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What When & Where

A Financial Aid Workshop for seniors and their parents will be Tuesday, January 27 at 5:30 p.m. The workshop will be held in the Lindsay High School Library. Ms. Nancy Moat, financial aid director for USAO will be giving the presentation. Topics to be covered will include grants, loans, work study, and scholarships for higher education. The FAFSA form will be discussed, and parents with particular questions on how to fill out the FAFSA form will be given that opportunity. Information given will be applicable to any college or university as well as many private institutions. Juniors and their parents are also welcome to attend. The workshop will be finished in time for the basketball games. For more information, call Tom Herrin, Lindsay High School counselor at 756-3132.

Area swine breeders are invited to attend the annual Garvin County Swine Breeder's Banquet, scheduled for 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 27, 2009. The meal will be catered by Bob's Pig Shop.

Please RSVP by contacting the Garvin County Cooperative Extension office at 405-238-6681 or email nanette.shultz@okstate.edu before Friday, January 23, 2009.

The Lindsay Kiwanis Club is having a pancake/bacon supper Friday, January 30 in the Lindsay School Cafeteria from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tickets will be \$6 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6-12. Children 5 and under eat free. Proceeds will go for scholarships and Shady Grove Park improvements. Tickets can be purchased from any Kiwanis member or at the door.

The Lindsay Round-Up Club will be celebrating their 60th anniversary this year and would like to have the names of past presidents and years served. They are also seeking queen and princess candidates. Please contact Keith Hassler at 580-744-1267 or Una Johnson at 405-756-4266. Deadline is February 10.

Beekeeping Workshops Scheduled. A series of workshops for potential beekeepers will be held beginning Saturday, February 21, 2009 at the Nora Sparks Warren Library, 210 N. Willow, Pauls Valley. The first of the four-week workshops will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Registration fee is \$35 for individuals and \$50 for couples.

For more information please contact Jim Condit at 405-756-2884.



Lindsay Round-Up Club press box is shown. The Club recently updated and remodeled the press box. The Club will be celebrating their sixtieth year this year.

Lindsay Round-Up Club To Celebrate Sixtieth Year

The Lindsay Round-Up Club is gearing up and looking forward to everyone's support in making this a special year to help them celebrate their sixtieth year. The annual Rodeo will be held May 8 and 9, 2009.

The Club is seeking names of past presidents so that they can be acknowledged in the rodeo program. If anyone has information or pictures that they would like to share please contact Keith Hassler at 580-744-1267, Una Johnson at 405-756-4266, or Wayne Estes at 405-756-7141.

The Club is currently accepting queen candidates for the Rodeo. All girls from the surrounding community between the ages of 13 and 19 that can ride are eligible. The contestants must also be a member of the club before February 10, 2009 meeting. The winner will receive a tiara and saddle and must participate in the club activities

Lindsay Book Fair To Be Held

The Lindsay Elementary and Middle Schools will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair, February 2 through 6, 2009 to purchase books for the Media Center. Families, teachers, and the community are invited to attend the Book Fair, featuring a fun theme of Light! Camera! Book Fair!

Tuesday, February 3, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. the Book Fair will host a Family Night with door prizes.

The Book Fair will be held daily from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Friday.

The Media Center is located at 402 SW 8th.

The Book Fair will offer specially priced books and educational products, including new releases, award-winning titles, children's classics, interactive software, adult books, and current best sellers from more than 100 publishers. A jar for pocket change will also be available. It will be set out for the "One for Books" program, which helps Kids in Distressed Situations-KIDS.

Book Fair customers may help the school build classroom libraries and improve children's reading skills by purchasing

throughout the year.

Any member interested in running for the trophy trailer must be entered by February 10, 2009 meeting.

To become a member, please contact president Keith Hassler no later than February 10, 2009. New members are always welcome, however, according to the bylaws of the club, no new memberships are allowed between the February and June monthly meetings. The cost of membership is \$20 for a family and \$10 for an individual. Members must be active participants in the club activities and attend monthly meetings.

The Club meets at the Arena on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend the monthly meeting in February, March, and April to help make this a special year for the sixtieth anniversary.

books through the Classroom Wish List programs.

For more information contact Kay Gage, Lindsay Elementary/Middle School Library at 405-756-3134 extension 229.



President Barack Obama is sworn in as the 44th President of the United States during the inauguration ceremony in Washington, January 20, 2009. Michelle Obama watches at right. The Bible Obama used was the same one that President Abraham Lincoln used at his Inauguration in 1861.

Superintendent Greteman Announces Retirement From Lindsay Schools

The Lindsay Board of Education received a letter of resignation from longtime Lindsay School superintendent Doyle Greteman at their January meeting.

"For the past 39 years, public education has been my life. I have had the privilege to serve in four school districts, and have especially enjoyed the last 15 years here," stated Greteman in his resignation letter to the board. Greteman's retirement will be in effect at the end of the 08-09 school year.

Doyle Greteman was hired in 1994. He came to Lindsay from Hydro, Oklahoma where he had served as school superintendent for five years.

"When it comes to students, no problem is too great or too small for Mr. Greteman. He is very genuine in his concern for his students," stated Mr. Dan Chapman, Lindsay Elementary principal.

In his 15 years at Lindsay Greteman has accomplished many things for the students of Lindsay Schools. He was captain on the elementary playground build, and he was successful in building the media center with a computer lab and library for the elementary and middle schools. The entire school has new floors, and the roofs have been replaced.

"These technology devices, facilities, and teachers help prepare our children for their place in a very fast paced and changing world. There are several intangible qualities Mr. Greteman posed that guided not only his personal conduct, but shaped and molded the overall environment of Lindsay Schools," said board member Lynn Scruggs.

There are two new pre-k buildings, a remodeled field house,



Superintendent Doyle Greteman

a new floor in the old gym, new concessions and bathrooms at the football and baseball fields, batting cages at the softball field, and new bleachers at the softball field and a new track.

The bus fleet and transportation vehicles are in excellent condition and new, there are smart boards in all classrooms, a new security system, a PE building porch, ceiling and air conditioner, a new vehicle for the Ag department, and a refurbished auditorium.

Greteman has been successful in keeping bonds passed for school improvement, the teachers and support staff have always received

a stipend, and most importantly he treats everyone with respect and makes ethical decisions.

"Good schools can only become great if school boards are wise enough to hire a superintendent and let that person run the school. You have allowed me to do that for 15 years without interfering in any way, shape, or form. Even though you left me alone, you were always there when I needed advice or your opinions on important issues. You are truly a large part of the reason this school has achieved the respect it has." Greteman stated on his school board members, Larry Winn, Lisa Burch, Lynn Scruggs, Bill Harrison, and Kris Cummins.

"Make no mistake about it: Lindsay is a wonderful community, and a great place to live and work. Nothing will ever change the fact that it is the place we chose for our daughter to spend her last three years in high school, a decision we have never regretted. After spending 12 years at Yukon Schools as a teacher and assistant principal, seven at Blanchard as principal, and five at Hydro as superintendent, I am privileged to have spent the last 15 years of my public education career here." stated Greteman.

Greteman and his wife Brenda will both be retired and are looking forward to retirement.

"I am keeping my options open, I will remain active, and I may stay indirectly involved in some aspect of education. I feel like it is time to do something different. We may do some traveling, and will spend time with our grandkids." Doyle said on his plans after retirement.

