caller on South McSwain Lane reporting illegal dumping.  
9:41 a.m. - Caller in Ravia reporting vehicle accident.  
10:10 a.m. - Caller in Mill Creek reporting vehicle accident.  
1:17 p.m. - Caller in Tishomingo reporting domestic.  
7:37 p.m. - Caller reporting reckless driver, location not listed on log.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 6:

12:41 p.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting domestic.  
2:17 p.m. - Alarm call in Tishomingo.

### THURSDAY, MAY 7:

11:18 a.m. - Caller reporting road hazard on Highway 78.  
11:25 a.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting abandoned vehicle.  
6:35 p.m. - Caller in Kenefic reporting threat.  
9:44 p.m. - Caller on North Grand Road reporting juvenile found.

### FRIDAY, MAY 8:

9:13 a.m. - Alarm call in Wapanucka.  
9:35 a.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting theft.  
9:55 a.m. - Caller reporting suspicious activity on State Highway 78 east.  
12:31 p.m. - Caller in Ravia reporting suspicious activity.  
1:15 p.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting theft.  
4:52 p.m. - Caller on South Bynum Lane reporting vandalism.  
7:02 p.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting theft.  
7:19 p.m. - Caller reporting abandoned vehicle on Highway 7.  
10:22 p.m. - Caller in Mill Creek reporting domestic.

### SATURDAY, MAY 9:

5:06 p.m. - Medical call, location not listed on log.  
5:52 p.m. - Caller reporting suspicious person on U.S. Highway 377.  
6:44 p.m. - Caller reporting fire on Highway 48.  
6:53 p.m. - Caller on East Crestview Circle reporting assault.  
8:08 p.m. - Caller in Connerville reporting suspicious person.  
9:55 p.m. - Caller reporting vehicle accident, location not listed on log.  
11:30 p.m. - Caller in Wapanucka reporting suspicious person.  
11:58 p.m. - Caller in Coleman reporting vandalism.

### SUNDAY, MAY 10:

10:10 a.m. - Caller in Wapanucka reporting found child.  
11:37 a.m. - Caller reporting vehicle accident, location not listed on log.  
1:36 p.m. - Caller in Mannsville reporting missing person.  
7:27 p.m. - Caller in Coleman reporting break-in.

## Johnston County Blotter

The following cases were filed in the Johnston County Court Clerk's office in Tishomingo during the week of May 1-7.

These are only cases filed, and do not indicate guilt or innocence on the part of the defendant.

Court records are a matter of public record, and are published in the Johnston County Sentinel as a public service.

### Felonies

Teresa Nicole Vandever - Unauthorized use of a vehicle.

### Misdemeanors

Nathaniel Lynn Allen - Operating vehicle without valid driver's license; reckless driving without regard for property.

Bobby Lee Berna - Public intoxication.

Teresa Nicole Vandever -

Public intoxication.

Edward Dee Coon - Driving motor vehicle under the influence; resisting arrest.

### Traffic

Destiny Marie Burgess, Ada - Speeding, 80/65; failure to comply with compulsory insurance law.

Robby Bear Gnotts, Norman - Speeding, 65/55.

Scott Charles Welch, Stillwater - Speeding, 75/55.

Michael Devon Brown, Tishomingo - Speeding, 75/65.

Anthony Hoppe, Ada - Speeding, 80/65.

Jordana K. Wallace, Mead - Inattentive driving resulting in collision.

Angelica Acosta, Ardmore - Failure to carry insurance security verification; speeding, 80/65.

Kachelle Ellen Ann Gibson, Tishomingo - Speeding, 80/65.

James Evert Jemison, Wapa-

nucka - Removed, falsified or unauthorized identification; failure to pay all taxes due state.

### Wildlife

None.

### Civil

Carolyn Geneva Harmer vs. Ronald Lee Rowe, Glenn Eugene Rowe, Laney Lee Rowe, Camille Rowe, and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote of: Earl Lee Rowe a.k.a. Lee Rowe and Gary Lynn Rowe, deceased - Quiet title.

### Small Claims

None.

### Marriages

None.

### Divorces

None.

# City woman faces imprisonment

A 19-year-old Tishomingo woman faces possible imprisonment after being charged with a felony count of unauthorized use of a vehicle.

According to documents on file at the Johnston County Court Clerk's office, the count

against Teresa Nicole Vandever stems from a May 3 incident in which she was allegedly driving a 2012 Fiat owned by Hanna Golden of Tishomingo without Golden's consent.

Vandever made her initial appearance in

Johnston County District Court on May 6. Associate District Judge Laura Corbin set bond at \$25,000 and scheduled a status hearing in the case for June 8 at 1:30 p.m.

A preliminary hearing date is expected to be set at that time.

If convicted, Vandever faces a possible sentence of imprisonment for not more than two years.

Court records show she has also been charged with a misdemeanor count of public intoxication.

# Porch piracy bill sent to governor

A bill that strengthens penalties for porch package theft was sent to Oklahoma Gov. Kevin Stitt Monday with the anticipation it will be signed into law.

House Bill 2777, by State Rep. Ross Ford (R-Broken Arrow), establishes a misdemeanor for first and second offenses and a felony for three or more offenses within a 60-day period for anyone holding, concealing, destroying, or taking mail from the mailbox or premises of another person or from a delivery vehicle at any point throughout the delivery route without the

addressee's consent or with the intent to deprive the addressee of their mail.

"Even before this current pandemic, which has forced many Oklahomans to order medicine, groceries and other products to be delivered to their homes and businesses, porch piracy was on the rise here and in other states," Ford said.

"This law puts some teeth into the penalty for those who would steal such merchandise."

Statistics show that one in five Americans report having been vic-

tim to porch piracy, and businesses report losing an estimated \$9 billion annually from the practice.

Ford, a former police officer, said HB 2777 gives law enforcement and courts specific guidance for how to investigate and prosecute these offenses.

First offenses may be subject to imprisonment for up to one year and/or a fine of up to \$500. Those convicted of third or subsequent offenses may face up to two years in prison and/or up to a \$5,000 fine. Restitution to the victim also will be required as allowed by law.

# Stitt order assists livestock processors

Gov. Kevin Stitt on Tuesday issued a sixth amendment to Executive Order 2020-13 to allow the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry (ODAFF) to assist with potential livestock processing facility disruptions.

"Oklahoma's ag producers, who play a critical role in providing food for millions of people worldwide, are currently facing many difficult decisions during this unprecedented time," Stitt said.

As a result of COVID-19, the animal processing sector has seen severe disruptions in its workforce due to both positive cases and general absenteeism of workers.

This disruption has led to the closing or slowing of production in many processing plants. Because production animals are ready just in time for processing and animals continue to move up the supply chain, this leaves producers with no choice but to depopulate.

The amendment allows ODAFF to assist in the following ways:

- Depopulation of any animals unable to be processed at available processing facilities due to COVID-19;

- Assist in the disposal of animal carcasses resulting from the depopulation in a manner that protects the environment, does not create a public health hazard, does not result in contamination of public or private drinking water supplies and ensures watersheds and groundwater are protected pursuant to 2 O.S. § 10-20(B);

- Utilize all necessary equipment and manpower available and to freely move the equipment and manpower across state lines in cooperation with

bordering states;

- Cooperate with appropriate agencies, including but not limited to Oklahoma Department of Transportation, Oklahoma Department of Public Safety, and Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality to ensure roadways are protected and all solid wastes are managed and disposed of appropriately; and

- Ensure ease of licensing, including the use of umbrella licensing, for vehicles used to move animal carcasses.

"Due to the uncertainty of this rapidly evolving situation, it is critical our agency is equipped to respond and assist our producers," said Secretary of Agriculture Blayne Arthur. "This executive order allows us to ensure our land, water and air stays safe and provide producers with support during this challenging time."

ODAFF also has a trained Incident Command Team on standby that is preparing for deployment and action, if needed.



