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## County voters to elect new sheriff, commissioner

### Early voting is Thursday through Saturday at Election Board office

By John A. Small  
Managing Editor

If you're one of those who are looking forward to seeing the end of the current election season - and who among us isn't? - take heart. That end is nearly in sight.

Voters in Johnston County and across Oklahoma will go to the polls next Tuesday, Nov. 3, to take part in the 2020 General Election.

Early voting will take place from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. today (Thursday) and Friday, Oct. 29-30, and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Johnston County Election Board office, Election Board Secretary B.J. Wheaton said Monday.

The Election Board office is located at 705 W. Main Street in Tishomingo.

Polls on Election Day will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at all 13 of Johnston County's regular precinct locations, listed elsewhere on this page. Wheaton advised that lines are possible at peak voting times on Election Day.

"Wait times will likely be shortest at mid-morning and mid-afternoon," Wheaton said. "Anyone in line to vote at 7 p.m. will be allowed to cast a ballot."

While most eyes will likely be watching the presidential race between Donald Trump and former Vice President Joe Biden, two county offices are among those also appearing on next week's ballot - along with two state questions, including a proposed constitutional change to Oklahoma's criminal justice system that would end the use of sentence enhancements for repeat non-violent offenders. (See Guest Column on Page 2.)

#### County Races

Locally, Democrat Michael West and Republican Cacy Cribbs are vying to succeed longtime District 2 Commissioner Mike Thompson, who announced that he would not be seeking re-election after 24 years in that seat.

West was the clear victor for the Democratic nomination in the June primary election with just over 59 per-

cent of the vote. West collected a total of 211 votes, while longtime District 2 road foreman Danny Lowe received 101 votes overall.

The third candidate in the Democratic primary, Clifton Harris, received 44 votes overall.

On the GOP side, Cribbs earned his party's nomination when he defeated Ivan Richardson 175-129 in a runoff election held on Aug. 25. Richardson had been the top vote-getter in the June primary, but fell short of the 50 percent threshold needed to avoid a runoff election.

Richeson's 148 total votes gave him just under 47 percent of the total vote, followed by Cribbs with 114 votes. The third candidate in the June primary, Fred Raines, trailed with 53 votes.

Meanwhile, Republican Under-sheriff Gary Dodd and Independent challenger Randy White are running to succeed longtime Johnston County Sheriff Jon Smith, who announced his plans to retire in March.

Neither of the incumbent county officials up for re-election this year - County Clerk Kathy Ross and Court Clerk Cassandra Slover - drew an opponent, and thus have each secured another term in office.

A special question that was to have been determined by voters in Ravia - regarding a proposal that the position of town clerk-treasurer be appointed by the town's Board of Trustees, rather than elected by the voters - has reportedly been canceled following a report in last week's issue of the *Johnston County Sentinel* that the Town of Ravia had not submitted the legal publication calling for the election as required by state law. (See related story on Page 3.)

#### State Questions

Of the two ballot initiatives appearing on next week's ballot, the most controversial is State Question 805. This measure seeks to add a new Article II-A to the Oklahoma Constitution, which would prohibit the use of

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## Johnston County Polling Places

- Precinct 1 - Tishomingo Masonic Lodge No. 91, 708 E. Eighth Street, Tishomingo
- Precincts 2 and 3 - EMS Training Building, 604 E. 24th Street, Tishomingo
- Precinct 4 - First United Methodist Church, 202 N. Neshoba, Tishomingo
- Precinct 5 - Mannsville United Methodist Church, 602 E. Chickasaw, Mannsville
- Precinct 6 - Ravia Community Center, 100 S. Second Street, Ravia
- Sub-Precinct 7: Bromide City Hall, 103 N. Main Street, Bromide
- Precinct 8 - Mill Creek Community Center, 106 E. Main, Mill Creek
- Precinct 9 - Connerville Community Center, 7116 N. Highway 377, Connerville
- Precinct 10 - Bromide City Hall, 103 N. Main Street, Bromide
- Precinct 11 - Wapanucka City Hall, 206 S. Choctaw, Wapanucka
- Precinct 12 - Coleman Community Center, 506 W. Main, Coleman
- Precinct 13 - Milburn Community Center, 102 W. F Avenue, Milburn
- Precinct 14 - Reagan Community Center, 5961 W. City Street, Reagan

## Sick leave policy still on hold

By John A. Small  
Managing Editor

The proposed approval of a COVID-19 sick leave policy for county employees was tabled again this week by the Johnston County Board of Commissioners.

During their regular weekly meeting Monday

- which convened briefly at its usual time in the morning, then recessed until 1 p.m. so that they could attend the funeral of longtime county employee and volunteer firefighter Ricky Martin - commissioners Jacky Hallmark, Mike Thompson and T.J. Clements once again discussed the question of paid sick

leave and expanded family and medical leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA).

The commissioners had tabled a decision on the matter last week, citing concerns about language in the policy they felt to be in some cases vague or contradictory - particularly language which Hallmark had said indicates that employees are not required to provide documentation that they fall under one of the six listed qualifying reasons for taking leave.

During this week's meeting, Hallmark said he still wanted some clarification on the issue and stated that he was awaiting advice from Assistant District Attorney Fern Smith regarding the documentation question.

But as he had last week, Hallmark also acknowledged that he felt the county would have little choice but to ap-

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## THS Homecoming Royalty

Following its postponement from the original Sept. 25 date due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Tishomingo High School will celebrate its annual Homecoming festivities this Friday, Oct. 30, during the Indians' final home game of the regular season against Lindsay. The Homecoming Queen coronation is scheduled to take place at 7 p.m. prior to kickoff; band seniors will be recognized during halftime. Pictured are the queen candidates and class sweethearts that make up Tishomingo's 2020 Homecoming Court: (left to right) Freshman Sweetheart Brooklyn Claborn; Sophomore Sweetheart Emily McCarter; Queen candidates Grace Collins, Jadyn Hook, Dani Corbin, Jolee Northcutt, and Grace Anderson; Senior Sweetheart Steavi Purcell; and Junior Sweetheart Jocelynn Troxell.



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### Weekend Weather:

FRIDAY: Warmer and plenty of sun, high around 63F. Clear and chilly overnight. SATURDAY: Daytime high of 66F with some clouds; clear to partly cloudy overnight, low of 41F. SUNDAY: Sunny with anticipated high of 61F; clear and cold overnight with low around 35F.

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# Days of popcorn balls and laundry marker mustaches

Ah, yes... Halloween. That one night of the year when, after constantly warning us all year long to not take candy from strangers, Mom and Dad willfully sent us out to do exactly that.

I don't know about anybody else, but even as a wee nipper that just didn't make a whole lot of sense to me.

Don't get me wrong... I loved the idea of my hands on a sackful of free candy. (The idea still holds some appeal today, if I'm being honest.)

I just didn't think much of the idea of having to go door-to-door to ask for it. And even less of having to dress up in a costume in order to do it.

That was the second parental mixed message about Halloween that always had me scratching my head when I was a kid.

Day in and day out during the course of the year, Mom and Dad always responded to every silly thing I did in the company of friends that got me into trouble by asking the same question: "If they told you to go jump off a bridge, would you do it?"

But on this one day of the year, these same parents who constantly warned against the evils of peer pressure now actively advocated succumbing to it. "Come on, all the other kids are doing it!"

No wonder I'm such a mess...

And insult was always added to injury by the fact - once I did finally give in and put on the silly costume and go door-to-door, all because my sweet tooth would always win out over my pride - most of what ended up in my bag was not candy at all.

I've never done the actual research to back this up, but based upon the empirical evidence gathered at the time I feel relatively safe in reporting that the 400 block of North Michigan and Wabash Avenue in Bradley, Illinois, must have been the popcorn ball capital of the world during the late 1960s and early 1970s

Because that's pretty much all I ever came home with.

That, and usually three or four of those silly wax toys - lips, harmonicas, whatever - that I never quite knew what I was supposed to do with. You couldn't eat the things, after all - although I'm told that Tom Despain tried once. And they were worthless as candles; no wick.

Oh, sure, occasionally I might get lucky and dig out a random cream-centered caramel, miniature peanut butter cup, or maybe even a bite-sized Milky Way bar. On one particularly memorable occasion, I even managed to bag an honest-to-goodness Tootsie Pop - but my joy proved short-lived, since it was a chocolate flavored pop instead of one of the fruit-flavored ones that I preferred.

Dad loved chocolate Tootsie Pops, so I gave it to him. That made him smile - a little too much, I remember thinking at the time. After all these years I still can't help wondering if he didn't somehow contact whichever neighbor gave me the furshlugginer thing and plan the whole escapade out in advance.

Come to think of it, all those popcorn balls was probably his doing as well. Mom was probably in on it, too; they were quite the team, after all, and Mom sure loved her popcorn balls.

But as a lifelong, card-carrying member of the I Love Candy Society, I ask you: would a few more Snickers bars or mini-bags of Brach's jellybeans really have been too much to ask for?

I think my aversion to dressing up for Halloween probably stems from the costume my mom made for for when I was in the first grade. At first I thought it was actually pretty cool; it consisted of a huge Mexican sombrero and poncho, a mask like the one Robin wore on the *Batman* television series, and a gumbelt on which I carried a real .22 caliber pistol that belonged to my father - albeit an old one

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which Dad had rendered totally and completely unusable, by filing off the firing pin and filling the barrel with some sort of cement he used in his various do-it-yourself projects.

Mom and Dad put a lot of work into creating that costume for me, and when I first put it on and looked at myself in the full-length mirror on the back of their bedroom door I was so proud I thought I might bust. I looked cooler than the Cisco Kid!

The problem was that I said so outloud - and when Mom heard me say it, she was suddenly inspired to make one last addition to the costume by painting a fake mustache under my little 6-year-old nose. Which did, admittedly, lend an added bit of flair to the ensemble.

Problem was, in her zeal to put the finishing touch on her work of art, she had grabbed not her eyebrow pencil but a laundry marker. The kind with the ink that won't wash off for days - unless your father offers to use a piece of his sandpaper, but Mom didn't seem all that keen on the idea.

Me, I was willing to give it a shot. But as usual Mom won, which meant that her carefully drawn fake Cisco Kid mustache and I remained companions for the better part of the next week. The same kids who had "ooed" and "ahhed" when I wore it for Trick-or-Treating on Halloween night now laughed and jeered at me on the playground during recess. One of my teachers sent a note home to my mother asking if they needed to set up an appointment with the school counselor. My dog Brownie ran away whenever I tried to play with him.

It was one of the longest, darkest periods of my childhood, and it left its scars. On the other hand, it may some-

how also help explain my affinity for Groucho Marx - but that's a topic for another day, I suspect.

It would years before I would try to grow a real, genuine mustache - and even then the results were at best dubious, as anyone who has seen this thing will no doubt attest.

On the plus side, the Halloween Incident of 1969 did help inspire one of my earliest attempts at creative writing. It was a poem that went something like this:

*Ghosts and goblins  
Do not bother me...  
I have no fear of werewolves  
Or vampires  
Or man-made monsters  
Stitched together by a madman  
named Frankenstein...  
I am not afraid of mummies  
Or golems  
Or zombies  
Or ghouls...  
You won't raise my hackles  
By mentioning names like  
The Gorgon,  
The Fly  
Or The Blob...  
Nor am I shaken by thoughts  
Of Kong climbing up a skyscraper  
Or Godzilla knocking it  
to the ground...  
Ol' Bigfoot And Nessie  
Are cherished old friends,  
And ogres and trolls  
Make me laugh...  
And nocturnal visions  
Of body snatchers  
And space invaders  
Do not keep me awake at night.  
Then what, you ask,  
Will make me shudder  
And sweat  
And fill my heart with dread?  
That's easy...  
The most frightening thing  
In all the world  
As far as I'm concerned  
Is my mother armed with  
An indelible laundry marker.*

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# Public defender explains her support of State Question 805

By Taylor Thompson  
Guest Columnist

homa County, with a background in criminology and inequality studies. Born and raised in Shawnee, Thompson has deep Johnston County

(Editor's Note: Taylor Thompson is an Assistant Public Defender in Okla-

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ties as the granddaughter of Tishomingo High School's former band director, Bob Stoddard.)

In Oklahoma, domestic violence is punishable under several different statutes.

There is misdemeanor or domestic assault and battery, which tends to be charged for first-time offenses and, in my opinion based on the majority of cases that I see, are not cases that would be what one typically thinks of as domestic violence.

(Think two parties in some sort of special relationship have a spat, often mutual and an isolated incident, and physical contact occurs). This is punishable by up to a year in jail and/or up to a \$5,000 fine.

My use of the term "spat" for this specific crime is intentional and not at all to diminish the very real trauma and experiences of domestic violence victims. "Spat" seems like an appropriate description of many of the cases that I see charged as misdemeanor or domestic assault and

num range of punishment allowed by statute based on prior convictions.

So domestic assault and battery with a deadly weapon will STILL carry a range of punishment up to life. But many people caught up in Oklahoma's justice system are facing incredibly long sentences for nonviolent crimes, way beyond the statutory allowable range of punishment, due to sentence enhancements.

Here are just a few examples of real people in Oklahoma facing these steep sentences:

- A second offense for breaking into a shed (a petty crime often linked to homelessness and the need to find shelter) resulted in a life sentence;
- A mother was sent to prison for 15 years for stealing necessities from Walmart;
- A man was sentenced to 35 years for writing \$525.29 worth of bad checks (a crime closely linked to poverty and single mothers);
- An army veteran sentenced to 17 years for pawning a stolen laptop;
- An army veteran sentenced to 15 years for possessing a stolen vehi-

cle;

- A Navy veteran sentenced to 10 years for using a stolen credit card.

I could go on and on with these examples, because these absurd sentences happen every day in Oklahoma and are the reason that we have the highest per capita incarceration rate in the world - because people are receiving decades-long prison sentences for petty, nonviolent crimes once prior convictions are allowed to enhance the punishment.

Oklahoma is one of the few states that still allows this practice.

And in a state that has consistently underfunded social services like education, healthcare, counseling and mental health services, not to mention the opioid epidemic that has ravaged families throughout our state, it is really easy to understand how trauma and poverty lead to patterns of criminal offenses and make it nearly impossible for someone caught in that cycle to successfully re-enter society and never offend again.

For these reasons, I'm voting "YES" on SQ 805.

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# 'The business of business' - shop local

By Tom Lokey  
Sentinel Co-Publisher

"It's the business of business, son" John Lokey said to his youngest son, sometime in the early 1970s.

Crossroads Mall had just opened in Oklahoma City, and I was invited to join a group of people from Tishomingo who were going there to shop in the new facility.

School would be starting soon, so the youngest of the six

Lokey children, not understanding, thought money from his parents (and his own job at 50 cents an hour) could be used to purchase clothes and other accessories for the fall semester at the new mall.

I went up to the city only with my earnings and no money from my parents to make those fall purchases.

I witnessed such beautiful stores as J.C. Penney, John A. Brown, Montgomery Ward and

Sears, and all those other neat shops in this mall, that to the young teenager looked like were from the 21st century - or at least what I thought the 21st century would be.

There was even a restaurant where you could order your food from your booth on a telephone!

It looked like something out of the world of *Star Trek*. (*Star Wars* did not exist yet.)

I returned home without any of the items that

others purchased there.

A few days later I went to the local stores, names now in the past - Armstrong's, Sharpe's, Cobb Drug, A&B Sporting Goods, Hamilton's Variety, and Baldwin's - to purchase my school supplies and clothing for the upcoming school year.

Christmas came and my new 10-speed bicycle would come from the

# Dateline: Johnston County

## Special election scrubbed, rescheduled for April 6

By Matthew Cravatt and Dee Fry

Ravia News

Sentinel Correspondents

The Ravia Board of Trustees October meeting was held Monday evening in the Ravia Community Center, across the street from Town Hall, to allow for better social distancing because of the rising rate of COVID-19 cases in Johnston County.

Some minor difficulties were encountered on the city side of business.

In the meeting, City Attorney Michael Haggerty formally informed trustees the ordinance they approved for public vote to make town clerk/treasurer an appointed position, rather than elected, scheduled for next Tuesday's election, was not turned in for publication as required and had to be pulled from this election.

Therefore, the Board of Trustees rescheduled the public vote for the vote coming April 6, at Haggerty's recommendations, and will charge handling of this ballot to other persons in order to insure processes are properly handled.

In addition, the trustee meeting for July was resubmitted after failing to gain approval because of a minor, but clear error, which oddly turned out to be an exact copy of the previously submitted erroneous minutes that failed approval. Therefore, the Board rescheduled approval for November's meeting.

Fortunately, the Ravia Public Works Authority (RWPA) side of the business went smoother, as Trust Clerk Kimberly Murray presented Environmental Engineer Joe Willingham, with the Environmental Health and Engineering Department of Health, and Kris

Patton with the Chickasaw Nation, to speak to the board on financing the raised well head project for Ravia municipal wells.

Willingham and Patton were directed to contact engineer Robert Vaughan of Infrastructure Solutions LLC, and Joe Freeman, Chief Financial Assistance Division of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board, and continue communications with Ravia Mayor Ricky Kreger to bring the project to a starting point.

The program was initiated in a meeting at the Oklahoma Water Resources Board with then-Mayor Darvin Nannery and Trustee Matthew Cravatt after flooding in 2015 put Ravia's municipal wells under water for weeks, contaminating them and taking longer to clean up.

