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**Annual High School I-40 Baseball Tournament Returns March 26-28**



**March 26-28**

Calumet	Clinton
Elk City	Jones
Kingfisher	Okarche
Tuttle	W'ford
Woodward	

**I-40 CLASSIC SCHEDULE**  
Clinton games hosted at Acme Brick Park  
Weatherford games hosted at Rader Park

**Thursday, March 26**  
**Games @ Clinton**  
Jones vs. Elk City.....3:00 pm  
Clinton vs. Jones.....5:30 pm

**Thursday, March 26**  
**Games @ Weatherford**  
Woodward vs. Okarche.....3:00 pm  
Weatherford vs. Woodward.....5:30 pm

**Friday, March 27**  
**Games @ Clinton**  
Elk City vs. Okarche.....12:00 pm  
Kingfisher vs. Elk City.....2:30 pm  
Clinton vs. Kingfisher.....5:00 pm

**Friday, March 27**  
**Games @ Weatherford**  
Tuttle vs. Calumet.....12:00 pm  
Calumet vs. Woodward.....2:30 pm  
Weatherford vs. Jones.....5:00 pm

**Saturday, March 28**  
**Games @ Weatherford**  
Weatherford vs. Kingfisher.....10:00 pm  
Clinton vs. Calumet.....12:30 pm  
Okarche vs. Tuttle.....3:00 pm

**Alexander Shook**  
WOK Contributor

For many years, the I-40 Baseball Tournament (also known as the I-40 Classic and the I-40 Festival) has seen high school baseball teams from western Oklahoma face off in a low stakes pre-season tournament.

All games hosted by Weatherford will be available live and on-demand at [wright.media/one](http://wright.media/one) and Clinton games at [wright.media/two](http://wright.media/two).

This annual event features 13 matches spread across three days and two fields featuring nine high school teams. A coin flip will determine the home team of each game, including those played by Clinton and Weatherford.

Each match has a hard limit of 2 hours and 15 minutes, with the leading team being crowned the winner if the game doesn't end before then. Additionally, the tournament's run rule is set to 10 runs prior to the 5th inning and 8 runs during or after the 5th inning. Any game that's running ahead of schedule will start early, so be prepared to watch games early!

A huge shoutout to the seven travelling teams: Calumet, Elk City, Kingfisher, Jones, Okarche, Tuttle, and Woodward. It's because of their monetary contributions to Clinton and Weatherford Public Schools that this long-running festival can be held year after year. Thank you!

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**Marie Loula**

Marie Louise (Mulder) Loula was born December 4, 1937, near Eakly, Oklahoma, at the Mulder home place to John and Murl Luekenga Mulder. She passed away surrounded by the love of her family on March 15, 2026 at the



age of 88. Marie grew up in the Eakly community and attended Elm Grove and Alfalfa schools. She graduated from high school in 1955 as the valedictorian of her class. Following graduation, she continued her education at Oklahoma College of Liberal Arts in Chickasha, Oklahoma, and later at Southwestern State University in Weatherford, Oklahoma. On March 16, 1957, she married her childhood sweetheart, Jerry Loula. The couple made their home in Anadarko, Oklahoma, where Marie worked for the Anadarko Daily News and later for Western Farmers Electric Cooperative and the Bureau of Reclamation. During this time, they welcomed their two sons, Darren Jay and Michael Wade. In 1980, Marie and Jerry moved back to the family farm near Eakly, where they continued to enjoy the life they loved. Marie was known as “Nan” to her grandchildren and “Aunt Rie” to her nieces and nephews. Her family fondly joked about calling to see if “Nan’s Café” was open, because her kitchen was always filled with the smells of homemade favorites. Among the most requested dishes were her macaroni and cheese, wacky cake, cinnamon rolls, and hot rolls. She was especially known for preparing as many as four crockpots of macaroni and cheese for Wednesday night church gatherings, gladly sharing her cooking with family and friends. In addition to cooking for those she loved, Marie developed a deep passion for quilting. She began by making quilt tops and soon became active in the Eakly Home and Community Education Club. Her beautiful quilts earned numerous blue ribbons and grand champion awards at various fairs, and she was often asked to serve as a judge for quilt exhibits. Marie also enjoyed collecting and preserving family recipes. At the request of her granddaughters, she compiled many of her treasured recipes into a cookbook so they could be passed down through the family. The book, titled Recipes from “Nan’s Kitchen”, became a special keepsake for generations to come. Marie was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother who cherished time spent with her family. Her faith, kindness, creativity, and love for her family will always be remembered.