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**3 BDRM, 1 BTH.,** fr., 308 S. Main, Bromide. Metal roof, approx. 1,257 sq.ft., enclosed bk. porch, fenced yard, metal roof, asking \$38,000. Call for showing.

**BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY IN CONNERVILLE,** former convenience store, cement block building, 2 gas pumps, has approx 1064 sq.ft., 3 city lots, needs some tender loving care on inside. Asking only \$50,000. Call for showing.

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**Legal Notices**

(Published April 30, May 7 & 14, 2020)

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

JOHNNIE COFFMAN, a single person,  
 Plaintiff,

v.  
 CHESTER E. SIMS, if living, but if deceased, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns, immediate and remote;  
 Defendants.

Case No. CV-2020-6

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION



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**Country Style - Nice comfortable 1600 sq. ft. brick home.** 3 br, 2 ba, CH&A, fireplace, storage building/garage. All sitting on 12 +/- acres. 7949 S. Project Lane, Milburn. Shown by appointment only, asking \$165,000.

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**315 +/- acres** with a 3 bdrm, 2 bath mobile home, livestock and a large pond. Metal weather creek with large shade and droppings. The deer, turkey and wild hogs are plentiful, and the property has 3 ponds for the fisherman to enjoy. Asking \$2,400 per acre.

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THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: CHESTER E. SIMS, if living, but if deceased, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns, immediate and remote

GREETINGS: Said Defendants are hereby notified that they have been sued in Case No. CV-2020-06 in the District Court of Johnston County, Oklahoma, styled Johnnie Coffman, a single person, Plaintiff, vs. Chester E. Sims, if living, but if deceased, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees and Assigns, immediate and remote and that said Defendants must answer the Petition herein on or before the 11th day of June 2020, or the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true, and a judgment will be entered quieting the title in Plaintiff as prayed for in their Petition and excluding Defendants from any claim in the following described real property, to wit:

A piece, parcel or tract of land lying in the SW 1/4 of Section 35, Township 3 South, Range 5 East, of the Indian Base and Meridian, being more accurately described as follows: Beginning at a point 930.9 feet East and 315 feet North of the SW corner of said Section 35; Thence East 133 feet; Thence North 48°28' West, a distance of 221.7 feet; Thence West 133 feet; Thence South 48°28' East, a distance of 221.7 feet to the point of beginning; and

A piece, parcel or tract of land lying in the SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 35, Township 3 South, Range 5 East of the Indian Base and Meridian, more accurately described as follows: Beginning at a Point 930.9 feet East and 315 feet North of the Southwest corner of said Section 35; Thence East 133 feet; Thence South 48°28' West, a distance of 221.7 feet; Thence North 48°28' West, a distance of 221.7 feet to the point of beginning; and

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**REWARDING RESIDENCE!** This family friendly brick home features 3B/2B, formal LR, dining, formal LR, + double carport, w/1100 sq ft. located on 2 lots at 1309 W. Ray Branum Rd. \$165,000.

**SOMEWHERE IN TIME!** Perched on a hill, this century plus 2 story house features 4B/4B, LR, dining, lg. family room w/fireplace. Metal roof, ch&a, & Metal carport. Enjoy view from porch overlooking beautiful country. 407 Seven Springs Rd. \$172,000

**FULL OF GOOD NOOKS!** Older 2BR home w/original hardwood floors, lg kitchen, cozy LR. & office. Great location on corner lot 1 block from MSC! 302 E. 22nd \$48,000

**EASY ESCAPE!** Located on 10 beautiful acres is this cedar home. Features 3B/1B/2, 1/2B, cathedral ceiling, rock fp, new stainless appliance, sunroom, garage, & deck. 3 barns, shop, utility bldg., pond, granite outcropping, & good fencing. 1700 W. Blue River Rd. \$215,000

**SOMETHING ENTICING!** Old service station includes 5 lots with highway frontage. This is an opportunity to open restaurant or business. 200 W. Grand, Ravia \$25,000.

**SMALL TOWN SPIRIT!** Very cute & cozy, 2006 Modular home features 3B/2B, open concept, ch&a, Large back yard. 105 W. 2nd St., Wapanucka \$58,000

**YOU BELONG HERE!** This brick home offers 3B/2B, lg kitchen w/abundant cabinetry, nice laundry room, ch&a, covered deck. Located near hospital and MSC @ 806 Harkey, \$94,000

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line with valves and other miscellaneous appurtenances.

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of FOX ENGINEERING, INC., 211 "E" STREET NW., P.O. BOX 666, ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA 73402, upon payment of \$50.00 for paper or \$25.00 for digital. The full amount is NON-REFUNDABLE.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by an acceptable form of Proposal Guaranty in an amount equal to at least five percent (5%) of the amount of Proposal, as guaranty that if the Proposal is accepted, the Bidder will execute the Contract and furnish the acceptable Performance Bond, Statutory Bond, Maintenance Bond, Owner's Protective Liability Policy, Defect Bond and Certificates of Insurance within fifteen (15) days after the award of the contract.

The time allowed for completion of this project is 21 working days. Liquidated damages for failure to complete the project within the allotted time or authorized extensions thereof, shall be \$350.00 per working day.

The bidder may withdraw his bid for sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

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Johnston County RWD #3

(Published May 7 & 14, 2020)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JOHNSTON COUNTY, STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of KEMPER C. TYSON a/k/a KEMPER CLAY TYSON, Deceased.

No. PB-2019-20

**NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT AND PETITION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP AND FOR DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE AND**

**DISCHARGE**

Notice is hereby given that the duly appointed and qualified representative of the above-captioned estate has filed in this Court a Final Account and Report of the Administration of said estate and a Petition for Determination of Heirship, Distribution of said estate, and Discharge; said hearing of the same has been fixed by the Judge of the District Court for the 10th day of June, 2020, at 9:00 o'clock A.M., at the Courtroom of said Court in the County Courthouse at Tishomingo, Johnston County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why said Account should not be settled and allowed, and said estate distributed and the Personal Representative discharged.

/s/ Laura J. Corbin  
 JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

P.L. PAT PHELPS  
 OBA #7105  
 325 W. Evergreen Street, Suite 101  
 Durant, Oklahoma 74701  
 580-924-1166

Attorney for Co-Personal Representatives

(Seal)

(Published May 14, 2020)

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TOPIC: Public Hearing to Close Sand Pit Road between Section 14 and Section 15, Township 1 South, Range 4 East, Johnston County, Oklahoma.

The Johnston County Commissioners has been contacted to discuss and take possible action to close Sand Pit Road between Section 14 and Section 15, Township 1S, Range 4E, IBM, Johnston County. This property is located at the EW175-EW176 on the NS345.

The hearing is scheduled on Monday, June 15th, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the Johnston County Courthouse in the Commissioners meeting room.

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# Producers urged to verify goat, sheep sale sites

Sheep and goat producers wanting to sell their animals should check with the establishment conducting the sale to make sure coronavirus precautions have not caused disruptions in operational hours or services.

“A producer’s time, energy and effort are as much business investments as travel costs and the well-being of animals being transported from one place to another,” J. J. Jones, Oklahoma State University Extension area agricultural economist for southeastern Oklahoma, said.

“Events are being canceled across the state, region and nation, often on short notice. Calling and verifying before setting out is just good management.”

The attraction of selling sheep or goats given current market conditions can be enticing.

“While the coronavirus pandemic has had a demonstrable negative ef-

fect on cattle prices, sheep and goat prices have remained strong thus far,” Jones said.

Current prices for goats in the 40 to 60-pound range are averaging about \$3.19 per pound in San Angelo, Texas. This figure is in line with March 2019 prices.

Slughter lambs in the 60 to 90-pound range are averaging \$2.59 per pound, which is well above year-ago levels. San Angelo and New Holland, Penn., are the nation’s primary sheep and goat markets.

As with any animal agriculture enterprise, goat and sheep prices are influenced by the natural production cycle.