The night showed more progress on the RWPA side as Tim Duncan was approved to attend the Accurate Environmental Training Center in Stillwater in November to obtain certification necessary for his position as water superintendent, clearing the way for assistant Tyler Akins to seek his certification.

The National Weather

Service based forecast summary for the Ravia area: Clearing skies and warming temperatures with highs near 70 degrees and lows in the mid-40s by election day Tuesday, Nov. 3.

The Ravia Senior Citizens Center will be closed until further notice because of the COVID-19 spread and staffing issues.

Mayor Ricky Kreger reminds Ravia residents to pen or leash your dogs and keep in contact with family, friends and neighbors, as well as watching private and public property, during the public health emergency. Call 911 should an emergency or civil unrest present itself.

And now news from Dee...

Well, our month is nearly over.

Be sure to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

Daylight Saving Time ends Saturday night. Regular time begins Sunday, Nov. 1, so be sure to set your clocks back one hour.

Thank goodness we've gotten a little rain and it's getting colder.

Be sure to come to the Russett breakfast Monday, Nov. 2, at

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## Lions Club Student of the Month

Jaycee Ansel (center), a senior at Milburn High School and the daughter of Bobby and Brandi Ansel, was recently recognized by the Tishomingo Lions Club as its latest Student of the Month honoree. Ansel plans to attend Murray State College for her basics, then go on to medical school in hopes of becoming a doctor of medicine or a surgeon. Pictured left to right are Joey McBride, Milburn School superintendent; Lions Club member Pamela Walker; Ansel and her mother, Brandi Ansel; and Tishomingo Lions Club President Oma Dell Burns.

## Prayer meeting set for Nov. 5

By Jerry Blackerby

Sentinel Correspondent

The next community prayer meeting will be Nov. 5. Normally we meet in the Milburn Community Center at 6 p.m. We try to meet on the first Thursday of each month. Come join us and help pray for the requests we receive.

Even though we are only a few people, we try to do as Matthew 18:19 directs us; "Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

We have received some wonderful praise reports of prayer requests being answered. We praise God for the answered prayers.

I created a Facebook group named "Milburn

Oklahoma Community Prayer Meeting." If you have Facebook, you can join this group and post prayer requests in the group, or either call me or send me an e-mail.

Several local events have been canceled because of the coronavirus. When I am notified that these local events are resuming, I will include them in the column.

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**Milburn School:**  
Monday, Nov. 2 - High school basketball teams play at Stringtown at 6:30 p.m..

Tuesday, Nov. 3 - High school basketball teams play at Tupelo at 6:30 p.m.

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Bible Trivia: What did God create on the fifth day?

Last week's question: Who came into Galilee preaching the Kingdom of God? An-

swer: Jesus (Mark 1:14). Read the entire Chapter 1 of Mark to see all that happened during that time.

♦♦♦  
"And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. When his disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be saved? But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible." (Matthew 19:24-26, KJV)

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.

Milburn News

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 Beetlejuice  
 Friday, Oct. 30 - 7:00 p.m.  
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**Sooner Pharmacy  
 Good Health  
 Tips**

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Baqsimi nasal powder, the first glucagon therapy approved for the emergency treatment of severe hypoglycemia that can be administered without an injection. Severe hypoglycemia occurs when a patient's blood sugar levels fall to a level where he or she becomes confused or unconscious or suffers from other symptoms that require assistance from another person to treat. Typically, severe hypoglycemia occurs in people with diabetes who are using insulin treatment. Baqsimi is approved to treat severe hypoglycemia in patients with diabetes ages four and older.

Ketamine has gotten a bad rap as an opioid when there's plenty of evidence suggesting it isn't one, Johns Hopkins experts say. They believe this reputation may hamper patients from getting necessary treatment for the kinds of depression that don't respond to typical antidepressants. In a new paper, the researchers clarify the mechanism behind ketamine's mechanism of action in hopes of restoring the therapy's standing among health care professionals and the public. The researchers published their viewpoint and explanation of the alternative mechanism as a Letter to the Editor in the May 1 issue of the American Journal of Psychiatry.

At low doses, statins could protect against bone resorption. But the higher the dosage of cholesterol-lowering drugs, the greater the probability of osteoporosis, an analysis of millions of patient data by the Complexity Science Hub Vienna shows. The paper appears in the current issue of the top journal Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases. Statins are among the most prescribed drugs worldwide. They lower high cholesterol and have been shown to reduce the risk of cardiovascular diseases.

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# Book club to discuss *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*

Book lovers are invited to engage in a virtual book discussion with the Johnston County Library in Tishomingo on Thursday, Nov. 12, at 6:30 p.m.

Participants will share views on J.K. Rowling's *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*.

In this, the seventh and final book in the

epic tale of Harry Potter, Harry and Lord Voldemort each prepare for their ultimate encounter.

It is only after a unbearable loss that he is brought back to his true purpose, and the trio returns to Hogwarts for the final breathtaking battle between the forces of good and evil.

They fight the Death

Eaters alongside members of the Order of the Phoenix, Dumbledore's Army, the Weasley clan, and the full array of Hogwarts teachers and students.

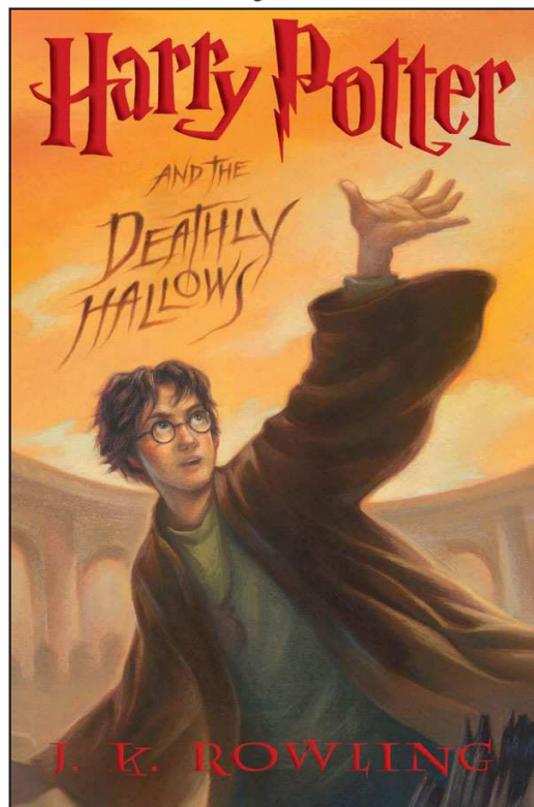
Yet everything turns upon the moment the entire series has been building up to, the same meeting with which our story began - the mo-

ment when Harry and Voldemort face each other at last.

Participants who wish to attend the virtual book club must call to register.

You can reach the Johnston County Library at 371-3006.

The Johnston County Library is a branch of the Southern Oklahoma Library System.



## MSC scholars' program to hold virtual auction

The annual fundraising efforts by the Murray State College President's Scholars Program will look different this year, but the goal is still the same - assisting the needs of families in the local community during the holidays, and offsetting costs of PSP cultural education and study abroad trips.

The auction will take

place on Nov. 10, on the PSP Facebook page. The auction will include items donated by local businesses. A complete list of auction items will be posted on the page prior to the event.

For more information, contact Aaron Beshears, the MSC President's Scholars Program (PSP) chair, at [abeshears@mscok.edu](mailto:abeshears@mscok.edu).

### Community Calendar

#### Veterans Center Meeting

The Johnston County Veterans Center Committee will meet today (Thursday), Oct. 29, at 6 p.m. in the Aggie Dining Room at Murray State College. All veterans and area citizens are invited to attend. A discussion of options for the storm shelter portion of the building will be the main topic of discussion. Face masks will be required since the meeting is taking place on the MSC campus.

#### Trunk-Or-Treat At The Park

The annual "Trunk or Treat" Halloween event, sponsored by a number of participating merchants and community members, will take place this Saturday, Oct. 31, at Pennington Creek Park in Tishomingo from 5 to 7 p.m. Gloves will be used by all those passing out candy; social distancing is required.

#### Daylight Saving Time Ends

This Sunday, Nov. 1, marks the end of Daylight Saving Time. Johnston County residents are reminded to set their clocks back one hour before going to bed Saturday night; Daylight Saving Time officially ends at 2 a.m. Sunday. Local and state fire department officials are also reminding residents that the end of Daylight Saving Time is an ideal time to replace the batteries in their household smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

#### Free Lunch For Veterans

The third annual Veterans' Barbecue and Fish Lunch will be held Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Johnston County Fair Barn in Tishomingo from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Veterans eat for free with proper verification, with suggested donation of \$10 for others; dine-in or carry-out. Menu includes brisket, potato salad, baked beans and cole slaw; or catfish, French fries and hush puppies. Cookies and brownies will also be available; there will also be a silent auction, and a pie and cake auction. The event is being sponsored by the Davis-Moore American Legion and Auxiliary Post 164.

**Deadline for all Community Calendar items is noon on Tuesday. Announcements for Wednesday events should be published the week before the event takes place. Community Calendar items can NOT run for two consecutive weeks.**

## Digital Chickasaw dictionary available

A *Chickasaw Dictionary* by Rev. Jesse Humes and Vinnie May (James) Humes, originally published in 1973, is now accessible in digital format at [AChickasawDictionary.com](http://AChickasawDictionary.com).

"Language and culture are intertwined in a manner that makes revitalizing our language essential to preserving Chickasaw culture and keeping it relevant for generations to come," Chickasaw Nation Gov. Bill Anoatubby said.

The dictionary can be used to search for specific words or browsed alphabetically in both Chickasaw and English.

Each dictionary entry includes both the Chickasaw and English translation, as well as the phonetic pronunciation. Many entries also have an accompanying audio file, recorded by Humes herself, that demonstrates the correct pronunciation.

The Chickasaw Language Revitalization program will be working diligently into 2021 to ensure that each and every entry has an accompanying audio file.

Those who want to learn more about the Chickasaw language now have many resources available.

## Ravia

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a.m. at the Country Kitchen in Madill. All you Ravia folks show up - you will know everyone.

I still don't have a list of new kids in school, but we do have some November birthdays.

Happy birthday to all in Ms. Jen's Club Den - Jennings, Emarie, Michael - and the school kids Maci Woodings,

Kamberlynn Lemons, Noah Truett, Christina Drawbaugh, Seth Norton, Justin McClendon, Thomas Brown, Rylea Duncan and Brelee Worcester.

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

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### Mill Creek Students of the Month

Mill Creek School recently announced its list of honorees as September Students of the Month. Pictured left to right are: (back row) Ariane Cruz, Brooklyn Lanier, Lexi Courtney and Haven Hinton; (front row) Hayden Phillips, Cameron Patrick, Brody Riddle-Poe and Ryden Hinton.



### Mannsville STAR Students

These students at Mannsville School were recently honored as "September STAR Students," having been selected by their teachers in recognition of "their excellent display of our life principles." Pictured left to right are (front row) Makayla Fisher-Smith, Levi Beaver, Michael James, Logan Musgrove, and Kydnz Faulkner; (back row) Kaylor Ned, Jagger Ned, Denton Young, Brenley Jones and Nick Houtz.

## School Menus

<p><b>COLEMAN</b> <b>Monday Breakfast</b> Pancake on a stick, cereal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic knot, green beans, fruit, or chef salad. <b>Tuesday Breakfast</b> Biscuit and sausage, gravy, oatmeal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Chicken burrito bowl (chicken, chili beans, cilantro lime rice, queso), tortilla chips, salsa, fruit. <b>Wednesday Breakfast</b> Yogurt parfait, cereal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Grilled cheese, tomato soup, broccoli, fruit, or chef salad with dinner roll. <b>Thursday Breakfast</b> Cinnamon roll, oatmeal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Cheeseburger, French fries, baby carrots, fruit, or chicken fajita salad with chips.</p>	<p><b>Breakfast</b> Cinnamon roll, oatmeal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Chicken burrito bowl (chicken, chili beans, cilantro lime rice, queso), tortilla chips, salsa, fruit. <b>Wednesday Breakfast</b> Yogurt parfait, cereal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Grilled cheese, tomato soup, broccoli, fruit. <b>Thursday Breakfast</b> Biscuit and sausage, gravy, oatmeal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Cheeseburger, French fries, baby carrots, fruit.</p>	<p><b>Lunch</b> Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, roll, broccoli, fruit. <b>Thursday Breakfast</b> Breakfast pizza, fruit, cereal. <b>Lunch</b> Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomatoes, tater tots, baked beans, fruit. <b>MANNSSVILLE</b> <b>Monday Breakfast</b> Pancake on a stick, cereal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic knot, green beans, fruit. <b>Tuesday Breakfast</b> Biscuit and sausage, gravy, oatmeal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Chicken fajitas, refried beans, tortilla chips, salsa, fruit. <b>Wednesday Breakfast</b> Yogurt parfait, cereal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Grilled cheese, tomato soup, garden salad, fruit. <b>Thursday Breakfast</b> Cinnamon roll, oatmeal, fruit. <b>Lunch</b> Cheeseburger, French fries, baby carrots, fruit.</p>
<p><b>TISHOMINGO</b> <b>Monday Lunch</b> Chicken fried steak, whipped potatoes, country-style gravy, California blend vegetables, hot rolls, fruit. <b>Tuesday Lunch</b> Tacos, lettuce, tomatoes, beans, rice, salsa, fruit. <b>Wednesday Lunch</b> Pizza, broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, green beans, fruit, cookie. <b>Thursday Lunch</b> Chicken noodle soup, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, salad, crackers, fruit. <b>Friday Lunch</b> Sloppy Joe, beans, carrots, fruit.</p>	<p><b>WAPANUCKA</b> <b>Monday Breakfast</b> Muffin, yogurt, fruit, cereal. <b>Lunch</b> Pigs-in-a-blanket, macaroni and cheese, peas, fruit. <b>Tuesday Breakfast</b> Sausage biscuit, potato rounds, fruit, cereal. <b>Lunch</b> Pizza pasta, Caesar salad, green beans, fruit. <b>Wednesday Breakfast</b> Oatmeal, toast, fruit, cereal.</p>	<p><b>Monday Lunch</b> Cinnamon roll, oatmeal, fruit. <b>Tuesday Lunch</b> Cheeseburger, French fries, baby carrots, fruit.</p>

## Tishomingo Senior Citizens Center Menus

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Thursday 8-6, 9-17, 10-29, 12-10	Friday 8-7, 9-18, 10-30, 12-11	Monday 8-10, 9-21, 11-2, 12-14	Tuesday 8-11, 9-22, 11-3, 12-15	Wednesday 8-12, 9-23, 11-4, 12-16
Swiss Steak with Tomato and Onion	Chicken Enchilada Casserole	3-Cheese Ziti with Beef	Sliced Baked Ham	Loaded Baked Potato
Green Beans, Hominy Casserole	Fiesta Corn, Refried Beans	Buttered Brussel Sprouts, Green Salad	Scalloped Corn, Sweet Potatoes	Strawberries and Banana Slices, Carrot/Raisin Salad
Hot Roll	Tortilla Chips	Garlic Bread	Dinner Roll	Cornbread
Margarine	Salsa/ Margarine	Salad Dressing	Margarine	Margarine
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# Johnston County Milestones

## Paid Obituary

### Ricky Wayne Martin

Ricky Wayne Martin, 57, lost his hard-fought battle with cancer at his home in Milburn, Okla., on Oct. 22, 2020. Ricky was born Jan. 18, 1963, in Ada, Okla., to Charles Albert Lee and Wanda Jo (Lewis) Martin. He was a hand for Johnston County for 17 years, and a volunteer firefighter at Bromide for 14 years.



He married the love of his life, Vicki Lynn Boulton, on Dec. 24, 1984, at Calvary Baptist Church in Tishomingo.

Ricky spent his life giving to others; he would give the shirt off of his back for someone, and would never ask for anything in return. He never met a stranger and would never turn someone away; he had a heart of gold and a real love for people, especially his family. He was the best husband, dad and papa around.

Ricky was a strong Christian man, a fighter, never giving up faith, hope and love, preaching the gospel and sharing his faith until his last breath because he wanted to make sure his family knew how important it was for them to one day see him again.

Cheerleading coach? Yep, Ricky was the guy! He would go out numerous times on the court with his daughters during games to do cheers, because Milburn didn't have cheerleading. He knew that is what his girls wanted to do, so he was right there next to them.

Ricky has fought a good fight; he has finished the race and he kept the faith. A true hometown hero, warrior and fighter who has left a legacy behind him that will never be forgotten.

Ricky was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Wanda Martin; and one grandchild.

Those he leaves to cherish his memories are his loving wife, Vicki Martin; his children, Joshua Martin and fiancé Nikki Gaston, Erica Martin, and Heather Pierce and husband Clifton "Levi"; his grandchildren, Alleigh Pierce, Luke Pierce and Paisley Martin; his sister "Sissy," Virginia Lee Gray and husband David Leslie; brothers Albert James Martin and wife Rhonda, and Charles Lynn Martin and Sandra; his bonus kids, Aimee Bidabe and son Junior, Cecelia Coppedge, Peggy and Jennifer Martin; a bonus grandson, Bentley; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends who will miss him dearly.

Josh Martin, Levi Pierce, Junior Martin, James Martin, Bobby Martin, Bill Martin and Chad Lowe served as pallbearers. Serving as honorary pallbearers were Albert "James" Martin, Charles "Lynn" Martin, Erica Martin, Heather Pierce, Ronnie Coppedge, Don Cagle and Johnston County Boys, a.k.a. "The Girls."

