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The Route 66 Museum recently held their Hall of Fame induction, which occurs every two years. In attendance were pictured left to right Senator Brent Howard, Trait Thompson- Executive Director of Oklahoma Historical Society, State Rep. Anthony Moore, Lt. Governor Matt Pinnell, Rhys Martin-President of Oklahoma Route 66 Association, Ken Busby- Executive Director and CEO of Route 66 Alliance, and Senator Darcy Jech.

July Friends on Frisco Planned in Clinton, OK



Chase Wright
Staff Writer

Friends on Frisco: PARTY IN THE USA is coming up for July, and this month's theme is Patriotic Night.

Come on out to Clinton on Thursday, July 14th for a night of great food, local fun, and live music! On site will be a farmer's market full of the best fresh and local produce, beer garden, family games, amazing food trucks, high quality shopping, and a stellar performance by the Dean Jackson Band. There will be fun enough for everyone, and all are invited.

RAM Coming to SWOSU to Provide Free Dental, Vision and Medical Care

Remote Area Medical- RAM® -- a major non-profit provider of mobile clinics delivering free, high-quality, dental, vision, and medical care to underserved and uninsured individuals--is coming to Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford on Saturday and Sunday, July 13-14.

The clinics will be held at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center, 900 N. Seventh Street.

Services available at the RAM clinic include dental cleanings, dental fillings, dental extractions, dental x-rays, eye exams, eyeglass prescriptions, eyeglasses made on-site, women's health exams, and general medical exams.

On Saturday, July 13, from 8 a.m. – 12 noon, Safe Kids NA-I-SHA and Oklahoma will be hosting a children's car seat checkup.

All RAM services are free and no ID is required. The clinics are operated in partnership with the Rural Health Network of Oklahoma. Dr. Randy Curry is the contact at SWOSU.

The clinic parking lot is currently scheduled to open no later than 12 a.m. midnight on Saturday, July 13. Ticket distribution typically begins at 3 a.m., and patients will be seen in chronological order according to their ticket.

The clinic doors open at 6 a.m. This process will repeat on Sunday, July 14. In some situations, such as inclement weather, volunteer cancellations, or other circumstances outside of RAM's control, ticketing may occur earlier than 3 a.m. RAM encourages everyone who would like services, especially dental services, to arrive as early as possible.

According to U.S. census data, the poverty rate in Oklahoma is 15.8%, which exceeds the national average of 12.7%. Additionally, nearly two out of every ten Oklahomans under the age of 65 lacks health insurance coverage. Because of these factors, RAM expects to see great demand from residents in western Oklahoma communities.

Last year, RAM provided nearly \$300,000 worth of free care to 566 people in Oklahoma.

"People can't reach their full potential if they are dealing with pain," said RAM CEO Jeff Eastman. "We have the ability and will to help them, so that's what we'll do."

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Billy Duane Renison

Billy Duane Renison went to be with his Lord Christ on Wednesday, June 29, 2022, his funeral service WAS 9:30 A.M. Tuesday, July 5th, 2022, at the Kiesau Memorial Chapel, with Billy's great nephew Daniel Mosburg officiating, and under the direction of the Kiesau Lee Funeral Home. Burial will follow in the Antioch Cemetery.



Billy was born on the (now) Centennial Family Farm northwest of Custer City on April 24, 1932, to Henry Wayne and Ethra Frances (Fisher) Renison.

He started his education at Antioch Grade School by riding his horse Tony to class. He graduated from Independence High School in 1950.

He was baptized at the age of 16 and remained a life long member of the Antioch Freewill Baptist Church, secure in his belief of salvation, more recently he was attending the First Baptist Church of Clinton.

He enjoyed watching his cows and calves graze, having

a good laugh, rodeos, and watching western movies, especially Gunsmoke.

In his lifetime, he enjoyed trips to Germany, France, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Hawaii, Mexico, Canada, Texas, and numerous cross country road trips to Oregon with small children in the car

He is preceded in death by both parents, his first wife of 50 years Georgeina Lucille Thiessen Renison, his younger sister Joy Caroline Renison Mosburg, Joy's husband Leon Mosburg his brother-in-law Charles Raymond Thiessen.

