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What When & Where

Hybarger Ditch Clean Up Begins--



The City of Lindsay, Garvin Conservation District, and Oklahoma Conservation Commission have recently started cleaning up the Hybarger Ditch. The clean up will span from NE Fourth Street to NW Fourth Street. The Conservation Commission donated \$10,000 and Lindsay matched the \$10,000 to clean up the ditch. The picture on top shows the ditch before the clean up began and the picture on the bottom shows the improvement after the clean up began. The project should be finished by June.

Garvin County Branch Of American Red Cross Kicking Off Heroes Fund Campaign

The Garvin County branch of the American Red Cross Heart of Oklahoma Chapter will be kicking off its Heroes Fund campaign in early April in Lindsay. Angielee Wright, Garvin county manager for the Red Cross, leads the fundraiser with the help of Red Cross volunteer and longtime Lindsay resident Isabel Alexander.

Wright and Alexander will be contacting local businesses, individuals, and organizations to gain support for the drive. Money collected in Lindsay remains in Lindsay for disaster relief. When communities are devastated by a tornado or a family's home is destroyed by fire, the local Red Cross provides food, clothing and shelter to those in need.

The Red Cross is not a government agency and depends on donations of time, money, and blood from the American people.

"The American Red Cross requires that the local chapter, which includes Garvin, Cleveland,

McClain, and Pontatoc counties, be prepared to absorb the costs of any disaster costing \$50,000 or less " said Wright. "There are numerous disasters that take place throughout the year, each costing \$1500 to \$15,000 which our chapter must provide for. Disasters in Garvin County, mainly single family house fires, have caused the chapter to be \$23,000 over budget this year."

Each year the Red Cross in Garvin county has an annual fundraiser which helps support or disaster relief. This past fall the event was a poker run which raised over \$6500. Each community in Garvin county is asked to help support the Red Cross and it's service to members of that community. "Any money raised in Lindsay is an enormous contribution to the program" said Wright.

Thousands of Garvin county residents are touched by Red Cross programs, thousands are trained in lifesaving skills, and

many are possibly saved by these very programs. These classes, delivered to audiences of 20 to 250 people, include disaster preparedness, health and safety, facing fear, stranger danger. Other programs delivered to schools all over the county are road safety, healthy living, and scrubby bear. In senior centers, informational programs such as home winterizing, disaster preparedness, and storm school are provided. Area residents are certified in First Aid, Adult CPR, and Child Infant CPR.

In the last six weeks, the Red Cross has provided over 1000 snacks and drinks and nearly 500 meals to firemen fighting grassfires and structure fires.

The local Red Cross is dedicated to helping people prevent, prepare for, and respond to disasters and other emergencies in so many ways. To donate, please contact Angielee Wright at 405-323-2579 or Isabel Alexander at 405-756-2312.

Early Literacy Program Coming To Lindsay



Trish Little (from left), Smart Start coordinator; Cindy Roe, ARNP; and Melissa Busby, executive director of the South Central Medical Resource Center in Lindsay, display some of the literacy books donated by Smart Start South Central. Children under 5 who visit the center will receive a book to take home. Smart Start South Central, based at East Central University, is an Oklahoma early childhood initiative.

Garvin County young children and their parents are benefitting in numerous ways, thanks to Chesapeake Energy and Smart Start South Central. Through a \$15,000 grant awarded by Chesapeake, Smart Start South Central is implementing several different early literacy and parent education programs.

Smart Start South Central has provided parenting

resource books, DVDs, CDs and pamphlets for a Family Education Center at the Nora Sparks Warren Library in Pauls Valley and another at the Lindsay Community Library. Materials worth approximately \$500 have been distributed to each site. Parents may check out any of the materials that they wish. Topics ranging from a healthy

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Pictured from left to right: The IBC Free Bee, IBC Assistant Branch Sales Manager Jenni Finney, Vice Mayor Todd Hinckley, IBC Branch Manager Johnny Price, Chamber President Chris Stinnett, Chamber Director Paula Barker and others celebrated the grand opening of IBC's newly relocated branch in Lindsay with a ribbon cutting ceremony and reception on March 20. As part of the festivities, IBC also presented a commemorative plaque to the Chamber in appreciation of its continued support of IBC Bank. Lindsay Chamber of Commerce was very appreciative in receiving this plaque. In addition to door prize giveaways including IBC cash cards and a digital camera, guests registered for the drawing to enter the IBC Money Machine and were able to take photos with the IBC Free Bee. The new 3,400-square-foot branch was designed with convenience and customer ease in mind and features a three-lane motor bank, a drive-up ATM machine lane and boasts a spacious conference room. Like all IBC branches, this location offers a full range of deposit and loan products for personal and business customers.

Weekend Weather



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Matchbook Memories

by Dr. Jerry G. Nye

BRADLEY SURVIVORS PART III

Some Bradley people made their mark through the work they did. Three men in particular added to the image of Bradley by their work in business and agriculture. One established a remarkable career in a business he founded and directed. Two others carried on a long family tradition, one in business and one in agriculture. But all three of these men left their own marks on the history of Bradley. Fred Dennis, Bob Badertscher, and Adam Carl Brown will be forever remembered for their contributions to the history of Bradley.

Fred Dennis began his life of hard work as a farm worker for John Sparkman. He married my niece, Billie, who also worked on the farm. After a few years, they began the Dennis Service Station and Cafe. With Fred operating the service station and Billie managing the cafe, they formed a thriving business. Their daughters, Freda and Veda, grew up in the business and became good students and athletes for Bradley High School.