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 26, at Camp Simpson in Bromide, Okla. Interment followed in the Pontotoc Cemetery. Family hour was Sunday, Oct. 25, from 3 to 5 p.m. at DeArman Funeral Home in Tishomingo.

Arrangements were made under the direction of DeArman-Clark Funeral Home. Family and friends can send online condolences at [www.dearmanfuneralhome.com](http://www.dearmanfuneralhome.com).

## Paid Obituary

### Verna Kathryn Watzelt

Verna Kathryn Watzelt, 83, was born Oct. 31, 1936 to Eino and Julia Kangas. She was later adopted by Thomas and Eleanor Addison of Forest Lake, Minn. She passed peacefully and went home to Our Lord Jesus Christ on Oct. 20, 2020.



She graduated in 1953 from Forest Lake High School. Later she met her late husband, Charles Anthony Watzelt, whom she married on June 20, 1959.

She is survived by her sister, Evelyn; her three daughters, Karen Beck along with her wife Melissa, Wanda Waska and husband James, and Susan Cravatt and husband Matthew; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Her faith was strong; she enjoyed her Sunday school classmates and the many outings they shared. Her favorite time of the year was on her birthday, watching the many children stopping by for trick-or-treating and singing birthday wishes in English and in Spanish. She would dress up in her many costumes.

A celebration of her life was held at noon on Saturday, Oct. 24, 2020, at DeArman-Clark Funeral Home in Tishomingo.

## MSC remembers Coach Gene Robbins

The late Gene Robbins was 87 when he passed away in 2019, but his influence and importance lives on at schools and in the hearts of former students, where he shared his talents as a coach, educator and mentor for almost 70 years.

In anticipation of Oct. 31, 2020, what would have been Robbins' 89th birthday, Murray State College (MSC) is remembering a coach and alumnus who set the stage for recent college successes on the basketball court.

Under Robbins, MSC was consistently nationally ranked and made three trips to the national tournament.

"Murray State will always be remembered for the winning teams coached by Gene Robbins," MSC President Joy McDaniel said. "He definitely set a high stan-

dard for all who have followed him; we are proud to be recognized as the first college stop of his coaching career and his alma mater."

Robbins was an early achiever, graduating from high school in Tusahoma at the tender age of 16. At 18 he began teaching at Lone Star Elementary, a one-room school housing eight grades, where he had once been a student.

On a dirt court on school grounds, Robbins shared with students his affinity for the game of basketball. With the help of his enthusiasm and ability to inspire, a team quickly formed and a winning combination of teacher/coach/mentor was born.

Never one to shy away from a challenge, Rob-



MSC President Joy McDaniel (left) poses with Gene Robbins and his wife Pat at the college's homecoming luncheon in 2017.

♦ See **ROBBINS** Page 7

## Paid Obituary

### Wilmer Dean Wheeler

Wilmer Dean Wheeler, 85, of Tishomingo, passed away peacefully and went to be with the Lord on Oct. 21, 2020, at his home. He was born Dec. 12, 1934, to Daniel Penty and Alva Marie (Owen) Wheeler in Ardmore, Okla.



He married LaJuan "Lou/Sister/Mama Lou" Pope on Dec. 17, 1960, in Ardmore. She survives of the home. They shared nearly 60 years together.

He is also survived by a daughter Jan (Raymond) Kelly of Waxahachie, Texas; two sons Penty (Kimberly) Wheeler of Royse City, Texas, and Johnnie Wheeler of Gordonville, Texas; five grandchildren, Daniel (Vikki) Wheeler, Brandon (Melanie) Wheeler, Larry (Ashley) Maglothlin, Alyssa (Beren) Bragg and Alex Wheeler; six great-grandchildren, Levi and Evelyn Wheeler, Brynlee Wheeler, and Kenneth, Carter and Charlotte Maglothlin Wheeler; his nephews; James, Otto, and Dean; a niece, Carolyn; and nephews Norman, Floyd and Larry in Colorado; as well as brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews and many lifelong friends who loved him deeply.

Wilmer Dean was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Sandy Brown and Tess Prebble; a brother, Joe Wheeler; his brothers-in-law, Raymond, Gene, Kenneth and Boyd; a niece, Kathy; and two nephews, Randy and Ronnie.

Wilmer Dean was a U.S. Korean War veteran with 19 months of Korean service, having served in the U.S. Navy from 1952 to 1960 on the USS Grapple (ARS-7) as an engineer EN3. He was a member of the Tishomingo VFW and the American Legion; and was a 34-year member Masonic Oklahoma Blue Lodge No. 91 in Tishomingo, reaching the highest position of Master Mason in 2008. He was also a member of Bullard Chapel Baptist Church.

Wilmer Dean worked for Texas Instruments for 25 years, beginning in 1969 in Dallas, Texas, in the Government Products Division as a quality control inspector. In 1978 transferred to the Texas Instruments facility in Sherman, Texas, and moved back to his beloved hometown of Tishomingo. While working at Sherman TI, he was assigned to the Paveway and Harm Missile Weapon System Fabrication facility through 1987. He retired in 1994.

For over 55 years Dean was a master gunsmith and machinist, repairing, building and designing custom guns of all kinds in Dean's Gun Clinic at their home. Dean also worked in D&D Sporting Goods store in Tishomingo. After retirement, to stay busy in his late 70s, he worked for the City of Tishomingo for three years in the City Code Enforcement department; was a salesman for Techni-Tool LLC; and provided machine tools, machine method consulting, and other supplies, giving support to his largest and most loyal account, Oklahoma Steel and Wire Company of Madill, Okla.

He enjoyed spending time with family and friends. He loved all animals with a compassionate heart.

It was his wish to be cremated. Private memorial services will be held at a later date in the spring.

As an expression of sympathy, memorials may be made to Masonic Lodge No. 91; Community Reach-Out; or the Tishomingo Lions Club.

Arrangements are under the direction of Tishomingo Funeral Home.

## Paid Obituary

### Welborn Teel Gross

Welborn Teel Gross, known as "Man" to most, passed from this life on Monday, Oct. 19, 2020, at his home in Connerville, Okla., surrounded by his loving wife and family. Man was born Nov. 16, 1944, in Talihina, Okla., to J.D. and Birdie May (Reed) Gross.



He worked at the Koch Hydrocarbon Company for over 27 years and also was a volunteer firefighter for the Connerville Fire Department, which he helped start. Man was always the first one to the Connerville Community Center every day to help make sure the coffee was going, or just to be a helping hand or a listening ear to people.

When his son Mike was little, they enjoyed going down to Lake Texoma, pulling the skiers behind the boat, fishing or camping.

He married the love of his life, his high school sweetheart and his neighbor growing up, Linda Kaye Holt, on Dec. 12, 1964, and they have created many memories and blessings over the last 56 years together.

Man was a wonderful husband, caring father and a gentle, fun loving Peepaw who always made sure the needs of his family were met before his own. He left an amazing legacy behind him and has impacted so many lives in his 75 years on this earth, that many of us will forever treasure.

Man is preceded in death by his parents, J.D. and Birdie May Gross; two brothers, Murray and Steve Gross; and a brother-in-law, Richard Hereford.

Those he leaves to cherish his memories are his loving wife, Linda Gross of the home; a son, Mike Gross and wife Sammi of Mill Creek; his grandchildren, Danielle Allen of Connerville, Micah Woodall of Ada, Sarah Gross of Ada; his great-grandchildren, Emma Fink, Olivia Gross, Adelyn Allen, Owen Allen and Charlotte Woodall; a sister, Pat Hereford of Connerville; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends who will forever miss him.

A graveside service to honor and celebrate Man's life was held at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at the Seeley-Blue Cemetery in Connerville. Family hour was Thursday, Oct. 22, from 4 to 6 p.m. at DeArman-Clark Funeral Home in Tishomingo.

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**Paid Obituary**

**Glenn David Trammell**

Glenn David Trammell, 71, passed from this life on Thursday, Oct. 22, 2020, in Coleman, Okla. David was born Oct. 30, 1948, in Sulphur, Okla., to Glenn and Perlene Pitman Trammell.



David was a graduate from Mill Creek High School and spent all of his life calling Johnston County home. He married the love of his life, Verna Lee Davis, on Jan. 11, 1979. He proudly served our country in the United States Army from 1968 to 1974.

He was a hard working, dedicated and committed man who spent the past 42 years working at Mill Creek Dolomite. David was so full of life and had the sweetest soul you have ever met; if you saw David, you know you would never see him without a smile. He loved tinkering around on cars and being with his family, but they would tell you that what he loved most was being a part of the Milburn Fire Department, where he spent many, many years until his retirement as Fire Chief. He was thankful for the years he got to serve and the relationships that he built, and was even more proud to get to be Milburn Fire Department Badge No. 329. He will greatly missed.

David was preceded in death by his parents, Glenn and Perlene Trammell; a son, Michael Scott Trammell; and a sister, Charlene Trammell.

Those he leaves to cherish his memories are his wife, Verna Trammell; his daughters, Kristi Manners and husband David, and Ann Owens; his grandchildren, Ryan Manners, Matthew Manners, Marley Owens, Corgan Bryant; as well as nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral services to honor and celebrate the life of David will be held at 10 a.m. this Saturday, Oct. 31, at Calvary Baptist Church in Tishomingo. Interment will follow in Condon Grove Cemetery. Family hour will be today (Thursday), Oct. 29, from 6 to 8 p.m. at DeArman-Clark Funeral Home in Tishomingo.

Rodney Gray, Keith Cheesman, Casey Moore, Shawn Moore, Terry Smith and Jon Smith will serve as pallbearers. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Ryan Manners, Matthew Manners, David Manners, Jarrod Baugh and the Milburn Fire Department.

Arrangements are under the direction of DeArman-Clark Funeral Home.

**Robbins** *Continued from Page 6*

bins drove his team to away games in the bed of a pickup truck.

Robbins had found his love for coaching – a passion that remained for the rest of his life.

He was soon recruited for his first high school coaching position at Tuskahoma High, his alma mater, where he compiled a win-loss record of 164-44.

Under Robbins in the 1950s, Tuskahoma teams won six district championships, two regional championships and made two appearances at the Oklahoma state tournament.

Many students who had dropped out returned with the goal of playing for Robbins, and credit him with keeping them in school through

graduation.

After Tuskahoma, Robbins spent time at Wilburton High School and Madill High School before heading to MSC as head basketball coach and athletic director.

During Robbins' six-year tenure at Murray, he had a record of 139-41. His teams won four conference titles, three regional titles and three trips to the national tournament, where they finished 12th, seventh, and third.

Robbins moved on

from Murray for an assistant coaching position with the Kansas State Wildcats.

He is a member of the Oklahoma Coaches Hall of Fame; Oklahoma Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame; and the National Association Junior College Hall of Fame. He was chosen as the first president of the National Junior College Basketball Association.

In 2011, the Gene Robbins Arena on MSC's Tishomingo campus was dedicated in his honor.

**Obituaries**

**William Praytor**

**ATOKA** – Memorial services for William "Grant" Praytor, 85, of Durant, were held Wednesday, Oct. 28, at Harmony Baptist Church, Pastor Jay Willoughby officiating. Interment took place during a private family ceremony at the Bokchito Ceremony prior to those services. The son of the late Richard and Polly Praytor, he was born July 28, 1935, in Matoy, and died Oct. 22, 2020, in Durant.

A graduate of Bokchito High School and Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in poultry science, he started his career with OSU Extension Service as a 4-H agent in Tishomingo. In 1961 he became the 4-H agent in Idabel and he remained in that position until 1972; he later served as OSU Extension Director in Shawnee and Atoka, where he retired in 1990 after 30 years of service.

He married Patricia "Pat" Crenshaw on April 2, 1960. She survives of the home.

Other survivors include three children, Darla Coles and husband Cory of Atoka, Dan Praytor and wife June of Atoka, and Lisa Jackson and husband Greg of Kingston; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two siblings, Richard Edwin Praytor and Alma Marie Sinor; and a nephew.

Tommy Johnson, Darrell Coates, Nelson Day, Jerry Estep, Greg Garrison, Richard Sinor, Kenny Praytor, Curtis Belcher and Michael Mosqueda served as honorary pallbearers.

Services were held under the direction of Brown's Funeral Service in Atoka.



**Obituaries**

**Aaron Brent Keel**

**FILLMORE** – Graveside services for Aaron Brent Keel, 49, of Coleman, were held Thursday, Oct. 22, at 10:30 a.m. at the Sandy Creek Cemetery in Fillmore, Rev. Allen Beck officiating. The son of the late Johnson Bob (J.B.) Keel and Naomi (John) Keel, he was born Sept. 24, 1971, in Talihina, and died Oct. 18, 2020, in Coleman.

He attended Tishomingo High School, where he played football and graduated in 1989. A member of the Sandy Creek Presbyterian Church in Fillmore, he had worked at Sundowner Trailers in Coleman, and at Big Lots in Ardmore and Durant.

He was preceded in death by an older brother, Bobby Keel.

Survivors include a sister, Deidra Vandevier and husband Mark of Coleman; and numerous cousins and other family members.

Michael Baken, Jake Dickson, E.J. Green, Derek John, Travis John and Garrett Samis served as pallbearers. Serving as honorary pallbearers were Jeffrey Alberson and Steven John.

Services were held under the direction of Tishomingo Funeral Home.

**Dorothy Green**

**TISHOMINGO** – Services for Dorothy Green, 88, are scheduled for this Friday, Oct. 30, at 3 p.m. at the Sandy Creek Presbyterian Church in Fillmore. She died Oct. 22, 2020, in Ada.

A full obituary will appear in next week's issue of the *Johnston County Sentinel*. Arrangements are under the direction of DeArman-Clark Funeral Home, Tishomingo.

**Johnston County Church Guide**

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

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**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.  
Wednesday Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.  
Thursday Overcomers.....7:00 p.m.

**CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST**

212 South Muldrow

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 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.  
Wednesday Evening.....6:30 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 Worship.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.  
Midweek Discipleship (Wednesday).....6:30 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.  
Thursday Wesley MSC.....Noon

**VICTORY TABERNACLE**

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.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:30 p.m.

**UNITED CHURCH**

8th & Kemp  
Jon Hazell, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....5:45 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

**BUTCHER PEN BAPTIST MISSION**

Allen Hicks, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....5:45 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

**BROMIDE BAPTIST CHURCH**

Allen Hicks, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....5:45 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

Hwy. 377 • 836-7161  
Art Brown, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.

193 E. Butcher Pen Road • 443-5675  
David Boggs, Pastor

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

**FOLSOM FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

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

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

**CONNERSVILLE 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.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 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.

**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.

**FILLMORE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

(580) 380-6769  
Rev. Michael Horath, Pastor

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

**FREEDOM FELLOWSHIP**

Hwy. 48A • (580) 443-5525

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

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**

Rev. Dusk Monetatchi, Pastor

Breakfast.....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.  
Second Wednesday of the Month: Fellowship Dinner (No service on any other Wednesday.)

**MANNVILLE FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

20th & Chickasaw • 371-9685  
Charles Reed, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:50 a.m.  
Sunday Evening.....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

**LEAP OF FAITH FULL GOSPEL CHURCH**

1.9 miles west of Mannville  
Rev. Judy Anglin, Pastor  
371-3442

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.

**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.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

15th and Burney  
Mat Benedict, 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.  
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 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.  
Wednesday 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.

Wednesday Evening.....6:00 p.m.

**PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS**

103 South Cherokee  
Darryl Patrick, Pastor  
(580) 384-5421

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

**PONTOTOC UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Rev. Marsha Purtell, 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.  
Wednesday Evening.....6:30 p.m.



## 'Readers are Leaders'

These students at Ravia School were recently honored for having accomplished their nine-week reading goals, receiving coupons from local merchants in recognition their hard work. Pictured left to right are: (front row) Triston Branscum, Cece Cardinale, Lilly Hinton and Haven Howard; (middle row) Roger Nanney, Karsyn Morris, Tierra Updegraff, Katie Blackshear and Katelynn Mulder; (back row) Kristi Woodrum, Mady Keith, Aries Nelson and Adriana Saenz.

# Halloween safety does not have to be scary

This Halloween, pandemic precautions have added an extra level of safety concern to celebrations, but precautions don't have to scare people away from the holiday.

It's rare, but sometimes sweet treats can turn bad. Discoloration, tears in wrappers and tiny pinholes are signs that candy has been tampered with, Janice Hermann, Oklahoma State University Extension nutrition specialist, said. "Tell your children not to accept or eat anything that is not commercially wrapped," Hermann said.

"Inspect candy when returning home and throw away anything that looks suspicious."

Another reason to examine candy closely is to avoid allergic reactions. Home-baked goods should be avoided because of the unknown ingredient factor, Hermann said.

The American Academy of Pediatrics says that more than half of all children's choking episodes are caused by food. It is important to know how to prevent and respond to choking episodes, Laura Hubbs-Tait, OSU Extension parenting specialist, said.

"Hard or sticky candy, chewing gum, popcorn and nuts are foods parents should keep away from children under the age of 4," Hubbs-Tait said.

"Non-candy treats like

grapes, peanut butter, raw vegetables, meat or cheese, and hot dogs can also be a choking hazard."

