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## Wright Broadcasting Systems (WBS) Announces Transfer of Ownership

**Chase Wright**  
Staff Writer

Wright Broadcasting Systems (WBS) is proud to announce a transfer of ownership from Harold Wright to his son Heston Wright. With the transfer, Heston will become a 5th generation Wright businessman in Weatherford. Heston shares his father's passion for service and radio stuning, "I'm excited to be able to continue the Wright family business. To continue the tradition my dad, Harold, started in 1991 and to blend my goals with his goals as we continue to grow as a company".

Before the Wright Broadcasting Systems family truly began, Harold worked as a Disc Jockey at the Weatherford station, established in 1970 by Dick Johnson and Paul Buenning. During his time there, he saw firsthand the impact news and coverage could have on the lives of listeners, and purchasing the station became his dream. So, when his friend and mentor Dick Johnson called him in 1991 with an opportunity to buy the station, Harold seized the moment and accepted. Harold explains, "Our family has a strong heritage here, in Weatherford, to begin with, and we wanted the opportunity to give back".

Shortly after purchasing the station, Harold was able to grow the Wright Wradio family with the addition of several other radio stations in Clinton, Cordell, and Elk City. Before long, they began to offer live video coverage of area sports and special events and news distributions

through the weekly newspaper, The WestOK Weekly. Today, Wright Media covers all of western Oklahoma, from the Texas panhandle to El Reno and from Snyder to Seiling. With over 100,000 people living in their immediate service area, Harold and Heston are completely committed to their mission: "To serve our communities with live, local information and entertainment while creating a valuable advertising medium". But they couldn't do it alone. When the station was purchased in 1991, there were 8 full-time employees. Now, there are 21 full-time employees and 17 working part-time. Everyone at WBS lives and breathes broadcasting, and with some of the most talented people in the industry, the Wright Media family has won more awards than any other radio in the small market. In 2008, the Oklahoma Association of Broadcasters named KWEY as Station of the Year. In 2012, they were named as the Non-Metro Station of the Year. 3 of their members have been inducted into the Oklahoma Broadcaster Hall of Fame - Dick Johnson, Chuck Edwards, and Harold Wright (the only radio station to have 3 inductees). Harold and Heston have both been president of the Oklahoma Broadcaster Association and they were the only Father & Son duo to do so. Some other Wright Wradio notable members are Todd Brunner, Mike Smith, Ray Bagby, and Vanessa Valli. These are just a few of the special people who make Wright Media the

best it can be.

Moving forward, Heston plans to take WBS to the next level while staying true to its founding principles stating, "we want Wright Broadcasting to be around for another 50 years; a company that I can pass on to my children one day". And there's no one better to take the helm than Heston. When his father purchased the station, Heston worked as a DJ and a board operator before moving into sales as an account executive. There, he learned the inner workings of the business and what it takes to drive success. He worked his way up to sales manager, then to General Manager, and to part owner - taking on more responsibilities when Harold was elected to legislature in 2010. Heston lives and breathes broadcasting and is proud to continue to build on the foundations set before him.

The future is bright for WBS as Heston officially takes ownership. And if you've been listening to 95.5 The Coyote at night, you may have already caught a glimpse of the next generation of Wright business owners as his daughter, Abby, is already exploring the intricacies of broadcasting as a DJ. "She's been on for a few months now and has really been enjoying it", Heston explains proudly. For all that comes next, you can always count on Wright Media to deliver all the information you need: from sports to news to weather and to music, and always *Live, Local, and Free!*

## Public Schools Host Veterans Day Assemblies Across Western Oklahoma



Natalie Simpson / WW

American Legion Donald Miller and Doug Greer served as the color guard for the CHS band. They, as well as all veterans in attendance, were special guests at Clinton High School's Veterans Day assembly.



Krystal Blackwell / WW

The veterans section at Weatherford Schools veterans assembly.



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Clinton High School Band performed for their veterans assembly.

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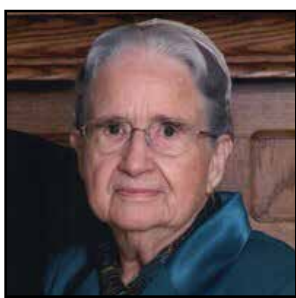
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**Ida Slagell**

Ida Fern Hartzler was born Nov 5, 1921, at the home of Joseph Garfield Hartzler and Martha Heatwole Hartzler of rural Windom, Kansas, to a family of two older brothers and two older sisters and later a younger sister Leona. Ida passed away Sunday, November 6, 2022, in Hydro.



In her preschool years, her father ran a steam-engine powered thrashing machine with a crew for which Ida did laundry. She also helped make 3 meals a day and a morning and afternoon snack, all prepared without electricity or running water.

She accepted Christ around the age of 9 years and was baptized and joined the West Liberty Mennonite Church. That same year her father was called into the ministry and became the pastor of the same church.