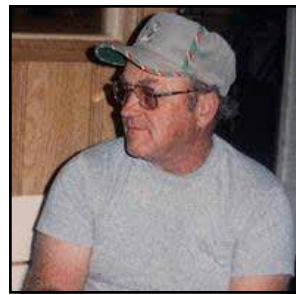
She is survived by her husband, Jerry Loula of Eakly; her sons, Darren Jay Loula and wife Tammie of Ozark, MO, and Michael Wade Loula and wife Tiffany of Eakly, OK; and her beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Darren and Tammie’s sons include Darren Edward Loula and wife Katie, and Brian Scott Loula and wife Tamara. Darren Edward and Katie have two children, Avery and Colby. Brian Scott and Tamara have three children, Dusti, Dayton, and Daxton. Michael and Tiffany’s children include Michaela Jae Morales and husband Stephen, Karlee Jordan Rains and husband Taylor, and Trent Michael Loula and wife Sunnie. Michaela and Stephen have one child, Stockton Wade. Karlee and Taylor have two sons, Easton and Kaden, Trent and wife Sunnie have two girls, Mabelle Marie and Clara Rose, along with many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends who will cherish her memory.

Marie is preceded in death by her parents, John and Murl Mulder, her father and mother in law, Carle and Helen Loula, by her sisters, Lila Beth and Evelyn Murl, and her nieces, Brenda Asner and Elizabeth Williams.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Eakly Fire Department, 301 W Main / P.O. Box 279, Eakly, OK 73033

**Wallace Watt**

Wallace James Watt was born in Clinton, Oklahoma on February 18, 1943, to Paul James and Elizabeth Judith (Thessen) Watt and passed away in Thomas, Oklahoma on March 17, 2026, at the age of 83.



Wallace was raised in Putnam and attended school at Independence and Custer City, graduating from Custer City High School. After high school, he obtained a government job in water conservation services and kept this job throughout his life. Wallace lived in Clinton, Thomas and Eufaula over the years. Eventually, he returned to Thomas and stayed there.

He enjoyed fishing and being on the lake and loved the time he spent living on the lake in Eufaula. Even in retirement, Wallace would mow at Eufaula Lake.

Wallace is preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, Richard, J.C. and Rodney Watt and one nephew, Rick Watt. He is survived by his nieces, Paula Hamar and Jean Ann Moore.

**Steve Millspaugh**

Stephen James “Steve” Millspaugh, age 81, of Weatherford, Oklahoma, peacefully passed away on March 18, 2026, in Weatherford. Born on October 3, 1944, in Oklahoma City to John and Boothe (Charlton) Millspaugh, Stephen’s journey was one marked by unwavering dedication and heartfelt service.



A graduate of Clinton High School’s class of 1962, Stephen’s pursuit of knowledge led him to American University, where he earned a degree in Political Science, and further to George Washington University’s law school. His early career blossomed in the halls of governance as a Capitol Cop for Senator Almer Stillwell “Mike” Monroney, setting the foundation for a life committed to public service.

Stephen’s entrepreneurial spirit shone brightly when, a few years after the birth of his daughter Leslie, he opened the very first Toys R Us store in Texas in 1973 (Houston). His versatile career spanned roles at Garden Ridge Pottery, Pier One Imports, and International Food Service. Beyond business, Stephen loved to travel, especially to National Parks. He was an avid OU Sooners fan and never missed a game. In later years, he embraced ranching and became a successful investor in oil and gas, living a life filled with adventure and grounded by an extraordinary gift for numbers—a talent his wife, Rose, fondly described as that of a “mathematical genius.”

A pillar of his community, Stephen devoted himself as a Rotarian with the Weatherford Rotary Club and served Custer County faithfully for two decades as its Republican Representative. His political engagement extended through roles as a committee man and delegate to two Republican national conventions, illustrating a steadfast commitment to the causes he believes in.

In love and partnership, Stephen married Rose (Tye) Lambert in 1993 in Onalaska, Texas. Together, they shaped a marriage grounded in laughter, and an unwavering commitment to one another.