Removing small objects and candy from younger children can prevent choking, Hubbs-Tait said. Don't let children run with food in their mouths.

Parents should discuss a house-to-house plan with older children they trust to go trick-or-treating with friends, Hubbs-Tait said.

Drawing out a map is a good idea. Expect phone updates.

"The most common injuries to children on Halloween occur when they are pedestrians," Hubbs-Tait said.

"Motorists cannot easily see young trick-or-treaters at night, making it very dangerous. Never assume that all cars will stop in time. Just because the first car stops doesn't mean the next driver will also be paying attention."

Other parental tips include:

- Put reflective tape on costumes and trick-or-treat bags;
- Use sidewalks whenever possible, and only on well-lit streets. When sidewalks are absent, stick to the far edge of the street and face oncoming traffic; and
- Never cut across yards or use alleys.

Wearing a protective face mask is strongly advised to limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus, even while trick-or-

treating, Barbara Brown, OSU Extension food specialist, said.

However, a costume mask is not designed to serve the same purpose.

If a holiday face covering is absolutely necessary, creativity is called for.

"Wearing a costume mask on top of a healthcare face mask can be dangerous, decreasing the ability to breathe or see," Brown said.

"Instead masks should be incorporated into costumes by using fabric paint, markers or embroidery as decoration."

To reduce the risk of virus transmission on candy wrappers, Brown suggested handwashing before putting treats into individual bags, as well as after unwrapping candy and before consumption. In short, go into safety overdrive, she said.

For all the other concerns layered on Halloween this year, it's easy to forget about one of the most fundamental health issues, Hermann said.

"Treats can fit into a healthy diet, but they need to be kept in moderation," Hermann said.

"Discussing the importance of nutrition with your children beforehand is the best prevention." Frozen candy can also be used for baking later in the holiday season, Hermann said.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides additional information on safe Halloween celebration.

# Planners hoping for good 'Trunk-or-Treat' weather

Who had sleet and snow in Oklahoma before Halloween on your 2020 bingo card?

Saturday, Halloween Day, is looking to be the best weather day we have this week, with sunny skies and a high of 66 degrees.

Thank goodness, because we are moving forward with plans for Trunk-or-Treat at Pennington Creek Park from 5-7 p.m. that evening.

The Chamber of Commerce staff and a few board members will be on hand to help make sure parked cars that are handing out candy are spaced well, and we will be providing gloves.

We are asking that each business, organization and individual giving candy please use the gloves to place it inside the children's bags, rather than letting them reach into your bowl or bag of candy to get it themselves.

This will cut down on the spread of germs and help to keep everyone safe.

They will back their vehicles into the green space where the pavilions are and hand out candy from their tailgates or trunks, so that kids can walk around inside the grassy area saying, "Trick or Treat!"

We currently have 23 signed up to participate in handing out candy. If you haven't been added to our flyer, please reach out.

This week we announced plans for Small Business Saturday, Nov. 28, which is always the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

This year, the Johnston County Chamber of Commerce and the Stadler Event Center are hosting the first Small Business Saturday Pop Up Shop.

We're inviting home-based businesses, artisans, crafters and new entrepreneurs to come out, showcase

## Chamber News

Jordyn Frazier  
JCCC Executive Director



their products, and build relationships with other businesses and local customers.

Absolutely no garage sale items will be allowed, and 10x10 booth spaces will be available at no cost. Interested merchants can find details and register at [form.jotform.com/202994460543055](http://form.jotform.com/202994460543055).

There are only nine out of 15 spaces left, so register now.

Shopping for the event will be 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Rockin' Randall Food Truck will be parked on South Neshoba.

Thanks to the Marshall County Chamber of Commerce for the great idea.

The JCCC has also registered as an SBS Neighborhood Champion, so we expect to have the usual shopping bags, stickers, posters, etc. to hand out that day.

We are offering a discount to new businesses on membership. When you join the JCCC for 2021 before Nov. 30, you get the month of December 2020 for free. Home-based businesses are welcome to join - mine is one.

If you still have a fall leaf box from the "Falling in Love with our Small Businesses" event, please drop it by Maxey Insurance or the JCCC office.

Thank you for your support of our events so far this fall. We're working on things for Christmas now.

**"If people are doubting how far you can go, go so far that you can't hear them anymore."** - Michele Ruiz

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# Crime News

## Police Phone Log

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 19:

5:12 p.m. - Caller reporting fraud.  
7:33 p.m. - Caller reporting burglary.

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20:

10:12 a.m. - Medical call.

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21:

3:12 a.m. - Caller requesting welfare check.  
3:46 p.m. - Caller reporting domestic.

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22:

11:55 a.m. - Caller reporting fraud.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23:

9:05 a.m. - Caller reporting break-in.  
9:46 a.m. - Caller reporting intoxicated driver.  
8:48 p.m. - Caller reporting suspicious activity.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24:

10:12 a.m. - Caller requesting welfare check.  
4:03 p.m. - Caller reporting suspicious activity.

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25:

10:09 p.m. - Medical call.  
10:10 p.m. - Caller reporting suspicious vehicle.

## Sheriff's Phone Log

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 19:

10:10 a.m. - Caller in Ravia reporting horse out.  
5:48 p.m. - Alarm call in Mannsville.  
6:24 p.m. - Medical call on Hollow Springs Road.  
8:48 p.m. - Caller in Wapanucka reporting intoxicated pedestrian.  
10:01 p.m. - Caller in Wapanucka requesting extra patrol.

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20:

1:59 a.m. - Caller reporting vehicle accident on Highway 377 south of Alexander Lane.  
8:01 p.m. - Caller in Wapanucka reporting suspicious activity.

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21:

11:43 a.m. - Caller on South Ostrich Lane reporting dispute.  
12:29 p.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting stolen vehicle.  
1:36 p.m. - Caller on Greasy Bend Road reporting suspicious vehicle.  
3:27 p.m. - Caller in Mill Creek reporting threat.

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22:

12:19 a.m. - Caller in Coleman reporting pursuit.  
2:23 a.m. - Caller in Mannsville reporting domestic.  
2:07 p.m. - Caller in Tishomingo reporting assault.  
4:20 p.m. - Caller in Coleman reporting theft.  
6:15 p.m. - Caller in Kenefic reporting dispute.  
8:01 p.m. - Medical call on Pace Road.  
9:58 p.m. - Caller in Mannsville reporting domestic.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23:

12:18 p.m. - Caller in Ravia reporting assault.  
9:41 p.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting suspicious activity.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24:

1:00 a.m. - Caller on South Preston Road reporting prowler.  
1:54 a.m. - Caller in Ravia reporting suspicious activity.  
12:12 p.m. - Caller reporting airplane down on State Highway 22 east.  
4:03 p.m. - Caller on U.S. Highway 377 south reporting suspicious activity.  
9:29 p.m. - Caller in Butcher Pen requesting welfare check.

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25:

8:55 p.m. - Caller in Milburn reporting abandoned vehicle.  
10:46 p.m. - Caller at Blue River Public Hunting and Fishing Area requesting welfare check.

## Johnston County Blotter

The following cases were filed in the Johnston County Court Clerk's office in Tishomingo during the weeks of Oct. 9-22.

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

Brandon Riley Stephens - Burglary first degree; aggravated assault and battery.

Amber Faith Sherill - Trafficking in illegal drugs; bringing contraband (weapons/drugs) into jail.

James Michael Jones - Burglary in the second degree.

Brandon Dean Hummel - Assault and battery upon a police officer.

### Misdemeanors

Brittany Dawn Wesley - Petit larceny.

Tony Ray Robinson - public intoxication; carrying a firearm while under the influence of intoxicating liquor; possession of controlled dangerous substance (methamphetamine); possession of drug paraphernalia.

Amber Faith Sherill - Possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; obstructing an officer; public intoxication.

Jimmy Ray Hairell - Public intoxication.

Timothy Edward Blount - Public intoxication.

Charles Leon Walker - Public intoxication (drugs).

Lon Adam Smith - Public intoxication.

Floyd Eugene Hannan - Carrying firearm while under the influence; reckless conduct with

firearm.

Charlie F. Moss - Possession of controlled dangerous substance (methamphetamine).

Allen Dewayne Badders - Driving under the influence (alcohol/drugs).

James Michael Jones - Knowingly concealing stolen property; possession of drug paraphernalia.

Brandon Dean Hummel - Disobeying lawful order.

Stephanie Marie Hillaker - Public intoxication (drugs).

Shania Nicole Gonsulus - Operating vehicle without valid driver's license.

### Traffic

Trezor Carlos McDonald, no address listed - Speeding, 69/55.

Lawrence Randall Bearden, Milburn - Speeding, 65/55.

Matthew Thomas Smith, Edmond - Speeding, 84/65.

Ryley Brent Fuller, Sulphur - Speeding, 75/65.

Paul E. Yacho, Fort Worth, Texas - Speeding, 75/65.

Kaylee Jeanne Sanders, Sakwa - Speeding, 89/65.

Britney Michelle Valero, Sulphur - Failure to properly wear seat belt (driver).

Steven Ray Richardson, Ivanhoe, Texas - Speeding, 70/55.

Barros Bravo, Calera - Inattentive driving resulting in collision.

Callen Braden Culwell, Mannsville - Speeding, 45/35.

### Wildlife

None.

### Civil

Terry Lee Brewer Jr. vs. Oklahoma Tax Commission - Transfer of title.

Marty K. Brown vs. Anthony Cabiniss - Quiet title.

Debra Forsythe vs. Anthony Cabiniss - Quiet title.

Kenneth Kendrick vs. Anthony Cabiniss - Quiet title.

Ray Glenn McGlocklin vs. State of Oklahoma - Expungement of records.

Jerry Dean Shipman and Laquitta J. Shipman vs. Jackson Tonubbee - Quiet title.

Discover Bank vs. Freida G. Isenberg - Indebtedness.

Discover Bank vs. Martha Elaine Peoples - Indebtedness.

Patrick Wyrick and Dina Dodd vs. Krysta Renee Muniz - Friendly suit.

National Collegiate Student Loan Trust vs. Billy Don Asbery - Indebtedness.

Midland Credit Management vs. Jeff Courtney - Indebtedness.

Bank of America NA vs. Douglas Wayne Williams and Stacey Ladawn Williams - Foreclosure.

Wilmington Savings Fund vs. Denise Deanna Samis, Marcio Eddy Roman, Jane Doe as Occupant of the House and John Doe as Occupant of the House - Foreclosure.

Discover Bank vs. Cadey De Witt - Indebtedness.

Discover Bank vs. Jeremy Savage - Indebtedness.

LVNV Funding LLC vs. Tracey Fulton - Indebtedness.

Calvary SPV I LLC vs. Dennis Morgan - Indebtedness.

### Small Claims

Ray Glenn McGlocklin vs. James William McGlocklin - Money damages.

### Marriages

Gerald Matthew Watzelt, 38, Tishomingo, and Kristen Taylor Ritchie, 27, Mill Creek.

Justin Don Crawford, 31, Tishomingo, and Cecilie Danee Hinkle, 23, Tishomingo.

### Divorces

None.

## Butcher Pen couple taken into custody

Formal charges were still pending at last report against two individuals taken into custody by the Johnston County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) over the weekend.

According to a report released by the JCSO, dispatchers received a call on the evening of Saturday, Oct. 24, from an individual in Butcher Pen asking for a deputy regarding a land dispute.

The report states that the caller was initially advised on the steps he needed to take, but a short time later the caller was referred back to the JCSO by the Oklahoma Highway Patrol.

The report states that the caller - identified as Anthony Cabiniss - did not like the information he was given by the OHP.

After being transferred back to the JCSO, Cabiniss reportedly told dispatchers on a recorded line that "he was going to get a gun, clear these people off the property and our office needed to send an ambulance for them."

A short time later, the JCSO report states, Sgt. Alyson Orr-Dodd, Undersheriff Gary Dodd and Deputy Chris Boston arrived on the scene and met with Cabiniss

and his girlfriend, Jenny Pena, in the middle of a public county road.

When questioned, Cabiniss reportedly told the officers that he did not have a firearm on his person at the moment but that there were guns inside his residence.

The report states that Cabiniss is a known convicted felon and therefore prohibited from owning or possessing firearms.

As Cabiniss was being placed into investigative detention, the report further states, Pena became irate and began cursing at deputies.

She was reportedly advised several times to stop interfering with the officers but refused to do so, and was advised that

she was being placed under arrest for obstruction.

According to the report, Pena then turned and tried to flee on foot, but was taken into custody after a brief fight with the deputies.

Three juveniles were reportedly inside the home at the time, and a loaded shotgun was observed in plain view and seized according to the report.

A search warrant was later obtained, and upon execution investigators reportedly found several loaded firearms, methamphetamine, digital scales, ammunition, surveillance equipment, and prescription medication packaged for sale with money in close proximity.

A four-wheeler reported stolen from Bryan County and a trailer reported stolen from Johnston County were also seized and placed into evidence, according to the report.

Cabiniss and Pena were both booked into the Johnston County Jail on a variety of drug, firearms and other complaints. Both were expected to make an initial appearance in Johnston County District Court this week.

Court records published in the *Johnston County Sentinel* in recent weeks show that Cabiniss has been named as the defendant in several civil and small claims cases over the past month.

## Assault charge filed

A 25-year-old Atoka man has been charged in Johnston County District Court with a felony count of assault and battery on a police officer.

According to documents on file at the Johnston County Court Clerk's office, the charge against Brandon Dean Hummel stems from an Oct. 12 incident in which Hummel allegedly wrestled with Deputy Joseph Schanz of the Johnston County Sheriff's Office while Schanz was attempting to place him into custody.

The court documents show that Hummel has also been charged with a misdemeanor count of disobeying a lawful or-

der.

Hummel made his initial appearance before Associate District Judge Laura Corbin in Johnston County District Court on Oct. 21. Corbin set bond at \$20,000 and scheduled a status conference for Nov. 23 at 9 a.m.

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

Hummel faces a possible sentence of imprisonment for up to five years and/or a \$500 fine if convicted.



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# Tishomingo man accused of second degree burglary

A Tishomingo man faces the possibility of life in prison after being charged with burglary in the second degree.

Documents on file at the Johnston County Court Clerk's office state that the felony count against James Michael Jones, 33, stems from an Oct. 19 incident in which he allegedly broke into an apartment located at 202 S. Broadway in Tishomingo with the intent to commit larceny.

According to an affidavit by Officer Jonah Wiss of the Tishomingo Police Department, Wiss and Deputy Gabriel Alexander of the Johnston County Sheriff's Office both responded to a report of a burglary at the

apartment just after 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 19.

Upon arrival, the officers were met by the reporting party who stated that his belongings had been ransacked and that some property was missing.

Among the items reported as missing were two television sets; two gaming devices and some games; a laptop and a desktop computer; a crossbow; some jewelry, and two phones.

The victim also reportedly told investigators that one of his neighbors, identified as Jones, had threatened to rob him before.

The affidavit states that Wiss and Alexander questioned Jones and his

girlfriend. Jones reportedly told the officers that the stolen property was his, and stated that he had taken it as payment for having driven the victim around.

According to the affidavit, the girlfriend showed the officers property in the apartment said to have been stolen from the victim.

While photographing those items, the affidavit states, Alexander observed some drug paraphernalia in plain view on a living room table.

Consent to search the premises was reportedly obtained from the girlfriend, and officers found some pipes and containers with marijuana in

them, as well as needles and a spoon with some burned residue on it.

The stolen property and drug paraphernalia was seized, and Jones was transported to the Johnston County Jail where he was still being held at last report.

Jones made his initial appearance in Johnston County District Court on Oct. 21. Associate District Judge Laura Corbin set bail at \$20,000 and scheduled a status conference in the case for

Nov. 23 at 9 a.m.

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

Court documents show that Jones has two previous felony convictions, both in Texas. The first, in Fisher County, was in 2013 on a charge of burglary of habitation which initially resulted in a seven-year suspended sentence. In 2018 the sentence was modified to three years.

The second Texas conviction, in Lubbock

County, was given in 2018 on a charge of domestic violence by strangulation. Jones was sentenced to two years in that case, court records show.

If convicted on the new burglary charge, Jones faces a possible sentence of four years to life.

He has also been charged with misdemeanor counts of knowingly concealing stolen property and possession of drug paraphernalia.

## Fatal collision remains under OHP investigation

Investigators with the Oklahoma Highway Patrol were said to still be investigating an incident last week that resulted in the death of a Coleman man and critical injuries to a passenger in his vehicle.

The collision occurred early last Thursday, Oct. 22. An OHP report released later that day stated that, around 12:45 a.m., Durant police began pursuing a Nissan pickup driven by Shawn Baumgardner, 33.

The pursuit left Durant and traveled north on State Highway 48 through Bryan, Atoka and Johnston counties.

At the intersection of State Highway 48 and 48A in Coleman Baumgardner struck another vehicle, the OHP report states, killing Glenn Trammell and critically injuring Verena Lee Trammell, both of Coleman.

The report also states that the Durant Police Department was the only agency involved in the pursuit. The OHP Traffic Homicide Unit is conducting the criminal investigation, but no OHP troopers were reported to be involved in the pursuit.

The OHP report further states that Baumgardner is currently in police custody in Plano, Texas, and that the OHP is seeking a first degree murder warrant in Johnston County.

Oklahoma court records show



Shawn Baumgardner

Baumgardner resides in Kingston and has active arrest warrants on charges of larceny of an automobile and eluding a police officer.

