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## Weatherford High School Plans for Senior Graduation

Weatherford High School has planned a parade to honor their seniors on May 16th, 2020, starting at 6:00pm. The parade will use the same route as the Cabin Fever Car Cruise. The seniors will be able to decorate their vehicles and will be allowed no more than 3 of them in one vehicle. They will be taking pictures of each Senior before the parade and parents can be in the student's car when they pull up to the front, get out and take a picture receiving their diploma placard, and then get back in the car and leave. Diplomas will not be given at this time, hoping to give them out at a graduation ceremony. They have set aside June 20 and July 11 as possible dates

to hold an actual graduation ceremony. Weatherford High School would start the graduation at 7:30 pm. This would be held on the football field to give those in attendance room to spread out and watch the proceedings.



In the event that we cannot hold a graduation, we will be bringing the seniors back for a home football game next year for a meet-and-greet and to honor them at halftime of the game.

Weatherford High School would like to thank you for your understanding and patience as they have tried to plan to honor such a great senior class.

## Sonic of Weatherford Makes Ongoing Gift to SWOSU Baseball



Sonic of Weatherford owner Tommy Sims continued over two decades of consecutive charitable giving to the SWOSU Baseball team, recently, with his 2020 contribution.

SWOSU Head Baseball Coach Zack Saunders praised Sims for his long record of philanthropic investment in SWOSU's student-athletes.

"Tommy Sims is a faithful supporter of our SWOSU Baseball program," Saunders said. "His generosity has helped improve facilities, fund scholarships and drive excellence at SWOSU. We are deeply grateful to Tommy and to Sonic of Weatherford."

Bulldog Baseball was 10-8 during the shortened 2020 season, their ninth under the direction of Saunders, who has guided SWOSU to a winning record seven times during his tenure.

## From Renegade to Rainman KWEY celebrates 35 years of employment



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### Todd Brunner is pictured with Ray Bagby

Quiet, dependable, loyal, always the professional, reserved, always willing to help, and a terrific team player – an exemplary employee – Ray Michaels “Renegade Ray” Bagby. He’s the one person at KWEY who’s been here the longest, now. “When we bought the station in 1991, Ray had already been on the staff as an On-Air Talent,” says Co-owner Harold Wright. After the military and during college, Ray was in radio at KWOE in Clinton. Since 1984, though, he was on the air at KWEY from 6:00 – 12:00 midnight.

Ray and his family have lived in Weatherford since he was three years old. Remembering one specific incident just after the station had been on the air a few months, he remembers listening to KWEY from the beginning. A tornado was spotted southwest of town. Listening to Paul Bunning and Dick Johnson describe where the tornado was, he was in the basement of his home on Huber. Fortunately, Ray reports that the tornado dissipated before it reached town. At this time, the station was only licensed for daytime operations and also in case of emergencies. It was definitely a case for this station to exercise the FCC emergency clause to be on the air.

When Ray was hired as part time, the FCC would not allow the station to be unattended. Some of Ray’s responsibilities was to take the readings on the transmitter and make sure everything was going all right. Ray adds that, “fortunately, KWEY could be on the air until sundown on the AM” so he got to spin the records from 6:00 until dark. The FM was on the air until midnight. Ray would watch the automated system, and at midnight he would sign off and turn off the transmitter. Back in the day, the station had lots of automated tape machines and reel-to-reel to watch in case he needed to “kick” it if needed.

Todd Brunner, Harold and Ray all worked at KWOE for a time before joining KWEY in Weatherford.

Ray admits he’s always wanted to be in radio from the time he was a small boy of about 10 years old. He says he would “spin my 45’s on my record player and do the jock thing” into the next record. Listening to KOMA and WGN led Ray to his interest in radio. His first on-air handle was Ray Michaels. Rod Henry from KWOE taught him the first part of being an air talent, to pick an easy name to remember. Since Ray’s middle name is Michael, he thought it’d be easy to remember, and it seemed to roll easily off the tongue. When Bill Jeffries worked at the station, he told Ray that “he had to have a name, a nickname” so Bill was the one who started calling him Renegade Ray.

A lot of the staff, now-a-days, calls him Rainman because of Ray’s innate ability to find a problem and correct it. This started his next step in radio – becoming a licensed professional broadcast engineer. He had begun to do a little afternoon work, but the station was having problems with its new fully solid state AM transmitter working into the antenna system. With Ray’s natural curiosity, he looked the new equipment over and found out the problem. The owner, at the time, asked him if he’d want to work on the engineering side.