Fred became a very successful businessman through long hours of hard work. From dawn to far into the night, Fred worked in a run. From the sweltering heat of summer through the bitter cold of winter, Fred pumped gas, fixed flat tires, changed oil, and repaired cars. He moved at a determined pace, often jogging from place to place as he worked. I never remember him complaining about being hot, cold, or tired. For many years, his service station and cafe was the nerve center of Bradley.

In addition to his business acumen, Fred contributed to the Bradley community in numerous ways. I recall Fred wielding a pick and shovel, helping to dig graves in the rocky soil of the Bradley Cemetery. When my father's funeral service had to be delayed for two hours until my oldest brother arrived, it was Fred who went to the local

telephone office and made a public announcement on each of the rural lines. Fred served on the Bradley City Council and also served as mayor of Bradley. When Bradley people were ill or children were in need, Fred was there to help.

After Fred closed his business in Bradley, he bought a farm and developed it as successfully as he did his business in earlier years. His farm shows the same dedication and hard work that marked his business in Bradley. When most men would have been content to enjoy the fruits of their labor, Fred went back to work for an oil field service company. Idleness was never a part of his plan.

I see Fred and his wife, Sue, at the Bradley Friday Night Music programs and at funerals for the Bradley people whom we knew and loved. I enjoy visiting with them and remembering the Bradley people we knew. Whenever I see Fred, I think about his hard work and determination.

I remember Bob Badertscher as a red-haired, freckled kid when I was a boy at Bradley. Bob's father, Fritz, was the Bradley Post Master ever since I could remember. The Bradley Post Office was in the back of Badertscher's Store. Wherever Fritz was, Bob was not far away.

When Fritz retired, Bob took over the store. His store served the people of Bradley for many years. Bob's store was especially important to the older people of Bradley. When they were not able to travel to Alex or Lindsay, they knew Bob's store would provide for their needs. Bob was particularly kind to my mother and my brother, Jack, in their older years. Bob once told me a wonderful story about my mother's surreptitious efforts to keep him from knowing that she was purchasing snuff.

Bob has probably the best collection of pictures of Old Bradley. Because of his family's long association with Bradley, Bob

has pictures of the business buildings, the old school, and students who once attended Bradley School. He also possesses old Post Office information and business records that trace the history of Bradley. Additionally, some of the houses that he owns such as his family home and the Grant Keeler home preserve the history of Bradley from its earliest years. Bob forms a link with the early days of Bradley.

As Bob Badertscher forms a link with the history of business in Bradley, Adam Carl Brown represents a link with both the business and agricultural history of Bradley. When I was a boy growing up in Bradley, I remember Adam Carl as a small boy going everywhere with his father, Adam. He was with his father in his pickup, in the hay truck, on the tractor, and in the broomcorn field. And he carries on the family tradition today.

The Brown family traces its roots back to the earliest days of Bradley. A.T. Brown, Adam Carl's grandfather, was an early day businessman in Bradley. A.T. Brown operated a grocery and hardware store across from where the Bradley School now stands. The native rock building resembled the old store buildings that were destroyed in the Bradley tornado. Part of the old store wall can still be seen among the small trees growing there. Brown's Store sold groceries, hardware, and even coffins in the early days. A.T. Brown also purchased farm land near Bradley, which has been passed down through the family.

Adam Carl has carried on the tradition of the Brown family. I recall him as a good player on a very good Bradley basketball team in 1957-58. When I coached at Cox City that year, we played a memorable game against Coach Ken Hays' Bradley team, which featured Adam Carl Brown, Pedge English, Gerald Taylor, Jimmy Logue, and Harold Jones.

Even the house in which Adam Carl lives carries on the family tradition. The beautiful home was built by A.T. Brown in the 1920s. In my boyhood, it was the only brick house in Bradley. As a member of the Bradley School Board, Mr. Brown provided a small house in his back yard where young male teachers could live. In 1940-41, Mr. Travis

Anthony, one of my favorite teachers and later a teaching colleague of mine, and Harry Cheadle, the Bradley coach, lived in that house. The Brown house and the small house behind it are important parts of the history of Bradley, and Adam Carl is the preserver of that history.

Adam Carl is one of the survivors of a long line of Brown

family members who were among the founders of Bradley. He carries on the tradition of farming and community leadership which has long characterized his family. His family, his home, and his land are important elements of the spirit of Bradley.

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News from the State Capitol An Update from State Rep. Lisa Billy

Focusing on your health is one of the most important things you can do for yourself.

Making sure you eat right, get enough exercise and schedule regular visits to your doctor are important if you want to avoid major problems down the road. Unfortunately in Oklahoma, our levels of obesity, smoking and heart disease rank us among some of the most unhealthy states in the country.

Of course, when you're young, you often don't think much about health care and insurance. At that point in your life, you feel invincible and are typically in solid health.

It's an understandable thought process, but the major drawback of being young is a lack of experience. You just don't realize that life has pitfalls waiting for you no matter your age and that it's important to protect yourself just in case something goes wrong.

When you are that age, you just don't see the big picture. Health insurance seems like a waste of money and is a luxury many choose to forgo.

But there are times when a young person in great shape needs medical attention. Maybe they got hurt riding a bicycle, playing basketball or driving their car. Those sudden injuries can lead to expensive emergency room visits. Without some form of insurance, that becomes a pricey situation very quickly.

So what can be done to help this segment of our population? Over the summer I worked with several members on the Health Care Reform Task Force to develop a core benefits plan that allows Oklahomans under 40 years old to purchase a cheaper, catastrophic care policy. House Bill 1038 would allow young adults to purchase basic health coverage without all of the state mandates that make full policies more expensive.