OHP Traffic Homicide investigators have asked for assistance from anyone with knowledge of Shawn Baumgardner's activities in the 24 hours prior to the pursuit and collision.

Investigators have also asked businesses and residents along the pursuit route to check if their video surveillance systems might have captured the pursuit.

Anyone with information may contact OHP Troop E Headquarters at (580) 924-2601.

## Court date set for Norman woman on drug counts

A Norman woman has been charged in Johnston County District Court after being taken into custody on felony drug complaints.

According to documents on file at the Johnston County Court Clerk's office, the charges against 33-year-old Amber Faith Sherrill include trafficking in illegal drugs; and bringing contraband (weapons/drugs) into jail.

The charges reportedly stem from an Oct. 8 incident in which Sherrill was taken into custody by the Johnston County Sheriff's Office for possessing approximately 27 grams of metham-

phetamine.

While being booked into the county jail, the court documents state, Sherrill was found to be in possession of a pocket knife, methamphetamine and marijuana.

Court records also show that Sherrill was previously convicted in 2019 on a felony charge of possession of a stolen vehicle that was filed in Cleveland County.

Sherrill made her initial appearance in Johnston County District Court on Oct. 21. Associate District Judge Laura Corbin set bond at \$10,000 and scheduled a status conference in the case for Nov. 23 at 9 a.m.

A preliminary hearing date is expected to be set at that time. Sherrill was still being held in the county jail at last report.

If convicted on the drug trafficking charge, Sherrill faces a possible sentence of two years to life and a fine of \$25,000 to \$200,000.

The contraband count is punishable by up to 10 years and/or a fine of \$100 to \$1,000.

Court records show that Sherrill has also been charged with several misdemeanor counts, including possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; obstructing an officer; and public intoxication.

## Local coach facing charges

Formal charges were still pending as of press time against a Tishomingo Middle School coach who was taken into custody on school grounds last week.

A report issued late last week by the Johnston County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) stated that the suspect, James Paul Stallings, became the target of a JCSO investigation following allegations of domestic abuse.

According to the JCSO report, Sgt. Alyson

Orr-Dodd was conducting a search of Stallings's vehicle in connection with that investigation and found approximately three grams of meth.

Stallings was taken into custody for being in possession of methamphetamine on school property and possession of drug paraphernalia - currently misdemeanor offenses following the 2016 passage in Oklahoma of State Question 780, which reclassified simple drug possession

and some minor property crimes from felonies to misdemeanors.

Stallings was booked into the Johnston County Jail, where he posted bond the same day.

The domestic abuse investigation remained active at that time, and Undersheriff Gary Dodd told the *Sentinel* Tuesday that information related to that investigation was expected to be turned over to Assistant District Attorney Fern Smith later that day.

## Mill Creek man sought in burglary, assault case

Authorities are seeking a 29-year-old Mill Creek man wanted on felony charges of first degree burglary and aggravated assault and battery.

According to documents on file at the Johnston County Court Clerk's office, the charges against Brandon Riley Stephens stem from a Sept. 17 incident in which Stephens allegedly broke into a residence located on West Spring Creek Road in Mill Creek with the intent to assault the occupant, Cody Cleveland.

The court documents further allege that, once inside, Stephen hit Cleveland multiple times in the face, break-

ing the victim's sinus cavity.

An affidavit by Deputy Teddy Leonard of the Johnston County Sheriff's office states that the victim required a total of 11 stitches above his right eye and below his left eye.

If eventually convicted on the burglary charge, Stephens faces a possible sentence of imprisonment for seven to 20 years.

The aggravated assault charge is punishable by up to five years in the state penitentiary, or up to one year in the county jail and/or a fine of up to \$500.

## No injuries reported in weekend airplane crash

A single-engine airplane crashed in Johnston County on the afternoon of Saturday, Oct. 24.

Johnston County Emergency Management (JCEM) issued an alert on social media, stating that emergency responders were at the scene of a plane crash on the Mitchell Ranch, located off State Highway

22 in southeast Johnston County.

"All four occupants from Texas are okay and uninjured," a report on the Johnston County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) Facebook page stated.

That report also stated that the airplane itself was equipped with a parachute.

The pilot, Yancey Loyless, later posted on

the JCSO site that he deployed the parachute after his plane lost an engine while flying over the area.

In addition to the JCSO and JCEM, the Tishomingo and Milburn fire departments also responded to the crash scene.

The Federal Aviation Administration is investigating the crash.



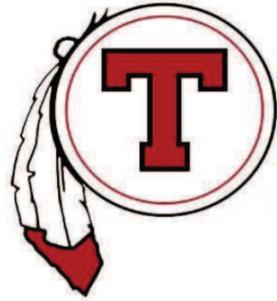
Officials with the Federal Aviation Administration were said to be investigating the crash of this single engine airplane that occurred east of Tishomingo on Saturday, Oct. 24.

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**YOUR 2020 TISHOMINGO INDIANS**



Tishomingo's Hunter Stephens (No. 28) battles his way through the Comanche defense to score a two-point conversion during the second half of last Friday's road game. (Sentinel staff photo by Joshua Small)

**2020 Football Roster**

Number	Name	Class	Positions
2	CRUIZ MARTINEZ	FRESH	DB/RB
3	ZACHARY CURRY	SOPH	DB/WR
4	CREED BALLINGER	SR	LB/WR
5	JUSTIN CARDENAS	JR	DB/WR
9	NICK STROUSE	JR	DB/QB
10	LANE CRYER	JR	DB/WR
20	JAKE McGEE	FRESH	DB/WR
21	STEPHEN BALL	SOPH	DB/WR
23	COLBY GRAY	SOPH	LB/QB
26	PENNINGTON MAY	JR	LB/RB
28	HUNTER STEPHENS	JR	LB/RB
30	PABLO NAJERA	SOPH	LB/RB
33	SEAN HARIEN	SOPH	LB/RB
40	NATE COPELAND	SOPH	LB/WR
48	DAKOTA PRITCHARD	JR	DL/RB
50	GAGE REDD	SOPH	DL/OL
55	TYLER KNIGHT	FRESH	LB/OL
58	CAMDEN CABINESS	SR	DL/OL
62	ROMAN RAWLS	FRESH	DL/OL
65	JIMMY PRIDDY	SOPH	DL/OL
66	JARRED HOUSLEY	JR	DL/OL
74	JACOB CARTER	SR	DL/OL
75	ETHAN CARTER	SOPH	DL/OL
77	ELIJAH MIRANDA	FRESH	DL/OL
84	LEVI UNDERWOOD	SR	LB/WR
88	AIDEN CLARK	SOPH	LB/WR

**Head Coach:** *Clint Nabors*

**Assistant Coaches:**

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**Team Managers:**

*Olivia Alexander, Brooklyn Claborn, Emily McCarter*

**Aug. 28 MADILL - Canceled**  
**Sept. 4 ALLEN - Canceled**  
**Sept. 11 PAULS VALLEY - Lost, 29-6**  
**Sept. 17 KINGSTON - Lost, 42-0**  
**Sept. 25 DAVIS - Lost, 33-6**  
**Oct. 2 MARIETTA - Lost, 21-6**  
**Oct. 9 FREDERICK - Canceled**  
**Oct. 15 COALGATE - Lost, 6-0**  
**Oct. 23 COMANCHE - Lost, 34-14**  
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## Sports Beat

# Rough first half leads to 34-14 loss for Indians

## Tishomingo to host Lindsay in Homecoming action this Friday

By John A. Small  
Managing Editor

Maybe it was the cold. Maybe it was the long bus ride. Maybe it was the fact that, at times during the first half, the officials seemed to be watching an entirely different game than those in the stands were seeing.

Perhaps all of the above, perhaps something else altogether. Whatever the reason, the Tishomingo Indians found themselves battling through the toughest first half of the season during their district game against host Comanche last Friday, going into the locker room with a 34-0 deficit at halftime.

But the THS boys did what they always do: kept fighting, showed strength of character and refused to give up despite what looked to be overwhelming odds. And while they still ended the night on the wrong side of the 34-14 final, the Indians' grit and determination gave the team and its fans plenty to take pride in.

"I felt like we came out flat in the first half, and it looked to me like we were just going through the motions and not mentally prepared to play," Tishomingo Coach Clint Nabors acknowledged afterwards. "Comanche was giving us exactly what we wanted on defense, and we just didn't execute consistently in the first half and dug ourselves a hole.

"Defensively in the first half it wasn't the most physical game we have played, but we adjusted and began getting lined up and tackling better. We were just too inconsistent on both sides of the ball in the first half, and it created a lead that's hard to come back from... We made a couple of adjustments on both sides of the ball and our kids just came out and started executing better, and never quit until the final horn sounded."

With just two games left on the regular schedule in a season shortened by COVID-19 cancellations, the Indians remain on the hunt for their first win of the year as they head into the last home game on that schedule.

Tishomingo will play host to Lindsay in Homecoming action this Friday, Oct. 30. Homecoming festivities had originally been planned for the Sept. 25 contest against Davis, but were rescheduled when that game was canceled due to the pandemic.

Friday's kickoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Last week's game at Comanche saw the THS Indians in trouble early, as Comanche scored its first touchdown of the night less than two minutes into the opening possession. Tishomingo thwarted the two-point conversion attempt, holding Comanche's lead at 6-0 at the 10:41 mark.

Tishomingo responded in its first possession with a kickoff return by Colby Gray that put the Indians at first-and-10 on their own 33-yard line. On the first play of the drive Hunter Stephens muscled his way to the THS 45 for another first down.

But another five-yard run by Stephens on the very next carry was called back when Tishomingo was flagged for a holding penalty to set up first-and-20. Dakota Pritchard regained five of the lost yards on the next play, followed by back-to-back carries by Stephens that put the Indians at fourth-and-4.

Stephens carried again on the next play but was stopped just short of the first down, returning possession to Comanche at its 47.

This time the Tishomingo defense made short work of the host team's drive, holding Comanche to a mere three yards in as many plays. The Comanche punt put Tishomingo on its own 25 to start the next possession.

But the Indians' series would prove equally short-lived, as a trio of incomplete passes and a five-yard penalty combined to force the Indians to punt on fourth-and-15. The punt went high instead of long, giving Comanche possession at the Tishomingo 24.

Two plays later Comanche picked up another first down at the THS 15. After a seven-yard gain on the next play, the Comanche ball carrier evaded the Tishomingo defense and darted in for another TD.

This time the two-point conversion was good, giving Comanche the 14-0 lead with 4:13 still remaining in the first quarter.

Gray carried the ensuing kickoff to

the Comanche 44 to start Tishomingo's next possession. Stephens picked up five yards on the opening carry but lost one on the second down play, setting the stage for the first of two calls by the officials that raised the ire of the THS fans.

A long pass on the third-and-6 play was caught by Tishomingo's Justin Cardenas near the end zone, setting up what could have been a scoring drive for the Indians. Instead the pass was ruled as incomplete, much to the consternation of players and fans alike, and the Indians found themselves at fourth-and-6.

"He made a great catch, turned and made a football move, and the ground caused the ball to come out," Nabors told the *Sentinel* later. "The official on our sideline said he caught it, and the back judge said it was incomplete. They went with the back judge, since our sideline official was behind the ball.

"Those guys aren't going to get everything correct and I understand that they are going to make mistakes, but that was a big play at the time.. It's like I tell our kids all of the time, there are no reviews in high school football and they aren't going to make every call or get every one right, so all we can do is forget about it and move on to the next play."

Stephens made a valiant attempt at keeping the drive alive on his next carry. But the measurement on the field ruled that Stephens had again been stopped just short of the first down, giving the ball back to Comanche at its 35-yard line.

The THS defense held the host squad to zero yards on the first three plays of the possession. But on third-and-10 the Comanche carrier broke loose for a 10-yard and the first down. A five-yard penalty proved a minor setback, and on second-and-10 Comanche was able to claim the first down at Tishomingo's 37.

That left just enough time for Comanche to pick up one last first down before the buzzer finally sounded the end of what seemed an interminable first quarter.

The first play of the second period saw Comanche score on a pass play, but Tishomingo again stopped the two-point conversion to hold Comanche's lead at 20-0 just seven seconds into the quarter.

Starting their next possession at their own 40 after the kickoff return, the THS boys launched into a lengthy series of plays that culminated with a six-yard Stephens carry for first-and-10 at the Comanche 42.

But that was as far as the Indians got during that drive. Stephens was caught behind the line to set up second-and-25, and on the next play Tishomingo was hit with a personal foul penalty that placed the ball at fourth-and-39.

The ensuing punt put Comanche at the Tishomingo 45 to start its next possession.

The THS defense roared back to life during that possession, sacking the quarterback twice - the second time on a fourth-and-5 play that returned possession to Tishomingo at its 36.

The Indians' offensive travails continued, however, as zero gain on the first play was followed by a fumble that was recovered by Comanche.

The host team's quarterback opened the drive by firing off an incomplete pass. Comanche then picked up a first down via a face mask penalty against Tishomingo, and on the next play the Comanche carrier once again sidestepped the Tishomingo defenders to score at the 2:05 mark. The successful two-point conversion increased Comanche's lead to 28-0.

That lead widened a short-time later when Tishomingo's next possession ended with an intercepted pass that was carried back to the Comanche 30. Comanche's QB then fired off a pass that was caught and carried in for yet another touchdown.

The kick was no good, and with 53 seconds left in the half Comanche had the 34-0 lead.

The first play of the next Tishomingo drive saw Pritchard dart all the way to the Comanche 41 before he was brought down by what should have been - but wasn't - a horse collar pen-



What should have been the Tishomingo Indians' best play of the night during its district game at Comanche last Friday night proved instead to be perhaps the most disappointing. As this sequence of photos show, THS junior Justin Cardenas made a spectacular catch near the end zone on a third-and-6 play - only to have the catch ruled incomplete by the back judge. (*Sentinel* staff photos by Joshua Small)



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# MSC defeats Independence in scrimmage action, 71-58

**By James Bowser**  
*Sentinel Correspondent*

from being able to compete.

On Saturday, Oct. 24, the Murray State College Aggies took on the Independence Pirates from Independence, Kan.

With the need to follow the guidelines for

the current pandemic, spectators were kept to a minimum.

The first half tip was won by Independence but did not last long. Many of the baskets made in the first five minutes of the game

were done so by the Aggies, who gained a quick but respectable lead over the Pirates.

Even though the ball would continue to move quickly from one side of the court to the other, the Aggies managed to keep their lead with the help of sophomore Dyon Plumley, who always seemed to be where he was needed, including a perfectly executed dunk pass to sophomore Cedric Garrett, who grabbed the ball for a perfect lay-up.

Freshman Julian Spotser and sophomore Andre Washington also managed to break away from the defense to dunk for two points each.

Halfway through the first half, disaster started to unfold for the Aggies as the Pirates were catching up quickly, but not from regular shots. The Aggies managed at least eight fouls against

the Pirates, in which most were either made or rebounded in favor of Independence.

After a grueling penalty-filled first half, the Aggies were up by only three points. The teams took their halftime with a score of 34-31.

The second half was much different for both teams, as it seemed the roles were reversed. After a bad tip, Independence once again gained control of the ball.

The game seemed as though it would repeat the first half with the Aggies giving up five penalties, but after the plays by Plumley it seemed the Pirates were set on keeping the ball away from him. Unfortunately the plan did not work. Plumley was much too fast to keep more than one guard on him.

After a three-pointer by Garrett and a steal by sophomore Jerry Car-

away, the court was left wide open to him for an uncontested lay-up. This turning point caused many pass steals from heavier guarding, but also many more fouls against the Pirates.

Freshman Kaleb Hunt stole the ball and dunked followed by an "and one" by Spotser. With seconds left on the clock, sophomore Darius Roden managed his own "and one" allowing the Aggies to run out the clock for a second half score of 37-27, bringing the scrimmage total to 71-58.

This marks the second scrimmage for Murray, with more to come.

"We have a group of hard-working guys who love basketball, play hard and play together," Coach Kevin O'Connor said after the game. "They all love the game; it's something we make sure of when recruiting."



Murray State College sophomore Darius Roden (No. 10 above) hits the free throw at the end of the Aggies' recent scrimmage game against the Independence Pirates. (*Sentinel* staff photo by James Bowser)

## Indians *Continued from Page 12*

ally against the home team.

After being held to no gain on the next play, another long pass attempt to Cardenas was broken up with nine seconds on the clock.

Stephens then carried to the Comanche 35, and the half ended with a QB sack.

The third quarter saw the score remain unchanged until a late Comanche possession ended with a fumble on second-and-10 that was recovered by Tishomingo at the Indians' 6-yard line. The Indians' possession lasted exactly one play, as Stephens drove all the way in for the touchdown with 10 seconds

remaining.

Stephens then crossed into the end zone again on the two-point conversion, cutting Comanche's lead to 34-8. That left time for Comanche to advance the ball to second-and-9 at its own 46 before the period ended.

The fourth quarter opened with the pendulum swinging decidedly in Tishomingo's favor. After an incomplete pass to start the period, Comanche managed to recover its own fumble to set up fourth-and-long; the ensuing punt started Tishomingo's next drive at its own 33.

From there the Indians put together

a series of plays that saw them pick up a total of four first downs as they marched their way across the field.

That fourth first down put Tishomingo on the Comanche 6, and from there Stephens steamrolled in to score again with six minutes left in the

game.