Weekend Weather



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Matchbook Memories

by Dr. Jerry G. Nye

PRESIDENTIAL LEGACIES A NEW ERA

America entered a new era this week with the inauguration of President Barack Obama. Each President brings with him a new era in the history of America. But Barack Obama's presidency will represent a new and, for some, an unexpected turn in our nation. When we study American history, it is amazing that an African American could be elected President. As recently as World War II, African Americans could not even serve in the same military unit with Caucasian servicemen. Even though some Black units had outstanding combat records in World War II, they served in segregated units commanded by white officers.

My brother, Jim, remembers one Black unit from World War II. Jim was a nose gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber flying missions out of Italy. Some of their missions were long flights to Germany, Austria, and Hungary. Early in his tour of duty, there were no fighter escorts capable of flying the entire distances with the bombers. The bombers were alone much of the time, inviting targets for German ME 109 fighters.

Then everything changed with the arrival of the Tuskegee Airmen, Black fighter pilots who had been trained at Tuskegee Institute in Alabama. The Tuskegee Airmen arrived with the P-51 Mustang fighter planes, the best planes of World War II. The P-51 Mustang fighters had tails painted bright red and were promptly labeled "The Red Tails." These P-51 Mustangs, flown by Black pilots, escorted the bombers all of the way to their targets and back home again. In all of the mission they flew, the Red Tails never lost a single bomber to German fighters. Jim said that it was very comforting to sit in his nose turret and see the Red Tail P-51 fighters flying alongside them. It did not matter what color

the pilots' skin was. They were brothers in arms.

By the time I entered the military, President Truman had desegregated the Armed Forces. I served in Korea with a large Black sergeant from Atoka. Sergeant Dorsey was an impressive figure, a career soldier who knew how to lead. When things were going wrong and the troops were losing their composure, Sergeant Dorsey, in a calm, almost amused voice, would recite a little couplet: "When in danger, when in doubt, run in circles, scream and shout." That little jingle always seemed to restore calm. I never thought of Sergeant Dorsey as a Black First Sergeant. I thought of him as a good First Sergeant.

When I coached baseball at Northern Oklahoma College in the early 1960s, we had one Black player. Some restaurants in Eastern Oklahoma would not serve him. The team voted that if Freddie could not eat, the team would not eat. The team would go to another restaurant. All of the coaches were proud of them.

Although many of us may not have voted for Barack Obama, he is our President now. He enters his presidency with the greatest challenge since Franklin D Roosevelt. As America joined with President Roosevelt to restore America and defeat our enemies, so should we join Barack Obama as he takes on the daunting task of leading America for the next four years. When Barack Obama took the oath of office, we could imagine Abraham Lincoln, Harry Truman, Martin Luther King, and Robert F. Kennedy nodding their approval as the first African American President assumed the role of the most powerful leader on earth.

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MATC Celebrates School Board Recognition Month

In recognition of the dedicated service, January is designated School Board Recognition Month. Mid-America Technology Center joins in the celebration with 539 local and 29 Career Tech school districts, in Oklahoma, as more than 2700 elected school board members are honored for their untiring dedication to school governance.

Mid-America would like to thank our school board members, W. G. Clements, Jr., Mike Hancock, Kenneth Hawkins, Joe Ray and Donna Stokes, for their tireless commitment as they strive to provide a better future for our children and our communities.

"The foundation of school leadership is ensuring equal learning opportunities for all students," says Dusty Ricks, Mid-America Superintendent. "We're proud of our district, and School Board Recognition Month is the time to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our elected trustees."

Board members



Mid-America Technology Center board members arriving for the January 12 meeting, Kenneth Hawkins, President, Purcell; Donna Stokes, Member, Blanchard; Joe Ray, Member, Wnette; W.G. Clements, Jr., Vice President, Lindsay (not pictured Mike Hancock, Clerk, Wynnewood), take time for a quick photo before getting down to business.

contribute hundreds and hundreds of hours each year leading their districts. Whether, crafting policies, hiring top-notch administrators, listening to staff and student concerns or recognizing outstanding

programs, board members always keep their eyes on the goal of student achievement.

The time spent on board meetings represents just a small fraction of the hours school board members spend leading their districts. They also work hard at seminars and training sessions to keep abreast of the latest trends in educational leadership. Their love for learning, and concerns and caring for students, staff and community, drives board members' desire to lead so students can achieve.

American Legion Auxiliary Meets

American Legion Ball Smith Auxiliary Unit #23 held their monthly meeting Tuesday, January 6, 2009, in the Lindsay Senior Citizens building at 7 p.m. Georgia Baxter, president, called the meeting to order.

Freida Smith gave the opening prayer and Georgia Baxter led the pledge of allegiance. Carolyn Hutto led the singing of the National Anthem. Everyone joined in repeating the preamble to the Constitution of the American

Legion Auxiliary. Roll call of officers was answered.

Minutes of the December 2, 2008 meeting were read and approved. Linnie Covell gave the treasurer's report.

Members sent Christmas cards to recovering American soldiers at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington D.C.

Articles for the Sulphur Veteran's home were purchased and homemade candy and cookies were taken to Sulphur December 12, 2008.

American Legion Auxiliary mid-winter conference was held January 9-11 at the Biltmore Hotel at 401 S. Meridian in Oklahoma City.

Members present were Freida Smith, Linnie Covell, Allene Lindsey, Carolyn Hutto, Jerry Jones, Ruby Boydston, Glenna Condit, Judy Holden, Georgia Baxter, and Pearlee Adams.

Freida Smith adjourned the meeting with prayer. The Auxiliary will meet February 3, 2009 at 6 p.m. with a covered dish dinner with guests from Elmore City Legion and Auxiliary. Any eligible lady interested becoming a member may contact any of the auxiliary members.

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114 W. Chickasaw
756-2382 or 756-2387

Rev. Dr. Stephen Hale, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.

Missionary Baptist Church

903 S. Main
Steve Boydston, Pastor

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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 6:30 p.m.

Fellowship of Living Faith

206 S. Main
Pastor Bryce Schaffer
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Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

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Rick McGee In Concert

Rick McGee, along with his family and friends, will be sharing in concert this Sunday evening January 25 at 6 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church in Lindsay.

Rick was music and youth pastor at Calvary from 1982-1989. In 1991, while serving on the staff at First Baptist in Noble, Rick suffered kidney failure and eventually received a transplant from his father. He has recently received a second transplant from his wife, and hasn't looked

back.

Rick now serves as pastor and worship leader at First Baptist of Wayne, OK, but he and the group travel throughout the year and to many states sharing the gospel in word and music.

Don Holden is another member of this team that was once music director at Calvary. There will be southern gospel, praise and worship, hymns, and laughter! Come be a part of this experience, and bring someone who needs to be cheered up!

Living Word Cowboy Church Meets In Bradley

The first service for the newly founded Living Word Cowboy Church is now history.

This service was held Thursday, January 8 at 7 p.m. in the Bradley Community Building. Twenty-two people were in attendance.

Larry and Pearline Perkey would like to invite everyone to come and worship with them every week. There is a children's church service as well.

For more information contact Larry or Pearline Perkey at 756-3699 or 344-7315.

THANK YOU

To family and friends of Marie Bolton,

Thank you for the outpouring of love, support, and prayers you have given us during our time of grief. Your thoughtfulness and generosity in the form of food, flowers, cards, calls, and visits has been truly overwhelming. A special thank you to the congregation at the First Baptist Church of Lindsay and to Brother Randy Allen for providing such a beautiful service. Marie would have been honored.