Ida began first grade at the age of 8 in a country school, located 1 and 3/4 miles from home, which required walking or riding a horse to school. Ida graduated from the 8th grade at the age of 16 years. Due to caring for her mother, Ida was unable to start high school until she was 19; therefore, graduating at the age of 22. After graduation, she worked at St Luke's Children Hospital in Kansas City. She later went to work at the Oxley cookie and cracker factory, and then as a domestic housekeeper in Wichita, Kansas.

Walter and Ida were married May 2, 1948, in the West Liberty Mennonite Church in Inman, Kansas. Their first home was a 7 x 16 ft travel trailer purchased to take a crew of Walter's two brothers and three of Walter's cousins along with harvest equipment, starting in Hydro and ending in Montana. Ida fixed 3 meals a day for the crew of 6 without electricity while keeping all the laundry done. In 1950, they purchased 80 acres in rural Hydro that included an old house that became their home, raising their family on this farm where she lived until her death.

In 1951, Ida's mother became terminally ill and moved in with Ida to be cared for until her death, later that year. Joseph, or "Grandpa Hartzler" as he liked to be called, remarried several years later. In 1963, Walter and Ida's brother Willard built a house for Grandpa Hartzler and his second wife, Laura (Lane) Hartzler. Ida helped care for Laura until her death in 1965. Her father continued to live in the house until 1978 when he passed away.

Ida enjoyed having chickens, ducks, peacocks, and a big garden, all the while taking meals to the field. Entertaining guests for meals was normal even without much prior notice. She also helped her father-in-law in the peach orchid, selling peaches to area customers, and was a regular janitor at the Pleasant View Mennonite Church to supplement their income. In Weatherford, Ida served on various committees at her church, volunteered at the Etc. Shop, and was active in the Bible Memory Program. She enjoyed traveling with Walter and visiting her brothers and sisters in Canada and Oregon.

Ida was preceded in death by her parents and stepmother, two brothers: Willard and Clifford Hartzler; three sisters: Mildred Myers, Ethel Lind, and Leona Sayer; and two stepbrothers: Paul Robert Lane JR and John Lane.

She is survived by two sons: Virgil and wife Meribeth of Hydro; and Dennis and wife Candace of Hydro; two daughters: Carolene Jackson and husband Bill of Weatherford; and Loretta Propps and husband Mike of Hydro; 12 grandchildren: Chris and Kendra Slagell of Hydro; Stacia, John and Sarah Slagell of Hydro; Matt and Chanda Jackson of Thomas; Justin and Stephanie (Jackson) Yoder of Hesston, KS; Matthew and Chelsea (Jackson) Villines of Weatherford; Nickie and Jordan (Slagell) Nel of Hydro, Kyle and Nikki Slagell of Weatherford; Alison Slagell of Washington D.C.; Kevin and Missy Propps of Hydro, Ben and Natasha (Propps) Warner of Hydro; and Keith and Allison Propps of Hydro; and twenty-eight great grandchildren.

**Danny Lathrom**

Danny Eugene Lathrom was born November 30, 1942, to Alpha George and Ardeth (nee' Trumpeter) Lathrom at Ft. Leonard Wood Army Base in St. Robert, Missouri. He went to be with the Lord on Saturday, October 29, 2022, at his home in Ft. Cobb. At the age of 17, Danny enlisted in the military, serving 17 years. Danny heard the faith and was baptized by Brother Jerry Whittman into the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn. He loved living the faith, teaching, preaching and baptizing along the way. Danny was a meek and humble man, as well as the moral compass of the family. He was the best example of a man of God. Danny met Diane Sue Loflin at the Colorado Camp meetings and instantly fell in love. They married in July 1978. To this union came three children: Alpha, Genny and Aaron. Danny and Diane had additional children: Andre, Thomas, JoEllen, Leon, Melodee, Machi, Dinahe, Mary, Preston, Stormy and Nathaniel. Danny drove a truck for Swift Trucking for 14 years before retiring in 2006. He had over 1 million miles of safe driving.



Danny was preceded in death by his parents Alpha and Ardeth Lathrom, brother Jeffery Lathrom, and sister Janet Shaw.

He is survived by his wife, children: Melodee, Machi, Dinahe, Mary, Preston, Stormy and husband Nathaniel, Alpha and wife Britney (and their children Aiden and Jersie), Genny and husband Hal, Aaron and wife Breanna (and their children Ella, Emma, and Atticus); and numerous nieces and nephews.

**Bonnie Perryman**

Bonnie Perryman, age 95 of Duke, Oklahoma, passed away Monday morning, October 31, 2022, at Bellarose Senior Living in Tulsa, OK.