The pass attempt on the two-point conversion was broken up, cementing the score at 34-14. The final possession of the contest saw Comanche advance only as far as Tishomingo's 47 before the final buzzer sounded.

## Refuge closed to public during controlled deer hunt

A large portion of the Tishomingo National Wildlife Refuge will be closed to the public on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 5-6, for a controlled white-tailed deer hunt.

The Refuge Road gate (Main Entrance) will be closed to the public at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4, and will not reopen until after dark on Friday, Nov. 6.

Nida point, Murray

23, Rock Creek and Bell Creek access points will remain open for bank fishing and other permitted activities during this closure.

Ten non-ambulatory hunters were selected in a random drawing by the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation (ODWC) for this special hunt.

The hunt is sponsored

by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and ODWC.

For more information on these controlled hunts, visit the ODWC controlled hunts website at [www.wildlifedepartment.com/controlled-hunts.htm](http://www.wildlifedepartment.com/controlled-hunts.htm).

For refuge information call 371-2402, or visit the refuge website at <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/tishomingo/>.



Tishomingo's Dakota Pritchard (No. 48) races to stay in front of a Comanche defender during a key play in the second half of last Friday night's game. Pritchard was brought down at the Comanche 41-yard line when the defender grabbed Pritchard's collar, but officials failed to call a horse collar penalty against the host team. (*Sentinel* staff photo by Joshua Small)

## STATE QUESTION ANALYSIS

Two state questions will appear on the November 3 general election ballot. State Question 805 was placed on the ballot by gathering signatures from citizens; State Question 814 was referred to a vote of the people by the Oklahoma Legislature. Each question is reprinted here as it will appear on the ballot followed by a brief summary.

### STATE QUESTION NO. 805 INITIATIVE PETITION NO. 421

This measure seeks to add a new Article II-A to the Oklahoma Constitution. This new Article excepts and does not apply to persons who have ever been convicted of a violent felony. It would prohibit the use of a former felony conviction to increase the statutorily allowable base range of punishment for a person subsequently convicted of a felony. Individuals who are currently incarcerated for felony sentences that were enhanced based on one or more former felony convictions, and whose sentences are greater than the maximum sentence that may currently be imposed for such felonies, may seek sentence modification in court. The new Article sets forth a detailed process for such sentence modification, including but not limited to requirements for a hearing, appointment of counsel for indigent petitioners, and notification of victims, and requires that the court impose a modified sentence no greater than the current maximum sentence which may be imposed on a person convicted of the same felony with no former felony convictions, and which results in no greater time served in prison than under the original sentence. It establishes an appeal procedure, provides an effective date, and contains a severability clause.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?  
FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES  
AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO

**SUMMARY:** State Question 805 will be on the Nov. 3 ballot after nearly 250,000 Oklahoma voters signed an initiative petition. It was billed as a "smart on crime" measure that could result in up to \$186 million prison cost savings. The measure prohibits Oklahoma judges from using previous nonviolent felony convictions as a reason to increase prison sentences for defendants convicted of new nonviolent crimes. Current inmates who received enhanced sentences for nonviolent felony convictions could ask the court for sentence reductions. If approved, new guidelines require the court to impose a sentence no greater than the current maximum sentence given for a person with no former nonviolent felony convictions for the same crime. The Constitutional Amendment establishes a hearing process, appointment of counsel for indigents, notification of victims and an appeals procedure. Proponents say Oklahoma inmates convicted of property and drug crimes currently spend more than 70 percent more time behind bars than the national average. Opponents, including some law enforcement groups, anti-domestic violence advocates, and the state district attorneys association, say the measure is a misguided attempt to give repeat offenders multiple chances. In reality, they say, the measure is a get-out-of-jail card for career criminals who could return to their communities and commit more crimes. They say non-violent offenses could include domestic violence in the presence of a child, animal cruelty, home burglary, arson, DUI or soliciting sex from a minor using technology.

### STATE QUESTION NO. 814 LEGISLATIVE REFERENDUM NO. 375

This measure seeks to amend Article 10, Section 40 of the Oklahoma Constitution (Section 40), which directs proceeds from the State's settlements with or judgments against tobacco companies. Currently, Section 40 directs 75% of proceeds to the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund (TSET Fund), where earnings may only be used for tobacco prevention programs, cancer research, and other such programs to maintain or improve the health of Oklahomans. Meanwhile, the remaining 25% of proceeds are directed to a separate fund for the Legislature (Legislative Fund). The Legislature can also direct some of that 25% to the Attorney General.

This measure amends Section 40 to reduce the percentage of proceeds that go into the TSET Fund from 75% to 25%. As a result, the remaining 75% will go to the Legislative Fund and the Legislature may continue to direct a portion to the Attorney General. The measure would also restrict the use of the Legislative Fund. Section 40 currently states only that the Legislative Fund is subject to legislative appropriation. If this measure passes, money from the Legislative Fund must be used to get federal matching funds for Oklahoma's Medicaid program.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?  
FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES  
AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO

**SUMMARY:** State Question 814, referred to voters by the state legislature, changes the amount of money directed to the state's Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET Fund) from 75 percent of the annual payments to 25 percent. Currently TSET receives 75 percent of the annual payment and the remaining 25 percent is directed to the legislature and the Attorney General. Oklahoma voters created TSET to manage smoking cessation, cancer research, obesity and other healthy living programs from the 1998 master settlement agreement between tobacco companies and 46 states. Only earnings on the state's accumulated \$1.3 billion fund are used each year. That amounts to between \$70 million and \$75 million payments to divide between TSET and the legislature. A yes vote on Nov. 3 would let lawmakers redirect TSET funds to pay for the current Medicaid program and the expanded program Oklahoma voters approved when they narrowly passed State Question 802 in June. If passed Nov. 3, the money from the Legislative portion of TSET would be used to get federal matching funds. Gov. Kevin Stitt, who opposed the Medicaid expansion, supports State Question 814 as a way to pay the state's portion of Medicaid costs. A Constitutional amendment is required to change the settlement proceeds formula as voters earmarked the funds in 2000 by approving SQ 692 by nearly 69 percent. Some health groups, such as the American Cancer Society's Cancer Action Network, oppose SQ 814 on the grounds that it diverts funding from programs that improve the health of all Oklahomans.



## Ravia Walk/Bike to School

Students at Ravia School recently participated in the 2020 Walk/Bike to School Day, an annual nationwide event which promotes exercise for a healthy community. School officials expressed their appreciation to Ravia Fire Chief Curtis Parker and his firefighters for helping to make the event possible, and to Ravia City/Town Clerk Angie Oxley for getting it all organized and walking with the students.



A message from the Johnston County Sentinel



**VOTE**  
NOVEMBER 3, 2020

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**COMMERCIAL BUILDING,** approx. 1670 sq.ft. CH&A, solid foundation, on 1/2 acre (Main and Kemp, Excellent Main Street location. Call for showing.

**REDUCED CHARMING TWO STORY,** North Kemp, 2 bdrm., 1 bth, approx. 1,100 sq. ft., French doors, CH&A, covered front porch, carport, \$69,000. Call Lela Barnes for your showing. (817) 408-0382. \$59,000.

**REDUCED BEAUTIFUL BRICK HOME.** Main house has 3 bdrm., 2 bths, CH&A, metal roofing, approx. 1,392 sq. ft., covered front crpt, kitchen appliances remain, Mother-in-Law house has 2 bdms., 1 bth., approx. 816 sq. ft. Open covered breezeway connects both houses. 2 bdrm. could also be used as a rental property. 2 large city lots in Ponotoc, OK, 3 storage sheds. There is a 242 sq.ft. cinder block building that was a former beauty shop. Lots of possibilities with this place. Asking only \$110,000. Call Mike Lovett for your showing, (580) 371-1720.

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**Home site:** 7 +/- acres east of Tishomingo on Hwy. 78. Rural water, electric. Nice place to build a home. Asking \$42,000.

**60+/- acrese** between Tishomingo and Milburn. Nice shop, water well, 2 stock ponds. Good hunting, asking \$2,600 per acre.

**Comfortable and Cozy** - 1,400 +/- sq. ft. 2 or 3 bedroom, ch&a, garage, shop and storage building sitting on six lots. Asking \$67,500. 103 West 20th Street.

**Very Comfortable** - 1,000 +/- sq.ft., 2 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath, covered front porch, wrap around porch, wood deck, sitting on 6 lots. Asking \$72,000.

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

**150 +/- acre lots of wildlife** - Deer, Turkey, hogs, large trees, 2 ponds, great hunting. Asking \$2,800 per acre.

**Sportsman's Paradise - 200 Acres** The ranch has been managed for several years for wildlife with established food plots. There are four ponds on the ranch which have been stocked with bass and/or catfish. Because the property has been used for hunting primarily for the last 20 years the white-tail deer, turkey and wild hogs are plentiful. There is rural water and electricity along with two equipment sheds, solar water well. Asking \$2,800 an acre.

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**INCOME PRODUCING PROPERTY!** 16 storage units. 8789 Hwy 3, Ravia

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**906 S. Ohio, Tishomingo, OK** - Brick home, great location near Murray State College, 2b/2b, bonus room that could be a third bedroom, has sunroom, garage, additional covered parking, two outside storage buildings. Call Abby, (580) 371-1023, for your showing. \$120,000

**Legal Notices**

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**Public Notice**  
 Tishomingo Housing Authority's 2021 Annual Plan is complete and available for public inspection, comments or suggestions. The 2021 Annual Plan can be viewed at the Tishomingo Housing Authority's Office located at 1005 N. Byrd, Tishomingo Oklahoma on Monday through Friday from 8:00am-12:00pm. Tishomingo Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners will meet on November 9, 2020 at the Tishomingo Housing Authority's Office located at 1005 N. Byrd, Tishomingo at 2:00pm to finalize and approve the 2021 Annual Plan.

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**Public Notice**  
 DEWAYNE MIMS AND SAMANTHA MIMS, Plaintiffs, vs.

THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS OF MARTHA BROWN, FULL BLOOD CHICKASAW, ROLL #2098 and MAUREEN PHELPS s/p/a MAUREEN L. PHELPS, each deceased, and

WESLEY BROWN, FULL BLOOD CHICKASAW, ROLL #2244; MARTIN BROWN; JOHNSLIN HART s/p/a JOSLIN HART; and BETTY BROCK JACKSON, if living, and, in the alternative, if deceased, their UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS,

Defendants. Case No. CV-2020-20

**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**  
 THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO:

The Known and Unknown Successors of Martha Brown, Full Blood Chickasaw, Roll #2098 and Maureen Phelps s/p/a Maureen L. Phelps, each deceased, and Wesley Brown, Full Blood Chickasaw, Roll #2244; Martin Brown; Johnslin Hart s/p/a Joslin Hart; and Betty Brock Jackson, if living, and, in the alternative, if deceased, their Unknown Successors.

You are hereby notified

(Published October 8, 15, LPXLP

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that you have been sued in the District Court of Johnston County, in Cause CV-2020-20 wherein Dewayne Mims and Samantha Mims are the Plaintiffs and you are Defendants and that you must answer the Petition of the Plaintiffs on or before November 19th, 2020, or judgment will be rendered accordingly adjudging that Plaintiffs are the owners of and in the peaceful possession of the following described real property as set forth in the Petition, situated in Johnston County, Oklahoma, to-wit:

The South Half of the Southeast Quarter (S/2 SE/4) of Section Thirty-three (33), Township Two (2) South, Range Five (5) East of the Indian Meridian and Baseline, and A tract of land located in Lot Two (2) and Lot Three (3), Section Four (4), Township Three (3) South, Range Five (5) East of the Indian Meridian and Baseline, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest Corner of Lot 2; thence N89°55'06"E along the North line of said Lot 2 a distance of 50.00 feet; thence S44°56'49"W a distance of 70.75 feet to a point on the West line of Lot 2; thence S00°01'28"E along the West line of Lot 2 a distance of 606.18 feet to a point on the East right of way line of Highway 1; thence N22°02'57"W along the East right of way line a distance of 76.84 feet to the Southeast Corner of a tract of land described in Book 165 at Page 767 in the Office of the Johnston County Clerk; thence along the East line of said Book 165 at Page 767 for the following three courses: 1. Thence N18°17'12"W a distance of 304.77 feet; 2. Thence along a non-tangent curve to the left having a radius of 3044.79 feet, an arc length of 201.24 feet, a chord bearing of N23°56'34"W and a chord distance of 201.20 feet; 3. Thence N26°38'45"W a distance of 124.60 feet to a point on the North line of Lot 3; thence N89°55'32"E along the North line of Lot 3 a distance of 261.72 feet to the point of beginning,

judicially determining the death and heirship of Martha Brown, Full Blood Chickasaw, Roll #2098, and quieting and confirming Plaintiffs title and possession therein as in the Petition set forth.

Given under my hand and seal this 5th day of October, 2020.

/s/ Cassandra Slover, COURT CLERK

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

US Silica Company, 24275 Katy Frwy, Suite 600, Katy, TX 77494, has submitted a permit revision application for permit # L.E.-1662 to the Oklahoma Department of Mines (ODM) to mine silica sand, limestone, dolomite, shale, sandstone, sand, gravel, clay, and soil through the surface mining method on portions of the following parcels of land:

Section 10, Section 14, Section 15, Section 22, and Section 23 all in Township 1 South, Range 4 East, Johnston County, Oklahoma

The revision request is to add 178 acres to the existing permitted area of 1,123 acres.

The total permit area, containing 1,301 acres, is located in the Mill Creek U.S.G.S. quadrangle map. The permit site is located approximately five (5) miles north of the town of Mill Creek and one (1) mile west of State Highway 1.

A copy of this complete permit application is available for public inspection and copying at the Johnston County Courthouse in Tishomingo, Oklahoma.

Due to the current COVID-19 situation, the closure of county courthouses, and the safe at home measures in place, a public review copy of an application may be requested by submitting an Open Records Request form available on the Oklahoma Department of Mines website, or by contacting the office at 405-427-3859. Any landowner or resident of any occupied dwelling, any public entity or public agency, or any party that may be adversely affected has the right to submit comments or object to the issuance of the permit in writing. An informal conference will be provided if requested. Any objections or requests for an informal conference on this application must be in writing and received no later than fourteen (14) days after the final publication of this notice to the

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

(Published October 22 & 29, 2020)

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

In the matter of the Estate of LUCRETIA ANN THOMPSON, Deceased

Case No: PB-2019-15

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

All creditors having claims against LUCRETIA ANN THOMPSON, deceased, are required to present the same with a description of all security interests and other collateral, if any, held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the named personal representative, CHRISTINA ANNELL THOMPSON, at the office of David Youngblood, Attorney at Law, P. O. Box 540, Atoka, Oklahoma, 74525, on or before the following presentment date: the 15th day of December, 2020, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 8th day of October, 2020.

/s/David Youngblood

DAVID YOUNGBLOOD,  
OBA#11021  
P.O. Box 540, Atoka, OK  
74525  
Attorney for Estate

(Published October 29, November 5 & 12, 2020)

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

JERRY DEAN SHIPMAN AND LAQUITTA J. SHIPMAN, HUSBAND AND WIFE,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS AND SUCCESSORS, IMMEDIATE AND REMOTE, OF JACKSON TONUBBEE, FULL BLOOD MISSISSIPPI CHOCTAW INDIAN, ROLL NO. 1136, DECEASED,

Defendants.

Case Number: CV-2020-35  
Judge: Corbin

**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS AND SUCCESSORS, IMMEDIATE AND REMOTE, OF JACKSON TONUBBEE, FULL BLOOD MISSISSIPPI CHOCTAW INDIAN, ROLL NO. 1136, DECEASED,

**GREETINGS:**

Said Defendants are hereby notified that they have been sued in Case Number CV-2020-35 in the District Court of Johnston County, Oklahoma, styled: Jerry Dean Shipman and Laquitta J. Shipman, husband and wife, Plaintiffs, vs. the Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees and Assigns and Successors, Immediate and Remote, of Jackson Tonubbee, Full Blood Mississippi Choctaw Indian, Roll No. 1136, Deceased; and that said Defendants must answer the Petition herein on or before the 18th day of December, 2020, or the allegations of said Petition will be taken as true, and judgment will be entered quieting the title in Plaintiffs as prayed for in their Petition and excluding Defendants from any claim in the following described real property, to wit:

The Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NE/4 SE/4), of Section twenty-two (22), Township Four (4) South, Range Eight (8) East of the Indian Meridian, Johnston County, Oklahoma.

Cassandra Slover, Court Clerk

By: /s/ Jaqueline Murk Deputy Clerk

Date: October 22, 2020 (Seal)

Prepared by: Jack Cadenhead, OBA # 30030 The Cadenhead Law Firm, P.C. P.O. Box 2067 Seminole, OK 74818-2067 Telephone: (405) 382-6341 Facsimile: (405) 382-5513 Attorney for Plaintiffs

(Published October 29 & November 5, 2020)

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JUDITH CAROLE AUSTIN STAFFORD, DECEASED.

No. PB-2020-26

**COMBINED NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR SUMMARY ADMINISTRATION AND FINAL ACCOUNTING, DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, AND ADMINISTRATION AND DISCHARGE**

The Name and address of the decedent is Judith Carol Austin Stafford, 8111 Wade Blvd., Frisco Texas 75034.

