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## Clinton Rodeo scheduled

Chase Wright  
Staff Writer

The Clinton Rodeo, hosted by the Clinton Round-up Club, will be held Friday, July 30th and Saturday, July 31st. The famous Hot Dog Rodeo Days will be full of exciting summer fun with a parade and sidewalk sale. Have fun competing in the kids' "Cutest Cowboy or Cowgirl" contest, sack races, and egg toss. So, swing by Nance Rotary Park for some wild western fun featuring fierce competitors and events including calf roping, barrels, breakaway, and team roping. Prize money and bragging rights are on the line and there is even a \$100 giveaway for ticket holders. You do not want to miss this year's rodeo, and you'll especially want to swing by to see special guest Madison Schalla, who will be showcasing her trick riding talents.

The Clinton Round-up Club is hosting a special Benefit Barrel Race on July 18th at Nance Rotary Park. All proceeds will go to Deb Green for ongoing medical costs. Exhibitions begin at 4PM with a \$5 entry. Races begin at 6PM: \$15 for youth; \$25 for open. Youth will compete 3D 1 second splits, while the open will be 4D half-second splits. The BBR got rained out and they are instead having a side pot race for Deb with \$500 added during the NBHA on August 15th.



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Western Plains Public library in Weatherford hosted Extreme Animals at the Great Plains Family YMCA in Weatherford.

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# NEW STUDENT ENROLLMENT DAY



**AUGUST 3, 2021**

FOR WHOM?	LOCATION/TIME	WHAT TO BRING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brand NEW students</li> <li>Transfer Students</li> <li>Move-In Students</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM - 3:30 PM</li> <li>HS Library</li> <li>1500 N. Washington</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shot Record</li> <li>Birth Certificate</li> </ul>
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		QUESTIONS?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New student enrollment forms will be completed</li> <li>Middle School and High School students will do class request of scheduling</li> <li>If you pre-enrolled in March for Pre-K, there is no need to come on this date</li> <li>Bus Routes &amp; Sports questions can be answered this date</li> </ul>		Contact the Administration Building at 580-772-3327

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# WEATHERFORD EAGLE

## YOUTH FOOTBALL SIGN-UPS

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**Division II: 9 & 10 year olds**  
**Division III: 11 & 12 year olds**

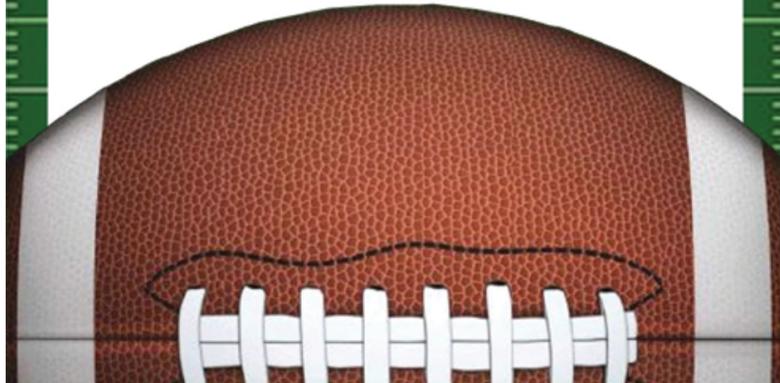
**COST:**  
\$125 per child and \$100 for siblings  
Entry fee pays for helmet, shoulder pads, pants with pads, and game uniforms.  
*\*Parents will responsible for providing cleats, mouth piece and a practice jersey for their child/children*

**REMAINING SIGN-UP DATES:**  
Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup>- 6pm-7:30pm @ Hibbett Sports  
Monday, July 26<sup>th</sup>- 6pm-7:30pm @ Hibbett Sports  
After that, sign-ups will be at practice. Last day for sign-up is at end of practice on August 17th.

**PRACTICE STARTS:** August 2nd and every Monday, Tuesday & Thursday following.

Round Robin will be Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at the Weatherford High School Football Field

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**Larry Joe Sharp**

Funeral services for Larry Joe Sharp, 59 year-old Weatherford resident, were held Thursday, July 15, 2021, 2:00 P.M. in the Indian Baptist Church with Delford Whitecrow officiating. Services were under the direction of Lockstone Funeral Home.