Bonnie was born October 27, 1927, in Duke, OK to Hugh and M.E. Foreman. She graduated from high school in Duke and later attended beauty school in Shawnee, OK. Bonnie married Fred Perryman, her childhood sweetheart on April 6, 1947, and they enjoyed 69 years of marriage. They lived in the Duke community until 1956. She moved to Stillwater while Fred was getting his degree from Oklahoma State University, then lived in Butler, Walters, Okmulgee, Okemah, Clinton, and Tulsa. After 25 years in Clinton, they moved back to their rural home in Duke. Bonnie was active in the First Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School. She was an active volunteer with the Red Cross and taught English Literacy. Bonnie was a great wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Bonnie had a gentle loving spirit and was the peacemaker within her family. She loved to laugh and had a positive impact on everyone around her. She also was known for her wonderful desserts, especially her pies!

Bonnie was preceded in death by her husband, parents, and brother Eugene Foreman.

She is survived by her sisters Metta and Hughla, four children: Phillip and wife Lana, Fred and wife Lillian, Freda and husband Charles, and Dale and wife Sezen; seven grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, one great-great grandson, and numerous nieces and nephews.

**Michelle Recker**

Michelle Louise Recker was born May 18, 1963, in Grand Rapids, Minnesota, to Benjamin Glen and Elizabeth Louise Swankier and passed away Friday, November 4, 2022, in Weatherford.



Michelle was raised and attended school in Remer, Minnesota, and graduated in 1981. She married Mike Flood, and they made their home in Weatherford. Michelle worked at Kash 'N' Karry and Fast Lane convenience stores. On October 25, 2004, she married Kyle Recker in Eakly and made their home in Weatherford. Michelle enjoyed camping, garage sells, nature, arts and crafts, cooking and spending time with family and friends. Plants and flowers may be sent to the Lockstone Funeral Home, 210 N. Custer St., Weatherford, OK 73096.

Michelle was preceded in death by her parents, brother John and wife Demita, sister Mary and husband Don, and brother-in-law Rick Heinlen.

She is survived by her husband, ex-husband, son Matt and wife Leah, daughter Marissa Flood, brother Michael and wife Cindy, sisters: Kathy and husband Butch, and Diane Heinlen; three grandchildren: Mayson, Ashley, and Ashton; and numerous nieces and nephews.

**Betty Boden**

Betty Florence Boden was born February 16, 1944, in Oakwood to Herman Edwin and Irene Myrtle (Chain) Boden and passed away Saturday, November 5, 2022, at her home in Weatherford, having reached the age of 78 years, 8 months and 19 days.



Betty was raised and attended school in Oakwood, graduating with the Class of 1962. She earned her Associate Degree from Southwestern Oklahoma State University. Betty worked at Tinker Air Force Base for 18 years. She married Robert Peters, and they made their home in Choctaw. Betty later worked for the Postal Service in Norman, retired and moved to Oakwood for 18 years before moving to Weatherford in 2017. She enjoyed traveling, gardening, sewing and interior decorating. Memorials may be made to the Oakwood Fire Department.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her brother Jim Boden and wife Pam of Oakwood, nephew Casey Boden, great-nephew Tyler Boden and wife Ivy, great-niece Macy Hajny and husband Kade, great-nephew Brody Boden, and four great-grandnieces: Ila Kay Boden, Izzy May Boden, Rylie Casey Boden, and Zoey Sue Hajny.

**Lori Owens**

Lori Ellen Owens was born October 5, 1958, in Carnegie to Paul Raymond King and Cora Ellen (Simpson) King and passed away Sunday, November 6, 2022, at Weatherford Regional Hospital in Weatherford. Lori was raised in Colony and graduated from Washita Height High School in 1976. She started working for Corn Heritage Village. Lori married Steven Owens in Weatherford and made their home in Weatherford. She worked for Weatherford Regional Hospital for 22 years. Lori enjoyed bowling, reading, Thunder basketball, Hallmark movies and spending time with family and friends.



Lori was preceded in death by her parents, sisters: Betty and Paula Jo; and brothers: Steve, Jerry and Jimmy.

She is survived by her husband, brothers: Danny King and wife Frieda of Colony; Roy and wife Geneva of Thomas; Raymond and wife Kay of Colony; Roger and wife Regina of Weatherford; and Teddy King of Weatherford.

**Faye Beutler**

Juanita Faye Beutler Graybill, known to everyone as "Faye", was born July 6, 1928, at Herring, Oklahoma. To Asha Leroy "Lee" and Lena Elizabeth "Lennie" Driver and passed away on November 3, 2022, in Elk City, OK.



Faye grew up on a farm in the Herring and Hammon Communities where she attended public school at Hammon, graduating in 1946. After graduation, Faye worked at the Tisdal Hospital in Elk City for Dr. L.M. Baker, Sr., for several ears. In 1952, she married Henry Leon "Buddy" Beutler. They made their home northeast of Elk City where they farmed and raised two children Lea Ann and Randy.