He is survived by his wife of the last 18 years Marlene Thornbrough Anderson Renison, his children Cathy Ann Renison Watson Mock and husband James Mock, of Piedmont; George Curtis Renison and his wife Cheryl of New Castle; Chris Duane Renison, of the family farm in Custer OK, step son Charles Randal Anderson and his wife Cindy of Schullenburg, Texas, five grandchildren: Amy Watson Van Hooser, and husband Eric, Patrick Renison, Carissa Renison, Nicholas Renison, Zachary Renison and his wife Mendy; six great grandchildren: Coleten Stinson, Jayden Renison, Allison Renison, Kaylee Renison, Rachael Renison, and Keeton Stinson, brother-in-law Darrell Thiessen and wife Janice, and sister in law Connie Thiessen.

Rita Catherine Schimmer

Funeral services for Rita C. Schimmer, age 94, of Custer City, were held on Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at 1:00 in the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Clinton with Father Balaswamy officiating, and under the direction of the Kiesau Lee Funeral Home. Burial will follow in the Custer City Masonic Cemetery.



Rita was born March 31, 1928, to Adolph Marion and Mary Theresa (Neyens) Klein on parent's farm ten miles northwest of Custer City in what was known as the Anthon Community; she grew up there with widowed mother and two brothers.

A 1946 graduate of Independence High School seven miles north of Custer City, she attended what is now Southwestern Oklahoma State University 1946-1947, taking a business course.

Rita worked for the Custer County Department of Public Welfare (now Department of Human Services) in Clinton until marriage on October 19, 1948, to John "LeRoy" Schimmer at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Clinton, OK. At that time, it was not economically feasible to commute to and from employment as we resided five miles northwest of Custer City on a farm known as the Tom Ross place and continued to reside on the family farm for 73 years until death on June 30, 2022

In 1969 when her youngest of three sons was thirteen and commuting had become commonplace, she went to work in Clinton for Florence Hays with H.&R. Block Income Tax service; then she went to work again for the Custer County Department of Human Services for 25 years, retiring as county administrator's secretary and clerical supervisor shortly before LeRoy's death in March 1993.

She was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church; she enjoyed yard/garden/orchard, canning and giving fresh produce to family and friends, also, genealogy, having traced family history as far back as the early 1700's, reading, collecting inspirational and poetry books; going on short bus tours, and making scrapbooks--three S's one each about farming (Sentimental), funny articles (Silly), and spirituality (Serious).

Rita was preceded by her husband, both parents, brothers Clements and Lawrence Klein, and son Mike.

She is survived by two sons and their wives, daughter-in-law Deborah of Yukon, Kenneth James and his wife Patty; Monte Mark and his wife Sandra, both of Custer City area; five grandchildren: Jason Schimmer and his wife Sarah of Houston, Paul Schimmer of Yukon, Scott Potter of Oklahoma City, Emma Potter of Edmond, Alana Tetrick and her husband Ted of Edmond, J.T. Schimmer of Grand Junction; nine great grandchildren: Tucker, Ella, Isabella, Clara, Madeleine, Cora, Henry, Arieana, and Ford; and one niece: Margaret Landrum and her husband Shirl Landrum of Weatherford.