Larry was born November 13, 1961, in Grove, OK to Ross and Rachel (Hildebrand) Sharp and passed away Saturday, July 10, 2021, at home in Weatherford. Larry was raised in Anderson, MO and graduated from McDonald County High School in 1979. He came west to settle in the Fairview, OK area to work in the oilfield. Larry met Euline Lee in Canton and later moved to Weatherford. He has worked to BOP Ram for 30 years. Larry enjoyed fishing, camping, OU sports, going to the casino, and spending time with friends, family and grandchildren.

Larry is survived by his wife Euline Sharp of their home in Weatherford; two sons: Thomas Lee and Ross Sharp both of Weatherford; three daughters: Nicole, Brandy, and Kelli Sharp all of Weatherford; one brother: William Sharp of Kenwood, OK; one sister Diane Sharp of Alabama; twenty-five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers: Jon Jon, Junior and Steve; five sisters: Ollie, Betty, Wanda, Nancy and Lou; and one great-grandson, Talon Stone.

**Mary Glenn Phelps**

The family strongly encourages masks to be worn, unless you are fully vaccinated. If you choose not to wear a mask for medical or other reasons, please attend virtually. The church will have a live feed of the service on the Facebook page "Weatherford Fumc".



Mary Phelps died peacefully on July 13, 2021 at the Weatherford Regional Hospital with some of her children by her side. She was born Mary Glenn Hale, 93 years, 8 months and 6 days ago in Stratford, Texas on November 7, 1927. She was the 9th of 12 children born into the incredible family of William Benton Hale and Ethel Viola French. The stories of her childhood revolve around the love of a huge family; how they worked and prayed together; sang, danced and played together. There was illness and hardship at times but they all made it through the Dust Bowl, the Great Depression and World War II.

Mary attended all twelve years of school at the public schools in Goodwell, Oklahoma and graduated from Goodwell High School in 1945. She loved school and played basketball and ran track. She worked alongside all her siblings and parents on their farm. After she graduated from high school, she attended Panhandle Agricultural and Mechanical College in Goodwell. There she fell for the love of her life, Jack Phelps. They married on May 28, 1946 in Guymon, Oklahoma and shared life for over 69 years until his death in 2016. Leaning on each other through every step of the way, there was nothing they couldn't do together. They lived in various small towns in the Panhandle; then Stillwater, Weatherford and Alva and finally settled in Weatherford after Jack retired from teaching. Everywhere they lived, Mary filled their homes full

of warmth and love.

Mary loved God in a way that taught and reminded everyone around her what true faith means. She lived her life so full of grace that everyone around her couldn't help but see God's love in her. She was "Sweet Mary" and "Angel Mary" to the end.

Mary is reunited with her beloved, Jack. She is survived by three daughters, Jackie Duncan and husband David of Weatherford, Oklahoma; Judy Zehr and husband Joel of Weatherford, Oklahoma; Janet Phelps and her husband David Landreth of Houston, Texas; one son, Jon Phelps of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; three grandchildren: Jordan Zehr and his wife Elizabeth Zehr of Austin, Texas, Logan Phelps of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and Erin Phelps of Seattle, Washington; one sister, Fern Webster of Amarillo, Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews and their families. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack; her parents; six brothers, Aaron, Ernest, Ralph, Bud, Mose and Ted; four sisters, Pat, Thelma, Viola and Wilma Jo.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church.

**Timmy Dale Schapansky**

Timmy Schapansky, 59, Arapaho resident passed away in his home, Saturday, July 10, 2021. He was born February 22, 1962, the son of Larry David Schapansky and Bunny (Beye) Schapansky.



Timmy was raised in Arapaho, OK where he graduated from School in 1980. He worked in the Kellwood Factory in Clinton and the Robertson Factory in Cordell. He was a heavy equipment operator in the construction business.

He was a member of the Baptist Church; He enjoyed riding motorcycles, enjoyed dancing and spending time with his dog.

He is preceded in death by his dad.

He is survived by his mother, Bunny, of Arapaho, sister, Kim Lady, Arapaho and two brothers, Chad Housman, Cordell, OK and David Housman, Dodge City, KS.