Broadcast Hall of Famer Chuck Edwards has these words about Ray. “Renegade Ray, aka Ray Bagby, aka Ray Michaels. In the beginning Ray-Man wore bib overalls and a baseball cap with protruding ponytail. He even did a jazz show that was called, I think, “rubber biscuit.” As Rainman morphed into the station engineer and IT, frequently I had to call on him for help with equipment at ball game broadcasts and for my ineptness with computers while trying to put together a sportscast.

“Years ago, Weatherford had to travel all the way to Glenpool over by Tulsa for a playoff football game. Because the visiting radio press box was not pre-wired with phone lines, Ray drove all the way to Glenpool to engineer our broadcast. He set up a portable transmitter that allowed us to transmit our broadcast to a residence in Glenpool. Ray was then able to patch our broadcast into the telephone and send it to Weatherford. Heck of a way to spend a Friday night, and he didn’t even get to see the game. Long live the Renegade, Wright Wradio’s senior employee!! Chuck Edwards, chasing the Rain Man with 34-years.”

Some of Ray’s training in the military was in Radar repair so the change to engineering was a natural fit. Harold asked him how he could have the patience to read all the schematics, but Ray says, “it’s not a matter of patience to him, it’s interesting. I find it fascinating how the theories

turned into practice. It’s enjoyment, not a chore.”

After adding other stations in the 1990’s, the management asked Ray to serve full-time as the engineer for the now 5 radio stations in Wright Broadcasting Systems, Inc. Ray says he feels “blessed with ownership that is concerned with quality, so I don’t worry about sketchy equipment.” He’s able to get the equipment configured correctly and installed fairly easily. Ray remembers one specific FM transmitter not staying on the air. Trying to find the problem, he had gone back and forth. After speaking to Engineer Dave Chenowit from Texas, Dave suggested one of the components in the transmitter might have shorted through to the structure of the transmitter. A simple piece of cardboard between it fixed the problem. A new piece was ordered to replace it. Ray had solved the problem.

The funniest thing Ray remembers is of “Dick Johnson, a marvelous soul and Seabee during World War II, who came out of the war with a complete distaste of ANY kind of rodent, was starting the live Ag Report. You could hear his chair wheel across the floor,” says Ray, “away from the microphone and shout something about a mouse running across the console.”

“When I first started out at KWEY as a DJ,” says Heston Wright, Co-owner and General Manager, “I can remember having lots of questions, and Ray was always willing to provide good, sound advice so I could improve my on-air skills. Then, as I began learning more about the radio business, I quickly learned he was the “go to” guy for all questions related to mechanical, technical, computer or engineering. If he didn’t know the answer, he’d either find someone that did or do the research to find the answer we needed. His willingness to go the extra mile, helping employees find solutions to their technical issues, is one of the characteristics that set him apart from others.

“Additionally, Ray is an ultimate team player. Whether it’s dressing up at Halloween (the “cereal” killer was my favorite), cheering on his sales partner during sports, participating in the dirty Santa gift exchange, or just hanging out with co-workers at the annual staff picnic, he cares about the stations, customers, co-workers and listeners. He’s truly dedicated to making Wright Broadcasting Systems, Inc. the best that it can be.”

Ray is quick to give his wife Janice and three children Crystal, Richard and Stephen total credit for his job and understanding Ray’s role when he had to totally change family plans due to work situations or leave family gatherings. Their support has meant everything to Ray.

Harold and the Wright Family are more than thankful of Ray’s loyalty and expertise he’s displayed to KWEY and Wright Broadcasting Systems, Inc. for 35 years, almost 36.

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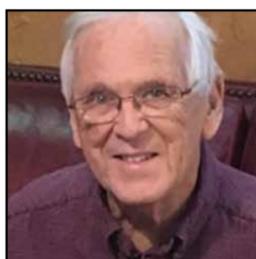
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**Gilbert Dick**

Graveside services for Gilbert Dick, 80, longtime Clinton Banker, will be held Tuesday, May 5, 2020, in the Peace Lutheran Cemetery, officiated by Pastor Jerry Lamb and under the direction of the Kiesau-Lee Funeral Home.