There would be many benefits to the state if it were to become law. First off, it would

provide basic coverage to our young citizens. It would also get those young Oklahomans onto the insurance rolls earlier, making it easier to track their health history and give them preventative medicine to possibly help prevent larger health issues later in life.

Sure, this move wouldn't provide the full coverage that most policies include. But in the end, it's important to provide a product that is affordable and appealing to this segment of the population just in case something does happen to them. Improving access to private health insurance is vital toward conditioning the next generation of Oklahomans to stay in the best shape possible. I believe this measure will do that, and will open the door for this age group to obtain some level of insurance.

Right now, this measure has passed the House and is awaiting a hearing in the Senate. I will keep you posted as to its progress, as this younger population makes up more than the majority of those uninsured in our state.

Lisa J. Billy (R- Purcell) serves District 42 of the Oklahoma House of Representatives. She can be reached by phone at (405) 557-7365 or via e-mail at lisajbilly@okhouse.gov.

Literacy

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home environment, appropriate discipline, and fun activities for parents and children are included in the collections.

Funding from Chesapeake also included the opportunity for Smart Start South Central to buy books for each child care center in Garvin County. Age-appropriate titles such as *Goodnight, Moon* and *A Wild Cowboy* are included in these board and hardback books. Early literacy is one of Smart Start Oklahoma's goals, and more books in the hands of young children and their

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parents is one way to help.

The Garvin County Health Department also received approximately 500 books to distribute to their young clients. As children under the age of 5 come into the health department, or are visited in their homes by a department worker, they will be given a book for them to keep as their own. The South Central Medical Clinic in Lindsay has also received books to distribute.

"Exposure to early literacy in young children is vital to improving school readiness," said Trish Little, community coordinator of Smart Start South Central. "We are excited about partnering with Chesapeake to offer these books for the children, as well as providing the Family Education Centers to the families of Garvin County."

Smart Start South Central is housed in the Center of Continuing Education and Community Services at East Central University. For more information about Smart Start and the benefits it offers, contact Trish Little at 580-559-5367.

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Father Michael Vaught

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Rev. Dr. Stephen Hale, Pastor

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Sunday Worship 10:55 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.

Missionary Baptist Church

903 S. Main
Steve Boydston, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
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
756-5118

Sunday Service 10 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Murray Hill Church of Christ

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Care Group 6 p.m. • Pew Packers 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study 7 p.m.

Monday Ladies Bible Study 1:30 p.m.



Clint Goodman
Bridgeport, TX

Clint was born and raised in Spearman, TX graduated in 1998 and attendend College at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. He began doing full time evangelistic work in 2001.

He and his wife Erika have four children, children: Levi (5) Cole (3) Jax & Macy (Twins/11months).

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Celebrate 25th Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Danny Deal

Danny and Linda Deal recently celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary during a surprise party at Lorrie Ann's Cadillac Ranch. The party was hosted by their children and church family of The Lighthouse Church.

Guests from out of two were Jeremy and Patricia Stinnett, Joe Rushing and Heather Leonard all of Oklahoma City; Vernon and Melissa Brake and Hayden, Guthrie and Daniel Deal of Purcell.

Unable to attend but sending their congratulations were Jeanie, Hunter, and Keailey Deal, Maranda Deal, Randy and Kay Hugo, Dewayne and Laura Atwell, Clint and Jordan of Houston, TX, and Doug and Ruby Gray of Tishomingo, OK.

Guests were served Lorrie Ann's famous bar-b-que brisket sandwiches and the delicious French vanilla anniversary cake. Guests from Lindsay included

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Purple Martins Are Arriving In Oklahoma

In the birding world, few species generate more excitement than does the "Purple Martin," a swallow that is arriving now in Oklahoma, with reports of "scouts" logged almost daily online.

Because martins are totally dependent on humans for housing, "landlords" anxiously await their return each year from winter grounds in South America and post reports of dates/locations of "scouts" on an online data base (purplemartin.org) maintained by the Purple Martin Conservation Association (PMCA), a nonprofit conservation.

The earliest arriving reported purple martin this year in Oklahoma was in Owasso Feb. 6 - a very early bird. A martin had reached Norman Feb. 23, Bartlesville March 8 and Choctaw March 22.

While purple martins commonly begin returning to southern Oklahoma after about Feb. 15, and to Oklahoma City by about March 1, migration is drawn out with arrivals continuing into April.

Hobbyists marvel at the returns each year and sometimes wonder how a martin can get here so quickly after the first few warm days of spring. New research in which the PMCA participated gives some clues.

Published recently in the journal Science, a female martin - fitted with a tiny "geo-locator" -- returned in spring from central Brazil to Pennsylvania in just 13 days - astounding professional researchers. Apparently with a warm tail wind, a martin can cover well over 300 miles a day in returning north in spring.

The first wave of arrivals each year consists of so-called "adult" martins - those two or more years old, with adult males sporting full dark-purple color. Females are a bit drab, with a gray breast.

One-year-old martins - called "sub adults" -- arrive 10 to 12 weeks later than the older birds - in April and May. These younger birds are more easily attracted to new housing locations.

The term "scout" actually is a misnomer. These are simply older experienced birds that are eager to reclaim their housing. Some arrive dangerously early and may perish when cold temperatures clear the air of flying insects. Fortunately for the martins, many landlords today offer emergency feeding of thawed crickets, live mealworms or even small bits of scrambled eggs flung into the air from a plastic spoon - and after martins learn the drill - from elevated platforms or placed in compartments.

Purple martins prefer to nest in colonies in gourds hung from large racks and in multi-compartment birdhouses in open yards. As a species, purple martins are relatively common throughout Arkansas, according to North American Breeding Bird survey.