Sincerely,
Bill Bolton

The Mosely families and the Bolton families.

Several Lindsay and other Garvin County residents enjoyed a trip to Branson during the Christmas holidays.

Highlighting the trips was the newest attraction to Branson, the Sight and Sound Theatre, and the production of NOAH. Sight and Sound Theatres present Christian Broadway. Other shows included were SIX and Tony Orlando and the Lennon Sisters.

They had free time for shopping at the Outlet Malls and Branson Landing. Dinner one evening was at the beautifully decorated Keeter Center at the College of the Ozarks. The College of Ozarks is a working college. The delicious meal was prepared and served by students.

The morning the group was to return home was a Sunday. They had a devotion on the motor coach and took up an offering. They stopped at a small church near Ozark, MO and left the donation. A blessing was received by those on board as well as the recipients.

Lindsay participants were: Bill and Mary Barnes, Sarah and Charlotte Burkes, Helen Cox, Joy Everett, Curtis and Phyllis Hayes, L.B. and Ina Hoyle, Anna Rose Kempf, Fredda and Amber Perry, Jr. and Wanda Reeves, Mona and Barbara Thomas, and Joyce Wilhoit. Joining the group in Oklahoma City was Arda Cook.

Pauls Valley travelers were Rose Ella Blackwood, Joyce Dunn, Winnie Johnson, Mary Meinders, June Pearson,



Friends International toured Branson for the holidays.

Anne Ruster, and Betty Williamson.

From Elmore City were George and Maxine Dale,

Vernon and Jeanetta Tillery/ and from Lawton were Glenda Colwell, and Stevie Welcher. From Ada were Tommy and

Virginia Welcher.

Friends International tour directors from Lindsay were Joe and Leah Kennedy.

Friendship Club Meets For January Meetings

A New Year's Eve party was held in the home of Joy Everett. It was an evening of fun and games. Everyone brought snacks and finger foods.

Attending the party were Merle and Carrie Schwartz, Fannie Stansbury, Helen Cox, Bob and Betty White, Emma Cantrell, and hostess Joy Everett.

While waiting to see the old year out and the new year in, everyone enjoyed palying card games, such as Pitch, and Wahoo, eating and visiting.

A good time was had by all. Most made it to see the new year except Merle. I guess it was past his bedtime.

Friendship club met in the home of Emma Cantrell for the January meeting. It was a cold day, according to the news it was the coldest we had so far and thinking it would be a good day to stay home, but braving the cold and doubting if anyone would

show up. The Club was pleasantly surprised all members were present and they were soon warmed by friendly greetings and visiting with friends and forgot about the cold winter wind blowing outside.

President Joy Everett called the meeting to order.

Everyone sang "My Country Tis of Thee" led by Thelma Love. The Creed was led by Helen Cox and Thelma Love led the flag salute and was followed by prayer.

A devotional about having a vision for the new year was given by Betty White.

Members Emma Cantrell, Joy Everett, Wanda Reeves, Thelma Love, Fannie Stansbury, Carrie Schwartz, Betty White, Helen Cox, and Lois Knapp answered the roll call telling about their best Christmas ever.

Minutes of the previous meeting was given by Lois Knapp as well as a report on the Thanksgiving dinner held at Lori Ann's Cadillac Ranch

and the Christmas party at Jr. and Wanda's home.

The treasurer's report was given by Helen Cox.

It was discussed and decided for the club's monthly luncheon to go to "Three Sister's Restaurant" in Paoli.

President Joy Everett announced it was time to pay dues and elect officers for 2009. A motion was made to keep all officers and have them serve two years. The motion was passed.

Wanda Reeves won the hostess gift.

Since there was no more new business the meeting was adjourned and refreshments of chicken salad sandwiches and a delicious carrot cake with coffee and apple cider.

Everyone received a gift of four beautiful writing pens.

February meeting will be hosted by Helen Cox.

After having such a wonderful meeting everyone left renewed with a new resistance to the cold outside.

Keeping your Wellness in Mind!

Duncan Regional Hospital's mission is to provide compassionate and exceptional healthcare while improving our communities' quality of life. We are continually planning for the future, seeking to implement services to meet the needs of our communities. By keeping your wellness in mind, we will keep our mission's promise for improvement and will always be a solid, dependable healthcare resource for you and your loved ones for years to come. We are hometown people - taking pride in our work, our families and in our hospital. Duncan Regional Hospital operates medical clinics in Comanche, Velma, and Lindsay, bringing our strength and stability to our neighbors in the rural community.



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Duncan Regional Hospital is one of the most progressive and innovative hospitals in rural Oklahoma. From simple beginnings in 1977 to present, the hospital has undergone four major renovations and is not finished growing and expanding its services.

Duncan Regional Hospital is one of the most technologically advanced and forward-thinking health care facilities in Oklahoma, if not the nation. The hospital's dedication to excellence is recognized by the many awards that have been achieved.

DRH was selected for the Thomson 100 Top Hospital Award in 2005 and 2007 based on objective statistical performance measurements across four critical areas: clinical process and outcome, patient safety, operational efficiency, and financial stability. Duncan Regional Hospital is ranked in the top 10 percent on hospital-wide performance when compared with national peers.

The organization's commitment to new technology has earned the hospital a place on Hospital & Health Network's "Most Wired" list for four out of the past six years. The Most Wired Survey and Benchmarking Study measures the nation's hospitals on their use of

information technologies for quality, customer service, public health and safety, business processes and workforce issues.

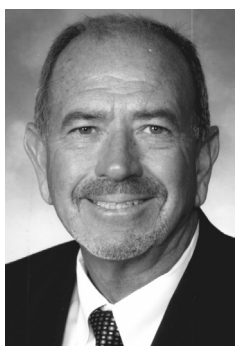
Additionally the hospital has been awarded the VHA Leadership Award for Clinical Excellence for four years running. This award honors organizations that have differentiated themselves around national performance standards by achieving exceptionally high levels of performance.

These recognitions required a concerted effort by all levels of the organization - including the board of directors, physicians and hospital team members. Everyone at Duncan Regional Hospital is proud to work together as a team to exceed your expectations.



Tall Tales

by Doyle Greteman



Superintendent, Lindsay Schools

As we enter the second semester of this school year, we realize how quickly the time has flown.

In the blink of an eye, seniors will soon find that the day they have looked to with both anticipation and apprehension for so many years has arrived.

What's important for them to realize at this point is that school is not over yet, and that they need to "finish strong."

This is not a new concept. Volumes have been written on the subject of "finishing strong." We all like to conclude any endeavor we're involved with on a positive note.

An ex-student, who moved away from here after his eighth grade year, came by the school last week, inquiring about trying out of his high school in another state last year, but is now wanting to finish here.

It's occurrences like this that make us sit back and take notice about what our purpose really is.

Of course, we like to prepare students for the next stage of their lives as well as we can, with the ultimate goal being to challenge them to pursue the career that will be most satisfying to them.

That usually includes enrolling in college or a vocational-technical school, or pursuing some other type of post-secondary education.

There are times, however, when the most achievable goal is to find the quickest way to a high school diploma. That in itself may open doors that would otherwise be closed forever.