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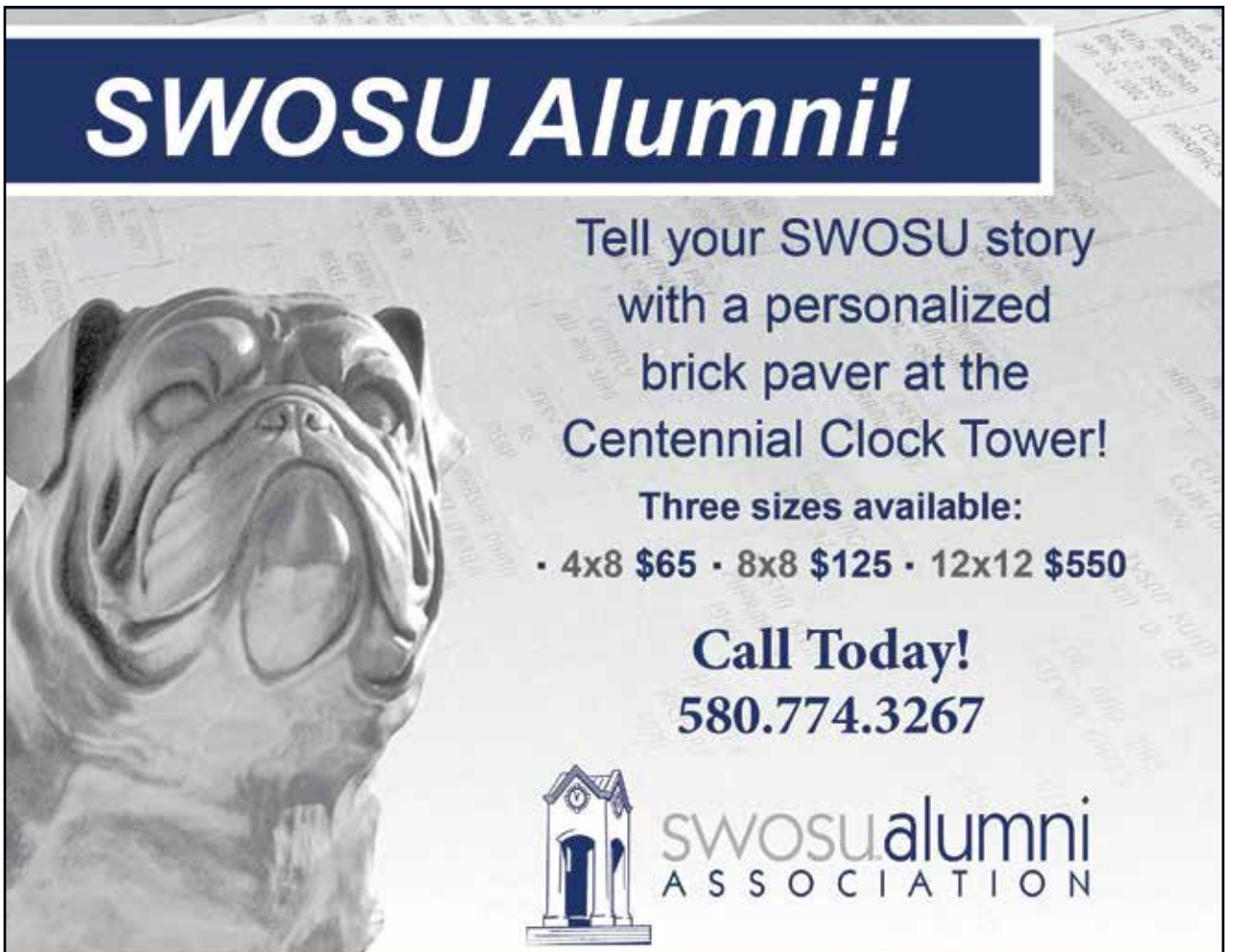
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Sayre Football Camp to Begin Next Saturday

Chase Wright
Staff Writer

Sayre, OK's Youth League is hosting a football camp on Saturday, July 23rd. Athletes between grades 4-12 for the 2022/2023 school year will gather at Eagle Field in Sayre and get to meet and workout with University of Oklahoma football players out of Norman, OK.

Attendees will get to learn about high-level

techniques, mentality, and drive from some of the best athletes in their positions. Between 9 am - 4 pm, they'll go through drills and plays together, and each participant will receive a shirt, lunch, and the ability to get autographs with the OU players.