“The typical price pattern during a year reflects how livestock biology drives breeding, birth schedules and animal growth,” Scott Clawson, OSU Extension area agricultural economist for northeastern Oklahoma, said.

“Prices are gen-

erally higher for goats and sheep in the spring, but nobody knows how the current coronavirus pandemic and social distancing might disrupt what has been the normal flow of things.”

For example, in San Angelo, the high prices in the spring for meat goats are historically greater than 10 percent of the annual average, but in New Holland the high prices typically reach about five percent above the annual average.

However, the seasonal price difference tends to be steadier and last longer in New Holland than in San Angelo.

“Normally we would stress how knowledge of seasonal and geographical price patterns can be used to enhance producer marketing strategies, sometimes by adjusting production,” Clawson said.

“With the uncertainty about how the coronavirus pandemic may disrupt normal patterns,

producers’ best bet this year may be to practice due diligence, contact a facility ahead of time, and understand their cost of production and break even.”

OSU Extension is one of two state agencies administered by the university’s Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, and is a key part of OSU’s state and federally mandated teaching, research and Extension land-grant mission.



## Commissioners Proceedings

(Published May 14, 2020)

**Monday, May 4, 2020**

Chairman Mike Thompson called regular meeting of 5-4-20 to order at 9:10 a.m. Answering aye was Thompson, TJ Clements, Jacky Hallmark. Others present Guyla Hart, BJ Wheaton, Wanda Gray, George Matthews, Denise Hook, Debbie Arnold, Cassandra Slover, Jason Bryant, Jon Smith, Gary Dodd, Sharline Pitmon, John Small and Kathy Ross.

Hallmark moved to approve minutes of 4-27-20, second by Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Board discussed opening or closing of the Courthouse due to the COVID-19 pandemic in length. Clements states that he feels that we should open to the public. Hallmark asks each of the offices what they would prefer to do. Treasurer and County Clerk’s office states that they will follow suit to whatever the Commissioners decide. Assessor office wants to limit the restrictions of public access to her office. Clements states what if there were only 1 customer per office. Hallmark states that we definitely need a plan before we open on the 18th. Thompson states that there would be less confusion if we all open to the public at the same time. Hallmark states that it would be better to remain closed and all open at the same time, due to the Courts not opening to the public till May 18, 2020. This will be revisited 5-11-20 for further discussion on the plan of how each office will handle the opening. Hallmark moved to approve to Resolution #20-20 to Close all County Owned Properties to the Public for Safety of Employees Due to the Outbreak of COVID-19 Pandemic for 7 days, second Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Hallmark moved to approve the Schedule a Public Hearing for June 8, 2020 at 10:00am to Discuss to Close Sand Pit Road in Dist #3, second Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Clements moved to approve to Confirm Agreement with US Silica for Authorization of Use of Murray Road to Transport Railcars to and from Mill Creek Facility, second Hallmark, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson. George Matthews states that this would be for crossing the road and the if there is any damage to the roadway that US Silica would be responsible for the repairs.

Clements moved to approve FY 20-21 Sac and Fox Nation Juvenile Detention Agreement for Services for \$23.00 per child/day, second Hallmark, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

No action on Insurance Claim for Repairs of Patrol Vehicles, still waiting on response back from ACCO.

Clements moved to approve Enter Private Property of Mr. White to Dispose of Dirt for Drainage Repair, Dist #2, second Hallmark, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Clements moved to approve Resolution #20-21 to Support

INCA ESG Homeless Program, second Hallmark, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson. Wanda Gray, INCA states that this program assist people that need help with moving into housing along with rent at times of need. This is to help with displacement also.

Transfers: None, Monthly Blankets: Sheriff, OSU Reports: County Clerk, Sheriff, Health, Claims: 911 260, WINDSTREAM, 260.55, 261, COURTESY P.C., 31.92, General 2198, SHIPMAN COMMUNICATIONS, 5727.00, 2199, CASCO INDUSTRIES, 985.00, 2200, RIDER COLLISION CENTER, 250.00, 2201, SOUTHEASTERN ELEC. COOP., 48.10, 2202, AT&T, 41.73, 2203, PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, 85.89, 2204, AT&T, 52.16, 2205, TERMINEX INTERNATIONAL COMPANY, 81.00, 2206, VYVE BROADBAND, 74.90, 2207, JOHNSTON COUNTY ELECTION, 78.00, Health 195, LOWES, 78.18, Highway 1527, WELCH STATE BANK, 1458.14, 1528, WINDSTREAM, 244.57, 1529, SOUTHEASTERN ELEC. COOP., 249.93, 1530, SOUTHWEST TRACTOR & PARTS, 180.00, 1531, BIVENS AUTO, 500.00, 1532, P&K EQUIPMENT, 288.96, 1533, DIRECT DISCOUNT TIRE, 1042.00, 1534, RAVIA PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY, 25.04, 1535, ISSI, 664.80, 1536, TISHOMINGO MOTOR SALES, 126.14, LEPC 6, SIMPLE SIMONS, 183.84, F-F 50, AT&T, 62.60.

¼ Fire 57, DOUGLAS, JEFF, 125.00, BSF 308, OREIL-LEYS, 29.36, 309, OKLAHOMA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, 350.00, 310, ADA PAPER COMPANY, 281.91, 311, NOBEL SYSTEMS, 85.00, 312, CHARM-TEX, 356.20, 313, LAW ENFORCEMENT PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES, 120.00, 314, MILLER OFFICE EQUIPMENT, 40.00, 315, TISH LUMBER, 45.97, 316, AT&T MOBILITY, 349.96, 317, FOSTER HEAT/AIR, 670.00.

Report gave by Commissioners Secretary, Hart states that according to the paper last week Hallmark states that Hart had no business asking about the Commissioners moved to the Election Board building, Hallmark states that he publicly apologizes for his comment and that he would discuss things further at a later time. Business: None, Public Hearing: None

Hallmark motioned to adjourn meeting at 10:00 a.m., second by Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Approved on 11th of May, 2020

(Seal)

Attest: /s/ Kathy Ross, County Clerk

Chairman: /s/ Mike Thompson  
Vice Chairman: /s/ Jacky Hallmark  
Member: /s/ T.J. Clements

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**HISTORY MATTERS IN THE PAPER**

(Published May 14 & 21, 2020)

/s/ Millicent McClure Watson  
Millicent McClure Watson

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JOHNSTON COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM FRANK JAMES, DECEASED.**

Case No: PB-2018-13

**ALIAS NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY-PRIVATE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that, in pursuance of an order of the District Court of the County of Johnston, State of Oklahoma, made on the 26th day of September, 2019 in the matter of the estate of William Frank James, deceased, the undersigned as the Personal Representative of the estate of said decedent will sell at private sale to the highest bidder for cash, subject to confirmation of said District Court, on the 4th day of June, 2020, at 2:00 o'clock p.m. at 216 Plaza, Madill, Oklahoma, all the right, title, interest, and estate of the said William Frank James, deceased, at the time of his death, and all right, title, and interest that the said estate has, by operation of law, or otherwise, acquired in and to all the certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, situate lying and being in the County of Johnston, State of Oklahoma, bounded and described as follows, and upon the following terms and conditions, to-wit:

Lot 6, Block 10 also described as 403 N. 16th Street, Mannsville, OK 73447

Bids must be in the office of Millicent McClure Watson, Attorney at Law, 216 Plaza, Madill, Oklahoma at any time after the first publication of notice, and before the making of the sale.

Bids shall be opened at 216 Plaza, Madill, Oklahoma, Watson Law Office.

On the 4th day of June, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Dated this 6th day of May, 2020.

John Craig James, Personal Representative By his Attorney, Millicent McClure Watson

Millicent McClure Watson, P.C.  
216 Plaza, P.O. Box 86  
Madill, OK 73446  
Phone: (580) 795-7328  
Attorney for Personal Representative

(Published May 14, 21 & 28, 2020)

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JOHNSTON COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

CAROLYN GENEVA HARNER a/k/a CAROLYN GENEVA ROWE a/k/a CAROL ROWE,

Plaintiff,

v.