With the advent of the A.C.E. Legislation, new requirements

will be coming soon in regard to passing certain tests in order to receive a standard diploma. It begins with this year's freshman class. We have addressed this in past columns, and want our students to realize this legislation, in some form or another, is probably here to stay.

What that means is that the term "finish strong" applies not only to seniors, but to all our students. Once they reach that freshman year, they will have to pass at least four end-of-instruction (EOI) tests in order to receive that standard diploma. These tests are not generated locally, therefore it's not possible to "cram" as we would under normal circumstances.

The best way to plan for these tests is to stay focused all year long, and listen carefully to the instructors as they deliver the curriculum. If students can do this, it will be much easier for them to pass these end-of-instruction tests.

"Finishing strong" doesn't necessarily mean that we don't ever fail. It doesn't mean we don't fall down in some area. What it does mean is that when we do, we pick ourselves up the best way we can and try again.

One of our biggest concerns about the A.C.E. legislation has been that it could potentially cause more dropouts. The concern comes from the fact that if a student fails the EOI a few times, that student may begin to lose hope and believe that they will NEVER be able to successfully complete the test.

Remediation, of course, will be offered for these students. It

is our hope that they will take the remediation very seriously, and do their best to improve their scores on these EOI tests.

"Finishing strong" will not really mean anything different than it ever has, but in regard to a high school diploma, it will be more important because students will not only have to obtain the required number of credits; they will have to pass these tests as well.

As we continue our pursuit of excellence, it is critical that we don't lose sight of our mission.

Let's never forget that there are more important lessons to be learned in school than how to pass a test. We don't want to lose those kids like the one who returned here last week. He found something here he needed, people who cared about him as a person, not just a number.

Hopefully, as these next few years unfold, we will find a way to help all our students "finish strong," not just those who are good test-takers. Only then will we be able to say that the A.C.E. legislation was a success.

Lindsay Basketball News

Lindsay Splits With Marlow

The Lindsay teams faced the Outlaws of Marlow and sent them packing with split results. The Leopardettes fell short of their opponents by three points, 49-52. One final attempt by Lindsay to score before the buzzer for an overtime opportunity bounced off the rim.

It was a very close contest with neither team gaining the distinct advantage over the other. These ladies certainly put all their effort into the competition and left in on the court. Deven Robbins contributed buzzer beater points at the conclusion of two separate quarters. Courtney Lariscy came off the bench to be a difference maker in scoring and defense.

The Leopards won their match 44-29 after gaining an early lead and never relinquishing the fact. There was a new energy level on the court as the Lindsay offense proved difficult for Marlow to manage, considering all the movement by each of the Leopards. Lindsay also capitalized on several opportunities for quick scores during the transitions game after Outlaw turnovers were forced.

Lindsay Splits With Tuttle

The Leopardettes kept fans on the edge of their seats as they defeated the Tuttle Lady Tigers 54-53 in overtime last Friday. Trailing by seven points at the half and end of the third quarter, Lindsay turned up the juice to tie 47-47 at the end of regulation time. The Leopardettes also were in the bonus by having only 4 team fouls to Tuttle's 9.

Lindsay, trailing by one point as time on the clock wound down to the final seconds of OT, had an unsuccessful field

goal attempt. But, Donna Jones quickly snagged the offensive rebound and tried to get another shot off. A foul, committed by Tuttle, put Jones at the charity strip for two shots.

Luck was on the Tiger's side as both shots rimmed out. However, the herculean effort of Shelby Lee to grab that last rebound frustrated one of the Tuttle players to elicit a blatant, two-handed shove in the back that sent Lee sprawling. Following a conference of the referees, the foul called against the Lady Tiger stood with 66 seconds on the clock.

Lee confidently stroked both free throws through the net to give the Leopardettes the win by one point. The thrill of victory was an exciting thing to experience for both players and fans alike.

The Leopards hit the court with their work cut out for them. The Tigers had a 7 point lead after the first quarter, extended to a 10 point lead for the half and maintained at the conclusion of the third quarter.

Although Tuttle had large, strong players who played very physical, Leopards struggled with their opponent to effectively block out. With 4:33 on the clock in the fourth quarter, Lindsay had minimized the deficit to only four points. A foul and a technical against Tuttle allowed Jordan Lukens four shots at the free throw line. Lukes, exuding poise, accurately completed the task at hand to tie 38-38 and the Leopards took possession out of bounds.

This turn of events placed the Leopards in the bonus with only 2 team fouls to the Tigers 7. Buckets were traded and each team vied for maximum minutes of ball control until there was only 47.76 seconds left in the contest with Tuttle leading 45-47. When the Leopards were unable to profit from their final scoring opportunity, fouls by Lindsay sent Tuttle to seal the fate with free throws.

Leopard News

By: Paige Howell

January is flying by! Thursday through Saturday, the Leopards and Leopardettes will be participating in the Tishmingo Tournament. On Monday, Junior high basketball will be playing Pauls Valley; girls away and boys at home. On Tuesday, the Leopards and Leopardettes will be playing at home against Bethany. On Wednesday, there will be a NHS officers meeting at noon. Good luck to all! Have a great week!



Senior Deven Robbins #22 takes a shot against the Marlow Outlaws. Also pictured are Shelby Lee #13, and Tess Robbins #21. (Photo by Sheryl Kochert).



Senior Jordan Lukens #32 takes a shot against the Tuttle Tigers. (Photo by Sheryl Kochert).



Doug Ezell #3 takes a shot as Scott Hacker #22, and Brennan Zurlne #24 look on. (Photo by Sheryl Kochert).

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Alex Elementary Honor Roll Released

Alex Public Schools has released its second nine weeks honor roll list for the 2008-2009 school year.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll for T-1 was Cedric Clemons.

Students named to the principal's honor roll for T-1 were Julia Brown, Breanna James, Kody Meeks, and Isaac Reyes.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll were first graders Kade Bauman, Mary Elmore, Brayden Keller, Breanna Mills, Sam Otey, Bailee Stapp, and Jesse Graham.

First graders named to the principal's honor roll included Jewel Avery, Brycen Mitchell, Ashlynn Roadifer, Tobi Rouse,

Dallas Richmond, Raylee Savage, and Kasey Wilkerson.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll in T-2 was Dustin Tolson.

T-2 students named to the principal's honor roll included Robert Clemons, Kameron McCarthy, Eduardo Salcedo, Rebekha Schoonover, and Kylie Seely.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll were second graders Tony Craddock, Cayleb Hunter, Carson Mainka, Faith Terry, Kylee Wolfe, Braylyn Cook, and D.J. Sipes.

Second graders named to the principal's honor roll were Trey Adams, Kooper Boatwright, Cory Cunningham,

Doc Harrington, Brennae Hines, Dakota Stanart, Lydia Stewart, Madison Wilson, Austyn Woods, Adin Elmore, Nikalus Jones, Darlaann Pettijohn, and Kaithlyn Rhodes.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll was third grader Miranda Bartlett.

Third graders named to the principal's honor roll were Eddie Cantrell, Ryan Dees, Wyatt Gregory, Dalton James, Zoe Mainka, Brittney Robertson, and Chris Vana.

Named to the principal's honor roll were fourth graders Michael Archer, Landon Baker, Mason Barrington, Tyler Dees, Rayvin Diego, Dalton Gregory, Kylie Hughes, Brelynn Ibsen,

Dakota James, Johnathan Jones, John LaPoint, Kylie Nielsen, Tyler Patton, Samuel Pearson, Ross Reeves, Desa Reyes, Hope Smith, and Jenna Walton.