Gilbert Gottfred Dick was born November 17, 1939, to Gottfred and Anna (Friedrich) Dick in Clinton, Oklahoma, and passed away Wednesday, April 29, 2020, in his Clinton home.

Mr. Dick was raised in the Bessie and Clinton areas. He attended Clinton schools and graduated from Clinton High School in 1958. He continued his education at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford, Oklahoma, and received his Business Degree in 1962. He married Arloene Littke on August 6, 1961, in Bessie, Oklahoma. He soon started a long career with the First National Bank in Clinton where he started as a teller and worked his way up thru bookkeeping, accounting, then loan officer. He attended the Northwestern University in Chicago IL and received his Trust Business Degree in August 1994. He then developed the Trust Department at the Bank First in Clinton and retired in 2008 after 45 years of service.

He was a longtime active and faithful member of the Peace Lutheran Church; he was on the Board of Directors at Clinton's First Bank for several years; he enjoyed working on old cars.

He is preceded in death by his wife Arloene in 2014; his parents, two brothers Paul and infant Harvey, and a sister Viola Moser.

He is survived by his two sons Duane Dick and wife, Debra, Clinton and Alan Dick and wife Sheila, Tulsa, OK.

He is also survived by five grandchildren: Justin Dick, Edmond; Savana Etgeton, Seattle, WA; Caleb Dale, Sierra Dale and Caden Dale, all of Tulsa; and three great-grandchildren Lillian Dick, Matilda Etgeton and Leo Dale.

**Genary Janet Dorgan**

Graveside service in celebration of life for Genary Janet Dorgan, 82 year-old Weatherford, OK resident, was held on Wednesday, April 29, 2020, at 2:00 PM at Greenwood Cemetery in Weatherford with Pastor Earl Stephenson officiating. Burial is under the direction of Lockstone Funeral Home.



Genary Janet Dorgan was born on September 13, 1937, in Canute, Oklahoma, to Lewis and Bertha (Morgan) Spear and passed away on Friday, April 24, 2020, at her home in Weatherford, Oklahoma at the age of 82 years, 7 months, and 11 days.

Genary was raised south of Canute and attended Canute High School, graduating with the Class of 1955. She attended the University of Oklahoma School of Nursing. On November 24, 1956, she married James Dorgan Jr., and they made their home in Midwest City. The family lived many places during her husband's military service—including Glendale, AZ, Okinawa, Japan, Del Rio, TX, Spokane, WA, and Elk City, OK. In 1984, the family moved to Weatherford, OK.

Genary enjoyed spending time outdoors—hunting deer and camping. She was an extraordinary cook and enjoyed preparing meals for her family. In her free time, she enjoyed sewing, reading, and spending time with her children and grandchildren. She also enjoyed bowling with her husband and playing Bingo. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to OMRF Alzheimer's Research or to Corn Heritage Village.

Genary is survived by her husband James Dorgan, Jr. of the home in Weatherford; one son James Dorgan III of Burns Flat, OK; three daughters: Dianne Baldwin and husband Ken of Mustang, OK, Linda Heins and husband Mark of Choctaw, OK, and Kathy King and husband Steve of Weatherford, OK; thirteen grandchildren; and ten great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister Vera Spear.

**Robert Gerald Fortner**

Robert Gerald Fortner, 95, passed away peacefully on Monday, April 27, 2020. He was born on October 16, 1924, in Stillwater, Oklahoma, to Bill and Blanche Fortner. At the age of 2, his family moved to Custer, Oklahoma, where he resided until 1986. Gerald was a graduate of Custer City High School and married his high school sweetheart Frieda Mae on August 1, 1942. From their union, 2 daughters were born.



In June of 1943, Gerald was drafted into the army. He checked in to Camp Fannin, Texas, for basic training and then reported to the 103rd Division at Camp Howzie near Gainesville. He joined the combat effort in July of 1944, reporting to a replacement camp in Italy to join up with "I" company, 141st Infantry, 36th Division as a rifleman. "I" company was then deployed to the Rhone Valley along the Napoleon Route, South of France. His unit met with heavy Nazi resistance in the Voges mountains, where the combat awarded Gerald the Bronze Star that he wore with great pride.

After the war, Gerald came home to his wife and daughter and brought a second daughter into the world. While tending to his young family, Gerald owned and operated Fortner Chevrolet in partnership with his father in Custer City. In 1954, he worked for the post office as a rural mail carrier and farmed along-side his father. Filling out Gerald's busy schedule, he served 20 years as a volunteer fire fighter for Custer City. He eventually retired from these endeavors, focusing on quality time with his wife Frieda until her untimely death in 1982.