RONALD LEE ROWE, GLENN EUGENE ROWE, LANEY LEE ROWE, CAMILLE ROWE, and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote of: EARL LEE ROWE a/k/a LEE ROWE and GARY LYNN ROWE, Deceased,

Defendants.

Case No. CV-2020-10

**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**

The State of Oklahoma to:

The unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote of: Earl Lee Rowe a/k/a Lee Rowe and Gary Lynn Rowe, Deceased.

GREETINGS:

Said Defendants are hereby notified that Carolyn Geneva Harner a/k/a Carolyn Geneva Rowe a/k/a Carol Rowe, Plaintiff, has filed in the District Court of Johnston County, State of Oklahoma, her Petition against the Defendants above named alleging that she is the owner of the following described real property situated in Johnston County, State of Oklahoma:

A part of the E/2 of NW/4 of NE/4 of Section 5, Township 4 South, Range 6 East, Johnston County, Oklahoma, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a

point 562.8 feet South and 527.07 feet West of the Northeast Corner of said NW/4 of E/2; thence N85° 25'W a distance of 100.00 feet; thence S00° 40'W a distance of 225.00 feet; thence S85° 25'E a distance of 100.00 feet; thence N00° 40'E a distance of 225.00 feet to the point of beginning, less and except a 25 foot road easement lying along the south end thereof; ("Property");

and in actual and peaceable possession thereof; that Defendants, the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote of: Earl Lee Rowe a/k/a Lee Rowe and Gary Lynn Rowe, Deceased, may claim some right, title, or interest in and to said real property adverse to the ownership of Plaintiff, which constitutes a cloud on the title; that the said Defendants be required to show what right, title, or interest, if any, that they now have in and to said real property adverse to the right, title, and interest of Plaintiff, in and to said real property be quieted against Defendants and their successors, and the Defendants, and each of them, be perpetually barred and enjoined from setting up or asserting any right, title, or interest in and to said real property.

The Defendants, and each of them, must answer the Petition filed by the Plaintiff on or before the 24th day of June, 2020 or said Petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered adjudging and decreeing Plaintiff to be the owner of said real property and entitled to the possession thereof, and that the Defendants have no right, title or interest therein, quieting the title of the real property.

Dated this 7th day of May, 2020.

Court Clerk of Johnston County, Oklahoma

By: /s/ Laura J. Corbin Judge of the District Court

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**NOTICE OF RESALE OF REAL ESTATE FOR TAXES**

Johnston County, State of Oklahoma

Notice is hereby given that, under authority and mandatory requirement of 68 O.S. 2001, SS3125-3126 and 68 O.S. 2001,S3127, each of the hereafter described lots, tracts, and parcels of real estate, all situated in Johnston County, State of Oklahoma, will be sold at public auction to the highest competitive bidder for cash, provided that for each parcel or tract, the bidder offers a sum equal to or greater than two-thirds of the assessed valuation of such real estate as fixed for the current fiscal year or the total amount of taxes, ad valorem and special, interest and costs legally due on such property computed to and as of June 8, 2020 which ever is lesser; said sale to be held at the Office of the County Treasurer in the Courthouse at the county seat, town of Tishomingo, Johnston County, state of Oklahoma, beginning on the second Monday in June 2020, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and continuing from day to day thereafter between the same hours until said sale has been completed according to law.

It is hereby stated that each of said lots, tracts and parcels of real estate hereinafter listed was sold to the county at delinquent tax sale in the absence of bidders therefore, has remained unredeemed for a period of more than two years from the date of sale, and no person has offered to purchase the same for the taxes, interest and costs due thereon; that in the schedule below appears under caption indicating Lands (Section, Township and Range), City or Town, or subdivision thereof, in which located following each described lot, tract and parcel of real estate, in order herein set out, the name of the owner as shown by the last tax roll (2019) in the Office of the County Treasurer, the date on which said real estate was sold to the county for delinquent taxes, the year or years for which taxes have been assessed but remains unpaid, the total amount of all delinquent special assessments, costs and interest that were made the basis of or were included in the original sale and that since accrued thereon and remain due and unpaid as of said first publication in May, the date of said resale and the total due.

The above notice applies to the following lots, tracts, and parcels, to-wit:

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CORARRUBIAS, FELIPE 0000-06-04S-06E-3-007-04 SEC. 6-4S-6E BEG. 690 FT. EAST OF THE NE/C OF NE SW SW ;TH S 89 DEG. 59'00 EAST 630 FT; NORTH 0 DEG. 17'00 WEST 501 FT.;TH NORTH 89 DEG.59'00 WEST 580 FT. TH SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EAST WATER LINE OF ROCK CREEK APPROX. 505 FT. TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SE NE SW OF SAID SECTION.	Total Due: ..... 2,417.87 2016 ADV ..... 719.67 2017 ADV ..... 544.25 2018 ADV ..... 512.17 2019 ADV ..... 641.78
HUDGINS, JASHEENA 0000-06-04S-06E-3-007-05 SEC 6-4S-6E A TRACT COMM FROM SE/C S/2 NE SW TH N00 17'00 W 501' ALNG E LINE OF SW TH N89 59'00 W 580' TO POB TH S25 40'39 W 101.90' TH N89 59'00 W 116.57' TH N00 17'00 W 91.85' TH N89 59'00 E 161.18' TO POB (CONT.29AC) AND COMM FROM SE/C S/2 NE SW TH N00 17'00 W 501' ALNG E LNE SW TO POB TH N 89 59'00 W 620' TH N16 06'45 E 217.25' TH S89 58'52 E 558.68' TO E LINE SW TH S00 17'00 E 208.71' TO POB (CONT 2.82AC)	Total Due: ..... 469.33 2016 ADV ..... 255.76 2017 ADV ..... 77.87 2018 ADV ..... 92.70 2019 ADV ..... 43.00
HOWARD, CUTCHALL & KING 0000-10-02S-06E-1-003-00 SEC 10-2S-6E 22281/73820 INT IN A 1/6 UNDIVIDED INT IN NW NE NE GWEN A. HOWARD, LINDA A. CUTCHALL, PAMELA A. KING	Total Due: ..... 173.73 2016 ADV ..... 128.98 2017 ADV ..... 21.91 2018 ADV ..... 21.76 2019 ADV ..... 1.08
HOWARD, CUTCHALL & KING 0000-11-02S-06E-3-003-00 SEC 11-2S-6E 5570.25/18455 INT IN A 1/6 UNDIVIDED INT IN SE SE SW GWEN A. HOWARD, LINDA A. CUTCHALL, PAMELA A. KING	Total Due: ..... 173.73 2016 ADV ..... 128.98 2017 ADV ..... 21.91 2018 ADV ..... 21.76 2019 ADV ..... 1.08
BAKEN, MICHAEL 0000-20-03S-08E-3-006-00 SEC 20-3S-8E BEG AT THE SW/C OF THE SE SW TH E 100' TH N 176' TH W 100' TH S 176' TO POB.	Total Due: ..... 383.37 2016 ADV ..... 230.32 2017 ADV ..... 83.61 2018 ADV ..... 46.86 2019 ADV ..... 22.58
HOWARD, CUTCHALL & KING 0000-24-01S-07E-2-003-03 SEC 24-1S-7E 5570.25/18455 INT IN A 1/6 UNDIVIDED INT IN SW NE NW (GWEN A. HOWARD,LINDA A. CUTCHALL, PAMELA A. KING)	Total Due: ..... 173.73 2016 ADV ..... 128.98 2017 ADV ..... 21.91 2018 ADV ..... 21.76 2019 ADV ..... 1.08
TOMLINSON, RONALD & VIRGINIA 0000-25-03S-07E-1-003-00 SEC 25-3S-7E NE (LESS 6A) (LESS HWY 48 RUNNING ALONG N LINE) AND NE NW (LESS 3.20 A) AND (LESS .55A)	Total Due: ..... 5,145.86 2016 ADV ..... 1,514.65 2017 ADV ..... 1,291.88 2018 ADV ..... 1,254.65 2019 ADV ..... 1,084.68
HOWARD, CUTCHALL & KING 0000-28-01S-05E-1-002-01 SEC 28-1-5 22281/73820 INT IN 1/6 UNDIVIDED INT IN SE SW NE & SW SE NE (GWEN A. HOWARD,LINDA A. CUTCHALL, PAMELA A. KING)	Total Due: ..... 173.73 2016 ADV ..... 128.98 2017 ADV ..... 21.91 2018 ADV ..... 21.76 2019 ADV ..... 1.08
HOWARD, CUTCHALL & KING 0000-28-04S-08E-4-004-00 SEC 28-4S-8E 5570.25/18455 INT. IN AN UNDIVIDED 1/6 INT IN SE NE SE AND NW NE SE (GWEN A. HOWARD, LINDA A. CUTCHALL, PAMELA A. KING)	Total Due: ..... 173.73 2016 ADV ..... 128.98 2017 ADV ..... 21.91 2018 ADV ..... 21.76 2019 ADV ..... 1.08
DEAL, TED & BECKIE 0000-31-02S-06E-2-002-00 SEC 31-2S-6E SE NE NW (LESS 7.46A)	Total Due: ..... 1,942.41 2016 ADV ..... 648.61 2017 ADV ..... 479.67 2018 ADV ..... 442.18 2019 ADV ..... 371.95
CLEMENT, DANNY AND SANDRA 0000-31-02S-06E-2-008-00 SEC 31-2S-6E BEG AT SE COR OF SE NE NW TH W 350', TH N 500', TH E 350', TH S 500' TO POB	Total Due: ..... 1,418.47 2016 ADV ..... 530.31 2017 ADV ..... 323.26 2018 ADV ..... 324.10 2019 ADV ..... 240.80
HAWTHORNE, CHARLES & NANCY JANE 0000-33-04S-07E-4-003-00 SEC 33-4S-7E ALL THAT PART OF SE/4 OF SEC, LYING E OF THE WEST BANK OF BUTCHER PEN CREEK AND S OF HWY #22(LESS .32 AC TO HWY ROW, SEE DEED FOR LEGAL)	Total Due: ..... 281.65 2016 ADV ..... 181.87 2017 ADV ..... 42.00 2018 ADV ..... 40.58 2019 ADV ..... 17.20
HAWTHORNE, CHARLES W & NANCY JANE 0000-34-04S-07E-3-002-00 SEC 34-4S-7E ALL THAT PART OF SW SW, S AND W OF HY #22	Total Due: ..... 1,067.06 2016 ADV ..... 467.73 2017 ADV ..... 294.56 2018 ADV ..... 181.14 2019 ADV ..... 123.63
PIERCE, JACK L. 0005-00-104-001-0-001-00 LOTS 1 & 2, BLOCK 104 BROMIDE	Total Due: ..... 331.05 2016 ADV ..... 240.83 2017 ADV ..... 36.26 2018 ADV ..... 41.06 2019 ADV ..... 12.90
PITTMAN, ROGER AND JOAN 0015-00-008-003-0-002-00 E 1/2 OF S 25' OF LOT 3, AND E 1/2 OF N 25' OF LOT	Total Due: ..... 813.47 2016 ADV ..... 414.45 2017 ADV ..... 139.58 2018 ADV ..... 162.69