He is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

**Thomas Marelli**

Mass of Christian Burial for Thomas Marelli, 58, Houston, TX resident were held 10:00 A.M., Thursday, July 15, 2021 in the St. Mary's Catholic Church, officiated by Father Balaswamy Mandagiri. Burial concluded in the Clinton Cemetery under the direction of the Kiesau-Lee Funeral Home.



Thomas Giuseppe Marelli was born January 8, 1963 to Mary Virginia (Lee) and Angelo Marelli in Milan, Italy and passed away Sunday, July 11, 2021 in the Memorial Herman Memorial City Hospital in Houston, TX.

Thomas was raised in Italy and moved to Clinton, OK when he was 17 years with his parents. He attended St. Johns Catholic School in Kansas before attending Oklahoma University in Norman where he also received his masters Degree. He was currently trying to complete his degree in fine arts in Houston, TX. He was a mechanical engineer and an accomplished artist.

His artistic name is Indaco.

He has made his home in Houston, TX since 2000. He was employed with Ruhrpumpen Engineering Company. He married Silvia Estrada on February 25, 2008 in Houston, TX.

He is a member of the Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbia. He was a craftsman's; he is an avid Oklahoma University Football Fan, he enjoyed watching his son play soccer, he loved the outdoors and traveling and his passion was gardening.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

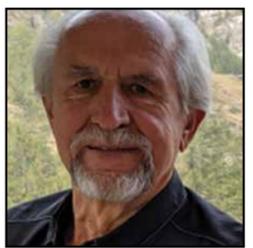
He is survived by his wife, Silvia, of the Houston home; two sons, Luca Marelli and Julian, both of the home; daughter, Anna Marcelli, of North Carolina and his sister Luciana Powell, El Paso, TX.

He is also survived by his two grandchildren, Jordan Marcelli and Audric Lanouette, of North Carolina.

Rest in peace, art, love, and freedom Tom-Indaco.

**Kenny Ratzlaff**

Graveside Services for Kenny Ratzlaff, 73, Bangor, MI resident will be held 10:00 A.M., Saturday, July 24, 2021 in the Mennonite Brethren Cemetery in Corn, OK, officiated by Jack Sawatzky and under the direction of the Kiesau-Lee Funeral Home.



Kenny Ray Ratzlaff was born September of 1947 to ElRoy Harvey Ratzlaff and Erma Jean Ratzlaff in Cordell, OK and passed away Sunday, July 11, 2021 surrounded by family.

A few days before Christmas in 1966 in Liberal, KS, he married the love of his life – his "dear" – Patty Koehn. The tow of them would spend the next 54 years side-by-side, partners in all things. Kenny was the founder and president of Beacon Specialized Living Services, serving individuals with intellectual disabilities and mental health needs from 1998 until his passing. He was active in numerous Michigan State Boards and community advisory panels. He was a member of the Gideons International, speaking to churches around Southwest Michigan for over a decade. He served on the board of Evangelical Mission Ministries for over 25 years. Most importantly, he was a rock to his wife, a loving father, and an adventurous grandfather.

Kenny had deep compassion and care for all people he tirelessly advocated for those with mental health needs. He loved to travel – especially by train and found and affinity for collecting train memorabilia. Everything in his life was driven by his love for Jesus and his desire to see others find that love in their own lives.

Kenny is survived by his wife – Patty: children Nathan and Kent and wife, Jennavieve; mother – Erma; siblings - Bob and Jean and grandchildren – Katlyn, Broc and Aden.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Kalamazoo Gospel Ministries at <http://www.kzoogospel.org> of The Gideons International at <https://gideons.org> in Kenny's honor.

Kindly share your thoughts and memories on the family's online guest book at [www.FilbrandtFFH.com](http://www.FilbrandtFFH.com). Memorial Slideshow: <https://youtu.be/AJgjV2x1QVY>



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## SWOSU Plans COVID Vaccination Clinic in August and September



Southwestern Oklahoma State University plans to host a COVID vaccination clinic on Friday, August 20, on the Weatherford campus.

Dr. Randy Curry, coordinator of the SWOSU College of Pharmacy Rural Health Center, said the clinic will run from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center. Appointments are preferred and can be made now by calling 580.774.3025.

The clinic is open to everyone, including SWOSU students who start classes on August 16.

A clinic for the second dose of the vaccination will be held Friday, September 10, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center.