Stephen is lovingly remembered by his wife, Rose Millspaugh; daughter, Leslie Millspaugh and her significant other Billy Joe Lowe, of Cambridge, Maryland; stepsons, James L. Forke, and spouse, Michael Eustis of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Paul Lambert and wife Natalie of Livingston, Texas; sister, Dr. Johnna Roberts and husband Greg Atkinson, of Omaha, Nebraska; beloved granddaughter, Amanda Sutphin of Maryland; great-grandchildren, Eric, Alise and Brycen Green, of Maryland and Blane Lambert, of Livingston, Texas; niece, Ashley Montgomery and husband, Justin of Shawnee, Kansas, along with great-niece Harper Montgomery.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Boothe Millspaugh.

The family would also like to offer their deepest thanks to Dr. Badgett, the team at Corn Heritage Village in Weatherford, and Vital Caring Hospice for the extraordinary care they gave Stephen.

Stephen James Millspaugh’s legacy is one of intellectual brilliance, unwavering community dedication, and heartfelt devotion to family—a life richly lived and fondly remembered.

In remembrance of Stephen, the family invites donations to CureIBM.org, an organization dedicated to a muscle disease for which no cause or cure has yet been found.

**Don Reynolds**

Donald Leslie Reynolds, age 65, passed away unexpectedly at his home in Weatherford, OK, on March 12, 2026.



Don was born in 1960 in Norman, OK, the third child of Henry and Betty Reynolds. Though born in Norman, Don’s heart belonged to Weatherford, where he lived the majority of his life. A graduate of Weatherford High School, Class of 1978, Don was a familiar and friendly face to the many who grew up alongside him.

Following high school, Don honorably served his country in the United States Navy. His service took him far from home, but his roots eventually pulled him back to Western Oklahoma. Upon his return to Weatherford, he enrolled at Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU), where he earned his bachelor’s degree in library science.

Don was a man of quiet intelligence and steady character with a lifelong love of reading. He shared this passion through his work as a librarian for the Navajo Nation reservation in New Mexico. Don’s commitment to service continued through his 19 years in the Navy Reserves, during which he served in Desert Storm, retiring in 2001. He was also a Fourth-Degree member of the Knights of Columbus. For the past 15 years, he served as a corrections officer and was looking forward to his retirement in the fall from the Oklahoma Department of Corrections.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Henry G. Reynolds, Jr. and Betty Reynolds, and his sister, Mary Camilla Lankford.

He is survived by his siblings: Henry Grady Reynolds III and wife Imelda; Marjorie Reynolds Lane and husband Steve; and John Reynolds. He is also survived by his brother-in-law, Jerry Lankford; five nephews and two nieces; five great-nephews and three great-nieces; and two great-great nephews and two great-great nieces.

**Hazel Arbour**

Hazel Ann Arbour was born on March 7, 1936, to Leon Pierre and Matilda A. "Tillie" (Friedrichs) Bordelon and passed away peacefully at Corn Heritage Village on March 15, 2026, in Corn, OK.



Hazel was born and raised in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. One of her favorite pastimes was rollerskating. It was at the rollerskating rink that she met the love of her life, John Kenneth Arbour. When asked about him, she would respond with how handsome he was and how he had the most beautiful blue eyes. Hazel and Kenneth were married on April 24, 1954, at the First Lutheran Church in Baton Rouge, while Hazel was a Senior in high school and right before Kenneth went into the Army. Hazel then graduated high school on June 2, 1954.

After the military, the couple welcomed 5 children - Arlene, Shari, John Kenneth, Jr. "Bo", Brian and Laura. Kenneth began working for Texaco and moved the family from state to state. Traveling to Baton Rouge was always a priority no matter where they lived, Kenneth had a large family and Hazel loved being a part of it. Along the way, the family met the Teagues and the Flamings with whom they remained lifelong friends.

Hazel was a stay-at-home mom up until the family moved to Weatherford, OK. At the time, she had 2 high-schoolers in the home and began working in the high school cafeteria. She also worked for the Weatherford First Baptist Church on Wednesday nights. After the death of Kenneth, Hazel started work at Walmart. She was hired to be the voice on the intercom because they liked her Louisiana accent. Hazel was always recognized by students and customers when she was out shopping around town.