In 1984, Gerald wed for a second time to Eula Jean Jones. They resided in Clinton, Oklahoma, where they were happily married for 36 years. Through this 2nd

chapter of Gerald's life, he enjoyed travelling, negotiating land deals, dabbling in classic cars, collecting gun and WWII memorabilia, and most importantly, being with his extended family.

Gerald is preceded in death by his parents, his older sisters Mary Alma and Opal and his wife Frieda Mae. He is survived by his 2nd wife Eula Jean, Oklahoma City; daughter Pat Ferguson, Harrah; daughter Judi Christensen and husband Paul, Custer; Jean's daughters; Kayla Barker, Virginia; Deanne Pipher, and Jeanne Lair, Oklahoma City; grandchildren Robyn Graham and husband Chris, Duncan; Kim Patterson and husband Duane, Harrah; Angela Walters and husband Anthony, Clinton; and Andy Christensen, Custer, as well as 8 great grandchildren.

**Peggy McLaughlin**

Graveside Services for Peggy McLaughlin, 86, Clinton resident were held Thursday in the Clinton Cemetery officiated by grandson Nolan Wade McLaughlin and under the direction of the Kiesau-Lee Funeral Home.



Peggy Jane McLaughlin was born June 23, 1933, to Tommy and Hattie Mae (Ketcherside) Wolfe in Coalgate, Oklahoma, and passed away Tuesday, April 28, 2020, in the Grace Living Center in Clinton, Oklahoma.

Peggy started her young life in Coalgate, and the family moved to Western Oklahoma when she was five years old. The family first moved to Foss and later to Clinton where she attended school. She married Edward McLaughlin January 20, 1950, in Clinton. She worked as a nurse's aide for several years in the local nursing homes.

She was a member of the Assembly of God Church; she loved to read, especially the Bible, and work puzzles.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, brothers Jackie Wolfe, Lawrence Joe Wolfe, John Henry Wolfe and William Floyd Wolfe; sisters Floy Mae Reimer, Dorothy Pearl Adams-Murphy, Mary Jane Wolfe.

She is survived by sister Ruby Lee Jelenick and brother Clifford Roof and wife Phyllis, Clinton.

She is also survived by three grandchildren: Brian McLaughlin, Vanessa McLaughlin and Nolan McLaughlin and wife Abby and a great-grandson Kingston.

**Michelle Nicole Raleigh**

Michelle Nicole Raleigh, 29, Sterling, Oklahoma, passed away unexpectedly on April 21st, 2020, in Sterling, Oklahoma. She was born on May 4th, 1990, to Mike and Dawn (Cox) Julian in Chickasha, Oklahoma. Michelle grew up and attended school in Snyder and graduated from Snyder High School in 2008. She attended Oklahoma State University and worked for a company called Pure Romance that came to be her life work. Michelle met the love of her life and soul mate Manuel Raleigh, and they married on February 13, 2015, in Cordell, Oklahoma. Michelle loved her life. She loved her family and her PR sisters. Her laugh was infectious and nearly constant. She had an amazing sense of humor. Her mind was brilliant. Her soul amazing. The love she had for people showed abundantly. Her life was a testament to her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If you did not know her, you don't know what you missed! She was deeply loved by her family and all who truly new her. Michelle will be so deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. Survivors include: Husband Manuel Raleigh and daughter Zoe of the home in Cordell, OK Mother Dawn Osborn & husband Robbie of Altus, OK., Father Mike Julian & wife Kay of Sterling, OK., Sisters: Megan Melton & husband Scott of Sterling, OK., and children Braxton and Blakely, Donna Bradley & husband Ryan of Olustee, OK., and children Blevins and Braizly Johnna Milner & husband Josh of Blair, OK., and children Bayne and Cameron, Katie Bryant & husband Brandon of Cyril, OK., and children Kestin and Bryler. Brothers: Matthew Turner of Cordell, OK., Zeke Turner of Sentinel, OK. Parents-in-law: Mark Turner & wife Velda of Cordell, OK., Grandmother: Mary Lynn Julian, grandparents: Rhonda and Jim Bross of Lyme, CT. Special Cousins: Cody Julian and Travis Julian. Host of other family members and close friends.