Fifth graders named to the principal's honor roll included Paige Luna, Victoria Johnson, Zarek Baker, Delaney Brand, Marlee Helm, and Cole Pettigrew.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll were sixth graders James Graham, and Jacob Otey.

Sixth graders named to the principal's honor roll included Faith Alexander, Anthony Mainka, Brittany Jo Pettijohn, Katie Ratzlaff, Guy Socall, Tiffanie Stapp, Samantha Underwood, and Brad Watson.



Tales From Turkey

By: Amber Minson

As we enter the second semester of this school year, we realize how quickly the time has flown.

In the blink of an eye, seniors will soon find that the day they have looked to with both anticipation and apprehension for so many years has arrived.

What's important for them to realize at this point is that school is not over yet, and that they need to "finish strong."

This is not a new concept. Volumes have been written on the subject of "finishing strong." We all like to conclude any endeavor we're involved with on a positive note.

An ex-student, who moved away from here after his eighth grade year, came by the school last week, inquiring about trying to finish school. He had dropped out of his high school in another state last year, but is now wanting to finish here.

It's occurrences like this that make us sit back and take notice about what our purpose really is.

Of course, we like to prepare students for the next stage of their lives as well as we can, with the ultimate goal being to challenge them to pursue the career that will be most satisfying to them.

That usually includes enrolling in college or a vocational-technical school, or pursuing some other type of post-secondary education.

There are times, however, when the most achievable goal is to find the quickest way to a high school diploma. That in itself may open doors that would otherwise be closed forever.

With the advent of the A.C.E. Legislation, new requirements will be coming soon in regard to passing certain tests in order to receive a standard diploma. It begins with this year's freshman class. We have

addressed this in past columns, and want our students to realize this legislation, in some form or another, is probably here to stay.

What that means is that the term "finish strong" applies not only to seniors, but to all our students. Once they reach that freshman year, they will have to pass at least four end-of-instruction (EOI) tests in order to receive that standard diploma. These tests are not generated locally, therefore it's not possible to "cram" as we would under normal circumstances.

The best way to plan for these tests is to stay focused all year long, and listen carefully to the instructors as they deliver the curriculum. If students can do this, it will be much easier for them to pass these end-of-instruction tests.

"Finishing strong" doesn't necessarily mean that we don't ever fail. It doesn't mean we don't fall down in some area. What it does mean is that when we do, we pick ourselves up the best way we can and try again.

One of our biggest concerns about the A.C.E. legislation has been that it could potentially cause more dropouts. The concern comes from the fact that if a student fails the EOI a few times, that student may begin to lose hope and believe that they will NEVER be able to successfully complete the test.

Remediation, of course, will be offered for these students. It is our hope that they will take the remediation very seriously, and do their best to improve their scores on these EOI tests.

"Finishing strong" will not really mean anything different than it ever has, but in regard to a high school diploma, it will be more important because students will not only have to obtain the required number of credits; they will have to pass these tests as well.

As we continue our pursuit of excellence, it is critical that we don't lose sight of our mission. Let's never forget that there are more important lessons to be learned in school than how to pass a test. We don't want to lose those kids like the one who returned here last week. He found something here he needed, people who cared about him as a person, not just a number.

Hopefully, as these next few years unfold, we will find a way to help all our students "finish strong," not just those who are good test-takers. Only then will we be able to say that the A.C.E. legislation was a success.

Leadership Mid-America Class Holds January Meeting



During the January session of Leadership Mid-America, Class XII took a "southern swing" to the Pauls Valley-Wynnewood area. During the tour of the Toy & Action Figure Museum, the group presented Kevin Stark with a donation for the Museum. The day also included a presentation by Della Wilson, Pauls Valley Chamber, tours of The Willows Assisted Living Center, The Leopard Lasso (rustic western furniture & accessories), Bedre Chocolates and Valley Vineyard Winery.

The class is shown in the picture at left.

Lisa Rollings, City of Elmore City; Starla Givens, Purcell Municipal Hospital; Ann Hull, LMA Board Member; Kevin Stark; Melissa Busby, South Central Medical & Resource Center, Lindsay; Kay Collett, McClain Bank, Purcell, and Meredith Marquard, Maysville Library; Laura Clark, Pishons Treasurers, Blanchard; Adriana Chavez-Losoya, Pioneer Library System, Purcell; Candice Jeffries, First American Bank, Maysville; Margie Keely, McClain Bank, Noble; Nathan Taylor, IBC Bank, Pauls Valley.

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Garvin County Commissioner Proceedings

January 5

The Board of Garvin County Commissioners met on the above date with Chairman Shon Richardson, Members Kenneth Holden and Johnny Mann present. County Clerk Gina Mann and Barry Porterfield with the Pauls Valley Daily Democrat also present. Commissioner Holden moved Commissioner Richardson seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried. Richardson and Mann voted yes. The Board approved blanket purchase orders. The Board made the following request of appropriations to the Excise Board: Sheriff Service Fees-Courthouse Security-----\$1229.00 The Board approved the monthly report of County Clerk Gina Mann for the month of December. Commissioner Holden moved Commissioner Richardson seconded to continue the barn ban for seven (7) more days and to immediately notify all agencies regarding this decision. Motion carried. Commissioner Mann moved Commissioner Richardson seconded to continue the barn ban for seven (7) more days and to immediately notify all agencies regarding this decision. Motion carried. Holden, Mann and Richardson voted yes. The Board does hereby resolve to purchase the following :
 Nine Wheel Pneumatic Packers, Ten-Wheel Dump Trucks, Backhoe
 No action was taken regarding the OHFA Home Program.
 Board received a application from ACCO for the underwriting of insurance.
 Susan Coldwater with Delta Transit met with the Board requesting financial help. No action was taken.
 The Board approved the following claims:

2008-2009 GENERAL

869.....	GARVIN CO. CONSERVATION DIST.....	140.00.....	MAPS
870.....	GARVIN CO. CONSERVATION DIST.....	180.00.....	MAPS
871.....	SPRING HOUSE WATER CO.....	28.39.....	WATER
872.....	CODA.....	135.00.....	REGISTRATION
873.....	PITNEY BOWES.....	330.00.....	LEASE AGREEMENT
874.....	HINKLE PRINTING & SUPPLY.....	314.81.....	SUPPLIES
875.....	BLACKBURNS HOME CENTER.....	325.89.....	SUPPLIES
876.....	MIDWEST PRINTING.....	134.89.....	FORMS
877.....	CENTRAL FIXTURES.....	32.98.....	BUFFING PADS
878.....	PAULS VALLEY MUNICIPAL.....	1070.58.....	SERVICE
879.....	STATE AUDITOR & INSPECTOR.....	2113.70.....	Audit

HEALTH

173.....	FISHER, LORI.....	393.12.....	TRAVEL
174.....	MOORE, LISA.....	31.59.....	TRAVEL
175.....	WARD, JOHANNA.....	35.10.....	TRAVEL
176.....	NEWS PAPER HOLDINGS INC.....	58.00.....	ADVERTISING
177.....	PITNEY BOWES.....	60.62.....	LEASE AGREEMENT
178.....	LINDSAY PUBLIC WORKS AUT.....	176.90.....	SERVICE
179.....	WINDSTREAM.....	162.16.....	SERVICE
180.....	GOFF, DONNA.....	239.88.....	DOT SERVICES