She enjoyed traveling with family, reading, watching Murder She Wrote and doing jigsaw puzzles. Of all of her accomplishments, Hazel was most proud of her huge family she created and would often tell people all about them.

Hazel was preceded in death by her parents, husband, infant daughter, Sharon, brother, Leon Pierre, Jr. and grandson, Clayton Wade (9/21/1984 - 2/29/2004).

She is survived by her daughter, Arlene Betty and husband, Max; daughter, Shari Wanzer and husband, Randy; son, John Kenneth Jr. "Bo" Arbour and wife, Christie; son, Brian Arbour and wife, Beverly; daughter, Laura Arndt and husband, Dave. Hazel is survived by her grandchildren, Jennifer (Andy), Stephanie (Travis), Melissa (Mike), Amy, Hannah, Megan, Ashley, Christopher, Sara (Joel), Daniel and David. She is also survived by her great-grandchildren, Ryley, RaeAnn, Morgan, Reagan, Chandler, Alaina, Chase, Macy, Alyvia, Edison, Reid, Carter, Adler, Sovanna, Renley and Emily.

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**Senate Session Review by Senator Darcy Jech**



**Sen. Darcy Jech**  
*R-Kingfisher, District 26*

With the first six weeks of the 2026 legislative session behind us, we have passed the first major deadline. Bills were required to be advanced from their assigned Senate Committee by March 5 to remain eligible for consideration and potentially become law this year.

At the start of the session, more than 1,000 new Senate Bills were referred to Senate Committees. A portion of these measures are advancing to the Senate floor, where our focus has now fully turned. We will also review hundreds of bills authored by our colleagues in the House of Representatives, along with legislation carried over from the 2025 session.

With many bills moving through the process, I am pleased to report that three key measures I'm carrying this session have been passed off the Senate floor. The first, SB 1327, restores the authority of the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Commission and reinforces its role in overseeing the department's leadership and operations. Also advancing is SB 1501, which directs the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority to provide notice to all law enforcement agencies in the local jurisdiction when a license expires, so that agencies are aware that if such a business continues to operate, they are not doing so legally, and appropriate action can then be taken. The third bill heading to the House, SB 1314, pertains to groundwater use and increases funding caps for the Indemnity Fund and per-well spending. This allows the Oklahoma Water Resources Board to continue managing the state's well drillers and pump installers program, safeguarding water quality and addressing current costs of labor and materials. I look forward to seeing these bills continue to advance this session.

We are also continuing our work on the state budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Crafting a fiscally responsible and balanced budget is our top constitutional duty, and it requires careful review of agency requests, revenue projections, and funding priorities. This year's appropriations process presents added challenges.

The Board of Equalization's certified revenue estimates show fewer dollars available than in recent sessions. While many state agencies have requested budget increases, we must carefully weigh those needs against the reality that available funds cannot meet every request. In the weeks ahead, we will continue budget deliberations to identify strategic investment opportunities and ensure taxpayer dollars are directed toward the programs and services that matter most to Oklahomans.

Between legislative proceedings, it has been a pleasure to welcome students from across the district for special events at the Capitol. We welcomed several FFA chapters and advisors from Senate District 26 for FFA Day, and additional school groups for FCCLA Day. It is always encouraging to see so many young leaders engaged in service, leadership development, and career preparation, and I appreciated the opportunity to visit with them about the legislative process and their goals for the future.

It was also a pleasure to welcome constituents from Weatherford to the Capitol to recognize Space Day. It was a wonderful opportunity to highlight the Stafford Air and Space Museum, as well as other economic development and infrastructure projects in Weatherford.

I also look forward to welcoming students from our district to serve as Senate pages each year. The Senate Page Program provides a unique, hands-on opportunity for students to observe the legislative process and gain a deeper understanding of state government procedures. Saidee Wright, a senior at Omega, joined us as a page for the sixth week of the session and was able to take an active role in our busy week of floor work.

Just as we enjoy hosting guests, my office is always glad to welcome constituents and assist with any legislative questions or concerns. If I can assist you with a legislative matter, feel free to contact my office at 405-521-5545 or Darcy.Jech@oksenate.gov. We also invite you to tour our state Capitol and hope to see you in our office in Room 234.