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by Lynn Parr, Realtor®

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1. The most common appraisal need is for the purpose of borrowing money to purchase a home or any other piece of property. It may be for a business. Most lenders require an appraisal of the property being purchased or used as collateral to secure the loan. In some cases, by Federal Regulations, this appraisal must be performed by a State Certified Licensed Appraiser. In other cases, usually depending on the amount of value, a license is not required. In most cases, the lender must be the one to order the appraisal.

2. Another reason for needing an appraisal, could be pricing your property for sale. Many times, if you are listing the property with a Realtor, they will provide what is called a market analysis, which can be a form of an appraisal. Keep in mind, not all real estate personnel are qualified to appraise real estate. Their training is mostly dedicated toward the ethical handling of sales.

3. Other appraisal uses include; legal disputes, such as a divorce or a land division, such as a partition suit. The settlement and basis computation for an estate may require an appraisal. Most of these types of appraisals do not require a licensed individual.

The cost of an appraisal will vary with its use, size and time to secure the needed data. You can always ask for an estimate of cost before engaging an appraiser. Remember, experience in appraisals can be critical to good methodology.

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"The Coin Guy" Sleeper Territorials

Trent Boesen

A definition of the word "Territorial Sleeper" is about a large size currency which does not show the word "Territorial" on the note itself.

After Oklahoma was admitted to the Union their Territorial notes needed the steel plates (which are used to imprint an image on a blank note) to be altered.

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) had their "siderographers" (a mechanical process that enables unlimited reproduction of steel plates that are engraved by hand) to transfer the image on the plates to print notes.

The above picture shows a \$10 Territorial Brown Back note from The State National Bank of Oklahoma City of which 5 are known to collectors.

There is a nice-framed, quality reproduction of Oklahoma Territorial notes on display at the Downtown Diner on Main Street in Weatherford, OK.

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LOCAL AND AREA NEWS



Mike Smith
News Director

Currier Named Academic Support Center Director



founder member of the Student Success Center, she is also a founder member of the Academic Support Center. Currier has extensive experience working with students in the areas of retention, advising, pre-advising counseling, probation, and suspension. She is also responsible for training the Peer Mentors who work in the Learning Lounge.

Currier is a native of Moore, Oklahoma, and holds a Bachelor of Science and a Master's of Education, both earned at SWOSU. She has been a member of the Kiwanis Club of Weatherford since 2018 and will serve as their president for the 2022-2023 term. Currier is also an active member of the Coaching in Higher Education Consortium and serves as a leader in the organization.

The Academic Support Center is funded by a \$2.1 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education Title III Strengthening Institutions Program. Academic services available to students through the office include pre-advising assistance, career exploration services, academic tutoring, peer mentoring, and academic coaching from a professionally trained staff in each of these areas. Students can get assistance with time management, organization, study skills, and major selection.

Amanda Currier has been named as the new Director for the SWOSU Academic Support Center. Currier's appointment will begin on July 1, 2022.

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CUSTER COMMISSIONERS BOARD - Custer County Commissioners voted last week to approve a resolution that would increase the pay of Elected Officials in the County. The Board used the three factors established by State Statute to calculate the raises. Those being base salary which is set by the commissioners at their discretion, serviceability which is the revenue generated by the county and thirdly the service load, which is the population of the county as set by Census number. Commissioners may not adjust their own salary while holding office and the raise would increase the pay of elected officials just over \$5,300.00 per year.

CLINTON ALERT SYSTEM/JOHNSTON - The City of Clinton will transition to a new alert system for notifications of emergencies and city news to its citizens. Clinton City Manager Robert Johnston says the new "Rave" System will replace the current system "Nixel." Johnston said he believes the new system is more user friendly than the former and reminds Clinton residents that they will have to sign up to receive notifications. The transition should take place during this month.

WEATHERFORD ROTARY CLUB/DOWNS - The City of Weatherford and the Weatherford Rotary Club announced last week that they would rename the area of Rader Park between Eagle Field and the entrance to Prairie West Golf Course as Rotary Centennial Plaza. Rotary Club President Nate Downs says the area is already used for the Heartland Cruise and Car Show as well as Independence Day celebrations, and they have more plans for the space.