4 BLK 8 CONNERVILLE	2019 ADV ..... 96.75
PITTMAN, ROGER & JOAN 0015-00-008-003-0-003-00 W 1/2 OF S 25' OF LOT 3, AND W 1/2 OF N 25' OF LOT 4 BLK 8 CONNERVILLE	Total Due: ..... 359.07 2016 ADV ..... 263.04 2017 ADV ..... 27.65 2018 ADV ..... 59.78 2019 ADV ..... 8.60
PITTMAN, ROGER & JOAN 0015-00-008-004-0-004-00 S 75' OF LOT 4 BLK 8 CONNERVILLE	Total Due: ..... 387.89 2016 ADV ..... 275.96 2017 ADV ..... 39.13 2018 ADV ..... 58.82 2019 ADV ..... 13.98
PITTMAN, ROGER & JOAN 0015-00-008-016-0-008-00 LOTS 16,17,18,19,20 BLK 8 CONNERVILLE	Total Due: ..... 901.69 2016 ADV ..... 482.68 2017 ADV ..... 221.37 2018 ADV ..... 181.51 2019 ADV ..... 16.13
BAKEN, MICHAEL 0035-00-002-019-0-003-00 LOT 19, 20, 21 BLK 2 FILLMORE	Total Due: ..... 620.41 2016 ADV ..... 277.16 2017 ADV ..... 130.97 2018 ADV ..... 120.90 2019 ADV ..... 91.38
ALBERSON, MORETZ, ET AL 0035-00-003-009-0-009-00 LOT 9, 10, 11 BLK 3 FILLMORE YVONNE ALBERSON 1/2 UND INT & LIFE ESTATE, JEFFREY S ALBERSON 1/6 UND INT, STEVEN E ALBERSON 1/6 UND INT, SHERRI MORTEZ 1/6 UND INT	Total Due: ..... 1,945.75 2015 ADV ..... 681.80 2016 ADV ..... 351.54 2017 ADV ..... 330.43 2018 ADV ..... 326.13 2019 ADV ..... 255.85
ALBERSON, AMANDA 0035-00-003-012-0-012-01 W 60' OF LOTS 12, 13, 14 BLK 3 FILLMORE	Total Due: ..... 462.08 2016 ADV ..... 214.57 2017 ADV ..... 97.96 2018 ADV ..... 88.27 2019 ADV ..... 61.28
BURD, CLYDE & CHRISTINE & NAOMI 0045-00-00A-028-0-019-00 LOT 28 BLK A HOLIDAY HAVEN A	Total Due: ..... 244.58 2015 ADV ..... 164.67 2016 ADV ..... 25.31 2017 ADV ..... 24.78 2018 ADV ..... 25.52 2019 ADV ..... 4.30
GRIMES, MICHAEL & GREGORY 0045-00-00A-166-0-132-00 LOT 166 BLK A HOLIDAY HAVEN A	Total Due: ..... 181.43 2016 ADV ..... 130.59 2017 ADV ..... 23.34 2018 ADV ..... 24.27 2019 ADV ..... 3.23
BARNHILL, NOBLE D. 0045-00-00C-023-0-019-00 LOT 23 BLK. C HOLIDAY HAVEN C	Total Due: ..... 298.86 2015 ADV ..... 226.67 2016 ADV ..... 23.69 2017 ADV ..... 23.34 2018 ADV ..... 23.01 2019 ADV ..... 2.15
BARNHILL, NOBLE D. 0045-00-00C-030-0-023-00 LOT 30 BLK. C HOLIDAY HAVEN C	Total Due: ..... 303.00 2015 ADV ..... 228.47 2016 ADV ..... 23.69 2017 ADV ..... 23.34 2018 ADV ..... 24.27 2019 ADV ..... 3.23
BARNHILL, NOBLE D. 0045-00-00C-058-0-050-00 LOT 58 BLOCK C HOLIDAY HAVEN C	Total Due: ..... 313.21 2015 ADV ..... 230.26 2016 ADV ..... 26.92 2017 ADV ..... 26.21 2018 ADV ..... 25.52 2019 ADV ..... 4.30
DELESHAW, JENNICE 0045-00-00D-146-0-105-00 LOT 146 BLK D HOLIDAY HAVEN	Total Due: ..... 329.46 2015 ADV ..... 246.37 2016 ADV ..... 25.31 2017 ADV ..... 24.78 2018 ADV ..... 29.77 2019 ADV ..... 3.23
ALBERSON, DAVID 0045-00-00D-329-0-253-00 LOT 329 BLK D HOLIDAY HAVEN D	Total Due: ..... 186.81 2016 ADV ..... 132.21 2017 ADV ..... 24.78 2018 ADV ..... 25.52 2019 ADV ..... 4.30
MILLER, JUNE & ELIZABETH MILLER 0045-00-00E-016-0-011-00 LOT 16 BLOCK E HOLIDAY HAVEN E	Total Due: ..... 192.19 2016 ADV ..... 133.82 2017 ADV ..... 26.21 2018 ADV ..... 26.78 2019 ADV ..... 5.38
TAYLOR, DENNIA F. 0045-00-00E-035-0-020-00 LOT 35 BLOCK E HOLIDAY HAVEN E	Total Due: ..... 216.39 2016 ADV ..... 164.11 2017 ADV ..... 24.78 2018 ADV ..... 24.27 2019 ADV ..... 3.23
CLEMENT, DANNY J. 0060-00-030-005-0-004-00 LOT 5 BLK 30 ORIG MILL CREEK	Total Due: ..... 964.57 2016 ADV ..... 416.86 2017 ADV ..... 201.28 2018 ADV ..... 209.90 2019 ADV ..... 136.53
CLEMENT, DANNY AND SANDRA 0060-00-030-006-0-004-00 LOT 6 BLK 30 ORIG MILL CREEK	Total Due: ..... 564.30 2016 ADV ..... 300.58 2017 ADV ..... 92.22 2018 ADV ..... 114.52 2019 ADV ..... 56.98
HARRIS, BRENDA K 0085-00-016-008-0-007-00 LOT 8 BLK 16 PONT OTOC	Total Due: ..... 3,435.36 2015 ADV ..... 914.16 2016 ADV ..... 711.68 2017 ADV ..... 657.61 2018 ADV ..... 605.81 2019 ADV ..... 546.10
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CHICKASAW 0085-00-026-011-0-008-00 LOT 11 BLK 26 ORIG PONTOTOC	Total Due: ..... 357.71 2015 ADV ..... 228.88 2016 ADV ..... 55.99 2018 ADV ..... 48.11 2019 ADV ..... 24.73
TRUESDELL, W V & KATHERINE 0090-00-042-003-0-003-00 W. 39' OF LOT 3 & ALL 4 BLOCK 42 RAVIA	Total Due: ..... 1,335.79 2015 ADV ..... 503.12 2016 ADV ..... 235.26 2017 ADV ..... 221.37 2018 ADV ..... 210.49 2019 ADV ..... 165.55
HINCHEY, NAOMI, ROBERT, THOMAS 0125-00-008-001-0-004-00 W 15' OF LOT 1 BLOCK 8 ORIG. TROY	Total Due: ..... 278.95 2016 ADV ..... 207.31 2017 ADV ..... 34.82 2018 ADV ..... 29.29 2019 ADV ..... 7.53
HINCHEY, NAOMI, ROBERT, THOMAS 0125-00-008-002-0-005-00 LOT 2 BLOCK 8 ORIG. TROY	Total Due: ..... 886.34 2016 ADV ..... 388.19 2017 ADV ..... 195.54 2018 ADV ..... 173.61 2019 ADV ..... 129.00
HINCHEY, NAOMI, ROBERT, THOMAS 0125-00-008-003-0-006-01 E 75 FT. OF LOT 3 BLK 8 ORIG. TROY	Total Due: ..... 248.29 2016 ADV ..... 196.01 2017 ADV ..... 24.78 2018 ADV ..... 24.27 2019 ADV ..... 3.23
JENNINGS & HARDIN 0130-00-030-003-0-003-00 LOT 3 BLK. 30 WAPANUCKA	Total Due: ..... 1,861.43 2016 ADV ..... 713.62 2017 ADV ..... 425.14 2018 ADV ..... 393.72 2019 ADV ..... 328.95
HOLYOKE, JACQUELINE 0130-00-058-003-0-003-00 N 90' OF LOT 3 BLK 58 ORIG WAPANUCKA	Total Due: ..... 1,057.22 2016 ADV ..... 477.02 2017 ADV ..... 284.51 2018 ADV ..... 260.21 2019 ADV ..... 35.48
STEVENS, RICHARD 0130-00-062-003-0-002-00 LOT 3 BLK 62 ORIG WAPANUCKA	Total Due: ..... 294.15 2016 ADV ..... 185.10 2017 ADV ..... 43.43 2018 ADV ..... 47.34 2019 ADV ..... 18.28
STEVENS, RICHARD 0130-00-062-004-0-003-00 LOT 4 BLK 62 ORIG WAPANUCKA	Total Due: ..... 998.33 2016 ADV ..... 311.07 2017 ADV ..... 290.25 2018 ADV ..... 221.78 2019 ADV ..... 175.23
CLONTS, MATTHEW 0130-00-168-003-0-003-00 LOT 3 BLK 168 ORIG WAPANUCKA	Total Due: ..... 281.10 2015 ADV ..... 154.03 2016 ADV ..... 39.84 2017 ADV ..... 37.69 2018 ADV ..... 35.56 2019 ADV ..... 13.98
HUDGINS, CYNTHIA	Total Due: ..... 419.18