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The Connections Food and Resource Center of Weatherford is set to host their annual Grand Can Sculpture competition to help fight hunger in Western Oklahoma this week, with voting opening to the public on Thursday, March 26. Results will be posted on the non-profit's Facebook page by the end of the month.

The awards presented include the "People's Choice" award, which is determined by social media likes and monetary donations. Engage with your favorite build on their Facebook page by searching "Connections Food & Resource Center."

The teams will face-off on March 24 - 25, from 9am - 9pm, to Their efforts will go towards collecting food and money donations, which will help those in need around Western Oklahoma.

Donations can be made via credit cards, checks and cash. The Connections center also has accounts via Venmo, Cashapp, and Paypal. Any digital donation should include the team names in the donation to ensure that points are accurately awarded. Each dollar donated will count as one vote towards the team specified and the team with the most points at the end of the night will go home with the Grand Can Grand Champion.

The Grand Can Sculpture Competition is both a food drive and a fundraiser, with contestants building can-based architecture themed around Route 66 monuments in Oklahoma and beyond. Their hard work can be viewed in-person at located at 122 S. 8th Street in Weatherford. Votes will be accepted from 11am - 5:15 pm.

Various food trucks will be parked on-site for attendees, and KWEY 95.5 the Coyote will also be on-location for a radio remote during the event.

For more information, please visit their website at ConnectionsCenter.org.

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**CADDO CO / BURN BAN** - Caddo County Commissioners recently implemented a burn ban effective immediately, not to exceed past the month of March. Exceptions include outdoor welding, the use of cutting torches and grinding activities along with outdoor cooking activities conducted over a non-flammable surface and prescribed burns.

**MOUNTAIN VIEW / RECOGNITION** - The town of Mountain View and the Mountain View Police Department have recognized Reserve Officer Derek Hunter for his courageous actions during a recent residential house fire. Officials say Officer Hunter's calm judgement, bravery, and commitment to protecting others ensured that victims were removed from immediate danger and received medical attention as quickly as possible. Chief Christopher Hardison issued a letter of commendation noting Officer Hunter's professionalism and heroism reflect the highest standards of law enforcement.

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**HYDRO / CLINIC OPENING** - Officials with Weatherford Regional Hospital say a grand opening will be held on March 25th from 3-5pm for the Hydro Family Clinic.

**WEST OK / WILDFIRES** - Wildfires broke out on Sunday, March 15th, in Custer and Beckham counties prompting fire warnings from the National Weather Service. The Custer County fire occurred east of Arapaho. Emergency Management Director Hardy Sperle says firefighters got the blaze stopped on Sunday afternoon and outlines the possible cause of the blaze. The fire, which burned just over 130 acres, did not threaten any structures. Meanwhile, the fire weather warning in Beckham County forced evacuations for Sayre for a short period of time. Emergency Management officials say the blaze burned about 80 acres and no structures were involved.

**CLINTON / NEW OHP LOCATION** - A lot of headway is being made by construction crews that are building a new Oklahoma Highway Patrol headquarters in Clinton. "The exterior has taking shape completely. Of course, the devil's in the details in the interior, but I think they may be ahead of schedule," expressed Clinton Mayor David Berrong. "I know that they said [the HQ may be finish by] June or so. It's a beautiful new look coming into Clinton." The new location of the OHP headquarters will be at the former Glancy Hotel site on Gary Boulevard.

**CUSTER CO / STORM SHELTER** - Custer County Emergency Management Director Hardy Sperle revealed he has applied for funding on a saferoom project for Custer County. "If we get approval, hopefully sometime this summer, we'll be able to accept applications for eligible homeowners to receive reimbursements for a safe room or a shelter," Sperle said. Once the county is approved, several public meetings will be held regarding the program.

**CLINTON / CDBG GRANT** - Clinton City Council recently approved multiple resolutions to seek Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for wastewater projects. "It all hinges on the results of an income survey, which three weeks ago, printed off a list of all our residential utility customers," said City Manager Robert Johnston, explaining that survey letters were sent to random residents in the mail. City Treasurer Debra Blanchard added that the city sent out 450 survey letters. The city is waiting for at least 400 responses before they can apply for the CDBG funding.

**SWOSU / GIFT** - Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) has received a generous charitable gift from former SWOSU President Dr. Joe Anna Hibler to fund the purchase of a new mailroom van to support campus operations. Dr. Hibler's gift ensures the university can replace its current aging vehicle with a dependable van that will provide efficient mail and package delivery services across campus.