Preceded in death by her Daughter Emily "Truck" and her Grandfather Eugene Julian.

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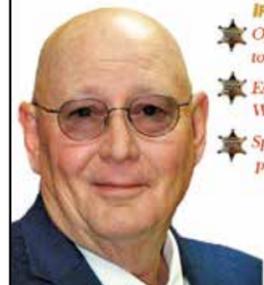
### Dan Day runs for Custer County Sheriff

Dan Day is running for Custer County Sheriff. Dan began his time in law enforcement after graduating the CLEAT program in 1976. He has worked a part-time or full-time position with every sheriff since then. He also served as a volunteer firefighter, eventually working his way to a full-time position that ended with retirement as a Lieutenant Inspector and Fire Marshall. Dan has worked as a chaplain for the emergency service of Fire/Law/EMS and as a chaplain to the Oklahoma Bureau of Investigation.

If elected, Dan plans to focus on getting the Sheriff office more involved in community service. He believes the path to a great department begins with leadership, and he would like the Sheriff's Office to be a leader for Custer County.

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# LOCAL AND AREA NEWS



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**CUSTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RE-OPENED**-Custer County Commissioners have decided that effective Monday, May 4th, County offices will return to full staff. The county courthouse will open with limited public access beginning on May 11th. County officials urge the public to call and make an appointment with the office in which you need to conduct business.

**CLINTON BUDGET**- Clinton City Manager Mark Skiles said the city is in the process of preparing their next spending plan. Skiles said the city is putting together a budget that will reflect a 20% decrease in sales tax for the next fiscal year, that starts in July. The council will have to adopt the next budget for the city by June 30th.

**WEATHERFORD ARREST IN VANDALISM**-Weatherford police say charges have been turned over to the office of the District Attorney against a juvenile male in connection with vandalism at Weatherford Middle School. Additionally, Detective Matt Bartel said authorities are investigating graffiti on concrete next to the Thunder court in Weatherford.

**WASHITA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR**-Washita County has a new emergency management director. County Commissioner Leo Georing said Kenneth Trent will succeed Sandy Settles as emergency management director. Trent began his new duties May 1st.

**CUSTER COUNTY ACCIDENT**- Three people are hospitalized, four others were treated and released following a one vehicle accident Saturday on eastbound interstate 40 at the 83-mile marker near Weatherford. The Oklahoma High Patrol said 29-year-old Tetra Billie of Yukon and a 2-year-old child were last listed in serious condition at OU Medical Center. An 8-year-old boy was last listed in stable condition after the vehicle Billie was driving had unsafe tires on the driver's side. Troopers say the rear tire threw the tread surface layer off, the vehicle then departed the road and rolled, ejecting the driver and two passengers.

**CUSTER COUNTY WRIGHT RETIREMENT**-Custer County Oklahoma State University Extension Director Ron Wright told county commissioners of his intent to retire, tentatively July 1st. Wright has worked for the Oklahoma State University extension for the past 29 years, 26 in Custer County.



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# PUBLIC RECORDS

**Arrested**  
Santa Salas, 25, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Custer County Charge Domestic Assault and Battery.

Zavre Rodriguez, 28, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Custer County Charge Warrant.

Stolen Property.

Dangerous substance, Possession of Paraphernalia.

Joseph Starr, 37, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Custer County Charge Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Michael Limpy, 35, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Public Intoxication.

Steven Kent Lindsey, 25, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Firearm while Committing Felony, Possession of Firearm by Felon, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Trafficking.

Brandon Ray Woods, 33, arrested by Weatherford Police Department and charged with Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance, Possession of Paraphernalia, Breaking and Entering.

Carlos Chavez, 20, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Unauthorized use of Motor Vehicle.

Destany Ember Brennan, 27, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Harbors Criminals and Fugitives.

Terry Dewayne Tabor, 35, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Public Intoxication, Local Warrant.

**Out on Bond**

Hayden William Barry, 18, arrested by Weatherford Police Department and charged with Driving Under Influence-Drugs, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Paraphernalia, Operating Motor Vehicle in Unsafe Condition.

Andrew Musick, 28, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Custer County Charge of Domestic Assault and Battery Second Subsequent.

Dillion David Hill, 28, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Washita County Warrant.

Kenneth Robert Wood, 32, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Trafficking, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Use of Firearm while Attempting to Commit Felony, Possession of Firearm by Felon.