HIGHWAY FUNDS

1355.....	ZEP MANUFACTURING CO.....	713.80.....	SUPPLIES
1356.....	GARVIN CO. CONSERVATION DIST.....	120.00.....	PLAT BOOKS, ETC.
1357.....	MCGEE COMPANY.....	328.36.....	SUPPLIES
1358.....	GARVIN CO. CONSERVATION DIST.....	160.00.....	PLAT BOOKS, ETC.
1359.....	GARVIN CO. CONSERVATION DIST.....	200.00.....	PLAT BOOKS, ETC.
1360.....	STEELCO.....	16.20.....	SUPPLIES
1361.....	MUSGROVE LUMBER CO.....	39.92.....	PAINT
1362.....	INTERSTATE BATTERIES.....	30.00.....	BATTERY, ETC.
1363.....	P&K RIVERSIDE TRACTOR.....	56.57.....	CABLE
1364.....	TRUCK PARTS OF ADA.....	500.18.....	PARTS
1365.....	JAMES SUPPLY.....	77.10.....	PARTS
1366.....	TRUCK ACCESSORIES OF CHICKASHA.....	505.00.....	MATERIAL
1367.....	QUALITY EXHAUST.....	200.18.....	MUFFLER
1368.....	ECHO SERVICES INC.....	150.00.....	REPEATER RENTAL
1369.....	BOB S TRUCK REPAIR.....	1766.13.....	PARTS & LABOR
1370.....	STANDRIDGE EQUIPMENT.....	38.86.....	SUPPLIES
1371.....	CONSOLIDATED TIRE COMPAN.....	133.95.....	PARTS
1372.....	CINTAS FIRST AID & SAFETY.....	122.35.....	SUPPLIES
1373.....	STEELCO.....	28.87.....	STEEL
1374.....	T D RADIO.....	181.90.....	PARTS & LABOR
1375.....	WINDSTREAM.....	227.70.....	SERVICE
1376.....	OG&E.....	338.71.....	SERVICE
1377.....	RUSH TRUCK CENTERS OF OKLAHOMA.....	502.34.....	PARTS
1378.....	CENTERPOINT ENERGY.....	188.36.....	SERVICE
1379.....	AT&T.....	200.96.....	SERVICE
1380.....	OKLA. NATURAL GAS CO.....	689.40.....	SERVICE
1381.....	WINDSTREAM.....	298.01.....	SERVICE

SHERIFF SERVICE FEES

106.....	TIGER COMMISSIARY.....	489.06.....	COMMISSIARY ITEMS
107.....	GALL S INC.....	174.94.....	UNIFORM

COUNTY CLERK LIEN FEES

17.....	PITNEY BOWES.....	243.00.....	LEASE AGREEMENT
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SALES TAX

200.....	SETH WADLEY FORD.....	5234.56.....	MOTOR
201.....	WALMART COMMUNITY BRC.....	590.00.....	SUPPLIES
202.....	STANDRIDGE TIRECENTER.....	477.16.....	PARTS & LABOR
203.....	WALMART COMMUNITY BRC.....	493.64.....	SUPPLIES
204.....	FUELMAN OF SOUTHERN OKLAHOMA.....	884.13.....	FUEL
205.....	ECHO SERVICES INC.....	325.00.....	RADIO LEASE
206.....	OKLA. SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION.....	600.00.....	MEMBERSHIP DUES
207.....	CINTAS FIRST AID & SAFETY.....	64.81.....	SUPPLIES
208.....	WILLIAMSBURG SMALL ANIMAL CLIN.....	82.42.....	VET. CHECK
209.....	BLACKLEDGE & ASSOC. ARCHITECTS.....	26805.00.....	ARCHITECTURAL FEES

Commissioner Mann moved Commissioner Richardson seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Holden, Richardson and Mann voted yes.

ATTEST:
 GINA MANN
 COUNTY CLERK

BOARD OF GARVIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 CHAIRMAN SHON RICHARDSON
 VICE CHAIRMAN JOHNNY MANN
 MEMBER KENNETH HOLDEN

January 12, 2009

The Board of Garvin County Commissioners met on the above date with Chairman Shon Richardson, Members Kenneth Holden and Johnny Mann present. County Clerk Gina Mann and Barry Porterfield with the Pauls Valley Daily Democrat also present. Commissioner Holden moved Commissioner Richardson seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried. Richardson, Holden and Mann voted yes. The Board approved blanket purchase orders. The Board made the following request of appropriations to the Excise Board:
 Sheriff Service Fees----- \$22,073.31
 Sheriff Service Fee-INS. For Nov.----- \$25,926.00
 Sheriff Drug Fund----- \$ 000.00
 Sheriff Training Fund----- \$ 000.00
 Treasurer Mtg. Tax Fees----- \$ 1129.67
 County Clerk Lien Fees----- \$ 1675.00
 County Clerk Preservation----- \$ 4150.00
 Assessor Revolving Fund----- \$ 490.21
 GO 96----- \$ 702.74
 Law Library----- \$ 1,795.53
 Fairbarn----- \$ 250.00
 Court Clerk Revolving Fund----- \$ 3,153.51
 Court Clerk Supplemental Payroll----- \$15,000.00
 Resale----- \$ 998.88
 DA Confinement Costs----- \$ 195.50
 911 County-Wide(landlines)----- \$22,711.37
 911 County-Wide(wireless)----- \$10,183.18
 Highway Funds----- \$ 3,297.71

The Board approved the transfer of appropriations from T3 to T2 in the amount of \$40,000.00.

The Board approved the Oath of Office of County Clerk Gina Mann, Court Clerk Kay Brewer, Sheriff Bill Roady and County Commissioner Shon Richardson.

The Board approved the montly reports of Court Clerk Kay Brewer and the Garvin County Health Department for the month of December. Commissioner Holden moved Commissioner Richardson seconded to continue the barn ban for seven (7) more days and to immediately notify all agencies regarding this decision. Motion carried. Commissioner Mann moved Commissioner Richardson seconded to continue the barn ban for seven (7) more days and to immediately notify all agencies regarding this decision. Motion carried. Holden, Mann and Richardson voted yes. Jay Selzer and Mr. Caldwell with the Lindsay Fire Department and also members of the 911 Committee met with the Board regarding the old county building. Caldwell informed the Board that the Committee had approved the plans presented by Architect Larry Blackledge and recommended to the Board to also approve the plans and proceed with remodel. Caldwell also stated that the Committee had voted to establish a 911 call /dispatch center. Commissioner Mann suggested to Caldwell and Selzer to contact all communities regarding a dispatch center and see if there was enough interest to establish a dispatch center. Commissioner Holden moved Commissioner Richardson seconded to accept the recommendation of the 911 committee and proceed with the old county building's plans. Motion carried. Holden, Richardson and Mann voted yes. No action was taken regarding the call/dispatch center.

The Board granted permission to Rural Water District #6 to erect, construct and maintain a waterline along, upon or across the following: to cross a roadway approximately 2000 feet north from the southeast corner of Section 14-4N-2E.

The Board granted permission to Oklahoma Natural Gas to erect, construct and maintain a 4" PL main along, upon, or across the following described roadway: to parallel roadway approximately 950 feet west from the NE corner of Section 25-3N-1W.

No action was taken regarding the notice of merger of Basin Pipeline Holding.