After Buddy's untimely death in 1976, Faye attended the Vo Tech School at Burns Flat, receiving her Licensed Practical Nursing certificate. In 1979, she married Gail Graybill. She and Gail continued to live and work at the ranch until his death in 2001.

Faye enjoyed her family and watching Sooner football and the Oklahoma City Thunder on television. One of her greatest enjoyments was being able to live at the ranch for over seventy years until this past August when ill health required that she moved to Elk City.

Faye is preceded in death by her parents, in-laws Denzil and Hazel Beutler, and 11 siblings: Clarence Driver, Annie Driver, Minnie Spitzer, Lula Trent, Joe Driver, Jessie Carter, Katie Bright, Leroy "Cotton" Driver, Odesa Drinnon, J.W. Driver and Doyle "Buddy" Driver.

She is survived by her children: Lea Ann Beutler of Elk City; and Randy Beutler of Weatherford; a special friend, Alice Heroian of Edmond, two grandchildren: Felicia Cummins and husband J.W. of Erick; and Donald Schreiner of OKC; and four great-grandchildren: Nate, Hannah, Corbin and Henry Cummins.

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## National Family Caregivers Month (SWODA)

**Joanie Swanson**  
 AAA Information Specialist

Many caregivers struggle to provide care for their loved ones on their own. The South Western Oklahoma Development Authority (SWODA) Area Agency on Aging (AAA) believes it's important caregivers know they are not alone in their struggle to help their loved ones. SWODA/AAA provides for respite services for eligible caregivers in partnership with the Department of Human Services, Aging Services Division. Studies have shown caregivers will give better care, maintain their own health, and have reduced levels of stress if they can get away from the responsibilities of providing care even if it's for only a few hours. Respite does just that. It provides a way for a caregiver to get out of the everyday routine of caring for their loved one.

For example, a caregiver has the option of using respite services to go to a doctor's appointment, to get their hair done, to visit friends at a coffee shop, or even go to a movie. Caregivers are defined as "people of any age caring for someone 60 years of age or older with two Activities of Daily Living Impairments (dressing, bathing, eating, transferring, toileting, or walking) and/or requiring substantial assistance because of a cognitive or other mental impairment." If you or someone you know is interested in the Caregiver Respite Voucher Program, please contact Joanie Swanson, caregiver coordinator with SWODA Area Agency on Aging, at 800-627-4882, ext. 126, or e-mail Joanie at joanie@swoda.org.

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It was Augustine who said, "Men go abroad to wonder at the height of mountains, at the huge waters of the sea, at the long courses of the rivers, at the vast compass of the oceans, at the circular motion of the stars, and they pass by themselves without wondering." To put that in today's words we might say, "we marvel at the Grand Canyon, stand amazed at the giant Sequoia trees, and gasp at the achievements of modern technology; yet reckon that the human body came together by random chance. Dr. Brand marveled when he first saw a single cell, an amoeba, through a telescope. The amoeba is one cell. Yet as Brand observed, "inside my human eye, peering at him are 107,000,000 cells. Seven million are cones each loaded to fire off a message to the brain when a few photons of light cross them. Cones give me the full band of color awareness, and because of them I can easily distinguish a thousand shades of color. The other hundred million cells are rods, backup cells for use in low light." Dr. Brand goes on, "The human brain receives billions of simultaneous reports from eye cells...the brain then absorbs a composite set of yes or no messages from the rods and cones. It sorts and organizes them all and gives me an image." Dr. Brand goes on to describe the intricate cooperation between all the body parts, the enzymes, hormones, etc to produce and give shape and reality to what we call life. Rick Warren has said, "Man was made by God and for God--and until you understand that life will never make sense." Jesus said in John 10:10, "The thief (the devil) comes to steal, rob, and destroy, but I am come that you may have life and life more abundantly." Can you imagine a life without any presence of God or His common grace bestowed on us? At its most basic form, hell is separation from anything that speaks of God--no beauty, no joy, no restraints of evil, surrounded only by the forces of darkness alone. Over 2000 years ago God put forth a plan wrought from the foundation of the earth, the truth that Man needed a Savior; someone who could take on flesh, living in human form as one who could in His perfect being absorb all the sins of man, thus becoming the perfect sacrifice that the Old Testament sacrificial system could never do. In a few weeks we will celebrate the coming into the world of that Sacrificial Lamb. The world largely will ignore the real meaning of Christmas, celebrating in ways that bring shame on that great name. Let it not be so with you. To comment: (580) 302-1142 or jhm82@outlook.com



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Thomas Area Chamber of Commerce held their Thanks For Giving Food Drive for Connections Food and Resource Center. There was a competition between businesses and at the Thomas-Fay-Custer School. Deck's Foods was the winner of the businesses. The PK-2nd graders won the school competition. The grand total that the Thomas community collected was 2,063 pounds of food! Huge thank you to all participants: The Bank of The West, Decks Foods, the schools of Thomas, Fay, and Custer counties, Shop at WEST, First Christian Church of Thomas, King Threads, The Dog Pound, Thomas City Hall, Okie J's, and Hazel Cross Library.