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# Cattle series begins

Ranchers are invited to a series of free webinars to discuss cattle production, management and marketing tips with other professionals in the field.

The lunchtime series launches at 12:30 p.m. today (Thursday), May 14, with a teleconference through the Zoom online portal.

Kellie Raper, Oklahoma State University Extension livestock marketing specialist, is scheduled to lead the conversation about topics such as Oklahoma Quality Beef Network (OQBN) VAC-45 program health and management influence on calf prices.

VAC-45 refers to verification programs centered on calf health and management around the time of weaning.

Those steps have been shown to improve performance and health of calves during and after the stressful weaning period. Typically, such programs include vaccinations and a minimum 45-day weaning prior to marketing.

Registration for the Zoom webinars is now open, hosted by the OSU Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

The series is scheduled to continue May 14, 21 and 28, and June 4, 11 and 18. All events are expected to begin at 12:30 p.m.

Other guest speakers will include Rosslyn Biggs, beef cattle extension specialist; Paul Beck, extension livestock specialist; David Lalman, extension beef cattle specialist; Bill Barnhart, from the Oklahoma City West Livestock Market; David Cantrell, rancher and extension educator; and Jeff Robe, OQBN coordinator.

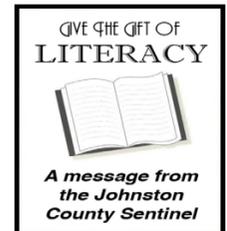
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quired if the information submitted proves too lengthy to fit.

The deadline for submission is Monday, June 1, at 5 p.m. Photos and biographical information can be e-mailed to us at [jcsentinel@yahoo.com](mailto:jcsentinel@yahoo.com); or sent by mail to Johnston County Sentinel, 706 West Main Street, Tishomingo OK 73460.

Those who send photos by mail and would like their photos returned are asked also to include a self-addressed stamped envelope.



# Orchestras premiere Tate's latest composition

February was a busy month for Chickasaw classical music composer Jerod Impichchaachaaha' Tate and six members of the Chickasaw Nation Dance Troupe.

The Dallas Symphony Orchestra premiered Tate's "Ghost of the White Deer," a concerto for bassoon and orchestra, Feb. 13-16. Tate is Chickasaw, an Emmy Award-winner and Oklahoma City resident.

The concerto was performed at Dallas' Morton Meyerson Symphony Center and featured the orchestra's principal bassoonist, Ted Soluri.

Tate's composition was commissioned by Soluri with generous support by the Dallas Symphony Orchestra Principal Chair Endowment program.

"It is a dream come true to write a new piece, commissioned by and for my dear friend and fellow Cleveland Institute of Music alumni Ted Soluri," Tate said. "I am honored to have the Dallas Symphony Orchestra premiere this work."