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Lau & Rindermann Named All-American Scholars for Third Straight Year



Jon Chidester
SWOSU Assistant AD/Media Relations

For the third consecutive season, Rebecca Lau (left) and Mikaela Rindermann (right) of the SWOSU Women's Golf team have been placed on the Women's Golf Coaches Association (WGCA) All-American Scholar list.

The 2021-22 WGCA All-American Scholar Team was announced with a total of 1,485 women's collegiate golfers recognized with this prestigious honor. The criteria for selection to the All-American Scholar Team are some of the most stringent in all of college athletics with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50 required to be

considered.

Since 2021, SWOSU Women's Golf has totaled 21 WGCA All-American Scholars from 11 different student-athletes. Lau and Rindermann join alums Jessica Heard (2012-14) and Elin Wahlin (2017-19) as the only other three-time honor winners during that span.

"For these two to be this consistent in the classroom truly shows the commitment they have to being student-athletes," head coach Brad Fleetwood said. "This is the highest academic honor we have in women's golf, and I am so proud of the hard work they've put in to earn it three years running."

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SWOSU Implements Changes at Sayre Remote Location



SWOSU is making changes to ensure that its Sayre location will continue to meet the higher education needs of western Oklahomans.

SWOSU will begin consolidating the operations of its remote location in Sayre into one facility. The additional buildings at the Sayre location will be transferred to a new owner who can better utilize and maintain those valuable properties.

SWOSU has operated its remote location in Sayre since 1987 when Sayre Junior College was merged with SWOSU. Since the merger, SWOSU's remote location at Sayre has been an integral part of SWOSU's overall operation and approach to meeting the needs of students. However, technological advancements have created new platforms such as Zoom that allow students the ability to take an active

role in their education from anywhere. SWOSU Sayre has experienced multi-year enrollment declines that drove SWOSU to impanel a task force to study this issue. The SWOSU Sayre task force consulted widely with stakeholders on the issue before drafting recommendations.

"This is necessary in the unfortunate decade-plus history of severe cuts in state funding for public universities in Oklahoma and in light of enrollment declines at the Sayre location," SWOSU President Dr. Diane Lovell said. "Our present focus is to maintain the Sayre location's functionality and operation."

The changes at the remote location in Sayre will allow SWOSU to continue its legacy of providing affordable, accessible education in southwestern Oklahoma.



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The 3:16's of the New Testament



It is interesting that so many 3:16's of the New Testament contain some of the most precious truths in the Bible. We are all familiar with John 3:16. It is probably the most quoted verse in the Bible. It has been called the gospel in a nutshell. "God so loved the world (insert your name) that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." This expresses so clearly the God who not only created us in love but continued to love us even when we rejected his rightful place as Lord and Master. He paid the ultimate sacrifice, knowing full well that some would still reject Him. Sin had to be dealt with. Jesus said it was for this cause that He came into the world.

In 1st John 3:16 the apostle further defines the

love of God. "This is how we know what love is; Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers." We could rightfully say that Jesus showed us how to live and through the cross he taught us how to love. We are to so live that we give up our right to ourselves, our place in life, our selfish ambition, and so live for the kingdom and the benefit of others that they might catch a glimpse of the Savior in our lives.

Another 3:16 is found in Ephesians 3:16. In his prayer Paul says "I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being." Paul says in his prayer, "Our Father is rich and he wants to impart those riches to you. And I am asking him that out of those glorious riches he will strengthen you with power in the inner man; In that area of your life where you make decisions, where your will operates. Is there any greater need that a person can have then to have the power of the Holy Spirit fully operating in their inner being. This is the Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead; that changed the course of history with a small band of followers.