The PMCA recently analyzed long-term data from the North American Breeding Bird Survey (BBS) and found that - thanks to devoted men and women who erect and maintain housing - purple martin populations overall are holding steady in North America.

In Oklahoma, the population may be increasing slightly. Martins can be found statewide, with the exception of the Panhandle.

The generally healthy population helped create a massive, pre-migratory roost in August last year in trees in the vicinity of the Tulsa Convention Center. So dramatic was the spectacle for a few weeks at sunset that viewing events were hosted by the local Audubon chapter.

Despite relative abundance in Oklahoma, there are localized areas of decline. Waning tradition of offering housing is one cause. Even in areas where martins are present, many people may try for years to attract them without success, or their colonies disappear.

Hobbyists may be unaware that problems such as competition from invasive non-native birds -- European starlings and House Sparrows -- or predation from raccoons or rat snakes



A Purple Martin

caused abandonment.

While generations of Americans have hosted purple martins - the custom adopted from Native Americans who hung out nesting gourds - specific techniques to help a colony thrive emerged in the past decade, based on research conducted by the PMCA and landlords in the field.

Among innovations are deeper compartments to protect nestlings from rain and aerial predators such as owls, specially-shaped entrance holes designed to admit martins while excluding starlings - and unique pole guards to thwart rat snakes and raccoons which are common in Oklahoma.

Because purple martins are birds of the open sky -- catching insects on the fly -- the PMCA's number one tip: place housing in the most open space available, but where the colony can be enjoyed and monitored.

More information about purple martins can be obtained from the Purple Martin Conservation Association - which is focused on aiding martins and landlords -- including a products catalog and information booklet, with advice on attracting and managing a colony, and data sheets to participate in "Project MartinWatch" a national effort in which participants monitor nests and mail information to the PMCA at season's end.

To obtain the booklet, contact the PMCA at 814-833-7656 or online at purplemartin.org.

Society

The Last Supper Living Dramatization To Be Held

The Lindsay United Methodist Church once again invites the public to share with them the living dramatization of "The Last Supper", Thursday, April 9, at 7 p.m. The nondenominational service is a moving presentation of the events surrounding the final days of the life of Jesus and commemorates the Passover celebration in the Upper Room with His disciples.

The backdrop and costumes are patterned after the famous painting by Leonardo de Vinci. The characters are dressed as they are depicted in the painting. The table cloth and tables settings are replications also, with every detail carefully planned to closely resemble the

actual picture.

The cast this year includes Steve Pracht, Barre Griffith, Doyle Greteman, David Shahan, Jess Young, Bobby Boydston, Tom Herrin, Bob Cleary, Mike Stevens, Chris Stinnett, Tom Martin, Jake Pool and Mike Boeckman, and narration and music are included. Director for the production is Alexia Herrin.

Since many churches have special services on this day of Holy Week, the dress rehearsal, which is identical in every way to the actual presentation Thursday, is open to the public. The dress rehearsal is scheduled for Tuesday, April 7 at 7 p.m. Doors open for both performances at 6:30pm.

Friendship Club Meets

Friendship Club met in the home of Lois Knapp for their March meeting. With eight members present, Joy Everett, president, opened the meeting.

Roll call was answered by members Emma Cantrell, Carrie Schwartz, Thelma Love, Fannie Stansbury, Joy Everett, Helen Cox, Betty White, and Lois Knapp, telling their favorite color of spring.

The group sang "Amazing Grace" led by Thelma Love and followed with prayers. Helen Cox led the flag salute and Lois Knapp led the creed.

A devotional, "The Homeless

Man" from our devotions was given by Betty White.

On a cold winter day as the church members arrived at church there was a man who appeared to be homeless, ragged and dirty leaning up against the building and as the members passed by him they snickered and gossiped, but no one bothered to ask him to come in. When church began everyone waited for the preacher to take his place. The church doors opened and in came the homeless man. He came down the aisle and straight up to the pulpit. The people were shocked when he took off his coat and hat and there stood their preacher.

It's important to love one another through our acts and deeds showing we care and not be judgemental of strangers but to show love and compassion for one another for it is blessed to give to others. In Matthew 5:16 Jesus says, "Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven!"

The minutes of February meeting were read by secretary Lois Knapp and Helen Cox gave the treasurer's report. There was no old business or new business to discuss.

Helen Cox won the hostess gift and the meeting was adjourned.

The hostess served Santa Fe Soup and Italian Creme Cake with Coffee.

Wanda Reeves will have the April meeting.

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HOLY WEEK SERVICES

THURSDAY APRIL 9 Presentation of the living dramatization of da Vinci's "The Last Supper", 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY APRIL 10 Service of Tenebrae-Dating back to the Fifth Century, this service of fading light symbolizes the fading devotion of the disciples and the sadness and despair evident before the crucifixion. A very moving worship in preparation for Easter, at 7 p.m.

EASTER SERVICES APRIL 12 Outdoor Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. at the home of Ed Bevers. Sunday School-9:45 a.m. Classes for all. Worship-11 a.m. Service will include special music and the proclamation of the Good News by Reverend Dr. Stephen Hale.

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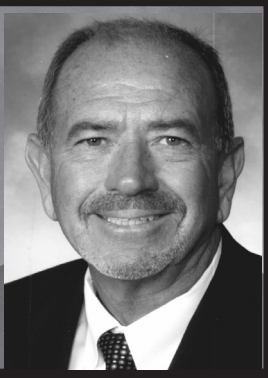
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Tall Tales

by Doyle Greteman

Superintendent, Lindsay Schools



Today, (Tuesday) the Student Council sponsored another blood drive. What better way to spend a little quality time than lying on a cot with a needle sticking in one's arm, visiting with some of our fine students?