Curry encourages people who have not been vaccinated to set up appointments at SWOSU or with a local provider.

## Area Businesses Can Connect with Potential Employees at SWOSU Job Fair

Are you a Weatherford-area business having a problem finding workers to fill open positions?

Southwestern Oklahoma State University students return to campus in mid-August and that means a fresh crop of potential employees. Weatherford Works is being launched this year to help connect students and area employers.

Weatherford Works is a job fair scheduled for 3-6 p.m. on Thursday, August 19, in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center on the SWOSU campus. It is being sponsored by The Southwestern student news site, and SWOSU Career Exploration and Dean of Students offices.

Interested employers can reserve a table at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center by contacting Heather Hummel at heather.hummel@swosu.edu or 580-774-3259 by 5 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 12. Those participating may bring any materials to distribute, as well as interview employee prospects on the spot.

The job fair is open to Custer County residents in addition to area college and high school students.

For more information, contact Dr. Loran Lewis at 580-774-3083 or by email at loran.lewis@swosu.edu.

## SWOSU Launches Innovative Student Support Program



Southwestern Oklahoma State University is launching an innovative mentorship program designed to provide comprehensive support for incoming students on the Weatherford campus.

SWOSU Mentor Collective is an online mentorship program that matches students with peers to help students set and achieve their goals—both academic and personal.

Dr. Wendy Yoder, director of the SWOSU Academic Support Center, said the vision for the program aligns with several initiatives laid out in SWOSU strategic priorities, including student success, engagement and retention. The program aims to help these students meet a range of unique challenges by providing them with personalized support from peers with similar experiences.

Through SWOSU Mentor Collective, students will now have ongoing access to a network of mentors trained to offer guidance and advice. Students will be

matched with a personal mentor based on common academic interests, career goals, life challenges and experiences. Students can also use the platform's discussion guides and goal-setting activities to spark meaningful conversations with their mentors. Topics range from time management and work-life balance to networking and job-seeking advice.

The launch of SWOSU Mentor Collective reflects the latest research on the positive impacts of personalized, student-centered programs. Mentorship is an effective tool to increase graduation rates and academic achievement in higher education.

SWOSU Mentor Collective is actively enrolling students and mentors for the 2021-22 school year. Students who are interested in learning more about the program should contact Yoder in the Academic Support Center at (580) 774-6037 or wendy.yoder@swosu.edu.

These resources are funded by the U.S. Department of Education through the Strengthening Institutions Program CARES Act program (ED-GRANTS-04020-004). These funds are for the purpose of supporting retention efforts due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

## SWOSU Students Win Awards at Phi Beta Lambda National Conference



Southwestern Oklahoma State University students from the Everett Dobson School of Business in Weatherford recently won honors at the Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) 2021 National Leadership Conference, and one

SWOSU student even took first place at the national competition.

Students from universities of all sizes across the United States competed in real-life scenarios that tested the business acumen of aspiring business leaders. The conference was held virtually due to Covid-19 guidelines and travel bans in parts of the nation.

Leading SWOSU were:

Grace Seelke of Okeene who took top honors, placing first nationally, in Accounting Principles, and fifth nationally in Macroeconomics.

Chaysee Caudill of Piedmont placed seventh nationally in Statistical Analysis.

Brock Smith of Cordell placed fifth nationally in Human Resource Management.

SWOSU PBL sponsor Nate Hicks had high praise for the student competitors.

"Students from SWOSU are able to hold their own against the best students from well-known universities across the nation," Hicks said. "This speaks highly of our business program, the professors and, most importantly, our students. Grace placing first in Accounting Principles was the icing on the cake."

PBL National Leadership Conference 2022 is scheduled to take place in Chicago next summer.

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**Mike Smith**  
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**BECKHAM COUNTY/ILLEGAL MARIJUANA GROW-** Beckham County Sheriff Derek Manning says state and local authorities conducted a raid on an illegal marijuana grow operation, just west of Elk City. Sheriff Manning says authorities destroyed some 2500 marijuana plants. He says county workers took the plants and destroyed them at a location within Beckham County under the supervision of the Oklahoma Department of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs.

after filing unopposed. Also, Weatherford Mayor Mike Brown will serve another term in office after not drawing an opponent. The Clinton ward 3 council race will be held during the November 9th general election.