Kamber Day Graham, Turned Self in and charged with Conspiracy.

Steve Rodriguez, 27, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Custer County Charge of domestic Assault and Battery in the Presence of a Minor, Assault on a Police Officer.

Kenneth Frank Rasnic, 40, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Eluding Police Officer, Driving Motor Vehicle under Suspension.

Shannon Michelle Lindsay Wood, 35, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Possession of Paraphernalia, Trafficking.

Kevin Leeinit Zapien, arrested by Weatherford Police Department and charged with Public Intoxication.

Alexis Dutchie, 37, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Public Intoxication.

Billy Wayne Rich, 37, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Beckham County Warrant, Felon in Possession of Firearm, Kidnapping, Tamper with Security Surveillance.

Harold Archie Taylor, 49, arrested by Weatherford Police Department and charged with Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance, Possession of Paraphernalia Custer County Warrant & Potawatomi County Warrant.

Chelsa Rose Salinas, 31, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Custer County Warrant, Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance, Larceny from a Retailer, Bogus Check.

Chelsa Salinas, 31, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Custer County Warrant.

Luis Enrique Rodriguez, 38, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Larceny of Motor Vehicle. Douglas Edgardo Baires, 42, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Assault and Battery.

Danielle Chounet Beard, 45, arrested by Weatherford Police Department and charged with Custer County Warrant Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance, Possession of Paraphernalia.

Jeremy Whiteshirt, arrested by Custer County Sheriff's Office and charged with Driving under Influence.

Kevin Randle, 47, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Prowling.

Jeremy Jon Cuccaro, 39, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Local Warrant.

Hayden Barry, 18, arrested by Weatherford Police Department and charged with Driving Under Influence-Drugs, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Paraphernalia, Operating M/V in Unsafe Condition.

Lakota Ann Wise, 41, arrested by Weatherford Police Department and charged with Custer County Warrant, Driving under Influence, Possession of Paraphernalia, Possession of Medical Marijuana without a License.

Jase Miller, 54, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Custer County Charge Breaking and Entering.

Trudy Amber Fletcher, 33, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Local Warrant.

Lakota Ann Wise, 41, arrested by Weatherford Police Department and charged with Custer County Warrant.

Victor Thomas Roden, arrested by Custer County Sheriff's Office and charged with Rule 8.

Travis Kauley, 41, arrested by Clinton Police Department and charged with Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Paraphernalia, Public Intoxication, Vicious Dog Inside City Limits.

Jeffrey Conner Harris, 43, arrested by Elk City Police Department and charged with Possession of Firearm, Driving under Suspension, Possession of Drug, Knowingly received

Mackenzie Kyle Castaneda, 27, arrested by Weatherford Police Department and charged with Possession of Controlled

## Higher Ground Scripture Memory



Jim Morrison

### MEMORIZE GOD'S WORD WITH IRANIAN CHRISTIANS

Did you know that many are coming to Christ in Iran? Even under the control of a Moslem dominated culture in which imprisonment and torture are common place, many are risking their lives to follow Jesus. The Voice of the Martyrs recently received a list of 125 Bible verses that house church members and their leaders in Iran are memorizing. "They are recalling these verses when they are in jail or other places and unable to access a Bible." (I will send you a copy upon request—Jim)

You may find it difficult to memorize verses, and I am not saying it is easy. I have struggled with it most of my adult life. But nothing of real value comes easy. We do memorize those things that are important to us... our social security number, lyrics to songs that we love, the serial number of your rifle if you are in the military, etc. Memorization is obviously easier for some than others, but all Christ-followers will benefit from being able to recall certain verses on special occasions. It does involve work and some sacrifice. I will share some tips that have been helpful to me.

To begin, choose a fairly short verse that has a special meaning to you. Repeat it aloud several times, emphasizing key words. Then break it down into separate phrases and write the phrase down that you are concentrating on, ten times. Example: Psalm 27:1 "The Lord is my light and my salvation..." Don't just say the words, think about the meaning and meditate on areas in your life that you need His light and His deliverance. Always connect the reference to the verse lest you get the verse down and the next day can't remember where it is found. After you have mastered the first phrase, move to the phrase "...of whom shall I fear?" Do the same thing as you did with the first phrase. Then connect the two phrases to complete the sentence. Follow the same procedure with the second sentence in the verse.