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**WEATHERFORD / FATALITY** - Weatherford Police have released the name of the person who died on Tuesday, March 17, after crashing her vehicle into the Kaiser Sign & Graphics building. Detective Matt Bartel identifies the victim as Erica Fay Goodlin of the state of California. "She was reported to be driving recklessly on I-40. OHP had been called and they were notifying us," explained Bartel. "We were then notified that she had taken the exit into Weatherford, where officers were going to be looking for her. And then that's when this call came in that she had wrecked." The Vice President of Kaiser Sign & Graphics Cindi Kaiser says part of the vehicle wound up in her office which resulted in significant damage. "It hit the computer system, my plotter, all the equipment, the sign equipment, and it totaled all of that." Goodlin was not being pursued by law enforcement at the time of the crash.

**CARNEGIE / STREET IMPROVEMENTS** \$40,000 have been collected so far in sales tax funds dedicated to street improvements. Carnegie Mayor Cody Dupler shared his plans to place an item on the April agenda for the board of trustees to consider surrounding the reworking of Wichita Street, with the goal of starting that project in either May or June, if approved by town trustees. Dupler also wants to begin addressing street signage, as many signs are faded, damaged or missing.

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## Eight Key Tenets to Ensure You Have a Perfect Wedding Day

Planning a wedding is both an exciting and complex endeavor, requiring thoughtful preparation across multiple areas. While every couple's priorities differ, there are eight essential elements that consistently stand out as crucial to a successful and memorable celebration.

**1. Budgeting** - Establishing a clear budget is foundational. Before any decisions are made, couples should determine how much they are willing and able to spend. This financial framework guides every subsequent choice, from venue to attire.

**2. Venue** - Selecting the right venue is key. The location sets the tone for the entire event, whether it's a formal ballroom, rustic barn, or outdoor garden. Booking early is critical, as popular venues often fill up months—or even years—in advance.

**3. Guest List** - This will help shape the scale of the wedding. Knowing the approximate number of attendees influences venue size, catering costs, and overall logistics.

**4. Vendors** - This includes caterers, photographers, florists, and entertainment. Research, reviews, and recommendations play an important role in ensuring quality service on the big day.

**5. Attire** - Choosing attire is a significant and often emotional part of the process. From the wedding dress and suit to accessories, couples should allow ample time for fittings and alterations.

**6. Event Outline** - Planning the ceremony and reception details ensures a smooth flow of events. This

includes writing vows, selecting music, organizing seating arrangements, and creating a timeline for the day.

**7. Invitations** - Managing RSVPs is more than just a formality; it provides guests with key information and helps couples finalize numbers for catering and seating.

**8. Expect the Unexpected** - Preparing for challenges is often overlooked but vital. Planning for inclement weather, vendor cancellations, or last-minute changes can prevent unnecessary stress.

In the end, successful wedding planning comes down to organization, communication, and flexibility. By focusing on these eight key areas, couples can navigate the process with greater confidence and create a celebration that reflects their unique vision and love story.



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Schedules for district games featuring Clinton and Weatherford are listed to the right. All games will have the girls play at 6PM and the boys play at 8PM. The only exception is Weatherford's game at Harding Prep Charter School, which is slated for April 24th at 4PM and 6PM for the girls and boys, respectively.

For more information, please visit the Oklahoma Secondary School Athletics Association (OSSAA)'s soccer page at [ossaaillustrated.com/soccer](http://ossaaillustrated.com/soccer)

**CLINTON DISTRICT GAMES**

- March 31st - Clinton @ Weatherford
- April 2nd - Clinton vs. Woodward
- April 10th - Clinton vs. Harding Prep
- April 14th - Clinton vs. Elk City
- April 17th - Clinton @ Heritage Hall
- April 21st - Clinton @ Newcastle

**WEATHERFORD DISTRICT GAMES**

- March 31st - Weatherford vs. Clinton
- April 2nd - Weatherford @ Newcastle
- April 7th - Weatherford vs. Elk City
- April 10th - Weatherford @ Douglas
- April 14th - Weatherford @ Woodward
- April 17th - Weatherford vs. Blanchard (Girls)
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# Espinoza, Gentry Named Bulldogs of the Week

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Daniela Espinoza (women's golf) and Blaire Gentry (softball) have been named the Bulldogs of the Week, presented by Wright Media — the official partner for SWOSU athletic livestreams and radio broadcasts.