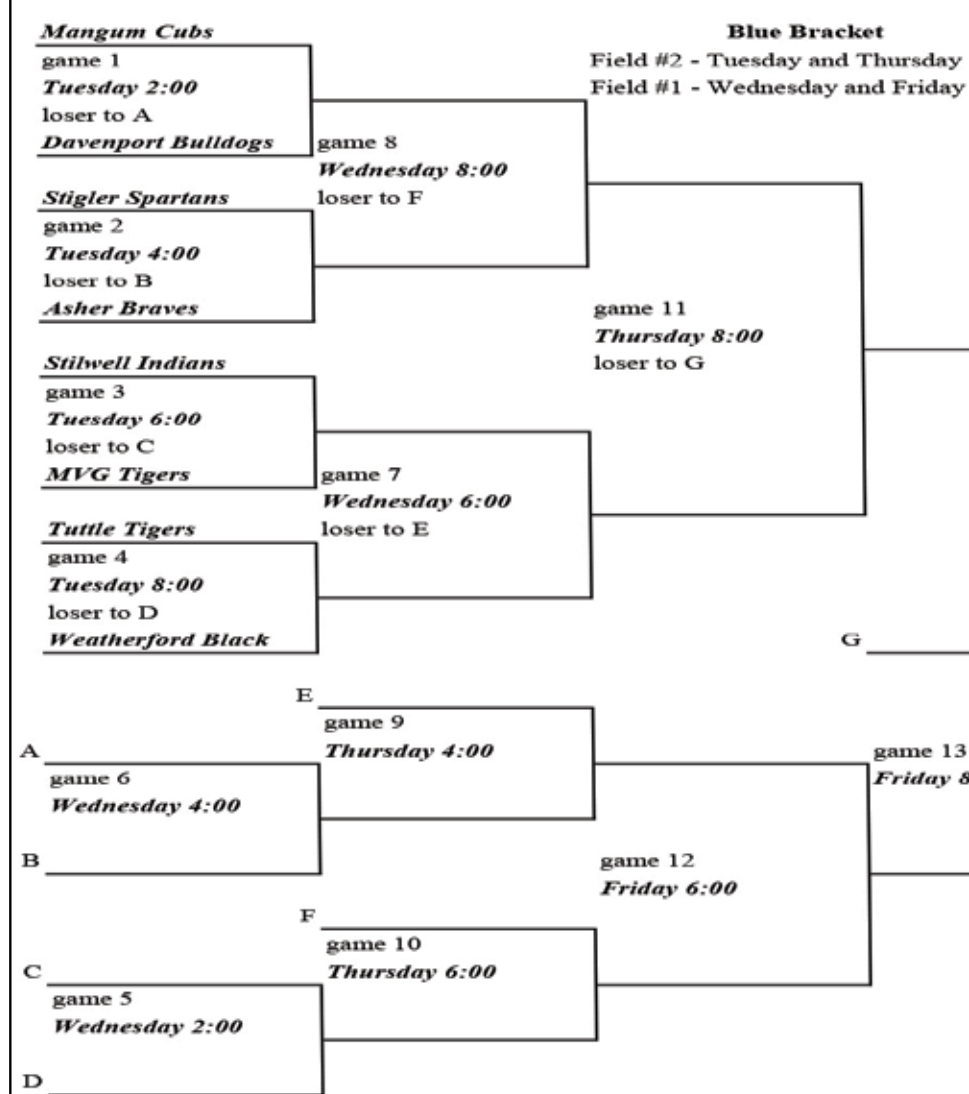
The next 3:16 is found in II Timothy 3:16. "All Scripture is God-breathed, and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness."

I am thankful that God provided a word of instruction. Not only does it correct and train us, it equips us to live life in obedience and to bring glory to him.