Next, write it down on a small card that you can carry with you. At times during the day, when there is a pause, simply take the verse out and say it out loud several times. Or you might write in on a 2 x 4 index card, paste on your bathroom mirror or the dash of your car, then at a stop light, or while you are shaving (some people still shave) or putting your make-up on, say the verse out loud several times. Do this for three days and you will think you have it memorized. But you wake up in the middle of the night and you can't remember how it starts. The answer is constant review. That is really the secret to planting it in your mind and heart. On the 4th day choose another verse and complete the same process, BUT, you also need to review the verse you just completed. Just say it out loud several times to keep it fresh. The key to memorization is constant review. That may not take a lot of time. Just use a box or something handy to keep the verses in. You may have a little verse pack that you can keep them in. I hope this is helpful. More could be said but I'm trying to keep it short. To comment: [jhm82@outlook.com](mailto:jhm82@outlook.com)

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# SPORTS

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## Tyra Aska and Alex Bedard Named SWOSU Athletes of the Year

The SWOSU Athletic Department handed out their top honors on Wednesday night with a Virtual All-Sports Banquet to conclude the 2019-20 athletic season.

Claiming the top honors for the year were Lady Bulldog Basketball standout Tyra Aska and SWOSU Baseball's Alex Bedard, who were named the Athletes of the Year, while Kaitlyn Dillon of SWOSU Volleyball and Academic All-American Football player Braden Sweet were chosen as the Scholar-Athletes of the Year.



Kaitlyn Dillon

Kaitlyn Dillon (Edmond, Okla.) helped the Bulldog Volleyball team to a second-place finish in the Great American Conference for the second straight year and earned honors as the GAC Defensive Player of the Year and a First Team All-GAC

selection. She graduates as the program's all-time leader in digs and service aces and she's one of four players in conference history to record more than 2,000 career digs. Earlier this year, she was one of two SWOSU Volleyball players selected to the GAC's All-Decade Team and she was also chosen to represent the conference at the NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership Forum. Dillon has been a four-year starter for the Bulldogs and she becomes the third member of SWOSU Volleyball to be chosen as SWOSU's Female Scholar Athlete of the Year. She will graduate from SWOSU next month with a degree in Business Marketing and a grade point average of 3.97.



Braden Sweet

Braden Sweet (Perry, Okla.) ranked fifth in the Great American Conference with 98 tackles during his senior season while also recording one interception, one fumble recovery and three pass breakups. He played his final

season as a graduate student at SWOSU, having already claimed a bachelor's degree with a 3.98 undergraduate grade point average in Accounting and he's currently working towards a Master's of Business Administration postgraduate degree with a 4.00 GPA. Sweet started 30 games over the past three seasons and he graduates with 192 career tackles. In December, he earned his second CoSIDA Academic All-American honor and became the second player in program history to be named a First Team Academic All-American. This is the seventh time in nine seasons that the SWOSU Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year award is claimed by a Bulldog Football player, with Sweet joining previous Academic All-Americans Cameron Nix and Brandon Roe to extend their streak to five straight years.



Tyra Aska (Meridian, Okla.) has been a four-year starter for the Lady Bulldogs and gives the Female Athlete of the Year award to a basketball player for the third consecutive season. As a senior, she guided her team to their third consecutive Great American Conference regular season championship and the Lady Dawgs were selected to participate in the NCAA Division II Central Regional Tournament for the third straight season. She is the second

four-time All-GAC Selection in program history and she was named First Team All-GAC for the second straight year. Aska also earned a spot on the D2CCA All-Central Region team and she was named to the GAC's All-Decade Team in January with her career still in progress. Aska graduates from SWOSU ranked fifth on the all-time scoring list with more than 1,500 career points and she finishes second in school history in career steals and assists.



Alex Bedard (Levis, Quebec) opened the 2020 season with the first home run in all of NCAA Baseball and never looked back. Although his senior season was limited to 18 games, he had at least one hit in 14 games with two five-hit games to his credit. He led the Great American Conference in batting average, hits per game, runs per game and stolen bases while anchoring one of the top

hitting team in the conference from his leadoff position. Bedard and his team were in contention for a spot in the postseason and on pace for their third consecutive 20-win season when play was halted due to COVID-19. He becomes the sixth SWOSU Baseball player to be named SWOSU's Male Athlete of the Year and second in the past three seasons.