Espinoza (Culiacan, Mexico) recorded her highest-placing finish at the SMSU Classic over Spring Break, placing sixth. She had a nine-shot improvement from day one, firing an even-par 70 on day two. Her score matched the lowest round of the tournament and led SWOSU on the day.

Gentry (Lockesburg, Ark.) saw action in all three Bulldog wins over Spring Break, earning saves in each game. She threw three innings in both games against Newman. In the first game, she did not allow a single baserunner, and in game two she again threw three innings, allowing just three hits while keeping the board clean. In the win over No. 7 ranked Southern Arkansas, she pitched 6.1 innings after starting the game and allowing no earned runs. She later returned in extra innings to escape a two-out, bases-loaded jam, recording the final out to secure the top-10 upset.

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## Rubber Match Rally Lifts SAU Past SWOSU



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SWOSU Baseball split day one of the weekend series with Southern Arkansas, taking the opener in walk-off fashion before falling in game two despite allowing just two hits to the Mulerider offense. The team then saw a 5-0 lead slip away in a 9-6 loss to Southern Arkansas in Saturday's rubber match, giving the Muleriders a 2-1 series victory.

The Bulldogs controlled the game early. Garrett Folmar held SAU to one hit across five scoreless innings, backed by a run in the first and a four-run third that built a 5-0 advantage.

Southern Arkansas finally broke through on Folmar in the sixth. With two outs, the Muleriders strung together four hits to cut the lead to 5-3. Another two-out RBI — a pinch-hit triple in the seventh — made it 5-4 before SAU took the lead for good in the eighth.

In for Folmar in a fresh eighth inning, Kaegan Baker (L, 1-5) recorded two quick outs before the inning unraveled. A walk and back-to-back singles tied the game, and after a pitching change, two more singles gave SAU the lead. A double added an insurance run, pushing the margin to 8-5.

SWOSU threatened in the bottom half of the inning. A bases-loaded walk brought in a run, but a ground ball double play following a pitching change ended the rally. SAU added another run in the ninth. The Bulldogs brought the tying run to the plate in their final at-bat but could not complete the comeback.

SWOSU finished with nine hits — seven coming in the first three innings — while SAU totaled 13, including 12 from the sixth inning on.

Zach Makarewich drove in the game's first run with a groundout in the opening inning, scoring Landon Meyer. Meyer (1-for-3) also helped spark the third inning, reaching on a walk before SWOSU strung together four hits to score four runs and build the early lead. Kotaro Wakui, Nolan McCrossin, and Keaton Fisher each recorded two hits. Wakui and McCrossin both doubled.

The loss drops SWOSU to 15-15 overall and 7-11 in GAC play. The Bulldogs return home Tuesday to face Science & Arts of Oklahoma (USAO) before traveling to East Central for conference play next weekend.

## No. 7 Muleriders Power Past Lady Bulldogs



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SWOSU Softball knocked off No. 7 Southern Arkansas in extra innings in Friday's opener before falling 4-3 in game two to split the day, only to drop the final leg of the three-game series with No. 7 Southern Arkansas, 9-0 in five innings.

After taking a game from the Muleriders in the opener, the Dawgs now sit at 10-22 overall and 4-11 in conference play. They handed SAU just its third loss of the season and first at home earlier in the series.

A big second inning broke the game open for the top-10 ranked Muleriders as they scored six runs to go up 8-0 after just six outs on each side. The SWOSU defense had trouble fielding multiple balls

popped up in the deep infield due to the sun, which kept the inning going.

The Dawgs managed just four hits while committing three errors on defense, compared to 12 hits and a clean sheet for the Muleriders.

Lily Barfield got the start, pitching 1.1 innings and allowing six runs. Blaire Gentry entered in relief, throwing the final 2.2 innings in the circle while giving up seven hits and one earned run. All Bulldog hits came from different bats. Riley Lusk doubled. Maddie Rahon tripled.

SWOSU will return home to face East Central for a weekend series starting Friday, March 27 at 3:00 p.m. before capping off the week with a Saturday doubleheader beginning at noon.

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