The Court finds that the names and addresses of the heirs are Eddie Stafford, 303 Innisbrook, Lufkin, Texas 75901, and Courtney Jane Sherwood, 715 Sweet Iron Rd., Frisco, Texas 75036. Eddie Stafford has an interest in the estate as the surviving spouse of Judith Carole Austin Stafford, deceased. The Petitioner consents to serve as Special Administrator of the estate of Judith Carole Austin Stafford.

The total probable value of the estate of Judith Carol Austin Stafford, deceased, as set forth in the Petition is approximately \$100,000.00.

The final hearing shall be held at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the 17 day of December 2020, at the Johnston County Courthouse, Tishomingo, Oklahoma, before the Honorable Judge Laura Corbin.

All persons receiving this combined notice must file objections to the Petition at least ten (10) days before the date set for the hearing and send a copy of such objection to Eddie Stafford, in care of his attorney, Robin G. Talley, 2 Lakeview Circle, Shawnee, Oklahoma 74804 or such person shall be deemed to have waived any objections to the Petition.

If objections to the Petition are filed at least ten (10) days before the hearing date, the court will determine at the hearing if summary proceedings are appropriate, and, if so, whether the estate will be distributed and to whom the estate will be distributed.

The claim of any creditor not shown in the Petition will be barred unless the claim is presented to the Personal Representative or his attorney no more than thirty (30) days following October 20, 2020.

Dated this 20 day of October 2020.

/s/ Robin G. Talley  
Robin G. Talley,  
OBA #12509  
2 Lakeview Circle  
Shawnee, Oklahoma  
74804  
(405) 585-9235  
(405) 273-4803 (fax)  
Email: robintalleylawyer@gmail.com  
Attorney for Petitioner

(Published October 29, 2020)

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF M.D.M, DOB: 10/2012, A MINOR CHILD.

Case No. FA-2020-3

**ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING APPLICATION TO ADOPT MINOR CHILD WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE NATURAL FATHER**

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA TO: JEREMY DALE MILLER

You are notified that Lavana Lanette Mitchem filed a Petition before the above named Court, praying that she be allowed to adopt M.D.M, DOB: 10/2012, without the consent of his natural father, Jeremy Dale Miller, DOB: 03/1994.

Take notice that the Application to determine your consent not necessary for the completion of this adoption is on file with the Clerk of this Court; that a copy of the Application is attached hereto, and that, among other things, it is alleged in the Application that you have wholly failed to provide any support for M.D.M, DOB: 10/2012, for twelve (12) of the fourteen (14) months immediately preceding the filing of the Petition for Adoption and you have failed to maintain a significant relationship with the minor child for a period of twelve (12) months of the last fourteen (14) months immediately preceding the filing of the Petition and therefore, Jeremy Dale Miller's consent to the adoption is not necessary, and that petitioners are proper parties to adopt.

A hearing on the Application to determine whether your consent to the adoption is necessary is set for hearing on the 16th day of November, 2020, at 1:30 o'clock P.M. in the District Court of Johnston County, State of Oklahoma, in the courtroom of the Honorable Laura Corbin.

**YOU ARE, THEREFORE, NOTIFIED THAT THE COURT WILL HEAR EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF AND IN OPPOSITION TO THE GRANTING OF THE APPLICATION AT THE TIME AND PLACE ABOVE SHOWN WHERE YOU WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE PRESENT AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD AT SAID TIME AND PLACE IN-**

**CLUDING THE RIGHT TO OBJECT TO THE ADOPTION OF YOUR CHILD. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING SHALL CONSTITUTE A DENIAL OF YOUR INTEREST IN YOUR CHILD WHICH DENIAL MAY RESULT, WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE OF THIS PROCEEDING OR ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS, IN YOUR CHILD'S ADOPTION WITHOUT YOUR CONSENT THEREBY ULTIMATELY TERMINATING YOUR RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA.**

Dated this 16th day of September, 2020.

/S/ LAURA CORBIN JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

APPROVED:

/S/ PEARY L. ROBERTSON Peary L. Robertson, OBA #22895 NAAV, CIRCLE PROJECT P.O. Box 2336 Seminole, OK 74818 Tel: (405) 382-7300 Fax: (844) 861-1976 robertson@robertsonlawoffice.org Attorney for Petitioner

(Published October 29 & November 5, 2020)

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

In the Matter of the Estate of Tara Rachele Marsh

Deceased.

NO: PB-2020-4

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

All creditors having claims against Tara Rachele Marsh, deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the attorney for the named personal representative, Michael D. Tipps, attorney at law, at his office located at Six East Main, Ardmore, Oklahoma 73401 on or before the following presentment date: **December 31, 2020** or the same will be forever barred.

Original signed by MICHAEL D. TIPPS, OBA #9028 Attorney for James Ted Marsh II Personal Representative of the Estate of Tara Rachele Marsh Six East Main Ardmore, Oklahoma 73401

**Commissioners Proceedings**

(Published October 29, 2020)

**Monday, October 19, 2020**

Chairman Mike Thompson called regular meeting of 10-19-20 to order at 9:20 a.m. Answering aye was Thompson, Jacky Hallmark and TJ Clements. Others present Kathy Ritchie, Curtis Parker, Brooke Burch, Kenny Power, Guylla Hart, Rana Smith, Gary Dodd, Lanette Coppedge, Tootie Wood, Sharline Pitmon and Kathy Ross.

Hallmark moved to approve minutes of 10-13-20, second by Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson. Hallmark moved to approve REAP Grant Payment Request, total project \$69,904.61 and \$52,000.00 will be reimbursed from REAP Grant 20-002, second Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson. The close out document will be put back on the agenda at a later date once the funds are received.

Clements moved to approve ODOT 324A Claim Forms for Dist #1, J/P#32331(04) Bullard Chapel Road Fox Engineering for \$6,960.00, second Thompson, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson. Clements moved to approve ODOT 324A Claim Forms for Dist #1, J/P#32331(04) Bullard Chapel Road Avery Construction for \$37,080.00, second Thompson, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson.

Clements moved to approve Tire Purchase for the County Wide Air Trailer in amount of \$360.00, these are the original tire that came with the trailer when purchased, second Hallmark, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson. This will be taken from the ¼ cent Comm/Fchief account.

Board discussed several concerns that could arise with Johnston County COVID-19 Pandemic. Sick leave for the employees was discussed for COVID sick employees and children. As reading the United States Department of Labor employee rights minimum requirements we check with ACCO to see what requirement other counties are following. Will be on the agenda 10-26-20.

Board took no action on Emergency Payroll Plan for the County Employees Due to COVID-19. An email was sent to Auditor office, waiting on a response.

No action was taken on 2020 tax season procedures. Is there any way to have a drop box for taxes to be paid? We will need to check with Auditors to see what the liability is for cash payments that could be dropped in the drop box in error. Also, Forte is the banking institute that charges the

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**BID NOTICE**

The City of Wapanucka will be taking bids on a 1999 New Holland Backhoe. Body type 555E, vin#0316.

Drop off or mail in bids to City of Wapanucka, PO Box 247 or 211 S. Choctaw Ave, any questions call 580-937-4272.

(Published October 29 & November 5, 2020)

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Billy H. Moody, DECEASED.

Case No. PB-20-27

**COMBINED NOTICE  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS;  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
PETITION FOR  
ADMISSION  
OF WILL TO PROBATE,  
PETITION FOR  
SUMMARY  
ADMINISTRATION,  
HEARING ON THE FINAL  
ACCOUNTING, AND THE  
PETITION FOR  
DETERMINATION OF  
HEIRS, DISTRIBUTION  
OF ESTATE AND  
DISCHARGE**

surcharge on the credit card fees. Waiving this fee is probably not possible. This will all be discussed further and will be on the agenda 10-26-20.

Transfers: None, Monthly Blankets: None, Monthly Report: None, Claims: 911 92, TOUCHTONE COMMUNICATIONS, 6.75, General 738, TOUCHTONE COMMUNICATIONS, 1.23, 739, OG&E, 215.77, 740, OG&E, 84.77, 741, TISHOMINGO WATER DEPARTMENT, 296.70, 742, JOHNSTON COUNTY SENTINEL, 525.25, 743, OG&E, 2522.93, 744, OG&E, 219.69, 745, TOUCHTONE COMMUNICATIONS, 3.94, 746, OG&E, 79.56, 747, OG&E, 215.78, 748, TOUCHTONE COMMUNICATIONS, 1.20, 749, TOUCHTONE COMMUNICATIONS, 3.20, 750, OSU COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERV, 3333.33, Health 40, QUILL, 421.73, 41, MCKESSON-MEDICAL-SURGICAL, 400.63, 42, MCKESSON-MEDICAL-SURGICAL, 496.33, 43, OG&E, 320.22, 44, TISHOMINGO WATER DEPARTMENT, 110.75, 45, PITNEY BOWES, 133.65, ;

Highway 513, TOUCHTONE COMMUNICATIONS, 14.95, 514, JOHNSTON COUNTY DOZER, 360.00, 515, COURTESY P.C., 79.00, 516, THOMPSON, MIKE, 104.08, 517, WARREN CAT, 885.00, 518, PITMON OIL, 1607.63, 519, CALDWELL HYDRAULIC CYLINDER REPAIR, 471.00, 520, PITMON OIL, 3026.64, F-F 14, TOUCHTONE COMMUNICATIONS, 2.51, CMT 15, TOUCHTONE COMMUNICATIONS, 5.86, B-Comm 10, AUTO-CHLOR, 197.90, BSF 113, TISH LUMBER, 14.28, 114, TOUCHTONE COMMUNICATIONS, 15.34,

Report gave by Commissioners Secretary, New Business: None, Public Hearing: None

Hallmark motioned to adjourn meeting at 10:40 a.m., second by Clements, vote aye Hallmark, Clements and Thompson

Approved on 26th of October, 2020

(Seal)

Attest: /s/ Kathy Ross, County Clerk

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

# Johnston County Business & Service Directory

Advertising in the Business and Service Directory is \$4.00 per column inch per week. Ads must run a minimum of 13 weeks.

<p><b>Plumbing, Electrical &amp; Construction</b></p> <p><b>Doug's Plumbing</b> Contractor Lisc. # 6936 Prof. Drain Cleaning Repair • Remodel Quality Service 371-2255 (TFN)</p> <p><b>MIKE'S CONSTRUCTION</b> Residential &amp; Commercial Wood Decks • Sheet Rock • Taping &amp; Bedding • New Additions • Composition &amp; Metal Roofing • Concrete Slabs • Painting Interior &amp; Exterior • Ceramic Tile • Custom Metal Buildings <b>(580) 795-4263</b></p> <p>Subscribe to the <b>Johnston County Sentinel</b></p>	<p><b>OTHER SERVICES</b></p> <p><b>SEWING MACHINE SERVICE</b> Service on all makes 20 years experience <b>Ernest Brown</b> 505 North Burris <b>(580) 371-3510</b> (TFN)</p> <p><b>Hwy 22 RV Park</b> 1551 W. Main St. (just west of Tishomingo) Owners: Annetta and Rick Kelley Full hooks, showers, laundry, storm shelters, wifi, DirecTV, ADT Rates: Daily • Weekly • Monthly <b>(580) 371-7447</b> (TFN)</p> <p><b>LOOKING TO INCREASE TRAFFIC TO YOUR BUSINESS? WE CAN HELP! BUY AD SPACE HERE; CALL 371-0275.</b></p> <p><b>Blue River RV Park</b> Daily, Weekly and Monthly Rates Laundry Facilities • Game Room with pool table, poker table, many other game tables, dart board, 55 inch television, central heat &amp; air and electric fireplace • Wifi • Kids Playground Area • Walking Trail • Outdoor Wood Firepit with wood provided <b>4700 OK Hwy 78 East, Milburn • Call (580) 443-5912</b> (TFN)</p>	<p><b>LANDSCAPING &amp; LAWN CARE</b></p> <p><b>PERRY'S LAWN CARE</b> Small Scale Decorative Landscaping • Mowing Edging • Trimming Trees &amp; Shrubs • Leaf Removal Light Hauling • Cleanups Spring &amp; Fall <b>(580) 272-3402</b> (TFN)</p> <p><b>Brown's Lawn and Small Tractor Service</b> Leaf Removal • Mowing • Roof Cleaning • Tree Trimming • Brush Hogging • Driveway Work • Land Cleaning. Good job for a fair price! Call <b>(580) 387-9797</b> (TFN)</p>
<p>5x10 10x10 10x12 12x12 Buildings Available</p>	<p><b>Tishomingo Mini Storage</b> To Rent Storages Come to All Star Vehicle Sales • 1505 W. Main St. • <b>(580) 371-2662</b></p>	<p><b>Glen &amp; Jayne Hull</b> <b>(580) 371-7257</b> <b>(580) 371-2662</b></p>
<p><b>Milburn Mannsville Madill</b></p>	<p><b>Mini Storage</b> Dan &amp; Peggy Shaffer <b>(580) 513-3350</b></p>	<p>5x10 10x10 18x10 10x20 Storage Available (TFN)</p>

# Work to begin on new bison enclosure

Work on the Chickasaw National Recreation Area's new bison enclosure is scheduled to begin in late October.

Planning for this project began in 2017. Work scheduled for this fall includes surveying and staking the fence line, as well as some vegetation removal to prepare the site for fencing.

Visitors to the park may see machinery in the area as preparation work takes place. Fence construction is scheduled to begin in the spring. The park bison herd was first established in February 1920, when three bison were brought to the park from Wichita Mountains National Wildlife Refuge and

housed in a small pasture near Pavilion Springs.

In 1933, the Civilian Conservation Corps began work on an 84-acre bison pasture, and the herd was moved to that location the following year, where they have lived ever since.

"We've had our bison herd in the same pasture for 86 years, which is a long time to have such large animals in one place," Superintendent Bill Wright said.

"We are building a new pasture on the other side of the highway, not as a replacement, but as a second pasture we can use to rotate the animals to and from. This will let us better manage the land in

both areas for the benefit of the bison."

Once the bison are relocated, park staff will be able to perform much needed prairie restoration work in the current enclosure to benefit this native species.

To learn more about how the National Park Service and the Department of the Interior manage 19 bison herds in 12 states, including the herd at CNRA, visit <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/bison/protecting-bison.htm>.

For more information about the Chickasaw National Recreation Area, visit [www.nps.gov/chic](http://www.nps.gov/chic), or call the Travertine Nature Center at (580) 622-7234.



**Name**  
Neva Gayle Breach

**Age**  
Legal

**Residence**  
918 East Celeste  
Garland, Texas 75041

**Relationship to Decedent**  
Daughter

**Name**  
Billy McGregor

**Age**  
Legal

**Residence**  
4955 FM 697  
Sherman, Texas 75090

**Relationship to Decedent**  
Son

**Name**  
Beverly Diane Moody

**Age**  
Legal

**Residence**  
P.O. Box 494  
Bells, Texas

**Relationship to Decedent**  
Daughter

**Name**  
Steven Moody

**Age**  
Legal

**Residence**  
4175 CR 4640  
Trenton, Texas 75490

**Relationship to Decedent**  
Son

**Individuals or Entities Nominated in Will**

**Name**  
Neva Gayle Breach

**Age**  
Legal

**Residence**  
918 East Celeste  
Garland, Texas 75041

**Relationship to Decedent**  
Daughter

**Name**  
Steven Moody

**Age**  
Legal

**Residence**  
P.O. Box 494  
Bells, Texas

**Relationship to Decedent**  
Daughter

with a copy being provided to the Petitioner and the attorney for the same, and if an objection is not made within the allowed time, all persons will be deemed to have waived any objection to the Petition and the relief prayed for.

If an objection is filed on or before the hearing date, on the hearing date the Court will determine whether summary proceedings are appropriate, and, if so, whether the Estate will be distributed and to whom the Estate will be distributed. The Special Administrator shall present the final accounting at the final hearing.

TO ALL CREDITORS OF THE ABOVE NAMED DECEDENT: All creditors having claims against the above named Decedent are required to present the same, with a description of all security interest or other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to Jared Easterling at the offices of Easterling Law Office at the address shown below, within thirty (30) days following the filing of the Petition and Combined Notice herein, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 20th day of October 2020.

/s/ Laura Corbin  
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Jared Easterling, 31544 Easterling Law Office 225 West Main Tishomingo, Oklahoma 73460 Telephone: (580) 219-8900 admin@easterlinglawoffice.com Attorney for Petitioner

(Published October 29 & November 5, 2020)

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

**In the Matter of the Estate of RANDY JACK RYAN a/k/a RANDY J. RYAN, Deceased.**

**Case No. PB-2019-26**

**NOTICE OF HEARING FIRST AND FINAL ACCOUNT, PETITION FOR DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION, APPROVAL OF**

**ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND EXPENSES, AND DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**

Notice is hereby given that Lida Fay McGee, the duly appointed and qualified Personal Representative of the Estate of Randy Jack Ryan a/k/a Randy J. Ryan, Deceased, has filed her First and Final Account, Petition for Decree of Distribution, Approval of Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Expenses, and Discharge of Personal Representative.

A hearing has been fixed by the Judge of the Court for the 10th day of November, 2020, at 1:30 o'clock p.m., in the District Courtroom, County Courthouse, Tishomingo, Johnston County, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in the Estate are notified to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the Account should not be settled and allowed, the Estate distribution, the Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Expenses approved, and the Personal Representative discharged.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 2020.