It was somewhat entertaining, to say the least, to be situated next to Josie Johnston, who was certainly one of the most talkative donors. He's one of our office aides, and seems to have a way of brightening up our days.

The ladies explained to Josie and I that the machines we were hooked up to actually enabled them to get more bang for their buck. Somehow this machine actually takes the red blood cells, separates them, then returns the plasma and saline to the donor. This enables the blood institute to get more red blood cells from the donor.

Josie immediately struck up a running conversation with the nurse, a very nice young lady named Staci, who hailed from Dickson. In fact, he kept up a running dialogue during the entire process, which actually takes longer than the regular donation.

He was quite impressed with the machines that did all the separating. In fact, he offered to purchase one of the machines. When told that they were about \$75,000.00 each, he asked her to call him and let him know when

one became available.

We're not sure why he wanted one of them. We figure it might have something to do with him finding a way to get out of class longer than the other students.

In spite of the fact that Josie kept telling her that she hated him, she actually said that he made her feel at home. She and the rest of the staff did an excellent job of demonstrating how one can have fun while working. Their attitudes and demeanor made it a more comfortable and less threatening environment for our students.

Needless to say, when Josie finished his donation and left the room, things got a little boring. It didn't last long, however, because it was lunch time, and traffic in and out of the kitchen picked up a little as teachers came in for lunch break.

It's amazing how some people will take advantage of a person who is confined to a cot with a needle in his arm and tubes running into a machine. Leandra Gentry, for example, came into the room, sidled right up next to me, and started up a conversation about how much she needed hot water in her biology room.

Feeling rather groggy and light-headed, I seem to remember saying, "Why do you need hot water?" I believe her response was that she needed to wash

dishes. Since I was lying on a cot in the family and consumer science kitchen, it seemed to make sense. In my moment of weakness, I might have told her to get an estimate on installing a hot water heater.

So, if any of our students get scalded in the biology room, I can't take any responsibility for that. I will say that Staci, the nurse who was taking care of me, asked Mrs. Holcomb to please go see if Mrs. Gentry needed anything else before she took the needle out of my arm. Can you believe how those people work together to get things done? They'll probably say it was for the good of the students.

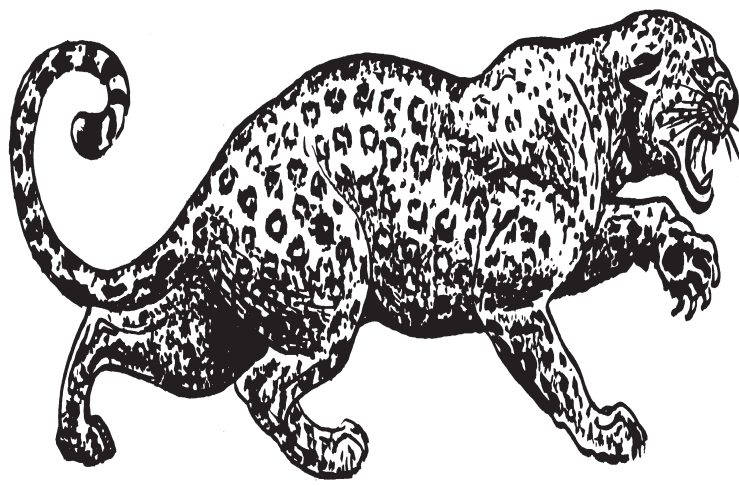
In all seriousness, it was a good day, and we applaud Mrs. Wilson and the student council for organizing this worthwhile effort. The people from the Oklahoma Blood Institute were very courteous and professional, which made things go smoothly. It's nice to know that our students and staff are unselfish enough to literally roll up their sleeves to help someone else.



Leopard News

By: Paige Howell

On Thursday, high school slow pitch will begin play in the Washington Tournament. High school baseball will begin play the Lexington Tournament and high school girl's golf has a tournament at Plainview. There is a STUCO meeting at 11:45 on Thursday. On Friday, high school boy's golf has a golf tournament at Pauls Valley. On Monday, high school slow pitch has an all conference game at home at 7:00. Also, high school baseball plays at Wayne at 6:00, while junior plays at 4:30. On Tuesday, high school slow pitch plays at Blanchard at 5:00. High school girl's golf has a tournament at Elgin, and high school boy's golf has a tournament at Sulphur. The schedule is getting very busy as we get closer to the end of the school year. Good luck to all and have a great week!



Lindsay Elementary Honor Roll

The third nine weeks honor roll was recently released for Lindsay Elementary School.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll were third graders Haley Heath, Tyler Magby, Alisha Smith, Abbey Claunch, Alexis Patton, Mitchall Crosby, Alicia Bridges, Max English, Sarah Harrison, Shelby Karns, Petyon Sallee, Cody Smith, Garet Standridge, and Alex Turner.

Third graders named to the principal's honor roll included Sarah Bowen, Cheyenne Branch, Karstyn Murray, Faith Robinson, Zachary Simmons, Sarah Allen, Cordell Bancroft, Cameron Burr, Crystal Claphan, Kamber Rau, Samantha Maldonado, Lauren Chambers, Kylie Arter, Braiden Cruce, Erynn Hines, Tate Covel,

Dalton Ellis, Danielle Epperson, Landra Jones, Delaney Ryans, Forrest Singleton, Marinna Vasquez, Kyann Galloway, Kimberly Rangel, Grover Stephens, Zackary Griffith, Victoria Griffin, Abigail Cummins, Kaitlyn Griffith, and Cody Wright.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll were fourth graders Bailey Fritz, Brittany Johnson, Hannah Crawford, Jake Lindsey, Katelyn Persinger, Shelby Moore, Nicole Stevens, and Clair Selzer.