**CLINTON SCHOOLS/BOND-** Clinton schools superintendent Tyler Bridges says the district is in the planning process to put a bond issue before district voters this coming school year. Bridges says the exact scope of what would be in a bond issue is still in the planning stages. Meanwhile, Bridges says the district did get several million dollars from stimulus funds that are being used for various upgrades in the district.

**SWOSU/VACCINATION CLINICS-** SWOSU is planning COVID vaccination clinics in August and September. The clinics are open to everyone, including SWOSU students who start classes on August 16th. SWOSU will host a COVID vaccination clinic on Friday, August 20th, on the Weatherford campus at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center from 10am-2pm. A clinic for the second dose of the vaccination will be held Friday, September 10th, at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center from 10-2. SWOSU college of pharmacy rural health center coordinator Dr. Randy Curry encourages people who have not been vaccinated to set up appointments at SWOSU or with a local provider.

**CLINTON/ALLIANCE HEALTH NEW CEO-** The Board of Trustees of Alliance Health-Clinton have announced the appointment of a new chief executive officer. Tracy Byers will assume the role beginning August 8th. Hospital officials say in his 20-plus years of experience in the healthcare industry, Byers has built a strong track record of success in physician recruitment, expansion of services, and operational leadership. Byers comes to Clinton from Alliance Health-Madill.

**WASHITA COUNTY/FATALITY-** A Clinton man is dead and three others were treated and released following a two vehicle accident at the intersection of state highways 152 and 54 north, approximately 13 miles east of Cordell in Washita County. The Oklahoma Highway Patrol says 65 year old Timothy Ray Townsend of Clinton died at the scene of the accident. 36 year old Skyler Joe McCuiston, 33 year old Spencer Tew, both of Elk City, and 20 year old James L. Williams of Dill City were all treated and released from various Western Oklahoma hospitals. Troopers say Townsend attempted to make an improper turn into a westbound turn lane and turned into the path of the McCuiston vehicle. Both vehicles departed the road before coming to rest. OHP says Townsend was partially ejected through the passenger side windshield.

**CUSTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS/SALES TAX-** Custer County Clerk Melissa Graham told county commissioners that the five year renewal of the Custer County Sales Tax comes up next year. The current sales tax breakdown is 50% to the general fund, 30% to the sheriff's department, 8% to both rural fire departments and Custer County OSU and 4% to the Custer County Free Fair. The sales tax renewal will need to be to the board of elections next April to be on the June 2022 primary ballot.

**WEATHERFORD SB/CONSTRUCTION UPDATES-** Weatherford Schools Superintendent Jill Henderson provided a construction update on the various projects in the district during a recent meeting of the school board of education. Henderson says both elementary buildings are progressing. She says the turf project at the high school football field should be ready for the first game of the season and the track project is expected to be complete for the first meet of the season.

**DEWEY COUNTY/PLANE CRASH-** The pilot of a crop dusting plane is dead after his aircraft crashed 5 miles east and 1 mile south of Seiling in Dewey County. The Oklahoma Highway Patrol says 65 year old Isaac Regier Jr., of Fairview died from injuries sustained in the crash. The patrol says the crash is under investigation.

**LAKE TEXOMA/DOUBLE FATALITY-** Two people are dead, including a western Oklahoma man, following an accident on Lake Texoma. The Oklahoma Highway Patrol says 80 year old Devered Dee Hines of Cordell and 62 year old Eddie Wayne Hines of Duncan died after being ejected into the water when the boat they were riding in suffered a steering malfunction. The operator of the boat, 67 year old Clifford Eugene Hines of Ponca City was also ejected, but was treated and released from Alliance Health-Durant. The patrol says the boat struck all three men after they had been thrown into the water.

**MUNICIPAL FILINGS/DAY 3-** Only one municipal race developed after the three day filing period concluded. Ward 3 Clinton city councilman Patch McComas is challenged by Samantha Jo Aispuro. Ernesto Villanueva claims the ward 1 city council seat in Clinton

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## SWOSU Women's Golf has Three Reach All-American Scholar Status

**Doug Self**  
SWOSU Foundation

For the second consecutive season, the SWOSU Women's Golf team has been represented by the trio of Rebecca Lau, Georgia Miller and Mikaela Rindermann on the Women's Golf Coaches Association (WGCA) All-American Scholar list.