The Board approved a grant application through FEMA for the purchase of two (2) generators for the 911 Center, all generator will be insured through the County Insurance's. Commissioner Holden moved Commissioner Mann seconded to leverage \$10,000.00 out of the Use Tax for the matching funds. Motion carried. Holden, Mann and Richardson voted yes. Brandon Chandler and Charles Rogers with NRSC met with the Board. No action was taken. The Board approved the following claims:

2008-2009 GENERAL

880.....	AT&T.....	170.17.....	SERVICE
881.....	LEADFORD, ROBERT F.....	525.33.....	TRAVEL
882.....	COTHREN, PHILLIS A.....	190.73.....	TRAVEL
883.....	AT&T.....	149.13.....	SERVICE
884.....	AT&T.....	203.67.....	SERVICE
885.....	AT&T.....	144.56.....	SERVICE
886.....	LEONARDS SUPER STOP.....	39.82.....	GASOLINE & ETC.
887.....	ASSURANCE PEST CONTROL LLC.....	125.00.....	PEST CONTROL
888.....	CINTAS CORPORATION.....	140.10.....	RUG SERVICE
889.....	BLACKBURNS HOME CENTER.....	36.45.....	SUPPLIES
890.....	COLORGRAPHICS THE PRINT SHOP.....	98.11.....	RECEIVING REPORTS
891.....	OKLA. NATURAL GAS CO.....	3370.35.....	SERVICE
892.....	COMANCHE CO REG JUV DET CTR.....	456.78.....	DETENTION SERVICE
893.....	COMMUNITYWORKS.....	198.10.....	DETENTION SERVICE
894.....	AT&T.....	60.19.....	SERVICE
895.....	AT&T.....	212.06.....	SERVICE
896.....	XEROX CORPORATION.....	242.21.....	LEASE AGREEMENT
897.....	NEWS PAPER HOLDINGS INC.....	84.00.....	SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL
898.....	OKLA. EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.....	659.13.....	UNEMPLOYMENT
899.....	PAINE, JEFFREY K.....	378.90.....	PAPER
90.....	OAT&T.....	40.42.....	SERVICE
901.....	OKLAHOMA HERITAGE BANK.....	4.00.....	FAIR WARRANTS
902.....	PAULS VALLEY NATIONAL BANK1.....	503.00.....	FAIR WARRANTS

HEALTH

181.....	GARRISON, JODIE.....	63.18.....	TRAVEL
182.....	JONES, ROSALINDA.....	31.59.....	TRAVEL
183.....	FISHER, LORI.....	47.97.....	TRAVEL
184.....	AT&T.....	256.41.....	SERVICE
185.....	POWERNET GLOBAL COMM.....	42.18.....	SERVICE
186.....	JANIE S CLEANING SERVICE.....	225.00.....	BLDG. MAINTENANCE
187.....	PAULS VALLEY MUNICIPAL.....	152.72.....	SERVICE

HIGHWAY FUNDS

1382.....	O REILLY AUTO PARTS.....	1095.82.....	PARTS
1383.....	MILLER, B. RAY.....	106.62.....	SUPPLIES
1384.....	CINTAS CORPORATION.....	112.12.....	RUG SERVICE
1385.....	O REILLY AUTO PARTS.....	409.34.....	PARTS
1386.....	DUTTON RENT-ALL.....	65.70.....	RENTAL
1387.....	SPRING HOUSE WATER CO.....	14.69.....	WATER
1388.....	MJR INVESTMENTS.....	122.60.....	HOSE, ETC.
1389.....	PETROLEUM MARKETERS.....	450.52.....	LABOR
1390.....	STANDRIDGE TIRE CENTER.....	329.73.....	TIRE
1391.....	TRINITY ELECTRIC LLC.....	870.11.....	PARTS & LABOR
1392.....	TRUCK PARTS OF ADA.....	317.51.....	PARTS
1393.....	POWERNET GLOBAL COMM.....	31.12.....	SERVICE
1394.....	OKLA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.....	374.08.....	UNEMPLOYMENT
1395.....	OG&E.....	376.28.....	SERVICE
1396.....	ELMORE PWA.....	39.88.....	SERVICE
1397.....	STANDRIDGE TIRE CENTER.....	911.90.....	TIRES
1398.....	OKLA. NATURAL GAS CO.....	341.53.....	SERVICE
1399.....	STEWART WHOLESALE.....	1224.51.....	SUPPLIES
1400.....	TRUCK PARTS OF ADA.....	332.11.....	PARTS
1401.....	OG&E.....	568.70.....	SERVICE
1402.....	US ALERT LLC.....	60.00.....	MONITORING ALARM SYSTEM

SHERIFF SERVICE FEES

108.....	GREEN COUNTRY FORD INC.....	278.57.....	PARTS & LABOR
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TREASURER MTG TAX FEES

7.....	AT&T.....	104.70.....	SERVICE
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911-COUNTY WIDE

68.....	ELECTRONIC DATA SOLUTIONS.....	107.50.....	PARTS
69.....	AT&T.....	124.27.....	SERVICE

SALES TAX

210.....	TRAVIS VOICE & DATA.....	1350.00.....	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT
211.....	STEVENSON ENTERPRISES.....	220.52.....	PARTS & LABOR
212.....	PIKE PASS.....	17.35.....	PIKE PASS
213.....	SYSKO.....	5663.51.....	GROCERIES
214.....	O REILLY AUTO PARTS.....	284.64.....	PARTS
215.....	PAINE, JEFFREY K.....	118.78.....	SUPPLIES
216.....	WHITEHOUSE, DENNIS, DR.....	212.00.....	DRS. VISITS
217.....	CENTRAL FIXTURES.....	530.86.....	SUPPLIES
218.....	ALLEE, BRIAN, DR.....	180.00.....	DRS. VISITS
219.....	SAVE-A-LOT.....	163.03.....	BREAD
220.....	PAGE PLUS.....	191.05.....	PAGER SERVICE
221.....	GLOBAL TOWER LLC.....	289.82.....	TOWER RENTAL
222.....	PAINE, JEFFREY K.....	441.70.....	SUPPLIES
223.....	SPRING HOUSE WATER CO.....	13.70.....	WATER
224.....	AT&T.....	549.64.....	SERVICE
225.....	U.S. POSTMASTER.....	420.00.....	POSTAGE
226.....	MARTIN FERTILIZER.....	14.95.....	DOG FOOD;

Commissioner Mann moved Commissioner Richardson seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Holden, Richardson and Mann voted yes.

ATTEST:
 GINA MANN
 COUNTY CLERK

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Turn off the highway and let's go down the Wallville Raod. Now, this is a fact with my hand up. September 16, 1943 in the grand tradition of Tom Sawyer, Huckleberry Finn, and Arthur Fonzarelli, William Freeman Jackson Jensen was born to George and Darlis "Brown" Jensen. Doc Gentry of the mighty metropolis of Maysville arrived in his Model A Ford and made the delivery at his grandma Jensen's home near Wallville, OK. Now, better known simply as W.F. had brothers and sisters, Jesse, Wanda, Doris Faye, Betty Jean, and Barbara all fine folk and there own story to tell. But, we want to dwell on Mr. W.F. for a few minutes and we can't tell it all in one sitting so the Lord willing we'll devote different weeks in 2009 trying to cover the life and times of a number one rounder. Now, they lived in Wallville, then to Texas, then to Snyder, OK, then back to Wallville just wherever dad's roamings took them. At the age of 3 little W.F. wandered from the house looking for mom and dad working in the fields when his sister Wanda noticed he was gone, she panicked. Mom and dad were told and the search was on. Soon Wanda looked down the trail and saw a small head bobbing along. When they questioned him about where he had been, he had a story about seeing a wolf. Dad didn't buy it and made him see stars all the way home with a bnroom weed switch. In 1947 they moved into a house his dad had built out of Persimmon poles, it had a dirt floor and a thatched roof when it rained little W.F. played in the mud puddles in the floor. Now, this is only the beginning of the

adventures of the rascal from down the Wallville Road.