Fourth graders named to the principal's honor roll included Brooklyn Nunley, Alexis Brokar, Makayla Fuller, Aryele Dudgeon, Culle Belveal, Shane Chapman, Arica Williams, Hae'ly Hughes, Adalia Wison, Evan Hendricks,

Brooklynn Howard, Ethan Schaffer, Kortni Sharber, Kyra Taveechai, Shane Frizzell, Nickolas Iker, Ashton Herrington, Kendall Ruder, LeeAnn Adams, Kenlea Caldwell, Justin Walton, Cody Wilson, B'lanna Bancroft, Sofia Chappell, Delaney Fitch, Mariah Kennedy, Jacob Larrauri, Whitney Webb, and Collin Frizzell.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll were fifth graders Carson Crawford, and Mackenzie Smith.

Fifth graders named to the principal's honor roll were Jessica Akins, Grant Cleary, Carson Coffee, Jordan Coles, Michael Rowell, Elena Vasquez, Jessica Grey, Clay Groehler, Autumn Lane, Scott McCartney, Kaedyn Swinford, and Talley Williams.

Lindsay Middle School Honor Roll

Hall, Elijah Harrison, Sadie Hendricks, Brittany Kelly, Tylar Mitchell, Lauren Niece, Aubrey Rieke, Alexia Robbins, Connor Smith, Jake Standridge, Skylar Thomas, and Ashlyn Walck.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll were seventh graders Hannah Barnes, Brittany Daniels, Paige Finney, Kaytlyn Green, Kimberly Keck, Triston Lariscy, Destani Mallicoat, and Shelby Southern.

Seventh graders named to the principal's honor roll were Hayden Eubank, Myranda Hilliard, Hunter Mason, Clayton Newcomb, Salena Pruitt,

Dallas Richards, Skyler Riddle, Maranda Robison, Dashanna Ryans, Courtney Shaffer, Tanner Shoemaker, Paige Stevens, and Halee Taylor.

Named to the superintendent's honor roll were eighth graders Sissel Brown, Jonathan Chambers, Jenna Morris, Kaylyn Rieke, and Kyle Smith.

Eighth graders named to the principal's honor roll were Brandon Avery, Tanya Chandler, Grant Coles, Krista Doan, Molly Hibbard, Catherine Keck, Kylie Newey, Laney Reason, Madison Robinson, Shelby Selzer, and Allie Standridge.

NOTICES

The Cox City Baptist Church and Pastor Bill Love offer a special invitation to attend a revival meeting April 5-8, Sunday morning through Wednesday. There will be a potluck lunch Sunday at Noon and the community is cordially invited to share this fellowship. Sunday morning service will be at 11 a.m., Sunday night at 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday will begin at 7 p.m. Pastor Kent Wooster of the Rosedale Baptist Church will be preaching and Kevin Beam from Erin Springs Baptist Church in Lindsay will be the song leader.

Annual Easter Meeting at Wallville Holiness Church will be April 10, 11, and 12 with Brother Phillip Bernard. Friday and Saturday will be at 7:30 with a youth service Saturday at 6. Saturday and Sunday morning at 10 a.m. and Sunday night at 7 p.m. For more info contact Brother Al Hunt at 405-207-3268 or Brother Joseph Hunt at 405-206-7495.

Lindsay Round-Up Club regularly scheduled meeting will be April 14 at 7 p.m.

Pre-K and Kindergarten enrollment will be held Friday, April 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in room #2 in the Elementary School. In order to be eligible for enrollment, the child must turn four years old on or before September 1, 2009. A copy of the child's official birth certificate, shot record, and social security number will be needed at the time of enrollment. There will be no school for Pre-K students only on this day. For more information call 756-3134.

Lindsay High School Yearbook News: 2009 LHS Yearbook: April 30 is the deadline to buy a yearbook with personalization. Price is \$40. See any yearbook staff member or Mrs. Brooks to purchase one.

"Senior Patron" Ads in the 2009 Yearbook: To all parents of the 2009 LHS Seniors: Wouldn't you like to put a brief message to your graduate for their success in high school or to offer best wishes to them in the future in the 2009 yearbook? The ad will include a Senior picture, a baby picture, and your message. If you would like to participate, send your message with \$25.00 to Mrs. Brooks, Yearbook Advisor, at the Lindsay High School.

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OBITUARY

**Kenneth W. Finley
1924-2009**

Kenneth W. Finley, age 84, died Tuesday, March 24, 2009 at the First Shamrock Health Care Center in Kingfisher, OK. He was born to Nicholas and Martha Lafort Finley November 15, 1924 in Vinson, OK.

He joined the US Navy in 1943, serving three years during WWII. He married Norma Wadley in June 1949. After spending several years in the trucking business he was employed by Phillips Petroleum Company where he worked for thirty three years retiring in 1985.

Kenneth was a member of the First Baptist Church of Kingfisher. He was a member of the American Legion, Post #5. He loved fishing, hunting, traveling, and spending time with family.

He is survived by his wife Norma of fifty-nine years; three sons, Karol W. Finley and wife Sherri of Lindsay, OK, Kin Finley and wife Judy of Tulsa, OK, and Dean Finley and wife Ann of Kingfisher, OK; thirteen grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and one sister-in-law, Stella Finley of Pauls Valley, OK.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 27, 2009 in the First Baptist Church in Kingfisher with Reverend James Swain officiating. Interment was at the Kingfisher Cemetery under the direction of Sanders Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church.