The WGCA announced their All-American Scholar list last week, with a total of 1,432 women's collegiate golfers recognized with the prestigious honor. The criteria for selection to the All-American Scholar Team are some of the most stringent in all of college athletics, with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50 required to be considered.

"We are extremely excited to have these three ladies chosen as All-American Scholars," SWOSU Head Coach Brad Fleetwood said. "This is the highest academic honor that we have in women's golf and it's a true testament to their hard work both on and off the golf course!"

Lau, Miller and Rindermann each received the honor for the second consecutive season, giving SWOSU Women's Golf 19 selections to the WGCA All-American Scholar Team from 11 different student-athletes since 2012. Previous selections include: Jessica Heard (2012-14), Ashlynn Hall (2014), Victoria Dobbie (2014), Courtney Gourdin (2016), Emily Folsom (2017-18), Elin Wahlin (2017-19), Tracy McGill (2018) and Gloria Choi (2019).

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September 25, 2021 (Saturday)	6:00 pm	Home	Oklahoma Baptist University	Weatherford, Okla. Flex-Chem Field at Milam Stadium
October 2, 2021 (Saturday)	2:00 pm	Away	University of Arkansas at Monticello	Monticello, Ark.
October 9, 2021 (Saturday)	2:00 pm	Home	Ouachita Baptist University	Weatherford, Okla. Flex-Chem Field at Milam Stadium
October 14, 2021 (Thursday)	6:00 pm	Away	Southern Nazarene University	Bethany, Okla.
October 23, 2021 (Saturday)	2:00 pm	Home	East Central University	Weatherford, Okla. Flex-Chem Field at Milam Stadium
October 30, 2021 (Saturday)	5:30 pm	Home	Arkansas Tech University	Weatherford, Okla. Flex-Chem Field at Milam Stadium
November 6, 2021 (Saturday)	2:00 pm	Away	Harding University	Searcy, Ark.
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**Carol Hart**  
Extension Educator for Caddo & Comanche Counties

The Caddo County OHCE (Oklahoma Home & Community Education) groups are once again sponsoring the Quilt Block Challenge at the 2021 Caddo County Fair. (The contest and fair were not held last year due to Covid.) Interested Caddo county quilters may pick up a fat quarter of the 2021 challenge fabric at the Caddo OSU Extension office for \$3.00. Finished blocks MUST measure 12 1/2" x 12 1/2" and MUST include the challenge fabric in the design. You may add other 100% cotton fabrics (appropriate for quilting) to complete your block. Exhibitors may enter more than one block but can only WIN with one block. Premiums paid are as follows: 1st - \$30, 2nd - \$25, 3rd - \$20, 4th - \$15, 5th - \$10  
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Caddo County Fair (Aug. 29-Sep. 2) or at the Extension Office for \$1.00 per ticket. The winner will be drawn on Thursday, September 2 at 12:00pm in the Baldwin Building at the Caddo County Fair.  
The Caddo County OSU Extension Office is located at 1202 East Central Blvd, Anadarko OK. Phone: 405-247-3376

## "The Coin Guy" New Half Dollars in Circulation



Trent Boesen

The Federal Reserve is ordering new 2021 half dollars to be placed into general circulation. Since 2002 half dollars were minted for collectors. Some collectors have been finding half dollars in circulation since 2018. The U.S. Mint, and the Federal Reserve, did not

let collectors know that half dollars were released for circulation.

A collector reported he had found some 2021 half dollars at his bank. Other people had found half dollars with earlier dates as well.

When more half dollars were needed by the Federal Reserve the U.S. Mint had the necessary blank planchets and dies to make them.

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# Oklahoma History: Dalton Gang

**Chase Wright**  
Staff Writer

Last week, the tale of the Dalton gang led up to the ambitious double bank heist in Coffeyville, Kansas. Coming from their successful train robbery near Adair, Oklahoma, the Dalton gang found themselves riding downtown in Coffeyville on October 5th, 1892, with two banks looming ahead. The gang had decided to split into two groups: Bob and Emmett would hit the First National Bank, and Grat, Broadwell, and Powers would hold up the Condon Bank across the street. The plan had the gang tie their horses up on a familiar hitch post behind the Condon Bank offering them a speedy escape route. However, the city had undergone many changes since their last visit and the hitch post had been removed for more construction. The gang decided to hitch their horses in a nearby alley behind the city jail and proceeded toward the banks.