January 2009, and it's cold, we've seen worse, but the older we get the colder it seems. Greetings from Wallville, legend #842.

Cindy Hunt, Aaron Hunt, Joe and Veda Dodson, Charity Hunt, I.B. Hunt are just back from a trip to Pennsylvania. Checking out the cold and visiting family along the way.

The Wallville trio of Al Hunt, Kristen and Tiffani Hunt visited with Wallville area ranchers and land harvesters, Sammy Miller and wife Martha, Sunday night at the local Gas-N-Go.

The Wallville Veteran's Committee salutes Buck Sergeant Amos Smith, 18th Artillery group. 1940-1945, World War II saw action in 5 major battles including the battle of the Bulge. We salute another fine service man.

Winner of the roses, Edward and Reba Searcy, celebrating 59 years together this January 25. They just keep holding on.

Hats off to all those that showed up for a church work day at Wallville City and thanks to those who supplied refreshments for the crew.

Direct from the pages of Old Al's Almanac-just when you thought the holidays were over, here comes Groundhog Day, February 2. Put the flag back up.

Happy 54th anniversary to my in-laws, Joe and Veda Dodson

this January 28. Now living in Blanchard, OK. The home of the Lions.

Bill Donaho, a regular at the Wallville Church reports visiting with Randy White recently and says he is doing quite a bit better and many thanks for all the prayers.

As we travel along on the birthday trail belongs to Norma Ramsey, Diane Perry, Brooke Hutson, Nolan Dacus all on the 23, Earl Cunningham, Charlotte Pigg party up on the 26, D.J. Boxley and Dillion Donaho share the 28 and Checotah Lovelace parties on down on the 26, and Amy White and the man Archie Hassler close out January 29.

Our hearts were saddened to learn of the passing of our friend Buena "Corky" Ford (79) last week, one of the Nelson girls and a student of old Hughes High. She will be missed because of the wonderful personality and kindness toward others.

What goes on behind closed doors, let us know, send your news and views for 2009. Write RR 3 Box 222-A, Pauls Valley, OK 73075 or you can call 405-207-3268 or 207-1691. Mucho grachias.

A note to Mrs. Helen Hearon, believe it or not, red birds and blue birds have been seen here abouts. Keep an eye out for those hummingbirds. The Owl Man.

Stirring the coals in the wood stove, this is the Owl Man saying be good and remembr there's a all seeing eye watching you. This is be kind to "Silas Mayhan" week.

This week's column has been sponsored by Malone's Grocery in the heart of downtown Wallville. Earl Malone, proprietor. Miss

Verdie Malone, chairwoman of the board, Bobby Hunt-security.

From the cottonfields of Snyder, OK to the red dirt roads of Wallville. W.F. Jensen was full of life, cleaning timber with his dad, working for Babe Kay. Starting school at Huhges in the third grade with Mrs. Romine, the teacher. Dub, as he was often called, would try anything from coon hunting with the Milligan boys, Garland and Buster, to jumping off the bank on a long oilfield rope swing seemingly going out forever. Checking the depth of Rush Creek so his dad could cross at a low water crossing, he waved him on only to see at three-quarters of the way across, the trucks headlights disappeared into the water. His brother, Jesse, gave him a mohawk haircut to surprise his mom, she liked to have had a heart attack and made him wear a hat everywhere he went. On the way across the pasture, with friends, R.C. McCaleb, Billy Glen, and Kenneth Holden, they saw a possum run into a hollow log. The boys blocked the ends and set one end on fire, when that log got so hot that possum was looking for a place to go and dashed out shooting fireballs everywhere. The boys took off like a herd of turtles, telling everybody they didn't have an idea how that pasture fire got started. The outhouse caught fire when he used it to experiment with smoking and to this day Dub and his cousin Jimmy Ray Turner were the only person asked to leave the Wallville Church. It seems on the way the boys had encountered a skunk and stomped him to death, not before he done his damage. Deacon Turner took them by the ear and asked them not to come back for a spell. So, we take our hats off to George and Darlis Jensen, for living through raising this boy down the Wallville Road.

OBITUARY

Buna "Corkey" Ford 1929-2009



Buna "Corkey" Ford of Lindsay, OK passed from this life January 11, 2009 in Lindsay, OK at the age of 79. Corkey was born February 26, 1929 at the Nelson home in Snyder Community south of Lindsay. A twin, along with Euna "Jennie" (Nelson) Simmons, born to George L. Nelson and Virgie L. (Rice) Nelson, Corkey was one of eight children. Her mother passed away before her second birthday, and her sister Becky who was twelve at the time stayed home to help with her younger siblings until they were old enough to attend school. Corkey was a Christian and was baptized at Snyder Baptist Church when she was eleven years old.

Corkey graduated from Hughes High School May 16, 1946. She loved to serve and worked in several restaurants as a waitress in the Lindsay area during the 1950's. She married Martin Allen Ford August 27, 1955 in Pauls Valley, OK. Corkey and Chunk did not have any children of their own, but loved to spend time and take care of their nieces and nephews. After her sister Jennie was killed in a car accident, she took care of her niece Linda every weekend

during her childhood. Corkey and Linda were always close. Corkey was like a mother to Linda, a grandmother to Linda's daughter Kelsey and later became Mimi to Kaedyn, Kelsey's daughter.

Corkey worked as a bookkeeper and cashier for Super C Mart in Lindsay for many years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lindsay, OK. Corkey loved to bake and she enjoyed baking pies for her friends and relatives and cooking for her family. She also liked watching OU basketball and football.

Mrs. Ford is survived by one sister, Mary Sue Duncan, her niece Linda Simmons-Wolfe, her great-niece, Kelsey Swinford and her great-great niece, Kaedyn Swinford. She also leaves behind a host of other nieces and nephews; Tony C. Nelson, Don Carruth, Ronnie Earl Nelson, Ann Pollan Henson, Kathy Pollan Horsley, Jana Duncan Haley, Beth Nelson Gilreath, David Carruth and John Duncan.

Mrs. Ford was preceded in death by her husband Martin Allen Ford who passed in 1974, her parents, George Lee and Virgie Lee Nelson, three sisters; Rebecca Ruth Carruth, Euna Nelson Simmons and Ina Nelson Heffington, and three brothers; George Earl Nelson, Charles Cecil Nelson, and Ewert "Speck" Lee Nelson.

Funeral services for Mrs. Ford were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at the First Baptist Church in Lindsay, OK with Pastor John Hornbeck officiating. Interment was at Erin Springs Cemetery in Erin Springs, OK. Services were under the direction of B.G. Boydston Funeral Home of Lindsay, OK. Memorials may be made to Erin Springs Cemetery Fund. Condolences for the family may be made online at www.boydstonfuneralhome.com.



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