OBITUARY

**Raymond L. Lile
1934-2009**



Raymond L. Lile of Dibble, OK passed from this life at his home Tuesday, March 24, 2009 at the age of 75. He was born January 25, 1934 in Lindsay, OK to Theodore Roosevelt Lile and Ruby Pearle (Troutman) Lile. Raymond married Mickie Dean Gosnell October 2, 1953 in Chickasha, OK.

Raymond lived most of his life in the Dibble, OK area. He made a living working in the oilfield and as a truck driver. Raymond was a member of the

Midway Southern Baptist Church. He enjoyed spending time cutting fire wood and fishing. Raymond liked to talk and tell stories, and his family will remember how much time he spent just loving his kids and his grandkids. Raymond was a loving and much loved husband, father and grandfather, and he will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

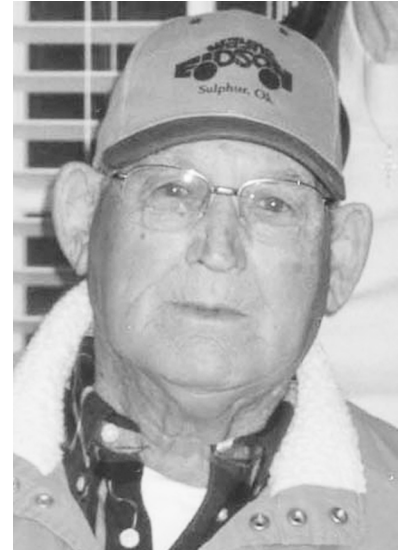
Survivors of Mr. Lile include his wife of fifty-five years, Mickie Lile, three daughters; Pamela J. Kennedy and husband Jimmy, Pat Auld and husband Edward, Raycene Lail and husband Billy, four sisters: Mamie England, Katherine Nye, Alice Poe and Nadine Freeman, three brothers; J.T. Lile, Tom Lile and Gary Lile, his six grandchildren; Keven Beene and wife Lisa, Shane Kennedy and wife Jeri, Chanda Bilyeu and husband Robby, Danny Marker and wife Kellie, Jennifer Marker and Gary Griffiths, and Brandy Auld. Raymond also leaves behind twenty-three great-grandchildren; Terra, Amber, Stephon, Karri, Raven, Ashton Ryen, Chantel, Rowdy, Jessi, Cheyenne, Dalton, Hailey, Mikayla, Tre, Hannah, Jordan, Chloe, Erika, Ian, Talley, Desiree, Nathan, and Mary and one great-great-granddaughter, Katie.

Raymond was preceded in death by his parents, Theodore and Ruby Pearle Lile, two sons who passed in infancy, Ray Dean Lile and Raymond Kent Lile, two brothers, Bill Lile and Donald Lile and one sister, Connie Stephens.

Funeral services for Mr. Lile were at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 2009 at the Midway Southern Baptist Church in Dibble, OK with Brother Dale Thorne officiating. Services were under the direction of B.G. Boydston Funeral Home of Lindsay, Oklahoma. Condolences for the family may be made online at www.boydstonfuneralhome.com.

OBITUARY

**Jesse Reece "Fat" Conner
1930-2009**



Jesse Reece "Fat" Conner was born in Foster, OK September 11, 1930 to Buster and Dolly (Winn) Conner and passed from this life March 29, 2009 in Pauls Valley at the

age of 78 years.

Mr. Conner attended school and graduated from Doyle High School. In his childhood days he loved basketball and enjoyed playing with his brothers and sister and cousins.

In November of 1970, Mr. Conner married Billie Newby in Doyle, OK. He was a farmer and worked as a peanut grader for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. His hobbies were wolf hunting and watching sports.

The highlight of his life was the birth of his three children. The most important thing Mr. Conner taught others about life was to "always do your best". He was a very joyful person and lifted the spirit of others with his humor and enthusiasm for living. He will be greatly missed.

Mr. Conner was preceded in death by his brother, William C. "Billy" Conner; his sister Geraldine Milligan and his parents, Dolly and Buster Conner.

Surviving family to cherish Mr. Conner's memory include: his wife: Billie N. Conner of the home; sons: James Reece "Jim" Conner and Patrick Jesse Conner and his wife, Gloria; daughter: Susan Conner Swanson and her husband, Steve; brother: Mitchell Reedy "Brigham" Conner and his wife, Rosalee of Elmore City; sister-in-law: Irma Jean Conner of Foster; grandchildren: Jarod Moss, Conner Swanson, Reece Conner, Gynna Becerra and R. J. Becerra; and great-grandchildren: Katlynn and Frankie Tamez.

Funeral services for Jesse Reece "Fat" Conner were Wednesday, April 1, 2009 at 10 a.m. in the First Baptist Church in Elmore City with Reverend Timothy Ball officiating.

Interment was in the Foster Cemetery in Foster, OK. Services were under the direction of Wooster Funeral Home. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.woosterfuneralhomes.com

DEATH NOTICE

**Emery Horace Jones
1922-2009**

Emery Horace Jones passed away March 31, 2009 in Chickasha, OK at the age of 87. His service will be April 2, 2009 at 2 p.m. at the Grand Assembly of God in Chickasha, OK. Interment will be at Erin Springs Cemetery in Erin Springs, OK.

Services are under the direction of B.G. Boydston Funeral Home in Lindsay, OK.

Condolences may be sent to the family online at www.boydstonfuneralhome.com.