Now, previous visits to Coffeyville had been uneventful due to the brother's incognito lifestyle, but their recent exploit of the KT train a few months prior – the one that led to \$4,000 bounties on each member's head – had gained the group a vast amount of notoriety. This fame led to locals recognizing a couple of the brothers and members of the gang. As the 5 bandits entered their respective banks, Winchester rifles in hand, dozens of plaza workers and store owners began spreading the news that the Daltons were robbing the bank. The townsfolk quickly gathered their own guns and took up positions around the banks.

Inside, the robberies seemed to be going off without a hitch. In the Condon Bank, Grat Dalton had walked one of the cashiers to the vault and ordered it opened as Powers and Broadwell covered the other occupants and the door. The cashier told Grat that the vault was on a timer and could not be opened for another 10 minutes – a lie, but Grat's greed for the gold inside prompted him to believe the cashier and wait for it to open. Meanwhile, across the street at the First National Bank, Emmet and Bob were busy stuffing gold bars into sacks and began heading toward the exit. Emmet and Bob grabbed a nearby cashier who they planned to use as cover on their way to the meetup. All according to plan.

As Emmet and Bob took their first step out the front door of the First National Bank, a shot rang out. The plaza's businessmen, posted up around the building, quickly got into a fierce firefight with the bandits. The pair left their hostage on the front porch and headed back through the bank hoping to make their getaway through its rear exit. They grabbed two more employees

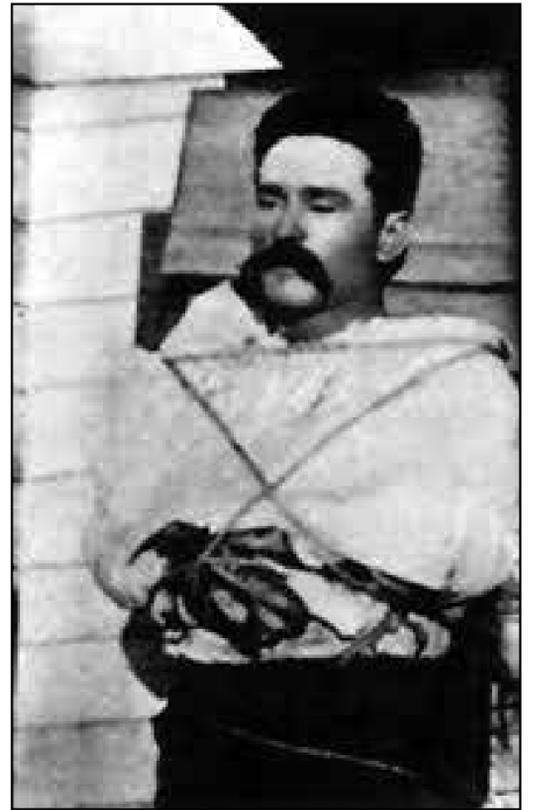
as hostages.

Across the street, Grat and his accomplices heard the shots ring out. Grat decided that the additional weight of the gold was too much and was busy dumping bags when a bullet shot through the glass of the Condon Bank hitting Broadwell in the arm. Scooping what loose cash they could, the trio fled through the back alley.

Things were not faring well for Emmet and Bob who were huddled in the First National Bank. As they burst out of the rear exit, they came face to face with citizen, Lucius Baldwin, who had been watching the door. Bob ordered Lucius to drop the gun, he refused, and Bob shot him with this rifle. Now in the open, a bloody fight began. Bob noticed a pair outside a drug store across from the bank, George Cubine and Charles Brown, had a rifle aimed at his head. Bob quickly dispatched George and shot Charles as he went for the gun. In all of the hecticness, Bob and Emmett failed to notice that their first hostage, Thomas Ayres (the one they dumped outside the bank when the shooting began), had circled back around the outside of the bank, stopping by a hardware store to grab a rifle. Ayres came around just as Bob executed Charles and took aim. At the last second, Bob saw Ayres and from roughly 200 ft away shot him in the head. Ayres survived but was paralyzed for life. Bob and Emmett had made it to the horses. Bob signaled to Grat and the boys in the Condon bank to hurry out.