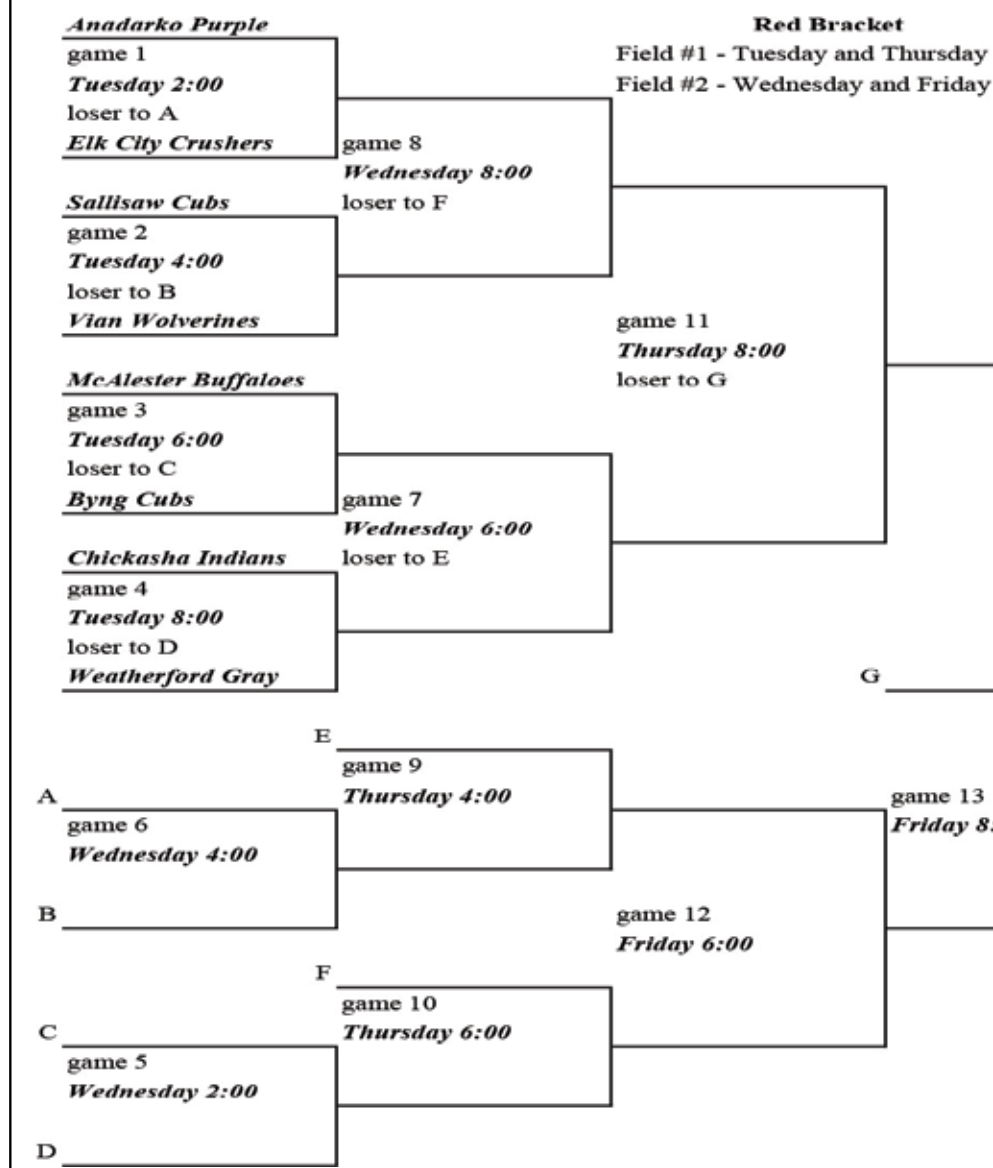
Paul further challenges the church in Colossae in Col 3:16. "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom and as you sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs." Your effectiveness in teaching and encouraging other Christians will be directly in proportion to the degree that you saturate yourself with the Word of God. We are in a battle for the souls of men, women, boys, and girls. We must be fortified with the greatest and most effective weapons available to us, This is found not only in reading, but studying, memorizing, and meditating on the Word of God.

Finally, the last 3:16 is found in II Thess 3:16. "Now may the Lord of Peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you." If we have come to trust him totally to be what he claimed to be, the Son of God and very God himself; if we have learned how to die to ourselves, if we have allowed the Holy Spirit to have control of our lives, if we are living in obedience to his word, then he promises us his peace. Jhm82@otlook.com to comment.

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