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**ELK CITY / SPIEKER MAYOR** - The new Mayor for the City of Elk City, Cory Spieker, was sworn in at the most recent city commission meeting. Spieker succeeds former mayor Nick Archer who will represent District 55 in the Oklahoma Legislature. Spieker joined the city commission, representing Ward 1, in 2019. The commission is expected to appoint someone to fill the now-vacant Ward 1 commission seat at the next meeting later this month.

**WEATHERFORD / SALES TAX** - The city of Weatherford snapped a 22-month string of increased sales tax, with the latest numbers showing a less than 1% decline collecting \$1.014 million. The City of Clinton was up 4.6% at just under \$512,000. Elk City was up 2.9% at more than \$1.1 million. Meanwhile, the city of Cordell was up 8.6% at just over \$102,000.

**THOMAS / FOOD DRIVE** - The Thomas Area Chamber of commerce recently held their thanks for giving food drive for Connections Food and Resource Center. The Thomas community collected just over 2000 pounds of food during the food drive.

**WEATHERFORD / ROADS** - Weatherford Mayor Mike Brown provides updates on two upcoming road projects. Brown said construction on the Lyle Road project is expected to begin December 1st. He says the airport road bridge widening project is expected to begin in early 2023.

**ODOT / WRONG WAY DETECTION** - The Oklahoma Transportation Commission approved a contract to install wrong way detection systems at 10 key interchanges along interstate 40 between the Texas state line and Oklahoma City. A total of 49 interchanges will receive additional safety upgrades along the western I-40 corridor. Division 5 engineer Brent Almquist said it is a \$4.1 million project.

**ELECTION RESULTS** - It was a big night for Republican candidates in Oklahoma. Governor Kevin Stitt won re-election, Ryan Walters won the seat for State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Term limited State Representative Todd Russ of Cordell won the race for state treasurer. Frank Lucas has won another term in the U.S. House. In Cordell, voters rejected three propositions where the city clerk, treasurer and marshal would be appointed by the mayor at the approval of city council. Each of those proposals had more than 65% opposition.

**DEWEY CO DIST COURT / SECHRIST** - An Apache man is due back in Dewey County District Court for a status hearing after the first of the year in an effort to resolve a capital case without going to trial. Thirty-five year old Tye Sechrist is charged with two counts of first degree murder in connection with the shooting deaths of a Leedey EMT and her sister-in-law. Sechrist appeared in court for a status update on will return to court on January 9th.

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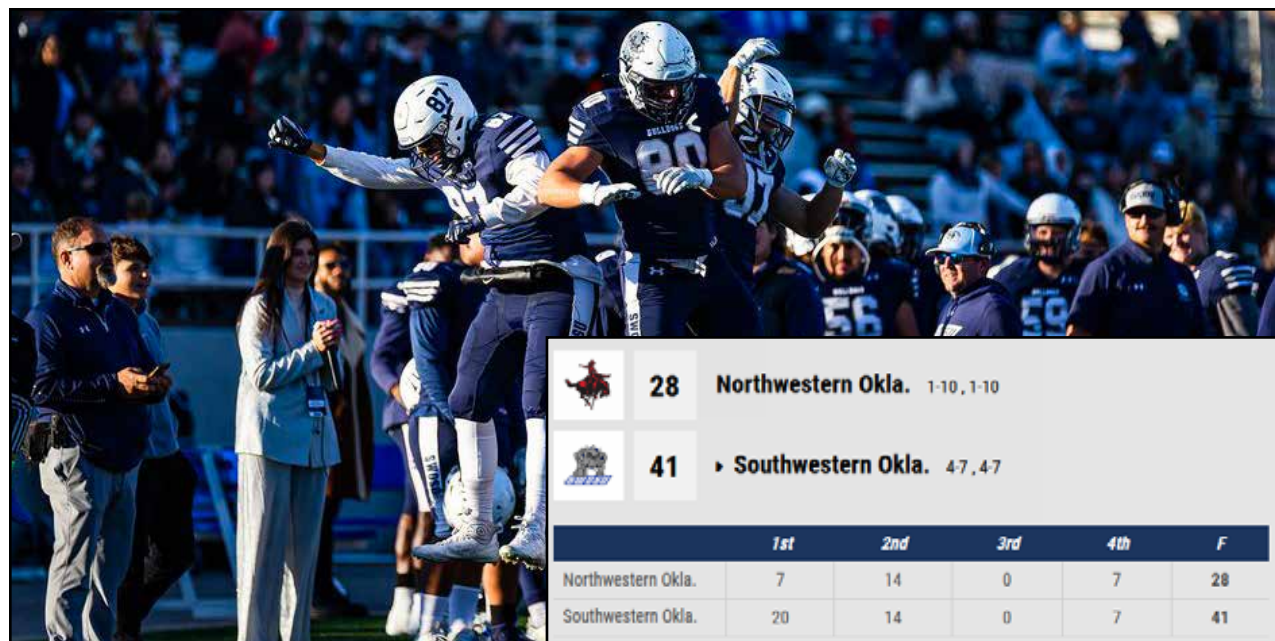
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|                 | NWO   | SWO    |
| Total Yards     | 320   | 386    |
| Pass Yards      | 149   | 264    |
| Rushing Yards   | 171   | 122    |
| Penalty Yards   | 10-79 | 11-128 |
| 1st Downs       | 20    | 18     |
| 3rd Downs       | 4-16  | 4-11   |
| 4th Downs       | 2-4   | 1-1    |
| TOP             | 32:20 | 27:40  |