/s/ Laura Corbin  
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Kristen L. Speer, OBA #30283 Little Law Firm, PLLC P.O. Box 618 Madill, OK 73446 Telephone: (580) 795-3397 Fax: (580) 795-5072 kristen@littlaw.com Attorney for Personal Representative

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed Bids for the construction of the **Town of Wapanucka - State Highway 48 Water Main Utility Relocation, J/P 31052(06), STP-235C(039)UT** project will be received by **Town of Wapanucka**, at the office of the **Wapanucka Town Hall, 211 S. Choctaw Street, Wapanucka, OK 73461** until **2:00 pm** local time on **November 24th, 2020**, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project consists of relocation of water lines for ODOT highway widening and bridge replacement including boring of Sandy Creek.

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a lump sum and unit price basis.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: **Wall Engineering, 223 N Washington, Durant, OK 74701, (580) 924-1800.**

Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the office of **Wapanucka Town Hall, 211 S Choctaw Street, Wapanucka, OK 73461**, on Mondays through Wednesdays between the hours of **8am - 4pm.**

Complete digital project bidding documents are available free of charge by going to [www.civcastusa.com](http://www.civcastusa.com) and searching under the project name. Please contact CivCast directly at the contact information listed on their website for membership and download information. Hard copy bidding documents are available through

CivCast at the rate specified on the website. All addenda issued for this project will **only** be posted on [www.civcastusa.com](http://www.civcastusa.com).

Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and shall include bid bond.

In accordance with the **BUY AMERICA** requirements of the Federal Regulations (23 USC § 313 and 23 CFR § 635.410) all manufacturing processes, including the application of coating, for all steel and iron products furnished r permanent incorporation into the work on this project shall occur in the United States.

**Owner: Town of Wapanucka**

**By: Leonora Burnett**

**Title: Mayor**

**Date: October 22, 2020**

(Published October 29, 2020)

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE VARIOUS FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020, AND ESTIMATE OF NEEDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021, OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE BOARD OF JOHNSTON COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

EXHIBIT "Z"	STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2020		E.M.S. Detail
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Cash Balance June 30, 2020			\$1,269,487.12
Investments			\$ -
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			<b>\$1,269,487.12</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:</b>			
Warrants Outstanding			\$ -
Reserve for Interest on Warrants			\$ -
Reserves From Schedule 8			\$ 46,954.36
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</b>			<b>\$ 46,954.36</b>
<b>CASH FUND BALANCE (Deficit) JUNE 30, 2020</b>			<b>\$1,222,532.76</b>
<b>ESTIMATED NEEDS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021</b>			
	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>SINKING FUND BALANCE SHEET</b>	<b>SINKING FUND</b>
Current Expense	\$ 2,146,170.35	1. Cash Balance on Hand June 30, 2020	\$ -
Reserve for Int. on Warrants & Revaluation	\$ -	2. Legal Investments Properly Maturing	\$ -
Total Required	\$ 2,146,170.35	3. Judgments Paid To Recover By Tax Levy	\$ -
<b>FINANCED:</b>		4. Total Liquid Assets	\$ -
Cash Fund Balance	\$ 1,222,532.76	Deduct Matured Indebtedness:	
Estimated Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 586,873.76	5. a. Past-Due Coupons	\$ -
Total Deductions	\$ 1,809,406.52	6. b. Interest Accrued Thereon	\$ -
Balance to Raise from Ad Valorem Tax	\$ 336,763.83	7. c. Past-Due Bonds	\$ -
		8. d. Interest Thereon after Last Coupon	\$ -
		9. e. Fiscal Agency Commissions on Above	\$ -
		10. f. Judgments and Int. Levied for/Unpaid	\$ -
		11. Total Items a Through f	\$ -
		12. Balance of Assets Subject to Accruals	\$ -
		Deduct Accrual Reserve if Assets Sufficient:	
		13. g. Earned Unmatured Interest	\$ -
		14. h. Accrual on Final Coupons	\$ -
		15. i. Accrued on Unmatured Bonds	\$ -
		16. Total Items g. Through i.	\$ -
		17. Excess of Assets Over Accrual Reserves**	\$ -
		<b>SINKING FUND REQUIREMENTS FOR 2020-2021</b>	
		1. Interest Earnings on Bonds	\$ -
		2. Accrual on Unmatured Bonds	\$ -
		3. Annual Accrual on "Prepaid" Judgements	\$ -
		4. Annual Accrual on "Unpaid" Judgements	\$ -
		5. Interest on Unpaid Judgements	\$ -
		6. Annual Accrual From Exhibit KK	\$ -
		Total Sinking Fund Requirements	\$ -
		Deduct:	
		1. Excess of Assets Over Liabilities	\$ -
		2. Surplus Building Fund Cash	\$ -
		Balance to Raise By Tax Levy	\$ -
<b>EXHIBIT "Z"</b>			<b>SINKING FUND</b>
** If line 12 is less than line 16 after omitting "h" deduct the following each in turn from line 4, "Total Liquid Assets".			\$ -
13d. j. Unmatured Coupons Due 4-1-2021			\$ -
14d. k. Unmatured Bonds So Due			\$ -
15d. i. Whatever Remains is for Exhibit KK Line E.			\$ -
16d. Deficit as Shown on Sinking Fund Balance Sheet			\$ -
\$ -			\$ -
17d. Less Cash Requirements for Current Fiscal Year in Excess of Cash on Hand (From Line 15d Above).			\$ -
18d. Remaining Deficit is for Exhibit KK Line F.			\$ -

**CERTIFICATE - GOVERNING BOARD**

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, COUNTY OF JOHNSTON, ss:

We, the undersigned Emergency Medical Service Board of Johnston County Oklahoma, do hereby certify that at a meeting of the Emergency Medical Service Board of the said County, begun at the time provided by law for Counties and pursuant to the provisions of 68 O.S. Section 3002, the foregoing statement was prepared and is a true and correct condition of the Financial Affairs of said Emergency Medical Board as reflected by the records of the District Clerk and Treasurer. We further certify that the foregoing estimate for current expenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, as shown are reasonably necessary for the proper conduct of the affairs of the said Emergency Medical Service Board, that the Estimated Income to be derived from sources other than ad valorem taxation does not exceed the lawfully authorized ration of the revenue derived from the same sources during the preceding fiscal year.

/s/ Paul D. Roan  
Chairman of Board

/s/ Jim White  
Member

/s/ John Germany  
Member

/s/ Jeff Caskey  
Member

/s/ Keith Plummer  
Member

Attest /s/ Kathy Ross  
County Clerk  
(Seal)

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

/s/ Alanda E. Smith  
Notary Public #07011800  
Exp. 12/06/2023  
(Seal)

# Election Continued from Page 1

former felony conviction to increase the statutorily allowable base range of punishment for a person subsequently convicted of a felony.

SQ 805 excepts and does not apply to persons who have ever been convicted of a violent felony.

Individuals who are currently incarcerated for felony sentences that were enhanced based on one or more former felony convictions, and whose sentences are greater than the maximum sentence that may currently be imposed for such felonies, may seek sentence modification in court.

The new article also sets forth a detailed process for such sentence modification, including but not limited to requirements for a hearing, appointment of counsel for indigent petitioners, and notification of victims, and requires that the court impose a modified sentence no greater than the current maximum sentence which may be imposed on a person convicted of the same felony with no former felony convictions, and which results in no greater time served in prison than under the original sentence.

It establishes an appeal procedure, provides an effective date, and contains a severability clause.

The other ballot initiative - State Question

814 - seeks to amend Article 10, Section 40 of the Oklahoma Constitution, which directs proceeds from the State's settlements with or judgments against tobacco companies.

Currently, Section 40 directs 75 percent of proceeds to the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund (TSET Fund), where earnings may only be used for tobacco prevention programs, cancer research, and other such programs to maintain or improve the health of Oklahomans.

The remaining 25 percent of proceeds are directed to a separate fund for the Legislature, which can direct some of that 25 percent to the Attorney General. SQ 814 would switch the percentages of proceeds, giving 25 percent to the TSET Fund and the remaining 75 percent to the Legislative Fund; the Legislature may continue to direct a portion to the Attorney General.

The measure would also restrict the use of the Legislative Fund. Section 40 currently states only that the Legislative Fund is subject to legislative appropriation. If this measure passes, money from the Legislative Fund must be used to get federal matching funds for Oklahoma's Medicaid Program.

## Other Races on the Ballot

Also to be determined are the races for the U.S. Senate seat currently held by James Inhofe, and the District 2 U.S. Congressional seat held by Markwayne Mullin; the contest between GOP incumbent Todd Hiett and Libertarian challenger Todd Hagon for the Oklahoma Corporation Commission; and several judicial retention questions for judges on the Oklahoma Supreme Court, Court of Criminal Appeals and Court of Civil Appeals.

For a full listing of candidates whose names will appear on next Tuesday's ballot, visit the Oklahoma State Election Board's website at <https://www.ok.gov/elections/support/electionlist.htm#35>

## Tips For Voters

Wheaton said Monday that anyone who needs to look up their polling place, verify their registration information, or view a sample ballot can do so online. The Online Voter Tool can be accessed on the Oklahoma State Election Board's website: [www.elections.ok.gov](http://www.elections.ok.gov).

Those who vote by mail can also check the status of their ballot using the Online Voter Tool. Sample ballots are also available at the County Election Board office.

Oklahoma law requires every voter who votes in person at the

precinct polling place or during early voting at the County Election Board to show proof of identity before receiving a ballot. While only one proof of identity is required, there are three ways for voters to prove their identity under the law:

- Showing the free voter identification card issued to every voter by the County Election Board;

- Showing a valid photo ID issued by federal, state or tribal government; or

- Signing an affidavit and voting a provisional ballot. (If the information on the affidavit matches official voter registration records, the ballot will be counted after Election Day.)

Wheaton also stated that physically disabled voters who cannot enter the polling place, need help marking their ballots, blind or visual-

ly disabled voters, and illiterate voters may be assisted by a person the voter chooses. In all cases, a person providing such assistance may not be the voter's employer or an agent of the employer or an officer or agent of the voter's union.

A person providing assistance also must swear or affirm that the voter's ballots will be marked in accordance with the voter's wishes. Alternatively, all blind, visually impaired and physically disabled voters in Johnston County may use the audio-tactile interface (ATI), a feature offered on all Oklahoma voting devices, to vote privately and independently, either at the Johnston County Election Board during early voting or at their assigned polling place on Election Day.

Voters who have

moved since the last election, but who have not transferred their voter registration to their new address, may do so on Election Day by going to vote at the polling place where their registration has been in the past.

While voting, they may fill out a form instructing the County Election Board to transfer their registration to the new address before the next election.

In addition, voters who became physically incapacitated after 5 p.m. on Election Day can still request an emergency absentee ballot. Those who might qualify for an emergency absentee ballot should contact the County Election Board office at (580) 371-3670 as soon as possible for more information.

For more election-related information, visit [www.elections.ok.gov](http://www.elections.ok.gov).

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local Otasco, at that time owned by the Caskey family.

Much has changed since that day and time, but as my kids grew up in Tishomingo, I tried to, as my son would say, "Channel big John" and told them, "It is the business of business."

You see, much like my family and me, my father and mother depended on their friends and fellow businessmen and women to do business with them.

In turn they would also do business back with those who were local, keeping all they could in this community.

For the Lokeys of my parents generation, this was next to law.

What John Lokey was trying to say to his son so many years ago, and you can ask any of my siblings (they also received versions of the same statement), was to do business with those

who do business with you. Support your community.

Most of my parents' living was derived from our community.

Times for small-town businesses have changed dramatically since then, but it still holds true.

In various forms over the last 25 years, I have been a Main Street businessperson in Tishomingo. I thank each and every one of you for your patronage through the years and into the future.

My family and I also have tried to do the same.

Shop, trade and seek out the products and services that you can purchase here first. Your community merchants and professionals appreciate it.

Buy local first!

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prove the policy.

"What are we going to do, supersede federalation law?" he asked.

Citing various and often conflicted remarks made in the media and by federal officials regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, Hallmark dismissed claims that a cure would be found.

"AIDS, the flu, colds, pneumonia - we don't have cures for any of those," Hallmark said. "We have them under control, but we haven't got any cures. This is going to be with us for a long time."

Two related items - regarding an emergency payroll plan for county employees due to COVID-19, and procedures for the 2020 tax collection process due to COVID-19 - were also tabled again until next week.

Also during Monday's meeting, the commissioners voted 3-0 to approve an invoice from the Southern Oklahoma Development Association (SODA) for administrative fees related to the the recent "railroad loop" road improvement project in Ravia.

Thompson said the administrative fees amounted to \$5,076.

The commissioners had previously approved a payment request for the Rural Economic Action Plan (REAP) grant funds awarded for the project at last week's meeting. Clements had said at the time that the total cost of the project was \$69,904.61.

The county was awarded \$52,000 in REAP funds for the project, with the rest paid through county match.

The commissioners also voted 3-0 to formally approve the purchase

of property located adjacent to the District 3 county barn in Ravia, and to pay a portion of the closeout cost from the District 3 highway fund.

Clements and County Clerk Kathy Ross said the property is being purchased for \$65,000. The total cost, including close-out, was reported at \$65,142.42.

In other business Monday, the commis-

sioners voted 3-0 to approve transcripts of proceedings and county deeds from the Johnston County Treasurer's Office for properties acquired by the county through resale.

The properties in question include Lots 42 and 50, Block D, at Holiday Haven in Butcher Pen; Lot 295, Block D, also at Holiday Haven; and Section 31, T2S, R6E near Connerville.

# VOTE

## Cacy Cribbs

### District 2 Commissioner

- Construction experience
- Management experience
- Bachelor's degree in Occupational Safety and Health



(Paid for by Cacy Cribbs)

## OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENT

Having been the elected Sheriff of Johnston County for five terms and soon to be 20 years, and being a member of the Sheriff's Office here for over 30 years, I have become very well acquainted and knowledgeable of the fact that being a Sheriff requires some very essential and crucial elements to one's makeup. By much time in the law enforcement field, and plenty of experience in just about any situation that may face a Sheriff, I have been provided with some unique insight of how important it is that citizens of a county make a much thought out and careful decision of who they elect as their Sheriff.

Times have certainly changed from the days of being able to throw a badge on someone, call them Sheriff, and expect them to figure things out as they go along. In present times - that is a recipe for disaster! Law enforcement administrators in this country, of which Sheriffs are such, increasingly by the day, see their responsibilities continually become more and more complicated, problem laced and liability ridden. The necessity of electing a well-qualified, well-trained and well-experienced person to the position of Sheriff is paramount! And needless to say, the qualities of a good character, total transparency and a profound integrity should be a must for one seeking this position. The Office of Sheriff is a position of public trust and one that absolutely demands a person who has a servant's heart - and a heart for the job!

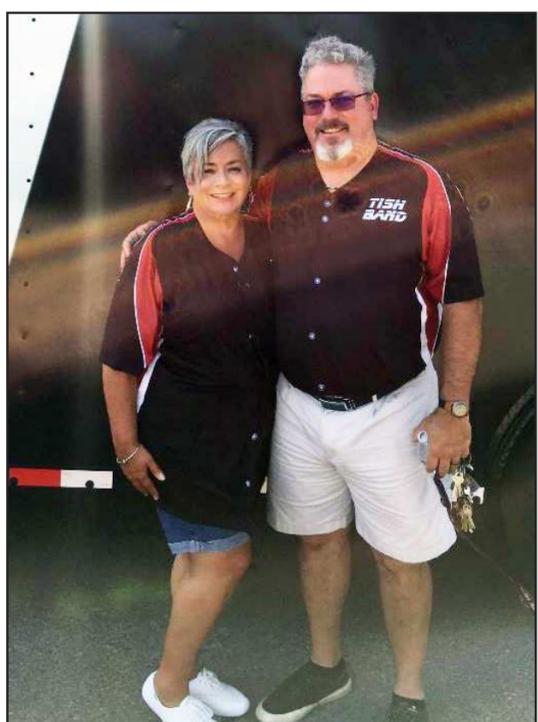
Certainly anyone that meets eligibility requirements set forth by the State of Oklahoma to become a candidate for Sheriff has the right to seek that office if they so choose. And most certainly, the person so chosen by voters in this county will seat this chair when I vacate it. I very humbly thank those voters who have allowed me to do that for two decades. At the same time, I ask the citizens of Johnston County to "look before you leap" when you vote for your next Sheriff. Each of you will make your own decision of who you vote for to fill this position.

Therefore, I hereby officially endorse present Undersheriff Gary Dodd to succeed me as Sheriff. Gary has served this country for 12 years in the military which involved active combat zones in the Middle East theatre. Gary, upon return to civilian life, chose law enforcement as his career profession to this date. He has received an enormous amount of law enforcement specialized training and active experience as a patrol officer, criminal investigator, drug enforcement agent, interview specialist, and member of the U.S. Marshal's Fugitive Task Force for several years, just to name a few. Gary has committed himself to serving and protecting the families and citizens of this county, exercises a relentless devotion to fighting the crimes and evil that are present in our society today, and is a solid defender of the rights of the people provided by the Constitution of the United States. He has exhibited his abilities during his employment here as Undersheriff of this county, and very much proven himself as a very capable leader of others during his time with this Sheriff's Office. The list goes on - however, space is limited. So, I hereby request to the citizens of this county that you elect Gary Dodd as your next Sheriff!

**Jon Smith - Johnston County Sheriff**  
(Paid for by Gary Dodd)

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