"It is a thrill to premiere Jerod's newest repertoire for the classical concert stage. It's a dramatic and beautiful work and brings out the best in my bassoon playing," Soluri added.

The concerto is inspired by the romantic legend of an ancient Chickasaw warrior acquiring a sacred white deer to win permission from the tribal leader for his daughter's hand in marriage, Tate explained.

On Feb. 29, the San Francisco Symphony performed Tate's "Spider Brings Fire" with six Chickasaw Nation Dance Troupe members also taking part in the performance to illustrate Chickasaw heritage and culture.

The Tate piece was part of the San Francisco Symphony's Music for Families "Out West" concert series, which celebrated American Indian music, ancient rhythms, musical storytelling, and the western landscape and traditions.

Several members of the dance troupe traveled to California to perform on-stage and as part of the pre-concert youth music education activities at San Francisco's Davies Symphony Hall.

Troupe members included Jesse Lindsey, Cotie Underwood, Wayne Walker, Courtney Parchcorn, Tayler Alexander and Jayden Martinez. They performed before the concert to an audience of approximately 2,000 with stomp dancing. Lindsey performed

on American Indian flute and led stomp dance singing.

"Spider Brings Fire" is based on the ancient Chickasaw story of how a small but heroic spider brought essential fire to mankind.

Backed by the full power of the San Francisco Symphony and conducted by Erina Yashima, the piece soared with energy and passion. Tate's storytelling held the audience spellbound.

The dancers entered the stage to add even more Chickasaw cultural content to the music and narration. They danced and sang their way across the front of the stage and received a rousing ovation.

"Jerod also sang a special Chickasaw melody, 'Hymn 47a.' A highlight was Jerod leading a call and response 'Garfish Song' in the Chickasaw language, which had the audience enthusiastically singing along," David Lynn Kinney, a Chickasaw citizen who attended the show, said.

Tate is a dedicated American Indian classical composer and pianist who expresses his First American culture in symphonic music, ballet and opera. All of his compositions have been commissioned by major North American orchestras, ensembles

and organizations, and his works are performed throughout the world.

He is a three-time commissioned recipient from American Composers Forum; a Chamber Music America commission recip-

ient; a Cleveland Institute of Music Alumni Achievement Award recipient; a governor-appointed Creativity Ambassador for the State of Oklahoma; and a 2011 Emmy Award winner.

His commis-

sioned works have been performed by the National Symphony Orchestra; San Francisco Symphony and Chorus; Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra; Detroit Symphony Orchestra; Oklahoma City Philharmonic;

Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra; Minnesota Orchestra; South Dakota Symphony Orchestra; Canterbury Voices; VocalEssence; Colorado Ballet; Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival; and Santa Fe Desert Chorale.



Chickasaw Nation Dance Troupe members (left to right) Courtney Parchcorn, Tayler Alexander, Cotie Underwood, Wayne Walker, orchestral conductor Erina Yashima, Jayden Martinez and Jesse Lindsey are shown with Chickasaw classical music composer Jerod Impichchaachaaha' Tate (at far right). The entourage performed with the San Francisco Symphony in February during its performance of Tate's composition "Spider Brings Fire."

1001-00-008-006-0-004-00 LOT 6, BLK 8 ORIG. TISH RESALE DEED	2016 ADV ..... 244.46 2017 ADV ..... 69.26 2018 ADV ..... 65.68 2019 ADV ..... 39.78
CRIBBS, JOHN & JAMES HOLT 1001-00-037-001-0-001-00 LOT 1 BLOCK 37 ORIG. TISH.	Total Due: ..... 378.49 2016 ADV ..... 210.94 2017 ADV ..... 67.83 2018 ADV ..... 63.17 2019 ADV ..... 36.55
CRIBBS, JOHN & JAMES HOLT 1001-00-037-007-0-005-00 LOTS 7,8 BLOCK 37 ORIG. TISH.	Total Due: ..... 538.10 2016 ADV ..... 254.55 2017 ADV ..... 109.44 2018 ADV ..... 102.08 2019 ADV ..... 72.03
BECK, TOMMY 1001-00-081-008-0-006-00 LOT 8 BLOCK 81 ORIG. TISH.	Total Due: ..... 259.26 2016 ADV ..... 222.71 2019 ADV ..... 36.55
BECK, TOMMY 1001-00-081-009-0-007-00 LOT 9 BLOCK 81 ORIG. TISH.	Total Due: ..... 1,034.49 2016 ADV ..... 663.61 2019 ADV ..... 370.88
MAXEY, JERRY M. 1001-00-086-001-0-001-00 LOT 1 BLOCK 86, ORIG. TISH.	Total Due: ..... 1,776.13 2016 ADV ..... 637.70 2017 ADV ..... 494.02 2018 ADV ..... 353.08 2019 ADV ..... 291.33
CASSADY, LINDA & MARK DEWBERRY 1001-00-106-008-0-005-00 S 81' OF THE E 51' OF LOT 8 BLOCK 106 ORIG. TI SH.	Total Due: ..... 296.97 2016 ADV ..... 226.29 2017 ADV ..... 26.21 2018 ADV ..... 34.79 2019 ADV ..... 9.68
HUNTER, JEAN 1001-00-116-003-0-004-00 LOT 3 BLOCK 116 ORIG. TISH.	Total Due: ..... 1,849.34 2016 ADV ..... 653.05 2017 ADV ..... 449.54 2018 ADV ..... 414.57 2019 ADV ..... 332.18
PINNICK, JANA 1001-00-142-004-0-003-00 LOT 4 BLOCK 142 ORIG. TISH.	Total Due: ..... 945.85 2016 ADV ..... 493.57 2018 ADV ..... 257.70 2019 ADV ..... 194.58
ROGERS, DAVID 1045-00-010-007-0-002-00 LOT 7 BLK 10 MURRAY COLLEGE ADD CITY OF TISH.	Total Due: ..... 227.15 2016 ADV ..... 167.34 2017 ADV ..... 27.65 2018 ADV ..... 26.78 2019 ADV ..... 5.38
FISHER, MARK. 2001-00-022-001-0-001-00 LOTS 1,2,3,4 BLK 22 MANNSVILLE TAX DEED	Total Due: ..... 503.11 2016 ADV ..... 268.68 2017 ADV ..... 90.79 2018 ADV ..... 84.51 2019 ADV ..... 59.13
LEMONS, SONYA 2001-00-051-004-0-003-00 LOTS 4,5,6,7,8 BLK 51 MANNSVILLE	Total Due: ..... 1,564.49 2016 ADV ..... 569.07 2017 ADV ..... 366.31 2018 ADV ..... 341.01 2019 ADV ..... 288.10
FORDMAN, ROSEA 2001-00-085-001-0-003-00 E 50' OF LOT 1 BLK 85 MANNSVILLE	Total Due: ..... 2,344.49 2016 ADV ..... 787.50 2017 ADV ..... 567.21 2018 ADV ..... 533.98 2019 ADV ..... 455.80
ALDABA, ROSA 2099-28-04S-04E-2-018-01 SEC 28-4S-4E BEG @ SW/C OF SW NW NW, TH N 42S' FOR A POB, TH N 124', TH E 180', TH S 124', TH W 180' TO POB.	Total Due: ..... 2,083.66 2016 ADV ..... 847.25 2017 ADV ..... 649.00 2018 ADV ..... 322.96 2019 ADV ..... 264.45
ADAMS, PRISCILLA & CRYSTAL 3001-00-079-005-0-004-00 E/2 LOT 5 AND ALL LOT 6 BLK 79 ORIG MILBURN	Total Due: ..... 988.38 2016 ADV ..... 441.09 2017 ADV ..... 214.20 2018 ADV ..... 198.71 2019 ADV ..... 134.38

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# Drivers can't outrun dangers of severe weather

When at home during stormy weather, Oklahomans understand all too well the importance of paying attention to news media updates and the family plan to head to a safe location when tornado sirens sound.