## Let's Ride: SWOSU Sends Seniors Out on Top

**Jon Chidester**  
Assistant AD/Media Relations

The win snaps a five-game losing streak the Dawgs brought into the contest. Three of those losses were within a single possession. It was time to get on the other side of that.

Saturday's 41-28 final score wasn't as close if the Bulldogs managed to eliminate a pair of special teams breakdowns and a costly fumble. Northwestern took a pair of kickoffs for scores in the first half and fell on a fumbled ball at the 1-yard line for a defensive score. Outside of those, they managed just two offensive touchdowns, one in each half, on the night.

The lack of Ranger scoring was courtesy of the Dawg defense. They forced three turnovers in the game. Richard Silva came away with his first interception of the year,

a red zone interception in the first quarter, to halt a Northwestern drive. Ashton Hamby added to that in the third quarter with an INT of his own, and then sealed the game with a fumble recovery on Northwestern's final drive.

SWOSU won the turnover battle 3-1 and added another turnover on downs in the red zone.

They also got a special teams score for the second week in a row. Logan Engle blocked a punt in the first quarter, and it bounced straight into Elijah Reed's hands for the 30-yard scoop n' score.

Meanwhile, the Bulldogs clicked on offense out of the gate and tallied 34 of their 41 points in the first half. They led 34-21 at the break. Out of the halftime locker room both sides scored just one touchdown each in the

fourth quarter after a scoreless third. SWOSU outgained the Rangers 386-320 (yards) on the night.

Dexter Brown got work all game. He had 27 touches at running back for 71 yards and three scores.

Isreal Watson, playing his last game, caught six balls for 124 yards and a score. His touchdown came in the second quarter on a 61-yard catch. Tylan Morton extended the play and found him open waiting by the sideline 30 yards downfield. A Ranger defender overran the thrown ball and Watson had only green turf in front of him from there.

Jacob Karsak caught the other Morton touchdown pass in the contest, a 25-yard pitch and catch that came in the second quarter.

Senior Tylan Morton finished 19-26 for 264 yards and two passing touchdowns.

The Bulldogs finish the season 4-7. It's the most wins the program has seen since 2016.

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## Lewis Makes Gift to SWOSU Football

Stephen Patrick "Pat" Lewis of Oklahoma City has made a generous gift commitment to Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) football.

Lewis wore number 83 for the Bulldogs from 1978-1981 on the football field. Lewis's time at SWOSU saw many winning seasons and much success for the SWOSU football team in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) conference. Lewis later earned a Bachelor of Science in Human Resources from Southern Nazarene University. He retired from his position of Community Relations

Manager at Oklahoma Gas and Electric (OG&E) in 2021 after eighteen years of service. Lewis' wife, Gayle is also retired from OG&E.

"Gifts from former players are important to our athletic programs," said SWOSU Athletic Director Todd Helton. "Not only do they provide funds for the team, but they show the current players what it means to be a Bulldog. We are so grateful to Pat Lewis for his continued support of SWOSU Football!"

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## SWOSU Baseball Announces New Endowment Campaign

**Dena Friesen**  
Volunteer Coordinator

An endowment has been created to benefit the Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) Baseball program. The SWOSU Baseball Endowment provides SWOSU Baseball alumni and friends the opportunity to make a charitable gift to the SWOSU Baseball program for the long-term growth and benefit of the program.

Gifts to the endowment will be used for scholarships, recruitment and other team needs. Giving to the endowment has already started and gifts of any size are being accepted and will be recognized.

Baseball has a rich heritage at SWOSU and was one

of the earliest organized games played on campus. Yearbook photos provide record of a baseball team prior to statehood in 1906, when the University was known as "Southwestern Normal School."

"Providing our alumni the opportunity to give back to the sport they love is key to growing a program," said SWOSU Athletic Director Todd Helton. "We have some dedicated SWOSU baseball fans and we hope they will take advantage of this new opportunity to support the team."