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Trent Boesen

# McDugle, Boggs Warn Employers to Be Wary of Fraudulent Unemployment Claims



State Rep. Kevin McDugle, R-Broken Arrow, and State Sen. Larry Boggs, R-Wilburton, issued a reminder to employers across the state to watch out for fraudulent unemployment claims.

"Our unemployment laws have been relaxed to aid Oklahomans in need so they can be approved for claims faster, but many people are attempting to take advantage of a system designed to help people during this time," McDugle said. "Employers are receiving fraudulent unemployment claims from all across the state, including farmers. Some of these fraudulent claims may be from someone falsely filing as an employee, but some of them are people who may have never worked for your business."

"Employers need to be aware that if they don't deny a claim, the fraudster can receive the benefits," McDugle continued. "Please carefully examine every letter you

receive from the OESC to help prevent fraudulent claims and ensure unemployment benefits are reserved for Oklahomans who are truly in need."

"As soon as reports started coming in of scams on these hard-working Oklahomans, I knew we needed to address this quickly," Boggs said. "I am thankful that the Attorney General and OESC, who are already doing yeoman's work to stay on top of protecting Oklahomans, are taking measures to help address this issue. We must all be on guard and report any occurrence of this to authorities so we can shut this down. I will continue to assist our district and state in standing watch."

Attorney General Mike Hunter has set up a page allowing individuals or businesses that receive bogus claims to fill out a form reporting the claim. The claim will then be directed to law enforcement to be addressed.

The form can be accessed here: <https://bit.ly/35lium2> and submitted to [unemploymentcomplaint@oag.ok.gov](mailto:unemploymentcomplaint@oag.ok.gov).

For more information on false claims and other resources related to unemployment for individuals and business owners, visit <https://oesc.ok.gov/>.

## High School Seniors Virtually Enroll at SWOSU

A total of 385 high school seniors has enrolled for the 2020 fall semester at Southwestern Oklahoma State University as part of a first-ever virtual New Student Orientation program on the Weatherford campus.

The online sessions were necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Students must apply and be accepted to SWOSU before they can start the enrollment process. Students are enrolled in classes through a virtual enrollment process that includes the following steps:

Students watch a video tutorial for planning courses on their schedule and complete a pre-advisement questionnaire.

After the questionnaire is submitted, NSO staff matches students with academic advisors within their area of interest.

Advisors contact students by email, phone or zoom to discuss course selections and complete the enrollment process.

New Student Orientation Coordinator Taler Alexander said that along with enrollment, students are also enrolled in an online orientation to be completed over the summer.

For more information on incoming freshman enrollment at SWOSU, visit <https://share.swosu.edu/Enroll2020>. Other questions can be directed to SWOSU New Student Orientation at (580) 774-3233 or [orientation@swosu.edu](mailto:orientation@swosu.edu)

## High School Seniors Selected for SWOSU President's Leadership Class

Sixteen high school seniors have been selected to the President's Leadership Class (PLC) for 2020-21 at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

Members of the class and their high schools are Cloie Banks of Cordell; Matthew Beck of Stroud; Harley Brinkley Clinton; Raegan Cope Altus; Lathanise Cox-Moscatello of Moore; Hanna Dirickson of Weatherford; Lincoln Fitts of Duncan; Andrew Houk of Fairview; Emiley Kauk of Arapaho-Butler; Brooklynn Kimble of Hydro-Eakly; Kohl Kimmel of Yukon; Jaedyn Magness of Shattuck; Matthew "Blaine" McKinsey of Deer Creek; Baylee Miller of Elk City; Matt Milner of Duke; Peyton Novosad of Yukon; and Rachel Sweet of Perry.

Each of the class members receives a \$500 per semester scholarship for two years, room scholarship for one year and enrollment in a leadership class that is offered exclusively to PLC students. After completing their second year of the program, students receive a sponsored trip to Washington, D.C. with SWOSU President Randy Beutler.

During the third and fourth years of the program, students serve as mentors for the first and second year PLC members and serve in campus leadership roles, university activities and internships. Students may be eligible for continuing scholarships.

Todd Boyd, who directs the PLC program at SWOSU, said the PLC is a four-year program

offered by the university to recognize outstanding leadership qualities and to encourage students in their participation as SWOSU campus leaders and future leaders in Oklahoma. The program is designed to assist in promoting and developing effective academic, social and leadership skills, which is accomplished through direct participation in campus activities, seminars, guest speakers, recruitment and alumni efforts.

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