Knowing what to do on the road is a different matter, however. Gina Peek, Oklahoma State University Extension housing and consumer specialist, said drivers cannot outrun danger.

"Seeking a safe place to shelter is of utmost importance if you're not at home," Peek said.

"If you are driving your vehicle, it's imperative to find a place to shelter immediately. No vehicle, no matter how big, is a match for the fierceness of an Oklahoma tornado. Vehicles can be picked up and tossed like toys, and people can be seriously injured or lose their lives."

Thanks to advances in technology, Peek said, weather reporting services typically can give a good amount of advance notice of impending storms.

Regional media often has the most detailed information for surrounding communities, so it's important to be aware of location markers such as highway numbers and town names.

"If you're in your car, tune in to a local radio station. The weather service will interrupt regular programming to provide storm updates," she said.

"Radio announcers will be using town and county names, as well as names of various highways and streets, as they provide information regarding the location of a tornado."

Another way to keep track of

storms is through local news stations' apps on smart phones. However, drivers should not create additional road hazards – find a safe place to pull over before using a phone or have a passenger get the latest weather information. Some smartphone apps use GPS chips to pull up the latest radar imagery for the traveler's specific location.

Peek said that if the tornado is far enough away and road options and traffic allow, drivers should try to find a substantial building for shelter and adapt the basic elements of their home plan: get in, get down and cover up.

Businesses such as convenience stores and truck stops can be good sources of shelter. As always, take cover in an interior room.

"You should never try to outrun a tornado when you're in a vehicle. If you are out and caught in extreme wind and there is nowhere to shelter, park the car as safely as possible. Stay in the car, keep your seatbelt on, get your head below window level and cover up, if possible," she said.

Highway overpasses and bridges are not good options for shelter. As the winds from a tornado channel under such a structure, they actually speed up and increase the chances of getting blown out from under the overpass or hit by flying debris.

"We're in the heart of tornado season in Oklahoma, and knowing what safety precautions to take while on the road could save your life," Peek said.

For more information regarding storm safety, contact your county OSU Extension office.



Seeking a safe place to shelter from a storm is always important, but particularly to those who are on the road when severe weather strikes.

## Goodwill seeking donations

With unemployment nearing historic levels, Goodwill, a century-old organization that helps people find work, is facing a struggle of its own.

Employees who might otherwise struggle to find meaningful work because of developmental challenges or life circumstances gain skills

and independence; earn wages, and prepare for jobs at Goodwill's 25 retail stores and 20 attended donation centers.

The presence of those centers in Oklahoma City, Norman and other areas of the state, including Stillwater, Shawnee, Ardmore and Ada, is vital

for seniors, veterans and single parents.

Although retail stores will reopen as soon as possible, mission-critical funding is needed today.

Donations can be made online at [www.ok-goodwill.org/donate](http://www.ok-goodwill.org/donate).

All money donated stays in Oklahoma.

## Reconnected

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with us. Mother said she would like to see you.

If we can't get our vacation divided, I don't know whether we could take you or not because the home might not like for you to be gone that long at a time. We will just have to wait and see when the time comes.

Well, I guess I had better go to work now. I have a lot to do here at the office before I go home.

We may try to drive up and see you some Sunday if you will write us and tell us if you want us to come and see you.

Be a good girl and don't forget to say your prayers every night. Don't forget to ask Jesus to see that my mother gets well soon.

I love you very much.

Lawanda & Bobby

But of course, getting a 6-year-old to begin a writing correspondence is not a good bet - and as fate would have it, Bunny never did have another week with Lawanda and her husband.

But the story doesn't end there.

"Bunny" grew up, and grew out of her childhood name to be known as Barbara. And the next chapter of the story is best told in her own words:

"I was cleaning out a dresser drawer when I discovered having this old letter. I would have been eight years old when I left the children's home. So my mother must have been given all of our personal belongings.

"I don't know at what point she gave me the letter in the original envelope. I'm pretty sure it was long after I moved to Illinois and I may have been in my 40s with two daughters of my own by then.

"It was on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2020, that I found this 'letter of love' written by a very young woman just 20 years old, whom I later found out got married at the age of 17 to her childhood friend.

"She had asked me to write to her and I

don't know if I ever responded to the letter at the age of six. But it intrigued me so much that I wanted to find Lawanda Smith. I wanted to know if she and Bobby were still alive. I wondered if she still lived in Hobbs, N.M. If not, how would I go about finding her? Where to begin?

"The very next day was just four days before Valentine's Day. I remembered I had a nephew who was very good with computers and had done a lot of family genealogy research. So I called him to enlist his help.

"My nephew found an obituary for Lanetta Dodd, Lawanda's sister, who passed away just four years ago in 2016, which mentioned that she had a surviving sister, Lawanda, who lived in Durant, Okla. He went on to find her mailing address and phone number!

"That original letter I had found in my drawer was so sweet, so compelling, so loving – I knew I had to find her.

"I was so excited

when he found the phone number that I had to call it right away, and Lawanda Smith answered the phone!

"She was so surprised and happy to hear who I was, and about my finding her 63-year-old letter. She told me she had always wondered what happened to me and where I was.



Lawanda Smith

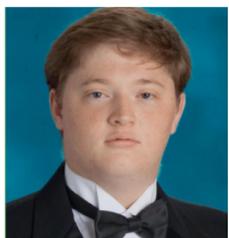


## Congratulations, Junior Chamber Graduates!



S500 Jr Chamber Scholarship Recipient

"From my time in the JJC, I have learned that team cooperation is essential to community improvement. By watching a Johnston County Chamber [Board of Directors] meeting, I was able to witness an extraordinary level of detailed planning and teamwork by the Chamber. The amount of work and planning that goes into a single month was awe-inspiring to me. Within the JJC...often, we would have to discuss how we would reach our goals and lay a plan out for ourselves. Making the connection between these two groups, it was clear to me that cooperation is vital to achieving a team's goal." - Chris Collins, Tishomingo School



Don't forget your home of Johnston County when choosing where to start your careers and families in the future! We are so proud of you!

"Chambers of commerce, like Johnston County's, not only help their communities in its economic aspects, but also try to personally help its people. The Junior Chamber is one way the JJC has done this. This program has inspired its members, including myself, to improve our towns through community service. It has taught us the importance of the chamber of commerce and how it improves our county. Thank you so much for the opportunity to be a member of the JJC. This experience has taught me many valuable lessons and has made me a better person." - Jaci Currie, Coleman School



S250 Jr Chamber Scholarship Recipient

"During my time the last two years with the Junior Chamber, I have been highly involved in community service and leadership-building activities that have made me think outside of the box and step out of my comfort zone. The experience has been one that I will not soon forget and I hope that more Johnston County youth will push themselves to get involved with. Learn about your community and how it works. Volunteer your time. Express your opinion to shape the future of your hometown. It's all up to you!" - Jeremiah Naugle, Mill Creek School

and she could not go and see me anymore.

"We did fall in love with you," she told me. "We talked about you many times, Bobby and I."

"Getting a mystery letter, finding the author, talking to her on the phone, and reconnecting to a special lady after 63 years was an uplifting, spirit lifting experience.

"It was amazing for Lawanda, a type of closure to know I was doing well and now lived in Lena, Ill. – about 900 miles away from Durant, Okla."

With Mother's Day upon us, it is natural for us to think about the woman in our lives who we call "mother."

But sometimes, as proven by the letter mag-

ically "discovered" by Barbara Haring, we realize that there are many more people in our lives who helped to love and guide us through our formative years – whether it be a special teacher, family friend, distant relation, or a young stranger who welcomed us into their home for a single week over Christmas so many years ago.

With so much aggravation over the coronavirus pandemic weighing heavily upon us, we found Barbara's story to not only be "special" but uplifting – and felt compelled to share it with our readers.

We thank you, Barbara, for letting us tell your story and offer both you, Lawanda, and all of your extended families, our very best.

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