Donations may be made to the SWOSU baseball endowment at [www.GivetoSWOSUBaseball.com](http://www.GivetoSWOSUBaseball.com) or by contacting the SWOSU Foundation, Inc. at 580-774-3267.

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# STATE OF OKLAHOMA HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

## STATEMENT: Representatives Olsen and Dahm Seek to Protect Pro-Life Policies

Rep. Jim Olsen, R-Roland, and Sen. Nathan Dahm, R-Broken Arrow, today released the following statement reiterating their continued dedication to fighting for pro-life policies in the upcoming legislative session.

"New allowances for abortion might come veiled as compassion and care for difficult and tragic circumstances. In fact, this is not the case at all.

This would be nothing less than the taking away of innocent human life.

Oklahoma is blessed to have the strongest set of laws in the country to defend innocent unborn life. Our babies deserve nothing less.

We must have courage to defend innocent unborn babies against expanding allowances for abortion. Compromise is not the right choice when the issue

is defending life.

Let's keep first things first—each child has a right to life."

The legislators authored Senate Bill 612, which classifies performing an abortion as a felony, punishable by up to 10 years in prison or \$100,000 in fines. The bill was signed into law April 12 and went into effect in August.

## You're Invited! Watonga Regional Airport Runway Dedication

Join the City of Watonga and the Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission as they host a public celebration and ribbon cutting for the new airport runway at the Watonga Regional Airport, centered in the heart of Watonga, Oklahoma. Watonga Airport will host an airport runway dedication on Tuesday, November 15,

2022, beginning at 10:00 a.m. CST. The event is free to attend, but for planning purposes, event organizers ask that each attendee register and present their ticket upon entry.

Celebrate the spirit of aviation with special guests as well as other state dignitaries and community leaders

as community stakeholders and guests commemorate the accomplishments of the greater western Oklahoma aviation and aerospace community through the dedication of this vibrant new runway bringing renewed business and general aviation transportation to Blaine County and the surrounding areas.

## Hamby & Reed Pick Up Season's Final GAC Player of the Week Honors

SWOSU Football has added a pair of Great American Conference Players of the Week courtesy of Ashton Hamby and Elijah Reed's strong performances last Saturday. It is the final weekly recognition from the conference for the 2022 season.

For Hamby, it is his second straight week earning conference honors. He was named the Special Teams Player of the Week on November 7 and is now the Defensive Player of the Week one game later. Against Northwestern in the season finale, he intercepted a pass, recovered a fumble, and added seven tackles to his stat sheet. Both turnovers came in the second half. He finishes the season with a team leading three INTs.

Reed recovered a blocked punt by Logan Engle for a 30-yard scoop n' score touchdown in the first

quarter. At the time, it put the Dawgs out ahead 13-0. It is the second straight week SWOSU special teams scored off a blocked punt.

SWOSU finishes the season with a league-leading eight players of the week, edging two teams who finished with seven. (Ouachita, Henderson State)



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### 32nd Annual Stew Dinner Bake Sale & Silent Auction

Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>

11:00am-1:30pm

1000 Gartrell, Weatherford

Stew, Cornbread, Beverage, & Cobbler

Join us for OU Verses OSU Game on the Big Screen.

**Adults - \$10 | Kids 10 & Under - \$5**

Tickets available at the door or at the Pioneer Center office.