Turn off the highway and let's go down the Wallville Road. Now, as you've no doubt noticed through the years there have been people who have come searching for my old stomping grounds of Wallville, township, and went away disappointed. Well, at one time Wallville was a bustling community. There were two stores, Malone's Grocery in downtown, and the Rollins General at the section line, a public school across the way for years averaged two to three students. There was the Free Holiness Church of Wallville, and the Baptist Church of Hughes located near the Hughes School. The field work of broomcorn, cotton, hay, and sorghum supplied work for many and added to the population. Well, my friend in the passing of time as with many small communities things began to change. The school closed in 1968 due to low pupil attendance. Earl Malone, operator of the Malone Grocery, passed away in 1968 and no one took up the work. The last store burned in 1979. The broomcorn harvest, a major part of the community went south. All that was left of this heart-winning community were the Baptist Church and the Community Church of Wallville, rooted in the Holiness faith, and a good number of farm and ranch families scattered across the countryside. But, exciting things still happen down the Wallville Road.

Greetings from the old folks at home or Pa and Grams on Hughes Hill. Legend #851.

News from Rush Creek! March 2, Zachary Clark celebrated his birthday with all his family, Janie and Doyle Clark, aunt Jennifer, Kyle Kay, Kalisa Kay with sister Olivia Clark and Megan Clark.

March 18, a birthday celebration was held for Jennifer Marie with her sister Janie, mom Linda, and dad Donald Kay hosted the party for Miss Jennifer.

A Tuesday in March, Zach, Olivia, Megan Clark all visited the beautiful park in Sulphur. They later stopped and visited G.W. Exotic Animal Sanctuary Refuge, lots of lions, tigers, there all in cages fortunately.

March 21-Olivia Clark celebrated her birthday with cake and ice cream. Zachary Clark and Olivia Clark stayed all night with aunt Jennifer. This news came direct from the mayor's desk.

On the latest Alton Hunt sighting-Michael Chris Knapp reporting Al-took a wrong turn on the way to Stockholm. I wound up on the edge of nowhere. Still searching.

Speaking of birthdays, Raven Somers and Clarence Holland celebrate April 2, Michael Seth Hines, Brooklyn Keck, Brandon Woodman, all party on the 3, Nick White and Loren Mize paint the town red on the 5, Miss Elvie McWhirter's birthday is the 7, First Sgt. James Holdsclaw's birthday is the 8, and Alton "Pete" Williams is just a-swinging on the 9. It's party time.

Winner of the roses-Leon and Juanita Powers celebrated big number 64 this April 7. A proud member of the Hughes-Happy Hollow community. A good family.

Report on Greg Jensen, son of Barbara and the late Jesse Jensen, students of old Hughes School and major members of the Antioch Community. Greg has been in extremely poor health, but has gained somewhat and doing better. His sister Leslie Jensen reporting.

A major happy anniversary to Troy and Vera Adams, 62 years this April 4. The parents of Troy Wayne and Beverly. Good supporters of the Hughes Alumni.

March 29, 2009, the Wallville Church was blessed by the preaching of Brother Glen Tinnin of Norman, his wife Peggy came along.

Number to call to make your reservation for the annual Hughes School reunion, June 27, 2009. Carolyn Lewis-405-756-7334, Sandra Martin-405-867-5374, Judy Holden, 405-570-8838, or 405-756-4524, or Cecil Covell-580-432-5254 or 580-227-5208. Call early, help keep Sandra and Carolyn from pushing the panic button.

Direct from the pages of old Al's Almanac, needed anniversaries for April. Call the Owl Man at 405-207-3268. Birthdays, Veterans salute or news and views, it is appreciated or write Rt. 3 Box 222-A, Pauls Valley, OK 73075. Thanks.

The annual Wallville Holiness Church three day Easter meeting, April 10, 11, 12, Friday night at 7:30 p.m., Saturday morning at 10 a.m., Saturday night youth

service at 6 p.m., Saturday night service at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday morning at 10 a.m. and Sunday night at 7 p.m. Call 405-207-3268 or 206-7495 for more information. Two meals served daily under tabernacle after service.

The Wallville Veterans Committee salutes Mr. Randall McKee, a good soldier in the Army of the Lord. Passed away at the age of 75, March 22, 2009. A dear friend who will be missed.

Washita Valley weather report-finally a good ground soaking rain came March 27, a hailstorm covering the ground like snow the same day had people and automobiles running for cover. The snow did come hard and heavy Friday night, but it was north, and northwest of the Rush Creek valley.

This special report just in-March 28, 2009. Mike Chris Knapp reports in from Berlin, Stockholm, and Copenhagen, cold and lonely here. No sign of Alton Hunt. Plan to be home by Mayday. Go Bulldogs.

Trying to put cold days behind us. Mike Knapp if you get this message, tell the king and queen, I return their greetings. Sorry, I couldn't be there to say Hi in person. Until next week this is be kind to "Cathy Bray" week, who is learning so much about Wallville and each time it makes her day.

This week's column is sponsored by Tab's DX, Bill Frizzel's Conoco and Raymond "Pickle" Dill's Kerr McGee. Now, the rest of the story.

As we were saying the Wallville Community had pretty well gone the way of the six-shooter and the bookmobile. But, with life continuing around the local church excitement was spontaneous. The Church each Easter began holding three days of service. Inviting other churches and speakers to join in. And come they did from Ohio, Texas, California, Kansas, Florida, Arkansas, Virginia, Missouri, here, there and everywhere. Starting on a Friday night going through Sunday. Oh! It was a treat to have so many friends and church folk gather. In years past the church had just held a one day Easter service with dinner on the grounds. Not having an appropriate place to share meals. The church placed different sources to display all the food for the church dinner. Well, the weather didn't always cooperate, and they battled the wind, and the rain. In following years a tabernacle was built and a small house moved in to aid the situation. With the coming of the three day affair, more situations arose that had to be dealt with and we'll deal with that the Lord willing next week, down the Wallville Road.

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