The gang met up with sacks full of money, and as they began to unload onto their horses, two town marshals came around the corner. Grat shot and killed the first marshal, but before he could turn on the second, the marshal shot him in the throat. The townsfolk closed in on the bandits, Bob went down in a hail of gunfire from the hardware store, and Powers was shot trying to mount his horse. Broadwell managed to mount his horse, but was quickly hit again and rode off; he was found dead two miles away. Powers fell in sea of bullets near Grat leaving only Emmett Dalton alive; he held up his hands in surrender. Emmett was treated for near 20 gunshot wounds and lived. After standing trial and being sentenced to life in prison, Emmett was surprisingly pardoned in 1907.

Now outside of prison, Emmett moved to California and would go on to write about the exploits of the Dalton Gang. The book was instantly popular, and Emmett and his wife returned to Coffeyville and they were treated like celebrities. After his death in 1937, his book was adapted into a western movie When the Dalton's Rode. Many other films about the brothers and their exploits have been



**Photo: George "Red Buck" Waightman, killed by Custer County Posse 1896**

made, including the 2020 release of The Dalton Gang.

Following the almost complete wipeout of the Dalton Gang in Coffeyville, Bill Dalton and Bill Doolin (who had been waiting outside the town to backup the robbers as they fled) found themselves riding under the outlaw Henry Starr outside of Kingfisher. When they rose to take over the gang as leaders, they became known as the Wild Bunch and would incur the wrath of U.S. Marshal Evett "E.D." Nix, who was appointed one hundred marshals under his command to bring down the outlaws. Over the next five years, Nix and his marshals would hunt down each member of the Wild Bunch. One of the last members to get taken down, was George "Red Buck" Waightman, who was killed on March 4th, 1896 by a Custer County posse near Arapaho, Oklahoma. Bill Doolin and the marshals would play cat and mouse for a couple more years, but that's a tale for another time.

## HIGHER GROUND

### For His Glory



**Jim Morrison**

Corrie ten Boon spent a year in a concentration camp for being a part of a family that hid Jews from the Nazi's during World War II. Her story is told in the book *The Hiding Place*, which was also made into a movie. She suffered through horrible treatment from the guards, and her sister, Betsie died under unbelievably harsh conditions.

After her release through a clerical error, she was determined to let the world know how God had strengthened her through those painful months. One of her classic quotes from that period is "There is no pit so deep that God's love is not deeper still."

With no resources other than her faith in the greatness of God, she traveled the world speaking to hundreds of thousands on almost every continent. Her travels are cataloged in her book, *A Tramp for the Lord*. One of the stories from that book describes

her visit to an old couple in a communist controlled country. They were so elderly and incapacitated that the authorities left them alone. But the old lady was performing a service to the Kingdom of God that only she could have done. Propped up by pillows on a small sofa, her body twisted by muscular sclerosis, she used one finger, typing on an old typewriter. Far into the night she would translate Christian books into Russian, Latvian, and the language of her people. Always using just one finger—peck. . . peck. . . she typed out portions of the Bible, the books of Billy Graham, Watchman Nee, and Corrie ten Boon.

Her husband said, "Not only does she translate their books, but she prays for these men every day while she types. Sometimes it takes a long time for her finger to hit the key or for her to get the paper in the machine, but all the time she is praying for those whose books she is working on." He continued, "God has a purpose for her sickness. Every other Christian in the city is watched by the secret police. But because she has been sick so long, no one looks in on her. They leave us alone and she is the only person in the entire

city who can type quietly, undetected by the police."

When Corrie and her aide returned home, they managed to have a new typewriter sent to her. Later they received a letter from her husband saying—in the early morning hours she had left to be with the Lord. But, he said, "She had worked up until midnight that same night, typing with that one finger to the glory of God." Corrie thought of Jesus blessing the woman who had given all that she had to the temple treasury and imagined the blessings that awaited that old, crippled woman who likewise gave all that she had.

With all the freedoms we have and the resources so readily available, God waits to bless us and others through us if only we would capture the message of following and loving Jesus with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength.

"Lord, forgive us for the ease and comfort that we desire when we are called to suffer with Jesus to make his name and renown known in every home in our city and to every corner of the world. Amen."

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