Drive thru pick up available by calling 580-772-1192



# Seniors Kinsey and Watson Sweep Bulldogs of the Week

**Grant Kopycinski**  
SWOSU Sports Assistant

Seniors Carmen Kinsey (volleyball) and Isreal Watson

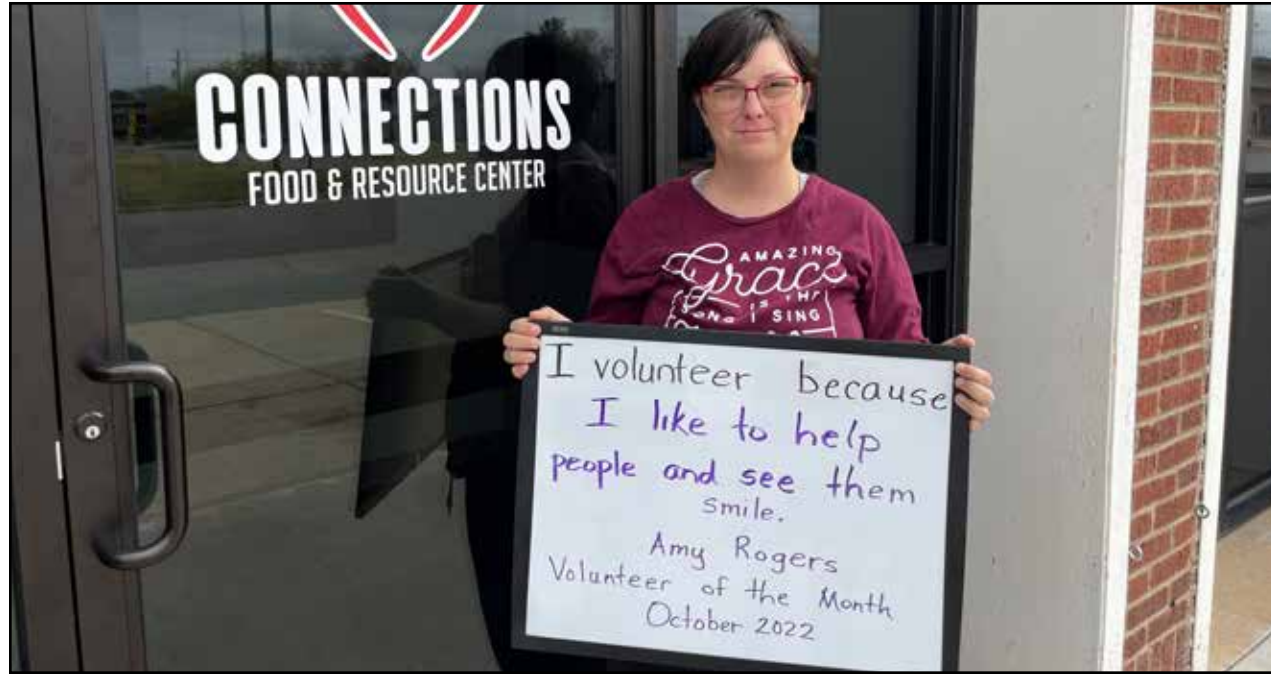
(football) are the newest Bulldogs of the Week. The award is brought to you by Wright Wradio, the official partner of SWOSU Athletics for both livestream and radio.

Kinsey (Norman, Ok) put together her best two games as a Bulldog in the GAC Tournament. In the quarterfinals, she had 16 kills and hit .405. In the semifinals, she again had 16 kills. Those 16 kills represents a season high for her. She added nine blocks (3s-6a) in two games as well. Kinsey ended her SWOSU career on a high note, making the GAC All-Tournament Team.

Watson (Kansas City, Kansas) was the main target for fellow senior Tylan Morton on Senior Day. Watson had six catches for 124 yards. This total was almost half of Morton's passing yards for the game. Watson also had one touchdown. It was an impressive play where he caught the ball, turned up field past one defender, and outran the rest of the defense for the score. He helped SWOSU football send their seniors out on top, beating NWOSU 41-28.



# Amy Rogers: Connections Food and Resource Center Volunteer of the Month



**Dena Friesen**  
Volunteer Coordinator

Amy Rogers is the October Volunteer of the Month for Connections Food and Resource Center.

She has volunteered nearly 500 hours in the last 18 months. Connections Food and Resource Center offers a client choice food pantry that provides fresh produce, non-perishable, refrigerated, and frozen foods. We also help connect our clients to additional services as needed. Connections serves 15 zip codes—Arapaho, Butler, Clinton, Colony, Corn, Custer City, Eakly, Fay, Geary, Hammon, Hinton, Hydro, Lookeba, Thomas and Weatherford.

An average of 90 volunteers put in 700 hours of work to distribute 26,000 pounds of food to 1,200 food-insecure Western Oklahomans per month. Please join the fight against hunger by signing up to volunteer.

Contact Volunteer Coordinator Dena Friesen at 580-774-5377 (office) or 469-443-6603 (cell) or email at [volunteer@connectionscenter.org](mailto:volunteer@connectionscenter.org)



## Southern Sass

**ARTISAN SOAPERY & BOUTIQUE**

### 7th Annual Black Friday & Sassy Saturday Sale!

**Special Hours: 9am - 7pm** 

- 3/\$25 Sugar Scrubs, 4 oz Lotions, Bath Soaks & Bubble Baths
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- \$2 OFF Mega Melts, Body Silk & Hair Perfume
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- 4/\$30 CBD Bath Bombs
- 12/\$40 Fizzy Bath Bombs
- \$3 OFF Whipped Sugar Scrub
- \$25 Beard Oil/ Beard Wash Combo
- 3/\$25 Men's Body Wash
- Buy 4 Get 1 Free on ALL soap bars!
- Buy 4 Car Freshies Get 1 FREE!
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- Buy 3 Soy Candles Get a FREE Wax Melt
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- 3/\$20 Room Sprays & Toy Bath Bombs!
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- Buy 3 Sets of 31:13 Creative Clay Earrings Get a FREE Pair of Studs



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## Deer Creek Market

*Meat & Cheese Platter* 

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**Large Tray: \$60**  
**Small Tray: \$40**



*Vegetable Platter* 

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**Large Tray: \$35**  
**Small Tray: \$28**



*Fruit Platter* 

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**Large Tray: \$35**  
**Small Tray: \$28**





**Food Trays For Every Holiday Celebration**  
**(24 hour notice required)**

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